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Barony of  
Dun Carraig

# MAY 2006

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	1	2 Baronial Business Meeting	3 Fight Prac- tice (Armored & Rapier)	4 Archery Prac- tice	5	6 Crown Tour- ney
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14	15 Newcomers Meeting	16	17 Fight Prac- tice (Armored & Rapier)	18 Archery Prac- tice	19	20 On Target
21	22	23	24 Fight Prac- tice (Armored & Rapier)	25 Archery Prac- tice	26 Sapphire Joust	27 Sapphire Joust
28 Sapphire Joust	29 Sapphire Joust	30	31 Fight Prac- tice (Armored & Rapier)			

# JUNE 2006

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				1	2 Officer's Meeting @ 7:30	3 University
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11 Highland River Melees	12 Highland River Melees	13	14	15	16 Stierbach Baronial Birthday	17 Stierbach Baronial Birthday
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25	26	27	28	29	30	

## Upcoming Events for April

- 1—Coronation of Michael and Seonaid, River's Point, Petersburg, VA
- 8—Tir-y-Don Baronial Birthday, Tir-y-Don, Newport News, VA
- 14-16—Night on the Town VIII—Peasants Revolt, Lochmere, Crownsville, MD
- 22—Challenge of the Heart, Dun Carraig, Huntingtown, MD
- 28-30 Beltane, Berley Cort, Sedley, VA

## Upcoming Events for May

- 5-7—Crown Tournament, Tir-Y-Don, Williamsburg, VA
- 19-21—Birthday of the Black Prince, Black Diamond, Bland, VA
- 19-21, On Target, Lochmere, Annapolis, MD
- 26-29 Sapphire Joust/ Atlantian 25th Birthday (R), Caer Mear, Amelia, VA

## Upcoming Events for June

- 3—June University, Isenfir, Charlottesville, VA
- 9-11—Highland River Melees, Highland Foorde, Hagerstown, MD
- 16-18—King's Assessment ( R ), Black Diamond, Vinton, VA
- 24—Seneschal/Exchequer Symposium, Caer Mear Richmond, VA
- 30- July 2—All Things Martial, Bright Hills, Elkton, MD

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## EXCHEQUER'S REPORT (For May 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting)

Thank you to Rose and Marcia for working Troll at Challenge. Thank you to Rose for also handling Reservations.

Our new Kingdom Exchequer Gwen took over on April 1<sup>st</sup> (she was our MD Regional). We have a new MD Regional Exchequer (announced today): Helena of Roxbury Mill.

The 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report has been done and emailed on time. Paper copies are in the mail.

Challenge (April) – Cannot do Final Event Report until the deposit and/or refunds are sent from the site and they had stated 2-3 weeks. NMS Fees were sent to Kingdom. MoL Fees were sent to Lore to forward to Kingdom with her report. I'm still working on the Feast receipts and the buy-backs to sort it all out. If you haven't paid for your food buy-backs, please do so tonight if at all possible so I can get this part of the report done.

Baronial Birthday (November) – Budget done and approved. I have a copy of the Contract. Deposit has been paid to the site. Balances are due by 14 days prior to the Event.

The new Reservation and Troll stuff was implemented at Challenge and went well. Marcia met with me for the meeting prior to working Troll so now she is cleared as well. If you haven't attended a Troll Meeting with me and you plan on working Troll at all for Birthday, get with me and I will either arrange a Troll Meeting for a few folks or arrange a one-on-one for you.

A few days ago I received the new Kingdom Exchequer Handbook and the new Local Exchequer Handbook.

The proposed Financial Policy is currently being reviewed by the Kingdom Exchequer.

Per new Society and Kingdom Laws, we can no longer hold checks received for any reason more than 14 days. They MUST be deposited to the bank prior to those 14 days. Reservationists need to make sure and get checks to me as quickly as possible from now on so I can get them deposited within that time.

I am now meeting with Autocrats separately for setting up Event Proposed Budgets. Phone and/or email is too complicated for this.

We have \$3,175.68 in our account at this time.

# A&S Schedule

Date	Class	Location	Instructor
1/10/2006	Hair Taping	Molly's	Molly
1/24/2006			
2/14/2006			
2/28/2006			
3/14/2006			
3/28/2006			
4/11/2006			
4/25/2006			
5/9/2006	Cooking Basics	Muirghen & Minna's	Muirghen
5/23/2006	Banner Making	Kiri's?	Kiri?
6/13/2006	Astrology	Muirghen & Minna's	Muirghen
6/27/2006	Camp Bed		
7/11/2006	Organizing Your Camp		Erwin/Muirghen
7/18/2006	Basic T Tunic		
8/8/2006	Pennsic Break	n/a	n/a
8/22/2006	Documenting Your Work	Kiri's?	Kiri?
9/12/2006	Becoming a Scribe		
9/26/2006	Period Dance		
10/10/2006	Building a Ger	Muirghen & Minna's	Muirghen
10/24/2006	Event Support		
11/14/2006	Basic Costume		
11/28/2006	Court Etiquette		
12/12/2006	TBD		
12/26/2006	Holiday Break	n/a	n/a

Classes with blank spaces are those that need an instructor—please let Muirghen know if you'd be interested in teaching.

# Question of the Month

Starting this month, each issue of the Clyffe Notes will feature a question. This might ask for your opinion on an issue, or it might ask you to share a story or a memory. Some will be serious, and some will be silly. (Chronicler's Note: Considering who's writing the newsletter, most will probably be silly.) To answer the question, e-mail [chronicler@duncarraig.net](mailto:chronicler@duncarraig.net).

*Legal Stuff:* E-mailing a response to the "Question of the Month" to the [chronicler@duncarraig.net](mailto:chronicler@duncarraig.net) gives permission for your response to be published in the Clyffe Notes, for one month only, both in print and on the web, with permission to edit your response for length and for grammar. E-mailing a response also indicates that your response was written by you. Credit will be given, unless you ask to remain anonymous. For barony members who would like to discuss the question without having their responses published in the newsletter, use the Dun Carraig e-mail list. The Chronicler cannot promise to print all responses received.

Okay, that takes care of the fine print. This month's question:

How many SCAdians does it take to  
screw in a lightbulb?

# BARONIAL BUSINESS MEETING

The June business meeting will be held Tuesday, June 6 at 7:30 PM, at the Good Samaritan Presbyterian Church in Waldorf, MD.

## Baronial Business Meeting Minutes May 1st, 2006

### Old Business

#### Relay for Life

Our team currently has 12 members. Three are non SCAdians. We have rapier fighters and a marshal, but no heavy marshal yet. We also still need more team members.

Relay is now about a month and a half away—June 16th and 17th.

Alex & Kier are bringing a three room tent for those who want to change into civvies after the first couple laps, sleep, etc.

#### Challenge of the Heart

At this point, it looks as though we lost about one hundred dollars on this event. (Serena is still waiting on a refund from the site, so this is a very tentative number. Feast buyback is also not counted into that figure, so numbers are very “fuzzy” at this point. Feast buyback won’t go on the event report, but if that’s factored in, we may end up being slightly ahead.

Attendance was 89 people.

It was suggested that for next year we pay for an extra 2 months in the Acorn. One problem mentioned with that suggestion is that we’ve paid before & not had it printed and were not able to get a refund. On the other hand, it was pointed out that if we have paid for advertising, we have more leverage to complain if the information is not printed.

#### Prince Fred Meeting Site

The Prince Frederick Library meeting rooms, which Rose had reserved, have tables and chairs and room for thirty people, and are open until nine p.m.

Rose mentioned that she would prefer that we not have rooms reserved as a back-up, but that we only hold them if we intend to use that meeting location.

Amalia has been in touch with the church secretary, who spoke with the building committee. Our use of the church is still dependent on Jonathas and Amalia being members, but right now they have no plans to go anywhere else,. Also, the church has agreed to let someone else open and close the church if Jonathas and Amalia aren't there—someone can have a backup key. Rose mentioned that this takes away her primary concern.

Bozhana mentions that the church is about as central as we can get without building our own building. Kelly motions to keep the church as a meeting location until & unless we find a better one that's central. Mathias seconds the motion. The vote is unanimous in favor of keeping the church.

### **Officers Meeting**

The next officers' meeting will be held June 2<sup>nd</sup> at Alex & Kier's house. Bozhana wants to remind all the officers that all officers agreed this was a good idea and strongly encourages officers to go. Those who cannot attend, PLEASE send your deputy, spouse, friend, whoever if you can't show. You can also contact Bozhana if you can't attend. You can send her any info you want passed along to the other officers, and she'll give you notes from the meeting.

### **Birthday**

Meeting, May 12, 7 PM. Matthew and Adriana's house. This will be the first planning meeting for Birthday.

Adriana and Matt will provide snacks; please feel free to bring something to share. Gallileo volunteered to bring the keg. (Chronicler's Note: I was kidding. I **think** he was as well, but you can never tell....) Those who are allergic, Matt and Adriana do have a new cat (as you know from reading the list). If you let them know, they can close him in another room, but he will have had a couple weeks to shed all over everything before the meeting takes place.

We still need:

-Head server & server(s) for high table. These two wouldn't have to be the same person. (Head server wrangles volunteers, coordinates w/ cook, and makes sure volunteers have a clue, or at least half of one. High table server(s)—two would be ideal, one to hold plate/bowl & one to serve out—serves high table. The high table servers could use period information, the guidelines Jonathas posted to the list, etc. Basically, these servers add to the "show" & make those at high table feel special.

-Someone to run games table. This means you get to hang out & play games. This person wouldn't need to be the same person all day. Also, you don't need to know the rules for every game—we'll make sure whatever's there has rules written & included.

-People to start talking up Birthday at events.

As far as the Acorn, we may want to buy an extra month or two. We can get a little blurb in the event summary starting w/ upcoming issues. (Adriana wanted to get confirmation from MOL that tourney format was viable first, then will send that off.)

## New Business

### ADITME

The barony discussed whether we want to do A Day in the Middle East next year. It was pointed out that we probably won't always have a free site.

- The event would've only broken even if we had to pay \$500ish for the site. (Profit was 479.95)
- Site fees were lower because we didn't pay for the site.
- Since this was a low site fee, we didn't take in as much—but higher site fees can decrease attendance.
- It was mentioned that we need to make sure to space events out.
- Lore volunteered as autocrat for Middle Eastern 07.

### Challenge of 07

- The site we had this year was nice, and will grant us more privileges next year. The price was good, and it has all the amenities we need indoors & out. Next year, we can do archery, but we won't know for sure about camping for another couple months.
- Camping will cost us \$1 a head, and there are rustic cabins on site. There might also be fees for staff to stay the night.
- There was a question about whether the site will work again without Marvin or Marcia as autocrat. The fact that Jackie knows Marvin and Marcia helped this year.
- Marvin & Marcia already have people planned out for various roles and are trying to get things in gear for next year.
- Johanna suggested having help from local groups both b/c they're larger and don't have the same people tapped for \*every\* event the way we do. And because it also allows some advertising.
- Hank & co. did a \*fabulous\* job cooking.
- Rose motions to have Marvin as autocrat, Marcia as deputy. Hank seconds, and the vote is unanimous in favor.
- Equestrian: It was mentioned that we may need more info before deciding whether or not to pursue this, as it involves extra insurance, money, etc.
- Archery. Marvin and Marcia will find out the requirements for the site.

### After Event Meetings

Muirghen explained the tradition of having the meeting after an event at a restaurant. It was a way for the people in the barony to be reminded that they still liked each other after surviving an event. As the barony has grown, it's gotten harder to find a room that will hold everyone. For some people, especially families with kids, the expense also becomes a problem. Still, more people show up at the restaurant meeting than any other. One person commented that it would really be nice also to do dinner after random meetings just to hang out.

For our post-event celebration, we can also do food after the meeting. The meeting goes quickly because everyone wants food. When money's an issue, we can do pizza party or potluck at church.

### **Deputies**

MOL and Chatelaine both need deputies.

### **Demo at Celtic festival**

The possibility of doing a demo at the Celtic festival was proposed. We might be able to get other baronies involved. We may have more interest if we have a few more local people from various groups. Jim volunteers to run the demo. Hank has contacts with the Celtic society and volunteers to assist.

### **Kitchen Tent**

The kitchen tent has holes and needs to be fixed. It's no longer under warranty, so we can patch it ourselves without voiding anything.

### **Mailing List**

As regional deputy seneschal, Johanna has been instructed to be on all mailing lists of local groups. (She mentioned that she does an awful lot of skimming, and only reads closely when she sees a lot of posts with the same subject line.) She will be added to our list as well, so that she can read our fascinating e-mails about cats and our plans to get together for lunch.

## **Officers' Reports**

### **Chronicler**

The May issue included Marcia's comments on Challenge. It also gets us back "in line" as far as scheduling.

Alienor suggested having a subject index & volunteered to set it up. This should help people find information in back issues of the Clyffe Notes without downloading four or five PDF files to get what they need. At the meeting, Jonathas mentioned that, once he knows what format the index is being set up in, he'll set the website up with a place for it.

### **Herald**

There's still no news on Mathias's warrant for herald. He asks B&B and Seneschal to write that information down so he can mail it to the kingdom officer to get his warrant that way.

And a penlight. (Chronicler's Note: You really had to be there.)

### **Quartermaster**

Clean-up worked a lot better. There was less discussion of what goes where and fewer problems. The quartermaster needs to go back to the B&B's to make sure we really have everything we should have & nothing we don't.

### **Chatelaine**

Rose is interested in getting a deputy.

### **Knight Marshal**

We have a couple people working on marshalls. A couple people have been MITs long enough to have their class expire (2 yrs), and we really need more marshals. If you like playing any marshalled activity, not hard to become a marshal. If you're a marshal, you're not dependent on someone else to be able to play.

### **Chirurgion**

Minna has 2 events left to apprentice Chirurgion at.

We need our own water bottles as a barony, not borrowed from members. Waterbearing & chirurgion supplies (pickles, oranges, and other consumable "stuff") will cost about \$25 per event.

### **MOL**

Despite the rain, we managed to have some light fighting at Challenge. The Rapier fighters held a Round Robin tourney in the hall. Connor the Gypsy won the tourney, and Mathais won the Chivalry prize. We had two authorizations and two renewals. The official report was mailed in on May 3rd.

### **MOM**

May 2, 2006

#### *Challenge of the Heart*

We had 6-8 children attending the Children's corner. There were several activities at the event we offer coloring activities, they made their own foam shields, we made paper dolls and we made individual pennants and a large banner and had a children's parade. Do to the weather several of our activities were canceled. (hall was too crowded to have the kids running all over)

#### ***Interbaronial Pages Program***

Still working on getting the program off the ground. We are still looking for pages, sponsors and people willing to teach.

### **B&B**

Amalia received personal e-mail that some things weren't posted to the calendar, so wanted to clarify who could post to the calendar. People didn't think that \*anyone\* was allowed to post, but the B&B encourage anyone to post activities on the calendar.

Anything going on that generally includes the barony & to which the whole barony is invited, please feel free to post. You don't have to be an officer, and it doesn't have to be official—if the barony's invited, feel free to slap it on the calendar. Please put official baronial things in all caps so they show up. If you cancel something, write "cancelled" before it, rather than deleting it, so everyone knows that it has been cancelled.

Example:

Kelly's Moving Day

DUN CARRAIG FIGHT PRACTICE

CANCELLED-DUN CARRAIG ARCHERY PRACTICE

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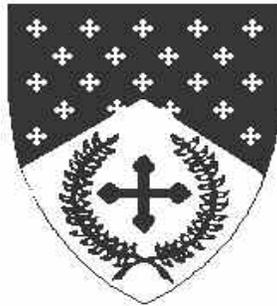
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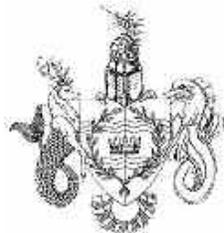
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