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Business Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month,
7:00pm at
Big Larry's Comic Book Cafe,
Leonardtown, MD 20650.
For directions go to
duncarraig.net/directions.shtml

Greetings unto the inhabitants of Dun Carraig from your Baron and Baroness, Harald and Ceridwen!

The winds of war have blown past us now, and what a glorious war it was! We saw our own Baron Erwin become SIR Erwin and our resident Laurel Molly be recognized for her service by her elevation to the Order of the Pelican!

Valdr Arisson, our Dun Carraig exchequer, became Lord Valdr and then squired to the new Sir Erwin.

Lord Joshua was created a Court Baron by Their Majesties of Aethelmarc. Congratulations your new Excellency!

Our baronial encampment was a fine place to spend two hot and humid weeks. Baroness Lore yet again outdid herself by being land agent and setting up our camp as well as the meal plan schedule for all of us! We had 19 people at any given time in camp and on our meal plan, and Baroness Lore did a great job of herding cats. Everyone who stayed in camp added to the joy and camaraderie to be found there.

We had a small but powerful presence on the fighting field at War- be it armored, rapier, siege, or youth, Dun Carraig competitors made a difference in the outcome. A&S was not forgotten either- Lady Thea represented us well as she taught numerous classes to people from across the Knowne World!

As we look towards our Dun Carraig 25th anniversary Baronial Birthday in November, we are excited to welcome everyone to the grand celebration that is being planned!

In Service,

Harald and Ceridwen

Baron and Baroness



Thea's Cinnymon-Rose Sekanjabin



Sekanjabin is a marvelously refreshing Persian drink, related to what Americans call "shrub." Even at room temperature on the hottest day it chases thirst, and warm in winter it is most soothing. At its base is a simple syrup of two parts sugar to one to one and a half parts water. From there it is almost infinitely variable, although a bit of mint seems most traditional.

This version goes rather beyond the traditional.

Inspired originally by Nyvein's (of Roxbury Mill) Ginger-honey-cinnamon infusion, the Cinnymon-Rose sekanjabin developed when there was no good fresh ginger to be had; adding ginger to the mix makes for something completely different.

Sekanjabin is a beverage whereby a bit of experimentation pays off well. Change or mix the type of sugar, or use honey, or part honey and part sugar and get a different taste even if everything else is the same. The wide range of vinegars available all produce a very different flavor to the same base syrup. Different varieties of cinnamon, or a mix, will change the taste as well. Substitute lemon juice for the rosewater if using ginger and you have a fine libation for chasing the winter chill and illnesses.

I give here the directions for the sekanjabin enjoyed by the staff, performers and helpers at the performing Arts tent at Pennsic 47. It is easily and effectively doubled.

Thea's Cinnymon-Rose Sekanjabin

6 sticks cinnamon
1 generous cup water
2 cups sugar
1 cup of vinegar
Pinch of salt
2 or 3 drops rosewater

In a small pan combine 6 sticks cinnamon (about 2.75" each; I used half Vietnamese Cinnamon and half Korintje Cinnamon, and yes, it *is* worth getting really good cinnamon) and a generous cup of water. Bring to a boil, and simmer until the sticks unfurl and the water is reduced to about half.

In another pan combine 2 cups sugar (I used one cup light brown sugar and one cup white sugar) with another generous cup of water. Stir over high heat until sugar is dissolved, let boil for a minute and lower heat. Add a cup of vinegar (I used white vinegar) and keep on low heat for a couple of minutes to smooth the vinegar taste and fragrance. Mix in a pinch of salt and the strained cinnamon liquid, hold at low heat for a few minutes more. Turn off heat and add 2 or 3 drops rosewater. Taste and adjust to your preference. I will sometimes add a drop of cardamom essence as well. If you do not care for the taste of rose, leave it out, or add just one drop and taste it, adding more a drop at a time. Cool and bottle in clean bottles. Add to plain or sparkling water to taste.

This kept well in the Pennsic heat until the very end of the event.

Social Scandinavia In The Viking Age

by M. W. Williams
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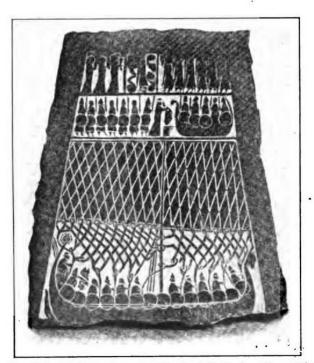


Fig. 44. Pictorial Stone from the Island of Gotland. (From Bugge's Norges Historie)



Fig. 35. Danish Battle-Ax with Design in Silver. (From Müller's Vor Oldtid.)

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 Labor Day	4 Baronial Business Meeting 7:00 PM Big Larry's Leonardtown	Fighter Practice 7:30 PM Southern CC Lusby	6	Archery Practice 7:00 PM Sir Jonathas' house	Stierbach 20 th Baronial Birthday Leesburg, VA
9 Grandparents Day	10 Rosh Hashanah	11 Patriot Day Fencing Practice 7:30 PM Southern CC Lusby	Fighter Practice 7:30 PM Southern CC Lusby	13	Archery Practice 7:00 PM Sir Jonathas' house	University Franklinton, NC
16	17	Fencing Practice 7:30 PM Southern CC Lusby	19 Yom Kippur Fighter Practice 7:30 PM Southern CC Lusby	20	Archery Practice 7:00 PM Sir Jonathas' house Battle on the Bay	Storvik Battle on the Bay Upper Marlboro, MD
23 Autumnal equinox Storvik Battle on the Bay Upper Marlboro, MD	24	Pencing Practice 7:30 PM Southern CC Lusby	Fighter Practice 7:30 PM Southern CC Lusby	27	Archery Practice 7:00 PM Sir Jonathas' house	29
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Baronial Progress

Key:

(BnB) – Baron Harald and Baroness Ceridwen

(B) – Baron Harald

(Ba) – Baroness Ceridwen

The Baronial Calendar displays events at nearby locations.

It is not a schedule of all Atlantian events.

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