

Kenning Points

October 2016

Anno Societatis L



NEW LEADERSHIP FOR SMOKING ROCKS WELCOME “BARON RICHARD LEVIATHAN AND BARONESS ALYS ATTEWATER”



Marching in to Pavane



Kneeling before the King



Their Excellencies of SR



Oath taking



Flying Baron



Champions



Officers



Leviathan for Molly Blythe



Gift for the Musicians

We want to thank everyone who came to Investiture and made it something special. Every person who came and fought, presented at the A&S display, threw sharp things, volunteered their time, or just came out for support helped to make the event spectacular. We want to give special thanks to the autocrats Solskinn and Nest, the marshalls of heavy list, fencing, and thrown weapons, Sunnifa for running A&S, our MOL's, the Troll team, Haakon and Roran for the feast, Justinus and Amy for heralding, Naja and Diego for retaining, and anyone who we're surely forgetting for helping to make the entire event run smoothly. Special thanks to Nest and Elaine for the garb and hoods. Thank you also to the many landed Barons and Baronesses who made the effort to come and join in our celebration. We are thrilled to be a part of such a wonderful Barony and Kingdom.

IYS Baron Richard and Baroness Alys



A CHANGING OF THE GUARD

After three years of leading our Barony through times of war and peace and times where decisions must not have been easy you steadfastly stayed your course and kept us safe from strife.

You represented us to the Kingdom and the Known World at large with much honor and grace.

For all that and your kindness and respect towards all of us we thank you greatly.



Although you are leaving your post as our leaders we are glad this only represents a new chapter in your lives and we are glad you will be around to experience many more adventures with your Smoking Rocks family.



New Baron meets a challenge on northern border with unprecedented success!

To protect the miners in Quintavia who had recently struck a rich seam of gold, the Confederation of the Fret (The Baronies of Smoking Rocks, Barony of Bridge and the Barony of Concordia of the Snows) had moved troops into the borders of Quintavia.

The army of the mighty and ancient Barony of Carolingia has also moved troops into Quintavia's borders in what they claim is an effort to Safeguard their neighbors from the occupying forces now camped upon their claim.



On a beautiful and crisp day in early autumn it seemed that the day of reckoning had finally come. The armies were ready for battle and the warhorn was blown. Quintavia had chosen to fight with Carolingia, their neighbors, against the occupying forces from the south.

They fought on a wide open field surrounded by thick woods. They fought with swords, spears, polearms, battle axes, hammers & halberds while the archers in the woods took aim with their crossbows and longbows to help protect the front line. The noise of the polearms against the shieldwall was deafening at times, it made the hair in my neck stand up in fear and it was time to take cover. Much blood was shed that day and I can still hear the cries of the wounded being tended to on the battlefield.

The bards will sing the fantastic tale of bravery as they travel around the kingdom. Fencing battles were won by the Quintavian protectors and there was a tie for both sides in the throwing of weapons, but the Confederates won the heavy field battles and the battle of needles and thread were won by our most talented artists. In the end it was the occupiers who walked away with a win. Certainly a day not many of us will soon forget.



INVESTITURE AUTOCRATS NOTES:

Solskinn and I want to thank everyone who helped put on the Investiture events. There were so many of you who helped out that it will be hard to remember them all. An event like this does not go off successfully without the help of a lot of people in the Barony. First I would like to thank Haakon and Mike who ran the kitchen and turned out a great feast. Master Padraig and William Deth for running what was a extremely enjoyable melees and competition on the battle field with heavy arms and Rapier respectively.

Thank you to Sunnifa for organizing the A&S Display and talking people into entering many wonderful projects. Big thanks to Sabina for running troll and to Kris and others who chipped in to make sure it ran smoothly and everyone felt welcomed to our event. Thanks to Elaine for the changing room tents and the small touches including the rug and chair that several people commented on. Small touches make a great impression. A big thanks to Sile for helping out in so many ways from making tokens to helping at troll and putting up tents and playing music. Thank you to the other members of Fracta Modi for increasing the "magic" of the event including: Rufus, Deb, Sile, and Marguerit. Thank you to Fergus for organizing the throw weapons, and to Lord William Bonesetter and another person whose name I do not know for running it. Thank you also William Bonesetter for leaving in the middle of feast to run out to the fight field to take down the Baronial tent before it got dark. At least we got back in time for the Roast Beef. Thank you to all the people who served feast. I know I saw Mistress Tatiana, Master Padraig, and Baron Cerdic, and I am sure I missed some. Also a big thank you to the people who stayed and helped clean up. There were so many of you and it is such an important part of the entire day to make sure we left the event site in better condition than we found it. You were all great. We cannot thank you enough.

IYS Nest and Solskinn



DYING DAY OCTOBER 22 – OCTOBER 23

Oct 22 at 10 AM to Oct 23 at 1 PM

At Nest's House 448 Rounseville Rd in Rochester, MA 02770



It's time to dye things !

Lets do the prep on Saturday the 22nd and the dyeing on the 23rd.

I am hoping to have an indigo vat, and many other dye stuffs available. Not much in the way of mushrooms this year because of the drought.

But we will still have black walnuts, Butternuts, rock tripe, eucalyptus, indigo, saffron, and cochineal among others.

We can start both days at around 10:00 am. Bring along something for lunch.

We have a grill so you can bring stuff that needs cooked.

OFFICERS NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SENESCHAL

At the breezy but luckily dry Baronial meeting in August at the home of **Baron Yosef** in Westport the following officers were selected.

Lord William Spicer is the new Arts and Science Officer. We again thank **Mistress Sunnifa Heinreksdottir** for her long service.

Baron **Ceawlin Alreding** was chosen to replace **Baron Richard Leviathan** as Knight Marshall.

The Barony is still in need of a Chancellor Minor.

Anyone who would like to fulfill this position please contact the Seneschal at edennehy12@comcast.net.

Yours in Service

Lady Eliana Howes of Morningthorpe

ARTS & SCIENCE MINISTER

Greetings,

After seeing such an amazing output of projects at Baronial Investiture, it is very clear that we have some incredibly talented artists in our Barony! And for that reason I'm reaching out to all of you step up and share your crafts and talents! Upcoming at **Ice weasel** we are again featuring multiple classes, if you have an art or science you'd like to teach about or share a presentation on, I would love to hear from you!

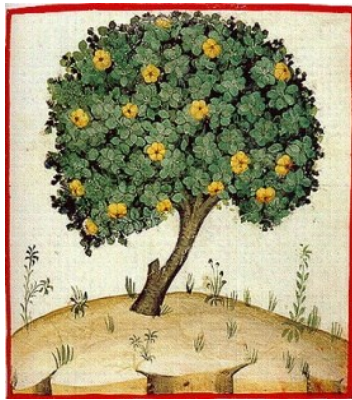
Yours in Service

William Spicer



THIS FALL IT'S ALL ABOUT MY QUINCE:

By Naya



My love of gardening and fascination with medieval tapestries as well as art that features scenes of flowers and fruiting trees has led me to a new hobby. I decided to try to grow some of the plants that were popular during the Middle Ages, especially those that have lost favor in modern times due to changing tastes, and agricultural techniques. One of the plants that I grow is the quince, *Cydonia oblonga*. Autumn is here, and I look forward to gathering the gnarly fuzzy fruits from my tree. Once harvested, they perfume my kitchen with a sweet fragrance that permeates the room. Our summers are too short for the quince to ripen fully as they would in Causcasus, and Northern Persia where they are native. When grown in our area, they must be gathered while still hard, sour and astringent and cannot be eaten out of hand. However, when they are cooked sufficiently, they become sweet, and have a delicious spiced flavor.

Quince fruit became popular in medieval Europe when they arrived via ancient trade routes that passed through the valleys where they originally grew. They came first to the Middle East, then to the Mediterranean where they were known as golden apples. It is believed that the golden apple that played a vital role in the story of the Trojan War, was a quince. The fruit was linked to Aphrodite and therefore associated with love and fertility. It became an important part of Greek wedding celebrations.



The quince is thought to have come to England via France, the first written record of it growing in England was in 1275 when King Edward I, planted four trees at the tower of London. By the Fourteenth Century quince pie and preserve recipes can be found in many cookery books, and continued to be popular into the 19th Century. The quince gained its popularity in the Middle Ages because it was easy to preserve, and was credited with medicinal qualities. At medieval courts and banquets, nobles enjoyed quince jelly for desert.

My quince tree has produced abundant crops one year followed by a year in which it is less fruitful. Unlike apple trees, which are often plagued by disease and attacked by insects, the quince is relatively disease free and easy to look after. One great advantage of quince trees is that they are self -fertile. In the spring, its blossoms are white with pink stripes; the leaves are a glossy deep green, as the tree ages its limbs grow contorted in a pleasant way.



If you do not have the room to grow quince in your own garden, I have seen them available at local super markets in the fall. If you would like to try to recreate a dish similar to what medieval nobles may have enjoyed, the following page features some recipes I found at: <http://www.historicfood.com/Quinces%20Recipe.htm> :

QUINCE RECIPES TO TRY:

To make Paste of Genua, as they doe beyond the Seas



Boile faire yellow Peare-Quinces tender in their skinnnes, and so let them stand vntill the next day, till they be colde, then pare them, and scrape all the pulp from the coare, then take as much pulp of yellow Peaches as the pulp of Quinces doth weigh, and dry it vpon a little chafingdish of coales, alwaies stirring it, then boile these pulps in double refined Sugar, and so let it boile, al-ways stirring it vntill it come to a candie height, with as much Rosewater as will melt that Sugar, and put in your pulps, alway stirring it in the boiling, vntill it come from the bottome of the Pos-

net, then fashion it vpon a pie plate, or a sheete of glasse, some like leaues, some like halfe fruits, and some you may print with moulds, set them into a warme Ouen after the bread is drawne, or into a Stoue, the next day you may turne them, and when the stuffe is through dry, you may box it, and keepe it for all the yeere, but be sure it be through dried before you lay it vp in store.

From John Murrell, *A Daily Exercise for Ladies and Gentlemen*, (London: 1617)

Source: https://prospectbooks.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/Quinces_extract.pdf

ALTHOUGH IT LOOKS LIKE SOME GREAT TUDOR SEAL, THIS BEAUTIFUL STAG IS PRINTED ON TO A DELICIOUS TRANSLUCENT QUINCE PASTE, KNOWN IN THE SEVENTEENTH CENTURY AS QUIDDANY OR COTONIACK.

Sir Hugh Platt's Quidini of Quinces



Take the kernells out of eight great Quinces, and boile them in a quart of spring water, till it come to a pinte, then put into it a quarter of a pinte of Rosewater, and one pound of fine Sugar, and so let it boile till you see it come to bee of a deepe colour: then take a drop, and drop it on the bot-tome of a sawcer, then let it run through a gelly bagge into a bason, then set it in your bason upon a chafing dish of coles to keep it warm, then take a spoone, and fill your boxes as full as you please, and when they be colde cover them: and if you please to printe it in moldes, you must have moldes made to the bigness of your boxe, and wet your moldes with Rosewater, and so let it run into your mold, and when it is colde turne it off into your boxes. If you wette your moldes with water, your gelly will fall out of them.

Sir Hugh Platt *Delights for Ladies* (London: 1600)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

JANUARY 14, 2017 (FROM NOON TO 9 PM)

**A HELVETIAN 12TH NIGHT AT THE UNITARIAN MEMORIAL CHURCH IN FAIRHAVEN
MUSIC, DANCING ,GAMES AND A FEAST YOU WILL REMEMBER!**



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Central region fencing practice at the Fall River Police Athletic League

- **Sunday, November 13, 2016 from 9:30 am to 5 pm**
- **31 Franklin Street in Fall River, MA**

Please feel free to spread the word and invite everyone.
We have a fee of \$7.00 per person for the building.
If more people show up the cost per person is less.

Marshal in Charge:

Faelan Maclohlainn AKA Rich Polymathic

TRADER JAN'S ARCHERY PRACTICE IS ONGOING:

Every Friday evening,
Check the Barony's FB page for
possible cancellations.



EK Royal Round Rankings as of September 25, 2016

Rank	Master Bowmen	SCA Group	Bows	Average
5	Nest verch Tangwistel	Smoking Rocks RRR		96.67
29	Godric fitz Edmond	Smoking Rocks CCC		83.00
22	Elaina Howys of Morningthorpe	Smoking Rocks RRR		79.67
26	Cosimo de Venezia	Smoking Rocks RRR		78.00
112	Alice Rousseau	Smoking Rocks RRR		38.33
121	Dearbhorgaill ingen Rosa	Smoking Rocks LUL		31.67

Bows used in top 3 scores: C=Crossbow, L=Longbow,
R=Recurve or U=Unknown

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Chronicler:

If you have a story, announcement or anything else for
our next Kenning Points send it to:
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Barony of Smoking Rocks Meeting Minutes Aug & Sept 2016

This is an abridged version of the minutes for the full versions please
join the Smoking Rocks yahoo groups.

Officers reports

Knight Marshal: Looking for permanent Knight Marshall. All tournaments at Investiture went well. Competitions were held in heavy list, rapier and thrown weapons.

Herald: Investiture went very smoothly, Lord Justinus was very helpful and great to work with. Congratulations on his AOA.

Exchequer: Bank accounts and all reporting is current.

Chronicler: Latest minutes submitted on time no corrections noted, next newsletter is due out in October.

Chatelaine: Baroness Molly will submit July report as Rufus is on vacation, 3 newcomers have contacted us recently.

Web minister: Still working on updating site, needs contact information from all with approval to publish,. Please all officers provide her with information, only some have done this so far. Deputy would be helpful.

Steward: Fill for the front of the shed has been delivered. Supplies arrived at investiture and have been returned to baronial shed ready and clean for 12th night event.

Seneschal: Still looking for Deputy Seneschale. Elaina will need to discuss several business issues with the group next meeting as she currently cannot print, EK is aware of these problems and knows she will all members asap.

List Ropes: No immediate need for those, Ceawlin working on prototype and best prices. List ropes discussion is tabled for now.

Investiture:

Event went extremely well, site was beautiful and perfect but a bit on the expensive side. The Club members were very helpful and they were pleased with our group and clean up. Misunderstanding with dayboard seems only problem. We would love to use this location again in the future, will have to get permission from Quintavia again.

Future events 2017:

—**12th night:** Autocrat Marguertie with Parent Molly, possible dates January 7th or 14th. 2017 no cook yet. Will Contact Church to reserve for now.

—Ice Weasel : -12 angry weasels

Date will be sometimes in February. Fergus will Autocrate with William Bonesetter as cook/Fergus will parent. They are planning to hold event in Raynham at Stone Church. Updates to follow

—Barony Birthday

Not until April there is still time to find Leadership for this event. New folks are encouraged to step up, there are plenty people around to help and act as parents.

—Demos:

Fort Tabor need help in October, Swansea Library still wants dance demo, Librarian in New Bedford also would like a dance demo. Molly will contact and post possible dates. We should also look into new places to hold future events ideas should be forwarded to the leadership.

Baron and Baroness time: - August

August is their last meeting. Remember thrown weapons tourney 8/27/16. Looking forward to investiture, they had a great time and thank the whole group for the support over the years.

Baron & Baroness time: - September

Thank you to everyone for the support at Investiture. This was an amazing team effort and it was great to have everyone show up and participate. Thanks to Elaina and Nest for making them look so good in their new and beautiful garb.

Next meeting:

October at Timo and Amy's home, November at Elaina & Roberts.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CONGRATULATIONS TO
BARON CEAWLIN AND BARONESS MOLLY**
on receiving court Baronies at Investiture in Quintavia
by King Kenric & Queen Avelina



CONGRATULATIONS TO LORD JUSTINIUS



By King Kenric & Queen Avelina at
Smoking Rocks Investiture in Quintavia

CONGRATULATIONS

**LORD WILLIAM BONESETTER
ON YOUR AWARD OF ARMS**

AT SMOKING ROCKS INVESTITURE
BY KING KENRIC & QUEEN AVELINA.



**Congratulations on the induction into the Order of the
Leviathan for Baron Ceawlin and Baroness Molly**



September , 2016 at Investiture in Quintavia

**CROWN TOURNAMENT
FOR THE EAST KINGDOM**

NOVEMBER 5, 2017



PROVINCE OF MALAGNETIA
CAMP WILLIAM HINDS, 146 PLAINS ROAD
RAYMOND MAINE, 04071

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE SANDERS FAMILY
ON THEIR NEW ARRIVAL.**

We welcome Baby Rhiannon Darlene Sanders



Born September 14, 2016 at 10:38 am
Her weight was 7 lbs 15.2 oz.
Her length is 52 cm.

REGNUM

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