

# Kenning Points

April

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Baronial birthday court 2014

## 39TH SMOKING ROCKS BARONIAL BIRTHDAY



### Event details

On Saturday, April 11th 2015 the Barony of Smoking Rocks will celebrate its 39th birthday at the Holy Ghost Club in Westport MA.

Come spend a day in the countryside with tourneys Both Heavy and Fencing with Prizes. We will be deciding both our fencing champion, and Lord Protector of the Barony that day. Thrown Weapons competitions and a Kitchener's/Wenches competition with fun for all! There will be an Arts and Science Display/Competition, and a Brewer's paneling competition, plus classes in the various arts as well. There will also be a fabulous French feast cooked by our Own Lord Robin Goodefellowe! More details to follow.

Merchants are free and welcome.

Please contact the Event Steward for details, space reservations or questions. no pets or outside alcohol beyond the brewer's panel is allowed. A cash bar will be provided.

Site Opens: 10am

Site Closes: 8pm

### Event Location

171 Sodom Road  
Westport, MA 02790

### Directions:

Best route to 195 in MA. Take exit 10 (Route 88) and follow to Route 177 (American Legion Hwy) Take the exit and bear right off the exit following 177 to Sodom Rd. Take a left onto Sodom Rd the site is approx 1 mile on the right.

### Event Fees

**Site:** Adult day \$12.00 Children 6 to 17 \$6.00 5 and under free.

Non member surcharge of \$5.00 per non member adult.

**Feast:** Adult \$10.00 under 14 \$5.00

Make Checks Payable to: SCA MA, INC. Barony of Smoking Rocks

### Contact Information

**Event Steward:**

Denise Kappler

Send Reservations to:

Denise Kappler

14 Jefferson Court, Fall River MA 02720

### Heavy list Championship



### Fencing Championship



### Arts & Science Championship



### Thrown weapons Tourney





### THE KNIGHT MARSHAL:

Is the Barony's combat supervisor, the knight marshal administrates Armored Combat (rattan and armor) us responsible for combat activities in the Barony.

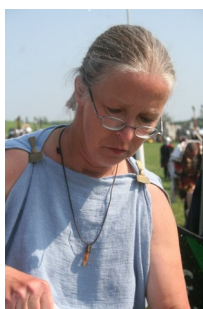
#### RICHARD LEVIATHAN

is Riikard Sugar the Leviathan of Nezarka is an Adamite. They were off shoots of the Hussite Rebellions. and were wiped out in 1421. i enjoy heavy list, target archery, combat archery, fencing and cooking at feasts.



### THE "ARTS & SCIENCES" MINISTER

Is responsible for the organization of all arts & crafts skills, and technologies from the time period and cultures that the SCA covers. Participants research, study, and practice these skills and then share their results with others.



#### SUNNIFA HEINREKSDOTTIR

is a 6th Century Anglian From what was the Kingdom of Deira (100% Anglian, you can keep the Saxon south, thankverymuch) part of which is now the Vale of Pickering of the East Riding of Yorkshire. I chase sheep and dogs up and down the hills, substinence farm, harvest the greenwood and the fields, and work with the people of my settlement to make what we need to stay alive.

### LEVIATHAN PURSUIVANT

The primary responsibility of the Herald is to serve the heraldic needs of the Barony (voice, book, and Court); in addition, the Herald also supports heraldic education and encourage heraldic activity throughout the Barony.



#### AMY FERCH RYCHARD

(Ah-mee veyrk Rik-ard) is the wife of a trader in Southeast Wales during the 1350s. When she travels to pay homage to her Baron and Baroness, she offers what service she can in the Heraldic arts, either by being Their voice, or displaying heraldry in Their Court.

Together with her husband, she owns a small cattle farm carved from the forest, and make their living trading leather goods for profit, as well as deer hunting by bow. The village, being much removed from any area of urban population, has been spared the onslaught of the terrible Black Plague. Their trade mostly deals with rural families and land owners.

They run their small manor and farm with a few servants, and Amy likes to use the dark evening hours playing music, studying the history of Heraldry, practicing Herbalism, or sewing by candlelight. She raises her two young children in the old ways, instilling a strong respect for Nature and the ways of the

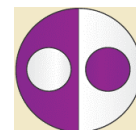


### THE CHANCELLOR MINOR

The Chancellor minor coordinates efforts to integrate the youth of the Barony and into many activities and events held by the Barony.

#### ALYS ATTEWATER

is a late 14th century English peasant and the daughter of a blacksmith and lockmaker.



## ICE WEASEL 2015

By Baroness Molly Blythe

I have to admit, I love Ice Weasel events. What started ten years ago as Baron Cerdic's brain child – a smack and a nosh, taking place out in the snow banks in hellaciously notorious New Anglia weather - has turned into one of the most fun events we put on. Coming right after Twelfth Night (also one of my other favorite events) which is a time-specific, high-concept, first-person event, Weasel is meant to be a crazy, free-wheeling romp that pushes the boundaries of our timelines and knocks them into a snowbank.

In the past we've celebrated Cinco de Weasel, with an awesomely authentic Aztec cuisine, had pots of honey and a Hundred Acres Woods battle at Ice "Now We are Six" Weasel, and had epic battles between good and evil during the "Seven Deadly Weasels". Octoweasel took us to the warmer climes of Greece and Persia, and Neuf Weasel (and St. Valentine) prevailed even in the midst of a blizzard.

Decamaweasel was a success due to everyone who came and fought, taught, cooked, carried, cooked, cleaned, merchanted, served, and took the extra time to be friendly and welcoming to the several non-SCAdians and newcomers who stopped in throughout the day. We had several out of Barony visitors who were attending Ice Weasel for the first time, as well as a few who had never been to an SCA event at all and who are now planning to come back and join us for future events!

Twelve fighters braved the ice and snow to take part in the traditional Bear Pit tourney and congratulations to Lord Dimitri (Deacon de Chatillon) who won the tourney. Thanks to Lord Richard Leviathan and Master Padraig for marshaling the tourney, and special thanks to Lady Sabina Luttrell, Lady Lasair (called Heather von Halstern), and Tammy, who faithfully carried out the MOL duties in the cold, and to Richard who donated a beautifully handcrafted seax as the tourney prize.

We're encouraged to see that attendance at Ice Weasel classes keep increasing every year, and we're particularly happy to see more and more fighters attending the classes as well. Thank you to Lord Tiernan MacAlpin, Baroness Nest verch Tangwistel, Lady Marion MacGregor, Lady Sunnifa Heinriksdottir, and Lord Geoffrey di Tosni for volunteering to teach this year, and an extra thanks to Lady Sunnifa for coordinating and organizing the classes and Tailors' Guild meeting for us.

Thank you to Lady Isabeau du Valle, and her hard-working kitchen crew, Lady Misha, Baroness Auriana filia Germani, Theresa and Lord Joao (sorry, I don't know their full SCAdian names), for the wonderful Portuguese feast. It's hard to do a dayboard and feast with a fluctuating headcount, but you did a great job rolling with the punches and you pulled it off admirably.

Thank you to Godric inn hviti Ulfr, Wilhelm the Humble, and Lady Eliana Howys of Morningthorpe for helping to set up; Jakob Ironarm and Baron Wulfhere of Stonemarche who helped chop the ice and clear pathways for pedestrians, Lady Marguerite von Efenau for helping at the gate, Baron Yosef Alaric and Baron Ulric von der Insel for their heraldic consultation work; to Lady Marion and Lady Sunnifa who handled Gold Key and kept the newcomers garbed; to Lady Alys Attewater, who ran youth activities all day for a herd of youngsters; to Julie (Jurema), Lady Serafima Medvednikova, and Lady Katherine O'Brien for their amazingly lifelike portraiture and chronicling of the happenings of the day; to the numerous gentles who helped clean up after the event, including Jakob Iron Arm, Lady Serafima, Patrick Thorne, and Master Padraig who stayed to the very end. Thank you, Wilhelm, Lady Anna and Lord Geoffrey for the lovely presents, and thank you again Anna for being our court herald. We hope that we haven't forgotten anyone, but with so many people pitching in to help, it's hard to keep track and if we have omitted anyone, our apologies.

As this was the Decamaweasel, we were inspired by Boccaccio's Decameron to hold a storytelling competition during the feast. Thank you to Lord Francisco Sanchez Pancho, Lady Anna Dokeianina Syrakousina, and Master Padraig MacEanruig, who regaled us with stories both dramatic and bawdy. Congratulations to Lady Anna who won the competition as well as the award for the, um, earthiest, entry (complete with Interpretive Dance accompaniment by Lord Bruka the Saracen, Lady Isabeau and Lord Faelan MacLochlainn). We may not have kept away the plague (Ceawlin woke up sick this morning, boo) but we certainly banished the winter doldrums with one of the funniest and most raucous feasts I've had the pleasure to enjoy. I haven't been to Pennsic in several years, so this was my first Interpretive Dance experience, and like Alivech, I cried. (With laughter, that is.)

Thank you to everyone who came, despite the horrible weather reports and the even more horrible parking conditions, and who were graciously patient with the unexpected plumbing problems in the Parish Hall. You were all upbeat, and if you look at the marvelous albums that Julie, Katherine and Serafima posted, in every photo people are laughing and smiling. You made this a really fun event to run and I'm so glad you all came and shared your laughter with us.

Yours always in service,

*Baroness Molly Blythe, Weaselcrat X & her ever patient and indulgent husband, Baron Ceawlin Alreding*





## SAMPLES OF ARTS AND HANDCRAFTS:

*Smoking Rocks has many very talented and gifted artists within its ranks. Often those pieces of art are posted in a public forum our Baroness calls the "Book of Faces" " I am taking the liberty of presenting some of those posts for your enjoyment on this page.*

Marguerite von Efenau

### BY SOLSKINN:



The piece here is a stained glass castle that I did. It is based off of the artwork from Trans Siberian Orchestra's album cover night castle. The covers original art was done by Greg Hildebrandt of [www.spiderwebart.com](http://www.spiderwebart.com). He has given me permission to do this piece based on his artwork.

### BY SUNNIFA:



As I am a 6th century Anglian (northern England), and have only things that are the works of my hands and my labors in the fields to show you. This is a provender basket (rattan) that I made which contains three year's growth madder roots which were started from seed- there were almost a pound's worth of roots harvested that year, but this will show you some. The second picture displays the colors obtained on alum- mordanted handspun Shetland. The final picture is of willow and some willow basket-maker's tools. I grow a total of 15 varieties of willow which were historically used in fine to coarse basketry; these are harvested as short rotation coppice.

Raesfled is one of my favorites; these were very short withies just to show the color. The rapping iron was forged by Master Ekk Chris Collins- the other items are my picking knife and a fine bodkin.

### BY NEST:



This piece of art is a lace table runner I made a few years ago. The unicorn and the lion are done in laces and the inserts and edging are bobbinlace.



I could not find a detailed description on this shirt but know that it is another piece of Nests bobbinlace work.

### BY ELAINA:



This piece represents a monochrome black work embroidered coif.

Close up of same coif



### BY HAAKON:



Viking knives 01 steel with a walnut and purple heart with African pauduk spacers copper bolster.

Hand hammered Thor hammers.



## Meeting Minutes February & March 2015 Barony of Smoking Rocks Business Meetings

*This is an abridged version of the minutes. For the full versions, please visit the Barony of Smoking Rocks yahoo group.*

### Officer Reports:

**Arts & Sciences:** Ice Weasel featured the following classes: Marshal arts, Calligraphy, Period hair, Coin making and Anglo Saxon language. Barony Birthday A & S competition will decide new Baronial A& S champion.

**Chancellor Minor:** At twelfth 2 small children had much fun. At Ice weasel 7 well behaved children enjoyed making boffer weapons and playing games Alys is ready for another fun filled day at Barony Birthday in April.

**Leviathan Pursuivant:** Amy and Molly have been working on publishing the Barony order of the Precedence on the website. Elena de Los Libros has been elected as the deputy Herald.

**MOL:** Fighters are advised to check their qual cards and renew them if necessary. Ice weasel tourney results are: 1st place Dimitri, 2nd place Tiernan MacAlpin, 3rd place Master Karl Meerstapa. For a full list of winners please read March minutes.

**Knight Marshall:** Nobody died. Practice is ongoing at the PAL.

**Chatelain:** Report sent to EK & new Chatelaines contacted EK Chatelaine. We now own new seal able tubs to store the freshly laundered gold key garb. Rufus and Sile donated a rack to be used at events. Barony shed will house the tubs. 3 new comers attended Ice Weasel. All is ready for Barony Birthday.

**Chronicler:** January newsletter submitted, folks are asked to submit articles for April newsletter. The Introduction of officers article will be published in parts until all officers have been introduced, those who have not yet submitted their information please do so soon.

**Exchequer:** Accounts are up to date and reports are submitted to EK.

**Steward position:** Nest Verch Tangwistle elected Barony's new Stewart. Better tubs with locking lids were purchased for feast gear. Most utensils have been lost and the purchase for new ones was approved. Padraig is still looking into best pricing for roasting pans. It is important to keep items stored in seal able dry containers and to better label the new utensils in order to avoid future losses.

### Old Business:

**Ice Weasel:** The event was very successful with 60 attendees. The fighting outside in the snow was fun with many active fighters, the classes were also well attended. Thanks to all who volunteered their time. Day board and feast were delicious and plentiful. During a short court the tourney winners were announced and several awards and gifts handed out. The entertainment during dinner was lively and lots of fun was had with the stories told by the three wonderful bards and their actors.

**Barony Birthday:** The event has been posted and all is ready. Tournament winners and champions will receive hand made scrolls. Last years champions will be in charge of running this years tournaments. Sunnifa will lend a hand for the Arts and Science competition. The Knight Marshall will help out with the running of the Heavy list and Rapier tourneys. Tokens made of pewter are suggested, Puck offered to help. Help at troll is needed. Marion would like all to bring along colorful banners and flags as she envisions Birthday to be especially festive this year.

### New Business:

**Demos:** We will again attend the Cape Cod Makers faire in May under the guidance of Alys. All interested please talk to Alys. A follow up meet and greet at Johannes and Marguerite's home in West Barnstable is planned.

### Upcoming meetings:

April 12, 2015 7 pm at Sabina and Fergus's home.

May meeting will be held at Nest's home in Wareham.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CONGRATULATIONS *Lord Rufus Bowie*

*On his induction into the order of the Maunche on February 22, 2015 at the Baronial investiture in Dragon ship Haven.*



## CONGRATULATIONS *also go to*

*Lady Dearbhorgaill ingen Rosa*



Baron Eloi of the Bridge presented her with the "Freedom of the Bridge award" during Black Rose ball court.

**Save the Dates:** Two very cool "happenings" coming up in the next couple of months.  
By Richard Leviathan

**Cape Cod Makers Faire Demo:**  
capecodmakerfaire.com

***May 30th , 2015 from 10-4 Cape Cod Community College.***

SCA will be doing an A&S demo and we have been asked to do a fighting demo as well and teach people about the armor we make and use. They are expecting over 1500 people to attend. They expect about 65 exhibitors including Ragnarok Blades.



## **Combat Archery Arrow making workshop**



***April 25, 2015 10-4 at my house.***

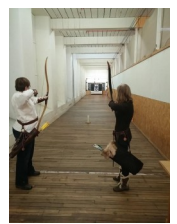
We will be having a combat archery arrow building workshop. Timothy Jump will be helping teach us how to make fiberglass arrows. many hands make light work. Arrows have been ordered!!



## **Archery practice is ongoing @ Trader Jan's in Fall River**

Here we see two intrepid archers taking on the dreaded Fall River snow monster. Two in the brain, two in the heart, and two in the ahhh...lower abdomen... do the trick. Join us at our **weekly Friday practice** to get in on the fun!!

Lord Godrick



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