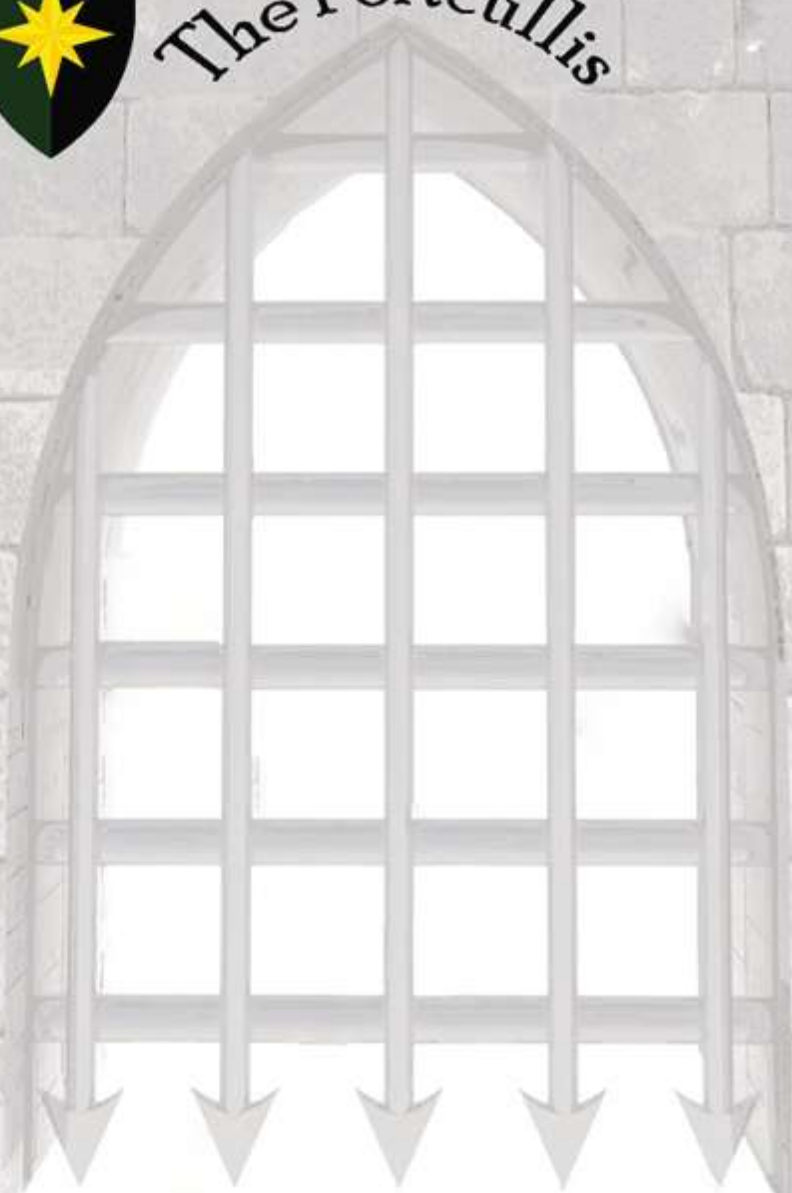


The Barony of Brendoken



The Portcullis



July 2025

Greetings Unto the Populace

Greetings onto the populace of Brendoken,

It is that time of year again. By the end of the month, many of us will travel to Aethelmearc to add our might to the Midrealm for the great Pennsic War. We wish a very happy and safe Pennsic to all Brendokenites, whether you camp with the Barony, Gwyntarian, your households, or any other camp. Know that the doors of Brendoken Camp in N34 are always open to all members of the Barony throughout the war.

That includes, of course, the Barony's annual Court and Cookout, which will take place Tuesday of War Week (Aug. 5). We will have a 6:30 cocktail half-hour with court starting at 7pm with the cookout to follow. The Barony will provide the meats; populace is asked to bring side dishes, as well as chairs and libations. (Here's hoping we won't be rained out like last year!) This will be in lieu of an early August Baronial meeting.

Speaking of Pennsic, the Barony still needs help with water bearing, including a lead water bearer for this war. If anyone wishes to take the lead on this, please contact Their Excellencies as soon as possible. We have all the gear; someone just has to fill the coolers and man the cart. Reminder to all fighters: bring your own refillable water bottle with your names on them.

Before heading to the big War, We plan on attending Push for Pennsic July 12 in Flaming Gryphon. Plenty of friends will be down there for one last tune up. We also look forward after War to Melee of the Knave VII, where we look forward to seeing new champions arise in armored, rapier, and archery disciplines.

Happy Pennsic and safe travels to all,

DonalBane and Katrina
Baronage of Brendoken



Baronial Meeting Minutes 6/1/2025

Excellencies

- His Excellency-Black Swamp, Baronial Border Wars
- have seen our people kicking butt in archery, armored, rapier
- Pennsic coming quickly
- work being done on baronial trailer, maybe a work day in July
- paid registration for Pennsic due June 15

Seneschal

- hoping to see more new faces
- impactful demo recently
- Melee concern-may need a few extra people because of how many took pics of info at demo
- donation only event-great opportunity to show what we do
- if want to assist at Melee, see me after meeting
- we have lovely chair up here

-Baron Cadwgan

- travel chair proposal, continued
- want new chairs for travel and repair old chairs
- old chairs showing age
- bought chair when stepped up as baron
- can see how well chair has held up after 6 years of travel
- DuPuy chair is \$250 per chair
- similar style with larger back \$205 per chair from Van Glider
- will have to go get it because of shipping costs
- looking around \$500-550 plus tax for good set of chairs that should last a while if cared for
- next step is that we need to decide if we want to do it
- pickup will happen at some event, happy to go get them
- Excellencies planning on going to Simple Day
- Egill needs to see current chairs before quoting
- want established business with longevity in case repairs needed down the line
- Seneschal-proposal of purchase of new chairs with max cap of \$750; seconded, motion passes
- chairs will be purchased from DuPuy

Exchequer

- 16,102.04 balance
- everything for event taken care of
- feed the sheep

Signet

- everything quiet

Crown Tournament

May 24, 2025

Photography: Lord Ursus of Vito's Minions



All hail the new Tanists of the Middle Kingdom,
Their Royal Highnesses
Prince Sascha St. Martin and Princess Kemma of
the Three Rivers!!!

DRACO INVICTUS!!!

Brendoken was well-represented in the pool of
combatants and consorts, which included 44
competitor pairs total.



Baron Cadwgan Faber, for
Dame Hadley of Beckenham



Captain Marellus Kilianus, for
Baroness Seonaid inghean Ghriogair



Warder Sigmund Grimborgh, fought
for by Warder Maks Pellyson



Sergeant Algar Irenhande, for
Viscountess Judith of Kirtland



Sergeant Galum Talagach mucoi
Drusten, for Lady Morgana ferch Rhys
of Glastonbury



Lord Magnus Gleðill Vermundsson, for
Lady Danica of Gwyntarian

Northern Oaken War Maneuvers

June 7, 2025

Photography: THL Tarmach ben Yebuda al-Khazari



The Midrealm's three Premiers of the Order of the Mark were elevated at evening court (left to right):

Jaeger Muldonny McVriw (Cleflands)
Hunter Aibhilin ni Dhomhnaill (Roaring Wastes)
Hunter Robert Thorne (Illiton)



With the support of the Chivalry, Syr Silverthorn presented Their Majesties with five regional legacy medallions he crafted for the Order of the Mark.



Sir Farthegn hanging out with Princess Kemma during a break on the battlefield



A couple of Brendokenites fighting on the rapier field



Mihajlo became a Sergeant of the Red Company during a midday field court.



Our Bardic Champion, Lady Morgana, looks to be up to some shenanigans with that carnyx.

Court Report

NOWM	Black Swamp
Sgt. Mihajlo De Nekche Red Company Lord Uðr Ratsbane Dragon's Barb	Lord Ursus of Vito's Minions Purple Fret

Populace News

- ◆ In addition to those listed in the June newsletter, **Lord Magnus Gleðill Vermundsson** and **Lady Danica of Gwyntarian** participated as combatant and consort at Crown Tournament May 25.
- ◆ **Forester Dungan MacRogan** and **Lady Milisandia MacGreghere** won the Gnome Defense Shoot on the archery field at NOWM on June 7.

Baronial Meeting Minutes, continued

- get award recs in for upcoming events
- see Lady Tai if interested in working on scrolls
- His Excellency-having a couple courts coming up-Pennsic and Melee, help will be appreciated

Archery Marshal

- deputy-NOWM elevating Midrealm Premieres for Order of the Mark
- have been waiting for this peerage for a long time
- will be introductory ceremony for peerage
- June 14, 12pm, Dungan and Mili's house, Brendoken Archer's Guild practice
- bring chairs and snacks
- facebook event already posted, reach out for more info

Knights Marshal

- baronial unit practice-how to move on the field
- June ramping up, get out on the field

Rapier Marshal

- His Excellency-rapier practice at South Park in Mansfield June 2
- many have been coming from Middle Marches to join us, well attended
- Vlad-see me after meeting if planning on fighting rapier at Pennsic

Thrown Weapons Marshal

- range is set up for throwing after meeting today, plenty of loaner gear
- just ordered three sets of knives
- MIC at NOWM, come throw there
- open range most of the day, tournament 2:30pm

A&S

- deputy-last A&S cancelled due to host with broken wrist
- brought some work in progress pieces
- next A&S June 20
- if interested in gathering a couple of hours before, say something and we'll put it together

Herald

- everything good

Chronicler

- deputy-newsletter-Coronation coverage, Chatelaine article about Akron Zoo demo
- Crown coverage next issue
- contact sheet has been sent to Seneschals; will go in facebook groups and discord once they check for corrections
- looking for successor to take over April next year-I will be your deputy until you find your own, see me for more info

Baronial Meeting Minutes, continued

Chatelaine

- Avelina-zoo demo had many helpers
- first day had 5300 people, ran out of business cards
- Genevofa (new demo coordinator)-great seeing new people come out
- started a list of things to bring to demos-business cards, coloring pages, etc
- had QR code for Brendoken and Melee of the Knave on Sunday
- canopy weights for on concrete
- talked about armored, rapier, archery, thrown weapons, sewing, calligraphy
- zoo wants us back next year, likely same weekend
- received \$21 in donations
- shoutout to Vlad, Genovefa, daughters for being there so long

Webminister

- most stuff ported over from old website
- new site is essentially live
- want to redirect to new website, but not shut down the old quite yet
- calendar is accessible only on PC, does not work on mobile
- everything happening in barony in June is on calendar
- working on officers' page

Social Media

- facebook been glitchy lately, sporadic
- give it a day if something is weird
- otherwise boring-not a whole lot of spam on facebook, discord has been hit once
- there was a bot that hit a lot of SCA discord groups at once, but did not hit Brendoken group

Chamberlain

- Her Excellency-NOWM, June 7, Wellington OH
- His Excellency-Baronial Border War, June 20-22 Hastings, MI; Black Swamp, June 27-29, Findlay, OH

Seneschal

- reminder-have food before throwing weapons

Alderford

- next meeting Tues June 10, 7pm, here
- working on Melee of the Knave Aug 23
- choir practice at Mili's house June 2, 7pm
- MOAS-Pennsic is coming, need to make stuff for Pennsic
- plan on bringing sewing stuff here and leaving it set up
- here most of the time, so if you need help or space to work, we can work out a time
- will get loaner equipment

Gwyntarian

- meetings on Thursdays, Akron Turner Club
- should be moving outside soon
- parking lot gets full because of kids' baseball
- armored, rapier, socializing

Three Towers

- having rapier practices every other Monday, one of them tomorrow
- getting exposure for the Marche
- can do even in rain because of pavillion

Thistle

- still having Tuesday meetings
- should be moving to Square this week depending on weather, will be posted

Genovefa-Cooks' Guild

- would like a quick chat after meeting

Patraic

- current NOWM bardic champion
- bardic challenge at NOWM at noon
- either in a clearing just north of pavilion or under, depending on weather
- we have depth of bardic in our barony
- please come out-only competitor last year
- anything appropriate for an SCA campfire, any medium
- 4-7 minutes

Badger

- next Saturday-Count Seto will be in Canton doing Armored Mixed Martial Arts

Meeting adjourned

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