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Due to the seasonal shortening of daylight hours during the winter, Tuesday evening fighter practice has been cancelled until spring returns or until we can figure out a way to fight in the dark. For those unfortunates who absolutely can't make Sunday practices, yet wish to learn or retain some measure of skill during the long winter months, contact Balin or Lodbrog and perhaps something can be arranged.

Again due to a derth of daytime, Sunday practices have been moved up two hours to 12 Noon. The location, Radio Park at First st. and Clinton, has not changed. As allways, these times are at best approximate.

ARCHERY NEWS

Ivon Holt of the Dark Forest is still hoding archery practice on sundays. That is about all that is the same. The new time is 10 AM on sunday morning, and the new place is the Fresno State archery field, near Cedar and Shaw. For further information, call Ivon at 264-8719 (Tom Jeffery)



UNTO THE FIGHTERS OF NORDWACHE

Many times I have watched you fight, and you fought with such agility and skill it all seemed so effortless.

Now, being the enlightened soul that I am, I realize all the time, practice, strength, and dedication it takes to become a fighter of any merit.

Also very special thanks to Sir Lodbrog Houndstooth, Thorbjorn Half-axe, Michail Jagenberg and Alin Latarius; for without their instruction, help with armor and, above all, their total support I could not know the joys of becoming a fighter.

To all fighters: I raise a glass in your honor.

NEW FIGHTERS

Want to start fighting regularly? Tired of sitting by while your friends pummel each other senseless? Are you frustrated by the lack of adequate loaner armor- or just want to get your own equipment so you can get qualified for kingdom events?

- WAIT NO LONGER -

Riesling now has an Armourers Guild. Held by Master Jean-Paul Monraith of Bliss Armouries, it will take place at his shop - 1125 E. Franklin- from 7-9:30 PM. This is your chance to obtain quality armor at minimal cost. All you have to do is build it yourself, under expert guidance. Even Lodbrog can do that! Call Jean-Paul for details, materials required, and other info at 486-4940. Held every other monday. Check your calender for the dates.

Dec. 13th

'Tis winter solstice - and all through
the house....

Mylrune will be having it's Christmas
Spectacular! "Christmas through the
ages - Saturnalia to Christ."

This will be a Costumed, Masked Medieval
banquet to be held in Mylrune (Hanford)
at the infamous La Bastille. Our Med-
ieval trip through time will begin at
7:15p.m. this will be a no-host cocktail
hour with the feast starting at 8:00p.m.

Feats of the evening will include winning
Best mask, male and female
Best candle for our feast of light.
These will be used on the tables so they
must be free standing.
Best short skit having to do with either
Christmas or winter holiday theme. (To
have parts for at least four people)
Winners will be read later in the even-
ing.
Best small favor or ornament - made with
all natural materials.
Best Limerick
Best toast (In good or semi-good taste)

The cost of this evening of fun and fro-
lic will be \$12.50 for adults and \$6.25
for samlls under 10. The Barony will pay
a total of \$10.00 towards adult tickets
and \$5.00 towards smalls tickets for
current Barony members. This does not
include drinks. Guests may be invited
but they will have have to pay the full
price. There will a limit of 110 people!

All reservations must be in by Nov 15th.
Please mail your reservations, complete
with a check or money-order to cover the



amount which is not to be paid by the
treasury. Mail your check and reserva-
tions to:

Grace Page
1006 Atwood Drive
Visalia, Ca. 93291

No food or alcohol may be brought into the
building. All drinks must be purchased
at the bar.

Anyone who has any musical instruments
please do bring them as we can all join
in with simple christmas pieces. Anyone
who would like to entertain during din-
ner please feel free to do so. Just
remember all bits of entertainment should
be short - you will be eating too - and
they should be in (good or at least semi-
good taste) for it twill indeed be Yule.



Please bring twelve (12) pennies for games
etc.

Unto the Populace of Nordvache

As you well know Sept. 20 A.S. 21 was our fall crown tourney. The site was very beautiful and very easy to live with. The weather was beautiful during the day and freezing during the night as seems to always be at over night tourneys. There were 15 members from the Barony who went. We all had a great time (I think)!

It all started Friday evening. It was decided that we would meet at the Fuller castle at 7:00pm. Well as you are all well aware being veteran SCA members things never seem to go on schedule. So after many hours of preparation on the parts of Lady Blodewedd, The Lady Sarah, Lady Morag, and Myself we finally were ready to head out.

Our Caravan which consisted of 5 fire chariots started out of the Barony at precisely 8:15pm. We reached the Shire of Darkwell around 10:00 and had a much needed resting period to water the horses and ourselves. We finally made camp at 3:00am and settled down for the night. The morning of crown dawned bright and clear and our fighter went off to sign up for the list. The rest of the Barony set up our pavilion around the eric (well we almost could see the eric if the wind was right and the sides of the Gyldonholt pavilion were blowing up). We neglected to read the fine print in the C.P. and didn't reserve eric space so we were way out in the back forty. We had a great view of all the back sides of the many colorful pavilions and were able to decide how we were going to construct any future pavilions (i.e. no backs or sides for those who forget to make future reservations). Sir Lodbrog was only fighter in the crown. He will be glad to tell you of his trials on the field.

Now down to the good part. The fighters who made it to the finals were Sir Avery and Sir Dietrich von Fogalson. Our new crown Prince is Sir Avery. Unfortunately I was unable to see anything except the very last fight which was over in the blink of an eye.

At closing court Sir Lodbrog and Lady Blodewedd were invested for a one year term as Vicar and Vicarress of Nordvache. We were all very pleased with the outcome of our meeting with the king and with the investiture of our Vicar and Vicarress.

I hope this will give you a brief idea of our weekend experience. We all have many interesting stories and tales of the weekend. Unfortunately they would never fit in the Phoenix.

Lady Elain y Morag

The following Baronial offices are open and need to be filled: Senechal, marshal, chronicler, herald, chatilain, exchequer, chirurgion, constable. Anyone interested in any of these positions should send a letter of intent to Sir Lodbrog before November 30.

November, 1986

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
20	21 FRI	22	23	24	25 NORDWACHE ANNIVERSARY	26
27	28	29	30 OG	31 HB Balin the Grisley HALLOWEEN	1 DRIEBURGEN ANNIVERSARY	2 AP BCM FP SFP KINGDOM PRACTICE + WAR COLLEGE
3 AG	4	5	6	7	8	9 AP FP SFP
10	11	12	13	14	15 HB Aldon of Alvador Row YULE RESERV- ATIONS DE EG WORK PARTY AT ROOM 10am 22	16 CHARTER MEETING SFP FP AP
17 AG	18	19	20	21	22 CORONATION IN ANGELS	23 QUEENS CHAMPION
24	25	26 HB Jean Paul Monraith	27	28	29 HB Robyn of the Quite Woods & Ornika of the Frozen North	30 FP AP SFP MG HB Georgia Carrier

BMC- Baronial Council Meeting - 215 N. Fulton St., Fresno (209) 441-1098 7P.M.
 FP- Fighter Practice - Radio Park- 2 P.M.- First + Clinton call 224-1390
 SFP- Silveroak Fighter Practice - Call Sir Guy for Details (209) 798-0740
 OG - Clothiers Guild - call Lady Lucia for Details at (209) 292-1768
 AG - Armourers Guild - 7-9:30 P.M. Call Master Jean-Paul for info - 486-4940
 AP - Archery Practice - over High Athletic field - Call Ivon Holt for Details - 264-8719
 MG - Music Guild - Last Sunday of each month, 7p.m. at Rhonda Fuller's 1940 E. Yale, 224-1300
 BK - Brewers Guild & Ale tasting - Every third Sat. of the month 2pm. contact Warren Raddezt - 456-8731
 5647 E. Balch, Fresno - 1 block north of Kings Canyon 1/2 block east of Clovis Ave.

Work Party at Room at FCC on Nov. 15 at 10am. To clean up room and lay carpet.