



The RivenSTAR

Monthly

Rivenstar Hosts Middle Kingdom Equestrian Symposium July 4th Weekend at Huis Doorn



(Above) Campers and horses arrive (right) Thanks to Emil and Olwen who sat Troll.

It was a full weekend of riding, classes and games beginning Friday night July 1st and running through the morning of July 4th. There

rounded out the weekend. On Saturday the trail took the horses and riders past a creek on Kirkridge Farms to the delight of all. Some of the horses went swimming as well as some of the riders.

Though the weather was still hot on Sunday, the trail riders had to forego the promise of a swim

due to the torrential thunderstorms of Saturday night. (continued on pg. 6)



were classes in mounted archery, driving a horse and cart, tack, basic horse first aid, caring for an older horse, how to assemble a picket line



and preparing a horse to play SCA games as well as mounted combat as it relates to the SCA. Along with the classes, games and equipment were set up to play Saracen heads, ring-tilt, reeds, pig-sticking, quintain and birjas as well as an exciting challenge course. A couple of nice long trail rides



Mounted archery practice and instruction at the Middle Kingdom Equestrian Symposium.



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Regular Weekly Activities Info

Mondays

7:00 pm - Madrigal Choir Rehearsal

8:00 pm - Baronial Business Meetings

Held in Stewart Center at Purdue

See Baronial Calendar back page of this issue.

Tuesdays

Archery Practice - Currently on Hiatus

Wednesdays

8:00 pm - Heavy and Rapier Fighter Practice

Held at the Purdue Armory on Campus (summer hours differ)

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Sundays

3:00—5:00 PM— Dance Practice

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More Activities!

Equestrian Practices start in the Spring, weather permitting, and are usually held twice a month on Sunday afternoons from 1-4 pm.

Drum Practices will be held on either Tuesday or Thursday evenings at the Morton Community Center. Check the Rivenstar website and email list for updates.

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Business Meeting Minutes:

Monday, June 27, 2011

Current Business: (today's meeting is backwards) Equestrian Event—Dani who is the Autocrat asked for help with set-up on Thurs at 6 PM. We need to put up 3 tents and more signs. If you can't get there right at 6, come anyway. There are light to replace and benches to assemble. Dani will bring all the Baronial paper supplies on Thurs. There are lots of plates so we may not need to buy any. Troll—Olwen and Emil will do Saturday and Julie will finish out Sunday and take the cash with her. The event will last until Monday morning and we will need help on Monday to tear down. Wulf will get signs out on Thurs. Amalie will help get this information out on the email list. Nan will have dinner ready on Friday night for early arrivals and Troll. Pieter asked for a Herald as there still isn't one for the event.

Officer Reports: Chronicler—June issue of Rivenstar out today.

Madrigals—proceeding apace. We were done early today and did a great fun sing.

Equestrian—Curly may be used as the "pony ride" horse. Nothing interesting on the Beaver report.

Herald—report is due at the end of the month and will be on time.

Baron—Carry on. (Takaya asked if Wulf would come and sing for the event again and he will.) He said he's place 5 signs; 2 at 38 and I-65 and CR 900. One at the entrance to Kirkridge and at the driveway. He'll bring clipboards for the papers and binder clips for the bottoms to hold the papers down.

A&S—looking forward to classes at the event.

Some additions are bridal construction, practice on the equi-sims and 2 instructors teaching grappling.

Marshal—Practices will continue even in the rain. (good practice for Pennsic)

Student Org.—We exist

Baroness—Everybody think about Pennsic. Bring chairs with backs, garb etc. Pieter noted that the Equestrian event will be a trial run on all the tents and benches.

Chirurgion—Remember to pack your own pertinent medicines for Pennsic and take a back-up

prescription in case of need. Walmart is close. The doctor on site is not there to treat minor cuts and abrasions. Try not to have emergencies. Bring your own over the counter medicines.

Exchequer—Giuliana gave the Chronicler a budget for the Equestrian event and the expense report for Three Saints to publish in the next RivenSTAR. Dani acquired 6 sheet pans for the Baronial supply.

Seneschal—Event this weekend; Pennsic coming up—Go.

Event Reports: Nan, Pieter and Kiltigern took three horses to Baron Wars. The weather was incredibly good compared to some other years. No one got hurt. They did a parade and passes in front of the Fort.

There was a challenge tourney which was essentially an obstacle course and our horses did very well.

Pieter won the individual challenge tourney. This time everyone seemed to challenge Pieter rather than the other way around. At court a new Pelican (Baroness Heloise) and a new Bronze Ring (Michael) were announced. Addendum: On the way home there was an Adopt a Hwy stretch on Hwy 6 that had been adopted by March of the Marshes.

No meeting next Monday, July 4. Come to the event at Huis Doorn for lunch and to help tear down the tents.

Other News: Amalie has a new job! But that means that she will be leaving us to help "take over" Sternfeld. She begins July 6th. Congratulations Amalie and Good Luck in your future endeavors.



Monday, July 11, 2011

Chronicler's note: I'm sure there was a lovely meeting, full of the Equestrian event report but as both I and the assistant Chronicler (my son) were on vacation, alas there is no record of said meeting.



Monday, July 18, 2011

Event Reports: Simple Day in the Country was last weekend. Wulf reported that it was pretty "warm" and Pieter reported that at 11 AM there was fog with a temperature over 80 degrees. The site was pretty spread out but there were showers on site for all and AIR CONDITIONING! Wulf reports that the melee

was fun. In the afternoon there was a half hour resurrection melee using the card game from This Land is Your Land. Pieter reported fighting with Peter the Other and was about to say "Your d..." when a bug flew in his mouth. Court and Feast were at the same time-mead hall style. It saved time but the air conditioning went out and those who wanted to attend Court but not Feast, were standing along the edges. Then the air conditioning went out in the over crowded hall. It was an idea that sure sounded good at the time but probably won't be done again any time soon. The madrigals sang one song of the three that were prepared. The hall was dead sounding especially to Wulf who couldn't be heard a few feet away when he sang. There was a slight mix-up with the madrigals who were invited to sing at this event. When the plans changed to include Court and Feast together, the madrigals were then asked to sing during Feast set-up for whomever was there at the time, which meant that they sang earlier than planned and the lone soprano had not arrived yet. Still they did as best they could but the Royalty showed up a little early so the song became a processional. When that one song was done, the madrigals left only to find that Arrantxa (soprano) had just arrived. So they sang outside the feast hall for an audience of one+ (John Itchingham and those who arrived while they were singing.) Pieter reported that Gwendolyn from Shadowed Stars authorized in Archery and that Lufwena (sp? - the former Elspeth) authorized in fencing. He also reported on the afternoon fencing tournament. Wulf said that the heavy tourney was pretty sparsely attended.

Officer Reports: Madrigals—singing on hiatus until Aug. 22 when Purdue starts up again. There will be a madrigal sing-a-long at Pennsic on the middle Saturday.

Student Org—BGR Activities Fair (club callouts) is Tues., August 16th at the Armory.

Seneschal—Next Monday the meeting will be at Nan and Pieter's to load for Pennsic. It will be cooler by 8 PM so arrive no later than 8 to help. A pseudo meeting will follow. (ha ha)

Other News: Wulf announced that his CD release party will be on Friday, Aug. 19th at the Tippecanoe Arts Federation on Ferry St. from 7—9 PM

Chronicler's note: Though meetings probably took place during Pennsic, the Chronicler apologizes but was too lazy to get to them. Therefore a gap exists.

Monday, August 15, 2011

Saving the Pennsic report and thus the best for last:

Officer Reports: Herald—eh.

Student Org.—When would the group like to have call-out, Aug 31 or Sept 7? Vote on Aug. 31 carried. Briana also asked for those who could make it to come to the Student Activities Fair tomorrow in the Armory. Set up at 10:45. Event from 11—1. She showed her poster that will be on the table which will be staffed exclusively by students (for the first time in several years). She asks that they wear garb and smiley! She also noted that because of a vote taken last semester, we would not participate in the Activities Bonanza. It was too hard to get students to participate because of class schedules and having only older folks might be a turn-off. Pieter asked if we wanted the madrigals to perform at the call-out and the consensus was yes. It was also noted that candy would be helpful to have at the table tomorrow.

Baroness—Takaya made it home from Pennsic only to find that her freezer door had been left cracked open the whole time so she had to waste all her frozen foods. She'd also lost a tree in her yard due to storm damage, her water softener was on the fritz and her gold fish died. Takaya also noted that since her garden hadn't been picked, there was also a zucchini that would have made a Viking ship look small growing there when she came home.

A&S—there was a nice exhibition at the Barn at Pennsic. Great classes.

Baron—Wulf reports that his trip back was semi-eventful. He took a right instead of a left out of the Pennsic and went the back-way which took him near a buffalo ranch. In the storm that hit him between Peru and Logansport he nearly got washed off the road.

Madrigals—start one week from tonight.

Equestrian—the Rivenstar cavalry will have games practice at 11 AM on Sunday. Riding practice will be 7 PM on both Tues and Thurs in preparation for Havoc in Hastings.

Herald—The Unloading of the Trailer will be Sunday after riding practice at Huis Doorn. (1 PM)

Seneschal—We are a Barony

Event Report: Pennsic—Wulf notes that his concert went well and that people were extraordinarily generous this year. He collected over \$1100 for the benefit of Patti and her family. He also reported that he got to fight in the opening shots of the war against Sir Manfred Von Halstern. They were to set the tone of High Chivalry and good will. You can see them on U-tube. He noted that we won the Champions tourney which was the only thing we won. The ice cream social was a great success this year. Featured were grape-nut maple and hazelnut Fra Angelica ice creams. Wulf reauthorized in Siege Engines using the weapon Sir Osis on a bridge battle. Pieter was shot to death several times by a rubber band gun. There was lots of fighting and it was mostly clean. Pieter found out that if you flirt with a Pennsic Independent reporter, you get your name in the paper 4 times! Wulf had his photo in the paper as well.

Imelda reported that she participated in a little bit of everything. We also had a champion in the Knowne Worlde Rapier Tournament; Yasukatta (formerly Braden) was named the favorite of the Marshals. He was also named in the Independent. He'd better have been, because he almost single-handedly saved the paper! It seems the production dept. was very behind when he went over to see if they needed any help (he has graphic design skills). This was late Saturday. He was immediately dragged into a trailer and not seen again for several days! As a consequence he was offered a job for next year—with money and everything! Congratulations! Way to make the Barony look good. Speaking of which: Takaya reported that Dani volunteered for lots of things, information point, guard duty etc. She now has a White Leech and reauthorized. Takaya did shifts with Royal as a Peer liaison as well. We may now have some archery marshals again too—Yasukatta and his wife Mitsumi. Yea archers!

Pieter was the answer man again this year. But our esteemed Seneschal Leonie posed a question that he couldn't answer, even with a team of experts to help. The question was "So, what is the story behind Chey Ping Way (a street at Pennsic). Narissa put in for a name and volunteered time as water bearer. She's looking forward to the Woods Battle next year. Imelda reported that she did a little of everything from rapier to archery to drum and bought a spiffy outfit as well. The only thing she didn't try was heavy. She'll be in Trimaris next year. Though she volunteered, she was never called for a service animal vet emergency. Yea. It was also noted that nobody's tent got smashed—a plus. Thanks to Janusz, he's a great Castellan. Currently there is a movement for camp improvement in the form of a shower trailers pending investigation into cost and feasibility etc. Warder Adam MacAoidh will be next year's Rapier General—congrats Adam! Wulf and Takaya sat on the dais with the Royalty at MidRealm court and no one fell off! Another plus.



Proposed Budget for 2011 Middle Kingdom Equestrian Symposium

Income:

Attendance: 45 (10.00 site fee each) = \$450.00

Food: 25 (10.00 per day x two days) = \$500.00

Total expected income: \$950.00

Expenses:

Insurance: \$100.00

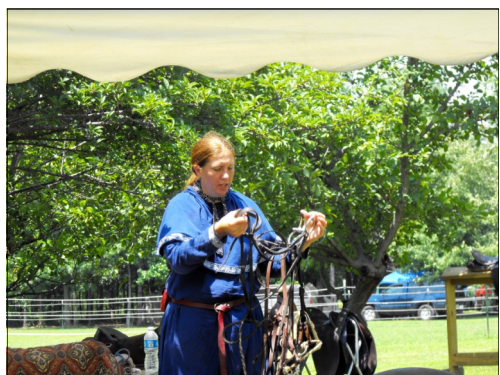
Food: Total expected cost: \$400.00

Midwest Rentals; Two port-a-johns (87.00 each): \$174.00

Incidentals: (Replacement horse supplies, trash disposal, paperwork) \$100.00

Total expected expenses: \$774.00

(Equestrian continued from page 1.) It was the Fourth of July weekend and Mother Nature put on one heck of a light-show! Thunder and lightning crashed for at least a half hour. One of the highlights of the



weekend was a barding fashion show. The horses were paraded wearing their finest. Another highlight was that Baron Moonwulf played a few numbers on Sunday afternoon with Emil ad-libbing on one song. After the trail ride on Sunday evening, everyone sat around a campfire and enjoyed a few fireworks, shared stories and just generally relaxed or experimented with crossbows in Kiltigern's case. Monday morning saw everyone off after which the gang came in to tear down and clean up.





All photos in this issue are courtesy of John Skinner. Thank You John! Without you the RivenSTAR would be boring.



Special Thanks go to Takaya, Nan and Pieter for their untiring efforts on behalf of the Kingdom's equestrians!



EVENT FINANCIAL REPORT

GROUP: Barony of RivenstarEVENT DATE: April 16, 2011EVENT: 3 Saints and a CoronationAUTOCRAT: Leonie

| INCOME | | | | | | |
|----------------|----------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|----------------|
| | (A) | (B) | (C) | (D) | (E) | (Ax C) + (BxD) |
| | # Reserved | # at the Door | Fee-Reserved | Fee-at Door | NMS Collected | Total |
| Site-Adult | | 452 | | \$8.00 | | \$3,616.00 |
| Site-Child | | 19 | | \$4.00 | | \$76.00 |
| Site Child | | 43 | | \$0.00 | | \$0.00 |
| Feast -Adult | 27 | 93 | \$12.00 | \$12.00 | | \$1,440.00 |
| Feast - Server | 1 | 15 | \$2.00 | \$6.00 | | \$92.00 |
| Class Fee | | | | | | \$0.00 |
| Child Care | | | | | | \$0.00 |
| Other Income | Non-member surcharge | | | | 46 | \$230.00 |
| GROSS INCOME: | | | | | | \$5,454.00 |

CANCELLATIONS / REFUNDS

| | Number | Amount | Total |
|----------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Site-Adult | | | \$0.00 |
| Site-Child | | | \$0.00 |
| Feast-Adult | | | \$0.00 |
| Feast-Child | | | \$0.00 |
| TOTAL REFUNDS: | | | \$0.00 |

GROSS INCOME \$5,454.00
 less REFUNDS \$0.00

TOTAL INCOME \$5,454.00

EXPENSES (PAYMENTS)

Advertising _____
 Equipment Rental and Maintenance _____
 Fees and Hororia (Itemize on back) _____
 Food (cost of Feast supplies) \$1,156.31
 General supplies _____
 Insurance (Non-SCA) _____
 Occupancy and Site Charges \$1,675.00
 Postage, Shipping, PO Box rental _____
 Printing and Publications _____
 Telephone _____
 Travel (Gas, Tolls, Airfare) _____
 Other Expenses (itemize on back) _____

EXPENSES SUB-TOTAL: \$2,831.31NET PROFIT: \$2,622.69

To SCA, Inc (Non-member Surcharge) \$230.00
 Moved to Another SCA Account(s)

Net profit subtotal: \$2,392.69Amount to another group or to Kingdom \$1,196.35FINAL GROUP PROFIT: (Net profit minus transfers) \$1,196.34

August 2011

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|---|-----|---|--|--|-----|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 Armored practice Slayter Hill 6–dusk | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 7 Dance on Hia- tus until further notice. | 8 Madrigals (7) & Business mtg. (8) STEW 204 | 9 | 10 Armored prac- tice Slayter Hill 6– dusk | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 14 | 15 Madrigals (7) & Business mtg. (8) STEW 204 | 16 | 17 Armored prac- tice Slayter Hill 6– dusk | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 21 Unload Pennsic trailers at Huis Doorn 1 PM | 22 No Room Scheduled | 23 | 24 Armored prac- tice: Purdue Ar- mory 8–10 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28 | 29 Madrigals (7) & Business mtg. (8) STEW 204 | 30 | 31 Armored prac- tice: Purdue Ar- mory 8–10 | <i>The 31st is Call- out! Bring garb, projects and smiles.</i> | <i>Show up early to help set up!</i> | |

September 2011

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|-----|---|-----|---|-----|-----|-----|
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| 4 | 5 Labor Day–No room scheduled | 6 | 7 Armored prac- tice: Purdue Ar- mory 8–10 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
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