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AND THEN THE WALLS CAME TUMBLING DOWN! (...AT PENNSIC XLI)

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Il Tempo

Welcome to *Il Tempo* (The Times), the Newsletter of the Barony of Ponte Alto, one of the northern baronies in the Kingdom of Atlantia.

Il Tempo strives to be an informative read that you look forward to. To this end, we are always appreciative of any contributions to it, perhaps an article of a project you are working on or are interested in, how to make/play a period game, your experience at an event, how/what to prepare for a day trip, a recipe/piece of garb that you've made, documentation on an item you've completed - a how to on

documentation, a few words on a historical person/event, photos, a book review, something to share with a newcomer - perhaps a short autobiography of your persona or how you came to figure out your persona.

The list can go on for ages - only limited by the speed at which our hands can write out what our minds can think of.

Come, share with us adventures in the great Barony of Ponte Alto, in the grand Kingdom of Atlantia, in this - the current Middle Ages!

News / Announcements

From PENNSIC

Pennsic was AWESOME !!!

The weather was good with a few unexpected showers in the weeks leading up to the event making it a swampy but fun Pennsic for Ponte Alto. As this was the barony's first war with Naran and I as Baron (Noyon) and Baroness I thought it went rather well. Everyone pulled together to make the camp, feast, and fighting as fabulous as possible. We had diplomats from the Tu Chux visit and invite us to visit with them, which was extremely cool.

We, as a barony, fought in multiple battles, participated in thrown weapons tournaments, and shot in various rounds at the Archery field, as well as represented in the A&S and Dance arenas to bring joy to those that saw or sampled out offerings.

Also, for once, I actually made it up to the archery field. I was extremely impressed by the site, its beautifully picturesque with the most welcoming and knowledgeable people. They explained the shoots and the equipment to me while I watched our champions compete against other baronies for the Champions prize.

We as new Noyon and baroness had various duties and commitments outside of camp, but once we returned to the welcoming embrace of our camp mates the camaraderie and help we received from everyone was spectacular.

Thank you all we enjoyed every aspect of Pennsic with you all as our campmates.

Marie-Therese Baroness of Ponte Alto



Populace Meeting Minutes

August 25, 2019 5:01 pm Adjourned at 6:05 pm 19 attendees Mosaic Community Space 2985 District Avenue, Suite 100 Fairfax, VA 27584

OFFICER'S REPORTS

Seneschal - Geoffrey for Dwayne Eckman (Lord Seamus Ó Maoil Riain)

♦ N/A

Exchequer - Katie Bischoff (Astrid)

- Current balance of \$11,186.36
- Still need a volunteer to step up for Exchequer for role
- Colette needs to be set up with account access
- Vadoma leaves the area in three days (the only executor on the bank account)

Herald - Sarah Stango (Johanna le Paumer) via email

- Heraldry continues We (still) have one name and one device resubmission being decided at the Society level and I'm just waiting to hear their status. They should be released on the next Letter of Acceptances and Returns, but there's no real schedule when these will be released.
- I also have two new name submissions I'm working on; one had been sent in to the Submissions Herald for processing. I'm waiting for a check for the other, and once I receive it that paperwork will also go to the Submissions Herald.

Chronicler - Ron Hanagan (Rónán mac Ímair)

Continues

Web Minister - Ron Hanagan (Rónán mac Ímair)

- ♦ Continues
- Discussed Picnic in the Park. To add updates to website for Thrown Weapons, Rapier Champion, Brewing, etc.

Arts and Sciences - Marlene Martineau (Vadoma)

- A&S continues
- Project Nite is ended (as Vadoma is leaving the area)
- Other A&S stuff in the works
- Randall to be making dance changes
- University is next month!



Populace Meeting Minutes (cont.)

Chatelaine - Mary Dotson (Maria Chiara Datini)

- Next Newcomers meeting is on 8/30.
- Marie-Therese to host September meeting. 9/20.
- Need volunteer for October.
- Vadoma received her Laurel at Pennsic!
- Newcomers night took place on 7/19. 6 attendees with 1 new.
- Aug and Sep need volunteers. Ailleann indicated she could take Aug. Date of August Newcomers to be determined.

Knight/Rapier Marshal - Brittany Lasley (Colette Vitalis)

- Rapier attendance is growing.
- Working with Kim to promote.
- Planning to do some advertising for heavy practices.
- Duncan working on an inventory update.
- ♦ (Marie-Therese) rec'd info from Henry on the helms. 11 gauge. \$200 ea. Med + large. \$400 for both. Vote tabled for the time being. These helms not to be loaned out.
- (Marie-Therese) Noted that we had 48 people at Picnic.
- ◆ 11 people at last rapier practice. 5 at heavy.
- Need a volunteer to home the loaner gear (local to the practice site). MT or Duncan?

Baron and Baroness - Nicholas Freer & Mary Bowles (Naran Numuchi & Marie-Therese Normand)

- ♦ (Naran) Pennsic was great!
- ♦ Attended: Pennsic
- Upcoming: Rip-Rap War (Naran), Battle on the Bay (both), Steirbach Baronial Birthday (MT), Coronation (both), Wild Hunt (both), War of the Wings (Naran), Fall Crown (both), Highland Havoc (Naran), Holiday Faire (both)
- Review of Court Report from Pennsic. Colette rec'd Ponte Nero, Haakon rec'd a bead, JG rec'd Ponte Nero, Ronan rec'd Baronial Award of Excellence, Emilia was selected as Thrown Weapons champion, Heinrich rec'd Ponte d' Argento, Scott was appointed Baronial Executioner (and is planning a dinner for next year, Hangman's Feast), Heinrich was named the Baronial Brewer.
- Naran hosted the Paleo races.
- Kudos to the fighters who fought for the barony.
- Naran won the Flight Shoot
- MT visited the archery range for the 1st time.



Populace Meeting Minutes (cont.)

Minister of Minors - Eliisa Harman (Lady Annika Siltanen)

♦ n/a

Events

Wild Hunt

- Wild Hunt (Emily for Ailleann)
- (Emily) Discussion of the budget. Has the contract. More expensive this year (site fee went up).
- 101 attendees is the break-even point.
- FB announcement is ready to post.
- Discussion of a scribal project.
- Should be a Royal event.
- \$18 gate (adult), \$9 (kids 6-16), \$0 (kids 0-5) + \$5 non-member
- Discussed the food budget. \$300 "hunter's fare"/light lunch. Veggie stew, bread, etc.
- Discussion of site tokens. Mary Dotson has 150. Ordered 50 more.
- Beads for those in the hunt.
- Arts & Crafts station. (budget \$20)
- Bobbing for Apples (\$15)
- Beanbag crossbows.
- (Naran) add a spear-throwing event?
- \$50 for insurance.
- ◆ \$2,021 is the total budget.
- A vote was passed for the budget.
- ♦ B&B to judge the food event.
- Folks to work troll to be determined.
- Discussion of the marshals/MiCs for the event. Colette will find an MiC. JG will be the rapier MiC. Checking with Henry for heavy.
- Need volunteers for Newcomer's Point.

Yule Event

- Mary suggested a Murder on the Yule event. Murder mystery? Murder Under the Bridge?
- To be a potluck event.
- Reviewed budget. \$839.75
- Vote was passed for the budget.
- Site has its own insurance.
- Break-even is 66 people.
- ♦ Discussion of folks who are comped. (B&B, Royalty, Autocrat, head chef)
- Mary would like help for the murder scenario.



Populace Meeting Minutes (cont.)

Old Business

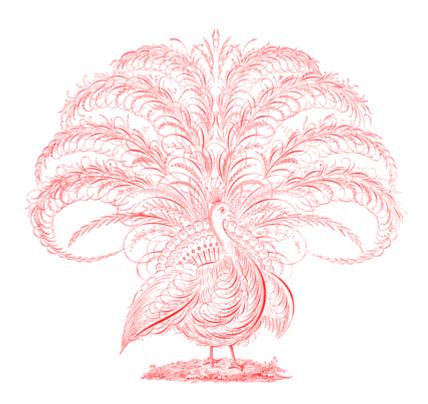
♦ Helms. \$400 for new helms. (1 med, 1 large). Padding for the helms will be address separately. The plan is for gel-padding w/ Velcro that can be changed out. Motion passed unanimously to go forward with acquisition.

New Business

♦ \$100 for insurance for the 2 schools. Motion passes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ Heavy practices back inside as of next Thursday, 8/29. 9/12 for the rapier fighters.
- ♦ (Adina) Don't forget Scribal tomorrow!





Wild Hunt

The Wild Hunt is Coming!

As the beauty of the autumn deepens, as the air cools and shadows grow longer, the Huntsman's horn sounds yet again, calling all to beware - beware or be assimilated by the Wild Hunt!

Once more, the Fey and Fell Master of the Hunt is coming to claim his lands, and attempt to capture — through challenge or games of skill or chance — all those who trespass upon his favor. Will you becomes another of the Master's loyal hunters? Or will you, through skill or luck, escape the clutches of the Wild Hunt?

Come join our Barony of Ponte Alto as we experience an exciting day of Fighting, Arts, Games and Challenges. Last year there was a prize for those who escaped the Hunt, but this year, there will also be a prize for the most successful Hunters, who assimilate the most people INTO the Hunt after they must join the Hunt themselves. So if you lose a challenge and join the magnificent Hunt, you may still earn renown, challenging all who still run free!

Armored Fighting: Stay tuned for heavy combat scenarios

Rapier: Stay tuned for rapier combat scenarios

Rock-Paper-Scissors Fighting: We mention this here, because you must be certified to fight. Each form of the game, Rock, Paper, and Scissors, must be separately certified in before you can use them against others. You'll get a card for each form you can use. Certifications will run all day at the MoL tent.

Other challenge games include:

Bean-bag cross-bow cornhole

Padded spear toss

The Balance Platform game

Tug-of-War

And, of course, anything else you can think of. Dancing, puns, arm wrestling, foot races, headstands: anything the challenger and challengee agree to try.





We will have a Games Tent set up with board games to relax with — and to use in Hunt challenges!

A&S Competitions:

Returning this year will be the Mini-Iron A&S Challenge! You will be given a box of materials to craft into anything you desire, within a time limit.

Show off your Best Fix for a Mistake in our second competition. Bring any projects from the past or present where you really messed up, and impress us with how you tried to make it right (even if the fix didn't work)!

Autumn Food Fight! Bring your best cool weather cooking to add to our harvest table. We will be judging in three categories: Huntsman's Fare, Vegetables, and Desserts. Tell us how your entry fits into the category you choose. Feel free to be creative.

Bardic Fyt:

It's the perfect time of year for spooky stories, especially those that tell of lucky -- or unlucky -- dealings with the Fair Folk. All who enter will be rewarded, and those who spellbind us with the most medieval of performances (no mention of the modern, no papers in hand) will gain special favor.

Merchants are very welcome, however, this is an outdoor event, and as such, all merchant spaces are outdoor spaces. Please be prepared for whatever weather we'll have, and please contact Lady Ailleann with space requirements.

If you have any questions, please contact the autocrats: Lady Ailleann O'Meighan/Meghan Sherrill (thedragonhand at gmail.com), or Marion Compton/Emily Shifflett (marion.comptonSCA at gmail.com)



Help Wanted

Greetings unto the great Barony of Ponte Alto!

Do you know some one who could lend a hand, be a deputy? There are so many positions in that Barony that could benefit from someone—or a couple of someones lending a hand or an hour of their time. If you, or someone you know, would be willing to assist with some of the positions, every one benefits.

We are always looking for more deputies. The more deputies there are the lighter the load for the position.

One thing we must keep in mind—there really is something for everyone in the Barony and the SCA and everyone can add something to the Barony and the SCA.

In Search Of:

Minister of Arts and Sciences
Deputy Exchequer
Deputy Seneschal
Deputy Chancellor of Youth Activities
Deputy Gold Key
Deputy Herald
Deputy MOL
Deputy Chronicler

We could use a few (more) good Pontoons to volunteer to ensure everyone has time to enjoy all the events they choose to attend.









Weekly/Monthly Events



	SUNDAY
Ponte Alto Baronial Populace Gathering	Populace Gathering (and Business) Meeting, usually the <u>4th Sunday</u> of the month at 5:00 p.m. at a location to be determined. Details will be advertised prior to the meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend.
Outdoor Heavy Weapons	Weather permitting, 12:00 noon until dark, outdoors at Tysons-Pimmit Park, behind Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. Contact the Baronial Knight Marshal for information (see Regnum). (cancellations posted on the Ponte Alto e-list)
	Directions: Take your best route to I-495. Get off at the exit for Route 7 East (Falls Church). Go about 1 mile; the library is on the left. Park in the library lot and walk down the hill to the park.
Ponte Alto Dance Practice	6pm-8pm, dance practice with Lord Randall <u>every Sunday save the 4th</u> which is the Populace Gathering. For more information, contact Randall Clark via dancing@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org Unitarian Universalist Church of Reston. 1625 Wiehle Ave, Reston, VA 20190.
	MONDAY
Scribal and A&S	It is the day after the populace meeting, most always the 4th Monday, 6-10pm Fairfax, 22033 (contact chronicler@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org for address; cancellations posted on the Ponte Alto elist). Not to worry, any Arts and Sciences projects are welcome. Allergy alert:: cats.
Stierbach/Ponte Alto Archery Practice	Summer practice, held at Grimmsfield. 16132 Crusade Ct. Haymarket, VA 20169. 5:00pm until dusk. Loaner equipment available (please contact archery marshals)!
	THURSDAY
Heavy Weapons Practice	Summer, outdoors at Tysons-Pimmit Park, (see Outdoor Heavy Weapons and Rapier Practice above). Winter, Lemon Road Elementary School cafeteria (7230 Idylwood Road, Falls Church), weather and school events permitting (cancellations posted on the Ponte Alto e-list)
Rapier Practice	Summer, outdoors at Tysons-Pimmit Park, (see Outdoor Heavy Weapons and Rapier Practice above). Winter, Shrevewood Elementary school cafeteria (7525 Shreve Rd, Falls Church), 6:30pm-9pm (cancellations posted on the Ponte Alto e-list)
	FRIDAY
Stierbach/Ponte Alto Winter Archery Practice	Winter practice, held at Bull Run Archery Center. 7700 Bull Run Dr, Centreville, VA 20121. 5:00pm until 7:00pm. Loaner equipment available (please contact archery marshals)!
	MONT#LY
SCA Newcomer Meetings	Newcomer Meetings are held once a month from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the home of various members of the Barony. Contact the Baronial Chatelaine for information (chatelaine@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org), or check out the Events/Activities page on the website for the most recent information.

*Note on school locations for activities: There will be no activities at schools during school holidays or on other days when Fairfax County schools are closed or all nighttime school recreational activities are canceled. Notification of cancellation or alternate site location will be posted on the web as soon as possible. You can visit the Fairfax County Public Schools Emergency Announcement page for school closure status: http://fcps.edu/news/emerg.htm



Baronial Progress

Baronial Progress for September/October		
Date	Event	
9/6-8	Battle on the Bay (Marie-Therese & Naran)	
9/13-15	Rip Rap War III (Naran)	
9/21	Stierbach Baronial Birthday (Marie-Therese)	
10/4-6	Fall Coronation (Marie Therese & Naran)	
10/12	Wild Hunt (Marie-Therese & Naran)	
10/16-20	War of the Wings (Naran)	

We really could use your help

There are several positions in our Barony that could use a Deputy; actually, all of the positions that we have could benefit by having at least one deputy.

Why a Deputy? Well, it is easy for any one of us to intend to do something if we don't take into account that the SCA is what we do with our time after we are finished doing what we do to pay the bills.

With deputies, the work load can be shared, allowing more work to be accomplished with less time and stress for any one individual.

Besides, it is a great way to work with others to do something different to help make your, and other's, SCA experience that much better!



Ponte Alto Notables

Archery Champion: Lord Rónán mac Ímair acherychamp@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org

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Alto

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Bardic Champion: <u>Diana of Ponte Alto</u> bard@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org

Youth Bardic Champion: M'lord Oliver of Ponte Alto

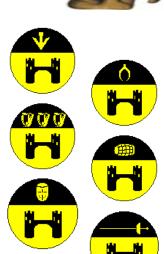
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Rapier Champion: Leifr Skraveifa

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Thrown Weapons Champion: Emilia di Nicastro

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Looking for a way to get involved? Why not try retaining!

What is retaining?

Their Excellencies need help with taking notes (e.g. for gifts or to-do stuff), staying hydrated, reminders to stay on schedule, fetching things, and otherwise keeping Their Excellencies comfortable and out of trouble (especially the Mongol one)!

Who can retain?

Anyone can retain! If you've got free time at an event, Their Excellencies will be very appreciative of your assistance. Plus it's a great way to learn more about what it means to be part of the pageantry of the SCA!

How can I volunteer?

If you are interested in volunteering, or even just finding out more, reach out to our head retainer, Diego Diaz de Oviedo at headretainer@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org

Regnum



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