



# The Skein

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## **Baronial Meetings, Guilds, and Contacts**

*Please call the contact person to verify when & where an activity is held!*

### **Archery Practice** UW Stock Pavilion Sun 12-2PM, Wed. 6:30-9PM.

Contact: Lady Jois (Deena) 628-7782, Lady Sirona (Vicki) 241-7534

### **Armoured Combat** UW Stock Pavilion Wed. 7-10PM, Sunday 2-4PM

Contact: Stephen du Bois (*Stephen Ward*) sward1@chartermi.net

### **Armormaking** Tuesdays 7PM. 3314 Ridgeway Avenue

Contact: Master Giles (Ed Gilbert) 244-2845, horsebows@mail.madtown.net

### **Bardic Night:** 4th Sun, of month, 6-8PM, Urban Market, 1 Sherman Terr.

Contact Ingrid the Crafty (Ingrid Stark) 249-8795, ingridthecrafty@yahoo.com

### **Brewing & Vintning** 3rd Monday. Various locations (call for info)

Contact: Robert the Stout (Robert Trefz) 441-6150, rtrefz@tds.net

### **Calligraphy & Illumination** 1st/2nd Tuesday at Eile's, other Tuesday at Clara's. 7PM

Contact: Lady Eile (Alicia Cronk) 250-4595, leleth.faery@yahoo.com

### **Clothier's Guild** 2nd and 4th Mondays, 7PM. Contact for location.

Contact: Iohanna (A. Rebecca Turner) 628-7638, rturner@library.wisc.edu

### **Cordial Guild** First Tuesday 7:30PM Contact for location

Contact: Lady Cianna Kharleen (Carrie Wilkey) 846-8008,  
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### **Equestrian** (not currently active but information available)

Contact: Alissende de Montfaucon (Tammy Thompson) 212-5433,  
alissende@centurytel.net

### **European Dance** Sundays 3PM. UW Campus—check TTTU for room.

Contact: Lady Thea

### **Fletching** Fridays 6:30PM (call ahead) 17 Vinje Ct.

Contact: Lady Jois Corbet (Deena Thompson) 221-1061

### **Fool's Guild** Alternate Wednesday 6:30PMish, UW Stock Pavilion.

Contact: Lady Aliénor Hathaway (Mariessa Dobrick) 658-8941, reesa83@aol.com

### **General Business Meeting** Usually 1st Sunday, 7PM, Edgewood College,

Predolin Hall — call to verify meeting date and location.

Contact: Lady Marian Elizabeth Wollenschlager (Mary Hoffman) 846-0859

### **Instrumental Music** Mondays 7PM-Beginners, 8PM-Advanced.

UW Campus—Check TTTU

Contact: Lord Heinrich von Stuttgart (Andrew Shallue) 251-1849

### **Middle Eastern Dance and Drumming** Wednesday 8pm, UW Stock Pavilion

Contact: Lady Kenya (Heather Cushing) 298-0103

### **Needlearts** Tuesdays 7:30. Call for location

Contact: Ivan (John Beebe) 298-0918

### **Rapier Practice** Wednesday 6:30-9PM, UW Stock Pavilion

Contact: Don Mateo Montero de Madrid (*Andrew Heinrich*) 442-0247,

### **Social Practice** Wednesday 9PMish Irish Waters on University Ave

Contact: HE Eithni (Jean Hetzel) 628-7782

### **Thrown Weapons** 1st and 3rd (after brunch) Sundays Noon, 2nd Wednesdays 7PM, UW Stock Pavilion.

Contact: Peter Orn 231-9863

### **Vocal Music** Thursdays 7 PM UW Campus—Check TTTU

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# January General Meeting Minutes

*[Held in conjunction with the Yule Moot feast. No attendance taken.]*

## Votes for Officer Successors:

- 1) **Vote for Roshin to succeed as new MoAS (replacing Robert) — passed by large margin.**
- 2) **Vote for Robert to succeed as new Seneschal (replacing Marian) — passed by large margin.**

**Wulfhomm (Raul):** Michaeus is the new Seneschal. We will have our business meeting this Thursday and be deciding on a new exchequer. We have a candidate (Tina Martin) who has been inactive for a bit but is becoming active again.

**Reinholdt (Pursuivant):** Heraldry is happening.

**Tent Making Moot (Iohanna):** There will be a moot at Edgewood in March for tent making. Contact me if you are interested in more information.

**Directory (Iohanna):** I am working on the baronial directory. If you have not directly contacted me, you are not in it. I will have it ready by Wednesday and you can purchase a copy from me. Email me if you want to order one. I am nominating Paul Wickenden as my replacement. **[We will vote on this next month]**

**WW (Seraphina):** We are still looking to fill some vacancies including Archery Coordinator, Children's Activities, Resource Management Deputy (to learn job in order to take it over next year), Merchant Deputy, Thrown Weapons Coordinator, and Youth Combat Coordinator. The deadline for applications is this week. After that, we will begin soliciting applications from outside of Jara and Nordskogen.

We are also seeking \$500 reinvestment back to event. \$300 of this would go towards the benches (which were well-used last year). \$100 would go towards improving Chirurgeon's Point. Nordskogen already approved the request. Even if the request is approved, the Barony will still get \$1500 from the event. **[Meeting approved the \$500 reinvestment]**

**MoAS (Robert):** The MoAS report is due on 1/15. Let me know **by the 9th** if you have anything that you want me to include in it.

## Guilds and Practices

### Stock Pavilion Schedule

The Stock Pavilion schedules have been set for the first 4 months of 2006. We have all our accustomed days and times EXCEPT::

Feb 15, 2006 - (Triathlon in the S.P.)

Apr 26, 2006 - (CALS day for kids)

These schedules are posted at the Stock Pavilion website:

<http://www.ansci.wisc.edu/Facilities/stockp.htm>

### Jararbellir Artillery Brunch

Sunday, January 15 at 10:30am

Enjoy a relaxing meal with your SCA friends just a few days before a possibly stressful meal with family. Please bring a dish to share.

Our hosts are Jois, Eithni, Grisha, and Sara (4934 Goldfinch).

#### Directions to Brunch:

#### **From Stoughton Rd and Cottage Grove Road:**

Drive east on Cottage Grove Road past the Culver's (yum!) and turn North (left) in between the Walgreens and the Sentry onto Acewood Drive. Proceed north for 3 blocks and turn East (right) onto Goldfinch Drive. Follow Goldfinch Drive for 1.5 blocks (there will be a slight curve about 1 block in). Number 4934 is a grey and white house on the left.

Questions? Contact Sol (231 9863 or [chrisreyes@uwalumni.com](mailto:chrisreyes@uwalumni.com))

### Thrown Weapons

Thrown Weapons practices take place at the Stock Pavilion on the first and brunch Sundays and the second Wednesday of each month. The thrown weapons range is set up at the same time as archery (noon on Sundays and 7:00 on Wednesdays) and practice commences when throwers express an interest in throwing.

For more information call Petr Örn 231 9863 or email ([chris\\_pete@powercom.net](mailto:chris_pete@powercom.net))

# Yule Moot

About 80 people gathered on January 1st (some in worse shape than others) at Edgewood College for the annual Yule Moot — a relaxed day of games, sewing, and gentle conversation. There were performances from the vocal and instrumental music guilds, and Baronial and Kingdom courts. The day was topped off with a bounteous feast and no one went home hungry!



**Brewing and Vintning (Robert):** This month we will be doing mead making at Knut's. Details will be posted to the Jara list.

**Fletching (Jois):** I am about to place an order for arrow-making materials. If anyone wants to make arrows, let me know soon so you can take advantage of the cheaper costs of buying in bulk.

**Chronicler (Paul):** All *Skein* subscriptions from last year have expired. If you want to receive the *Skein* in 2006, let me know. Subscriptions are free but a \$12 donation is encouraged to cover postage and copying. Subscriptions not received by tonight will not begin until February. The submission deadline for the *Skein* is changing from the day of the General Meeting to the Friday before. I am searching for a deputy who would, among other duties, run off the *Skein* when I am unable to do so.

**Instrumental Guild (Heinrich):** We are looking for new members and happy to teach them. We meet on Monday nights.

**Choral Guild (Chandler):** Same. We are also starting a new round and looking for new members. We meet on Thursdays.

**Bardic Madness (Eliane):** Bardic Madness is a wonderful event, and while it is far away (Huron SD) this year, many of us are going. We can help you get there.

**Coronation Merchants (Eliane):** Let merchants who have scared off by the new WI requirements know that the new form is not a big deal to fill out, however, they will need to fill it out when they pre-register. We have 20 slots available for merchants.

**Gift Wrapping (Claire):** We raised \$32 from gift wrapping.

**Chatelaine (Alienor):** I've been out for a while, but wanted to report that we held a very successful Newcomer's Feast in November. We had about 23 people show up, and we have 39 interested people on our list, some of whom have already become quite active. This is good news since we need students in order to use UW facilities.

**Fool's Moot (Alienor):** Do we want to have one? If we held it in April it would conflict with Coronation. We are working on our *Commedia d'Arte* piece for it (although we are still looking for a few roles). We could use input from the group about what to do. Please contact me if you have any ideas.

**High Seat (Eithni):** We are having a couple of quiet months until Coronation. We now have two thrones. Thanks to Emeric for making them. Would the barony provide funds for bags to carry them? I would need a budget of about \$100 to cover the costs. **[Meeting approved the request]**

**Kingdom Donation (Allisende):** Should we consider making a donation to the Kingdom from our profits from WW this year? **[Meeting considered the request and agreed that it was a good idea, but need to hold off on making a decision at this point because we are closing the books and need to figure out what future financial needs we will have. This will be brought up at the next General Meeting for discussion]**

**Raising Funds (Papa Stefano):** We are running the root beer stand again to raise money for the Heirs' Travel Fund.

**Exchequer (Fiona):** Michaeus has asked if the Barony can help Wulfhomm with filling the exchequer vacancy. They have a candidate but her membership has lapsed. She plans to renew, but until she does, would the Barony fill in with a person who can hold the position? [Marion said that it is important that Wulfhomm come up with an officer of their own] Still balancing books and preparing Domesdaye.

**Fiona McGregor:** I am back. It is good to be back

**Thrown Weapons Practice (Pete):** Practices are held every 1st and 3rd Sundays at Noon, and on the 2nd Wednesdays at 7PM, in the Stock Pavilion.

**Thrown Weapons Equipment (Jack):** If you would like to purchase thrown weapons equipment, let me know. I'd be happy to organize a bulk order.

**Seneschal (Marian):** My domesdaye is due by the 17th. To complete my report, I need copies of all officer reports. Please send me copies as you complete yours.

**Coronation (Marian):** We still have a few vacancies. I will send out a revised request shortly on the Jara list. Work on the event website is underway and updates should be posted soon.

## Fees

	In advance	At the door
Site Fee:		
Adults	\$5	\$7
Children 6-12	\$3	\$4
Children <6	free	free
Feast:	\$12	\$14 (if available)
Merchant	\$20	not available

Non-members should add \$3 for the Surcharge.

Pre-registrations must be postmarked before March 1st, 2006  
Make checks payable to: SCA Inc - Barony of Jararvellir  
Mail reservations to: PO Box 1002, Madison WI 53701-1002

## Other Events

### Out and About

This section is meant to give you an idea of activities nearby. For more information visit the individual group's website (easily accessed from <http://www.northshield.org/events/>).

#### January 2006

14—**Yule Feast -'til You Surrender**, Windhaven (Green Bay WI)  
28—**Mongolian 12th Night**, Tree-Girt-Sea (Chicago IL)

#### February 2006

4—**Haire Affaire: A New World Rediscovered**, Falcon's Keep (Steven's Point WI)  
25—**River Revel: Tacky Garb Ball**, Stromfels (River Falls WI)

#### March 2006

11—**Fighter School**, Windhaven (Menasha WI)

#### April 2006

1—**Tournament of Champions**, Rokeclif (Taylor WI)  
22—**Shire of Rockwall Birthday**, Rockwall (Johnstown WI)

#### May 2006

6-7—**Beltaine by the Bay**, Darkstone (Ashland WI)

#### June 2006

1-4—**Spring Fling XV**, Windhaven (Oshkosh WI)  
9-11—**Mermaids XIII**, Turm an dem See (Valders WI)  
23-25—**Border Skirmish III**, Caer Anterth Mawr (Lakemore IL)

# Spring Coronation

April 8th, A.S. XL  
Hosted by the Barony of Jararvellir

Location: Mandt Community Center  
400 Mandt Parkway  
Stoughton WI 53589

The site is handicapped accessible, discreetly wet and non-smoking indoors. There is a playground with picnic tables outdoors for the children.

## Steward

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## Feast

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## Schedule

8 AM – Site opens

Activities at Their Majesties' & Highnesses' discretion

Feast (Menu TBD)

11 PM – Site closes



## Epistle from the Baroness

Greetings unto the Populace of Jararvellir and all who travel through these snowy lands!

Heed me well, for I bring you joyful tidings from Caer Anterth Mawr's Boar's Head event. Many gentles from Jararvellir's were honored in Their Majesties' court, but since most were not able to accept their awards at that time, I will only tell you of the A&S competition and of the Knighting of Dumal Ruthilcarid.

Throughout the day, gentles were encouraged to view the A&S display and vote for their favorite entries. Several Jara folk had items displayed, including Emeric atte Whytoke who entered the recently completed second Jararvellir High Seat. Prizes were offered in several categories, and our very own Emeric received both the Populace Prize and Best of Show. Vivat to Emeric!

Sir Dumal has been a member of the Barony for many years and has long been a respected force on the armored combat field. Indeed, he quite recently served our first Queen, the lovely Bridei, as her Queen's Champion. At Their Crown Tourney, TRM Æsa and Raito announced their intention to welcome him into the Order of the Chivalry at Boar's Head. Therefore, at the appointed time, Dumal was escorted into court by members of Grand Company of the Peacock with his shining cream garb contrasting nicely with the Peacock's traditional blue and green. While Count Sigfried was not able to attend, his words of praise for Dumal were read out to all assembled there. Then TRM Æsa and Raito did knight him and the assembled members of the Chivalry welcomed the newly-made Knight. Greatest congratulations to Sir Dumal, the newest Knight in Northshield!

The excitement of Boar's Head having passed, winter is now well upon us and with it has come the quiet that often falls over the Barony this time of year. Over the holidays there is little SCA activity as many gentles gather with friends and family to celebrate and ring in the New Year. Although it will be over by the time this reaches your hands, I hope that many of you will have been able to come share the New Year's festivities with the Barony at our Yule Moot. It is always one of my favorite annual and I cannot think of a better way to start the year than joining with my chosen kinsmen for a day of games and good cheer!

Happy holidays and peace to you all!

Yours in Fishy Service~

**Eithní ingen Talorgain**



## Dear Trystan

*Dear Sheriff Trystan,*

*What do you recommend as a recovery program after major surgery to get back into fighting trim?*

— *Back Out of Action*

Dear Back Out of Action,

Sorry to hear about your plight, but it doesn't mean that you have to deny your barony your fighting skills in time of war. Oh, no. You're not getting out of your feudal obligation that easily. However, it is true that you're going to need some re-conditioning. Start with walking the dog or the boyfriend (of girlfriend) or any other such creature that is eager to get out of your house for an hour or two. In the event that you have difficulty finishing your walk, the dog can drag you along and the significant other can lend support with some much-needed nagging. Do this at least every other day.

As you approach genuine exercise, remember to take it really slow. I give this advice to people at the pinnacle of their health, so a pathetic wretch like yourself had better listen up all the more so. Try some long, slow, deep knee bends. Put your feet parallel to one another, take a deep breath and lower your torso slowly to a count of 10. If you don't know what "parallel" means, look it up. If you don't have a dictionary, cease reading my column and kill yourself. When you get to the bottom on the 10 count, sit yourself all the way down on your heels and stretch out your ligaments for another 10 count. Examine your floor while you're there. It's filthy. Clean it. This will exercise your elbows and mollify your significant other, such that they may forgive you for not inviting them on that last walk. Look up "mollify." Now rise from your stretched out squat slowly for a third 10 count. Do this five times a day.

Try swimming, if you have access to a pool. Don't worry, the weight you've put on since your surgery will improve your buoyancy and nothing builds your wind like almost drowning for an hour every few days. Light jogging is another option, but the real trick is to find physical activities that you enjoy, such that you will pursue them regularly and at length. It doesn't matter so much what you do so long as you take satisfaction in this.

I myself lift weights, thrash varlets, pursue a regimen of aerobic activity and spend as much time as I can being cruel to children (see my previous column for ideas!) The victimization of wee sprats will strengthen your back, neck and shoulders and is free of both charge and consequence (so long as you follow my instructions). If you do not own said issue of the Skein, feel free to request it of the chronicler as this will brighten their otherwise drab, empty existence. If no children are at hand, purchase some light weights, name them, and then be cruel to them instead.

Remember that the leeches and barbers who pieced you back together inevitably err on the side of caution. There is no penalty to them should you end up sedentary, obese and miserable- it will only reflect on them should you re-injure yourself. Naturally they are going to counsel you to minimize your physical exertions, especially those of a martial nature. Don't listen to them, they are simply medical professionals. Listen to me. I'm a bastard. Now, go look up "sedentary."

In Service ~

**Sheriff Trystan,**

Shield of the well-moneyed and oppressor of those of low station