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Message from the Baron and Baroness



Greetings to the good people of Elfsea and Dragonsfire Tor,

We open this month with hearty congratulations to Baroness, now Doña, Rixende de Rouen, the newest White Scarf of Ansteorra. This is such great news!

The Barony traveled all over the Kingdom this month. Several of us went to Bryn Gwlad for Candlemas. Johanna de Verona taught a wonderful beginner embroidery class. Kingdom A&S was also on the calendar. Congratulations to HL Elizabeth de Salisbury and Lady Cecilia of Kent for being named Gulf War alternates. Several members of the Barony also attended War College. It is great to see the Barony showing up throughout the Kingdom.

Gulf Wars will be less than two weeks away by the time these words are read. It has been 20 years since our last Gulf Wars. We are very much looking forward to sharing this experience with you. The last headcount had Elfsea at over 40 attendees! Thank you to Lady Liadan for hosting the A&S Workshops in February. Much of the work involved Gulf Wars prep.

Please don't forget about our upcoming events - Defender and Coronation for Elfsea, and Queens and Guardian of the Tor for Dragonsfire Tor. The stewards for these events can always use volunteers. Remember, this is our opportunity to host the Kingdom and share our hospitality with them.

Vivat Dragonsfire Tor! Vivat Elfsea!

William and Cassandra

Baron and Baroness of Elfsea

Lord and Lady of Dragonsfire Tor

Our progress:

Gulf Wars XXV - March 12th - 20th

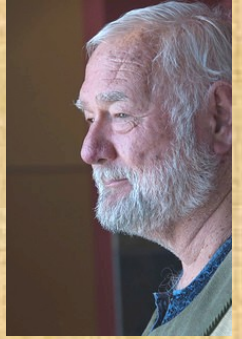
Elfsea Defender - April 1st - 3rd

Coronation - April 9th

Glaslyn Defender of the Flame - April 23rd



Message from the Senechal



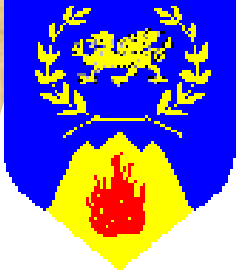
Greetings to all of Dragonsfire Tor,

What a great month DFT had. This past month DFT made history with a fighter with our new Prince and Princess, awarded the Queens Champion Event to be held in May, and we just had a great Practice and Pot Luck with the Baron and Baroness in the Park with Baron William and Baroness Cassandra.

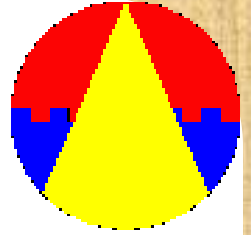
DFT will be very busy from now until after Guardian. To finish out March we have Gulf War in Mississippi. In April we will be helping out with Coronation and Elfsea's Defender and then in May we have Queens Champion and our Great 25th Guardian of the Tor. So there will be plenty of fighting, food, and fun in the Canton

In your Service
Lord Franklin Whitenhale of Cheshire
Seneschal of the Great Canton of Dragonsfire Tor





MARCH



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Elfsea Chivalric and Rapier Practice 7:30	3	4	5
6 Rapier practice Jaycee Park check with Mar- shal for time	7	8 Elfsea Cooks Guild 7 pm at the home of <u>Caelin on An- drede's</u>	9 Elfsea Chivalric and Rapier Practice 7:30	10	11 Gulf War →	12
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27 Rapier practice Jaycee Park check with Marshal for time / Elfsea arch- ery practice	28	29	30	31		



Notes from an old Rapier Marshal

“Traditions”

There are two long standing traditions on all SCA list fields, both in heavy and light fighting. The first is to offer a wounded opponent a chance to yield the fight. The second is if they still wish to continue the battle to yield your own arm or leg to make the fight an even contest once more. These are very good traditions that raise the honor and nobility of our combat but they often throw new fighters off their game a bit. Many new fighters will get so caught up in the fight they never think to offer a wounded foe the chance to yield. When they are wounded themselves and given the chance to yield they have no idea how they should respond. Many will never yield no matter what or else feel they should do so whenever asked. A more experience fighter will make their choice based on the facts. Is the tournament a double elimination or a round robin where one loss will not matter nearly as much? Are you any good fighting one handed or from the ground? To never yield will make you seem Fanatical, just as to always yield whenever asked will look almost cowardly. A great effort made without any real hope is truly energy wasted. To be fair I know a Samurai who feels he can't yield because his persona code of honor just would not allow for it. Europe in period held the question in a much different light. King Arthur would have found no honor in killing a wounded foe and a late period duelist who always killed would be thought bloody rather than honorable. If you really have no idea which way to go just flip a mental coin in your head and call it. As to yielding your own arm or leg after taking out opponent's whom then wishes to keep fighting, that is a much easier choice. If his skill level is equal to or lesser than your own you really should always do so. If they are much more skilled than you might choose not to, but if you do anyway then win or lose you still look great. If your persona where real he or she would have no choice but reason these things out for themselves and so my friend should you.

Yours in Service,

Angus Patrick de Ruthven.

Early notice for Dragonsfire Tor's 26th Yule Revel. Al Eryn our A & S champion wants to give you plenty of notice so you can make something awesome for the competition.

PRAY **L**ET **A**LL **K**NOW
THE **T**HEME **F**OR **T**HE
DRAGONS**F**IRE **T**OR
ARTISAN **C**OMPETITION
IS **D**ECLARED **T**O **B**E
WY**R**OO**S**

of the dragonish kind.

The artisan may choose to create a piece featuring the dragon as subject.

The artisan may also use the substance of a dragon freely given*

* the documentation must explain the circumstance of the gifting as the people of the Tor have no wish to see harm done to dragons -- even in the pursuit of art.

Word Fame

*Let it be known through out the Canton of Dragonfire Tor
that :*



Lady Tamsin Wylde received the Western Tower for her achievements as a Rapier fighter and her contributions to the rapier community!

Vivat Lady Tamsin Wylde!

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Dragonsfire Tor Rapier Marshal

Complete an Application for Office on the Kingdom website at <http://seneschal.ansteorra.org/forms/ApplicationJan08.pdf> send it to central-rapier@marshal.ansteorra.org with a copy of your SCA card

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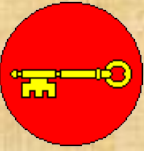
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Greetings to all,

Thanks to Lord Angus “Traditions “ , Lord Franklin, and the Baron and Baroness of Elfsea for their messages.

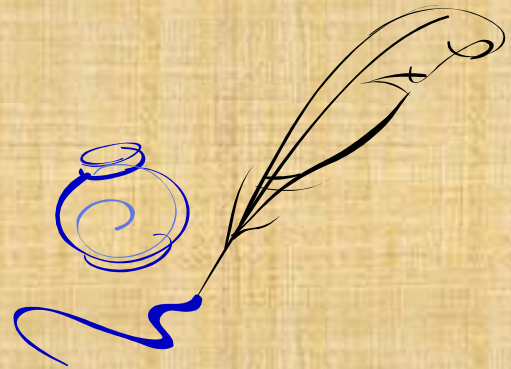
Once again I'd like to remind you to send me some Word Fame for members of our Canton. Also all pictures submitted for publication must have model releases for every recognizable person in the pictures. Pictures of children are not recommended. All other submissions must be accompanied by appropriate release forms as well. Submissions not accompanied by release forms will not be published. Next week I'll be off to War. I hope to bring back a story or two.

Yours in Service

Lady Diana the Just

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