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NEWS FROM BARONESS AND BARONESS EMMA AND ISABELLA

Greetings and salutations,

This summer has been filled with numerous events, activities, and recognition for many of our community members. As we prepare for the upcoming Fall event season, we are looking forward to all the exciting things ahead.

We wanted to extend our gratitude to all who attended Populace. It was a successful meeting with plenty of enjoyable swaps. We hope everyone found something beneficial and are already putting it to good use.

Additionally, our Roundtable Sewing and Armoring Day had a fantastic turnout. It was wonderful to see familiar faces in and out of our meetings. And getting some pattern making done was a nice perk as well. If you couldn't make it, we hope you can join us for the next time.

Looking ahead, August is shaping up to be just as exciting. We have one more work day scheduled for August 3rd at Cat and Orlando's house to finish up some tasks. And on August 17th, we will be hosting the Accademia della Spada for Vindheim. If you're interested in volunteering, there are plenty of opportunities available to help out. Just reach out to the event stewards or us to find out more information.

We will also be starting planning meetings very soon for Protectorate so please watch our official channels for updates. Thank you for your continued support and involvement in our community. We look forward to seeing you all at our upcoming events.

Events around the kingdom that we plan to attend in the coming weeks are:

8/17 - Vindheim Academia Della Spada

9/21 - Moonshadowe Trade Days

Yours in Service,

Emma and Isabella
Baroness and Baronessa

OFFICER NEWS

FROM THE THROWN WEAPONS MARSHALL

Hello and Salutations from the office of the Thrown Weapons Marshall. During the month of July we were rained out o practlces, this was a wierd July!!

Going into August we plan on ha ing a baronial target building day,as I get a day nailed down I will get it posted on book of many faces. For the Month of Auguat our practices will be on 8-4-2024 and 8-18-2024. I look forward to both of these practices!!!!

YIS

Lord Deinis Ó Maille

Namron Thrown Weapons Marshall

OFFICER NEWS

FROM THE ARCHERY MARSHALL

Greetings Populace!!!

We have been invited to invade Weinsenfuer's Arrow Making Classes taught by Baron Isaac Bane at the home of Ian and Torriana's House. Please send a private message to Isaac, Ian, Torriana or Baroness Eadwyn for the address. The class will be divided into two parts: part 1 will be preparing and coating the shafts and part 2 will be glueing and finishing the arrow. Part 1 will be Friday, August 9 from 7pm to 9pm. Part 2 will be Saturday, August 24 from 10 am to 2 pm. More details are available on the book of faces event, posted on both Barony of Namron page and Barony of Weinsenfeur. The following is a handout from Baron Isaac Bane.

Yours in Service,
Aillenn bean Ui Maille

Arrow/Bolt Building:

What is Spine?

An arrow's spine is a measurement of how stiff it is, or how easily it can bend. You want your arrows spined for the bow you are using. Too low of a spine and the arrow could explode and too high the arrow won't bend around the bow when released.

For making Bolts from cutting down arrow shafts, the spine is less of a concern as a crossbow isn't trying to push the ammo around something, but is a straight push from behind. I would still recommend going with a spine near the limbs draw weight. (40 - 45 lbs spine shafts for limbs that are approx. 65 lbs)

Shafts also come in different sizes, 5/16" and 11/32" being the most common.

Depending on what spine you're looking for can affect what size of shaft you'll need to use. The larger the shaft, the more weight you are shooting down range.

Fletching Length:

The fletching on an arrow or bolt can affect the stability, speed, and steering of the ammo. The longer the fletching, the more stability it can bring to the ammo sooner by drag. Drag will also slow the ammo down and longer fletching can be more affected by winds. The more tuned the arrows are to the bow, the less fletch is needed for stability.

Quick recommendations are: 2" fletching on bolts for pistol prods, 3" fletching on bolts for full size prods, 4" ro 5" fletches on arrows.

Field Points:

Field points do the least amount of damage to our targets with each hit and come in a variety of weights, anywhere from 75 to 150 grains. The most common weight seen on the range is 100 grains. Going with a heavy point can weaken a spine and a lighter point can stiffen the spine.

Nocks:

There is a variety of not only color, but materials that glue-on nocks come in or with a few hacksaw blades taped together, you can cut your own into the shaft for period arrows. Nocks cut into the wooden shafts will need to be cleaned up with small files or sand paper and reinforced with thread. For glue-on nocks the Bohning classic index nocks are recommended.

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FROM THE ARCHERY MARSHALL

Supplies:

Arrows:

Shafts - Spined for your bow

Field Points - one per shaft

Nocks - one per shaft

Fletches - all fletches on the arrow should be the same length and shape.

for three fletch: 2 different colors, color A - 1 per shaft, color B - 2 per shaft

for four fletch: a total of four fletches per arrow

Bolts:

Shafts - Spine doesn't matter as much, but still something to look for

Most arrow shafts come in 32" lengths, so most people can make 2 bolts for every 1 arrow shaft.

Field Points - one per shaft

Fletches - all fletches on the bolt should be the same length and shape

2 fletches per shaft unless crossbow is set up for shooting 4 fletched bolts

Protection and Beautification:

Arrows and Bolts that are more than just bare wood shafts last longer and can be easier to find in the wilds beyond the targets.

Several thin coats of Polyurethane are recommended to help waterproof the ammo. The arrows and bolts can also be painted or stained before the polyurethane coats. Lighter non-green colors are recommended. It is also recommended to use light, thin coats of paint and build the color up in multiple layers than apply the paint too thickly.

Paint recommendations beyond the pricy arrow paint are spray paint and good quality artist acrylic paints. House paints and cheap craft paints tend to go on to thick and break down when thinned with water.

Glues:

When gluing the fletches to the finished shafts you want a glue that's compatible with the sealer that was used. Duco Cement (lacquer finishes) or Fletch-Tite Platinum (water based finishes) are two recommended glues.

Gluing nocks to the arrow shafts, you want to make sure the glue you use won't melt the plastic of the nock. Duco Cement and Fletch-Tite Platinum both work with most plastic nocks.

Securing field points so they don't pop off in the targets seems to be its own art.

Bohning Ferr-L-Tite is a hot melt style of glue with a high tensile strength in hot climates. Fletch-tite Platinum also works and doesn't require a source of heat.

Some Fletch-Tite Platinum and Ferr-L-Tite will be available for use during class.

Jigs and Other Tools:

Fletching Jigs come in a variety of styles. It's recommended that you use jigs that are intended to apply one fletch at a time. These generally have a higher success rate than the cheaper plastic jigs that will apply three fletches at a time.

Our class will have a variety of different jig styles available for use. If you are looking at purchasing your own jig, take a look at the Avalon Hexagon Multi, Bitzenburger Dial-O-Fletch, or the SAS Vertical Fletching jigs.

Tapering tools are for getting the appropriate taper for the nocks and points; and come in two main styles, a plastic version that is disposable and a metal version with replaceable blades. You do need to match the taper tool to the diameter of your shaft. Our class will have tapering tools available for use.

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FROM THE ARCHERY MARSHALL

Basic Steps of Construction:

Cut shafts to length

Length is based upon Archer's draw length for arrows or length desired for bolts

Lightly "sand" shafts

Scotch bright green scour pads, 000 Steel wool, or 220+ sand paper

Taper shafts as needed

Paint/Stain shafts

Let the paint/stain Cure

Polyurethane shafts

Between dry coats of Poly, lightly "sand" with scour pads or 000 steel wool, skip this on the last coat.

Let the Poly Cure

Clean up tapers

Glue on nocks

Twist the nock so that it's against the grain

Let the Glue Cure

Glue on Fletches

Let the Glue Cure

Glue on Points

Let the Glue Cure or totally cool off.

Shopping Places:

The following shopping places carry the materials to make wooden shaft arrows and ones that we have ordered from before.

Local:

Archery Traditions of Oklahoma

Address: 328 Elm Ave, Yukon OK

Phone: 405-350-1100

Tends to carry arrow making supplies, usually carries supplies from 3Rivers

Online:

3Rivers Archery

<https://3riversarchery.com>

Sells a variety of archery related supplies

Lancaster Archery Supply

<https://lancasterarchery.com>

Sells a variety of archery related supplies

Surewood Shafts

<https://surewoodshafts.com>

Sells just wooden shafts

Rose City Archery

<https://rosecityarchery.com>

Sells a variety of archery related supplies

OFFICER NEWS

FROM THE RAPIER MARSHALL

Greetings Namron!

I am your interim Rapier Marshall. It's great to be serving you again in this capacity.

I will be conducting an inventory of the Nameon loaner gear in the next couple of weeks, and practice will continue on Wednesday nights at the Southern Oaks Rec Center.

Speaking of the rec center, Dona Veronica and Master Marcus got to do a demo for the rec center on TV! They did an awesome job, and if you missed it, I've seen the segment shared on Facebook a couple of times.

As I'm sure you're all aware, Vindheim's Accademia Della Spada is coming up in a couple of weeks. We'll have classes, a rapier and a C&T tournament, and Her Royal Highness will meet with her Rapier community at the Princess Tea. Come join us for an exciting event at the Ardmore Convention Center! It will be a lot of fun.

As other events and activities come up, I will be sure to let you know what to expect to see the rapier community doing.

Yours in Service,
Lady Sabine Fulhaberin,
Cadet to Don Cornelius
Namron Rapier Marshall

ANSTEORRAN SCROLL TEXT COMPETITION

Scribal Text Competition

YOUR WORDS WANTED!

At the Invitation of Their Highnesses Jean Paul and Gilyan

Their Royal Highnesses are looking for new, unique scroll texts to adorn and enliven the awards of the kingdom beginning in the upcoming reign!

1. ENTRY INFORMATION

Who Can Enter? Anyone! No experience necessary. Have you ever thought of something you thought would sound great being read up in court? This is your change to provide new ideas!

How many texts can I enter? There is not a limit. You may submit multiple entries, though there will only be one official prize winning entry.

What is the Entry Period? Entries are open now! They are due by **Oct 1st**

What do I submit and where? Your entries should be submitted as an email containing all of the scroll texts you wish to submit, typed. Include a Kingdom Publication permission form giving rights to use the text over to the Ansteorran College of Scribes.

Send to: trh@coronet.ansteorra.org and star-signet@herald.ansteorra.org

2. WHAT AWARDS ARE INCLUDED?

This competition is for texts for Ansteorra's Grant Level awards.

Iris of Merit
Star of Merit
Blade of Merit
Centurion of the Sable Star
Arc d'Or
Golden Lance

BE SURE TO FOLLOW THE GUIDELINES FOR ENTRY!

3. TEXT GUIDELINES

The Text should include: A reference to the crown giving the award, a reference to the person receiving the award, the name of the award, and the location, day, month, and year the award is being given.

Beyond that, the text should reflect the nature of the award. Be inventive, creative, and enjoy composing words that others will love hearing in court!

Please use creative but number-and-genderless terms when referring to the Crown (for example: "Stellar Crown of Ansteorra" "Enchanting Crown of Ansteorra"... etc). This will permit texts to be usable for multiple reigns.

4. WINNER AND PRIZES

The Winner will be announced at Coronation in October.

Prizes TBD! More information coming.

ANSTEORRAN SCROLL TEXT COMPETITION

SCA CREATIVE WORK COPYRIGHT ASSIGNMENT/ GRANT OF USE FORM

I, (legal name) Meggan Cividanes, being known within the Society for Creative Anachronism as (name) Lillias MacGuffin, do hereby agree to the following with respect to my (check appropriate item(s): article story script poem song artwork map) (hereinafter "the Work(s)") entitled Ansteorra Scribal Text Competition as follows (check all that apply; complete blanks where necessary):

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OFFICIAL CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

ATTENTION: The kingdom would like to extend an invitation for submissions of several types to go into special editions of the Kingdom newsletter. Please keep your eyes open or contact those you think would be excellent authors of:

- formal research papers (like Kingdom A&S) - to be submitted by October 1st
- recipes for an Ansteorran Cookbook - to be submitted by January 1st
- Stories, poems, or music - to be submitted by April 1st (and that's not a joke!)

Official call for submissions will be announced in the upcoming Black Star and on social media soon.



REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Possible changes and cancellations may happen due to severe weather. Updates are announced on the Baronial mailing list (<http://lists.ansteorra.org/listinfo.cgi/namron-ansteorra.org>). Combat scenarios range from 1:1 tourney style up to 600 vs 600 war melees! Check out the event ad and/or website to see what type of fighting scenarios are being done at the event so you are ready. (Typically is 1:1 tourney style unless it is a war or melee event) For more information, contact the Baronial Rapier officer, whose information can be found on the officers page

Monthly Populace Meeting.

July 11 2024 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Pioneer Library System Moore Public Library, 225 S Howard Ave, Moore, OK 73160. Come join us to find out what exciting things are coming for the Barony of Namron!

Monthly Business Meeting

July 18, 2024 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Virtual. The Barony of Namron Business Meeting will be held via Google Meet. Please check Facebook or the email list for details. All members of the populace are welcome.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat/ Sun |
|---|----------------------------|---|------|-----|-------------|
| A&S Open Nights or Classes 6-8:30 pm at Joann's | Firestorm Ink 6:45-8:15 pm | Chivalric Combat Practice, 7 pm Central Park in Moore Youth Rapier 6-7 pm Rapier 7-9 pm Southern Oaks Recreation Center, 6818 S Walker Ave, Oklahoma City, OK 73109, USA | | | |

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Rapier Activities

Youth Rapier Practice

Wednesdays, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Southern Oaks Recreation Center, 6818 S Walker Ave, Oklahoma City, OK 73109, USA

Steel weapons combat is an SCA form of combat used toward the end of the Middle Ages. Loaner gear is available and youth ages 6-17 may attend. Possible changes and cancellations may happen due to severe weather. Updates are announced on the Baronial mailing list.

Rapier (Fencing) Practice

Wednesdays, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Southern Oaks Recreation Center, 6818 S Walker Ave, Oklahoma City, OK 73109, USA

Joint, indoor practice with the Barony of Wiesenfeuer. Steel weapons combat is an SCA form of combat used toward the end of the Middle Ages. Loaner gear is available.

Chivalric Activities

Armored (Rattan) Combat Practice

Fighter practice normally will be held at Central Park in Moore, Ok under the pavilions on the right as you enter the park. Practice is held at 7pm. now that summer has hit, I think holding it a bit later to let the sun calm down will help with the heat. I plan on bringing ice, water, ice towels to help with the possibility of over-heating. Updates are announced on the Baronial mailing list (<http://lists.ansteorra.org/listinfo.cgi/namron-ansteorra.org>). For more information, contact the Baronial Knight's Marshal (Armored Combat) officer, whose information can be found on the officers page (<https://ansteorra.org/namron/officers/>)

Missile Activities

Target Archery & Thrown Weapons Practice

7/14, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
4200 E Franklin Rd,
Norman, OK 73026, USA
Target Archery and Thrown Weapons Practice is BACK!

We have loaner equipment available, and trained Marshals to teach you if you're new! Please wear closed toe shoes, and tie back long hair. Youth ages 6+ are welcome to participate with a parent or guardian present. Please check the Barony of Namron Facebook Group for updates in the event of inclement weather

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Arts and Science Classes and Open A&S Nights

8/5, 8/12, 8/19, 8/26, 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM Joann's 530 Ed Noble Parkway, Norman

Open A&S will be held weekly on Mondays (except for holidays and immediately before and after any holidays) alongside any planned classes. Expect 1 class per month and 1 scribal night per month within these Mondays. Specific schedule pending. There will always be room for open A&S work alongside any planned classes and scribal nights. Come by and check it out. Find more up to date information on the class for this month on the Facebook page.

Calligraphy and Illumination

8/6, 8/13, 8/20, 8/27, 6:45 PM - 8:15 PM

Firestorm Ink (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/116467718388381>) is a Scribal Guild made up of members from both the Barony of Namron and the Barony of Wiesenfeuer who focus on creating the best quality of workmanship when it comes to Baronial, Principality and Kingdom wide scrolls and charters. Members participate in various levels of painting, design, white-working, and creating originals that are awarded to deserving participants within the SCA. All works are historically based and researched to assure their accuracy in not only the style, but the colors utilized to create such a beautiful document.

Meetings are held virtually except the first Tuesday of the month. Firestorm Ink meets on the first Tuesday of the month at Natural Grocers: 2120 SW 89th St, Oklahoma City, OK 73159 from 6:45 to 8:15pm

Middle Eastern Drumming 8/22 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Class/practice is held in Blanchard. All experience levels are welcome! Please contact Baroness Dominique for address and additional details: thunderdomi.as@gmail.com

Middle Eastern Dancing 8/8 7:00 PM Class/practice is held in Blanchard. All experience levels are welcome! Please contact Baroness Dominique for address and additional details: thunderdomi.as@gmail.com

UPCOMING CALENDAR

Kingdom Events

17 AUG Vindheim Academia della Spada

A one day collegium featuring classes in SCA steel combat, fencing and other subjects of importance to the fencing/rapier community.

24 AUG Serpent's Symposium VI

24 AUG Glaslyn Artisan of the Flame

The Canton of Glaslyn cordially invites one and all to join for classes, competition, fellowship, and fun at Artisan of the Flame!

25 AUG TAMU Open House Demo

Demo hosted by Shadowlands

30-2 AUG - SEP Bonwicke - War of Legends

BIDS AND REGISTRATIONS

Throne Bids: The Barony of Namron is accepting bids for a matching pair of Baronial thrones. The thrones should pack flat for transport, be unique in design, and have some sort of visual representation of Namron.

Please send your bids, with design proposal and cost estimate, to the following:

treasurer@namron.ansteorra.org
seneschal@namron.ansteorra.org
baron@namron.ansteorra.org
baroness@namron.ansteorra.org

Thank you!

BARONIAL SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES



Social Media Officer

Youth Armored
Combat Marshal



Diversity, Equity, and
Inclusion Officer

Youth Rapier Marshal



Treasurer

Siege Weapons Marshal



Silent Heraldry
Coordinator

Equestrian Marshal



The above officer positions are available. If you would like to take the lead in promoting these activities in our Barony, please complete the application at:

<https://ansteorra.org/seneschal/apply-for-an-office/>

BARONIAL WISH LIST



Simple drawstring bags for storing rolled banners, black or gold (2) 10"x54"; (3) 10"x24"; (1) 8"x45" when laid flat

Painted PVC tubes for banner transport

Namron belt sashes

Feast gear for newcomers (dinner plates, bowls, utensils, mugs/goblets; break-resistant materials are welcomed for our younger members)

Table runners to hang from back to front at Their Excellencies' place settings; gold with baronial arms on the front section preferred (Don't sew, but would like to help with this? Donations of durable and washable fabric would be a great boon!)

Hard-shell knee and elbow pads for Youth Armored Combat

Four embroidered napkins for baronial feast gear

Largesse (matching sets of 12 are especially useful, but all largesse is wonderful)

Embroidered Memorial Banner Project

We have a list of names. Next, we need someone/s to research devices. This is a daunting task, so multiple participants would be ideal. Once that is completed (as much as it's possible), we will be in need of artisans to embroider the devices.

OFFICER DIRECTORY



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