

# BARONY OF STIERBACH

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## THE BULL

Baronial Newsletter July 2024

### The Herd is on the Moo-ve

by Geneve Wolfelin

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Rumors of war have drawn our Fierce Baron and Gentle Baroness to the wilds of the Sylvan Kingdom of Æthelmearc. Stierbach's banner flies over the a growing Pennsic camp despite the falling rain under the steward ship of Baron Dunstan and Baroness Cynthia Anne of Silver Lakes.



It is Peace week and many of our barony find themselves at Pennsic. If you have never attended Pennsic – buckle up! It is unlike any other SCA event I have ever attended. Over

10,000 people attend this event almost every year. Mighty battles are fought, lasting friendships are made, and most will return poorer in coin but richer in memories!

Those of us left behind eagerly await the stories of daring deeds done at war.

Find out more about the Pennsic war here: <https://www.pennsicwar.org/>

### [Pennsic Pro-Tips from the Baron and Baroness Stierbach](#)

by Geneve Wolfelin

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We asked Their Excellencies to share a pro-tip for Pennsic – they did not disappoint! Keep reading to find out their “must-haves” for long camping events.



“Having a water bottle with a strap allows for hands to be free to do other things, such as a fist-pump for a well-earned war point!

The water bottle on the left is in a carrier that I sewed in 2007 to use at my first Pennsic. The carrier is made of scraps that I had of white linen, and poly brocade, and was sewn on the plane ride from Artemisia. I made this one to fit all the way over a water bottle, to disguise it. This had room to fit, in addition to the plastic bottle, my phone, a fold-up fan, and my drivers license, credit card, and cash. It has held up surprisingly well, and, as you can tell, has seen lots of use.

If there is one thing we all know about being outdoors in August, it's that it is HOT! And when it's hot, there must be hydration! In addition to a Mug of Choice (the bottomless mug from Beast and Boar, something amazing from Feed the Ravens, sturdy wooden or metal mug to hang on the belt, etc.), it is useful to have a bottle with a lid, so that even if you are on the field cheering on martial activities, you have water with you.

The leather one encloses a glass bottle, and is the thing that I got two years ago to be a fancy replacement for the linen one. However – I still use both! The thing that makes these both so helpful is the long strap. I can wear them over my shoulder, or cross-body (...though be careful of leather straps and hot weather; tanning and dye-ing tend to come off on clothing...), or put them in my basket or wagon. Either way, I know that if I need water (shopping is thirsty work!) and none is immediately available, I have a couple of sips with me. Remember: hydrate, don't die-drate!!”

Thank you for the Excellent advice Your Excellencies!

### [Stierbachers Spotted at Victory on the Vine](#)

by Geneve Wolfelin

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Members of the Barony recently came out to enjoy Ponte Alto's event Victory on the Vine. It was a beautiful day at a beautiful site! Thank you to our neighbors to the north for hosting this event! Join us back here at the same site for Stierbach's 26th Baronial Birthday in September.

You can see more photos from the day [here](#).

Special thanks to Lord Thomas de Winter for sharing his photos!

### [July Business Meeting Minutes](#)

by Genefer Wolfelin

July 14, 2024

Officers in attendance:

- Baron – Dunstan Stonehill
- Baroness – Cynthia Anne of Silver Lakes
- Seneschal – Þorgrímr kráka
- Deputy Seneschal – Jenefer de Winter
- Exchequer -Gökhan ibn Saruhkan

- Quartermaster – Magnus Dunbar
- Chatelaine – Aygül bint Umur Bey al-Aydin
- Chronicler – Geneve Wölfelin
- Knights Marshal – James of Carinthia
- Minister of Arts & Science – Arielle de Pontoise
- Deputy MoAS – Rita Die Perle Von Der Wetterau
- Webminister – Richard Wymarc
- Deputy Webminister – Gaius Marius Valerius

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm

### **From their Excellencies:**

Pennsic is coming. We had to cancel our demo and Baroness's Tea in June due to excessive heat. The Tea has been rescheduled to Oct. 26th. Their Excellencies are focused on Pennsic prep.

### **Populace Questions and Notes**

Masked Ball update on Feb. 15th? Lady Aygül bint Umur Bey al-Aydin is hoping to submit a budget next month. She is also looking for someone to run games at this event.

The coolers have been purchased by Their Excellencies. Three marine style camping coolers will now be a part of our Pennsic camp.

### **Officer Reports:**

**Seneschal:** Unusually quiet.

**QuarterMaster:** Nothing new to report. Storage locker inventory is in process. A date will be announced once it is determined (probably post-Pennsic).

**Exchequers:** A quiet month – no payments or payouts this month. A deposit check for Holiday Faire was requested. There have also been some issues with our old email

address for the Exchequer but Thomas saved the day with contact info for a follow-up.

**Chatelaine:** Quarterly report has already been filed. Two potential newcomers are in the pipeline and no additional demos on the horizon.

**Knights Marshall:** Nothing new to report. Please stay hydrated – it's hot!

**Minister of the list:** Not in attendance.

**MOAS:** Lady Arielle de Pontoise reported that the quarterly A&S report will be completed soon. In the month of June we hosted an online class on calligraphy with her Excellency Stierbach. We also hosted an illumination class taught by Baroness Rígnach of Argyll. Our next gatherings will be a Pennsic Prep online discussion and a parasol painting class next Thursday taught by Lady Runa.

A&S at Stierbach Birthday will be a scroll display (Bring your fav and show it off). We will also be hosting a competition of items or performances inspired by the nine muses.

**New Herald to be:** Warrant has been submitted! Lady Katherine is already making connections.

**Chronicler:** The blog that will serve as our newsletter is up and running. It will be updated by the next business meeting. Please send content to Baroness Geneve Wölfelin (mpruitt085[at]gmail.com)

**WebMinister:** We have a blog for our newsletter. It will be updated by the next business meeting.

### **Event Updates:**

Baronial Birthday –

Most of the staff is in place. We are still looking for someone to run Troll. The SCORES form will be submitted after the meeting. Our event theme is Inspiration of the Nine Muses. Updates and more details will be coming to the website soon.

Holiday Faire –

SCORES should be going up soon. We are finalizing staff and looking for more volunteers. More details to come next month.

### Closing Remarks from their Excellencies

Thank you so much to our officers and event stewards for the work you do 😊

We are the BEST BARONY now and forever!

Please make sure to submit your award recommendations.

Pennsic court will be the Monday of war week at 6 pm. Bring something to share for the potluck and stick around for our ice cream social. Thanks for being the best!

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

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