BARONY OF STIERBACH

The Bull



Baronial Newsletter November 2025

Holiday Faire Wrap-Up

by Genefe Wolfelin December 7, 2025

Greetings Medieval Readers,

This week, your own Chronicler gratefully passes the pen to the Lady Katherine, the fearless Autocrat of this years' Holiday Faire.

"As event steward for last weekend's Holiday Faire, I have much to be grateful for. In no real particular order, I want to give thanks to those who made it all possible:

Our **38** vendors, and everyone who came to shop!

Arielle de Pontoise, with assistance from Rita die Perle von der Wetterau: coordinating an astounding A&S display highlighting Stierbach, and also arranging the "Fairest" competition. Porfina arranged and taught classes at the event, giving the youth their own activities.

<u>Lucy Wigan</u> and her staff – on site and prep team – for a delicious, filling, hot, and on time lunch! (that delicious cheddar? She tells me it's Dubliner brand.)

The marshals: <u>Bumi Fong</u> (MiC, heavy), Celestria Alexandre d'Amiens (<u>Alexandria Taylor</u>) (rapier), Treya min Teanga (<u>Tracey Mahon</u>) (archery), Eoghan O Suileabhain (<u>James T Barbour</u>) (thrown weapons), Epy Pengelly (<u>Mishee Kearney</u>) (equestrian)

<u>Etan Askani</u> for coordinating a beautiful concert, somehow timed for the sun's appearance from behind the day's clouds

Edward Perry (John Patrick Brice Jr): MoL, SCORES, and locking in marshals

Ragnar Leifsson (<u>Ed Claytor</u>) and Forannan Glorach (<u>Fabian Jay Scholl</u>) for heraldic consulting throughout the day. Special shout out to Forannan for staying well after closing to finish his consults.

Eachan de Baird (<u>Timothy Baird</u>) for inadvertently being my odd jobs man.

Runa (Alyssa Diamantis Spencer) for running Gold Key.

<u>Mara Michelle Cincinnatus</u> for stepping in as Baronial court herald, a role I sorely missed performing for the event, but delighted seeing it in such capable hands

Ceridwen ferch Rhys ap Michael (<u>Ceridwen Wymarc</u>) as reservationist, muddling through the many spreadsheets and SCORES complications with me, in addition to handling all the checks and cash. Gaius (<u>Michael McDowell</u>) and <u>Emily Baisch</u> (whose SCA name I've shamefully forgotten) were with Ceridwen at gate all day seeing over 400 people through, and I know others assisted as well.

Event planning advice came from many quarters, including Ceridwen, <u>Signy Biarnardottir</u>, Epy, Iacobo (<u>Michael Schatz</u>), and others. Ceridwen in particular has a knack for offering concise bits of advice exactly when I need it, even though I didn't know I did.

Jenefe (Mary Collette) and her ninja-like team for making the halls look stunning on Friday, and taking it all down again Saturday. I still have no clue where the giant rolling steps came from or went to!

Friday setup including Dunstan (<u>Don Sutton</u>), <u>Dexter Guptill</u>, <u>Jackie Hansen</u>, Eachan, Treya, <u>Norbert Dolittle</u>, Ceridwen, and <u>Richard Wymarc</u>. I know there were others, but on a site so large, I didn't see all of you or, sadly, get your names!

the Bitter End takedown crew: <u>Jasper Millar</u>, Helena (<u>Penelope Millar</u>), Signy, Dunstan with a special shout to Eachan, Arielle, Norbert, and Dunstan for the Sunday trip to Baronial storage.

Thank you to all who made the magic real!!

End-Of-Year Potluck

by Genefe Wolfelin December 2, 2025



Since we had lots of Roman events and classes this year, let's make it a Roman inspired dish!

Curious about the food of ancient Rome? Author Crystal King shares details about apiculus,

vomitorium, garum, fried dormice, and ancient Roman cuisine.

Find out more at https://www.crystalking.com/thefoodofancientrome

Bring a dish large enough for 4 to 6 people and a list of ingredients that is served. Be creative! Populous will vote for the most favorable dish.

If you can bring a toy for largess, you will be entered in the Holiday gift drawing.

Also don't forget this is the only time we are in Garb!

The activity will be held on December 18, 2025, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Bethel Lutheran Church (room B7) 8712 Plantation Ln, Manassas, VA 20110

November Business Meeting

by Genefe Wolfelin December 2, 2025

Baronial Officers:

- Baron Dunstan Stonehill
- Baroness Cynthia Anne of Silver Lakes
- Seneschal Jenefer de WinterThorgrimr Kraka
- Deputy Seneschal Thorgrimr Kraka
- Exchequer -Ceridwen ferch Rhys ap Michael
- Chronicler Genefe Wölfelin
- Herald Katherine Ravenshill
- Chatalaine Runa Skoggasdottir
- Knights Marshal Master Baru le Bataillier
- 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 7:03 pm

The meeting was recorded ullet

From their Excellencies:

We had a big weekend! We have heirs! Crown Tourney was amazing. Special congratulations to the new Prince and Princess who are from Stierbach! The last bout was very cool to watch. It was wonderful to see people we have not seen for ages. The tournament ran smoothly and the weather was perfect. A lovely day all around.

Updates from the Seneschal:

Crown tournament was a beautiful day! Special congrats to Prince Wilhem. UnEvent is coming up December 6th and 7th. A schedule should be announced soon. Make sure to attend your officer and order meetings!

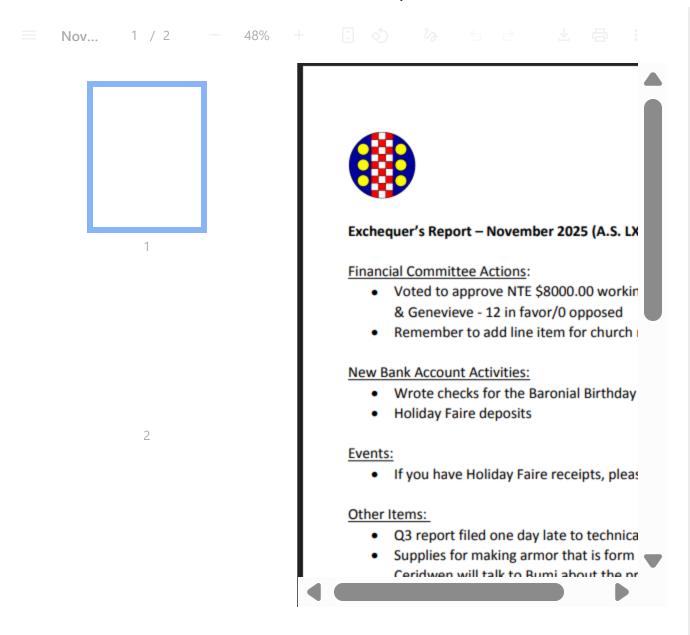
On December 4th, Lord Edward Perry will be teaching a class on event stewarding. This is especially important for our Barony as we host two large events each year (Baronial Birthday and Holiday Faire).

Officer Reports:

QuarterMaster: All items from Baronial Birthday have been returned to the storage locker.

Exchequer: A copy of this month's report will be attached.

We are looking for a deputy exchequer!



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Knights Marshall: Sir Bumi is officially the new Knights Marshal for the Barony.

Minister of the list: Lord Edward Perry is our new deputy MOL. He will also be present at Holiday Faire with some MOLs-in-training. We are also looking for an MOL in charge for Defending the Gate.

MOAS:

A&S Nights – See the baronical website for details.

November 20th we will be hosting an in person class on tablet weaving.

December 4th Lord Edward Perry will be teaching Autocrat 101. This will be a virtual class.

Our end of year potluck will be held on December 18th in person at Bethel Lutheran Church.

In-person A&S activities are held at Bethal Lutheran Church. 8712 Plantation Ln. Manassas, VA 20110

There are many classes for Holiday Faire and activities planned for Holiday Faire! See the event website for details.

Herald: Our quarterly report has been submitted. Lady Katherine is hoping to have some new name submissions ready for Holiday Faire.

Chronicler: The blog continues. Newsletters are being sent to Kingdom as they are published Send Genefe content for the blog please.

(chronicler@stierbach.atlantia.sca.org)

If you are looking for a way to get involved – Genefe would love a deputy.

Chatelaine: Lady Runa will be running Gold Key at Holiday Faire. Lady Runa also announced a new initiative to gift items from the Gold Key to our newcomers. We have a lot of garb!

Loudoun County library contacted us to do a demo this summer.

If someone new pops up on Facebook – please tag Runa. She is not on Facebook very often.

WebMinister: The website is updated for Holiday Faire. Everything is going smoothly!

Old Business:

Holiday Faire Update -

We have 39 vendors ready to roll for Holiday Faire. Activities have fallen into place for the event. Sir Bumi was also the MIC for the event. Equestrian will be running a demo of new

martial activities. Things are running right along!

We are in need of volunteers to help with set-up and take-down. Set-up will run on Friday from 2-7 pm. We are also looking for someone to transport a list fence from Chantilly, VA.

The confirmed vendor list is on the website and ready to go! Check out the event website for details!

New Business:

From HRH Wilhelm: Thank you for your patience at this time! We humbly request that Stierbach would host our Coronation. Lady Jenyfyr agreed to run this event as Autocrat with the help of Mistress Genefe and Lady Runa. Please look for their Highnesses at future events.

A motion was put forward to authorize a DNE of \$8000 for this event. The motion passed with 12 in favor and none opposed.

His Highness is planning for a fun and joyous event!

Populace Comments:

Lady Rita is hosting a potluck at the Church for the holidays.

see the website for details

Closing Remarks from their Excellencies

Happy Birthday to Lady Galina! And also to His Excellency Baron Dunstan!

Please come see us at Holiday Faire! This looks like it's going to be an amazing event.

Master Simon will be taking an apprenticeship at Holiday Faire. If you have crash space for two the night before the event – please let us know!

PLEASE SUBMIT REWARD RECOMMENDATIONS! We accept emails, messages, and award recommendations through the esp. The esp is really the best way to get us info but

we will take what we can get! Send us stuff and tell us all the great things that are going on! Thank you to those who are sending us messages $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{C}}$

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm

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Meetings, Practices, and Workshops

Meetings:

Baronial Business Meeting:

Meets: Second Tuesday of the month. Starts at 7:00 p.m.

Location: Online

Contact the seneschal@stierbach.atlantia.sca.org for more information.

ALL Are Welcome!

Newcomers Meetings:

New to the Barony? We have some meetings and activities to help introduce you to the SCA.

Contact chatelaine@stierbach.atlantia.sca.org for more information.

Workshops:

Upcoming A&S Classes

Upcoming Classes

Practices:

Baronial fighter Practice:

Meets: Every Wednesday, weather allowing, 6:30-9:00

Location: 26 Richland Rd. Fredericksburg, VA, 22406

Please contact knight-marshal@stierbach.atlantia.sca.org for more information on

heavy weapons and fencing practices.

Fencing Practice:

Meets: Every Tuesday and Thursday, 8-10 pm

Now that school is back in session, the rapier practice held in Fredericksburg will be moving back to the auxiliary gym at the University of Mary Washington. Starting on September 3, we will be meeting from 8-10 PM on Tuesdays and Thursdays. I know it's quite late for many people, but we would love to see you there!

As always, no experience is required to attend! We love teaching newcomers and there is plenty of loaner equipment.

Stierbach Equestrian Practice Schedule

The 2024 dates are: 3/17, 5/19, 7/14, 9/22 and 11/03

Location: 4603 James Madison Hwy, Haymarket, VA 20169

Brief Description:

Join us at James Long park in Haymarket VA for our first Northern Cavalry Practice! Set

up from 10am to 11 am, and riding and/or driving from 11am to about 1pm. After we pack up the equipment, we'll share snacks and fellowship from 1pm to 2pm.

Archery Practice – Grimmsfield

Meets: Every Monday, 5pm to dusk

Runs from the first Monday after Spring Daylight Savings change until Fall Daylight

Savings change. (In winter we switch to A&S. 6PM until 9PM.)

No experience necessary. Newcomers welcome. Loaner gear (and coaching) are

available!

Baronial Calendar

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