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Beautiful Illumination shown at Court of Love By Lady Adela Chadwye and won the Knyginya Roned A&S prize. Feburary 19th 2022

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Skellig Micheal in the Summer 2021. Susannah wrote an Article for Tournaments Illuminationed.



Words from our Baron and Baroness

Greetings Eplaheimr! Well done to all on a wonderful Court of Love last month! It was a hugely fun event, and it was great to see so many happy, laughing, feasting, fighting, and merry friends! A huge thank you to everyone involved and especially to Viscountess Susannah who spearheaded the event team. As things come back to a more normal state of activity, we are sure we are going to see a lot more of you all, and certainly would love that to be the case. We think one of the big keys to the success of Eplaheimr over the years has been the fact that you can attend as much or as little as you like. We want you to know what whether you attend once a year or every month, you are just as welcome and just as important a part of the Barony. Part of our job is to help you find your fun in the society. If you want to learn heraldry, armoured combat, armouring, nalbinding, calligraphy, or one of dozens of other skills, we can help. Feel free to talk to us or reach out and we can direct you to the people who can help you learn. The sharing of knowledge and skills freely is perhaps the real hallmark of this society. We love to share our passions for historical skills. If you want to grow the society in your local area, please let us know too and we'll put you in touch with our Chatelaine (The baronial officer who helps us grow) and we'll do what we can to support your local efforts. Thanks to Lord Unegen for making the very successful Games Day Demo in Limerick happen. We expect to welcome new members from that at coming events. Our philosophy is simple: Have fun, learn and develop in what historical skills interest you, be courteous, enjoy the social side as you desire, and have more fun! Looking forward to seeing you in the coming months,

Etienne and Melisende

Baron and Baroness of Eplaheimr



Missive from the Seneschal:

On this windy month of March, while the fencers fenced in Tubberclare, the people joined with sewing, illumination, embroidery, chat and the gathering of friends.

As the Spring rolls by and the Summer is coming, I would ask that the Tuathas have picnics and small gatherings. Meet for laughter, chat, and practice. I would like to thank Susannah for hosting our online A&S meetings throughout the pandemic. Kytte of the Lake will take over the hosting on Monday nights. Please join us via zoom for A&S on Monday nights. We continue our monthly meetings. We would be delighted to see you. We are seeking deputies for most officers in the Barony. I intend to step down as Seneschal in the Summer and am seeking a deputy.

We are planning our calendar for the rest of the year and for 2023. If you have any ideas for events, please come and let the officers know.

We look forward to seeing everyone over the summer.

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Your Seneshal

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Meadhbh Rois Ineagh Ui Chaoimh



Illumination and calligraphy by the Baron and Baroness.

News from the Chronicler:

Duine Uasal Hail,

During plague time, many of our Barony were busy with projects. This issue of the Annals celebrates the finished projects of our members. At Court of Love, our A&S competition and display was fantastic. There was Illumination and calligraphy, beautiful Russ Viking garb from Marina, Illuminations from Lady Kytte of the lake, and many more. The Chronicler would love to have photos of the table if anyone took some.

We are now looking to the Spring and Summer of 2022 and all restrictions are lifted. What would the populous like to have? One day events, work days, training, a camping event? Join us at our next Barony meeting and have a voice.

Deputies are being sought for several jobs for the running of the Barony. Don't be shy new members, we all must start somewhere. If you are interested, talk to our Seneschal, or the chronicler (Susannah) can answer questions, just email.

Some events that are happening in the wider Principality are:

Flaming Arrow- April 30th More details to follow from Glen Rathlin.

Strawberry Raid -June 2-6th Contact Dun in Mara for more details.

If you want to go farther afield, there is Coronet Tourney in the U.K. on the 6th to 8th of May. See the Insulae Draconis website.

The chronicler will be sending our emails about information as it comes in. The new deputy for Chronicler is Lady Fianna Rua Nic Mhathúna.



The Baron and Baroness at Court of Love

Baronial Court Report from Court of Love:

Baron/Baroness gave thanks to organisers of the event and attendees.

Baron/Baroness announced the winners of the Competition of the day.

Best day garb Best feast garb Best place setting A&S competition Heavy Tournament Fencing Tournament

Baron/Baroness presented the Tuatha de Lunula (Barony level Arts award) to Lady Adele Chadwicke, Premier of the award.

Baron and Baroness instituted the Baronial Brute Squad and tasked them with rounding up a couple of elusive rogues for the following point of business:

Baron and Baroness presented the Tuatha de Charbahd Óir (Barony level Service award) to Lady Fianna Rua Nic Mhathúna & Lord Robert of Eplaheimr

Baron/Baroness reminded all present of a demo at The Gatherings Games Day in Limerick and ask if anyone could come and support Lord Unegen with the endeavour.

Baron/Baroness encouraged all present to show appreciation for the hard work of the artisans and view the pieces they displayed.

Baron/Baroness gave thanks to Lord Culainn for his efforts as herald for the first time.

Court concluded.

Planning for the Year 2023

At the Baronial Meeting this month (and you're always welcome to join us on Zoom for that, your voice is most welcome), we decided to aim for 6 events in 2023 and to have other monthly activities going on so that there are plenty of opportunities for people to get together and enjoy the SCA. Some of our regular events will be revived and we're open to others. If you have an idea for an event you'd like to run, please let me know. I'm assisting the Seneschal in the initial planning for 2023. Also, if you have a demo idea for 2023, please let me know, even if it's just an idea, so we can start planning for how many we can do and how to get the best results. Here's what we currently are thinking: Monthly fencing and craft days are expected to be ongoing in the Athlone area. Local practices are also expected to keep going in some areas. Also, local Tuatha days and so on will be happening, so this list contains the more Baronial-wide events planning.

January: A Day-activity – something cheap and easy for people after Christmas.

February: Champions of the Court of Love – a larger event as a day event or weekend event.

March: A Day activity. (Could be a day on particular crafts, a museum trip, etc)

April: Possibly a Heraldry themed event, again a larger day or weekend event - site depending.

May: A Day activity.

June: A Day activity.

July: Baronial Investiture, where we see the next Baronial couple installed.

August: Raglan Castle in Wales is big and a lot of people go over, so probably an event or day in late August, perhaps something like Rindoon or Portumna picnic.

September: Traditionally the all-island event Champions of Lough Devnaree occurs in September, one year in 3 we host it. We could do something a few weeks away from that in September if we desire.

October: Medieval Dead – our Halloween event, another of our larger day or weekend events depending on site availability.

November: Possibly Peasant Revel – an old Favourite event from years ago.

December: Perhaps a party day early in the month. We can add events and activities if people are keen to make them happen. At this stage just get in touch with your ideas and desires and we'll refine the calendar in the coming few months at Baronial meetings. Thanks, Etienne (EtienneSCA@Gmail.com)

Busy, Busy, Busy A&S projects

2021 and into 2022 has been a busy one for our Arts and Sciences. I am sure as the gettogethers become more frequent, we will be tasting the brewers concoctions. There have been leather working days, garb get-togethers, illumination and calligraphy online classes.

The following photos are the fruits of the busy workers:

Baron Etienne has been very prolific with his leatherworking and illumination. There was a leatherworking day at the arts and crafts day in Tubberclare hall and in the Tuatha Cluain Óir. Flavio has been forging, Maebh has been cooking, Marina sewing, Unegen has been doing Mongol-style archery equipment and boots, Susannah was doing silk painting and Fianna is planning a new project. What have you been doing? Let the Chronicler know for the next issue!





Leather Making in Tubberclare .



Garb making, Tubberclare.



Leatherworking at Cluain Óir.



Archery Bracer made by Etienne



Susannah doing Silk painting.



Etienne has made a book box.





A quiver and arm band Mongol-style by Unegen.



Fianna starting a new project.

Marina has been doing Heraldry.



Maebh is cooking.





Flavio Lovide is forging and leatherworking.



The Baron and Baroness did Illumination and calligraphy.



Culainn made a chair.



Marina's new garb. Adele's new garb sitting with the Kynaginya, at Court of Love.

Officers of the Barony:

Seneschal: Lady Meadhbh Róis Ineagh Uí Chaoimh (Ger Clarke) Chatelaine: Lord Culainn of St.Elmo's fire (Iain Healy) Moas: Viscoutess Sagadis (Melodi Grundy) Herald: Baron Merlin Sparhawk (John George) Chronicler: Viscountess Susannah of York (Sue Callaghan) Deputy Chronicler: Lady Fianna Rua Nic Mhathúna (Davina Mc Mahon) Knight Marshal: Lord Unegen of Eplaheimr (Yann Coussot) Exchequer: Lady Hilkka Susinen (Hildegard Simboeck) Our Officers can be reached by their email: <u>title.eplaheimr@gmail.com</u>