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Congratulations

Congratulations from all of the members of Arrow(s)reach go to the following gentle(s):

Baron Master Brusi of Dragonvale received a Burdened Tyger for his service on security forces at Pennsic. (This is an East Kingdom award, and it is for autocratting service above and beyond the call of sanity and is a very notable honor.)

Lord Rioghan of Saarlands received a Princesses Cypher from Her Highness Aelfled at Midwinter in July

Official stuff.

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Rules for November Coronet

Unto the populace of Lochac do we Alfar and Liadan send warmest greetings.

It is our wish that November Coronet Tournament in Stormhold will be run slightly differently. The winner of the Coronet Tournament will need to be proficient in several weapon styles. The winner will be the most skilled fighter on the day.

The Tournament will run as the normal single kill 'double elimination', however the 3rd, 5th and 7th rounds will be specific weapons only.

This means that the 3rd round will be Bastard Swords only. The weapons will be supplied from the Royal Armoury and each sword will be identical to each other. The approximate length of the weapons will be 5 feet, with cutting edges and thrusting tip. NO butt spike.

5th round will be 15" diameter buckler and a single handed sword with thrusting tips. The weapons and shields will be supplied from the Royal Armoury and each item will be identical to each other.

7th round will be a poleaxe of approximately 6 feet. The poleaxe will have a thrusting tip, one cutting edge and a butt spike. The weapons will be supplied from the Royal Armoury and each poleaxe will be identical to each other.

The final will be the best of 5 bouts.

1. Bastard Sword
2. Centre Grip round with single-handed Sword
3. Poleaxe
4. Combatant's own choice
5. Combatant's own choice

If any member of the populace has any questions about the tournament, please contact me

Prince Alfar.

From the Chronider

My thanks go to everyone who has given me articles and suggestions and for this issue most especially for Lady Gwir ferch Madog who gave me a book review. Please feel free to send me any articles, I still have some to print, though more are always needed.

Keep in mind that this month is the Arrowsreach 1st Shire event on the 29th, and also the Fruits of the Forest Feast in the Canton of Krae Glas 2 weeks before it on the 15th. Remember, if you are planning to attend either of them you will need to book, see the fliers for details.

There is the flier for November coronet in this issue. This will be the Coronet to decide the last Prince and Princess of the Principality of Lochac. It is likely to be a well-attended event, so it is recommended by the Autocrat that people book early.

I am still looking for a deputy to learn the job of chronicler with the view to taking it over when I decide to step down. It isn't that hard, and I am enjoying it immensely. Please contact me if you are interested.

Yours in Service
Lady Antonia Ruccellai.

Tnaugural **E**vent for the
Shire of **A**rrowreach

Token Tourney (open weapons)

Lists open at 1pm
Armour inspection 1:30 pm
Tourney begins at 2pm
Feast 6:30 pm

A&S competitions:

A song, poem or story about Arrowreach!!
(Entrants are encouraged to perform)
best use of an Hardvark or the parts thereof
(Can be in literary or literal format!!)

Plan for Dancing and other special games during the evening!

Date: Saturday September 29, 2001
Location: 11th Ringwood Guide Hall
Notlen St, Ringwood Melway Ref: 49 6H

Cost: \$15 members \$20 non members

Event Steward : Nadia Stolpa
Feast Steward : Antonia Ruccellai

For bookings, questions or concerns, please contact the Steward
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****Numbers will be Strictly limited to 50 for the feast****

****All Bookings must be received by September 22.****

The SCA Library. - By Lady Gwir ferch Madog

Title: Cruel as the Grave

Author: Sharon Penman

Publisher: Michael Joseph, London

Copyright: 1998

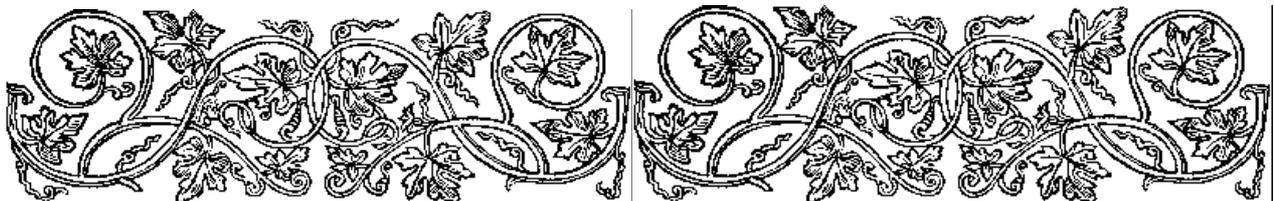
ISBN: 0 7181 4307 8

Cost: Around \$20 for the paperback edition

Cruel as the Grave is a murder mystery, which effortlessly transports the reader to the year 1193, and the court of Eleanor of Aquitaine. It is the second book of a series, and though it reads fine as a stand-alone novel the characters and events make more sense in when read in the context of the first in the series. The protagonist, Justin de Quincy, is a poor squire who is also the bastard son of a bishop, until a fateful turn of events leads him into the service of the Queen (the full story of this is the subject of the first book of the series, "The Queen's Man").

In this adventure de Quincy finds himself solving a murder at the behest of a barmaid named Nell, while trying to contain insurgencies by the forces of John and pursuing an interest in Claudine, the Queen's beautiful, yet duplicitous Lady-in-Waiting. The several plotlines woven by Penman keep the interest of the reader on many different levels. As always, Penman's attention to detail and historical accuracy regarding the background of the story, though not necessarily the characters therein, set the mood and make suspending disbelief very easy.

This is an eminently readable story. The characters are accessible and vibrantly drawn, and the plot paced in such a way that the reader can do naught but turn the pages. I highly recommend it, though reading the first in the series would enhance your enjoyment.



The entire product range of Medieval Miscellanea is now available in Australia.

The patterns cost \$27.00 each. Plus \$4 P&H for up to 4 patterns.

All patterns come with full documentation. There is a pattern available for most periods entertained by the S.C.A. as well as patterns for fighting garb, and period pouches.

As well as the patterns, two books are available:

- ❖ **Period Pavilions** - all you need to know to make your own pavilion \$30.00
- ❖ **Wearable Heraldry** - \$15.00.

The patterns can be viewed at <http://www.mediaevalmisc.com/patterns.htm> or a paper copy is available on request.

Order forms can be requested from Karl Madsen karlmad@bigfoot.com Ph. (03) 9504-2364 (Business Hours). Orders can be accepted via e-mail (as above), post (Karl Madsen, PO Box 6739 St Kilda Road Central Vic 3004) or fax (03) 9569-8212.

Payment must be received before the goods will be dispatched.

After June 30th, information & order forms will be available for download from

www.karlmadsen.com/~patterns

(Paid advertisement)

THE BARONY OF STORMHOLD PRESENTS

NOVEMBER CORONET

3RD - 4TH OF NOVEMBER

**WHO WILL BE THE LAST PRINCE AND PRINCESS OF
LOCHAC?**

**Nioka Scout Camp
Gordon's Rd
South Morang
Melbourne.
MELWAYS REF: 183:K8**

Cost (without accommodation)

	Members/Non-Members	
Up to 31st July	\$25:00	\$30:00
Until 14th October	\$30:00	\$35:00
From 15th October	\$35:00	\$40:00

Children under 15 \$5 discount to the event cost for those children.

Accommodation cost per night:

\$6 camping / adult

\$3.50 camping / child under 15

\$10 bunk

Billeting is available.

Bookings :

Anabella Debonaire (Tracey Bailey) or Dafydd ap Iowrth (Dean Bailey)

55 Reservoir Rd Sunbury Vic 3429, Ph 03 9744 2238 or 0438 011 845

Email annabella@netspace.net.au

Fruits of the Forest II

A St Hubert's Day Tourney and Feast



The patron saint of hunting, St Hubert, also gave his name to the Basset Hound, which used to be known as St Hubert's Hound. He was the first bishop of Liege, and was won from his worldly life when he saw a crucifix suspended between the antlers of a magnificent stag he was hunting in the forest near Maastricht.

Gentles all, you are invited to join the Canton of Krae Glas in a day of merriment, combat and feasting themed on The Hunt! Join us for a tourney, a hunting competition, games, dance, a veritable plethora of fine food and glorious company.

15th September, AS XXXVI (2001 CE), from Midday Monash Community Inn, Clayton Rd, Clayton (Mel ref; 70 D: 9)

Cost: Tourney only- \$3 members/\$5 non-members
Feast- \$15 members/\$20 non-members
(numbers limited to 60 for the feast)

Program: Midday: List Open/Hall opens
1pm: Pandybat Tourney (ask Gwynfor!)
3pm: Open Weapons Tourney
6pm: 1st remove
Court
2nd remove
3rd remove

Games and competitions all afternoon!

Competitions – Best Pagaentry on the field
The Hunting Game
Best Hunting Accessory (could be



Hunt The Devil

From "The known Words" songbook, compiled by Eric of Tobermory

As we were out a-hunting, one morning in the Spring
Both the hounds and the horses were running well, made the hills and valleys ring

But to our great misfortune, no fox could there be found
The huntsmen swore and cursed but still, no fox moved o'er the ground

Then up spoke the master huntsmen, at the head of the hounds rode he
"Well we have ridden for full three hours, but no fox have we seen.

"But still there's strength within me, and I shall have my chase
"And if only the devil himself cam by, I'd run him such a race"

Then up there sprang like lightning, a fox from out his hole
His coat was the colour of a starless night, his eyes like burning coals

And they've chased him over the valleys, and they've chased him over the fields
And they've chased him down to the riverside, but still he would not yield

Now he's jumped into the water, and he's swum to the other side
And he's crawled up onto the other bank, and he's turned to the huntsmen and cried

"Ride on ye gallant huntsmen, when must I come again
"Just call on me and you shall have the best of a sport and a game"

And the huntsmen stared in wonder, and the hounds ran back to hide
For the fox had turned into the devil himself, laughing on the other side

The hounds, the horses, the huntsmen all turned and fled for town
And hard on their heels came a little black fox, singing as he ran

"Ride on ye gallant huntsmen, when must I come again
"Just a-call on me and you shall have the best of a sport and a game"



The Knightly Knotebook

by Sir Knightly
actually by Galen of Bristol

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And now, another edition of How to Be Knightly. Today lesson number 4,011.

Tourney day again, and you have again taken to the field of chivalric honor to win glory for your name. In your spun-steel helm and kneel & elbow cops, leather vambraces, work gloves, tooled-leather kidney belt, sweat pants, modified desert boots and plaid tunic, with your 2' x 3' rectangular plywood shield painted with your unregistered heraldic device, you look just the picture of an 11th century Norse Viking warrior. As you step out upon the sun-drenched lawn of the list field, there by the parking lot, you feel confident and ready to face your opponent. You didn't recognize your opponent's name, but it was announced without titles, so you figure he probably hasn't been in the SCA too long, or if he has, he's no kind of serious fighter. As he steps out onto the field, you observe that he is wearing a very late-period style of helm and a padded doublet, apparently with its kidney belt underneath. His shirt is white with puffy sleeves, and his boots come up to his thighs, and are folded back down to accommodate his knee armor. He has a small round shield and a broadsword with a thrusting tip ... and a white scarf around his left shoulder. You are up against an effete, wine-sipping, limp-wristed, swishy-poking *Don!* Obviously, he thinks his success with such an effeminate form of "combat" will help in the butch and studly competition he has now entered. But how can you express to him your disdain for his duello combat experience in a suitably knightly manner? Follow along in your Knightly Knotebook, page 6,993, and repeat after me:

1. " So, you've decided to take up REAL fighting! Are you sure you're up to it?"
2. " Welcome to the heavy-weapons field, Your Lordship! I'm glad you've realized that swashing is for wimps and should be banned because it's so dangerous!"
3. " Remember, on this field, we call blows that put two inches of bend into our HELMS!"

By using any of these camaraderie-filled quotations, you may be sure -- as your opponent's thrusting tip puts two inches of bend into your cup -- that His Lordship will have no doubts as to just how knightly you really are.

Until next time, this is Sir Knightly saying, " Be Knightly, and good morrow."



A Blending of the Past and Present

Over the past eleven years in an ongoing effort, I have been collecting bits of useful information from various newsgroups, mail lists and articles submitted to me by their authors. In order to make this information available to others, I have placed this information in a series of files I call Stefan's Florilegium.

The Florilegium is on the web at: <http://www.florilegium.org>

Files that are new or have been updated are indicated by a special marker in the filelists at the website. In addition, the file -updated-files is a listing of these files in chronological order.

A copy of my complete filelist is available in most sections of the website. This filelist or any of my files is also available from me by email in either Word or text formats.

If you find a bad link or other problem with the Florilegium website, please let me know. Once I know about a problem I can usually fix it that day but if no one alerts me to a problem it may be months before I notice it myself.

I am always interested in new articles. If you have written an article that would be of interest to others in the SCA, please send it to me for possible inclusion in the Florilegium. Contact me for more details.

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The new files for this month are:

under ANIMALS:

Featherd-Gold-art "Feathered Gold, Golden Feathers" by Ld. Daniel Raoul le Vascon.

under CELEBRATION:

Documentation-art "Documentation - a Quick and Painless Guide" by Ld. Daniel Raoul le Vascon.

under CRAFTS:

ceramics-bib A ceramics, pottery and tile bibliography.

under FEASTS:

A-French-Meal-art "A Spring Supper by the Seine" by Her Ladyship Katja Davidova Orlova Khazarina.

Fst-Managemnt-art "Feast Management" by Lady Eden Blacksmith.

under FOOD:

gazpacho-msg A soup or sauce of vinegar, garlic and bread

pasta-gnocchi-msg Period gnocchi pasta. Recipes.

pierogies-msg Stuffed dumplings/pies from Eastern Europe.

under FOOD-FRUITS:

dates-msg Period date fruits. Recipes.

plums-msg Period plums and plum recipes.

under PENNSIC:

P-Food-Safety-art "Pennsic Food Safety" by Andrew MacRobb.

Pennsic-water-msg Dealing with the Pennsic drinking water.

under PERIOD-THOUGHT:

Love-in-th-MA-art "A Little Bit of Love in the Midde Ages" by Lady Eden Blacksmith.

under PERSONAL CARE:

Sex-in-the-MA-art "A Little Bit of Sex in the Middle Ages" by Lady Eden Blacksmith.

Here are a few of the files that have been updated this month:

bananas-msg Period bananas. When and where known.

beer-msg Making beer, period beer and ale. Hops.

cheesemaking-msg Comments and info. on cheesemaking. Recipes.

Gypsies-msg Gypsy culture. Also called Rom or Romani.

sign-lang-msg Sign language in the SCA and in period.

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Forthcoming Arts and Sciences Competitions.

Kingdom of the West

October Crown

Fine Art Illumination: Miniatures **Technical Science** Metal Work: Pilgrim Badges
Brewers Guild Competition: Hyppocras or Clarrey made with at least two kinds of peppercorn.
Pied d'Argent Guild Competition: Danse de Cleves

Twelfth Night 2002

Fine Art Needlework: Goldwork **Practical Science** Brewing: Ciders
Brewers Guild Competition:

Principality of Lochac

November Coronet - November 2001 (Stormhold)

Illumination: A protrait in miniature **Cooking:** a period style cheese
Armouring: A single piece of metal armour **Pottery:** any documentable item

Twelfth Night - January 2002 (Agaricus)

Costuming: Non European article of clothing
Heraldry: Any example of voice heraldry
Woodworking: Any domestic item made in wood, such as a spoon or plate
Fishing: any item used in fishing

Barony of Stormhold - Pearls of Wisdom

Competitions for the Barony of Stormhold not announced at the time of publication.



Coming events

West Kingdom

October Crown

12th – 14th October

(no details available at time of publication)

Kingdom Twelfth Night

5th January 2002

(no details available at time of publication)

Principality of Lochac

November Coronet - 3rd - 4th of November

see flier on pg 4

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Nearby Events

Monthly Bash - Borders Crossing

2:30 pm 2nd Saturday of the month

Albury Guide Hall

Victoria Street Albury NSW 2640

Pot Luck feast – Borders Crossing

7:30 pm 2nd Saturday of the month, after the Monthly Bash

Albury Guide Hall Victoria Street Albury NSW 2640

Stormhold Monthly Bash

1st Sunday of the month from 1pm

John Gardiner Reserve Auburn Rd Hawthorn

Stormhold Monthly Potluck Feast.

Every first Thursday of the month From 7:30pm

Presbyterian Church Hall, cnr Michael & McKean Sts, Fitzroy North

Stormhold

IKAC – Every 3rd Sunday

Time: 2pm - 4pm Location – Monthly Bash Site

Cost: Members \$3, non-members \$5

Fruits of the Forest II – September 15 – Canton of Krae Glas – flier page 12

Monash Community Inn, Clayton Rd, Clayton (Mel ref;70 D:9)

Cost: Tourney only- \$3 members/\$5 non-members

Feast- \$15 members/\$20 non-members (numbers limited to 60 for the feast)

Bookings – Master Gwynfor Lwyd (Peter Ryan) 03 9512 4387 prism@primus.com.au

Arrowreach

Arrow(s)reach Heavy Fighter training

Tuesday night from 7:30pm at the Nolten St Guide Hall Ringwood. Cost \$5 for fighters, and \$2 for spectators.

Inaugural Event for the Shire of Arrowreach – flier on pg

Token Tourney (open weapons)

Lists open at 1pm - Armour inspection 1:30 pm - Tourney begins at 2pm - Feast 6:30 pm

Date: Saturday September 29, 2001

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REGNUM

Kingdom of the West

King and Queen

Hauoc and Ginevra
Steve Schroeder and Susan Metzler
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West Seneschal

Megan nic Alister of Thornwood
Margaret Silvestri
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Principality of Lochac

Prince and Princess

Alfar and Liadan
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Lochac Seneschal

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