

Bezant Under Glass

Event Reviews from the Baron and Baroness of Roaring Wastes

I (Baroness Una) continue to share with the populace the places that Baron Vlachus and I travel to. Here is a recap of more events we attended as Baron and Baroness of Roaring Wastes.

Baroness event review:

Procrastinators Brawl and Baronial Championships 2010

What a weekend we had at a Procrastinators Brawl and Baronial Championships. Our Friday night started out with the set up of camp and meeting of new and old friends. Ruaha and Em procured us some wood to insure our camp fire revelry on the first night would be filled with warmth and light. Eamon and I lead the group in a few songs, and Baron Vlachus entertained with funny stories from past events. The laughter traveled to the wee hours. As others headed off to bed Dugan stayed awake for us to make sure the sun came up the next day.

Saturday began with a pancake breakfast cooked by Milean, and Milena. Once all were feed the list field and archery range were set up. The fencers were the first to take the field for the Baronial Championships. They fought a Swiss Five format lead by the current Champion Michael McKay. It was a bear pit style tournament where each combatant must rotate through all the styles in which they were authorized. The one with the most wins would continue to the finals. Once complete each fencer was then asked to vote on who was the most fun to fence with and who showed the most honor. Those two also advanced into the finals. Showing much might and honor on the field, our new Baronial Champion is Lucien. He has held this position for the Kingdom, and we are proud to have him as our new Rapier Champion!

Baroness Malla retrieved lunch for Vlachus and me from the lunch tavern. Ruaha, Em and Jlona worked up a great lunch of gyros and rice. It was very yummy!

Ricky and Finn were the next to take the field for Youth Champions. They fought a best 2 out of three with Finn taking the first and third bought. Lord Kasmir again ran the youth field for us of which we are truly thankful. For every new youth fighter trained is a future heavy fighter for our Barony and the Kingdom.

The armored combatants took the field third in a large Bear Pit tournament run by the current Champion Captain Balthasar. The top four with the most wins moved onto the finals round. And winning the day to become our new Champion is Bear.

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And then the rain began, and continued for the rest of the day. You would think such a thing would have put a stop to the archery and thrown weapons championships, but it did not. The archers took the field next lead by the current Champion Forester Eamon. Much to her surprise, winning the day was our own lunch tavern cook Ruaha.

Last, but not least in any way was thrown weapons. Vlachus and I were quite thrilled when Brother Bart offered to bring thrown weapons back to the Barony. Six combatants took the field in the tournament. First they threw 9 axes and then 9 knives with the person who had the highest points taking the position as champion. Brother Bart won the day and is now the new Roaring Wastes thrown weapons champion. And a special thanks to our Youth Champion Finn. He tried very hard to make sure I always had an umbrella over my head during the tournament.

Next we held Baronial Court in the feast hall. It was nice to be out of the rain for a while. We said our sad good byes to our previous champions, and brought forth our new. It was such a site to see them all standing behind us. Our Barony shall feel safe in knowing that such wonderful people are here to protect us over the next year! We took a few moments in court to give out a few awards as well. Baron Vlachus called forth Captain Balthasar to give him the Barons Favor. Next I called for Lady Em so that she could receive the Friend of My Childhood. And Lastly Forester Eamon was brought forth to receive the Eddington Cross.

Once court was complete the hall was quickly converted into the feast hall. Young lord Finn and his father joined us at head table along with Lord Kiaus, Ilse, Lord Stephanus, and Anne. Duchess Arabella was our lovely server for the evening. The Ladies Sigrid and Kadlin worked up a wonderful feast based on my early Irish persona. There were lots of meat and cheeses along with strawberries and cream for dessert and honey cakes. Feast was amazing! Thank you to the cooks, servers and the wonderful people who helped to clean up after.

To end the day out we moved over to the camp fire revel. Lady Jlonia led us in some dance. Although the space we were in was small we still had lots of fun. I look forward to having more dancing in our area especially now that I know a few of them thanks to Jlonia being patient enough to teach them to me.

The roars of laughter around the camp fire filled the night air. The rain had finally stopped and everyone was taking advantage of the warmth the fire was throwing off. I have no idea what time I went to bed, but once I did it seemed morning came way to fast.

Again Milean, and Milena cooked pancakes for everyone. We all slowly worked our way to taking things down and loading up our cars to go home. A few special thank you's are in order. Thank you Lady Milena. You did a wonderful job running the event and making sure everyone was taken care of. Thank you Lord Stephanus for retaining for us all day and making sure we had everything we needed even before Vlachus and I knew we needed it. Thank you Athen and Trahern for always saying yes when ever help was needed and stepping forth to help even when you were not asked to. Thank you Finn for constantly showing up with the umbrella for me, and always having that big smile despite the down pour of rain. Thank you Kiaus, Chris and Urban for making sure things were cleaned up before we left the camp site. And lastly thank you to the whole Barony for coming out and spending the day together. It was such a fun filled day and we are glad we could spend it with you all!!

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Vikings Come Home: September 17-19 2010

This year's Vikings was held in the ski resort town of Boyne MI. Our trip started out with a 5 hour drive up north. How beautiful it was to see the trees just starting to don their fall colors. Sharing the ride with Vlachus and I was Lord Stephanus and Rhuah. We had a small hiccup with our steed near Gaylord MI. Luckily Rhuah had a friend (Sam) in town who was happy to come out and help us a bit. Then she treated us to dinner before we continued on to the event site.

We arrived on site at 5:30pm and were just in time to snag some of the last available feast tickets. In line behind us was our own Roaring Wastes Thrown Weapons Champion Brother Bart. It was nice to see another friendly face from home so far north at this event. By 8pm we were all set up and enjoying time with our friends around the brazier Lord Kiaus brought with him. Once rested and dressed, we headed over to the event's large camp fire. They fashioned the fire pit into the shape of a large Thor's hammer. Women from the local group fed pallets of wood onto the fire to keep it large and roaring. Much laughter and stories were had by all but eventually we did have to head to bed.

Morning came and brought with it a light rain that lasted a few hours. Rhuah and Ilse made a breakfast of eggs, sausage and oatmeal with fresh fruit and brown sugar (yummy!). When the rain stopped, we lazily got ourselves together and wandered the grounds a bit. I was elated to see our Fencing Champion Lord Lucien, already on the field. His Roaring Wastes cape slowly blowing in the light breeze. With him was his young cadet Elizabeta. She was very enthusiastic about MIT'ing during the tournament.

Across the field I spied our Cousins from Cynnabar, Baron Tairdelbach and Baroness Hannah. Their warm smiles always a joy to see at any event! I took a moment to talk with His Excellency of Donnershafen Bjorn about the beautiful thrones that he made for their Barony. He is going to be kind enough to send Vlachus and I the plans for them.

Over in the log cabin we spent quite some time looking over the artisans displays. One of my favorites was of the lord that made this year's site tokens for the event. Cedacm had on display his templates and examples of some of the coins he has designed so far. I was sure to get his contact information for a possible future project I am thinking about.

Their Excellency's of Donnershafen were kind enough to ask if we would join them in their court. It was at this point that Baroness Hannah pointed out to me that all 5 Penetmer Baronies would be sitting in court together. I don't remember a time when all 5 were in the same place at once. What a sight to see as all 10 thrones were lined up side by side. Sitting with our cousins at such a wonderful event is an experience that Vlachus and I will always cherish. With Vikings also being the Donnershafen Baronial Championships, Baron Bjorn and Baroness Ailikn's first order of business was to perform the changing of the guards. They then brought forth many members of their Barony to award them for great service and achievements in arts and sciences. Lastly to make our experience that much more special, Baroness Dulcinea of North Woods gave a gift to each Barony.

Next we headed off to the feast hall. Their Excellency's of Donnershafen sat proud at head time with their newly made champions. We joined a table with the rest of Their Excellency's of Pentamere just off to the side (thank goodness the tables were set for eight). The food at the feast was amazing. I was a little afraid at first because I thought the feast was going to be fish heavy, but my fears were quickly put to rest. The beef that came out was to die for, served with roasted root veggies. The final course was a large side board of traditional Viking style dishes. I was surprised to find out that this was the first feast ever cooked by Merlyn. She did a wonderful job!

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We spent a second night traveling between our own little camp fire and the large event fire. Many great songs were sung (Rhuah and I sang a good Viking song for the group), and lots of good conversations were too had. The revel lasted long into the night. But with every event, eventually you must go to bed.

Our caravan of people from Roaring Wastes woke up early Sunday and headed on the road. It was kind of sad to leave. The whole weekend was filled with so much fun that I didn't want it to end. Ahh, though we must not be sad. We must look forward, because next year, the Vikings will come home again. Until then.....

Until the next event.....
Baroness of Roaring Wastes
Una Uilebaine



Barony of Roaring Wastes Baronial Champions

Hear and Rejoice, Good Gentles of the Barony! Your Puissant Excellencies, the Strong and Mighty Vlachus Nadasdy and the Wise and Gentle Una Uilebaine have named new Champions!

At the recent event, Procrastinator's Brawl in the Fall, a series of tests and competitions were held. Many competed, and those whose mettle was proved were declared Champions.

Good People, look to these Champions; under them, feel secure the Barony is safe.

Armored Combat: Lord Barekr Silfri, called Bear

Youth Armored Combat: Finn

Fencing: Lord Lucien Featherstone

Archery: Rhuah Jonsdottir

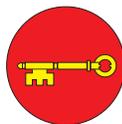
Thrown Weapons: Brother Bartholomew MacMolan

Hoobah! Well done to the Champions, and to all who competed.

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Project Nights

· There is a Project Night on the first Monday of each month at Lady Sabina and Lord Drogo's home.

· There is another Project Night on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at Their Excellencies Vlachus and Una's home.

· We have added another Project Night at Braile and Bella's. So on the third Wednesday of the month come out and join the fun!

Lots to do and so many projects to work on! Check the Roaring Wastes web site for information.

Attention Archers

· Due to new member rules at the club. We are being asked to lock the gate behind us. If you are planning on going, please email either Robert Strongbow (rshoeguy@comcast.net) or Forester Eamon (lordeamon@aol.com) so we can give you our cell phone numbers in case you arrive and the gates are chained shut. We will come and open the gates for you.

Cooks Roundtable

· Cooks Roundtable is a monthly gathering for people interested in period cooking. A theme is chosen for the foods to be presented at each month's meeting. The theme can be a culture, specific time period or both. The dishes that will be prepared are discussed individually and evaluated for feast purposes. Such as ease of preparation, compatibility with modern tastes, cost of the dish, source of the recipe and its authenticity.

The monthly gathering is generally the 3rd Sunday of the month but dates do get changed based on other SCA events and/or activities that may be taking place that weekend. Go to the Canton of Brackendelve's website (www.brackendelve.org) to confirm dates, place and theme for the next gathering. Anyone with an interest in period cooking is welcome. It is a great way to introduce yourself to the art of period cooking.



Baronial Calendar

Sundays

Archery Practice

11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Lincoln Bowmen

Check the Baronial web site for dates

Fight Practice

Summer Sunday Fight Practice

April/May-October

1:00pm - 5:00pm

Norman J Halmich Park

3001 13 Mile Rd. Warren, MI 48092

Tuesday

Fight Practice

7:30 pm - 11:00 pm

Str. Charles Church

(November thru April)

The Keep

(May thru October)

Wednesday

First Wednesday

Baronial Meeting

8:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Cana Lutheran Church

Thursday

First Thursday

Brackendelve Canton Meeting

7:30

UWUA Local 223 Union Hall,
15160 Commerce Drive North, Dearborn

Middle Kingdom Events for January 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
January 7-9 Chiv Retreat {Midrealm Chivalry (Groups may schedule within 100 miles of this event.)} [Wapakoneta, OH] January 8 12th Night {Barony of Cynnabar} [Ann Arbor, MI]						
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
January 15 12th Night {Tree Girt Sea} [CHICAGO, IL] January 15 Winter Revel {Rivenvale} [Youngstown, OH]						
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
January 22-23 Festival of Maidens XXXVIII: Seven Maidens for Seven Dragons {Shire of Wurm Wald} [Urbana, IL] January 22-23 Winter Revel {Canton of Three Walls} [Ionia, MI]						
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Middle Kingdom Events for February 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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February 5 A Regular Event in Cleftlands - Candlemas {Barony of the Cleftlands} [Cleveland, OH] February 5 Laurel's Retreat {Midrealm Laurels} [West Chester, OH] February 5 Winters End {Barony of Fenix} [Edgewood, KY]						
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
February 12 St. Valentine's Day Massacre {Canton of Three Hills} [Kalamazoo, MI]						
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
February 19 Better War Through Archery {Barony of Sternfeld} [Indianapolis, IN] February 19 Candlemas {Shire of Dragonsmark} [Lexington, KY] February 19 Masque of Courtly Love {Alderford} [Canton, OH]						
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
February 26 Eastwatch Dance and Game Revel {Shire of Eastwatch} [Fairport Harbor, OH]						
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Come Visit the Roaring Wastes Website

The baronial website has a new look! Many changes and improvements have been occurring on the baronial website.

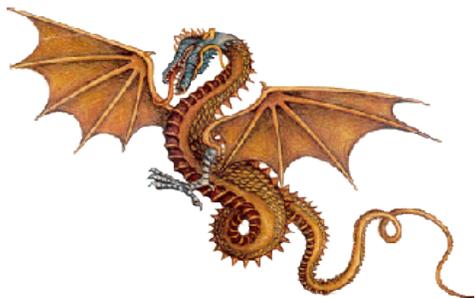
Visit the Discussion Forums section. This section is dedicated to news in the barony and the cantons. For general discussions, enter the Feast Hall. For happenings in the Barony or any of the Cantons, go to any of the individual news groups. There is also a section for Events and Demos

We also have a new picture gallery in the making. You can upload or view pictures from events and even artwork!

There is even a place to view our baronial newsletter!

The website can be found at
www.roaringwastes.org

If you haven't registered yet, please do!



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The *Bezant Under Glass* is the official newsletter of the Barony of Roaring Wastes, located in the Metro-Detroit area. The Barony of Roaring Wastes is the third oldest barony in Michigan and is bordered by the Riding of Hawkland Moor and the Barony of Cynnabar.

The Barony of Roaring Wastes consists of two cantons: Brackendelve (Downriver area), and Grand Marais (Grosse Pointe).

Email article submissions, artwork, and questions, to chronicler@roaringwastes.org

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