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Seneschal

Greetings,

Gulf War is upon us!! For those who are able to go - enjoy yourselves! Travel safely and bring back many tales of your time at War! My Deputy Aingeal will be at the war should you need assistance from someone in a Seneschal capacity on site. She will be keeping me in the loop should anything arise that requires my attention.

The office of Seneschal will be open for bids beginning at March Populace meeting on the 4th and closing at May officers meeting on the 20th. If you are interested in holding the office of Seneschal and have not already made yourself known to me, please do so. As always I am glad to answer any questions and assist in any way that I am able.

In service,
Seneschal of Loch Ruadh,
Lady Brighid Nic Seward

Archery

Greetings.

During the last two months, archery practice has been dedicated to war preparation. We have practiced the window shoot and the clout shoot. We have seven archers who attend regularly and eight more who attend now and then.

We have four archers who will be definitely shooting at Gulf War this year maybe two or three more. We will have one more practice before war, March 1st.

That's all for now.

May you arrows fly straight and you string not pop your wrist.

Gruffydd Mawr ap Rodri,
Archery Marshal, Loch Ruadh
Shire of Loch Ruadh

Hospitaler

Thomas the Grey here. I thought I'd introduce myself as the new Hospitaler. As Hospitaler, my job is to be hospitable. If I don't recognize you, I'll introduce myself and see if you have any questions. I also have loaner garb that you can use if you would like to go to an event. Please contact me with your questions, I can be reached at hospitaler08@lochruadh.org.

Thomas the Grey

Exchequer

Greetings from the Exchequer,

Things were busy during the first month of this year, and now comes the usual lull. Nothing much is happening with the business of this office, so I may just hang out a sign, "Gone Fishing". I wish everyone speed and good luck with the preparations for Gulf War and all the spring tourneys as well. I hope you have a good time at GW and bring back many interesting stories of bravery, battles and much revelry.

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Chamberlain

From the Chamberlain,

The shed floor has been repaired. Many thanks to Aingeal, Caerell, Tom, Floria, Alric and Padraig for their help. After Gulf War when the weather warms up a little more, Padraig suggested we put some type of sealer on the floor. Sounds like a good idea to me. We also have purchased some wood to construct needed shelving.

We have had donations of many good books to the Shire library from Sean, Floria, Tegward and Cealach. Please thank these people for enlarging our library. The library is open on the first Monday of the every month from 6:30 to 10:30 or you can make arrangements with me and I will open the library for your convience.

Load out for Gulf War Equipment is scheduled for March 7th at 11: 00 AM. During the week of Gulf War I will be staying at Aingeal & Caerell's house and plan to work in the shed cleaning and rearranging some things.

In service,
Dana

Chronicler

Greetings!

Many thanks to everyone who submitted articles for this issue.

War is almost here! Please take lots of pictures and collect lots of stories for the next Scarlet Letter. Submissions will be due by April 20.

In Service,
Floria Blackdragon

This Is Mead – I Think

Padraig Ruad O'Maolagain

It's a drink made with honey, and it's fermented, so it's mead, right?

Well, yes and no.

There are a wide range of fermented honey-based beverages, containing more or less, or perhaps very little, alcohol that people refer to by the term "mead".

Strictly speaking, mead (or "honeywine") is basically a honey and water mixture ("must") that is boiled to remove impurities, then is cooled and has yeast added to induce fermentation, which produces alcohol. The sweetness of the end product depends on the ratio of honey to water; 2 1/2 to 3 pounds of honey to a gallon of water will produce a "dry", or light and less sweet mead, while 4 to 4 1/2 pounds of honey to a gallon of water will result in a richer, sweeter mead. Beyond these basics, however, there lies a lush variety of honey-based thirst quenchers with selections sure to please almost any palate. While the following is not an exhaustive list, I think it gives a fair idea of the variety in meads and related libations.

No (or at least low) Alcohol Mead

There are two methods for this type of mead. One is very similar to the recipes for such soft drinks as root beer and ginger ale. It has a very short fermentation time, and the purpose of the yeast is to induce carbonation rather than alcohol, and the fermentation is halted by the introduction of a stopping agent such as potassium sorbate. As with any fermentation process, some negligible amount of alcohol is produced as a byproduct, but in most cases it is hardly enough to measure. The other requires no addition of yeast at all. The must is simply strained and cooled, and can be refrigerated or enjoyed at room temperature.

Small or Quick Mead

Small or quick meads have a shorter fermentation time than their stronger elder siblings, and are meant to produce a mead with a smaller amount of alcohol that will be ready to drink in less time, hence the names. After the addition of the yeast to the must to induce fermentation, the mixture is allowed to bubble away merrily for two to four weeks, after which a fermentation stopping agent as noted above, such as potassium sorbate or a small amount of distilled alcohol like vodka, is added. Alternatively, once the mead has reached the point de-

sired, it can be racked (siphoned or poured off the sediment in the bottom of the fermentation vessel) and enjoyed.

Sack Mead – Extra Sweet Mead

Made with larger amounts of honey, five pounds or more per gallon of water, sack mead is often made like a small mead, halting the fermentation after just a few weeks, to allow for greater sweetness.

Melomel – Fruited Mead

Melomel uses fruits, fruit juices or sometimes even flowers to produce a flavored mead. A combination of fruits, juices and/or flowers may be used, or just a single addition, as desired. The amount of fruit used depends on how much influencing flavor is wanted in the end product. Generally the fruit, juice or flower petals are added to the cooled boiled must before the yeast is introduced. The resulting sediment may be left in place until fermentation is complete, or to produce a clearer end product, the mixture may be racked to a clean vessel before the fermentation is complete, to allow more particulates to settle out.

Cyser – Mead with Apples

A specific type of melomel which uses apples or apple juice for flavoring.

Pyment – Mead with Grapes

A specific type of melomel using grapes or grape juice as the addition.

Rhodomel – Mead flavored with rose petals

Rose petals have been used to flavor food and drink for thousands of years, and this specific type of melomel is thought of very highly.

Morat – Mead with mulberries

A specific type of melomel using mulberries as the flavoring agent.

Metheglin – Spiced Mead

Identical to the idea of melomel, except spices are the additions. Cinnamon sticks, ginger root, other whole

spices, ground spices, singly or in combinations, are added to the must for flavor.

Capsicumel – Mead with peppers

Strictly speaking, capsicumel should be classified as a melomel, although with peppers or peppercorns used to provide a spicy bite to the beverage, perhaps it might be better thought of as a specific kind of metheglin.

Hippocras – Spiced Pyment

Hippocras may have the spice added before fermentation, or it may be mixed in just prior to serving, much like spiced wine.

Braggot – Mead made with malt

While there are many ales that use honey as part of their recipe, braggot instead uses malted barley as part of this mead type. Braggot also refers to a mixture of mead and ale, sometimes drunk hot.

Acerglyn – Mead with Maple Syrup

There are two schools of thought on acerglyn. The first uses maple syrup as an addition to or substitute for some portion of honey in the recipe. The other idea is to make the acerglyn using only maple syrup. As one who loves maple syrup, I like both ideas.

Fortified Mead – Mead with distilled spirits added

This is not the minimal amount of distilled alcohol that is added to small mead to halt fermentation. In fortified mead, larger amounts of distilled spirits are added to the finished mead, either before bottling, or just before serving, for a greater alcohol content. Adding it before bottling and then allowing the mead to age will result in a smoother, more mellow drink, much like in the creation of liqueurs (which is a subject for another article).



Gulf War Hints

Cold and/or Wet Weather:

Rubber boots and rain slickers are your friend.

Keep your feet DRY!! Change out of wet or damp shoes & socks often.

Always have an extra tarp, either to put over your tent or to cover things inside your tent like your bed & bedding, for those new leaks and/or rain saturated rain flies.

Keep a rug just inside your tent door to catch rain drips and to wipe your wet, muddy feet. A very cheap flannel backed tablecloth is great for this, put on the floor with the flannel side up.

Keep a pot of hot water and/or coffee going, hot drinks, oatmeal and instant soup taste so good in wet/cold weather.

Most body heat is lost through your head, keep it covered even while sleeping.

Never go to bed in ANYTHING you have worn during the day, it is damp and you will be cold!!

In the morning pull the blankets up over the rest of your bedding. This keeps your bedding from being damp at bedtime. Dry bedding is good.

Make sure your bedding is not touching any walls, especially at night or on rainy days. ANYTHING touching tent walls will wick water.



Clothes and Packing:

Never take new shoes.

Pack twice the number of socks you think you will need.

Pack more clothes than what you think you will need.

Layer clothes in cold weather.

Long johns and turtle neck shirts under garb are very warm.

Rubbermaid tubs are waterproof and can sit outside in the rain giving you more room inside your tent on those rainy days.

Food:

Snacks...quick and easy!! Oatmeal, instant breakfast, Slim Fast (great energy booster), granola bars, instant soup, hot chocolate, peanut butter, marshmallows (for roasting).

Check coolers daily for needed ice and/or draining.

Dig a hole under drain so you don't need to move cooler when draining.

Disposable plates, bowls and silverware work well in camp. No washing.

Have a good time and bring back some good "No S****, there I was stories"

Dana, who is not going to War.

Ship's Bells

by Lord Alric Morgannwg

Have you ever wondered about how sailors kept track of the hours before wrist watches and wind up clocks? They used an hourglass and the ringing of the ship's bell. The watch on duty had as part of their standard activities, the turning of the hour glass. By this they determined the number of bells to ring.

Generally then, Ship's Bells are a system to indicate the hour by means of certain number of rings of the ship's bell to regulate the sailor's duty watches. The crew of a ship would be divided up into groups called watches. Each watch would take its turn with the essential activities of manning the helm, navigating, trimming sails, and keeping a lookout. This duty is in addition to normal ship's work such as cleaning, repairing and general ship's work.

Unlike landsman's clocks, the strikes of the ship's bell do not ring out the number of the hour. Instead, there are eight bells, one for each half-hour of a four-hour watch. Bells would be struck every half-hour, and in a pattern of pairs for easier counting, with any odd bells at the end of the sequence. In this fashion a sailor could tell when his watch was on duty.

The classical system is:

<i>Number Of Bells</i>	Middle watch	Morning watch	Forenoon watch	Afternoon watch	First dog watch	Last dog watch	First watch
One bell	00:30	04:30	08:30	12:30	16:30	18:30	20:30
Two bells	01:00	05:00	09:00	13:00	17:00	19:00	21:00
Three bells	01:30	05:30	09:30	13:30	17:30	19:30	21:30
Four bells	02:00	06:00	10:00	14:00	18:00		22:00
Five bells	02:30	06:30	10:30	14:30			22:30
Six bells	03:00	07:00	11:00	15:00			23:00
Seven bells	03:30	07:30	11:30	15:30			23:30
Eight bells	04:00	08:00	12:00	16:00		20:00	0:00

The hours between 16:00 and 20:00 (4 pm and 8 pm) are so arranged because that watch (the "dog watch" is divided into two half watches. This was to allow an odd number of watches aimed to give each man a different watch each day. It also allows the entire crew of a vessel to eat without disturbing the watch schedule, the normal time being at 1700 (5 pm) with First Dog watchmen eating at 1800 (6 pm).

As a side note, the term "Eight bells" can also be a salutary way of saying that a sailor's watch is over. It's a nautical euphemism for "finished" and is sometimes used in a sailor's eulogy to indicate that his or her life or "watch" is over.

Gulf War Trivia and Quest

By HL Aingeal Mac an Ghabhann

The first Gulf War (GW) was referred to as “the Clash”. The fighting conventions used were the Meridian rules. The woods battle started at what is now 5 pt corner to the end of site. The event ran from Thursday to Sunday.

GW II was referred to as the “The War Continues”. The woods were renamed the cursed woods on the map. The site book contained quotes heard at the first war such as “Beware of drunken duchesses in golf carts.... Talleyho!!!!” and “Aengus get out of our bed!!!” The price for the event was \$25 for a cabin and \$15 for a tent and paid members got a \$5 discount. The event was held in memory of Ld. Robin of Neath.

The site book for GW II & III contained directions and a map to the hospital.

GW III is when the main field move to the area we see today. This was the first site book with ads from merchants. One of the ads was for a merchant called “Disobedient Wenches Plunder Wear”.

GW IV was the first time this event was a Kingdom event. Camping past what we know as 5 pt corners started at this war. The cursed woods were move to the area where wolfstar is camping now. This war was when the fighting standards changed and we had marshalling conventions. The site book started listing merchants. This year the site book advertised Rapier Combat Demonstrations Rules.

GW V heralds point had accepted designs for Gulf War device to be voted on by the populace. This was when Wednesday was added to the War. The streets were named this year. There was a survey in the site book seeking the populaces input on the event. Prices were cabin \$26 and tent \$16, paid members still received a \$5 discount.

GW VI used weather flags to keep the populace aware of the conditions. This war saw the first page school with a graduation. This is the year that the main hall opens up to serve food.

GW VII this is the first year for the volunteer hour money split. 5 pts corner as we know it today debuted at this war. Cost for tenting was \$22 with paid members receiving the

\$5 discount. Weather notice in pre-site book says “Meridian weather is unpredictable, to say the least. Two things can be counted on: precipitation and rain.”

GW VIII the attendance was about 1750. This year they tried to do a daily paper. This war started on Tuesday. Cost for cabins \$38 and tents \$26 and paid members still got a \$5 discount. The ravine is refer to a “the crack”. Some of the roads past 5 pts corner were created this year. There was another comment sheet in this site book. The autocrat lost his wife earlier in the year. His wife Lady Catherine de la Rouche is why he was in the SCA.

GW IX is when the equestrian war point started. This is when the archery moved to its current location. Middle Eastern camp was behind security at 5 pts corner.

GW XI found the rule “you will be removed from site for “borrowing” of golf carts”. This is the first year that minors authorized in chivalric combat could compete in battles. Some battles experimented with declared kills from behind. This is the year when the mailing address of site became 26 King’s Highway.

GW XII added Monday making the war 1 week. Tenting was \$40 and the \$3 NMS went into effect at this war. An in memory was listed in the site book for Baron Robert of the Isles.

GW XIII the site became what we see today. This is the year we got our land. We were waiting on the answer for our status change to shire.

GW XIV was the last war hosted by Meridies. Land allocation per person was set at 225 sq. ft. Loch Ruadh was shown on the map for the first time.

GW XV was the first time Glenn Abhann hosted as a Kingdom. This was the first war after hurricanes Katrina and Rita. The cell tower was bent in half and touching the ground. The cover on the site book was a reference to the destruction, rescue and rebuilding after the hurricanes. This is when Sunday was added to the war.

Where was the main battle field for the first two Gulf Wars (GW)?
What unusual phrase appeared in the site rules for the first 5 wars?
What group held the first 3 wars?
What are the 2 protected species on site and why?
Which war was the first war for the fort? Whose architectural skill was used?
From building the Fort answer these questions:
Who swings a mean chainsaw?
Who performed miracles?
What is important to have to build the fort?
GW VI site book what animals were used to represent Ansteorra and Trimaris?
What does RUM stand for?
What was the hottest GW?
What was the coldest GW?
What was the wettest GW?
What does a red tassel on a horse mean?
Who designed the cover for site book XV?
Who was the group that Loch Ruadh shared land with?
Who was the group that had our land just before us?
Which of one of our Kings was knighted at GW then served his reign during GW?
Which GW had the first pre-war book?



Dragonsfire Tor Yule Revel December 6, 2008

I did not have enough room in the last issue for these pictures of Yule Revel, so I thought I'd make up for it by having two pages! I hope you enjoy them!





Some advice from the Hospitaler for those new to Gulf War

by Lord Thomas the Grey

Keep the site map handy

Gulf War is pretty big. It's real easy to get turned around. Don't be too shy to ask someone for directions. Folks in the SCA are generally friendly and helpful.

Volunteer

There's no faster way to go from spectator to participant and get to know some fun people. Find volunteer point, and ask someone there what's available. There are lots of different jobs to do to make a war go smoothly. Don't forget, volunteering is a war point.

Take a class

There are people in the SCA that have spent years studying the arcane skills of the middle ages. There are classes on spinning, belly dancing, woodworking, and smithing. If they did it in the middle ages, chances are someone is teaching a class on how to do it.

Watch a battle

You have probably never seen anything like the ravine battle or the castle siege in person. Besides being in the battle, the best seat in the house to watch a battle is to volunteer as a water bearer. Gotta keep those fighters hydrated.

Visit merchants row

Lots of cool things to see and buy, and at prices that are hard to beat. You can buy some things here that you would be hard pressed to even find anywhere but at war.

Hang out around the campfire

Loch Ruadh's campfire is well known as being one of the best campfires to spend time around. Bring a chair and soak up the music and stories. Visit another campfire and introduce yourself. It's scary, but can be fun.

Eat

There are some great places to eat at war. I highly recommend The Goode Bakery and The Green Dragon. I defy you to walk past The Goode Bakery in the morning and not be tempted. The Green Dragon has good coffee in the morning, a lunch of meat, bread, and cheese, and in the evening, camps with extra food left over after dinner often donate it to the tavern for those there to eat.

Party

I don't know if you can count the number of parties going on any given night at war. Make a party roaming buddy (you did meet some fun people when you volunteered didn't you?) and make the rounds after dark. Bringing a little something to share never hurts.



Mama Mac's Storm Precaution List

by Baroness Dana Mac an Ghabhann

House Mac an Ghabhann usually camps at the Canton site in an area that we know floods. We have been in that area with 16" of water running through it. Why do we continue to camp there? Because WE like the location. So we help and support each other before, during and after the storm. Some sing, drink, panic (ME!!) and or sleep. When the storm is over we all check in. We evaluate who needs help, pitch in and get done what needs to be done on a priority basis. We take care of each other and try to keep everyone in good spirits.

Everyone I camp with knows I really PANIC in storms, so maybe I'm a little paranoid and I over prepare!!

But I try to be prepared for storms at all sites by:

1. Having a bad weather tub packed with rain poncho, boots, a set of dry clothes packed in zip lock bags, extra socks, a couple of bottles of water, snacks, a small first aid kit, small container of prescription medications, flash light and extra batteries
2. Making sure we have family radios and we are on the same channel
3. Storm ropes on tents and pavilions
4. Waterproofing everything
5. Packing in waterproof tubs
6. Another set of dry clothes left someplace where they WILL NOT get wet, usually in the transportation I arrived in
7. Plenty of plastic trash bags so I can pack things in a hurry
8. Knowing where I can go for shelter if necessary
9. Having a place for everyone to check in after an emergency

I then keep a VERY close eye on the weather by:

1. Watching the sky
2. Having a storm alert weather radio (set on alert only) on at all times
3. Someone in Fort Worth is instructed to call me on my cell phone if bad weather MIGHT be approaching

If bad weather is on it's way I prepare by:

1. Alerting everyone (this is where the family radios come in handy) and taking a Xanax!!
2. Putting everything that is inside my tent that could get wet in plastic tubs or plastic trash bags
3. Move EVERYTHING in my tent to the center of the tent (WET walls wick!!!)
4. Tighten all guy ropes and check the tent stakes
5. Zip up all windows and doors, unplug electric cords and remove them from the door so you can zip it completely up
6. In case I need to evacuate quickly, I place everything I need to carry with me in a hand carry bag and or trash bag:
Identification, medication, toiletries, cell phone, weather radio, bottles of water, snacks, a complete set of dry clothes including shoes, flash light, warm bedding and anything else I might need to keep me comfortable (me...cigarettes!!!)
7. Move everything I can that is outside (that would be a pain to transport wet) into waterproof tubs or trash bags to inside the tent, to a vehicle or under a tarp
8. Stuff that cannot be moved inside is taken down if possible, secured, tarped and tied down

Kingdom Calendar

March

- 6-8 Open
- 13-15 Out of Kingdom - Gulf War XVIII (15-22) -
- 20-22 Gleann Abhann
- 27-29 Open

April

- 3-5 A Day in... - Raven's Fort (Huntsville, TX)
Elfsea Defender - Elfsea (Fort Worth, TX)
- 4 Evening Revel after Med Faire Demo - Namron and
Wiesenfeuer (Norman, OK)
- 10-12 Defenders of the Rose - Tir Medoin/Shadowlands
(Temple/College Station)
Wiesenfeuer Baronial Championship -
Wiesenfeuer (Oklahoma City, OK)
- 17-19 Stargate Baronial - Stargate (Houston, TX)
Defender of the Flame - Glaslyn (Denton, TX)
- 24-26 Lysts at Castleton - Multigroup Event (Austin, TX)
Champions of Bonwicke - Bonwicke (Lubbock, TX)



May

- 1-3 Loch Guardian - Loch Solleir (Clear Lake, TX)
Eldern XXXI - Eldern Hills (Lawton/Ft. Sill, OK)
Guardian of the Tor - Dragonsfire Tor (Stephenville, TX)
- 8-10 Bordermarch Champions XXXII - Bordermarch
(Beaumont/Silsbee, TX)
Machiavelli's Revenge II - Blacklake - (Midland, TX)
Beltane - Namron (Norman, OK)
- 15-17 Coronation/King's Champion/King's Lancer -
Rosenfeld (Tyler, TX)
- 22-24 Steppes Warlord - Steppes (Dallas, TX)
- 29-31 Queen's Champion - Bryn Gwlad (Austin, TX)

June

- 5-7 Castellan - Northkeep (Tulsa, OK)
- 12-14 King's College - Bjornsborg (San Antonio, TX)
- 19-21 Passe de Arms - Adlersruhe (Amarillo, TX)
- 26-28 Midsummer Festival - Mooneschadowe (Stillwater, OK)





Events in Loch Ruadh

March

- Sun 1** - Fighter Practice Z Boaz Park 10 am
Archery Practice Dutch Branch Park 2 pm
- Mon 2** - Scribes & Illuminators/Library open 6:30 pm
HL Aingeal and Laird Caerell's
- Wed 4** - Populace Meeting
IHOP on Quebec 8 pm
- Sat 7** - Shed Load Out 11 am
HL Aingeal and Laird Caerell's
- Tues 10** - Needleworkers Guild Meeting 7:30 pm
Mistress Caterina Fregoso's
- Sun 15 - Sun 22** - Gulf Wars
- Wed 21** - Officer's Meeting 8 pm
IHOP on Alta Mesa
- Tues 24** - Needleworkers Guild Meeting 7:30 pm
Mistress Caterina Fregoso's
- Thurs 26** - Fighter Practice 7 pm
Lord Padraig's
- Sat 28** - Bardic 7 pm
Mistress Caterina Fregoso's

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- Wed 22** - Bardic 8 pm
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