

# Chronique

## Crown Tournament Schedule,

- I. Opening Court at 9:30 AM.
  1. Order of the day
  2. Populace's announcements
  3. Special announcements
  4. Awards
  5. Presentation of 'Sword of State'
- II. Sword Oath at the end of Opening Court
- III. January Steel Tournament
- IV. Judge January and February Arts
  1. I would ask that Artisans with an arts submission to please contact Dame Lyrica as soon as possible on the morning of the event
- V. Presentation of 'Sword of State' (the scheduling of this approximate dependant on availability)
- VI. February Steel Tournament
  1. See Page 2
- VII. As soon as Steel is completed Dame Lyrica's and Dame Kendra's Collegium
  1. Dame Kendra will explain how judging and participations of At Home Arts projects works.
- VIII. Lunch
- IX. January and February Shinai Tournament
- X. January and February Renn Tournament
- XI. Closing Court
  1. Arts winners for the day
  2. Tournament winners
  3. Awards for the folks that won at the Crown War Tournament
  4. Up coming demos?
  5. Contacting Local Junior Colleges for demos to recruit new members.

*Be it here known that those persons in violation of the schedule will be dealt with harshly, disregarding any plea for mercy. To them will fall the most menial tasks and, upon full and adequate completion they shall be roundly abused for failure in complete defiance of reality, good sense and good taste.*



# February Tournament,

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I would like to explain the tournament that is being planned for February. There will be many new things added for this tourney that will require team participation. By this I mean a team of 2 either Male and Female or however you wish to group yourselves. You may enter this tourney as a individual and compete in the steel, Renn, arts, or archery without any others. The Idea for this tourney is to have each event be assigned a points value with the team earning the most points declared the over all winners for the day.

Steel Weapons picked by Crown. Winner 10 points, Second place 5 points Third place 2 points.

Renn Standard Tournament Winner 8 points, Second place 4 points Third place 1 point.

Flower tourney winner 10 points, Second place 5 points Third place 2 points.

Her dedication of Love Winner 5 points, Second place 3 points Third place 1 point.

His dedication of Love Winner 5 points, Second place 3 points Third place 1 point.

Best new favor winner 8 points, Second place 4 points Third place 1 point.

Arts winner 10 points, Second place 5 points Third place 2 points.

Best Death Winner 8 points, Second place 4 points Third place 1 point.

Best Mourning winner 8 points, Second place 4 points Third place 1 point.

Archery winner 10 points, Second place 5 points Third place 2 points this will be awarded for both Huntsmen and Bowmen's list.

There will be several nice prizes for the different event winners and a nice set of prizes for the overall Tournament Winner. All non-standard Lists will be judged by the Crowns.

## Welcome new members

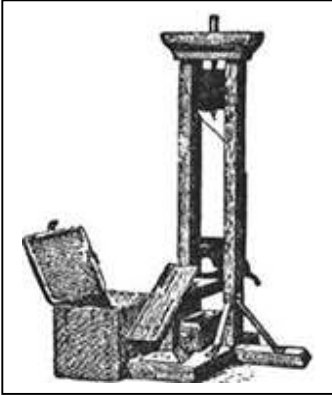
It gives me great pleasure to announce the addition of three new members. Having failed their sanity tests and paid their dues they are now official members of the Adrian Empire.

Please welcome Odin, M.K.A. Shiloh Jones and Aaka Nuru who are joining our Northern bretheren in Canton Ehrenschloss and

Henry Goodwynne M.K.A. John B. Henry, a member at large from Long Beach.

## Etiquette, or

### “how I learned to keep my head”



*Borrowed from a  
posting by Sir Johan  
von Hohenstaufen*

#### **Presently Reigning Imperial Crowns**

Being that the Imperial Thrones have a degree of supremacy above the local level, they are not required to bow. However, disrespect being paid to [the Kingdom], its populace, or its Crown will be noted and frowned upon and acted against.

#### **Duke/Duchess, King/Queen, Viscount/Viscountess, Lord/Lady Protector**

Gently touch your brow with two to four fingers of your right hand then move the same hand down to your side exposing your palm to the Crown and tilt your head slightly. The Crown will return this to you as a sign of respect to your Station.

#### **Marquis/Marquessa, Count/Countess**

With your right hand, make a fist. With that fist, bring it up over your heart. Then, as if you are hand signaling a right turn, bring your right hand out to a 90 degree angle, still keeping the fist. Go down to one knee.

#### **Sire/Siress, Lord/Lady(House leaders) 1st level Knights of any devotion**

With your right hand, make a fist. With that fist, bring it up over your heart. Then, as if you are hand signaling a right turn bring your right hand out to a 90 degree angle, still keeping the fist, bow your head, lean upper body to a 45 degree angle from the waist and go down to one knee.

#### **Squire**

Bow head and go down to one knee.

#### **Imperial Peers and Imperial Ministers, Imperial Viceroy, Founder**

Gently touch your brow with two to four fingers of your right hand then move the same hand down to your side exposing your palm to the Crown. The Crown will return this to you as a sign of respect to your Imperial Station.

#### **Earl/Comtessa, Count/Countess Royal, Royal Viceroy, 3<sup>rd</sup> level Knight of any devotion**

Gently touch your brow with two to four fingers of your right hand then move your hand out to your right side exposing your hand to the [Crown], Bow your head, and sweep your right leg behind your left leg in a bow.

#### **Baron/Baroness, 2<sup>nd</sup> level Knights of any devotion**

With your right hand, make a fist. With that fist, bring it up over your heart. Then, as if you are hand signaling a right turn bring your right hand out to a 90 degree angle, still keeping the fist, bow your head go down to one knee.

#### **Lord / Lady, Baron of the Court / Baroness of the court :**

With your right hand, make a fist. With that fist, bring it up over your heart. Lean upper body to a 45 degree angle from the waist and go down to one knee.

#### **Men/Women at Arms, Lads/Ladies in waiting, Courticans of lower ranks**

Bow your head, lean body to a 45 degree angle from the waist, go down to one knee.

# Announcements

## Archery

Recent rumors that the range master has unintentionally become a more holy man are wholly without substance. A double archery tournament was held Saturday, January 21, 2006 at Mile Square Park. Thanks to an excellent turn out we had quite an event. Both Will and Bill were well perforated and very few arrows were broken. An interloper from the south, Baron Hamish, took the December Huntsman's list but Esperance had the last word thanks to LIW Larissa. Master Sasha won both Bowman's list tournaments and has been summarily dismissed to the Huntsman's list.

## Farewell

We are, sadly, short one of our regulars as Sir Jamie the Red's sweatshirt has been consigned to the flames. It had developed a rather nasty attitude and was scaring the passersby. If you wish to offer your condolences please contact Sir Jamie the Red. If you had direct contact with the sweatshirt recently we strongly advise seeking medical help (and please stop foaming at the mouth).

## Arts

Two arts projects were judged at the December event. A 10<sup>th</sup> century quiver was entered by Lord XE Ryder who took a knights list win with 28 points. Melo of KoJ presented a 14<sup>th</sup> century buckler and achieved a masters list win with 26 points.

## Combat

Yuri, sire of the Silver Crows house in the Barony of Amalfi won Shinai in December and should be welcomed with gusto\* to the renn field. The Renn tournament was won by Sir Jamie the Red after a number of excellent battles. Sir Jason Barca from the kingdom of Terre Neuve won the steel tournament and has suggested, in jest, that he should come north and win our tournaments more often. For reference Terre Neuve's crown tournament is February 18<sup>th</sup> and some of them don't block their legs well.

\*"Gusto" cannot be translated as "unnecessary violence with a rapier". Necessary violence is always encouraged.

## Consorting with trouble

As Your King, It is my responsibility to give our Kingdom the best that I possess. With this in mind, I am proud to introduce the Kingdom of Esperance's Consort, Her Grace Aoife Traynor. Aoife is new to our world; however, I have seen so very few so eager to learn and even fewer that learn so much in so little time. Friends, please, extend your warmest wishes and support to Her Grace as she learns Adria.

Please also remember that Aoife is not our Queen; hence, we should not ask her to make any decisions on my behalf or decisions of State.

## Reports

In order to fill out the blank spaces and to keep me from rambling on about inconsequentialities it is requested that all ministers get something to the chronicler shortly after each event. Information can be e-mailed to: [velvetzombie@yahoo.com](mailto:velvetzombie@yahoo.com)

In honor of Valentine's day, from Shakespeare.

## Sonnet 133

Beshrew that heart that makes my heart to groan  
For that deep wound it gives my friend and me!  
Is't not enough to torture me alone,  
But slave to slavery my sweet'st friend must be?  
Me from myself thy cruel eye hath taken,  
And my next self thou harder hast engross'd:  
Of him, myself, and thee, I am forsaken;  
A torment thrice threefold thus to be cross'd.  
Prison my heart in thy steel bosom's ward,  
But then my friend's heart let my poor heart bail;  
Whoe'er keeps me, let my heart be his guard;  
Thou canst not then use rigor in my gaol:  
    And yet thou wilt; for I, being pent in thee,  
    Perforce am thine, and all that is in me.

*Note:*

*Although the collected sonnets were first published in 1609 by Thomas Thorpe, commonly they are thought to date from 1595 to 1599. In 1598 Francis Meres referred to Shakespeare's 'sugared sonnets' in Palladis Tamia.*



# Notes

Please contact the Court Herald, Sir Allen, prior to Opening court if you have any announcements.

Royal Audiences will occur during lunch time at each event. In order to expedite any decisions that might require research, please e-mail the King your questions ahead of time and, if possible, he will have prepared an answer for you by the next monthly event.

Royal Audiences may also be arranged outside of our events through the following process:

- a. Contact the King
- b. Provide a brief summary of the meeting's purpose
- c. Jointly arrange a time and place for the meeting

Audiences are, by preference, held during events although the King will gladly make himself available whenever it is practical.

Please ensure that new members are introduced to everyone and that the Herald has their name written down so that they may be acknowledged.

If you have requested a special class or tournament at our monthly event please be prepared to give a brief synopsis at closing court during the preceding month's event. If you are unable to provide this the function will be postponed. It is perfectly acceptable to have someone else present your explanation if you are unavailable.

There are a number of new members who have no experience in ministry positions. To enrich the populace volunteers are asked to assist in ministry positions as deputies. In order for our game and Kingdom to continue to function and grow, ministry positions have to be maintained. This is a wonderful opportunity to join in and learn.

## Tidings from the north



As our new year begins, we have been strategizing on how to best press our borders outward and reinforce our number. While we stand at seventeen, we have a good amount of ground yet to cover to insure our King's message reaches all who wish to hear it. It has therefore been the decision of the KoJ Estate to place the majority of our efforts this year into locating those of similar interests.

Our last tournament was an exciting one, marking the first opportunity for the populace about our area to see armored combat and renaissance melee fighting. It made quite an impression on all those watching and we did attract one new member in the process. Our shinai win went to Gregor, while Lord X E Ryder claimed the Ren win. There were no arts & sciences entries, so the gauntlet was thrown down to the KoJ Estate to submit some at the next local tourney to officially kick off our arts program. Any who wish to offer advice to insure our success are encouraged to do so!

Another important project we have been working on is to insure we have offered every school in the 3 county areas, a demonstration. We have two grammar and one high school for certain thus far. We have listed all potentials and are making personal visits about the area to each.

We will be participating in the Solvang 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade again this year, and would like to invite any who wish to come and participate to contact us. Last year we won "Best Walking Group" over all entries on foot! This year we intend to have a couple of ren fighters and marshals in the center of our group to provide an extra measure of excitement for those watching.

If any were willing to journey to us to assist in one of these endeavors, we would welcome you, and insure you find adequate lodging whilst in our lands. Our lands and hospitality are yours, as we stand loyal to our Crown of Esperance!

*Lord X E Ryder KoJ*