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Il Tempo

Welcome to *II Tempo* (The Times), the Newsletter of the Barony of Ponte Alto, one of the northern baronies in the Kingdom of Atlantia.

Il Tempo strives to be an informative read that you look forward to. To this end, we are always appreciative of any contributions to it, perhaps an article of a project you are working on or are interested in, how to make/play a period game, your experience at an event, how/what to prepare for a day trip, a recipe/ piece of garb that you've made, documentation on an item you've completed - a how to on documentation, a few words on a historical person/event, photos, a book review, something to share with a newcomer - perhaps a short autobiography of your persona or how you came to figure out your persona.

The list can go on for ages - only limited by the speed at which our hands can write out what our minds can think of.

Come, share with us adventures in the great Barony of Ponte Alto, in the grand Kingdom of Atlantia, in this - the current Middle Ages!

ARTS & SCIENCES IN THE SPOTLIGHT

"To all the citizens of the esteemed Kingdom of Atlantia, present and future, Michel Almond de Champagne, Maistresse of Service and Arts sends greetings.

Let your whole community know that with the consent of her Royal Highness Una, I am issuing a challenge to all artists within the Kingdoms boarder.

From Saint Ansgar day to Saint Alphonsus day (February 1 to August 1) I am challenging each artist to create an item that benefits their barony.

By way of meeting this challenge, I am asking that a photo of the artistic gift be posted <u>here</u>*. In exchange for this gift given to the barony, each person will receive name fame and a token of my esteem.

This challenge is made in the 2018th year of the Gregorian calendar.

That this challenge may be held firm and remain untroubled, I have strengthened the present confirmation with the impression of my seal."





Populace Meeting Minutes

July 22, 2018 4:30 pm Adjourned at 5:15 pm 14 (+1 call-in) attendees

Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library 27584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22043, USA

OFFICER'S REPORTS

Seneschal - Dwayne Eckman (Lord Seamus Ó Maoil Riain)

• Reminder to make sure that events are listed in the Atlantia Acorn

Exchequer - Vadoma for Katie Bischoff (Astrid)

- Current Balance: 6,997.35
- Discussion of account authorization changes. Bank working with us to get those done.

Arts and Sciences - Marlene Martineau (Lady Vadoma)

- Quiet month with everyone focused on Pennsic prep.
- 6 people attended Open House to work on Pennsic prep stuff.
- 10 people attended "red dye day". 35 yards of fabric dyed.
- Project Nite cancelled for July & August (due to Pennsic).
 Will restart in September.
- No Scribal tomorrow.

Herald - Sarah for Richard Altstatt (Ricart Berenguer Falcón)

• Handful of submissions in the works

Chatelaine - Kel for Mary Dotson (Maria Chiara Datini)

- Newcomers meeting: 3 new people at last Newcomers meeting.
- Two demos coordinated by Annika. 130 people participated in those.
- ◆ 8/17 next Newcomers meeting @ Mary's.

Minister of Minors - Eliisa Harman (Lady Annika Siltanen)

n/a (in Finland)





Minister of the List - Austin Dalton

• Authorizations done at last practice. 1 new authorization (Zachariah)

Chronicler - Ron Hanagan (Rónán mac Ímair)

Continues

Web Minister - Ron Hanagan (Rónán mac Ímair)

- Updates made for Wild Hunt event page to include FAQ.
- Will be adding additional info for Wild Hunt as Vadoma provides.

Knight/Rapier Marshal - Jeff Williams (Lord Geoffrey ap Clywd)

• Fighting continues. Waivers turned in. Expect much fighting at Pennsic.

Baron and Baroness - Kari Kel Dalton (Cellach Mór)

- Attended: Blades & Bows, AlThing (which was autocrated by a Pontoon).
- To attend: Pennsic
- Showed off the tabards made, which will be turned over to the barony/next baronage.

Events

Wild Hunt (Vadoma) Oct 13th

- Kitchen/menu test planned for 7/28 (for those that haven't already headed out to Pennsic).
- Changes for website event posting. Add link to main page.
- Invitations in the works.
- More updates after Pennsic.

Fall Crown (Adina) Nov 3rd

- On the calendar
- Awaiting info from their majesties for a theme.
- Awaiting menu suggestions from their highnesses.
- Working on a menu.
- A fundraiser lunch will take place. Planning in the works.
- Hotel info should be consolidated this week.
- Discussion of insurance.
- Discussion of ABC paperwork. (Also, plans to double-check alcohol rules for site.)



Feb Event

- Spiked.
- Calvary church as location?
- Discussion of Calvary site, and amenities provided. Classrooms available for vigils. Should be plenty of parking. Nice kitchen. Need to follow up with site to confirm availability.

Old Business

- (Drogo) Stenciling of List Fences planned after Pennsic.
- (Adina) New canvas pop-up stuff deferred to after Pennsic.
- Donations rec'd, including paper products for us at Wild Hunt, etc.

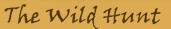
New Business

• New Social Media policy from SCA? Seamus will look into the particulars.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

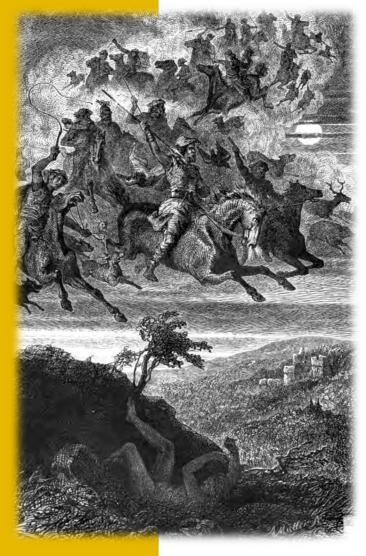
• (Kel) Ponto Alto court planned for 7pm, Thursday of War Week at Pennsic. Ponte Alto Social to follow immediately after. Then, after dark, the light battle.





The Wild Hunt

Oct 13, 2018



The nights are dark and cold winds blow as the seasons begin to turn. The Hounds are restless and call impatiently for the Hunt Master. Join us for a day of fun, fighting, and unique challenges as Woden lets loose the Wild Hunt. Can you successfully complete Woden's challenges and outrun the Hunt, or will you be destined to join the Hunt Master's ranks?

Any member of the Wild Hunt may challenge any member of the general populace. If that populace wins the challenge, they are saved from the Hunt and allowed to go about their day in complete freedom. If they lose, they are assimilated into the Hunt, becoming a member and able to issue challenges of their own.

Challenges can be anything from a thumb wrestle to a pick up fight to 'best of' of your choosing. Be creative and have fun! Prepare yourself physically and mentally to overcome the many challenges and rule the day! Because, seriously, if you make it through the day without being assimilated, you are a deity in your own right!

Q: What is the Wild Hunt?

A: There are many legends about the Wild Hunt from many cultures around the world. This year's event is based on this legend from Germany:

The dogs of the air often bark on a dark night on the heath, in the woods, or at a crossroads. Country dwellers know their leader Wod and pity the traveler who has

The Wild Hunt (cont.)



not yet reached home, for Wod is often malicious, seldom kind. The rough huntsman spares only those who remain in the middle of the path. Therefore he often calls out to travelers, "In the middle of the path!" One night a drunk peasant was returning home from town. His path led him through the woods. There he heard the wild hunt with the huntsman shouting at his noisy dogs high in the air. A voice called out, "In the middle of the path! In the middle of the path!" But the peasant paid no attention to it.

Suddenly a tall man on a white horse bolted from the clouds and approached him. "How strong are you?" he said. "Let's have a contest. Here is a chain. Take hold of it. Who can pull the hardest?"

Undaunted, the peasant took hold of the heavy chain, and the huntsman remounted. Meanwhile the peasant wrapped his end of the chain around a nearby oak tree, and the huntsman pulled in vain.

"You wrapped your end around the oak tree," said Wod, dismounting. "No," responded the peasant, quickly undoing the chain. "See, here it is in my hands."

"I'll have you in the clouds!" cried the huntsman and remounted. The peasant quickly wrapped the chain around the oak tree once again, and once again Wod pulled in vain. Up above the dogs barked, the wagons rolled, and the horses neighed. The oak tree creaked at its roots and seemed to twist itself sideways. The peasant was terrified, but the oak tree stood.

"You have pulled well!" said the huntsman. "Many men have become mine. You are the first who has withstood me. I will reward you."

The hunt proceeded noisily, "Halloo! Halloo!" The peasant crept along his way. Then suddenly, from unseen heights, a groaning stag fell before him. Wod appeared and jumped from his white horse. He hurriedly cut up the game. "The blood is yours," he said to the peasant, "and a hind quarter as well." "My lord," said the peasant, "your servant has neither a bucket nor a pot."

"Pull off your boot!" cried Wod.

He did it.

"Now take the blood and the meat to your wife and child."

At first his fear lightened the burden, but gradually it became heavier and heavier until he was barely able to carry it. With a crooked back and dripping with sweat he finally reached his hut, and behold, his boot was filled with gold, and the hind quarter was a leather bag filled with silver coins.



Q: Why did you choose this specific legend?

A: In this specific legend, Wod issued a challenge to the peasant who had, inadvertently, wronged him. The peasant was victorious and received a reward.

Q: So, how will the event actually work?

A: The day will start with a Master and Mistress of the Hunt, along with a small legion of hunters. The members of the Wild Hunt will issue challenges to the peasants at the event. If the peasant is victorious, they will be allowed to continue on their way. If the Hunter is victorious, the peasant will be assimilated into the Wild Hunt and will, then, be able to issue challenges of their own.

Q: What kind of challenges will be issued?

A: The Hunter may issue any challenge s/he wants! It might be a pick-up fight, a thumb wrestle, a "best of..." at the archery range*, a bardic show-down, anything (legal and moral) can be used for a challenge.

Q: What if I don't want to participate in the challenge?

A: Then you forfeit the challenge and are assimilated into the Wild Hunt. Welcome!

Q: What happens if I'm assimilated into the Wild Hunt?

A: If you are a member of the Wild Hunt, you can issue your own challenges to peasants at the event. Have fun!

Q: How can I tell is someone is a member of the Wild Hunt?

A: All Hunters will have an armband. If you become a Hunter and do not receive an armband, please see the autocrat of the event.

Q: Will there be other activities besides challenges?

A: YES!! There will be several fighting scenarios, bardic performances, A&S competitions, and a modified archery range*.

*Modified Archery Range: We are unable to shoot arrows at the site, but we are working on a bean bag version of an archery range, think epic corn hole.



Fighting Scenarios:

- Armored: TBA
- Rapier: TBA

Bardic Performances: TBA

A&S Competitions: There will be two A&S Competitions.

- Best fix of a mistake: Have you even made a mistake and had to fix it? Did you hope no one noticed? Were you proud at the way it was fixed? Did you learn something from your mistake? Well, this is your opportunity to show us your mistake (be it on garb, scroll, leather, wood, whatever) and show everyone what you learned from this mistake! Entries will be judged by the Master and Mistress of the Hunt and a few chosen Hunters.
- Mini Iron A&S Competition. There will be a mini Iron Hunter A&S competition. Peasants can enter by themselves or team up with another person (no teams over two, please). Teams will be given a bag of goodies from which they will have 3 hours to make a completed A&S item. All items MUST be accompanied with documentation. However, teams will only be able to consult the internet for 30 minutes and will be restricted to wikipedia.

5 🎘 3	Weekly/Monthly Events
We way	SUNDAY
Ponte Alto Baronial Populace Gathering	Populace Gathering (and Business) Meeting, <u>4th Sunday</u> of the month at 5:00 (or 6:00) p.m. at a lo- cation to be determined. Details will be advertised prior to the meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend.
Outdoor Heavy Weap- ons and Rapier Practice	Weather permitting, 12:00 noon until dark, outdoors at Tysons-Pimmit Park, behind Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. Contact the Baronial Knight Marshal for infor- mation (see Regnum). (cancellations posted on the Ponte Alto e-list)
	Directions: Take your best route to I-495. Get off at the exit for Route 7 East (Falls Church). Go about 1 mile; the library is on the left. Park in the library lot and walk down the hill to the park.
Ponte Alto Dance Practice	6pm-8pm, dance practice with Lord Randall <u>every Sunday save the 4th</u> which is the Populace Gath- ering. For more information, contact Randall Clark via dancing@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org Unitarian Universalist Church of Reston. 1625 Wiehle Ave, Reston, VA 20190.
	MONDAY
Scribal and A&S	It is the day after the populace meeting, most always <u>the 4th Monday</u> , 6-10pm Fairfax, 22033 (contact chronicler@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org for address; cancellations posted on the Ponte Alto e-list). Not to worry, any Arts and Sciences projects are welcome. Allergy alert:: cats.
Stierbach/Ponte Alto Archery Practice	Summer practice, held at Grimmsfield. 16132 Crusade Ct. Haymarket, VA 20169. 5:00pm until dusk. Loaner equipment available (please contact archery marshals)!
	THURSDAY
Heavy Weapons Practice	Summer, outdoors at Tysons-Pimmit Park, (see Outdoor Heavy Weapons and Rapier Practice above). Winter, Lemon Road Elementary School cafeteria (7230 Idylwood Road, Falls Church), weather and school events permitting (cancellations posted on the Ponte Alto e-list)
Rapier Practice	Summer, outdoors at Tysons-Pimmit Park, (see Outdoor Heavy Weapons and Rapier Practice above). Winter, Shrevewood Elementary school cafeteria (7525 Shreve Rd, Falls Church), 6:30pm- 9pm (cancellations posted on the Ponte Alto e-list)
Projects Nite (formerly Sewing Circle)	<u>1st Thursday</u> , private residences. Address will be posted on a private site (Facebook: Ponte Alto Sewing Circle) to preserve the privacy of the hosting sewer. If you'd like to host or don't have a Facebook account and need the address, please contact Vadoma (mka Marlene Wells Martineau) <i>moas@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org</i> .
	FRIDAY
Stierbach/Ponte Alto Winter Archery Practice	Winter practice, held at Bull Run Archery Center. 7700 Bull Run Dr, Centreville, VA 20121. 5:00pm until 7:00pm. Loaner equipment available (please contact archery marshals)!
	MONTHLY
SCA Newcomer Meetings	Newcomer Meetings are held once a month from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the home of various members of the Barony. Contact the Baronial Chatelaine for information (chatelaine@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org), or check out the Events/Activities page on the website for the most recent information.
County sch	school locations for activities: There will be no activities at schools during school holidays or on other days when Fairfax ools are closed or all nighttime school recreational activities are canceled. Notification of cancellation or alternate site loc posted on the web as soon as possible. You can visit the Fairfax County Public Schools Emergency Announcement pag

for school closure status: <u>http://fcps.edu/news/emerg.htm</u>

<u>* A reminder to those to attend marshal activities and practice at Fairfax County Public Schools:</u> NO FORM of real weapons, even Swiss Army knives, box cutters, etc, are to be brought onto school property.*

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Baronial Progress for July/August

Date	Event
7/27-8/12	Pennsic War

We really could use your help

There are several positions in our Barony that could use a Deputy; actually, all of the positions that we have could benefit by having at least one deputy.

Why a Deputy? Well, it is easy for any one of us to intend to do something if we don't take into account that the SCA is what we do with our time <u>after</u> we are finished doing what we do to pay the bills.

With deputies, the work load can be shared, allowing more work to be accomplished with less time and stress for any one individual.

Besides, it is a great way to work with others to do something different to help make your, and other's, SCA experience that much better!



Ponte Alto Notables

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Pennsic is here! Be sure to bring lots of ammo!

Photo courtesy of Rónán mac Ímair



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