



# Barony of Red Spears

## Spearpoint

November 2020, A.S. LV

**OYEZ! OYEZ!**

Baronial Investiture for Warder Marcos De Ribera and Lady Bianca di Michaleto will be Saturday, November 21 during Midrealm Ethereal Court.

All Courts are at 2 pm CST / 3 pm EST - Live via [Kingdom YouTube Channel](#) unless otherwise noted, and posted for later viewing. Check <https://midrealm.org/ethereal-middle-kingdom/> for updates. This court may be long.

A Baronial Watch Party for Midrealm Court will begin a few minutes before court:

Zoom Meeting ID: 840 2149 5828  
Passcode: REDSPEARS1

For Mobile users: Meeting ID: 840 2149 5828  
Passcode: 3598945778

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/kewqfIHEWa>

The populace is invited to ***A Sweet and Savory Yule Feast***



*Saturday, December 12*

*Yule Feast is in search of teachers for cookies and crafts and more! Cookies and pre-cook classes will happen in the days leading up to the event, with more classes during the event! Watch social media for updates. Links below. To add a class to the schedule, use the form*

<https://docs.google.com/forms/u/0/d/e/1FAIpQLSc97NFUQ5iCTrCuCOFeVINWd27Ms3GooRV-4-JfXwebCdqWHA/formResponse> or contact Artemesia: [hrothgeirsfjordr.moas@midrealm.org](mailto:hrothgeirsfjordr.moas@midrealm.org)

**Missive from his excellency Baron Konrad Mailander:**

Greetings unto the populace Red Spears from your servant Konrad Mailander, Baron of Red Spears.

It is my sincerest hope that this missive finds you and yours well in these unusual times.

It has been my great pleasure to serve as Baron but the time soon comes to pass that duty on to Our successors. I would like to thank all of you for making Red Spears a great place to play in the SCA. A Barony is not the Baron or Baroness, it is not the land, it is the people. So to all of the people of Red Spears I send my thanks, I love you all.

I would like to thank all that have served Us and the populace as Champions of the different disciplines. Thank you for your service to Her Excellency, myself and the Barony. It is my sincere hope that you enjoyed your time as representatives of the Barony.

I would like to thank Our staff. Without your help and support Our time would have been much more difficult. You are the people that make the Society work. The people that are willing to work behind the scenes to make things better.

To Our successors, Marcos and Bianca, I wish all the good times of sitting the Baronial seat and few of the bad. You have but to ask and I will be there to assist and advise you as is within my power and ability. This is a wonderful Barony and I look forward to seeing where you lead us during your time as Baron and Baroness.

In service I remain to Crown and Barony,  
Konrad Baro

**Missive from her excellency Baroness Isibel inghean Uilliam Mhich Leoid:**

My dearest Red Spears family,

It has been a true honor to be able to represent you for the past few years and as I head into retirement, I feel secure in the next Baron and Baroness (Marcos and Bianca) and their ability to help unite all of us. I am excited for this new chapter in our Baronial history. While I am retiring, I remain in service to you and the Kingdom.

If we have not met in person, I look forward to making your acquaintance when this time of pestilence is over. I will be land agent for War Hogs Pennsic Encampment as long as I can so please let me know if you need a Pennsic home. Even though we are apart geographically, you are all in my thoughts.

Yours in service,

Isibel

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## Gatherings and Whatnots

Covid plague pandemic protocols are still in effect. Official in-person meetings, events, and fighter practices are suspended until January 31, 2021. That is not to say that nothing is going on through virtual means on various platforms, hence the title of this column: “whatnot” (n.) an item not identified but similar to the item already named.

It is never too soon to send in award recommendations! For baronial awards please submit awards to [awards@redspears.org](mailto:awards@redspears.org). Kingdom level award recommendations can be made through the services portal (<https://midrealm.org/2019/09/02/award-recommendations/> )

**Check the Baronial webpage (<http://redspears.midrealm.org/about.php>) or Baronial Calendar (<http://redspears.midrealm.org/calendar.php> ) for on-line meeting updates and log in details:**



The Barony of Red Spears (NW Ohio)

### **November 21 Midrealm Ethereal Court with Baronial Investiture**

Upcoming Baronial Zoom Meetings:

4 pm, Saturdays, November 14, and December 12 during Yule Feast



The Canton of Hrothgeirsfjodr (Toledo)

8 pm Tuesdays – Fjodr’s Zoom Meeting. Watch social medial for upcoming classes.



The Canton of Marche of the Marshes (Bowling Green)

8pm Thursdays – Marche’s of the Marshes Zoom Meetings

**Nov. 28 to December 11: Cooking Classes for Yule Feast**

### **Sweet and Savory Yule Feast - December 12 -**

Hosted by [Toledo SCA - Canton of Hrothgeirsfjodr](#)

Festivities begin at 9 AM EST

Classes, Garb Exchange, Court, Feast and other activities will be posted here:

<https://yulefeast.weebly.com/>

Facebook Event Page: <https://www.facebook.com/events/675413780052153>

*Inhabitants of the Barony are welcome to declare celebrations of outdoor, socially distanced, Covid protocolled, not-currently-prohibited activities in the usual hang outs while the weather holds fair.*

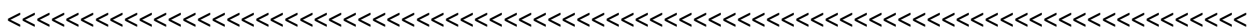




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Macclesfield Psalter (Fitzwilliam Museum, MS 1-2005), c.1330-1340  
[fitzmuseum.cam.ac.uk/illuminated/manuscript/discover/the-macclesfield-psalter/section/panel-intro](http://fitzmuseum.cam.ac.uk/illuminated/manuscript/discover/the-macclesfield-psalter/section/panel-intro) (find the squirrel on Folio 76 r), and the

Luttrell Psalter (British Library Add. 42130), c. 1325-1340  
[http://www.bl.uk/manuscripts/FullDisplay.aspx?ref=Add\\_MS\\_42130](http://www.bl.uk/manuscripts/FullDisplay.aspx?ref=Add_MS_42130) (pet squirrels on ff. 33r, 181v).



## Behold!

A tour stop on the highlights of the Virtual Known World

*Disruption of our usual event and meeting schedule accelerated the development of our 21<sup>st</sup> century infrastructure. This column hopes to provide a tour of the Known World while we await news that the muddy roads of Spring have cleared and the next tournament season can begin. Join the virtual bus tour as we explore the wonders and etiquettes of our virtual Fall and Winter landscape.*

*The list of unofficial social media gatherings across the Known World may be of interest should you wish to see, hear, or speak with anyone outside your social isolation crew. Garb is fun, often encouraged, but not usually required unless you are a special guest of a regular live-cast.*

*This is by no means an exhaustive list. If you have a favorite 'cast to share, contact the Chronicler to get it added to an upcoming article. Being listed in this newsletter is not an endorsement of anything, and as with all social media parental supervision is advised. Times, dates, and connection info may have changed without notice. Etiquette across the Known World, and the wide web, is subtle and varied. Be alert! Please gather all your belongings before stepping off the bus, and have your mute button handy.*

**This issue's featured virtual tour stop:**

**Martial activities, Soft Kit, Protective Kit, Armor, Weapons, Tool Kits, Training ....**

**Classes, Discussions, and Practice Spaces:**

**Martials take note:** Once we are back to having in person meetings and practices, you must be a paid member to retain your martial warrant.

### **Royal University of the Midrealm (RUM)**

At the time of publication, RUM is still accepting new classes for the schedule. It is worth noting that not all classes follow the theme of the month. If you wish to take or teach a future class, go to [rum.midrealm.org](http://rum.midrealm.org) for more details.

Themes:

- November term is open
- December term is Hearth and Home

Useful links:

RUM events, degrees, and information for teachers  
<https://rum.midrealm.org/events>

RUM community

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/eRUMcommunity/>

RUM YouTube channel of posted classes

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCyPzZuaj1u2KSL67wWgLvXA...>

## **Virtual Fighter's Symposium**

November 21st. Class schedules and descriptions have been updated on the website:

<https://kristyanapplegate.wixsite.com/fighterssymposium>

## **Announcements and Discussions, Podcasts, Episodes, Recorded Material**

These series cover a wide range of interests including this month's theme of martial activities in the SCA and as such may or may not be suitable to you, but might be of interest to your friend. Unofficial groups for kingdoms, regions, and themes have been established on multiple platforms such as Discord, Facebook, and others. This is not a complete list. A few that might be of general interest include:

### **Known World Entertainment Guide**

This is an official page dedicated to providing a weekly directory of online medieval content from across the Known World of the Society for Creative Anachronism. Content shared on this site has agreed to comply with the Society's Social Media Policy.

<https://www.facebook.com/KWEGuide>

### **The Sisters Interviews, Laurel Interviews, Dual Interview, Grace Under Pressure, Lady Knight Interviews**

<https://www.facebook.com/The-Sisters-Interview-106425901077396> and

<https://www.youtube.com/user/rauokinn/featured> and

<http://baronyofthreemountains.org/sisters-interviews/>

Sir Rayokinn, OP, and Baroness Achaxe, OL, real life sisters who play the SCA together and interview fascinating people from across the Known World. These series began in April 2020, but the youtube channel hosts playlists for martial-related workshops and drills going back more than a decade.

### **Between Two Peers**

<https://www.facebook.com/between2peers> and

<https://www.youtube.com/betweentwopeers>

Mistress Sassy Seamstress (Tullia) and Sir Danger Muppet (Helga) are friends who play in the Society for Creative Anachronism, and who interview other SCA members to keep themselves sane while they shelter in place. This series began in March 2020 shares content related to the Society for Creative Anachronism, but is not an official SCA channel, and covers a variety of topics. There is also a discord server. Parental discretion advised.

### **Live from Caid**

<https://www.facebook.com/watch/LIVEfromCaid/>

A live talk show from the Kingdom of Caid in the Society of Creative Anachronism. Each week we will feature members of the kingdom and the Society - plus a live bardic performance!

### **Ask The Knights**

[https://www.facebook.com/AsktheKnights/videos/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/AsktheKnights/videos/?ref=page_internal)

Every Thursday at 7:00 PM (PDT) Leo has two guest knights on the show to answer questions submitted from unbelts from around the known world.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCRbamiSuHeEq7XssCR8QYhQ/about> These are the first six videos of the conversation series posted in May-June 2020.

### **Martial**

#### **Equestrian**

Equestrian for SCAdians Who Don't Own a Horse (eRUM class)

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_pwTlfWEf3Y&t=6s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_pwTlfWEf3Y&t=6s)

This eRUM discussion course is for riders new to the SCA and non-riders who are interested equestrian. Many of the equestrian games as well as participation opportunities for non-riders are discussed.

#### **Archery**

##### **Midrealm Archery/Thrown Weapons College**

<https://offtargetblog.wordpress.com/midrealm-archery-thrown-weapons-college/>

The day of classes was recorded and will be posted in November on the eRum YouTube channel.

**SCA target archery:** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/53131951492>

A general discussion group for all topics related to SCA traditional archery, mainly target archery using traditional equipment

##### **SCA Thrown Weapons:**

<https://www.facebook.com/SCA-Thrown-Weapons-565748766815449>

##### **SCA Combat Archery (Unofficial):**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/95468199155>

A general discussion group for tactics, gear, rules, and all aspects of the discipline of combat archery in the Society for Creative Anachronism. This site is not affiliated with SCA, Inc.

##### **Useful links from the Midrealm Archery Marshall:**

<https://midrealm.org/marshal/archery/>

- [Online Archery College \(training/enrichment\)](#)
- [Greenwood Company](#)
- [Society Marshal page](#) (includes all martial categories)
- [Midrealm Scores Page](#) (Known World Scorekeeping for marshalled archery and thrown weapons)



## Rapier / Fencing

### SCA Rapier Marshal (YouTube channel):

[https://m.youtube.com/channel/UCAKpMMKY\\_ZdELwznYC0uUNw](https://m.youtube.com/channel/UCAKpMMKY_ZdELwznYC0uUNw)

Posted videos include inspection of arms and armor, tools for inspections, and Q&As with the Society Marshal.

### Making Rapier Drills Better, Episode 1: The Wall Stabbing Drill

<https://youtu.be/el5y2mWdtm4>

A tutorial on adding measure (see: distance) into the popular fencing drill in order to learn to use the right attack for the right measure as well as how to attack in good sequence

### SCA Rapier - Masters of Defense - Get Good - Episode 1

<https://youtu.be/PxAgoU7jNWo>

The first episode of conversations among a bunch of SCA members of the Order of Defense. Topics include: how to improve your rapier game - or any other random thing that comes to mind.

### Midrealm Rapier Social Club.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/339385862851115/>

Melee Monday discussions have been happening regularly. This is an official page of the Midrealm and a private Facebook group. As with any private Facebook group: read the rules, play nice.

### Live from Caid! Episode Streamed live on Oct 19, 2020

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gevOtpJ7Zo>

Interview with the Society Fencing Marshal, Padruna Rozi, about the position with questions from viewers. Plus, an interview and live performance by Baron Andreas from the Kingdom of the Middle.

### GoodWill To Garber (eRUM class) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8-1FKxqzx6Q>

Tips on finding and making basic armor for the rapier field from supplies found at the thrift store. Lots of discussion on material identification and selection for garb and armor.

## Combat Focused Blogs and Live-casts

Check the eRUM schedule. Ustad is teaching a week's worth of classes later this month.

### Duke Eikbrandr Solgyafi

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjEIlhL01vaDltiFLIPPhgA>

Duke Eikbrandr's fighting tutorials.

### Duke Dag Thorgimsson

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5IAG4N8Jh8BOxULSrLM8cQ>

Duke Dag's Fighting Foundations Series. YouTube Channel: Dagsheim.com

**SCA Coaches Corner**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/811135976000374> and [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8hEF1WB4\\_RK6\\_tw1oUkrbA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8hEF1WB4_RK6_tw1oUkrbA)

Begun in April 2020, this coaching, training and teaching broadcast is aimed at heavy fighters of all levels, and focuses on ways to train oneself and others.

**Known World Fighter Practice**

This is an unofficial group created in May 2020 to provide fighter practice opportunities regardless of geographical distance by posting vetted videos for SCA combat training and a variety of techniques.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/566317717307918> has announcements of upcoming conversations and links to other live-feeds and recordings.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCROPEW5T1bMHa4I1NtSdCGA> hosts the recorded videos.

**Great SCA Fights of YouTube**

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/category/Martial-Arts-School/Great-SCA-Fights-of-YouTube-110826827304409/>

Both serious and MST3K style commentary for SCA related videos presented by Viscount Sigifrih Hauknefr, Duke Alaric, and his perpetual Majesty Uther, King of the West. This series began in May 2020.

**The Female Knights Roundtable Series 2020**

<https://www.facebook.com/The-Female-Knights-Roundtable-Series-2020-104666061264149>

The female knights of the SCA are presenting this series created in May 2020 to address the feeling of disconnection many of us have due to COVID-19, to reach out to our community and share some inspiration and motivation, information and tips for all fighters.

**Chivalry Round Table, Ask the Chivalry LIVE**

<https://www.facebook.com/chivroundtablelive>

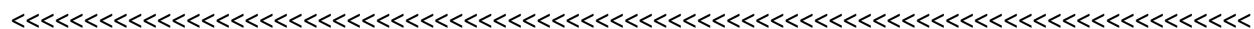
This page is for the Zoom Chivalry Round Tables/Ask the Chivalry Zoom events. Everyone is welcome to join these zoom events. Each week has a different theme, though the conversation is free flowing. Events are recorded and will be posted to this page also.

What to expect

**Podcasts:** Listen at your leisure, or listen live. (Check the time zone!) Many live and recorded events began earlier this year, but tutorials and recorded workshops may be older. Not all live events are recorded, although most listed here have been posted via Facebook or YouTube. Check a show’s format to see if that cast provides a way to submit questions to conversation style live-casts.

**Practices:** This winter, take advantage of the conditioning and training tutorials that have been posted by many experienced SCA trainers.

**Repair Kits:** Kit repair and replacement as needed is a constructive way to spend this Fall and Winter.



All Aboard!

Ever try to explain something and “too much, let me sum up” still didn’t satisfy? Now’s the chance to expound on your favorite topic! Seeking article submissions for upcoming newsletters.

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