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The Blue Strand ~ December, AS XXXVI

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December Calendar						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Th	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 A&S Elspeth's and Cormac's	4	5 Fighter Training – Monash Uni Contact Gwynfor	6 William Marshall
7 Monthly Bash – John Gardiner Reserve, Hawthorn 1pm	8	9	10 A&S Yvonne Yvette de Plumetot's Yvonne's Costuming Clinic	11 Stormhold meeting	12 Fighter Training – Monash Uni Contact Gwynfor	13 !
14 Dance Practise All Saints	15	16	17 A&S Nicolette and Rudolf's Gonfalon Painting	18 Stormhold meeting	19 Fighter Training – Monash Uni Contact Gwynfor	20
21	22	23	24 Christmas Eve!	25 Christmas Day!	26 Fighter Training – Monash Uni Contact Gwynfor	27 WCOB Gonfalon Painting
28 Dance Practise All Saints Gonfalon Painting	29	30	31 New Years Eve!			

Events

6th William Marshall

Addresses

A&S Addresses

Week 1 Elspeth and Cormac's 9 Cypress Crt, Cranbourne	5996 0304
Week 2 Yvonne Yvette de Plumetot's - 27 Avendon Blvd, Glen Waverley 3150	9887 7368
Week 3 Nicolette and Rudolf's 4 Emville Crt, Cheltenham 3192	9584 4692
Week 4 Gwynfor and Gwir's 6 Merton St, Springvale 3171	9512 4387
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A&S Competitions

A&S Comp for 12th Night:
 Costuming – A ruff
 Woodworking – A chest
 Calligraphy and illumination – A page from a Missal
 Everyday – A kitchen item

From the Seneschal:

Peoples,

As you will see from the second half of my blurb, the steps towards us becoming a Shire have begun. I have already sent in my "Seneschal of local group" reasons for the change, we now wait for the others to do the same. Once the information is passed on to the Society Seneschal, one of two things will happen. The Society Seneschal can decide to "stamp" it on their own or they may take it to the Bod. This is why it could take as long as 3 months before anything happens.

Please, no talk of conspiracies or deliberate delays, that is just an insult to all concerned. Due process is exactly that! I have done everything possible to make sure that this poll was run "by the book", after all, my primary task as Seneschal (besides taking notes at meetings <grin>) is to ensure that all within Krae Glas play by the rules. Now we wait, plan and continue to grow.

Many thanks to all who talk part in the "ren faire" at Berwick. Not only did we potentially get 6 new members from it, but the event made a profit and Krae Glas shared in that profit! It was only \$50 but that meant that our entrance fee was covered AND we put an extra \$25.00 in the account.

Speaking of money, the Seneschals' Sausage Sizzle has made a glorious profit of \$3.00. Never mind, the idea is sound, the timing was not, hot food on hot days is NOT a good idea. I will continue with this fund raising efforts and at the bash at 12th night will be selling cold drinks and frozen popsicles only. No more sausages until Winter!

William Marshall was a blast, especially for me. What with the presentation of the carpet, the presentation of the war banner to the Barony from Krae Glas (We rolled it down from the balcony and it JUST touched the floor, Baron Rudolf being admitted to the Order of the Golden Drakkar, Mistress Nicolette being admitted to the Order of the Silver Drakkar and my being made a Baron, to I have to admit, thunderous applause, I do not think that William Marshall could have been any happier!

Now we have to focus all of our attentions on 12th night. Krae Glas will be on display to the entire Kingdom of Lochac and it WILL go well. Anyone who thinks they have something to offer should contact Mistress Nicolette (I know there is a Baroness in there, but am not a herald, so am not sure of the order of titles!) and offer their services, or skills, or just (wo)man-power.

This is the last Blue strand for the year, and at this time, thoughts turn to family and friends, so to all my family which is Krae Glas, I raise my glass and wish you all that you deserve for 2004.

The poll has finally closed.

Many thanks to all **39** Krae Glasians who took the time to respond to the poll, the results of which are:

YES 34 (86.8%)

NO 01 (2.6%)

Don't care 04 (10.5%)

The lochac seneschal has collated this information and has invited comment from both group's Seneschals as well as the B&B's and the K&Q's.

Once these comments have been collated the matter will be passed over to the Society Seneschal for consideration.

More news when it comes to hand!!

Baron Karel of the Three Isles
Seneschal Krae Glas

On November 9th the Ordo Equester de Aureus Cervus Inc. [Order of the Golden Hart] held a Medieval Fare and Pagaent at The Old Cheese Factory, Homestead Rd, Berwick. The SCA was invited to participate. A report by the organisers can be found at:

<http://www.oeac.org.au/mmfat/index2.html>

The SCA was there in decent force, with the French Double Bell pavilion of Baron Rudolf and Mistress Nicolette, and the geteld of Baroness Gwir and Master Gwynfor set up as our operational base. Lord Sui Zo, Master Cormac Lenihan, Lord William Cumyn and Master Gwynfor Lwyd fought on the day with commentary being provided by Mistress Elspeth Caerwent, Mistress Nicolette Dufay and Master Gwynfor. Lady Aelesia de Trachdene, Lady Emma de Lastone, Lord Conan MacAndreis, Lord Eoghan MacAndreis, Lady Nadia Stolpke, Lord Everard Sefar and Lady Aranghell also helped out on the day, which was co-ordinated by the Krae Glas Seneschal, Lord Karel of the Three Isles. Also in evidence were several examples of SCA pursuits, such as costuming, embroidery, music, weaving, games playing, leather, wood and metal work and two photo boards. Interest was quite high from the general public, and has resulted in 6 new people coming along to a Krae Glas A&S night and Friday night fighter training at Monash to have a closer look at what we do.

The organisers were so impressed that they immediately started planning next year's event, which the SCA will also be invited to take part in.

(written by Gwynfor)

12th Night :

Greetings from your 12th Night Coordinating Autocrat,

We only have a couple of week's left until 12th Night and there is still lots of stuff to finish. Most banners are not finished yet and many of you haven't started one yet. We want everyone to have one. We have a Krae Glas banner that needs its laurel leaves applied.

Most of the coordinators need to have help on the day. Have you volunteered your services to one of them (if you are not one of them). Remember it is always more fun to be part of the activities and the more people doing stuff, the less there is to do for the rest of us. Help show the rest of Lochac how strong and active Krae Glas is.

WE CAN ONLY DO THIS IF EVERYONE HELPS.

We will not have any meetings on the 24th and 31st of December, but will be gathering to paint and finish up stuff the weekend of the 27th and 28th. Most afternoons between now and Christmas will have painting going on, and we can find time on the weekends for people to stop by if we know you want to paint. Please ring me for further details on any of these. 0413 518 151.

Regards,
Mistress Nicolette Dufay, OP
House Woodrose
Canton of Krae Glas (soon to be Shire)
Kingdom of Lochac

From the Chronicler:

Hello everyone!

I hope that everyone that attended William Marshall had a great time! Of those who couldn't make it, it was wonderful to see the following Krae Glasians recognized for their time, effort and work within the SCA:

Tristan with a Goutte de Pearl for her unbelievably immense load of work on the Baronial Carpet (over 30 gentles worked for over a year to create this artifact of beauty), Mistress Nicolette Dufay for service to the Barony with a Silver Drakkar, and Baron Rudolf von der Drau for being a paragon of grace, courtesy and chivalry with membership in the Order of the Gold Drakkar.

Indrani Ma had well earned Awards of Arms bestowed upon them.

Yvonne Yvette de Plumetot, was again recognised for her excellence in the Arts and Sciences with membership in the Order of the Golden Lily, Karel of the Three Isles (to tumultuous acclaim!), Gwir verch Madog and Gwynfor Lwyd were made Barons/esses of the Court of Lochac. (this bit was stolen from Gwynfor *winks *)

We still have a lot of work to do for 12th Night, so please raise your hand and offer your services! As Nicolette has mentioned there are still those who haven't done a gonfalon, and the aim is to have one for every member of Krae Glas!

I hope everyone has a happy and safe Christmas and I hope to see you at Gonfalon painting!!

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