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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Fighter Practice* is every Thursday from 5:00 to 7:30. Again **OUTSIDE** at Holliday Park, corner of 19th street and Morie Ave. Please contact Lord Duncan at 637-5293 for additional information. Please call Lord Mavrikkii at 778-8536 for information and/or availability of a ride to neighboring fighter practices

*Fencing* is every Wednesday from 6:30 to Dark at Holliday Park, corner of 19th street and Morie Ave. Please contact M'lord Peredu at 778-3132 for additional information.

*Archery* is again Outside whenever you want at Master Rhys's at 10700 Ranch Road call 632-1133. Contact Lord Mlodn at 635-1320 and come out and help set up a second target at 10205 Powderhouse Road.

*Armouring* is by contact Lord Mavrikkii at 778-8536. A second location for armor repair is Mlodn's. Call 635-1320 for space.

*Calligraphers* is vacant if interested please contact Lady Renate at 635-1320.

*Windkeep Work Night at Master Rhys's-* is the first Tuesday evening of each month at 10700 Ranch Rd. Contact Master Rhys at 632-1133. Please join us.

*Research at the Library* is the second Tuesday evening of each month at Laramie County Library contact Lord Mlodn at 635-1320.

*Research not at that Library-Windkeep Work Night-* is the third Tuesday evening of each month at 10205 Powderhouse Road contact Lord Mlodn at 635-1320. Please join us.

*Taster's Revel* is the fourth Tuesday evening of each month at Lion's Park Community Center from 7 PM to 10 PM. Feast by reservation only. Donation of \$5.00 per person. If you wish to prepare the feast for the monthly Taster's Revel please contact Mistress Aldyth at 632-1133 for times available and information. June's Taster's shall be on the 24th. Please call Mistress Aldyth at 632-1133 for reservations.

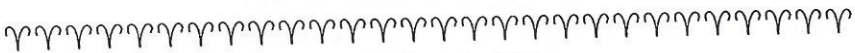
*Populace Meeting* is normally the fourth Thursday evening after Fighter's Practice at Holliday Park (Bad Weather at Laramie County Library). June's meeting is the 26th

DEMOS at various Schools are over for this school year. Thank you for attending. Please pass your suggestions for next year on. Again thank you.

# SENECHALE'S REPORT

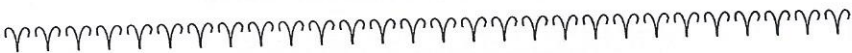
Windkeep is planning the Banner Demo and is hoping for the support of all our shire in making this event work. Also consider supporting our Defender Tourney on Saturday July 12th even though there is a couple of other events now scheduled that day. In place of July's Tasters during Frontier Days Mlodn and Renate are planning a "Hoot and Holler" event at their place. More next month. At StagsCon 1 a few decisions and suggestions were made on various subjects. Please attend the June Populace meeting so Windkeep's role can be determined, future planned, and changes implemented. In service to Windkeep and the Outlands.

Lady Renate Koven



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# EXCHEQUER'S REPORT

April 16, to May 15, 1997

Balance forward: \$ 2,993.44

Income:

Taster's Feast \$ 60.00

Masque Ball \$ 60.00

Total \$ 120.00

Expenses:

Taster's Feast \$ 72.38

Hunter's Feast Site \$ 65.00

Taster's Feast Site (Quarterly)  
\$ 75.00

Total: \$ 212.38

Ending balance: \$ 2,901.06

# BANNER DEMO

THE SHIRE OF WINDKEEP WISHES TO INVITE ALL TO  
BANNER DEMO IN CONJUNCTION WITH  
CHEYENNE'S SUPER DAYS

28TH DAY OF JUNE 1997

LIONS PARK, CHEYENNE, WY

IN ADDITION TO SUPER DAYS ACTIVITIES THE  
SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM WILL  
HAVE A FIGHTING DEMO TOURNAMENT,  
A FENCING DEMO TOURNAMENT,  
A GIANT TENT ARTS AND SCIENCE DISPLAY,  
AND A MEDIEVAL DANCE DEMO.

A&S DISPLAY 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

DISPLAY SET-UP 9:30 AM, TAKE DOWN 2:00 PM

FIGHTING DEMO 11:00 AM - 2:30 PM

ARMOR INSPECTION 10:00 - 11:00 AM

DOUBLE ELIMINATION FIGHTING 11:00 AM - 2:30 PM

FENCING DEMO 11:00 AM - 2:30 PM

EQUIPMENT INSPECTION 10:00 - 11:00 AM

DOUBLE ELIMINATION FENCING 11:00 AM - 2:30 PM

MEDIEVAL DANCE DEMO HOURLY

MEDIEVAL DANCE DEMOS 11:00 AM, NOON, 1:00 PM, & 2:00 PM

## POST SUPER DAYS / BANNER DEMO ACTIVITIES

CANTON OF BOFHARRACH'S

CATTLE RAID

70 MILE SOUTH AT KERSEY, COLORADO

SITE: \$4.00 ADULT - \$2.00 SMALLS, BELOW 12

FEAST \$5.00 ADULT - \$3.00 SMALLS, BELOW 12

ATTEND AND PARTICIPATE IN SUPER DAY / BANNER DEMO THEN  
UNWIND AT THE CANTON OF BOFHARRACH'S CATTLE RAID FEAST



## FIGHTING & FENCING DEMOS

### Fighting Demo Marshall:

Lord Mavrikkii Andronikov  
Jim Barbero  
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### Fencing Demo Marshall:

M'lord Peredu ap Llyr  
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### Mistress of the Lists:

M'lady Asta Olafsdottir  
Kari Marquette  
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Arts & Science Coordinator  
Lady Isabeau d'Andrea  
Tari Stewart  
6521 Evers Boulevard  
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82009  
(307)-634-3500

## MEDIAVAL DANCE DEMO

Dance Coordinator:  
M'lady ??????????  
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(307)-????????

## BANNER DEMO AUTOCRAT

Lord MLODN the Mercheant  
Frederick G. Hansen  
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## CANTON OF BOFHARRACH'S CATTLE RAID AUTOCRATS

Lady Moyra MacColla  
Jeanne Mitchell  
2121 6th Avenue  
Greeley, Colorado 80631  
(970)-352-9017

Lord Lorcan MacColla  
Lauren Mitchell  
2121 6th Avenue  
Greeley, Colorado 80631  
(970)-352-9017

### Directions

**Super Days:** From I-25 exit on exit 12 Central Avenue, to the east, follow signs for super days parking. SCA located near main parking lot.

### Post Event:

**Bofharrach's Cattle Raid:** From Super Days: Take Central through Cheyenne south to Greeley Hiway south, travel Greeley Hiway south to US Hiway 85 south to Greeley, Colorado. Travel US Hiway 85 to Greeley and stay on the bypass east around Greeley to US Hiway 34 east turn left on US Hiway 34 east, travel US Hiway 34 east for 2 miles to Kersey, Colorado. Just past the high school, look for Weld County road 56 and turn left or north. Follow this road to the end and turn left and follow the SCA signs.

From I-25 exit at Greeley-Loveland exit, US Hiway 34 east to and through Greeley. Stay on US Hiway 34 until you come to the small town of Kersey (approximately 40 miles from I-25). Just past the high school, look for Weld County road 56 and turn left or north. Follow this road to the end and turn left and follow the SCA signs.

*Bofharrach, June 27-29, AS XXXII (1997)*

Join us once again for a frolic in the fields with the flora and fauna of Bofharrach! We will again be playing in the privately-owned pasture east of Kersey. There will be heavy weapons fighting, fencing, archery, and this year we will be adding horses to the mix! An equestrian tourney will be held Saturday morning (before it gets too hot) and a hunt will be held on Sunday. Lady Amice will once again delight us with her culinary skills at the feast on Saturday night. The Urchins Guild will also be keeping the smalls busy with various fun things to do.

The site is located 2 miles east of Kersey, Colorado. Take your best route to I-25 and Exit 257-A (Greeley). Don't take 257-B, as you'll end up in Loveland. Take US highway 34 east past Greeley. Stay on Highway 34 until you come to the small town of Kersey (approximately 40 miles from I-25). Just past the high school, look for Weld County Road 56, and turn left (north). Follow this road to the end, turn left, and follow the signs. The official address of the site is the Kielian property, 28011 US Highway 34, Kersey, Colorado.

Site fee is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children under 12. This is a dry site, NO EXCEPTIONS. There is no water on the site, so you will need to bring your own. Due to local ranchers' ordinances, there are no dogs allowed on the site (assistance dogs must be cleared through the autocrat). There are no open flames allowed; this includes any kind of tiki torch. A well-supervised bardic fire will be lit Saturday night. Please bring a good supply of insect repellent.

Feast fee is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. Reservations must be made by June 15, 1997. The feast fees after this date are \$7 for adults and \$5 for children under 12, if space is available. Unpaid reservations will only be held until 3pm on Saturday. Paid reservations are confirmed reservations.

The equestrian tourney fee is \$8 per rider; you must be authorized and a paid member of the SCA to ride. If you plan to bring horses, reservations must be made in advance with the autocrat. Free pasture is available, but you should bring your own method of confinement. If you wish to ride but do not have your own horse, rental horses can be made available. Reservations for rental horses must be made with the autocrat by June 15, 1997. If there are no reservations received by the deadline there will **not** be any rentals available. Please call the autocrats for more info and rates. All horses are to be checked in at the troll booth before being unloaded.

Make checks payable to SCA - Unser Hafen, and please note which fees you are paying (for example, two adult, one child, one rider).

The site opens at noon on Friday and closes at 5pm on Sunday. Court will be held at the whim of their Excellencies Unser Hafen.

Windkeep Banner tourney participants are invited to join us after the demo for feast and revel.

Autocrats: Moyra and Lorcan MacColla (Jeanne and Lauren Mitchell), 2121 6th Avenue, Greeley, CO, 80631, (970) 352-9017, e-mail: [maccolla@info2000.net](mailto:maccolla@info2000.net).

Chef de Cuisine: Lady Amice Fayel (Patty Chapman), (970) 352-3265.



# WINDKEEP DEFENDER AND THE WAY WE WERE REVEL

## JULY 12, AS XXXII (1997)

The Shire of Windkeep bids all to come and join them in a day of fun, fighting, and frivolity. By the Gazebo in Lions Park will the noble warriors contest. To the winner of the tournament will go coin of the realm; to the highest placing member of Windkeep will go the title of Defender, along with its obligations. The site opens at 10:30, with the lists opening shortly thereafter. The tourney should start shortly after 11:00. In addition to the fighting, there will be the Annual Windkeep Memorial Mini-Golf tourney (\$2.00 at the mundane golf course), and silly games like Wet the Wench, Dragon and the George, Dizzy Sword Relay, Croquet, dancing, and board games.

We will also have a silent auction throughout the day. Many wondrous things and talents will be on display for your bid. There will be a door prize, a bore prize, and a booby prize.

In keeping with the theme, "The Way We Were", we encourage you to wear/bring things from your first year in the Society. There will be an informal Bardic, with a prize for the best "No \*\*\*\*\*! There I Was" story from your first year.

Somewhere around 6pm, the annual BBQ will start, with sausages and ground meat on bread as the main course. Other courses will rely on the kindness of those who attend and features the luck of the pot. Site closes at 8pm, with the after-revel beginning around 9 until whenever.

Tourney and BBQ site is **DRY**. Revel site is **WET**. Dig into your pouches for \$5.00 site fee. If you bring something to share at the BBQ, there is **NO** feast fee. If you do not, please dig deeper for \$3.00 feast fee. Children 6-12 half price, and under 6 are free. We are not taking formal reservations, but if you wish to pre-pay, please send checks to the autocrat, made payable to SCA-Windkeep.

*Directions:* From I-25 exit on exit 12 Central Avenue, to the east, follow Central to Kennedy, turn right, follow Kennedy to Carey, turn left, halfway through the park you will see on your left the Mini-Golf course and the Gazebo. There will be signs. The revel site is 10700 Ranch Road, Master Rhys' directions at the Tourney site.

As in the past several years the A&S Championship for Windkeep will be held at the same time as the Defender Tourney. All are invited to enter, and the highest placing Windkeep resident will be made this year's Champion.

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**WINDKEEP DEFENDER AND THE WAY WE WERE REVEL**  
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This years Championship will have the same form as last years, with three divisions, and a number of categories within each division. Division I is for first time entrants and items that represent a new skill. Division II will be for items that demonstrate a measure of knowledge of period items and attempt to replicate the same techniques. Division II is for items that demonstrate the artisan's skill and ability to apply period techniques to an original item. The categories will include but are not limited to fiber arts, leather goods, armor, calligraphy and illumination, jewelry, costuming, performing arts and edibles (depending on facilities). Prizes will be awarded in each category, along with a people's choice award and Champions choice award, decided on by the populace and previous year's champion respectively. There will also be an award for the gentle from outside our shire that places the highest.

For a full listing of categories and requirements for each division please contact:

**A&Socrat:** Fekete Hollo Noemi, address is on the officer's page.

**Autocrat:** Lord Bjarki Gulbjornsson (Justin Hammons), 10700 Ranch Road, Cheyenne, WY 82009, (307)-632-1133, email: LordBjarki@aol.com

**BBQocrat:** Mistress Aldyth (Beborah Hammons) 10700 Ranch Road, Cheyenne, WY 82009, (307)-632-1133, email: Aldyth@aol.com



**Navigation by river**

*Several European rivers are listed below, along with their length and brief notes on their importance as navigation routes at the end of the 15th century.*

**Arno**, 245 km: handled a portion of the traffic between Pisa and Florence.

**Danube**, 2,900 km: potentially navigable from Germany to the Black Sea, its traffic was mainly local.

**Elbe**, 1,112 km: a large waterway in use from Bohemia to as far as the North Sea.

**Loire**, 1,000 km: a waterway running from central France to the Atlantic.

**Po**, 672 km: saw a certain amount of traffic from Pavia to the Adriatic coast.

**Guadalquivir**, 680 km: primarily made

*Seville an ocean port.*

**Rhine**, 1,250 km: the most important European river, heavily traveled from Basel to the sea.

**Rhone**, 775 km: from Lyon downstream, was joined by traffic from the Saône.

**Seine**, 776 km: used by traffic within Paris and its surrounding region and for access to the Channel.

**Tagus**, 1,008 km: navigable at least along its lower third; using the Atlantic tides it was possible to travel upstream as far as Santarem.

**Thames**, 323 km: navigated from the sea to London and beyond.

**Vistula** 1,100 km: the outlet to the Baltic for Polish corn, but, because of ice, was navigable only for a few months per year.



# Da'ud Bob ibn Briggs

## Historical Drive-In Movie Critic

Now I will admit, I went to see this movie somewhat prejudiced against it. But as a natural-born Yankee from old New England stock, when a producer of a movie states that his movie is the story the author of the book would have told if he had been allowed to, and knowing a bit of the history of that New England author and his times, well, I just find statements like that more than a bit presumptuous. How in the name of all that is holy (or unholy, for that matter) can a 20th Century Hollywood movie producer even hope to know of the internal workings of the mind of a 19th Century New England author? Much less consider that said author did not write the story he wanted to write? So, bearing that in mind, I must admit that I found that *The Scarlet Letter* was in many ways better than I had expected it to be.

Starring Demi Moore as Hester Prynne, Gary Oldman as Reverend Arthur Dimmsdale, and Robert Duvall as Doctor Roger Prynne, if you don't know the plot to this one, I can do no better than recommend that you rush out to your local bookstore or library and read the book. The movie did very well at recreating the feel of colonial Massachusetts in the late 1660's. The costuming was very good. The armor, especially the breastplates and the morion helmets, was very impressive. The musketeers' baldrics, the collars, the right amount of dirt for a change (not too heavy, like they overdid in *Braveheart!*).

Still, the movie was admittedly "Freely Adapted from the Novel by Nathaniel Hawthorne", which as you all know by now, is even further removed from the original than the more usual "Based on the novel by ...." There were problems with geography (did the Indians in Virginia really trade directly with those in Massachusetts?). There were problems with the specific Indian tribes involved. Just how much wilderness was left in the Massachusetts Bay Colony right on the coast some 50 years after the Pilgrims landed? Not so much as in the movie, methinks. And why is it that some 95% of the books in both the library that Dimmsdale used and in Roger Prynne's library were bound in white? I counted only three books bound in the what was then the much more common brown. White would have been not only impractical, but very expensive. So where did all these white-bound books come from, and what were they doing in New England?

The other, and primary, problem with the movie, of course, was the blatant, permeating, and consistent use of highly anachronistic (in this setting) 20th Century notions of how things ought to be placed in the thoughts and words of 17th Century characters. 17th Century Puritan characters, at that. Nope, nope, nope. As any good history of period will show, the colonists of Massachusetts Bay were not the most tolerant. For frèer thinkers, you have to visit Rhode Island, or later, Pennsylvania.

Three breasts. Two and a half gallons of blood. 23 dead bodies. Carts roll. Pumpkins roll. Knife fu. Gantlet fu. Musket fu. Arrow fu. Gratuitous lace. Gratuitous bathing scene. Gratuitous self-flagellation. Gratuitous 20th Century attitudes. Gratuitous witch hunt. Academy Award nomination to Gabriela Pescucci for the costuming. A 76 on the Vomit Meter. 2½ Stars. Da'ud Bob says "Check it out!"





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