

The Compass Rose

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Fall '17

Upcoming Shire Events

Local ongoing meet-ups and practices (check the Kings Crossing FB page for added events or cancellations):

-Fighter Practice: Hosted by The Shire of Kings Crossing- Fridays 6:30PM (while weather holds out)

-Silva Vulcani Fencing Practice: Hosted by Silva Vulcani- Thursdays 7:00PM

-Silva Vulcani Fighter Practice: Hosted by Silva Vulcani- Wednesdays 7:00PM

-Shire of Kings Crossing Cooking Guild: Date and Location: TBD

Upcoming Local & Kingdom Events

Access the full event calendar at aethelmearc.org

-Fall Queen's Rapier Championship: Hosted by College of Silva Vulcani, December 9th, 2017 9:00am-7:00pm

-Aethelmearc Twelfth Night: Hosted by Shire of Sylvan Glen, January 6th, 2018 10:00am-9:00pm

-BMDL 12th Night: Hosted by BMDL, January 13th, 2018 10:00am-10:00pm

-Region I 12th Night: Hosted by Shire of Misty Highlands, January 27th, 2018 10:00am-9:00pm
Donnchadh Dubh Ghlas' vigil and elevation to the Order of the Pelican

Arts & Sciences in the Library

This Autumn, the Shire of Kings Crossing have hopes to move forward in collaboration with Houston Public Library to make available A&S classes for both Scadian and mundane alike. The Shire is looking for some knowledgeable individuals that would be willing to teach a small class or two in the months to come. If you are interested, please, check the Kings Crossing Facebook Page.

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Axes, Knives, and Spears All Welcome Here

The Shire of Kings Crossing has been holding thrown weapons practice at the SCA College of Silva Vulcani this fall with help of the Shire's new Thrown Weapons Marshal Lord Jodocus Van Cleeff. The practice has been quite a fruitful endeavor for both the Shire and Silva Vulcani. Lord Jodocus currently has 5 marshals in training at this time since the practices picked up in September. Lord Jodocus along with BMDL Thrown Weapons Marshal THL Kuma have hopes to widen the spectrum of places to hold thrown weapons practices to make the practice more available for Shire members and the Scadian community. More on this to come once warm weather returns.

2017 Kings Crossing Birthday B(R)all

The Shire of Kings Crossing Birthday B(R)all was held October 28th, 2017 at the Chartiers Community Center. Even though the weather was cold and damp a great time was had by all. With great delight the Shire was honored by a visit by his Royal Majesty King Gareth, whom held Court to honor those of Kings Crossing that have showed great dedication in service to the SCA and their kingdom.



After Court had concluded the planned festivities began with classes and roundtable discussions held by many knowledgeable gentles. Master Zanetto Da Como taught a very informative and interesting class on medieval locks. Mistress Chrestienne DeWaterdene instructed a small seminar on the many ways to style your medieval hoods. Lady Dominique Von Weissenhorn led a make and take course on the construction of wool buttons.

Not all classes were about the period topics. Mistress Gabrielle de Winter headed up a Q & A roundtable to help those who are new to the society and/or are interested in joining. This discussion table was the perfect setting for guests to ask questions and receive guidance as they move forward in their SCA experience. Master Creador Twyne Dragon lead a roundtable to help autocrats of the future get a quick peek on how to create event bids. Lady Katerina das Vogelein oversaw a source sharing round table for gentles who wanted to take a look at and contribute to helping others with their projects and furthering knowledge of their arts and sciences.



As the classes and roundtables continued throughout the day, the event had the privilege to host many talented Lords and Ladies working projects on the Arts & Sciences display table. The projects ranged from garb creation, to helmet construction, and illumination. Every exhibit at the display table presented not only the time and care that was put into the projects, but revealed a great bit of knowledge of the subject matter that inspired each endeavor.

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As the classes brought much learning and the A&S display much to see, there were still many other activities to keep the day moving ever forward. With the unfortunate weather, Kings Crossing had to cancel their heavy weapons tavern brawl along with archery and the thrown weapons ranges; with that being said they were still able to hold fencing with the available space inside the hall. Many guests who were not participating in martial or learning activities went on to play games at the games table. Lady Bryanna Eileen Taith-lach supplied many period games for guests to lose or win coin and land. The hand painted gaming boards were beautifully designed by Lady Bryanna and were a sight to behold.



There was a lovely day board provided by Lady Josefne Rahel Nagy. Lady Jofjne provided such a delicious assortment of food from hrudka to ham and split pea soup, plus many more dishes. Not to mention a dessert spread of delicious stewed apples and oat cakes. It was hard to not savor every morsel. Once stomachs were filled, dancing commenced and so much musical fun was had by all.



As the event was brought to a close it was known that a good time was had by all who attended. Fun activities, good company, and tasty food brought everyone together once more to celebrate the birthday of the Shire of Kings Crossing. All who attended the event not only left with a smile, but a small hand braided token made by Lady Katie to commemorate the wonderful event. We encourage everyone to come back and attend next year's event as well!



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Kings Crossing Honors and Awards

Many members of Kings Crossing were honored by Their Royal Majesties this quarter.

THL Donnchadh Dubh Ghlas was presented with a Writ to consider elevation Peerage in the Order of the Pelican. His vigil and elevation will be January 27th at the Region I 12th Night.

THL Sven Tyrvisson was granted an Order of High Merit as a Companion of the Millrind.

Mistress Chrestienne De Waterdene was made a Companion of the Keystone.

Lord Thrainn inn Rikin was made a Companion of the Keystone.

Lady Katerina das Vogelein was made a Companion of the Keystone.

Lord Sittius was made a Companion of the Sycamore.

Lady Alita of Hartstone was made a Companion of the Keystone.

Lord Jodocus van Cleeff was awarded Arms.

Lady Katryne Whyte of Kings Crossing was awarded Arms.

Vivat! Vivat! Vivat!

Chatelaine Wanted

As Lord Jodocus Van Cleeff has taken on the Deputy Seneschal position and is looking to step down from the position of Chatelaine; we are now looking for anyone who may be interested in taking on the position after the first of the year. Of course, as usual the position will come with help from all Shire members, but we would like to have a friendly and outgoing individual to step into the position. Please, all shire members looking to possibly step into an officer position keep this in mind. Thank you.

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