# Hartbeat



Mid Year Edition
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#### **Hartwood Council**

https://hartwood.tirrigh.org/officers.html

**Hartwood Defenders** 

https://hartwood.tirrigh.org/officers.html

# Apply for an Office

Please contact the **Seneschal** for details on specific positions

**OPEN:** Family Activities

**OPEN:** Chief Scribe

**OPEN:** Chamberlain

**OPEN:** Minister of Blades

**OPEN:** Chief Chucker

**OPEN: Arts & Sciences** 







Precedella Take fair flour and a good amount of egg yolk, and a little wine, sugar and anise and make a dough with it. Roll it finely long and round with clean hands and make little pretzels. Set in a warm oven and bake, not burning it but until dried so they are crisp and good. You may or may not use cinnamon. And it is called Precedella.

-Marx Rumpolt Ein New Kochbuch

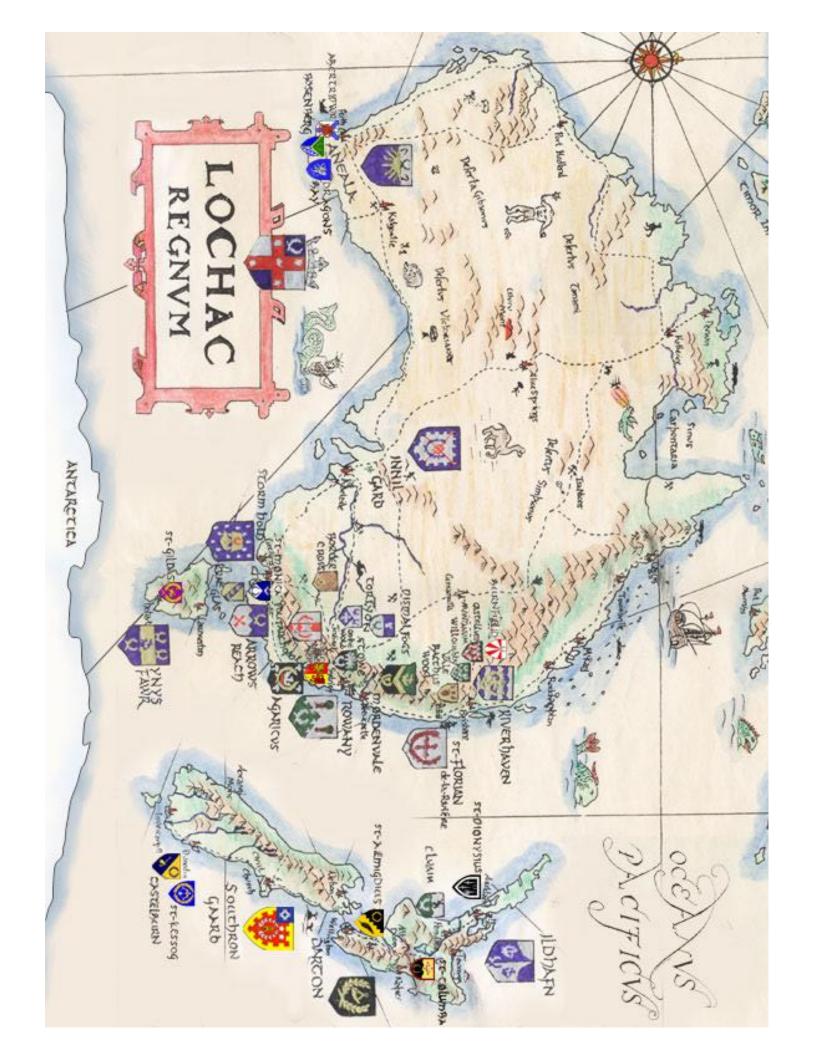
#### More helpful ingredients list...

2 ½ cups (300g) all purpose flour ½ teaspoon ground aniseed ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon ½ teaspoon sea salt 3 large egg yolks ¾ cup (150g) granulated sugar

1/3 cup (80ml) white wine For the Egg Wash:

1 large egg

1 tablespoon water



## One from the Vault...

(A series of recollections recounted by those in the know)

## **EP1** The Founding of Hartwood

The Amazingly Improbable, (But True!) Founding of Hartwood by Meredith of the White Cliffs, OP (as told to Halima al-Rakkasa)

In the summer of 1989, Meredith of the White Cliffs and her family moved to the as-yet unnamed Insula Magna. They settled in, and, as the telephone technician was up the pole hooking up lines, there came a call. It was not a test. It was Sabine inquiring whether Merry was starting a shire! James Llewellyn ap Gruffyd (OP; Lord James the Tormentor, at that time), had acquired the as-yet new phone number and passed it along, saying that, yes, an independent branch could be established in Merry's neck of the woods.

By August, a meeting was held at Shady Rest in Qualicum. Attendees were: her family, James (instigator), Sabine (first contact), Mistress Rowenna de Roncesvalles de Navarre (OL), Sir Geoffrey de Rennes (OC), Lady Elizabeth Braidwood (now Orders of Laurel and Pelican), and a number of others. With such a powerhouse of people involved, the shire was decided upon immediately.

Shortly thereafter, there was a meeting to gauge interest in the area.

From there, a September feast, the first of many, was held at Greyhouse, hosting 30 attendees.

As events sometimes go, they become particularly memorable. This was no exception. Pouring rain! Ilka (ed. Rachel Branwen Parker), Aelfgar Ulricsson. Elspeth (Jody), and at least one other were running things from the house kitchen to the barn (site of the feast), balancing on boards to keep them above the mud and water (no paths yet), and up the ####### outside ladder to the barn door. It was an awesome feast!

If you ever wondered how Hartwood first came to be, now you know. And so we continue our story.

Halima al-Rakkasa, OP, OL Shire of Hartwood Principality of Tir Righ Kingdom of An Tir



## Merchant's Corner

(a series of musings on the future of our Society)

#### Part V

...there are days when our Society is at it's best, when our Chivalry shines bright with Courtesy, Charm and freshly laundered tunics.

Bright smiles, largesse and cheering, with good food and music...

I love those days. Many are etched forever in my mind. Torrential downpour or blistering heat, even sub-zero temperatures with icy roads don't matter when an event hits just so...

Brightly.

Have you ever considered how many people it takes to pull off a seamless event?

I submit that the correct answer is "All of them".

There are of course the Event Stewards, and all the Council Officers who must do their jobs with approvals and filings and writing cheques and approving budgets and advertising and performing their offices at the event. Voice heraldry, lists, gate, marshalling etc.

And of course the good gentles who help with things like painting heraldry, designing and producing tokens, menus, prizes, running contests and keeping track of scoring and awards.

Local retinue loaners for visiting Royalty and Peers, errand runners and security.

And then there are the volunteers who help with set up, cooking, service, tear down and everything else that needs doing on the day.

There are also the Merchants and their handlers, adding to the ambiance and generally contributing to the feel of the event, as well as the prize chest and coffers of course!

And then we have the SCA Cryptid class.

No Top Tier Event can go on without them.

These are the folks who will step in when things go up in flames, handing out toasted marshmallows and making it all seem as if it was a part of the plan.

These people step up and fill in with a story in Court or around a fire, they will start a chant or produce flowers from an unseen crevice and misdirect the crowd away from the gaping pit of chaos that has appeared.

Over the years I have seen the story of the Bunny and the Duck take many forms.

Alligators notwithstanding, (and often worked into the performance) Historians will hold forth on why this "next" bit will be special, or was special, or can be viewed as a particular joy "so just be patient for a bit while I give you some context".

Dukes and Duchesses grabbing the stage for just a moment to recognize someone who deserves it while all of the staff are frantic, scurrying and fixing, and then magic happens and no one knows there was a problem.

These folk (and many other versions of them) are an essential part of the event, but must be thanked privately and quietly, or the illusion is broken.

The great thing is, it can be anyone. And I thank you all for that possibility.

We are all part of the great conspiracy to have a marvellous time.

Anyone and Everyone can tell a joke to cut tension. Or start a song to lift spirits or drum up a literal dance craze. Even just a loud yell of "SQUIRREL" while pointing at something stage left.

No person or group can claim to be entirely independent. We all rely on each other in many ways, both seen and unseen. We trust that things will be alright and we proceed forward in that optimistic belief that things can (and likely will) turn out well.

For everyone. That is our goal. For things to turn out well for Everyone.

This is why Diversity, Equality and Inclusion (DEI) is so important for us as a group. If anyone is excluded, the rest of us have failed in that trust and we must try harder. If people feel unwelcome, we are diminished. Standing up for what we know is right is a core value of the Modern Middle Ages.

We are all the solution, and everyone is needed around the fire.

Come share mine, anytime.

We need you.

The above are expressly the views of:



**H.E. Aristophanes Emporos** 

# The Road to the Barony

On behalf of the shire council of Hartwood, I invite you to congratulate those who will be guiding us down **The Road to Barony** 

(as agreed to by the Shire Council in Tonight's June 10th meeting)

#### **Steering Committee**

Aline Halima
Letitia Anastasia
Tangwystl Maurus
Aristophanes Alicia

Ranulfr

#### **Steering Advisory (Living Reference)**

Aspasia Lenora (Alfredo)

#### **Regalia & Equipment Sub-Committee**

Aspasia Letitia Meredith Johanna Halima Duncan Mhairi Muirgan

#### **Fundraising Sub-Committee**

Cunegonda Elphin
John Mhairi
Meredith Duncan

Of course, if you would like to help as these committees begin their work out in the wilds, I'm sure they would welcome your support whole-hart-edly!

HL Anastasia Szabo, Deputy Seneschal Shire of Hartwood

...more next issue

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# Call to Action Page

What can I do to be more ... Medieval?

### 1. Register your Arms with the Heralds

- a. The Local Herald will help you!
- b. Research is fun!
- c. You will register your name as well...guaranteed!

## 2. Recommend people you know for Awards they deserve

- a. Most people don't actually have the Awards you assume that they have
- b. Even if they have it, maybe they get looked at for something else... just by being mentioned!

## 3. Travel to a nearby event

a. Like, the next Shire/Barony/Canton over...

### 4. Attend local events

a. Provide a couch for the Scadian you met at the event we just talked about one group over!

### 5. Help out at events

- a. Be a List Keeper, Marshall, Gate person
- b. Be a voice Herald
- c. Help set up someone's tent when they arrive late.

## 6. Develop your Persona further

## 7. Take up a new and absurd hobby in the SCA

a. Make a plan, pack your car for an event, realize your car is too small, decide to get a friend with a bigger car...



Barony of Ildhafn



Barony of



Barony of Barony of Mordenvale



Barony of River Haven



Barony of Rowany



Barony of Southron Gaard



Lochach Populace



Barony of **Ynis Fawr** 



Shire of



Shire of



Shire of

Torlyon



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Shire of



College of **Blessed Herman** the Cripple



College of Saint Basil the Great





Canton of



Canton of Cluain



College of Saint Monica



College of Saint Ursula



Barony of Saint Florian De la Riviere



Canton of



Canton of



College of Saint Christina The Astonishing



Canton of Okewaite



Canton of Stegby



Canton of Stowe on the Wolde







# Puzzle me This Use Your Brain for Fun and Profit

(but mostly for the fun...)

## **Word Search**

(puzzle credit to Alicia le Wilfulle)

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The letters that are not used by any of the words will form a sentence with an X representing a space between words.

Words to search for are on the next page...

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# Fun Things to do Hartwood Edition

**Historic Arts in Coombs** 

Come join us on Sundays between 10am and 4pm.

TBA

On Hold for the Summer

**Historic Arts in Campbell River** 

Come join us on every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday between 6pm and 9pm at

**Pair of Dice Games** 

Ongoing

Archery

Come try out a new sport or hone your skills! Bend a bow, heck...Build one!

Fletch some arrows, shoot at stuff

**Thrown Weapons** 

Spears, axes, knives... what more do you want?

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Learn something new (or really old) taught by people with passion and style!

**Attend Council** 

Find out where all the bodies are buried! Help out with burying new ones!

Friends don't let friends dig alone...

**Watch Whales** 

What more can I say? WHALES!

**Cathedral Grove** 

See above notes but replace whales with TREES!

Ask a Laurel a Question

Don't forget to hydrate! This could take a while.

Try to help a Pelican

Learn new and arcane tasks that you never knew needed to be done to

keep our society rolling!

Learn to fight heavy

Hit people with sticks and other fun games!

Learn to fight rapier

Poke people with sticks and look fancy doing it!

**Recommend people for Awards** 

Every citizen's most important FUN job!

Volunteer

Meet fantastic people, do a fantastic job, have a fantastic time!

Travel to nearby events

Even more fantastic people, and an even more fantastic time!

Try the recipes in the "I could eat" section of this newsletter

Really!

# Last issue Solutions

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