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Combat Arts

Baronial Champions:

NOTE: Practices are subject to change without notice. Please call ahead.

Archery Champion: Baron Dorigen of Lewes

Fencing Champion: Agnes de Leon

Heavy Weapons Champion: Svafnir Thorvaldson

Thrown Weapons Champion: Lord Gwilym of Fflint

Archery

CT: BBM - Tuesdays – 5:30 p.m. (weather permitting) Burlington, CT - Dorigen & Eloise's at 17 Bittersweet Lane, Burlington, CT. Contact Dorigen at 860-673-2240.

CT: Dragonship Haven: Sundays 12-3 pm (in season, weather permitting) Oxford, CT. DragonshipHaven@yahoogroups.com

Fencing

Thursdays, 7:30-10:00 p.m., Keefe Community Center, 11 Pine Street, Hamden, CT (hosted by Barony of Dragonship Haven). Contact the Fencing Marshal (Christophel) @fence@dragonshiphaven.eastkingdom.org.

Heavy-List Fighting

Wednesdays, 7 pm, Barony of Bergental at Bethesda Lutheran Church, 455 Island Pond Rd., Springfield, MA. Contact Knight Marshall of Barony of Bergental for more information.

Thursdays, 8-10 p.m., Keefe Community Center, 11 Pine Street, Hamden, CT, hosted by Barony of Dragonship Haven). Contact the marshal at heavy@dragonshiphaven.eastkingdom.org.

Thrown Weapons Practice

1st & 3rd Sunday, 64 Orchard St, Vernon, CT. Contact sisuile@gmail.com for times.

Thursdays (thru October), 7 Jacob's Hill Rd, Ellington, CT, 5:30 p.m. to dark. If there is any chance of cancelation, I will post on the BBM Facebook page. Contact Matthew Soucy (Matteo Genovese) matthewsoucy@ymail.com 774-545-5733.

Baronial Meeting:

Monday, August 19, 2019, 7 p.m. in Stonington, CT, location to be determined. Check the BBM website for updates: <https://bbm.eastkingdom.org/> or the BBM facebook page.

Arts & Science Middle-Eastern Dance

Sundays, 1-4 p.m., Authur Murray Dance Studio, Glen Lochen Marketplce, 39 New London Turnpike, Glastonbury, CT. Contact Mistress Su'ad (Nancy Barrett) at 860-228-6933 (before 10 p.m.); nancysuad@gmail.com.

Dance

First Tuesday of month – 8:30-10:30 pm - Camelot Co-Housing 46 Sawyer Hill Rd. Berlin, MA (Quintavia)

Sewing

Sewing & Throwing is the 3rd Sunday, bring your string-based projects, hang out, throw sharp objects at wood. 64 Orchard St, Vernon, CT. Contact sisuile@gmail.com for times.

Archaeology News

<http://www.archaeology.org/news/>

7/29/19 - HISTORIC ROAD UNCOVERED AT SHREWSBURY CASTLE - SHREWSBURY, ENGLAND—According to a report in *The Shropshire Star*, traces of a road that ran into the inner bailey of Shrewsbury Castle have been discovered by a team of researchers led by archaeologist Nigel Baker. The walls of the castle, which was built in England's West Midlands in the eleventh century, originally surrounded the town of Shrewsbury. "What is exciting is that the geophysics that we had done at the beginning was half right and half wrong," Baker said. The team members thought the band of hard resistance material detected during the geophysical survey might have been the ruin of a building, but in fact it was a road surface. Part of the road had been cut away in the past, perhaps to plant trees, he added. The recent excavation also uncovered a wine bottle's glass seal bearing the arms of the Corbett family, who were associated with Shrewsbury Castle in the sixteenth century. "It's part of the domestic rubbish which has been floating around in the topsoil," Baker explained. For more on medieval castles, go to "Letter from England: Inside the Anarchy." <https://www.shropshirestar.com/news/local-hubs/shrewsbury/2019/07/29/ancient-road-found-under-shrewsbury-castle-bailey/>

7/25/19 - MEDIEVAL BURIAL PIT UNEARTHED IN PORTUGAL - SILVES, PORTUGAL—According to a *Portugal Resident* report, the remains of a one-year-old child and several animals have been found in a pit in southern Portugal's town of Silves. The burial has been dated to the late thirteenth century, based upon pottery that was also deposited in the pit. "This was a structure that had been dug in the rocks and filled with rocks, construction materials, and other trivial objects," said municipal archaeologist Carlos Oliveira. The child's skeleton was found under the bones of a sheep or a goat, and the nearly complete skeleton of a horse wearing horseshoes. Fragments of leaded iron rings

may have been part of the horse's harness. Oliveira said the child was found face down in the pit, as if it had been disposed of in haste. Under the child's remains, archaeologists also recovered an arrowhead that may have been lodged in the child's muscles, as well as the bones of a small donkey or young horse, the bones of a cat and a bird, and cattle bones bearing cut marks that indicate they had been used for food. Oliveira thinks the animals and child were killed during one of the many conquests of the town, as it repeatedly changed hands between Christians and Muslims. To read about another child burial, go to "Shackled for Eternity." <https://www.portugalresident.com/2019/07/24/archaeologists-uneart-new-piece-of-history-in-silves/>

7/19/19 - RECORD OF SIXTEENTH-CENTURY STILL DISCOVERED IN SCOTLAND - ABERDEEN, SCOTLAND—*The Drinks Business* reports that Claire Hawes of the University of Aberdeen discovered a record for a still in Aberdeen's municipal registers that dates to 1505. The still was used to make rose water and "aquavite," or "water of life," the word used in Middle Scots for whisky. Jackson Armstrong of the University of Aberdeen noted that the reference is the earliest known record of an apparatus for distilling aquavite, and is contemporaneous with the founding of the university and the local growth of humanism, science, and medicine. Other early stills were used to prepare spirits for the preparation of gunpowder, he added, but because the Aberdeen still was also used to prepare rose water, it may have been used to produce spirits for consumption. The earliest known reference to aquavite itself dates to 1494. For more on Scottish archaeology, go to "Letter from Scotland: Living on the Edge." <https://www.thedrinksbusiness.com/2019/07/uncovered-ancient-records-could-reframe-the-early-story-of-scotch-whisky/>

7/19/19 - ARCHAEOLOGISTS INVESTIGATE SCOTLAND'S "GREAT DRAIN" - PAISLEY, SCOTLAND—*The Scotsman* reports that a team of archaeologists has determined that a fourteenth-century drain beneath the 850-year-

old Paisley Abbey extended some 320 feet to the banks of the River Cart. "We found the end of the drain and what was the boundary wall of the monastery," said Bob Will of Guard Archaeology. "The river was wider and shallower in those days—much more than in the last couple of hundred years." The drain was first unearthed in the nineteenth century, and was rediscovered in the 1990s. To read about another discovery at a Scottish monastery, go to "Fit for a Saint."

<https://www.scotsman.com/heritage/experts-solve-mystery-of-medieval-tunnel-beneath-paisley-abbey-1-4968152>

7/18/19 - SIXTEENTH-CENTURY CERAMICS UNCOVERED IN FLORIDA - ST.

AUGUSTINE, FLORIDA—Located on the coast of northeastern Florida, the city of St. Augustine was founded in 1565 by Spanish explorers. *The St. Augustine Record* reports that an archaeological investigation ahead of a construction project on Aviles Street in the city's historic district has unearthed sixteenth-century ceramics, a lock, a pipe stem, and evidence of a print shop, including typeset letters for newsprint. A fire station and a city hall are also known to have once stood on the site, according to city archaeologist Andrea White. For more on archaeology in Florida, go to "Off the Grid: Mission San Luis."

<https://www.staugustine.com/news/20190717/ceramics-other-artifacts-found-at-st-augustine-construction-site>

7/11/19 - TRACES OF MEDIEVAL CATHEDRAL AND CRYPT UNEARTHED IN HUNGARY - PÉCS, HUNGARY

—*Hungary Today* reports that a Roman-era cemetery and the walls of a medieval structure have been unearthed at the site of Hungary's Cathedral of Pécs. The original cathedral was constructed by Peter Orseolo, king of Hungary, in the eleventh century A.D. Also known as Peter the Venetian, Orseolo succeeded his uncle, Stephen I, to the throne, but was deposed in 1041, and eventually restored to the throne in 1044 by the Holy Roman Emperor Henry III. Archaeologist Zsolt Tóth said Orseolo is presumed to have been buried in the crypt at the site. For more, go to "Letter from Hungary:

The Search for the Sultan's Tomb." <https://hungarytoday.hu/tomb-orseolo-hungarian-king-archaeologists/>

7/5/19 - TWO SHIP BURIALS DISCOVERED IN SWEDEN - UPPSALA, SWEDEN

—*Newsweek* reports that two ship burials have been discovered on a construction site near Sweden's eastern coast. Archaeologist Anton Seiler of Sweden's State Historical Museums said one of the graves was intact, and contained the remains of a man, a horse, and a dog, who had all been placed in the vessel's stern. Iron fittings thought to have been part of the horse's equipment, a sword, a spear, a shield, and an ornate comb were also recovered, along with the boat's iron rivets and wooden planks. The boat in the second tomb is thought to have measured about 23 feet long, and to have been slightly larger than the boat in the other burial, but it was damaged by previous construction at the site. Such high-status burials are thought to date to the Vendel Period (A.D. 550–800) or the Viking Age (A.D. 800–1050). To read in-depth about the Vikings, go to "The Vikings in Ireland."

<https://www.newsweek.com/archaeologists-rare-burial-ships-sensational-find-1447622>

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