

# The Chanticleer

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## *Upcoming Meetings*

Their Excellencies of BBM wish to incorporate a hybrid aspect into our business meetings, and therefore there will be an in person option to participate in the meeting, the hybrid-physical option will be determined later.

Baronial Meetings will be held on the **second Thursday of the month** via Zoom at 7pm unless otherwise noted. Upcoming Meetings are as follows:

October 10th

November 14th

December 12th

January 9th

February 13th

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84586128611?pwd=TmlzMVdTeDRkVDJXRjllWpRWS9odz09>

Meeting ID: 845 8612 8611

Passcode: 776223

We welcome all members of the barony to participate in and attend the monthly meetings, they are a great place to keep up with the goings on of the barony (and say hi to your friends before the meetings starts!)

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## *Upcoming Practices*

### **Archery Practices**

In BBM we are fortunate to have two different archery practice options for those interested!

For those situated on the **Eastern** side of Connecticut, there is a practice at Andover Archery on Sundays, from 10 am to 12pm. Mistress Kay Leigh Mac Whyte is the marshall in charge, with Mistress Camma an Daraich marshaling as needed. Please contact Mistress Kay Leigh for more information, and pay heed to the baronial email list for any updates to these dates. Site Rates: \$5.00 per hour, per person.

Andover Archery, 398 Hebron Rd/RT 316, Andover, CT 06057 ([map](#))

October 6th

October 13th (this is the last date of archery at this location for the year)

Our ending time for the practice will still be Noon, same as before. If there is enough time remaining and there are people interested in shooting Royal Rounds, I will be happy to run them when we wrap up the 3-D shoot.

If you have any questions, you can reach out to Kay Leigh at [120272@members.eastkingdom.org](mailto:120272@members.eastkingdom.org).

For those on the **West** side of the Connecticut River, THL Dorian of Lewes holds archery practice on Tuesdays, 6pm to 7:30 nights in Burlington. For more information, contact [bob.schlain@gmail.com](mailto:bob.schlain@gmail.com). Please bring your own bug spray, pens, water, and other materials for your own comfort. There is no loaner equipment available, any loan of equipment is between individuals. Access to the deck is permitted for socializing; the remainder of the house is closed.

Please pay attention to the BBM email list day of, practice is weather permitting and may be canceled if the weather is not amenable.

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## **Fighter Practices**

BBM has a fighter (and fencing) practice now! Thursday nights at 35 Wawescus Hill Rd, Norwich CT 06360, 6-9pm.

**This is where the hybrid portion of the business meetings will be held for now!**

It is open to Heavy and fencing. If you are interested marshalling, please contact Jaffon of the Priory, BBM's Knight Marshal. Parking is at the top of the hill behind the church. The Gymnasium entrance is fully accessible. Currently, please contact Jaffon for a loaner kit. If you have any spare or unused gear you are interested in donating, definitely reach out to Jaffon!

Bergental, our neighbor to the North has a wednesday evening practice (7-10p), at the Bethesda Evangelical Lutheran Church in Springfield Massachusetts (455 Island Pond Rd, Springfield, MA 01118). The first Wednesday of the month is the central region practice, for those interested in more fights. The Bergental Fighters FB page is active, and a good place to reach out if you are curious about attendance.

Dragonship Haven, our neighbor to the South, has a Monday evening practice (8:00-10:30p) at the Naugatuck Parks & Rec, at 607 Rubber Ave, Naugatuck CT, 06770.

## **Fencing Practices**

Bergental holds a joint practice with Heavy List, on wednesday evening practice (7-10p), at the Bethesda Evangelical Lutheran Church in Springfield Massachusetts. (455 Island Pond Rd, Springfield, MA 01118)

Dragonship Haven has two a week, at Naugatuck Parks & Rec, 607 Rubber Ave, Naugatuck, CT 06770, Mondays 8:00 PM-10:30 PM and at Bethesda Lutheran Church, 305 St. Ronan Street, New Haven, CT 06511, Thursdays 7:00 PM-9:00 PM.

## **Thrown Weapons Practices**

Hosted by our baronial herald, BBM's Thrown Weapons Practice is coordinated by THL Matteo who can be reached on Facebook (Matt Soucy) or email

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([225471@members.eastkingdom.org](mailto:225471@members.eastkingdom.org)) and THL Safiya al-Naghira (Kristin Bomber, [239314@members.eastkingdom.org](mailto:239314@members.eastkingdom.org)) for the exact address in Windsor, Connecticut. Please pay close attention to the Baronial email list, practice is weather dependent.

Come join our Barony's throwers on wednesday evenings, from 5:30pm to dusk to practice your knives, axes, or javelin (or rubber chicken, we won't judge!) Please bring your own hydration, chair, sunscreen, bug spray etc. necessary for your own health and safety while participating.

For safety reasons, closed toe shoes are required for participation, and loaner weapons are available if you don't have your own set. Donations towards target upkeep will be happily accepted.

## *Upcoming Events*

[Golden Sewist](#) - Held at the Finnish American Society again, there is a new element to this year's challenge, stash busting! More details to come, and rest assured they will appear here!

Champions Day - delayed until spring

[Yule](#) - For further information on the proposed site (Taber Creek in Union, CT), and pictures, please reach out Mistress Kay Leigh Mac Whyte at [120272@members.eastkingdom.org](mailto:120272@members.eastkingdom.org).

## *Events that just happened*

The Investiture event steward had something written up, and completely forgot to send it to the populace of the barony promptly! Please see below for her words.

Greetings my wonderful barony. Wow, what a weekend! It was a gorgeous day, and I am so thankful for everyone's assistance in putting this together. I am grateful for everyone's help and while I'm going to shout out a few people, I want to say thank you to everyone who helped out at any point. An event is a team effort, and even running one errand, or finding a piece of tape helps the event go that much more smoothly.

Congratulations, Baron Angus and Baroness Ciara! Thank you for trusting me with this important event, I am delighted that the barony was able to give you a fantastic day that had everything you wanted. I know how important it is that Investiture showcases the barony's skills, interests and talents, and it was a delight to see it all in one place (except archery, but that was a site restriction). I hope the rest of your term continues as wonderfully as Saturday went.

Sisuile, the food, as always, was wonderful. It was all simple-fare, and while I know the amount of research and dedication, and testing! that went into it, I also know that it was easy for me to eat while doing other things, which I have to say I appreciated.

Aurelia, thank you for keeping an eye on the royalty for me during the day. It was one thing I knew I didn't need to keep eyes on, and I appreciate that so much. Another thing I didn't need to keep an eye on was Gate. I asked Quinton ahead of time to head up Gate, and he did a fantastic job, from working with suboptimal printed sheets (sorry, I'll figure it out before I hand it off next time!) to handling the Absolute rush we got right around 10:15ish. His crew, Gwillem of Flint and a few others who stopped in, did a fantastic job of making sure everyone got checked in as smoothly as possible. Thanks to all of you for helping everyone get their event started with a smile and a friendly word.

I don't know if anyone noticed... but we had some martial activities going on! I'm going to list a whole bunch of people, and they all helped make sure martial activities for all sorts of people happened. Jaffon, Gonzalo, Gareth, Safiya, Thrainn, Karrah, (and Keziah!) all  
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made sure that fencing, thrown weapons, youth combat and the children's scavenger hunt went off without a hitch. I know the focus was on Rattan Champs, but thank you for helping us give Baroness Ciara and Baron Angus the investiture they wanted, and celebrate with the barony, and friends from around the kingdom!

Thank you to Sir Arne, for coordinating and making sure I had all the info I needed to make this event what it needed to be, and to all the combatants! It looked like everyone had an absolute blast, and I am delighted that I got to watch such a wonderful display of rattan combat from so many different fighters.

I'd like to send out a special shout out to Eleanor Perronnelledottir (sorry I don't know your full sca name). From helping direct parking traffic, to making sure the big SCA signs were put up, to putting up all of the parking assignment signs, you were a massive help, and while I didn't always have a job for you when you asked, I really appreciated that you kept asking and making sure I had all the help I needed. (and thank you for remembering the parking signs before dinner, because I had completely forgotten!)

No event ends without some cleaning, after all, we leave our sites cleaner than we found them. Thank you to Camma, Eloise, Elisabeth Vynehorn, Aurelia, Franchesca, Charlotte, Mark, Gwenllian, Jan and Rosamund for sticking around after dinner, and to everyone who made a point of putting their tables away as they cleaned up their dishes. Clean up is always a team effort, and I had a spectacular team this weekend.

Mark and Gwenllian, you really didn't need to stick around, you have given so much to this barony, so much of yourselves, your time, your love of our game, but you did. And I think that speaks as much to your character as all the work you both did as the baronage of BBM.

Thank you everyone who came, and made the event such a resounding success! The day was better for your presence, and I am delighted that so many came and gave our event a shot, and had such a lovely time. I hope everyone had as wonderful a saturday as I did, and as restful a sunday!

## *History in the News*

[An archaeology student finds 7 stunning Viking silver arm rings. Danish museum says | AP News](#)

The find in Aarhus, Denmark has ties to Russia, Ukraine and the British Isles, says the Moesgaard museum. “The find emphasizes that Aarhus was a central hub in the Viking world,” said Kasper H. Andersen a historian at Moesgaard. Estimates indicate that the rings date to 800 ce, and there is a variety of styles, from Scandinavia, and further south in Rus lands.

[Stonehenge Altar Stone](#) now identified to be from Scotland and not Wales as previously thought!

[Oar Fish in California? More likely than you think!](#) Clickbait? Perhaps! But these fish aren't often seen above depths of 200m. Their home depth is between 200 meters below the surface and 1000 meters in the Mesopelagic zone of the ocean<sup>1</sup>, and while they have historically been considered omens of ill fortune when spotted on the surface, there is no evidence to suggest a correlation. However, it is still unknown why they are occasionally found at the surface.

Did you see a new article, academic or otherwise, that might be of interest to the barony? Email it to the Chronicler, at [chronicler@bbm.eastkingdom.org](mailto:chronicler@bbm.eastkingdom.org) and it will be printed.

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<https://www.noaa.gov/jetstream/ocean/layers-of-ocean#:~:text=Below%20the%20epipelagic%20zone%20is,this%20deep%20is%20very%20faint.>

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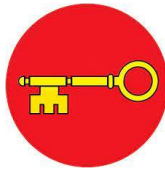


### **Baroness Beyond the Mountain**

Baroness Ciara McRobbie



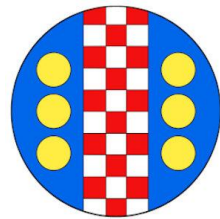
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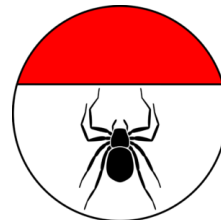
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