



# The Parchment



Issue 1

Saint Andrew's Noble Order of Royal Scots Guild

January 2005

*Greetings to all Our beloved subjects and honored guests of the realm.*

*The New Year be upon Us promising to bring much activity and celebration withal.*



*We do welcome thee into the present season of progresses about Our beloved Scotland. Verily, there be many shires to visit afore Us, many folke to be welcomed into Our court. We do express profound welcome to the new folke and a delighted welcome back to Our old friends and companions. In sooth, We do think proudly upon Our people for the events and activities ye have accomplished and do expect conduct and participation equaling, nay, rivaling the past. It is yet proper, guidance shall be provided from thy officers of the court, thy Heads of Household and Lairds and Chatelaines of thy guild house. Attendance at trainings is vital for smooth operation of Our beloved St. Andrews for the change of year oft brings changes in Our protocol. This Our Royal desire for all members to make themselves known at these wondrous events.*

*Opening of Parliament is fast approaching, prepare thyselfes for this grand occasion withal. Indeed, 'twill be thy opportunity to cast thy gaze upon Our newly appointed officers of the court and meet thy Head of Household. New members shalt be introduced into court and may state their business afore the Crown, be it matters of title or the request in assistance for a betrothal.*

*Be well assured that thy presence, whenever occurring, is of great joy to Us, for We do love all of thee full well, for without ye Our life would be dull and sad, indeed.*

*Adieu and Fare Thee Well.*

MARICR

Maria Regina de Scotia  
Mary Stuart  
Queen of Scotland and the Isles

## *3 A Missive from the Guild Master*

Good Folk of St. Andrews

Welcome to this year of history, acting and fun in the Court of Mary, Queen of Scots!

I have the pleasure of announcing that Her Royal Majesty is once again looking forward to a wonderful year of progress through our Great Land of Scotland. It is true, I carry great favor with Her Majesty, so I can assure you that she is well pleased by all of those in Her Court and looks forward to seeing thee all in Her presence this year.

It is with excitement that I do wish to bring forth some new visions for Her Majesty's court. This coming progress shall be more Regal and splendid ~ Saint Andrews will bring more life and activity to the Royal Court. We will present ourselves to Her Majesty and to all our peers in the manner that would please even the Chancellor!

In our training I hope to bring out some new actors, and polish up the experienced ones, as it will take all of the members of the Guild to achieve a true feeling of 1562. There will be new plays and skits to learn along with all the best court manners that we can put forth.

Saint Andrews Guild is on a very stable base as we start into the year. We will have some new props and will have some of the old ones cleaned and polished for the season. We also have made changes to the organization of our Households for this coming year. Our wonderful Ambassadors will be merging with our grand Courtiers to strengthen and enhance each other in their common goal of entertainment and merriment for the court and public. We will also be installing some new leaders to assist myself in seeing that Her Majesty's Court progresses with out worry.

I do wish to welcome all returning members and we will have a very warm and friendly place for any new people that we recruit this year.

So let us join together and make this coming year one of the best ever for Saint Andrews.

Always at Her Majesties call,

I do remain,

Sir Drew Douglas MacQuain

Duke of Dunsegan Castle

Lord Chancellor of Scotland and the Isles

Cardinal Knight of the Knights and Dames of Saint John of Jerusalem

First Knight of Saint Andrews





## From the Quill of Don Juan

Dear Members of Saint Andrews,

As many of you know, we are a non-profit organization dedicated to educating and entertaining the public through the medium of Living History. I think, more than ever, each one of us needs to step back and think about what that means to each of us personally. If you just want to dress cool and hang out you are missing the point. Our training this year is going to focus on the two goals of educating and entertaining.

In order to educate the public we need to educate ourselves first. This was an exciting time. There were many forces moving politically in Scotland and abroad and there was Mary Stuart's history itself that we need to refresh ourselves on.

Second, we have three major shows we do at a fair, compared to what we once had. So we need to dispense with the notion that the shows are house oriented. The Dance Show is not a 'Courtier Show'. The Battle Pageant is not a 'Guard Show'.

Everyone one of us needs to participate to some degree in each of our shows, even if it is only to clap hands during the Dance Show or "ooh and ahh" during the Battle Pageant. Yes, there is a great deal to be done behind the scenes, but, your presence is needed more when we are on.

These training classes are vital to both new and old members. Those who think they don't need to attend these meetings are most likely the ones who need it most. More importantly, however, the older members' experience is helpful in training the new members and setting examples. I hope you will make an effort to attend and help St. Andrews shine even more brightly in the coming year.

Warm Regards,

Don Juan de Marañón  
Duke of Roxburgh



[www.saintandrewsguild.com](http://www.saintandrewsguild.com)

This is where to go for information regarding your St Andrews Membership. The 2005 Calendar, important history, guidelines, costuming ideas, household pages, fun and helpful links – good stuff for everyone!



If you haven't already, log on today and have a look around – and check in often, as the site gets updated as new information becomes available!



### Her Majesty's Jewels

Good Daye My Poppets,

I'm looking forward to a wonderful new season and have lots of ideas of things we can do together. If you have ideas of things you would like to do at faire, please drop me a line and let me know...

[lady\\_kyra@yahoo.com](mailto:lady_kyra@yahoo.com).

Don't forget, we have our new award, the coveted "Order of the Phoenix". To win this award, you must follow these guidelines:

Recipient must/may:

- ❖ be under 16 years of age
- ❖ follow all Children's House & Guild rules at all times (including Attendance check ins)
- ❖ Be an extremely hard and conscientious worker
- ❖ only receive this award one time

Big Hugs!

Lady Kyra Alura MacNeil  
Chamberlain of the Children's Household



### The Guild Newsletter

*The Parchment* is published approximately every three months. It, in conjunction with the monthly newsletter, is the major communication source for all Guild folk.

If you have interest in contributing to *The Parchment*, please contact Dame Bronwynne Melville at [donna\\_cary@hotmail.com](mailto:donna_cary@hotmail.com).



### The Dogs of War

Gentlemen of the Guard and those who aspire to be,

The year is rapidly upon us, and we shall endeavor to become a more polished regiment. I am working with Dame Raven on scheduling a household meeting and will get the information out as soon as possible. I would like everyone to plan to attend this meeting as we will be discussing this season's events.

I would also like to encourage you all to attend Opening of Parliament on February 19th in the shire of Livermore. Please contact me if you will be unable to attend, as I feel it is important that we all make a great showing of the regiment that day.

Looking forward to a wonderful new season.

Your Captain in Arms,

Sir Keegan Gunn







### Clatter from the Highlands

Good Folk of Scotland!

The weather in the Highlands has been quite blustery and cold this Winter. We are ready for Spring and anxious to Progress throughout Scotland with Her Royal Majesty.

As we move from one faire season to the next, we say goodbye to old friends as they begin a new voyage and will always treasure their friendship. All Highland folk look forward to our paths crossing as we travel Her Majesty's realm. We are excited about new friends and renewed friends who will be joining us on our adventures this faire season.

We are finalizing our repairs of the Highland encampment and The Wicked Fye Tavern after the rigors of the past year's Progress. The Tavern will continue to be a place of

respite for all of St. Andrew's, complete with freshly roasted beast and of course Adam's Fie and Dragon's Blood. But be forewarned, any calm in the Tavern is a façade as mayhem may break out at any moment, be it a duel, a song, a drubbing, a dance.....

We do again invite ye to sit in the Tavern while ye work on yer craft, be it metal work, spinning, needle work, story telling, whatever period craft yer heart desires. This is an excellent opportunity to interact and educate the public, and explain yer craft.

Outside the Tavern, we will be more involved in the battles, and will fight (and sometimes die) with finesse and skill. We look forward to the Opening of Parliament, training days, and...our first faire of the season at Calaveras Celtic Faire!

I Remain In Faithful Service to Her Majesty,  
Brittish Sutherland

GOD SAVE SCOTLAND!  
GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!  
(and for the love of God) GOD SAVE THE  
HIGHLANDERS!

### The Ladies in Waiting

Welcome to a new year of Renaissance endeavors.

The ladies in Waiting are hoping to see some new faces added to our ranks this year, so that we may continue to better our services to our most gracious Queen. To that end, we will be holding our household meeting February 6th to plan the coming year. We will be discussing our duties, our expectations, training, recruitment and different ideas and ways to improve our household. I'm looking forward to many great events this year and hope to see you all there.

Dame Mary Beaton  
Royal Countess of Crichton  
Chamberlain of the Ladies in Waiting



## Colorful Courtiers

Welcome to another year of Renaissance Revels!

For those of you who missed the announcement at Winter Feast, I have been placed in charge of the newly combined Ambassador/Courtier Household. I look forward to meeting with the Ambassadors and the Courtiers, and planning a year to remember.

If you have not been a member of the Ambassadors or the Courtiers in the past and are considering joining our household, let me tell you what kind of people we are looking for. If you want to step up and play an historical character who was actually in the court of Mary Queen of Scots, WE NEED YOU! If you would prefer to play a character of your own creation, doing meet and greet and acting as a doer for the patrons who come to see us, WE NEED YOU! Now, if you just want to sit there and look regal and not do anything, well...WE NEED YOU! (Okay, we might have you do something, but the point I am trying to make is that the Ambassador/Courtier Household is open to all levels of participation.)

My goals for the coming year are modest. I would like our household to be more visible and more active than we have been in recent years, and I would like us all to have fun doing it. There are four ways you can help me make that happen.

1. Contact me and let me know if you can be a part of our household. It will help if I know who and how many I have starting the year. The best way to reach me is by e-mail at [wam2@juno.com](mailto:wam2@juno.com)
2. Come to the training meetings in the spring. I think the training and the information we get at these meetings enhances the St. Andrews experience for us all, and makes us better performers/educators for the public that comes to see us.
3. Join the Ambassador/Courtier Chat Group by sending an email to St-Andrews-Courtiers\_Ambassadors-

[subscribe@yahoo.com](mailto:subscribe@yahoo.com), so we can have an open forum to exchange ideas even when we can't get together.

4. Consider assuming the role of an historical character. It can be challenging, but the more historical characters we have in court, the more entertaining and educational St. Andrews can be.

I hope to see you all soon!

Lord James Stewart  
Earl of Moray



## Props Repair Day

Your Help Is Needed!  
Please come help with renewing our Props for the coming fair season!  
Everyone is encouraged to come as you are able, to lend a helping hand!!

When: Saturday, 3/5/05  
Sunday, 3/6/05  
Where: Castle Dunvegan  
305 Mondavi Lane  
Brentwood, CT  
Time: 10am - 6pm







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1/2 page	\$50.00
3/4 page	\$75.00
1 page	\$100.00

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## ☞ Youth Outreach Program ☞

Members of Saint Andrews,

I have been in contact with several schools and we are now booked up.

Our first event is:

St. Mary's Middle School  
7900 Church Street  
Gilroy, CA  
February 15<sup>th</sup>  
10am – 2pm

Followed by:

San Lorenzo Middle School  
415 Pearl Street  
King City, CA  
May 20<sup>th</sup>  
9am – 1<sup>st</sup> Assembly  
10am – 2<sup>nd</sup> Assembly  
Alternate contact: Chris Andrew,  
[candrew@keusd.org](mailto:candrew@keusd.org)  
Phone #: 831-385-6970

Sunnyvale Middle School\*  
1080 Mango Avenue  
Sunnyvale, CA  
June 8<sup>th</sup>  
11am – 3pm  
6 half hour presentations

Boulder Creek Middle School  
10931 Alder Drive  
Truckee, CA  
June 10<sup>th</sup>  
7:45am – 3pm

There is also one in San Leandro on which I am awaiting more information. As well the Boys and Girls Club in San Mateo has yet to set a date. When the information becomes available it will be posted to our website calendar and I will send out an email.

If you would like more information about any of these events, please email me at [donjuandemaranai@yahoo.com](mailto:donjuandemaranai@yahoo.com) or call my cell phone any time at 408-505-4044.

Thanks in advance for your interest and participation in this great program.

Don Juan de Marañón  
Event Coordinator



\*Lady Tory MacNeil attends this particular school, if you could make it to this event, she would be most well pleased.

## ☞ Knights Council ☞

Council for the Knights of St. Andrew

Sir Drew MacQuain  
Dame Bronwynne Melville  
Sir Keegan Gunn  
Sir Guy Maxwell  
Sir James Mosman





## *Thor's Hammer Royal Honors*

At the beginning of all of the Faires where we perform, the Star Chamber is asked to take most particular note of outstanding efforts during the event. At the end of the weekend, a vote is cast amongst them, and a Thor's Hammer is awarded during the Hug Circle to that person whom the majority agree made the greatest individual contribution to our success. This is a once in a lifetime award, a signal honor, and is worn proudly by each recipient, for all who look thereupon shall honor them as they well deserve, as one of the most valued supporters of our Guild.



2005 Honorees:

Who will be next?

Our Apologies! If you find that you were inadvertently left off of the complete list of Thor's Hammer or Children's Thor Hammer Recipients, please let Dame Bronwynne Melville (donna\_cary@hotmail.com) or Lady Kyra MacNeil (lady\_kyra@yahoo.com) know so we can add you to it. Gramercy!

Past Honorees (in alphabetical order):

Mariota Arras	Philip MacGeorge	Annabelle Sumerville
Mary Beaton	Rose MacGeorge	Brianna de St. Joer
Kathlyn Blackthorne	Brittiah MacGregor	Jennith Stewart
Bregan Borland	Kael MacGregor	John Stewart
Margaret Bothwell	Thomas MacLaren	Sara Stewart
Charlotte Carmichael	Ian MacLeod	Ryk Tucker
Adam Gordon	Maira MacLeod	Wolfgang Von Deekel
Alexander Gordon	Conor MacMillan	Marta Von Mier
Bonnie Gunn	Cora MacMillan	Jagiellonska
Keegan Gunn	Kyra MacNeil	
Shaila Gunn	Finnoula MacPhearson	Children's Thor's Hammer
Claudia Hamilton	Drew MacQuain	Honorees
Helen Henderson	Megan MacQuain	Marni Carmichael
Andrew Hepburn	William Maitland	Mikala Carmichael
Orion MacAndrew	Juan de Marana	Scott Carmichael
Elspeth MacBeath	Sabina de Mendoza	Andrew MacCarraig
Cheri MacCarraig	Guy Maxwell	Tory MacNeil
Morgan MacCarraig	Hannah Maxwell	Brianna MacQuain
Shannon MacCodrum	Bronwynne Melville	Tyler Seaton
Bebhain MacDomhnaill	John Melville	
Pryderi MacDomhnaill	Shiona ni Briain	
Emma MacDowning	Christopher Nolan	
Tucker MacDowning	Naron Rockwell	
Christina MacGeorge	Raven Sinclair	

## Seamstresses & Tailors

Below is a listing of those good souls that can sew a new gown or doublet for you!!

Lady Cherie MacCarraig  
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510-770-1443

Dame Brianna de St Joer  
Yellowstone, Montana  
307-344-9213

Dame Mariota Fies  
Antioch, CA  
925-754-6032

Dame Elspeth MacBeath  
Oakland, CA  
510-465-4459



They are all independent contractors – Give them a call and put in your order! Can you sew? Care to earn some money plying your craft, please contact Lady Kyra if you are interested in adding your name to our Seamstresses & Tailors list.

### In need of Children's Costuming?

We may have something available to fit your poppet in the 'Children's Costume Trunk'. Has your child outgrown their garb? Why not donate it to the Guild for future use?

For information, please contact Lady Kyra at lady\_kyra@yahoo.com or 408-733-1145.

Reminder: Dues are due at  
Opening of Parliament!  
February 19, 2005

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## *Promotions and the Awarding of Lands & Titles*

Promotions are awarded for a Members' good works for the benefit of the Guild.

Promotions are awarded based on a point system. Points can be acquired in one of three ways:

- ❖ Attendance at any of the following Guild events:
  - Any faire (1 or 2 day) where we, as a Guild, set up and participate (10 points/day)
  - Any of our Training Days (15 points/day)
  - Greening Day (10 points/day)
  - Props Repair Days (10 points/day)
  - Opening of Parliament (20 points/day)
  - Winter's Feast (20 points/day)
- ❖ Assistance with any of the following (each of which are worth 10 points):
  - Loading of the truck ("Load") before an event
  - Unloading of the truck ("Unload") after an event
  - Set up of our encampment at an event
  - Tear down of our encampment at an event
- ❖ Making favors for the Queen to hand out

Attendance will be tracked by the Heads of Households each day of Faire. To ensure that one receives credit, please check with the appropriate Head of Household each morning. At the end of the Faire, the Head of Household will turn in the attendance sheets to The Royal Reeorder. The Royal Reeorder will be responsible for compiling and tracking all attendance data.

At any non-acting event (load, unload, set up, tear down, etc.), The Royal Reeorder, or their designee, will track the attendance. Please be sure to check in with them.

Favors made for the Queen must be either 'eight petal rosette' or 'gathered ribbon rosette' style favors. The guidelines for these can be found on the Members section of our Website ([www.saintandrewsguild.com](http://www.saintandrewsguild.com)), or a copy can be obtained from ones Laird or Chatelaine at the local area Guild House. Points for Favors may not exceed the total number of points that can be achieved for attending all Loads and Unloads. And the member making Favors must have attended at least fifty percent (50%) of the Faires for that season, for Favor points to count.

Here is a list of titles and the associated lands that may be awarded with each title:

- ❖ Baronet
  - Title Only
- ❖ Baroness or Baron
  - Glen, Waterway, or Mountain
- ❖ Viscountess or Viscount
  - Castle or Manor in/on/near the Glen/Waterway/Mountain in ones Barony
- ❖ Countess or Count
  - Town or Village in/on/near the Glen/Waterway/Mountain in ones Barony
- ❖ Royal Countess or Earl
  - Larger geographical area
- ❖ Marquioness or Marquis
  - Another Castle and associated land
    - This title can only be obtained by one who has been in Her Majesties Government.

The Royal Reeorder will attempt to award properties that befit ones character, usually providing a property that is affiliated with ones family. Providing properties in this vein, it is believed, assists the actor by giving one a connection to the character that one portrays, as well as a sense of pride or ownership in ones character and family.

Important notes:

- ❖ Only fully paid Members may be promoted.
- ❖ No properties having historically belonged to the Monarchy will be given to individuals.
- ❖ If one changes one's family name, one's properties (but not one's titles) will be changed to reflect one's new 'history'. [Name changes can only occur at the beginning of a season.]
- ❖ If one's character is from a country other than Scotland, one will receive property from that country.
- ❖ Points for Winter's Feast will be counted towards the next season.



### ~ Guild Houses ~

The Guild Master welcomes all folk, old and new, to contact him as you wish, for feedback, suggestions, to volunteer or just to touch base. Your calls and mail are welcome:

Sir Drew Douglas MacQuain  
305 Mondavi Lane  
Brentwood, CA 94513  
925-240-1562

Also available are your local Guild Houses. We hope that you are in constant contact with your Guild House Laird or Chatelaine! Please feel free to contact them for help with anything Guild related...costuming, character building, history... and let the friendships bloom!

South Bay Guild House  
330 Flora Vista Avenue  
Sunnyvale, CA 94086  
408-733-1145  
lady\_kyra@yahoo.com  
Chatelaine - Lady Kyra MacNeil

Antioch Guild House  
3220 View Drive  
Antioch, CA 94509  
925-754-6032  
kithnkin@pacbell.net  
Chatelaine - Dame Mariota Arzs

Modesto Guild House  
700 Barringham Lane  
Modesto, CA 95350  
209-526-8812  
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Sacramento Guild House  
PO Box 612  
Rocklin, CA 95677  
530-305-4355  
Mystic\_kodiak@yahoo.com  
Laird - Lord Logan Gunn



## *BA Missive from the Assitant Guild Master*

*Saint Andrews! Good daye!*

*It is time to beat out the dust from thy clothing and prepare for a new and bright year at Her Majesty's court!!*

*This is looking to be an exciting and merry year indeed! The Privy Council, having met and discussed the feedback we received from those at the gathering in October and at Winter's Feast, is happy to announce more fun and gatherings on our calendar this year! We do want to give everyone as many opportunities as we may to join together and share in this exciting hobby we all love!*

*Our first event of the year is the Royal Opening of Parliament. ALL of Her Majesty's subjects, and all dignitaries should be making plans to attend the important ceremony of state, and the beginning of Her Majesty's Progress! I can not stress enough how important it is for everyone to be there, not only for the business of State and Her Majesty's anointment, but also for the greeting of friends long apart over a long winter break! And new friends to meet and welcome! Oh, and one can't miss the first hug circle of the year!!*

*Opening of Parliament - February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2005 - Noon to 10:00 p.m. (set-up at 9:00 a.m.) in the shire of Livermore. Insure your scribe takes note to remind you, and have your carriage driver prepare for the journey! No carriage? Dust off those boots! Get there however thee may, but be there you must!*

*Trainings will be taking place in varied locations this year. It is very important that everyone attend trainings, and because we know it can sometimes be a challenge to attend them all due to the damage the miles can bring to ones valuable horses, we are bringing them closer to you. Please review the dates and locations located within this Parchment to determine which trainings are the best for you. Though keep in mind, the more training one has, the better entertainer, the more favored, and the more well fed at Winter's Feast one will be... Yes, once again, those who attend all of the trainings will be first in line (following the Royal family of course) at Winter's Feast, our grandest party of the year!! And as a reminder, attendance at trainings counts in land and title consideration, so do your best to attend all that you can. Though this should go without saying, all members need to be at trainings, not just our new friends and members. Besides, we will be focusing on new items this year, so do not miss an opportunity to join in on the education and fun we have planned.*

*As the next Parchment is not due to be carried thy way until the merry month of May, I would like to take this opportunity to remind thee of a few important matters that require your attention:*

- ❖ Remember that we are entertainers and volunteers for the events at which we have a set-up - and though we all could spend the day walking about and enjoying the event on our own...that is not why we are there. We come together to reenact Mary Stuart's Royal Court, and as such we need all of our members to play their pivotal part to make this look and feel "real" for the guests who walk into our encampment. We also join together in comradeship and build friendships with those whom have a love of Scotland, of History, of the Renaissance.*
- ❖ Take note of each event on the calendar which is a "set-up" - then please take the time to notify your Head of Household if you will be able to attend or not. Your leaders appreciate knowing who will be attending before they arrive to an event, and it helps them to plan on what they will be able to do in the way of performances and duties.*
- ❖ When coming to an event, do not forget to bring a wee tiding of viands! It is up to all of us to make sure our Health and Safety tables are well stocked!*

*There is more to cover, and more to inform you of, but I will save those for Opening of Parliament and trainings...which I will see thee at of course, right? Humor me and say "aye".*

*I do look forward to a wonderful year with all of you!*

*GOD SAVE ST. ANDREWS!!  
GOD SAVE SCOTLAND!!  
GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!!*

*I do remain, your loyal Assistant Guild Master,  
Her Grace, Dame Bronwynne Alexandra Melville*



## ⌘The Royal Star Chamber of the Guild of Saint Andrew⌘

### Heads of Households

Royal Star Chamberlain of Her Majesty's Royal Ladies in Waiting  
Dame Mary Alexandra Beaton, Royal Countess of Crichton

Royal Star Chamberlain of Her Majesty's Royal Courtiers  
Lord James Stewart, Earl of Moray

Royal Star Chamberlain of the Irish  
Sir Drew Douglas MacQuain, Duke of Dunvegan Castle

Royal Star Chamberlain of the Children's Household  
Lady Kyra Alura MacNeil, Royal Countess of Barra

Royal Star Chamberlain of the Royal Guard  
Sir Keegan Gunn, Duke of Caithness

Royal Star Chamberlain & Chieftain of the Highlanders  
Lord Heber MacPhearson, Baronet of Mulben Burns

If you have need to get in touch with any of these folk and don't have their current information, please contact Sir Drew at [sirmacquin1562@yahoo.com](mailto:sirmacquin1562@yahoo.com) and he shall be able to provide the information.

### *Lady Alice's Table*

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*Lady Alice*



### ⌘Do you have photos to share?⌘

Lady Mary Fleming has found a wonderful site ([www.photosite.com](http://www.photosite.com)) where you can go to share your pictures with your Guild family, or others.

Go to [www.photosite.com](http://www.photosite.com), and follow the easy directions. It's easy, fun & free! You can download all of your digital photos, categorize and name them (by faire, people, etc.).





## ❧ A Winter Adventure ❧

As last we saw Mistress Brittah MacGregor, she was on Progress with Her Majesty in the village of Truckee. There, much to all the Court's surprise, Mistress Brittah and Lord Kael MacGregor, the Lord High Sheriff, parted ways just a few days shy of a year and a day hand-fasted, with Mistress Brittah returning to her maiden name of Sutherland. Mistress Brittah Sutherland remained the Proprietress of the Wicked Flye Tavern, but now an unmarried woman with a hard row to hoe. With the need for a sabbatical from the rigors of life in the Highlands and in an effort to keep a respectable distance from the ever charming Lord Kael, she partook of a Winter adventure, as detailed in a letter to her dear sister Morna MacGregor; a letter that was intercepted and made public by an unknown scoundrel...

*My Dearest Sister Morna,*

*I hope this missive doth find ye in good spirits and good health. I am confident that ye have weathered the Highland Winter well. How doth the Tavern fair? I am eternally grateful to Master Heber and Mistress Fionnola MacPheerson for handlin' the affairs of the Tavern in m' absence this Winter.*

*'Twas a difficult decision when Lord Kael and I did decide not to solemnize our Handfastin' after one year, and made the choice to go our separate ways. As ye have been witness, we continue to be drawn to each other.*

*In an attempt to begin m' new life, I did spend the Winter in Bairds where I met a fine gentleman, Msr. Francois H'elie. He lives quite a comfortable life. Msr. H'elie and his family have a rather lucrative business in that he has several regiments of Dragoons; in France they are actually named Dragons. However, rather than those wondrous mythical creatures they are the most well trained French soldiers, available for hire. As the Winter progressed and we had an opportunity to see each other in social settin's, he asked for m' hand in marriage. Dear Sister, I did agree to be his wife. I realize this comes as quite a surprise as m' only intention was to holiday in this lovely country and dabble in new merchant wares. I had not the thought that such dabblin' would find m' a fine French husband of means! We both have hopes that our union will be of benefit to each of us. For m'self, such a marriage certainly improves m' situation as I have been concerned what would happen to an unmarried woman should the Tavern fail. As I hope to become more involved in*

*merchant wares, Msr. H'elie and his contacts will be of assistance with that endeavor. He has his own hopes, that he will be able to expand his family business within Scotland and perhaps provide military assistance to Her Majesty, with financial gain in mind of course. Msr. H'elie and I have hopes that our union will be lucrative for both of us. I do hope Mum is not rollin' over in her grave with the knowledge that one of her daughters has married other than a Scot!*

*All of France is alive with rumors and speculation at Her Majesty's return to Scotland from her life in the French Court. Her Majesty is most sorely missed in noble circles, and of course there is much talk of how Her Majesty will fair in the "wilds" of Scotland. The French do have the opinion that Scotland is a wild and barbarous land. I do think the French forget that her Majesty is a Scot by birth, not a frivolous, fragile French woman.*

*I hope to return to the Highlands in early Spring, tend to the Tavern, and of course join Her Majesty's Progress throughout Scotland. Msr. H'elie must remain in Bairds to tend to his business affairs, however he does hope to join me before this next Winter.*

*I miss ye greatly. I canna wait to see ye, and spend hours sharing my adventures with ye. Our next order of business must be to find ye a husband!*

*I Remain Your Lovin' Sister,*

*Brittah Sutherland H'elie*



# Saint Andrew's 2005 Calendar of Events

## ~Preliminary~

⚠ Not all events or dates have been confirmed, please use this as a guideline ⚠

### February

Saturday, 5 <sup>th</sup>	Dance Practise, Lakewood Park (Sunnyvale)	10:30am – 2pm
Saturday, 12 <sup>th</sup>	Renaissance Training Day, Castle Dunvegan (Brentwood)	12pm – 4pm
Tuesday, 15 <sup>th</sup>	St. Mary's Middle School (Gilroy)	10am – 2pm
Saturday, 19 <sup>th</sup>	Opening of Parliament, The Barn (Livermore)	12pm – 6pm
Saturday, 26 <sup>th</sup>	Renaissance Training Day (South Bay)	12pm – 4pm

### March

Sat & Sun 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup>	Props Repair Weekend, Castle Dunvegan (Brentwood)	10am – 6pm
Sat & Sun 12 <sup>th</sup> & 13 <sup>th</sup>	Calaveras Celtic Faire (Angel's Camp)	Full Set Up
Saturday, 19 <sup>th</sup>	Renaissance Training Day (Modesto)	12pm – 4pm

### April

Saturday, 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ardenwood Tartan Day (Newark)	Walkabout
Saturday, 9 <sup>th</sup>	Renaissance Training Day, Castle Dunvegan (Brentwood)	12pm – 4pm
Sat & Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup> & 24 <sup>th</sup>	Tulare Renaissance Faire (Visalia)	Walkabout
Sat & Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup> & 24 <sup>th</sup>	Woodland Scottish Games (near Sacramento)	Walkabout
Sat & Sun 30 <sup>th</sup> & May 1 <sup>st</sup>	Shasta Highland Renaissance Faire (Anderson)	Full Set Up

### May

Saturday, 7 <sup>th</sup>	Renaissance Training Day (South Bay)	12pm – 4pm
Sat & Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> & 15 <sup>th</sup>	Livermore Scottish Games	Full Set-Up
Friday, 20 <sup>th</sup>	San Lorenzo Middle School (King City)	9am – 2pm
Saturday, 21 <sup>st</sup>	Queen's Honors Day, Picnic & Games (Pittsburg)	11am – 4pm

### June

Sat & Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup>	Heart of the Forest Renaissance Faire (So. Lake Tahoe)	Walkabout
Saturday, 4 <sup>th</sup>	Modesto Scottish Games	Walkabout
Wednesday, 8 <sup>th</sup>	Sunnyvale Middle School (Sunnyvale)	11am – 3pm
Friday, 10 <sup>th</sup>	Boulder Creek Middle School (Truckee)	7:45am – 3pm
Sat & Sun 11 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup>	Heart of the Forest Renaissance Faire (So. Lake Tahoe)	Walkabout
Saturday, 11 <sup>th</sup>	Ardenwood Tartan Day (Newark)	Walkabout



**June, conf'd...**

Saturday, 18 <sup>th</sup>	Campbell Scottish Games, Guild Gig Rehearsal Day	Reduced SetUp
Sat & Sun		
25 <sup>th</sup> & 26 <sup>th</sup>	Fair Oaks Renaissance Fairz (near Sacramento)	Walkabout
Saturday, 25 <sup>th</sup>	Picnic & Games (Pittsburg)	11am - 4pm

**July**

Sat & Sun		
9 <sup>th</sup> & 10 <sup>th</sup>	Heart of the Forest Renaissance Fairz (Novato)	Walkabout
Saturday, 16 <sup>th</sup>	Picnic & Games, (South Bay)	11am - 4pm
Sunday, 17 <sup>th</sup>	Heart of the Forest Renaissance Fairz (Novato)	Walkabout
Sat & Sun		
23 & 24 <sup>th</sup>	Heart of the Forest Renaissance Fairz (Novato)	Walkabout
Sat & Sun		
30 <sup>th</sup> & 31 <sup>st</sup>	Heart of the Forest Renaissance Fairz (Novato)	Walkabout

**August**

Saturday, 6 <sup>th</sup>	Pittsburg Rehearsal - Buchanan Park (Pittsburg)	11am - 4pm
Sat & Sun		
13 <sup>th</sup> & 14 <sup>th</sup>	Pittsburgh Scottish Renaissance Fairz	Full Set Up
Saturday, 20 <sup>th</sup>	Pleasanton Rehearsal - Buchanan Park (Pittsburg)	11am - 4pm
Sat & Sun		
27 <sup>th</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup>	San Francisco Renaissance Fairz	Walkabout

**September**

Sat & Sun		
3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup>	Pleasanton Scottish Games	Full Set Up
Sat & Sun		
10 <sup>th</sup> & 11 <sup>th</sup>	Sonora Joust Championships	Walkabout
Sat & Sun		
17 <sup>th</sup> & 18 <sup>th</sup>	Truckee Renaissance Fairz	Full Set Up

**October**

Sat & Sun		
1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Hanford Renaissance Fairz	Set Up?
Sat & Sun		
15 <sup>th</sup> & 16 <sup>th</sup>	Folsom Renaissance Fairz	Set Up?
Saturday, 22 <sup>nd</sup>	BBQ Social - Buchanan Park (Pittsburg)	11am - 4pm

**November**

Saturday, 5 <sup>th</sup>	Greening Day - Dunvegan Castle (Brentwood)	10am - 6pm
Saturday, 12 <sup>th</sup>	Winter's Feast - The Barn (Livermore)	12pm - 10pm

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