

The Barony of Three Rivers presents

## A Grand Melee



Sept 24 - 26, 2010

Warrenton, MO



Welcome to the Grand Melee!

Our Stewards and their crews have assembled a new hamlet of Puddleford for you to play within. The fort lies in waiting, as does the bonfire. Fields are prepared for rattan and steel fighting, archers, and equestrians. Their Royal Majesties Calontir, Ashir and Maerwynn are traveling hence as well, for this is more than just a day of tournaments and competitions.

The Barony of Grey Niche of Glean Abhann and the Barony of Three Rivers have been locked in conflict for decades. At Samhein, November last we offered our neighbors to the South the opportunity to travel safely to our lands under the umbrella of the olive branch, and invited them to join us here today, to speak of peace.

We are heartened to see people gathering from near and far today to witness these talks. Many we know carry scars still from old battles but we ask all to set aside the old differences while here and to exhibit honor and chivalry in all they do today, on and off the field.

Ravasz and Kajsa  
Baron and Baroness of Three Rivers

## Welcome from the Event Steward

Welcome to the Heights and the Barony of Three Rivers. One of my First events in the Society was in Grey Niche some 20+ years ago, and I'm pleased to be able to welcome our friends from the South to one of the greatest event sites in the Kingdom of Calontir. We've tried to provide something for everyone with the day's activities. However, if you're bored come find me and I will endeavor to entertain you.

Though this event is the collective work of many, one individual deserves our thanks for providing this wonderful gathering place. Thank you Wayne of the Heights!

Today is a day to gain renown for yourselves, your team, and your barony. All of the activities of the day are but a framework on which to hang your grand deeds. Let heralds proclaim your victories and honorable acts, and let us end the day in song and revelry.

Duncan Eardstapa  
Event Steward

## Archery

**The Grand Melee Champion Shoot** will involve 2 ends of 6 arrows at a period bull and a period wand at 2 distances for a total of 8 rounds. The targets will have smaller targets inside them for bonus points.

**Griffon's Mark Champion Shoot:** All may shoot, but entrants must be local to shoot in earnest.

## Armoured Combat

**Calontir Armored Fighter Authorizations.** Please arrive as close as possible to 9:00 to insure availability.

### **Individual and team challenges:**

Individuals and teams of five may challenge any other individual or team at one of four stations.

- **Single combat field**
- **Team field**
- **Bridge**
- **Barrier**

Please note that challenges will be announced by Heralds and will be taking place simultaneously. Yes, one fighter may challenge a team. Any fighter or team may decline any challenge without a loss of honor. Please remember that we are fighting a plaisance for Honor and the simple Joie d'combat. All weapons must be tournament list legal. (Six foot weapons or less.)

**Grand Melee:** All melee weapons except for combat archery will be allowed for this section. Melee will progress in three stages:

- **Open field battle (best two out three)**
- **Bridge (best two out three)**
- **Castle (best two out three)**

All of these melee combats will be last man standing.

**Infinite Joy Bridge battle:** Following the Grand Melee. Standard bridge battle, however, after dying, you join the other side until you are done fighting. Six foot weapons or less for this battle.

**Pickup fights:** Bring your own marshals.

**\* Please note that scenarios are open to change at the Marshal's and Their Excellencies' whims. \***

## Equestrian

### Greetings Equestrians of Three Rivers!

Their Most Wonderful Excellencies have decided that it is time for an Equestrian to join their other Champions in protecting this fair Barony from scoundrels and those who would challenge Her! And to also carry the Honor of this fair Barony upon the field of Mounted Battles and Tournaments!

The B3R Equestrian Championship is open to ALL Currently Authorized Three Rivers Equestrians. Keep in mind that this is an honor and a duty to Their Excellencies. You will be expected to attend Court for the protection of Their Excellencies, as well as regular event attendance. If you do not think you can uphold the duties required of this Honorable position, please do not compete in earnest.

The scores of those committed to competing will be taken from ALL scores throughout the day and averaged. There will not be separate runs or challenges for the Baronial Championship (unless there is a tie in the scoring).

Ever in Service and Honor,  
Eowyth þa Siðend

If you would like to volunteer to help ground crew for the equestrian activities at the Grand Melee, please be at the equestrian field at 9am Saurday morning to go over the rules and safety and get people settled into their job. We will swap people out as much as possible, and yes, you can ground crew and ride. HL Azenari

## A&S

**A&S Competition** theme is Baronial (Kingdom, Shire, etc) Pride. In other words: Heraldic Device in any Medium. No documentation is required. Judging before court.

**A Bardic Competition** will occur before TRM court. Five minute time limit. Material is bard's choice, but winner is determined by populace choice.

**A&S Classes** will be held in the big tent unless otherwise noted.

- **Detachable Sleeves:** Lady Liesl Gelücken will discuss how to accessorize your wardrobe by adding sleeves. She will discuss how to pattern and make a basic sleeve, and look at some more elaborate styles. \$1.00 donation for handout.
- **Hand Sewing:** Lady Gwendolyn Verch Morgaine will cover basic hand sewing techniques including button holes and eyelets.
- **Cotehardies:** Lady Syele Pfeifferin will cover fitted dresses of the Fourteenth Century. This Class will teach you one way to properly fit a Gothic fitted dress. It will also discuss all things Cotehardie, including tippets, trains fidgets and more.
- **Calontir Choruses:** Lady Hanne will lead a beginner class teaching the choruses of popular Calontir standards.
- **Covered Buttons:** Mistress Maggie Bruce will teach how to make covered buttons to accent clothing.
- **Viking Wire Weaving (Trichanopoly):** Lady Elynor Of-Glastonbury will teach a hands-on class on how to make a woven Viking chain, which was used as jewelry and trim on clothing from 8th to 12th Century Scandinavia. Class limit: 6. Materials fee: \$5 .00.

## BBQ & Ball

A grill will be available outside the barn after court for gentles to grill the meat or other items of their choosing. Baked potatoes and Baked sweet potatoes will be provided.

The Grand Melee Ball will be led by Master Conrad Martin von Kassel. It will be held in the barn during and after dinner. Please come join in the dancing and revelry.

## Order Meetings

Their Royal Majesties Calontir will be meeting with Their orders of the Silver Hammer and the Calon Lily. The times are as yet to be determined.

## Calontir Steel

There will be ample opportunity for all those wishing to try their hand at Calontir steel combat to do so. Loaner equipment will be available for those who don't have armor or weapons that meet standard cut and thrust requirements. A list field will be available throughout the course of the day beginning at 10:30. Unofficial scenarios might develop if there are sufficient combatants.

**Stab the Steak:** Lord Rolant will discuss human anatomy, the damage sword injuries have on the body, and provide a hands on opportunity to use a sharp sword to feel the calibration needed to inflict damage on a piece of meat. This class is intended to show people the injuries swords can cause and how to call blows accordingly during combat. This class focuses on unarmored combat. The class will take place on the steel list field at 1:30..

## Merchants

### **A's Round Pottery**

Pottery  
Master A  
mka Greg Frankhouser  
thewatershed@juno.com

### **All the Trimmings**

trims, buttons, cloak clasps & Celtic-style wall hangings &  
tote bags  
THL Edrei the Quiet  
edrei@smythkepe.org

### **Bast's Creations**

Soap, glass, leather belts, woodworking, etc.  
Ldy Carrys of Caer Rhudd/ Ld Eirik Thorkellson  
Mka Cara Watters / Pat Danzer  
danzier@sbcglobal.net

### **Maggie Bruce Medieval and Fantasy Clothier**

Clothing, bath soaps, cotton trims made by Ysa, and Specialty  
Baked Goods by Sarah Kaiser (Mistress Tzipporah)  
Mistress Margret Bruce  
mka Jacquelyne Aubuchon  
www.maggiebruce.net

### **Neverland Designs**

The place to go for your basic garb needs.  
Lady Adriana inghean Laren MacKinnon  
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<http://www.neverlandgarb.com/>  
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### **Rose and Leaf Herbals**

Herbal Salves  
Rosamistica Tomacelli de Greene  
mka Ramona Greene Rebarchik  
rosamistica@evergreenes.org

### **Vault of Valhalla**

Celtic and Viking Jewelry  
Lucy Zahnle  
adler@fidnet.com

	A&S	Archery	Equestrian	Heavy Fighting
8:30		Range opens		
9:00	Corehardies	Eric's Shoot	Arena Opens for warm up	Armour/Weapons Inspections &
9:30				Opening comments by Their Excellencies and Marshals instructions
10:00				Individual & Team Challenges
10:30		Ann's Shoot	Tournament # 1 - Individual challenges (Axe Throw, Thread the Needle, possibly Spear Throw) and double quintain runs	
11:00	Hand Sewing			
11:30				
12:00	Detachable Sleeves	Break		Break
12:30			Lunch with TRM	
1:00	Calontir Choruses	Grand Mele Champaign Shoot		Grand Melece
1:30	Stab the Steak *		Tournament # 2 - Save the Princess	
2:00	Covered Buttons			
2:30				
3:00	Viking Wire Weaving	Griffon's Mark Champaign Shoot		
3:30				
4:00	Bardic Competition			
4:30				Field open for pick ups
EVE	Court at TRM whim			
	Open Grill and Grand Melece Ball			
	Grey Niche Party			