

# MoonLite

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## Province Notes

**From the Seneschal:** Heavy List University was a successful event organized for the fighter community primarily by non-fighters. We are looking for fighters who are willing to return the gesture and run an A&S event. Contact His Lunacy via his cell 831.1915 (NO CALLS AFTER 9PM PLEASE) or via email. Please be sure to include our deputy Seneschal Mistress Honig in any correspondence. Officers should make sure they have deputies in place. A bid has been received for next year's GNEW. If you are interested in submitting a bid, you still have time. Voting on GNEW bids will happen at the July Province meeting. The Word Of The Month is salacious.

**From the Herald:** Crunch time for name and device registration is now. If you have a name and device you are considering, contact the Heralds soon for delivery at GNEW. The Malagentian Roll of Arms book has been updated.

**From the Chronicler:** Articles and art for the Summer issue of *The Moonstone* are due July 5. This is the Martial Issue, but Lady Christiana is grateful for articles on any topic.

**From the Minister of Arts & Sciences:**

**Medieval Music Practice** is now up and running. Watch for practice announcements. **The Bards** are in full production mode for the puppet theatre. Every Sunday (expect June 15) from noon to 4, at the Big House on Brighton, they will be building puppets and getting ready for shows at GNEW. **Bardic Grove** will be in the natural amphitheater where *Thrown Weapons* was held last GNEW. There will be two family friendly shows; *Saint George and the Dragon* and *Aesop's Fables*. GNEW Saturday, after court, a Concert will be held in Bardic Grove. Come see some of the best bards in the East perform musical selections from the past and some of the medieval-inspired creations that are SCA favorites. **The Scribes** held their first gathering in a while with an illumination class. Keep a watch for future classes after Pennsic. If you are interested in teaching classes at GNEW, the form is live on the GNEW website, [www.GNEWar.org](http://www.GNEWar.org). **Dance practice** is still held on the third Thursday of each month but has a new location on

the third floor of the Dana Warp Mill in the Drouin Dance Center studios. Enter the building under the usual awning and take the elevator at the end of the hall up to the third floor. Follow the signs for Drouin (down to the right).

**From the Chatelaine:** Demos are in the works for this summer. PortCon is the next one (June 21) and is looking for volunteers. Special thanks to Lord Frederick and Lord Conall for their help recruiting new folks.

**From the Captain of Archers:** Archery ranges are now open. Deormund has a super small range available. Email first for availability. Bartlett Cottage in Gorham is now open with Saturday practices announced on Yahoo and Facebook. The range at Max and Mikel's is also open, usually for Sunday shoots. Watch Yahoo for updates. Iain of Malagentia recently shot 112, 111, and 110 and Max shot a 118. Vivat Malagentian archers! The pride of the East!

**From the Web Minister:** The server migration is complete and the website is once again operational. The links page will soon receive an overhaul to connect to newer and better pages. There is the possibility of a poll soon to discuss the official Malagentian means of communication.

**From the Quartermaster:** The province is lacking in heavy stakes for the big canvas tents. If you have any spares that you would like to donate, please see Speedbump. Our Quartermaster also scored 18 embroidery hoops for \$.14 each. Vivat!

**From the Exchequer Bad Monkey:** Malagentia and the Ridings have had three events in recent months. The Heavy List University had 49 people and lost \$17. Giggleswick's Bardic Symposium had 31 people and made \$17. Tyger and Bucket had at least 100 people and brought in \$1200. All these events are considered successes. Despite these numbers, the Malagentian coffers, while not empty, require frugality. If you have an idea for a fund raiser, please speak with His Lunacy, Master Christian, or Mistress Honig. If you have receipts for GNEW purchases, you must get them to Lady Tiernan before or at GNEW if you want to be reimbursed. Receipts coming in after

## Malagentian Mayhem

Congratulations to our new Prince and Princess, **Edward and Thyra**. May their reign be long and prosperous.

Malagentians fighting at Spring Crown this year included **Syr Marcus Blackaert** for **Baroness Astrid Sigrun Ulfkellsdottir**, **Lord Mathew MacGyver** for **Baroness Lillian Stanhope**, and **Lord Richard Crowe** for **Gabriella Crowe**. Lord Richard also made it into the Sweet Sixteen. Vivats to you all.

**Brenden Crane's** name and device, Vert, a winged bull courant wings elevated and addorsed argent and a base Or, have passed through the college of heralds.

We join **Baroness Astrid** and **Lord Justin** in mourning the passing of **Tetsu Ashi**, Hound of the East and Protector of Malagentia, but wish them great joy with their new companions **Ellie** and **Eirik**.

The **Canton of Bassingstoke** (Down East Maine) was granted Incipient status at Crown.

**Master Feral von Halstern**, friend and mentor to many in Malagentia, has returned home to finish his recovery.



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<http://malagentia.eastkingdom.org/main/category/newsletter/>

this time will be laughed at and the bearers will be beaten and fed to the lobsters. Or, you know, maybe something less drastic.

**From the Knight Marshal:** Practice is once again outside! Every Tuesday on the USM Portland campus, warm-ups and single fights are from 6 to 7. Melee practice is from 7 to 8, and focuses on a different skill each night like shield walls, triads, wolf packing, bridge work, etc., followed by melees to practice what was learned. The final hour, 8 to dark, will be for single pickups. Lord Richard encourages all Malagentian fighters to attend practice to make our melee effectiveness a force to be reckoned with.

**From the Minister of Fence:** Practice is outside! Every Tuesday on the USM Portland campus from 6 until dark. There is some cut & thrust loaner gear available.

**From the Mistress of the Lists:** If you have applied for an authorization card or a replacement card and have not received it after the typical 6 week wait, please let Lady Wynefryde know. She will be at practices if you need forms. She also recommends that everyone take a picture of your cards and keep them on your phone. That way, if the card is misplaced or forgotten, you have a record to show that you are valid. The current list of expiring/expired authorizations has been posted on Facebook, Yahoo, and the Malagentia website.

**From the Chancellor Minor:** The youth have come out of hibernation and there have been two practices so far this spring. Many of the Province's children have been in attendance and we've even had enough to practice some melee formations. Future

practices will be announced on Yahoo, Facebook and the website. We are looking for GNEW service opportunities for kids aged 5 to 12 for Empress Caoilfhionn's Youth Service Challenge. Please contact Lady Thalia with opportunities for kids to help.

### In Other Business

The GNEW schedule is starting to solidify. Check GNEWar.org for the latest updates and schedules.

### From Giggleswick

Giggleswick ends its combat practice drought with a swordapalooza on Friday, June 27. Fencing and heavy list marshals will be on staff.

### From Hadchester

Tourney on a Summer's Day was held in Hadchester on June 7 and received great reviews. Count Syr Arturus, Syr Cedric, Syr Kyppyn and Sir Ivan all held tourneys and were available for instruction and critiques.

The Union Fair would like the SCA to do a demo the third week of August. Hadchester is inviting all of the local groups to take a turn on a big statewide demo. Details are forthcoming.

### From Ravens Bridge

The May 18 Garb and Gab was a success with 11 people attending and many projects being worked on.

The Whatever Week Demo in Augusta is scheduled for June 28 from 11 to 4. Anyone interested in helping out should contact Baron Kyppyn or Syr Cedric.

## Master Nikolai On Award Nominations

In our first Province Talk lecture, Master Nikolai Vladimirov spoke on how to write people in for awards.

First and foremost, anyone can write anyone else in for an award. You do not have to be a member of a particular order to write someone in for a place in that order. The form to fill out is <http://fluidsurveys.com/s/EKRecommendations> on the EK website. This site also lists the available awards in the East. If you are uncertain if a person is eligible for an award, talk to a member of the order and they can help figure out if it would be a good fit.

There is no set information that needs to go in a letter, but it should contain their SCAdian and mundane names. Leave out your information. This award is about your nominee. If you have a picture of the person in garb that shows their face, include it. If they are a fighter, an additional picture of them in armor is a good idea. Sometimes a picture makes a huge difference. Not everyone remembers names but they recognize the person, their armor or heraldry. A link to

their EK Wiki page can be useful for links to their projects and service history. List the things they've done to make them eligible for an award. It's important to be very specific about their achievements but it is crucial to be accurate in the information that you give. Inaccuracies bog down the process and can delay or negate a nomination. Be sure to mention where a person does their work. If your nominee lives in Malagentia but mostly plays in Stonemarche, that should be noted.

Keep your praise positive and avoid "but" statements. If someone is great "but...", they may not be ready to receive this award. Avoid words like endlessly, tirelessly, self sacrificing, helium hand, without thought of their own benefit and the like. They are overused and no one can realistically live up to them. Make sure you note which Royal Progress your nominee is going to so it can be worked into the court schedule. Finally, people can't get awards unless you write the letter. If it didn't work the first time, don't give up. Wait a reign or two and resubmit.



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## EK Largess Challenge

The East Kingdom Royal Gifts Chest has issued a largess challenge to the Baronies and Shires of The East Kingdom. Lets show them what a Province can do! Different submissions have different point values and these can be found on [Malagentia.org](http://Malagentia.org). Ascelinne de Chambord has volunteered to be the collection point for presentation at GNEW. For Malagentia, the North, & the Tyger Throne!!

**gnew deadline**  
**July 12**