



The Mudpuppy

The official newsletter of the
Barony of Settmour Swamp

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35 Anniversary Issue

Pre-Shire of Settmour Swamp, 1979



Wetlands Alliance, Pennsic , 1987



35th Anniversary Gathering Sunday August 24, 2014

The 35th Anniversary Gathering on August 24, 2014 at Baron Erec's home
(see announcement on page 2)

Pennsic 2014



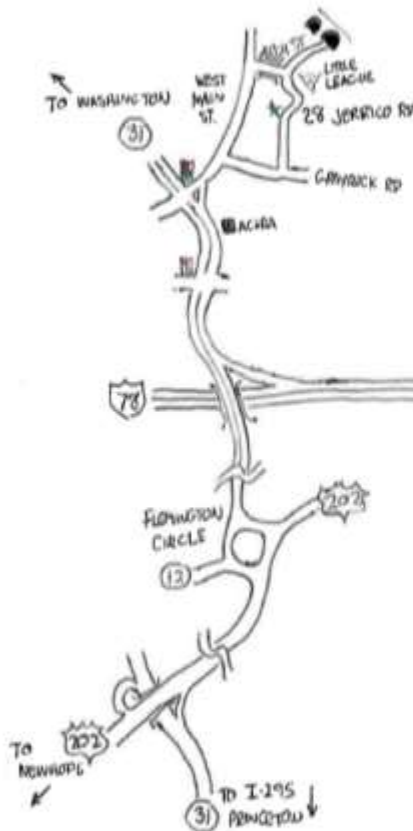


35th Anniversary Gathering Sunday August 24, 2014

Submitted by Baron Erec

24 AUGUST 2014
35th Anniversary

The Barony of Settmour Swamp Stomp



Bring:

Hamburger and Frankfurters will be provided. Please bring a side, dessert or something else for the grill to share, and the beverage of your choice.



Fighting
Fencing
Archery
Swimming in the River
Tea in the Garden
A&S

Come Celebrate with Us
28 Jerrico Road High Bridge, NJ
Noon until 4 pm

RSVP, with what you'd like to bring, to
baron@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org

From West Jersey:

Make your way to State Route 31 North
Bear right to stay on 31 where it joins US 202
Come around the Flemington circle to stay on 31 North
Cross I-78
At the second set of lights, turn right onto West Main St.
Make the second right onto Arch St.
Immediately make the first right onto Jerrico Road
The ballfields should be on your left.
We are the first house on the right.

From East Jersey:

Make your way to I-287, toward I 78.
Take I-78 west until exit 17, for State Route 31 North.
At the second set of lights, turn right onto West Main St.
Make the second right onto Arch St.
Immediately make the first right onto Jerrico Road
The ballfields should be on your left.
We are the first house on the right.
You may park on the street or in the far field.

Note Erec's
road is also
spelled:

Jerrico
Jericho
Jerricho



Baroness and Baron Letter

Hail Settmour!

Seasons change, the years pass, and many cycles of war and peace have strengthened us as a Barony. As we reflect on the fact that **Settmour Swamp is now 35 years old**, we are humbled to represent and serve our Barony and Kingdom. It is from the hard work of many who have served before us that this Barony shines bright, and we are blessed to have people like you who inspire us everyday to continue to grow and make this Barony thrive.

It is hard to believe that our Barony is older than many of its members. We are delighted and are confident that it will continue to grow and prosper. In sharing this path, we all get to enjoy each other's company, spirit and accomplishments.

So how will you celebrate? Through song, or art, by skill or might? You are invited to come join us, at our **35th Anniversary Swamp Stomp at Baron Erec's estates (see page 2)**, or any of our many practices, meetings or events which can be found on the Baronial website page, on the Calendar. We look forward to seeing you and continuing our travels through the Society together. We also ask you to come share with us your feelings, your plans, your proposals to make Settmour Swamp the place you imagine it can be.

Baron Erec and Baroness Jehannine

Seneschale Notes

Greetings to the Swamp!

As we Celebrate 35 wonderful years I want to thank the citizens of this barony for always making me feel welcome. I moved into the Barony when I married Don Orlando Sforza 16 years ago. Previously I had resided in Rusted Woodlands and been an active member there cooking (go figure), practicing archery and learning the ropes of the SCA. It is an honor to now be a part of Settmour Swamp and continue my journey. The amazing variety of people and talents in this Barony has opened up many new interests for me and I am now privileged to be serving as your Seneschale. Everywhere I look, the members of this Barony are helping each other reach new goals, welcoming new members, teaching new skills, be they martial or arts and science related, and I am proud to be a part of it. So **Happy 35th Anniversary Settmour Swamp** and here is to many more years of friendship and fellowship!

Yours in Service,

Charis Accipiter



Tuesday Night Fighting & Rapier Practice and A&S

The Tuesday night **heavy weapon practice** and **rapier practice** will commence as usual this week.

We will also be hosting an **A&S gathering** that will include fittings. If you would like to learn **how to properly fit a garment** bring some fabric, pins and a reference of the type of garment you want to fit. Or just come and watch, or bring a project of your own. All are welcome. There will be fencing and room for Heavy weapons if a marshal is available to come.

See you all there!

Glen Gardner Youth Center 7:30 to 9:30.

Charis

Location:

The Glen Gardner Youth Center
16 Hampton Rd
Glen Gardner, NJ, 08826

Time:

7:30 pm-9:30pm

Suggested Donation:

\$7 per person



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Warren County 4H Renaissance Fair

Warren County 4H Renaissance Fair

**Baronness Rhiannon De
Carreg Cennen**

chamberlain@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org

REN FAIRE DEMO Sept. 6-7, 2014

Calling all Swampies, neighbors and friends! Mark your calendars and save the weekend of Sept. 6-7, for the Warren County 4H Renaissance Faire. The Barony of Settmour Swamp has been invited to participate in this fundraiser for the local 4H student exchange program. This will be our fifth year of partnering with them to build it into a premier event for Northern and Central New Jersey.

What: We are looking for volunteers and coordinators for the following: Heavy Weapons, Fencing, Thrown Weapons, Archery, Dancing and Singing, Fiber Arts, Calligraphy, Blacksmithing, etc. Any period art, craft or activity that lends itself to having the fair goers try it out would be especially desirable (obviously that does not include the martial arts, those they can watch). Only

period tents, period furniture and accoutrements will be allowed on the fairgrounds or items that are well disguised. This is to be an educational endeavor as well as an entertaining one

Where: Warren County Farmers Fairgrounds, Rt. 519, Harmony, NJ (3 miles north of Phillipsburg)

When: Sat. 11am-6pm, Sun. 11am-5pm. Set up Friday -

Come in garb and show your SCA membership card at the gate. Camping: Available in separate, safe compound area adjacent to fair for non-period camping. On site camping in period tents also allowed.

Food: Available from fair vendors or bring period food to share with our group. We will have a communal cooking fire for the demo.

Talk with Rhiannon if you want to cook something. Vendors are also most welcome. Check the website for an application form. Demo Coordinator: Baroness Rhiannon de Carreg Cennen. Please call or email to sign up or with any questions. Also, check out the Faire's website:

www.warren4-hrenfaire.org.

This year we plan to add **SCA Equestrian demonstrations** to our schedule of activities, thanks to Her Grace, Duchess Kiena.



I'm really looking forward to that and so are the 4H-ers.

As in past years, there will be an open fire period cooking demo and the finished products are available to all of our volunteers at the end of each day. There will also be drinks and fruit during the day.

Please volunteer and let me know by phone or email I'm not on FaceBook so please don't try to contact me that way.



Honoring Swamp Members Who Are No Longer With Us

Aelfric Sveord
(Little Burton),
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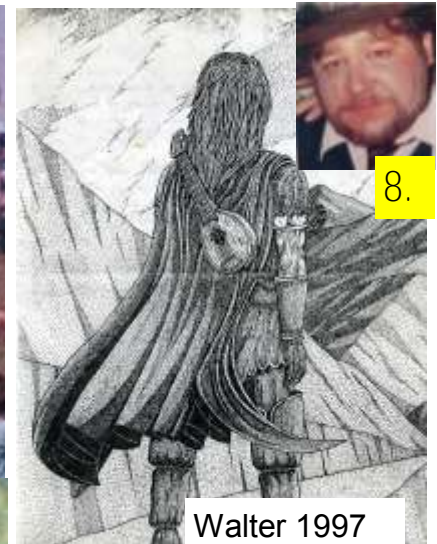
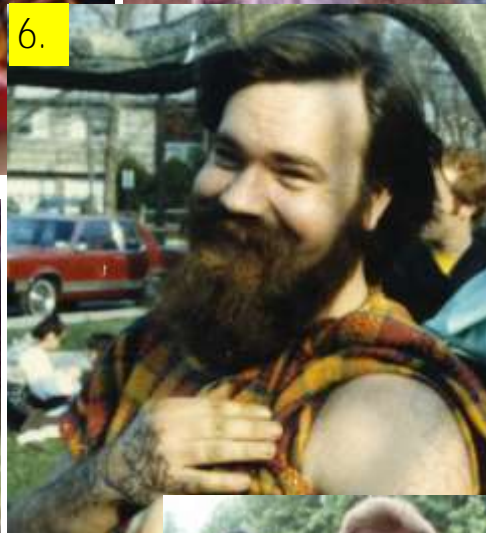
Baron Irik Rodbjorn, 2004



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Walter 1997

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Rebecca, 2003



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Emrys, 2002



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Alexander the Younger, 2012



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Ragnar, 2014



Founding of the Barony of Settmour Swamp & First Events by Ursula

The **first meeting** of what would become the Barony of Settmour Swamp occurred on August 4, 1979. At that meeting, Lady Ursula of North Woods was named the first Seneschale and, shortly after, Ursula published the first issue of what would become the Mudpuppy newsletter. Magda z Stalburg had volunteered to autocrat Visevald and Embla's Coronation (October 6, 1979, A.S. XIV), so the Swamp immediately burst onto the scene with a spectacular event.

The **Shire of Settmour Swamp** was officially formed on January 19, 1980. The Swamp prospered, and after little over 2 1/2 years we were recognized as the Barony of Settmour Swamp with Magda z Stalburg as our first Baroness.. [Ursula's history of those first few years](#) is available on the Barony website. At the time, Merowald De Seveastem periodically created paper maps of the Known World. He later commented that it was the only time that a previously unknown group was added to the map as a Barony.

We held monthly populace meetings called "**Swamp Stomps**". These were informal gatherings designed to bring everyone together for food and fellowship. The officer's meetings were also held at the Stomps.

The **first MudThaw** occurred on March 1, 1980 (A.S. XIV,) this event was notable for the "WIZ-OFF" (a magicians competition) and belly dancing by Magda.

The **first Amber Kern** (November 1, 1980, A.S. XV), was held at the graduate hall of Princeton University. We were able to secure this fabulous medieval hall because Gershom Ibn Zabara was a graduate student in astronomy at Princeton. The Amber Kern was notable for the Hans Sachs play the "Hot Iron" and also for the smoke that filled the hall due to the blocked chimney.

The **Barony of Settmour Swamp** was announced, with Magda invested as the first Baroness, at the Coronation of Siegfried and Wanda on April 4, 1981 (A.S. XV). The investiture was slightly amusing due to the tiny coronet that Heinrich had constructed (about 4 inches in diameter). The highlight of the event was knife fighting in the main hall, inspired by the visiting Tuchux. Fur-clad Tuchux and elegant ladies fought each other one on one, with knives, to the cheers of the encircling crowd.

Ursula was invested as the second Baroness in January, 1982 at Bellringer's in Carillion, where Ursula also won the Liar's contest with a rendition of How the Swamp Ladies Won Pennsic. (No Fudge, there we were ...)

The **first Quest** occurred after Elysende and Gwenyth merch Llewellyn attended a Tuchux event and experienced a Tuchux Quest. The first Quest for Wit and Wisdom was held on May 28-30, 1983 (A.S. XVII), at Katherine of Edge's family's sheep farm. The first Quest was notable for the rain and the mud and the sheep droppings. It was wonderful.

Baroness Ursula of North Woods



Chronicler Notes

The August issue of the MudPuppy is devoted to the **35th Anniversary** of the founding of the Barony of Settmour Swamp.



35 years is a huge span of time to squeeze into a single newsletter. History belongs to the historians or, in this case, to the photographers. I tried to include a representative sampling of photos across 35 years..

I have attempted to verify events and dates. If you see an error, please just let me know.

The newsletter is rendered in low resolution, to minimize the file size. High resolution versions are available upon request.

If you have a story or photo that is important to you, please submit it for publication.

Thanks to **Ceara, Merlinia, Mithgilidan** and **Gwenhwyvar** (Jenn) for contributing favorite memories of the Swamp.

Extra Special **THANKS** to **Elisabetta**, and **Jean de la Rue**

for contributing thousands of photographs. They have both spent decades taking photos and carefully archiving them. Without their contributions, this newsletter would look pretty skimpy.

Elisabetta has also published thousands of photos in the **Settmour Swamp Scrapbook** on Facebook.

THANKS to **Lydia, Alexander, Mithgilidan, Galen** and **Merlinia** for contributing many photographs.

Thanks to all members of the Swamp for making this incredible group possible. Thank you for loving the Swamp and contributing your energy and talents.

Thanks to Lady Ceara MacKieran and Peter for excellent proofreading .



Baroness Ursula of North Woods,
Chronicler

PS
I have attempted to identify the photographer of each photo. Some of the 30 year old, scanned photos were difficult or impossible to assign.

There are thousands of photos of the Swamp on Facebook and Google.



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Favorite Memories of the Swamp

Lady Ceara MacKieran : It was my first event. I don't even remember where it was held.... all I remember is that it was the Coronation of Gavin and Sedalia. I attended with my friends Emily and Stacee, and we were FLOORED when we heard the sound of a trumpet. All heads turned to the back of the hall, where dancing girls came floating in, followed by a host of guards and retainers... and finally, **a man wearing a coronet, carried on a palanquin, throwing gold coins to the populace** to the sound of loud cheering. It was Baron Irik, and all I could think was, "I want to be a part of THAT." Note: the event was Gavin and Sedalia's Coronation April 16, 1988 (AS XXII)

There was a Stomp when Bheithir broke my parents' front steps.



Note: There are no known photos. This is a similar photo of Alexander's Pelican ceremony.

Gershom Ibn Zabara was a Swamp fighter and proudly wore the Swamp heraldry. At his **Doctoral Defense**, he appeared in a proper suit and tie, covered by his swamp tabard. He strode before the defense committee, drew his sword and declared, "**I am here to defend my thesis**". He was awarded his PhD. (Mudpuppy, September 1983)



Wetlands Alliance Against the Middle Kingdom: I think the alliance photo was Pennsic 16, 1987. The mid realm queen had cancer and most all kingdoms fought for her. Alexander



Gwenhwyvar Telynores, called Jenna (Jenn): The moment that I knew the Swamp was my home went like this: 1985 or so, I was in high school with Wilhelm Van Utrecht. He told me about some people he met who liked to do 'medieval stuff - a bit like D&D'. But they ACTUALLY DID stuff - they didn't just talk about it. So I went to a couple of Swamp Stomps, and liked the people. Baroness Ursula was one of the first. But the real moment that 'The Dream' hit me - was at an event sometime either that year or the next that took place at **Lambert Castle** on Garret Mountain. EVERYTHING came together: the atmosphere, the people, the weather, EVERYTHING. Lords and Ladies strolled arm-in-arm on the lawns, music played, a great feast was cooked, and a bunch of us went horseback riding through the woods. Someone EVEN brought KITTENS!! I distinctly remember sitting on the lawn as the sun began to set, looking over the view down the mountain, the summer breeze playing with my hair, the music wafting down, and I let out a huge sigh and thought, "THIS is it. THIS is me. THIS is where I belong."



Favorite Memories of the Swamp

Merlinia: I brought The Book of Conquests to War to read to Bheither, and they liked "The Hurling Match of Magh Nia" the best.

So I researched Hurley, and got Irik to cut out 2 sticks from wood. Next year at War, I taught a Hurley class and got only Calum. We made more sticks for the next War, did another class, and got most of Bheithir, and some others. The first War Hurley class was pretty memorable. We were playing back to camp, and the ball went into the Land-agent's camp. There were lots of Muckety mucks there having coffee. Oops. So I smiled at them all, & asked "May we play through?" And we did.

Galen started making sticks, we played "Tall vs Small" at events, especially Quest, and "Us vs Them" at War & other events. The best (for me) being "US vs Carillion", where I got my one and only praise from Irik, when I went over backwards to stop the goal.

I told the guys I was not playing Goal when I turned 45, so we got Teric to be Goalie, and Elvira to manage the team.

That's when we got the nice shirts.



Note: all artwork, photos and creative articles are used with permission. Each item is marked with a number. The numbers refer to the list of contributors which is shown on the last page of this issue.



Favorite Memories of the Swamp

It was 1984, at the Second Quest, the **“Quest for the Missing Monk”**

There was a contingent up from Carillion including Bambina, an ex-patriot Brit who was “hiding out” in Carillion for a bit.

Anyway, the rains had come and washed the site repeatedly. The coolers and the beer keg had been washed away, down the river, in a flash flood and would not be found for some months after. So there we were, soaking wet, and telling jokes, and folks kept on going out to the local **IGA** for supplies. This became **journeying to the temple of the great god IGA** and pleading for food. And everyone came back with a watermelon.

Shortly after, the Watermelon Tourmaline became the holy stone of the God IGA. And I still have my chunk from back then.

Mithgiladan

It was early in the Swamp, I can’t recall exactly when, perhaps 1982 or 1983. I was suddenly grabbed from behind, lifted off the ground, with a hand clapped over my mouth, and carried off through the woods. There were several kidnappers, including the **huge, strong man who was carrying me off through the woods**. I had no idea what was going on. I remember my toes lightly grazing the ground as I was forcibly carried away. I am a large woman and this just does not happen! Eventually, I was brought to Pug Mahon, the Seneschal and/or Baron, of Carillion, who declared his undying love for me, in his broad theatrical manner. He said he would never let me go and could not live without me. He would **declare WAR on the SWAMP** to keep me. The joke was that I was held captive my being drugged with magnificent chocolates (see the picture on page 23). A battle was fought in Carillion and the Swamp reclaimed its Baroness. Pug was of course heartbroken. Baroness Ursula of North Woods

In 1983, Swampies took a road trip to the **Higgins Armory in New Hampshire**. Irik and Merlinia were leading this trip and chatted with the museum staff. After explaining the SCA and their intense interest in all things medieval, the staff took them to a private area and allowed Irik to try on a full suit of armor. Lydia tried on a helmet and gauntlets. Note: Sadly, the Higgins Armory closed in 2013. Ursula





First Newsletter, August 1979 (excerpt)

August 1979

Correction:

August 6, 1979 is a Monday.

The actual date must have been

Saturday,

August 4, 1979

as mentioned in later documents.

Ursula

Greetings from the not-quite-A-Seneschal
in the not-yet-A-shire of Settmour
Swamp:

I was delighted at the turnout on
Aug 6, at Lady Magda's home, and
hope to see you all again. Meetings
such as that one are only part
of the society. As you will see by
the attached list a variety of
interests and activities are available
with people who Lady Ursula of N. Wood

10 year Anniversary Mudpuppy, August 1989 (excerpt)

Seneschal's Notes

by Dylan

Happy Birthday! Yes, the Swamp is ten years old this month (Aug 4) and I'd just like to start off with a quote from **Baroness Ursula**, founder and first Seneschale of Settmour: "I know all the groups that have tried to start in this area over the last ten years. We survived where others have failed and had fun doing it. Over the years, many groups have formed and have since vanished; **Dragon fly Ridge (1982-84)**, **Blasted Heath (1980-81)**, **BlackOak (1984)**, **Freya (1972-76)** **Coilorgha (1970-74)**, and other fledgling groups that never had names. Of all those groups, and they had good people in them, the Swamp has survived in spite of internal catfights and hissyfits, squabbles over Baron and Baroness, ego trips, challenges to our status as a Barony by challenging the qualifications of our essential officers. (Etc., etc.) See the secret history for gory details. Through all this messiness, we've had incredible fun, formed priceless friendships, and created an organization where nothing existed before. Swampies can look back with pride at what we've accomplished and look forward with eagerness to what will yet be. I pray god we're still here ten years from now. God bless our noble Swamp!" I think that says it all.



20 year Anniversary Mudpuppy, August 1999 (excerpt)

From Baron IRIK and Baroness Merlynia

Greetings and Salutations from IRIK and Merlynia, Baron and Baroness of Settmoure Swamp,

What is the Swamp?

To us for the last 20 years the Swamp is People. People from vastly diverse backgrounds, experiences and interests. People, who have been able to work together and learn from each other. People, who have accomplished great things through cooperation.

We were first exposed to the Swamp in 1980 when Merlynia and myself along with several others were going to restart the Shire of Freya, which had been the only NJ group in the early 70's. We then found out about the then Shire of Settmoure Swamp through Ursula of the Northwoods and decided to join the existing group instead of going through the headaches of starting a new shire. The Baronial Investiture was our first Swamp event.

Over the years many people's paths have crossed through the Swamp. Some for just a brief time others for much longer. All have left their own unique mark on the group. With out any of these people, who have contributed so much, the Swamp would not be what it is today. We thank them all.

Naturally we have many Memories from the last 20 years most of them good.

Here is just a short list, in no particular order, of what comes to mind as we write this. If anyone wants to know more, we are sure there's a story or 2 with each one.

IRIK's Investiture

The Wetlands Alliance

The Roman British Feast with Londinium Burning and Andruesus as Spartan Ambassador

The Swamp Running the first 24 hour Pennsic security

Procession at Gavin's and Sedalia's coronation

The wicker man



The Settmour Swamp Madrigal group performing on the Uncle Floyd Show

Cooking, Cooking, Cooking

Calum

Teaching classes at war, Scholas and universities

Cattle raids

Peacocks

Subtleties that burn down, blow up and drip wine

Hurley Games

The Great Big Copper Horn of Doom

Irik's Entrepreneurs

Rehmen with snood

Cow tipping

Let Them Eat Mud !!!

- IRIK and Merlynia



The Founding of House Bheithir as told by Dylan

Reprinted from the 10 year Anniversary Mudpuppy, August 1989



November 11th, 1984. 10:30 pm. It was a dark and stormy night. (it was, really!) There was me, that is Dylan, and my freind, Cuthbadh busily driving home from dance class at the home of Ursula, then Baroness of Settmour Swamp. We had all evening been dicussing the fate of the then fledgling Canton of BlackOak (Cranbury, East Windsor, Princeton area) and had met with little success. At the time, neither the Barony of Settmour Swamp or the Barony of Carillion was willing to release the zip codes of those areas allowing us to finalize our efforts. So there we were, mulling this over, wondering what to do. Finally, as we neared the Princeton Airport, Cuthbadh burst forth with the First Revelation and Now First Rule of House Bheithir. "Hell with the politics, we're going to have fun!" And such, on that one statement, House Bheithir was born. The rest is history. In the intervening years since then, House Bheithir (The House of the Beast) has distinguished itself by coining the phrase "House Lestail, the Armor Cleaner", having our name and device registered by Laurel King of Arms (Vert, a pall inverted ermine, three boars' heads caboshed argent, eyes in gules) and producing two Seneschals, several Autocrats, the best BellyDancers ever seen, and more plaid than you've ever seen in your life. From the start, Bheithir was primarily devoted to those of the Celtic persuasion, now, we recruit our members who are of the same mind as that edict spoken by Cuthbadh many years ago. The SCA, above all, should be fun. "When something ceases to become fun, and more like the mundane world, what the hell's the point?" Below is a sequential listing of those in Bheithir and there approximate persona. Slainte' Heltega', Tuatha de Settmour.



Entertainments

In the early years of the Swamp, when the events were relatively small, we often performed period plays and/or silly plays that told legends of the Swamp. The period plays were often household comedies by Hans Sachs, like "The Hot Iron". At a Roman event, we performed a version of the ancient Greek play, Lysistrata. (see photos on page 17).

As events became larger, we changed to **SPECTACLES**, which do not require good acoustics.

4/5/1986 Coronation of Ron and Bronwyn: A startled hush fell over the crown as a **dragon** entered and threatened the King and Queen. Ceara attacked the dragon's tail and Irik slayed the dragon.

At Mudthaw 1994, Baroness Merlynia defeated the dragon by "**taking a leek**". This adventure was turned into a song by Teleri:

http://moeticae.typepad.com/mi_contra_fa/how-baroness-merlynia-defeated-the-dragon-.html

At their investiture, Baroness Rhiannon and Baron Alexander proved their worthiness by saving the Barony from the attack of the Dragon. (Dragon created by Ursula, Peter & Dylan)





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Peasant Event, 1982



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Baron Teric and Baroness Paigan were excellent at creating innovative entertainments. For the 2005 Coronation of Darius and Roxanne, they had chariot races around the dining hall!

For 2006 Twelfth Night they had a King of Fools, and many fun games. The festivities were cut short by an ice storm.

Twelfth Night 2006

2005 Chariot Races Darius Coronation



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Roman Event, 1982

Lysistrata, play



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2004 Cooking Collegium

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2004 Iron Chef Competition

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Buffins Sword Dance Performance



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Magnificent Constructions



Aqueduct created by (Baron) Erec for Darius' Roman Coronation, 2003

Cathedral Columns Coronation 2011



Swamp Tower construction, Pennsic 2013 & 2014

The tower was created by James and his twin brother with an inner steel frame.





Hurley (see also Merlinia's memory on page 10)

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Pennsic 2007



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Swamp Fighters



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2004 German
Fight Practice

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Pennsic 1985

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June 1985, Baron Irik of Settmour Swamp, Baron Pug of Carillion and Lord Morgan of IronBog signed the **Wetlands Alliance Treaty**. The insignia was the Swamp Tower with the Ironbog Cattails. (See the photo on the front cover and Alexander's memory on page 9)



1987 Pennsic

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Baron Irik leads the Wetlands Alliance to War



Swamp Fighters



Twenty years later Serric fought for the Swamp at Pennsic 2014. Baron Erec fought wearing Swamp colors.





2013 Pennsic , Baron Erec wore the Swamp colors



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Barons and Baronesses of the Barony of Settmour Swamp

| Start Date | End Date | Baroness | Baron |
|------------------|----------------|--|---------------------|
| 1979, August 4 | | <i>First meeting of the Swamp</i> | |
| 1980, January 19 | | <i>Shire of Settmour Swamp</i> | |
| 1981, April 4 | | <i>Barony of Settmour Swamp</i> | |
| 1981, April | 1981, Nov. | Magda z Stalburg | — |
| 1982, January | 1984, Sept. | Ursula of North Woods | — |
| 1984, Sept. | 1986, April | Ursula of North Woods | Eirik Rodbjorn |
| 1986, April | 1995, March | — | Eirik Rodbjorn |
| 1995, March | 2001, March | Merlynia of Rivenoak | Eirik Rodbjorn |
| 2001, March | 2002, March | <i>Duke Timothy of Arindale served as Vicar in this interim period</i> | |
| 2002, March | 2007, March | Paigan Crawford | Teric Gwynedd |
| 2007, March | 2013, March | Rhiannon of Carreg Cennen | Alexander MacGregor |
| 2013, March | <i>current</i> | Jehannine de Flandres | Erec L'Claire |



First Baroness Madga and Baroness Ursula

Baroness Magda, 1981

There are no known photos of Magda's investiture



Master Christopher taught English Country Dance, 1982



Baroness Ursula Investiture, 1982



1982 Ursula was abducted by Baron Pug of Carillion and held captive, **Carillion-Swamp War** (see page 11)





Baron Irik Rodbjorn Investiture, 1984 (all photos Jean De La Rue)





Baron Irik and Baroness Ursula



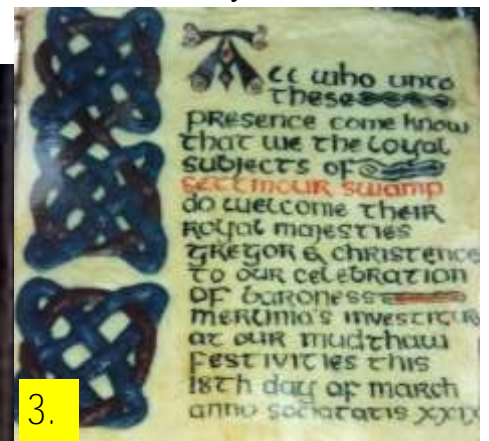


Baron and Baronesses

Mistress Merlinia of Rivenoak Investiture 1995



Cookie scroll by Isabeau





Baron Irik and and Baroness Merlinia

1994 Mudthaw



1994 Mudthaw



Retep singing “**Behind the Shield Wall**” at Mudthaw 1994 with a chorus of Swampies





Baron Teric and Baroness Paigan





Baron Alexander and Baroness Rhiannon



Mudthaw 2006

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Mudthaw 2013



Baron Erec and Baroness Jehannine Investiture 2013





Mudthaw

1980 FIRST MudThaw—Ursula and Magda discussing the **WizOff** competition with Rory O-Flynn

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1994 Mudthaw

2003 Mudthaw



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Mudthaw 2005



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2011 Mudthaw was freezing cold, even with an outdoor brazier, the MOL s stuck **hand warmers** into their shoes



Mudthaw 2011

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Mudthaw



Mudthaw 2011



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Retep carries the bucket of Mud into court while singing loudly.
If the **Mud has Thawed** we all rejoice!!

Mudthaw 2013



Mudthaw 2014



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Mudthaw 2011



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QUEST Obstacles





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Swamp Folk photos mostly by Elisabetta

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Pennsic Encampment of Settmour Swamp, 1980

There were around **2,000** people at Pennsic in 1980

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Pennsic 1981



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Pennsic 1982

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Pennsic 1985



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Pennsic 1993



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Pennsic 1996 (all photos Elisabetta) 5.

Merlinia and Irik provided phenomenal leadership and the Swamp prospered!





Pennsic 2007

(all photos Elisabetta) 5.





Pennsic 2014



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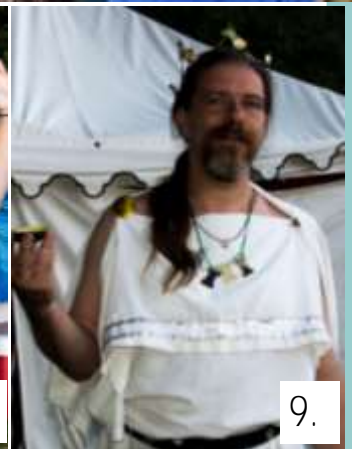
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Wicker Man,
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The Officers Of Settmour Swamp

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| Baron | Baron Erec L'Claire baron@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org (908) 268-0725 (before 9pm) | Invested March 2013 Expires March 2017 |
| Baroness | Baroness Jehannine de Flandres baroness@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org (908) 319-0765 | Invested March 2013 Expires March 2017 |
| Seneschale | Lady Charis Accipiter charisacci@comcast.net (908) 850-8690 (No calls after 9pm) | Elected June 2014 Expires June 2016 |
| Sinking Tower Pursivant | Lord Orlando Sforza herald@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org | Elected September 2013 Expires September 2015 |
| Knight Marshal | Baron Wulfar Silfrahaar (Silverbraid) marshal@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org | Elected January 2014 Expires January 2016 |
| Exchequer | Ryan (Acting) exchequer@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org | Term Expired: February 2013 (Acting) Month to Month |
| Chronicler | Baroness Ursula of North Woods chronicler@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org | Elected March 2014 Expires March 2016 |
| Chirurgeon | Miles Boweman chirurgeon@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org | Elected March 2013 Expires March 2015 |
| Web Minister | Lord Dalek Bolotnikov webmaster@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org | Renewed November 2012 Expires November 2014 |
| Mistress of A&S | Mistress Caterina Giaocchini mas@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org | Elected October 2012 Expires October 2014 |
| Mistress of The Lists (MoL) | Lady Ceara MacKieran mol@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org | Elected March 2013 Expires March 2015 |
| Chatelaine | Don Malcolm Bowman chatelaine@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org | Elected February 2013 Expires February 2015 |
| Marshal of Fence | Lady Jehane de Fenwyk fencing@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org | Renewed April 2014 Expires March 2016 |
| Captain of Archers | Lord Thorlaeifr Hvitskegg archery@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org (908) 406-0143 (No calls after 9pm) | Renewed October 2012 Expires October 2014 |
| Chamberlain | Baroness Rhiannon de Carreg Cennen chamberlain@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org | Renewed September 2013 Expires September 2015 |



The Officers Of Settmour Swamp (continued)

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| Youth Combat | Vacant | Vacant |
| Chancellors Minor | Vacant | Vacant (organize activities for children and teenagers) |
| Thrown Weapons | Vacant | Vacant |
| Canton of Gryphonwald (Middlesex Cty, NJ): Seneschal: | Failenn Finn gryphonwald@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org | The Canton of Gryphonwald holds BGI (Black Gryphon Inn) |
| Canton of Marwick (Union County, NJ): | Lord Edmund Patterson | The Canton of Marwick is inactive |



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2012**



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Did You Know:

The **East Kingdom Calendar**

<http://www.eastkingdom.org/EventListing.html>

- lists all official **events** and up to date information and registration details

What year was he King?

To Determine the year of Reigns for East Kingdom Queens and Kings:

<http://www.eastkingdom.org/EKRoyalHistory.html>

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| Konrad | Brenwen | 04/12/2008 (AS XLII) |
| Darius | Alethea | 09/27/2008 (AS XLIII) |
| Andreas | Gabriella | 04/11/2009 (AS XLIII) |
| Konrad | Brenwen | 10/03/2009 (AS XLIV) |
| Edward | Margarite | 04/10/2010 (AS XLIV) |
| Gryffith | Aikaterine | 09/25/2010 (AS XLV) |
| Lucan | Jana | 04/02/2011 (AS XLV) |
| Gregor | Kiena | 10/01/2011 (AS XLVI) |
| Kenric | Avelina | 04/14/2012 (AS XLVI) |
| Edward | Thrya | 10/13/2012 (AS XLVII) |
| Gregor IV | Kiena II | 04/06/2013 (AS XLVII) |
| Kenric II | Avelina II | ?/ ?/2013 (AS XLVII) |
| Brennan | Caoilfhionn | 04/05/2014 (AS XLVIII) |

Society for Creative Anachronism **Newcomer's Portal:**

<http://welcome.sca.org/>

A **Newcomer's Guide** to the SCA:

<http://www.sca.org/officers/chatelain/pdf/NewcomersGuidePages-low.pdf>



| Combat | Date/Time | Location | Contact | Notes |
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| Fighter Practice | Wednesdays 6:30pm - 10:00 pm | Nutley, NJ. Franklin Reformed Church, 45 Hillside Crescent Nutley, NJ 07110 Directions | Wulfar Silfrahaar marshal@settmourswamp.eas.tkingdom.org | Other fight practices: Fighter Practice group at Yahoo!Groups Glen Gardner Practice Tuesday evenings |
| Fencing Practice | Thursdays, 7:30pm - 10:00pm | Springfield, NJ Fencing Sport Center 4 Commerce Street Springfield, NJ 07081 Directions | Owynn Greenwood owynn.greenwood@gmail.com 908-447-2979 | Fee: \$5 per participant |
| Fencing Practice | Tuesday evenings | Glen Gardner, NJ | Charis Accipiter charisacci@comcast.net | |
| Archery Practice | Sundays 1:00pm - 4:00pm | Milford, NJ 310 Milford-Warren Glen Rd. (Rt. 519), Milford, NJ 08848 (908) 995-4417 . | Jehannine de Flandres baroness@settmourswamp.eas.tkingdom.org Phillip the Facetious | |
| Archery Practice | Wednesday evenings May through October | Pittstown, NJ | Elizabeth Hawkwood hawkwoode@gmail.com | Please email for directions. |
| Thrown Weapons Practice | Sundays 1:00pm - 4:00pm | Milford, NJ 310 Milford-Warren Glen Rd. (Rt. 519), Milford, NJ 08848 (908) 995-4417 | Jehannine de Flandres baroness@settmourswamp.eas.tkingdom.org Phillip the Facetious | Please email for directions. |
| Thrown Weapons Practice | Planned to start in June Evenings TBD | Maplewood, NJ | James of York (contact via Merlinia) merliniajws@gmail.com (973) 762-2554 | Please email for directions. |



| Art | Date/ Time | Location | Contact | Notes |
|------------|-----------------|--|---|--|
| Swamp Cats | Evenings TBD | Announced on the Yahoo email list | Rhiannon De Carreg Cennen chamberlain@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org | Occasional Meetings to Share Art Projects |
| Dancing | Evenings TBD | Glen Gardner , NJ (same location as fencing) | Ursula of North Woods chronicler@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org | Occasional practices |

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