

Holiday Greetings To All!

Greetings.

It has been a most eventful few months since our initial missive. We hope this finds you in good health and cheer for the Yuletide celebrations.

In October fighters across the realm gathered for the International Steel Tournament, putting their skills to the absolute test. But there was more than just fighting, as you'll see in our report.

November brought the coronation of our Imperial Majesties, with all the glamour and pomp befitting such noble personages.

Individual chapters also held events, including an impressive fest in Florida. To get your chapter in the news, send your updates to newsletter@adrianempire.org!

Champions Crowned at IST



A bard competes at the bardic challenge during the Queen's Tea

Hundreds of Adrians from across the realm converged on the Age of Chivalry Renaissance Faire in Las Vegas, NV in October for the International Steel Tournament.

Our volunteers helped raise thousands of dollars for the Empire. Three cheers for all the volunteers at the archery and ballista booths!



We also hosted a Queen's Tea, with visiting Queens from encampments across the Faire. This refined event capped off with an incredible Bardic Challenge, featuring the best and worst of bards and performers amongst the kingdoms.

Tournaments were held in archery, arts, and combat. Our winners include:

Arts



Tournament Win and Masterwork - Star
Watcher of Umbria



Tournament Win - Fleur DuBois of
Auroch's Fjord

Archery

Bowman - Atumara of Auroch's Fjord
Huntsman - Rafe of Auroch's Fjord



Combat

2v2 Rapier - Sir James Longsword and Sir Jesan of Glynmore

2v2 Steel - Sir Ciaran Blacksword of Glynmore and Sir Andrew of Albion-Rayonne

Shinai - Ian McRae*

Steel - Sir Pufos of Auroch's Fjord

Sgt Rapier - Aleid Marieke of Albion-Rayonne

Grand Melee - Chris Beckes*

Waisters (Synthetic) Open - Sir Jesan of Glynmore

Open Rapier - Sir Ciaran Blacksword of Glynmore

Sgt Rapier - Aleid Marieke of Albion-Rayonne

*The Steward could not confirm signatures for these winners.

In addition to our champions, Empress Gabriele III and Emperor Callon I granted the following honors:

- Burke Campbell, Imperial Order of Shakespeare
- Edward McMasters, Knight Champion
- Puck, Imperial Heart
- Mistress Aleid Marieke, Order of the Lion
- Edelinne d'Orsay, Order of the Comet
- Sean O DubhGhaill, Knight Premier
- Dieshka, Royal Star of Adria

- Shamus and Niah, Order of the Lion

Empress Gabrielle III granted Kathlin di Mondovi the honor of Empress' Grace.

King Razzial and Queen Katharina granted Sinnie and Antonio di Sforza the honors of Knights Minister.

Imperial Coronation

Their Imperial Majesties were crowned in Chandler, AZ, to much joy and merriment.



News From The Realm

Shire of the Salted Moors

Archduchy of Varheim

- We had our first knighting ceremony of Lucinda Manchou in July of 2023. She is now a Knight Bachelor, Knight Archer, and Knight Minister
- 5 members have passed their archery tests and have started down the path of becoming Knight Archers

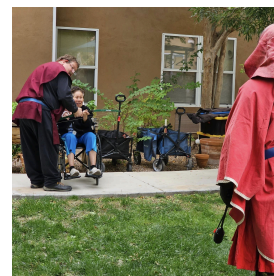
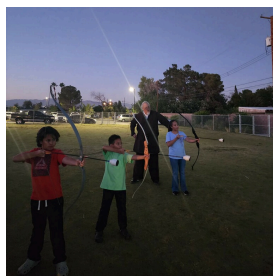
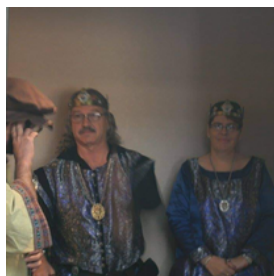
Oct 22 was the 20th annual Day of the Dead event. The Huntsman tournament was won by Sir Olen of Connacht while the Bowman Tournament was won by one of our newcomers, Selena of Varheim.

We recognized the following Gentles with awards:

- Georgei Dmitreev syn Kirill – Award of Arms
- Advenia Filia Gerhardi – Award of Arms
- Kaetherlyna Ysabela Dimonda – Loki's Fire
- Ona Dzintare – Loki's Fire

Kingdom of Albion-Rayonne

- Sadly, on the 19th of October, HE Sir Stephan von Reisig, our first Archduke, had passed.
- "Shoot a Knight" at Hoggard Elementary School for their Fall Festival on October 20th.
- Day of the Dead, tourney/war the 29th.
- Hoggard Elementary School for Trunk or Treat, the 31st.
- "Saints and Sinners" A-R Tourney at Prestige Assisted Living November 5



Kingdom of Auroch's Fjord

In October Auroch's Fjord came together for the International Steel Tournament at the Las Vegas Renaissance Festival. There were many tournament winners, Knightings and awards given over the three day weekend.

Congratulations to Crown Princess Brea and Queen Leannan who will be the crowns of Auroch's Fjord in 2024.

November was a fun filled month for Auroch's Fjord! House Deadman Thunder autocrated a double event for October & November and had a fun Day of the Dead theme. Combatants got to smash pumpkins to find the hidden flower bouquet and run it to the resurrection angel to be the winner. The Queen in steel sadly couldn't bend to pick up the bouquet and was killed by her Captain of the Guard. Sir Pufos took the October Steel win for that scenario. Captain Leucius took November Steel win, his first! Huzzah!



Duchy of Chesapeake

The Duchy of Chesapeake held their fantastic Pumpkin War in November, featuring unique war and archery scenarios.

In archery, shooters aimed at pumpkins. The faces only had points, just hitting the pumpkin only counted for one point!



In addition to standard combat, a Dungeons and Dragons-inspired War scenario thrilled combatants.

This was our Dungeon Crawl- Capture the pumpkin and bring it back to your castle! But beware there are monsters about that you must avoid, or you must sing to escape.

We had a man eating pumpkin, a Mimic, giant spiders, and a gelatinous cube that didn't stay in one spot, but blew around!



The event celebrated Seamus Griffin's 18th birthday (happy birthday from the rest of the Realm, Seamus!). It included stunning arts entries and the Squiring of Jean Michele to Duke Yarl Bjorn Ubeson. Congratulations Squire Jean Michele!



Chesapeake Invites all to come and join us for Bunny Wars that will be coming up in the Spring!

Archduchy of Stirling

The Archduchy of Stirling triumphed at the Camelot Days Medieval Festival throughout the month of November. Huzzah for Stirling's hard work over three weekends of public-facing Faire!



Send on your news or feedback

Upcoming Events

Terre Neuve Twelfth Night

Jan 6
6 PM

Lakeside VFW Carter
Smith Post 5867
Lakeside, CA
92040

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Albion-Rayonne Coronation Feast

Jan 7
Noon-4:30 PM

1110 E Lake Mead Blvd
North Las Vegas, NV
89030

RSVP

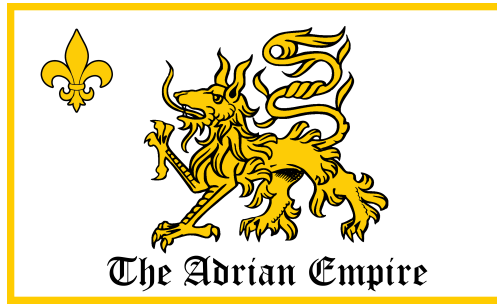
Umbria Superhero Saturday

Jan 13
9 AM-2 PM

Metro Center
Phoenix, AZ
85009

RSVP





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