

# At Branches Reach

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•<http://www.aethelmearc.org/royalty/AE35/index.php>

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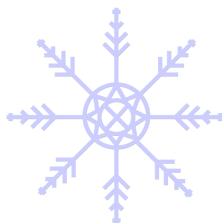
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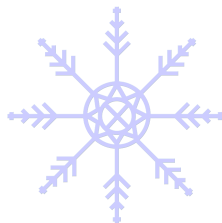
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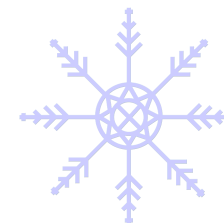


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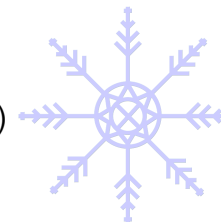


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Next Meeting:

Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> , 7:00pm at Butler Library. Butler, PA  
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HI SUNDEROAK!!!!



Just because it's cold and snowy doesn't mean we get to hibernate for the winter! Bundle up and come out for our A&S nights on Mondays or for our upcoming demo for the Boyscout's in March. Check out the event schedule and come play with your friends and neighbors! And don't worry - the snow will soon thaw and we will be even busier!! With fencing, fighting, throwing and so much more!



Stay warm,



Katla



- Pennsic University is pleased to announce that it is once in again in business for Pennsic 44 and is accepting new teacher and class reservations as of February (yeah, I know, this is a late message, but... hey... life happens).



As last year, please connect to <http://thing.pennsicuniversity.org/> to begin the process of registering to teach classes.

If you taught in the last two year, your Teacher information should still be in the system, so you don't have to re-register as a teacher, just update your availability and arrival dates, confirm your teacher and contact information, and create your new classes for this year.

- If your classes are in one of the covered "tracks" submit your classes through your track coordinator. If you don't know if your class belongs in a coordinated track, please contact the Registrar or myself at the contact info below. We'll let you know if your class is in a track, and if so, who your TC is.

We look forward to seeing all our old teachers and students again this year and hope for big loads of new students and teachers to become old friends with for next year!

Here is the staff list for Pennsic University, PW44:

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Tell us of any questions or issues you may have University this year.

We are also interested in any comments you might have about the book format we used last year. Send your comments to me, [PennsicUniversity@gmail.com](mailto:PennsicUniversity@gmail.com)



• GREETINGS POPULACE,

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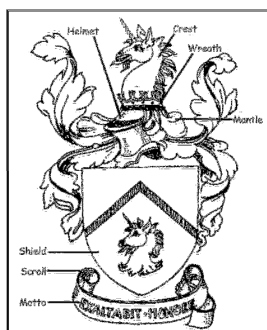
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GOLDEN ALCE HERALD





## • Equestrian News:



- Most of the Aethelmearc war horses are taking a well-earned rest this time of year. They are fussy and fat, and likely somewhat dusty. But that's not to say that we are all sitting idle – far from it!
- Lady Gesa ran a well-attended and fun jousting practice a couple of weeks ago. We were able to authorize quite a few new riders, and everyone had a wonderful time, with many riders tilting at the quintain and spearing rings, and several people getting to try their hands at foam tip jousting.
- I will be in charge of running the Kingdom Equestrian Championship this summer, and, in an effort to promote a more period appearance on the field, I am planning to have each competitor given a score (in addition to their performance score) on their (and their horse's) period kit, or an aspect thereof. More on that to come as we finalize details!
- To further the above, Lady Aaliz is organizing several get-togethers during this winter and spring to help riders who are interested in making more of a period appearance. Baroness Betha was kind enough to host a pewter casting day to get us started on pendants for strap barding and bridles, there will be a barding (caparison) day at my place in mid-February, and a leatherworking day at Mistress Tiercelin's the day after Ice Dragon. And there will be more to come! We are also planning a get-together to work on four sets of matching barding for the procession for the 50th Anniversary celebration next year.
- Aethelmearc is now part of the experimental mounted-to-ground combat! We touched on this a bit at the practices at my place last year, but it is now official. We are also working on being part of the cut & thrust experiment. I also hope to start working with some driving games during practices this year.
- Mistress Gozen is planning some practices at her farm, the dates are available on the Aethelmearc Equestrian Facebook group.
- I will soon be ordering the insurance for practices at my house again this year – hopefully weather and injuries won't do us in like they did last year! I will be putting in again for practices to be available on Sundays and on Wednesday evenings, and will also be throwing in a few Friday evening dates, as we have some interest from a couple of new folks! Hope to see some of you!

Ride safe, whatever you be riding.

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· Warm Greetings to you all,

- *It has been a very busy winter. In December Countess Elena came and taught appliqué, first with the sewing machine, then using hand stitching. Largess night was painting medallions and then Mistress Katla came and taught us different aspects of The Hunt. While the weather kept us from meeting twice in January, Sir Thorgrim put our delightfully clean tasting Shire Mead under pressure and reviewed the mead making process and Lady Raven led us in an evening of making Roman pins for HRM Anna Leigh's special request.*

- *More is planned. We have teachers and activities listed until after Pennsic.*
  - *Feb 2 is scheduled to be a Largess Night*
- *Feb 9 Sir Thorgrim will discuss "How to Watch Singles Fights and Know What You Are Seeing".*
  - *Feb 16 Largess night*
  - *Feb 23 Mistress Alea Baggah will come teach Frog Buttons.*
- *If we cancel, I will try to post as early as possible.*
- *Everyone is welcome to attend. We start about 6pm at*



· 110 Pine St,  
· Butler, PA 16001.

· I hope to see you soon!

· Mahin



- **check our Facebook page, yahoo page, and **Our Website** ([www.sunderoak.aethelmearc.org](http://www.sunderoak.aethelmearc.org))**
- **for updates on Fight practice, Fencing practice, Thrown weapons practice, Future events, and A&S meetings..**

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