

Unto Your Royal Majesties, King Ieuan and Queen Gwyneth, and unto the Kingdom Seneschal, Exchequer and Events Deputy, we send greetings,

The Barony of Madrone is honored to present to you a bid for May Crown, 2014. We look forward to sponsoring this Kingdom Event and we are pleased to continue our collaboration with our Eastern neighbors, the Barony of Vulcanfeldt, to offer the Toppenish Rodeo & Livestock Association grounds (the site of May Crown 2013) as our chosen location.

Should our bid be accepted, this Event will, like many recent Kingdom Events, be a Kingdom-wide endeavor.

I, Lady Sarra the Brave, GdS, and Lady Rowena d'Ath-Fhirdia, GdS, Your Event Stewards for May Crown 2013, present ourselves as presumptive co-Event Stewards. We are actively supported and guided by the Barons, Baronesses, Seneschals, and Exchequers of the Baronies of Madrone & Vulcanfeldt.

I joined the SCA in AS 39 and served on the Madrone Baronial retinue for nearly six years, approximately five of them as Head of Retinue, and am currently serving on my fourth Royal Retinue. In addition to May Crown 2013, I co-Stewarded Madrone's Lionhearts Championship in 2011, and Stewarded the Madrone Baronial A&S Championship in 2012. I am also active with my household, the Company of St. Ulrich, where I serve on our leadership council and have organized several household events. I currently serve as Scribe for the Barony of Madrone and am a protégé of Mistress Tuirrean ni Chaoilte dal gCais, OP, OL.

My co-Steward, Lady Rowena (Ro), joined the SCA in the College of Lyonsmarche in AS 30. While there, she was active in the dance community and often helped newcomers. She then played in the Kingdom of the Middle, in the Barony of Grey Gargoyles. In AS 41, Ro returned to AnTir and "evented" for several years until finding her home in the Barony of Madrone and the Canton of Porte de l'Eau. In addition to serving as co-Steward for May Crown 2013, over the last four years Ro has been very active in the Kingdom and Barony, assuming Madrone's Baronial Lists office, leading lists for Squires tourneys and assisting at Crown lists. She regularly "geeks out" with regard to costuming and all things string. She is a student of Baroness Khalja khorkoi, OP, OL.

Ro and I have known each other for several years. We collaborate well, are organized, and believe we will serve the Kingdom well.

This site is extremely horse-friendly. We will talk with the Equestrian community regarding their wish for Equestrian activities at May Crown.

For your reference, a few details regarding the attached Event Bid packet:

- The Site rental fee of \$1,500 is a reduced rate given to SCA, Inc. due to the established reputation of members of the Barony of Vulcanfeldt. The normal rental for this site is \$3,500.
- Per the Rodeo grounds, Trash disposal is included in our Site Fee.

- Our attendance, and thus income, numbers are conservative. Although our attendance in May was 877, the three years prior saw a May Crown attendance between 600 and 750. Our “break even” attendance, including the 10% “adjusted expenses” amount, is 307 adults.
- Though our gate numbers are conservative with regard to income, our expenditures take into consideration a gate of between 800 and 1,000. With a very slight last-minute change (one additional ‘biffy’ pump), we will be able to accommodate up to the site maximum of 1,500.

Rowena and I look forward to the opportunity to again serve the Crown of AnTir by hosting Your Crown Tournament in May, 2014. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns.

YIS,

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