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# The Sign Post

## Facebook Links

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### **Unofficial Barony of Montengarde**

<https://www.facebook.com/share/g/17RdqSpoig/>

### **Fighters of Montengarde**

<https://www.facebook.com/share/g/1BvAtVzwsS/>

### **Archers of Montengarde**

<https://www.facebook.com/share/g/1Ckux4v9yq/>

### **Bard Hard with Montengarde**

<https://www.facebook.com/share/g/1BHK7jGzgP/>

### **Avacal-Group**

<https://www.facebook.com/share/g/17fNN7Rxfc/>

### **The Kingdom of Avacal Page**

<https://www.facebook.com/KingdomofAvacalSCA>

### **Avacal Buy/Sell, Trade/Barter**

<https://www.facebook.com/share/g/14GTzeqrsAb/>

While these are the key Facebook groups, there are many more that can be found by searching keywords such as Montengarde, SCA and Avacal

## Website Links

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### **Barony of Montengarde**

<https://www.montengarde.org/Welcome/>

### **Kingdom of Avacal**

<https://avacal.org/>

### **Society for Creative Anachronisms**

<https://www.sca.org/>

## Addresses

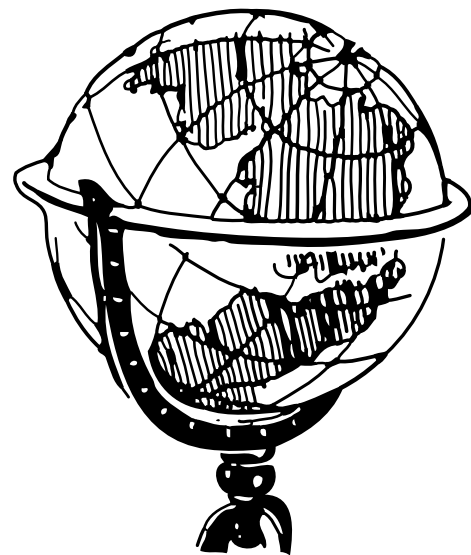
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### **The Rehabilitation Society of Calgary**

7 11 St NE Calgary, AB T2E 4Z2

### **Archery World**

106 - 3420 12<sup>th</sup> ST NE Calgary



# Monthly Festivities

## Tavern Night

**June 9th at The Rehabilitation Society of Calgary from 7pm-10pm**

A social evening with friends featuring a mix of dancing, medieval gaming, and arts & sciences Beverages and sometimes food are provided for a nominal cost. Tavern is a “in garb” event but if you are without garb then have no fear! There is often loaner clothes curtesy of the Gold Key!

## Montengarde Council

**June 17th via Discord from roughly 7pm - 8pm**

Open to any interested in the business side of the Barony! Here you will hear reports from all the officers and will include updates on upcoming events.

## Martial Practice

**Every Thursday at The Rehabilitation Society of Calgary from 6:30pm-9pm**

Our warriors participate in tournaments for individuals and teams, tactical melees involving dozens of combatants, and even large-scale wars with thousands of participants! Thus, these practices allow our fighters to keep their skills sharp. There is a \$6 fee for fighters and by donation for non-combat attendees.

## Bard Hard

**June 14th via zoom from roughly 5pm - 10pm**

A great way to meet with your fellow bards, perform, and listen to all that our talented barony has to offer.

Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85062066750>

Meeting ID:

850-6206-6750

Passcode: 1

## Archery Practice

**Every Friday at Archery World Calgary from 7pm-9pm**

As of right now, Montengarde has negotiated a \$17 fee to practice at Archery World (cash). When you get there, just inform the staff that you are with the SCA, and loaner equipment is available for those interested!

## A&S Round Table and Social

**June 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16th via Discord from 7pm-10pm**

These nights are a great way to connect with the talented members of the barony and discuss projects or just work through various ideas with other people. Occasionally, these nights will be hosted in person, and information regarding this will be posted on Facebook or directly on the website.

# MONTENGARDE NEEDS YOUR HELP!

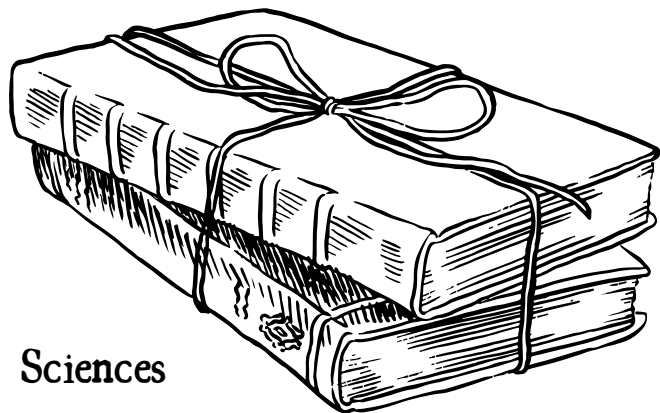
This amazing Barony functions due to the dedication of individuals who volunteer their time as officers. Without such dedicated service we would grind to a halt. Montengarde has several officer positions that are available to those looking to help our amazing community thrive. Additionally, there are several deputy positions ready for the taking! Deputies assist the current officer while learning aspects of the position and taking on certain responsibilities.

**Please contact our Seneschal ([seneschal@montengarde.org](mailto:seneschal@montengarde.org)) if you are interested in any of these rewarding positions!**

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## Current **Deputy Positions** that can be filled

- Deputy Chatelaine
- Demo Co-ordinator
- Gold Key Coordinator
- Deputy Herald
- Deputy Exchequer
- Deputy Minister of Arts and Sciences





# NOTES FROM THE CHRONICLER

Hark and attend, good gentles of the realm, for though the heavens have seen fit to cast yet another handful of snow upon us in the merry month of May, the wheel of seasons turns onward regardless of winter's stubborn protests. Spring has at last laid claim to the land, and Summer now waits impatiently at the gates, prepared to arrive whether the skies approve or not. One might think the weather itself has become a jester, delighting in confusing us all, offering warm sun one day and snowflakes the next.

In more practical matters, this edition contains plenty of information on upcoming events and activities in the months ahead. It also offers a chance to enjoy some excellent Mōnegarde and Avacal culture along the way. There is much to look forward to, and we hope to see many familiar faces throughout the season.

*Odilia Mae-Winter*

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# BOREALIS - SILVERWOLF

June 12<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> at Warburg Community Hall 5339 50a Ave,  
Warburg, AB

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Lords and Ladies, Counts and Countesses and all others in between, you are cordially invited to The Warburg Arena this coming June for Silverwolf! Come slay vampires (and perhaps your friends) in glorious combat, feast upon a Transylvanian Roast and other delights, and listen to the history of Vlad the Impaler and his connections to legends of vampires.

Adult Event Registration - \$30

Adult Member Discount Event Registration - \$20

Youth Registration - Free!

Feast Registration (ages 12 and up) - \$20

Feast Registration (11 and under) - Free!

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Got more questions? Chat with the Event Stewards of Borealis, Valentine Crowe & Bastiano the Boisterous, and the Feast Steward, Sicillia Beaumont

Event Pre-Registration:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeqbmk5or5AKt6zQNmefDWr4LCi4PFxbLQSiXAVokG83mfupA/viewform>

Feast Pre-Registration:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfdScYH27q5kGgv2gXBWKXfZnAKaUDddzQQvxq61OC2GooBlw/viewform>

# WATCH OUT FOR....

## MYRGAN WOOD - SUMMER CHAMPIONS

July 10<sup>st</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> at St Volodymyr Ukrainian Catholic Eparchial Park

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Welcome to the Myrgan Woods Summer Champions event, where there will be tournaments to select our next Champion of Arrow and Champion of Rapier.

There will be camping, Bardic, Fighting and Swimming!

Yes, there is a Pool on-site! The pool is a natural spring-fed pool that is 5 feet deep, and it holds a whopping 500,000 gallons of water! **THERE IS NO LIFE GUARD!**

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Adult Event Registration - \$40  
Adult Member Discount Event Registration - \$30  
Youth Registration - Free!

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Event Steward: Lord Hoshikawa Takakage and Lord Adam Arrowsplitter



Barony  
of  
Myrgan Wood

# WATCH OUT FOR....

## DRAGON SLAYER 2026

July 17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> 2026 at the Delacour Community Hall Grounds

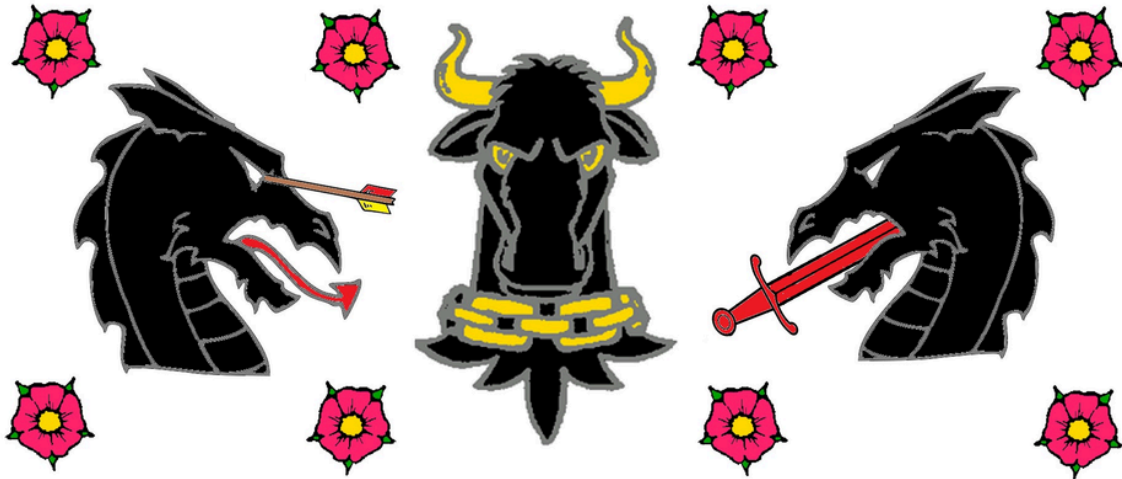
The Barony of Montengarde invites you to a weekend of revelry, bravery and excellence at  
Dragonslayer 2026!

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Witness as our heavy armored community battles for the right to call themselves Montengarde's Champion of Armored Combat, the Dragonslayer!

Be amazed as the archers of Montengarde dedicate themselves with deadly precision to a tournament to determine Montengarde's Champion of Archery, the Dragonblinder!

Enjoy revelry, friendship, and Montengarde's legendary hospitality at this camping event held at a site in Delacour, located conveniently only twenty minutes east of Calgary.



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Activities (List to be updated as information becomes available to the event team)

- Heavy Armored Combat (Championship)
- Archery (Championship)
- Arts & Sciences
- Fencing
- Cut & Thrust
- Classes & Demonstrations
- Vigils & Elevations

### Event Team

Jonker Allert Pierson  
Lady Tora Thrandia  
Sir Kiera the Shadowed  
Sir Kathryn inghean Ui Mhaonaigh

# QUAD WAR XXIX

July 1st - 5th at 123 Quad Road, Marsden, SK S0L 1B0

52°53'02.7"N 109°53'56.1"W

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The Shire of Bordergate joyfully invites everyone to gather for a time of medieval merriment! Experience the excitement of battle and tournament, delight in bardic tales and songs, explore the arts and sciences, and stroll through Merchants' Row. Come to share good company and the timeless magic of our Society. We can't wait to see you there!

Adult Event Registration - \$40  
Adult Member Discount Event Registration - \$30  
Youth Registration - Free!

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## Some things to keep in mind:

The nearest off-site restaurant, the Prairie Diner, can be found in the tiny town of Marsden, SK (approximately 8 minutes from the site). It is located on main street, and is a standard, small town grill that features everything from poutine to steak, Western and stir fry options, with daily specials. It is open daily from 10:00 - 19:00.

## When Driving:

- From the West - Wainright, Alberta: Travel East on Highway 14 AB, this becomes Highway 40 SK at the border. Proceed 8km past the border and turn North (left) on Artlan Road (this is opposite of Suffern Lake turn off #680). Travel 4.6km north and turn West (left) on to field road.
- From the East - Battleford, Saskatchewan: Travel West on Highway 40 SK to Marsden, SK. Continue 5km past Marsden and turn North (right) on Artlan Road (this is opposite of Suffern Lake turn off #680). Travel 4.6km north and turn West (left) on to field road.

Check out everything this event has to offer on the Quad War Website!  
<https://quadwar.avacal.org/registration/>

# SOME THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND ABOUT THE QUAD SITE

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## About the Location:

TE Alfheim & Adeline (Stew & Gail Hiar) privately own this amazing land location. All of the buildings and structures have been developed and are privately owned by the owners or the many individuals within our fair kingdom. Walk around and enjoy all there is to see. Please be mindful and leave things just as nice as or better than you found it. The castle is in need of some repairs. Any individuals under 18 must be accompanied by adults.

## Water:

Please bring your own drinking water for the event!

There is a well on site, drilled in 2022. However, we cannot regularly test the water quality. Thus, we are advertising it as not potable. Water is available at the well house near the dwarf encampment & the shower house for washing. Again, we are not recommending you drink it.

Local Marsden water can be collected at the water plant in town. Although it is potable, it is not that pleasant with its high mineral content. Water can be purchased in large containers in Marsden at the convenience store.

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Check out everything this event has to offer on the Quad War Website!

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# HISTORY OF THIS EVENT

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In 1995, Quad War was started by the Shire of Bordergate as their championship annual event. The war was named “quad” for the four armies it brought together: 3 baronies and 1 principality (now a kingdom). In 1997, the event came to rest in its current location. It has been the hard work and dedication of many volunteers that have fostered the magic around this destination event. This site currently boasts a Castle, children’s play area & shelter, TUA pavilions, Eric pavilion, and several permanent public structures (showers, biffies, troll building, autocrat shed, archery shed, well house) along with 45+ privately owned buildings.

Quad War attracts a wide variety of activities that is sure to delight everyone’s interests; the challenge is fitting it all in to just one weekend. Beyond the armored combat war activities, there are also TUA classes, target archery, throwing weapons, war bow, art & science, combat tourneys, siege cooking, bardic, youth activities, merchant area, food vendors and more.

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## Interesting Facts & Dates

- 1995 – Anno Societata 29 Quad War started
- 1997 – The combat-friendly castle structure was started
- Quad War 2002 (A.S. 36) was combined with Avacal’s Coronet Tournament – Ivar the Black and Asney Grimolfrsdotter were to be crowned the following August.
- Quad War 2009 (A.S. 43) – Steinn Vikingsson and Gemma Delaroché were crowned prince and princess.
- Quad War 2010 (A.S. 44) – Kirk and Bryjna were crowned prince and princess.
- Quad War 2011 (A.S. 45) – Toryn and Evja were crowned prince and princess.
- Quad War 2012 (A.S. 46) – Wernar Ivarsson and Sina Erdeneva were crowned prince and princess.
- Quad War 2013 (A.S. 47) – Ellias and Kiera were crowned prince and princess.
- Quad War 2014 (A.S. 48) – first War Bow shoot.
- Quad War XX 2015 (A.S. 49) – celebrated 20 years of Quad War.
- Quad War XXI 2016 (A.S. 50) – first Hammered Kneadle Thrown Weapons Tournament and first Delaroché Rapier Prize Tournament.
- Quad War XXII 2017 (A.S. 51) – first Enchanted Grounds held.
- Quad War XXIII 2018 (A.S. 52) – first time the Iron Arrow Invitational was held here.
- Quad War XXV 2022 (A.S. 56) – celebrated 25 years of Quad War.

# WHAT THE HECK IS...

## ORDER OF SAINT FERDINAND'S HEART

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There are those whose Chivalry issues from the heart like water from a wellspring and whose deeds of courtesy are given without thought of recognition or reward.

In the thirty-first year of our Society and in the seventeenth year of the Minotaur, Thorwulf and Sapphira, Baron and Baroness of Montengarde, created the Order of the Heart of the Minotaur in recognition of those individuals whose chivalry and gallantry shine as beacons to us all.

The honour to be bestowed upon those worthy of merit based upon the recommendations of the populace of Montengarde. This award was also formerly known as the Heart of the Minotaur.

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This award has only been given to 14 people, the first of which being Halden Eastborn in January 25<sup>th</sup>, 1997 and the latest being Arjun Singh in on November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025!

# THE AVACAL PIRATE SONG

Sung to the tune of The Last Saskatchewan Pirate - Arrogant Worms

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I used to be a farmer and I almost had it all  
I had a little piece of land in the heart of Avacal  
As time went by, and though I tried, the money wasn't there  
The Barons came and took my lands and told me fair is fair  
I looked for every kind of job, the answer always no  
Hire you now they always laughed, we just let 20 go  
The Church they promised me a measly little sum  
But I've got too much pride to end up just another bum  
So I thought Who gives a damn if all the jobs are gone,  
I'm gonna be a PIRATE on the River Saskatchewan

Chorus:

And it's a heave HO, hi HO coming down the plains  
Stealing wheat and barley and all the other grains  
It's a ho HEY, hi HEY farmers bar your doors  
When you see the Jolly Roger on Sigelhundas shores

You'd think the local farmers would know that I'm at large  
But just the other day I found an unprotected barge,  
I snuck up right behind them and they were none the wiser  
Rammed the ship and sank it, I stole their fertilizer  
A bridge outside of Valleywold spans a mighty river  
The farmers cross in so much fear their stomachs are a quiver  
Cuz they know my catapult is hiding in the bay  
I'll jump the bridge and knock them cold and sail off with their hay!

Chorus

Constable Bob, he chased me, he was always at my throat  
He'd follow along the shoreline, cuz he didn't own a boat  
The cutbacks were a coming and the constable lost his job  
So now he's sailing with me and we call him Salty Bob  
A swinging sword, A skull and bones, and pleasant company  
I never pay my income tax and screw the King's levy  
Sailing down to Myrgan Wood the terror of the sea  
If you want to get to market boys, you've gotta get by me!

Chorus

Well, pirate life's appealing, but you don't just find it here  
I've heard that in Borealis there's a band of Buccaneers  
They roam the Athabasca from the North down to the South  
And you're gonna lose your beer  
before the cup can reach your mouth  
Winter is a coming and a chill is in the breeze  
My pirate days are over once the Rivers start to freeze  
But I'll be back in springtime once the rivers melt  
I hear there's lots of plundering way down in Atenveldt.



Why did the  
king go to art  
school?

John, we can't joke  
about the king

To learn how to draw  
his sword better...



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