

SPRING AND  
SUMMER IN  
THE LAND OF  
THE DRAGON



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*We roasted in the summer sun, we were washed by flooding rains. Yet still we fought and feasted all over the lands of Lochac!*

*Here is a glimpse of what the Adorans have been doing throughout the seasons of plenitude...*



## **SPRING WAR XXII**

*Mordenvale, Branxton – 30<sup>th</sup> September to 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2016*



Our brave Adorans took to the battle field at Mordenvale's annual war event. Pictured here is Titus, from the College of St Malachy, Falkon the Adoran Seneschal, Jochen Schwalbe, Ross and Astrid. This was Titus' first war event, and after receiving an unfortunate back injury during the bridge battle, was carried from the field!

Notably, on the last night of this event, during court, the College of St Crispin (University of Newcastle) was declared to be resurrected by the crown.

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## INNOVATION CAMPUS DEMO

*College of St Malachy, Wollongong - 19<sup>th</sup> November 2016*

Many Adorans, Collegians and friends turned up to support the SCA demonstration at the University of Wollongong's Innovation Campus.

Here we can see Titus battling with Al'attar during one of the fighting demonstrations.





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## FIELDS OF GOLD

*Politarchopolis, Bungendore – 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> November 2016*



A great convoy of Adorans, Collegians and friends set off together to attend the Fields of Gold war event in Politarchopolis. At this event, the Adoran Warband was brought into being, headed by our War Captain Lord Maelgwn ap Merlin. All of the fighters and non-fighting initiates were declared 'Dragon-kin' and received tokens.

During the Rose Tourney, Benny Softbeard defeated the Crown Prince Ariston, who was sent to deliver the rose to Benny's consort Alice, to her great delight!



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## WILLIAM MARSHALL TOURNAMENT

*Barony of Stormhold, Melbourne – 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2016*



Lady Adeliz Fergusson attended the chivalric and ransom tournaments and pot-luck feast in honour of William Marshal, the 1<sup>st</sup> Earl of Pembroke (1146-1219).

There she was admitted to the Order of the Star and Lily, which is an award for Arts and Sciences; and also presented a leather scroll she made to their Majesties' scribe.



## ROWANY YULE

*Barony of Rowany, Sydney – 10<sup>th</sup> December 2016*

Every year the Barony of Rowany hosts a traditional yule feast, attended by the Crown, many royal peers, and the populace in their finest raiments.

Rowany Yule this year was held as a spectacular high court Persian feast, with music, a boar's head, and many diverse entertainments.



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## NEW YEAR GATHERING

*Shire of Adora, Wollongong –13<sup>th</sup> January 2017*

Following the festive season, Adorans brought in the new year with an informal, garbed pot-luck feast at the University of Wollongong, where we laughed and joked, sampled various dishes both medieval and mundane, and talked until the building decided it was time for us to leave!



## FIGHTER TRAINING

*Shire of Adora, Koshigaya and Stuart Parks – January & February 2017*



Fighter training was held on 28<sup>th</sup> of January and the 25<sup>th</sup> of February in Koshigaya Park, Campbelltown, as well as on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> of February in Stuart Park, Wollongong. As usual, the fighting drew many interested onlookers from the local community.



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## A CELEBRATION FIT FOR A BASILEUS

*Stowe-on-the-Wowld, Werrington – 4<sup>th</sup> February 2017*



On a sweltering hot Saturday in February, there was a tourney and feast hosted by our Stowegian friends. After many brave fighters sweated out on the field during the afternoon, the feast followed in the blessedly air-conditioned and beautifully decorated hall.

During court, Lady Adeliz Fergusson, the seneschal of the College of St Malachy, gave out “Friends of the College” tokens to those who had been of service to the college over the years. The first recipients were Lord Mathias von Massenbach, Lady Arabella d'Aubigny and Baroness Hrafna Hafþórsdóttir.



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## WARBAND TRAINING

*Shire of Adora, Dapto - 18<sup>th</sup> February 2017*

The new Adoran Warband had one of its first war-training sessions in mid-February, which was run by Jochen Schwalbe.



## COLLEGE DEMOS

*St Malachy and St Orion Orientation Weeks - 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2017*

During the university orientation weeks, SCA stalls and demonstrations were set up by the College of St Malachy (University of Wollongong) on 22<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>, and by the new College of St Orion (Western Sydney University, Campbelltown) on the 21<sup>st</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> of February.



Helpers on both these occasions included:

Thorbjorn, Tanith,  
Mairi, Adeliz,  
Mikiah Kyros,  
Hrafn, Mathias,  
Maelgwn, Jochen,

and Karen. (My sincerest apologies if I have missed anyone.)





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## BORDER WAR XIX

*Shire of Bordescros, Wagga Wagga – 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> February 2017*

From the fields of war in Bordescros we received reports of great feats of battle and individual prowess! Tales have reach my ears of young Titus infiltrating enemy ranks from behind during a bridge battle and slaying one of the remaining combatants from behind before the battle was won. I have also heard tell of Falkon making an epic last stand alongside Sir Kinggiyadai Ba'atur in defence of the fort, both staving off several opponents each with their pikes.



Titus gained great fame and glory when he executed a one-shot kill of the Baron Magnus during the tournament, which has been immortalised in a [YouTube video!](#)