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Practices

Heavy: At Fort George Park, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7pm. Sunday practices vary in place and time.

Rapier At Fort George Park, Tuesdays at 6:30pm. Sunday practices vary in place and time

Archery Archery practice during the summer (May - September) is on Sunday at 2pm. One other practice is held each week, but the time and day varies. Contact [Markus](#) for further information.

Directions: From the bypass, go north over the John Hart Bridge. Follow the Hart Highway, past the Mall lights, past the next lights and turn left by Sigi's Gun Repair onto Chief Lake Road. Once on Chief Lake Road you follow that until you hit Pilot Mountain Road. You will see a sign that says "entering Pilot Mtn Road Fire District". The right turn is IMMEDIATELY after that. Follow Pilot Mountain Road up to Arline and turn right. The archery range is alongside the first driveway on the left, keeping left, (shared driveway).

Socials

No socials scheduled at the moment. We expect to start up again in the fall

Events

No local events recently but many of our shire traveled out of town to join our friends in Tir Righ

Fields of Gold, Or "Don't feed the Prince"

July 11 and 12, 2009

As always this was a great event with about 60 people attending. Good times were had by all, greeting old friends and new, and of course, sharing our favorite brews. We were honored by the presence of the Prince and Princess of Tir Righ who happen to have many food allergies, hence the warning not to feed them. As well as the usual heavy, rapier and archery competitions, the Prince took the time to coach some of the young ones in combat in addition to being always ready with suggestions to the adult fighters. Many awards/tokens of recognition were handed out by the Prince and Princess and the first day ended with lots of stories and songs around the Bardic fire. On Sunday morning we were well fed by the shire before going on our way.

Clinton War

July 31 – Aug 3, 2009

"It's not a party till someone brings a goat"

The quote was from one of the lords I met while spending a little time on Sir Walter Raleigh Bridge. And yes, somebody did bring a goat. No word if it went home alive or ended up as dinner. The attendance was somewhat smaller than usual. No royals were present, but it was a good event overall. It was hot and dusty, showers were running on minimal capacity, but no news of forest fires close by, to our relief. There were several interesting classes offered and plenty of merchants and food vendors. Young and old alike were well entertained by a magic show. Also, there were "30 Years of Clinton War" commemorative t-shirts available for sale

Upcoming events

Autumn Celebration
October 3-4, 2009
Shire of Cold Keep
Prince George, BC

Join Cold Keep as we gather to celebrate the harvest and thumb our noses at the approaching winter weather on the weekend of October 3rd and 4th. Activities for the day include a variety of classes. HL Markus has been working hard to recruit teachers to come and teach marshaling courses in all combat areas, including Combat Archery and Siege. HE Natal'ia has been working on recruiting teachers for a few Arts and Sciences classes. Lists and schedules will be posted as soon as possible. Small tournaments could break out at any moment! There will be prizes! Also, there will be a potluck dinner Saturday evening.

A Tale of a Foole

A Young Gentleman (being a rich Heire) came a woing to a proper Gentle-woman, whose sharpe wit quickly found him to be a Foole, by his playing the Coxcombe, and by his outward gestures; and so shee gave him frumps for his folly, and flouts for his foppery, parting as wisely as they met: which her mother perceiving, beganne to chide her, saying that shee was a squeamish proud baggage to give no more contentfull respect to a Gentleman of his worth and rich hopes, and that she had best to be more tractable to him hereafter, for, (quoth she) your father and I, and his parents are minded and agreed that hee shalbe your Husband. Now, God blesse me, said the maide, for I cannot love him: why canst thou not love him? (quoth the mother,) I know he is very rich: rich, said the maide? I know hee is rich, (But,--.) But quoth the mother, what But: you idle slut, you would say he is but a Foole: you say true mother, said she, it is for that onely that I cannot affect him: the mother reply'd, that for his being a Foole, it was her wisest part to take him; for it was better for her to be married to one that is a Foole already made to her Hand; then after marriage to take the paines to make him one: saying further, who loves their wives better than Fooles? who lets them Eate, Drinke, weare, say, or doe what they please, but Fooles? I tell thee that I was foure yeares married to thy Father, and hee becurb'd me, and restrain'd me of my will so much, that hee almost broake my Heart, till at the last (with a great deale of cost and counsell from my good neighbours and Gossips) and abundance of care and paines taking, I made him a Foole, (and so he happily continues:) since which time, I have liv'd a Ladies life, full of content and pleasure: and therefore Huswife, no more a doe, but take my counsell, and marry a Foole, if you meane to live a merry and pleasant life.

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