



THE UMBRIAN MUG

Greetings and Salutations!

Welcome to this edition of the Umbrian Mug. This edition covers the month of June 2001. If you know of a Kingdom member who isn't getting the Umbrian Mug, please let the Royal Chronicler know so that the problem can be rectified. ***My apologies in advance if I get any Royal titles confused. Those events that preceded Crown War have King in front of Sir James the Red's name, all others defer to TRM Philippe and Justina.*

Crown War 2001

The King is Dead, Long live the King and Queen. Sir James the Red passed on the Crown(s) to TRM Sir Philippe De Bois Guilbert and Dame Justina Maria Murello after a very long day of Arts and Combat at Crown War. The race was very close and the winners unknown until the very last minute.

TRM understand that tensions ran high all day. They ask that you please do your best to set differences aside and help them to do the job they have undertaken. They have begun to discuss a number of "fun war" scenarios – including ones where Umbrians can band together to fight off "mercenary scum," castle sieges and catapults. If you have ideas or talents to share please speak to TRM. They are very open to new ideas.

A formal Coronation is being planned. TRM anticipate an indoor event and feast. Please contact HRM's Squire, Iella to offer your assistance. Time and place TBA.

His Majesty's Prediction

HRM Philippe predicts that in 500 or 600 hundred years, carriages will no longer be pulled by horses. He is unable to foresee exactly how they will move.

Banner War 2001

Huzzah to the Kingdom of Umbria, who in alliance with the Kingdom of Aragon via the "Pavo Pact", did return the Banner to its rightful desert home.

Banner War 2002 will be held in Flagstaff, Arizona!!

For those who did not attend the war, it was great fun. The Umbrian Armies overwhelmed their opponents. Sir Michael Sinestro took a win for his Bardic. Sir Philippe "Did you see that?" De Bois Guilbert did trounce his opponent in the Steel Champions battle. Sir Waylan graciously held archery open all day for the convenience of the Adrian populace. Sir Cameron was granted the title of Baron of the Court of Umbria for his protection of the Crown.

For those who have not yet heard the tale, Sir Puck's carriage did meet with disaster when all his horses died. The caravan stopped at a watering hole in dismay, trying with little success to figure out how to get the army *and* the armor to the War. Serendipitously, Sir Cameron and his party stopped at the same watering hole and were able to rescue our stranded friends. Three squires (Caramon, Colin and Duval) risked...well, limbs...acting as bumpers to move the carriage and its dead horses to another site. Huzzah for the heros!

Other news... I hear the TN thrones have disappeared... Men will do anything for chocolate Oreos after a long battle... Lady Celeste awed the Hedgehog camp with her songs... Dame Aislynne received a nasty bite from a beau (bow?)... King James learned how to say difficult words that start with "p"... The ladies of Umbria know every nursery rhyme and children's song known to man, and aren't afraid to use them... Ask around, there are tales to be told. ☺



Ode to Pavo's Birthday

(I am not a bard, so my humble apologies if I offend your poetic sensibilities)

His birthday I forgot.
But I remember not
He told me, so he claims -
At my feet he lays the blame!

Have I not enough to do?
Must I do this job too?
On the 7th day of May
He celebrated his 26th birthday.

So all join me in good fun
And before today is done
Go wish belated joy
To the deprived birthday boy!

Happy belated birthday, turkey! (With humblest apologies for my *alleged* oversight) – Dm. Aislynne ☺

Knightings!

Huzzah to Dame Charricce, Sir Keegan, Sir Duncan and Dame Ekaterina on receiving their Knight Minister belts in May.

Bardic of the Month

Hidden well, deep in the wood.
A cottage nestled, is where she stood.
A canopy of trees hides our haven.
Her beauty that of the fairest maiden.
Golden Sunlight filters down.
Highlighting her in her silken gown.
Through the woods a knight rides.
To be with her and by her side.
He pictures her in his minds eye.
Spurring hard and riding high

~~~~~  
By: Richard Corazon del Oso  
Crown War 2001



## **Editorials**

The editorials that follow express the personal opinions of the authors. They are not necessarily the feelings of the Crowns, Chronicler, nor Kingdom of Umbria.

### **WHY?**

What is it about a hobby that makes one want to engage in that activity?

What in a hobby brings people of such diverse backgrounds to come together and meet on common ground?

What in a hobby awakens new friendships?

What in a hobby causes friends to become enemies?

What in a hobby makes it so important that it becomes as important or more important to self-esteem as doing well in the work force?

What in a hobby makes it so difficult to let past anger rest, as it cannot be changed?

What in a hobby turns it from being fun to becoming an obsession?

Why, when a hobby is supposed to be fun, does it become important to let the anger dominate to the point of having no true fun?

Anger that is quick flashes as ignited powder and is gone. Anger that is allowed to steep and simmer becomes as an acid and like an acid, erodes substance until nothing remains.

-Kate MacPherson MacIntosh  
Knight Minister, Lady of Umbria &  
Baroness of Badenoch

## **Royal Minister Reports**

Please note that these are the reports received to reflect the last month of the Reign of King James. TRM Philippe and Justina have listed the current ministers on the last page .

### **Crown Marshall**

The following is a list of those who have received qualifications in Marshalling:

Sir Waldham  
Sir Keegan  
Sir James the Red  
Squire Gaston  
Sebastian McGovern  
Lord Willum Camaron  
Sir Roland  
Dances  
Squire Demetrius de Carlo  
Squire Erik the Only  
Sir Michael Sinestro  
Sir Raymond Picar  
Squire Isabella McShane  
Sir Puck Lyttle  
Sir Angus  
Lord Temple Livingston  
Squire Caramon  
Sir Philippe  
Squire Aramis de la Rouge  
Mabel Stanley  
Dominika  
Sir Cameron

-Sir Duncan Wallace, Crown Marshall

### **Arts and Sciences**

NEW IMP MINISTER:

A new Imperial Arts and Science Minister has been appointed: Julianna Hirsch who can be reached by e-mail at:

[savaskan@sd.znet.com](mailto:savaskan@sd.znet.com)

ARTS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY:

*Canton of Thunar:*

Sir Michael Sinestro was our first Masterwork winner under the 'new' manual rules. He entered an original poem written

in calligraphy. HUZZA!!!! Dame Serene, received a tourney win for Plum Pudding.

No other Cantons reporting.

*Kingdom Tourney:* (held at El Oso Park)  
Dame Aislyne entered a Gingerbread  
MMMM Gooooood!!

*NEW Arts Manual Class:*

So far 17 members of Umbria have taken the class/collegium for the 'new' arts manual. All artisans even if you don't want to judge should take this class. It will help you with entering your arts.

Sir Waylon of Winchester has been holding continuing classes on the making of the new arrows for use during war. The new arrows fly like heck and will surely make you pay attention to the archers at war. Get to the class and learn how to make them.

- Dame Serene

### **Chronicler's Corner**

I received no reports from any Ministers for the last month of the Reign of Sir James the Red, barring Arts and Sciences (Dame Serene) and Crown Marshall (Sir Duncan). (Thank you to both of you!) I will publish the other information as soon as I receive it. Thank you for your patience.

Due to my mundane summer vacation plans, the TRM have agreed that the July Mug will be published and distributed on June 27, 2001. That is one week early, shifting the deadline to the Monday before – June 25. The August Mug will be back on the regular schedule.

An interesting web site – a collection of Elizabethan "Common Knowledge" - <http://www.ren.dm.net/compendium/home.html>

And most importantly, my heartfelt thanks to those who helped me at the Knox Demo on May 18. A HUGE hug to the following Knights, who stood in the heat and let small children experience the thrill of battle... HRM James the Red, Sirs Cameron, Duncan, Keegan, Puck and Waylon. My heros! - Aislyne

**This is the line that will not go away!**

**June 2001 Events**

| Sun                                                           | Mon | Tue | Wed                                           | Thur | Fri | Sat                                                            |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----------------------------------------------|------|-----|----------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                               |     |     |                                               |      | 1   | 2<br>Crown War<br>Cactus Park 9am                              |
| 3                                                             | 4   | 5   | 6<br>Canton of Thunar<br>Encanto Park 8 p.m.  | 7    | 8   | 9<br>Canton of Inverness<br>TBA                                |
| 10<br>Canton of<br>Valle de Luna - TBA<br>Canton of Trinacria | 11  | 12  | 13<br>Fighter Practice<br>Encanto Park 8 p.m. | 14   | 15  | 16<br>Kingdom Tourney<br>Cactus Park 9 a.m.<br>Estates Meeting |
| 17                                                            | 18  | 19  | 20<br>Fighter Practice<br>Encanto Park 8 p.m. | 21   | 22  | 23<br>Archery Tourney<br>TBA                                   |
| 24                                                            | 25  | 26  | 27<br>Fighter Practice<br>Encanto Park 8 p.m. | 28   | 29  | 30                                                             |

**July 2001 Events**

| Sun                                    | Mon | Tue | Wed                                           | Thur | Fri | Sat                                                  |
|----------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----------------------------------------------|------|-----|------------------------------------------------------|
| 1                                      | 2   | 3   | 4<br>Canton of Thunar<br>Encanto Park 8 p.m.  | 5    | 6   | 7<br>Canton of Westraheim<br>Loma Linda Park 10 a.m. |
| 8                                      | 9   | 10  | 11<br>Fighter Practice<br>Encanto Park 8 p.m. | 12   | 13  | 14<br>Canton of Inverness<br>TBA                     |
| 15<br>Canton of<br>Valle de Luna - TBA | 16  | 17  | 18<br>Fighter Practice<br>Encanto Park 8 p.m. | 19   | 20  | 21<br>Kingdom Tourney<br>Cactus Park 9 a.m.          |
| 22                                     | 23  | 24  | 25<br>Fighter Practice<br>Encanto Park 8 p.m. | 26   | 27  | 28<br>Archery<br>TBA                                 |
| 29                                     | 30  | 31  |                                               |      |     |                                                      |

**Royal Ministers...**

*Their Royal Majesties have split the Ministers into "His, Hers, and Theirs." "His" and "Hers" are listed under TRM's names. "Theirs" are in the 3<sup>rd</sup> column.*

***His Royal Majesty, the King***  
**Sir Philippe De Bois Guilbert**

ravens\_roost2001@yahoo.com

*Minister of Joust*  
Sir Puck Lyttle

*Minister of War*  
Sir Michael Sinestro

mikezachary@webtv.net

*Crown Marshall*  
Sir Logan

*King's Scribe*  
Dame Charricce

*Sovereign of Arms*  
Michael Cu Campbell

veritas\_777@hotmail.com

*Herald*  
Sir Keegan

sir\_keegan@hotmail.com

*Physiker*  
Malaika

zoobyli@aol.com

***Her Royal Majesty, the Queen***  
**Dame Justina Maria Murello**

*Minister of Arts and Sciences*  
Dame Kate McPherson  
*Deputy –*  
Sir Morgan

*Minister of Rolls*  
Dame Roawyn O'Riley

*Deputy –* Sir Ivan

*Minister of Archery*  
Sir Raymond Picard

*Hospitler*  
Dame Keara Craig

*Steward*  
Nisha Rosalia

ladyavalon@hotmail.com  
*Deputy –* Sir Morgan

*Mistress of the Revel*  
Iella

*Royal Chancellor*  
Sir Pavo Rosalia  
sirpavo@hotmail.com

*Royal Chronicler/Mug Editor*  
Dame Aislynne de Chartier

lady\_aislynne@hotmail.com

*Royal Sorceress*  
Zohara

\*\*\*ATTENTION MINISTERS: PLEASE VERIFY THE INFORMATION I HAVE LISTED! CONTACT ME ASAP TO CORRECT ANY MISTAKES OR ADD INFORMATION. THANK YOU (NOT SHOUTING, JUST EMPHASIZING!) -  
Aislynne