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# The Quill

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*Greetings Nottingham Coill,  
from Baron Geldamar and  
Baroness Etain*

We hope that everyone enjoyed Baronial Birthday as much as we did. Sharing such joy with our closest friends leaves us speechless, and that doesn't happen very often.

Great thanks go out to Lady Milicent, Lord Donal and their staff for putting together an amazing event. Lord Axum's feast was a culinary delight and even we were left with very little room for cake. There is no way we could list the people who put the event together, but we are grateful for everyone who helped make it such a

memorable celebration.

Congratulations to everyone who was recognized at Baronial Birthday and to our new Champions. We look forward to another great year ahead of us.

Yours in Service,  
Baron Geldamar and Baroness Etain



*On a personal note, I would like to thank everyone who made my elevation come together. Duchess Simone and Master Vortigern have been wonderful mentors, but without people who wanted to use the pottery I make it would not have happened. Thank you to everyone who has encouraged and helped me along the way, and to my all my friends who put on a wonderful vigil behind my back. (And if you were wondering, as I have, the title of Baroness is all that is needed!)*

*Etain*

*Sarishan  
From the Chronicler*

Those of you who were at Nottingham Coill Baronial Birthday know not only was it a fabulous event, but there was a film crew from WOLO out there.

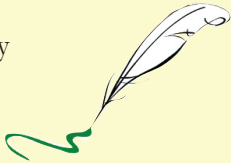
WOLO did a piece for their Hidden Columbia series that came out very well. You can view it at

<http://wolo.com/CustomContentRetrieve.aspx?ID=3835776>

It was good seeing such a nice turnout, making new friends, and visiting with old friends.

Happy Birthday, Nottingham!!

Dulcy



*Fiction by  
Black Jack of Flint  
The Raptor's Tale,  
Part 2*

After BlackJack's meeting with Madame Sylvie, he walked through the compound to the stables. Once there, he prepared his horse for the long ride back to Calais. It didn't take long for him to finish saddling the horse, and he was off. As he approached the gate, Madame Sylvie was there waiting for him. Standing on a small carriage boarding platform, she watched him approach. Watching her watch him, he realized that while somewhat diminutive, she was probably the single most powerful woman in France. She stood there, regally, in her long flowing gown, red shot through with gold, in the current fashion in the courts of England and France. The hat that protected her from the sun was tilted low over her brow, with the gold feathers sweeping back over the deep blood red wrappings around her hair. He pulled up his horse at the platform.

"My lady Sylvie," he nodded. "I am honored that ye've chosen to see me off, but tis not necessary. I do know my way out." He laughed, and turned back over his shoulder as he heard hooves clattering behind him. Two proud percheron stallions were pulling a carriage forward towards the platform. Sylvie turned and smiled sweetly, as he moved his horse to one side, so that the carriage could be pulled to the platform.

"Do not over flatter yourself, my dear Captain. I happen to have business in Calais myself, so shall accompany you on the afternoon's journey to the city. After all, I have a ship load of cargo to get to my factors to be sold and profited from." She smiled again. "You DO want a share of the profit, don't you? If I can get the items sold before you put to sea, you may be able to use the funds on your current mission." I also wish to acquire some sort of messaging system, possibly some pigeons, for you to keep me informed of your progress."

"Unfortunately, Sylvie, pigeons are of no value once we cross the ocean, exceptin as food." He chuckled as she made a face. "Ye've no issue with eatin birds here in yer home, but do with us doin the same at sea? I thought ye were better than that, lass. Ye'd be a bit surprised at what we usually eat whilst at sea."

Sylvie boarded the carriage, and it rolled towards the gate before she spoke again. As BlackJack pulled his horse alongside her window so that they could speak as they

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*Congratulations!*

To Baroness Etain on her elevation to Laurel!

From Kumpania Painted Wheel

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traveled, she began again. "You know better than most the struggle to survive I have had, Jack. I shall speak frankly, and remind you that while I have worked my way to learning the ways of a Courtesan, and now run the largest and most popular house in France, I have lived in the streets." She plucked at the white lace around her neck. "You know that when I was born, my fate was to be much worse than this. The fact that I have turned my adversity into a successful life, much as you have done yourself, shows the type of people we are. I know the nuns at your orphanage in London would never recognize you, just as any family of mine that may still be alive would not recognize me. Many things change every day, people live and die, and only those who are in control of their lives can be happy. It's my personal belief that many of my ladies who serve in the Noble houses here in Calais, and even in Paris and Marseilles, are among the most intelligent, most skilled, and quickest thinking of many of the men who are in charge of those same houses. You know that is why my ladies go through all the training they do. They know how to read and write multiple civilized languages, they can cook, sew, know mathematics, and more. And that is not even counting the more "gentle" skills that each learn to keep their men happy. Do not even BEGIN to lecture me on what your life is like, because you will find no sympathy

*Do not even BEGIN to lecture me on what your life is like, because you will find no sympathy from me, Captain.*

from me, Captain." With that, she closed the blinds on her window, and did not speak again. BlackJack shrugged and rode ahead.

Four hours later, a tired and sore BlackJack finally saw the city walls of Calais in the distance. Turning around, he rode back the short distance to the carriage following him. Pulling along the carriage, he spoke as formally as he could. "Madame Sylvie, we are approaching Calais. If you have no further need of me, I shall be on my way to check on my ship. Most likely we shall sail on the morning tide. I shall send word as often as is possible as to our status."

The curtain slid aside, and Sylvie peered out. "Very well, I shall endeavor to get whatever I can to you by the time you put to sea. I wish you luck in dealing with Sir Francis Drake, and hope that you are able to escape Queen Elizabeth's noose." As he turned his horse to depart, she called again. "BlackJack! I apologize for speaking in anger as I did earlier. These are dangerous times, and I would be unhappy if the last we spoke to each other in this world were words of anger. I bear you no ill will, and sincerely hope that we shall continue to be friends for many years to come."

A grin split BlackJack's beard as he replied,

*You're a woman, yer very nature is to be contrary as hells.*

"No worries lass, I understand. You're a woman, yer very nature is to be contrary as hells. Seriously, though, I accept your apology, and offer me own as well. As usual, my words came out afore me brain could think about what I was sayin. Nothin new there, I'm sure you know. This Drake thing has me a bit on edge, and am wantin to be to sea as quick as I can." He then nodded to her, and spurred his horse to a gallop towards the city wall.

Shortly thereafter, he stopped at the inn where he first met Magnus the evening before. Handing the horse over to a stable boy along with a gold coin, he walked inside. He walked straight to the Innkeeper, and put two gold pieces on the bar. "I'm in need of a couple of things, lad. Gimme what I need, and these be yours. First, I need to know if any have been around askin questions about me." When the innkeeper shook his head, still watching the coins, BlackJack shoved one towards him. Keeping his hand on the other, she spoke again. "Question number two. Have ye ever seen me, or know which way The Raptor be headin?" The man, numbly reaching for the coin, shook his head again as he spoke.

"I ain't never heard of BlackJack Flint, or The Raptor, so can't tell anyone who ye are or where ye went." BlackJack laughed, handed over the coin, and walked out.

Shortly thereafter, he was climbing the

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gangplank to his ship, and started shouting as he came aboard. "Mr. Thomas! I need a report, now! All officers, in my cabin, immediately! Bosun, make preparations to set sail with the mornin tide! All hands, hop to, and MOVE!" Men immediately began scrambling about as he went below to his cabin, to begin to prepare his next move, and discuss the situation with his officers.

Once the officers were gathered, he poured himself a drink, and looked about the room. "Well lads, we've done it again. That ship we took on the way to Lisbon has turned out to cause us an issue.

Well, it turns out that the fop that died when we took her was some relation to Elizabeth. Now

*Drake is hunting us, with orders to bring me to Elizabeth. Magnus wasn't sure as of last night if that's a dead or alive thing,*

word has reached me that Drake is hunting us, with orders to bring me to Elizabeth. Magnus wasn't sure as of last night if that's a dead or alive thing, or what. We'll be settin sail in the mornin, and headed south. Me intent is to get around Good Hope as quick as we can, and lie low near Singapore for a bit. Maybe we can avoid him, or if we're REALLY lucky, the sea will sink him at the Cape, and not us. Now, here's where we see what's what. Mr. Thomas, I need to know how our provisions are for the journey. I also need to know the condition of the ship, were ye able ta get divers over this

mornin ta inspect? And finally, how many of the crew made it back to the ship this mornin?"

Mr. Thomas stood and began his report. "We've got enough provisions on board to last us about 3 weeks currently. With what we can get on board tonight, we should be able to extend that to a month. We have enough powder and shot for the cannons and small arms for several battles, if need be. Divers are over the side now, and should have a report on the hull shortly. As soon as I get it, I will let you know. Inspections on board are revealing no major leaks, the few small ones have been or are in the process of being repaired now. We have reports of two crewmen having gotten themselves arrested last night, and one was found floating in the harbor shortly afore you arrived. I think that about covers everything as you requested at this time."

"Very good, Mr. Thomas," BlackJack replied. Turning to the rest of the officers, he asked, "Do any of ye have anything further to add?" Looking around the room to negative responses, he turned back to Mr. Thomas. "Then ye have yer orders, lads, let's get ready to heave to. Mr. Thomas, keep an eye out, Madame Sylvie said she's goin ta

attempt to get us our cut of the Pride's cargo profits afore we leave in the mornin. She knows our first stop is going to be Lisbon, and Magnus will have information for us there, or one of his operatives will be there. Dismissed, gentlemen."

The men all got up and left BlackJack to his thoughts, as he sipped his whiskey and stared out the windows of his cabin.



*to be continued...*

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## Events

### 4/09: Feast of the Dragon

St. Georges, Pickens, SC  
Contact Lady Ursala at:  
draco7a(at)yahoo.com

### 5/14: Feast of the Saints: St. Anthony

Falcon Cree, Clinton, SC  
Contact Lady Isolda at: isolda.of.falconcree(at)gmail.com

### 8/20: WOPP: Kingdom of Heaven

St. Georges, Pickens, SC  
Contact Baron Takeda at: barontakeda(at)yahoo.com

### 9/23-25: Southern War Practice

Ritterwald, New Ellenton, SC  
Contact Lady Arielle at: gillasad(at)bellsouth.net

### 12/9-11: Yule Toy Tourney V

Nottingham Coill, Wesleyan Camp,  
Tabor Building, 125 Bethany Cove Drive, Pickens, SC  
Contact Captain Brandon Caiside: bcaiside@yahoocom

### Baronial Collegium,

Newberry SC. If you know of a Site, contact Baron Takeda at: barontakeda(at)yahoo.com

## Activities Around The Barony

### •Scribal Arts Workshop

Hosted by Baroness Brig ingen Erenniagh in Greenwood, SC.

Dates vary, please contact the Baroness (Missy Looper)  
ldybrigh@embarqmail.com , 864-227-0751.

### •Atlantian Clothier's Guild (southern region)

The Atlantian Clothier's Guild is a group that meets together to learn about and make reproduction clothing from the time periods of 500 A.D. to 1,600 A.D. in western Europe. No experience is necessary to participate and instruction in sewing is offered. Each meeting has a different theme which is decided upon by the participants. Membership is not necessary. The southern region has a home base at the Church of the Cross in Columbia, South Carolina where lectures, demonstrations, teaching and workshops are held.

Meetings are held approximately once a month although there is no set schedule.

For information, please contact: Baroness Beatrice von Staufen (Jessica Rose)  
803-646-6441 baronessbeatrice@hotmail.com

### Canton of Cyddlain Downs

#### •Business Meeting:

3rd Wednesday of each month, 7:00 pm  
St. Andrews Branch of the  
Richland County Public Library  
2916 Broad River Road Columbia, SC 29210

#### •Fighter Practice:

Every Tuesday  
6:00 pm (rapier); 6:30 pm (armored)  
Riverfront Park, Columbia SC

Contact for more information:  
Emmalena, (Lisa Hearn)  
SeneschalCyddlainDowns.org  
803-783-2338

### Canton of Brockore Abbey

•Business meetings held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month Location TBA at 7:00 pm.

•Fighter practices; To be announced  
Archery Practices; To be announced

#### •A&S days

1st Sunday of the month from 2-4 pm at Our Shepherd Lutheran Church, Hwy 151 Hartsville

•We will beginning a regular monthly **dance practice** with details to be announced.

### Canton of St. Georges

#### •Business Meetings/ Fighter Practice:

Fluctuating between places and times. Persons can join the st georges list to be advised of times and places.

Contact Captain Donngal mac Ronain  
(Jeff Rice)  
864-283-6900  
drakedawson@gmail.com

### Canton of Ritterwald

#### •Business Meetings:

4th Sunday at Alhard Manor 1042 Woodland Dr.  
New Ellerton SC

#### •Fighter Practice:

None

#### •Archery Practice:

Contact for more info: Lord Tor Olaffson

#### •Social:

Monthly canton gathering after business meeting

Contact for more info:

Lady Arielle ofBeinn Dhubh (Seneschal)  
gillasd@bellsouth.net

### Canton of Falcon Cree

#### •Business Meetings:

1st Tuesday of each month  
7:00 pm  
Downtown Greenville Library, Greenville SC

#### •Project Coffee

2nd Tuesday of each month, 7:00pm.

#### •A&S Stuff Night:

3rd Tuesday of each month 7:00 pm  
Email for time & location:  
reshtani (at) gmail (dot) com

#### •Chip Carving

4th Tuesday of each month  
7:00 PM – Lord Caelen's home  
Contact Lord Caelen Coaire (864-238-7239)  
for directions.

## Demos

**June (TBA) Festival of Flowers**  
Greenwood, SC, Captain Jack Black

#### 5/21: Renn Faire

10am-6pm, Greenville, SC  
Contact Karen at:  
innisfreedesigns@yahoo.com

## Canton Seneshals

### Canton of Cyddlain Downs Greater Columbia

www.CyddlainDowns.org  
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### Canton of Ritterwald Greater Aiken

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gillasd@bellsouth.net

### Canton of Falcon Cree Greater Greenville

www.FalconCree.org  
Seneschal: Lady Victoria Pringle (Trishka Hornbeck)  
seneschal@falconcree.org

### Canton of St. Georges Greater Clemson

www.StGeorge.Atlantia.SCA..org  
Seneschal: Captain Donngal mac Ronain (Jeff Rice)  
864-283-6900  
drakedawson@gmail.com

## Classifieds

**Longbow for Sale, Hawk Brand.** 66" long, draws 25# at 26".

Three years old. \$90.

Contact: Mistress Aidan (Donna Conrad), dconrad@comporium.net, 803-327-0813

## Questions? Comments?

Do you have any comments, questions, or suggestions for *The Quill*? We want to know! Please send them to

[quill@nottinghillcoill.org](mailto:quill@nottinghillcoill.org)

or directly to Dulcy's e-mail at

[paintedwheel@hotmail.com](mailto:paintedwheel@hotmail.com).

## Email Lists/Forums

Nottinghill Coill:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nottinghill-coill>

Cyddlain Downs:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cyddlainedowns>

Falcon Cree:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/falcon-cree>

Ritterwald:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ritterwald/>

St. Georges:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/st-georges>

Canton of Brockore Abbey

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/brockoreabbey/>

The Merry Rose

(Kingdom of Atlantia):

<http://MerryRose.Atlantia.SCA.org>

Nottinghill Coill Website:

<http://www.nottinghillcoill.org/>

## Chatelaines

To learn more about the SCA, contact the Chatelaine of the group closest to you.

### Baronial Chatelaine

Lord Jack Black of Flint  
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### Canton of Cyddlain Downs

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### Canton of Ritterwald (Aiken area)

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## Courtesy

Please do not call any of the officers after 9PM. Keep in mind also that many of them are at events on the weekend and may not be able to return your call until the following Monday.

Please give adequate time for a response, keeping in mind that we all have busy lives. However, if you have not received a reply in a reasonable amount of time (24–48 hours), try sending your email again. Sometimes emails “get lost” and the recipient does not receive it.

### Email or Website Problems?

If you experience technical difficulties with the NottinghamCoill.org email addresses, send your message to NottinghamCoill@gmail.com and it will be forwarded to the appropriate person for you.



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