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- 01 A Riddle – an excerpt from: Riddles from the Exeter Book. An Anthology of Old English Poetry. Charles W. Kennedy, translator. New York: Oxford University Press, 1960. Taken from the cite “Gode Cookery Presents.”

This Month's Riddle:

*A lonely wanderer, wounded with iron, I am smitten with war-blades,
Sated with strife, Worn with the sword-edge;
I have seen many battles, much hazardous fighting, oft without hope
Of comforts or help in the carnage of war ere I perish and fall in the fighting of men.
The leavings of hammers, the handiwork of smiths, Batter and bite me, hard-edged and sharp;
The brunt of the battle I am doomed to endure.
In all the folk-stead no leech could I find with wort or simple to heal my wounds;
But day and night with the deadly blows the marks of the war-blades double and deepen.*

Website	http://shireofcalanaisnuadh.org
Group List	http://groups.yahoo.com/group/calanaisnuadh/
FaceBook	https://www.facebook.com/shireofcalanaisnuadh

Riddle Answer: Shield

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It's worth repeating ... This month's A&S Class will be on the 27th, with the topic of beading. And will be given by Missy Gettings.

Next month's will be on the 24th of February on the topic of Button Making. It will be given by Mistress Rose.

Let me here apologize for not being at this month's Business Meeting [And let me here thank Margery for her kind offer of minutes for this issue.]. I was ill and did NOT wish to share my germs ... I get greedy when I'm sick ... you wouldn't like me then.

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Meeting Notes from January 14, 2015

Upcoming A&S classes will be: Beading (led by Missy) on Jan. 27, and Button Making (led by Rose) on Feb. 24.

Project nights between now and Lilies will involve space set aside for those who wish to paint banners. If you need to borrow a frame or obtain supplies, contact Catin for information.

Also, registration has just opened for the Kingdom Arts & Sciences competition that will be held in Standing Stones (Jeff City) on April 11. Registration closes March 29.

There is not yet a host for Queen's Prize, and so Catin is heading up the shire's effort to put a bid in for that. Venue has not yet been decided -- Newburg school was discussed, as well two other sites in Rolla. If the shire hosts this, it will make for a busy fall -- King's Company one week before, and Autumn Arrows two weeks after, but the consensus was that the workload will be manageable because it's a single-day event with no feast. Paul has offered to autocrat it, if we are chosen to host.

Chieftains is coming up on Feb. 28 in St. Louis, and we traditionally present a basket of largesse to the Crown at that event. Her Majesty has expressed that they are particularly in need of items that can be handed out as thank-you gifts to autocrats.

Archery practice will be at Alan and Margery's house in St. Robert this Sunday, Jan. 18.

Directions will be posted soon on the Yahoo group. A crockpot of chili and some corn muffins will be provided to keep the archers warm. If people wish to bring something to supplement that, feel free, but it is not expected. There will be no weather cancellation as long as the driveway is passable. If it's too cold to shoot, we will just stay inside and work on repairs, fletching or string-making.

Practices after that will be Feb. 1 and Feb. 15 -- both at Beaver Creek. If the temperature is near freezing, they will be cancelled. There is no archery on Jan. 25, Feb. 8 or Feb. 22.

Amerigo (previously known as Emory) has agreed to serve as Deputy Herald. Crespin needs to take a 6-month leave of absence due to his heavy school schedule this semester. So, Amerigo will be presenting the officer reports and assisting people with registrations from now until sometime in summer, when Crespin will pick back up again.

Terry and Crystal will be taking their nearly-empty 6x13 trailer to Gulf Wars and are offering cargo space to anyone who might need it, in exchange for helping out a little with gas.

From the Archer's Shelf ...

This is taken from [archery-books-msg - 5/9/09](#) from Stefan's Florilegium. As such, it is dated. For up-to-date information, please consult your favorite Search Engine ... Also, info is dated, please verify before ordering.



Date: Thu, 30 Nov 2006 01:28:43 -0500

From: mmagnusol

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Subject: [SCA-ARTS] New Archery Books by Hugh Soar, Hon. Sec. Society of Archer-Antiquaries

To: - Medieval Leather List <medieval-leather at yahoogroups.com>,

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Please note the special relevance of the first book to what we do.

It is based on the Mary Rose surviving examples.

The chapter in the Hardy Longbow book was good, but this is much better.

Soar, Hugh D. H.; Joseph Gibbs, Christopher Jury, Mark Stretton:
 Secrets of the English War Bow; Westholme Publishing LLC, 2006;
 Hardcover - Sewn binding. Paper over boards. With dust jacket.
 245 p. with Illustrations. ISBN 1594160252 \$26.60

"Dominating medieval battlefields for more than two centuries but requiring long and arduous practice to command, the English war bow and its battle shaft are the symbols of the rise of British power in Europe.

Despite being crafted for hundreds of years and wielded by generations of archers, the sole surviving examples of this fearsome weapon—the military version of the longbow—are those recovered from the Tudor warship Mary Rose. Now for the first time, expert craftsmen use all available evidence including applied archaeology to unlock the secrets of the English war bow.

Historian Hugh D. H. Soar is joined by Mark Stretton, arrowsmith, and Joseph Gibbs, bowyer, in order to demonstrate how a war bow and its associated arrow heads and shafts may have been constructed and used. In addition to showing the complete manufacture of a bow from tree selection to stringing and how specialized arrowheads were forged and attached to shafts, *Secrets of the English War Bow* provides information on the actual performance of the war bow, including the bow's effectiveness against various materials and,

for the first time, its use against moving targets, since bows were often drawn against mounted soldiers. Armed with this new information, Soar provides an analysis of both successes and failures of the war bow in several important battles.

Illustrated in color and black and white, Secrets of the English War Bow provides an invaluable service for those interested in medieval military history, archery, and technology.

About the Author:

Hugh D. H. Soar has written extensively about the longbow, including the best-selling *The Crooked Stick: A History of the Longbow*, also available from Westholme Publishing. Mark Stretton, master blacksmith, holds the world's record for heaviest longbow shot. Joseph Gibbs is a talented bowyer who specializes in creating the replica war bow.

Written in English Amazon \$26.60 - eligible for free shipping.

Soar, Hugh H. D.: *The Crooked Stick: A History of the Longbow (Weapons in History)*;
Publisher: Westholme Publishing [United States], Hardcover, ISBN: 1594160023,
Amazon \$17.47 October 2004.

He also has another book that is new but I could only find it in England on Amazon.co.uk and the shipping is more expensive:

Soar, Hugh D. H.: *Of Bowmen and Battles*; Publisher: The Glade, 2003;
Paperback: 230 pages, ISBN 0951764519. New. Amazon.co.uk, £13.98 +
Postage & Packing: £6.98 = Total: £20.96

Anyone wishing to join the Society of Archer-Antiquaries outside the U.K. I can put in touch with Hugh. It is possible to cheaply transfer membership funds through PayPal if you have that. They would like more international members. It costs £20 per year and there is an annual journal and several smaller newsletter publications that also includes archery news and small articles.

Master Magnus

Great Barony of Windmasters' Hill, Adria, the Manx, GDH, Soc. of Archer-Antiquaires

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Do you have a favorite book you would like to praise and recommend for your archery brothers and sisters? Be glad to show case it here ... Or one that is a waste of pulp? Ditto.

The Shire of Calanais Nuadh's Event Calendar

Last-minute changes/cancellations are announced on the Calanais Nuadh Yahoo Group

January 2015						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thrs	Fri	Sat
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
2 PM Archery Practice HL Alan Berylson's house St. Robert, MO		6:45 PM Shire Weekly Meeting <u>Project Night</u> Newburg United Methodist Church, Newburg, MO				
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
		6:45 PM Shire Weekly Meeting <u>A&S Class</u> Newburg United Methodist Church, Newburg, MO				
February 2015						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Weds	Thrs	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		6:45 PM Shire Weekly Meeting <u>Project Night</u> Newburg United Methodist Church, Newburg, MO				
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
		6:45 PM Shire Weekly Meeting <u>Business Meeting & Potluck Dinner</u> Newburg United Methodist Church, Newburg, MO				

Driving Directions:

Archery Practice: Beaver Creek Conservation Area: No Crossbows. No Archery in freezing temperatures (32° F). From Rolla, take Highway 63 south for several miles. The range gate will be on your left, immediately across the highway from the VFW post. Drive through the gate to the top of the hill, park and take the line!

Shire Meetings: Newburg United Methodist Church: Take I-44 to the Newburg Exit. Turn south. The church will be on your right, a little past the patrol car waiting at the bottom of the hill to catch all of you scoff-law speeders.

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