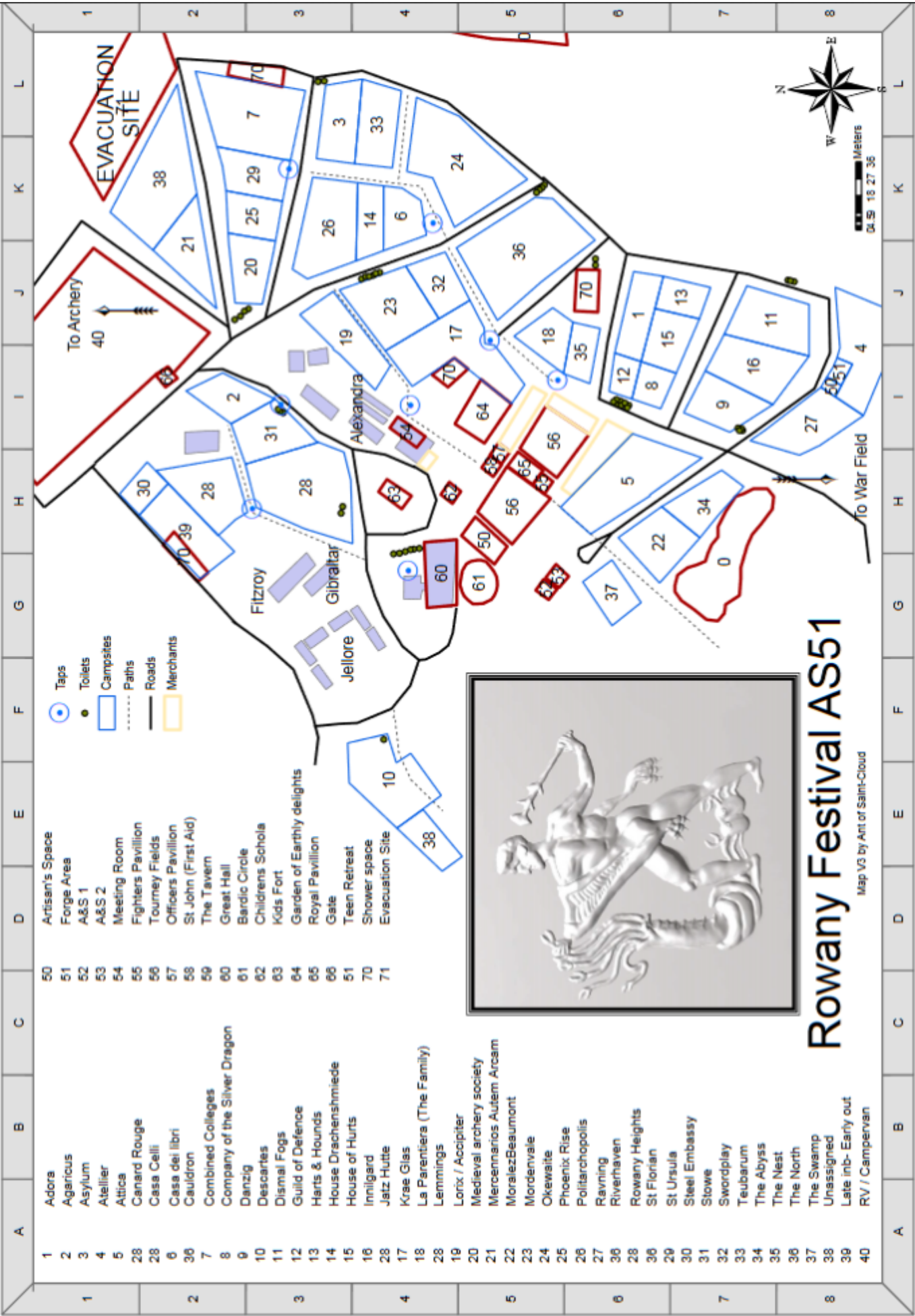


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Preliminary Site Map



Rowany Festival 2017 Preliminary Site Map
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From the Crown of Lochac

Since the age of Heroes, it has been the custom in Lochac to gather, once per year, in the month that Macedonians call *Artemisios*, at the Great Festival of Rowany. Now, in the age of the Hellenes, do Ariston, Basileus, and Lilavati, Basilissa, send their warmest invitations unto all, to attend this magnificent Festival in the heart of their fair kingdom.

Festivals are occasions for great enjoyment and revelry, but they are also places where each community, and each person, strives to display excellence – whether in creative skill, cheerful service, martial prowess, or simple generosity and hospitality. The hand that carves, hews, strikes, or sews; the foot that races swiftly or toils under burden; the mouth that sings or speaks kindly – these are the implements with which kingdoms are built. We are blessed by Fortune to rule a kingdom of such qualities, and do ask that Our populace recommend unto us those who have excelled in these virtues, that we can make acknowledgement of their fine example.

Rowany Festival has grown and flourished, becoming the largest and most spectacular event in Our calendar, by the labour of many, and the enthusiasm of all. We charge you all to join us in acknowledging and supporting this labour, and ask that you consider how much greater and better you may make the event – and the kingdom – by your own contribution.

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From the Baron & Baroness of Rowany

Ameline and Miles, Baroness & Baron of Rowany, send greetings to the populace of Lochac.

It is our privilege as the Baronage Rowany to welcome every year at Rowany Festival the largest gathering of the Lochac Populace. We look forward to greeting old friends, making new ones, and seeing in person the great achievements made by the Kingdom.

It fills us with pride to be part of such a rich and diverse company. Courtesy is one of the virtues we as a Society hold dearest, and we see proof of this in the populace of our Barony, and the Kingdom at large. But last year's Rowany Festival set some examples of which we cannot be proud, and we will not allow to be repeated. We were saddened to be informed of numerous occasions where those working on behalf of Rowany Festival were met with rudeness and abuse. We cannot condone this.

We are a Society of volunteers. Every officer, every steward, every constable-on-duty – they are acting for the benefit of us all. If you cannot display courtesy and respect to those putting in the hours to make our Society continue, to make Festival continue, please do not come. If it is brought to our attention that this lack of courtesy continues, you will be asked to leave.

We look forward to celebrating Rowany Festival with you all, in not very long at all. We wish you the best for your preparations, and safe travels.

Ameline et Miles, Baronage Rowany

Welcome to Festival

Rowany Festival is the largest event in the Kingdom of Lochac, in the Society for Creative Anachronism, and is hosted by the Barony of Rowany every year over the Easter long weekend. Festival has been held in many locations, and is currently in the cooler climes of Camp Wombaroo in the Southern Highlands, near Mittagong.

Festival is a fantastic event to get a taste for everything we do, but if you've never been before it can be a bit overwhelming. Here's the most important things to know:

- Festival is a camping event. If you're planning on staying overnight rather than day-tripping, you'll need to bring camping equipment. The campsites are pre-allocated, so if you haven't made arrangements to camp *with* any particular group, pay attention to where you're told to go when you arrive
- Festival is non-catered. There is drinking water freely available, and there are food and drink merchants, but you will either need to bring your own food, or money to buy it with. Either way, you will need a bowl, a cup, and a spoon to eat said food with
- There are limited bathing facilities for campers. The showers are restricted to those in the dorms, young children with their parents, and those with disabilities, EXCEPT during the hours of 6-8am and 6-8pm, when everyone can use them. During the rest of the day, campers are welcome to use the swimming hole, as long as they wear clothing suitable for mixed company
- The toilets available to campers are portaloos. Some portaloos have been hired by specific campsites – if they are not in a public, unfenced area, assume they are off-limits
- All rubbish should be deposited in the big skips near the hall. You'll need something to collect any rubbish at your campsite for disposal
- You will need torches or lanterns at night. Avoid very bright white LED torches, and do NOT use any candles inside tents
- First aid is available on site from SCA surgeons and St Johns Ambulance volunteers, but they are not doctors. Bring your usual medication, bring a first aid kit for minor injuries, bring your medicare card in case you need off-site medical help, and be nice to our volunteers. Between 9am and 5pm, first aid is available to all at the Village Green; outside those hours, the officers on call are only available for emergencies.
- While there are children's activities throughout the event, there are no childcare facilities – YOU are responsible for the supervision of your children at all times. Please read the [Child Safety Rules](#) in advance.
- Heralds make announcements three times a day with important information. Court is also held every day, and there is often information shared there as well. If you don't know something, ask at the Officers' Tent on the Village Green.

For the safety of everyone at Festival, please read the site rules, and abide by them.

About the Site

Camp Wombaroo is set in 50.6 ha of open and lightly wooded land bordered by the Jellore State Forest. Originally a farming property, it was turned into a camp in 1996, and since then has specialised in providing outdoor education options for school and university groups. Wombaroo is a professionally managed site, with numerous staff living and working on site (in detached and removed accommodation), who have agreed to spend Rowany Festival in an approximation of medieval clothing.

Camp Wombaroo offers two alternatives for accommodation, which gives the opportunity for those travelling from significant distances (New Zealand, Perth, Brisbane) or those with children or disabilities the chance to participate in Festival with significantly less stress and equipment. In addition to the four camping paddocks, there are three blocks of bunkhouses.

The site is approximately 1 hr 45 minutes from the centre of Sydney, and 15 minutes from Mittagong. This tourist town has a train station on the Southern Highlands line, a 24hr supermarket, a Bunnings Warehouse, a CBA with an instant deposit ATM, and a petrol station, as well as multiple B&Bs and hotels.

It is likely to be warm and sunny during the day, and will get cool as soon as the sun goes down. IT WILL RAIN! Keep this in mind and you will remain comfortable throughout Festival. Bring sunscreen, make sure you drink plenty of (non-alcoholic) fluids, bring plenty of warm clothing, and some way of protecting your gear from the rain. Bring plastic bags or bins in which you can store your clothing and bedding if the rain gets really bad. Wool coats, cloaks and hoods are your best bet for keeping yourself warm and dry – wool sheds water well, and will still keep you warm if it gets a bit damp; synthetics will not. One thing you will not have to contend with is dust. The site is very green and grassy. Mud is more likely to be an issue – you should aim to bring some sturdy weatherproof shoes, boots, or pattens.

Getting to Site

Camp Wombaroo is located off Wombeyan Caves Road in High Range, adjacent to Jellore State Forest. High Range is about 15 minutes outside of Mittagong in the Southern Highlands. The exact address of Camp Wombaroo is 162 Black Spring Rd, High Range, NSW. **PLEASE NOTE:** Google Maps should now direct you down Wombeyan Caves Rd to Black Springs Rd. DO NOT go down Soapy Flat Road as this is a four-wheel-drive only track.

From Sydney:

- Travel south on the Hume Highway
- Take the Mittagong/Bowral exit
- Continue along the Old Hume Highway
- Veer right through Mittagong as you follow the signs to Wombeyan Caves
- After 2 km turn right into Wombeyan Caves Road (then follow the directions below)

From Canberra / Goulburn:

- Head north along the Hume Highway
- Take the Mittagong exit (Old Hume Highway)
- Turn left onto the Old Hume Highway
- After approximately 500 m, turn right into Wombeyan Caves Road

Once on Wombeyan Caves Road:

- Travel down Wombeyan Caves Road for 12 km
- Turn right into Black Spring Road
- After 1.5 km, veer right into the Camp Wombaroo property (signed)

Please observe a maximum speed of 40 km/h on Black Spring Road, and obey all signs once at Camp Wombaroo.

What Festival Has To Offer

Festival hosts more than two hundred different events and activities – this following pages can only be an overview of some of the ones that are better known. If you're new to Festival and not sure where to start, consider attending the Festival Tour hosted by Baroness Tórfá – it's running on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday afternoons, meeting on the Great Hall verandah. Alternatively, you can jump right in! See the separate timetable for further details on any of the activities outlined here.

Evening Gatherings

On both Wednesday and Thursday night there will be a soup kitchen in the Hall: on Wednesday this will be accompanied by a (non-garbed) convivial gathering in the Tavern; on Thursday by a pot-luck Declaration Feast. After the feast on Thursday, the Barony of Innilgard is hosting the Red Frette Social, with cocktails, non-alcoholic refreshments, and light snacks. On Friday night, there will be a Memorial for our Fallen, where all who wish to speak or sing in remembrance of our dead may do so; Sir Berengar has offered to read out the words of those who are uncomfortable with public speaking.

Merchants, Auctions, and Paladin's Pantry

There will be the usual proliferation of merchants around the Village Green (including the Floating Coffee Bar, and Golden Gryphon), and Market Day on Saturday.

The Ursulan Martyr Auction will be on Thursday night this year, and Fighter Auction on Saturday evening.

Paladin's Pantry will be collecting unopened packets, jars, or cans of food and drink, unused shelf-stable food, unused hygiene products, and sleeping bags and tents in good condition for donation to Angels for the Forgotten, a local charity that helps those in need.

Children's Activities

The Children's Activity Space will be open every day for children and their parents or guardians to use, with some permanent activities sat up, and other scheduled classes and activities. There will be arts and crafts every day, and storytime on Thursday, Friday, and Sunday. On Friday afternoon, the Children's Ball will be held in the Hall, and the Children's Quest will depart from the Activity Space on Sunday afternoon. For the martially inclined, the traditional Boffer Tourney will run on Saturday morning, as always, and the unmissable Children vs. Knights Battle will be on Monday afternoon. And on a practical note, there will be a Parents' Meet, Greet, and Garb Swap on Saturday afternoon, so bring along those outgrown clothes to swap, donate, or sell.

Arts & Sciences

The list of Arts and Sciences classes at Festival is, of course, far too long to reproduce here – suffice to say, there are many. In fact, there are over a hundred A&S activities in total this year. Some of the major ones are listed below.

Competitions and Displays

This year there are a number of competitions and displays. Directly after opening court, any and all households, companies, shires, and baronies are invited to display themselves to the finest in a Declaration Procession. The Capsule Wardrobe Competition (to create a complete wardrobe for two, three, or four days, all appropriate to a single time and place) will run on Friday afternoon. Lochac's Ultimate Food Fight (any period item(s) made by you from scratch), will be judged on Sunday afternoon. Laurel Prize will be on Saturday afternoon, as is traditional, and the Brewers', Vintners' and Imbibers' Guild Competition will be held simultaneously.

Dance and Performance

There will be three balls this year, as usual: the Children's Ball, the Country Ball, and the Caroso Ball, which for the first time is being run in conjunction with the Courtly Music Recital. This year, a number of stalwart souls, led by Eric the Fruitbat, have undertaken to recite the whole of the epic poem Beowulf (in translation) over the course of Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights. There will also be an Early Music Jam on Friday morning, Choral Singing on Sunday Night, and the ever-popular Boar's Head Theatre on Monday night.

Artisans' Spaces

Atelier is hosting three artisans' spaces, available for classes, and also as areas for people to work on their own projects in company: the Dairy, the Forge and Furnace area, and the Artisans' Pavilion – which on Thursday afternoon will host a Sewing Circle for all the garb that isn't *quite* done. For those curious about or skilled in the fibre arts, Lady Elisabet's Handspun Emporium will also be hosting skill sharing every day during merchants' hours.

Arts Martial

Target Archery

The ranges will be open every day (though not *all* day) for target archery, both for practice and in various competitive formats. There will be a Queen's Round, a King's Round, a Rowany Round, an IKAC, a clout shoot, a novelty shoot, and for children, a Monster Hunt on Sunday afternoon.

Equestrian

The Equestrian Field will be open for training in a range of mounted games every day, and the archery range available to mounted archers for an hour each day except Monday. There will be mounted combat on Saturday afternoon, and a Ballet du Cheval performance on Monday afternoon.

Rapier

Rapier at Festival begins directly after Opening Court, with the Declaration Procession and Declaration/Valhalla Tourney. This will be followed by the Novices' Tourney and a Cut and Thrust Tourney, simultaneously in neighbouring fields. Friday will feature several Guild Prizes in the morning, along with a Youth Tournament, and Rapier War in the afternoon. Saturday will host Melee Games, the Baroness' Tourney, and a Veterans' Tourney, and on Sunday there will be the Rapier Fighter Auction Tourney and a Teams' Tourney. On Monday, there will be the Queen's Glove of Courtesy, followed by the Women's Tourney. Guild Prizes will be on Friday morning, and there are rapier classes spread throughout the event. Each evening at 8pm there is also a Rapier Social.

Heavy Combat

This Festival is full of opportunities for heavy combat, beginning with the Declaration Procession and Tournaments after Opening Court on Thursday, followed swiftly by the Pole Arm Tourney. Friday features a Rose Tourney and Combat of the Thirty, and the always-well-populated Fighter Auction Tourney will begin on Sunday morning. The Heraldic Melee on Monday will wrap up the tourney schedule, (except for the Children vs. Knights Battle just afterwards).

War

War is running over three days this year. On Friday morning, there will be war scenarios based on field battles and forest skirmishes. (There will be Rapier War in the afternoon.) On Saturday afternoon after Royal Court, there will be scenarios focused on forts, bridges, and other restricted spaces. And on Sunday after the completion of the Rapier Fighter Auction Tourney, there will be 'Who Dunn It' war, with scenarios using the murder room/village.

General Site Information & Rules

Please remember that the guiding principles of the Society are Chivalry and Courtesy to all. Camp Wombaroo is a private property, with the right to refuse entry without cause of any kind. Violation of the following rules may result in expulsion from the site without refund or result in a fine. You will be required to sign an agreement stating that you have read and understood these rules and will abide by them before entering the site.

NSW LAW

- Anything against the criminal code of NSW is prohibited at Festival. Do not bring illicit drugs of any kind.
- Crossbows are illegal in NSW. Don't bring them.
- Merchants must have any permits required by law and/or regulation to sell their wares. This includes food vendors.
- No-one may sell alcoholic beverages without the proper license.
- Providing alcohol to minors is an offense. Do not do it or you will be asked to leave.



GENERAL SITE RULES

- Please obey all directions from the Stewards, Constables and Marshals. The token given to you at the gate must be carried and displayed at all times; it must also be shown at the gate for re-entry.
- Certain tokens will define your length of stay on site. Day trippers must ensure they carry and display their day token.
- Anyone coming on site must make an attempt at pre-17th Century historical costume at all times outside of their tent. As much as possible this rule should apply to all aspects of your camping as well.
- There are no animals allowed on-site – this includes horses unless by prior arrangement.
- Any members of the media must make prior arrangements with the Festival Stewards. Any media persons arriving and hoping to report from Festival without having made prior arrangements will not be permitted on site.
- The site buildings are nut free. This means the kitchens, the dorm rooms, the bathrooms, the meeting room (which will be used for meetings). The camp sites can have nuts, but need to act responsibly with the products and their waste.
- Smoking of filtered cigarettes is not permitted on site. Pipes, cigars and unfiltered cigarettes are permitted.



HIRE GEAR

- Hire equipment including marquees will be delivered and erected on or about the Monday prior to Festival.
- Pavilions will be erected in campsites. All other hire equipment can be found at the Tavern, where people can be signed off the equipment register, and collect it. Do not take any equipment without first seeing the Holder Of The Clipboard.
- The closest you can drive to the Tavern pavilion is on the ring road, which does its circuit above the Great Hall. Your equipment will need to be carried across the Village Green grass. Bring your household members to help.
- At the end of Festival campsites that have had equipment hired will have to return equipment to the Tavern. Campsites will be left completely clear, apart from hired pavilions, on Tuesday afternoon.
- Pavilions will be removed on Wednesday morning, in order to allow for clear and safe access for Patti's Hire.
- Please make sure you return all your equipment or you will be required to pay for it.

CAMPSITES

- All guy ropes must be marked with white material to avoid accidents.
- Campsite areas must be kept clean – we are the SCA and we leave areas cleaner than we found them!
- No powerful electric light sources (e.g. Coleman lanterns) may be used outside or in public areas.

Site Rules - Cars, Site Access, & Fire

CARS AND ACCESS

- Cars will be allowed on site at the following times:
 - * **2pm Sunday 9th April (set up day) – 9.30am Thursday 8th April (before Opening Court)**
 - * **Quick Unload Only: 11am Thursday 13th April (after Opening Court) – 9am Friday 14th April**
 - * **From Closing Court (roughly 5pm) Monday 17th April – 3pm Tuesday 18th April (site closed)**
- There will be traffic lights on the dirt access road directing when you can drive onto and off site. The period of red will be set to allow people enough time to travel in the other direction. Obey the lights.
- Please adhere to the posted speed limits and drive on only specifically designated roads.
- Do not park in the spaces reserved for Royalty or the Steward, unless you are Royalty or the Steward.
- Loading zones provided near the sign-in tent are for short term parking only. You will be asked to move your vehicle if deemed necessary.
- During Opening Court – between 9.30am and 11am on Thursday 13th April – we request that no cars be driven on site, and any cars arriving wait at the gate. Quick Unload Only means drive on site, unload, drive off site and THEN deal with your gear. If you are arriving on Thursday, you might like to organise with people in your campsite to help you unload.
- This year, for **MERCHANTS ONLY**, there will be a one-way horseshoe road around the Village Green, available for limited times, during setup and pack-down. **These times will be: Wednesday 12th April noon – 7pm, and Tuesday 18th April 8am – 1pm.** This road will be for unloading and loading only – vehicles will need to be removed as soon as possible, so that other people can use the road. There will be no entry to this road without an escort.
- Wombaroo reserve the right to change their decisions about car access during Festival, depending on the weather before and during the event. Cars can **ONLY** be driven on roads. Some roads are permanent roads. Some roads will be marked by a line of white rocks for our event. You may park your car on the edge of these roads to allow others through. Do not leave the roads to park in your campsite.
- Please be mindful of others who need to use these roads. Unload as quickly as you can, and move your vehicle as soon as possible. People arriving on site outside of the times stipulated will need to unpack their gear by the gate tent. There may be carts available for you to move your gear to your campsite. You are urged to ask your campsite to assist you.
- There is a parking section for people with a disability permit. If you have a disability permit and are staying in the cabins, you have additional, escorted access – please ask the Stewards for more details, or at the Gate. Further to this – if your campsite own a cart that you have finished using, you might like to donate it to the Gate for others to use through the weekend. Any driver found misusing these regulations may be asked to leave site.



FIRE

- All fires and flame sources must be attended. If your campsite has an unattended fire you will receive a fine of \$50 or more. This includes lanterns and candles. Keep your indoor cooking areas clear and safe, and never leave cooking unattended. Please use care when disposing of tobacco ashes. No flames are to be left unattended inside tents. This includes candles.
- All campsites must have a clear method for extinguishing their fire: A chemical fire extinguisher, multiple buckets of water or sand for each fire, or a fire blanket. If your fire precautions are not adequate you will be issued with a fine.
- Campfires must be in a four (4) metre diameter cleared area, free from long grass, tents and overhanging trees. Only existing fire circles and braziers/above ground fire pits with appropriate protection for the ground may be used. NO pits/holes may be dug to accommodate fires.
- Firewood is available for purchase in the nearby towns. Please make arrangements to bring firewood on site. There is a VERY LIMITED amount of firewood to be collected on site – it is already in piles. Please don't take wood which is not in piles. Please be sensible with any flame powered device – cookers, candles etc.

Site Rules continued.

WATER

- Soak pits must not be dug for wastewater disposal. Wombaroo supplies waste water points around the site.
- Showers can drain onto the grass as long as (perforated) matting is down to prevent mud forming and to protect the grass. Showers must not drain into other campsites or onto public spaces.
- Shower Zones accessible to all (marked on the campsite map) have been provided for campsites unable to meet the above requirements. Matting will still need to be provided for showers set up in this area. Showers cannot be set up in bush areas, or any non-campsite area, other than the Shower Zones.
- All other wastewater must be gathered in containers, strained if required, and disposed of at greywater drain sites, shown on the Campsite map as 'Shower Zones'. Campsites cannot split or divert water sources without seeking permission from the Stewarding Team PRIOR to Festival set up.

SWIMMING

- Wombaroo has stated there will be no public nudity on their site. This is also supported by the SCA BOD, who have stated that the SCA does not endorse nudity at their events.
- Clothing of some sort must be worn while swimming. An attempt at historic attire is appreciated, but not necessary. Be sensible in your choices – loose clothing such as voluminous chemises can often become a swimming hazard.
- Shoes are recommended when swimming. No glass containers are to be used in or within 5 metres of the dam.
- Be aware that the swimming hole is away from the main camp. All swimmers swim at their own risk. Swimmers are advised to take friends with them and not swim alone. Children **MUST BE SUPERVISED** at all times. See the Parent Code of Conduct and the Parental Supervision Guidelines for more details.
- As with any venue on site, you are advised to guard against the sun and heat. Hats, sunscreen and water will be needed as there is very little shade by the dam. Avoid swimming in the middle of the day when UV is highest.
- At past Festivals, a nearby camp has offered a communal tent for changing, and lightweight swimming tunics are often able to be borrowed. Please respect this offer by leaving things as you found them. Borrowed tunics are to remain at the dam. Anyone found acting in a dangerous manner, or intoxicated around the dam will be asked to return to their camp for their own safety. Continued dangerous behaviour may result in expulsion from the event.

WASTE MANAGEMENT

- Campsite recycling (paper, cardboard, unbroken bottles, rigid plastic, and metal) is to be deposited in communal recycling bins (at Village Green and near most toilet blocks) to be sorted by the waste team. If the bins are full, alert the constabulary team rather than overfilling it.
- Campsite waste must be disposed of in the general rubbish skip behind the Hall rather than the communal garbage bins on the Green. In your campsite, waste and recycling is to be gathered in a bin bag that will prevent it blowing away or being eaten by native animals.
- Wherever possible, please take your rubbish home with you. Chemical toilets are NOT to be emptied on-site.



TAVERN RULES

- The tavern is licenced between 4pm and midnight. During that time, normal alcoholic venue regulations apply. Children should not be within 1 metre of the bar; bar staff will not serve intoxicated people; no one should purchase alcohol for a minor; alcohol purchased in the venue must be consumed in the venue. These are NSW State laws, and are punishable as such. Additionally, the condition of our licence is that no weapons will be brought into the licence premises, and glass vessels are not permitted.
- Customers are expected to bring their own drinking vessel. Ceramic, horn, metal are all acceptable.
- Customers are asked to take care of their waste.

Site Rules - Child Safety

You are always responsible for your child/ren and their actions. To help parents understand the expected standard of behaviour, a Code of Conduct has been developed. You will need to take the time to read, understand, and sign the Parental Supervision Code of Conduct.

You can review the relevant documents here: [Parent Code of Conduct](http://festival.lochac.sca.org/files/2016/11/Draft-Festival-Parent-Code-of-Conduct-2016.pdf) at <http://festival.lochac.sca.org/files/2016/11/Draft-Festival-Parent-Code-of-Conduct-2016.pdf> and the [Parental Supervision Guidelines](http://festival.lochac.sca.org/files/2016/05/Festival-Guidelines-v4.2-Final.pdf) at <http://festival.lochac.sca.org/files/2016/05/Festival-Guidelines-v4.2-Final.pdf>

The Code of Conduct will be available across SCA Lochac websites and FB pages and available to be signed at the Rowany Festival registration point. The requirements for parental supervision are age-dependent. Please read the guidelines below, and in the documents above, to be sure you are aware of the supervision levels required for your child/children.

- The guidelines mean that it is no longer the responsibility of the constables to ensure all children are under adult supervision at all times. Instead the constabulary will be required to intervene only when a very young child is unsupervised, a child is breaking the rules of festival, is in a prohibited area, is endangering themselves/ others or disturbing the peace.
- Children aged 7 and under will be required to wear a tag identifying who they are, their campsite and their parent/ caregiver. (These are available at the Sign-in Tent). The parent or guardian of any child found without this identification will be warned once and then asked to leave if it occurs again.
- Prohibited Areas: The tavern, and mead bar, are legally prohibited to minors. Children may pass through the tavern only if accompanied by a parent/carer, and must not be within one metre of the bar at any time. During the Market, the bar is closed and children may enter. Dams and waterways are prohibited areas to unaccompanied minors. Children under 14 years must be accompanied by a parent/carer. The archery field and war field are also prohibited areas to unaccompanied minors. Children under 14 years must be accompanied by a parent/carer.
- The Steward has the authority to impose a range of sanctions or restrictions in response to behaviour that is dangerous, disruptive or against the Festival Rules, up to and including expulsion from Festival.

Schola (Children's Activities)

The Schola is the Children's Activity Space and classes. Ginevra Lucia di Namoraza is the Children's Coordinator for 2017. If you are interested in running classes, or if you have any enquiries, you can email her at schola@festival.lochac.sca.org.

The Children's Activity Space is a tent, dedicated to children, near the Children's Fort. If you have children to care for, you are welcome to use it. It is a 6m X 6m tent, with a couple of chairs and two tables.

IF YOU WISH TO HELP WITH CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES AT FESTIVAL, YOU MUST HAVE A VALID WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK. This is a state-wide legal requirement. Applications can be made online at www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check/apply. Fálki hinn Beinlausi is the current Kingdom Youth Deputy Seneschal.

If you already have your WWCC, and wish to help out at Festival, you can register with the SCA Youth Office by following the link youth.lochac.sca.org/apply-for-a-youth-activity-authorisation-card-2/.

Amenities

Water

There is bore water available on site, which is fully potable, and is already plumbed into the main buildings, cabin groups, showers and toilets. There are also three stand points.

Fire

The site is a low fire risk area. It rarely reaches above the High Fire Danger zone, and only in January. Ten fire pits are already set up around the site, with large logs set up as seating around the fires. Where there is no fire pit, Wombaroo has requested campsites use either a brazier or an above-ground fire pit with appropriate ground protection.

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**Fires
Allowed in
Designated
Areas
Only**
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Toilet Facilities

There are twenty permanent toilets on site, eight in the main building, and the others in blocks throughout the accommodation. These are reserved for those staying in the bunkrooms. For all others, there are portaloos throughout the site, including portaloos with disability access to the east of the Village Green, and near the gate, and toilets with disability access behind the Great Hall.

Showers

There are twenty showers on site with unlimited gas hot water systems. Please note that use of the showers is mostly restricted to those in dorm accommodation. The exception is the shower block behind the Great Hall between 6-8am, and between 6-8pm ONLY. This block is also available for family units (i.e. young children with their parents) and people with disabilities outside of those times.

Rubbish Collection

A general waste skip located near the Great Hall is available for all campsites to place their rubbish. Communal Recycling bins located along the Village Green and portaloos blocks will be emptied daily. The bins in the toilets and outside the cabins will be emptied by Wombaroo staff daily. Campers are encouraged to provide their own bins for personal use within their own campsite.

Power

Electricity is limited to the Guild Hall, the conference rooms, and some of the cabins. Power points in the Guild Hall are not for personal use – they get overloaded easily.

Permanent Storage

There are SCA-owned shipping containers on site for permanent storage, paid on a square-meter basis by prior arrangement.

Permanent Merchants

Who are they?	What are the wonderful things they are bringing? & Where can I get a sneak peak at their fabulous wares?
Salandal Aromatherapy	Ancient remedies for the modern world. We offer Aromatic massages to help with stress, energy levels and overall wellness. Come in and enjoy the experience. We will also have some aromatics for sale.
Colonial Lake Books	Colonial Lake Books Purveyor of Fine Literature in the Arts & Sciences, Braiding, Cookery, Dyeing, Fibrecraft, Fighting Skills, Garb, General Reference, Needlecraft, Songs, Spinning & Weaving. www.coloniallakebooks.com.au/
Pat Muir (Sydney Ancients)	Handwoven shawls, blankets and cloaks. Viking fur trimmed hats, handwoven, felted slippers, naalbound socks. New this year: organic beeswax candles, handmade soaps, botanical balms, salves and creams.
Longbranch Re-enactment	Long Branch Re-enactment stocks high quality Viking Age goods, from crafting supplies to replica jewellery, a significant amount of which is hand made with replica tools. www.longbranchreenactment.com
Shayrebel (MoG)	Leather goods, including the world-famous newbie kits
Medieval Shoppe	Weapons, armour, clothing, medieval items. www.medievalshoppe.com.au/
Armstreet Australia	
Medieval Emporium	Material, bags, cover-ups for mundane items, buttons, second hand books, baskets.
Elvira's Emporium	Elvira's Emporium will be back again with their range of gemstone pretties, jewellery, silk fabric, accessories and now with beautifully soft yak wool blankets (perfect as a cloak, wrap or blanket – super light and warm!). Something to suit everyone from leg wraps and Viking strands to pater nostas and Durer style necklaces. Pretties for your hair with replica hair sticks of horn, bone, and silver plate, and pretties for your fingers with sterling silver rings. Check out the facebook page for updates and pre-order opportunities. www.facebook.com/Elviras.Emporium
Silver Vixen	Long bows, Arrows, and ancillary Archery gear. www.silvervixen.com.au
Pat the Weaver	Handwoven cloaks, shawl, fur trimmed hats, naalbound socks, 18th C mochaware pots.
Medieval Attachments	Medieval Attachments are excited about being a permanent merchant at Festival this year. As usual we have Trefoil brooches, Tortoise brooches to decorate your apron dresses. We will also be selling replica buttons (The Eleanor del Toledo buttons) , replica jewellery, cloak clasps, lacing rings, veil pins and much more. www.facebook.com/medievalattachments/
Elisabet's Handspun	We will be selling wool, fibre spinning equipment, buttons, lace and braid. Also providing a space for people to come sit and share fibre crafts.
Coffee Cart	Merlin and Janet, the charismatic owners and operators of the ever-popular Alchemy coffee van, will be on site selling barista made coffees, hot chocolates and teas for all your caffeine desires.
Black Squirrel Feastware	High quality, Medieval-inspired food-safe pottery for the feast table by Mistress Madelaine de Bourgogne. www.facebook.com/Black-Squirrel-Feastware-194842290546322/
Golden Gryphon	Cordials, candles, hand-spun thread, and reproduction Books of Hours. Snacks and lunch items.
Emlyn's Adornments	Craft affordable, attractive SCA accessories and jewellery from a mixture of recycled and re purposed materials and goods. From hats, hoods and veils to jewels and brooches, we will provide the perfect finishing touches to your garb. We also craft personalised heraldic parasols and take orders for personalised items of all kinds. Our prices are fair and our craftsmanship superb. So go on. Adorn Thy Self. www.facebook.com/Emlyns-Adornments-836851516332163/
Flaming Gargoyle Pottery	Full range of medieval reproduction pottery. www.facebook.com/FlamingGargoylePottery/
Kiri du Papillon	Kiri's emporium of delicious and decorate delights provides a panoramic picture of the pulchritunious and picturesque . Find the finest gems, geegaws, gizmos and gay gifts. There is something for everyone. For those of more limited budget there is a huge selection of fans, lacing rings, parasols, rings, chains, earrings, beads, books and more at outrageously reasonable prices. For the more sophisticated palate, I also stock an exclusive selection of limited edition reproduction objects (including prints of illuminations), glassware as well as a few genuine Viking and Roman pieces – not reproductions – the real things! www.facebook.com/Kirielscrafts/

A Taste of the Market Day Stalls

Who are they?	What are the wonderful things they are bringing? & Where can I get a sneak peak at their fabulous wares?
Jacques Jenkins	I herald the return of Lochac's unofficial 'pin-up' calendar brought to you by the College of St. Basil the Great! Featuring many important historical dates, dates for quarterly reports for officers and starts in May – the start of the SCA year. Each month you will be treated with a fresh spread from the collegians of the western shores from in and around the university of WA's campus. Price ~\$10 TBC
Martin & Dorte Planert	Highly polished Viking Drinking Horns, rustic Rams Horns, Horn spoons, Horn hair pins, horn buttons, shoe horns, horn combs, hand-bound Leatherbooks with authentic stamps and design from 9th to 16th century with acid-free Fabriano Art Paper, hand-marbled 1st and last page, hand-made by Italian book restorer, who has done some restoration for the Vatican, Medieval Jewellery, Celtic, Gothic, Byzantine, Ancient Egypt, unique ladles carved from olive branches.
Honore's Little Shoppe	Margo Anderson's patterns
porfinn	Semi-precious beads
Mainly Medieval	A large range of pamphlets and Complete Anarchists regarding medieval life, culture, art, and crafts. We will also be selling a large range of re-enactor goods including pewter badges, spoons, linen napkins and towels, combs, games, sewing and dress accessories and knives. www.mainlymedieval.com/
Ranif Pallessen	Stoneware pottery using glazes of the Jian, Sung, Yuan & Ming dynasties. www.luepottery.hwy.com.au/
Andrew McKenna	Fur pelts
Thorbjorn Svifnhorni	Wooden items
Morgaine Grey	Leather
Hugh Fortesmains	3D-printed blunts
Eloise Darnell	Festival T-Shirts
Aluina del Greneoke	The famous Dimitrii Hats
Benedict of York	Hand-crafted jewellery www.facebook.com/bloodandironjewellery/
Gottmark Emporium	Master Iarnulfr Thorolfsson and Mistress Aliena de Savigny bring you fine wool from Darton, and rare bone carvings on behalf of the estate of the late Lughaid mac Aonghuis Dhuibh of Southron Gaard.
Aeschine of Arran	Selling a selection of small hand-sewn items and bric-a-brac
Llywelyn Penbras	Tablet weaving looms, hedeby bag handles, playing cards
Eleanora de la Birche	Wool, silk, linen – by the metre
Padraig Lowther	Beads, pearls, feathers and buttons
Steina Silfursmithr	A trained silversmith, making pennanular brooches in the style of Bronze/Roman/Celtic/Norse/early Medieval period. All of my brooches are hand made by me in my studio in Rowany.
William Blackwood	Merchandise related to the Lochac Royal Guild of Defence, including cloth woven Guild Badges, a few T-shirts baring the Guild Device and copies of my I33 fencing manual
Kit Hackforth	Knives, ironwork and fencing gear

Along with other fine merchants with a fine variety of wares such as:

Lady Mairi of Kilravock

Jean The Hornmaster

Anthony Craft

Hawk

Ulfar Hausakljufur

Llywelyn Penbras

Giacamo del Castilo

Gabriel de Beaumont

Zoe Woodard

Rodrigo de Burgos

Yseult de Lacy

Steel Embassy

Mathias von Massenbach

Äzorfinn Hrolfsson

Mark Ottignon

Rodrigo de Burgos

Please note, the details in the tables above are current as at the 3 April 2017, and may be subject to change.

Emergency Evacuation

In the unlikely event of disaster, so that everyone can be removed off-site as quickly and safely as possible, an evacuation plan has been devised. Evacuation Controllers will be wearing high visibility vests. In the event that the site needs to be evacuated the following procedure will be followed:

1. An air horn will sound a series of three long blasts.
2. All attendants will immediately return to their camp-site if safe to do so.
3. One small bag of valuables only p/person can be taken, then individuals will be told to move to the car park.
4. Once at the car park, names will be collected by a person wearing a high visibility vest.
5. Individuals will be asked to move to their cars in an orderly manner.
6. Once inside a vehicle, all individuals will be expected to follow the directions of the person(s) wearing the high visibility vest to form a column.
7. All cars will then exit the site following a pace car (hazard lights will be flashing) to a staging area at Black Springs Rd.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Individuals are requested to:

- Check out the path between their camp-site and the car park before the need for evacuation.
- Follow the directions of the stewarding staff and the evacuation coordinators – in this instance the evacuation coordinator is the final arbiter.

Individuals are asked not to:

- Panic
- Try and pack up an entire camp-site
- Try to re-enter the camp-site after reaching the car park.

Health, Safety, & the Environment

Staying Healthy

- Drink plenty of fluids, wash your hands regularly – soap or disinfectant is available in all portaloos, but consider bringing your own hand sanitiser and keeping it on your person.
- Wear shoes, sunscreen, and a hat.
- Avoid sharing water bottles or drinking vessels. Avoid drinking alcohol to excess.
- Make sure all wounds and sores are treated immediately to avoid infection. When walking through bushland, be aware that there may be leeches, spiders, or snakes around, and take care.
- Bring a campsite first aid kit. Wash your hands before handling food, and ensure all food is stored appropriately and all meat is cooked thoroughly.
- If you have any symptoms of diarrhoea or gastroenteritis, stay AWAY from all food preparation and notify the Chirurgeonate.

Pre-existing Conditions

If you have a medical condition that could affect you during Festival then please notify the Chirurgeonate on arrival and fill in a Confidential Medical Information form, and let someone within your encampment know of the form's whereabouts should it be required. Please get all pre-existing medical conditions checked before coming to Festival. Make sure you bring any necessary medication with you, and let people in your campsite know about any specific medical

needs. (For example, asthma that might require you to be careful around smoke, or allergies.)

Mobility

For people with mobility related issues there will be a disabled portaloos provided free of charge located near the Tavern. Disabled Portaloos will also be available for hire should individual campsites require them. There is an RV parking area for people who may have mobility related issues and who wish to bring campervans onto site.

In Case of Emergency

Bring your Medicare card in case you need prescription medication or medical treatment beyond basic first aid. If you do need to go to hospital **DO NOT TAKE KNIVES OR SWORDS** with you, and take them off inebriated people who have to go, too. These items are dangerous, and hospital staff should not have to deal with people carrying them. Be aware that ambulance cover is not provided by the state, and many private health insurance policies are very limited in what they cover. Consider ambulance cover, as many states have reciprocal agreements with NSW.

Above all, if you have any concerns about your health, visit the Chirurgeons' Tent or contact the Chirurgeonate. Small problems, left untreated, can become larger quickly. Please note, however, that outside the hours of 9-5, the Chirurgeonate are only available for emergencies.

Contact List

Duty	Name	Contact
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Frequently Asked Questions

Arrival

- **Can I bring my car onsite Thursday afternoon?** YES. Cars will need to be removed before 9am on Friday morning. Any car on site on Thursday is only on site for long enough to drop-off. See the [Site Rules](#).
- **If I can't get to site before 9am Friday, how can I get my gear onsite?** There is a late arrivals/early leavers campsite near the Gate, so that you don't have to carry your gear as far.
- **Can I drive my gear into my campsite?** No, you can only drive and park on the designated roads. Maps will be published closer to the event. See the [Site Rules](#).
- **At the end of the event, can we stay onsite Tuesday night and leave Wednesday?** No, all Festival attendees must be off site by 2pm Tuesday 18th April.
- **When is the earliest I can set up my campsite?** Set-up day, Sunday 9th April at 2pm is the earliest you can be on site.
- **When are portaloos being delivered onsite?** Tuesday, 11th April.
- **When will the hire equipment be delivered?** Mostly Monday and Tuesday, possibly some on Wednesday.

Bookings

- **If we are setting up on the Wednesday and staying the night, do we need to book pre-event tickets for that night?** No, the night of Wednesday 12th is included in the full event booking.
- **Are pre-event bookings only necessary if you are staying overnight before the event opens, or do we need them if we are just coming down during the day to set up tents?** Pre-event bookings needed for overnight visits only.
- **Is bedding included in my bunk booking?** No, you need to make your own arrangements for bedding. If you cannot bring your own, Mittingong has a Big W and Aldi, as well as op shops.
- **I booked, but now I can't come; can I get a refund?** Contact festivalbookings2017@gmail.com. NOTE: There are no refunds after 31st March 2017.

Camping

- **Does every campsite have a firepit on it?** No, we'll let groups know if they have one in their area as best we can (you'll recognise them by the log seating). You can set fires in braziers and off-ground fires if your campsite doesn't have a firepit.
- **Can I use my butane canister "lunchbox" stove?** Yes, as long as it has proper gas approvals. Anything older than 8 months old, or without the proper gas approvals is suspect and may be dangerous; please don't bring an explosion risk to Festival!

- **Is there a plan for people with camper trailers and campervans?** Yes, there is an RV section reserved.
- **Does my tent need white fabric tied to the ropes if the ropes themselves are white?** Yes. People with night blindness can better see the tag shape where lines disappear.
- **What is mobile phone coverage like at Wombaroo?** Reasonable but not great; you may need to move around to find a spot with coverage.
- **Can I use the powerpoints in the hall to charge my phone?** No, the wiring is bad and the kitchen fuses keep blowing. Please make other arrangements.
- **Can I bring nuts to Festival?** All buildings at Wombaroo are nut-free, but you may consume nuts and nut-products in your campsite as long as you are thorough and careful in disposing of your waste.

Services

- **Can I buy alcohol at Festival?** Yes! The Tavern will be selling alcohol from Thursday to Sunday between the hours of 4pm and midnight. During these times, there are to be no weapons on the premises (eating knives are fine), no glass drinking vessels or individual serve bottles brought to the premises, and no under-18s may be within a metre of the bar. Alcohol purchased in the Tavern may not leave the premises. Ice and soft drinks will be available from midday, Thursday to Monday. Tavern mugs will be on sale on Saturday from midday until sold out.
- **Can I still buy ice at Festival?** Yes.
- **Can I buy food at Festival?** Yes, there are some food vendors, for example [Greesispoone](#) and Golden Gryphone.
- **Can I buy extra, souvenir tokens?** If there are any left over, yes, once the event is closed – contact the Stewards.
- **If I have too much to take home, can I donate it?** Yes, to 'Paladin's Pantry', who will give sleeping bags, tents, unopened packet food, and unused fruit, vegetables, and eggs to [Angels for the Forgotten](#).

Activities

- **What night is Boar's Head?** Monday night, in the Tavern
- **Is there a soup kitchen Wednesday night?** YES, and/or you can bring your dinner and eat in company at the Long Hall.
- **Is there a soup kitchen Thursday night?** Yes, in combination with a Pot Luck Feast in the Great Hall.
- **What clothes should I wear to swim?** Wear what you are comfortable in and what is appropriate for wearing around children and in mixed company. If it also happens to be historical, great.

