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The information below was taken from the July 2003 issue of the Sage Advice.

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12	Challenge of Sherwood
19	Dragon's Tear Tournay
19	Iron Chef Competition
26	1066
26	Gaelic Games

<u>August</u>	
2	Artemisian Games
9	Harry's Nest
9	Otherhill Shire Birthday
16	Heartwarming
16	Castle Siege
22-24	Gryphon's Fury
30	Raptor War

<u>September</u>	
6	Midge Marsh Melce
13	Artemisian Coronation
20	Harvest War
27	Museum Comes To Life

<u>October</u>	
11	Artemisian Crown Tournay
18	Baronial A & S
18	Harvest Court
25	Gathering of the Gryphon Host

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THEIR EXCELLENCIES' MISSIVE

Alric and Catherine, Baron and Baroness of Arn Hold, do send fondest greetings,

Our recent journey to the Barony of One Thousand Eyes was a pleasurable time spent with our good friends. As always, our Barony put forth an excellent showing, and our encampment was the envy of others. To all those who participated in the martial activities at Uprising, we applaud you! Our fighters, equestrians and archers (as always) make us proud to be part of this Barony.

Of special note was the participation by members of the populace of Arn Hold in the Laurel's prize tournament, held on Saturday. Over half of the participants who displayed their arts were from Arn Hold — a tremendous showing. Our fine artisans set a shining example for our Barony, and for Artemisia.

We thank all of those members of the Barony who helped set up the encampment, assisted us during the event, and worked to pack up when it was time to leave. The care that the members of our Barony show for us and for each other is unrivaled. We would like to extend a special thank you to those who assisted her Excellency, keeping her safe and comfortable until the arrival of the Baron, late in the event. Thank you again for your service and friendship.

This month the archers of our Barony gather at the "Challenge of Sherwood." Join us as we hone our archery skills and strive in friendly enmity against our noble yeomen. We look forward to a splendid day of classes, competition and camaraderie.

Remember, Raptor War is just around the corner. Our fine event stewards, their Excellencies Konrad and Korland, have a full schedule of events planned. There will also be many opportunities to volunteer and we urge you to do so. Volunteer early and volunteer often!

In Service and Friendship,

Alric & Cate



couple of things to consider adding to your X-pen is a top, and stakes to stake the edges down. A large (or just very determined dog!) can knock over an X-pen or jump out without a top or stakes. Also, as with the crate, make sure your dog has shade and isn't left alone in his X-pen for long periods (especially if you haven't used one before, and don't know whether he can escape it!).

Tabard: I know this may sound kind of silly to some of you, but not only does a tabard for your dog look good, but it also help identify him if he gets away!

Sweaters/extra blankets: A general rule of thumb (for short-haired breeds especially!) is, if YOU are cold, your dog is too! Some northern breeds, like Huskies, may be perfectly happy without any extra protection, but most dogs will thank you! While you're out camp-hopping, check on your dog frequently to make sure he's warm enough. Consider putting a sweater on him if it gets cool. Also adding an extra blanket inside the crate and another over the top helps to trap warm air in the crate. Make sure when draping the crate to allow for plenty of fresh air!

First Aid kit: There are many good resources on the internet as to what to include in your dog's First Aid kit. While it should include the usual First Aid items like bandages, you'll need to change/add a few things to make it "dog ready." Make sure you have any medications your dog regularly needs, including heartworm meds. Talk to your vet about what pain killers to include. Common pain killers like Tylenol, Ibuprofen and naproxin are harmful to dogs, and fatal to cats! Also, check to make sure what doses are right for your dog (for each med) BEFORE leaving the house, and tape this information into the inside lid of the kit. Then, if anything happens, you won't be frantically trying to remember how much to give him!

You'll also want to make sure your dog is up-to-date on all legally required vaccinations as well. This will help you avoid possible problems down the road, in case (heaven forbid!) your dog bites someone, or if you will be in an area where your dog will be at risk for insect-transmitted diseases like Lyme disease and heartworms. Make sure to bring a copy of your vet records as well, especially if you're traveling out of state.

A word about training: Two things that can be extremely annoying to others are excessive barking and jumping. While some dogs are very quiet by nature, some bark at every little breeze. Know your dog! If you know he's yappy, make sure you don't leave him alone. If you have to leave him for a short time, make sure he's got a treat or favorite toy to keep him occupied. Be especially careful not to let him bark into the night! Remember, tents have thin walls... As for jumping, by this I mean letting your dog jump up on people, tables, etc. This one is something my dogs and I struggle with. Don't let your dog jump or climb up on people, unless they are actively encouraging it. On a related note, remember that even a small dog can knock over a small child or someone who is unsteady on their feet. Keeping your dog on a leash and training him to Heel will solve this problem 99% of the time.

When walking down merchant row, be considerate...not only of your fellow shoppers, but also of the merchants! Many merchants don't mind you bringing a well-behaved dog into their booths, but always ask them first! If they would rather you didn't bring pets inside, DON'T tie your dog to a handy table, chair, tent pole, etc. Besides the obvious fact that most dogs see poles as a bathroom(!), an unattended dog is an accident waiting to happen! Even a calm, well-mannered dog can turn defensive if he's left alone in an unfamiliar situation.

While all this may sound like a lot of work and worry, bringing your dog with you doesn't have to be hard. Just use these guidelines and you can bring your dog to events with a minimum of fuss and make the whole experience more enjoyable for both of you!

HOUNDS IN THE SCA, PART ONE: CAMPING WITH YOUR DOG

An article by Artemisian Kingdom Regent of Hounds: Lady Aine MacCullen

Do you have a dog? Would you like to involve it in the SCA? In this two part article, I'll explain how to you can bring your dog with you to events and involve it in a way that will be fun for both of you! Oh, and while we're at it, in the second section, I'll answer that oft-repeated question, "What is lure coursing anyway?"

First things first, check the event write-up. Most event articles will state whether pets are allowed on site, and if they are, what restrictions there will be. If there is nothing either way, contact the autocrat and make sure. The last thing you need is, to drive 5 hours only to find out that you can't bring your dog on site! At that point, your options are to find a local boarding kennel (or local crash space) or take your dog home. Neither is very enjoyable or cheap! Now, let's say the write-up says Pets are ok. What will you need to bring to make your stay enjoyable for you, your dog, and those around you? That depends on what kind of event you'll be attending. For a day long event, you might not need all of the items listed, but for camping events, you'll want to try to cover any contingency. The basics are:

Collar and leash: Make sure the collar has up-to-date info on the ID tag, in case your pet escapes! If your cell phone number is listed on the tag, make sure to keep it with you. It's also a good idea to bring some extra leashes and an extra collar.

Food, water, bowls: Bringing food and especially water from home lessens the chance that a change of food will upset your dog's stomach. Especially at a hot event, it's a good idea to carry a water bottle for him too, and offer water frequently. The most common vet emergency at events is heat exhaustion, which can be life threatening! A good way to keep your dog from overheating, drape a wet/damp cloth over him. This creates a swamp cooler-like effect, which keeps him enviably cool!

Crate: Properly used, a crate gives your dog somewhere it can go to "get away from it all," and feel safe. SCA events, while exciting and fun for us, can be a source of stress to your dog. Ever feel like you've had enough for a while, and head back to camp to take a nap? Your dog needs the same sort of hidey hole to run to. Make sure you put the crate in a shady area on hot days, and in a heated area on cold ones. Don't leave your dog unattended for long periods of time, even when he's safely in a crate! Shade moves, which can leave your dog in the hot sun, small children can poke fingers into the crate and get bitten (or let your dog out!), your dog can run out of water and dehydrate...you get the idea. Crating your dog also pretty much ensures that he won't escape (many dogs learn almost immediately how to unzip a tent!) and helps keep him from being harmed from stray dogs and wild animals.

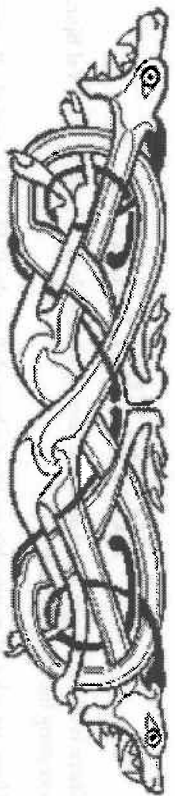
Pooper scooper: Something to pick up your dog's "messes" should NOT be considered optional! One of the biggest complaints site owners (and other SCAdians!) have is fecal matter underfoot. The easiest thing to bring for this is a bunch of plastic baggies (sandwich type bags work well). Just turn the baggie inside out, pick up the poop, then turn it right side out again; the poop is scooped, and you didn't even have to touch it!

Some extras you might want to bring:

Exercise Pen: Also called X-pens. These are available at places like PetSmart or through most pet supply catalogs. They are available in several different materials and many different sizes. X-pens are basically movable fences, which are handy for giving your dog a "yard" to run in, so he doesn't have to be always in his crate or on a leash. A

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FROM THE CHRONICLER

Greetings to the good Citizens of Arn Hold!

As had been forewarned, the price of the Moose Call will raise to \$18.00 a year beginning with this issue.

There have been some grumblings that this is too expensive and the price really shouldn't need to increase. Let me fill you in on why this was necessary.

Contrary to popular belief, the Moose Call is not a Baronial Fundraiser. It is a self-supporting newsletter that has income only by the amount of subscriptions sold. Because we have a limited circulation, we are able to negotiate only nominal discounts for printing. Postage has gone up several times. As we are non-profit, we cannot accept advertising.

Because this is an official publication of the barony, several copies are sent as Trade issues to other Baronies, and we send them to the current King & Queen, and to the Prince & Princess for no charge. We send issues, at no charge, to the Kingdom Seneschal, Society Archives, and to Kingdom Chronicler. Other issues are given to new or prospective members. This must also be absorbed by the subscription cost.

In the past year, the Moose Call has been losing money with every issue mailed. I have successfully negotiated as good a printing rate as we've had all year, and production costs for software, labor, and "extras" have been absorbed by myself. With only printing and mailing, the barony was having to support the Moose Call.

I hope you will understand the reasons why this was necessary. If you have further questions, please feel free to contact me and I'll do my best to answer them.

For Arn Hold!

Lady Auraelia de Medici

