

Wyrmegeist Fighter Practice

Every Sunday Afternoon, 2:00 pm-ish Until Dark
Last Sunday of every month is a Garb and Grub Practice
Open To The Public
Independence Park off Goodwood Blvd
Across the gravel parking lot from the soccer fields.

Wyrmegeist Populace Meetings

1st Monday of each Month, 7:00 pm
Open To The Public
Main Library on Goodwood Blvd.

Our website address:

www.wyrmegeist.org

Our Yahoo! Group:

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

Our Kingdom:

www.gleannabhann.org

Our newsletter and contact list are maintained online only!
For printed copies please contact our Chronicler.

Eventing - Gleann Abhann Style

November 6: Drop in the Bucket

hosted by Shire of Rooks Haven at Cook Road (MS).

November 14: Fall Crown List

hosted by Shire of Ardanroe at Caney Conf Center (LA).

November 19: Bordermarch Autumn Melees

hosted by Kingdom of Ansteorra in Texas.

December 4: Tournament of Champions

hosted by Shire of Iron Ox at (MS).

December 11: Christmas Revel

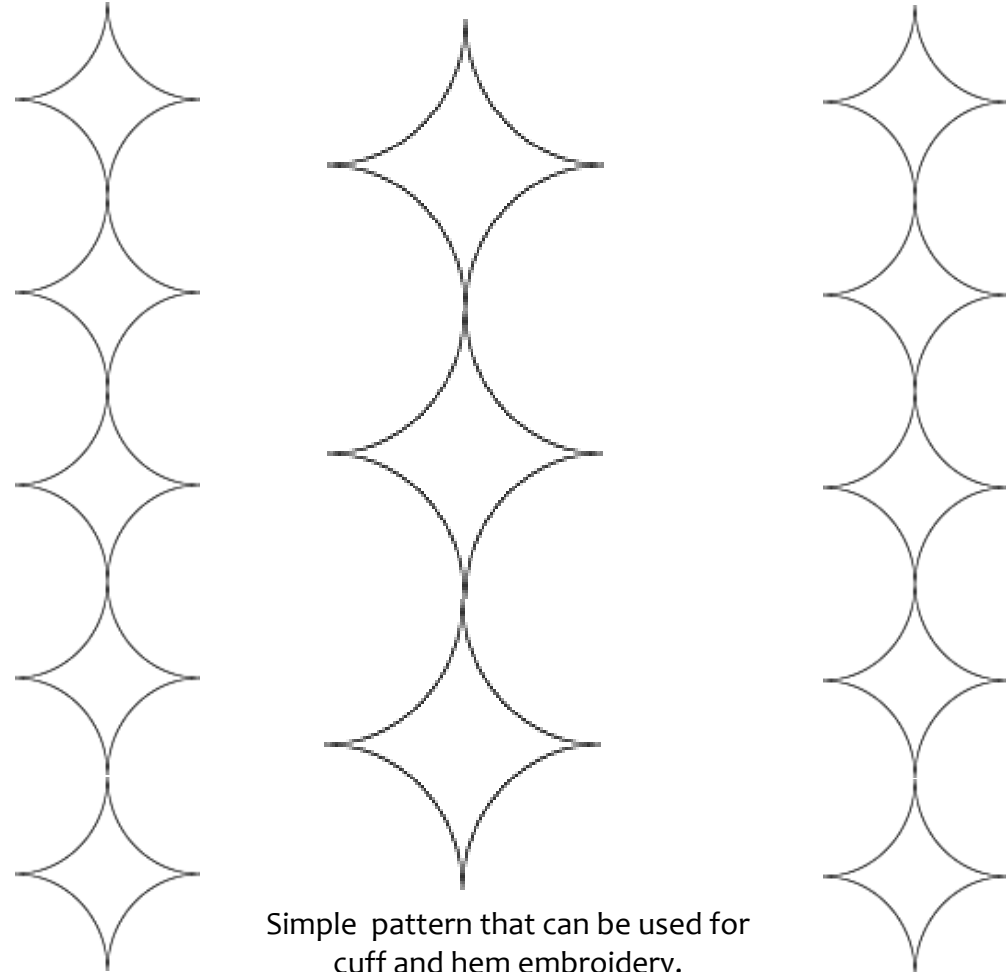
hosted by Shire of Axemoor at Camp Wilkinson (MS).

124 days until Gulf Wars!



Dragon's Breath

The newsletter for the
Shire of Wyrmegeist, in the
Kingdom of
Gleann Abhann



Simple pattern that can be used for
cuff and hem embroidery.

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Lasair's Project Corner

So, we didn't get the neat thread spools done this month. Big surprise. :o)

Considering the difficulty in finding articles that translate well to a newsletter, I'm going to use this section to babb- umm, share ideas about ongoing projects and what I have found that works or doesn't work.

The next idea on the list was temple rings, reminiscent of Rus Viking archaeological finds. In my opinion, the best article on temple rings is the article written by Peter Beatson (<http://members.ozemail.com.au/~chrisandpeter/trmain/tr1main.html>). The article shows multiple drawings of temple rings from actual finds.

Reproductions of some types of temple rings are easily purchased from online vendors such as Birka Traders (www.birkatradars.com) or Armour and Castings (www.armourandcastings.com). Large Kutchi hoop earrings such as those found at Tribal Bazaar (www.tribalbazaar.com) can also be used to emulate some types of temple rings. The real challenge is finding the spiral temple rings that are documented.



Spiral temple ring example from Peter Beatson article (see link above)

The first challenge is finding the appropriate wire. Michael's Crafts has pre-packaged coils of 18ga wire used for wire wrapping and to make wire jewelry. It looked like the right size, and there was enough to make multiple temple rings. The problem we had was that the wire was too soft. Great for wire wrapping - not so great for making stand alone spirals.

Next was Hobby Lobby. The jewelers wire they had was not a large enough gauge to be practical for temple rings. We did, however, find some aluminum tubes in the model train section that looked promising.

When I got it home, it was about the same gauge as the coil of wire from Michaels, but it was an actual tube.

So far, this has been perfect! Not too soft and held it's shape very well. We need to flatten the prototype a bit so it won't unroll when it gets caught in someone's hair or on their veil, but other than that they should work great!

The only drawback we found to the tubes is the size of the spiral that can be made, because the tubes are pre-cut lengths. We have yet to check LSU's co-op for spools of wire, and eventually we'll try sautering two tubes together to make larger spirals.

No, it probably won't happen within the next month, but we'll definitely have another project researched and ready to report on!! :o)

SHOPPING THE WEB!

More glass beads reminiscent of Viking archaeological finds can be found at Austin Hamilton.

<http://www.austinhamilton.ca/>

Anyone got any suggestions or want to brag about a good find??

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THE WEAVING SHEP

Inkle Loom patterns by Pippin!

