



THE MILITIA GAZETTE



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MEMBERSHIP DUE FOR 2012

Your current annual membership of The Militia is due to expire on February 29th 2012.

It costs £10 to join The Militia for the 2012 season.

This fee allows you to attend any Militia event that you have the right kit for (see the relevant Style Guide).

In addition it will cost a "Pay Per Play" fee of £2.50 to attend an event. So, the more events you attend the more you pay.

The £10 membership fee will cover the fixed costs each year such as our Public Limited Liability Insurance, while the Pay Per Play fees will meet running costs such as transporting and maintaining living history equipment.

Under 16s are still free. It is also free to attend training events.

You will still need to pay a £5 lunch contribution at each event though.

Why the change?

To try and save members a bit of money, but also ensure that we have money available to pay for insurance at the beginning of the year.

To make it a bit fairer – the more you use the more you pay.

We are aware this is the third change of membership policy in as many years, and we are sorry for any confusion – but like anything new it takes a few attempts to find out what works best for us.

Your membership questions answered ...

If I go to 4 events this year, how much membership will I pay?

You will pay £20 in total - £10 to be a member and a further 4 x £2.50 in Pay Per Play fees (plus lunch contributions).

Do training events count as Pay Per Play?

No – but we might ask for a contribution towards gunpowder if we're firing and there's no other way to pay for it.

What events can I go to if I'm a member?

As long as you are able to meet the requirements of the relevant Style Guide you can attend any event.

Do I have to fill in a membership form?

Yes please. We need to know who is on the books every year for the insurance. A membership form is enclosed with this newsletter. Please fill in one for every person who wishes to join and return with your cheque for the appropriate amount.

DON'T FORGET – 2012 MEMBERSHIP DUE 29TH FEBRUARY

TAVERN NEWS



VICIOUS SLAYING OF TEENAGE BOY

*"He was asking
for it" says big
lout*

Local police are investigating a brutal killing of an unnamed university student by a sword wielding monster outside our own local tavern. The local constabulary spokesman said that he will be investigating the alleged crime when he finally manages to figure out which side of the portaloo contains the door so he can get out !! Do you know the identity of the monster in this photo (taken at great risk) ? Please call Andrew George with any information you have

EAST EUROPEANS IN HAMPSHIRE RAMPAGE!



It appears that a bunch of aging itinerant (possibly Silesian) undesirables are aimlessly wandering the southern counties of England, looking for a place to stop for a few days. A situation that usually ends in a gunfight with the local gangs or groups. This photo (taken at great risk) shows the full extent of the problem, grey haired, slack jawed, pot bellied, knock kneed old men who should know better than to try and act younger than their years evidently are. The pretty young ladies were apparently English, and had been forced to cook, clean, sew and mend for these dinosaurs now known by the title... Der Prooshuns!!

HARRIDAN IN BABY SELLING SHAME

Guests at a top notch private function were horrified when this old crone tried to sell a baby so she could buy gin. Guests were compelled to rescue the little one, who is now under the protection of the adorable Mrs George.



JOHNNY FRANCOIS IN SNAIL EATING OUTRAGE

Some suggestion of espionage



The Royal Navy report the arrest of 2 French spies whilst they attempted to enter Britain in possession of the outlawed substance "garlic". Lt. Brown RN, leading the collar feeling exercise said 'When one of them refused a warm pint of bitter and drank lager, well we ran them in right quick. Emptied their pockets of cash and threw them in the slammer'. It appears one of them is a former servant and the other is at least 327 years old!

REMEMBER:

Check your email regularly for news and updates on Militia events.