

## *The Fifth Medieval Conference*



**MALDON '89**



*Welcome to the Fifth Australian Medieval Conference - MALDON '89. All those involved in the preparation and organisation hope that you will enjoy your time at the Conference whether you spend it on the battlefield, at the lectures or in the tavern.*

*We know that you will understand that because of the current fire restrictions that no campfires may be lit and that the greatest possible care should be taken with cigarettes and matches.*

*We also ask that you keep the length of showers to a minimum as we are currently experiencing a water shortage. There will be sufficient water for all if it is used wisely.*

*Please advise the people on the registration table of the competitions you are intending to enter so that they may include you on the appropriate list.*

*Additional information about the Conference program may be found on the blackboard located outside of the marquee.*

*The kitchen and coolroom areas are out of bounds to all persons not actually working there. This is for the safety of the persons employed in the kitchen as well as anyone who might think that the kitchen might provide a nice shortcut.*

*Conferences are an important aspect of the movement in Australia as they provide a medium through which widely scattered individuals can get together and meet each other, renew old friendships and exchange ideas.*

*Once again, may I welcome you to Maldon on behalf of the New Varangian Guard (Melbourne).*

*Michael Docherty  
Master at Arms, New Varangian Guard Inc (Melbourne)*

## FRIDAY

- 9.00      *Conference Opens*  
*Archery range opens*  
*Set up camps*  
*Meetings and greetings*
- 10.00     *Tavern opens*
- 11.00     *Weapon Skills Workshop*  
*An informal get together to discuss and test different fighting techniques.*  
  
*Venue: Near the large dam.*
- 12.30     *Lunch*
- 1.30      *Individual Combats*  
  
*Venue: The Fighting Field*
- 2.00      *Lecture: Weaving*  
*By Amanda Gorry (NVG Sydney Garrison)*  
  
*Venue: Marquee*
- 3.00      *Lecture: Siege Techniques - The Art of Defense and Attack*  
*By Stephen Wyley (NVG Melbourne Garrison)*  
  
*Venue: Marquee*
- 4.00      *Lecture: A Discussion of Medieval Music*  
*By Christine Williams (The Medieval Society of Tasmania)*  
  
*Venue: Marquee*
- 5.00      *Dance Workshop*  
*By Rebecca Mason (NVG Mountains Garrison)*  
  
*Venue: Please check blackboard.*
- 7.30      *Feast*  
*A delectable feast and general revelry into the small hours of the night.*

## SATURDAY

- 9.00      *Weapon Skill Workshop*  
*Practical discussion on Spear, Sword and Pike*  
*A Wrestling practice will also be held for all those who wish to improve their skills before the feast.*

*Venue: Near the large dam.*

- 10.00    *Individual and Melee Combats*

*Venue: Fighting Field*

- 11.00    *Fort Battles*

*Venue: The Fort*

- 12.30    *Lunch*

- 2.00      *Fort Battles and Massed Melees*

*Venue: Fort and Fighting Field*

- 4.00      *Lecture: Calligraphy*  
*By Wayne Robinson (Wolfshead)*

*Venue: Marquee*

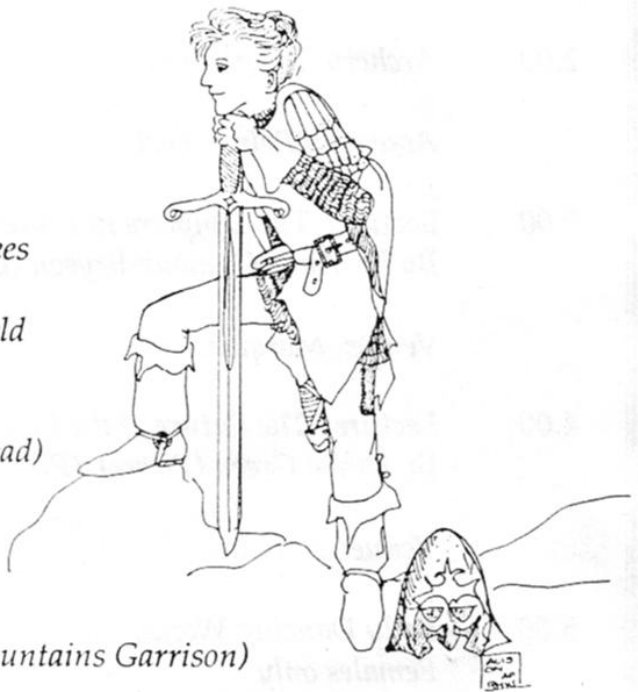
- 5.00      *Dance Workshop*  
*By Rebecca Mason (NVG Mountains Garrison)*

*Venue: Please check blackboard*

- 6.00      *Skirmish*  
*A combat archery battle*

*Assembly Point: Near showers*

- 8.00      *Feast*  
*Much revelry and feasting with diverse entertainments including Bardic competition.*



## SUNDAY

- 10.00     *Market*  
*Come buy and sell your wares, attempt the greasy pole, refine your wrestling skills, learn to juggle or practice period fencing.*

*Venue: Around the greasy pole*

- 11.45     *Treasure hunt*

*Assembly Point: Market area*

- 12.30     *Lunch*

- 2.00     *Archery Competition*

*Assembly Point: Fort*

- 3.00     *Lecture: The Templars in Peace and War*  
*By Dr Anne Gilmour-Bryson (University of Melbourne)*

*Venue: Marquee*

- 4.00     *Lecture: The Future of the Movement: A code of Professionalism*  
*By David Green (Pierre) (Pike & Musket Association of N.S.W.)*

*Venue: Marquee*

- 5.00     *Belly Dancing Workshop*  
*Females only*  
*By Barbara McNally (NVG Melbourne Garrison)*

*Venue: Please check blackboard*

- 5.00     *Bridge Battle*

*Venue: Small dam*

- 7.30     *Feast*  
*A delectable feast enlivened by belly dancing*



## MONDAY

9.00      *Weapon Skills Workshop*

*Venue: Near the large dam*

10.00    *Lecture: Bow Making*  
*By Chriss Garrett (NVG Sydney Garrison)*

*Venue: Marquee*

11.00    *Battles*

*Venue: Fighting Field*

12.30    *Lunch*

2.30      *Belly Dancing Workshop*  
*Females only*  
*By Barbara McNally (NVG Melbourne Garrison)*

*Venue: Please check blackboard*

3.00      *Individual Combats and Small Melees*

*Venue: Fighting Field*

7.00      *Archery Range Closes*

7.30      *Feast*

