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Chronicler

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Greetings Ponte Alto,

I am looking for a deputy chronicler who wants take over the job when I finish up my term at the end of December. Anyone that would like to do the job please contact me at mariatheresapontoon@yahoo.com with the Subject line **Chronicler** and I will be glad to train you over the next two months on how to do the job. .

Also, there are several **corrections** to last month's *Il Tempo*. First, Lady Caitilin Irruis inghean ui Riada (Christine Menton) was in attendance as Chatelaine and she gave her own report. I was sick so I did not know this. The assumption when her name didn't appear next to the notes was that she did not attend. This was incorrect. She was in attendance.

Also, Several of the officers have changed, so look up your information and make certain I've spelled your name and information correctly.

And finally, under 20 year.

It is corrected to show:

20 Year – Lady Elizabeth of Hadley Hall is Head cook. Lady Alesia la Sabia de Mercia is in charge of decoration, doing panels depicting major Pontoon events. Mistress Aislynn of Jarrow is in charge of entertainment. Typical Baronial birthday activities, including choosing the next Artisan & Bardic champions. There will be dancing & music. ACCEPS will be available for reservations; on-line seating system for feast will be used. There will be off-board seating available; 160ish for inboard; Regarding children at feast: under 6 years, eating from parent's plate free, if get their own plate-full price. The site is wet. There was a need for SCA insurance (\$50) and an ABC license (\$55). Duchess Kyneburh is doing site tokens. The event flyer is nearly finished and will have details on hobby horses. Merchants – Lady Caitilin is the merchant coordinator.

My apologies for these mistakes but I was ill and could not be at the meeting.

Sincerely,
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<http://www.sca.org/docs/pdf/ReleaseModelFillable.pdf>

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<http://www.sca.org/docs/pdf/ReleasePhotographerFillable.pdf>

Baronial Business Meeting Minutes

October 23, 2011
6:00p.m.

OFFICER'S REPORTS

Seneschal - Baron Marcellus Capozziello da Napoli

A few big things-

- ◆ The second batch of census data is out. Additional peerages are being discussed, the issue of same sex territorial baronages and Kingdom consorts was brought up and being discussed. So far the decision of baronages is strait forward. They can be held by two women or two men. The Kingdom consort issue is a little more difficult. Some Kingdoms have the issue built into their law and because the same sex of consorts is built into Corpora they are leaving it up to the Individual issues and if it is not written into Kingdom law it is allowable. Currently the issue of what types of abuses could happen?
- ◆ Unevent is going to be in MD about an hour away. No order meetings will be held. Majesties will meet with orders at various events, but not at Unevent. Site will cost \$6 fee per member to offset the total site fee of \$1,500.

Exchequer Lord Daniel Warwick

We have \$10,560.37 in the Barony Bank Account. This does not include the gate but does include all pre-registrations. It is estimated that Chalice made about \$1,200.

Knight Marshal - Charles the Bull, not in attendance.

Is recovering from back surgery and expected to be back and more active soon

Rapier Marshal - Lord Geoffrey ap Clywd,

Rapier continued and Marcellus won Chalice rapier.

Archery Marshal - Lord Miles de Locwode, not in attendance.

Archery Champion continues to be Naran.

Baroness-The event was great and everyone had lots of fun and we had a blast.

Arts and Sciences - Lady Bevin an Broc Drannach,

- ◆ 8 people displayed in the Arts and Sciences static arts category, with Amie Sparrow winning against last year's Champion, Rhonwen verch Tudor.
- ◆ Bardic.—5 entries with *Not Ready for Steirbach Singers* winning the Bardic competition.
- ◆ Encourages everyone to create and/or perform something for the 20 year Artisan and Bardic champion selection.

Chatelaine - Lady Caitilin Irruis inghean ui Riada,

Vows to Never do a newcomers meeting before an event again. This last month's meeting was at Pippa and Edwards with 13 newcomers. Chalice had 3 new people from this month's

newcomers and 2 that had been at Luce's newcomer night the previous month. Those two did not want to show up until they had gear that looked good. Luce and Caitilin hooked them up with Mistress Sofia and with her help they had lovely garb for Chalice – she borrowed a German outfit from Sofia, and he researched and sewed about 60% of his garb himself, with Sofia helping during the complicated parts.

The next meeting will be at Lady Annika's and Lord Hannus' house on Friday, November, 11, 2011.

Herald - Thegn Brénainn MacShuibne, not in attendance.

Chronicler - Baroness Marie-Therese Normand

Need a Deputy for the office because I will be stepping down as of December 31, 2011. I will be training them in the interim so that they will be in a position to support the office when I leave. Also as per normal I will need articles and artwork for the next issue of the Il Tempo.

Web Minister - Giovanna Rossellini di Firenze, not in attendance.

Cassandra is doing her job while Giovanna dealt with wedding plans. Now that she is married it is expected she will take up the responsibilities again, though Cassandra hasn't heard back from her recently.

Minister of the List - Lady Cellach Mór, not in attendance, Cassandra and others reported:

Cassandra worked as MOL for Chalice. Kel covered rapier for the events. MOLs that assisted during Chalice were: Allasondrea de Fano, Cellach Mór (aka Kel of Ponte Alto), and Kunigunde von Darmstad. MOL-ITs that assisted were: Jacintha of Highland Foorde and Livia di Samuele. Allasondrea and Cellach are newly warranted MOLs in our Barony. Vivat!

Cuan authorized in Cut-and-thrust and Baron Siegfried's sons authorized in both youth authorizations.

There were 17 participants in the heavy bearpit and 18 competing to become the King's Rapier Champion. Argly was chosen for the Kings Champion and Jacimo won the Rapier tournament. The rapier bearpit was fought by Marcellus and Geoffrey and Marcellus won the Chalice Champions for the Baronial Team.

BARONIAL NOTABLES

Warlord – Mistress Cunen Beornhelm, not in attendance.

Heavy Champion - Lucas von Aych, not in attendance.

Rapier Champion - Lady Caitilín Inghean Fheichín, not in attendance.

Archery Champion - Naran Numuchi, will continue to be Baronial Archery Champion.

A&S Champion - Giovanna Rossellini di Firenze, not in attendance.

Bardic Champion - Celia of Rosedale, in attendance but gave no report.

Brewing Champion - Aveline Scargill, not in attendance.

BARON AND BARONESS

B&B- No newcomers the night before an event. There were comments that other baronies would be bringing more teams to Chalice next year. There is a lot of interest in making the site a permanent one, rather than the previous site (Prince William). It does get cold that time of year and with the inside barn we can move fighting there as needed. We would then need to limit the event to a day long event. But the great majority of people that camped were staff. Cabin space would not be a problem and the royals can stay at a home of someone near the site. According to Brénainn it's \$400 less than the Prince William site.

Adina asked that people who attended Chalice fill out a short feedback questionnaire, to assist in making future events even better: <http://bit.ly/chalice11feedback>

Last month the B&B went to:

- ◆ Fall University- baroness participated in the silk painting class
- ◆ WoW - we had a lot of land because of pre-regs. It was about the size we had for Pennsic and had lot of land but not a lot of tents (3 tents).

They will be doing:

- ◆ 12th night. King invited us to the event. The site has a 50 by 85 yard hall and an industrial size kitchen.

- ◆ Fall Crown - (Curia) is 2.5hrs away.
- ◆ Dun Carraig Baronial Birthday and Investiture
- ◆ Holiday Faire
- ◆ Sunday after Thanksgiving (Barony Meeting)
- ◆ Unevent.

EVENT

Chalice of the Sun God

Their Majesties said they had a fantastic time. The event went off without a hitch.

Awards given were:

- ◆ Lord Simon Grimstone and Wayne de Bruce - Sylvan Apple for cleaning up the kitchen at an event they hadn't even eaten at (Sylvan Glen).
- ◆ Lady Bevin an Broc Drannach - Onore del Ponte d'Oro
- ◆ Lady Caitilín Irruis inghean ui Riada – Order of the Opal
- ◆ Baroness Marie-Thérèse Normand – Order of the Opal
- ◆ Thegn Brénainn MacShuibne – Order of the Opal, Order of the Garland
- ◆ Lord Austin – Award of Arms
- ◆ Lady Annika & Lord Hannus Siltanen - Award of Arms
- ◆ Lady Helga Gunnarsdottir - Award of Arms
- ◆ Margret of Ponte Alto – Recognized for achieving the rank of Bowman.
- ◆ Lady Caitilín Inghean Fheichín – Order of the Coral Branch
- ◆ Naran retained his position as Archery Champion

- ◆ Wayne de Bruce – won both Youth Archery Chalice Champion and Rapier Chalice Champion
- ◆ Baron Marcellus Capozziello da Napoli - Rapier Chalice Champion-
- ◆ Lord Lucas von Aych - Heavy Chalice Champion

Ponte Alto 20 Year (2012).

The menu will be worked on this week Elizabeth of Hadley Hall and will be a Italian themed feast. A seating chart will be available at the event to reserve tables.

The autocrat is working on getting directions for making hobby horses, like the ones at the Palio a few years back.

Baronial artisans are encouraged to participate at the event. Bardic will happen. Dance will be coordinated by Stephen of Cambian. May even resurrect the Harp and Drum for the event.

No additional insurance will be necessary, and we will get a liquor license so that we can have alcohol on the site to enjoy our meals with. So bring your own beer or liquor.

ACCEPS has registered us but it is not open for registration yet. Merchant coordinator is Christine (Caitilin). Cassandra has the web page up. Celia said you can register now, if you want to give it directly to our Exchequer (Daniel Warwick). Marcellus and Tierloch will go and sign the contract in the next week or so.

Alisandria wants to make panels for event to display 20 years of events (Alysia d'Sabia volunteered for decoration committee). Static A&S display will be held. Historic Ponte Alto display will be held. Royals have said they will be there. The autocrat is in talks with

Duchess Kihabur about making tokens for the event.

Sean Charles - an old member of the Barony has been asked to extend his visit at about the same time as our event to make the occasion. He offered an idea of a procession of old member by date of eldest to youngest participants.

Former King (Galmer and Katerina) investing king and queen may come – we need to invite them and others. We might want to have the Scriptorum do invitations.

A High-table 'U' set up and maybe a baldachin hanging for their Majesties, will be used for the past nobles of Ponte Alto and Atlantia.

Tierloch says there will be activities during the day. Stephen of Cambian is talking about the old stories in a Storytelling corner.

If we have people that have scrolls from AFPOPA then we do a display.

Bloodbath

Dun Carraig has spiked an event for 2nd week of March, which is our traditional weekend. However, with some discussion and checking other available weekends, it was decided to spike Bloodbath for the 24th of March, which will not conflict with any other event currently registered.

OLD BUSINESS

First Aid Kit, got it.

Plastic bins, 3 bins have somehow become 5 bins. Celia has a line on bins from Lowe's that are black and yellow. They're known as contractor bins with wheels. They are \$25 dollars apiece. Celia would like to have one for

women's clothes one for men's clothes and a smaller one for kids. She asking for \$75 for the purchase of bins. Marcellus offered the suggestion of \$75 for bins, Marie-Therese seconded the motion and the group voted on the issue. It passed with a unanimous show of hands. And the Motion carried.

Coronets, Adina Talked to Mimi about coronets. Mimi says they'll be \$200 apiece. Once we determine a design, she could have them completed in a month. If the design was a sectional plate design, the Plates would cost \$35 apiece (etched). She is currently working on a back piece to make it adjustable for different sizes. Adina showed Mimi the sumptuary laws for Atlantia at the consult to incorporate into the design plans. Suggestions are being solicited for the coronet design. She's put some thought into it, and the B&B sat and talked with her for an hour and a half about the project.

NEW BUSINESS

Chatelaine asked to print Business Cards for her office as representative of the Barony with SCA logo and such? She was told she could and Marcellus even has a template he'll send her.

Also Adina asked if anyone has ever had a populace favor? Black and gold fabric? Or bridge favors? Is there anything out there? Anyone want them? Suggestions were made, so everyone is seen and known to be a part of our Barony and not just one of the three Baronies in Atlantia that has yellow and black as their colors.

Naran asked if his expenses for event go to Brénainn (Chalice autocrat) or the Exchequer? The

answer was the Exchequer gets all receipts for reimbursement.

Celia suggested when we do silk painting day in the Barony that maybe we do some banners for the Golden Rose event happening the third weekend in April (21st) to help with the event since they will need some for the event and we'd have the means to supply them

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

Meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

18 people were in attendance.



Calendar

October/ November 2011						
Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun
31 4:30 pm - 8:00 pm Ponte Alto/Stierbach Archery Practice 7:30pm - 9:00 pm Alle Psallite	1	2	3 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Indoor Rapier Practice 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Indoor Heavy Weapons Practice	4	5	6 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Outdoor Rapier Practice 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice
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Baronial Progress for October/November

Date	Event	Baron and/or Baroness
November 5	Fall Crown	Adina and Drogo
November 12	Dun Carraig Baronial Birthday and Investiture	Adina and Drogo
November, 19	Holiday Faire	Adina and Drogo
December 3	Unevent	Adina and Drogo
January 2012	Atlantia 12 th Night	Adina and Drogo

Unevent.

Weekly Events

SUNDAY	
Ponte Alto Baronial Business Meeting	Fourth Sunday of the month at 6:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 7426 Idylwood Rd, Falls Church. Directions: Take your best route to I-66. Get off at the exit for Route 7 West (Tysons Corner). Turn left at the first light after the interchange onto Idylwood Rd. Go ¼ mile; the church is up the hill on the right.
Outdoor Heavy Weapons and Rapier Practice	Weather permitting, 12:00 noon until dark, outdoors at Tysons-Pimmit Park, behind Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. Contact the Baronial Knight Marshal for information (see Regnum). Directions: Take your best route to I-495. Get off at the exit for Route 7 East (Falls Church). Go about 1 mile; the library is on the left. Park in the library lot and walk down the hill to the park.
MONDAY	
Alle Psallite (Vocal Music)	Every Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in Herndon. Contact Mistress Anne of Carthew (anne AT ravenstreet.org) for more information or directions. Music files can be found at http://www.ravenstreet.org/Anne/alle_psallite/alle_psallite.htm and on the Yahoo Group AllePsallite.
Ponte Alto/Stierbach Archery Practice	Every Monday, 4:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Contact the Archery Marshal at archery AT pontealto.atlantia.sca.org for further details.
TUESDAY	
Ponte Alto Scriptorium	Meets the first and third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Contact Lady Brigid O'Hara (mill3rs AT yahoo. com, (703) 409-0780 (c)) for information and directions.
THURSDAY	
Rapier Practice	Every Thursday, outdoors at Tysons-Pimmit Park, behind Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.. Contact the Baronial Rapier Marshal for more information. Directions: Take your best route to I-495. Get off at the exit for Route 7 East (Falls Church). Go about 1 mile; the library is on the left. Park in the library lot and walk down the hill to the park.
Heavy Weapons Practice	Weather permitting, outdoors at Tysons-Pimmit Park, behind Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Practice is geared to developing beginning and intermediate fighters through intensive hands on training with experienced instructors, as well as providing ample opportunity for more advanced fighters to spar with knight-level combatants. All are welcome. Contact the Baronial Knight Marshal for more information (see Regnum). Directions: Take your best route to I-495. Get off at the exit for Route 7 East (Falls Church). Go about 1 mile; the library is on the left. Park in the library lot and walk down the hill to the park.
MONTHLY	
SCA Newcomer Meetings	Newcomer Meetings are held once a month from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the home of various members of the Barony. Contact the Baronial Chatelaine for information, or check out the Events/Activities page on the website for the most recent information.

***Note on school locations for activities:** There will be no activities at schools during school holidays or on other days when Fairfax County schools are closed or all nighttime school recreational activities are canceled. Notification of cancellation or alternate site location will be posted on the web as soon as possible. You can visit the Fairfax County Public Schools Emergency Announcement page for school closure status: <http://fcps.edu/news/emerg.htm>

News/Announcements

Newcomers' Meeting

November 11, 2011 Newcomer's Meeting For
the Barony of Ponte Alto

Time: 7:00pm to 10pm

Location:

11130 Saffold Way
Reston, VA 20190

Hosts: Lady Annika and Lord Hannus

As always Newcomer's meetings are open to everyone old or new. Come hang out, talk, meet new people. Bring a project to work on. If you have any questions or need more information please contact Lady Caitilin Irruis inghean ui Riada, Chatelaine (703) 786-6739. Or if you are lost and need directions please contact Lady Annika's cell 703-608-9558, or Lord Hannus' cell is 703-608-9557.

No parking restrictions other than not along the yellow curbs.

Allergy Alert: There is a cat and a dog - please medicate if necessary

Hope to see you all there.

Yours in Service

Lady Caitilin Irruis inghean ui Riada
(mka Christine Menton)
Chatelaine, Ponte Alto

*(From Christine Cinowski Menton, Facebook Invitation of;
edited for this newsletter)*

Scriptorium

Greetings to all,

This is just a quick note to remind anyone who is interested in Calligraphy and Illumination that there is a Scriptorium on the first and third Tuesdays of every month at the family home of Brigid O'Hara. We'll start at 7:00 pm and end at about 10:00 pm or so. Bring whatever you are working on, or we can give you something. We will also be able to teach you if you want to learn!

There is a lot of space here, so you can bring other A&S activities to work on as well.

We live at 11416 Bronzedale Dr., Oakton, VA 22124. We have a friendly dog who will greet you at the door. Take medication if you have allergies!

Directions: From I-66 take exit 57A (Rt. 50) towards Fairfax. OR from Fairfax County Parkway take the Rt. 50 exit towards Fairfax. Go under I-66 take the first left onto Waples Mill Road. Go 2 miles and take a right onto Bronzedale Dr. Go about $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile; our house is on the left.

In case you get lost, call my cell at: 703 409-0780

The 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, Enequy has Scriptorium at his house in Sterling. You can contact him at enequy@comcast.net, or get directions from <http://www.stierbach.org/sites/eren.htm>

Hope to see you all there!
Brigid O'Hara/(Karen Miller)

(From Brigid O'Hara's e-mail of Feb. 27, 2011; edited for this newsletter)



From the Baroness

Greetings Ponte Alto!

Vivat! to all who contribute through attendance at events, meetings, sharing what we are about with new folks, volunteering time/your home/expertise, research, garb making, hosting meetings, practices, marshaling, teaching, etc.. As always, I am amazed how we are able to make time to do this thing we love so much. It takes each of us, dedicating our time and energy to make our experiences better for each of us individually and as a group.

As with many things in our lives, sometimes we need a break from a steady diet of that which we are passionate about so that we may return again with a renewed passion. Often we will change our focus a bit to give us a new lease on what we enjoy, some things however, we must step away from before we can return to them.

For many volunteer positions in the SCA and Ponte Alto, this is an opportunity for a new person to step in and give a seasoned veteran a much deserved break. As always, we search out those who are willing and able to carve out another hour or so a week to dedicate to making the Dream possible.

Currently, we are in search of a Chronicler. Our current Chronicler has been in office for quite some time now and her warrant is due to expire. This is a wonderful chance for someone to step into the position - especially if you are in this line of work. Do you realize, doing a newsletter for a non-profit organization can be a very nice addition to your resume -regardless of your line of work?

Ponte Alto's Chronicler may be the position I am addressing specifically today, but almost any position in the Barony can benefit from having a deputy or two. If you are interested a position, please feel free to contact the individual currently in that position and/or come to the

business meeting (the 4th Sunday of the month, in Falls Church) to meet the folks who are trying to make decisions representative of the desires of the populous of Ponte Alto.

Again, Vivat! to all our Pontoons, we wouldn't be where we are today without you.

Adina

Baronessa di Ponte Alto

baronage AT pontealto.atlantia.sca.org

<http://pontealto.atlantia.sca.org/>

(From Baroness Adina's email of November 3, 2011; edited for this newsletter)

Arts and Sciences

Our gallery (<http://pontealto.atlantia.sca.org/as/>) doesn't begin to convey the depth and breadth of the talents in Arts and Sciences of our barony. Those who have been Baronial A&S Champions, entered A&S competitions and/or displays, or have projects you've been working on, please send me photos, along with your name, date(s) and names of the event/competition as applicable, and some information about the piece(s) - materials used, culture and time period where it would have been used, etc.

Our website is a showcase of us, out to the world. Please help me to make it shine!

YiS,

Lady Bevin an Broc Drannach
(mka Kristin S. Moran)

(From Kristin Moran email of November 3, 2011; edited for this newsletter)

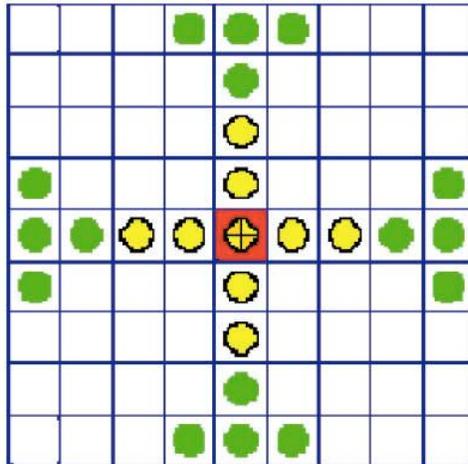
Tablut

Compiled by Modar Neznanich

<http://www.modaruniversity.org/Game17.htm>

History:

Tablut is a Finnish tafl game. A tafl game is one where the sides are unequal (in size or strength). This is a variation of the Norse game known as Hnefatafl



Play

In Tablut the two sides are known as the Attacker Side and the Defender Side (sometimes called the King Side).

It is played on a 9 square by 9 square board.

Playing pieces move orthogonally. (Vertically or horizontally, but not diagonally.)

The Attacker Side starts with 16 playing pieces (positioned in the above diagram as green pieces).

The Defender Side starts with 9 playing pieces (positioned in the above diagram as yellow pieces). There are 8 regular pieces and 1 King piece. (The King piece is marked in the above

diagram with a "+" symbol on it.

The center square of the board, called the King's Square is depicted as red in the above diagram.

The object of the Attacker Side is to capture the King, which is accomplished by surrounding the King on all four orthogonal sides, or surrounding the King on three sides with the center square of the board (the King's Square) being the fourth side, or if the King and another Defender piece are enclosed on all sides so that neither the King or the other Defender piece can move.

The object of the Defender Side is to move the King piece off the board.

Other playing pieces (of either side) can be captured by orthogonal interception. That is to say that the piece is "caught" between two opposing pieces, either two horizontally, two vertically, or one of each.

If a playing piece moves between two opposing pieces voluntarily, it is NOT captured.

If the move of a Defender piece (either regular playing piece or the King piece) gives the King piece a clear line of exit from the board, the Defender player must announce this.

If the King piece has two clear lines of escape from the board, the Defender must announce this also.

If a move of an Attacker piece gives the King piece a clear line of exit from the board, no announcement must be made (by either side).

The players take turns moving one piece, beginning with the Attacker Side.

The number of squares a piece may be moved is determined by the roll of one 6-sided die.

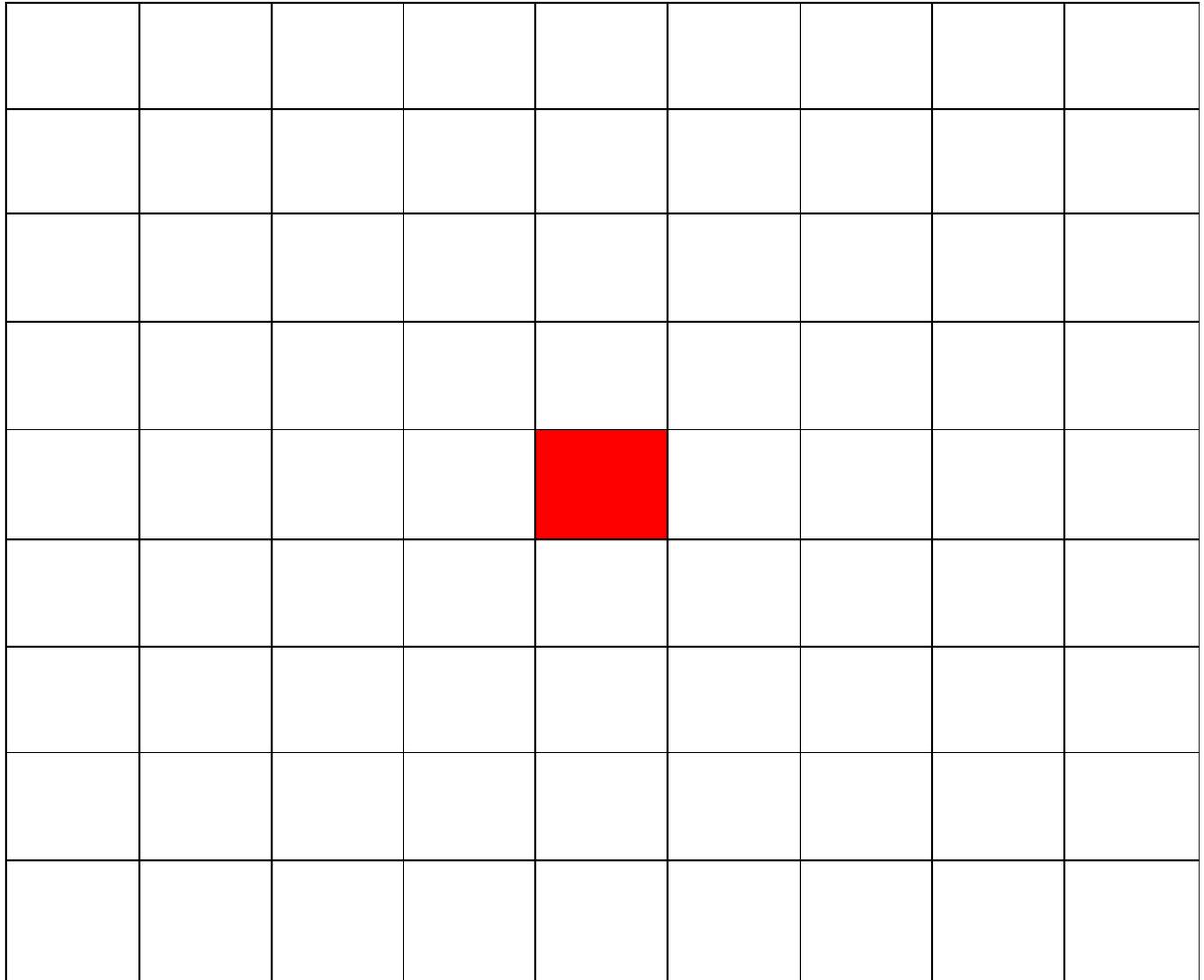
The number roll on the die is the maximum number of spaces a piece may move; fewer spaces may be moved if desired.

The number may NOT be split between pieces. Only one piece is moved per turn.

A piece can only move in one direction during a turn.

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Game board:



Game Pieces: cut out squares along the lines or round them off so that they look like circles and use them to play a game of Tablut.

