

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CONTACT: Helaine Thompson

903-814-5044

Publicrelations@srfestival.com

This Weekend Scarborough is All About the Beer!

Dallas/Fort Worth, TX (April 18, 2017) This weekend Scarborough Renaissance Festival[®] is all about the beer with the Royal Ale Festival and special "Keg Tapping" events April 22 and April 23, 2017.

1:00 pm – 3:00 pm on both Saturday and Sunday in the Crown Pavilion, Adults 21 and older are invited to enjoy samplings of craft beers (including a couple of local favorites) while being entertained by Scarborough performers. Tickets are \$10 (in addition to Festival admission) and may be purchased in advance on-line or at the Festival on event days. Featured beers include Oasis London Homesick Pale Ale, Community Witbier, Black Butte Porter, Franconia Amber, Deep Ellum IPA, Karbach Love Street Kolsch, Bishop Crackberry Cider and Community Mosaic IPA. Participants in the Ale Festival will also receive a \$2 discount coupon for the beer of their choice at one of our 10 pubs & taverns following the Ale Festival.

Visitors to Scarborough Renaissance Festival® are also invited to experience a keg tapping that is being done just as they did it hundreds of years ago. The Franconia Brewery from McKinney, TX will be conducting a keg tapping of its "Franconia Kristallweizen" both Saturday and Sunday at Scarborough Renaissance Festival's Village Green Beer Garden at 11:45 am hosted by Scarborough's Beer Master, Seamus Norwood (who is also the host of the Festival's daily beer tasting events). The event is free with Festival admission. The keg used in the tapping event is an original 200 year old keg from Franconia's owner, Dennis Wehrmann's family brewery in Tanna, Germany. This keg tapping event is something that all beer lovers will want to make sure to attend! Following the tapping events, the Franconia Kristallweizen (tapped from the keg) will be sold exclusively at the Village Green Beer Garden while supplies last.

Scarborough Renaissance Festival® is interactive fun for everyone, 16th Century style offering 24 stages of extraordinary non-stop entertainment, full combat jousting, Birds of Prey exhibitions, a human chess match, the Mermaid Lagoon and a 150+ members performing company. There are 200 shoppes of exquisite crafts and amazing artisan demonstrations. Plus, Children's Knighting Ceremonies, a Grande Parade, Renaissance rides, games of skill and so much more.

Limited engagement performers this weekend (April 22 & 23) include "The Danger Committee" (formerly featured on America's Got Talent), "Topsy Turvy" and "Idiot Friends".

In the Artisan Realm, discover new Festival shoppes and guest Artisans: Angelfire Pottery (through April 30th), Patchwork Moon (through April 23rd), Enchanted Chains (through April 30th), Hand Drawn Fantastical Portraits and Three Bells Tapestries.

"The Royal Ale Festival is the perfect way to sample some of the finest Craft Beers combined with a unique Scarborough flair including special entertainment and a lot of fun!" says Coy Sevier, General Manager. "Plus, if you haven't seen a keg tapping, it is quite the spectacle that really makes you appreciate the time and passion that goes into crafting beer".

The April 22nd & 23rd daily Wine Tastings will feature the wines from Down Under and the daily Beer Tastings will feature "That IPA Thing" beers. The tastings sell out fast, so it is recommend that you purchase tasting tickets in advance. Make sure to check out the daily specials at the Rose & Crown Inn full service restaurant, Pasta Palace and Bakery as well as the largest food on-a-stick selection in Texas!

Upcoming Themed Weekends and Special Events are, Deaf Awareness Day April 29th, Artisan's Showcase Weekend April 29th & 30th, Live the Fantasy Weekend May 6th & 7th and Mother's Day Brunch and Renaissance Romance May 13th & 14th.

Scarborough Renaissance Festival[®] is open Saturdays, Sundays, and Memorial Day Monday, now through May 29, 2017 from 10 AM to 7 PM. Located in Waxahachie, Scarborough Renaissance Festival[®] is just 30 minutes south of the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex on FM 66 off of I-35E at exit 399B. From Austin or Waco, follow I-35E north to Exit 399.

Admission is \$28 for adults and \$13 for children, ages 5-12. Children age 4 and under are admitted free. Parking is free compliments of Waxahachie Nissan. Food, drinks, games and rides all require cash. The Festival does have ATMs on-site, but it is recommended that you bring cash with you to avoid lines at the ATMs. Most of the shoppes, the ticket booth and the Rose & Crown Inn Restaurant also accept credit cards.

Tickets are available at the gate on Festival days and on-line at SRFestival.com. Discount tickets can be purchased at D/FW area Tom Thumb & Albertsons stores. A '\$10 off 2 Tickets' coupon can be found at North Texas MetroPCS stores through April 30th (offer only valid through April 30th), and discount coupons will be at Waxahachie Nissan throughout the season. Sponsored by Dr Pepper. For more information visit **SRFestival.com**. Facebook & Twitter (SRFestival) or on Instagram (theSRFestival).