Beltane Circle - 2007

Ritual written* and led by Janine Donnellan (Saturday 17/11/07)

Members walk to the circle drumming and ringing bells to let the Fey folk know that that our ritual to honour them has come. When we have formed a circle we will sing:



Drumming & ringing bells to announce the ritual



Entering the ritual circle

We are a circle within a circle With no beginning and never ending We are a circle a living circle With no beginning and never ending



Ray casting circle

Drums will play and the cauldron is lit.



Rex lighting the cauldron candles

East

Rulers of the Air, Sylphs, faeries and elemental beings. We do call upon you to witness this rite and guard this circle. So mote it be.

North

Rulers of Fire, Salamanders and elemental beings. We do call upon you to witness this rite and guard this circle. So mote it be.

West

Rulers of Water, Undines, sprites and elemental beings We do call upon you to witness this rite and guard this circle. So mote it be.



Calling the western quarter

South

Rulers of Earth, Elves, gnomes, and elemental beings. We do call upon you to witness this rite and guard this circle. So mote it be.

Fairy Queen

We call upon the Fairy Queen
To form the sprightly circling dance,
We call upon the Fey your steps advance;
Let your footsteps lightly bound
Unveil your forms to mortal eye;
Come join us in our revelry this night

Green Man

We call upon the Green Man
Join us in the ancient Beltane dance
With sprites and devas and laughter bring,
With light of heart we all will sing.
Blessings to one and all on this merry night

STATEMENT OF RITUAL PURPOSE

The intent of this ritual is to connect with the fey and spirit on this Beltane night. Now that the fey have joined us, they will assist us in opening to the wider powers of the universe. We will receive from and give back to the Universe, the Divine in ourselves, and in each other through the flow of universal energies.

Take time to allow yourself to be open to the flow of the Universe and the ways in which you can experience new avenues of consciousness in your life. Connect with the elemental energies. Join hands and sing we are a circle connecting in mind with the elemental beings.



Singing & connecting with the energies



OFFERINGS

Fairy Queen and Green Man walk around the circle sprinkling rose petals and candy. Candy is given to the participants. We all then dance around the May Pole.



Fairy Queen & Green Man sprinkling candy & rose petals



Charlene drumming for the maypole dancing

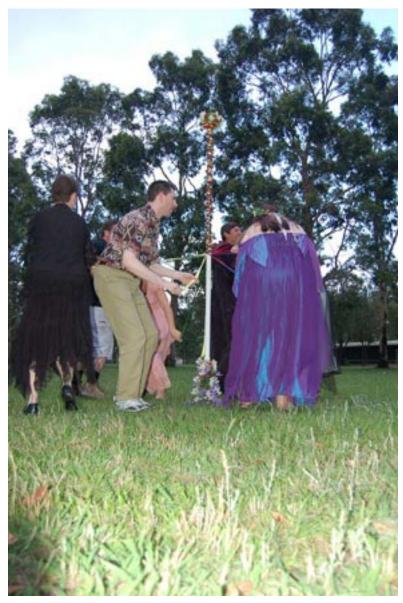


The maypole dancing begins...





The ribbons get shorter...



...and shorter!!!

CLOSING STATEMENT

Thank you for attending this ritual in honour of the Fairy Queen and the Green Man, the Beltane and the Fey. It is hoped that you feel more connected to spirit, to the fey and to each other. Faeries are here and they appreciate all acts done to honour.

Fairy Oueen

We thank you for your gracious presence this night. Stay if you will, or go in Peace. Blessed be.

Green Man

We thank you for your presence this night. Stay if you will, or go in Peace. Blessed be.

South

Rulers of Earth, Elves, gnomes, and elemental beings. We thank you for attending this rite. Stay if you will, or go in Peace. Blessed be.

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Rulers of Water, Undines, sprites and elemental beings. We thank you for attending this rite. Stay if you will, or go in Peace. Blessed be.

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East

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CLOSE RITUAL SPACE

May this circle be open but unbroken
May the peace of the Goddess be ever in our hearts.

Merry Meet and Merry Part

And Merry Meet again.



^{*} This ritual is a combination of the author's original ideas and information obtained from various books and/or internet sources.