



April Newsletter

Greeting fellow collectors,

April is here and spring has finally made a long awaited appearance as the spring toy soldier shows seasons kicks off this weekend with The New England Toy Soldier Show. And at our Internet-store there is plenty of news.

Book News:

The long awaited **Hornung Art; The Heraldic Knights and Miniatures of Bob Hornung** will go to Blurb Publishing on Monday . After Review of the galley copy & final changes & edit are complete, it's off to the printer. Expect to have the first books available for sale at the MFCAs show at Valley Forge, PA on May 15th, as well as at our bookstore! Look for more details in the May Newsletter.

Plantagenet Knights a History and Collectors Guide o the Heraldic Miniatures of John Braithwaite has sold out!

The book was a limited edition of forty signed & numbered copies (it was limited to 40 sets just as John Braithwaite Limited Edition Knights were ended at forty of each of seven different sets.)

However based on customer requests a new smaller format, less expensive book on Plantagenet Knights is in the works. It will borrow heavily from the original but will have many new photos of heraldic knights not in the original book. It will be an open edition and differ substantially from the original.

Lordtankervillesknights web site news:

Have recently made several changes to the site which include;

- **Added a new sales Gallery for Miniature Castles & Siege Equipment.** Currently all the items are from my Collection, however in the future I will be adding a section for custom made castle components and working siege equipment from a very talented craftsman! The reason I am parting with some of my collection is because I have to make space for a large (50" X 72") custom Castle & diorama. (see photo for a look at the drawbridge and entrance to the Castle) more photos when it's completed! Also just added to the Sales Gallery a trebuchet with 3 man crew and a large handmade wooden Siege Tower!

- **Added a new Sales Gallery for John Braithwaite's War-gaming miniatures.** John was a partner and designer for the Greenwood & Ball company and is responsible for many of their war-gaming miniatures. I am lucky to be able to offer them to my customers on an exclusive basis. The first sets are of the American Civil War in 25mm, each made & painted by John to be used in his Sunday miniature battles. Even if you don't war-game, these are a rare opportunity to own a special piece of toy soldier history from one of the foremost artists of our hobby. (see photo & visit the web site to view the full range)
- **Added a new button for a Knight Sold Achieve :** Allows Collectors to view previously sold knights & prices.

NEW KNIGHTS:

- Recently added sets of the **Tiffany Knights Artist Series by Figarti.** They are inexpensive foot & mounted knights made in China, after Jacques Cuypers stopped producing his hand made Tiffany Soldiers. Look good on a shelf with Jacques originals! All mint condition and in original boxes. As you all are aware Original Tiffany Knights are very hard to find outside of private collections, I will be adding some additional conversions from Jacques, but I have no Original Tiffany's currently available!
- **Courtenay/Greenhill's** are flying off the shelf's (acquiring a collection allows me to sell them at a more affordable price and makes a great value for customers.) in fact there are currently none on the site! However several are in the process of being added, see the photos above for some of the new additions!

That's it for now, thanks for your business & Keep Collecting,

Phil Bennett