

Sae Hrafn raises sail













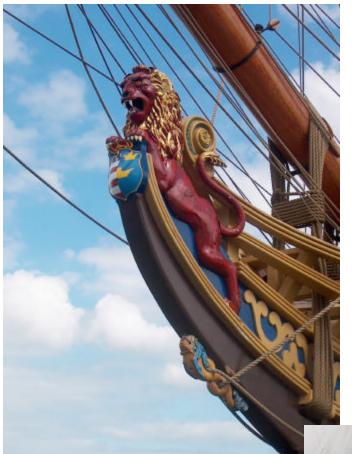


Sae Hrafn encounters Kalmar Nyckel, a reproduction of the ship that brought the first settlers to "New Sweden", aka: Wilmington Delaware.

Below port: Kalmar heads out into the Patuxent River under engine power.
Below, starboard: under Kalmar's bow, that and masts have "fighting tops", where lookouts or sharpshooters could perch. Sae Hrafn, of course, is before the age of gunpowder.



































We ultimately docked the longship alongside *Dove*, boarding her like proper Viking pirates... Using the channel (the broad board the shrouds run through... those are the lines that hold up the mast) as a step, up the side and through the shrouds. I had to first board *Sae Hrafn* from my kayak, by sitting on it like a cowpony, throwing myself over the gunnels of the longship and fallig in more or less headfirst. From there I could crawl up the side of the *Dove...* 





























