

## "BEYOND BREE" MILESTONES

- March 1981 - first issue (3 pages). Title "Tolkien S.I.G. News". Free. Typed on manual typewriter.
- April - subscriptions set at \$4 per year. Newsletter becomes 5 pages.
- June 1981 - name "Beyond Bree". Logo by Nancy Martsch. 6 paid subscribers.
- July 1981 - first cover illustration - Map of Northern Beleriand.
- September 1981 - first oversize Birthday Issue (10 pages). Oversize Birthday issues continued through 1991.
- January 1982 - "Beyond Bree" increases to an average of 10 pages.
- July 1982 - Editor gets electric typewriter!
- October 1983 - first Roster, Back Issues Catalogue.
- September 1984 - biggest Birthday Issue ever (18 pages). Subscription \$5 per year.
- November 1984 - "How I First Learned About Tolkien" series begins. It runs several years.
- 1985 - first "Beyond Bree" Calendar. It's black and white, legal size, \$3.50.
- C. May 1985 - "Beyond Bree" becomes 12 pages, mailed without an envelope.
- "Beyond Bree" Calendars become 11 x 8½", published through 1994.
- February 1986 - First Humor Issue "It's Beyond Me". Humor Issues published intermittently through 1999, occasionally at later dates.
- July 1986 - Editor moves to new home. "Beyond Bree" acquires a PO Box.
- December 1987 - Ballantine sends review books to "Beyond Bree". Continues through 1993.
- August 1988 - "Quenya Language Lessons" series begins. Runs through June 1990.
- December 1988 - new Logo by Tom Loback.
- October 1989 - Editor gets computer. Much variation in typeface.
- **1992 - the Tolkien Centenary.** *List of Tolkienalia* and *Basic Quenya* published.
- October 1994 - first Bree Moot, in Bettendorf, IA.
- October 1995 - Bree Moot 2, St. Louis, MO.
- May 1997 - Bree Moot 3, Minneapolis, MN.
- July 1997 - establishment of the Michael McCausland Memorial Fund, to purchase subscriptions for readers in need.
- July-August 1999 - Bree Moot 4 combined with Mythcon XXX; Milwaukee, WI. First "Beyond Bree" Awards.
- **2001 - Peter Jackson releases *The Fellowship of the Ring*.**
- 2001 - International postal rate increase. Much experimentation. From June onwards overseas issues printed on light-weight paper.
- 2001 - Electronic "Beyond Bree" debated. Voted down.
- April 2001 - Bree Moot 5, St. Paul, MN. Second "Beyond Bree" Awards.
- 2002 - "Beyond Bree" gets a website.
- October 2004 - "Bree Banquet" with "The Lord of the Rings" Conference, Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI. Third "Beyond Bree" Awards.
- August 2005 - "Beyond Bree" sponsors a panel at the Tolkien 2005 Conference, Birmingham, England. Fourth "Beyond Bree" Awards.
- June 2008 - First complete electronic "Beyond Bree".
- October 2008 - paper subscription \$15 per year USA, electronic, \$10. All issues printed on printed on light-weight paper and mailed in envelopes.
- 2009 - Daniel Smith revives the "Beyond Bree" Calendar for 2010, in full color.
- March 2011 - "Beyond Bree" 30th Anniversary 14-page color issue.
- October 2011 - "Days of the [Tolkien] Craze (1965 - 1970)" series begins.
- **2012 - Peter Jackson releases *The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey*.**
- August 2012 - "Beyond Bree" Editor Nancy Martsch is Fan Guest of Honor at "The Return of the Ring" Tolkien Conference, Loughborough, England. Fifth "Beyond Bree" Awards.
- **2018 - "Tolkien: Master of Middle-earth" exhibit at the Bodleian Library, Oxford; New York City 2019; Paris, France 2019 - 2020.**
- **January 2020 - Christopher Tolkien dies.**
- 2020 - April, May issues are sent electronically, due to COVID.
- October 2020 - "Beyond Bree" publishes Tolkien's entire rebus letter to Fr. Francis Morgan, in color.
- October 2020 - New website, run by Jeremy Edmonds. <https://www.beyondbree.org>
- March 2021 - "Beyond Bree" 40th Anniversary.