

Brotherhood of amateurs of Bleu de Gex

Presentation of the brotherhood

History

Created in November 1995 on a private initiative, under the name "Brotherhood of the Bleu de Gex", it was reborn in 2003, under the label "Brotherhood of amateurs of the Bleu de Gex".

The only ambition of the Brotherhood is to make known the customs and traditions, especially those of the Bleu de Gex; To promote tourism, folklore and local gastronomy; To lend its support to local artistic and gastronomic festivals and events; And more generally to promote good humour.

The members of the Brotherhood must be the ambassadors of a cheese that has preserved its tradition thanks to a process of artisanal manufacture guaranteeing exceptional quality.

The Brotherhood's bet is simple: the blue of Gex must be known to be appreciated, and served on all Gessiennes tables.

The Outfit

The costume of the Brotherhood consists of a beret and a dress with a face in the colours of the blue of Gex, a white robe, a forage and a specific element: its bell mounted in saltire on cordon blue and gilded, noisy but how characteristic of our Haut-Jura.

Except for the great Archduke who carries a four-loop forage, the other members have a three-loop forage.

The members of the Council are required to wear the outfit during the chapters and various demonstrations engaging the Brotherhood.

Knights, commanders and constables are required to wear the bell and cord of their rank during the chapters.



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Rules and Traditions

The Brotherhood consists of members and ambassadors.

The Brotherhood is administered by a Council of the Order consisting of 11 members raised to the rank of Commander.

The work of the Council of the Order is facilitated by the Grand Council of the Order, composed of 7 dignitaries. They are elected in the office at ordinary general meetings or extraordinary meetings.

Members may apply to be inducted into the rank of Knight in the Order of the Brotherhood. This distinction is the subject of an iron bell mounted in saltire on a white cordon.

The Grand Council of the Order may, on the proposal of one of these members, raise a knight, to the rank of Commander. This distinction is the subject of a bronze bell mounted in saltire on a blue and gilded cordon.

These appointments and the furnishing of a parchment are performed during an enthronement ceremony during a chapter.

The Chapters

The Grand Council of the Order decides on the frequency, the date and the place of holding of the various chapters.

The Brotherhood will hold a chapter a year, in Gex, when the fair of gastronomy.

The Grand Council of the Order may decide on any additional chapter which it deems necessary according to the events.



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Life in blue

To keep its members informed, the Council of the Order publishes a semi-annual journal called "Life in Blue". The headings are: the word of the President, an editorial, articles and a recipe around the Bleu de Gex.

