Ben Cronin Engl. 3204 Prof. Mosser 9 September 2004

## Exploring *Medieval-Life (.Net)*

The Website, *Medieval-Life.Net*, has a wealth of information ranging from medieval bathing habits, to courtly love poetry. The site is located at: www.medieval-life.net/, and is copyrighted by World Web Design, LLC. The content seems valid at first glance, and it is well organized, though the site's technical managing is somewhat unusual.

The pages aren't signed in the normal fashion, though there is a copyright link, which gives its host's contact information and address. The page dating is minimal, and it seems to not have been updated since October 2000. There are also no names provided within the entire site. This is an obvious difficulty in verifying the credibility of the author or authors.

The site appears to be privately maintained as indicated by the .net, and seems to have no external links of appropriate content (Marry In Italy, Weddings, Honeymoons, Travel, Why Sites). There is, however, an extensive disclaimer page. The site's disclaimer page warns all visitors that the information provided may not be accurate. There is also a note encouraging visitors to independently research and verify the information provided. The disclaimer seems to dissolve the sites authority, by means of its lack of confidence

After searching through domain name registrations, I found that the site was registered by New Zealand Web Promotion, and is affiliated with world-weddings.net. Based on the noted links from this pate, it seems likely that it is intended to be a site, which excites consumers into traveling to "Old Europe" to get married, or enjoy their honeymoons, and not primarily concerned with accurate information about medieval life.