

# Darkon: A Larping Documentary

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My friend [::Wendy::](#) has many circles of friends, and several of them converged at the [Elephant and Castle Pub](#) in Seattle last week [for her send-off party](#), resulting in a night-long game of [Venn Diagram](#) as you tried to work out which groups intersected how. I got to meet in person some of [::Wendy::](#)'s blogger friends, including [Jennifer](#) (aka "[Piehole](#)") and [LaCroix](#) (not her real name), the person who [tipped me off to Yaktrax](#) earlier this year. Jennifer in real life is pretty much exactly like her blog persona: boistrous and hilariously outrageous. LaCroix was a surprise: Although her writing appears methodical and subdued, in person, she's intensely energetic and charismatic. Once you start talking with her, you somehow just *want* to be her friend. It's no wonder that she has her own [Cafeteria Boyfriends](#).

At some point during the evening, I mentioned the movie [Darkon](#), a documentary on the [Darkon Wargaming Club](#), a band of Live Action Role Playing aficionados, known perhaps pejoratively as *larpers*. We were all fascinated by the idea of the movie ([Grady Hendrix of Slate](#) calls it a "[must-see](#)"), but alas it doesn't appear to be showing in the Seattle area. We'll just have to wait for it to show up in the video rental stores.

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