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Angharad verch Cenydd won the Loat in any Medium competition at May Champions with this very detailed embroidery. The piece is also part of the Baronial Fundraising Auction on Facebook. Put your bid in now for this and other great items. Auctions ends at The Trials.

Baronial Officer Positions

Seneschal

The seneschal is the legal representative of the Barony. Seneschals sign all contracts, make sure that things are done pursuant to the restrictions of all modern laws, corpora and kingdom law, work with the chatelaines to handle all public relations, and normally conduct the business meetings/curia. Branch Seneschals are responsible for the coordination of the Society activities in their branch. However they do not supervise the other officers, merely aid their cooperative efforts. Branch seneschals hold vacant offices on a temporary basis until they can be filled and are responsible for filling the reports for those vacant offices.

Minister of Stables

The Minister of Stables oversees the administration of the martial activities in the Barony. Their special duties are: seeing that information is made available to all fighters on armor standards, conventions of combat, rules of the lists, and any other information they are directed to distribute; ensuring that the local branch has trained marshals present at events; ensuring that fighters and marshals in the local branch receive proper training; supervising marshaling activities at events; assisting in the authorization of new fighters (this means giving local authorization, which is to be redone at kingdom level); and making sure that equipment conforms to the required minimums of the kingdom regulations as listed in the An Tir Book of Combat.

Baronial Archer

The Baronial Archer oversees the administration of the target archery activities in the Barony. The Baronial Archer reports to the Minister of Stables and to the Principality Archer. Ideally, you should be familiar with the An Tir Book of Target and a current Target Archery Marshal.

Webminister

The Webminister oversees all web publishing activities for the Barony including maintaining and updating the Baronial Webpage.

**All terms will start at Baroness' Tourney in November.
Applications should be submitted by August Investiture.**

About the North Wind

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Lions Gate Calendar

July

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 Cloverdale Fight Practice	8	9 Rapier Archery	10	11	12
13	14 Cloverdale Fight Practice	15	16 Archery	17 Newcomers Social	July Coronation	
20	21 Cloverdale Fight Practice	22	23 Rapier Archery	24	25	26
				The Trials		
27	28 Cloverdale Fight Practice	29	30 Rapier Archery	31		

August

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
					1	2
					AT WAR	
3	4 Cloverdale Fight Practice	5	6 Rapier Archery	7	8	9
					Warren War	
10	11 Cloverdale Fight Practice	12	13 Archery	14 Newcomers Social	15	16
17	18 Cloverdale Fight Practice	19	20 Archery	21	22 AllThings	23
24	25 Cloverdale Fight Practice	26	27 Archery Council	28	29	30
				Tir Righ Investiture		
31						

Lions Gate Practices

Archery – Outdoor practices are every Thursday starting at 5:30 PM at the Burnaby Archery Range. You must be a member of the Burnaby Archers authorized to use the range. Additional archery practices are happening at the AllThings Practice.

Cloverdale Fight Practice – Armoured and Rapier combat practice occurs every Tuesday Night at the home of Cyneric and Arianne just up from the Cloverdale Fairgrounds.

Rapier – Rapier Practice occurs every Thursday Night at the Justice Institute in New Westminster. NOTE: The Gym will not be available from August 7 – September 7 for maintenance. Heavy fighters welcome but please use something to prevent your knee armour from damaging the wooden floor.

Arts and Science – A&S practice happens once a month at a member's home. Check the Baronial Facebook page for details.

Dance – Dance practice happens every other Monday in Surrey.

Newcomer/Baronial Social – A general social meeting held in Vancouver for both newcomers and long term members to get together and socialize. April meeting changed to April 24.

Upcoming Events

The Trials

When: July 24th – 26th

Where: The Grene Wode, 25133 0 Avenue, Langley

Site Fee: \$20

Eight applicants will test themselves in a bid to become the next Sergeant, Yeoman, Gallant or Courtier. Their Trials test core skills in martial and non-martial arenas, as well as the demonstration of understanding in various medieval skills, pursuits and pastimes. The martial tests will provide much opportunity for combat in all three disciplines, including war scenarios, a box tourney, and much cutting and thrusting! Come witness these intrepid souls test themselves into a storied and noble service!

The event will also feature many activities for those not testing, including a Games Tournament, Thrown Weapons Tourney, a rollicking Bardic circle, dancing on the green, a wilding walk through the Wode, and Equestrian activities. For the children, Heraldic Bingo, a knock-your-block-off boffer tourney, outdoor games, and Youth Armoured Combat are all planned! Merchants are most welcome!

The Baron's Column

Home and rested after two fantastic - but long - days of Lions Gate awesomeness.

Her Excellency and I thank everyone involved in running our Champions' Tournament; Baron James, it was an amazing event.

The turnout for the event was great, but the large number of people entering the three tournaments made us proud and happy. I'm sure there are pictures already out of us swearing in the crowd of competitors.

At final court, we accepted the oaths of our three new Lions Gate martial Champions.

Viscount Christian Bane, our Heavy Champion

Archos Aline de Seez, as Archery Champion

Lord Seamus McKinneach, the new Rapier Champion.

Congratulations and hearty huzzahs to Lions Gate's new Champions! I'm proud to have the three of you join us in court, and know that Lions Gate is going to be well represented by each of you.



Baron Uilliam

The Baroness' Column

Good morning our beautiful Barony!

At Lions Gate Champions, I let those in attendance know who the chosen were for the Baroness' Inspirations of the ones who were there. But this is the complete list now that the ones not able to make it to Champions have been ambush.... I mean presented. These gentles will be in possession of the Inspirations haversacks until Baroness' Tourney in November. They are in no particular order....

Arts - Sibhaidh of Lough Neagh

Science - Dr Carus

Combat - Phaelen Wheeler

Thrown Weapons - Bjorn Christenson

Equestrian - Mama Sofia

Archery - Kenneth of Shaftsbury

Service - Karol av Hardangerfjorden

Rapier - Lord Seamus McKinneach

They are inspirations not only to myself but to many others as well... and a warning to all.... you may not realize it but, I'm always watching



Baroness Caitrina

The Sealion Sonnet by Wymarcha Hektanah

Gather 'round me, and I'll tell you a tale,
It's a story as ancient as the sea,
'about a love that was never meant to be,
Between a mountain lion and a whale.

The cat prowled with a yearning in her breast,
While an orca snacked on seals in the shoals,
Then her tawny eyes met his dark as coals.
Thought she, "He will be my greatest conquest."

Was born a sealion none could forgive,
Thus two armies raised and, once a year, clashed,
To rend the union with violent release.

Though cat may love her whale, where could they live?
With son slain, all the lovers hopes lay dashed,
Though they'd tried, they'd failed to bring lasting peace.

Half and Half Again by S. Guenther

I went to Half and Half-Again
But I'd only gone Half way
When I stopped at In-Between
To spend another day
What is that you say my friend
You do not understand
Well Half it is a town of course
and Half-Again a land
And In-Between is there and back
and Half way there again
And if you want to go to Half
You catch the train at ten
Now ten is rather near my friend
So I'll be on my way
Off to the Land of Half-Again
To spend another day

Remember when....



Wayback Photos courtesy of Sibhaidh of Lough Neagh

Compendium



Their Royal Majesties of An Tir – King Savaric and Queen Dalla (king@antir.sca.org, queen@antir.sca.org).



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