

Barony of Lions Gate Council Minutes – February 16, 2022

Officers and Deputies

Office	SCA Persona Name	Modern Name	Attended
Baronial Coronet	Baroness Arianna Freemont	Dawn Malin	Yes
Baronial Coronet	Baron Cyneric Bearson	Darren Cocking	Yes
Seneschal	Nereügei	Victor Lo	Yes
Deputy seneschal	Antonio Romeo Maria di Francesco da San Gimignano	Anton Chernoff	
Exchequer	Archos Anika Styfe	Christi Frank	Yes
Contingency deputy exchequer	Sorcha Inghean Triein	Melissa Martensen	Yes
Family activities coordinator			
Chamberlain			
Gold Key			
Games	Lokki	Stephen Jones	Yes
Chatelaine	Sæthryth de Apeleia	Reena Muljiani	Yes
Deputy chatelaine	Decimus Aurelius	Daniel Kline	Yes
Herald	Etan MacNessa	Trish Graham	Yes
Chronicler	Baron Miles Fitz Hubert	Rob Nicholls	Yes
Deputy chronicler and secretary	Jaqueline Lefleur	Kirsten Masse	Yes
Scribe	Elvina Effynewoode	Jacqueline Lee	Yes
Social media	Dame Morweena	Marion Drakos	
Webminister	Leo Rauol	Russel Morgan	
Stables	Decimus Aurelius	Daniel Kline	Yes
Stables Contingency Deputy			
Archery	Gunnar the Wanderer	Simon Thomsen	Yes
Equestrian			
Lists	Mistress Agnes Cresewyke	Vanessa Giddings	
Blades (Rapier)	Jacomina van Vossenbrouck	Karen Meijer-Kline	Yes
Thrown weapons	Koga of the Wolfpack	Billy Wong	Yes
Youth Armoured Combat			
Arts & Science	Lady Millicent of Eaglescliff	Tina Johnston	Yes
Arts & Science deputy	Aoife Ruadh ingen ui Cnaimhsighe	Ariel Rivera	
Bardic Arts			
Dance	Lady Berenika		
TUTR Coordinator			

TUTR session steward	Tanikh bint Farida al-tabibah	Joanne Burrows	Yes
Guests			
	Sadhbh Bheag inghean Toirrdhealbhaigh	Angela Gallant	Yes
	Saethryth de Apeleia	Reena Shihara	Yes
	Sorcha Inghean Triein	Melissa Martensen	Yes
	Marghread Ragnaill	Kerry Winch	Yes
	Athelina Grey	Karen Domer	Yes
	Cáemgen mac Garbith ui Andrais	Kevin Gougelet	Yes
	Greta Grunwald	Katrina	Yes
	Marie and Einarr		Yes
		Rebecca Thomsen	Yes
	Danielle De Lyon	Leaf Ballard	Yes

1. Approval of minutes: January 2022

Moved Elvina; Secunder Etan. Jaqueline abstains. January 2022 minutes approved.

2. Seneschal report

I recognize that I am privileged to be living and working on the traditional lands of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh peoples. In trying to incorporate indigenous ways of knowing in my classroom I've been seating my students in a circle and checking in with them on a daily basis, similar to a talking circle used by First Nations. Listening is the most important aspect of the circle that I stress with my students. We listen with respect, support, compassion and quietness, and we listen carefully so as to not repeat what has already been said. I'm new to holding meetings in the SCA, but I have been impressed with how we listen to each other and value each other. As incoming seneschal, thank you for trusting that I will listen to and value you and your contributions to this barony.

Coming out of the holiday season, things have been quiet for a variety of reasons. Covid has continued to be a crafty foe, and the rise of a new variant required the Provincial government to prohibit gatherings for some time. This in turn impacted our ability to hold practices and go to events south of the border; I know many wanted to go to 12th Night and Ursulmas. However, since last council we've been running martial practices regularly, and as of this report it looks as if we will be returning to open gatherings imminently.

The timing for these changes in health guidelines is fortuitous, and it coincides with the coming of the event season. Planning for Canterbury Faire is in full swing, and Lions Gate Champions is just around the corner. I look forward to being able to spend time with my people doing what we love, especially if re-entry requirements from the US also loosen up. Tir Righ has shown that it can hold its own handily, but it is always wonderful to visit with our friends in the rest of An Tir.

It's going to be a strange and wonderful time, so let's continue to hope for the best and plan to keep our populace safe and healthy.

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Nereugei

Reminder: Please check your branch email account weekly if not more.

- You can access it via a free app on your phone, or outlook.com on your phone or computer.
- Reliably checking your official Officer correspondence is a part of the position.
- Repeated issues with communication will be followed up with, and we will see how to best support officers.

Reminder: Officer Reports are requested by Monday evening the same week as council.

- This allows me time to follow up with any absent reports.
- Reports are a quick way to show you are active, that there are activities taking place in your area and to let council know of any potential issues or victories!

3. Exchequer report

2022 Financial YTD:

Income of \$0.00 and expenses of \$558.60 shows as a net loss of \$558.60.

Correction to January minutes: Income \$0.00, expenses \$286.80.

Available Funds

As of February 13, 2022, total available funds are \$16,862.32 which includes the following Special Funds:

- \$48.76 Archery
- \$207.28 Return-It Express

Receivables & Other Assets \$0.00:

Prepaid expenses \$672.30:

- \$672.30 to Public Storage (March – April 2022; May 2022 will be free)

Current Items:

- REMINDER: Please email the exchequer to arrange for funds to be deposited a.
Lionsgate.exchequer@tirrigh.org
- Special Fund - Return-It Express
 - To date, Lions Gate has received \$386.48 in direct bottle donations
 - The account code is 604-608-1976
 - Please remember to use clear or translucent bags when dropping off cans/bottles.
 - Some locations now require scanning before dropping off your bags
- Looking for a deputy exchequer (maybe not after tonight!) and chamberlain (maybe not after tonight either!)

We need to update signing authority signatures. Kevin Gougelet and Morween Drakos are still listed as signing authorities on the account.

4. Past event reports

None

5. Upcoming events

FanExpo Demo (February 19-21, 2022) – Saethryth

The Barony has secured a 10' x 20' space at FanExpo. We will have passes that will allow us to swap people in throughout the day. Saethryth has organized a contingent of the populace to demo our A&S skills and martial prowess across the three-day event.

Set up Friday night 2-3 pm. Saethryth and Maryam bint Yussuf al Nasrani and Nereugei.

Meet in front of the front doors – likely only a single entrance. At the new convention centre in downtown Vancouver.

We'll have several heavy fighters, rapier, Jameson Wheeler for thrown weapons, plus we'll set up an SCA promo video reel to play during the event. Also will have a photo booth.

Langley Fundamental School Demo (February 22, 2022)

We were informed that the school will not be holding the demo this year. Looking forward to 2023!

Canterbury Fayre (April 16, 2022 – originally March 19, 2022)

This is our traditional event where we confirm an A&S Champion and Games Champion. Date reservation form originally for March 19 has been amended to April 16 in order to give the event team more time to plan. There should be an event proposal package for council to look at next month.

Lions Gate Champions (May 7, 2022 – originally May 14, 2022)

Date has moved in order to clear a conflict with Hartwood. Application with Burnaby for Warner Loat Park is in progress. Event team required.

Please Note: All in-person activities in Kingdom are subject to the CovidSafe policy

On Sep 27, 2021, Society and Kingdom introduced the CovidSafe policy for all in-person events. This requires verification of either government issued proof of full vaccination or a negative test result from a licensed medical provider. Details are on the kingdom website:

<https://antir.org/announcements/updated-antir-covid-policies-january-12-2022/>

Covid symptom screening and contact information logging is still in effect for all in-person events in Tir Righ as per the Tir Righ Return to Play Plan (See Tir Righ website, Earl Marshal's page:

<https://tirrigh.org/marshal.php>). However, portions of the guidelines have changed. For instance, effective November 1, 2021 the Kingdom decided to lift the food policy restrictions. There are exceptions and those are listed on the kingdom website. See the An Tir Announcements page:

<https://www.antir.org/announcements/>

There are also still Provincial Health Orders in place that require masking for indoor events. Lions Gate has been excellent in this regard, and it is clear that the health of our community is a priority for our Barony. The Barony of Lions Gate page and forum on Facebook will be the quickest way to get your updates on this fluid situation.

6. Officer Vacancies

Note: greater offices are required to have a deputy in case the officer needs to step away.

Ideally all officers that are stepping down need to advertise their vacancy 3 months in advance, if we get applicants we can “hire” after 30 days and leave 60 days to train/shadow and hand over the role. All jobs are to be posted.

Interested parties write to their Excellencies and the Seneschal to apply, and the outgoing officer can supply a recommendation.

Vacancies

- YAC – Youth Armoured Combat - needed once we return to in-person events
- YAFA – Youth and Family Achievements (Background checks must be renewed every two years)
- TUTR – The University of Tir Righ – Tanikh interim/Trainer
- Dance – term ended **Nov 2021 – Contact?**
- Scribe – April 2022 - Brynja Kortsdottir mka Briony Seedhouse to succeed?
- Chronicler’s Secretary – May 2022

New and Extending Officers

Applications for incoming officers to be reviewed by Their Excellencies, the seneschalate and supervising officers.

- Deputy Exchequer – Sorcha Inghean Triein mka Melissa Martensen
- Chamberlain – Sadhbh Bheag mka Angela Gallant

Officer authorization for Deputy Exchequer – Sorcha Inghean Triein mka Melissa Martensen

Baronial Coronet	Baroness Arianna Freemont	Dawn Malin	Y
Baronial Coronet	Baron Cyneric Bearson	Darren Cocking	Y
Seneschal	Nereügei	Victor Lo	A
Exchequer	Archos Anika Styfe	Christi Frank	Y
Games	Lokki	Stephen Jones	Y
Chatelaine	Sæthryth de Apeleia	Reena Muljiani	A
Herald	Etan MacNessa	Trish Graham	Y
Chronicler	Baron Miles Fitz Hubert	Rob Nicholls	Y
Baronial Secretary	Jaqueline Lefleur	Kirsten Masse	A
Scribe	Elvina Effynewoode	Jacqueline Lee	Y
Stables	Decimus Aurelius	Daniel Kline	Y
Archery	Gunnar the Wanderer	Simon Thomsen	Y
Lists	Mistress Agnes Cresewyke	Vanessa Giddings	
Blades (Rapier)	Jacomina van Vossenbrouck	Karen Meijer-Kline	Y
Thrown weapons	Koga of the Wolfpack	Billy Wong	Y
Arts & Science	Lady Millicent of Eaglescliff	Tina Johnston	Y

Officer authorization for Chamberlain – Sadhbh Bheag inghean Toirrdhealbhaigh mka Angela Gallant

Baronial Coronet	Baroness Arianna Freemont	Dawn Malin	Y
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Exchequer	Archos Anika Styfe	Christi Frank	Y
Contingency deputy exchequer	Sorcha Inghean Triein	Melissa Martensen	Y
Games	Lokki	Stephen Jones	Y
Chatelaine	Sæthryth de Apeleia	Reena Muljiani	Y
Deputy chatelaine	Decimus Aurelius	Daniel Kline	Y
Herald	Etan MacNessa	Trish Graham	Y
Chronicler	Baron Miles Fitz Hubert	Rob Nicholls	Y
Baronial Secretary	Jaqueline Lefleur	Kirsten Masse	A
Scribe	Elvina Effynewoode	Jacqueline Lee	Y
Stables	Decimus Aurelius	Daniel Kline	Y
Archery	Gunnar the Wanderer	Simon Thomsen	Y
Blades (Rapier)	Jacomina van Vossenbrouck	Karen Meijer-Kline	Y
Thrown weapons	Koga of the Wolfpack	Billy Wong	Y
Arts & Science	Lady Millicent of Eaglescliff	Tina Johnston	Y

7. Baronial Business - Continuing

CovidSafe Policy - Nereugei

CovidSafe verification has been in place since Sep 28, 2021. We will continue to follow this Kingdom policy when in-person events and practices can resume.

See <https://antir.org/announcements/updated-antir-covid-policies-january-12-2022/>

Bi-weekly Novus Classes – Tanikh

Awaiting an updated schedule for upcoming classes. Several previous classes have been cancelled and need to be rescheduled. Novus I classes to restart in March 2022, possibly in person, if allowed. Or this may be moved to later in the year to coincide with the May public demo event being held in Hartwood.

Reminder: Tanikh will ask about the in-person *Costume* class with Duchess Gwyneth Gower, originally planned for early March 2022.

Zoom renewal

Clarifications from Principality and Kingdom received through Caemgen. Baronial Zoom account was renewed Feb 7, 2022.

Request of the Officers – Nereugei

It's a good time to connect with your Principality superior. What are their expectations of your role? What do they want to see in reports? Do they have ideas they would like to implement at a branch level Principality-wide?

Old Archery Net - Gunnar

Email was sent to Lionsdale Seneschal. They would be delighted to get our old net. Arrange for transfer.

Where's the Customary? – Nereugei

Customary has been located in its draft form. Is anyone interested in helping update the language of the Baronial Customary? Several people offered to edit when complete.

Fight Practice – Nereugei

Local martial practices resumed on January 24, 2022, following a roughly month-long suspension of all activities across the kingdom after Christmas. New restrictions based on Provincial Health Orders further limited the attendees to martial activities only. With a loosening of restrictions in the province anticipated soon, we can expect practices to resume fully including A&S and social aspects.

8. Baronial Business – New

Canterbury Fayre (April 16, 2022)

Date has been moved, originally March 19. Location has been settled on (Semiamhoo Fish and Game Club). Cost is \$600 for 8 hours, and \$80 per hour thereafter. Event will likely be 9 hours to give time for setup and cleanup. Plan to include a potluck feast, following all communicable disease plans and Public Health Office and SCA requirements. Capacity currently capped at 100, but likely to go up with changing of restrictions. Even at capacity, expected profit from event estimated at \$700 with a \$20 entry fee; \$15 for members. Event team is almost assembled, need update on finalizing Event Steward. Co-Stewards in place. Champions need to be notified of their obligations in running the championships. Champions have been contacted by ; Nereugei waiting for the contract.

Gate team: Wendy or Elena

Vaccination screening and contact tracing (if required at the time): Jaqueline as pinch hitter

Potluck coordinator? Could be Tanikh?

Tavern: Anika – will get a new serving it right licence

TUTR classes (if offered): Jaqueline

Lions Gate Champions (May 7, 2022)

Event team needed. Date has been changed, originally May 14th, 2022. Location in negotiations, but available.

Volunteers: Danielle De Lyon; Einarr

Jaqueline and Nereugei offered history from 2021 event.

Event Schedule 2022

Date Reservation Forms have been registered with Kingdom Calendar for the following events and dates:

Canterbury Fayre	April 16 (formerly March 19)
LG Champions	May 7, 2022 (formerly May 14)
Sealion War	June 3-5, 2022
Lion's War	July 29-August 1, 2022
Baronial Trials	Aug 19-21
Baronesses Tourney	November 19, 2022
Baronial Banquet	December 10, 2022

There is an acute need for event stewards. The barony has a contingent of members who have been event stewards who can help guide, but there will always be a need for new event stewards to learn the ropes.

9. Coronet report

Greetings all.

Excited now that the province is opening things up a bit. Still masked and Vaccine required but able to socialize including dance! So we should be able to have all the peeps at practice soon. And full capacity for Canterbury (I hope).

Thanks for everyone for being patient in these times. These times are going to get easier for the vaccinated and it's a good thing.

Please think about event stewardship for our various dates upcoming. We have lots on the go and need people to spearhead these events.

Until next council. I am excited to watch the Marquis match of the Olympics right now between our woman's hockey team and the US. Here comes the Gold!

Baron Cyneric and Baroness Arianna

10. Next Council meeting

Online via zoom; March 16th, 2022 at 7:30 pm PDT.

11. Officer reports appendix

Officer reports as received by February 15, 2022

Chronicler - Miles Fitzhubert Jan 2021-Jan 2023

Report date for Feb 2022 , Nothing new to report.

Chamberlain – VACANT

Chatelaine – Saethryth – Jan 2022-Jan 2024

Approximate number of inquiry contacts: 0

Activities in the branch: 0 since last report, 1 in-person demo pending

In person: 0

Online: 0

Demos: 0

Use of Gold Key: 0

Iron Key: Unknown

Feast Key: 0

Media contact: 0

Promotional material: There seems to be no promotional material for the Barony. Brianna said that we have some outdated stuff but hasn't passed it along to me yet. The Baroness is in the process of tracking down the Barony business cards but it appears the soft copy has been lost. Myself, Marie bint Yussuf, and Einarr Karlsson have been working on making an "Introduction to the SCA" style promotional pamphlet to fill in the existing gaps somewhat. Marie has further plans for a small series of pamphlets. After the Fan Expo Demo I plan on making a Barony Chatelaine business card as well.

Fan Expo Demo: As of February 11, 2022 79% of all shifts for staffing the Fan Expo table have been filled! We have plans of having two mannequins with male and female garb, provided by Rosalind McAlister and Decimus Aurelius and various textile demos on display throughout the weekend. Several fighters are scheduled for fight demos. Jameson Wheeler is bringing a computer to have promotional video playing and a locked display box for showing thrown weapons. We will have a set of contact cards for the convention goers to fill out their information and be contacted after the convention if they are interested.

Gold Key: The Baroness and I have discussed improving the Barony gold key. Current plans are to make a series of belts, hats, nicely embroidered tunics, and some dresses. I am hoping to start working on them after the convention.

Herald - Sable Loat Pursuivant - Etan MacNessa Oct 2021-Oct 2023

Both field and court heralds are being sourced for the upcoming Canterbury Fair, volunteers are welcomed.

Submissions: There have been 2 submissions for name and device, 1 submission for name, device and badge, 1 badge only submission, 1 name submission, and one badge conflict returned.

Minister of Stables - Decimus Oct 2021- Oct 2023

The Lions Gate practices in December were paused due to rising Covid 19 concerns. In January we were permitted to restart practices with renewed safety measures and with solely fighters and direct support staff in attendance (no spectators). We held practice on the 24th with 10 fighters in attendance and the 31st with 9; in both cases a mix of armoured and steel fighters. There were no recorded injuries at practice and no Covid cases.

Archery - Gunnar the Wanderer Aug 2020-Aug 2022

Business as usual for archery. Practices are going well if the numbers are a little lower than I'd like but it is winter so I shouldn't be surprised.

I will be arranging to get the archery net to lionsdale over the next week or so.

Blades – Jacomina van Vossenbrouk Sep 2021-Sep 2023

Not much to report. Since practices have started up again we've had a couple people practicing steel fighting at the Monday fight practice. Fewer than at the end of 2021, but people seem to be slowly trickling back.

Lists - Dame Agnes May 2019 - May 2022

I have nothing new to add since my last report. I haven't been able to bring the shields to practice so I haven't been able to get help from folks painting them yet. I will try again once the restrictions are lifted a bit.

Thrown Weapons - Koga of the Wolfpack Aug 2020- Aug 2022

- Thrown weapons loaner gear needed cleaning, Phaelan Wheeler and Sadhbh Bheag graciously offered and did a great job.
- Practice re-opening late January after guidance and consultation of Their Excellencies, seneschals and provincial health orders. Low attendance at first slowly picking up.

Equestrian - VACANT

Youth Armoured Combat - VACANT

Arts & Sciences- Millecent of Eaglescliff/Aoife Ruadh ingen ui Cnaimhsighe TRANSITIONING

- The January Online A&S Social was held on January 26, 2022. Attendance: ~6
- The next online A&S Social will be held on February 23, 2022, via Zoom.
- The Lions Gate Bardic Championship and Arts & Sciences Championship are planned and ready to announce as soon as we have a date for Canterbury Fayre.
 - The format will be the usual 2 entries, one scored with An Tir A&S score sheets, one populace choice (bean voting or similar).

Dance- Berenica Nov 2019 - Nov 2021

Games – Lokki Sep 2021-Sep 2023

Scribe - Elvina Feb 2019- Feb 2022 – Brynja Kortsdottir to succeed?

Nothing to report this month. Just wanted to let you know, I did follow up on the request last council that we contact our principality officer to ask about anything we should be doing regarding improving reporting and what the office should be doing at the baronial level.

I sent an email shortly after last council but have not yet had a response from principality to it.

Social Media – Morweena

I am in two "official" social media groups - one for An Tir and one for Tir Righ.
All formal announcements from the Kingdom Seneschal or Crown get shared to this location to make it easy and fast for social officers to post to their groups as requested - sometimes this includes turning off commenting.

Waiting for "basic copy" to be added to the An Tir Events page for Canterbury Faire as per kingdom social media policy.

As we are close to the date for the event - if something is sent to this address I can create some sort of placeholder. Via this email address is ideal

Webminister – Leo – Jan 2022 – Jan 2024

Family activities - VACANT

The University of Tir Righ - VACANT

Budget 2022 – Approved November 17, 2021

Barony of Lions Gate - 2022 Budget Requests			
Office	Item	Category	Amount
Baron/Baroness	Award necklaces	General Supplies	\$75
Baron/Baroness	Award tokens	General Supplies	\$25
Baron/Baroness	Coronet cleaning	Equipment Rental & Maintenance	\$50
Exchequer	postage (reports)	Postage & Shipping, PO Box Rental	\$40
Exchequer (Chamberlain)	repair supplies	General Supplies	\$75
Seneschal	postage to mail waivers	Postage & Shipping, PO Box Rental	\$100
Arts & Sciences	photocopying, pens, etc	General Supplies	\$50
Chatelaine	photocopying, etc	General Supplies	\$50
Lists	photocopying, paint	General Supplies	\$25
Marshal (Archery)	archery supplies	General Supplies	\$200
Marshal (Equestrian)	equestrian supplies	General Supplies	\$100
Marshal (Rapier)	rapier supplies	General Supplies	\$200
Marshal (Stables)	stable supplies	General Supplies	\$100
Marshal (Thrown Weapons)	thrown weapons supplies	General Supplies	\$125
Marshal (YAC)	YAC supplies	General Supplies	\$100
Scribe	scribal supplies	General Supplies	\$200
TUTR	photocopying, etc	General Supplies	\$50
Total Requests			\$1,565