

Barony of Lions Gate Council – February 21, 2024

Officers and Deputies

Office	SCA Name	Modern Name	Attended
Baronial Coronet	Baroness <u>Arianna Freemont</u>	Dawn Malin	Yes
Baronial Coronet	Baron <u>Cyneric Bearson</u>	Darren Cocking	Yes
Seneschal	<u>Jacomina van Vossenbrouck</u>	Karen Meijer	yes
Deputy seneschal	<u>Nereügei Kitad-un</u>	Victor Lo	
Exchequer	<u>Azure McGregor</u>	Jacqueline Gregory	yes
Deputy exchequer	Anika Styf		yes
Family activities coordinator			
Chamberlain	<u>Sadhbh Bheag inghean Toirrdhealbhaigh</u>	Angela Gallant	yes
Gold Key Deputy			
Games	<u>Uilliam mac Fearchair mhic Gille Aindrais</u>	Mark Hood	
Chatelaine	<u>Sæthryth de Apeleia</u>	Reena Muljiani	yes
Deputy chatelaine			
Herald (Sable Loat)	<u>Ro Magdalena Freyin</u>	Courtney Racine	
Chronicler	<u>Dagny i Fyrði</u>	Terralyn Gray	
Deputy Chronicler			
Scribe	<u>Brynja Kortsdottir</u>	Briony Seedhouse	yes
Social Media	<u>Etienne Racine</u>	Michael Racine	
Webminister	<u>Bleddyn Pwllgwyngyll</u>	James Humphrey	yes
Stables	<u>Þorbjorn of Lions Gate</u>	Kris Larsen	
Stables Deputy			
Archery	<u>Angharad Verch Cenydd</u>	Amy Dolphin	
Archery Deputy	<u>Gunnar Stigandsson (the Wanderer)</u>	Simon Thomsen	
Equestrian			
Lists	<u>Sorcha Inghean Triein</u>	Melissa Martensen	
Blades (Rapier)	<u>Giuliana di Castiglione</u>	Jenny Lang	
Thrown Weapons	<u>Sara la Rosa</u>	Kimberlyn Weston	yes
Thrown Weapons Deputy	<u>Koga of the Wolfpack</u>	Billy Wong	
Youth Armoured Combat			
Office	SCA Name	Modern Name	Attended
Arts & Science	<u>Etan na Garmna Casail</u>	Trish Graham	
Bardic Arts			
Dance	<u>Roesia du Bois</u>	Wendy Humphrey	yes
TUTR Coordinator	<u>Millicent of Eaglescliff</u>	Tina Johnston	

Guests:

SCA Name	Modern Name
Elvina Effynewoode	Jacqueline Lee
Caemgen mac Garbith ui Andrais	Kevin Garvey
Elspeth Farre	Andrea Matthews
Jaqueline Lefleur	Kirsten Masse
Beatriz of Lions Gate	Joana De Dornellas Amorim
Iokki/Stephen and Pak Nammo/Nathalie	
Anika Styf	Christi Frank
Aislinn O'Connor	Angela Muxlow
Kormak	Dan Novack
Niall Bacach	Terry
Agneß Scherer	
	Mike Racine

1. Approval of minutes: January 2024

Tabled to March 2024 council meeting.

2. Seneschal report

Welcome back everyone! I hope you have been able to catch some of that lovely sunshine before the rain started again.

This last month we've had a couple major events either organized or attended by many of our populace. Lions Gate made a great showing at the various tournaments at Ursulmas as well as the rapier championship at Investiture last weekend.

Investiture also saw the step up of our new royals of Tir Righ, long live Prince Mikolaj and Princesses Jadwiga!

The same weekend also saw our yearly Fan Expo demo, which I've heard was a great success. I'm looking forward to the date change of Investiture next year (one weekend earlier), which will hopefully bring more attendance for the demo.

Next Tuesday will see our other yearly demo at Langley Fundamental School and I hope many of you will be able to make it!

Yours in service, Jacomina

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

- 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

2024 Financial Report

- Q1 Domesday report not due until March 2024
- No Income this period. We haven't held anything

2024 Financial YTD:

- It's still only February and we haven't held anything.

Available Funds

- As of February 19, 2024, total available funds are 30,486.18

Payables Pending

- Missile Weapons practice site rental for January & February 2024.
- *Azure needs the address for the Missile Weapons practice for the cheque. (Sara la Rosa)*

Receivables & Other Assets

- \$ Nil

Prepaid expenses:

- \$1,947.75 Public Storage locker 5 months (get July 2024 free)
- \$1,597.77 Sealion War Albion Fairgrounds site rental

Current items:

Please email the exchequer to arrange for funds to be deposited.

Lionsgate.exchequer@tirrigh.org or to submit expenses associated with your budgeted amount for 2024 for your office.

Return-It Express Donations

- For the first two months of 2024, Lions Gate has received ??? in direct bottle donations. Report next council.
- The account phone number code is **604-608-1976**
- Please remember to use clear or translucent bags when dropping off cans/bottles. Do not make them heavy (spread out the glass bottles over multiple bags if necessary.) Do not include foreign/USA items.
- Some locations now require scanning before dropping off your bags.

4. Past event reports

FanExpo 2024

By all reports, went very well. Some people very enthusiastic. We might have a few new folks.

Can return next year. People reaching us through baronial group.

Barony invited to be at the half-time show at the Cosplay judging. Video forthcoming.

Invited to do a demo in Cloverdale in June. Could test some of our FanExpo ideas for next year.

5. Upcoming events

Langley Fundamental School Demo - February 27, 2024

Our traditional school demo at Langley Fundamental Middle Secondary School (<https://lfmss.sd35.bc.ca/>) is February 27th, Tuesday. We often do not have practice on the Monday so that our Combatants aren't too tired. I'll leave it to Their Excellencies to discuss this.

Update: We *will* have a fight practice next Monday, February 26th due to upcoming Queen's Rapier Competition, at Kingdom Arts & Sciences, March 1-3, 2024.

Our Stations are being run by:

- Erin Seedhouse and Collegium - Music
- Peet Eidet - Arms and Armour
- Heather Holmes - Scribal
- Danielle Stephens - Voice Heraldry
- Jenny Lang and Jason Homfeld - Rapier
- Darren 'Cyneric' Cocking - Heavy

If you are wishing to assist any of these Stations, please contact our lovely leads listed here.

Set up starts at 5p, please come to the back entrance for easy access. Stations start at 7pm and run in 15-20 minute increments until 9pm when we all gather in the gym for a thank you, taking our bow. All is as it has been for more than 20 years of us doing this demo. Some of our very members were students during our demos.

We will likely need several combatants and some marshals if we do not wish to have our poor Baron et al fall flat in exhaustion.

Thank you for your time and energy to this!

Yours in Service,

Bantiarna Sadhbh Bheag

Canterbury Fayre – April 20, 2024

- Roesia du Bois and Kormak
- Coming along. Working on last few team leads. Championships info coming. Still waiting for answers about insurance. Hoping to have day food depending on the kitchen. Crier submission. and FB event coming. Site visit soon. Draft contract arrived today. New booking agent this year. Looking for site token ideas.

SeaLion War – May 31-June 2, 2024

- Lokki
- Working on it. Picked up the event a week and a half ago. Jazzi offered to help with promotion. MICs in place. We have a site. Albion Fairgrounds.

Lions Gate Champions – May 4, 2024

- Caemgen mac Garbith ui Andrais
- Gate tokens in hand. Have to adjust bid due to new NMR. Contacted folks at FanExpo who have light sabres. Most of team set. EIF later this week. Crier copy sent in.
- New contact at Warner Loat

Baroness' Inspiration – November 16, 2024

- Jaqueline Lefleur and possibly Mikhail Kurganovic
- Bid in progress. Site Cloverdale Fairgrounds: Shannon Hall and Alice McKay.
- Nereugei has asked for prices. Waiting for response. About half the team in place. So many ideas! Hope to have a completed bid by next council.

Masks are now optional but recommended at all Lions Gate events including practices, but as Society wants to remind the populace that *“No matter what safety precautions we put in place, there is no substitute for each individual being educated about the risk to themselves and their loved ones and making responsible choices to protect themselves and others from this virus.”*

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.

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

Vacancies

- **Chronicler** *Jacomina will post the Chronicler position as it is a required office for a Barony.*
- **YAC – Youth Armoured Combat**
- **YAFA – Youth and Family Achievements** (Background checks must be renewed every two years)
- **TUTR Coordinator** – paperwork side of the role

Potential and Incoming Officers

- **Dance**
might soon have a change over? Current officer position ends March 31, 2024. Delgrade Grannia McAllister has offered to take on the officer role. Both Delgrade and Roesia du Bois will both continue to teach at dance practice. *Jacomina will follow up with Delgrade. She’s been asked to send a letter of interest.*
- **Chamberlain**
Office ends as of tonight. Sadhbh Bheag has advertised for it, but no interest expressed yet. Sadhbh Bheag will hand back the keys at fight practice. Lokki has a truck and is willing to take on the office. Lokki will cover on a temporary basis until a formal application can be made and voted upon in an upcoming council.
- **Scribal**
Katharina Rein (Dana Boyd) is interested in taking on the Scribal office. *Baroness Arianna will follow up with Dana to see if letter has been sent.*

New and Extending Officers – voting

None this month

7. Baronial Business - Continuing

Event site explorers

Thinking we need to create a deputy position for someone to specialize in this process. Spreadsheet available of possible event sites, Azure has contacted many of them for details. She suggests making “site calling” its own office. Perhaps the Tir Righ event deputies can be notified and labour combined.

Sunshine Coast practice

Conversations have been ongoing with members on the Sunshine Coast since the news came down that they would be joining the Barony of Lions Gate. We will set up a Google form to assess their needs and find out what they would like to do for a practice space on the Sunshine Coast. Theodora has agreed to take on the google form portion of the questionnaire.

What's On Abbotsford

Contacted through Sadhbh Bheag, a fellow named Adam, who has been to a couple of events pre-COVID, reached out to see if we had interest in writing some content for his publication in return for some ad space. Do we have writers interested in doing an article? It would be a risk-free and cost-free way to advertise for both us and for Lionsdale.

Sadhbh Bheag has connected Adam with Dalla.

8. Baronial Business – New

Lions Gate Trials – date TBD

- Sadhbh Bheag inghean Toirrdhealbhaigh and Porbjorn of Lions Gate
- Considering 2nd weekend in September. Waiting for responses from a couple sites.
- Brynja suggested Lancer testing at Lions War. Want the Lancers to have the space to shine!

Tir Righ Newsletter

Please submit your event copy!

Tir Righ Heraldic and Scribal Symposium – April 5 – 7, 2024

- Bid might be coming for a site in Gibsons. No one has contacted the Seneschal or Baron or Baroness yet.

Event Schedule 2023/2024

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

- Langley Fundamental School Demo – February 27, 2024

- Canterbury Fayre – April 20, 2024 (Roesia, EIF submitted)
- Lions Gate Champions – May 4, 2024 (Caemgen and Sorcha, DRF submitted)
- SeaLion War – May 31-June 2, 2024 (Lokki & Brynja?), DRF submitted)

9. Coronet report

Greetings all,

First of all, we want to say thank you to Reena, Marie, Steve and Cam along with so many others for FanExpo. It was a rousing success and I even made CTV News. We had a lot of interest so hopefully we get some new members out of it.

Come out to the Langley Fundamental school demo next week. [Feb. 27th] It's always fun and the kids really enjoy it.

Also let's see some folks support our friends across the water for Daffodil. Always lots of fun.

As always, stay safe and see you all soon.

Baron Cyneric

10. Next Council meeting

Online via zoom; March 20, 2024 at 7:30 pm PST

11. Officer reports appendix

Officer reports as received by February 20, 2024;

Chronicler - Dagny i Fyrði Jan 2023-Jan 2025

Chatelaine – Saethryth – Jan 2022-Jan 2024

- FanExpo was great and everyone had fun. I think we may get a few people from it. We have a request to demo at a small local convention called Collector Con at the Cloverdale fairgrounds June 21/22nd. I am inclined to take the offer as it will be a great place to test some of the ideas that I have for FanExpo next year.

Chamberlain - Sadhbh Bheag Feb 2022-Feb 2024

Herald - Sable Loat Pursuivant - Ro Oct 2023-Oct 2025

- Nothing new to report

Stables - Porbjorn of Lions Gate Oct 2023 – Oct 2025

- The end of January and beginning of February have seen four practices.
- January 22nd and 29th saw 31 and 26 attendees
- February 5th and 12th saw 23 and 32 attendees.
- No injuries have been reported.

Archery - Angharad Verch Cenydd Aug 2022-Aug 2024

Blades – Giuliana di Castiglione Oct 2023-Oct 2025

- Practices happened , we've had between 5 and 9 people. We'll need to start paying for the space at the end of the month for this month.

Lists – Sorcha Inghean Triein Mar 2024-Mar 2026

- Lists reports that nothing has happened that is lists-related since last council meeting.

Thrown Weapons – Sara la Rosa August 2023- August 2025

- We had only one practice for the month due to poor weather.
- We have inspected a location that is covered for practices and I will be sending in a proposal for that hopefully by the end of this week.
- With only one practice for the month, there isn't much to say.

Equestrian – VACANT

Youth Armoured Combat – VACANT

Arts & Sciences – Etan Oct 2023-Oct 2025

Dance – Roesia du Bois Mar 2022- Mar 2024

Dance Report for mid Dec 2023 to mid Feb 2024

- Dec 20, 2023 - Holiday party potluck and dancing in garb - 10 dancers and 6 dances
- Dec 27, 2023 - Rhiannon as guest instructor visiting from 108 mile - 14 dancers and 9 dances
- Jan 3, 2024 - 12 dancers and 10 dances
- Jan 10, 2024 - 8 dancers and 12 dances
- Jan 17, 2024 - Cancelled due to the snow
- Jan 24, 2024- 9 dancers and 12 dances
- Jan 31, 2024- 8 dancers and 11 dances

- Feb 7, 2024 - Cancelled due to illness and insufficient numbers
- Feb 14, 2024 - Valentine's treats and dancing - 7 dancers and 8 dances

Games – Baron Uilliam Sep 2022-Sep 2024

Scribe – Brynja Kortsdottir Feb 2022-Feb 2024

Social Media – Etienne Oct 2023-Oct 2025

Webminister – Bleddyn Jun 2022- Jun 2024

- Not really anything to report; just some updates to current information.

Family activities – VACANT

The University of Tir Righ - VACANT