

Barony of Lions Gate Council – April 17, 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 | Christi Franks | |
| Family activities coordinator | | | |
| Chamberlain | | | |
| Gold Key Deputy | | | |
| Games | <u>Uilliam mac Fearchair mhic Gille Aindrais</u> | Mark Hood | |
| Chatelaine | | | |
| Deputy chatelaine | | | |
| Herald (Sable Loat) | <u>Ro Magdalena Freyin</u> | Courtney Racine | yes |
| 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 | yes |
| Webminister | <u>Bleddyn Pwllgwyngyll</u> | James Humphrey | yes |
| Stables | <u>porbjorn of Lions Gate</u> | Kris Larsen | yes |
| Stables Deputy | | | |
| Archery | <u>Angharad Verch Cenydd</u> | Amy Dolphin | |
| Archery Deputy | <u>Gunnar Stigandsson</u> (the Wanderer) | 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 | | | |
| Arts & Science | <u>Etan na Garmna Casail</u> | Trish Graham | yes |
| Bardic Arts | | | |
| Dance | Delgrade McAllister | Caralyn Andersen | |
| TUTOR Coordinator | <u>Millicent of Eaglescliff</u> | Tina Johnston | yes |

Guests:

| SCA Name | Modern Name |
|---|--------------------------------|
| Elvina Effynewoode | Jacqueline Lee |
| Niall Baccach | |
| Elena de Maisnilwarin | Elaine McMillan |
| Roesia du Bois | Wendy Rose |
| Wulfwyn the Silent; deputy marshal LG Coast | Carole Fraser |
| Elspeth Farre | Andrea Matthews |
| Reena Muljiani | Shahar Mulji |
| Lokki | Stephen Jones |
| Jaqueline Lefleur | Kirsten Masse |
| Kevin Garvey | Caemgen mac Garbith ui Andrais |

1. Approval of minutes: February and March 2024

February 21, 2024 approval of minutes. Call for edits. None.
Motion to adopt the minutes of February 21, 2024 as written.
Moved: Elvina; Seconded: Etan. Passes unanimously.

March 20, 2024 approval of minutes. Call for edits. None.
Motion to adopt the March 20, 2024 minutes as written:
Moved: Niall; Seconded: Brynja. Passes unanimously.

2. Seneschal report

Good evening, everyone and welcome to Spring! I hope the sunshine has been treating you all well.

Not much to report this month except that I went to Gulf Wars (which was awesome) and left my deputy confused (sorry). Now that I'm back though I'm very much looking forward to our upcoming events; Canterbury Fayre this weekend, Champions on May the fourth, and Sealion at the end of May. Canterbury will have both Principality and Kingdom presence so let's put our best foot forward and show them what we're all about!

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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!

IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ACCESS TO YOUR OFFICER EMAIL, please email the seneschal and they will reset your password!

3. Exchequer report

I learned how to do monthly reporting statements in preparation for Quarterly Reporting May 1, 2024!

Some events are coming up!

We paid some bills, we paid some deposits for Canterbury Faire and rental of the site for Missile Practice.

Total Final Account \$29,741.74

4. Past event reports

no past events

5. Upcoming events

Canterbury Fayre – April 20, 2024

Roesia and Kormac are event stewards.

Last minute updates?

- Help with set up welcome! We'll make a FB post to request help with set up starting when the hall opens at 8 am.
- Seagirt B&B will be attending, along with Their Highnesses and Their Majesties.
- We'll have pop-ups for Rapier and Archery in case of rain.
- Gate float request \$500 for Dame Elena – Can met with Azure tomorrow evening to collect the gate float cheque.

Motion: To prepare a cheque for the gate float in the amount of \$500 for Dame Elena

Maisnilwarin:

Moved by Jacomina; Seconded: Caemgen; Abstentions: Jaquemina, Azure, Roesia. Motion passes.

- 2 A&S competitors; 4 Bardic competitors
- Reena will be running a newcomers
- Gold Key will be present

Lions Gate Champions – May 4, 2024

Caemgen and Sorcha are event stewards.

- How did the site visit go? Very well. New Burnaby staff. Very enthused.
- Draft sent off of advertisement wording *Dark Times of Winter Season!* Star Wars inspiration everywhere. Discussing the champions tournaments. Liaison of Light Sabre Guild. Kingdom Calendar fully updated with all event details. FB is getting tons of responses. 60 going and 137 interested. Scheduled boffer fights. Sharing more info soon. Bookmarks. Costume contest! Star Wars up your garb. 3 ads/week.
- Gate float cheque – can it be brought to Canterbury Fayre?

Motion: To request a cheque for a \$500 gate float for Caemgen.

Moved: Jacomina; Seconded: Roesia. Nays: none. Abstentions: Jacomina, Caemgen. Motion passes.

- Yoda is in 5 or 6 manuscripts! In Real Life!
- The entire Tir Righ guard will be armed with light sabres!
- People can bring things to work on or merchant or barter over. Think Star Wars village.

- Request permission to take cash boxes and clipboards and kids craft supplies directly from Canterbury Fayre. (Yes, but please send an email to the Seneschal and Chamberlain with what you've taken, for the records.)

SeaLion War – May 31-June 2, 2024

Brynja and Lokki are event stewards.

- Request for Gate float of \$600 for Lokki. Wait until May council.
- Jiffy John - biffi contract for 5 porta potties - no trucks coming in for Saturday clean out. They will accept a cheque on porta potty delivery. Please send in a cheque requisition form for Jiffy John.
- HE Seagirt has started posting information about the war points on Facebook.
- Merchants will be hosted inside one of the cadet buildings.

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.

Incoming Officers

- Scribal officer: Katharina Rein

Motion to accept Katharina Rein as the new Baronial scribal officer.

20 attending; Abstentions: 3; Nays: none. Office change passes.

Jacomina will arrange for a change of officer form.

- Chamberlain – Need a change of officer form.

Vacancies

- **Chronicler** - No interest shown in position yet. This is a *required office*. We have a temporary person assisting and a temporary secretary for minutes.
- **Chamberlain** – Lokki is in possession of the keys.
- **Chatelaine** – Roesia is considering the office.
- **YAC** – Youth Armoured Combat
- **YAFA** – Youth and Family Achievements (Background checks must be renewed every two years)
- **TUTR Coordinator** – paperwork side of the role

New and Extending Officers

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

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.

Baroness Arianna suggested a drafted letter of introduction to approach farms, but is unsure who to write that and what it should include. **Need to choose someone to draft it and include photos to entice them into a modern contract with us.

Jaqueline – we have crafted letters in the past for site introductions and one for archery at site locations. She’ll email the Seneschal anything found.

Sunshine Coast practice - update

- Awaiting Sunshine Coast members work on questions for a Google survey form. Other members have found appropriate outdoor heavy combat practice space in a park, and are also talking with Camp Byng about doing archery there. Need an idea of numbers of participants, but regardless there will be support from the barony for whatever reasonable practice space costs are expected.
- We need a deputy to the master of stables of this, Jacomina is looking into a suitable person. Being discussed with the Tir Righ Seneschal.
- Wulfwyn – Camp Bing possibly for archery and thrown weapons. Discussions in the future.
- First practice will be April 22, 2024.

Possible new missile site for practice?

Sara has been in contact with Crystal, who was the old contact for our former missile practice site at Taisce Stables. Crystal is now at a new space just around the corner from the current site and is interested in renewing a business connection with us. \$4 per attendee cost to the Barony.

Sara, Jacqueline, Dana, Koga, and Kheron have visited the site. The site looks great. Sara reports that only a one-year contract is available at this time, based on the underlying lease. Suggest the calendar include details on Baronial website for both sites.

The current site owner Jen Landels is going to be approached about revising the current contract to one with a monthly “super-practice”. Each one a full day during the winter months, Oct to May. There is space on the grass field for longer distance archery, thrown weapons inter-kingdom challenge, atlatl, and combat archery (!)

New Baronial Kneeler

Her Excellency Arianna proposes a new padded portable raised kneeler be commissioned for the Barony to use. Deputy seneschal proposes that we put out the proposal to tender. Has anything happened with this further? No one has volunteered yet to prepare a tender to bid on the project. Cyneric approached the person that made the Kingdom kneeler. He has photos of it. Jacomina will follow up about preparing a posting about bidding on the project.

8. Baronial Business – New

None

Event Schedule 2024

We are reminded to update the An Tir Calendar with all the same updates for event related items we currently post to Facebook. Many people rely on the Calendar for information or who do not use Facebook.

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

- Canterbury Fayre – April 20, 2024 (Roesia and Kormac, EIF submitted – Crier copy in)
- Lions Gate Champions – May 4, 2024 (Caemgen and Sorcha, EIF submitted – Crier copy in)
- SeaLion War – May 31-June 2, 2024 (Lokki & Brynja, DRF submitted, Crier copy in)
- Lions War – August 2-5, 2024 (Brynja! DRF Submitted)
- Trials – September 20-22, 2024 (porbjorn) Albion Fairgrounds contract signed and paid

Future events still in early planning

- Baroness' Inspiration – November 16, 2024 one bid coming at May council – Jaqueline Nereugei has contacted Cloverdale Fairgrounds about Shannon Hall and Alice McKay as a site.

9. Coronet report

Greetings all.

Spring is in the air and events are off with a flourish. Gentles from across the Barony, Principality and even the Kingdom are preparing to vie for our myriad of Championships coming up. Three at Canterbury and four at May Champions. We look forward to seeing all the competitors and their various entries for the final times that we get to bestow these honours on gentles. I am curious to see how my Lady and I are going to be Star Wars Heroes at Champions. Should be super fun.

Also Eddie's is in between with a great many things at that event and we would like people to come and support our neighbours to the south (and the home of all of our current royalty).

Arianna and I will not be in attendance for the next council meeting as it is 4:30 am in Venice where we will be. So don't do anything too drastic while we are away. For those who are unaware, Arianna and I are leaving for Paris the day after May Champions and coming back from Rome the day before Sealion War.

As always please stay safe and have fun at all the upcoming events.

Cyneric and Arianna

The meeting was adjourned as of 8:35 pm. Motion: Jaqueline; Seconded: Roesia

10. Next Council meeting

Online via Zoom; May 15, 2024 at 7:30 pm PST

11. Officer reports appendix

Officer reports as received by March 20, 2024;

Chronicler - Dagny i Fyrði Jan 2023-Jan 2025

Chatelaine – Saethryth – Jan 2022-Jan 2024

Chamberlain - VACANT

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

Golden Fleece March 15-17, 2024

Loats: David and Nicole (waiting for her to get back to me with her SCA name)

Helping hand: Rose Ingen Laisre

Names and Devices

Name: Etienne Racine

Device: Per pale sable and gules, three potato blossoms and a chief embattled argent

Name: Ro Magdalena Freyin

Device: Per fess sable and azure, three crescents in pall, horns clockwise Or

Alternate Name: Niclas Mellis szkot

Stables - Porbjorn of Lions Gate Oct 2023 – Oct 2025

In the end of March and up until now, we have held 5 practices. Our attendance has seen 43, 39, 22, 27 and 30 attendees. With 8 non-members joining us.

Archery - Angharad Verch Cenydd Aug 2022-Aug 2024

Blades – Giuliana di Castiglione Oct 2023-Oct 2025

Because of spring break, there were only 2 Thursday practices in March. We did get more people than usual for those two weeks though, around 10 or 11 participants.

Lists - Sorcha Inghean Triein Mar 2024 - Mar 2026

Nothing to report

Thrown Weapons – Sara e Rosa August 2023 – August 2025

Report pending

Equestrian – VACANT

Youth Armoured Combat – VACANT

Arts & Sciences- Etan Oct 2023-Oct 2025

Dance - Delgrade McAllister, Mar 2022 – Mar 2024

- March 20 - instructor Delgrade
 - 5 dancers, 8 dances
 - Figured out how to do some dances with 5 dancers, without an invisible dancer.
- March 27 - instructors Delgrade and Roesia
 - 5 dancers and 7 dances
- April 3 - Instructors Delgrade and Roesia
 - 8 dancers, 11 dances
- April 10 - instructor Delgrade
 - 5 Dancers, 12 dances

Games – Baron Uilliam Sep 2022-Sep 2024

Scribe - Brynja Kortsdottir Feb 2022- Feb 2024

This is my last quarterly report as Baronial Scribe. :)

My replacement will be Katarina Rein (Dana Lamarche), and I will be staying on as deputy for 3 - 6 months to help with the transition.

We have been busy painting and recruiting.

The illuminated bookmarks we took to Fan Expo for the populace to paint were very well received and I think are a key reason for the number of newcomers we've seen from that demo.

Social Media – Etienne Oct 2023-Oct 2025

I'm pleased to report there have been no incidents or issues requiring moderation on our social presence. I've added the FB event for Sealion War and that completes the summer Baronial

events I can see on the calendar. I have also noticed that we continue to have an influx of new people inquiring, though I have no data of any of them continue to attend.

Webminister – Bleddyn – Jun 2022 – Jun 2024

Family activities – VACANT

The University of Tir Righ – VACANT

2024 Approved Budget:

| Barony of Lions Gate - 2024 Budget | | | | |
|---|---|--------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Office | Item | Category | Amount | Paid |
| Baronial Coronet | Award necklaces | General Supplies | \$225 | |
| Baronial Coronet | Award tokens | General Supplies | \$25 | |
| Baronial Coronet | Coronet cleaning | Equipment Rental & Maintenance | \$50 | |
| Exchequer | Postage (NMR) | Postage & Shipping | \$50 | |
| Exchequer (Chamberlain) | repair supplies | General Supplies | \$100 | |
| Seneschal | postage, Zoom | Postage & Shipping, Telephone | \$400 | \$240.69 |
| Arts & Sciences | photocopying, pens, etc | General Supplies | \$50 | |
| Chatelaine | photocopying, etc | General Supplies | \$200 | |
| 2024 | Storage locker rental | Occupancy (Event Related) | \$5143 | |
| 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) | Heavy fighter supplies | General Supplies | \$200 | |
| Marshal (Thrown Weapons) | thrown weapons supplies | General Supplies | \$200 | |
| Marshal (YAC) | YAC supplies | General Supplies | \$100 | |
| Scribe | scribal supplies (paint/pens/parchment) | General Supplies | \$200 | |
| TUTR | photocopying | General Supplies | \$100 | |
| RBC Bank Charges | Bank Fees | Bank Fees | \$78 | |
| Archery/TW Site | Site rental (variable) | | \$1,650 | |
| Allthing Practice | Westwinds (fall/winter) | | \$2,610 | |
| Rapier/Steel | Thursday Practice | | \$1,350 | |
| Insurance | Two Practice sites | | \$250* | |
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| Total Requests | | | \$13,606 | |