

## Barony of Lions Gate Council – November 20, 2024

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### Officers and Deputies

Office	SCA Name	Modern Name	Attended
Baronial Coronet	Baroness <u>Brynja Korttsdottir</u>	Briony Seedhouse	X
Baronial Coronet	Baron <u>Malyss Makneile</u>	Eli Klassen	X
Seneschal	<u>Jacomina van Vossenbrouck</u>	Karen Meijer	
Deputy seneschal	<u>Nereügei Kitad-un</u>	Victor Lo	X
Exchequer	<u>Azure McGregor</u>	Jacqueline Gregory	X
Deputy exchequer	<u>Anika Styf</u>	Christi Frank	
Family activities coordinator			
Chamberlain	<u>Lokki</u>	Stephen Jones	
Gold Key Deputy			
Games	<u>Uilliam mac Fearchair mhic Gille Aindrais</u>	Mark Hood	
Chatelaine	<u>Shahar Mulji</u>	Reena Muljiani	
Deputy chatelaine			
Herald (Sable Loat)	<u>Ro Magdalena Freyin</u>	Courtney Racine	X
Chronicler	Dagny i Fyrði	Terralyn Gray	
Deputy Chronicler			
Scribe	<u>Katharina Rein</u>	Dana Boyd	X
Social Media	<u>Etienne Racine</u>	Michael Racine	
Webminister	<u>Bleddyn Pwllgwyngyll</u>	James Humphrey	X
Stables	<u>Porbjorn of Lions Gate</u>	Kris Larsen	
Stables Deputy			
Archery	<u>Angharad Verch Cenydd</u>	Amy Dolphin	
Archery Deputy	<u>Gunnar Stigandsson</u> (the Wanderer)	Simon Thomsen	

Office	SCA Name	Modern Name	Attended
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	
Thrown Weapons Deputy	<u>Koga of the Wolfpack</u>	Billy Wong	
Youth Armoured Combat			
Arts & Science	<u>Etan na Garmna Casail</u>	Trish Graham	X
Bardic Arts			
Dance	<u>Delgrade McAllister</u>	Caralyn Andersen	
TUTR Coordinator	<u>Millicent of Eaglescliff</u>	Tina Johnston	X

**Guests:**

SCA Name	Modern Name
Elspeth Farre	Andrea Matthews
Katarzyna Dziemieszkowa	Amber Thompson
Niall an Bacach	Terry Nelson
Marie bint Yussuf	Erika Pharaon
Einarr Karlsson	Stephen Finlay
Elvina	Jacqueline Lee
Bridget	Kathleen Andersen
Jaqueline Lefleur	Kirsten Masse
Caemgen	Kevin

## **1. Approval of minutes: October 2024**

Motion to approve the Lions Gate council minutes from October 2024:

It was moved by Malyss and seconded by Elvina that we approve the minutes from the October 2024 meeting as circulated. There were no corrections. No nays, no abstentions, motion carried.

## **2. Seneschal report**

Nereugei made a land acknowledgment and explained what that means to him.

Once more into the breach!

As our intrepid Seneschal recovers from her journey to the other side of the world, we come together to welcome our new Baronial Coronets to our business meeting! This is an excellent time to remind officers of their duty to ensure that reporting happens in a reasonable time so that Their Excellencies have a good grasp on the comings and goings of the Barony. I wish the new Coronets a most prosperous and peaceful time, unless of course we need to kickstart the economy.

Lions Gate!

**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**

All accounts have been reconciled and are up to date, signed, sealed and scanned for our digital records effective November 11 2024.

There was another audit from SCA Kingdom. We gave them what they wanted. No news is good news. Baroness' Inspirational Tournament Happened. Gate sheets say 363 signed in. NMS for 73 non-members has been popped in the mail. Gate float returned and gate collections deposited to the account.

All gate and associated liability sheets have been scanned and are ready for regular distribution and storage. I met the Kingdom Exchequer Master porkell Palsson, OP, at the event. He's great!

If you owe me Gate sheets, or gate collections for Practices, I make attempts to be at the All Thing at least once a month. The account, effective November 19th, 2024 has **\$41,505.08**

### **Current Items**

Please email the exchequer to arrange for funds to be deposited lionsgate.exchequer@tirrigh.org or to submit expenses associated with budgets for 2024 offices before December 15<sup>th</sup> deadline.

### **Return It Express Donations**

Return It deposited **\$335.50** total for 2024 so far

The account phone number is **604-608-1976**

Please remember to always use clear or translucent bags when dropping off cans/bottles. Do not make them heavy (spread out the weight) Do not include foreign/USA items, Some locations require scanning in the QR codes on the labels before dropping off bags.

### **4. Past event reports**

Please continue to use the 2024 version of the Event Steward Bid spreadsheet on the Barony of Lions Gate <https://lionsgate.tirrigh.org/forms/> page!

### **Baroness' Inspiration Tournament**

Madame Jaqueline reported on the November 16, 2024 event at Shannon Hall. It was big and had a lot of people! The gross take was just over \$7,000 and some expenses are still to come but we should net approximately \$3667. There was a huge team and she is still writing up the thank yous. All she can say is that it was a magical event and that was a good thing for her. Thank you everyone for your tremendous help.

There was a discussion about making this event like Ursulmas North given the high number of fighters, and moving into a bigger space.

## **5. Upcoming events**

**Baronial Banquet - February 8, 2025** Pak Nammo event steward

**Canterbury Fayre – April 5, 2025** Caemghen event steward

**Salon Artificum – April 26 2025**

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**

#### **Vacancies**

- Webminister term is up – he is still making updates, but no applicants to replace him yet
- Games officer will be up in September – making games happen at events, looking after championship, maintaining Baronial inventory of games, transporting to event and facilitating them being played or taught.
- Archery officer term is up
- YAC – Youth Armoured Combat
- YAFA – Youth and Family Achievements (Background checks must be renewed every two years)
- Chronicler - **still open and crucial to be filled. Some interest received but no news yet. Urgent to get a newsletter out!**

### **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**

This is **even more urgent** now that we can no longer use Albion for camping

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. Azure talking to acreage in Hope for event site.

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.

### **New Baronial Kneeler**

Her Excellency Arianna proposes a new padded portable raised kneeler/seat be commissioned for the Barony to use. This is still being investigated. No new updates.

\*\*Seneschal to put this out to tender on FB, with a sketch and approximate budget, in consultation with the Baronial Coronets

## **November Coronet 2025**

Arianna spoke about November Coronet in 2025 at Shannon Hall/Alice McKay in Cloverdale, and she is event stewarding with Ylva as co-steward. Proposal has gone forward to Principality, but City of Surrey contract not available yet until 12 months out. November 1, 2025.

Baron Cyneric suggests locking in Baroness Inspiration date for November 15, 2025 as well.

\*Seneschal will inquire to reserve the above 2 dates and investigate prices for Agriplex for Baroness Inspiration November 15, 2025.

## **8. Baronial Business – New**

### **TUTR class Proposal - Marie**

Proposal from Brianna (Nancy) and Nammo (Nathalie) to teach a series of 4 cooking classes in January. The classes will be held on Tuesdays at the clubhouse in my strata complex. The rent is \$25 per day for a total of \$100 for the 4 days.

Council discussed the profit, which must go back to the Barony after covering the cost of the class supplies and the room rental. Any supplies needed must be charged against the course fee which each student pays. \$5 per person is the suggested donation.

\*\*Financial committee to follow up with feast steward to get a completed bid in for the Feb 8<sup>th</sup> event

### **Purchase of new Baronial pop-ups**

\* Update from Jaqueline regarding company that sold to the film industry? She will get quotes to the Seneschal for January 15<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Sorcha moved that, subject to the financial committee review, for up to \$1810 plus tax, seconded by Jaqueline, that we purchase two pavillions, to be determined after Jaqueline provides the second set of quotes for review. Neregui abstains, Azure abstains, no nays, motion **carried**.

<https://www.costco.ca/impact-10-ft.-x-20-ft.-aluminium-instant-canopy.product.10331324.html>

10 feet x 20 feet ones for \$860 plus tax

and one of these 10 feet x 10 feet ones that are waterproof:

<https://impactcanopy.ca/collections/10x10-1/products/10x10-ml-pop-up-canopy-tent-100-waterproof-1680-denier-top>

at \$750 CAD plus tax.

And two sets of two side walls to block wind or sun at \$100 per set for a total of \$200 CAD plus tax:

<https://www.costco.ca/impact-canopy-2-sidewall-kit-for-10-ft.-x-10-ft.-pop-up-canopy.product.100279769.html>

$\$860 + \$750 + \$200 = \$1810$  plus tax

### **2025 Budget**

- Increase for Westwinds rental into that line
- 10% increase for the storage locker.

The Westwinds church is slated for demolition and reconstruction, so it is a few years of gap where we will need to find an alternative fighting location.

### **Lions Gate Customary**

Changes need to be made to include the games and cut and thrust champions. Dame Elena also suggests reformatting into sections and subitems, as well as a revision for Baronial Coronet change-overs (comping incoming and outgoing coronets, as well as their dependent children).

\*\*Sorcha made a tracked changes version and sent to seneschal for review before council meeting in January 2025 so members can ratify and then we can post to website.

### **Event Schedule 2024/2025**

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

- Baronial Feast - February 8, 2025 Pak Nammo as event steward. No bid yet.
- Canterbury Fair – April 5, 2025. Caemghen as event steward. No bid yet. Planned Star Trek theme: First Contact. (DRF submitted) Potential site in Fort Langley school district.
- Salon Artificum - April 25, 2025 (DRF submitted)
- Lions Gate Champions - date? Location at Warner Loat? October 31<sup>st</sup> deadline for date reservations, no news from City of Burnaby

**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.**

No information has been received by Elspeth for the baronial feast yet for the Tir Righ Northern Sentinel newsletter.

### **9. Coronet report**

Baron Malyss says this is very exciting! Greetings unto our populace!

Baroness' Inspiration Tournament is come and gone and was a roaring success - congratulations to our new Cut & Thrust champion Wu Chi, congratulations to our newest Laurel Dame Margaret, and of course congratulations to the inaugural bearers of Her Excellency Brynja's new Inspiration Haversacks.

Herself and I will be attending Seagirt Yule next month, and Twelfth Night, but our next local event scheduled is Baronial Banquet in February and that promises to be delicious!

Thank you all, keep happy and safe during the upcoming holiday season, and we'll see you all soon.

Malyss and Brynja



## **10. Next Council meeting**

Online via Zoom; Jan 15, 2025 at 7:30 pm PDT

## **11. Officer Reports Appendix**

Officer reports as received by Nov 19, 2024;

**Chronicler -**

### **Chatelaine – Saethryth – Jan 2024-Jan 2026**

FanExpo Demo: February 21-23 (Fri-Sun). I have sent in the application for the demo and have not heard back yet. We can provide the demo fights, the fan fights, and bookmark painting. Langley Fundamental School Demo: Proposed date Feb 18 (Tuesday). Angela/Sadhbh is stepping back from running the demo this year so we need someone to help with this demo. I am looking for a replacement and currently have 2 candidates.

### **Chamberlain - Lokki - May 2024 - May 2026**

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

Baroness Inspiration November 16, 2024

#### *Baron's Favour*

Anikó Melyes	Caitrin ni Cingheadh	Constance Sweeting
Jaqueline Lefleur	Nereugei Kitad-un	Jameson Wheeler
Pórbjorn of Lions Gate	Lokki inn Helgi	Margaret Hamilton of Stirlingshire
Rory Cynericson	Miles Fitzhubert	
Myfanwy Milay	Wulfgar Bradaxe	Arianna Freemont

#### *Order of the Meritorious Flamingo*

Griffin ap Bedwyr

Myfanwy Milay

*Golden Dandelion*

Violet

*Lions Cub*

Angus Ulfrsson

*Heart and Hand*

Rosalind McAllistair

Magnus Ulfgarsson

Anna Capelli

Caitrina inghean Andriasia

Nereugei Kitad-un

Elsbeth Farre

Jaqueline Lefleur

*Baroness' Favour*

Pórbjorn of Lions Gate

Sara la Rosa

Róisín O Caoimh

Rory Cynericson

Lokki inn helgi

Nereugei Kitad-un

Myfanwy Milay

Ylva Annarsdottir

Ellen Foirinn

Carolyne of Bromichan

Anikó Melyes

Briana Cassia

Elena de Maisnilwarin

Wulfgar Bradaxe

Rosalind McAllistair

Caitrin ni Cingeadh

Margaret Hamilton of  
Stirlingshire

Caitrina inghean Andriasia

Jaqueline Lefleur

Etan na Gramna Caisil

Bernadette Ebhilin Árd

Constance Sweeting

Katherine O'daire

Jodan de Carlitte

Jameson Wheeler

Cyneric Bearson

Baronial Favours

Jaqueline Lefleur

Caoimhe Wevere

Rory Cynericson

Jacomina van Vossenbrouck

Nereugei Kitad-un

Morweena goch Bengrych

Cáemgen mac Garbith ui Aindrais

Order of the Lions Fang

August Hermann Konker

Boar's Spear

Laric Godwin

Order of the Lions Claw

Niall an Bacach

**Stables - Porbjorn of Lions Gate Oct 2023 – Oct 2025**

**Archery - Angharad Verch Cenydd Aug 2022-Aug 2024**

**Blades – Giuliana di Castiglione Oct 2023-Oct 2025**

Thursday steel practice:

Oct: 3 practices average of 7 attendees per class including couple new rapier fighters

Nov: 2 practices including this Thursday

- the practices have been a combination of rapier and Cut & thrust

- practice this Thursday is the last one until January

Baroness' Inspiration:

Uncollared Rapier tournament:

-41 entrants, including MoDs,

-Winner was Cailean McQuarrie

Steel Rose Tournament

-11 entrants

-Winner was Boreaus Luchase

Baronial Cut & Thrust Championship

-14 entrants

- winner was Wu Chi

-1 injury-Murdoch broke a pinkie during sn unfortunate accident while messer fighting that resulted in a gauntlet failure.

Gerhard's Riposte

-3 entrants and 5 testers including last year's winner

- winner was Mikolaj from Danescombe

Monday allthing gym sharing observations:

- tried sharing the gym with heavies again this week, despite some grumbling it seemed to have gone better than last time, but it's possible that's just because there's less people this week

- moving the a&s tables further into the room seems to have reduced the number of people wandering through

- there's only space for 3 sets of fighters on our half of the gym, but it was used consistently throughout the night.

- when the heavies were actively fitting, the room got quite loud

**Lists - Sorcha Inghean Triein Mar 2024 - Mar 2026**

Lists would like to report on the results of the many tournaments held at Baroness Inspiration on November 16 at Shannon Hall.

There were 31 uncollared rapier fighters and ten MODs or Dons in the rapier prize tournament. They fought two thirty minute rounds and most wins advanced. The five finalists were Cailean, Davin, Draven, and Gawain and Seamus. Cailean was victorious. Don Guido managed this tournament.

There were 57 unbelted heavy fighters and more than 12 knights who fought in the heavy prize tournament. They fought in four erics in a single round robin and the top two from each eric advanced. Tyrfingr was victorious over Antoine in the finals. Sir Oak managed this tournament.

There were 11 entrants in the Steel Rose, single round robin with no finals, and the victor was Boreaus with ten wins, followed by Gemma and Anezka tied for second with nine wins. Magdalena managed this tournament.

There were 13 entrants in the Iron Rose tournament in single round robin followed by a single elimination for the top four and the victor was Andreyus over Wulfwyn in the finals. Wulfwyn managed this tournament.

There were 14 fighters in the Cut and Thrust Baronial championship. The winner was Wu Chi over Tobias in the finals. Don Guido managed this tournament.

There were three entrants in the Gerhard's Riposte new rapier fighter tournament and the winner was Mikolaj of Danescombe chosen by acclamation.

I was greatly assisted all day by HL Ursula from Thornwold and HL Ciannait from Lions Gate Coast, with a leap in from HE Bernadette for the last round of fighting. Many many people helped marshal and organise and I do not have their names. Baron Miles was overall marshal in charge and did a great job.

### **Thrown Weapons – Sara e Rosa August 2023 – August 2025**

A very quiet month for our missile practice with only 2 practices for the whole month.

We had a total of 17 attendants for the month. After a discussion with the site host, we will need a minimum of 6 people in attendance at a practice to justify the use of the lights. I will be asking on our FB group about attendance ahead of time on Thursdays.

We are looking at changing the way we make our spear targets as the place we used to get our foam is no longer in existence.

**Equestrian – VACANT**

**Youth Armoured Combat – VACANT**

## **Arts & Sciences- Etan - Oct 2023-Oct 2025**

### **Dance - Delgrade McAllister - Mar 2024 – Mar 2026**

October 16 8 dancers and 11 dances

October 23 7 dancers and 11 dances

October 30 11 dancers and 8 dances

November 6 5 dancers and 10 dances

Nov 13 5 dancers and 12 dances

### **Games – Baron Uilliam Sep 2022-Sep 2024**

#### **Scribe - Katarina - May 2024- May 2026**

We held a two day calligraphy class started with 10 people ended with 3 however thoes three had gone and got their own supplies so I think we have a few keepers!

I have also been asked if a tiny TUTOR class would be something worth doing. I think I would be. more talks to be had on that.

### **Social Media – Etienne - Oct 2023-Oct 2025**

### **Webminister – Bleddyn – Jun 2022 – Jun 2024**

With Baroness's Inspirational came a flood of updates that I am steadily getting to now. Earlier this month, I updated the Practices page to include Lions Gate Coast Practice and put up the revised-for-2024 Event Bid file. That said, it looks like there are issues with An Tir servers at the moment, so it is currently not possible to continue! Hopefully, I can get back to it soon after the gremlins have been rooted out.

### **Family activities – VACANT**

### **The University of Tir Righ – VACANT**

It was moved by Niall, and seconded by Jaqueline, that we approve the new Baronial budget for 2025 totalling \$16,140, which is included as appendix to these minutes. Neregui abstains. No nays, motion **carried**.

**2024 Approved Budget:**

Barony of Lions Gate - 2024 Budget				
Office	Item	Category	Amount	Proposed 2025
Baronial Coronet	Award necklaces	General Supplies	\$225	\$225
Baronial Coronet	Award tokens	General Supplies	\$25	\$200
Baronial Coronet	Coronet cleaning	Equipment Rental & Maintenance	\$50	\$50
Exchequer	Postage (NMR)	Postage & Shipping	\$50	\$50
Exchequer (Chamberlain)	repair supplies	General Supplies	\$100	\$100
Seneschal	postage, Zoom	Postage & Shipping, Telephone	\$400	\$400
Arts & Sciences	photocopying, pens, etc	General Supplies	\$50	\$50
Chatelaine	photocopying, etc	General Supplies	\$200	\$200
2024	Storage locker rental	Occupancy (Event Related)	\$5143	\$5,700
Lists	photocopying, paint	General Supplies	\$25	\$25
Marshal (Archery)	archery supplies	General Supplies	\$200	\$200
Marshal (Equestrian)	equestrian supplies	General Supplies	\$100	\$100
Marshal (Rapier)	rapier supplies	General Supplies	\$200	\$200
Marshal (Stables)	Heavy fighter supplies	General Supplies	\$200	\$200
Marshal (Thrown Weapons)	thrown weapons supplies	General Supplies	\$200	\$200
Marshal (YAC)	YAC supplies	General Supplies	\$100	\$100
Scribe	scribal supplies (paint/pens/parchment)	General Supplies	\$200	\$200
TUTR	photocopying	General Supplies	\$100	\$100

RBC Bank Charges	Bank Fees	Bank Fees	\$78	\$78
Archery/TW Site	Site rental (variable)		\$1,650	\$1,650
Allthing Practice	Westwinds (fall/winter)	34 dates/3hrs/\$30	\$2,610	\$3,060
Rapier/Steel	Thursday Practice		\$1,350	\$1,350
Insurance	Two Practice sites		\$250*	\$250*
<b>Total Requests</b>			<b>\$13,606</b>	<b>\$16,140</b>

\*Site named insurance is paid in USD, subject to CAD exchange rate.