



*Baron Malyss Makneile and Baroness Brynja Kortsdottir
Photo by Beuam Shahar Mulji*

Words from the Lions Gate Coronets

Thank you everyone for congratulations and good wishes as we start our reign as your Baron & Baroness. Huge thanks go to Cyneric and Arianna for all the hard work and love they have put into this Barony over the past 6 years and we wish them well in their retirement. 😊

We are looking forward to the next few years with everyone and wish you all good health, happiness and safety in these changing times.

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We are actively looking for volunteers to fill the following Officer positions: Chronicler, Chatelaine (Shahar's term is now over), Gold Key Deputy, Youth and Families*, Youth Armoured Combat*, Minister of Stables Deputy, Equestrian, Web Minister Deputy.

**requires a background check, apply to Seneschal for more information.*

Upcoming Events

Date	Branch	Event
Feb 8 2025	Lions Gate	Baronial Banquet
Feb 8 2025	Danescombe	Danescombe Newcomers Event
Feb 15 - 17 2025	Hartwood	Hartwood TUTOR Spring 2025
Feb 22 2025	Thornwold	Tir Righ February Investiture
March 8 - 9 2025	Wyewood	Kingdom Arts & Sciences and Queen's Rapier Championship
March 14 - 16	Ramsgaard	Quest for the Golden Fleece
March 29 2025	Danescombe	Tournament of Roses
March 29 2025	Seagirt	Daffodil Tournament & Feast
April 5 2025	Lions Gate	First Contact Fayre
April 12 2025	Lionsdale	Lionsdale TUTOR
April 26 2025	Lions Gate	Salon Artificum
May 2 - 4 2025	Thornwold	Sir Edward's Memorial Tourney
May 16 - 18 2025	Port de l'Eau	May Crown
May 31 - June 1	Seagirt	Sealion War

We are looking for event teams for the following events:

Lions Gate Champions – May 24 – we have Warner Loat Park booked for May 24, 2025

Lions War – August long weekend

Sergeantry Trials – this can now be a 1 day event, usually happens mid-September but date is fluid as needed.

Baroness's Inspiration – November we are looking to book Cloverdale fairgrounds.

The spreadsheet for creating event bids can be found in the Forms and Documents section at <https://lionsgate.tirrigh.org>.

*Reminder that basic event info needs to be emailed to the kingdom calendar 3 months before the event. Crier event copy needs to be sent in 2 months minimum before the event. The sooner you get the info sent in the more people will see your event. 😊

DID YOU KNOW?

Reading the Lions Gate Customary is a great way to learn about Lions Gate's annual events, Baronial Awards, and basic job descriptions of all the Baronial Officer duties.

Changes to the Lions Gate Customary

Section 3.8.1.3. Added “on the Baronial website” for publication timeline of Baronial Council minutes.

Section 5.4 – added “the Games Champion, the Cut and Thrust Champion,” to the list of Champions.

Section 5.5 changed “King & Queen” to “Tir Righ Coronet or An Tir Crown”.

Section 5.5.3 changed “event fees for specific Baronial events” to “event site fees for Baronial events”.

Section 6.7 added “with receipts” for clarification to “The person(s) who transport the pavilion may be reimbursed for their fuel costs, according to the Financial Policy”.

Section 7.1 added “from the Baronial website” to “Bid must be submitted using the approved Bid Form by email to the members of the Financial Committee.”

Section 8.1.10 fixed the section # for Baronial Warrant award.

Section 8.1.11 Added “8.1.11 The Heart and Hand for those who make significant contributions of largess to the Barony.” to the list of Baronial awards.

Baroness’s Inspiration Court Report

Court Report of Their Excellencies Lions Gate Baron Cyneric and Baroness Arianna

Baroness Inspiration Tournament November 16, 2024

By Dame Margaret Hamilton of Stirlingshire

Morning court opens

☞ The Baron gave Their thanks for all those that came today. It is a packed day and is bittersweet, knowing it is Their last event as Baron. The Baroness gave Their thanks to all. More words were formed but were difficult to express at that time.

☞ During the Baroness’ eloquent words the Lion of Lions Gate was elevated by the Baron, in a manner emulating a recent moving picture shown on these pages. Much hilarity was created. Baroness Arianna expressed astonishment (“what the h#!?”) and the herald was heard to note it was “frick** adorable”).

☞ The Event Steward spoke on the food and drink available this day and directed those with queries about event information to seek at gate.

☞ HL Azure Mary MacGregor brought forth a stained glass window hanging in canvas they created for this event. It features Their Excellencies and will hang among the other representing former Barons and Baroness of this Great Barony! The Baron and Baroness were visibly moved.

☞ The Cut and Thrust Champion challengers were called forth and the Invocation of the List proceeded.

Lions Gate Court was suspended.

Evening Court

☞ The Baron and Baroness processed into Court through the spectacular arch of swords, great needles, and stupendous batons. This spectacle was created by the Sargeantry and Courtiers to honour and surprise Their Excellencies.

Court resumed

☞ Public displays of affection were showcased by the Baron and Baroness to much expressions of delight by the populace.

☞ Baroness Arianna called forth Their Inspirations for the past few months.

Equestrian - Lord Malyss Makneile

Arts and Sciences - HL Sorcha inghean Triein

Bardic - Lady Danielle de Lyon

Heavy Combat - Lord Tadhg mac Dubghall

Rapier - HL Malie Rennick

Service - Lord Rory Cynericson

Youth - Alexander

They were thanked for their inspiration during their time as Inspirations and were gifted with the Inspiration bags as tokens of remembrance of their time. The Baroness expressed Their wish that they will continue to inspire the Baroness always.

☞ Bibi Sara la Rosa was called forth. They presented the tokens for the achievements in rank for Thrown Weapons in the year.

The recipients: Viscountess Bernadette Ebhilín Árd

Desdemona of Lions Gate

Lady Katharina Rein

The recipient of the highest rank thrower in the Barony was awarded to Lady Katharina Rein.

The recipient of the most improved thrower in the Barony was earned by Ava of Lions Gate.

They received a satchel filled with tools to maintain their weapons which will also serve as storage for the weapons when not in use.

☞ The Lion of Lions Gate and the Orca of Seagirt were revealed to have engaged in a secret love affair. Naturally, after a short gestation, the delightful product of their joy and delight in each other was brought forth. Eleven Liorcas were born!

Thanks to Bibi Sara la Rosa and Lady Danielle de Lyon for the delightful discovery.

☞ Mistress Etan na Garmna Casail spoke of the Super Six largesse competition and the amazingly skilled entries. Rachel Lee took the top prize for their amazingly crafted and texturally delightful Chickens.

☞ The Baron spoke of how They had had a lot of fun over the past few years, most noticeably at Lions War where a certain game was played. The following were then inducted into the Order of the Meritorious Flamingo:

Sir Griffin ap Bedwyr

Lady Myfanwy Milay

☞ HL Rosalind McAllistair presented their Courtier pouch to Begum Shahar Mulji, for their achievement of attaining Courtier of Lions Gate. This pouch was the first Courtier pouch created, for HL Rosalind, and thus is a legacy pouch.

Violet was called forth and bestowed with a Golden Dandelion.

Angus Ulfsson was called forth and bestowed with a Lions Cub.

☞ The Baron spoke of the six years as Baron. They wished to give thanks to some of those that had provided service over those years. The following were called forth and awarded a Baron's Favour:

HL Jaqueline Lefleur

Pórbjorn of Lions Gate

Lord Rory Cynericson

Lady Myfanwy Milay

Mistress Caitrin ni Cingheadh

Master Nereugei Kitad-un

Lord Lokki inn Helgi

Baron Miles Fitzhubert

Baroness Anikó Melyes

Baron Wulfgar Bradaxe

Lady Constance Sweeting

Lord Jameson Wheeler

Dame Margaret Hamilton

☞ HL Thorey Thorkelsdottir was called forth and inducted into the Order of the Goutte de Sang.

☞ The Baron and Baroness bestowed a Heart and Hand unto each of the following:

HL Rosalind McAllistair

Anna Capelli

Master Nereugei Kitad-un

HL Jaqueline Lefleur

Sir Magnus Ulfgarsson

Mistress Caitrina inghean Andriasia

HL Elspeth Farre

☞ Baroness Arianna bestowed Their thanks in the tangible form of a Baroness' Favour to each of the following:

Pórbjorn of Lions Gate

Lord Rory Cynericson

Lady Myfanwy Milay

Carolyne of Bromichan

Dame Elena de Maisnilwarin

Mistress Caitrin ni Cingheadh

HL Jaqueline Lefleur

Lady Constance Sweeting

Lord Jameson Wheeler

Bibi Sara la Rosa

Lord Lokki inn helgi

Baroness Ylva Annarsdottir

Baroness Anikó Melyes

Baron Wulfgar Bradaxe

Dame Margaret Hamilton of Stirlingshire

Mistress Etan na Garmna Caisil

Lady Katherine O'daire

Lady Róisín O Caoimh

Master Nereugei Kitad-un

Lady Ellen Foirinn

HL Briana Cassia

HL Rosalind McAllistair

Mistress Caitrina inghean Andriasia

Viscountess Bernadette Ebhilin Árd

Baroness Jodan de Carlitte

Archos Angharad and HL Thorey Thorkelsdottir presented the tokens for the achievements in rank for Archery in the year to the following:

Bibi Sara la Rosa

Bridget of Kilkenny

Viscountess Bernadette Ebhilín Árd

Elisabeth Ataide

Their Highness Kheron Azov

Their Highness Athelina Grey

HL Gunnar Stigandsson Grandmaster Bowman and Most Improved

The Baron and Baroness spoke of the joys and trials of the past six years with plague hitting shortly after Their step-up and efforts on keeping the populace safe and engaged. They spoke of people that were instrumental in ensuring the Barony thrived during this time.

They bestowed Baronial Favours for those reasons on the following:

HL Jaqueline Lefleur

Lord Rory Cynericson

Master Nereugei Kitad-un

Master Cáemgen mac Garbith ui Aindrais

Duchess Caoimhe Wevere

HL Jacomina van Vossenbrouck

Dame Morweena goch Bengrych

HL Aoife Fhionn inghean uí Cnáimhsighe presented a generous donation to The Baron and Baroness from their own cellar for future toasts.

Archos August Hermann Konker, the Lions Gate Cut and Thrust Champion, was released from their duty. They were then inducted into the Order of the Lions Fang.

HL Giuliana da Castiglione spoke of the various Rapier tournaments held this day.

The Steel Rose Tournament, which has seen solid growth the past three years, was won by L. Boreaus Luchase.

The Chivalry prize for the participants of the Steel Rose Tournament was awarded to L. Mateo de Malizia.

The Uncollared Rapier Tournament was won by HL Cailean McQuarrie.

The Chivalry prize for the participants of the Uncollared Rapier Tournament was awarded to Anezka Liska z Kolina from the East Kingdom.

Lasairiona's Belt, a Chivalry prize in honour of HL Lasairaiona inghean Uilliam na Seoltadh, a much loved and inspiring White Scarf from Lions Gate who was instrumental in the rapier community for many years and epitomized Chivalry, was awarded to HL Ealusaid of Ros.

Baron Miles Fitzhubert introduced the speakers for the Heavy Combat Tournaments held this day.

The Iron Rose tournament, detailed by Viscountess Wulfwyn the Silent and Viscountess Bernadette Ebhilín Árd, also saw growth over previous years with thirteen entrants. Andreas was the winner.

The Chivalry prize for the Iron Rose tournament was awarded to Joan of Danescombe.

The Unbelted Tournament was detailed by Viscount Oak Guntharson. Lord Tyrfingr Regenvldrson, squire to Sir William of the Battered Helm, was the winner of the Tournament. Their Highness Tir Righ then presented them with Shattered Spear for their ferocity in the Coronet Tournament held earlier this month.

The Chivalry Prize for the Unbelted Tournament was awarded to Svanhildr Eyverska of Danescombe.

☞ The Baron then presented, for the member of the Sergeantry that goes the furthest in the tournament, the Boar's Spear to HL Laric Godwin.

Much thanks were given to all those who Marshalled, performed Lists duties, Inspired, Witnessed, and Fought and a joyous noise was heard.

☞ The Event Steward HL Jaqueline Lefleur reported there was 363 attendees today, a grand attendance! All the assistance so many provided made the day much easier for this hard-working gentle and co-event steward HL Mikhail Kurganovic. Gifts were given to share with the team.

☞ HL Jaqueline Lefleur, Lady Katharina Rein, HL Thorey Thorkelsdottir, and Lord Niall an Bacach presented to Their Excellencies a most delightful heraldic depiction in a salted caramel chocolate creation!

☞ As the others departed Lord Niall an Bacach was detained. They then were inducted into the Order of the Lions Claw, surrounded by cheering members of the Order.

☞ Mistress Caitrin ni Cingheadh detailed the delicious chocolate dessert competition. Eight phenomenal entries made the decision difficult for the judges. They persevered however and determined third place was the Chocolate Bourbon creation by Lady Roesia du Bois. Second place was Chocolate Cheesecake with Amaretto by Darian McKirk.

First place was attained by the amazing Pavlova Brulé created by Lady Danielle de Lyon.

☞ Gerhard's Riposte, held in honour of Sir Gerhard Kendal of Westmoreland, was won by Mikolaj of Danescombe. They received Gerhard's rapier and other kit to use for one year until it is time to pass it to another.

☞ The Baron struggled for words to express the magnitude of his feelings for his time spent as Baron of Lions Gate.

The Baroness assured the Barony They loved us all. They will not go far and will continue to contribute to this fabulous Barony.

They each gifted each other Their Baron and Baroness favour.

The Baron revealed he had, in secret, commissioned from Master Nereugei Kitad-un a reliquary in silver. Inside the reliquary are 'scraps' from the new Baronial kneeler that replaced the old during Their reign. Many tears were shed, including from those watching this most beautiful and intimate expression of Their feelings and support They have for each other.

One last Thank you to all.

Thus the final court of Their Excellencies Lions Gate, Sir Cyneric and Dame Arianna, closed.

Current Royalty

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Tanist and Ban-Tanist of Tir Righ - Bryn Fitz Savaric & Tatiana Alexsieva

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