

Barony of Lions Gate Council – June 18, 2025

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	X
Deputy seneschal	<u>Nereügei Kitad-un</u>	Victor Lo	
Exchequer	<u>Azure McGregor</u>	Jacqueline Gregory	X
Deputy exchequer			
Family activities coordinator			
Chamberlain	<u>Lokki</u>	Stephen Jones	
Gold Key Deputy			
Games	<u>Bridget of Kilkenny</u>	Kathleen Andersen	X
Chatelaine	<u>Katherine O'Daire</u>	Kathy Armstrong	X
Deputy chatelaine			
Herald (Sable Loat)	<u>Ro Magdalena Freyin</u>	Courtney Racine	X
Chronicler	<u>Elvina Effynewoode</u>	Jacqueline Lee	X
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	X
Stables Deputy			
Archery	<u>Kheron Azov</u>	Richard Bertrand	X
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	
Blades (Rapier) Deputy	Fiora Zorzi	Suzanne Ruffeski	X
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	
Bardic Arts			
Dance	<u>Delgrade McAllister</u>	Caralyn Andersen	X
TUTOR Coordinator	<u>Millicent of Eaglescliff</u>	Tina Johnston	X

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Guests:

SCA Name	Modern Name
Caemgen mac Garbith ui Andrais	Kevin Garvey

1. Approval of minutes: May 2025

Motion to approve the Lions Gate council minutes from May 2025:

It was moved by Elvina and seconded by Azure that the minutes of the May 21 2025 Council meeting be adopted as circulated in advance. There were no nays

2. Seneschal report

Good evening everyone,

Hope you are all doing well and have enjoyed Lions Gate Champions, Sealion War, and our various demos and activities.

There is not much to report this month except that planning is well underway for upcoming events, with the first one being Lions War. In the meantime, Allthing has moved to our outdoors location and to Tuesday nights as per usual in the summer. Thank you to Arianna and Cyneric for opening your house to us once again!

YIS,
Jacomina

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

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- 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 the 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

Quarterly reports due again in August.

Still having a little SCA audit; complying as required.

Tried to get to Coronet; car broke down dang. Heard it was fun.

Account still happy and strong with a current total of 45,443.45

I am out of town from June 26th to July 3rd, but will be back in the saddle July 4th if any business is required from me. Get your cheque requests to me, in person, as I am planning on being at the June 24th AllThing for anyone who can't wait until I return.

Have fun at An Tir West War.

YIS,

Azure

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 2025 offices before December 15th deadline.

Return It Express Donations

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Return It deposited \$5.75 total for 2025 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!

Lions Gate Champions – May 24

193 people through gate, 11 comped, 35 non-members. Expenses \$483.53, with profit of \$2,761.47 minus \$350 NMR = \$ 2,411.47

All went well with this event and we have several new champions:

Born Biultrsson	heavy combat champion
Cailean McQuarrie	Rapier champion
Kheron Azov	Archery champion
Everard of Lionsdale	Thrown Weapons Champion

5. Upcoming events

Lions War – August 1-4

Bid for Lions War – essentially the same as last year with an additional Biffy for the far end. No equestrian due to fire conditions but will have hobby horse equestrian.

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Details:

Head gate Katarzyna Dziemiaskowa.

Includes \$500 for Biffies, \$800 for garbage bin. Estimated 5,700.00 in site fee. Total estimated expenses: \$7,585.00. Total estimated profit: \$1,940.00

Motion to approve the bid for Lions War

Moved by Katherine O'Daire and seconded by Kheron. No nays. Abstentions by Azure and Brynja. Motion passed

Trials – September 20th 2025

EIF is in. Contract signed and paid for. Day event only – no camping due to limitations on the length of stakes which can be used. Times for the event are in contract.

November Coronet – Nov 1, 2025 - Arianna and Ylva

Site contracts received, deposits paid

Baroness Inspiration – Nov 15, 2025

Bid in the works by Fiora Zorzi and Bridget of Kilkenny with advice and guidance from Jaqueline Lefleur

Baronial Banquet – November 29th

Sara reported that we were waiting to hear from the site acknowledging they have received the deposit cheque and signed forms from the exchequer by mail. Has this happened?

No update

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

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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

- Webminister term is up – he is still making updates, but no applicants to replace him yet
- YAC – Youth Armoured Combat
- YAFA – Youth and Family Achievements (Background checks must be renewed every two years)

New and Extending Officers

Seneschale has a possible deputy interested.

7. Baronial Business - Continuing

Polish festival demo

This was a hit with 5 of the volunteers talking almost the entire time. 11 volunteers on site with 2 each of both heavy and rapier fighters. There was a stage area and Boffer fighting happened. Recommended that we do this one again next year.

Collector Con demo

Not a success from the interaction side of things. While there were 14 volunteers on site, only about a dozen people came to talk over the 1 ½ days. No one painted. Recommended that we don't do this one next year – it does not seem to be a match for us.

Storage Locker

No updates

Event site explorers

No updates

New Baronial Kneeler

No updates

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Practice locations

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.

It was discussed to check the costs of renting a school in the Langley/Fort Langley district for practices. No update on that yet

Option for renting rapier space in the fall will be available.

8. Baronial Business – New

Demo Tote

From the Chatelaine. Request to consider having a demo tote with supplies and tablecloths (x3) for use at demos. Could be funded fairly inexpensively. A request was made that an itemized list with costs be brought to council for approval.

Request for clarification from the customary on hauling the Baronial Pavilion to events. When is reimbursement covered?

General discussion seemed to focus on if it was required for a Baronial court that would be covered. Other events would have to be in the event budget approvals. Further checking required.

Event Schedule 2025

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

- Lions War – August 1-4 – EIF sent
- November Coronet – November 1, 2025 – EIF sent
- Baroness Inspiration Tourney – November 15, 2025 – DRF sent

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- Trials – September 20, 2025 – EIF sent
- Baronial Banquet – November 29, 2025- EIF sent

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 do not use Facebook.

9. Coronet report

Greetings!

It's been a busy month for Lions Gate!

Once again two of our populace will be stepping up to rule this fair principality: congratulations to Magnus and Sina; congratulations also to Nereugui, Wulfwyn, and Jacomina on their various elevations! It feels a bit like old news but we have new champions as well: Kheron, Everard, Beorn, and Cailean - thank you to them and their fellow competitors for playing well all round, and we appreciate your bearing with us as we did things a little differently this time. And while we're mentioning elevations, congratulations to Anika and Miles!

Sealion was damp but good fun, and while our heraldic invasion was handily rebuffed, we look forward to next year which has already been spearheaded by the Fearsome Ninjas of Seaglitter.

Next up, Lions Gate heads to Avacal, followed by our Baronial Revolt against our kind and tax-hungry rulers! War!

Malyss and Brynja

10. Next Council meeting

Online via Zoom; July 16th, 2025 at 7:30 pm PDT

11. Officer Reports Appendix

Officer reports as received by June 16th, 2025;

Chronicler – Elvina April 2025 – 2026

The May Northwind has been published online.

Work on item cleanup for archives continues.

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Chatelaine – Katherine O'Daire – Jan 2025-Jan 2027

Chamberlain - Lokki - May 2024 - May 2026

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

Stables - Þorbjorn of Lions Gate Oct 2023 – Oct 2025

Archery – Kheron – April 2025 – 2027

Blades – Giuliana di Castiglione Oct 2023-Oct 2025

Last Thursday was the last Thursday steel practice for a couple months. They are over for the summer as the location we use is unavailable until fall. We've been able to share the space again when it opens in the fall, and have accepted.

Rapier and c&T activities continue at the Tuesday all things.

I'll bring the practice fees and paperwork to the allthing next Tuesday.

Lists - Sorcha Inghean Triein Mar 2024 - Mar 2026

Thrown Weapons – Sara e Rosa August 2023 – August 2025

Equestrian – VACANT

Youth Armoured Combat – VACANT

Arts & Sciences- Etan - Oct 2023-Oct 2025

Dance - Delgrade McAllister - Mar 2024 – Mar 2026

Games – Bridget Killkenny Feb 2025 – Feb 2027

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Scribe - Katarina - May 2024- May 2026

Social Media – Etienne - Oct 2023-Oct 2025

Webminister – Bleddyn – Jun 2022 – Jun 2024

Unfortunately, just at the moment the Web site is having a critical failure over a WordPress plugin that I need to disable, but cannot currently do so. This was part of the effort to get the Award Nominations form working again, as I had in the past. Hopefully, it can be fixed ASAP.

Since last Council meeting, I have made as many changes as I have had information for, but I still have not received any of the awards from Sealion War to update. I miss Dame Margaret's fabulous reports and would humbly reiterate that I can only update the site if I am given the information to do so. My messages in regard to this have gone unanswered. While I may remember a few items from court, I cannot recall everything.

Family activities – VACANT

The University of Tir Righ – VACANT

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2025 Approved Budget:

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Office	Item	Category	Spent:	2025
Baronial Coronet	Award necklaces	General Supplies		\$225
Baronial Coronet	Award tokens	General Supplies		\$200
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
Arts & Sciences	photocopying, pens, etc	General Supplies		\$50
Chatelaine	photocopying, etc	General Supplies		\$200
2025	Storage locker rental	Occupancy (Event Related)		\$5,700
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)	34 dates/3hrs/ \$45/hr		\$3,060
Rapier/Steel	Thursday Practice			\$1,350
Insurance	Two Practice sites			\$250*
Total Budget				\$16,140

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