

Barony of Lions Gate Council – September 17, 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	
Deputy seneschal	<u>Nereügei Kitad-un</u>	Victor Lo	X
Exchequer	<u>Azure McGregor</u>	Jacqueline Gregory	
Deputy exchequer			
Family activities coordinator			
Chamberlain	<u>Lokki</u>	Stephen Jones	X
Gold Key Deputy			
Games	<u>Bridget of Kilkenny</u>	Kathleen Andersen	X
Chatelaine	<u>Katherine O'Daire</u>	Kathy Armstrong	
Deputy chatelaine			
Herald (Sable Loat)	<u>Ro Magdalena Freyin</u>	Courtney Racine	
Chronicler	<u>Elvina Effynnewoode</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	
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	X
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	X
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	
TUTOR Coordinator			

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Guests:

SCA Name	Modern Name
Millicent of Eaglescliff	Tina Johnston
Roesia du Bois	Wendy Blackshaw Humphrey
Agnes Sherer	
Desiree	Mary Kittel
Godfrey	

1. Approval of minutes: August 2025

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

It was moved by Elvina and seconded by Briget that we approve the minutes of the meeting of August 20, 2025 without any changes or corrections. No nays, Nereügei abstains. **CARRIED.**

2. Seneschal report

Good evening everyone!

I am in Europe at the moment so I leave you in Nereügei's capable hands. Have a good September and see you again in October.

YIS,
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 the council know of any potential issues or victories!

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

3. Exchequer report

Lions Gate Exchequer Report September 2025

I have to go back east for about a month; I will be available by email, text, messenger while I am away. However, I have arranged for the Baronial cheques to be handed off to Dame Elaine, while I am gone, to assure business as usual.

If you need a cheque, let me or her know and assure you have filled out a Cheque Request Form, with proof of reimbursement, direct pay, etc. Digital documents or print are acceptable receipts, invoices or contracts.

Need more Return It Deposits to withdraw minimum.

The account is at \$47,140.43, effective September 16 2025.

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

Return It deposited \$9.15 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!

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5. Upcoming events

Trials – September 20th 2025

Insurance completed, site fee increased slightly (\$29) and has been paid.

Price increased for site fee after the contract was signed. The seargentry briefly discussed the Trials.

November Coronet – Nov 1, 2025 - Arianna and Ylva

Insurance ordered, site fee paid. Arianna has been in touch with the City of Surrey to try to get an earlier set up time. Food may require a permit, pending discussion with the City of Surrey.

Baroness Inspiration – Nov 15, 2025 - Roesia

Insurance ordered, site fee paid. Food may require a permit.

Baronial Banquet – November 29th

Unsure if site fee has been paid?

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.

Several officers are holding their positions and have not been able to find replacements.

Vacancies

- **Minister of Stables** is looking for deputies and a new officer to take over.
- **Chamberlain** is looking for their replacement – might have Juliet interested to take over from Lokki’s “temporary assignment.”
- **Seneschal:** Gwenllian Froste is interested in learning this office.

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- **Webminister** term is up – he is still making updates, but no applicants to replace him yet.
- **Thrown Weapons:** Everard Dyer has expressed interest in becoming the deputy
- YAC – Youth Armoured Combat
- YAFA – Youth and Family Achievements (Background checks must be renewed every two years)

New and Extending Officers

7. Baronial Business – New

Practice location

Westwind church no longer allows us to use the carpeted area for fighting, including steel. We have outgrown the gym (and then some), so we need to find a new location. There have been lots of great suggestions online. If you find a possible location please email it to lionsgate.seneschal@tirrigh.org so we can follow up on them.

We would need space for heavy and steel fighting, and space for A&S, potentially classes, potentially a meeting space. The space for fighting needs to allow for that activity to take place (think about knee walking, armour scraping the floor, etc). Ideally the space would be accessible by transit.

At the moment we pay \$45 per hour.

The current gym is 2400 square feet, plus the carpeted side is a similar size, so are we able to find a new practice space of that size, or will we need to split the armoured fighting practice from the A&S side. There was discussion of finding a cement floor to fight on, or an outdoor covered area adjacent to indoor rental space for A&S. Consideration for renting BOTH Monday and Tuesday at Westwinds was discussed.

Lions Gate Coast practices

Site has been renewed for Fall Tuesdays.

8. Baronial Business - Continuing

Storage Locker

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Invoice paid until next year September

Event site explorers

No updates

New Baronial Kneeler

No updates

Byrne Creek Community School potential demo request

“My name is Lisa Parsonson and I am a teacher librarian at a high school in Burnaby. I have a question, I am thinking about getting the library to sponsor a medieval fair in the new year. Poetry, chess, games, readings could be included.” [This is a school in Burnaby.](#)

Tentative yes. Request more information. No updates

Event Schedule 2025

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

- Trials – September 20, 2025 – EIF sent, insurance and site paid
- November Coronet – November 1, 2025 – EIF sent, insurance and site paid
- Baroness Inspiration Tourney – November 15, 2025 – EIF sent, insurance and site paid
- 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 Lions Gate!

A busy summer comes to a close with Trials for our Sergeantry on Saturday; good luck to all the applicants who are testing!

October will be a quiet month for our barony but we hope to see many of you at November Coronet, Baroness' Inspiration Tourney, and Banquet.

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M & B

10. Adjournment

7:35 pm adjourned.

11. Next Council meeting

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

12. Officer Reports Appendix

Officer reports as received by September 15, 2025;

Chronicler – Elvina April 2025 – 2026

Unfortunately, the War history supplement issue will now be delayed until early October.

However, work on collecting North Wind back issues for the archives, etc. is proceeding. There are only 29 of 384 issues still missing.

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

Chamberlain - Lokki - May 2024 - May 2026

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

Stables - Porbjorn of Lions Gate Oct 2023 – Oct 2025

Since my last report, we have had 4 practices. Our attendance numbers are as follows.

August 19th: 43

August 26th: 44

September 2nd: 30

September 9th: 48

No injuries have been reported

Archery – Kheron – April 2025 – 2027

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Over the last month there have been a few events with Archery. Tir Righ August Investiture held the Tir Archery Championship, the Lions Gate archery equipment was brought over and used for the range.

I left 3 target archery stands with Viscountess Wulfwyn and four 60cm target faces to assist with getting archery practices going in that area. 1 target butt was left behind for them as well.

Viscountess Wulfwyn sent me an itemized list of what they have for Archery equipment, and a couple Thrown Weapon items as well. I will be putting together a spreadsheet listing all the archery inventory and where it is hopefully by the next month.

I will be submitting a receipt, for just under \$50, for building 4 new target archery stands. The stands are completed and will be used this weekend at Lions Gate Trials.

From what I understand there is a letter being put together for seeing about going back to one of our previous Archery/Thrown Weapons practice sites.

Blades – Giuliana di Castiglione Oct 2023-Oct 2025

Lists - Sorcha Inghean Triein Mar 2024 - Mar 2026

Lists has nothing to report.

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

Scribe - Katarina - May 2024- May 2026

Social Media – Etienne - Oct 2023-Oct 2025

Webminister – Bleddyn – Jun 2022 – Jun 2024

On the Web site front, I have been putting up a few updates such as the change in Fight Practice from Tuesday to Monday at the Church, but I cannot stress enough that I can only put up updates if I know about them! Lately, I have just been hearing about a few things that I have

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had to hunt down the pertinent info about, which is rather frustrating. When I send a query and get no response, even more so.

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)	\$5,865	\$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.