

# Barony of Lions Gate Council – January 21, 2026

## Officers and Deputies

Office	SCA Name	Modern Name	Attended
Baronial Coronet	Baroness <a href="#">Brynja Korttsdottir</a>	Briony Seedhouse	x
Baronial Coronet	Baron <a href="#">Malyss Makneile</a>	Eli Klassen	x
Seneschal	<a href="#">Jacomina van Vossenbrouck</a>	Karen Meijer	x
Deputy seneschal	<a href="#">Nereügei Kitad-un</a>	Victor Lo	
Exchequer	Pak, Nammo	Nathalie Jones	x
Deputy exchequer	Giuliana da Castiglione	Jenny Lang	
Family activities coordinator			
Chamberlain	<a href="#">Lokki</a>	Stephen Jones	x
Gold Key Deputy			
Games	<a href="#">Bridget of Kilkenny</a>	Kathleen Andersen	X
Chatelaine	Sara la Rosa	Kimberlyn Weston	x
Deputy chatelaine			
Herald (Sable Loat)	<a href="#">Ro Magdalena Freyin</a>	Courtney Racine	
Chronicler	<a href="#">Elvina Effynewoode</a>	Jacqueline Lee	X
Deputy Chronicler			
Scribe	<a href="#">Katharina Rein</a>	Dana Boyd	x
Social Media			
Webminister	<a href="#">Bleddyn Pwllgwyngyll</a>	James Humphrey	x
Stables	Davin O'Daire	Eric Armstrong	x
Stables Deputy			
Archery	<a href="#">Kheron Azov</a>	Richard Bertrand	
Archery Deputy	<a href="#">Gunnar Stigandsson</a> (the Wanderer)	Simon Thomsen	
Equestrian			
Lists	<a href="#">Sorcha Inghean Triein</a>	Melissa Martensen	X
Blades (Rapier)	Fiora Zorzi	Suzanne Ruffeski	X
Blades (Rapier) Deputy			
Thrown Weapons	Everard Dyer	Jonathan Vandebek	
Thrown Weapons Deputy	Sara la Rosa	Kimberlyn Weston	x
Youth Armoured Combat			
Arts & Science			
Bardic Arts			
Dance	<a href="#">Delgrade McAllister</a>	Caralyn Andersen	
TUTR Coordinator			

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## Guests:

SCA Name	Modern Name
Desdemona	Lori Rippin
Cushag an Ellen Vannin	
Nikolai	Doug Loney
Thorbjorn	Kris Larsen
Vigdis of Lions Gate	Annie
Caemgen	Kevin Garvey
Princess Sina	
Agnes Scherer	Vanessa Giddings
	Kathleen Ohasey
Millicent of Eaglescliff	Tina Johnston
Jaqueline Lefleur	Kirsten Masse

## **1. Approval of minutes: October 2025**

Motion to approve the Lions Gate council minutes from November 2025, which you have received via email:

It was moved by Nisha and seconded by Sara that we approve the minutes of the last council meeting held November 2025. No nays, no abstentions. CARRIED.

## **2. Seneschal report**

Good evening everyone,

Welcome back to council in 2026! I hope you're all staying safe, healthy, and are limiting your doomscrolling to a minimum.

Tonight we will be talking about upcoming events for 2026 and event bids (or the lack thereof), and we have a host of incoming new officers to introduce.

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**

Exchequer Officer Report January 2026

Please welcome your new Exchequer.

Handoff of the office to Nammo, including associated documents, accessories, deposit & chequebook now belong to Nammo.

The bank account authority paperwork for management change on books for this week. Login handovers ready to go.

Return-it Express details need to be updated as they've done some upgrade that has messed with our regular scheduled system.

Lions Gate Quarterly reports for Q4 are completed & submitted. The format changes for Q1 come April 2026

The account currently has \$47,233.26 as of January 19 2026

Thank you Lions Gate, and good luck.

Nammo presented the report and will work on updating the bank signatories with Dame Elena.

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## **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 2026 offices before December 15<sup>th</sup> deadline.

## **Return It Express Donations**

Return It deposited \$0 total for 2026 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**

### **Baronial Banquet – November 29th**

Sara reported on the banquet, said that she learned a lot. She reported that 74 people attended, of which 25 were event staff/servers/cooks etc. There were no championships, though the subtlety was very impressive. It was all well received. Murrayville Hall was successful for a location, and food came out on time.

Final financial report will be incoming shortly.

## **5. Upcoming events**

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!

### **General Event planning info**

The EIF (event information form) has to be sent to kingdom 3 months in advance of an event. That form at the very least needs to have the location of the event plus the event steward name. If we miss the 3 month deadline we would have to request a variance from kingdom, which would be sent to the BoD. They will generally only give a variance if there was some kind of natural disaster, not if we were merely late.

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All pertinent event information needs to be sent to the Crier at the latest on the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month before the month of the event. If we don't do that, the event will not be official and no official court business can be conducted.

**Tuesday February 17<sup>th</sup> at Langley School** – Sara la Rosa in charge of this demo with the usual teams and six stations. Sadbh was consulted as she organized it for many years. Etan, Katharina, Elvina, Cushag, Pete and Cyneric to lead teams. Possibly Kian to lead rapier. She has spoken to the school liaison. Starts at 5 pm and ends at 9 pm. Her Highness has offered to come and be Princess.

## **Canterbury Fayre – No date, no site**

Possible date of May 9, but no site yet, per Madame Jaqueline, trying at Camp Luther or Heritage Hall. Goal to have A&S “a thing that looks like another thing” championship/ Bardic / Games championships, and themed with Doctor Who as Canterbury Who?

## **Lions Gate Champions – May 23<sup>rd</sup>, Warner Loat Park**

Bid received from Sadhbh, Kataryna, Ro, and Thorbjorn. Site and date are secure!

Thorbjorn is happy to answer questions about the bid. Financial Committee has approved the bid as of January 21, 2026.

## **Sealion War – May 29-31, no location, no bid**

EIF Due February 29. Some discussion about Camp Luther, but likely no camping permitted, only cabins. Jameson from Lionsdale also has some site ideas.

## **Lions War – July 24 – August 3, Clinton**

Bid received last council, no further feedback received. Bid was approved by the financial committee in December 2025. Contract for the site will be ready to sign in March. Some communications with all the team leads has started.

## **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.

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## Vacancies

- Arts & Sciences – Her Highness Sina has expressed interest after she steps down
- **Social Media**
- YAC – Youth Armoured Combat
- YAFA – Youth and Family Achievements (Background checks must be renewed every two years)

## Upcoming Vacancies

- **Chronicler** – term up in August. This is a required office

## New and Extending Officers

**Exchequer:** Pak, Nammo is stepping into the role

**Deputy Seneschal:** Sorcha has applied

**Deputy Exchequer:** Giuliana has applied

**Chatelaine:** Sara la Rosa has applied and is organizing a demo!

**Webminister:** James Irvein has applied

**Lists:** Vigdis has applied

**Sable Loat Pursuivant:** Nisha has applied

**Chamberlain:** Juliet will take over from Lokki

**Webminister deputy:** Myrie is interested

Desdemona has indicated interest in taking over the Scribal officer position for May handover.

## 7. Baronial Business – New

### Practice locations update

While we wait to hear from Westwinds about the fate of our Monday gatherings, there is another option available. From January 7 until Spring break, on Wednesday evenings 7-9pm, there will be an allthing practice at West Vancouver Secondary School. This is in the lower gym and cafe, see pin provided. \$5 fee for all participants (regardless of activity)

[<https://maps.app.goo.gl/kQoL5QLTBMkcDggg7>]

Westwinds may be happening again sometime in February? Stay tuned. Renovations are ongoing.

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Thursday Steel practices will be back on March 12 until June 11, in PoCo at the same Irvine Elementary School.

We are not doing FanExpo this year because we did not contact them in time. There is no further space available for us.

## **8. Baronial Business - Continuing**

### **Practice location**

If you find a possible location please email it to [lionsgate.seneschal@tirrigh.org](mailto: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.

**Renaissance Faire in Mission** - September 18/19/20 at the Fraser River Heritage Park  
Sorcha is excited to lead this, helped by Sara as Chatelaine. Sorcha would like permission from Council to take the Baronial Pavillion and set it up for the weekend. This is not an SCA event.

### **Event Schedule 2026**

- Canterbury Fayre – May 9?
- Lions Gate Champions – May 23<sup>rd</sup>, Warner Loat park
- Sealion War – On the calendar for May 29-31, no location or bid as of yet
- Lions War – July 24 – August 3<sup>rd</sup>, bid received and approved, insurance ordered but not received yet. Equestrian insurance process is pending.
- Trials – No date
- Baroness Inspiration – Nov 13-15

**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.**

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## **9. Coronet report**

Happy new year, Lions Gate!

It's been a slow dark winter but we're looking forward to the days getting longer and eventing season getting started; on that note, thank you to those who have put bids in for Lions Gate events!

We also ask for your award recommendations, we can never have enough!

Hoping to see many of you at February Investiture for Finn and Eduardo stepping up to the Storm Thrones,

Much love

M & B

## **10. Adjournment**

It was moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 pm. CARRIED.

## **11. Next Council meeting**

Online via Zoom; February 18, 2026 at 7:30 pm PDT

## **12. Officer Reports Appendix**

Officer reports as received by January 20, 2026;

### **Chronicler – Elvina April 2025 – August 2026**

November Northwind was published.

February Northwind production has started.

4<sup>th</sup> quarter report has been sent

**Sorcha will review the Customary for next council meeting.**

### **Chatelaine – Sara la Rosa – Jan 2026-Jan 2028**

I have only just started my term as Chatelaine and already have stuff to report. Yay!

I have begun the process for our Langley Middle School Demo. It is set for February 17th. I have 5 of the six stations already manned. Cushag for music, Dana and Elvina for scibal, Etan for textiles, Cyneric for Heavy and he has assured me that he has someone for arms and armory. I

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am still looking for someone to take Rapier, as my first pick (Davin o'Dare) will be on vacation at that time.

Otherwise, things are going very smoothly.

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

In December a group of us organized the locker. Found some lionsdale banner and tub of stuff that we will be returning to them.

Juliet still seems a go for taking over the job. I will still help her the next event we have to go to the locker for. But I have already given her the code and key so she can get used to having it.

So other than that. I think officially my term is up in February. But I will be around to help for awhile

## **Herald - Sable Loat Pursuivant -**

## **Stables – Davin O’Daire Nov 2025 – Nov 2027**

## **Archery – Kheron – April 2025 – 2027**

Target Archery report:

Nothing to report from an activity standpoint, no events or practices.

On Sunday January 4<sup>th</sup> all the LG Target Archery & Thrown Weapons equipment was moved from the Lionsdale stores back to Cornwall Ridge Farm. At that time, I documented an intensive inventory list. The contents of some of the containers still require inventorying at this time.

We held our first Target Archery & Thrown Weapons practice last Sunday, January 11th. The weather cooperated and it was a fantastic practice with 8 total in attendance.

## **Blades – Fiora Zorzi Oct 2025-Oct 2027**

We had a total of 4 practices in November and one practice in December on December 18th, 2025. We've had an average of 6 attendees at practices (of a core group of fighters) with a range of 5-7 attendees.

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We had to rent the gym directly from the school board instead of Daniel Werner for the Thursday steel practices; dates to be confirmed, but resuming again in March 2026.

Monday night all thing practices have been on hold since mid November due to a sewer backup issue at Westwinds church.

We are currently exploring other options for practices while we wait for the church to be accessible and practices to resume at Ecole Irvine, with a Wednesday night all thing in West Vancouver.

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

Nothing to report, Vigdis will be taking over.

### **Thrown Weapons – Everard Dyer August 2025 – August 2027**

### **Equestrian – VACANT**

### **Youth Armoured Combat – VACANT**

### **Arts & Sciences - Vacant**

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

Dance report November 19 no class Nov 26 Dancers 9 , dances 11 Dec 3 cancelled Dec 10 Dancers 6 , dances 13 Dec 17 Christmas party Dancers 9 , only dances 4, but lots of food and merriment Jan 14, first day back had 6 dancers

### **Games – Bridget Killkenny Feb 2025 – Feb 2027**

Games report for August to December 2025 The games box traveled to Lions war, Sargeantry Trials, November coronet, baroness's inspiration and the Banquet. The box is currently with Arianna. There is room allocated for it in the baronial locker if necessary to store it.

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

I have some one wanting to submit some designs ill pass them on for their excellencies to view once I get the digital copies. As my term as officer will be coming to an end in March, I believe I have a replacement lined up. I will get her to send her email in, and I can get to officially training her.

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## **Social Media – Vacant**

### **Webminister – Bleddyn/James –**

I have been actually quite busy with the Web site of late, readying it to be taken over by James Irvein. Back in December, I went through the Awards and Recognitions section, making sure it was correct and up-to-date, along with Champions and Inspirations, and Current Officers.

With the new year, it was time to get the Calendar updated with the fact that Archery has returned to Cornwall Ridge Farm, and I realised I needed to - funnily enough - put Baronial Council meetings dates on the 2026 roster. Before this could happen though, on January 10 the security Word Press plugin noted a hacker had managed to get in and alter a few files, setting up Trojan malware. While our site is informative rather than commercial, and therefore not as tempting a target, I still needed quite a few days to restore the site and increase security before being able to complete those Calendar changes. Ugh, why are there people out there wasting my time with having to remove the damage they cause?! Still, it looks like the new bastions of defence are holding up.

### **Family activities – VACANT**

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

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## 2026 Approved Budget:

<b>Barony of Lions Gate - 2026 Budget</b>				
<b>Office</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Spent</b>	<b>2026</b>
Baronial Coronet	Award necklaces	General Supplies		\$225
Baronial Coronet	Award tokens	General Supplies		\$350
Baronial Coronet	Coronet cleaning	Equipment Rental & Maintenance		\$50
Exchequer	Postage (NMR)	Postage & Shipping		\$50
Exchequer (Chamberlain)	repair supplies	General Supplies		\$200
Seneschal	postage, Zoom	Postage & Shipping, Telephone		\$400
Arts & Sciences	photocopying, pens, etc	General Supplies		\$50
Chatelaine	photocopying, etc	General Supplies		\$200
2026	Storage locker rental	Occupancy (Event Related)		\$6,410
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*
<b>Total Budget</b>				<b>\$15,648</b>

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