



Griffintayle August AS XXVIII

	Shire of Politarcopolis	College of Saint Aldhelm
Seneschal	Lady Ysabeau Chanteuse	Lady Myfanwey Mc Nicolle
Archivist:	(Megan Jackson) The Wild Wood	(Bethany Leditzschke) The Yew
Herald:	Lord Dafydd ap Donal ap Gwilym (David Osborne) Dancetty	Nimue (Kate Fletcher) 15 Prescott St Farrer, 2607
Reeve:	Lord Hoskuld Atlason (Norman Grey) Dancing Biscuit	Lord Danemund Alric Gifford (Andrew Grienke)
Marshal:	Lord Hugh the Little (Darren Huett) 34 Kambalda St, Fisher, 2611	Lady Briela (Jane Dickens) The Garret
Capt. of Archers	Vacant	Lord Alexandro de Florenzi (Simon Price) The Yew
Capt. of Fencing:	Lady Sine' the Shameless (Cerridwyn Murphy) The Tinderbox	
Arts & Sciences:	Lady Viviane de Burgh (Hazel Marchant) Barrow Downs	Lady Myfanwey Mc Nicolle (Bethany Leditzschke) The Yew
Chronicler Griffintayle:	Master John of the Hills (John Stewart) Il Castello Piccolo	
Chronicler Promises:	Lady Louisa Reynell (Louise Volk) Dancetty	
Constable:	Lady Isadora de Este (Jacinta Miller)	
Lists:	Lady Lucia da Carpazi (Karen Vaughan) Villa de Nana	
Hospitaler:	Lady Mathilde Adycot of Mynheniory (Katrina Hunt) Mummery	Lord Eric of Tobermory (Paul Sleight) The Independant Duchy
Chandler:	Lord Stephen Aldred of Rockley (David Hunt) Mummery	
Chirurgen:	Elena ate Weghacche (Sandra Hyde) Weyhacche	
Lochac Capt. of Fencing:	Lord Francois Henri Pierre Guyon (Shayne Lynch)	
Lochac	Lady Morag Freyser	
Needleworkers:	(Helen Whitchurch) House Minimus	

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thr	Fri	Sat	Sun
AUGUST	2	3 Dance, Music	4 Shire Meeting	5	6	7 Combat Archery	8 Town Archer
	9	10	11 Dance	12	13	14	15 Archery
	16	17 Dance	18	19	20	21 Combat Archery AAF event	22 Archery
	23	24 A&S History of Shoes	25 Dance	26	27	28 Womble Feast.	29 Archery Tourney Macquarie
SEPTEMBER	30	31 Dance	1 Shire Meeting	2	3	4 Combat Archery	5 Archery
	6	7 Dance, Music	8	9	10	11	12 Town Archer
	13	14	15 Dance	16	17	18 Combat Archery	19 Archery

- Shire Meetings, Contact Seneschal, 7.30pm 1st Wednesdays, Gnd Flr John Dedman Building, ANU.
- Dancing, Contact Hoskuld Atlason (Norman Grey) at Dancing Biscuit, 6.30pm 1st & 3rd & 5th Tuesdays, 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, Gnd Flr John Dedman Building, ANU.
- Music for dances, Contact Marston Mortaine, 7.30pm, 1st Tuesdays.
- Dramas practise at the Mummery 7.00pm on Sundays.
- A&S - Arts and Sciences, Contact Arts & Sciences, 7.30pm, 4th Tuesdays, Barrow Downs.
- Archery, Contact Captain of Archers, 10.00am Sundays, Willow Oval, ANU.
- Town Archer 2nd Sundays. Same time & location but in costume.
- Combat Archery 4.00pm 1st & 3rd Saturdays, Southwell Park.
- Fighter Training, Contact Shire Marshal, 6.30pm, Tuesdays at Il Parco Cellini for novices but phone: 6.00pm Wednesdays at Barrow Downs but phone first. 1.30 till 6.00pm Sundays at the Macquarie Oval near the primary school (This is not Jamieson shops).
- Fencing Practice, Contact Captain of Fencing, 10.00am Sundays, Willow Oval, ANU.
- Armouring, Contact Shire Marshal.

Publications Received

The publications listed below have been received by the Chronicler during the last month. If you would like to view any please contact the chronicler or have a look at them at the shire meeting.

Group	Title	Issue
Barony of River Haven	River Haven Rag	July
Barony of Rowany	Folia Roani	August
Principality of Lochac	Pegasus	August
Canton of Abertridwr	The Rhol	July
Kingdom of the West	The Page	June
Kingdom of An Tir	The Crier	July August
SCA	Tournaments Illuminated	Summer

General Information for New People.

If you have not attended any SCA events all what you must do is make an attempt at pre 1600 clothing. It is traditional that you bring your own eating implements to any feasts. Clothing and feasting gear may be hired from the Hospitaller who is listed on the last page.

For more information about the Society for Creative Anachronism please call Katrina Hunt on (06) 254 3059 or Megan Jackson on (06) 294 1572.

The Editor's Words.

Problems with the July issue. Dancetty and Mummery had their phone numbers interchanged. If you have any comments about Griffintayle and especially if you spot any errors please write them down and send it to me. Also items for inclusion in each issue of Griffintayle MUST be received on the third Wednesday of the month prior to the month of issue. If needed items may be faxed to the editor but please ring (06) 216 4636 during office hours.

Local events.

At the Australian National Library in the Peoples Treasure section are four books of hours and a bible on display. Also two books by Albrecht Durer and one of his woodcuts. A Korean book called Samgang huengsilto, printed in 1490, is also displayed there. Also in the recent acquisitions display, which is on the way to the main reading room, is a coloured world map printed in 1588.

Films.

Orlando is now showing at Electric Shadows. On Sunday the 17th of October 'Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are dead' and 'Henry V' are the Sunday night double for \$8.00.

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The Shire Meeting.

Place: Ground Floor, John Dedman Building, ANU
 Time: 7.30pm 7/7/1993
 Present: Rhys, David, Louise, Norman, Eileen, Paul, Sarah, David, Karen, Doug, Megan, Catherine, Cerridwynn, Steve, Hazel, John
 Apologies: Libby, David, Michelle, Robert, Charles.
 Late: Shayne.

Seneschal: Please reply to the new advancement survey. Return it or I will rip your arms off. There is a group to go to Bungendore on the 24-25/7 to view the 12th night site. Mid winter was good with a spectacular tourney. Lots of changeovers at the feast. Thanks to the outgoing Hospitaller, Captain of Archers, and Arts and Sciences. They all did wonderful jobs. The Captain of archers position is still unfilled. Remember the Shepherds feast on the 31 July. Womble feast on the 28th August.

Reeve: about \$2100. There was a profit of \$100 from the last feast even though we lost \$50.00 for a burn mark on the floor. Please be more careful with fire.

Herald: Things still happening. Did court at the Mid-Winter feast. Heraldry on the weekend was between Helen, Eric, and an unknown College person. Giles is still doing lots. The shire needs a new subscription to the Camel (\$25.00). Also needed is two more updates. David then read through some of the high lights of the latest Camel concerning the Shire members.

Chirurgeon: Thomas has not yet warranted all of the Politarcoplian applicants. Treatment protocols will be written for Politarcopolis at Dancetty 7.30pm 23/7.

Promises: Earned \$150.00 over the last financial year. Next issue in September.

Griffintayle: The July issue is here for distributing.

Hospitaller: Stock take is not yet done. The college brought in \$20.00. Have hired out costumes.

Assistant Marshal: Tuesdays at Il Parko Chilene for novices. Wednesdays at Barrow Downs. Sunday fighting at the Macquarie Oval is going well from 1.30 till 6.00pm. The tourney after Midwinter had 14 fighters who had 4 rounds. There were no problems.

Arts and Sciences: Nothing organised as yet. The A&S talks are not formal so if anyone would like to give one please contact Hazel. They will be on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at Barrow Downs.
 Fencing: Thursday night starting at 6.00-6.30pm at the Tinderbox. Thursdays haven't been happening very well so pot luck dinner may be included. There is a possible event during September.

Lists: When fighting challenge style at a tourney please ensure that the list table knows who is fighting whom. There is to be a tourney after Shepherds feast.

General Business:

RG sent his greetings.

- Louise: There will be an event for the AME school at Weston. Help needed for cooking and entertainment. It will be a small feast for 30-40 people at the drama room there on 14 August. Planning night at the Bolts place tomorrow.
- David: Drama at the Mummary at 7.00pm on Sundays. Plans are for a play at Shepherds feast, Rowany festival, and the Purgatorio event.
- Norman: Ball d'Argent was run by St. Monica's. Live musicians were used with no tapes. Seven people obtained there Silver Rondels. Rowany will run it next year. The three dances will be published in Promises, Cockatrice, and Griffintayle.
- Hazel: Thanks everyone who turned up to the pot luck at the Barrow Downs. The Princess enjoyed the event.
- Close: 8.20pm.

Politarchoopolis Arts and Sciences Changeover.

The position of Arts and Sciences Officer has now been handed over from Lady Monique to Lady Viviane de Burgh (Hazel Marchant). Any queries are to be directed to the Barrow Downs.

Lochac Arts and Sciences Competitions.

- September Coronet (Riverhaven):
 Recital of a short poem: This does include filk but extra points will be awarded for period style or form.
 Way Bread: This can be any sort of cake or bun. Criteria will include how well the bread keeps and travels.
 An item of officers' regalia: A tabard, a marshals pole, a hat, whatever.
- Twelfth Night (Politarchoopolis):
 A Game: Game boards, cards dice, running, etc.
 A sheath for a knife or sword: Any materials.
 A play: Not a performance thereof, but a script for a play of any length.
- May Coronet ASXXIX (1994):
 Woodwork: A comfits or jewellery box.
 Shoes: Leather, felt, any period or style.
 A child's clothing: Court or Tourney of any period.

Clan Womble, House Menagerie Politarchoopolis,
 proudly announces the first ever

CLAN WOMBLE REVEL

to be held at
 7pm, Saturday, 28th of August
 at the

Corroboree Park Community Centre Hall

Paterson Street, Ainslie, ACT
 UBD map 6/T20 - Gregory's map 20/H4

Cost is 3 gold (members), or 5 gold (non-members).

This is a pot luck floor revel, so bring a simple dish or dessert to serve 2-4 people, and bring plenty of vaguely period-looking cushions and blankets to sit on. Bookings appreciated but not essential. Accommodation is available for wayfarers.

Bread and a variety of cordials will be provided.

Everything else is BYO and prepare to share! Call the Autocrat for advice on what to bring.

Scheduled entertainments during the evening:

a drama or two from Sigmund and the Womble Players ... a combination Bardic Circle and filk (yes, filk!) sing-a-long with Eric ... medieval-style games with Emelye ... some fun, simple dances for everyone to join in ... plenty of cloved lemons, oranges, eggplants, watermelons &c ... occasional entertainment for small children, courtesy of Myfanwy's urchin-minding service ... a filk competition (not quite Laurel prize tourney standard) for filk songs, poetry, drama or any other performance, preferably on a *period* or *SCA-related* theme (prizes to be announced, but probably very alcoholic).

Inquiries and bookings to the Autocrat, **Eric of Tobermory**, alias Eric the Fruitbat (Paul Sleight), 59 Barnard Circuit, Florey ACT 2615. Phone (06) 258 3470 (day or evening), fax (06) 259 2328.

The Ancient Arts Fellowship and Dragonhead present

MEDIEVAL RE-ENACTMENT

DEMONSTRATION DISPLAY

The Dragonhead Medieval Display Group (AAF) will be conducting a demonstration display of dark age and medieval combat.

Saturday, 21 August 1993, from 1.00 to 3.00 pm

John Knight Park, Belconnen

Dragonhead is the medieval combat display group within the Ancient Arts Fellowship. Dragonhead members study the weaponry, armour and combat of dark age and medieval times and seek to re-create them.

The demonstration will involve individual and group combats with brief talks on the historical setting and the weapons used. The combatants will include warriors from the Saxon, Viking, Norman and Crusader periods.

Fighters and non-combatants will be on hand to answer any enquiries from members of the public and to discuss the activities of the display group, as well as the broader medieval related activities of the Ancient Arts Fellowship. There will be a BBQ after the display which all are invited to (but bring your own food and drinks).

For further information on the demonstration display or on Dragonhead / Ancient Arts Fellowship please contact:

Jeffrey Davidson 264-2684w	Andrew Ridley 254-1496h	Sarah Arthur 258-5365h
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The Ancient Arts Fellowship presents a

MEDIEVAL FEAST

Saturday 16 October 1993
Hall Pavilion 7.30pm

Canberra's medieval re-enactment society, the Ancient Arts Fellowship, is holding a feast to mark the close of the season.

It is a pot luck feast which means everyone is requested to bring a plate of food which will be shared amongst all, such as soups, chickens, cold meats, cheeses, bread, pies, vegetable dishes (or anything that tastes good), as well as their own drinks. It is advisable to bring a plate or bowl, knife and spoon, and your own goblet, tankard or other drinking vessel. Medieval costume is preferred but not compulsory (you can always whip up a quick tunic).

As well as the feast which will be served in three courses, there will be a number of competitions and awards (for which there will be a small prize) including:

- * bardic (time limit 5 minutes per entry)
- * grovelling
- * individual tug-of-war
- * best costume
- * best food dish
- * most festive attendee
- * door prize

There will also be a demonstration of medieval combat by some of the senior warriors in full dark age gear, and presentations for some of AAF's fighters will be announced.

The feast will finish between 11.30 and 12.00. To cover the costs of hall hire, candles, table cloths, prizes, etc. entry to the feast will be:

\$3.00 financial members of AAF and the SCA

\$3.50 for those which the above does not apply

For further information please contact:

Jeffrey Davidson 258-7657 h 264-2684 w	Victor Connor 295-7058 h	Sarah Arthur 258-5365 h	Dominique O'Dea 258-6541 h
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Hospitaller Survey

My dear Lords and Ladies,

You may choose to not answer any question you wish, however the more information I receive, the better job I can do. Let me thank you in advance for the time you take to read and answer this survey.

Yours in Service
Jessica of Fearn Abbey

SCA name:	Member/Non-member
Modern Name:	
Local Group:	
Member of which household(s) if any:	
Reasons for joining household:	
Person(s) who introduced you to the SCA:	
Their relationship to you:	
Other Introduction (eg. Saw it in a park):	
Month and year you first joined in SCA activities:	
Area(s) of interest:	
Office(s) held including present ones:	
Awards held (if any):	
Which Award(s) mean most to you (not necessarily held by you):	
Which Award(s) mean least to you (not necessarily held by you):	
Did you find the awards system confusing when you first joined?	
Are you still confused about the awards system?	
Why/why not?:	
What other areas confused you when you joined (eg Addressing others, Fighting rules, Costuming, Competition rules)?	
Why were you confused?:	
Could you suggest some ways in which this could be made easier for present day newcomers.	
Do you know of any Lochac customs that would be able to be put in a traditions section of a Lochac Courtesy Handbook?	

Please forward the completed survey to either Jessica at 85 Bywong St., Toowong, Qld, 4066 or to the Politarcoplian Hospitaller or the Chandler.

Subject: Combat waivers/Official Fighter Trainings

Please pass this message on as appropriate.

I recently emailed the West Kingdom Constable regarding "official" fighter trainings. He explained that it is quite simple to hold official fighter trainings that are covered by SCA insurance, as follows:

(Note: Combat waivers do not exist or apply in Lochac. The combat indemnity form is used instead, for a similar purpose).

- (1) Authorised fighters bring their authorisation cards, and present them to the "autocrat", organiser, or owner of the property (in the case of fighter trainings held at private homes). This proves that they have signed a combat indemnity and are aware of the risks involved, indemnify the Society, etc.
- (2) People who are not authorised sign a combat indemnity. They may either bring that combat indemnity each time, or leave the combat indemnity on the premises, or with a person responsible for bringing them, and present that indemnity each time.
- (3) People who have forgotten their authorisation cards follow (2).
- (4) Minors sign the minor combat indemnity, and have the "Consent for Minor to Participate" form filled in by their parent/guardian, and present that indemnity each time.

By having official fighter trainings, you can advertise the event in Society newsletters, and have insurance cover.

Sven the Stormdriven
Knight Marshal of Lochac

This official posting is made by Aroleon Grunow (Sven the Stormdriven) as an officer of the SCA, Inc.

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Archery Plumes Now Legal in Lochac

[This letter is published at the request of Lord Wulsige Clovenhaft]

...Thank you for your letters concerning the Society policy on helm markings for Light Weapons Combatants.

As you know, the fighters of the Society are a very mobile group of individuals. They will travel many hours and a multitude of miles to participate in wars hosted by other Kingdoms or Principalities. Because of this mobility one of my duties as Marshal of the Society is to establish a set of rules and regulations, the purpose of which is to help promote combat safety on the fighting field. The Society regulations on helm markings for Light Weapons Combatants helps to accomplish this purpose by making "lights" easier to identify on the combat field. After reviewing your letters and discussing the matter with the Earl Marshal of the West, I believe your plumes will accomplish the same purpose. Because I believe the Lochac convention meets the intent of the Society wide regulation, I do not have any objection to the light weapons fighters of Lochac continuing to use plumes to identify Light Weapons combatants if they so desire.

However in choosing to continue to use the plume convention, the Marshalate of Lochac also agrees to accept some additional responsibilities. These additional responsibilities include instructing all combatants prior to the start of combat of this Lochac specific conventions. In addition to teaching the combatants about the Lochac specific conventions, the Marshalate of Lochac will need to teach the Society convention to the combatants so that when they travel to other wars they will know the conventions used there.

One final note, as with an special dispensation, this approval is subject to review and re-evaluation if unforeseen problems develop as a result of the use of this convention.

As always, if I may be of assistance to you or if you have any more questions, please call or write.

In Service to the Society,

Lawrence of Ashana

Marshal of the Society

September 11-12th, SEPTEMBER CORONET INVESTITURE & TOURNEY, River Haven

The Spring Coronet Investiture and Tourney will be held on September 11th and 12th at St Josephs Hall, Pine Mountain Rd, North Ipswich (UBD 63 N4) (Investiture) and Camerons Park, Brisbane Road Booval (UBD 47A L/M6) (Tourney), from 10am Saturday onwards and 9am Sunday onwards.

Cost:	July 30th	Aug 20th	Sep 1st
Single	\$20/\$25	\$25/\$30	\$30/\$35*
Family (2 adult, 3 child)	\$60	\$70	no discount

* Prices are members/non-members. Day rates: Saturday (no feast) \$8, Sunday \$4. No bookings after September 1st; no at-door price for feast.

Bookings to Robbie Robinson, 117 Ipswich Rd Woolloongabba QLD (07) 891 1140. Cheques to "SCA Riverhaven." There will be a traders' table selling lunch to the populace on Saturday (only). A full information package (including hotels/motels/caravan parks/billeting) will be sent on booking. Please book with name and membership number; remember the name you book under if it is a group booking as this will be the reference. If you would like vegetarian food, or have other special dietary requirements, please let the autocrat know in advance and he will be happy to arrange this. Autocrat: Aldric of Wolfden (Ian Hall) 5 Warrell St West Ipswich QLD (07) 281 8992.

Warmest greetings unto the populace of Politarcopolis
from Lord Hoskuld Atlaon of Iceland, Politarcopolis Reeve

This is the financial report for June, the quarter ended June and the financial year ended June..

Date	Item	Out	In	Balance
	Carryover from May 93			\$1823.87
1.6.93	Interest earned		\$8.56	\$1832.43
4.6.93	State Duty	\$0.61		\$1831.82
22.6.93	Receipts from Midwinter		\$378.40	\$2210.22
	Receipts from 'Promises'		\$100.00	\$2310.22
28.6.93	Receipts from		\$20.00	\$2330.22
	Hospitallary			
	Receipts from CANCON feast		\$142.93	\$2473.15
	SUBTOTAL for June	\$0.61	\$649.89	\$649.28
	SUBTOTAL for quarter ending June	\$308.27	\$1760.72	\$1452.45

Below is the financial year report for 92/3.

Month	Out	In	Balance
Balance from June '92			\$579.93
July '92	\$717.47	\$2188.50	\$1471.03
August	\$735.69	\$2407.07	\$1671.38
September	\$2985.40	\$1148.75	-\$1836.65
October	\$549.28	(nil)	-\$549.28
November	\$985.00	(nil)	-\$985.00
December	\$468.85	\$850.27	\$381.42
January 93	\$263.50	(nil)	-\$263.50
February	\$480.00	\$1425.80	\$945.80
March	\$396.33	\$4.90	-\$391.43
April	\$22.25	\$5.83	-\$16.42
May	\$285.41	\$1105.00	\$819.59
June	\$0.61	\$649.89	\$649.28
Total	\$7889.79	\$9786.01	\$1896.22

Carry over from 92/3	\$579.93
Carryover to 93/4	\$2476.15

There appears to be a \$3 difference between the total above and the carry over in the June report! The June report is accurate, as is each of the months, they also add up! Last year the discrepancy was \$2.60!

Yours in service,

*N/K/M/T *T/M/N/T

West Kingdom Arts and Sciences Competitions.

Purgatorio:	Performing Arts	Dance.
	Fine Arts	Sculpting.
	Practical Sciences	Shoes.
	Technical Sciences	Nice Smells.
October Crown:	Fine Arts	Needlework.
	Practical Sciences	Brewing Beers and Ales.
	Technical Sciences	Dyed Fabrics.

For further information please see the January Pegasus.

Places in Politarcopolis.

Il Castello Piccolo	1/2 Lazarus Cres, Queanbeyan, 2620	299 4962
The Tinderbox	10 Gunn St, Yarralumla, 2600	285 2137
Fey	12 Crockett Pl, Holt, 2615	254 2521
Marston Mortaine	12 Shippard Pl, Kambah, 2902	231 9962
Smithfield	14 Hannam Pl, Mawson, 2607	286 1887
The Common	14/block 4, Northbourne Flats, Turner, 2601	249 7726
The Wilde Wood	15 Sturgeon St, Conder, 2905	294 1572
The Cloisters	18 Cambridge Gardens, Catchpole St, Macquarie, 2614	251 4491
Wenlock	2/62 Knox St, Watson, 2602	241 8219
House Minimus	21 Wade St, Watson, 2602	241 2201
The Mummery	24 Edwards St, Higgins, 2615	254 3059
Dancetty	24 O'Sullivan St, Higgins, 2615	254 1358
Cross Florey	25 Rowe Place, Swinger Hill, 2606	290 1492
Villa de Nana	29 Knox St, Watson, 2602	241 4903
Winter Palace	32 Roseberry St, Fisher, 2611	288 9693
Weyhacche	34 Trumble St, Pearce, 2607	286 1280
Des Cartes	48 Burrinjuck Cr, Duffy, 2611	288 1262
Barrow Downs	51 Kingsmill St, Kambah, 2902	231 2465
Independent Duchy	59 Barnard Circuit, Florey, 2615	258 3470
Dancing Biscuit	6 Meyrick Pl, Florey, 2615	fax 259 2328
The Garret	68 Block B, Currong flats, Ainslie, 2602	258 9978
Il Parco Cellini	77 Bennelong Cres, Macquarie, 2614	257 1240
The Yew	97 Henry Melville Drive, Gilmore, 2905	251 6043
The Dungeon Room	C5, Uni of Can Residences, PO box 20 Belconnen ACT 2616	291 6802
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