



# Griffintayle



July 2009, AS XLIV

## Upcoming Events

### July

3 Kingdom Lochac Midwinter Coronation & Stormhold B&B changeover  
8-12 College War, Stormhold (VIC)  
11 *PROPOSED* Tourney: *Cornelius*  
18 Sleepy Ermine Tavern & Fencing  
Tourney: Sigmund & Stewart (page 3).

### August

7-9 Radburne War III, Dubbo NSW  
15 *Poisoners Feast: Honore* (page 3)  
*PROPOSED* Winter A&S Weekend:???  
29/30 *PROPOSED* St Vitus Dance: *Crispin*  
(page 4)

### September

19 *PROPOSED* Possible Guild Event:  
*Greybeard & Leonie*  
26 *PROPOSED* Tournament: *Cornelius*

### October

3 Spring War – Mordenvale (NSW) (page 4)  
31 *Spanish Feast (Royal Visit) & Baronial Championship: Honore* (page 4)

### November

13 Kingdom – November Crown Southron Gaard  
28 *PROPOSED* Valhalla

### January

9 KINGDOM – Coronation Goulburn



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## Activities

### Baronial Council Meeting:

Last Wednesday of each month at 6pm:  
Haig Park Scout Hall, Turner (before A&S).

### St Aldhelm College Meeting:

Monday 5:30 pm G029 Copland Building, ANU

## Arts & Sciences

### Arts and Sciences Main meeting:

Sundays 3:00 pm, Scout Hall, Haig Park, Turner

### Arts and Sciences Meeting:

Wednesday 7:00 pm, Haig Park, Turner

### Baronial Dance Classes:

Sundays, 2:00 pm, Haig Park, Turner

### Scriptorium:

2nd Sunday of each month, 2:00 pm, Haig Park Turner

### Baronial Dance Classes:

Sundays, 2:00 pm, Haig Park, Turner

### Choir Practice:

1st Sunday of the month 4:00 pm, Haig Park, Turner

### Pot Luck Feast:

1st Sunday of the month 5:30 pm, Haig Park, Turner

## Combat Activities

### Armoured Combat Practice:

**Main Practice:** Sundays 3:00 pm, Haig Park, Masson St, Turner

**Alternative Practice:** Tuesdays 6:30 pm,

Park in Edwards St, Higgins.

**Rapier Practice:**

Sundays 2:00 pm, Haig Park, Masson St, Turner

**Archery Practice:**

Sundays 10:00 am till 12:00 pm (1st Sunday of the month is an Inter Kingdom Archery Competition)

**Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, 24th June 2009.

Chronicler - First issue published.

Web Minister - Still proceeding with self replacement project.

A&S - secret royal present project continues; Attend Wednesday A&S to find out, or contact A&S mistress; there was discussion on how to get the word out about secret presents.

Reeve - banking questions re signatories - Seneschal had been slack (fixed now - Sen).

Baron & baroness - Calendar clashes - long weekend questions - multiple events - dissension either way. Request to comment to SCA BOD re 4th peerage, SCAA Inc Board Member - advised of the first SCAA Inc partially open board meeting at Invest/devest.

Herald - advised of consults & drawing of blazons.

Seneschal - Demo's and displays - there was a discussion of demonstration policy - short version is that there is an policy of 'no policy' - the SCA has investigated unpaid demonstrations and found the efforts outweighed the results. If individuals receive a request and feel inspired to attend they may organise a presence. It is not an event unless it is fully organised with event forms etc. There are discussions at SCA Inc board level re these very issues. What is 'official' there is a reminder of three levels - All official SCA business can only be posted in Pegasus. Local events require advertising in the

local newsletter, i.e. Griffintayle. The polit list is not an 'official channel' - it is a discussion board. A reminder was issued that email is an asynchronous communication method, and has downfalls - i.e. an email can be delayed up to a week under normal channels, and not be considered 'delayed.' Also a call for assistance regarding calendars (answered by the deputy Seneschal), quality image manipulation, and inventory.

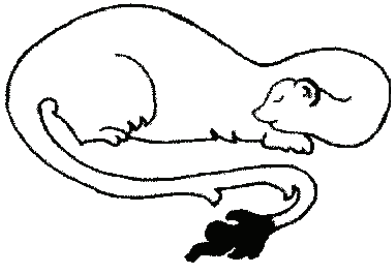
Electronic Communication Comment Group - after consultation Seneschal decided that we would not investigate a more complex methodology than "read the Google terms and conditions regarding electronic risk management, and locally we will try our



best to secure the data". The surveys will follow shortly.

**From the Seneschal's pen,**

One of the fascinating things about the SCA is the continual tussle between the chiefs and the indians, and who is which on a particular day. There is the formalised Royals/ Barons & Peers/ Populace stream of activity; there is the BOD/ Seneschals/ Officers stream of activity - and there are people who just get things done quietly and independently. Either way, someone visualises a project, they might call for help, then they act. If you have your plan and don't need helpers, you are chief of your own project, enjoy your creative time! If you have spare time, and want to part of something bigger, let me know your skills so I can link chiefs and indians. If you want to set the royal agenda - practice your heavy combat or inspire someone who does!



## *Sleepy Ermine Tavern 18th July 2009*

The Sleepy Ermine Tavern invites you all to an afternoon fencing tourney, after which you can relax in the warm company and atmosphere of the tavern wherein you can enjoy an evening of games, drinking and song.

The evening shall feature a light supper of hearty tavern food cooked by William de Peheren, with games available for you to enjoy. You are encouraged to bring along period games to share and a prize shall be offered for the most interesting game.

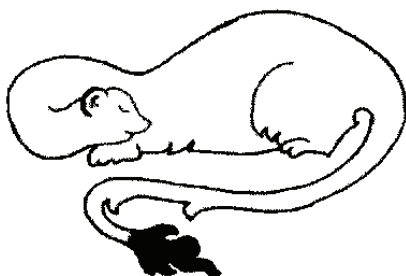
Time: Fencing tourney: lists open at 1.30pm, tourney from 2 until 4pm  
Tavern: 5pm until 10pm

Where: Tourney at Corroboree Park;  
Tavern at Corroboree Park Hall

Cost: \$12 member/\$14 non-member  
[Booked before 10 July]  
\$15 member/\$17 non-member [Booked before 16 July]  
\$18 member/\$20 non-member [at door]

Bookings to Sigmund Spelmann (Chris Strusz)  
email: [chris\\_strusz@internode.on.net](mailto:chris_strusz@internode.on.net)  
phone: 02 6242 7127

Steward: Sigmund Spelmann (Chris Strusz)  
Tourney Steward: Alessandro von Florenz



## *Borgia Poisoner's Feast 15th August 2009*

Sick of the cold? Join us for an afternoon in the Park, followed by a warming Tavern Style winter feast of stew—but watch your back! Lucrezia Borgia is giving a feast in honour of her father, the Pope, but beware, there is poison in the air. Caution is your only hope. Come to the feast and see who will be the last noble standing in this game of trust and betrayal.

For those that wish to come and just watch the spectacle, items will be provided to ensure your safety.

There will be a cap of 45 tickets sold, as the Pope is in his elder years and large crowds leave him ill.

**Site:** Downer Community Centre,  
Frencham Street, Downer

**Time:** Tourney from 12.00,  
Feast: 6pm - 10pm

**Cost:** \$12 members/ \$15 non-members /  
Children U10 Free ,At the  
Door: \$15 members/ \$18 non-members

**Bookings** and dietary requirements to the Steward: Honoré Corbaut (Georgia Winter) [winter.georgia@gmail.com](mailto:winter.georgia@gmail.com), 0414 726 262. Bookings by 5 August. Please take note of the Baronial Bookings Policy



[Picture featuring members of the Borgia family and Pope Alexander VI]

Source: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Pedro\\_Luis\\_Borgia.jpg](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Pedro_Luis_Borgia.jpg)

*St Vitas Dance and Music  
Weekend  
29th & 30th of August 2009.*

Come and join us for two days of dance and music classes, with lunches and afternoon tea provided, and a supper and ball from 6pm on Saturday.

Time: 10am - 11pm Saturday, 10am - 4pm Sunday

Where : Tuggeranong Seascouts Hall,  
Mortimer Lewis drive, Greenway,  
Canberra, ACT, AUSTRALIA.

Cost: (mem/non-mem/child 6-17)  
Full Event: \$38/\$40/\$19;  
All Saturday: \$29/\$31/\$14;  
Saturday Night: \$20/\$22/\$10;  
1 Day Only: \$10/\$12/\$5.  
Add \$2 if not booked by 23/8/2009.



Bookings: Crispin Sexi (Jaysen Ollerenshaw)  
Ph: (02) 6241 0919  
Email: [crispin@home.com.au](mailto:crispin@home.com.au)  
Please advise of any dietary requirements on booking.

Steward: Crispin Sexi (Jaysen Ollerenshaw)

*Spring War, Mordenvale  
2nd- 5th October 2009*

Spring War will be held once again this year in the Barony of Mordenvale From Friday 2nd of October until Monday 5th of October (gates open 1pm on Friday). The event is held in Lower Belford of Standen Drive which is North of Newcastle NSW Australia.

Springwar is a fully catered event. If there are any dietary requirements or particular needs please contact Baroness Lillian or Orric of Mordenvale. Please make cheques payable price SCA Inc. Please post booking forms and cheques to Post Office box 654 Charlestown 2290 NSW, Direct deposit options are available.

**Cost:** 1st July - 31 August  
\$80 members \$85 non members Children  
0-5 free 5-10 \$40 10-15 \$55 (full details  
<http://www.sca.org.au/mordenvale/calendar.htm> ).

**Autocrats** Baroness Lillian D'Ath  
- [lilliandath@optusnet.com.au](mailto:lilliandath@optusnet.com.au)  
0421460665 and Orric of Mordenvale -  
[Andrew\\_L\\_price@yahoo.com.au](mailto:Andrew_L_price@yahoo.com.au)  
0413217776

*Nobody expects the Spanish  
Inquisition Baronial  
Tourney / Feast*

*10th October 2009*

It's 1498. The Inquisition has passed through, and many of your friends and neighbours, have moved on, but left their influences behind. Join us for an evening of dining on period Castille Cuisine, enjoy the subtle flavours with Moorish influence.

Time: (tbc)  
Costs: (tbc).  
Site: Corroboree Park, Ainslie.  
Steward Honoré Corbaut  
Booking enquiries to Francesco Avanti  
(Andrew Winter)  
[andrewwinter@gmail.com](mailto:andrewwinter@gmail.com)



## Your Chronicler's Musings...

Hello and welcome to my second issue!  
Now we extra event information! Thank you to those who have contributed.

So far I've had some good feedback and very helpful corrections. And publisher and I are becoming firm friends, so send me things to include!

Once again all photo's courtesy of Indrani (© Claire Carpenter).

The woodcut is from Gode Cookery: "11. The Singing Lesson; from *Spiegel des menschlichen Lebens*, Augsburg, about 1475-76." <http://www.godecookery.com/clipart/people/clpeop11.htm>

Yours, *Zanobia*

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### **Politarchopolis**

Politarchopolis is the branch of the Society for Creative Anachronism based on the Australian Capital Territory and surrounds



**Baron and Baroness:** Alessandro von Florenz and Isobel le Bretoun (Simon and Kate Price)

The Baron and Baroness oversee the general activities and operations of the Barony and act as the regional representatives of the Crown.  
Email: politarchopolis@sca.org.au



**Seneschal:** Ysambart Courtin (Bart Beswick)

The Seneschal is the representative for the Barony in the outside world and acts as the chief administrator, similar to a group president.  
Email politarchopolis@sca.org.au

**Deputy Seneschal:** Honore de Corbeau (Georgia Winter)



**Reeve:** Aeveril of Ambledune (Danni Crawford)

The Reeve is responsible for the financial affairs of the Barony. Email: danianha@bigpond.net.au



**Arts and Sciences Minister:** Caera Sionnach (Brooke Perkins)

The Arts and Sciences Minister coordinates the study and practice of the medieval arts and sciences within the Barony.



**Herald:** Catherine of Glastonbury

The Herald is responsible for all forms of announcement within the Barony and is assumed to be speaking on behalf of the Crown. Heralds are also responsible for assisting the populace with submissions, such as when devising names or heraldic devices such as coats - of - arms.



**Marshal:** Cornelius von Becke (Cornelius Weber)

The Marshal maintains the safety of the populace during Society combat activities, both those who are actively involved in addition to those who are spectators. The marshal is also responsible for ensuring that each combatant is authorized to participate and will adhere to the Society conventions of combat.



**Rapier Marshal:** Gabrielle of the Marshes (Jenni McInnes)

The Rapier Marshal coordinates the group's fencing activities and maintains their safety standards. Email: [jennifer.mcinnis@gmail.com](mailto:jennifer.mcinnis@gmail.com)



**Captain of Archers:** Ulric of Ambledune (Ian Crawford)

In conjunction with the Marshal, the Captain of Archers coordinates the group's archery activities and maintains their safety standards.  
Email: jamesangus@mail.netspeed.com.au



**Keeper of the Lists:** Elizabeth de Foxel

The Keeper of the Lists records all the authorised combatants within the Barony as well as those who enter fighting events and the outcomes of martial contests.



**Chirurgion:** Catherine de Boniface (Gina Casey)

The Chirurgion is the Baronial first aid officer. Email: gkcasey@ginacasey.com.au



**Hospitaller:** Jonathon of Loch Swan

The Hospitaller is the initial point of contact for most newcomers and helps them feel welcome in the Society. The Hospitallery also coordinates requests for public displays.



**Chandler:** Vacant

The Chandler loans out garb and feasting utensils to newcomers. She also stores the Barony's banners, tablecloths, cooking and serving equipment for the Barony to use at our events.



**Constable:** Valentine der Spieler

The Constable is responsible for the maintenance of Society law. The constabulary is also responsible for lost property.



**Chronicler:** Zanobia Adimari (Clare Rix)

The Chronicler is responsible for the publication of Griffintayle, the Baronial newsletter. To subscribe, please see the endnote.

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**Hierophant:** Karl Faustus von Aachen (Paul Sleigh)

The Hierophant is responsible for the Barony's internet publications, the electronic copy of the Griffintayle newsletter and the baronial email list. Email: bat@flurf.net



**Saint Aldhelm**

The College of St Aldhelm is the branch of the Society for Creative Anachronism based at the Australian National University.

**College Seneschal:** Leofcwen (Jocelyn Kirkland)

Club president equivalent. Official contact. Email: u4216471@anu.edu.au



**<http://www.facebook.com>**

Polit can now be found on the popular social network site. Search "Barony of Politarchopolis" and join the group or type in <http://www.new.facebook.com/group.php?gid=20169734823>

**<http://the.lochac.net>**

The Lochac Network is a new independent initiative to take the work out of networking in Lochac.

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