



GRIFINTAYLE

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REGULAR MEETINGS

☙ **Baronial Meetings:** the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30 pm. Next Meeting will be at ANU, Copland G030

☙ **Baronial heavy fighter practice:**

- Sunday: from 3:00 pm at Haig Park, O'Connor near scout hall, Fencers and heavies welcome. **This is not an SCA event, as waivers are not collected.**

- Wednesday evenings: from 6:30 pm, at Mawson Oval. **This is not an SCA event, as waivers are not collected.**

☙ **Rapier practice:** Sunday 2 pm at Haig Park O'Connor.

☙ **Archery practice:** Sundays, 10:00 till 12:00 at Tuggeranong Archery Club, Western end of Soward Way, Tuggeranong. Cost 5 gold to non TAC members Range fees to TAC members

& **Arts and Sciences Evening:** Sundays after fighter practice, same location.

☙ **Baronial Dance Classes:** 2-4 pm Sundays at the Scout Hall, Haig Park, Turner

☙ **College Dance Classes:** 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, from 6.30 pm at ANU Copland Building G030 (except for the night of the Baronial meeting)

☙ **College A & S:** occasional Wednesdays, from 6pm at ANU Copland Building G030

☙ **Slow work sessions:** Thursdays from 7pm at First Canberra Scout's Hall, Haig Park 5 Masson Street, TURNER (a.k.a Haig Park Hall)

☙ **Mid week Boffer and A'n'S meeting:** Every Wednesday 3.30 - 5.00pm. Room 3 of the Tuggeranong Community Centre Cowlshaw Street, Greenway. Please note: check the notice board on entry as meeting may have been moved to a different room - will be under House Anaticula (SCA)

Other Upcoming Events:

8-10th October (date and details to be confirmed) demo at Australian Men's Peer Health Education Conference.

1-2nd November – Aneala – November Crown Tourney

1-2nd November – Politarchopolis – proposed Ongoing Melee (**To be Confirmed**)

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Thanks this edition go to Caterina for news, Drake for help and chauffeur duties, Maxx for advice.

Upcoming Events

Mixed Combat Training

Edmund Ale-conner is running Mixed Combat Training, to be held at Red Wood Grove on the 13th of September at midday. Fighters are reminded to bring their mesh.

Also be warned – Edmund is bringing his SCA Ballista “Spiculum Vespa”! For more details contact Edmund (see Regnum).

Feast of the Butterflies

Please Note! Date given in last “Griffintayle” is NOT correct!

Date: Saturday the 20th of September 2003

Cost: \$17.50 Members, \$20.00 Non Members

Venue: Hughes Community Hall

Autocrat & Kitchen Steward: Tosti Vikarrovitch

Bogolyubski

Time: Doors open 6pm; Remove one: 7 p.m.; Remove two: 8:15 p.m.

This timetable will vary depending on the attendance of Nobles and whether or not there is to be a court between the removes.

The feast is set to be the follow up to the recent Feast of the Caterpillars, hosted by the Collee, in honour of Mistress Kiriell before she began her journey to Drachenwald. The Feast of the Butterflies is being this year held as a 10th anniversary of the same feast held previously in Politarchopolis in honour of Mistress Kiriell as an apology. Mistress Kiriell has, in her infinite grace, agreed to allow the Feast of the Butterflies to be held “For the enjoyment of the local populace” in her absence.

The feast shall follow no particular period or region for its theme or flavour; rather the food shall be eclectic, with a focus on quality with reasonable quantity. In short words to describe what shall be eaten on the night, “Whole beasts and truly Great Pies, castles shaped from sugar, and much fun and frivolity” to quote a member of kitchen team

Heavy Quest At Redwood Grove

Come one, come all and experience the challenges of the mysterious Redwood Grove. On the day of the 21st of September there will be a melee tournament and Heavy quest (**BRING YOUR MESH!!!!!!**)

After each round of the melee the victor will enter the Grove led by a guide. The fighter will face 5 challenges: Agility, Strength, Knowledge, Cunning, and Truth of heart.

Only a shield and single-handed weapon will be permitted in the grove. And be warned this quest will be difficult and only those who master all the test put before them will be victorious.

Rules of the list:

1. Each fighter, recognising the possibilities of physical injury to him or herself in such combat, shall assume unto him or herself all risk and liability for harm suffered by means of such combat. No fighter shall engage in combat unless and until he or she has inspected the field of combat and satisfied him or herself that it is suitable for combat. Other participants shall likewise recognise the risks involved in their presence on or near the field of combat, and shall assume unto themselves the liabilities thereof.

2. No person shall participate in Combat-Related Activities (including armoured combat, period fencing, combat archery, scouting, and banner bearing in combat) outside of formal training sessions unless he or she shall have been properly authorised under Society and Kingdom procedures.

3. All combatants must be presented to, and be acceptable to, the Sovereign or his or her representative.

4. All combatants shall adhere to the appropriate armour and weapons standards of the Society, and to any additional standards of the Kingdom in which the event takes place. The Sovereign may waive the additional Kingdom standards.

5. The Sovereign or the Marshallate may bar any weapon or armour from use upon the field of combat. Should a warranted Marshal bar any weapon or armour, an appeal may be made to the Sovereign to allow the weapon or armour.

6. Combatants shall behave in a knightly and chivalrous manner, and shall fight according to the appropriate Society and Kingdom Conventions of Combat.

7. No one may be required to participate in Combat-Related Activities. Any combatant may, without dishonour or penalty, reject any challenge without specifying a reason. A fight in a tournament lists is not to be considered a challenge, and therefore may not be declined or rejected without forfeiting the bout.

8. Fighting with real weapons, whether fast or slow, is strictly forbidden at any Society event. This rule does not consider approved weaponry which meets the Society and Kingdom standards for traditional Society combat and/ or Society period rapier combat, used in the context of mutual sport, to be real weaponry.

9. No projectile weapons shall be allowed and no weapons shall be thrown within the Lists of a tournament. The use of approved projectile weapons for melee, war, or combat archery shall conform to the appropriate Society and Kingdom Conventions of Combat Armour Inspection and lists open at 11:30am, this will continue until 12:20pm. The melee will begin at 12:30pm

For further information contact Edmund Ale-conner (see Regnum)

Le Crapaud Tourney

18th October 2003, Eddison Park, Launceston Street, Phillip.

Lists open 11:30
Lists close 12:15
First toast 12:20
Tourney begins 12:30

Once again the time is upon us to be inspired by the memory of Sir Bertrand du Guesclin, renowned Constable of France, greatest General of his time and the man credited with reclaiming more of France from the English invaders than any other. Sir Bertrand was known for four things – his honour on the battlefield, his chivalric treatment of his opponents, his courtesy to all who served under him and his unswerving devotion to his King.

On this day I invite you all to come together so that we may honour the virtues that he upheld.

Yours in Service
Lord Daemon Morrison, esquire
Earl Marshal, Le Crapaud



BARONIAL REPORT

Unto the populace do François and Ælfthrythe send greetings.

Welcome to Spring! We can now all look forward to warm days, or at least the melting of the snows on the local mountains.

The Heraldic Tourney, Games day and Feast seem to have been wonderfully organised and enjoyable events. Unfortunately we were forced to miss the tourney due to illness in our pets. Thanks to Sigmund and Baron Stephen for organising the events at the weekend.

We have finally collated all our commentary on the couples standing as our successors. The summaries and our reports are written and about to be posted. The King and Queen have promised to attend to the decision promptly. We ask for patience until we receive the reply. Once the decision is known, we will inform the couples and pass the decision onto the populace at the next event.

Thank you everybody who sent in their comments and especial thank you to Simon, Blair, Jason, Kate, Fiona and India for volunteering. We have been blessed with three wonderful couples to make the choice from.

It is our hope, then, to see the barony at the events in October. The Baron will, unfortunately, be absent for the Quest in the Redwood Forest. However the Baroness will be attending. She hopes to see lots of people there.

Yours in Service,
François and Ælfthrythe

ENESCHAL STUFF

There are several events coming up, including Mixed Combat Training on the 17th (Ballista! Ballista!)

Not much else to say – see you there.
Edmund Ale-conner

CHANDLER'S CHAT

There is still significant equipment borrowed from Chandlery for recent events that has not been returned. I expect that some or all of it will be needed soon, and am following up on its return, but I would like to remind people that borrowed items should be returned **promptly!** Please! This goes not only for kitchen equipment (the current concern), but for garb as well.

I've been talking with cooks for some of the events this year, and have decided to revise, slightly, the "no leftover foodstuffs go to the chandlery" policy. I still don't want food (it attracts pests, it takes up more room than I can justify, and people don't even want to use it) but I will accept **unopened** bottles or jugs of cordial, spices, and small **unopened** packaged condiments, such as jars of mustard. If storage and freshness become problems again, I'll just go back to my original policy, but for now I hope it will prove worthwhile hanging onto these kinds of items.

I would like to thank all the donors of garb in recent months, including India Ollerenshaw (Aelfled of the Weald); Michelle Dean (Francesca Cellini), who also donated unbleached-calico part-bolts (which I hope to use to make some painted counterfeit-arraresses for the Barony); and Katrina Hunt (Baroness Mathilde), although some of those items may have been passed along by her on someone else's behalf (and to whom I also give thanks). It's sad to see so much beautiful stuff not be used by its original makers/owners, but it's terrific to have quality garb available to lend out! My apologies to anyone whose name I left out, be assured that your gift is being used well.

Yours truly,
Caterina della Pieri

CHRONICLER'S COMMENTS

Have you been attacked by the Mad Chronicler bearing subscription forms yet? Have the delights of having your copy of "Griffintayle" delivered to your door been explained to you in minute detail by a crazy woman with a Welsh accent? If you haven't, do you wish to avoid this fate? Simple – fill in the subscription form and send it to me! Remember, the free copies are being phased out and will only be available for this and the next issue. If you don't have a cheque-book to hand, don't worry - I'll be bothering you all at up coming events and the odd practice for *years* to come.

On another note, want to share your genius with the world? Send me your articles, your news, your ideas...ah, pleading for material to publish. It's all coming back to me now....

Iechyd da,
Blodeuwedd y Gath

ARTS & SCIENCES

From the A&S Officer, Greetings!

There has been a great deal of activity pulsating

around Polit in the last few months including a change of officer and deputy. That is me and Mathilde!

We have revamped our local A&S Championship: it has now been reinstated with inaugural competitions set for 30 August revolving around baronial design competitions for a carpet, kneeling and throne cushions, banners and pavilion hangings.

The A&S Championship point system will be as follows:

- 1 point for entering (everyone gets a prize);
- 5 points for the winner;
- 3 points for second place; and
- 2 points for third place.

Points will be awarded for style, je ne sais hedgehog (i.e. discretionary points) and most importantly, documentation. The points will be counted cumulatively and will count to the Baronial Champion. The A&S Champion will be decided in approximately 12 months. We have moved location and are looking to reinvigorate activities.

Local scribes, painters and limners, WCOB, music, dance, brewing and cooking activities are happening in a decentralised manner. Hoping to bring more of these activities into the mainstream with upcoming competitions and events.

Please send me any ideas that you have for comps or A&S type events/collegia that you would like to see run over the next 12 months. All suggestions gratefully received!

YIS.
Sybille

MARSHAL MATTERS

Greetings unto the populace,
For the month of August there were no injuries reported at events or trainings.

Interested in being a Marshal?

Marshals fill an important role within SCA combat and if you would like to be authorised as one please contact me.

Events

The Heraldic Tourney, held at Eddison Park on the 31st August 2003, went off without a hitch despite the slightly cool weather and Sigmund with all his helpers did a fantastic job putting it all together. Many thanks to you all.

Upcoming Events

War Training

Negotiations are under way to provide a regular site for War Training and as soon as a venue can be organised on a frequent basis I will let you all know. In the meantime there will be a War Training session run at Redwood Grove on September the 13th to begin at 12 noon. I look forward to seeing you all there. **Don't forget your mesh!**

Redwood Grove Quest - September 21st

See the event description for more details. Mesh is compulsory for this event also.

Le Crapaud – 18th October, Eddison Park, Launceston Avenue, Phillip

More details to follow but keep an eye on the Griffintayle newsletter for updates.

Regards
Heinrich Maximillian von Hesse
Politarcho polis Baronial Marshal

LISTS BITS

There was one tournament held in the Barony in the month of August, the Heraldic Tourney at Edison Park on 31st August.

There were 10 fighters who signed on to the list however, one withdrew after the first round due to a pre-existing condition that was not the result of fighting.

A round robin style had been chosen when there had been less than eight on the list and to allow all the fighters to experience the full range of the tourney as each round had different requirements. However, while it worked out suitable this time, this does highlight the necessity of fighters to show some courtesy to event organisers and officers and make known their intention to fight at the earliest chance for, under normal circumstances, a round robin would not have been organised for this many fighters.

The eventual 'holder of the field' was Count Sir Cornelius von Becke after contesting a drawn result with Edmund Ale-connor.

Regards
Selivia de l'Estoile, OP

WORDS FROM THE CONSTABLE

Greetings & Salutations,
A reminder of current Constabulary

practices:

- ❖ All events (including feasts) require all participants sign the appropriate 'Request to Participate & Indemnify' form.
- ❖ It is the responsibility of the Steward of an event to arrange for there to be a person to collect the site/event fees. (It is not up to the constable to arrange this, nor is the person collecting the site/event fees required to be a constable.)

New things:

- ❖ It is now required for fighter practices to have indemnities collected. I will be providing a 'book' for each practice session. These indemnities are location specific and valid for a six month period. An attendance roster for each session will also be recorded.
- ❖ The Constables Handbook is almost finished & I will be contacting the people who are currently rostered as constables-at-large as soon as it is released.

Yours in service,
Leta von Goslar
Baronial Constable.



Festival News

Unto the people of Lochac does Hrothgar act
Gytingbroce send greeting.

I have the privilege of being named the Steward of the 2004 Rowany Festival. This year's Festival is to be held at the Crossroads Medieval Village Site, Yass. It will run from Thursday the 8th of April until Monday the 12th, 2004. I would like to take this opportunity to invite you all to come and celebrate yet another Festival with us next year.

We have received much information from the survey feedback forms and are looking forward to carrying out some of the suggestions and rectifying some of the issues that they highlighted. One of the fears that was mentioned was the concern that there may not be enough toilets at Festival 2004. Every year at Festival the number of toilets is calculated (using a hire industry standard) based on the number of people booked one month before Festival is due to commence. Therefore, one very immediate way that you can ensure a surfeit of toilets at this coming Festival is to **BOOK EARLY**, and **BOOK OFTEN**. The online booking form will be up shortly and you will be able to let us know that your bottom needs to be counted when ordering toilets.

Another of the major themes running through the feedback forms was the desire that there be greater infrastructure on the site. To this end I have some site prep dates for your diaries. If you would like to come and join us at these site preps you may wish to take the opportunity to meet up with Canberra and Yass people, attend the Valentines Ball or catch up with other friends and/or relatives.

September 13-14
November 22-23
February 14-15
March 20-21

Closer to the date specific goals/ activities will be posted for completion at each of the site preps. These site preps are sponsored by the Barony of Rowany and if you contact myself kromanis@yahoo.com.au or the Baron and Baroness of Rowany, food will be provided for you on that weekend. (BYOG) These site preps also provide an opportunity for people to make improvements to their own sites, Blaeney (Greg Boston, the Crossroads Site Coordinator) will assess any application for any work you wish to do, contact me and I will send you the contact details.

I am looking forward to working with the people of Lochac to make the next Festival one of the best ever. If you wish to volunteer or have any suggestions or questions please do not hesitate to contact me. The marshallate this year will be led by Baron Corin of Rowany (details in regnum) and if you have any suggestions of a martial nature please get in contact with him.

Hrothgar.

Cockatrice Turns Five

Cockatrice, Lochac's Arts and Sciences Magazine is about to put out issue 20 (5th Anniversary for this incarnation). We, your friendly editorial team are putting a bumper edition, with 104 pages (instead of 52.) To manage this we do need extra contributions. Put your energy into something satisfying - write for us! Successful contributors to Cockatrice will receive a free copy.

The deadline for inclusion in the next edition is September 27. Submissions may be sent to cockatrice@sca.org.au (as *.txt or *.rtf files, please) along with your postal address and a bio of your persona and mundane self.

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News From Polit.



BC to Film the SCA

The ABC television program Stateline is planning to run a segment on the SCA. A news crew will do home interviews with David (Stephen) and Katrina (Mathilde) about the SCA and why they are involved in it. Following the interviews, the crew would like to go to Haig Park on Sunday the 7th of September to see what we do and get some active footage for use with the article.

David will be contacting some people directly to ask them to ensure that a wide range of activities will be represented (Dance, Rapier, Costuming, Heavy, arts of entertainment etc). Standard activities will run that day; apart from the regular fighting sessions, dance will run as well as the scheduled Stitch & Bitch session.

Please turn up in garb on the 7th of September and be warned - if you're there you're fair game for the cameras!



Recent Awards and Achievements

Congratulations to Veronique de la Vallé (or Veronique of the Valley, I'm not sure which) who won first place in the "Pouches" A&S competition held at Midwinter. Her winning entry was a pouch embroidered in Viking chain stitch done as a token for the Lochac Order of Grace.

At the recent Heraldic Tourney, the victor of the day was Sir Cornelius and winner of the "Best Pagenry" was Adair with assorted offspring.

Lost And Found

There is a large number of lost and forlorn belongings currently in the care of the Constabulary. Some of it dates back to first Coronation and there is a lot from College War as well. Contact Leta (see Regnum) to be reunited with your long lost lovedthings.

Interbaronial War Training

The Baron of Rowany, Sir Corin, has sent a message that he is "keen for us to train together, even just as a morale / good will thing." So any fighter, light or heavy who is thinking of coming up to Spring War to teach those northern dogs a lesson, this is a great opportunity for us to train with the Rowany forces.

If you are interest in coming up Stowe on the Wolde on the 27th of this month for a mixed combat training session, contact Edmund Ale-conner.

This will be a great training day - Sir Corin now has 2 ballistae and a cannon or two, and Edmund hopes to take his ballista also. We may be outnumbered at Spring war but we will have the firepower!! {*Edmund says: "what weapons of mass destruction???"*}

St Aldhelms – Up and Coming

Regular Meetings:

Arts & Sciences

New project is a banner and pennant, hopefully to be finished by the end of the month. Mistress Selivia will be giving another quick overview of an embroidery technique. So bring some material and thread. Feel free to bring along any projects that still need work and if you have anything that you are working on and just need some advice or want to show off bring it along. This will start from 6pm in Copeland G030.

Fighter Practice

Come along to the slow work sessions held on Thursdays at First Canberra Scout's Hall, Haig Park 5 Masson Street, TURNER (a.k.a Haig Park Hall) from 7pm. Held by Graf Sir Cornelius von Becke and Sir Phillipe du Lac, these are excellent session designed to work on technique and style. It's appropriate for fighters of all levels, from complete newbies to old hands.

Dance

Come along and enjoy some Renaissance dance. It's a great workout and fun all at the same time!! We will be starting at 6pm in Copeland G030 .

Fighter Practice/Armour Workshop - Thursday 11th September

As we have been chucked out of Haig Park Hall by the budgie people on the 2nd Thursday of every month, we will instead be doing a series of workshops designed to get people into various pieces of armour, starting with

gambesons/ackertons/arming doublets (basically whatever you want to call them), shields etc. This will be held from 6pm at Copeland G030 at the ANU.

Event Report – Heraldic Feast

The feast was a lovely, relaxed affair, with plenty of chatting and informal socialising. Food at Potlucks is always a bit hit and miss, but this time was of very high standard. While there was the traditional roast-chicken-cut-into-pieces, all of them were improved by delicious sauces and there was a wide variety of salads, pastries, stews and tender tidbits to round out the fare. Second remove was a nice mix of late coming savouries and new sweets. Ah, eight different varieties on the theme of custard tart and cheesecake, all period. I was in dessert heaven!

The Impromptu Entertainment of the evening was decidedly...unrehearsed. A lord and lady, whose names I fear I do not know, put on a display of fire breathing and fire twirling that was most entertaining – made even more amusing by the commentary of the crowd. Baron Drakey re-enacted fishing stories with helpers from the audience, Lady Blodeuwedd told of how St Alphege gave the Vikings bellyache, Mistress Leta and Mistress Ekaterina did "stick tricks" (all rumours of Peer Pole Dancing are only partly true) and Sir Cornelius "And His Lovely Helpers" did a very impromptu, somewhat incomprehensible entertainment based on everything else that had already been done.

The entries to the Heraldic Helm competition were few, but those that were entered were very well done.

Apparently, there was a slight problem that a large number of people who had booked failed to turn up on the night; fortunately unbooked arrivals and the general cheapness of Potlucks meant that the event only made a very slight loss.

This wasn't one of those events that sticks in the mind for years to come (for good or bad reasons) but it was one of those very pleasant evenings in good company that make me glad I'm still in the SCA. Well done to all concerned.

Politarchopolis Baronial Minutes

Meeting - 3rd September 2003

Attendees - Blair, Leta, Baron, Alinta, Sigmund, Adair, Rob(Rhodri), Kate, Maximillian, Tosti, Owain, Drake, Blod, Snorri, Leonie, Oriel, Alice, Cornelius, Steven, Ally and Rachael.

Apologies – List Ladies, Reeve and Chandler.

Start - 7.30 pm

Please Note: any comments in brackets () are those of the minute taker.

Rachael –_Needed to leave early. Is the new College A & S Officer. There were two competitions on the weekend and four entries combined.

Seneschal - Reports due 30 September for the next meeting on the 1st of October. We've been invited to Rowany war. We need a Chirurgeon. Combat training on the 13th September. Redwood Grove Quest on the 21st.

Reeve and List unable to make meeting. Seneschal reads reports:

List – 10 fighters took the field for the Heraldic Tourney – one retired to a previous (non SCA – I think) injury. There was some comment on time and thanks and round robin would not have happened but I missed it. Sir Cornelius won a drawn fight to claim tourney victory against Edmund.

Reeve - \$220 spent on the potluck feast, \$0 profit achieved. Deputy Reeve being considered with two volunteers – Tosti and Adair. Festival Prep day within the next month – September 13th, 14th and 15th.

Baron – Yah! Spring is here. Heraldic Games Day and Feast well run. Hall looked good, thank you to hosts. Apologies for not making the Tourney. Baron and Baroness read through the comments made and have made their recommendations to Crown. Expecting a reply with in the next two weeks. They will talk to chosen couple first and then hope to announce decision by Feast of the Butterflies (Flutterbies). Thank you to all who made comments.

Marshal – Tourney went well. Received email from the Earl Marshal in regard to side swords. Trail being run with side swords and reports made to the Earl Marshal. War Training 13th September, Quest the 21st. Spring War is only one month away. Will not be available from Mon to ... (Sorry, didn't catch it – midweek but I'm guessing).

Fencing Marshal – Not much fencing done due to rain or Tourney's being run. Paul is asking for a replacement so anyone thinking of being the next Fencing Marshal, talk to him.

Web Writer – Requesting photos. Stateline to be filming on Sunday, Oonagh will be running around with a camera, so look spiffy. Are there any comments on last Griffintayle set up? Del is working on the email lists to eliminate the spam bombing.

Chronicler – her fist issue went well. Problems with webone, thus need reports early to have them printed... (Baron). Subscriptions are up, and receipts of subscriptions will be sent with the subscriber's first copy.

Constable – Two lots of indemnities to deal with. 52 at Feast. 51 at Tourney. Not many minors at either. All events now require an indemnity. Not so gentle reminder - you are now being told – whoever organises an event, it is your responsibility to get someone to collect the money! There will be a Constable's handbook released within the next few weeks. It is a final copy which may be revised. Fighter practises now need to have indemnities. Suggest it be done by a six monthly format were an indemnity is signed for that time (for each day, time and place) and then you only sign an I-was-ere book.

Question – *Can we do a six month event form?* Looking into it, but probably not as events are at different locations instead of say Sunday, Haig Park, 2pm – every time, every week, for six months.

College – Very quiet, recovering from College War. Looking for a deputy Seneschal and they have a new A & S Officer (Rachael).

Archers – Archery is happening. Participating in some of the Tuggeranong Club shoots. IKAC this weekend. War/Combined Training soon.

GENERAL

Steven – 1. Event report; 56 booking, 20 didn't attend. Lost \$5.95. If you are going to book, please show up.

2. When Stateline is filming this coming Sunday, they are background filming, so if you decide to show, dress in garb and bring something to do!

3. Planning a war with Blair, sometime mid-November. Plan: Saturday – Hitting each other, Saturday Night – Beer and DVDs, Sunday – Archery or something like it. (Comments from the crowd – It's a gloried slumber party) Perhaps the 15th, 16th, 17th?

Vicki – Voiced the idea of a gift for Logical Choice in recognition and thanks for the goodies they have given for movie fundraisers and such. Possibly a fancy Illumination? Yah/Nah?

Baron – Yes.

Owain – Article to be written about the Society in Veterans magazine. Mentioning Rob, Dickon, himself (and someone else but lost it in the scribble) and promoting the Society as an “outside of the square healthy activity”. Big meeting/seminar in Woden – possible small demo could be done. Is the Barony interested and who does he talk to? Seminar is on the 8th, 9th and 10th of October.

Cornelius – *make sure you use people who are fit, and promote the fighting as an art.*

Max – 1. Received an email about Spring War and bringing a Horse to the event. (?)

Leta – *More than likely a NO. Will be talking to the event autocrat about people wanting to go up on the Thursday. Will act as go-between and post findings on the Polit list.*

Max – 2. Couple of individuals are showing up to training to develop personal skills in fire tossing and breathing and not SCA stuff. Are they covered by indemnity? Discussing proceeds (way too fast for me to capture – although scenarios of turning around mid battle only to face a fire ball coming your way did pop up.)

Baron's Advice – *Treat as an SCA activity (the fire tossing/breathing) and pass it up for Kingdom level to discuss. Possibly A & S – is it a period activity? Can it be treated as something done in the Middle Ages and thus a period re-enactment thing to do?*

Max – 3. Paul and Larry (I think) want to hold a continual melee. Told he must ask for Crown permission as the Melee is slotted for the Crown weekend (and for those who don't know – like me – no events are run on Crown weekends unless petitioned and given sanction). Can be advertised as a rumoured event, possibly 1st and 2nd of November?

Tosti – Feast of the Butterflies (Flutterbies!) plug. There will be eclectic food and anyone caught using tabletop siege engines is automatically doomed to the clean up crew.

Meeting ends – 8.06 pm.