

REGNUM:	SHIRE of POLITARCHOPOLIS	COLLEGE of SAINT ALDHELM
SENECHAL	Lady Ysabeau Chanteuse	Lord Alexandro de Florenzi
CHIRURGEN	(Megan Jackson)	(Simon Price)
Archivist	The Wilde Wood	The Yew
HERALD	Lord Dafydd ap Donal ap Gwilym (David Osborne) Dancetty	Nimue (Kate Fletcher) 15 Prescott St, Farrer, 2607
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MARSHAL	Lord Hugh the Little (Darren Huett) House Hippocampus	Lady Briela (Jane Dickins) The Garret
Capt. of Archers	Lord Mercurio L'Estrangere (Russ Bradbury) The Yew	Lord Alexandro de Florenzi (Simon Price) The Yew
Capt. of Fencing	Lord Mercurio L'Estrangere (Russ Bradbury) The Yew	
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CHRONICLER	Lady Betony of the Green Swathes (Elizabeth Waldoock) PO Box 767, Jamieson, 2614	
Promises		
CONSTABLE	Lady Isadora de Este (Jacinta Miller) The Yew	
LISTS	Lord Hoskuld Atlason (Norman Gray) The Dancing Biscuit	
HOSPITALLER	Lord Lorenzo Erudini (Michael Warby) The Cloisters	Myfanwey Mc Nicolle (Bethany)
CHIRURGEN (in training)	Louisa Reynell (Louise Volk) Dancetty	
Lochac Arts & Sciences	Lady Kriel du Papillon 2-100 Nemerang Cres Waramanga 2611 ph 2882867	
Lochac Capt. of Fencing	Lord Francois Henri Pierre Guyon (Shayne Lynch) Cher Cez!	
Lochac Constable	Lord Edmund the Lame (Paul Sawtell) Cher Cez!	
Dancing Biscuit	-6 Meyrick Pl, Florey, 2615, ph 258 9978	
Fey	-12 Crockett Pl, Holt, 2615, ph 254 2521	
The Orchard	-13 Sampson Cl, Melba, 2615, ph 258 3868	
Smithfield	-14 Hannam Pl, Mawson, 2607, ph 286 1887	
The Wilde Wood	-15 Sturgeon St, Conder, 2905, ph 294 1572	
The Cloisters	-18 Cambridge Gardens, Catchpole St, Macquarie, 2614, ph 251 4491	
House Hippocampus	-24 Robertson St, Curtin, 2605, ph 281 2584	
Dancetty	-24 O'Sullivan St, Higgins, 2615, ph 254 1358	
Cross Flory	-25 Rowe Place, Swinger Hill, 2606, ph 290 1492	
Cher Chez!	-26 Pridham St, Farrer, 2607, ph 286 6052	
Des Cartes	-48 Burrinjuck Cr, Duffy, 2611, ph 288 1262	
Barrow Downs	-51 Kingsmill St, Kambah, 2902, ph 231 2465	
Kenneth Seraglio	-60 Jensen St, Hughes, 2605, ph 281 0326	
Wenlock	-2/62 Knox St, Watson, 2602 ph 241 8219	
The Garret	-68 Block B, Currong flats, Ainslie, 2602, ph 257 1240	
The Yew	-97 Henry Melville Drive, Gilmore, 2905 ph 291 6802	



Griffintayle June AS XXVII

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun
J U N E	8	9	10 Dance	11	12	13 Mid-Winter	14 Town Archery Tourney
	15	16	17 Music	18	19	20 Combat Archery	21
	22	23	24	25	26	27 Beer Mead & Labeling Night	28
J U L Y	29	30	1 Shire Meeting	2	3	4 Combat Archery	5
	6	7	8 Dance	9	10	11 Ball d' Argent	12 Town Archery Tourney
	13	14	15 Music	16	17	18 Combat Archery	19

- Shire Meeting, contact Seneschal or Chronicler, at John Dedman Building, ANU, Lower Ground room 1, 7.30pm.

- Dancing, Contact Arts and Science Minister, at John Dedman Building

- Music, contact Helen Whitchurch, at John Dedman Building.

- Archery, 10.00am Sun ANU oval, contact Captain of Archers.
Town Archery Tourney same site but costumed please.
Combat Archery, 1.00pm, 1st & 3rd Sat. Southwell Park.

- Armouring, Sundays, Please ring House Hippocampus first.

- Fighter Training, 3.00pm Sundays, Please ring House Hippocampus.

- Fencing Training, Contact Captain of Fencing

Shire meeting notes for 3 June 1992.

Place: John Dedman Building, ANU
 Date: 3/6/92
 Time: 7.30pm

Present: Norman, Jacinta, Russ, Helen W, David, John, Megan, Michelle, Simon, Dina, Libby, Phil, Karen, Sandra, Robin, Darren, Jocelyn, Michael.

Late: Dina.

Apologies: Sharen, Shayn, Paul, Elizabeth, David, Louise.

Seneschal Report: We have umpty many newcomers and innumerable events happening. The coming events include; Midwinter 13 June; Beer and labels night; Ball d'Argent 11 July; Newcomers night on 29 July at the John Dedman building at 7.30pm; Collegium in Golburn 8-9 August; A collegium in Politarchopolis 22-23 August.

Reeve Report: \$1200 out, \$495 in, with about \$900 left. We wish to move our cheque account from the Commonwealth bank to ANZ bank. The Commonwealth bank has not sent us several statements and now will only give them to us for \$5 per page. Also it takes them 1 week to allow cheques from other Commonwealth accounts to clear but it takes them up to 3 weeks for cheques from other institutions. The only hold-up for the move at the moment is that the ANZ wishes to see our original certificate of incorporation which is in SA at the moment. Buy more Port from Charles of the Park at the Orchard as the shire has still not yet broken even. Also the Dark Skies event money has not yet been received.

Marshal Report: Anything to report. No. Not really. 26 July, Ribbon tourney, Eddison Park at Woden, 12.30pm. 31 October, Rose tourney, Old Parliament House, 12.30pm.

Constable Report: We finally got the waivers. They are needed for any fighting/combat archery/camping events.

Hospitaller Report: Beer and label night. Please see flyer. Last chance to check for your lost property before it becomes the shires property. Also here is a beginners flyer for anybody to comment upon.

Arts and Sciences Report: There is to be a collegium so please see flyer for details. There is going to be a bulk order of fabric. This is going to be cheap so if you are interested in cheap fabric see me NOW. There will be Arts and Sciences meetings at ANU once we have a venue. Flyers with details will be posted up once the venue is found.

Griffintayle Report: I hope that everybody obtained a Griffintayle last month. If anyone would like to be a deputy for this position with the aim of taking over in a few months please write up a resume with your skills and resources and give it to me or the seneschal.

Promises Report: The next issue will be out for Midwinter with the issues afterwards being Spring Coronet and then December. Please send articles.

Lists Report: Please, if anyone has any old files for the lists, any list boards, etc please get them to me.

Archery Report: There was 27 people at the time before last. It is now held at North Oval next to Barry Drive opposite from the ANU. The town archer last month was Simon. Combat archery is on 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month at Southwell Park at 1.00pm. We need to make some shire archery gear. Any suggestions? We also need a source of wooden arrow shafts as there is NONE coming into Australia. The competition at the Town Archers day is for best Archery Paraphernalia. In July it is for decorative arrows.

Fencing Report: It will now take place at Sunday afternoons at 3.30pm at The Yew.

Lochac Arts and Sciences Report: Please note the change for one of the 12th night competitions (High court to Tourney costume). Also the May competitions list is now available. There will be a raffle to help support the Lochac A&S as Lochac does not provide any monetary support for the position. Cockatrice will be out for September. If you provide an article that has not been published before will get you a free issue while a previously published article will get you an issue at half price. I need book reviews and a front cover.

General Business:

Farewell: Mistress Berengaria said goodbye to us before she left for the West Kingdom last Monday.

Michelle: There have been six bookings for September coronet so far. Please see the flyer. There will be a meeting in Late July/August for those who are helping.

Micheal: There are St. Johns Ambulance courses available all the time. However they are booked out for the next month or so on a continuous basis. If you wish to get a certificate ring them and make a booking.

Helen: Music is happening. So is needlework. The needlework newsletter should be out before September coronet. Remember the Collegium on 29th July at John Dedman building.

Darren: At the Rowany festival there was a lot of talk about problems with Lights getting used to Heavy infantry and visa versa. I would encourage the Heavies to go to the combat archer practise.

Phillip: A Rowany fund is going to be set up with \$5 a month per person. This will enable us to hire a truck to get your gear to the site. It will save damage to cars by stopping them from being overloaded. Talk to the Phillips.

There was some general discussion now about Rowany and how if we do some forward planning with tent sizes etc it would be much better.

Robin: Concern about the increasing number of people who are attending events without paying. This is needless to say against the basic principles of honour and chivalry. Also I am concerned about how the cash container at an event is frequently left alone on the troll table. Please try to pay before hand. Maybe the shire should have a cash box that is loaned to events with the table clothes.

Dina: There is still much interest in costuming classes at the ACT TAFE. It could be run like a collegium. There might (perhaps unlikely) be some money involved. Anyway please contact me at ph (h) 2992291 (w) 2391948.

Megan: There might be a draft copy of the town charter in Griffintayle if I can find it. If you have any questions please contact me or David at Dancetty.

Close: 9.05pm

Mail

Baldwin is investigating the purchase of lots of pre-cut links suitable for (chain) mail. Order quantities in the 1000's. For more details call Ian on 290 1492.

Music

Just a quick reminder to all that the third and fifth Wednesdays of every month is music practise. All musical instruments and all levels of achievement are welcome. Our repertoire is dance tunes with music from 'Bardic Notes' of the Entertainers Guild. Contact myself:
Lady Morag Freyser (Helen Whitchurch) 21 Wade St, Watson, 2602, (h) 241 2201, (w) 289 6565.

Needleworkers Guild, Competitions and Collegium.

May Coronet:

Competition: Canvaswork including Bargello.
Lecture: Pearling/Beading.

Spring Coronet:

Competition: Pearling/Beading.
Lecture: Stumpwork/Padded work.

Foster Parents Wanted

Crossroads have dozens of little seed s needing a good home and tender loving care to encourage their growth into healthy saplings.

Contact Betony of the Green Swathe. (Adopt a plant co-ordinator.)

(Elizabeth Waldock)
9 Buik Pl,
Emu Ridge 2617

ph (h) 251 2416 (w) 252 5691.

Milk Cartons

Into Recycling?
Ever wondered how to recycle those milk cartons?
Here is your chance to help the environment.

Crossroads adopt a tree project needs dozens of empty, rinsed, milk cartons to plant seeds in.

Contact Betoney of the Green Swathe.

Arts and Sciences Competitions

Spring Coronet Investiture and Tourney, Politarchopolis

Drawing- SCA life in pen and ink, charcoal or non-coloured media

Armour- an arm including shoulder and elbow cops

Woven Braid- 30 inches long and 1 inch wide

Griffintayle

June AS XXVII

Twelfth Night Coronet Investiture and Tourney, Stormhold

Tourney garb- two categories: pre 1453 and post 1453.

Period Lighting- with an emphasis on showing ingenuity in safety

A principality Coin- the winning die will go to the office of Regalia, so that the coin can be given by Their Highnesses at whim.

May Coronet Investiture and Tourney, ?

High court garb- two categories: pre 1453 and post 1453.

An arrow- two classes; a) Decorative b) Functional.

A herbal or fruit liqueur.

West Kingdom Arts and Sciences Competitions

June Crown

Calligraphy- pre 13th century text, please document

Kites

Map Making- Locate your persona in time and space (may be entered as either a fine art or a technical science).

Purgatorio

Dancing- same category as Pied d'Argent

Needlework- metallic threadwork on an accessory. Examples are bullion or purl, Japan gold/membrane gold, paillettes (flat sequins). If you can document it you can use it.

Coins

Textiles- Woven trim (30 inch minimum)

October Crown

Drawing- SCA recaptured or legend recaptured

Brewing and fermentation- Mead and wine.

Armour- pre 13th century

Twelfth Night

Costume- pre 15th century heraldic garb.

-- Mail --

4 June 1992 11:10am MAIL IS -
FROM: Paul Sawtell Confirmed Private Urgent
TO: SCA - TAX - Australia FOR YOUR -
SUBJECT: Cancellation-Rapier Collegium Information Action

Greetings members of the SCA TAX Higgins network.

This should prove to be a quick and easy way to circulate information around the SCA in the ATO. Please check the "To" list - if there is anyone missing please let me know - I know of at least two SCA members who are not on Higgins.

Now down to business.

The planned Rapier Collegium & New World Pot Luck Feast on Saturday 7 June 1992 in Stormhold has had to be cancelled.

At this stage Lady Cymberleagh of Greyoaks (Kim Fisher) has received no bookings for either the collegium or feast, despite much earlier interest. As the hall hire at St Andrew's Brighton is \$100.00 we, that is Cymberleagh, Francois, and myself, have decided to cancel rather than make a large loss.

Please pass on the message that the event has been cancelled. I would hate to here of people turning up (without booking) and finding a dark hall - especially if they had travelled for the event.

On a brighter note, as Royal Rapier Instructor, I am not just teaching the Prince rapier combat - I am keen to teach anyone who is interested. Lord Francios Henri Pierre Guyon, the Lochac Master of Fence, shares the same house as me, and is also keen to teach all interested in rapier. Accordingl if anyone wants instruction please let me know - if we get enough interest from a particular area we probably visit and run a rapier school on a weekend. Otherwise we can tee up with people either to come to us or in my ATO travels I can bring the gear with me to teach them at home etc.

Regards & very dissappointed the event cannot proceed

Edmund the Lame

Royal Rapier Instructor (& Lochac Constable)

TOURNEY CHECKLIST

by Hugh the Little

Equipment

Eric poles
Eric ropes
Hammer
Marshal poles
Marshal Tabards
First aid kit
Water bottles
Duct tape
List board
spare list shields
Shelter for lists.
Site Waivers.

People

Warranted/Authorised Marshall
Marshal in Trainings
Chirurgen
Lists

Paperwork

Prior to the day.

Have you received permission to use the site where the
tourney is going to be held?
Has the tourney been advertised?

On the day.

Do fighters have their authorisation cards?
Have site waviers been signed by all present?

PARTY! PARTY! PARTY!

This is not an SCA event. The Orchard are having a
Cocktail and dance till you drop Party on Saturday the
4th of July. This is not an SCA event. The party will
start at about 7.30pm and will finish whenever (ie
6.00am-ish). Fnord. Please ring us on 258 3868 to find
out what type of alcohol/mixer/fruit/etc to bring. This
is not an SCA event.

The Annual Shepards Feast

The second annual shepards feast will be held on the
Saturday evening of 31 October AS XXVII at the Weston
Creek Community Centre. It will be a fully catered feast
and food will be served from 7.00pm.

There is a competition for the best tale of abject
poverty told within the hearing of Lady Issadora de Este.

		Members	Non-Members
Cost:	till 1/9/XXVII	12GP	15GP
	2/9/XXVII to 29/10	15GP	17GP
	on night 31/10	17GP	20GP

Please make cheques payable to Politarchopolis SCA.

Autocrat: Lady Isadora de Este,
(Jacinta Miller)
The Yew,
97 Henry Melville Drive,
Gilmore 2905.
ph 291 6802.

Red Glows My Feasting Gear

I'll sing you one, oh
Red glows my feasting gear
What is your one, oh

One is Lady Kyriel, who cannot be compared, no
Two for the Seneschal now, an extra mouth to feed-oh
Three, three, the grey lumps in my soup
Four for the serves of raw beef
Five for the autocrat's panic attacks
Six for the six main courses
Seven for the colours in Lorenzo's tights
Eight for the Cavs with goatees
Nine for the Crossroads planners
Ten for the mugs of mead I drunk
Eleven for the Pauls who fill the halls
Twelve for the stumbling dancers

Eric the Fruitbat

AKA Paul Sleight

The Annual Ball d'Argent

Will be hosted by the shire of Politarchopolis on the 11th and 12th of July

Location:

Corroboree Park Community Centre
Paterson Street Ainslie ACT

Dance Classes:

10:30 am - 4:30 pm Saturday 11th
10:30 am - 2:30 pm Sunday 12th



Ball:

7 pm - Midnight Saturday

Cost:

Dance classes and Ball:	12 gold (members)	15 gold (non-members)
Ball only:	5 gold (members)	7 gold (non-members)
(Ball includes light buffet and refreshments)		

Gaming facilities will be available during the Ball for those who wish a respite from dancing.

A competition will be held for the best Garb using the colours of the Silver Rondel (white/silver with blue and red).

Any Lords or Ladies wishing to teach at the event, please contact one of the autocrats ASAP.

The Corroboree Park grounds are suitable for those that wish to do fighter training on the Sunday afternoon. (Contact Shire Marshal if interested).

Bookings preferred

Autocrats:

Hoskuld Atlason (Norman Gray)
Sarah Jane Mander (Amanda Sutton)

Ph: (Home) (06) 258 9978.
Ph: (Home) (06) 241 8219.
(Work) (06) 276 4207.



The Shire of Politarchopolis is proud to present the

September Coronet Investiture and Tourney

which will be held on 5 - 6 September AS XXVII. The Investiture and feast will take place at the Belconnen Churches Centre, Benjamin Way, Belconnen. The tourney will be held on 6 September at Corroboree Park, Paterson St, Ainslie.

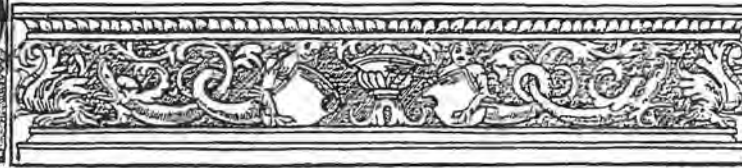
Cost for this event is:

Up to 31 July:	15 gold members, 20 gold non-members
1 August - 31 August:	20 gold members, 25 gold non-members
1 September - event:	25 gold members, 30 gold non-members

When the autocrat receives payment, a package which includes a program for the event, maps to the venues and menu for the feast will be sent out to you. Any hardship cases need to talk to the autocrat as soon as possible.

Seating is limited to 200 people, so you are strongly urged to make your payment as soon as possible.

Autocrat: Francesca Cellini (Michelle Dean),
13 Sampson Close, Melba ACT 2615
Ph (06) 258 3868 (h), (06) 275 5993 (wk)





Crossroads Needs You!



Crossroads Work Nights (every Thursday 7.30 - 10.30)

Seen me before? Crossroads will not think twice before using any cliché, not hesitate to enthusiastically split any infinitive, and will be as trite as we need to, to get your help in developing the MEDIEVAL VILLAGE.

Ask not what Crossroads can do for you, ask what you can do for Crossroads. A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step, towards:

25 Rowe Place, Swinger Hill
(park on Butters Drive)

Ring Ian or Rhys on 290 1492 for more details. Pot luck dinner and snacks, but we'll provide marshmallow cocoa. Help us with mailouts, research, ideas sessions, paperwork.

Twelfth Night

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will be held in **STORMHOLD** from 1 January to 4 January 1993. The site is the **JOSEPH HARRIS SCOUT PARK** in Mount Martha, approximately one hour's drive to the south of Melbourne. This is a combined cabin and camping site. **CABIN ACCOMMODATION IS STRICTLY LIMITED, AND WILL BE ALLOCATED ON A FIRST-COME FIRST-SERVED BASIS. PRE-BOOKING IS HIGHLY ENCOURAGED.**

COSTS			
Adult members (age 17+) CABIN:	\$60.00	CAMPING:	\$50.00
Children (ages 5 to 16 incl.)	\$35.00		\$25.00
Children under age 5	\$15.00*		FREE
LATE CHARGE (booking after 1 Dec 1992)		\$10.00	
NON-MEMBER SURCHARGE (adult rates only)		\$10.00	
DAY FEE (includes meals, but no overnight stay)		\$20.00 adults, \$10.00 children	

* CHARGE NOT APPLICABLE IF CHILD NOT USING OWN BUNK SPACE (e.g., in cot, or sharing parent's bunk)

ALL FEES COVER ALL MEALS PROVIDED

Full details of the site, including maps, event timetable and other information will be sent out when booking is made.

In addition to the required Courts of the old and new Royalty, and the Coronet Tourney, many activities have been planned that should keep everyone entertained. Special activities for young children are also scheduled.

PLEASE NOTE: The Scout Park is a Nature Reserve. NO PETS will be permitted, and NO SMOKING of filtered cigarettes is to take place on-site.

All enquiries and bookings should be made to the Autocrat, Lord Decion ap Dyfrwr Trefriw, at the following address: Bruce Probst, 11/58 Edgar Street, Glen Iris, VIC 3146.

Telephone (03) 822 3329 (home), (03) 632 7299 (work).

All cheques to be made payable to "S.C.A. Inc. Stormhold".

WELCOME TO THE BRASS MONKEY WAR!

The Brass Monkey War is the newest War in the Lochac Calendar.

What is it all about? The Shire of Ynys Fawr is heavily dependent on trade for its well-being, yet its very lifeblood is threatened by those ne'er-do-well pirates who, sheltering in the nooks and crannies of the Barony of Stormhold, raid and pillage at will. Consequently the gauntlet has been thrown to the Stormholders to come to Ynys Fawr to defend their Honour upon the Field of Battle. Anyone else who wants to come and join in will be most pleasantly welcome.

Where will it be held? The site for the War is the "Black Stumps Recreational Facility". It is situated roughly half-way between the town of Sheffield and Cradle Mountain in the North of Tasmania. The site consists 500 acres of paddocks, bush, and hills, and is flanked on two sides by Mt Van Dyke and Mt Roland.

Accommodation consists of barrack like buildings, with bedrooms having between two and four beds. There is running hot water and common rooms with open fires. The bedrooms do not have heating, so bring a hot-water bottle and/or a close personal friend. You also have to provide your bedding.

What's the timetable? We hope to start the Event with breakfast between 8.00 - 9.00am on Saturday. Visitors coming by the Abel Tasman Ferry should be on site by about 9.30 am. The morning will be taken up by settling down and appreciating the scenic beauty of it all or, for those really keen, getting into armour for a few warm-up rounds. Archers will be welcomed to use the shooting range to get their eyes in.

After lunch, sometime between 11.30am and 12.30pm, there will be armour inspection and the commencement of the battle.

When the marshals stop play due to bad light, we shall retire to a hot shower and prepare for the Evening's Feast. This will be a two remove affair, prepared by one of Tasmania's premier chefs, and featuring the best of local delicacies. After the feast some mulled wine by the open fire should round out the evening quite pleasantly. If you have any good period scary stories, this will probably be the Event to tell them. The wind clamouring upon the wooden shingles of the roof, and the snow rushing past the darkened windows, combined with a Feast Hall that would not seem out of place in the story of Beowulf, provide the setting for some great creepy tales. But, remember when the fires die down and the eyes feel heavy, that the sleeping quarters are about 200 metres away, and Grendel could be near . . .

On Sunday morning, we'll take advantage of the available countryside to run a Boar Hunt and/or whatever else people would like to do. We shall then conclude activities with a nice hot lunch, and get ready to pack people off to their respective destinations.

Can we arrive on site early? The answer is yes, but it is not included in the price. The site charges \$8.50 per head per night normally. We plan to be on site about lunchtime Friday to set up.

When do we have to pay? As it says in Pegasus, bookings (hopefully accompanied by payment) are needed by 1st July 1992. The Event is being run on a shoestring budget to encourage attendance and participation, so we need the firm bookings to reduce the possibility of over/under-catering.

Seriously now, what is the weather likely to be? In one word, cold (anywhere from 0°C to 15°C). The surrounding mountains should be covered in snow, and if someone up there loves us, it will snow at the site overnight. Consequently bring your cloaks, woollen undies, furs, gloves and anything (or anyone) else you want. Looking on the bright side, we shouldn't have to worry about fighters collapsing from heat-exhaustion.

But what about the battle? Ok, for you strategic types out there, there is a map of the battle ground attached to this missive. Topography: Some important features should be noted. One is the electric fence running along one side, and the others are the stone ramparts which are spread at roughly equal intervals along the battle site.

Scenario: "The Sack of the City"

Upon the plain stands a fair city, invisible to mundane eyes. Its walls are impenetrable and have withstood many sieges, but this time a small postern gate (marked by wooden poles) has been breached by the attackers and they will soon be pouring into this breach with plunder and mayhem in their hearts (this gate is the only means of entry and exit for the attacking force). The city is protected by its valiant garrison (the defending force) and by companies of archers perched atop towers spread through the city (the stone ramparts).

The defending garrison has been entrusted with the safekeeping of the city's treasure (cardboard boxes wrapped in gold foil, each worth ten gold pieces). It is up to them where they are stored within the city boundaries, except that they cannot be placed within 5 meters of the stone ramparts (maybe the garrison doesn't trust their archers).

The Banners of both the attacking and defending sides are said to have peculiar properties, as anyone who touches them is miraculously resurrected (unlimited times).

Anyone who is killed on the Field, has to be escorted by a live fighter (not archer) to his resurrection point to be healed. Should his escort be killed en-route, they are then both dead and must remain until escorted by someone else. Archers may step down from their ramparts to be resurrected.

Should a fighter be wounded in the leg or arm, or approached by an opposing fighter from behind, he may be asked to yield, in which case he will be escorted to the resurrection point and exchanged for ten gold pieces. The chieftain of each side will be clearly identified and will be worth twenty gold. Once ransomed, fighters may rejoin their own side.

Combat will cease when all the fighters on one side have been killed (and consequently there is nobody left to escort the dead to the resurrection point), or when all the treasure boxes have been taken to the resurrection point by the attacking side, or when bad light stops play.

The winner shall be the side which, at the end of the day, has the most gold pieces in its kitty. If the scenario is run more than once over the weekend, scores will be cumulative.

There may be small changes to the scenario on the day to account for numbers of fighters, archers, or the weather. Should you have any questions please get in contact with me at the address given below.

WAR RULES

1. All standard rules of mixed combat apply.
2. Heavy combat to take place only within the boundaries of the city.
3. Attacks from behind are to be carried out by the customary laying of the attacker's weapon upon the defender's shoulder, and the attacker clearly saying: "Thou are dead", or "thou are now my prisoner".
4. Heavy fighters are not allowed upon the stone ramparts.
5. Archers are immune from heavies whilst they remain upon their rampart. Should they wish to move to another tower they, of course, become fair game.
6. Spent arrows and other projectiles are not to be reused until inspected by a marshal.
7. The treasure boxes are not to be snatched away from their carrier until the carrier is properly killed or taken prisoner.
8. Any fighter or archer who purposefully kills the wounded on his own side so as to allow them to be resurrected will be deemed to be extremely unchivalrous and pulled from the scenario.

DRAFT TOWN CHARTER

Charter for the Town of Politarchopolis granting the following liberties:

I. That the burgesses and gentlefolk of the town shall owe no service outside the town other than those due the King and Queen of the West and the Prince and Princess of Lochac;

II. That the town of Politarchopolis and its precincts be the territory within the boundaries currently held by Politarchopolis and that these be separate from all other baronies, shires, provinces and other territories within the Kingdom of the West and the Principality of Lochac; and that the town of Politarchopolis be held in the same esteem as a barony within the Kingdom and the Principality; and that the burgesses and gentlefolk of the town shall have in the town and its precincts the following liberties and franchises;

III. That the burgesses and gentlefolk of the town be those persons resident in the town and capable of holding office within the Kingdom of the West.

IV. That there be a mayor of the town and the office of mayor of the town, and that henceforth the mayor be elected from the burgesses and gentlefolk of the town;

V. That on Michaelmas morrow next, the burgesses and gentlefolk of the town of Politarchopolis shall choose of themselves a mayor, to be mayor of the said town up to and including Michaelmas next following, and on each and every Michaelmas morrow there following another gentle or burgess be chosen as mayor for the year up to and including Michaelmas next;

VI. That there mayor of the said town shall have therein all the powers that a baron of a barony has within his barony elsewhere within the realm, that the mayor may hold court within the precincts of the town and reward the people of the town as might a baron of a barony elsewhere within the realm.

VII. No holder of office of the Kingdom or the Principality shall enter the said town to do any office therein, even though it touch the King or the Prince, without leave of the mayor.

VIII. That each mayor present letters patent under the seal of the town noting the appointment as mayor of the town to the court of the King, and that the mayor shall make oath faithfully to discharge his office before the court of the King, or if the King's court be not held in Lochac, before the court of the Prince, or if the said mayor be not able to leave the town, before some sufficient person appointed by the King's writ or the Prince's writ;

IX. That the burgesses and gentlefolk of the town may from time to time choose of themselves alderman to fulfil the offices that are customary within the shires, baronies and other territories of the kingdom, which alderman so chosen shall hold their office until death or they be removed from office at their own request or for some notable cause; and that on the death, resignation or removal of any alderman, the rest of the burgesses and gentlefolk of the town may one choose of themselves to be alderman in his room;

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X. The mayor, burgesses and gentlefolk of the town shall have all fines, forfeited issues, and amercements pertaining to the office of justice of the peace within the town and liberty, with power to levy the same by their own ministers in aid of the payment of their farm and of the daily charges of the town; and that the mayor, burgesses and gentlefolk shall have the forfeiture of all victuals forfeited by the law of the kingdom, to wit of bread and wine and other things, not being merchandise.

XI. The officers of the town shall have power to exercise their offices in the King's absence as in his presence, as any officer could do before this charter, and in all matters arising in the future in the same way in which any officer elsewhere in the realm can do, without any impediment, provided always that the officers of the town account to the appropriate officers of the Kingdom and the Principality for the office that they hold.

Notes to draft charter.

Paragraphs I & II.
These establish a town within current shire boundaries with the same status as a barony.

Paragraph III.
These establish the burgesses and gentlefolk as current members resident in the tow.

Paragraphs IV, V & VI.
These establish an elected mayor, with the same powers as a landed baron and that a mayor is elected for one year and the same person cannot be elected as mayor for two years in a row.

Paragraph VII.
Only officers of the town are allowed to function in that office within the town, unless permission is granted by the mayor.

Paragraph VIII.
The mayor should be certified to the King as mayor by the seal of the town and the mayor should swear to the king to faithfully fulfil his office.

Paragraph IX & XI.
The town shall have the customary offices of the society with standard responsibilities and reporting arrangements.

Paragraph X.
The town is allowed to charge for events, raise other revenues, and keep the proceeds.

Unto the populace of Politarchopolis
Does your Seneshal send greetings.

Given the huge influx of newcomers to our Shire in recent times, I thought perhaps we could all appreciate a brief reminder on that most important aspect of Society life - courtsey.

A significant aspect of medieval society is the courtly and chivalrous behaviour to which all aspired. The difference in atmosphere at a Society event when we all make the effort to behave in this manner is truly noticable.

Given this, how can we behave in a courtly manner? It all begins very simply. When you speak to someone, use the salutation "my lord" or "my lady". For in this Society, we are all of gentle birth, unless through our actions we prove otherwise. Instead of saying "hello", try "greetings". And, whenever possible use Society names. That way, "Hello Robyn" becomes "Greetings, my lady Kirielle". Doesn't that sound much more medieval? If you don't know someone's SCA name, then simply fall back to "my lord/lady". Not even the King and Queen would be offended if you addressed them that way.

As people become more familiar with the Society, and this game we all play, some wish to go further into "forsooth" conversation. There are several articles on speaking forsoothly in publications such as the Known World Handbook and Tournaments Illuminated. Just check with myself or the Hospitaller if you wish to read up on the topic.

Now that you are speaking courteously, we can move on to courtly and chivalrous behaviour. Again, it's not all that difficult. Remember to treat others as you would wish to be treated were you a medieval lord or lady. Respect the opinions and sensibilities of others at all times and in all ways. When you greet one another, do so with restraint if possible. (I am one of the world's worst offenders in this instance. I just have great difficulty remaining calm and restrained when I see someone I haven't seen since the last Rowany Festival! Indecorous screams from seneshal should not be encouraged!!)

Ladies, allow the lords to escort you to your chair, to obtain refreshments for you, and to compliment you. My lords, do remember to watch out for the lady in need of assistance, and be particularly careful of long trains as you walk. There was a wonderful article in Tournaments Illuminated not very long ago on the gentle art of handkissing. Perhaps there are some of the gentlemen among us who would wish to study up on this?

Finally, I ask you to remember that within the Society, we live in the Current Middle Ages. Think before you speak of topics which have no place in this time. If you must talk of your work, or your latest computer, or your current role playing campaign, do so away from others. If we all try our very best to keep the medieval atmosphere at our events, then everyone will have a better time.

I remain,

Yours in Service to Shire and Principality



Ysabeau Chanteuse

BEER, MEAD, CHAMPAGNE!

27 June

The Hospitaller is offering to ply members of the populace with alcohol at *The Cloisters* on Saturday, 27 June from 1.00pm onwards.

Nibblies will also be provided.

The only requirement is that said members of the populace assist in:

- (1) sewing Cash's labels onto Hospitallery garb and/or
- (2) identify and card index Hospitallery items.

There will also be a small auction of some items to raise money for the Constabulary and the Hospitallery.

PLEASE NOTE. This will be your **LAST CHANCE** to reclaim items of property from the Constabulary & Hospitallery!

Once it is labelled and card-indexed, it is **part of the Hospitallery**.

So come, join the fun and help out.

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Please RSVP. Wearing of garb is not recommended.

Arts & Sciences Collegia 22 & 23 August

Jointly run by the College of St Aldhelm
and the Shire of Politarhopolis

A pot luck feast run by St Aldhelm's will be held on the Saturday evening (\$5 members, \$7 non-members)

Beginners and Advanced Collegia of diverse topics.

Prices per session to be determined:

Heraldry, Illumination, Calligraphy

Needlework, Dance, Costuming

Armour, Archery, Cooking

& many more!!

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Accommodation can be arranged through the Lady Monique.

More information in next month's *PECASUS*. Please contact us for enquiries, bookings or if you have a peculiar desire to teach a class in something.

TITLES and ADDRESSING.

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Within the British system of Nobility, Peers and Nobles can be divided into several classes.

The obvious (highest) class is the Monarchy/Nobility. This class includes the reigning King or Queen and members of the Royal Family. Their titles are hereditary and are for life.

The Next ranking class are the hereditary Peers. The class includes Peers, Peeresses, Courtesy Lords and their immediate family members. Once again these titles are hereditary and for life (except under special circumstances). Within this class there are five distinct rankings (or sub-classes) - Dukes, Marquess, Earl, Viscount and Baron. Courtesy Lords are usually members of a Peer's family, who assume a title of a lesser grade than that of the Peer (eg a Duke's son (and heir apparent) may be styled Marquess, Earl, Viscount or Baron. A Marquess's son (and heir apparent) can be styled Earl, Viscount or Baron... and so forth). Peeresses are simply women who hold the title in their own right and they are exactly the same ranking as the Peers.

The final class are the remaining titled persons (Baronets, Knights and Dames). Their titles are usually only for the life of the appointee and (usually) no land (or estate) ownership is included as part of the title. This class includes orders of chivalry, and the letters denoting the order (eg K.B.E.) are always included in any written form of addressing.

These are always exception to these classes, and some persons are granted titles (with or without an estate), and are addressed in a particular style irrespective of their actual title. A good example of this is His Royal Highness, Philip, Duke of Edinburgh (the current Queen's husband). This title and style of address was granted to him by the Queen and an Act of the British Parliament. (I believe HRH was actually a Prince in his own right, but of the Greek Monarchy.)

So much for background. In the S.C.A. we have some of these titles, and it behooves us all to correctly address the personages correctly.

The King and Queen should be addressed as 'Your Royal Highness' on formal ceremonial occasions and 'Your Majesty' on less formal occasions. On all other social occasions 'Sire' or 'Maam' (rhymes with Pam).

On introduction and leaving, the correct procedure to bow (the head only, not from the waist) or curtsy.

The King (or Queens) Ambassador should be addressed as 'Your Excellency' on formal ceremonial occasions and by his/her own title on less formal occasions. The Ambassador should be treated as the King or Queen.

Princes and Princesses should be addressed as 'Your Royal Highness' (ceremonial), 'Your Highness' (formally) and 'Your Highness' or 'Sir' (or 'Madam' for the Princess) on social occasions.

Dukes (and Duchesses) should be address as 'Your Grace' (ceremonial), 'Duke' (or 'Duchess') (formally), and 'Duke' (or 'Duchess') socially.

All other Peers should be addressed as 'My Lord' ('Madam' for their wives/consorts) ceremonially, formally and socially. If the Lady holds the title, she should be addressed as 'My Lady' and her husband/consort as 'Sir'.

Baronets and Knights should be addressed as 'Sir (Christian name)' and the wife/consort as 'Lady (Christian name)' ceremonially, formally and socially.

Dames (which is the female equivalent of a knight) should be addressed as 'Dame (Christian name)'. The husband/consort of a Dame has no title.

Within the S.C.A., all untitled persons have been granted the Courtesy title of My Lord (or My Lady).

Basically, if you are unsure of anyone's title, it is always safe to use the style 'My Lord' or 'My Lady' without giving offence.

Lastly, if called upon to perform introductions, it is very easy if you remember the following simple orders of priority:-

Always introduce the Servant to the Master. (Lord John, may I present Mr Brian Brown. Mr Brown, Lord John, Baron of Thistown).

Always introduce the Gentleman to the Lady (and never give the Ladies christian name. She alone has the right to grant another the use of her christian name). (Lady Smith, may I present Lord John, Baron of Thistown. Lord John, Lady Smith of Theothertown.

Always introduce the Lower Rank to the Higher Rank. (Duke Thisplace, may I present The Earl of Worthing. Lord John, Duke Brian of Thisplace.)

If both parties have the same rank, then introduce the Younger to the Older.

Painless, isn't it.

Sources:

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Assorted Information from D.I.L.G.E.A and D.F.A.