

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 Nimue
 (David Osborne) (Kate Fletcher)
 Dancetty 15 Prescott St, Farrer, 2607

REEVE Lord Hoskuld Atlason Danemund Alric Gifford
 (Norman Grey) (Andrew Grienke)
 Dancing Biscuit

MARSHAL Lord Hugh the Little Lady Briela
 (Darren Huett) (Jane Dickins)
 House Hippocampus The Garret

Capt. of Archers Lord Mercurio L'Estrangere Lord Alexandro de Florenzi
 (Russ Bradbury) (Simon Price)
 The Yew The Yew

Capt. of Fencing Lady Sine' the Shameless
 (Cerridwyn Murphy)
 Cross Flory

ARTS & SCI Lady Monique de la Maison Rouge Myfanwey Mc Nicolle
 (Libby Kennedy) (Bethany)
 The Cloisters The Yew

CHRONICLER Lord John of the Hills
 Griffintayle (John Stewart)

CHRONICLER Promises Louisa Reynell
 (Louise Volk)
 Dancetty

CONSTABLE Lady Isadora de Este
 (Jacinta Miller)
 The Yew

LISTS Lucia da Carpazi
 (Karen Vaughan)
 Dancetty

HOSPITALLER Lord Lorenzo Erudini Myfanwey Mc Nicolle
 (Michael Warby) (Bethany)
 The Cloisters

CHIRURGEN Louisa Reynell
 (Louise Volk)
 Dancetty

Lochac Arts & Sciences Lady Kiriel du Papillon
 Winter Palace

Lochac Capt. of Fencing Lord Francois Henri Pierre Guyon
 (Shayne Lynch) Cher Chez!

Lochac Needleworkers Lady Morag Freyzer
 (Helen Whitchurch) House Minimus

Il Castello Piccolo-1/2 Lazarus Cres, Queanbeyan, 2620
 Dancing Biscuit -6 Meyrick Pl, Florey, 2615, ph 258 9978
 The Doors -7 Newdegate St, Deakin, 2600,
 Fey -12 Crockett Pl, Holt, 2615, ph 254 2521
 Smithfield -14 Hannam Pl, Mawson, 2607, ph 286 1887
 The Wilde Wood -15 Sturgeon St, Conder, 2905, ph 294 1572
 The Cloisters -18 Cambridge Gardns, Catchpole St, Macquarie, 2614,
 ph 251 4491

House Minimus -21 Wade St, Watson, 2602, ph 241 2201
 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
 Winter Palace -32 Roseberry St, Fisher, 2611, ph 288 9693
 Des Cartes -48 Burrinjuck Cr, Duffy, 2611, ph 288 1262
 Barrow Downs -51 Kingsmill St, Kambah, 2902, ph 231 2465
 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 November AS XXVII

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thr	Fri	Sat	Sun
N O V E M B E R	2	3	4 Shire Meet.	5	6	7 Combat Archer	8 Archer Fencing
	9	10 A&S	11 Dance	12	13	14 Feast of 4 Winds Rowany site prep	15 Town Archer Fencing
	16	17	18# Enterta inment Guild	19	20	21 Combat Archer	22 Archer Fencing
D E C E M B E R	23	24 A&S	25 Dance	26	27	28	29 Hobby Horse Crusade Archer Fencing
	30	1	2 Shire Meet.	3	4	5 Rowany Yule Feast Combat Archer	6 Town Archer Fencing
	7	8 A&S	9 Dance	10	11	12 Rowany site prep	13 Archer Fencing
	14	15	16#	17	18	19 Combat Archer	20 Archer Fencing

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

- Dancing, Contact Arts and Sciences, at John Dedman, 7.30pm

- Entertainment Guild, Contact Helen Whitchurch, at John Dedman, 6.30pm.

A&S - Arts and Sciences, Contact The Winter Palace, 2nd and 4th Tuesdays 7.30pm.

- Archery, Contact Captain of Archers, ANU oval, 10.00am Sundays.
 Town Archery Tournament at same site and time but costumed.
 Combat Archery, 1st and 3rd Sat's, Soutwell Park, 1.00pm.

- Armouring, every Sunday, Must ring House Hippocampus first, ask for Darren

- Fighter training, Contact shire marshal

- Fencing, Contact CherChez!, Sundays at Archery.

- Closing date for Griffintayle.

This is Griffintayle, a publication of the Shire of Politarchopolis in the Society for Creative Anachronism (Inc in South Australia and USA). Griffintayle is available from 1/2 Lazarus Cres, Queanbeyan, 2620. Griffintayle copy must be received by the first wednesday of the month of issue. If needed items may be faxed to the chronicler. Please ring the chronicler on (06) 216 4636 to arrange the fax details during business hours only. Griffintayle is not a corporate publication of the Society for Creative Anachronism and does not delineate official SCA policies. Phone messages from the past: 2.00pm, Joen called. Something about a Barbeque that she doesn't want to go to. Said that

The Editorial

As the mailing list has grown the expense of distributing Griffintayle has also grown. In order to reduce this expense the issue date is being changed to the shire meeting day (the first Wednesday in the month). The closing date for items to be printed is now the third Wednesday in the month. Please turn up to the shire meeting. If you are not there then it will be mailed to you.

Arts and Sciences Competitions

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

Twelfth Night

Costume- pre 15th century heraldic garb.

Crossroads News

The news just to hand is that Crossroads Medieval Village Co-operative Ltd is now an official Legal entity.

SCA wide News

As of June the society had over 22,000 paid up members. Source is from the BOD minutes.

Rowany Festival News

The next two site preps are on the weekends of 14/15th of November and the 12/13th of December. People working at the site prep camp overnight on the Saturday night and a Pot luck dinner happens. The site prep steward is Edric de Forte (Tim Abbott) who may be contacted on (02) 894 5117 or write to PO Box S58, Homebush South, 2140.

12th Night News

A reminder that the cost of 12th night will increase on the 1st of December. In order to avoid this increase your bookings should be paid in FULL! This includes those who have put down deposits. The balance must be paid by the first or the late fee will apply.

There is a possibility of a mixed melee happening but this is not yet confirmed.

The Populace is invited to attend the **YULE FEAST TOURNEY**

Arranged by the Baronial Guards on **Sunday December 6th**

at **Petersham Park, Brighton St., Petersham**

Lists open at 11 am and close at 1 pm, with the tourney starting at 2 pm *sharp*.
(This is to ensure the weather is not too warm whilst there is fighting.)

• **OPEN WEAPONS** • **POT-LUCK** •

(Hopefully there will also be some leftovers from the Yule Feast...)

Cost: 2 gold (members), 3 gold (non-members)

Cheques should be payable to SCA Rowany.

Autocrat: Lord Mador de Mar

(Michael Wright, 38 Crowley St. Rydalmere (02) 684 4918)



**The
Fourteenth (At Least) Annual
Smithfield**

Four Winds Feast

Saturday, 14 November, AS XXVII
(that's 1992, for any philistines)

**Don't be forced to admit to your loved ones
that you missed out!**

***** Four Winds *****

A
Genuine Eater's Feast
of
At Least Six Removes
(don't bother to have lunch!)

with
Exotic Foods
and

A Menu Fit For A Fairly Well-Off King
(don't even bother to have breakfast!)

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Cost: A paltry 20 gold (and worth every copper!)
Venue: The Weston Creek Community Centre
Parkinson Street, Weston (Politarchopolis)
Time: 7:00pm, Saturday, 14 November, XXVII
Autocrat: Eric of Tobermory, alias Eric the Fruitbat
Paul Sleigh, 59 Barnard Circuit, Florey ACT 2615
Telephone 258 3470, any civilised time



Book early to avoid starvation!

The Hobby Horse Crusade
A Pot Luck Picnic and Boffer Tourney

Children of All Ages Welcome

29 November 1992

11.00am to 3.00pm

☞ *Boffer and List shield making*

☞ *Boffer Tourney*

☞ *Child and Adult Tilt*

☞ *Hobby Horse Races*

☞ *Apple Bobbing and Bob Apple*

☞ *Games*

**Competitions: *Best Childs Tabard*
*Best Hobby Horse***

Autocrat: Dafydd ap Donal ap Gwilym
(David Osbourne)
24 O'Sullivan ST
Higgins ACT 2615

Venue Corroboroe Park
Paterson St
Ainslie

Phone: (06) 254 1358

Cost Child 2 gold

Adult 3 gold

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Family 8 gold

☞ *Light Refreshments will be supplied*

☞ *A change of cloties and a towel is considered essential*

ROWANY FESTIVAL

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Well! This is it all over again! The most fun you've had since the last one and will have until the next . . . oh yes . . . Rowany Festival. Join us, the Autocrating Team (most of the Lemmings and a couple o' good friends) over Easter and leave completely exhausted . . . but with a smile on your face. FILL THIS IN SOON, and return it to us with lots of money to make us happy because, don't you know, advanced payments are definitely in fashion this year

DATE: Thursday 8th April until Tuesday 13th April, 1993.

PLACE: "Fairholme Park", Ashwood Road, Wilton, N.S.W.

COSTS:	Members	Non-members	Family
until 12th Night	\$35	\$45	\$100
until 1st March	\$40	\$50	\$110
before arrival	\$50	\$60	\$130
at the gate	\$60	\$70	\$140

Day rates: non-feast days \$5; feast days \$15
Children: 0-4 years free; 5-15 years half price; 16+ full price.
 Family rate is for 2 adults plus children.
Hardship cases will be considered.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE:

Thursday 8th April - setup (cars allowed on site).
 possible Melee or Hunt in the afternoon, soup and bread for supper.
Friday 9th April - Fighting begins! (cars off site by 8.30 am).
 Opening Court, Little Rock War, Collegia, Dance Practice, Feast and Quest.
Saturday 10th April - Battle day.
 Bridge Battle, Field Battle, Collegia and Bardic Circle.
Sunday 11th April - Faire Day Plus!
 Market, games, dancing, Fort Battle, Feast and Dancing.
Monday 12th April - Tournament day
 Fighter Auction Tourney, Pot luck feast in the tavern.
Tuesday 13th April - pack away.
 Closing Court, cars allowed on site, clean up, say farewell until next year when it starts all over again.

After payment you will receive an information package.

REGISTRATION FORM

<u>NAME</u> (mundane)	<u>NAME</u> (S.C.A.)	<u>MEMBER</u> No.	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>AGE</u> (if under 16)
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

CONTACT ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

GROUP CAMPING WITH (e.g. Barony, Household etc.): _____

If your group wants a specific site, contact the Autocrat A.S.A.P.

WILL YOU/YOUR GROUP REQUIRE EQUIPMENT HIRE? (Y/N)

If so, contact the Autocrat by 12th Night.

DURING FESTIVAL, WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN HELPING IN ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING AREAS: (please circle)

- | | |
|-----------------------|--------------|
| Herald (field, court) | Cook |
| Marshalling | Kitchen hand |
| Constable | Server |
| Chirurgion | Entertainer |
| Water bearer | Page school |

WOULD YOU BE PREPARED TO TEACH A COLLEGIUM? (Y/N)

If so, contact Rowany A&S Lord Maelgwyn ap Gwilym on (02) 560 4814 A.H.

IMPORTANT: There will be absolutely no smoking of filtered cigarettes on site. The livestock eat the filters and become very ill (and the butts are also very unsightly). Smokers were very willing to comply last year and we will be continuing the practice. Pipes and roll-your-owns are fine.

Please send this form with cheque/money order (no cash) to:

ROWANY FESTIVAL
 P.O. BOX 558
 HOMEBUSH SOUTH 2140

make cheques payable to: SCA Inc. Rowany.

For any queries or suggestions, please write to the Autocrat,
 Lady Eloise d'Arnell (Louise Mollart)
 c/o the above address.

Written correspondence is preferred, but my phone number is (02) 746 2069.

T welfth N ight

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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, PO Box 182, Surrey Hills, VIC 3127.

Telephone (03) 808 2567 (home), (03) 632 7299 (work).

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



Rowany Yule Feast AS XXVII

Saturday 5th December, AS XXVII
6.30 - 11.30 pm First Remove served 7.00 pm
Balmain Town Hall, Darling Street, Balmain

Featuring:



A catered feast by Mistress Isabeau of Wylde Wood;

A Play by Master William Shakespear and Mistress Margurite de Rada y Silva, performed by the Sun on a Stick Players;



Other entertainments directed by Lord Maelgwyn ap Gwilym;

The Yule Court of Their Excellencies, the Baron and Baroness of Rowany;



and, of course, Singing, Dancing and Merrymaking.

Cost:

To 23rd November - members: 15 gold, non-members: 17 gold
From 24th November - members: 20 gold, non-members: 22 gold

Autocrat:

Lady Bess Haddon of York
(Sarah Randles)
6 Victoria Street
Lewisham NSW 2049
Ph (02) 560 7428

Hospitallery & Accommodation:

Mistress Margurite de Rada y Silva
(Meaghan Waters)
Ph (02) 318 1291



Unto the populace of Politarchopolis does your Seneschal send greetings.

My thanks to all those who have flooded our house with gifts, food and visitors following Cathryn's arrival. You have helped to keep us all sane. Given broken sleep, we are surprisingly functional, but would prefer if phone calls could be limited to urgent matters only after 9pm. Cathryn and I are home most of the day, so feel free to call during daylight hours.

On to serious matters. The King and Queen of the West will be visiting Lochac in early November. They will be here to discuss the recent controversy over light infantry and fencing rules, and also the vexed question of Kingdom status for Lochac. Their Majesties and their Highnesses are keen to receive any suggestions on ways to improve communications and relations between Lochac and the West. If you are unable to attend the Royal Visit in Stormhold or Rowany, but you have an opinion or an idea, then send it to their Highnesses, and they will pass it on.

The question of Kingdom status for Lochac has recently overshadowed our own discussions on advancement in status. It has been requested that I include in Griffintayle a synopsis of the various types of advancement in status currently under discussion.

Baronial: A Barony must have at least 25 financial members. (Politarchopolis has more than 50!!) A Barony is headed by either a Baron or Baroness, or both. Barons and Baronesses must swear fealty to the King and Queen, through the Prince and Princess, and must be financial members. Landed Barons and Baronesses hold their land through the grace of the Crown, and they are granted the right to give Baronial awards. The choosing of a Baron and/or Baroness is up to the group concerned, but is subject to the approval of the Crown. Some groups chose their Baron/ess by popular acclaim, others through right of arms. It has been suggested that Politarchopolis could chose a Baron/ess through a rotating basis of archery, needlework and cooking! I'm sure that our fencers and heavies would object to that suggestion however.

Province: A Province is an advancement in status, but does not allow the giving of local awards. In other respects, a Province is the same as a Barony, without a Baron/ess

Chartered Town: Apparently this is not a totally new concept in the history of the Society, but it is certainly new for Lochac. The idea of doing things differently, and becoming a Town with a charter from the Crown, first originated during the first Shire meeting held during Francesca Cellini's term as seneschal. Throughout Francesca's term, and my own, Dafydd ap Donal ap Gwilym and others have been researching the nature of Town Charters, and have provided a draft charter for discussion among the Shire. The main points of the Charter

are that a major be elected for a fixed term, and have the power to grant local awards. As I mentioned in the September Griffintayle, there is a new version of the draft Charter, following suggested amendments from their Highnesses, and the Lochac Seneschal. Copies of this new draft are available from myself, Dafydd ap Donal ap Gwilym, and Lorenzo Erudini, and will be published in the December Griffintayle. The closing date for comments and suggested amendments will be the February Council Meeting.

It is interesting to note that within the Corpora, there is a clause which states that:

"A territorial Barony or Province may adopt an alternate title with the approval of the Crown and (if applicable) the Coronet....with the following restrictions:

1. The particular variant title must be the correct equivalent of the standard or example title as appropriate for the branch and should normally be selected because it reflects a culture nearer to the character of the branch.....
2. The variant title must be requested by a petition of a majority of the membership of the group requesting such title, addressed through the Crown of the Kingdom to the Board of Directors, and must be approved by the Crown."

It is my intention to conduct a Shire survey in February to ascertain what direction the Shire wishes to take on our advancement in status. I believe that this timeframe allows adequate time for discussion, given the process we have already gone through.

I hope to see as many of you as possible at the Hobby Horse Crusade, and remain yours in service to Shire and Principality,

Ysabeau
Ysabeau Chanteuse