



Griffintayle

BARONY OF POLITARCHOPOLIS

SEPTEMBER AS LIX (59)

CALENDAR OF WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

- Third Sunday of the Month
2.30pm
Baronial Meeting
Ainslie Hall/Zoom
- Third Monday of the Third Month
7.30 pm
Baronial Meeting
Via Zoom
- Tuesday Night 6pm—8pm
Intermediate Heavy Combat
Ainslie Hall
Scout Hall, 1 Hassall St, Ainslie ACT 2602
- Third Saturday of the Month
2pm-5pm
Scribes
- Sunday
10am—12noon
Archery
Tuggeranong Archery Club
299 Soward Way, Greenway ACT 2900
- Sunday
12.30pm—2pm
Dancing
1.30pm
Rapier Training
2pm –5pm
A&S Activities
3pm
Heavy Combat
Ainslie Hall

From the Baron and Baroness

Greetings to Politarchopolis, Okewaite and Torlyon!

Spring is here and it is a busy time for us all as we join together to showcase our hospitality at the Spring Crown Tourney in just over a week's time. Thank you to all who have volunteered to assist when booking. As they say, many hands make light work and allows even the stewarding team to take moments out to enjoy the experience we are all creating.

Our Seneschal, Master Crispin, has words elsewhere in Griffintayle setting out the coming events as we move forward through the year with several important demonstrations to let the public see what it is we do and connect with new members to join in the fun. We're enjoying the mix of smaller and larger events enormously!

The Baron enjoyed running his recent fencing hood workshop and looks forward to seeing them worn, perhaps at the next, and final, Invitational Tourney in October. This event will determine our next Baronial Armoured and Fencing champions. Fields of Gold XII will determine the next Baronial Arts and Sciences, and Archery Champions. Put your helms, hoods, thinking caps and bycockets on and take aim!

The Baroness recently travelled south to Bordescros, to teach and participate at the recent Guided Symposium. Her heart was gladdened by the sight of so many of our citizens teaching classes, spreading their knowledge and inspiring others to try out new skills. She is personally quite keen to try casting sugar sculptures after a fascinating workshop. Perhaps griffins for next year's 30th anniversary!

Stay well, be kind, lend a hand, and enjoy this warmer weather!

In Service to the Barony and the Crown,
Baron Ysambart & Baroness Joie Tigre

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
30	31 Fighter Training 6pm-8pm					1 Archery 10am Dancing 12.30pm - 2pm Rapier 1.30pm A&S Activities 2pm Combat Training 2.30pm
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9	10 Fighter Training 6pm-8pm	11	12	13	14 Okewaite Berima Day 1pm	15 Archery 10am Dancing 12.30pm - 2pm Rapier 1.30pm A&S Activities 2pm Combat Training 2.30pm Baronial Council Meeting 2.30pm
16	17 Fighter Training 6pm-8pm	18	19	20	21	22 Archery 10am Dancing 12.30pm - 2pm Rapier 1.30pm A&S Activities 2pm Combat Training 2.30pm Okewaite Berrima Day Queanbeyan Medieval Fair
23	24 Fighter Training 6pm-8pm	25	26	27	28	29 Archery 10am Dancing 12.30pm - 2pm Rapier 1.30pm A&S Activities 2pm Combat Training 2.30pm Market Day 2.30pm

Politarchopolis Officers

From the Seneschal

Thank you to our new Chandlers Mistress Muirghein & Mistress Clara, who will keep our store room in goodly order. And while I am at it, many thanks to all our officers - you're doing great work and I very much appreciate it.

Speaking of officers, we're looking for a new Chirurgion - a first aid officer. If you have a first aid certificate please consider applying for this position. How to apply? Just ask me!

We have been using Square for cashless payments at events, however the fees (both monthly and per-transaction) are considerable and it's also more work for our reeve and our stewards to reconcile. Because of this we've made the decision to do away with Square. In future we'll prefer direct deposit payments for anyone paying at the sign-in desk for events and regular activities.

June next year will be 30 years since Politarchopolis first became a barony, so we're looking to have an event of some kind to celebrate. Please contact me if you have some ideas or would like to steward this event.

Crispin Sexi



Politarchopolis Market Day

The Market Day is on again on the 29th of September at 2.30pm.

Setup is from 2.00pm (no early entrance)

Bring along your Medieval and SCA items that you would like to find a new home.



Politarchopolis Demos

St John's Community Fair Saturday 19th October

Do you like telling others about the SCA and all things medieval?

Would you like to show off your armour and skills on the field for all to see and marvel at?

These are just a few of the things that happen at demos along with interacting with the public and also participating in fun and full days.

There will be more details forth-coming about these activities.

If you would like to help participate in either of these days then please contact the Seneschal at seneschal@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org and he will forward it to the co-ordinator.



Spring Crown

<https://torlyon.lochac.sca.org/2024/05/06/spring-crown-2024/>

Torlyon, 7-8 September Crown Tournament

Their Royal Majesties of Lochac seek the next Heirs to the Throne! Join King Bain and Queen Iglesia in Their Canton of Torlyon on the 7th and 8th of September A.S. LIX (2024) where feats of Honor, Chivalry & Friendship shall grace the fields.

The feast will be a 16th Century German with a range of seasonally appropriate dishes.

Full menu will be posted prior to the event

The feast cap for this event is 180.

Location

Yass Memorial Hall and Banjo Patterson Park (88 Comur St, Yass, NSW, 2582)

Timetable

Saturday the 7th day of September

8am: Set up
9am: Site opens
10am: A&S and WCOB Competition Set Up
11am: Invocation court followed by Crown Tourney
(lunch to be served during the Tourney)
At completion of Tourney: Announcement of the Heirs
4pm: Feast Hall opens
4:30pm: Peerage Meeting
6pm: First Course
7pm: Court
7:30pm: Second Course
10pm: Lights on
11pm: Site close

Sunday the 8th of September

8am: Set up for Site and Market
9am: Site Opens, Markets Open
9:30am: Peerage Meeting
10:30am: Roses Tournament (Heavy and Rapier)
10:30am: Peerage Meeting
11:30am: Peerage Meeting
12:30pm: Lunch
1:20pm: Closing Court
2pm: Packdown
3pm: Site Closed.

Pricing after the 1st of September

Full Event = \$75.00
Saturday Full Day= \$55.00
Saturday-Tourney only = \$35.00
Saturday-Feast only = \$50.00
Sunday Full Day = \$35.00

Students* and Children aged 16-18
Full Event = \$55.00
Saturday Full Day= \$45.00
Saturday-Tourney only = \$30.00
Saturday-Feast only = \$40.00
Sunday Full Day = \$30.00

All Non-Members must pay and additional fee for Event Insurance – Adults \$10 and \$5 for Children under 18 years.

Children aged 15 and under are free. This is to allow families to attend the whole event. There is no families cost due to no charge for children under 15.

Contact

Steward: [Mistress Isabella de Bordeaux](#)
Bookings: Mistress Ysabeau Chanteuse
bookings@politar chopolis.lochac.sca.org
Bookings Close: 5 September

Queanbeyan Medieval Fair Demo

<https://politar chopolis.lochac.sca.org/>

Politar chopolis, 20-22 September

Encampment with displays and demonstrations.
Combat display in arena

Location

Queanbeyan Showground

Glebe Avenue Queanbeyan, NSW 2620

Timetable

Evening 20th setup.

Setup each day from 8:30.

Pack down late afternoon 22nd

Price

\$0

Contact

Steward: [Sir Kitan von Falkenburg](#)

Bookings: robthevet@hotmail.com

Bookings Close: 20 September



Polit Invitational Tournaments

<https://politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org/events-calendar/>

Politar chopolis, 13 October

Baronial Championship Tournaments—Armoured Combat and Rapier

All welcome! Be it known that all are invited to this tournament series. There will be held on each of these days three tournaments. Those authorised combatants who profess skill at arms may participate as they will in Fencing, Cut and Thrust, and Armoured combat.

Please arrive early to be inspected, and present yourselves to the list. Please ensure you have your authorisation cards.

The park is surrounded by ample parking, shops and close to public transport. The hall has restrooms, a kitchenette and a small playground.

The populace are encouraged to bring food, refreshments, and other comforts of pleasant repast in polite society.

This is a garbed event and loaner costumes available if needed. Please organise this beforehand with the steward.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact the steward.

As usual, if feeling unwell on the day, please do not attend.

Location

Where: Ainslie Scout Hall Park- Corner of Ebdon & Hassall Streets, Ainslie, Canberra, ACT.

Timetable

Timetable: Sign in and Setup from 2.30 for the Fencing Tournament at 3pm, followed by C&T then armoured. Times depend on participants.

Price

Cost: Members \$6 hall fee for adults + \$10 insurance for non members

Non member under 18 \$5 for insurance. Card or EFT payments are required on the day.

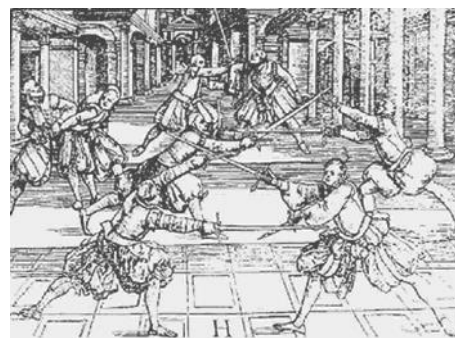
Free for current Hall fee subscribers.

Contact

Steward: [Baron Ysambart Courtain](#)

Bookings: Bookings are optional, to the steward. If you book, you will be emailed in case of cancellation due to weather, etc.

Bookings Close: 12 October



Ahoy!

<https://politar chopolis.lochac.sca.org/>

**Politar chopolis, 2 November
Feast**

Every few years, the seedier parts of the maritime community meet for a Trade Convention. This one's at Port Sinjun, at the top of the Griffin Lakes that make their way by circuitous means to the Lochac Ocean. There seems to be some sort of rivalry between the various crews, who knows to what end? (Competitions to be posted separately.)

Location

St John's Hall, 45 Constitution Avenue, Reid ACT

Timetable

4pm event opens, find your ship!
4.30-6.30 pirately fun
7pm first course
8.30 second course
10pm event close

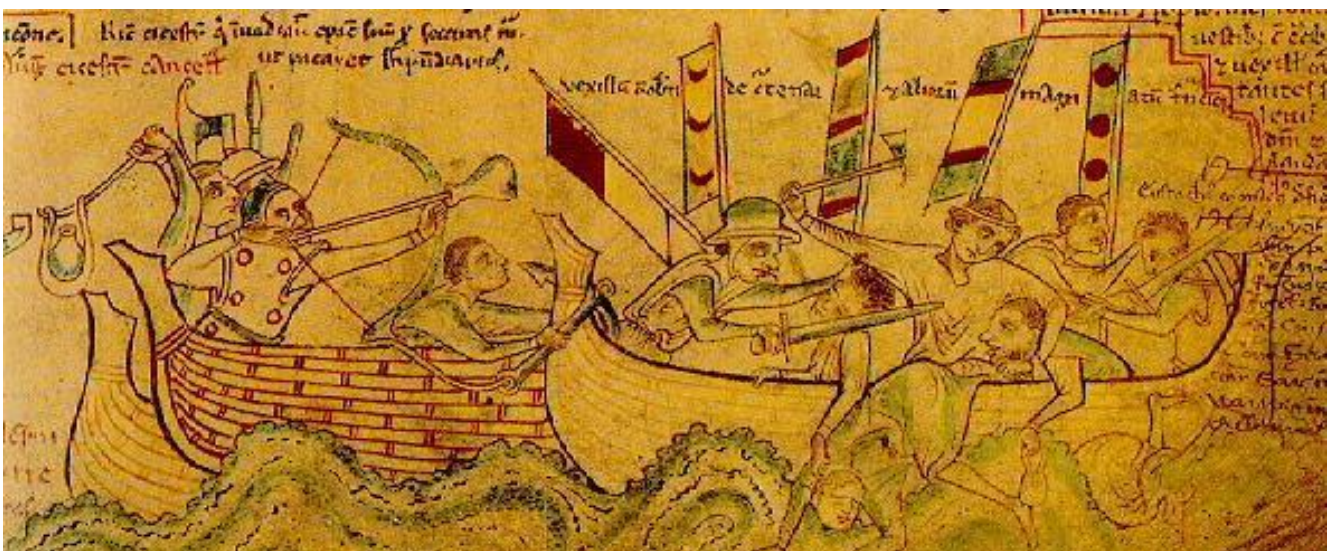
Price

Adults: \$40
Children <18: free
Non-SCA-members pay +\$10 adults or +\$5 minors
Concession: \$5 discount

Contact

Steward: Master Cristoval
Bookings: bookings@politar chopolis.lochac.sca.org
Bookings Close: 28 October

Participants are reminded that if they are unwell or showing cold or flu-like symptoms, they must not attend.



Fields of Gold

POLITARCHOPOLIS, 29 NOVEMBER - 1 DECEMBER

Come join in a wide range of combat and crafts, pomp and pageantry, feasting and frivolity at Politarchopolis's premier event.

LOCATION

Bungendore Showgrounds, 71 Matthews Lane Bungendore, NSW.

TIMETABLE

Friday the 29th day of November

12:00pm Site Opens, Cars allowed for setup

3:00pm Equestrian Practice

6:30pm Soup Kitchen

7:00pm Games

8:00pm Glowstick Archery

Saturday the 30th day of November

7:00am Breakfast

10:00am Opening Court

10:30am A&S / Archery / Rapier / Heavy / Equestrian / Kids

12:30pm Lunch / Market

1:30pm A&S / Archery / Rapier / Heavy / Equestrian / Kids

7:00pm Feast

9:00pm Tavern Bransles & Luting / Traditional Bird Impression Comp

Sunday the 1st day of December

7:30am Breakfast

9:30am Morning Court

10:00am A&S / Archery / Rapier / Heavy / Equestrian / Kids

1:00pm Lunch

2:00pm Closing Court

3:00pm Event close

PRICE

Full Event = \$100.00

All Saturday = \$85.00

Saturday Night = \$60.00

Saturday Daytime = \$60.00

Sunday Daytime = \$45.00

Child = \$0

Adult Non-member + \$10.00 per adult

Child Non-member + \$5.00 per child

After cutoff + \$10 per person

Powered camping = \$30 per van or tent

Unpowered camping = \$20 per van or tent

CONTACT

Steward: [Crispin Sexi](#)

Bookings: Bookings form on the website <https://politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org/>

Bookings Close: 24 November

Baronial Awards and Scrolls

The receiving of awards and scrolls is a wonderful occasion. To help celebrate this we would like to include details of these awards and photos of those who have received them.

With more in-person events happening around the Kingdom and within the Barony these should be celebrated.

Please let us know who within the Barony has received any awards at events either locally or outside of our boundaries and we will let all know of their achievements.



Image from the College of Scribes Website

The Scribal Arts are one of the many crafts that are practiced within the Kingdom and Society.

The time and dedication that is put into each and every scroll is often a wonder to behold. Help us to celebrate the works of

these artists and those who receive these magnificent scrolls.

Send us pictures of scrolls that you have received and we will proudly display them for all to see.

Please send these to chronicler@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org, include your name, what the scroll was for and when received. Also please include who the illuminator and calligrapher were. This way we can ensure all those whose work has gone into your scroll are recognized for their labours.

Baronial Hall Fees

The Ainslie Hall is an important part of life in Politarchopolis. Our weekly activities are where we can teach, practice, learn and show off our skills to all those within the Kingdom. It is a place for all to come together and enjoy the game we play. It is also where the Barony stores much of the equipment and Garb that we use to make our events something to remember.

To be able to continue using this space we have to ensure that we can afford to make the best of our time there. To do this the Barony put together a fee structure that allows all members and non-members access to the hall.

- January—March
- April—June
- July—September
- October—December

Adult Members and Non-Members can pay fees in the following ways;

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|------------------------|----------|
| • Weekly | \$ 6.00 |
| • Quarterly | \$ 50.00 |
| • Quarterly Concession | \$ 30.00 |
| • Annually | \$200.00 |
| • Annual Concession | \$120.00 |

Please remember that Non-Members must also pay an insurance cost of \$5 (Minors) and \$10 (Adults) per session.

For more information please contact the Reeve at reeve@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org

Politarchopolis Baronial Meetings 2024

At the January Baronoal Meeting it was discussed and decided that there will be more in-person meetings trialled during 2024.

Zoom will still be available for those not able to attend in-person

The meetings both in-person and Zoom are open to all. You don't have to be an officer or member to participate and see how the Barony is run.

January 15th via Zoom at 7pm	February 18th at Ainslie Hall at 2.30pm Zoom available	March 17th at Ainslie Hall at 2.30pm Zoom available	April 29th via Zoom at 7pm Due to Festival
May 27th via Zoom at 7pm	June 16th at Ainslie Hall at 2.30pm Zoom available	July 22nd via Zoom at 7.30pm	August 19th via 7.30pm Zoom
September 15th at Ainslie Hall at 2.30 Zoom available	October 21st via Zoom at 7.30pm	November 17th at Ainslie Hall at 2.30pm Zoom available	December 15th at Ainslie Hall at 2.30pm Zoom available





Have you ever wondered what the officers do?

Have you ever wanted to take on an office, but not sure how to go about it?

There are many ways that one can contribute to the running of a group, be it Kingdom, Barony, Shire, Canton or College.

Feel free to contact the office you are interested in to find out more about what is involved. You may feel that you are not ready or confident enough to take on an officer role, but you could consider becoming a Deputy (it is not always that a Deputy is expected to step up to the Officer role at the end of the incumbent's tenure) and learning more. Deputies also make the officer's role easier, as they can delegate tasks. You will see that many of the Kingdom Offices have Deputies that perform certain roles within the office, allowing others to concentrate on their roles and responsibilities.

Remember we are all here to have fun and make this game enjoyable.

Please reach out to your local Officers or Seneschal for more information.

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Kingdom Events

SPRING CROWN 2024 CANTON OF TORYLON, YASS NSW

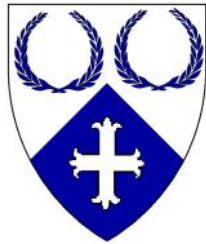
DATES - Saturday 7th Sept—Sunday 8th Sept
2024

LOCATION - [Yass Memorial Hall](#) and [Banjo Patterson Park](#) (88 Comur St, Yass, NSW, 2582)

STEWARD - Isabella de Bordeaux
(lynisabella@people.net)

THEME - 16th Century German

<https://torlyon.lochac.sca.org/2024/05/06/spring-crown-2024/>



AUTUMN CROWN 2025 HAMLET OF RADBURNE DUBBO NSW

DATES - Friday 21st March - Sunday 23rd March
2025

LOCATION - 'Dragon Hill' 29L Gidgee Road,
Dubbo NSW 2820



SPRING CORONATION 2024 CANTON OF BURNFIELD, CENTRAL QUEENSLAND

DATES - Saturday 16th Nov—Sunday 17th Nov
2024

LOCATION -Tiaro Memorial Hall
19 Mayne St, Tiaro Queensland 4650
Archery Competition @ Tiaro Primary State
School
1 Forgan Terrance Tiaro Queensland 4650

STEWARD - Mistress AElfgifu of Burnfield

<https://burnfield.lochac.sca.org/spring-coronation-as-lix/>



AUTUMN CORONATION 2025 BARONY OF INNILGARD, ADELAIDE SA

DATES - May 2025





Seneschal

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Website

<https://politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org>

FaceBook

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/Politarchopolis/>

Twitter

<https://twitter.com/scapolit>

Instagram

<https://www.instagram.com/scapolit/>

Meetup

<https://www.meetup.com/Canberra-Medieval-Renaissance-Activities-with-the-SCA/>

The Barony of Politarchopolis

is a community group in Canberra and the surrounding region devoted to learning medieval skills and enjoying medieval pastimes. We don't just read about history, we live it!

Fighting, feasting, costuming, crafting, music, dance... if it was done in pre-17th century Europe, we know someone interested in recreating it.

And not just in the ACT! We're part of a global organisation called the [Society for Creative Anachronism](#) (the SCA), and we're one of 42 local groups in the Australia/New Zealand chapter: the [Kingdom of Lochac](#).



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