

Griffintayle

BARONY OF POLITARCHOPOLIS APRIL AS LVIII (58) 2024

CALENDAR OF WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

- Third Sunday of the Month
  2.30pm
  Baronial Meeting
  Ainslie Hall/Zoom

- Third Monday of the Third Month
  7 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

Greeting Politarchopolans,

We recently hosted Their Royal Majesties at the recent Royal Archery Tourney. Many arrows, axes and daggers were loosed down range at this first full event on Okewaite's Berrima site (still needs a name). It is bursting with potential and the outstanding cleanup work opens up many event options. Our sincere thanks go to first time steward Lady Bro, and team, for a great event, and head cook Master Cristoval for delicious food. Many deserving gentles were recognised by the Crown and awarded as follows:

Awards of Arms - Sabina della Rosa de Verona, Hereward Kortr, Catalina ana el Fuego, Morgana of the Lake, Lucian el Peligroso and Gwilym of Okewaite - Huzzah!
The Golden Tear for service was awarded to Lady Yrsa, current Seneschal of Okewaite, a Star & Lily for her artisanship to Lady Lianor dos Cavalos, the Nock for archery to Lord Lucius Puddleduck, and a Silver Pegasus for outstanding service to Lord Edmond Grenville.

Furthermore, good gentles were recognised for their outstanding work in our fair Barony as follows:
A Burly Griffin Martial to Lucius Puddleduck for his outstanding efforts in cross martial streams. Well deserved Burly Griffins for Service to Lord Edmond Grenville and Lady Mabel Pine, and a Burly Griffin for the Arts to Lord Ingram Hunttar for his consistent teaching for many decades in the field of leatherwork.

The drums of war are sounding as many prepare for Rowany Festival. The Baron will be on site from Tuesday to Saturday, and will lead Politarchopolis from the front in the Armoured and Rapier wars. Please ensure you have made your intentions known if you wish to join us so we can ensure your tabard is well fitted, or your armband is ready for those who wear their own colours. The Baroness will attend from Saturday until the closing of the event and looks forward to seeing our populace represented in the arts gentle and Dessert Night. Stay tuned!

We are searching for a steward to take advantage of free usage of St John's Hall at Reid, ACT. People worked hard to secure this with an excellent demonstration, and suggested events might be a one day Politarchopolis University, or maybe St Vitas Performance Arts event. A feast steward has potentially been identified. Please write to the Seneschal and ourselves to make yourselves known and ask questions. Plenty of guidance is available both from members of the Barony and the new guidelines on our website.

With Lady Mabel Pine soon to step down from her position as Captain of Archers, we thank Mabel for her efforts. We look forward to seeing Mabel join our mighty warband on the fields at Festival. As ever, we thank all our officers who volunteer their time to make this game work.

Torlyon has secured their bid for Spring Crown Tournament in September! They are a small group, so we hope that everyone who is not donning armour can volunteer to help make this a great event.

Ainslie Hall - the hall will be closed for use on Sundays 14 and 21 April but is open for all every other Sunday. Quarterly fees are now due again. For costs and concession information, please refer to: https://politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org/hall-fees/

Yours, in Service
Baron Ysambart and Baroness Tigre

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1	2 Fighter Training 6pm-8pm	3	4	5	6	7 Archery 10am Dancing 12.30pm - 2pm Rapier 1.30pm A&S Activities 2pm Combat Training 2.30pm
8	9 Fighter Training 6pm-8pm	10	11	12	13	14 Archery 10am
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 Archery 10am
		Rowany Festival—Rowany				
22	23	24	25 ANZAC Day	26	27	28 Archery 10am Dancing 12.30pm - 2pm Rapier 1.30pm A&S Activities 2pm Combat Training 2.30pm
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29	30 Fighter Training 6pm-8pm	31				

Politarchopolis Awards

Bestowed by Aonghus I and Ginevra I,

Royal Archery Tournament, Politarchopolis

Award of Arms
Sabina della Roas de Verona
Hereward Kortr
Morgana of the Lake
Lucian el Peligroso
Gwilym of Okewaite
Catlina ana el Fuego

Golden Tear
Yrsa of Okewaite

Nock
Lucius Puddleduck

Star and Lily
Lianor dos Cavalos

Silver Pegasus
Edmond Greville

Bestowed by Baron Ysambart and Baroness Tigre,

Royal Archery Tournament, Politarchopolis

Burly Griffin—Arts & Sciences
Ingram Hunttar

Burly Griffin—Martial
Lucius Puddleduck

Burly Griffin—Service
Edmond Greville
Mabel Pine



Polit goes to Festival 2024

The time is coming when our thoughts and plans turn to attending the Rowany Festival.
Wednesday April 17th to Monday April 22nd

From His Excellency Master Crispin Sexi via Facebook

Greetings Politarchopolis, harken to some news regarding the upcoming Rowany Festival! After consultation with His Excellency, I wish to announce that I shall be Politarchopolis campsite warden and I will also be organising the food fund.

Food Fund pricing per person:

* Sunday set up day dinner until the final Tuesday breakfast: $156
* Monday pre-event dinner until the final Tuesday breakfast: $138
* Tuesday dinner to the final Tuesday breakfast: $120
* Thursday dinner to Monday lunch: $80
* Individual meals: $7
* Children eat for half price.

Message me to sign up to the food fund.

Every adult in the food fund will need to work one or two full meal shifts throughout the event (depending one how much of the event they'll be there for). This involves preparing the food, serving it and cleaning up afterwards. Approximately 2 hours per shift.

IF YOU DON"T WANT TO BE IN THE FOOD FUND, you can still camp in the Politarchopolis campsite, that's totally alright. Make sure to select "Politarchopolis" when booking your tickets to the event. You'll just need to sort out your own food or avail yourself of the catering at the great hall.

Festival Workshops

For the next few months throughout the Sunday Activities at the Ainslie Hall there will be a number of workshops and activities to help the populace prepare for Rowany Festival 2024.

Please keep an eye out on the calendar and social media for what workshops and activities will be running.

Please Note

The hall will still be available for the normal Sunday activities and practices

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.

*** Please Note Price Rise for 2024—the Reeve will send out information when payments can commence.**

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

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

- Weekly $ 5.00
- 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 19th at Ainslie Hall at 2.30pm Zoom available	June 17th at Ainslie Hall at 2.30pm Zoom available	July 22nd via Zoom at 7pm	August 19th at Ainslie Hall at 2.30pm Zoom available
September 15th at Ainslie Hall at 2.30 Zoom available	October 21st via Zoom at 7pm	November 17th at Ainslie Hall at 2.30pm Zoom available	December 16th 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.

Seneschal (President)	Hrolleifr skrauti
Deputy Seneschal	Conciata Felice Delacita Di Lvcha
Chandler	Master Crispin Sexi
Social Media	Jadwiga z Katowice
Cordon Rouge Heralt	Eilífr Lukasson
Arts and Sciences	Yrsa in Hárfagra
Reeve (Treasurer)	Master Cristoval
Deputy Reeve—Bookings	Mistress Ysabeau Chanteuse
Chronicler	Giovannino da Vidor
Constable	Giovannino da Vidor
Lists	Mistress Anne de Tournai
Hospitaller	Aminah bint Yusuf al-Zarqa.
Armoured Combat Marshal	Clifford Asheburner
Rapier Marshall	Gaspar Falch de Cantoria
Captain of Archers	Alot de la Bro
Webwright	Vígmárr Vífill

Kingdom Events

MAY CORONATION 2024 – SOUTHRON GAARD, CRESCENT ISLES

On behalf of the Barony of Southron Gaard, I am delighted to announce that we will be hosting May Coronation 2024. Please read on for some initial details.

BOOKINGS ARE NOW OPEN

DATES - Friday 3rd May—Sunday 5th May 2024

LOCATION—Cracroft Guiding Centre,

151 Cashmere Road, Cashmere, Christchurch, New Zealand

STEWARD—

Adrienne Furet[redacted]

SPRING CROWN 2024 – CANTON OF TORYLON, YASS NSW

DATES - Saturday 14th Sept—Sunday 15th Sept 2024

SPRING CORONATION 2024 – CANTON OF BURNFIELD, CENTRAL QUEENSLAND

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





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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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