

Griffintayle

BARONY OF POLITARCHOPOLIS AUGUST AS LIX (59) 2024

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 Politarchopolis, Okewaite and Torlyon!

We have just returned from the gentle repast that was **Winterfeast**. Congratulations to steward Lady Genevieve and first time head cook Master Crispin. A wonderful event! We celebrated officers coming and going as we did at the **July third baronial invitational tournament**.
These tournaments are proving popular, and we encourage everyone to come to the last two: The penultimate will be held on **August 18** with a Bjornhird flavour, and the last one will be on **October 13**, which is looking like it will also be a time for all worthies to contest the Baronial **Armoured** and **Fencing** championships.
If you are wondering why September does not have an invitational, it is because all of Politarchopolis and Lochac will be busy with **Spring Coronation** in Torlyon. Book soon, and please volunteer to make this event a showcase of our Canton. Following quickly on the heels will be the Queanbeyan Medieval Faire - come join us! Sir Kitan will have details forthcoming.
For the first half of this month we will be escaping the cold of Politarchopolis and investigating a nearby island. We will report back!

Remember to stay warm, hale and hearty!
In Service to the Barony
Baron Ysambart & Baroness Tigre

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
			1	2	3	4 Archery 10am Dancing 12.30pm - 2pm Rapier 1.30pm A&S Activities 2pm Combat Training 2.30pm
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19 Baronial Meeting Zoom 7.30pm	20 Fighter Training 6pm-8pm	21	22	23	24	25 Archery 10am Dancing 12.30pm - 2pm Rapier 1.30pm A&S Activities 2pm Combat Training 2.30pm Okewaite Berrima Day
26	27 Fighter Training 6pm-8pm	28	29	30	31	

Politarchopolis Awards

Bestowed by Bain I and Iglesia I,
Midwinter at Tocal, Mordenvale

Golden Tear

Eilifr Lukasson

Bestowed by Baron Ysambart and Baroness Tigre,
Winterfeast, Politarchopolis

Order of the Burley Griffin - Service

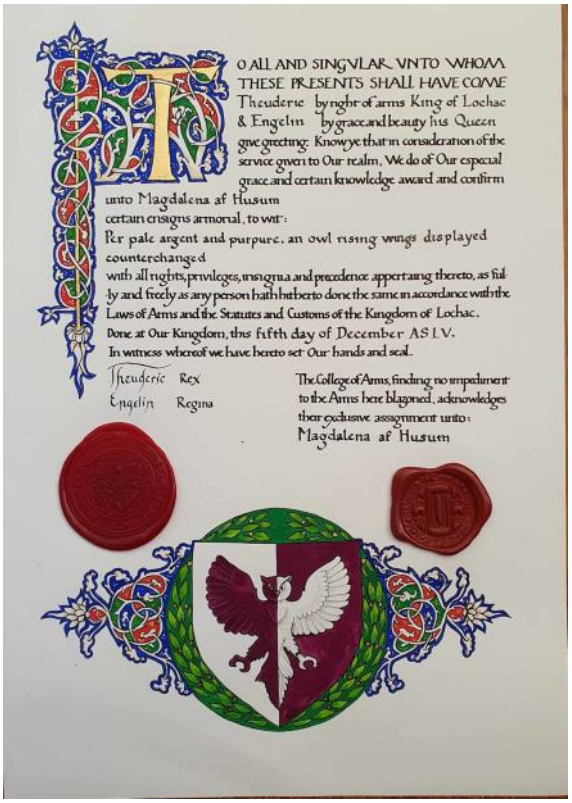
Alot de la Bro

Politarchopolis Scrolls

Presented at Winterfeast



Award of Arms Scroll
Porzia Vincenzo
Calligraphy by Mistress Rowan Perigrynne
Illumination by Elyn Lucas



Award of Arms Scroll
Magdalena af Husum
Calligraphy & Illumination by
Mistress Rowan Perigrynne

From the Baronial Officers

Greetings all, may I introduce myself as the new Baronial Arts & Sciences Minister - I'm Fru Ragnhildr, dabbler in many crafts mostly fibre and textile related, and a long term, if intermittant, member of the Barony. It has been lovely on each return to see the continued joy in making, learning and the sharing of knowledge and skills that the Barony has.

As MoAS, I see myself as Minister for Enthusiasm, the facilitator and Mistress of Introductions. To that end, I will call for members to host a table every fortnight to give a short talk and lead any chats or roundtables that follow.

On the 2nd Sunday of the month, it will be a "Welcome down my Rabbit hole", a no pressure 2-3 minute talk on your latest excitement/research/project/make. No handouts or powerpoints or reference books needed, unless you really really want to. (Yes, it's a gentle riff on the Three Minute Thesis concept.)

On the 3rd Sunday, the table is open to a Guild Guest. Guilds are in a resurgence in Lochac, and a lovely way for likeminded to gather. It being 2024, this can be online, nationally and internationally and may be a little lonely locally. A regular Guild meeting (if only every six months) brings it closer to home, and many new members.

There are plans for a Beginner's hand and machine sewing set of classes, Baronial Officer regalia, displays and competitions at Spring Crown in Torlyon and Fields of Gold. Don't forget to see the amazing space at Okewaite and the many and varied crafts at the Range site.

Which classes or topics would you like to learn a little or a lot about?

Keep an eye on Griffintayle, the Baronial, Cantons and the Polit A&S FB groups for more details and dates.

I look forward to learning new things from you all
In Service
Ragnhildr

Upcoming Competitions and Displays
Kingdom
Spring Crown Torlyon - Puzzles, Shells, Before 1000AD.
November Coronation 24 Burnfield - Protective Clothing, Flowers, Trading Textiles
Autumn Crown 25 - Music for the Choir, Mythical, the Mahgreb
WCOB
Spring Crown Torlyon - From the Sea
November Coronation Burnfield - Pattern Darning
Brewer's Guild
Spring War October - SMaSH (Single Malt and Single Hop Beer)
Fields of Gold
Something Gold





Politarchopolis Market Day

The August Market Day has been **POSTPONED**.

More Details on the next Market Day to come in September



Politarchopolis Demos

Queanbeyan Medieval Fair Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd of September

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-ordinators.





Polit Invitational Tournaments

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

Politarchopolis, 18 August

Tournament

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.

Tournament Series dates: October 13, all in 2024.

Location

Where: Ainslie Scout Hall Park- Corner of Ebden & 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.

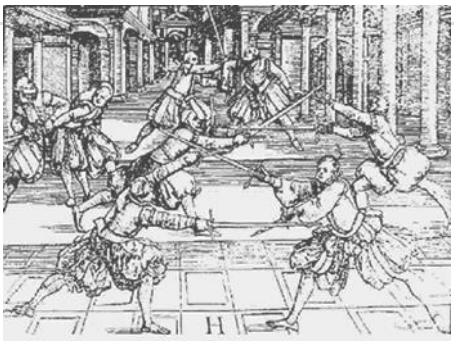
Price

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: 17 August





Ahoy!

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

Politarchopolis, 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.)

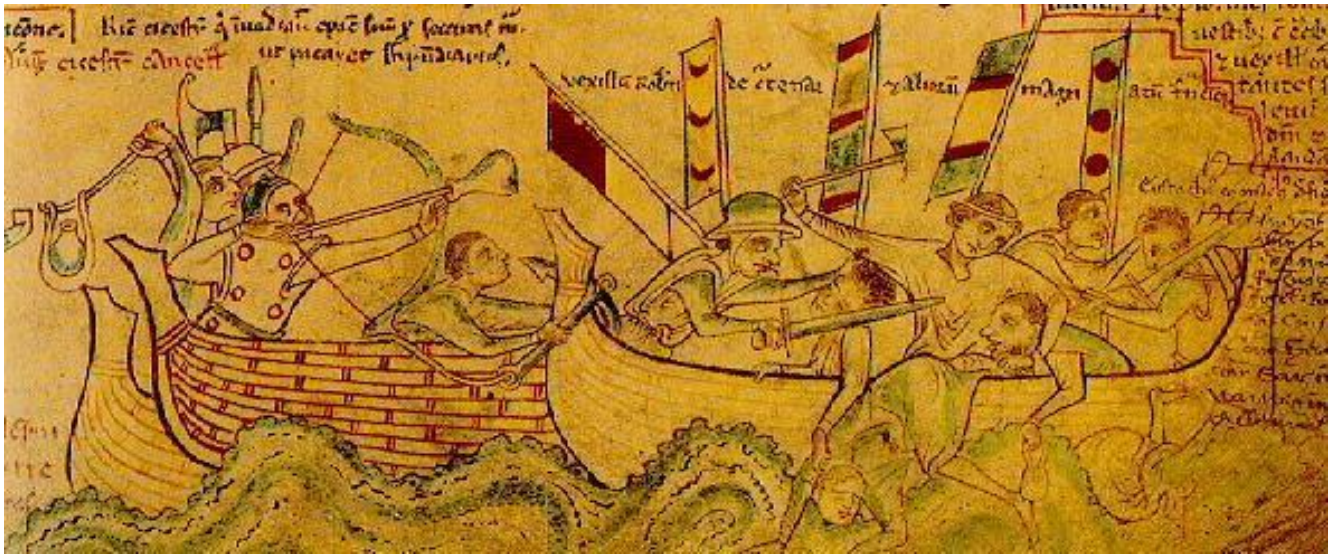
Location
St John's Hall, 45 Constitution Avenue, Reid ACT

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: [redacted]
Bookings: bookings@politarchopolis.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: [redacted]
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;

• 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

[redacted]

THEME - 16th Century German

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



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 CROWN 2025 –

DATES - March 2025

LOCATION -

STEWARD -

Bids are still being sought for this event. Please discuss this with your Seneschal or the Kingdom Crown Events Deputy

AUTUMN CORONATION 2024 BARONY OF INNILGARD, ADELAIDE SA

DATES - May 2025





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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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