Griffintayle

BARONY OF POLITARCHOPOLIS FEBRUARY AS LIX (59)

CALENDAR OF WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

- Third Sunday of the Odd Month
  2.30pm
  Baronial Meeting
  Ainslie Hall/Zoom
- Third Monday of the Even 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
  2pm
  Rapier Training
  2pm –5pm
  A&S Activities
  3pm
  Heavy Combat
  Ainslie Hall

Politarchopolis's Newest Peer

Mistress Helouys le Poer OP



Bestowed by Kitan I and Alesia I, Canterbury Faire, Southron Gaard

Photo Courtesy of Helouys le Poer
Taken by Count Jayne Hunter

From the Baron and Baroness

Greetings to the Barony and her Cantons Okewaite and Torlyon,

Although we've only been back for a couple of weeks, it's been busy already with lots of events expected over the next few months, and an unexpected one with Okewaite coming to the Kingdom's rescue to run the Autumn Crown Tournament.

Sadly, St Valentines, a semi regular event, will not take place this year. This event is where the Baronial Pensioners (retired baronial guards) usually receive their pension payments. So we request all pensioners to attend upon us when the call is made at two other forthcoming events – the Dark Skies anniversary, and The Quest for the Holy Quail.

We look forward to both events, and to the Autumn Crown Tournament which will be disguised as a Village Fair. Apparently geese will be involved, and don't tell anyone, but it'll also be the Baron's Birthday!

With the nominations for your next Baron and Baroness now public, and the changeover process solidly underway, we would love to see everyone come together to celebrate the final outcome at the Barony's 30th Anniversary and Changeover! It'll be wonderful to hear stories and reminisce about the past 30 years (perhaps an exhibition), meet our successors, and make new memories to take us into the next 30 years. The Crown will also be in attendance to preside over the divestiture/investiture proceedings.

Rowany Festival is just around the corner over Easter. When booking, feel free to choose Politarchopolis as your campsite. Announcements are forthcoming from the new Campsite Warden, and Food Fund Coordinator, so watch for those. Camp with us or not camp with us, you are still welcome to eat with us or not eat with us! There will also be an info session at Ainslie Hall, to help newcomers and experienced campers alike.

Speaking of newcomers, it's been wonderful to see so many new faces at Ainslie, and other locations such as Tuggeranong Archery. With so much energy and starting from scratch, please remember to let them know other avenues of information, for example, the specialty FB groups, websites and email groups, where they can sign up to find out more about our multi-faceted hobby.

We remain in Service to the Barony,

~ Baroness Tigre & Baron Ysambart

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
					1	2 Archery 10am Dancing 12.30pm Rapier 2pm A&S Activities 2pm Combat Training 2.30pm B&B Candidates Announced
3	4 Fighter Training 6pm-8pm	5	6	7	8 Quercus Field Activities	9 Archery 10am Dancing 12.30pm Rapier 2pm A&S Activities 2pm Combat Training 2.30pm Rabbit Hole Copperplate Glass Beads—Concieta Polit Festival Discussion 2.30pm
10	11 Fighter Training 6pm-8pm	12	13	14	15 Scribes 2pm	16 Archery 10am Dancing 12.30pm Rapier 2pm A&S Activities 2pm Combat Training 2.30pm
17 Baronial Council Meeting 7.30pm via Zoom	18 Fighter Training 6pm-8pm	19	20	21	22 Dark Skies 40th Okewaite	23 Archery 10am Dancing 12.30pm Rapier 2pm A&S Activities 2pm Combat Training 2.30pm Quercus Field Activities
24	25 Fighter Training 6pm-8pm	26	27	28		

Politarchopolis Baronial Succession

In A.S. LIX did Their Excellencies Ysambart Courtain and Joie Tigre d'Argentona announced at Fields of Gold that they are looking to step down at the 30th Anniversary of the Barony. The search for their successors has started, with Mistress Miriam bat Shimeon as the Baronial Succession co-ordinator.

Their Majesties Kitan and Alesia have accepted the nominations of two couples-

- Countess Beatrice Maria Malatesta and Baron Semeon Aleksandrovitch Dragon (mka Kellianne [redacted] and Simon [redacted])
- Lord Llewellyn de Guerre and Lady Rosa Frye (mka Andrew and Ruth [redacted])

The Letter of Intent of Beatrice and Semeon-

Unto Your most gracious Majesties, Kitan and Alesia, do Countess Beatrice Maria Malatesta and Baron Semeon Aleksandrovitch Dragon send most respectful greetings! It is our wish and greatest honour to nominate for the roles of Baron and Baroness of Politarchopolis.

Semeon and Beatrice would stand as one as your chosen representatives of Politarchopolis, to enhance and enrich the Barony and its Cantons, and spread wordfame of this most illustrious Barony and her populace across the Kingdom and to the four corners of the Known World.

We feel the measure of the Baronage is through demonstrating true service to the populace and Crown. We look to provide a welcoming, inclusive and enjoyable environment for all who participate, regardless of interest or depth of involvement. We intend to mentor, encourage, praise and reward without fear or favour. We shall continue to honour and acknowledge all who invest their time, efforts and energies into the Barony.

We have been active members of the SCA for more than 30 years (each), and we are both active in pursuing our artistic and martial fields. We are service orientated, holding officer roles at local, Kingdom and Society level, as well as event staff for some of Lochac's largest events.

Together we look to encourage all members of the populace through enjoyment and recognition of the excellence of their chosen pursuits. To encourage is to lead through example, which we will endeavour to do. We are very passionate about the diversity and equality of the populace, ensuring the SCA is a place free to be authentic in a multitude of ways.

We are avid proponents of pageantry, knowing that the presentation and visual spectacle of an event, whether at Kingdom level or Canton potluck, adds to the atmosphere, enjoyment, vision and sheer exuberance of events. We enjoy the service that comes with events, creating an atmosphere of enjoyment, creativity and community.

As the Baronage represents the Crown, we recognise the importance of what They stand for, the role They have across our wondrous Kingdom and the commitment and love They have for it. We promise that should the Crown ask of us to serve as Your representatives, we will be present, open to advice and endeavour to do all we can to enhance and support the Barony, Crown, populace and SCA dream. We commit to maintaining our memberships and presence for the duration of our Baronage should we be chosen.

Of ourselves:

I, Semeon, have been a member of the SCA for over 30 years and have lived in Politarchopolis for most of that time. From its time as a shire, through the process to become a Barony I have helped to pave the path to where we stand now. I have served Politarchopolis in a multitude of ways, including as the first Baronesses' champion to Mathilde and have stood as the Baronial Champion no less than three times. I have served in Baronial and Royal households, held several officers' positions within the Barony, notably as Seneschal and Marshal. During my time I have been a part of event teams, and stewarded a number of events, notably the first Viking war (many moons ago) and recently Fields of Gold XI. I have also served as a member of the SCA Australia Board of Directors.

I am active in the marshallate and as a combatant in all disciplines. My passion for the martial arts crosses to the realm of arts and sciences where I make my own armour and garb, continuously seeking to improve my presentation, franchise, skills and knowledge. Currently my passion is the Varangian period, however during my time I have enjoyed researching and creating garb and armour across other times. Of note when I fence it is as a Landsknecht rather than a Varangian (they won't let me fence with a Daneaxe!). I am currently the Kingdom Arbitrator, a role that involves me investigating matters given to me by the Kingdom Seneschal and handing down findings to them to enable a decision to be made.

Outside the SCA I am a long time role-player and war gamer, having received awards internationally for gaming and the painting and presentation of war gaming miniatures. My roleplaying ability in particular has stood me in good stead in the SCA, in my presentation, franchise and ability to organise and portray a persona. Mundanely I am a public servant in an operational planning, administration and organisational reporting role, prior to that I was a Police Officer for 23 years. My experience has made me an extremely
competent communicator at all levels and given me a well-developed sense of equity, justice, procedural fairness and open-mindedness. ---

I, Beatrice, have been a member of the SCA for over 30 years, starting my journey in River Haven before travelling to Ynys Fawr and settling my feet in Politarchopolis for the last six years. Early in my SCA career, I had the honour of wayfaring to witness the creation of this Barony. Back then, Politarchopolis made a strong impression on me with its generosity of time, knowledge and hospitality. My travels were always met with kindness, joy and laughter. I had dreamt of living in these fair lands, and now I'm here the reality is even better than I envisioned. Over the years I have served the SCA in many ways: from holding offices at Canton, Baronial and Kingdom levels, including Kingdom Seneschal (2020-2022), Ynys Fawr Baronial Seneschal (2018) and Canton of Castellum Montanum Seneschal (many times between 2000-2009). My service has also been behind the scenes of events. I have held a number of roles at many small and large events - including stewarding Rowany Festival (2018/2023), Great Northern War (2011/2014), Crownination II (2021) and Valentines (2023). My service extends to supporting Royal and Baronial households in coordination roles and as guard, which provided a strong foundation and support network when I had the honour of inspiring Count Henri to win the 21st Crown of Lochac, which I hold dear. I am the current Deputy Kingdom Seneschal for Crown Events, which is a role I love. However if we are successful in our nomination I will stand aside to ensure Politarchopolis has the attention it merits.

Across my time, I have learned a wide variety of skills both artistic and martial. I am an armoured combatant (which I am hopeful to be in armour more in the coming years), not very good at archery but I will keep trying. I enjoy costuming, embroidery and cooking. My interests are diverse - I have a place in my wardrobe for Norse, mid -late 14C and 16C lower Germany (with some camp garb thrown in). I am passionate about the SCA, and enjoy every moment that I get to immerse myself into it, and have fun along the way!

Your Majesties, thank you for Your time and consideration. We place ourselves at Your disposal if you wish to further discuss our nomination for this most significant role.

In service to the Crown

Semeon and Beatrice

The Letter of Intent of Llewellyn and Rosa -

Unto Their Majesties Kitan and Alesia, do Lord Llewellyn de Guerre and Lady Rosa Frye send greetings.

Please accept this letter as notice of our intent to stand as candidates for Baron and Baroness of Politarchopolis and the Cantons of Okewaite and Torlyon.

In support of our candidacy we offer the following as evidence of our suitability for these roles, the reverence in which we hold these positions, and our vision for the Barony should we be found suitable in the Crown's eyes and the eyes of the populace.

We are wayfarers, entertainers, makers and fighters. We have built households, led warbands, supported colleges and represented the Barony and Lochac at home and abroad.

At Pennsic War we represented Lochac on the rapier war field, sang with pirates in the Tilted Tavern and supped with royalty at Casa Bardicci. In the Midrealm, Canterbury Fair, Fencing Fest and the Guilded Symposium we were welcomed with warm hospitality and practised our fighting arts, learning from rapier masters and our fellow students alike.

As Baron and Baroness we would impart these experiences through words and actions to increase the depth of culture in the Barony. To this end, and acknowledging the cost of living crisis that constrains many from fully participating in the SCA experience, we are keen to investigate creation of a fund to support more young people to wayfare. This would also support more travel to the Cantons.

The Barony is our home and we are its servants. Llewellyn currently serves as a Baronial Guardsman and has served as Seneschal, Arts and Science Officer, Chirurgeon and Reeve. Rosa has been Baronial Rapier Champion, and is currently a Royal Guardsman.

Becoming the next Baron and Baroness is an opportunity to serve the Barony in a new role, to represent the populace at events at home and throughout the Kingdom and Knowne World. On a personal note, this role would allow us to fulfil our passion of enabling people to do the things they love and to recognise and award their achievements in their chosen field.

Politarchopolis has always been a strong Barony with diverse peoples and rich lands. We seek to build on the foundations of the great Baronial leaders who have come before, to strengthen the sense of community in the Barony. Making this vision sustainable requires as much transparency as possible to build trust, and seeking out and understanding opinions that differ from our own.

Through our mundane careers and experiences in our personal lives we have developed a strong suite of relevant skills that have enabled us to successfully navigate complex political and social environments, and to lead and develop peers, colleagues, friends and teams through these. As Baron and Baroness we would leverage these skills to work with all members of the Barony to find a balance and create an inclusive environment that enables people to pursue the things they want to achieve, and to feel safe to participate and try new things.

This can be as simple as connecting people with like interests and commonalities, as nuanced as assisting people to find alternative ways to meet their needs and achieve their goals, and as challenging as confronting behaviours and situations perceived to be exclusionary, negative or damaging. We enjoy and believe strongly in supporting others and see providing pastoral care as a strong feature of this role.

Politarchopolis is renowned for its majestic Kingdom events. Big events provide the opportunity for the Barony to showcase the skills of its populace. As Baron and Baroness we would see this continue and would also actively encourage smaller, local events. Smaller events are advantageous; they provide an opportunity to develop new stewards and allow for experimentation in cuisine and style with reduced risk and pressure. They are also generally cheaper, which will allow more people to attend.

Food is at the heart of many cultures, and smaller events will strengthen the culture of the Barony, binding the populace through the sharing of food and experiences in fun and intimate settings at a variety of locations around the Barony and its Cantons. Reflecting that we want people to bring their whole selves to the SCA, we would also create a regular mundane event to bring people together outside the confines of the SCA. This is a practice the Households of Politarchopolis do well and we feel the Barony would benefit from applying similar.

Politarchopolis is blessed with many fine makers able to produce an exceptional variety of goods. As makers ourselves we understand the investment of time required to develop these skills and the importance of Arts and Sciences to our Barony and the game more broadly. We are both students to members of the Order of Defence. Llewellyn is squired to Mistress Kiriel du Papillion and a blacksmith with interest in leather and wood-working. Rosa is working with a peer to learn patterning and tailoring.

The Arts and Sciences bring pageantry to our game. As Baron and Baroness we would use our experience as storytellers and role players to incorporate multiple interactive elements into a singular narrative to enrich the game and deliver an engaging experience for all involved.

While we would suspend formal agreements with our teachers were we successful in this application, we would remain committed to learning these arts and would encourage the same from others.

We are a stable couple with a strong relationship and history of supporting each other through difficult times. We have an excellent understanding of each other's strengths and weaknesses and a good personal support network around us. We understand that the role of Baron and Baroness is a marathon event and would increase our existing network with members of the Barony to ensure one of us is always available and to promote a culture in the populace where members support each other.

We seek to hold these lands for the Crown and to drive its continued prosperity through our actions, words and deeds.

In hope of serving you, Politarchopolis and Lochac in this role.

Llewellyn and Rosa

The timeline is currently planned as-

1/12	Announcement, done at FoG.
15/12	Nomination period
26/1	Nomination period closes
2/2	***Accepted nominations publicised < ---- we are here>***
	Between 2/2-3/3 meet and greet to be organised
3/3-16/3	Commentary period
23/3	Autumn Crown, where the Crown & Heirs decide
29/3-	Crown & Heirs decision announced.
10/5	30th Anniversary & Changeover TBC.

Yours,
Miriam bat Shimeon





Polit goes to Festival 2025

The time is coming when our thoughts and plans turn to attending the Rowany Festival.
Wednesday April 16th to Monday April 21st 2025

- Countess Beatrice Maria Malatesta will be the campsite warden.
- Master Crispin Sexi will be the food fund organiser

On Sunday 9th February, we will have an information/planning session at the Ainslie Scout hall from 2:30pm.
Topics:

- The Polit campsite
- Master Crispin will talk about the food fund.
- His Excellency and Baron Semeon will talk about the Heraldic Melee, and armoured and rapier war units.

If you've never been to Festival, this is the perfect opportunity to come along and ask questions you may have.

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.

Festival 2025 Workshops

For the next few months throughout the Sunday Activities at the Ainslie Hall there will be 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

Politarchopolis Officers

From the Seneschal

Greetings all, we're off to an exciting start to 2025 with events in February, March and May, not to mention Rowany Festival in April.

Speaking of Rowany Festival, which I failed to not mention already, if you would like to be in the Polit food fund please let me know. You can be in the food fund even if you're not camping in the Polit campsite, and you can also be in the Polit campsite if you're not part of the food fund.

Lastly, I'm looking for Stewards for the following events: Queanbeyan Medieval Fair (27-28 Sept), St Johns Fair (18 Oct) and Fields of Gold (30 Nov). Please let me know if you would like to helm these important occasions.

Crispin Sexi



Politarchopolis Events 2025

Do you want to run an event or activity in 2025?

If so, contact the seneschal to discuss dates, activities and anything else.

FEBRUARY

22nd Dark Skies Memorial - Okewaite

MARCH

9th Quest for the Holy Quail - Politarchopolis

22nd Autumn Crown Tournament - Okewaite

APRIL

16th - 21st Rowany Festival

MAY

10th 30th Anniversary & Baronial Changeover - Politarchopolis TBC

24th - 25th Autumn Coronation - Innilgard

JUNE

JULY

AUGUST

8th Bal D'Argent - Politarchopolis

SEPTEMBER

5th - 7th Spring Crown Tournament - Stormhold

27th - 28th Queanbeyan Medieval Fair - Politarchopolis TBC - Steward Wanted

OCTOBER

St John's Fair - Politarchopolis TBC - Steward Wanted

NOVEMBER

1st - 2nd Spring Coronation - River Haven

28th - 30th Fields of Gold - Politarchopolis TBC - Steward Wanted

DECEMBER

Dark Skies 40th Anniversary Memorial
Okewaite, 22 February
Variety/Festival

A long, long time ago, in an incipient Shire far, far away, a small group of young people from a role-playing group in Moe, Victoria met the SCA. And thus, the Shire of Dark Skies came into being. Our first event was held in February AS IXX, in a small country hall in the hamlet of Trafalgar East. A hall with a wooden floor, exposed beams, an open fireplace, and an outdoor toilet. Not to mention to a kitchen that only two people could safely work in, with incredibly basic functionality!

While Dark Skies disbanded decades ago, that little Shire gave Lochac a three-times Prince and Knight, plus two members of the Order of the Pelican. (Three if you count Cristoval, who we always considered one of us, even though he never lived in Dark Skies.)

Forty years on, those founding members of Dark Skies who remain invite Lochac to join us in remembering our past, celebrating the present, and looking forward to the future. Please join us for the Dark Skies 40th Anniversary Memorial.

The feast menu will include as many dishes from the original feast as we can remember. There will be hedgehogs, and gingerbread people. If anyone who went to the original event can remember what they ate, we'd love to hear from you!

A&S competitions: Oldest garb, Best "no shit, there I was" SCA history story (bonus points for stories about events in or people from Dark Skies).

Location
287 Tiyces Lane, Boxers Creek 2580

Timetable
No set timetable yet. Hoping to include rapier & heavy combat, but first need to consider how to best manage the heat in late February.

Feast (maximum 60 people) from 6pm.

Price
Adults: $15
Children <16: free
Concession (pensioners, unemployed incl students): $10
Offboard (BYO food): $5
Non-SCA-members add +$10 adults or +$5 minors

Contact
Steward: [redacted]
Bookings: Politarchopolis Bookings Officer: bookings@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org
Bookings Close: 8 February

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

Quest for the Holy Quail
Bywong, 9 March
Hunt with feast and A&S comp

The Barony of Politarchopolis is hosting a grand adventure… The Quest for the Holy Quail!

Come along for a day of questing/team activities (we recommend you make friends with at least one archer and one heavy before the event starts… And someone who floats). There will be quest activities for all abilities, ranging from excessively energetic, to cool and collected.

The quest shall include:

- Archery tournament,
- Fencing tournament,
- Combat scenarios,
- A&S competition (theme: Something that will aid your quest),
- A literal quest for a Holy Quail (whether the quail itself is literal remains to be seen), and
- A most excellent feast!

Location

159 Millynn Rd, Bywong NSW 2621, Australia

Timetable
9.30. Site opens
10.00. Opening court. Royalty to announce the quests.
10.30. Questing begins.
12.30. Lunch
13.30. Questing continues.
17.00. Post-quest court.
17.30. Feast begins.
21.00. Site close.

Price
Adults: $35
Adults (Feast Only); $20
Children <18: free
Non-SCA-members add +$10 adults or +$5 minors
Late bookings (after closing date); +$5

Contact
Steward: Alot de la Bro email [redacted]
Bookings: https://forms.gle/3bA4jdC3nurKnKVf6
Bookings Contact: bookings@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org
Bookings Close: 2 March

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

Autumn Crown AS59
https://autumncrown.lochac.sca.org/
Okewaite, 22 March
Crown Tournament

This is the Autumn Crown Tourney to select the next King and Queen of Lochac. It's also a village fair in Okewaite. It's catered, BYO chair and all water. As the kitchen facilities are very basic, people with allergies are best to go offboard and bring your own food.

The event will have a tavern shed with games, a large marquee for court, a list field and portaloos. It will be great if some groups can bring shade pavilions and their tables. Stalls are possible; contact the Steward. Softdrinks will be sold at the tavern (bring gold coins).

There is a dedicated disability portaloo and parking area, past the dropoff point near the tavern.

Park very tightly please. For those with access issues, you can drive right up to the tavern shed and park nearby.

Camping is possible on Fri and Sat nights, or bring a swag and sleep in the tavern. No special facilities for campervans, you may be parked some distance from the action.

Location
Quercus Field, Berrima Road, Berrima. Google "Southern Highlands Archery Club"

Timetable
Timetable, if available (including setup time)
0900 Gate opens.
1000 Armour inspections.
1100 Invocation court
1130+ Tourney, catered lunch by arrangement
1430~ Acclamation, on-field
1500 Fencing activity (TBC)
1600 Investiture court
1800 Catered dinner
1930 Fireside entertainment and chat
2100 Event closes

Subject to Their Majesties' requirements.

Price
Adults: $45. Offboard $25.
Children <18: $10
Non-SCA-members pay +$10 adults or +$5 minors

Contact
Steward: [redacted]
Bookings: Form - https://forms.gle/C2W6hxad8dEAUgbw9 Email - bookings@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org
Capped at 180.
Bookings Close: 15 March if not before

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

Politarchopolis 30th Anniversary

AS LX (60) 2025
Politarchopolis turns 30
If you have ideas or would like to run an event please contact the Seneschal at seneschal@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org



Sunday Activities

Notes about Sunday Activities for 2025

Dancing at the Hall will re-commence from Sunday 2nd February.

Okewaite Activities at Quercus Field

Activities for 2025 will re-commence in February

Please check the Okewaite FaceBook Page for details and location of Quercus Field, Berrima.

Second Saturday and Fourth Sunday of each month or as notified.

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

Hi all, if you attend the Polit hall days at Ainslie, it's time to pay fees for the first quarter or the year, or for the full year if paying yearly.
It costs $200 per year, or $50 for each quarter, or $30 per quarter if you are a pensioner or unemployed (incl students). Pay by direct deposit (BSB 032778, Account 469607, SCA Polit, put "hall [your name]" as the reference).
Make your life and my life easier by paying for the rest of the year now!
If you come rarely, you can pay per time, or consider paying the quarterly fees anyway to s upport your group.
The daily payment is $6 to help cover our hall costs. If you come on Tuesdays and Sundays, you need to pay each time, or pay the quarterly fee.
If you're not an SCA member, there is an extra $10 adults or $5 kids each visit which is an insurance charge.

Master Cristoval (Polit Reeve)

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

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

• Daily	$ 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 2025

The Baronial Meetings for 2025 will be both In-person and via Zoom on alternate months.

Please note the change to this schedule

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 19th at Ainslie Hall at 2.30pm Zoom available	**February** **17th via Zoom at 7.30pm**	March 16th at Ainslie Hall at 2.30pm Zoom available	April 28th via Zoom at 7.30pm Due to Festival
May 18th at Ainslie Hall at 2.30 Zoom available	June 16th via Zoom at 7.30pm	July 20th at Ainslie Hall at 2.30 Zoom available	August 18th via Zoom at 7.30pm
September 21st at Ainslie Hall at 2.30 Zoom available	October 20th via Zoom at 7.30pm	November 16th at Ainslie Hall at 2.30pm Zoom available	December 15th via Zoom at 7.30pm



Mmmmm, in-person meetings. Maybe not the best idea. Kidding ours are much more civilised



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)	Master Crispin Sexi	seneschal@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org
Deputy Seneschal	THL Conciata Felice Delacita Di Lvcha	deputyseneschal@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org
Chandler	Mistress Muirghein ni Ghrainne Mistress Clara Bone-Aventure	chandler@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org
Social Media Officer	Ellisif Hjá-ræna	socialmedia@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org
Cordon Rouge Heralt	THL Amanda Martel	herald@politarchopolois.lochac.sca.org
Arts and Sciences	Fru Ragnhildr Freysteinndottir	arts@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org
Reeve (Treasurer)	Master Cristoval Gitano	reeve@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org
Deputy Reeve	Geneveive des Champs	deputyreeve@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org
Deputy Reeve-Bookings	Mistress Ysabeau Chanteuse	bookings@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org
Chronicler	Giovannino da Vidor	chronicler@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org
Constable	Giovannino da Vidor	constable@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org
Chirurgeon	Baroness Catherine James of Glastonbury	chirurgeon@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org
Lists	Mistress Anne de Tournai	lists@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org
Hospitaller	Igulfridr Magnusdottir	hospitaller@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org
Armoured Combat Marshal	Jarl ThorolfR Olfuss Brandtsson	marshal@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org
Rapier Marshall	Gaspar Falch de Cantoria	fencing@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org
Captain of Archers	Alot de la Bro	archery@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org
Webwright	Vígmárr Vífill	webwright@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org

Kingdom Events

AUTUMN CROWN 2025
CANTON OF OKEWAITE
BERRIMA NSW

DATES - 22nd March 2025

LOCATION - Quercus Field, Berrima Road, Berrima. Google "Southern Highlands Archery Club"

STEWARD - Master Cristoval Gitano

https://autumncrown.lochac.sca.org/



AUTUMN CORONATION 2025
BARONY OF INNILGARD, ADELAIDE SA

DATES - Saturday 24th—Sunday 25th May 2025

LOCATION - Saturday 24th - Klemzig Community Hall, 242 Main North Road, Klemzig
Sunday 25th - Gurners Reserve, Leabrook Drive, Rostrevor

STEWARD - Lady Kaczna of Bohemia

https://autumncoronation.lochac.sca.org/autumn-coronation/autumn-coronation-innilgard-2025/



SPRING CROWN 2025
BARONY OF STORMHOLD
MELBOURNE VIC

DATES - Friday 5th September - Sunday 7th September 2025

LOCATION - Clifford Park Activity Centre, 5-7 Clifford Drive Wonga Park Victoria

STEWARD - THL Nicolette de Coulours

https://springcrown.lochac.sca.org/



SPRING CORONATION 2025
BARONY OF RIVER HAVEN
BRISBANE QLD

DATES - Saturday 1st November - Sunday 2nd November 2025

LOCATION - Saturday Kallangur Community Hall 1480 Anzac Avenue Kallangur QLD 4503
Sunday – River Haven Hall, 35 Wesley Street,

STEWARD - Lady Batista di Bardi

https://springcoronation.lochac.sca.org/





Seneschal
Master Crispin Sexi
seneschal@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org

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.

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

This is the February, 2025, issue of the Griffintayle, a publication of the Barony of Politarchopolis of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. The Griffintayle is available from chronicler@politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org. It is not a corporate publication of SCA, Inc., and does not delineate SCA, Inc. policies. Copyright 18 © 2021 Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. For information on reprinting photographs, articles, or artwork from this publication, please contact the Kingdom Chronicler, who will assist you in contacting the original creator of the piece. Please respect the legal rights of our contributors."