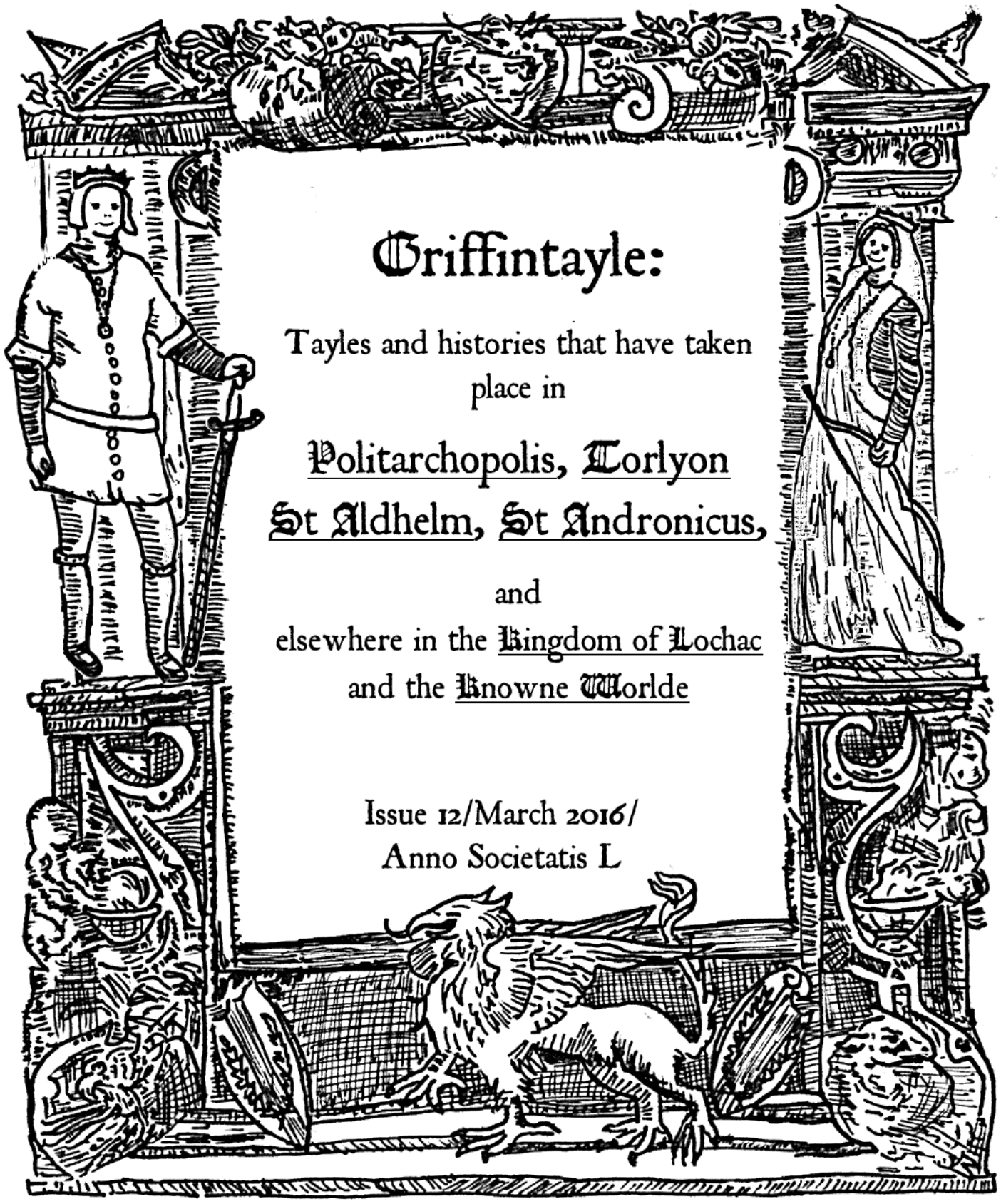


Griffintayle:

Tayles and histories that have taken place in

Politarchopolis, Torlyon
St Aldhelm, St Andronicus,

and
elsewhere in the Kingdom of Lochac
and the Knowne Worlde

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From the Baron and Baroness

Unto the Nobles, Citizens, and Peoples of Politarchopolis, greetings.

We write in haste this month, as preparations for Festival are underway and demanding much of our attention.

If you wish to camp with Politarchopolis, please make certain to book and to nominate Politarchopolis as your campsite - this ensures we will be allocated sufficient space for all our tents. Baron Crispin is the campsite overlord, with Ulric his deputy for Wednesday/Thursday setup. Contact Crispin to have the footprint of your tent factored into the camp layout.

There will once again be the Baroness's Pancake Sunday, for all loyal citizens (and occasional associates). This will be held in the Polit campsite, starting around 8 am Sunday morning. Pancakes and toppings are provided, BYO plate, chair etc. Let Baroness Joan know if you have dietary needs which can be taken into account. We hope everyone will be able to drop by for pancakes and socialising.

"Revenge on Cupid" was a fun and relaxed February afternoon of novelty archery, picnicking, and heavy and rapier introductions. The Baronial Pensioners received their dole, and we wish them health and good cheer for another year.

The Canton of Torlyon is holding their 20th Anniversary picnic on April 30, and we expect a Royal Visit in May. We look forward to seeing everyone at these events, which should be lots of fun.

Sunday afternoons at Ainslie have been very well attended of late, with a variety of combat training styles on offer, and a range of useful and interesting classes organised by Mistress Alexandra. It is great to see people working enthusiastically together and enjoying being part of our Society. If you haven't visited lately, come along!

In service to the Kingdom, the Barony and to our People,

Baron Crispin and Baroness Joan.



Baronial Awards

No Baronial awards were reported for February 2016.

Anyone can nominate someone for recognition. If you know of someone you wish to nominate for a Baronial award, each of which are listed and described on Memories of Lochac, please email Their Excellencies with an account of why you think they are deserving.

Weekly activities

Mondays

College of St Aldhelm meeting / 6pm / Copland Building room G029 /Australian National University

Tuesdays

Tuesday combat/A&S at Wamboin has been cancelled for the immediate future.

On the third Tuesday of the month (as of 17 November 2015) / 6.30pm / Scribes [redacted] for the address.

Thursdays

College of St Andronicus meeting and heavy combat training / 5pm / Building 2 Room 2B02 / University of Canberra

Fridays

Dance Practice will restart on 22 January 2016 / 7.30pm / Kambah Scout Hall / Springbett Street / Kambah

Sundays

Sunday activities recommence in 2016 from 10 January, 2016.

Archery / 10am / Tuggeranong Archery Club / 299 Soward Way / Greenway

Raqs Sharqi (traditional Egyptian dance) / 12.30pm to 1.30pm / Scout Hall / Corner of Ebden and Hassall Streets / Ainslie

Run by Viscountess Ilina Lyubasha Zivanovicha, weekly dance classes will be beginning on the 10th of January, 2016. Cost $12 members and $15 non-members. Student concession $8. Pay a month in advance and receive 10% discount. Wear comfortable clothing for moving around in (e.g. yoga or gym gear) and a scarf for your hips. Plus a bottle of water.

Rapier Training / 2pm / Scout Hall / Corner of Ebden and Hassall Streets / Ainslie

Newcomer's Armoured Combat Training / 3pm / Scout Hall / Corner of Ebden and Hassall Streets / Ainslie

Duke Sir Cornelius von Becke will be hosting a weekly training session aimed at those who are authorised or have done the beginners course. Everyone is welcome to join in.

Armoured Combat / 3pm / Scout Hall / Corner of Ebden and Hassall Streets / Ainslie



Events to come

Baroness' Pancake Sunday / From 8am Sunday 27 March, 2016 / Politarchopolis campsite at Rowany Festival

Torlyon's 20th Anniversary Picnic and Quarter Day / Saturday 30 April, 2016 / Politarchopolis campsite at Rowany Festival

Come and enjoy a BYO picnic to celebrate Torlyons' 20th anniversary and Politarchopolis quarter day event. There will be Rapier, Archery & Heavy tournaments, and other competitions. Limited victuals provided.

When: 30 April 2016, 11am - 4pm

Where: The Yew, 66 MacIntosh Circuit, Murrumbateman NSW 2582

Cost: $2 Adult Members / $7 Adult Non-Members / Members under 16 are free

Steward: Alexander the Potter [redacted]

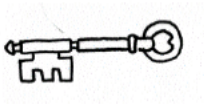
Booking Contact: Isabella de Bordeaux [redacted]

Twelfth Night 2017 / Saturday 7 and Sunday 8 January, 2017 / Canberra / ACT

This is a place holder for the upcoming Twelfth Night Coronation event, to be hosted by Politarchopolis. Details will be updated as they become available.

Tayles from Events of Recent Past

There have been no submissions this month for Tayles from Events of Recent Past.



From the Seneschal

Unto the most noble populace of Politarchopolis, does your Seneschal send greetings!

It is now that time when all thoughts turn to... Nowany Festival, however we should also focus on the last month. My congratulations to the steward of Cupid's Revenge and the St Andronicus D'Week demos. Feedback on those events has been universally positive so well done to all involved. We also had a very successful day at the Multicultural Festival and my thanks to all those involved in that day as well.

It is with sadness that we give her Excellency, Ceara, thanks for her sterling work at Chronicler as this is her last edition. We are still looking for a replacement. Without this, Griffintayle will once more lie dormant - so could this be you? If so, please send the Lochac Chronicler and myself an expression of interest in the role.

Well done to all those involved in the Beginner's Fencing course which commenced on the 21st of February. We have seen wonderful turn outs and lots of interest.

Sunday's classes are also being well attended - do you have an idea for a class you would like or one you would like to teach? If so, please contact Mistress Alexandra.

We are still looking for people to lead the Baronial Sunshade and Throne Renewal projects. Funding has been approved but approval will lapse if the project is not commenced within six months. If you are interested in leading these projects, please let me know.

I am pleased to say we have received a couple of proposals for events which are currently being considered by the Finance Committee however the calendar is still looking a little bare. Do you have an idea for an event big or small? We want to know about it - tournaments, tavern feasts, hunts, balls, war, quarter days, high court events - whatever you are interested in, we're keen to help you make it happen. Feel free to come and have a chat!

Yours in Service,

Anne

Seneschal, Politarchopolis



From the Chronicler

Thank you to those who have provided information for this, the March 2016 edition of Griffintayle.

This will be my twelfth and final release of Griffintayle as my time as Baronial Chronicler comes to an end. I have greatly appreciated the contributions various individuals have made to this newsletter over the year - particularly Baroness Ginevra Lucia di Pamoraza for her entertaining People of Politarchopolis segment.

I have updated the Griffintayle page to include as much of a history of Baronial Chronicler as I could discover, and my final act as Chronicler will be to scan and upload 29 physical copies of Griffintayle to add to the archive I began a year ago. I encourage you to read them - they go back as early as 1991 and are interesting to read, giving insights into what the group was like in the past.

I have really enjoyed playing with Griffintayle to attempt a German Renaissance style publication, using images and fonts that are similar to what was found in two extant early 17th century newsletters (the first recorded newsletters in history). The details and rationale behind my choices, for those who are interested, can be found online: *Redesigning the Griffintayle Newsletter*.

Hopefully, someone in the near future will pick up the torch and kindle Griffintayle to life once more. It is a valuable resource for consolidating Baronial information and providing a static medium through which the rich tapestry of Baronial history is recorded. The role takes approximately 5-10 hours of work per month and, if you are interested in the position or would like to know more, I encourage you to email the Politarchopolis Seneschal with your expression of interest.

THB Ceara Shionnach

Politarchopolis Chronicler

Officers Regnum

The officers' regnum of Politarchopolis presents the various Baronial positions for Canberra, a brief description of their roles and their contact emails (hyperlinked in their names).

To apply for any of the various vacant positions, please contact the Seneschal - Anne de Tournai.



Baron / Crispin Sexi / Baroness / Joan Sutton

The Baron and Baroness are the leaders of the Barony, representing the Crown.

Seneschal / Anne de Tournai

The Seneschal is the principal legal representative of the Barony (i.e. group president).

[redacted]

The Arts and Sciences officer is responsible for encouraging the crafts of the Barony.

[redacted]

The Captain of Archers manages the Baronial archery activities (both target and combat).

Chandler / vacant

The Chandler is responsible for inventory of Baronial items, including regalia and hospit (i.e. garb to be borrowed by newcomers).

[redacted]

The Chirurgeon is responsible for first aid and safety at events.

[redacted]

The Chronicler is responsible for the production and publication of the Baronial newsletter, *Griffintayle*.

Constable / see Reeve

The Constable is the primary safety officer at an event, the collector of indemnities, and to administer lost property.

[redacted]

The Hospitaller works on the recruitment and retention of new members to the Barony.

[redacted]

The Herald is responsible for acting as the voice of the Baron and Baroness, and for assisting in registering names and devices with the College of Arms.

[redacted]

The Keeper of the Lists organises, and keeps track of the results of the various martial competitions in the Barony.

[redacted]

The Marshal is responsible for martial activities in the Barony.

[redacted]

The Captain of Archers manages the Baronial rapier activities.

[redacted]

The Reeve is responsible for managing the financial reporting of the Barony (i.e. the group treasurer).

[redacted]

This Virtual Town Crier is responsible for drafting and updating Baronial website content.

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The Webwright maintains the Baronial website.

Canton of Torlyon Seneschal / Alex the Potter

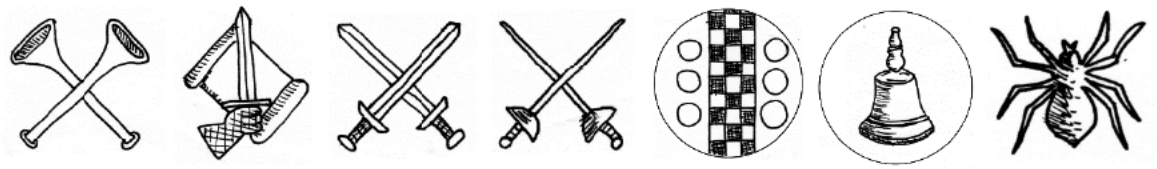
The Seneschal of the Canton of Torlyon is the group president for the Yass, NSW chapter of the Barony.

St Aldhelm Seneschal / Elena Versare

The Seneschal of the College of St Aldhelm is the group president for the Australian National University chapter of the Barony.

St Andronicus Seneschal / Mathildis de Heriz

The Seneschal of the College of St Andronicus is the group president for the University of Canberra chapter of the Barony.



About the Barony

The Barony of Politarchopolis is based in Canberra, Australia, and is part of the Kingdom of Lochac. Part of the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA), we are an educational, non-profit organisation dedicated to the study and re-creation of all aspects of life in pre-17th-century medieval and renaissance society.

The primary communication point for the Barony is the Politarchopolis email list, which you may wish to subscribe to if you'd like to receive official announcements and information on upcoming events and activities.

For more information about the Barony of Politarchopolis, see the group website. You may also wish to read more about the SCA in general.

The Barony is quite active on social media, including Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. You may wish to join the Barony of Politarchopolis Facebook group, @SCAPolit Twitter page, @SCAPolit Instagram page, Politarchopolis Archers Facebook Group, Politarchopolis Fencers Facebook group and/or Politarchopolis Combat Training Facebook group.

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