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BARONY OF POLITARCHOPOLIS SEPTEMBER AS LVIII

CALENDAR OF WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

- **Third Monday of the Month**
  8pm
  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

Greeting Politarchopolans,

We've been travelling a plenty and just about to leave for the Spring Crown Tournament in the Shire of Adora. August saw us visit Radburne War, where the battles were plentiful and we awarded Katrijn Van Delden and Terrence of Radburne the Griffin's wing in recognition of their hospitality and care they show towards our populace during each of the 14 times they have running this event, Closer to home we enjoyed the market day, welcoming all and meeting several newcomers at their first ever sca experience. The weekend after that we travelled again to the Strathcorbie leg of the Politarchopolis Grand tour, with fencing and armoured combat for all comers. The average attendee had driven over two hours, with visitors from Saint Florian, Stormhold, Bordescros, Politarchopolis and Krae Glas. We awarded Griffin's Wings to Mathilde de Lilburne and James Douglas for their continuous commitment to hospitality. For several decades, wayfarers travelling between the East Coast and Innilgard have found a safe place to rest on this arduous journey. Most often it is when they are on their way to an event within our Barony such as FoG. Back at home, we witnessed an excellent baronial armoured combatant championship, with Jarl Thorolfr taking over duties, sash, tabard, and sword from retiring champion
Mistress Alesia. It was wonderful to see the experienced hands and the newly authorised members of the barony fighting with such vigour. A Burly Griffin, Martial was awarded to Mistress Alesia for her consistent training of newcomers and commitment to the Barony's armoured combat trainings. Join her at the pell one Baronial Sunday and learn the art! Griffin Eggs were awarded to Evie and Eleanor for their constant grace patiently waiting for mum and dad to finish hitting people with sticks and assisting us with errands and holding our banners.

The next month sees King Ratbot and Queene katherine's heirs chosen, with a number of Politarchopolans contesting. Short odds could be made for places 1-4 being from our fair Barony! We wish you all good hunting. For the last two weeks of September your Baronage will disappear to the warm climes to explore the coastline north of Riverhaven to simply stop and rest for a while. We have checked and cannot fit a whole Barony in our luggage. We hope that you all enjoy your month, and make quality medieval items, music, or moods.

Yours in Service

Baron Ysambart and Baroness Tigre

Politarchopolis Baronial Meetings 2023

During the December Baronial Meeting there was a discussion about whether to continue with Zoom Meetings or go back to Face to Face meetings at the Hall on a Sunday Afternoon
The meeting decided that a combination of the two would be trialled .

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 16th via Zoom at 8pm	**February** 12th at Ainslie Hall at 2.30pm	March 20th via Zoom at 8pm	April 24th via Zoom at 8pm Due to Festival
May 21st at Ainslie Hall at 2.30pm	June 19th via Zoom at 8pm	July 17th via Zoom at 8pm	August 20th at Ainslie Hall at 2.30pm
September 17th at Ainslie Hall at 2.30	October 16th via Zoom at 8pm	**November** 20th at Ainslie Hall at 2.30pm	Dercember 11th via Zoom at 8pm





Please join us on FaceBook for more information and copies of the activity sheets. https://www.facebook.com/groups/thegriffinsnest

The Griffin's Nest is a place for the young and young at heart to go to learn new skills and make things to enjoy the SCA.
Each month there will be different activities planned for our younger members.

If you would like to help keep the Nest full and fun then please contact the Baronial Youth Officer for more details on how to.



Spring Hunt

October 21st

159 Millynn Road Bungendore NSW 2621

The Barony of Politarchopolis invites you to a day of archery and combat activities at the Spring Hunt!
Fully catered! Bring gear for target archery, blunt archery, rapier, heavy and light war combat. 9am site opens, 10am activities kick off, 12:30pm lunch, 5pm baronial court, 6pm feast, 10pm close.

Cost:
Adult member $30
Child members free.
Non-member adult add $10.
Child non-member $5.

Booking details are available on the Polit website: https://politarchopolis.lochac.sca.org/

Fields of Gold XI

Politarchopolis, 24-26 November

Join the Barony of Politarchopolis for a weekend of fighting, feasting, learning and more! Fields of Gold is back for the 11th year and we can't wait for you to join us!

Bookings will open later in the year.

LOCATION

Camp Cottermouth, 1435 Cotter Rd, Stromlo ACT 2611

PRICE

Prices will be consistent with 2022 (website update inprogress)

CONTACT

Steward: Semeon Dragon
Steward contact: polit.fieldsofgold@gmail.com

Bookings Close: 13 November

Polit Demos

Queanbeyan Medieval Fair
Politarchopolis will be going to the Queanbeyan Medieval Fair 23-24th September.
I will have some more details and requests for volunteers next week. I am hoping we can put together various combat and craft demonstrations as well as having displays of cool medieval stuff!
I know it's short notice and the weekend before Spring war but it would be great to have a good turnout and display.

Steward: Sir Kitan Von Falkenburg

St John's Community Fair
Again Politarchopolis have been invited to participate in the annual St John's Community Fair on Saturday October 14th.
The Barony will be putting on regular demonstrations of Armoured Combat and Rapier fighting in the List Field. There will also be displays of all things SCA in the information Tent. And this year there will be a Medieval Pie Shop

Look to the Facebook Pages for more details .



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.

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.

This year there is a small change to the payment of the Hall fees to line it up with the payments that we make to the Les Explorateurs Scouts who manage the Hall. This means that Hall fees are now from;

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

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

• Weekly	$ 5.00
• Monthly	$ 13.50
• Quarterly	$ 40.00
• Annually	$160.00

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



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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.

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

Kingdom Events

Spring Crown Tournament AS 58

The event details are:
Event: Lochac Spring Crown 2023

Hosted by the Shire of Adora

Dates: Friday 1st September 2023 to Sunday 3rd September 2023

Where: Robertson Showground, 2315 Kangaloon Road, Robertson, NSW 2577

Further event and pricing information https://adora.lochac.sca.org/crown/

Spring Coronation AS 58

The event details are:
Event: Lochac Spring Coronation 2023

Hosted by the Barony of Rowany

Come join us to say farewell Quene katherine and King Ratbot, the 42nd Crown of Lochac and to celebrate the incoming 43rd Crown of Lochac to be hosted in the fair Barony of Rowany on the 11th of November .

Where Riverwood Community Centre, 151 Belmore Rd North, Riverwood NSW 2210 Australia

Steward: Altani Khaligu [redacted]

Booking email: SpringCoronation2023@gmail.com