

From The Tower



Barony of Southron Gaard

August A.S. LII
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Chronic Ramblings

Welcome to another From The Tower

I got a wee surprise in the mail this month, FTT and The Honourable Lady Aveline Goupil's article about the Wildmoor hunt were nominated for the Master William Blackfox Awards and we have received our certificates (see below).



Yours, in service to Southron Gaard,

Eleanora

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Kingdom of Lochac



King and Queen Ariston I and Lilavati I

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Their Excellencies Speak



Greetings All,

It was Our great pleasure last weekend to attend the Coronation of King Steffan II and Queen Branwen II in Cluain along with so many others from Southron Gaard and around the Kingdom. Seeing everyone come together to put on and enjoy this event in such a fantastic venue was very heartwarming to Us. We certainly enjoyed Ourselves and we hope that everyone, particularly the outgoing and incoming Crowns did as well. Our thanks go to the stewards, Baroness Alexandra and Master Grim, their team of excellent helpers and to Our hosts and Cousins, Baron Rudiger and Baroness Alyenora.

We were also able to finally welcome in person THL Hadrian and THL Ydeneya de Baillencourt to Our Barony. Hadrian and Ydeneya have relocated with their family from Aneala and bring many virtues and skills with them. We are very pleased they have decided to move to this part of the Kingdom.

We are also very pleased to see all of the events on the upcoming calendar. As well as the monthly tournaments we have the Fiery Knights Tournament, hosted by Lord Raffé de Massard, in just a couple of weeks and then in September a feast in Wildmoor and a fine revel. November will see the Royal Ball and event in Gildenwick on the first weekend and then a camping event on Show Weekend, followed by St Catherine's in Ildhafn where it's expected their new Baron and Baroness will be invested.

We would like to encourage everyone to provide their thoughts on how the Barony is going, and what We can do to improve the experience for all by responding to the Baronial Survey at their earliest convenience. We are of course available for informal chats at any time but the survey process allows everyone to have their say anonymously and gives us, the Seneschal and Council valuable information about what we should be focussing on.

Long Live King Steffan and Queen Branwen!

In Service to the Crown,

Richard and Ginevra

Baron and Baroness, Southron Gaard

From the Officers

Seneschal's column

Greetings All,

Since beginning in the role of seneschal, I've spent a lot of time poring over some of the Kingdom's written documents, especially the resources available via the Lochac Seneschal page (if you're curious, you can check these out for yourself at <http://lochac.sca.org/seneschal/docs.htm#resources>).

One of these documents I've been reading has a phrase in it that particularly struck me, namely, 'People won't continue to participate in an activity without some reason'.

People who attend events, trainings, Stuff Nights, or Council meetings are all there because... they want to be. There are things that they feel are rewarding enough to spend their time on, even when it's work.

When it comes to attracting and keeping new people and other aspects of group building, both in the traditional 'core' of the Barony and in the Hamlets, we all need to be thinking about why people would choose to spend their time on SCA activities rather than the myriad of competing ways to amuse themselves (*cough* Netflix! *cough*). Or, instead of just thinking, we could ask them (such as via the Baronial Survey, which was opened this month! (<http://sg.sca.org.nz/survey.shtml>)).

To grow, we need to identify what attracts people to the SCA, and also what would encourage them to increase their engagement. Opportunities then need to be provided for them to do so, via local events (for the Hamlets as well as the Barony's main city), by being asked to help out and given the opportunity to do so, by being reminded that they too have a voice and a stake in the group, by demonstrating you don't have to live in Christchurch to be a group officer, event steward, or assist with a key event such as Canterbury Faire.

Growth also requires a space to grow into. The concept of a 'space' in the SCA may seem initially obvious... a role that needs filling, for example. A regular event that has not yet attracted a steward. People to clean up after an event. We usually have little shortage of spaces that need filling. No, I'm looking at the spaces that appear to have been filled some time ago, and into which newer members or those on the periphery find it difficult to inject their own visions, their own concepts of what the SCA is, and their own interpretation of the Dream.

Attracting and keeping new members ultimately enriches the game for us all. It gives those of us who have been here a while a reminder of why we started playing in the first place, and why we keep coming back. Because we all had a reason to start, and I hope that by focusing on recruitment and retention, we will find new reasons to keep doing this crazy thing we all love so much.

En Service,

Aveline Goupil

chronicler wanted

Almost two years ago I offered to fill in as chronicler, then finding that I quite enjoyed the role decided to fill it for a term. Now this opportunity is available to YOU. Necessary skills include good grasp of English, working in a desktop publishing application, & time management. Contact me at chronicler@sg.lochac.sca.org if you'd like to find out if this might suit you.

Arts and Sciences

stuff night

First Tuesday of each month from 7pm to 9.30pm

Avice Hill Community Centre Activities Room at **395 Memorial Avenue, Burnside** in the front room.

Donations towards venue rental to lessen the direct cost to the Barony are welcomed, and a donation box will be available. A light supper will be provided.

arts on sunday

Redwood Scout Hall, 20 Sturrocks Road

Sundays, 11am

The Hall is open and has power, water and loads of space so just bring whatever you're working on. Every third Sunday of the month Fibre Guild has its meeting (see below). Other guilds and groups are welcome to use this time and space – please contact the Arts and Sciences officer first.

fibre guild

Usually the third Sunday of the Month at 11:00 am in the Redwood Scout Hall. Bring what you're working on, any new resources to share etc.

The Lochac Fibre Guild has an email list at <http://lochac.sca.org/mailman/listinfo/fibreguild> and webpage at <http://fibre.lochac.sca.org/> which features a monthly “award cord” tutorial. The Southron Gaard ‘branch’ has a Yahoo group list at https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/SG_String/info.

Have you ever wanted to run a class or A&S activity, but haven't before? Would you like to try? Do you sometimes teach but would like to trial a new class or do a dry run before teaching more widely? Have a neat idea for a Baronial project or activity? Now welcoming all applications to run fun classes or activities either on Sundays or for Stuff Night. Have a go!

Contact Lady Cecily de Montgomery on arts@sg.lochac.sca.org

From the Knight Marshal

Greetings all,

Aren't we thankful for the cosy Scout hall at fighter practise each Sunday, while the archery field is not so enticing on these Winter days. The archery gear is always at practise, so pop in for a shoot any time the sun is out. Monthly tourneys have been generally popular, with Sir Ratbot and his absent consort victorious in the heavy tourney. Lord Darius and absent consort won the archery tourney. There has been a suggestion that fighters fight for the favour of whoever is watching the tourneys, so that the inspirational consort tokens can be awarded more often. There was quite a lot of discussion about the appropriateness of casual consorts, but we do this in fighter auction tourneys for example. Each fighter can negotiate with their consort about this personal decision, or if looking for a consort, take the opportunity to try the inspirational merits of some different tourney spectators.

I hanker for a bit of war, and while the occasional heavy melee and combat archery is exciting, I remember the days when I was in a stable fighting unit with impressive heraldry, and when running away was a valid tactical manoeuvre – because winning was important. There are substantial benefits and camaraderie from fighting with a familiar team; practising together creates a fighting unit more effective than the individuals in it. If people can put together units of at least 4 and preferably 6 fighters, including at least one archer, then I am happy to arrange a venue for a day or weekend.

In service,

Brian

Introducing our new Reeve

Hi, I'm Lisa the new SG reeve. I have been playing in the SCA and attending Canterbury Faire since about 2007 when I returned to Christchurch. I spent a year as the treasurer of Ordo Cygni, and this year I had my first trip over to festival and had a great time. In my mundane life I have been an accountant since 2004.



Upcoming Events

Southron Gaard's Fiery Nights Mid-Winter Gathering As LII

Come gather together this night of August 12th under the stars to enjoy an evening of fiery delights, displays, tourneys, hearty fare and company!

Raffe & Melisande Demassard,

133 McHughs Road, Mandeville, North Canterbury.

Take the first exit to the left off the Main Northern Highway (Tram Road exit), just over the Waimakariri Bridge. Continue left and down Tram Road for 10km, when you reach Mandeville turn left down McHughs Road and the residence is 200m along, look for the white post-and-rail fence.

From **2pm on Saturday 12th August** an afternoon and evening of:

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|--|---|
| i. Rapier | viii. Setting up a brew kit |
| ii. Archery | ix. Making leather 1/2 Gauntlets (materials supplied) |
| iii. Baronial Court | x. Fire starting class – without matches |
| iv. The inaugural SG Fiery Heavy Tourney | xi. Preparing a rabbit stew over an open fire (practical hands on), and |
| v. Flaming Trebuchet & Archery display | xii. shield painting (for loaner shields) |
| vi. Bonfire e.g. spit-roast repast | |
| vii. Wood working by Lord Lowrens | |

And many other activities to interest & entertain you. Timetable to follow soon.

event fees

Adult - repast catered	\$25	Adult – self-catered	\$15
Child (5-12yrs old) - repast catered	\$10	Child - under 5yrs	Free

[Book online](#) by Friday 11 August to be included in the catering or just turn up.

things to note and BRing

The gathering will take place in the fields surrounding the main dwelling. Pavilions will be set up providing areas for relaxation and you are encouraged to bring as many items as you will for your comfort and enjoyment, such as:

- Sturdy & watertight footwear
- Chairs, rugs, furs, cloaks (it will be cold – or just stand closer to a brazier!)
- Lanterns, candles etc.
- Games & entertainments

For more information contact Lord Raffe de Massard at thegilmores@slingshot.co.nz.

Wildmoor Rustic Repast



Join the Hamlet of Wildmoor at a Rustic Repast.

Saturday 16th September, 5.30pm - 11pm (site close)

East Otago Smallbore Rifle Club,

61 Victoria Rd, South Dunedin

Adult Feast:	\$21
Child Feast (5-12 years):	\$15
Adult off board:	\$5
Child off board (5-12 years):	\$2
Under 5s:	Free

Please add \$2 for all attendees who are 18 years or older and not members of the Society of Creative Anachronism NZ.

Please contact THL Aveline Goupil at wheeles76@gmail.com to book.

Bookings close Friday 8th September.

Gildenwick Royal Visit

Come spend a relaxing afternoon with Their Majesties in the Hamlet of Gildenwick (Nelson, NZ). A picnic lunch of pies and small goods, followed by a heavy tourney, showing off the hospitality of the Hamlet of Gildenwick.

The Green in front of Isel House,
Hilliard St, Stoke, Nelson 7011, New Zealand
Sunday 5th November 2017,
Gates Open 11am, Closes 4pm

Adult \$13 (non-members add \$2)
Children \$7

Please contact Þorvaldr inn Suðreyski
thorald.englison@gmail.com to book.

Bookings close **Sunday 29th October 2017**



Canterbury Faire – only two weeks away... again

Canterbury Faire 2018 will be held at the Boys Brigade Waipara Adventure Centre on the Saturday January 20th to Sunday January 28th.

1) BOOKINGS ARE NOW OPEN

Canterbury Faire bookings are now open. The Booking form, and a summary of currently confirmed information is available at the CF Webpage: <http://sg.sca.org.nz/cf/>

2) CONFIRMED FEAST NIGHT AND COOKS

Mistress Taddea and Dama Antonia have agreed to run the feast for CF2018 on the Wednesday night of Faire. This promises to be an amazing occasion, as ever. The Peerless kitchen reunited! Feast tickets are limited. There will also be an alternate meal that people can book for the night of the feast.

3) HALF CIRCLE THEATRE RETURNS

Once again, Mistress Katherine Kerr and Master Bartholemew Baskin of the Hermitage are organising entertainments for the populace on the Thursday night of Faire.

4) VOLUNTEERS MAKE THE SOCIETY GREAT

And we've already had a number for CF tasks. If you would like to volunteer for service during Faire, I'm always happy to hear from you. Even better if you want to take on some aspect of pre-event organisation.

<http://sg.sca.org.nz/cf/staff.shtml>

Please take a moment to reflect on the virtue of the people helping out with the event, without them it wouldn't happen. If you'd like to join their number, please reply to this missive off list by contacting the steward at Cfstewards@gmail.com



Artisans' tent at Faire, ©S Hindin

5) Book now! Book Often!

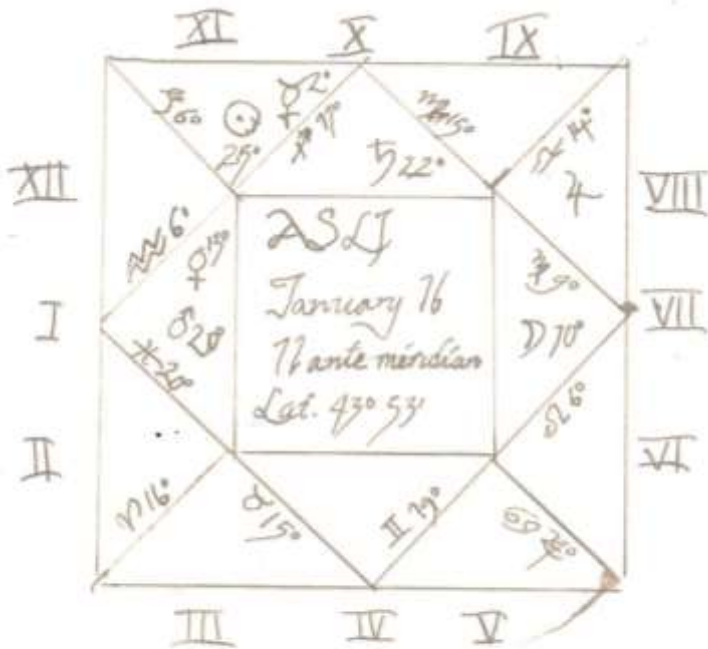
If you have any questions please feel free to reach out to me or Sir Ratbod, the Booking Steward who will no doubt be doing much more work than me for the next few days.

Yours in Service,

Pan Maximilian von Monsterberg,
Head Steward for Canterbury Faire Anno Societatis Two Score and Twelve.

Horary Chart for the Barony of Southron Gaard

in the tenure of Richard & Ginebra, Baron & Baroness
from the 11th hour on the xvith day of January, AS LI



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Whereas the Rising Sign is in Pisces in the xxth degree well dignified for believers of Uncommon Things living in dreams of their own creation, thus most suited to those governing such a world. An it avoid undue negativity, the Barony will thrive through the Inspired Creativity of its members. The Sun lies well aspected in Capricorn signifying those who willingly give of themselves. Of Colours he ruleth the colour of Gold and Scarlet or clear Red; those dignified by him are found in the Courts of Kings and Dining-Rooms. He sees long progress towards goals requiring Duty and Effort; those who take this part will succeed through persistence.

The Moon is in trine with the Sun and Venus, indicating heightened Artisanishp and Craft of all kinds. Those with this aspect take pleasure in works of Divers Nature and Creation, tampering with many Trades. She signifies the strength of all manner of Women. Venus in Pisces warns of Privy Fantasies that may shadow the day to day but is countered by Mercury in Capricorn where practicality reigns through a Politik Brain. She promotes the keeping of merry company and honest meetings. Mars resides in Pisces stirring those who work behind the scenes; beware of stooping to Deception and develop Honour to turn away this Vice. In feats of War and Courage, Mars in the 1st House is invincibility and action, countering the indecisiveness Jupiter imparts in

Libra. The latter supports efforts to balance the opinion of others but warns of being overly willing to compromise. Saturn in Sagittarius speaks of respect for those in Authority, strengthening the Great Chain of Being and supporting the Law.

In short, goodly aspects govern those who govern well.

Katherine Kerr of the Hermitage, in the Crescent Isles,

Barony of Southron Gaard, Kingdom of Lochac

August Calendar

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
	1 Stuff night	2	3	4	5	6 A&S Heavy Combat Rapier Archery
7	8	9 Council Meeting	10	11	12 Fiery Knights	13 A&S Heavy Combat Rapier Archery
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 A&S: Fibre Guild Heavy Combat Rapier Archery
21	22	23	24	25 FTT submissions due	26	27 A&S Heavy Combat Rapier Archery
28	29	30	31			

MARTIAL PRACTICES

Armoured Combat

Sundays 10am–noon in the park by Redwood Scout Hall.

Tourney days

First Sunday of the month as announced

Rapier

Sundays from 2pm in the park by Redwood Scout Hall

Archery

Fine Sundays at Northcote School grounds, meet at Redwood Scout Hall.
archers@sg.lochac.sca.org

ARTS & SCIENCES

A&S on Sunday

A&S space, **Sundays** from 11am in Redwood Scout Hall – bring your projects to work on. Every third Sunday of the month **Fibre Guild** is held here.

Stuff Night: first Tuesday of the month from 7pm at Avic Hill Community Centre. Topics or projects are announced on SG list and Facebook.

UCMRS Dance

Mondays 7pm -8:30pm in KF08. Kirkwood Village.

ORGANISATIONAL MEETINGS

Council Meetings

Second Wednesday of the month, from 7:30pm.
 – details posted to the SG list.

All welcome

Baronial Open Homes

Informal, un-garbed, social activity to allow people to chat about projects, the SCA and life in general, share a pot-luck meal and maybe watch a video.

September Calendar

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
				1	2	3 A&S Heavy Combat Rapier Archery
4	5 Stuff night	6	7	8	9	10 A&S Heavy Combat Rapier Archery
11	12	13 Council Meeting	14	15	16 Wildmoor Rustic Repast	17 A&S: Fibre Guild Heavy Combat Rapier Archery
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 A&S Heavy Combat Rapier Archery
25 FTT submissions due	26	27	28	29	30	

Southron Gaard Regnum

Being a list of the current Baronial Officers and their official email addresses.

*** Seeking replacement:** see vacancies page for details.

Baron & Baroness: Richard d'Allier &
Ginevra di Serafino Visconti
Seneschal: Aveline Goupil
Tour d'Or Herald: Fiora Vespucci
Reeve: Lisa Butler
Knight Marshal: Brian di Caffa
Arts & Sciences: Cecily Montgomery
Chronicler: Eleanora van den Bogaerde
Chatelaine: Hadrian de Listrille
Chirurgeon: Leonhart Hunt
Constable: Raffe de Massard
Crescents Officer: Csperka
Librarian: Ginevra di Serafino Visconti
Quartermaster: Raffe de Massard
Web scribe: Ginevra di Serafino Visconti
Captain of Archers: **Vacant***
Captain of Rapier: James of Southron Gaard
Lists Officer: Melisande de Massard

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nelson hamlet

Fiora Vespucci (Fiona) HeraldRadish@gmail.com

other scanz groups

Auckland – Barony of Ildhafn
<http://ildhafn.lochac.sca.org>

Hamilton - Canton of Cluain
<http://cluain.lochac.sca.org>

Wellington - Shire of Darton
<http://darton.lochac.sca.org>

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Subscribing Membership

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1 Year with E-Pegasus*	\$ 15.00
3 Years with E-Pegasus	\$ 30.00

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Event Membership

For all non-members aged 18 years or over attending an event. Event membership lasts for the duration of that event only and is not sufficient to hold office or fight in Crown Tournament etc.

If the event has a cost, and it is not held by a College, the levy will be charged.

Per event \$ 2.00

For further information visit the official SCA(NZ) Inc. website at:

www.sca.org.nz



Society for Creative Anachronism (New Zealand) Inc.

Membership application

If you prefer, you can use the online membership form linked from <http://sca.org.nz/membership.php>

☐ New Membership ☐ Renewal ☐ Replacement card ☐ Change of information

Please print clearly. All information must be legible and filled out correctly for your membership to be processed.
Please fill out one form per person.

Today's Date: _____ Membership number: _____

First Name: _____ Family Name: _____

Postal Address: _____ Suburb: _____

City: _____ Post code: _____ Occupation: * _____

*We are required to collect and keep your occupation on file by the Incorporated Societies Act 1908.

Telephone number (Home) _____ (Mobile) _____

Email: _____ Tick if under 18: ☐

Tick if you prefer to receive all future communications from us via post rather than via email: ☐

Society Name (if any): _____

Group name (closest geographical Barony, Shire, etc.): _____

Membership type and duration:	1 year	3 years
Membership + e-Pegasus (PDF) **	<input type="checkbox"/> \$15	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30
Membership + posted print Pegasus	<input type="checkbox"/> \$40	<input type="checkbox"/> \$105
Replacement for lost card	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	

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Payment Method: ☐ Cheque Enclosed ☐ Internet Banking

I declare that the information given is true and correct:

Signed (please use legal name): _____

Payment information:

- Please do not post cash. Sorry, we are unable to accept credit card payments.
- **Paying by cheque:** make cheques payable to Society for Creative Anachronism (NZ) Inc.
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If you have queries about this form or your membership, please feel free to contact the Registrar, Elizabeth Kent, at registrar@sca.org.nz. For urgent matters, phone the Registrar at (03) 960 0452 between the hours of 9am-9pm.

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Southron Gaard Council Minutes

July 2017

Date: *Wednesday, July 12 2017, 7:30pm*

Physical Meeting Location: *No physical meeting this month*

Attendees: Richard, James, Aveline, Lisa, Thorald, Eleanora, Lowrens, Brian, Elisabetta, Agnes. Cecily. Raffe, Ginevra. Max. Sigurd (late)

1) Provisional minutes from June meeting

Moved by James to accept. Seconded by Richard. Accepted.

2) Business Arising

a. Proposed second storage container at CF - update

No updates. James had a chat with Raffe about it, more about costs. Raffe hasn't had any replies from Ildhafn or Darton seneschals about this as yet. Aveline will chat with people about it at coronation.

b. Baronial Serving Ware – update (supplied via email from Mistress Katherine)

The Australian supplier is packing our shipment and plans to send it out in the next week or so. Master Dimitri is happy to store it until Bartholomew and I can pick it up from Brisbane in October; this routing saves us paying Australian GST and high trans-Tasman shipping charges (there may be \$60-120 if we incur baggage charges).

I have asked the supplier for banking info so we can do a bank transfer, as well as an itemised invoice. Still waiting on that. I will send the info through as soon as I get it and would be grateful if that can be done promptly to facilitate the shipping.

I also purchased 8 pitchers from a local supplier and have submitted the invoice for payment to me.

(Updated shortly before meeting): Invoice for \$1800, NZD has arrived. Katherine will pay by credit card and get reimbursed.

Aveline asked if the reimbursement could be processed, James said that Ginevra had put through the payment request. James authorised.

c. Royal Visit – date changed to 4th/5th Nov

Aveline advised that the visit had been pushed out 1 week since our last meeting.

d. Bank Accesses – Aveline and Lisa

Aveline has bank account access and can view payments. Lisa has put in her forms and Ginevra was to set up the online bank access. James authorised.

e. SG Banners to Coronation

Raffe has yet to get some back from Max and Kotek (from Yule) and then they have to be sent still. Try to get those tomorrow and sent off tomorrow or Friday.

f. Boxes quotes for garb

Deferred to next meeting. Cecily mentioned Systema products as they are consistent.

g. Discussion document re CF Committee

Aveline advised she'd forgotten about this and was putting it on her to-do list.

3) Officer reports

a. B&B

- Attended Yule and adapted ceremony for people to swear Fealty.
- Attended Monthly Tourney.
- Made cushions (with tassels) for thrones. Taught class on tassel making
- Remade Augmentations for kneeling cushions, and found volunteer to attach them (Thanks, Christial!)
- Conversations with HRH and Seneschal about Royal visit
- Conversations about GST and Baronial Poll
- Conversations about Pentathlon

b. Seneschal

- The Q4 2017 financial report was completed a day or so after the last council meeting, and has since been accepted by the SCANZ treasurer and Kingdom Exchequer.
- New functionality has been added to the seneschals membership view to show us our 'recruitment and retention' information.
- Extensive discussions with the SCANZ committee, SCANZ treasurer, and various other people about SG needing to register for GST. A draft action plan has been put in place, Baronial documents to be updated identified, a FAQ for the populace has been started, and investigations into the services of a tax agent have begun.
- Conversation with the SG Chirurgion regarding the duties of the role.
- Conversations with their Excellencies, and sundry members of the populace regarding the upcoming Royal visit.
- Communication with the event stewards for Yule and Firey Nights.
- Some questions from the SCANZ treasurer re Wildmoor's chocolate fundraising last financial year.
- An application was received for the Chatelaine role.
- The SCANZ treasurer noted that the Boys Brigade camp was not charging 15% GST on their invoices. I got in touch with them about this and they have resolved that issue for future events.
- Lord James undertook the Q1 reporting for the barony, as handover had not yet occurred with Lisa.

c. Reeve

Balances - \$21,737.73 in main account, \$2,840.80 in 03 account.

Money in for Yule

Money out for :Yule, Sunday Hall, Stuff night Hall, CF16 delayed payments, Kingdom Levies and Event memberships for 16-17 Financial year, Bows and Tea-towels as previously approved.

We hadn't paid for the hall since last October, part of the problem with this was the Scouts going to their new system and emails were going to James junk folder. He then called them

and sorted that out and that's why there was such a large chunk. Levy's were about \$1400-ish. Delayed reimbursements for CF16 were for the repast, tokens + one other thing.

Cecily said that stuff night was due to problems she was having with council and other issues. James advised that the payments were up to date. Cecily wasn't getting the invoices, they only email them when overdue. Cecily thinks they need to go directly to the reeve.

Lisa requested by Aveline to work with Cecily on that.

d. Herald

Not received

e. Chirurgeon

Not received

f. Constable

Nothing from Yule.

g. Chronicler

F'TT came out on time, expecting a package in the mail about William Blackfox award. We might have won something. We might get a certificate. Eleanora will start gathering materials for the next edition after Coronation.

Richard requested that a summary of the EOY financial report into F'TT. James will work with Lisa to have that prepared by the 25th June.

h. Quartermaster

Went up to CF site yesterday afternoon to repair our container roof and caught up with Stuart. Good news, they have had 70 truckloads of dirt given to them and will use this across the site (especially in new war field and Heorot/Green Dragon areas) to improve the areas we use. They are also going to plant lawn seed. They have dug up the water pipes (under the same areas) and put them 600mm underground so we won't have the problem of hitting them with tent pegs again. Have also solved the problems with the A frame over flowing toilets.

Electrician has been in to look at main oven and it's working fine now. But, Stuart advised to "prompt" William in December to have them all checked to make sure they are working before we arrive. Raffie thinks we need to take the Baronial ovens as well for Faire. Max would also be well advised (with Raffie) to check with site in December about getting the ovens checked.

Some local hooligans have damaged the panels on the new fort so will need some repair. We'll need a working bee later this year. Brian asked for raised area behind the walls. Raffie suggested a discussion with the fighters about this.

Tui C & D will be ready for use as class rooms but probably not the toilet block in between. These are the two buildings that were up on piles last Faire. Site wants to have the room next to the kitchen as a dining room.

James (mong organiser hat) asked about the BBQ in the shelter. Raffé wasn't sure that would be done between now and next CF. Raffé thinks we can ask for this to be done/push it. James will think about it and get back to us.

Lots of sorting out of Gas list field parts, Bonfire built for FN - bout 3 meters high at this stage.

Will and Kotek borrowed stuff for Yule - being returned in next couple of days.

Banners heading north to Cluain by the end of the week.

i. Knight Marshall/Acting Captain of Archers

- Pleased that Hadrian is looking to be Chatelaine.
- Usually 4-6 heavy fighters at training. Anna has been authorised and fought her first monthly tournament. Ursula, and Chunegund turn up occasionally and make use of the loaner gear. Newbies Luke, Elisabeth, Victoria and Essy turned up to check out or try the fighting and archery. Luke returned, haven't seen Victoria or Elisabeth again, Essy came just this past week, though he is only 16.
- Ran a round robin tourney for the monthly tourney, with 5 entrants: Sir Ratbod (winner with consort absent), Baron Richard, Brian, James, Gessla (Anna). Iuliana ran lists. Richard was Marshal with Rat and Brian as deputy marshals. There was a suggestion that fighters negotiate with their consorts to get permission to fight for the favour of whoever is present at the tourneys, so that the inspirational consort token can be awarded more often
- Archery has not been held every week due to colder weather. Attempted to start some archery maintenance workshops, but only the usual people turned up, and they are capable of maintaining their own equipment. 5 archers in the monthly tourney. TAM was Baron Richard. Competing were Brian, Gessla, Darius (winner with consort absent), Ceallach, Sunny.
- Scouts have been using the hall from 1pm preparing for a show, but arriving well before this, though it has not been a problem. Heavy combat starts wrapping up around midday when rapier people arrive, or else keeps going. We can also return archery gear to the cupboard later in the afternoon during the Scout rehearsals.

j. Captain of Rapier

Attendance has been down recently due to weather/sickness etc, transport has been an issue. Usually only James and 1-2 others. James will be away for the next 6 weekends, will try to get people to go without him.

He has begun construction on the rapiers.

k. Arts and Sciences

Not a lot to report this month. There was a problem with the invoices as mentioned earlier, the city council is difficult to work with. Cecily will book as early as possible for next year.

Stuff night was lightly attended this month, maybe due to weather. Lots of entrants for the pentathlon/blog. Go look at the blog!

A&S survey for Costanzia/money stuff.

l. Web scribe

- Talked with Fi the Fabulous about CMS migration. There is a plan.
- Made GST page, made baronial poll page
- Updated Pentathlon page on website, Regnum, Calendar
- Kept mailing lists Spam free
- Filled in a survey by Kingdom Web about Social Media. Kingdom wanted to know more about social media groups and if they were focused or general. Also surveying guilds etc. Will tell us about this at some point.

4) Hamlet reports

a. Gildenwick

No report received

b. Wildmoor

Keep trying to meet up for banner making but meetings keep being cancelled by one person or another.

5) Event Reports

a. Yule 2017

Yule attendees:

There were 69 Attendees. These included:

4 Comped Adults (1 Steward, 1 Cook, B&B)

3 Children (1 of whom was under 5, and we didn't pay the site for)

PAID ATTENDEES:

42 Full Rate Adults for Feast

13 Community Service Rate adults for Feast

2 Child Rate for Feast

6 Off board rate adults (4 of whom did extensive kitchen service, 1 who was waitlisted for feast (didn't get in), 1 new member that day tripped)

There were about 10 people who took advantage of the option to stay overnight.

KINGDOM LEVY:

I count either: 61 or 65 Kingdom Levies owed. (Variance: If we need to pay Kingdom Levy for the comped B&B, Steward and Cook)

EVENT MEMBERSHIP FEES:

20 Event Memberships were collected on behalf of SCANZ

Expenses:

1 \$ 8 Shop	\$10.00
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Bin Inn	\$13.56
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Pak N Save 1	\$66.16
Guruji Indian	\$51.96
Pak N Save 2	\$162.61
Maihan	\$115.12
Frozen Direct	\$71.40
Mad Butcher - Shirley	\$17.12
Spotlight	\$2.97
Pak N Save Friday	204.68
Pak N Save Mushrooms	50.63
Dry-cleaning	110

What a Catch Fish Market 160.24

Total Receipted costs (Not including site, and Kingdom levy) \$1036.45

Site Hire cost (Rimu Park, 68 * \$9.50) - \$646

SCANZ Levy \$105 (65 Kingdom Travel, + 20*2 for Event Memberships) (No GST Number listed on Invoice, not able to be claimed)

TOTAL COST: 1787.45 including \$48.06 of GST

TOTAL REVENUE COLLECTED: \$2106

GROSS PROFIT (Revenue Less Cost) : \$318.55

GST Collected (If price treated as GST Inclusive): $(\text{Revenue} / 23 * 20) = 274.70$

GST Liability of Event: \$226.63 needs to be reserved for GST.

NET PROFIT After Tax: \$91.92

Notes: If Rimu Park is GST registered, this significantly affects the amount of GST we can claim as paid, but their invoice doesn't indicate they are.

Health and safety:

No injuries were reported as happening at the event.

The option to stay on site was well received.

Kotek's recommendation is to take the Baronial ovens next time. (We chose not to, and regretted the choice.)

Kotek thought we could potentially seat more people, up to 80 ticketed people for feast. (This would require more kitchen helpers, and more ovens, which the barony has)

Absolute highlights:

Melissa Wijffels and Nathanael d'Avranches volunteered to give up their spots at Feast to assist in the kitchen. They were amazing in the kitchen, and they also baked the bread for the event pre-event and refused reimbursement for costs of this.

Lilly (formerly William the Younger) was a fantastic help, showing up basically just to help in the kitchen, then clean the kitchen.

Mistress Rohesia made us a goat.

Tessa made us a Yule Log.

Only downside: Tight seating at the feast needed to be better handled from a making sure people had happy places perspective. (We had exact messes, which meant that high table not having a full mess defined caused some consternation when it came to be seated. This sorted itself ok however.

CORRECTION to report:
GST Collected (income /23 * 3) = 274.70
GST Paid (Costs with GST Numbers /23*3) = 135.19
GST liability of event =139.51
NET Profit of event = 179.04

Aveline asked who had the receipts. Max will send Lisa scanned copies of the receipts.

Max said the Scout hall didn't indicate a GST number. Richard asked if Rimu park didn't go through the central accounting. James is bringing up the invoice and it doesn't have a tax invoice on it. This needs to be followed up.

Lily showed up and then helped clean up, Nate and Melissa were especially helpful and baked bread.

6) Event Proposals

a. Tavern Revel at the Cross and Raven Sept 30th

Relaxed tavern revel \$15/evening. BYO and some food.

Richard moves to accept the proposal, Thorald seconded. Passed.

b. Gildenwick Royal event

Thorald advised that their Majesties would be going to Nelson after the Christchurch event. Looking to do a picnic/tourney out front of the house. Waiting to hear back from Council about archery/fighting. Event looking to more or less break even. 5th November.

Richard advised that SG will cover the cost of those flights entirely. These need to be booked, not very expensive. Richard asked if we should do some fundraising or something to assist with those costs. Also Kingdom travel fund was an option. James asked what sort of costs we were talking about, \$300 or so, maybe a little more.

Cecily said we should support the event.

James has moved that we accept the event bid. Seconded by Lisa. Thorald abstains. Otherwise unanimous.

Aveline moves that we pay for the flights out of existing SG funds. James seconded. Carried.

Raffe suggested that Thorald put out something quickly so that people can fly to Nelson for the day if they want to. James said that people should mention there is a cider festival on Sat. Richard will book the flights for their Majesties first.

Thorald has advised North Island groups about the event.

7) General Business

a. Request from Palmerston scout troop for a demo

They want someone for a Monday night between 6-9pm. Will try them to the 15th Sept before the Wildmoor feast. Aveline will see if she can get something organised.

b. Promotion of group events and activities, email and Facebook. Special interest groups and FB pages.

Richard said that various groups at Rowany and very few or none had separate groups. Cecily said that it was because they were allowed to have a baronial page. Richard asked if the group pages should be brought back to the SG main page.

Cecily said that there was nothing in the A&S page that isn't going on the SG page and email group. Aveline said that she'd like to see them consolidated. Richard said that other groups said they see value in the cross-pollination.

Aveline asked if there was any way to avoid personal addresses going out on public pages. Cecily advised that that had been for Seamsters, an activity that was privately organised, not one that was her responsibility. After discussion it was determined that there were no options for avoiding this. Cecily suggested that people email the A&S officer for the address. The address for the next meeting is decided at the current meeting.

After more discussion, it was decided that the person who is holding the meeting at their house should be responsible for posting that address to public forums such as Facebook.

James has advised that the rapier and heavy pages basically only have people asking for rides or James advising about attendance etc. Rapier page can be rolled back into the SG page, the heavy fighters are OK with it being rolled back.

Lisa suggested pinning posts to the tops of posts.

Cecily asked that the populace be consulted over any proposed changes, so Aveline will put out invitations on the group FB pages for discussion over the next month and submit findings for next meeting.

c. SG GST registration.

Lisa advised that Lowrens had sent an email saying that we don't need to register until next April. This needs following up as this is not Lisa's understanding. James advised that the process is that if we go over the threshold in any 12 month period. As such we need to backdate to Jan 2016.

Lisa had thought she was arranging the IRD stuff and was wanting this clarified. Aveline apologised for asking Lowrens to do it when he offered and advised she'd follow this up with Lowrens.

Sigurd said we need to get professional advice. Aveline advised that she'd contacted Christchurch Community Accounting and was waiting to hear back from them.

Richard asked about getting systemised. Do we have lines of communication about SCAA as yet about Xero. James said all of the procedures used by the Australian groups are on the Reeves wiki.

Richard asked about Xero, Lisa supported Xero. Lisa said that Max was looking at Xero as part of his SCANZ treasurer role, and it was on the next SCANZ meeting agenda. Richard asked if there was a deadline. Ginevra said that we may now need to run two sets of books. Licensing etc. is being looked at by SCANZ.

Richard asked if we can look into getting Xero or other package for ourselves. Lisa said there is little point in getting a package if SCANZ want us to use something else.

Richard asked when we need to have our first report in, Lisa said end of October for bi-annually.

Aveline asked if we need to get more info out to the populace. James said the FAQ should be enough. Richard said we really need to systemise this stuff for stewards. Running some classes/workshops. Running a mock event and working through the finances.

Training for stewards on Aveline's to-do list.

Meeting ended. 9.15pm.