

From The Tower



Son's lamentation at his father's funeral (Early 15th Century)

Barony of Southron Gaard
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Chronic Ramblings

Greetings to you all,

Hello there. My name for those who don't know of me is Eva y Bwa. I'm going to be taking over the Chroniclers job until someone steps up to take the job for themselves. Or I may continue. We shall see.

The Chroniclers position is not the only one that needs filling. We also have a Quartermaster position that is crying out to be filled.

This months' edition will be a bit different from normal, both because I'm new to this and because we have two months worth of council minutes. If there are no real problems with the way I have set things out, great, if not oh dear, I will try to do a better job next time.

Lord Darayavaush has included an updated Fletching Register so anyone who wishes

to make their own arrows, knows what has been taken and what they can choose from.

For those who were looking at entering the Yule Quill Competition, I suggest that you look at the changes to the deadline, so that you aren't caught out.

Lord Darayavaush is also planning an Archery Yule Tourney, pending approval from council for later this month, which, when we know more on whether it will go ahead will be emailed out and updated on the website.

YIS,

Eva y Bwa

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Their Excellencies Speak

Hello everyone,

We hope this finds you all well as can be during the deepest dark of the year. May your harvests have been plentiful, your stores dry, your animals and children warm and your ships safe. We firstly wish to thank Eva for stepping in to produce this month's edition of From the Tower, as the appointed Chronicler was unable to do so.

As some of you may know, Her Excellency Baroness Eleonora van den Bogaerde is passing on the position of Webwright to a gentleman from the Wildmoor group in Dunedin, Adam Bazley. We thank her for her hard work in this office, and the improvements she has made to the Baronial website. It is one of the many great services she has given to the Barony over many years, and we are glad that she has continued to labour so for the good of the group.

We also thank Adam for being prepared to step into the office. It can be daunting to take on one's first office, particularly when you are quite new to the SCA. We applaud such demonstrations of commitment so early in his SCA career and we appreciate the skills that he brings to the job. Lady Mýrún Johannsdóttir having recently passed on the office of Chronicler, has taken the mantle of Herald for Wildmoor, and is also Deputy to the Kingdom Exchequer. We muse over where she gets her great energy from and thank her for taking up these roles when she has only just finished another. Sadly, the newly appointed Chronicler's time of playing our game proved to be rather brief. We are sorry that this state of affairs has come to pass, and wish him the best for his future endeavours. Both Chronicler and Webwright are vital to a group in this modern age where so much rests on the

presentation and smooth working of electronic media: they can be very labour-intensive, while those doing the work remain all but invisible. We would do well to remember them and all they do behind the scenes to make things go smoothly. A good way of manifesting concern and graciousness for their efforts would be to present information and material to them in a timely fashion. If you have photos from an event, or even just want to write about something that interests you, then let the Chronicler know.

At time of writing, Oswyn is attempting to pack for the trip to Dunedin this Friday to camp and possibly compete in hearty outdoor pursuits in the brisk southern weather. He has been travelling rather a lot for him over the past month, having gone to both Australia and Timaru. Lady Csperka, who also worked so to establish an SCA group in Dunedin, is now growing one there. He met new people – some of whom were keen enough to come up to Baronial Anniversary - and, with other keen members of the Barony - Lord Richard, Ladies Elena and Agnes, Lady Mýrún, and Mistress Amalie - spread the word throughout the countryside. (He was then pulped at heavy by Lord Richard and a new Viking, Emile, for the amusement and edification of the populace). Ladies Agnes, Elena and Mýrún gave classes on persona development, rapier, heraldry and calligraphy.

Then there was a short trip to Great Northern War in June. It is a large event (or would be for New Zealand), and was all too brief. There was a wealth of Arts and Science classes, heavy fighting being the war in question), archery and rapier. A significant portion of Southron Gaard was there to show the

flag. It deserved column in itself, and is far too much to write about at the moment.

We encourage you all to attend all or any of these events. Wildmoor may seem as far away as Australia as far as travel goes - but it is part of Southron Gaard, and as we can see from the above, its people

work hard to help to make us strong. They deserve our support as they are willingly giving theirs.

Yours in Service

Oswyn and Isabel Maria

Baron and Baroness of Southron Gaard

Seneschal's Comments

Browsing through back issues of this newsletter, I noted a comment by Mistress Roheisa contrasting the top-down nature of our in-game organization with the rather less hierarchical real-life organization.

This comment will resonate with any past or present seneschal, responsible for running a barony/shire/canton, but without real power to compel anyone to do anything. That anything happens at all is testimony to the qualities of our members that make them come forward and take on the tasks in hand.

This thought has particular relevance to me when considering vacant offices. Elsewhere in this newsletter, you will see calls for applicants for Quartermaster and for Chronicler.

If you step forward to take up one of these posts, you have, for a while, taken on a greater share of the work of making it all happen. For this, people's expectations of you will increase. At the same time, people's tolerance of some shortcomings will also increase.

This thing we do "is" a hobby, however absorbing and fascinating it may be. It is a discretionary activity, and, sometimes there will be other things in your life that have greater call on your time and energy and must be attended to first. If you can slice and dice your time to be able to do these other things and still find time to fit in the requirements of the office you hold, all power to you, and well done.

If not, look for help. The person who held the office before you is always a possibility, especially when you are new to the office, and they are acting as your deputy. In any case, an office is not a life sentence. Your two year term will usually buzz past.

If these current vacancies are not filled, the world will not stop turning. If there is a particular need, some generous person will come forward and attend to it. However, it will be irregular and awkward, and a sign that we are not in as good a shape as we might wish or think. For that reason, and others, I encourage you to apply for one of these offices.

In service to the dream,

Lowrens

Seneschal
Southron Gaard



We, Oswyn and Isabel Maria, Baron and Baroness of Southron Gaard,
in great appreciation of heraldic display,
wish to encourage the Populace of Southron Gaard
to utilise personal heraldry and, to that end, We announce the

Baronial Heraldic Challenge

Noting the plethora of silk standards, We wish to encourage other manners
of displaying personal heraldry. Therefore, there shall be prizes awarded
in the following categories:

- ✠ Gonfalon or Banner – for displaying ones device or Arms
- ✠ Attire (military or civilian) – to proclaim ones identity
- ✠ Crest (suitable for combat) – to announce ones identity on the field
- ✠ Other – to name ones possessions

We look forward to viewing a great display of heraldic splendour at a Pas
d'Armes that shall be held no earlier than late August.

We invite you all to design or re-discover your device or Arms and to take
this opportunity to put them to use to the glory of Southron Gaard.

By our hand

Oswyn & Isabel Maria

These are the accepted minutes of the May council meeting.

Southron Gaard Council Meeting

Wednesday 8th May 2013

PRESENT: Taddea (Meredith), Antonia (Colleen), Maheshti (Agate), Darayavaush (Damon), Eva (Sarah), Isabel Maria (Miriam), Angus (Alan), Calach (Bevan), Elena (Niamh), Amalie (Amy), Max (Will), Raffé (Shaun), Richard, Callum (Bob)

APOLOGIES: Isolde (Christine), Lucia (Betty), HE Oswyn (Carl)

MEETING OPENED: 7:30pm

PREVIOUS MINUTES: No discussion. Accepted.

BUSINESS ARISING: None

OFFICER REPORTS:

B&B (Oswyn and Isabel Maria):

Attended Council. Correspondence with members of the Financial Committee regarding Canterbury Faire bids. This was somewhat belated on our part as Oswyn had somehow dropped off the FC email list, but Lowrens kindly sent through the guts of what had to be discussed. Correspondence with Seneschal regarding the appointment of a lists officer (this has still not been resolved); with members of the populace regarding dates for Canterbury Faire – in particular, the issue of whether we should attempt to have it outside of school term time, and the pros and cons thereof; with members of the populace regarding the role of a Group Historian; with the Seneschal and Chronicler regarding the minutes of last month's Council; with members of the populace regarding sundry matters.

SENESCHAL (Lowrens): Correspondence with Baronial and Kingdom Chroniclers re new appointment; with B&B and Web minister re applicants for this position; with B&B, Mýrún, Leonhart, Roheisa, and Csperka about various forthcoming events; with Raffé about Showbiz and moving dates; with B&B about new Canton application; with CF bidding teams and FC about the CF2014 bids. Attended Wigram demo.

REEVE (Maheshti): We have (finally) removed David Marsden from the baronial account list and changed Richard's status with regard to the same. Richard sorted out a payment for the Midwinter event, due to the bank being slow at giving me access. I have asked Richard if he wants me to take care of the business with the storage. If he updates me and doesn't want to do it I've said I'll do it. Correspondence with the Financial Council about CF bids before Council.

Clearing Account \$24,251.25

Holding Account \$2,969.30

Total Assets \$27,220.55

Expenses \$450.00

Lochac Levy \$263.00

Event Memberships \$200.00

Total Liabilities \$913.00

Net Worth \$26,307.55

HERALD (Lucia): It's been a quiet month: correspondence from Lady Mýrún as deputy for the new group down south. There are a few things I need to work on heraldry wise, but mundane life has taken priority.

ARTS AND SCIENCES (Isolde): The Viking project has gotten off to a great start. Mistress Christine gave a very informative overview of clothing/accessories - it truly was brilliant and should there be another opportunity to see this presentation again, then I would thoroughly recommend that people attend. Ordo Cygni are continuing with a class in the other week which further enhances people's opportunity to participate/learn. Week two of Mistress Christine's sessions occurs this Wednesday, which will focus on patterning and beginning to put together an outfit. Also on offer is a sewing/patterning weekend which is to occur this weekend; Lady Christine from Ildhafn is facilitating this and looks to be a brilliant time of patterning, sewing and socialising. The first Viking class was really well attended and I am really looking forward to the rest!

CHRONICLER (Mýrún): Correspondence with the SG and B&B regarding Council minutes and columns; with Web scribe re updating Chronicler info in Regnum. May FTT went out on 2nd May. Have updated SG Chroniclers handbook and sent this and other relevant documentation to Leonhart. I am awaiting confirmation from Leonhart regarding this. Regarding heraldry for the Wildmoor group, have been working on a proposed device, which has unofficial approval from the kingdom heralds and some support from local populace. Have received one submission to check and put through, for Lady Edith. Need to print out the ceremonies still. I attended a Pennsic and Pizza night and a Stuff session this month. Four members at the Pennsic night; only Edith and myself at the Stuff session. Will be travelling to Timaru later this month to talk about heraldry with the group forming up there. Also just starting to take on the Deputy Exchequer duties.

WEBWRIGHT (Eleanora): Not a lot this month: Regnum updated: new officer set up for the new exchequer all done, waiting for reply from the new chronicler to change that over.

Events: set up repeating event for Viking A&S sessions and an event for the sewing session this weekend. Also added Ordo Cygni Lindisfarne basic event listing. Event listing for mid-winter 'camping' event in Dunedin.

This should be my last report as by next month I am hoping that we will have a new web minister.

Page views - steady decline from CF peaks: 344 visits: home page 22%; CF page 9%; Siege page 5%; Newcomers 5%; calendar 5%; projects, regnum, barony, martial, populace pages all 3-4%.

CHATELAINE (Quentin): No report.

QUARTERMASTER (Angus): Quiet. Nothing to report.

CONSTABLE (Bjorn): Nothing to report.

MARSHALL (Callum): Correspondence with fighters in Wildmoor, attended archery.

CAPTAIN OF ARCHERS (Darayavaush): Correspondence with Wildmoor Archery Marshall: he reports just waiting on Dunedin City Council for an archery range. DCC seems intent on giving them a purpose built area to do practices.

Up here we have a consistent 10 odd people each week to the line, weather permitting. Thanks to Master Brian another 2 archers have bows of their own. Currently compiling my quarterly report to kingdom.

CAPTAIN OF RAPIER (Elena): This past month has been affected by weather for several days and the change from daylight saving time have prevented the Tuesday practices from continuing for the moment. Sundays are reported to be well attended where possible (including a visit from Sir Tycho). Have discussed use of ShowBiz when weather is prohibitive, and Raffie has confirmed this is on the cards for the Heavy crew as well. I will confirm this and how to arrange it over the next week or so. I have been reviewing the teaching curricula that are available in Lochac for teaching period styles, and there are several which would be usable if Fencers are keen. With some study, this could be a good option over the winter months.

New rules coming into play regarding blade flexibility for both Fencing and C&T. Will make these available in the next month. Regulations also call for regular mask testing as well as blade review, so we will need to establish the equipment provided. Quarterly report is due by 15th of May.

CHIRURGEON (Kotek): No report.

EVENT REPORTS:

Recent Events:

BA: Elena advises: attendance 41 adults, 5 children, 6 adult and one child day trippers, 5 no show/no pays. From the records, should have \$1372 income, but can only identify \$1345 - \$27 discrepancy to be sorted out. Including the discrepancy, ran a surplus of \$75. Despite accidental breaking of a window early on, successfully argued that the window's faultiness caused this, and our bond was refunded in full. Otherwise a good event.

Wigram Demo: A half day demo as part of the inaugural Wigram Fun Day. Assisted by Tycho, Richard, Eleanora, HE Isabel Maria, Brian, Quentin, Lowrens. There were fighting demos, boffer, craft, and archery. Audience was early teens or younger. We are likely to be invited back next

year, but how keen are we? Thanks to Tycho for logistics.

Upcoming Events:

CF2014: Bids received at April Council were reviewed and a summary posted on SG Announce for people to look at. Bid A is by Antonia and Max, Bid B is by Bjorn and Thorald. Discussion: Bid B with breakfast separated from the main meal plan sounds hard to administer. Breakfast is not very expensive to provide anyway. Bid A looks likely to run to quite a high surplus (based on history). Perhaps contingency allowance (10%) is more than necessary. Bid B seems to have excess allowance for meals? Bid A has a quiet Wednesday: clarified as not enforced rest but less scheduled activity, a "mediaeval Sunday". Does this also means enforced archery practice at the butts? Voting: Bid A - 9, Bid B - 1, 5 abstentions (bidding teams, Baroness and Chair). Antonia and Max are the stewards.

Antonio Hall: On behalf of Roheisa, Lowrens presented an event proposal for a singing session in the Chapel of Antonio Hall in Riccarton Road, at 2pm on Saturday 15th June. The venue is free of charge, has no power or heat or other conveniences (no working toilets), but has very nice acoustics. No entry fee to attend. Formal event application for approval is to trigger SCANZ liability cover. Approved.

Timaru get-together May 25: A reminder from Csperka to see more Christchurch folk to her May 25 gathering, to show and tell and do. There is a van load coming from Dunedin. Fighters would be good but also craft workers and singers.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Storage: Showbiz has a target date of end of September to be out of its current site, hence ditto for Baronial equipment. A list enquiry earlier this year did not flush out any free storage (hard to come by in Christchurch just now). Only current

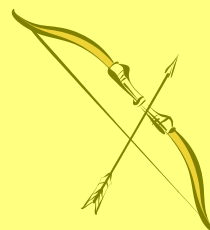
option seems to be commercial storage for a while. At April Council, Richard presented some costs for commercial storage. The best was with Safestore, with 6x2.4x2.4m for \$42 per week (\$2184 pa). For a 12 month lease, may get a better rate. At the time, there were no available units, hence we need to get on a waiting list. Seeking Council agreement to commit to \$2184 for up to 12 month's storage, for shortish-term cover for being evicted from Showbiz site. Approved. Richard offered to coordinate this.

Heavy Armour: Raffe noted that heavy fighting is going well at the moment: 8-12 each weekend. There are currently 6-7 sets of loaner armour partly assembled or needing refurbishing/repair (includes 2 sets from Dunedin). Noted there is new interest in heavy at Wildmoor and in Timaru. Raffe proposed a few weekend working sessions at Sigurd's for repair, and purchase of 3 helms and sets of arms to get all sets of armour complete. Expected costs are \$300 for materials for repair and \$1200 for helms and arms, hence \$1500 total, over the next 6 months. Discussion included the possibility of a combination heavy and rapier event, perhaps in September in the (then) empty Showbiz site – a Spring Tournament. Also the value of promotion on radio. Approval in principle for \$1500 given, with specific costs to be provided as required when these are known.

Insurance: HE Isabel Maria advised that her insurance company will not cover the baronial coronets under her home contents insurance. Current replacement value for the pair is est. \$6000. The Barony can't do insurance on its own - it must be done through SCANZ. Lowrens to take the matter up with SCANZ committee.

MEETING CLOSED: 8:30pm

Fletching Register for the Barony of Southron Gaard

Name:**Fletching colours:**

Barony of Southron Gaard	2 Yellow, 1 Red
Master Bartholomew Baskin	2 White, 1 Red
Mistress Katherine Kerr	2 White, 1 Black
Lord Darayavaush Ah.râr	4 Black
Lady Elise Marchand	2 Yellow, 1 Blue
Lord David de Cochrane	2 Black/White stripe, 1 Green
Lady Natalia the Kievan	2 Blue, 1 White
Lord Khorvash Zareed	2 Black, 1 Camo Yellow
Lord Lowrens Wilyamson	4 Yellow
Lord Ronan mac Briain	2 Blue, 1 Green
Lord Jajidadaï	2 Blue, 1 Red
Lady Ursula of Southron Gaard	2 Red/Black stripe, 1 Blue/Black Stripe
Lord Calach Dregson	1 Red, 1 Black (crossbow) 3 Black
Lady Mýrún Johannsdottir	2 Purple, 1 Green
Lord Simon of Cluain	2 Green, 1 White
Lady Ellen of Whytely	2 Blue, 1 Black
Lady Yngvildr Hafrdottir	2 White, 1 Blue
Lady Edith Winter	2 Blue/Black stripe, 1 yellow
Lord Quentin MacLaren	2 Blue, 1 Gold
Birna of Southron Gaard	2 Camo Green, 1 Camo Red
Jadwiga of Southron Gaard	2 Black, 1 Red
Luise of Southron Gaard	2 Green, 1 Black
Julio Miguel Montoya y Romany	2 Blue/Black stripe, 1 Red/Black stripe
Tamie-Lee	2 Black, 2 Purple
Fromund Aesir	2 Red, 1 Yellow
Aimee Bourne	2 Purple, 1 Black
Leonhart Falkenrath	2 Black, 1 Blue
Amalia Falkenrath	2 Purple, 2 Red
Kevin Bourne	2 Fluro Pink, 1 Fluro Orange
Logan Daines	2 Black, 2 Green
Eva y Bwa	2 Green, 2 Purple
Aimee King	2 Red, 1 Black

These are provisional minutes of the most recent council meeting. These minutes have been edited for space and have not been accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting. Send any corrections to the Baronial Seneschal.

Southron Gaard Council Meeting

Wednesday 12th June 2013

PRESENT: Maheshti (Agate), Darayavaush (Damon), Eva (Sarah), Isabel Maria (Miriam), Oswyn (Carl), Calach (Bevan), Callum (Bob)

APOLOGIES: Isolde (Christine), Elena (Niamh), Quentin (Melina), Angus (Alan), Elisabetta (Josie)

MEETING OPENED: 7:30pm

PREVIOUS MINUTES: No discussion. Accepted.

BUSINESS ARISING: None

OFFICER REPORTS:

B&B (Oswyn and Isabel Maria): Correspondence with the Seneschal re the new pre-incipient Canton group in Dunedin; with the stunt/deputy Herald in Dunedin and the Baronial Seneschal regarding the new Chronicler and stunt-Seneschal for group in Dunedin; with the Seneschal and members of the populace regarding a demo in Timaru; with a member of the populace re the position of group historian.

Received intelligence from SCANZ re the state of play, regarding getting insurance for baronial property, esp. the coronets. (To be discussed in Council).

Received timely reminders from the Baronial Seneschal re the need to find storage for the baronial property - Council needs to decide on the options previously discussed, e.g. a lockup or a container, or break up and dividing between peoples' garages?

Attended a rapier practice, one of far fewer than should be.

Attended the Patterning class at Showbiz. Attended a collegium/demo in Timaru, organised by Lady Csperka. Thanks to Ladies Agnes and Elena for invaluable logistical support.

Attended Great Northern War. Some correspondence prior thereto with the stewards, and with TEs of St. Florian de la Riviere. Talked to lots of people.

Participated in a rapier tourney, and wished I'd taken armour. Spoke with Master Gilchrist re sundry affairs of state.

Received a message from CCC that the Riccarton Community centre is being partially re-opened, and one its smaller rooms will be available for hire. They will be sending some documents out regarding this, and I will pass them on to Lowrens.

SENESCHAL (Lowrens): Correspondence with Reeve re expense payments for BA; with B&B and Kingdom Chronicler re Chronicler position; with B&B and Kingdom Webwright re Webwright appointment; with Reeve and Richard re hiring storage; with Mýrún and B&B re Midwinter camping event; with B&B about new canton application; with Chatelaine and Nikita of Wildmoor re midwinter event; with Callum and Isolde about a possible windfall of sewing supplies and other tools from a closing school; with Isolde re A&S activities at Showbiz; with Finance Committee about credit card options for CF booking; with SCANZ committee about property insurance; Made quarterly report to Kingdom. Missed the Timaru gathering due to another commitment.

Attended the UCMRS Lindisfarne feast.

REEVE (Maheshti): Researched credit card options for CF: it seems that this would be either outside our own financial rules or highly impractical to do, so we won't offer an option to pay in Aus dollars (no other Lochac event accepts foreign money). Found a link on the SG site linked to a wrong form, and arranged for it to be fixed. I found it the hard way, but hopefully it is OK now. Mostly caught up with reeving (I think). Almost done reconciling BA 2013. As soon as the last reimbursements go through I can finish the numbers.

Also, bought a cash box for Baronial use and for event stewards. I have the receipt.

HERALD (Lucia): No report received.

ARTS AND SCIENCES (Isolde): Sewing projects at stuff night continue: we have had the Italian sessions run by Lady Elisabetta, and are having the Viking sessions run by Meistren Cristia. These sessions have been using Make Cafe, and have been attended by people both from the SCA and the UCMRS.

There may be a need to find an alternative venue for future sewing/stuff nights, as Make Cafe is booked out. Lady Isolde said that a venue that is not any one person's house may be more comfortable, particularly for people not familiar with/to the people who live there.

Callum noted that he could offer use of a classroom at Linwood Intermediate for a while - has attached workshop.

CHRONICLER (Vacant again): A new Chronicler was appointed in early May. By June, for reasons unknown, he seems to have decided not to do SCA anymore (not replying to seneschal or other Wildmoor people). Looks like we need to advertise for a new Chronicler :-(Similarly, June FTT is not likely to be produced in June. Eva offered to do interim Chronicling - to work out detail with Lowrens.

WEBWRIGHT (Eleanora/Adam): Not much to report. Have been unsuccessful in making contact the new chronicler to make Regnum changes. In contact with new web minister regarding hand over, which should be completed this weekend.

CHATELAINE (Quentin): Most of the hire garb has been returned. I'm bugging the last person to return theirs. Attended Lindisfarne.

QUARTERMASTER (Vacant): Lord Angus has stepped down, as planned. No applicants have been received. Lowrens to beat the drum publicly and push some guilt buttons.

CONSTABLE (Bjorn): No report received.

MARSHALL (Callum): Armouring repair workshops are happening at Sigurd's place. Otherwise fairly quiet.

CAPTAIN OF ARCHERS (Darayavaush): Not much activity in the last month. Some practices called off due to mundane matters (called Mason Hunter, no SCA name yet). An attempt at a

maintenance day to make new faces was made, with result of self and two others.

CAPTAIN OF RAPIER (Elena): Nothing to report at this time.

CHIRURGEON (Kotek): No report received.

EVENT REPORTS:

Recent Events:

Timaru: Oswyn reported that it was a relaxed session, with calligraphy and heraldry by Mýrún, personas by Agnes, a heavy demo, some rapier. There were 12 local people present. The local group seems to be a stage of organic growth. Congratulations to Csperka and to the people who attended.

Upcoming Events:

CF2014: Credit card payment option. At CF 2013, we lost \$200 over 9 people who paid by AUD cheques, due to exchange rate movement between booking and paying. The stewards propose two possibilities:

- * Flo2cash - \$45/month for the web gateway, for five months lead up to CF; fees 2.9% + \$0.35 per transaction.

- * Paymate - fees are 3% charge for AUD conversions at the current rate. Reeve comments: neither of these have all the controls we would prefer for SCA funds, and look like more work than the current method.

Decision was not to pursue this, but to look at other ways of fixing the underlying problem.

Antonio Hall/Sensory Experience: Happening on 15 June. Isabel Maria wondered whether the site might be a basis for a photo event – come along in your best garb and get some good shots in a tasteful background?

Midwinter Encampment: - Mýrún advises that the booking numbers are not looking wonderful, currently less than breakeven. Have done some trimming of expenses.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Storage: We are now on a waiting list with Safestore Container Storage Park Limited; thanks to Richard. We decided to wait until closer to the September deadline before signing up to a particular unit. Safestore offered a small discount of \$2/week for 6 month payment in advance (about 4%).

Insurance: SCANZ is offering to purchase a single insurance policy for all of its property that will be covered, and would manage this policy on behalf of those regional groups holding this property.

* The amount of cover for each group would be determined by the groups themselves.

* The cost of the insurance would be split pro-rata based on the covered value of each group's property.

* SCANZ would keep internal records of covered property items and values to apportion these costs, although the insurance company may not require this level of detail.

Note is that this is commercial insurance arena, where an excess of \$1000 per claim is typical.

Therefore, items or groups of items worth less than \$1000 that may suffer individual loss may not be worth insuring as part of this policy. We have been fortunate so far, but the feeling is that SG needs some cover.

Things we could include, and guesstimates of replacement cost:

- *Coronets - \$3000 each
- *Baronial Pavilion - \$5000?
- *Baronial Trailer - \$2000?
- *Baronial Archery Kit - \$?
- *Baronial Feast Gear - \$?
- *Thrones - \$1200 each (was

\$600 commercial rate in 1996)

Seneschal is to advise SCANZ that we want to be part of this. Seneschal and Reeve will research valuations further. We have a 3 month period to report back to SCANZ.

Mediaeval Festival: HE Isabel Maria passed on news from Cristia of a proposed annual activity in Christchurch organised via the Gap Filler initiative. This would be in the form of a Mediaeval Festival, over several nights, possibly in October. Whereas, in period, Mysteries were paraded on cart through the populace, this would have the populace progressing around a set of Mysteries at sites in the central city. SCA has an opportunity to be part of this, with perhaps some combination of dance/music/theatre, but it would require a commitment from participants of 3-4 hours performance over 3 nights, and presentation quality would need to be pretty good. Involvement in any 2013 event is probably too soon, but 2014 is a definite possibility, giving us a decent run-up.

HE Isabel Maria is to keep tabs on this with Cristia.

Calach voiced his dismay at the attendance of only 3 people at a recent archery repair workshop, relative to the numbers of people who attend practices (often 10 or more). Discussion was about how to get buy-in from users to this sort of necessary maintenance, and what sort of sweeteners might be used. A suggestion: if you make/repair 6 arrows for the Barony, you can use the kit (fletching jig, etc) to make 6 arrows of your own. No specific action arising.

MEETING CLOSED: 8:33pm

The Musical Sound of Antonio Hall

On a cold grey wet day in June, five keen people met in the chapel building of Antonio Hall, which was a seminary in Christchurch. Nowadays, the site is suffering from the effects of a financial crisis and earthquake damage, and is rather down at heel, but the chapel is sound.



Inside the beautiful Antonio Hall.

Notwithstanding the lack of power and heat in the building, wine was mulled on a gas cooker, and snacks were snacked, and wrapped warmly we gathered around the songbooks on the altar.

Our reason for being there was to sample and enjoy the resonance and echo of the chapel, with its high ceiling and hard surfaces. And so we did. Some songs were definitely not suitable for such an echoey hall, but everything we tried acquired a unique and sometimes beneficial aural quality.

After an hour and a half, the chill of the day was seeping in and overcoming the warmth of the wine, and it was time to depart into the winter twilight.

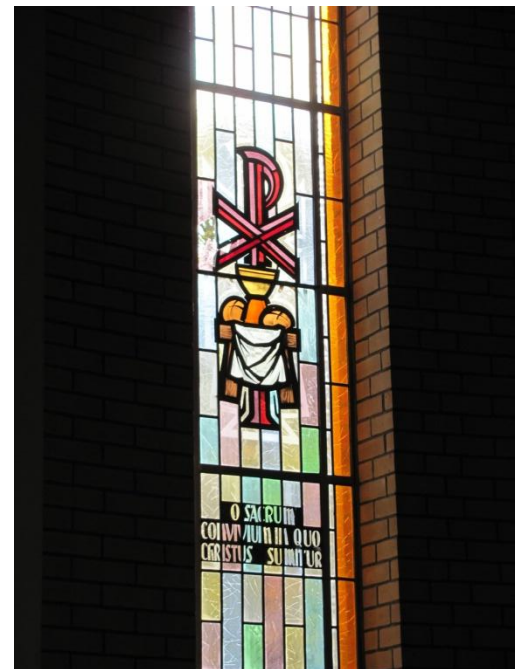
Conveniently, someone left a recorder running during our stay. Some snippets of the sounds it caught can be heard at <http://sg.lochac.sca.org/docs/music/mp3s/AntonioHall/>

Our thanks to Mistress Roheisa for arranging this gathering.

Cantoribus



A picturesque view of the chapel from the outside.



One of the few remaining unbroken windows left.

July 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 UCMRS Dancing	2	3	4	5	6 Midwinter Camp
7 Midwinter Camp Heavy Combat Practice* Rapier Practice* Archery Practice*	8 UCMRS Dancing	9 Stuff Night	10 SG Council Meeting Scriptorium	11	12	13
14 Heavy Combat Practice* Rapier Practice* Archery Practice*	15 UCMRS Dancing	16 Seamsters	17	18	19	20
21 Heavy Combat Practice* Rapier Practice* Archery Practice*	22 UCMRS Dancing	23	24 Scriptorium	25	26 FTT submission deadline	27
28 Heavy Combat Practice* Rapier Practice* Archery Practice*	29 UCMRS Dancing	30	31			



YULE POETRY CONTEST - CHRISTMAS CAROLS

CAROL SINGERS GOING FROM HOUSE TO HOUSE NOW IS A RESULT OF CAROLS BEING BANNED WITHIN CHURCHES IN MEDIEVAL TIMES. CAROL SINGERS TOOK THE WORD 'CAROL' LITERALLY: TO SING AND DANCE IN A CIRCLE. SO MANY CHRISTMAS SERVICES WERE SPOILED BY THE SINGERS DOING JUST THIS THAT THE CHURCH AT THE TIME BANNED THEM AND ORDERED THE CAROL SINGERS INTO THE STREET.

A CHALLENGE TO ALL ASPIRING POETS - WRITE A YULE POEM IN ANY PERIOD STYLE YOU WISH, PROVIDED IT IS INSPIRED BY CHRISTMAS CAROLS. NO FILK (PARODIES OF EXISTING CHRISTMAS SONGS) WILL BE ACCEPTED, ALL ENTRIES MUST BE AS ORIGINAL AS POSSIBLE!

THE WINNER WILL RECEIVE A FABULOUS PRIZE, THE YULE QUILL, WHICH WILL BE PRESENTED AT THE YULE ARCHERY TOURNEY. ALL ENTRIES SHOULD BE IN NO LATER THAN THE 13TH OF JULY. BONNE CHANCE!

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August 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4 Heavy Combat Practice* Rapier Practice* Archery Practice*	5 UCMRS Dancing	6	7 Scriptorium	8	9	10
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MARTIAL PRACTICES

Heavy Combat Practice* Sundays from 10am–noon at Jellie Park or Showbiz if wet

Rapier Practice* — Sundays at Kirkwood starting 12-12.30pm

Archery* — on fine Sundays from 1pm at Kirkwood Intermediate, (use Kirkwood Avenue entrance).

Email: archers@sg.lochac.sca.org

ARTS GATHERINGS

Stuff Night — from 7:30pm on the second Tuesday of the month. Topics or projects to be announced on SG list.

Dance — from 7:30pm on 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at the Riccarton Community Centre (opposite corner of Clarence and Dixon St). **In hiatus**

Seamsters Guild — from 7:30pm on third Tuesday of the month. Location to be advised on SG list each month.

ORGANISATIONAL MEETING

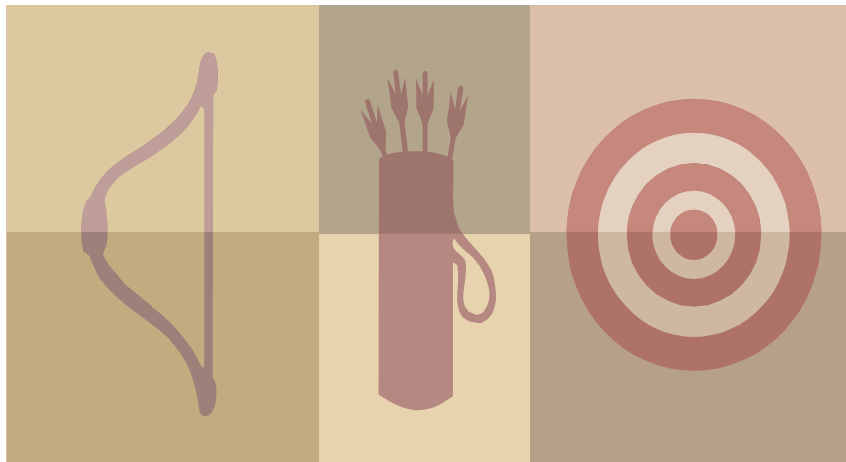
Council Meeting — Second Wednesday of the month, from 7:30pm. Upper Riccarton Public Library, 71 Main South Road.

All welcome..

Southron Gaard Regnum

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

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Yule Archery Tourney

Here Ye, Here Ye, come one, come all. Bring your banners and heraldry to the Yule Archery Tourney to contest for the Yule Arrow.

Bring a picnic, dress in your garb and watch the baronies archers vie for the trophy.

The winner of the Yule Quill will be announced during the Tourney.

This is subject to bid approval.

If successful it will be held on the 21st of July site opens at 1pm and closes at 3:30pm, weather permitting.

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Officer Vacancies

Chronicler Wanted

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the office of Chronicler stands empty, waiting for an eager applicant. The encouraging features of any applicant would be: some skills with Microsoft Word and email, an ability to administer regular, polite and cheerful reminders to sluggard regular contributors when columns and articles are late, and of course, correct spelling.

If you would like more information regarding this role, contact the past chronicler at wheeles76@gmail.com.

To apply, send your application to the Kingdom Chronicler at chronicler@lochac.sca.org with a copy to the seneschal at seneschal@sg.lochac.sca.org.

Quartermaster Wanted

VACANCY - WE NEED A NEW QUARTERMASTER

Now that Lord Angus has served his term, and more, this office of the Barony stands empty.

The duties of the Quartermaster are:

- * To manage the storage and to keep track of Baronial equipment,
- * To ensure clean and secure storage of the Baronial equipment,
- * Communicate with event stewards/cooks regarding required equipment for events, and arrange pick up/drop off,
- * To maintain the Baronial Inventory, and check off returned equipment,
- * Report to Council regarding status of equipment, including loss, damage, replacement or new equipment required.

The quartermaster is a deputy to the Seneschal and reports to him/her as well as the Council.

The amount of Baronial gear is currently beyond the scope of most of us being able to provide our own storage space (about a single-car garage space). At present, the Barony has access to free lockable storage in central Christchurch, thanks to connections at Showbiz.

Because of other things going on in central Christchurch, Showbiz have to move out later this year, and therefore so do we. We are resigned to having to pay for commercial storage for a while until we find a new home for our stuff.

This is all by way of saying that you don't personally have to provide storage to be the QM - it's about keeping tabs on what we have and who needs it, and when.

If you think that you could be the next Quartermaster, please contact the Seneschal seneschal@sg.lochac.sca.org with a copy to the Baron and Baroness bandb@sg.lochac.sca.org.

SCA (NZ) Inc. Membership

There are two different types of membership available to event participants in New Zealand:

Subscribing Membership:

grants full rights of participation in the SCA (including voting, entering Crown Tournaments, holding office and affiliate membership with overseas branches).

Subscribing membership also includes a subscription to Pegasus, the Lochac Kingdom Newsletter in either electronic or paper form.

1 Year with E-Pegasus \$ 15.00

3 Years with E-Pegasus \$ 30.00

1 Year with Pegasus \$ 45.00

3 years with Pegasus \$105.00

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

A SCA(NZ) Inc. membership form is included on the final page of this newsletter, or can be accessed on the SCA(NZ) website.

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

www.sca.org.nz

SCA Groups in New Zealand

(see websites for more details)

OTAGO

**College of St Kessog
(dormant)**

<http://kessog.lochac.sca.org>

**Incipient Canton of
Wildmoor**

WELLINGTON

Shire of Darton

<http://darton.lochac.sca.org>

Sun: Fight Practice

Tues: Arts & Sciences

**College of St Aemigdius
(dormant)**

<http://aemigdius.lochac.sca.org>

AUCKLAND

Barony of Ildhafn

<http://ildhafn.lochac.sca.org>

Sunday: A & S, Singing

Monday: Sewing

(biweekly)

Wednesday: Fencing

Thursday: Dance

**College of St Dionysius
(dormant)**

<http://stdionysius.lochac.sca.org>

HAMILTON

Canton of Cluain

<http://cluain.lochac.sca.org>

Wed: Fight Practice (non SCA)

3rd Sat: Hastilude

3rd Sun: Archery



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	

** To receive e-Pegasus, you must provide a valid email address. You will be emailed directions to access your electronic subscription.

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.
- **Paying by Internet Banking:** make the payment to SCA (NZ) Inc, account number 38-9010-0090412-00. Place your surname in the reference field, then print out and attach the receipt page to this form once your payment has gone through. Failure to attach proof of payment can delay your membership being processed by as much as a month – so please don't forget!

If you have queries about this form or your membership, please feel free to contact the Registrar, Tamara Duran, at registrar@sca.org.nz. For urgent matters, phone the Registrar at (04) 238 4752 between the hours of 9am-9pm.

Information you provide on this form will be kept on file by the SCA (NZ) Registry according to the Privacy Act 1993, and may be shared with Kingdom Officers and affiliated SCA corporations as needed. If you believe we hold incorrect information, contact the Registrar directly for a copy of your details. Use this form to update your information by ticking the box labelled 'Change of information'.

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