

The Looking Glass



"Pair of Eagles", Folio from a Manafi' al-hayawan (On the Usefulness of Animals) of Ibn Bakhtishu'

Author Ibn Bakhtishu' - ca. 1300

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The SCA is participatory: Every person plays a part in creating the atmosphere. For some, this means making an attempt at the proper clothing. For others, it means learning calligraphy, fencing, dancing, or whatever activities are of interest.

There are a variety of gatherings weekly, as well as events nearly every weekend. Check out the information offered in this publication and our other outlets for details.

You can also check out these useful websites:

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Baronial website: glymmmere.antir.org

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YouTube for A&S Classes: [EarlySweden](#)

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HL Ludwig Maltz der Brauer Courtier
HL Besseta Wallace, Courtier
HL Snorri Bjornsson
Master Gryphon the Black, Yeoman Emeritus
HL Duihinn Mac Faolan, Courtier Emeritas
HL Rosamund Wynder, Courtier Emeritas

Baronial Champions

Champion Title	Name	Event received
Arts and Sciences	Lady Gracia Abrabanel	Lyceum 2025
Archery Protector	Fina Wythebowe	Autumn War 2024
Bardic (Hummingbird)	Caitlin Winter	Lyceum 2025
Equestrian	Ivan Leskov	Honey War 2019
Rapier Protector	Corey the Impatient	May Faire 2024
Caladphort Rapier	Lord Valentine l'Argent	May Faire 2022
Heavy (Shield of the Barony)	Mikael MacLeod	May Faire 2024
Thrown Weapons	Leo Lefirse	Autumn War 2024
Thrown Weapons Guardian:	HL Gerald De Huntington	<i>Perennial</i>
Lord Defender of	Duke Thorin Njalsson,	<i>Perennial</i>
the Barony of Glymm Mere	Lion of An Tir	
The Sweet of Glymm Mere	Kosma z Lagowa	Yule 2024

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HL Isabella de Walingeford – Exchequer
HL Tamsyn l'Argent – Baroness
HL Valentine l'Argent - Baron
Sir Seumas mac Brehon – Seneschal
Melissa of Dalmatia – Member at Large



Glymm Mere Calendar

Baronial Coronet Progress

- Possibly Beltane
- Mayfair
- Possibly Her Excellency at May Crown

Business Meetings

First Tuesday at 6:30 PM at St Benedict's Episcopal Church (910 Bowker St SE Lacey) - the Baronial Financial Committee Meeting and at 7:00 PM is the Baronial Business Meeting

- Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. This is the best way to find out what is happening in our barony and see who is in charge of what. It is also a great way to meet people and get involved. The meeting lasts about an hour.

Third Monday at the Hoquiam Timberland Library at 5:30 is the Canton of Caladphort business meeting

2nd Tuesday at 6:30 (1185 State Route 603 Chehalis) is the Crow's Gate Business Meeting

Weekly events

- Wednesday fight practices at Garfield Elementary in Olympia starting at 6 pm
- Friday fight practices at Library Garage in Hoquiam starting at 5:30 (on hold pending a new location)
- 3rd Tuesday Family Activities and Social St Benedict's Church Lacey starting at 6pm
- 3rd Thursday is an Arts & Sciences night – watch Facebook for themes and locations



*Although the SCA complies with all applicable laws to ensure the health and safety of our event participants, we cannot eliminate the risk of exposure to infectious diseases during in-person events. By participating in the in-person events of the SCA, you acknowledge and accept the potential risks. You agree to take any additional steps to protect your own health.

Financial Committee Meeting

Melissa of Dalmatia
Volk the Grey
Natashia Orionova
Zanetta Zavatta
Paullus Quinctilius Barbatus
Alekssei Zateev

Isabella de Walingeford
Valentine L'Argent
Sir Brehan
Tamsyn L'Argent
Kosma
Angelica

Meeting Opens April 1 – 6:51

Finance Report

- We have money!
- We haven't gone below 10k in our spending account in the last 6 months
- Trailer Tabs, Deposits for May Fair and R&T
- Final numbers for Lyceum
 - \$484.63
 - 10 nm
 - 47 members (3 were youth)
- Check requests for May Fair Deposit and Soups – before the next business meeting
 - Deposit sent to Grange, Soup sent to Volk
 - Check to Melissa for gate seed - \$100
- Approval for PayPal Lyceum 2026 was granted

Meeting closed at - 6:59

Business Meeting

Melissa of Dalmatia
Mikael of MacLeod
Natashia Orionova
Zanetta Zavatta
Volk the Grey
Rosa Marcella
Theodora Pleustissa
Tamsyn L'Argent
Ulfrun
Snorri

Isabella de Walingeford
Aleksi Zateev
Barbara de La Medewe
Myskia Billings
Seraphina
Sir Brehan
Valentine L'Argent
Paullus Quinctilius Barbatus
Vende of Glymm Mere
Angelica

Opens April 1: 7:00

Minutes were approved

Agenda Items

- Governing Documents
 - Were approved back in Jan
 - Kingdom hasn't approved
 - Proposal to leave them in "draft" on the public page until we get approval or till next year
 - Approved
- Background Checks
 - Kingdom level has had some challenges – haven't heard anything since
 - There are 5 or 6 folk waiting on checks for folk.
 - If we're expected to do these activities – we need more support
- Storage Unit Clean up
 - Weather hasn't been good yet
 - Waiting for better weather before we can do anything
 - Something will get posted on Socials for additional support to move things around Saturday April 5th or so.
- Isabella – is making covers for the new thrones
 - Waterproofing material to help protect
- Gold Key Refinements
 - Paused until Jane is here to go over things
- Quarterly Reports are due – send to your kingdom representative and email or cc the Seneschal

Event Follow-Up

- Lyceum
 - Post event feedback form is up – please fill it out
 - No incident paperwork
 - Deposit was back
 - End of event paperwork has been completed and sent to Exchequer

Upcoming Events

Mayfair May 3

- Got some good planning tips from Zannetta
- Thorvald has offered chiv prizes for both Heavy and Rapier tourney's.
 - Marshals to be decided – present their findings to TE who will make final decision
- Check requests all sent forward

- Bring your personal banners for display
- Paullus is managing soup
 - We need 4 total
 - Paper/plastic will be provided for populace
 - Serving tools Volk will bring

June Fair June 22

- Running Gate – Disa's in charge
- Training a replacement
- Earns the barony \$2000
- Bonus bucks for set up/tear down

It's Only A Garden Party - Changed site Aug 16

- EIF hasn't been submitted yet
- Waiting for the contract from Griffinwood Stables
- Lunch will be potluck
 - A sign up list will be posted soon
 - Barony will provide fried chicken
- 2 loaner scooters for transport to biffy's at event

Harvest Tourney Sat Sept 6

Rose & Thorn Oct 8

- Rose and thorn is coming along nicely.
- We have some conformed teachers from Mid-realm, Ansteorra, and North Shield.
- We will be opening sign up for one on one's again soon.
 - Once it is open I will let everyone know.
- Any questions please reach out to me.

Autumn War Sept 12

- Nothing new

Crows Feast Oct 11th

Yule – Dec 6

- Preliminary planning stages still
- Reserved the Land Yacht Harbor – waiting on a contract (\$200)
- Feast steward is getting their catering license and is reviewing all the feast requirements
 - There's a Commissary Kitchens as a food handling location we might be able to use
 - We're going through all the rules and regulations
- One of the dishes will be salmon – we can get as much as we want for free
- No Double selling of our space or telling us we're ineligible after a contract is signed
- Back up plan would be to go to the fair grounds if we don't have a contract
 - We wouldn't be able to afford the commissary but could still break even with expected attendance
- We'll touch back at the May meeting

Mayfair 2026 – and see about making a 60 yr party

- Ideally a camping event

Lyceum 2026 March 28

- EIF is already in
- Feedback is coming in
- Paypal was approved

Officer Reports

Exchequer

- We have money – see above

Arts & Sciences

- Master Thorvald taught a knife-making class for on Mar 22 & 23
- The monthly A&S Night was held on the 4th Thursday at House RavenHart with many in attendance.
 - HL Wolfegar von Rothenburg taught a jewelry stamping class
 - The Kwik choir held practice

Herald

- This month was slow without much business happening.

Heavy

- Practices are well attended

Provost of Fence

- Open Position

Archery

- None for the season

Thrown

- Open Position

Youth Combat

- No Report yet

Lists

- Open Position

Chronicler

- Posted right after the previous meeting
- Have a deputy – Kosma should be stepping up shortly!

Chatelaine

- No Social Night this month due to scheduling issues with the venue. We will resume in April. Social Nights are for everyone, but particularly for Newcomers to come ask questions. Our Youth Activities Officer is there with games for your children. No garb required, and you're welcome to bring your families, your projects, and even your dinner! Third Tuesdays at 6 pm at St. Benedict's Episcopal Church in Lacey. There's info on our website and Facebook, or feel free to contact me.
- Talked to quite a few moderns that showed up to KASR. Gave out all my business cards. Melissa has replenished my stock.
- The Shamrock Demo was cold and wet, yet we still got a few interested folks. One contacted me later about Rapier, and I gave him information about practices and contact info for the Marshal.

Gold Key

- No report yet

Scribe

- No Report yet

Family Activities

- No Report yet

Chamberline

- Open Position

Web minister

- Updated A&S and Bardic Baronial Champions on website
- Uploaded Looking Glass
- Updated all plugins
- Fixed issue with calendar plugin post migration to new domain (glymmmere.antir.sca.org)
- Updated MayFaire Event
- Added Socials at the Church through the fall

Social Media

- A quiet month.
- Blocked a recurring spammer on the Fighters Group.

- Created events for Mayfaire and Social Night.

Cantons

- Caladphort
 - Caladphort has been a little slower over the winter months.
 - We have are Althing on the 3rd Sunday's still and they are well attended.
 - I'm still waiting to hear back to emails from Hoquiam, Aberdeen and Ocean Shores about demo opportunities.
 - Fighter practice will return to Swansons in Hoquiam April 25th.
 - At our business meeting this month we will be discussing the information we got at lyceum from the pirates and hope to be supportive of their return.
- Crows Gate

Seneschal.

- A bunch of fighters are going to Oasis war out in Ephrata
- Practices are going well – and we're starting to see the new folk at practices going to events
- Looking forward to good weather

Their Excellencies

- Three letters of intent for Sarjents were submitted
- Looking forward to seeing the Pirates come back into the fold
- Need award recommendations
 - Submit them through the website

Old Business

- Potential for May fair (60 yr) next year – Waiting to hear from DL and the Tri Baronial and BAO
 - Need volunteers
 - Looking at the Autumn War/June fair multi baronial model

New Business

- Kosam would like to step into the Rapier Officer role
- Call out for classes for May Fair and Autumn War

Meeting Closed – 8:00



