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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 pique your 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.

For more information contact our Chatelaine (*newcomer contact person*): HL Volk the Gray.

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Instagram: [Barony of Glymm Mere](#)

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

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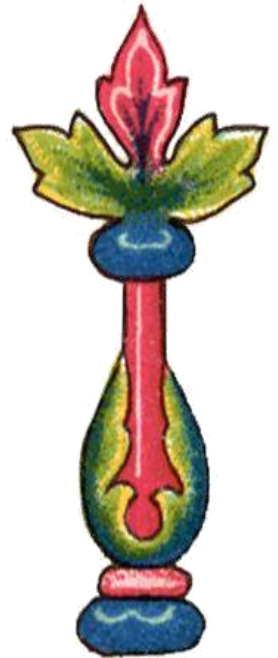
Youth Activities: Helena the Small

Baronial Serjeants

Baron Dunstan M'Lolane, Serjeant
HL Volk the Grey, Yeoman
HL Karl von Miltenberg, Gallant
HL Ludwig Maltz der Brauer Courtier
HL Besseta Wallace, Courtier
Master Gryphon the Black, Yeoman Emeritus
HL Duihinn Mac Faolan, Courtier Emeritas
HL Rosamund Wynder, Courtier Emeritas

Baronial Champions:

Arts and Sciences: Paullus Quintilius Barbatius (Lyceum 2023)
Archery Protector: HL Geoffroi FitzGeorge (HoneyWar 2022)
Bardic (Hummingbird) Champion: Lucrezia De Alanis (Lyceum 2023)
Equestrian Champion: Ivan Leskov (Honey War 2019)
Rapier Protector: Lord Valentine l'Argent (May Faire 2022)
Rapier Champion Caladphort: Lord Valentine l'Argent (May Faire 2022)
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Thrown Weapons Champion: HL Phydeaux Weir (Honey War 2022)
Thrown Weapons Guardian: HL Gerald De Huntington (*Perennial*)
Lord Defender of the Barony of Glymm Mere: Duke Thorin Njalsson, Lion of An Tir (*Perennial*)
The Sweet of Glymm Mere: Lady Catrine la Crosetiere (Mayfair 2022)



Glymm Mere Calendar

Baronial Coronet Progress

- June Fair – June 16-18 – Kitsap County Fairgrounds
- Athenaeum – June 24 – Barony of Madrone
- July Coronation – July 14-16 – Barony of Terra Pomaria
- Prelude to War – August 11-16 – Nix Ranch
- Autumn War – August 16-21 – Nix Ranch

Business Meetings

First Tuesday of the Month at 7 PM via Zoom or at St Benedict's Episcopal Church (910 Bowker St SE Lacey) - 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.

3rd Thursday of the Month at Lion Gard Games in Aberdeen is the Canton of Caladphort Business Meeting at 5:30 pm

Weekly events

Wednesday fight practices at Garfield Elementary in Olympia starting at 6 pm

- 2nd Wednesday Potluck dinner night
- Last Wednesday of the Month are garbed court & mini tourney

Friday fight practices at Lion Gard in Aberdeen starting at 5:30

4th 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.

**June 6, 2023 -
Financial Committee meeting**
Open at - 6:35pm

Attendees

Sir Brehon
Natasha Orionova
Tamsyn l'Argent
Aleksei Zateev
Catrine
Master Erik
Isabella de Walingeford
Volk the Gray
Tomasso Dragonetti
Ysmiralda di Istria
Rafad de Bryn Gulad
Dafyd
Gisla Van Windkeep
Olivia X
Melissa of Dalmatia
Wrath
Valentine l'Argent
Wolfegar Von Rothenberg
Laeriel Faynehale
Alistair
Disa

Exchequers Report

	Current Balances	Previous Balances
Checking	11,808.07	11,802.56
CD-7202	3009.26	3,007.38
CD-7153	2307.93	2307.54
CD-7199	6364.35	6,350.87
Totals	23,489.61	23,468.35

Trailer tabs have been done
Storage Bill will be paid tonight after the business meeting.

New Business

Brehon – there are 3 extra sets of metal knees in the fighter gear – Selling them for \$50? There are 4 other sets and we may end up other plastic versions. Offer to the active fighters first, and then posting on the 3 Glymm Mere fighter groups.

Tamsyn - We'll eventually need purchase digital money accepters for on site purchases. Probably won't happen til after prelude to war – so the kingdom can decide if they like it

Ended 6:48

Business Meeting
Opens – 7:05

Attendees

Sir Brehon
Natasha Orionova

Tamsyn l'Argent
Valentine l'Argent
Aleksi Zateev
Wolfegar Von Rothenberg
Laeriel Faynehale
Snorri Bjornsson
Catrine
Master Erik
Isabella de Walingeford
Volk the Gray
Tomasso Dragonetti
Ysmiralda di Istria
Rafad de Bryn Gulad
Melissa of Dalmatia
Dafydd
Alistair
Disa
Lark Dietz

Minutes were approved

Prelude to War (Honey War August 11-16)

- Finished a video to release on the YouTube Page
- Adding folk to the messenger group
- The Insurance is in progress
- Interested in teaching a class – Paulis is collecting teacher information

Yule

- We know when and where it is
- People are in charge

June Fair

- Glymm Mere is running Gate for June Fair
- Please fill out when you're available on the Schedule – so spots can be filled and folk aren't overwhelmed
- Countess E has said the June Fair Schedule will be posted tomorrow
- No Zoom Training
- Refresher will be Friday and early Sat Morning
- Gate will be at the far end of the soccer field for SCA and probably near parking
- Modern Gate is only open for about 6 hrs

Rose and Thorn

- More hotel rooms have been added to the block
- If there's hotel challenges Tamsyn is the Hotel person

Officer Reports

Chamberline

- Helen the Small still has Jousting things
- Need a replacement – prefer not to do the 2 jobs
- Job is Keeping track of baronial stuff
- Keys from Charles have been aquired

Web minister

- Small fixes were done
- Silk banner activity added to the calendar
- Looking for a deputy
- Looking Glass will be updated

Youth Activities

- No report

Lists

- Nothing to report

Scribal

- No Report

Herald

- Although this covers April and May I have little to report. This has some bearing upon the following. Later this year my warrant for office will be expiring.
- During a period when there were no in-person events, a branch herald who didn't attend events was no hardship upon the group. Since being placed in this office I have attend fewer events than can be counted upon one hand. That ill-serves the Barony or the office. There are offices which operate behind the scenes such that being off-stage is no hardship. The Herald's Office is not one of these.
- We are fortunate that there is a member of Retinue competent to handle matters related to Court Heraldry.
 - We have also been fortunate that certain old hands have covered the needs of Field Heraldry.
 - I've been a resource to those seeking aid in designing and submitting names and armory...online.
 - There have been no on-site consultation tables.
 - There have been no discussions of what it is to be a Herald within the SCA, at least not organized by the office.
 - On-site, heralds are all about pageantry, although it is desirable to have knowledgeable individuals available for consultation concerning names and armory.
- The branch herald is supposed to coordinate all of this, and strive to show others how this can be a fun activity within the context of the SCA. I file reports that demonstrate that I've failed to communicate with those handling such matters on-site.
 - While I have no problems continuing as an off-site resource for name & armory consultations, I have major problems with the concept of my continuing as the branch officer in charge of heraldic activities because I have yet to discharge such responsibilities beyond serving as an administrative placeholder. This is quite the quandary.
 - Having done nothing on my part to generate interest in this sub-activity, where do we find a replacement for the office, preferably someone who is capable of doing the outreach, of interacting at events, of showing that all aspects of SCA Heraldic activities can be fun? Someone who will foster growth in this field of activity? We have until the fall of this year to do so.
- The Barony would be ill-served by asking for the renewal of my warrant when I know that there will be no change in how I discharge the responsibilities of the

Canton

- The canton has been busy with ongoing weekly fighter practices, new members coming to join us both in fighting and social aspects.
- Exchequer and herald both agreed to extend out their warrants until we can find someone else or they will continue to hold the offices (this was a oversight at the hand over and should have been done before that)
- Althing has been put on hold until September after camping season is over but it will return.
- Our next business meeting will be the 15th of June at Lions Guard in Hoquiam
- (Seneschals are out of control! - they're having fun though!)

Master of Stables

- Court night was great
- Rapier tourney at court night we went over what it is that everyone does – round robin tourney, heralding – ish.
- No injuries, no loss of equipment, no damage

Arts & Sciences

- May has been somewhat subdued in the A&S realm. Many folks in GM are gearing up for Athenaeum happening in Madrona June 24th .

- A big shout out to the amazing GM artisans participating in Athenaeum. Volk, Laeriel, Dunstan, Elisabeth, Brehon, Paulus, Runa, Zanetta, Grace, Wolfegar. (Sorry if I missed anyone)
- Glymm Mere Arts and Sciences night at House RavenHart had many folks working on their projects. I will endeavor to be more proactive in documenting what folks are working on.
- We also had an awesome time at the Fairy Festival on the 24th in Centralia helping Fire Mountain Keep with showcasing the SCA Arts and Sciences for all those who attended the festival. Thank you to Daffyd, Angelica, Grace, Bri, Agnarr, Laeriel.

Armored Combat

- For the month of May (which isn't quite done yet), we've seen excellent attendance by fighters and spectators at our weekly Baronial practices.
- We've been graced by knights from other groups on a regular basis, and we've been lucky in seeing a rotating cast of newer fighters eager to learn. We're now averaging 6-10 fighters every week!
- With the return of pleasant weather, Baronial Court nights are going strong (53 last week), and we'll be having armored and fencing fun tournaments next week, which should be a hoot.
- Three of our new fighters have largely assembled complete kits, which is amazing. We're hoping to have an armoring day at some point in June, to help folks get completely kitted out.
- No injuries or damaged equipment, and I'm thrilled to see what the summer brings!
- Potluck nights at fight practice on Second Wednesday of the month
- Maybe have a "How to List" next time we do mini tourney
- Also "How to Herald Tourney" would be good
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Chatelaine

- The only thing I have to report is my responding to Kingdom Chatelaine concerning Grace's Demo table at Lewis County Fair. I gave them the info they requested.

Gold Key

- Gold Key is sorting/washing garments. I'm creating an outfit "look book" for different eras (Roman, Scottish, Viking, Tudor, etc) and also making sure all garments are in working order. Donations will always be accepted as long as they are in very good shape. Please no missing grommets, frayed or torn hems, or stained garments. We don't have time to mend them all and we have enough great quality garb that these will be discarded. Picture 1: L to R: Look Book, Men's, Women's. Picture 2: unsorted garments in processing. We would love donations of headwear both men and women.

Chronicler

- June was published
- Remember to Submit things for publication in the following month by Midnight of the business meeting (grace period of this Friday)
- We'll coordinate to get the due dates for Looking glass added to the website

Exchequer

- See above report from the Financial Committee
- We have money
- Trailer Tabs for Baronial Trailer have been recieved
- Storage Unit paid for July, Aug, Sept
- We'll be selling knees from the loaner kit
- Leaving in Mid July returning Late August
- Need a Deputy for Prelude to War so we can have info

Seneschal

- Tommaso has stepped up as chief archery officer
 - We'll get the email reset
- Officers please send over official passwords for accounts so changing/resetting/getting back in is easier.
- Vote to cancel August financial and business meetings since most of the leadership is at Pennsic 50 yr

Their Excellencies

- Were at May Crown
- Were at Embers and Ambrosia
- Everything's been going along great – we've grown a lot, love seeing all the new folk since the Pandemic
- Pause the weekly Zoom Socials through September
- Please continue to submit award recommendations

Good of the Barony/Old Business

- Cash Boxes – have we found them?
 - We're going to buy 2 cash boxes
 - Melissa's going to do the purchases
- Silk Banner painting on Saturday
- Wyewood is doing a day of archery on this Saturday – close to Ikea in Renton
- New tarp for archery shed was purchased and added extra grommets
 - Not sure when we're adding to the shed
 - Master Griffin has taken all of the odd old arrows – stripping them, repainting them, and returned to us.
- New site for Archery is located
 - South of Rochester on Tommaso's property
- Centralia Fantasy Festival
 - Thanks for all your support!
 - New-Comers day had 17 people showed up
 - And donated small person bows for tiny humans!
 - Longview got 4 new folk
- Renewing your membership – cards won't be mailed unless requested. And the request proof from the website email will have all the information.
- Maybe have a "jobs in the SCA" table at our events
 - Looking at having "how to do the SCA officer job" at fighter practice

Meeting Closed – 7:59

