

From The Tower



Barony of Southron Gaard

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Chronic Ramblings

Labour weekend passes and with it Golden Flight – see review and photos page 4. The Hororata Highland Games are coming up, the same weekend as Crown Tourney is happening on distant shores, and Show Weekend hold the promise of a another 3 day weekend – it’s a wonderful time of year. Not least because the weather is playing along!

Canterbury Faire approaches ever closer – have you booked yet? See advert page 19



I know you were really hoping to hear about the Baronial Candidates this issue, it’s part of the reason FTT is a few days late coming out. But we haven’t heard from Kingdom yet, so we shall have to continue to wait. With any luck we’ll have some great write-ups and flattering portraits for the next issue.

Yours in Service,

Agnes Graye

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Kingdom of Lochac



King Niall inn Orkneyskii and Queen Sabine du Bourbonnais



Please send award recommendations to crown@lochac.sca.org with a courtesy copy to B&B@sg.lochac.sca.org.

Please check Lochac Cannon Lore for an individual's existing awards and information about awards, additional information can be found on the Kingdom website: www.lochac.sca.org



Baron and Baroness Southron Gaard

Greetings all,



We would like to congratulate the newest recipients of the Tour D'Or. To Lord Tetsu, Lady Rosa, Lady Ellen and Master Brian, we thank you for all your efforts to make the Barony such a healthy and vibrant group.

Daylight savings has past, and the days are getting steadily longer and warmer, which means there's now time in the evenings to consider starting extra training for those summer tourneys, or if you're more crafty, time to work on those projects best done out of the house. We thank those who've supplied photos and information about their projects for the A&S challenge. Entries can be viewed at <https://southrongaardarts.blogspot.com/>. We're always keen to see what others are doing and to be inspired.

As we write this at Golden Flight upon us and is a most relaxing and lively event. We would like to thank the combined Stewarding team of Baroness Eleanora, Lady Rosanella, Lord Lowrens and Lord Callach for their willingness to combine their separate bids, and create an event that truly has something for everyone.

Next up is the November Monthly Tourney, which promises to be extra special with seasonal food and a monthly tourney.

Soon, the candidates for our successors will be named by the Crown. We encourage you all to share your views when the poll comes out, and help shape the future of the barony. To the candidates themselves, We wish you all the very best of luck!

In Service to the Crown, and Barony,
Richard and Ginevra
Baron and Baroness Southron Gaard



Golden Flight

Spring Hunt and Collegium – Labour Day Weekend



Despite our fears and doubt, the weather gods smiled on us, and Golden Flight opened under clear skies and fine weather. With many hands at work, after just a few jiffies, the Hall was arranged, the pavilion was raised, and the archery range prepared. And so we began...

There were classes in divers topics.

Tapestry, kumihimo and spinning, by Eleanora, Kotek, and Debz, candle dipping by Ginevra, woodwork by Lowrens, glass painting by Agnes, dance by Enith, and many one-on-one sessions as well.



There was food, and very fine it was and plenty of it. No-one went hungry except by choice.

Members of the Custard Guild made presentation of a Sausage to their Excellencies, and the Salty Squidde tavern did great trade in beverages of many kinds.



Games were played, by many peoples, openly.



There was battle: the fighters of Midgard who were slain were transported across Bifrost to their rewards in Asgard by two lovely Valkyries (with trumpet accompaniment).



There, the goddess Freya decided whether they were worthy of entrance. Fortunately, all the fallen were admitted without incident. At the end of battle, the mighty god Odin rode out on Slepnir, his eight-legged horse.



And there was archery. IKAC on the first day, the Hunt with more than a dozen archers at the line on the second day and more on the last day.

A good time was had by all, and ~~rugby~~ Service, Chivalry and the Arts were the winner on the day.



➤ Lowrens

Nice Little Touches: the Southron Gaard “Persona Gubbins*” A&S Challenge

Please see August FTT for the full article.

*Gubbins, meaning small items, easily picked up and carried about (mid-16th century word, from the obsolete gobbon ‘piece, slice, gob’, from Old French; probably related to gobbet). Not to be used in connection with live small animals.



This Challenge is brought to you by Meisterin Christian Baier, Baroness Isabel Maria del Aguila, Lady Amabillia Threxton, under the gracious patronage of Her Excellency Baroness Ginevra.

The Challenge:

What to enter: You may enter the challenge by completing one (or more) small objects or items from the categories below.

Who can enter: Anyone!

How to enter: Submit (to the Challenge blog) the following:

- 1) a photograph of the item, and
- 2) a few brief notes about the item and the persona that inspired it.

When to enter: Enter now! All projects must be completed by Baronial Anniversary 2020.

Your recognition: All entrants will be awarded a special token at Baronial Anniversary 2020.

Those entrants who complete three projects, and those who complete five projects, from at least two distinct categories listed below, will receive an additional token.

Some of our local Southron Gaard Laurels will also offer small prizes or tokens to the entry of their choice.

Categories:

1. Do you think because you are virtuous, that there shall be no more cakes and ale?

An item of food or drink your persona may have grown, prepared, consumed, or known of.

2. With silken coats, and caps, and golden rings, with ruffs, and cuffs, and farthingales, and things.

A garment your persona may have worn.

3. When I am forgotten, as I shall be, and sleep in dull cold marble, ... Say, I taught thee.

The teaching or sharing of knowledge or skills that your persona would have had, for example, classes, published articles etc.

4. With scarfs, and fans, and double change of bravery, With amber bracelets, beads, and all this knavery.

An accessory your persona may have owned, made, used, or gifted.

5. All the world's a stage, and all the men and women merely players.

A performance of a persona-appropriate piece (song, poem, play, saga, tale, dance, etc); formal or informal, individual or group.

6. What revels are in hand? Is there no play, To ease the anguish of a torturing hour?

Games, toys, and other such entertainments.

7. 'Fore God, you have here a goodly dwelling
and a rich.

*Items your persona may have had in their
home: housewares, furniture, feast gear, table
wear, lighting, and such like.*

8. This is the excellent foppery of the world
*Develop a repertoire of vernacular language,
appropriate to your persona, for use at events,
e.g. oratory, witticism, oaths, braggery,
vernacular phrases, boasts, etc.*

9. To gild refined gold, to paint the lily, To
throw a perfume on the violet,...
*At your toilette: hairstyling, make up, beauty
products, skincare, ointments, unguents,
perfumes, etc. Also items associated with
bathing, cleanliness, etc: e.g. soaps, cleaning
tools or products, laundering, etc for people,
houses, livestock etc.*

10. Is this a dagger I see before me?
Items for self-defence or martial activities.

11. Get thee to a nunnery
*Religious or spiritual items, e.g. momento mori,
devotional items, etc.*

12. A garish flag, to be the aim of every
dangerous shot.
An item of heraldic display.

13. Throw physic to the dogs; I'll have none of
it.

*Items associated with health, medicine, or
wellbeing.*

14. I do remember an apothecary...
And in his needy shop a tortoise hung,
An alligator stuff'd, and other skins
Of ill-shaped fishes; and about his
shelves
A beggarly account of empty boxes,
Green earthen pots, bladders and
musty seeds,
Remnants of packthread and old cakes
of roses,
Were thinly scatter'd to make up a
show.

*An item used in an occupation, trade, or task,
e.g. a tool, equipment, etc.*

15. I'll note you in my book of memory
*A written item or document of some kind, e.g.
a letter, a piece of calligraphy and illumination,
etc.*
*In particular, we would also encourage you to
put together your own commonplace book or
similar item relevant to your persona (a
commonplace book is a collection of notable
extracts from other works, and everyday handy
knowledge for your personal use at events e.g.
song lyrics, game instructions, recipes to share,
etc).*

Please see August issue of From the Tower for the full article, notes and entry form.

<https://sg.sca.org.nz/docs/ftt/FTT-2019-08.pdf>

Upcoming Events

Canterbury Faire 2020

An Agrarian Affair

After the pageantry and spectacle of the recent Royal events held within the Crescent Isles, the Barony of Southron Gaard invites you all to celebrate the lives and activities of the majority of people within our period, being those who lived and worked upon the land.

Whether Yeoman, Dairymaid, Lord, Lady or Knight, all are welcome!

Dates: Sat 18th Jan - Sun 26th Jan 2020

Location: Waipara Adventure Centre, 137 Darnley Rd, Waipara New Zealand

For full details see <http://sg.lochac.sca.org/cf/>, and be sure to monitor the 'Southron Gaard Discuss' email group (<https://www.sca.org.nz/mailman/listinfo/sgdiscuss>) and/or the event Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/events/2053734668268192/>) for event updates.



Fibre Guild

The Southron Gaard fibre guild is open to everyone that has an interest in making and playing with fibre: spinners, dyers, weavers, braiders and the like. Our meetings are 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.




For more details, please see the Southron Gaard Calendar - <http://sg.sca.org.nz/calendar.shtml>



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' also has a Yahoo group list at https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/SG_String/info, and now a Trello board that you can request access to by emailing Her Excellency, Baroness Ginevra, at g.devisconti@gmail.com.

November Calendar

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

Armoured Combat

Sundays 10am–noon at Redwood Scout Hall.

Rapier

Sundays from 2pm at Redwood Scout Hall.

Archery

Fine Sundays at Northcote School grounds, meet at Redwood Scout Hall.

archers@sg.lochac.sca.org

Tourney days

First Sunday of the month as announced

Arts & Sciences

Sundays from 11:00am at Redwood Scout Hall.

Fibre Guild: every third Sunday of the month, 11am at Redwood Scout Hall or as announced.

UCMRS Dance

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

Council Meetings

Second Wednesday of the month, from 7:30pm – details, agenda etc. are 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.

December Calendar

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

Southron Gaard Regnum

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

* **Seeking replacement:** see vacancies page or contact the seneschal for details.

Baron & Baroness:	Richard d'Allier & Ginevra di Serafino Visconti	BandB@sg.lochac.sca.org
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Constable (safety)	Callum MacLeod	constable@sg.lochac.sca.org
Youth	Seeking replacement*	youth@sg.lochac.sca.org

Hamlet of Wildmoor - Otago

Cheperka (Natalia) nnyates@xtra.co.nz

Hamlet of Gildenwick - Nelson

Awaiting notification of new point of contact

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 which is an electronic newsletter (PDF).

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

An updated SCA (NZ) Inc. membership form will shortly be included in future issues of this newsletter, or can be accessed on the SCA (NZ) website. <https://registry.sca.org.nz/RegistryMenu.php>

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

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

Southron Gaard Council Provisional Minutes

Council Meeting Minutes, Oct 9th 2019.

Present: Kotek, Jayne, Elena, Agnes, Gisle, James, Lowrens, Vigdis, Tatsu'aki, Ginevra, Richard.

Apologies: Elisabetta, Adrienne, Rosa, Lisa.

Meeting opens: 7:33 pm.

1. Last month's meeting minutes

Agnes moves to accept last month's minutes.

Gisle seconds the motion

No-one is against. 4 abstentions. Motion passes.

2. Business arising:

Due to life becoming very busy, I am no longer pursuing the kitchen items for which I received a budget after a previous council meeting. I achieved the majority of the goals - pie plates and new steel platters.

Outstanding is the idea for 3 - 5 metal jugs similar to milk frother jugs. Please inform Council of my choice not to pursue this further

Thanks

Ellen

3. Funding Request:

Query: was the request for petrol vouchers for the Hororata games passed.

Answer: yes.

4)Event Proposals:

Discussion:

James: Thinking of doing a Roman themed BA next year.

Elena: Agnes can refer you to possible sites.

5) Event Reports:

James has recently been to the Canterbury Faire site, taken and posted pics of the changes made. And is thinking of going again later on in the year. Elena is keen to go and have a look too.

Golden Flight: Bookings so far at 13. Arts and Science's schedule is up and has been posted. List of equipment needed has been made.

6) Officer Reports:

B and B: Attended Spring War, correspondence with Crown and Seneschal about stepping down. Talked to some of the St Florians, and Mordenvale populace about Canterbury Faire.

Seneschal: Attended Fiery Nights. Communication with B and B. Received communication from Canterbury Faire site about booking site for 2021.

Reeve: Good Evening

I stepped down obviously, and there is a payment to process for Sigard for tent bags which I will set up this evening.

The GST is due on the 28th of this month for April - September at this stage it looks like it will be a

payment of around \$1.082 but I have a few payments left to look at so it may come down a very small amount.

Opening ledger balance as of 1-Sep-19 \$24,816.06

Summary of non-event income:	profit/(loss)	notes
Interest	\$1.15	
Transfer	\$385.00	
TOTALS	\$386.15	
Summary of non-event expenditure:	amount	chq numbers and notes
Transfer	\$385.00	
TOTALS	\$385.00	

Event summary - this Quarter	Income	Expenditure	profit/(loss)
CF2020	\$3,379.00	\$343.00	\$3,036.00
Yule 2019	\$69.36	\$8.00	\$61.36
Fiery Knights	\$1,258.00	\$0.00	\$1,258.00
Golden Flight	\$93.00	\$200.00	-\$107.00
CF & Coronation Southron Gaard	\$1,050.58	\$0.00	\$1,050.58
TOTALS	\$5,849.94	\$551.00	\$5,298.94

Income for the month \$6,236.09

Expenditure for month \$936.00

Profit/(loss) for month \$5,300.09

Closing ledger balance at 30-Sep-19 \$30,116.15

00 - \$28,062.25

03 - \$2,053.90

Herald: Herald in Europe looking at cool heraldy things! The painted coats of arms in Prague Castle!!

Chatelaine: No report

Constable: No report as is working overseas

Chronicler: Made FTIT, will do another

Quartermaster: No report

Rapier: Not a lot of practice has been happening at the moment. There was a rapier tournament at Fiery Nights- there were no issues with doing rapier at night time. Applying to be Kingdom Rapier Marshall so will need a replacement here.

Captain of Archer's: Have been ill for the past month. Thanks to Cellach for covering for me. Looking at new gear.

A & S: attended Spring War. A & S is still happening. Schedule for Golden Flight is up.

Chirurgeon:

Fiery Nights II happened, I was not able to attend. I hope it was an excellent event, and have not had any accident/injury reports submitted. So yay! The first aid kit should now be back at the Redwood Scout hall, or in progress to the Scout Hall.

7) Hamlet Reports: None received. Seneschal will follow up.

8) General Business:

To new officers and a reminder to other officers- please take any problems you are having to the Seneschal first rather than putting it in written reports.

Meetings closed: 7:59pm