From the Tower

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Barony of Southron Gaard

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Chronic Ramblings

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Firstly, a happy SCA New Year to everyone. I hope you all have a wonderful AS 46!

You may notice that is this a rather slimmer than usual edition of From the Tower. Remember that an exciting newsletter requires exciting content from a variety of different people around the Barony. If you have photos, documentation, articles, drawings sitting around at home, don't be shy send them! One of the best of parts of this job is getting your contributions.

As you will see in the Officer Vacancies it is my intention to set down as Chronicler. This is a fantastic and rewarding job! It is very satisfying at the turn of each month to see From the Tower enjoyed by a large number of readers. So if you think this might be the role for you don't hesitate to ask me for more information.

En servizio

Elisabetta Foscari

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Kingdom of Lochac

King & Queen: Gabriel and Constanzia
Prince and Princess: Cornelius and Elizabeth

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Additional information can be found on the Kingdom website: www.lochac.sca.org.

Their Excellencies Speak

From the ramparts of Foxe Lodge, Christopher and Clare send greetings,

Baronial Anniversary was a great success & We wish to give Our thanks to all those who put on, or assisted, with this event.

We found the day to be one of great solace & contentment. When We looked around at the folk enjoying the day—the camaraderie, the spectacle and pageantry—We were reminded of all that is good in Our Barony.

Congratulations to Our newest Champions:

Lord Ronan mac Brian – Archery

Lord Raife de Massard - Heavy Fighting

Don Capitano Martuccio Cavalcanti – Rapier

Lady Ginevra Isabella Serafina della Visconti - Arts and Science

We know you will all give these folk your heartiest Congratulations.

The weather was kind to us on the day & We spent a splendid evening eating, singing & dancing & being in Good Company.

We believe it was just what Southron Gaard needed after the trials of the past months.

Looking ahead to the coming year, We have several events in the wings We hope you will enjoy. We look forward to the winter period to revitalise Ourselves, and trust you all have a great month. We look forward to seeing you at Our next event.

Yours in Service,
Christopher and Clare
Baron and Baroness of Southron Gaard

Long Live Their Majesties Gabriel & Constanzia!

Long Live Their Highnesses Cornelius & Elizabeth,

Crown Prince & Princess of Lochac!

Long Live Lochac!

Seneschal's Comments

Hello everyone,

I hope this finds you well.

Firstly, Welcome to our new officers, Lord Maximilian and Baroness Eleanora! All the best to them in their respective roles.

Other than that, I'm rather wanting for inspiration at the moment, so just a couple of things - thanks to everyone who helped out at Baronial Anniversary, and who attended.

Also, for those of you who don't sign in - please do. It makes it much easier for the stewards to work out who attends and who doesn't, and to reconcile numbers for mandatory reporting to kingdom and SCANZ.

Also, the loss of members of our game, whether from the new kingdom or the old - Their Majesties Kolfinna and Rorik - should serve as a reminder that we should not take what and who we have for granted.

A short and sombre column.

All the best and stay safe,

Oswyn

Baronial Champions

Archery:	Lord Ronan mac Brian
Arts and Sciences:	Lady Ginevra Isabella Serafina della Visconti
Heavy Fighting:	Lord Raffe de Massard
Rapier:	Don Capitano Martuccio Cavalcanti

New Officers

Herald - Lord Maximilian of Southron Gaard

Webwright - Baroness Eleonora van den Bogaerde

Support Southron Gaard

Our Barony is one with a long and proud tradition. Be part of this tradition and support the Barony by contributing to more than just event attendance statistics.

- Hold an office
- Become a Deputy Officer
- Steward an event
- Help someone else make an event happen
- Contribute to FTT
- Teach a class at Stuff Night
- Take part in one or more of the Baronial Championship Tournaments

Help ensure the Barony stands tall and strong while developing a greater personal understanding of all aspects of the Society for Creative Anachronism and Barony of Southron Gaard.

"Long May She Stand"

The Horde is Coming

Christchurch. November 11-13, 2011

All who surrender will be spared; whoever does not surrender but opposes with struggle and dissension, shall be annihilated.
- Chingis Khan

Looking for a Challenge?

Why not become Steward and run the sort of events you want to attend!

Being a Steward does not need to be scary. There are plenty of people in a Barony you can ask for advice and you can check the excellent resouces available on
http://sg.lochac.sca.org/stewards.shtml

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

Tuesday 19th April 2011

PRESENT: Lucia (Betty), Geoffrey (Andrew), Agnes (Robyn), Elena (Niamh), Amalie (Amy), Chunegunde (Joanna), Raffe (Shaun), Glenn

APOLOGIES: Claire (Marion), Christopher (Dorian), Oswyn (Carl), Isabel Maria (Miriam), Elisabetta (Josie), Angus (Alan), Maximilian (William), Richard

MEETING OPENED: 7:33pm

MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING: Moved to accept by Geoffrey, seconded by Amalie, passed.

OFFICER REPORTS

BARON AND BARONESS (Christopher and Clare): Correspondence In: CC'd Officer Reports: Captain of Archers, Chatelaine and Chronicler. Lord Oswyn: CC'd BA Budget; Baronial Library; names of helpful people. Sir Tycho: BA Heavy Tourney format. BA Letters of Intent: various. Mistress Isabel: various BA items. Lady Amalie: Baronial Library. Lord Raffe: Showbiz evacuation. Correspondence Out: Lord Oswyn: Baronial Library. Lady Amalie: Baronial Library. Mistress Isabel: various BA items. Sir Tycho: BA Heavy Tourney format. Lord Raffe: Showbiz evacuation. Chronicler: FTT column. Attended: Baronial Anniversary (Our thanks to the Steward and her team of tireless helpers ... Huzzah!). Invested newest Baronial Champions.

SENESCHAL (Oswyn): Correspondence with: the Baronial herald, TEs regarding letters of intent and handovers at BA, HE Eleanora, HE Antonia, the Kingdom Webwright regarding the appointment of a new baronial Webwright. Correspondence with the KS regarding correspondence with the Kingdom Webwright. Correspondence with HRM regarding tickets and attendance at BA. Correspondence with HEs regarding helpful people in the barony post-quake, with THL Amalie regarding the baronial library, with Raffe regarding removal of baronial property from Showbiz, with Westpac regarding having the new Reeve added as a signatory to the baronial cheque accounts with the Reeve regarding event reports and with the purpose of cheques written. Have also received correspondence from the CCC, asking for payment for the past two months' use of the practice hall. Have pointed out we were told it was not useable until further notice in February. Correspondence with the heavy marshal and two parties regarding applications for the marshallate. The current marshal's warrant expired at BA. HE Eleanora has been confirmed by the KW as Baronial webwright, barring substantial objection from the populace. The commentary period shall be up on the 29th of April. Lugged a bit of stuff out of the trailer into showbiz, and away for the BA cooking. Did a teeny bit of heralding at BA, and various menial tasks. A vote of thanks to our webwright and heavy marshal wot are stepping down.

REEVE (Richard): No report this month.

HERALD (Maximilian)**:** Shouted a Tourney, Presided over a couple of courts. Did nothing at all to do with book heraldry or blazoning. Nothing else to report.

ARTS AND SCIENCES (Amalie): Attended BA, and ran the championship with last year's champion, Elisabetta. Many thanks to the judges and to all the entrants. The new champion is Ginevra. Bjorn ran a bonework class on Sunday, which I was unable to attend. There is still no access to the hall, so Stuff Night was held at Sigurd and Eleanora's place. The Baronial Library is now housed with Raffe and Melisande.

CHATELAINE (Chunegund): Attended Baronial Anniversary. Received back all garb from Canterbury Faire, loaned 1 set to returning newcomers for BA. Met possible newcomer at a party – we shall see what happens at Yule/next event. Contact with Seneschal re CINCH

database details. Ordered Known World Handbook for Barony through HE Eleanora, yet to hear from her re money. Plan for coming month: re-gather quotes on iron on transfer paper as some of my previous quotes no longer apply.

CHRONICLER (Elisabetta): FTT put on the website and send to subscribers 1 April. Correspondence with event stewards, B&B and Seneschal. Due date for May edition 22 April at 5pm. Will be looking for a replacement - two month advertising period from now on.

QUARTERMASTER (Angus): No report this month.

CONSTABLE (Agnes): Attended Baronial Anniversary and law and order was maintained. Some lost property was collected, as yet to be advertised. That is all.

CAPTAIN OF ARCHERS (Geoffrey): Confirmed our access to Kirkwood with the school; they're still happy to let us use the field, but did ask to make sure that we don't leave arrows behind. Some other group had been on the field between the quake and us returning, and the school doesn't want arrows left on the field the students are using. Had a couple of practises - still getting 5 or 6 people along, although the weather will be a problem soon. Hoping to have some workshops over the winter, again. Attended BA, had nothing official to do.

RAPIER (Emilio): Tourney held at BA had 9 fighters. Thanks to Martuccio for running this tournament as the previous champion, and congrats to him for winning this year's tourney. There have been no practices of late, but interest seems to be increasing, so can maybe start these back up again.

LISTS (Emilio): Thanks to Max and Iuliana for running the lists at BA. Am currently working with Max to devise a Round Robin Cheat Sheet. Want to make a list tree for the Barony, based on the success of the one used at CF.

MARSHAL (Raffe): Good numbers to fighter practice in anticipation of BA. Mid-week practice now finished due to daylight savings finishing; grateful thanks for Sir Tycho for organising these. Quarterly report forwarded to Kingdom Marshal, including all CF casualties, war and tourney info, etc. Returned Baronial trailer to Showbiz lockup (all clear after earthquake) and unloaded it with assistance from the BA steward and Seneschal in preparation of gear needed out on site for BA. BA tournament held with 9 fighters taking the field. The tourney was a close quarter affair (being held in an $8ft^2$ Eric) with some new rules on blows received and lives lost. A very enjoyable afternoon's fighting. Assisted Quartermaster in preparation for BA and items needed. Collected and returned the Baronial trailer to Rimu Park site/Showbiz. Travelled up to CF site to repair the fort and put it away. Also took a stock take of the container's contents for the Constable to follow up any action on payment for storage. Retrieved the Baronial tables and delivered to Quartermaster for BA. Worked with Darius to collect two donated turboprop ovens and relocated them to Showbiz storage facility. New plugs required for both, but will be a great asset in future for venues that have limited cooking facilities. Communicated with Seneschal about upcoming Marshal changeover.

EVENT REPORTS

CANTERBURY FAIRE (Raffe and Emilio): Final event report received. See box at end of minutes.

BARONIAL ANNIVERSARY (Isabel Maria): Report to come.

CANTERBURY TALES (Elise): No further information received regarding event proposed for 14 May.

MONGOL EVENT (Geoffrey): Event to be held over Show Weekend (11-13 November), with possible site being Omaka Scout Camp pending post-earthquake site repairs. Event to feature heavy fighting, archery, and traditional Mongolian wrestling. Possible lunch/dinner plan (thanks to the on-the-spot volunteering of Amalie and Agnes), with breakfasts covered and a cook obtained for a Mongolian themed feast. Projected fees are $45 for full event, $10 day-trip, $25 feast only, and $25 camping only. Teaser ad campaign

to start soon. Bid moved by Agnes, and seconded by Amalie.

GAMES DAY (Glenn): Few interested in a games day, but need to find a venue before putting together an official bid. Thinking of chess competitions and a variety of other games such as Backgammon, Go, Mah-Jong, and card games.

YULE (Elisabetta): Nothing further to report this month.

GENERAL BUSINESS

KNOWN WORLD HANDBOOK: Baronial copy ordered through HE Eleanora who is organising an order. Chunegund will pay for order and asked for reimbursement. Moved by Geoffrey, and seconded by Glenn.

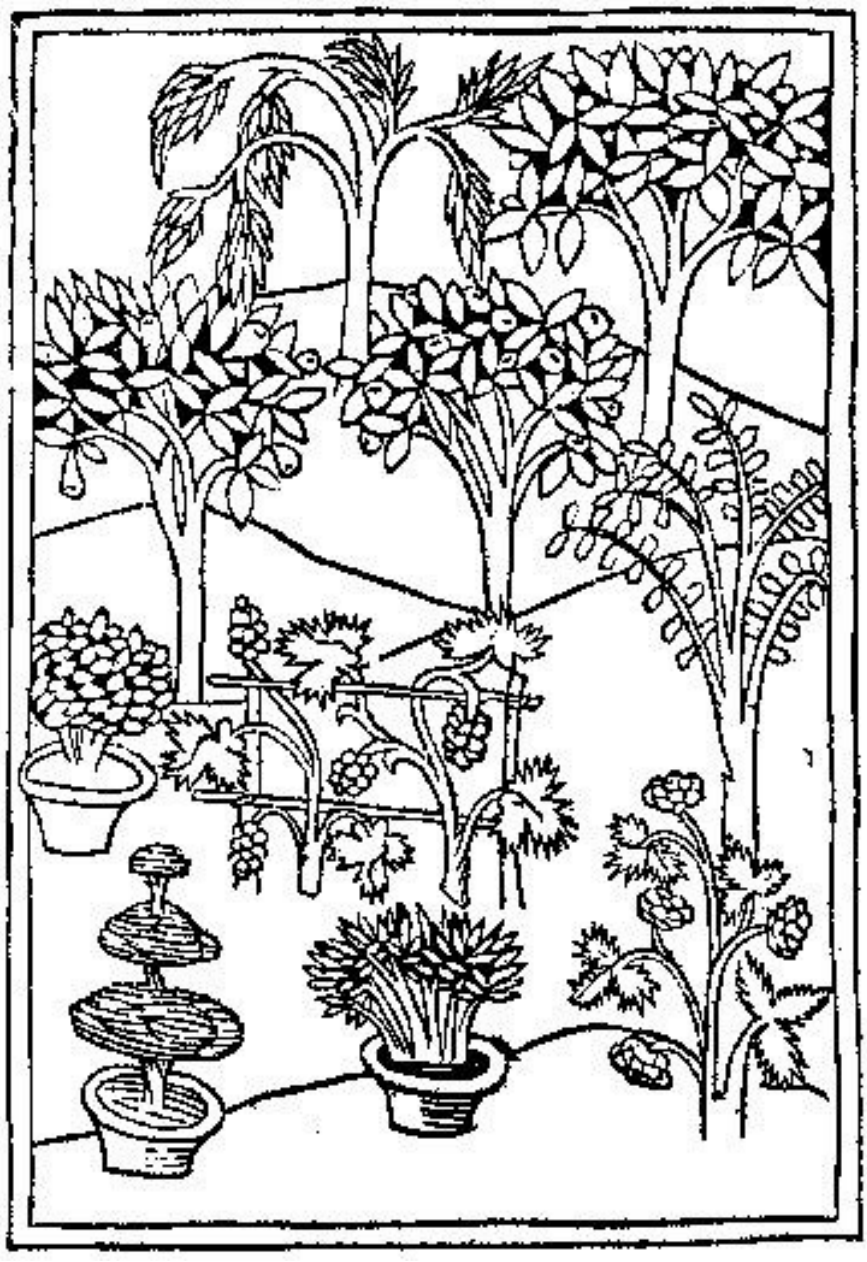
CRESCENT FENCE: Emilo asked the council if it would be acceptable to send the Crescent Fence banners up to Darton where the event is being held this year. Council was in agreement.

Meeting closed 8:29pm.

Canterbury Faire Final Financial Report

	Budget	Actual	
Site Fees			
All	17,112	17,892	
Day fees	240	304	
Bunk Surcharge	750	443	
Total Site Fees	18,102	18,675	
Food			
Meal Plan	10,475	9,360	
Feast Tickets	3,269	2,620	
Total Food:	13,744	11,980	
T-Shirts or Script			
Bags	1,600	1,080	
Tents	320	280	
Shuttles	1,870	1,625	
Total Income:	35,636	33,640	
Expenses:			
Site Fees (incl. $500 cleaning)	12,970	11,908	
General Supplies	300	210	
Kingdom Travel Fund Levy	230	206	
Equipment Rental	1,100	1,095	
Tallage	500	500	
Printing and Publications	400	70	Cost sitebooks donated $200

Postage	15	34	
Advertising	300	90	
Hay Bales	120	180	
Tents	360	280	
Tokens	383	300	
Total Site Expenses	16,678	14,873	
Meal plan food budget	10,070	7,669	
Feast Budget	2,650	2,440	
Food	12,720	10,109	
T-Shirts or Script Bags	1,320	883	Fabric donated $360
Shuttles	1,870	1,230	
Total Expenses	32,588	27,095	
Projected Surplus	3,049	6,546	



May 2011

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

MARTIAL PRACTICES

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

Fighters' Practice.* — Thursday from 6-8pm off Jasmine Place, Wigram

Rapier Practice* — Sundays from noon at Jellie Park from 12-2

Rapier Practice* — 1st, 2nd and 4th Tuesdays - in hiatus

Archery* — on fine Sundays from 2pm 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. Riccarton Community Centre (opposite corner of Clarence and Dixon St). Topics or projects to be announced on SG list.

Dance — from 7:30pm on 2nd ad 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 fourth Tuesday of the month. Location to be advised on SG list each month.

Southern Swans (Singing Practice) — from 7:30 every Thursday. Location to be advised on SG list each week

ORGANISATIONAL MEETING

Council Meeting — from 7:30pm on the third Tuesday of each month. Upper Riccarton Community Centre (71 Main South Road)

All welcome..

June 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Southern Swans Fight Practice	3	4
5 Fight Practice* Rapier Practice* Archery Practice*	6	7	8	9 Southern Swans Fight Practice	10	11
12 Fight Practice* Rapier Practice* Archery Practice*	13	14 Stuff Night	15	16 Southern Swans Fight Practice	17 *FTT submission deadline*	18
19 Fight Practice* Rapier Practice* Archery Practice*	20	21 Council Meeting	22	23 Southern Swans Fight Practice	24	25
26 Fight Practice* Rapier Practice* Archery Practice*	27	28 Seamsters	29	30	July1	July 2

Southron Gaard Regnum

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

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Officer Vacancies

Baronial CHRONICLER

It is my intention to step down as Baronial Chronicler and as such need to find a replacement for this rewarding position.

The Chronicler is the person who creates this fabulous publication and strives to keep it relevant in the face of daily updating websites and the instant gratification of email lists. The job involves editing and formatting as well as a surprising amount of writing, photography, enthusing at people and begging.

If you are capable of working to deadline and are interested in this challenging but ultimately rewarding role please view the job description on the SG website or email me at chronicler@sg.lochac.sca.org

Email your application to:
chronicler@sg.lochac.sca.org
(Applications will be forwarded to Kingdom after deadline)

with courtesy copies to:
seneschal@sg.lochac.sca.org
and
bandb@sg.lochac.sca.org

Applications must be received no later than:
1 July 2011

SCA Mailing Lists

Keep up to date with SCAdian happenings throughout Lochac and augment your participation with email:

Southron Gaard Announcements (SGannounce), Southron Gaard Discussions (SGdiscuss) and the NZ-wide email list (Althing) can all be accessed from: http://sca.org.nz/mailman/listinfo

Lochac Announcements (Lochac-Announce) and Lochac Discussion i.e. the Shambles (Lochac) can be accessed from: http://www.lochac.sca.org/mailman/listinfo/

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
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1 Year with Pegasus	$ 45.00
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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

http://kessog.lochac.sca.org

Saturday:	Arts & Sciences
	Archery Practice
	Boffer Practice

WELLINGTON

Shire of Darton

http://darton.lochac.sca.org

Sunday:	Fight Practice
Wednesday:	Arts & Sciences

College of St Aemigdius

http://aemigdius.lochac.sca.org

Monday:	Arts & Sciences
Thursday:	Fight Practice

AUCKLAND

Barony of Ildhafn

http://ildhafn.lochac.sca.org

Sunday:	Fight Practice
	Fencing
Monday:	Arts & Sciences
Wednesday:	Fencing Theory
Thursday:	Dancing
Saturday:	Archery Practice

College of St Dionysius

http://stdionysius.lochac.sca.org

Sunday:	Herbs & Sewing
Wednesday:	Weekly Meeting

HAMILTON

Canton of Cluain

Society for Creative Anachronism (New Zealand) Inc.
Membership application

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☐ 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.
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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)**	☐ $15	☐ $30
Membership + posted print *Pegasus*	☐ $40	☐ $105
Replacement for lost card	☐ $5	

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Signed (please use legal name): _____

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