

Baronial Officers' Meeting, March 23, 2025

Officer's Reports

Baroness' Report (Sciath/Trudi)

- Next Events:
 - Kingdom A&S (March 29), carpooling
 - Ice Dragon (April 5) in Batavia, NY
 - Lencten Cycuyte (April 12) in Brodhagen
 - War College & Feast of the Expeditus (April 19) in Sterling
 - Coronation (April 26) in Lombardy
 - Lady Mary (May 3) at home
 - Crown (May 24) in Caledonia
 - Eoforwic 50th Anniversary (May 31) in York - event team is looking for a bar coordinator - talk to Magistra Nika for more information. Participants are asked to bring a dish for feast. For more details:
<https://ealdormere.ca/eoforwic/feast-of-the-bear/>
- Camping/Summer event planning:
 - Fruits of Our Labour (May 16-19) - Baronial camp
 - Murder Melee in the Meadow (June 5-8) - Baronial camp
 - Les Beltaines XXXVII (June 12-15)
 - Barons Brouhaha (June 13-15)
 - Trillium War (June 27-July 1) - Baronial camp
 - Pennsic War (July 25-August 10)
 - Calling the Crows (August 8-15)
- Call for recommendations for recognition
 - Baronial recognition prior to Lady Mary
 - Kingdom recognition

Seneschal Report (Dmitri/Sam)

- Her Excellency Gema and I attended Winter War, with Countess Genevieve
- I have ordered the named insurance certificate for Lady Mary
- Fourth quarterly report submitted

Exchequer Report (Ieuan/Stuart)

- Account balance: \$9,162.32

Minister of Arts and Science Report (Gema/Jennifer)

- Lovely A&S displays at Winter War
- Entourage bags for Coronation, Gema will put out a call to get the bags made once we have the pattern.
- Kingdom A&S tomorrow

Marshal's Report (Iustus/Jay)

- Good practices, 3 people in armour last week
- RW was the entire armoured combat force at Gulf War, Sir Richard served as War General

Fencing Marshal's Report (Sciath/Trudi)

- Good participation every week

Archery Marshal Report (Nika/Susan)

- Plans to start up practices/Yeoman of the Wolf at Coronation
- Talks with Alistair and Anne to get the archery butts to their property after Lady Mary, and then hosting archery practices at their property
- May post a poll to find the best dates to hold the practices

Thrown Weapons Marshal Report (Sciath/Trudi)

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Herald's Report (Ren)

- Mihko Ren (Name) and Device were approved
- Alistair Kirk (Alt. Name) Oleksandr Gaspar Calico

Signet Report (Genevieve/Jennifer)

- No report

Webminister Report (Rhys)

- Website is still live with no obvious issues
- Lady Mary page has been kept updated (any more information should be sent either to myself or HE so we can put it online)

Chronicler (Crespin/Corcran)

- The Cataract Blog is fairly up-to-date - <https://ealdormere.ca/barony-of-rising-waters/blog/>
- Please send articles to post! This could include recipes, research, projects, etc....
- Send articles to cataract.risingwaters@gmail.com or risingwaters@gmail.com

Social Media Deputy Report (Rhys)

- Gained 6 new FB members
- No infractions
- 1 spam request to join – Reminder to please not accept anyone who has not answered the questions
- Thank you to our top contributors:
 - Sir Richard
 - Aibhilin fra skye

Chatelaine (Rhys)

- I have reached out to the Ontario Welsh Festival (Niagara Falls) organizers about possibly doing an A&S and info demo at their upcoming event on April 25th-27th
 - <https://ontariowelshfestival.ca/>
 - The event does conflict with Spring Coronation however, since no fighters are needed, I may be able to get a couple of people to do A&S demo.
- The Niagara Falls renaissance fair has been brought up several times as a potential demo location. While this is an event that I looked at, because it directly conflicts with FOOL, we do not have anyone available to run the booth/fighters to demo. I will keep an eye out for the date for next year as a potential venue.
- We had one person reach out for information via email this past month.
 - The person is looking forward to attending thrown/archery practices and potentially fencing as well.
 - Had a virtual meeting with them and they seem enthusiastic about making it out to an event.
- Sciath recommended reaching out to Grape and Wine festival committee regarding fees/requirements for community groups to participate in the parade.

DEI Officer (Sabrina/Annabelle)

- No activity to report

Accessibility Officer (Stephan/Jotun-Bjorn)

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Old Business

1. Lady Mary Memorial Tournament
 - a. Date: May 3, 2025 (already on the Kingdom calendar!)
 - b. Event steward: Abhilin fra Skye
 - c. Deputy Event Steward: Ren
 - d. Royalty Liaison: Annabelle and Richard
 - e. Scholar's Tournament: Sciath
 - f. TW MiC: *Rhys*
 - g. AC MiC: *Iustus*
 - h. Rapier MiC: *Alistair*
 - i. Archery MiC: *Nika*
 - j. Feast Steward:
 - k. Fundraiser: *Eydis*
 - l. Location: Laura Secord Secondary School,
 - m. Insurance has been ordered
 - n. Confirmed not to have bar for alcohol
2. Baronial Investiture
 - a. Baroness Sciath's tenure will end in Autumn 2025.

- i. Baronial Succession policy has been verified by Kingdom Seneschal
 - ii. Timeline:
 - 1. Publicly announce HE step-down at Lady Mary, May 3, 2025.
 - 2. Letters of intention will be accepted after that time by the Baronial Seneschal.
 - 3. There will be at minimum two meet and greet sessions scheduled for the Baronial populace to meet with the candidates
 - 4. Baronial populace will be invited to cast ballots in support of the candidates
 - 5. Baronial Seneschal will report on the ballot results to Their Royal Majesties and the Kingdom Seneschal
 - 6. The Successful candidates will likely be announced at War of the Trillium
 - b. We are looking for a bid for the investiture event (Sept, Oct or Nov)
 - i. September 13, 2025 is held in the Kingdom Calendar for the investiture
 - ii. Location:
 - iii. Event steward: maybe Rhys
 - iv. Feast steward: Silas with support from Annabelle
 - v. Royalty Liaison:
3. Richard recommends deferring this mega practice to the Fall, to be held at the residence of Jordan and Rowan
- a. \$300 budget needed to rent a port-a-potty - **cost approved by baronial council**
 - i. Waivers need to be signed, and donation expectations toward cost
 - ii. Will need a parking coordinator
 - b. Nika suggests in July

Open Discussion

- 1. Nika gave an update on the new peerage, exact name and timing is not confirmed yet, but we'll know more this Summer
- 2. Seneschal successor for kingdom was announced - Duchess Braylah

Next meeting date: Sunday, April 13, 2025 at 6pm the Crumphold, 161 Russell Ave., St. Catharines