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*Caid's Royal Heirs, Sir Valentine Martyn and Vicount Brocc of Alderden – photo by Marcus Anthony Kennedy*

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## From the Baron and Baroness

Salutations to the populace of Lyondemere from Gareth,

With fall comes the change of the clocks and while this may be hailed or condemned, it is at least predictable. Other changes are not so easily prepared for. And the SCA is not immune to the vagaries of time. As you are reading this no doubt you see that we are going from a monthly to a quarterly format. This is to better accommodate our latest chronicler's (Thank You to Sir Halldorr!) schedule and we are ever grateful for their stepping up.

Writing this the day after Dreiburgen Anniversary, change also weighs heavy. While all the details are not yet out, it is truly heartbreaking to hear of Lord Olaf's passing. I was not present because I was laid low with plague and chose to take a day of rest.

Lyondemere recently had its own losses in Lord Egill von Stahl, who was our Seneschal when I first moved to Lyondemere. We also lost earlier this year Robert Lanternsmith, who was a Caid Open Archery Champion multiple times, and was the Queen's Champion Archer, numerous times and in different formats.

As I write and rewrite this I realize I can do none of these fine folks the justice that their work and contributions have given to so many. The depth of their loss is keen to all who knew them.

We in the SCA are more fortunate than we realize in having such a large, diverse and caring group. We are hoping that you take a moment to reflect and celebrate those around you.

We are looking forward to this year's Yule with our gracious neighbors from Gyldenholt come December. More specifics will be forthcoming and posted shortly.

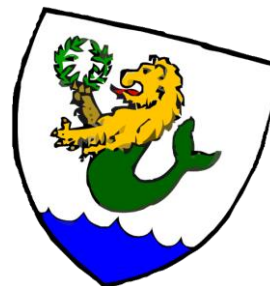
Baron Gareth and Baroness Alatiel



### Upcoming Baronial Progress

- Dec 14 – Lyondemere/Gyldenholt Yule
- Jan 4 – Coronation / 12th Night (Dun Or)
- Jan 25 – Unbelted (Gyldenholt)
- Jan 26 – Ranged Weapons Consort Championship (Lyondemere)

See <https://lyondemere.sca-caid.org/baronage/>



### Lyondemere 2024-2025

- Sat, Dec 14 – Lyondemere/Gyldenholt Yule
- Sun, Jan 26, 2025 – Consort's Champion Ranged (Lyondemere)
- Sat Feb 22 – Arts and Archery
- Sat, Jun 14 – Lyondemere Anniversary
- Sat, Sep 6 – Crown Tournament (Lyondemere)
- Sun, Sep 7 – Privy Council (Lyondemere)
- Sat, Dec 6 -Gyldenholt/Lyondemere Yule



## Seneschal's Remarks



I continue to be so thankful for all the members of our Barony. This month, I'm thankful for the time that Baroness Arwen was able to give to our newsletter as Chronicler, and now I'm thankful that Sir Halldorr will be stepping in to continue our newsletter. This is a simple placeholder for this Quarter (November, December, January) and we welcome our new Chronicler for the first Quarterly issue in 2025. These are scheduled to be published in February, May, August, and November.

And what a busy 2025 we will have! In January, we will host Their (New) Majesties for the Consort's Championship in Ranged Weapons (Archery and Thrown Weapons). We such enthusiasm for Archery as is found in Lyondemere, I truly look forward to seeing you all in person at the Championship tournament on Sunday, January 26.

The very next month, we will throw our annual Arts and Archery tournament on February 22. Artisans – please start working now on something Archery themed to put

on display for your arts!

We serve as the hosts for the West Coast Culinary Symposium in April and our Anniversary will return in June. And while Crown and Privy Council are currently scheduled for September, there is some good chance it will be rescheduled for October. Watch this space!

I also really appreciated seeing so many of you at our monthly Zoom meetings and Virtual Arts and Sciences courses. I hope you've also been having a great time at our fighter practices, archery practices, and soon some sewing workshops!

Dame Eilidh Swann, Seneschal

## Arts and Sciences

### Monthly Virtual A&S Class –Third Fridays of the Month (7 PM on Zoom)

We have so many talented friends throughout the Known Worlde! Is there a topic you would like to see discussed and presented at our Virtual A&S workshops? Know someone would works on fascinating things? Help us find great teachers, presenters, and instructors to share with us!

- **2025**

- January 17
- February 21
- March 21
- April 18
- May 16
- June 20
- July 18
- August 15
- September 19
- October 17
- November 21
- No class in December

**ATTENTION:** Our **Exchequer** plans to step down at the end of January 2025 after completing the Year-End paperwork. **Please contact Dame Eilidh Swann, if you can take up the position by February 1.** We can train you! 😊  
[seneschal@lyondemere.sca-caid.org](mailto:seneschal@lyondemere.sca-caid.org)

Please contact our Arts & Sciences officer Sensei Asakura Machime at [artsandsciences@lyondemere.sca-caid.org](mailto:artsandsciences@lyondemere.sca-caid.org)



*Snowball fight in Oxford, 16th century. Bodleian Library MS Douce 135*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Lyondemere-Gyldenholt Yule

**WHEN:** Saturday December 14, 2024, 5-9 pm

**WHERE:** Riviera United Methodist Church is located at 375 Palos Verdes Blvd. Redondo Beach, CA 90277

**WHAT:** Mark your calendars for Lyondemere-Gyldenholt Yule, Saturday December 14, 2024. The Barony of Lyondemere is pleased to host this year, and we're excited to announce the theme will be Viking!

**COMPETITIONS AND FUN:** We will have dragon ship races (think pinewood derby...), prizes for best dragon head on your ship, best table decorations, best Viking weapon, an arts display, and more!

#### SCHEDULE

- 5:00 pm - Site opens
- 6:00 pm - Feast commences
- 7:00 pm - Competitions and Court at Their Excellencies' pleasure
- 8:30 pm - Site clean-up: Everyone is encouraged to assist
- 9:00 pm - Site closes

We are excited to welcome you home for the holidays!

**SITE:** The event will be held at Riviera Methodist Church, 375 Palos Verdes Blvd, Redondo Beach 90277.

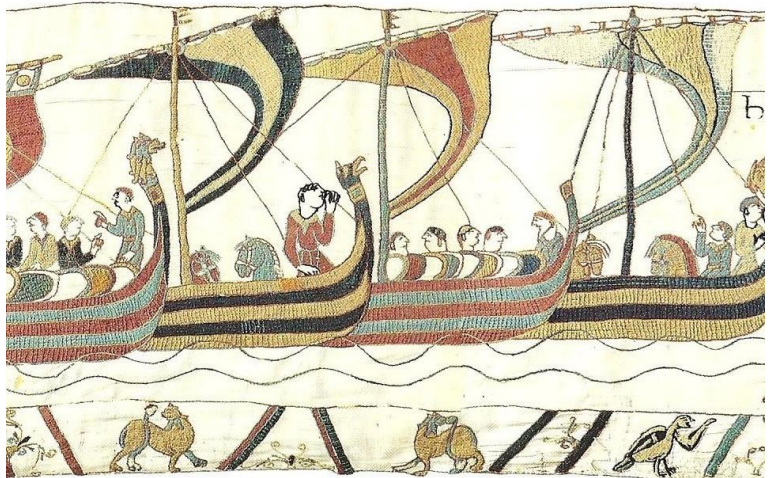
**SITE INFORMATION:** The site is dry (no alcohol allowed of any type).

**EVENT STEWARDS:** Baron Gareth Nikodemos Somerset and Baroness Alatiel de Beaumont of Reading-wood

**EVENT EMAIL:** [baron@lyondemere.sca-caid.org](mailto:baron@lyondemere.sca-caid.org) and [baroness@lyondemere.sca-caid.org](mailto:baroness@lyondemere.sca-caid.org)

**REGISTRATION INFORMATION:** The main dishes will be provided (protein and vegan) and beverages. There is no registration fee for this event, but participants are asked to participate in potluck for the side dishes and dessert. If your persona name begins with A-M, please bring a side dish to share. If your persona name begins with N-Z, please bring a dessert to share. Please label each dish with ingredients (to assist anyone concerned with allergens).

**DIRECTIONS:** Riviera United Methodist Church is located at 375 Palos Verdes Blvd. Redondo Beach, CA 90277. Take your best transportation towards Redondo Beach (south and west of the 405 and west of Hwy 1 near Torrance). At the intersection of Calle Miramar and Palos Verdes Blvd, proceed north on the frontage road to the church. The driveway to the parking lot is located on the south side of the property (if you are facing the front of the sanctuary, the driveway is to the left). Go down the hill and turn right into the parking lot and go to the Fellowship Hall. Ample handicap-accessible parking is available directly adjacent to the Fellowship Hall.



### Consort's Champion Ranged Weapons

**WHEN:** Sunday, January 26, 2025, 8 AM – 5 PM

**WHERE:** Woodley Park Archery Range, Van Nuys, CA 91411 (5GJG+VM Van Nuys, Los Angeles, CA).

**WHAT:** The Barony of Lyondemere is pleased to host the Consort's Champion Ranged Weapons competition in honor of His Royal Majesty Brocc of Alderden. Come with weapons ready for Archery (Open, Period, and Crossbows welcome) and Thrown Weapons (Axes, Knives, and Spears). The Championship will be held on Sunday, January 26, 2025 at Woodley Park Archery Range.





## SCHEDULE

- 8 AM - Site Opens
- 10 AM (at His Majesty's leisure) - Opening Court / Announcements
  - Lists closes 10 minutes after opening court
- 4 PM (at His Majesty's leisure) - Closing Court / Champions Announced
- 5 PM - Site Closes

**CHAMPIONSHIP LISTS** will be run for each form: Target Archery, Crossbow, and Thrown Weapons. As the ranges allow, additional contests may be held for bragging rights, fun, and frivolity.

**SITE:** The event will be held at Woodley Park Archery Range in the Sepulveda Dam Basin Recreation Area, between Burbank Blvd and Victory Blvd, 405 Freeway, Van Nuys, CA 91411 (5GJG+VM Van Nuys, Los Angeles, CA).

**SITE RESTRICTIONS:** This is a dry site. Seriously: Sharp projectiles and alcohol do not mix. Extra-long stakes are needed when putting up pavilions or pop-ups. Children are welcome but must be supervised at all times by a parent or guardian. We regret to inform you that the site does not allow pets. Closed-toe shoes are required on every range. Parking is limited near the range, but overflow parking is available alongside the range, behind the paved lot.

**EVENT REGISTRATION:** Adult Event Registration is \$25 and Adult Member Discount Event Registration is \$15 (with proof of membership). Children 17 and under are guests of the Barony. Please bring cash or make checks payable to *SCA, Inc./Barony of Lyondemere*.

**EVENT STEWARD:** Dame Eilidh Swann

**EVENT EMAIL:** [seneschal.officer@lyondemere.sca-caid.org](mailto:seneschal.officer@lyondemere.sca-caid.org)

**KINGDOM LISTS:** THL Tezar of Aeolis

**ARCHERY STEWARD:** THL Kazetani Tarou Noritatsu

**THROWN WEAPONS STEWARD:** Master Nikolaos Phaistios

**DIRECTIONS:** Woodley Park is in the Sepulveda Dam Basin Recreation Area, between Burbank Blvd and Victory Blvd, 405 Freeway, Van Nuys, CA 91411 (5GJG+VM Van Nuys, Los Angeles, CA). Take your favorite route to the 405 and Burbank Blvd. From the 405 North: Exit at Burbank Blvd. and turn left toward Woodley. From the 405 South: Exit at Burbank Blvd. and turn right toward Woodley. At Woodley, turn right. Look for a sign that bears the legend "Japanese Gardens." Turn right towards the gardens. Just before entering the gardens, turn right on the access road that traverses the park picnic grounds. Continue along this road until you reach the traffic circle. The Archery range is on the left, up the hill.

## Lyondemere Arts and Archery

**WHEN:** Saturday, February 22, 2025, 8 AM – 5 PM

**WHERE:** Woodley Park Archery Range, Van Nuys, CA 91411 (5GJG+VM Van Nuys, Los Angeles, CA).

**WHAT:** The Barony of Lyondemere is pleased to host our annual tournament to celebrate the Arts and the Marshal skill of Archery. We will be choosing new champions in Archery, Crossbow, and Thrown Weapons. Lyondemere's grand competition will be on Saturday, February 22, 2025 at Woodley Park archery range in Van Nuys. We invite you all to join us for the thrilling competitions.

### SCHEDULE

- 8 AM - Site Opens
- 10 AM - Opening Court / Announcements
- 4 PM - Closing Court / Champions Announced
- 5 PM - Site Closes

**ARCHERY:** There will be novelty shoots run all day, which you can do as many as you like—with only your highest score from each competition counting. Contests are currently planned for 20m, 30m, 40m. Top scores from each of the mini competitions will be eligible for the finals.

**CROSSBOW and THROWN WEAPONS:** There will be both Crossbow and Thrown Weapons competitions at this year's tournament. These promise to be exciting and fun for all participants and spectators.

**ARTS AND SCIENCES:** There will definitely be Arts and Sciences displays. Our Baroness Alatiel has selected the theme of the art competition to be Archery! We have never had this as a theme before, so we encourage any and all to



bring their archery-themed projects to see who will be her Excellency's Arts Award Winner. If you don't have an archery-themed project, please bring anything you wish to be a part of the populous choice. This is the time to show off what you have been working on no matter if you have been practicing for years or making your very first item!

**SITE:** The event will be held at Woodley Park Archery Range is in the Sepulveda Dam Basin Recreation Area, between Burbank Blvd and Victory Blvd, 405 Freeway, Van Nuys, CA 91411 (5GJG+VM Van Nuys, Los Angeles, CA).

**SITE RESTRICTIONS:** This is a dry site. Extra-long stakes are needed when putting up pavilions or pop-ups. Children are welcome but must be supervised at all times by a parent or guardian. We regret to inform you that the site does not allow pets.

**EVENT REGISTRATION:** \$20 Adult Event Registration, \$10 Adult Member Discount Event Registration (with proof of membership). Children 16 and under are guests of the Barony. Please bring cash or make checks payable to SCA, Inc./Barony of Lyondemere.

**EVENT STEWARD:** Baron Guillem Cosinier

**EVENT EMAIL:** chatelaine@lyondemere.sca-caid.org

**DIRECTIONS:** Woodley Park is in the Sepulveda Dam Basin Recreation Area, between Burbank Blvd and Victory Blvd, 405 Freeway, Van Nuys, CA 91411 (5GJG+VM Van Nuys, Los Angeles, CA). Take your favorite route to the 405 and Burbank Blvd. From the 405 North: Exit at Burbank Blvd. and turn left toward Woodley. From the 405 South: Exit at Burbank Blvd. and turn right toward Woodley. At Woodley, turn right. Look for a sign that bears the legend "Japanese Gardens." Turn right towards the gardens. Just before entering the gardens, turn right on the access road that traverses the park picnic grounds. Continue along this road until you reach the traffic circle. The Archery range is on the left, up the hill. Parking is limited near the range, but overflow parking is available alongside the range, behind the paved lot.

## West Coast Culinary Symposium (WCCS) 2025

**WHEN:** Friday, April 25, 2025 through Sunday, April 27, 2025

**WHERE:** Camp de Benneville Pines, 41750 Jenks Lake Rd W, Angelus Oaks, CA 92305

**WHAT:** Join us for the West Coast Culinary Symposium (WCCS) 2025!

Are you fascinated by historical culinary arts, food, and brewing? Eager to dive into the origins of pre-17th Century cuisine, whether hands-on in the kitchen or in a classroom with others who share your passion? The Kingdom of Caïd is excited to host the West Coast Culinary Symposium, happening April 25-27, 2025 at Camp de Benneville Pines.

This two-day event offers a rich blend of historical cooking classes, delicious food and of course our keynote speaker. Whether you're staying for the full weekend or joining us just for Saturday, it's the perfect chance to geek out about all things culinary and connect with fellow enthusiasts throughout the Known World.

Coming all the way from the EU, the keynote speaker for this year is Hanna Tunberg author of "An Early Meal a Viking Age Cookbook and Culinary Odyssey."

Would you like to teach something? Sign up to teach a class at: <https://forms.gle/LQX6vnAzs4bztoBg7>

**EVENT OPTIONS:** Full weekend stay (in shared cabins with bunk beds, all of which have power outlets) or Saturday day-trip attendance. Full weekend attendance is limited, so register early.

### SCHEDULE

- Fri Apr 25, 5 PM - Site Opens
- Class and Meal Schedules posted later
- Sun Apr 27, 12 PM - Site Closes

### REGISTRATION

- (1) Early Bird pricing (payment received before Dec 31, 2024)
  - Adult Event Registration Full Weekend (including all meals) \$140
  - Adult Member Discount Event Registration (with proof of membership) \$130

*Art from Hours of Catherine of Cleves, ca. 1440.  
Found in the Index of Medieval Art (#186320)*



- Adult Saturday Day-trip only (including all meals) \$50
- Adult Member Discount Saturday Day-trip only (including all meals) \$40
- (2) Regular pricing (payment received between Jan 1 and Mar 25, 2025)
  - Adult Event Registration Full Weekend (including all meals) \$160
  - Adult Member Discount Event Registration (with proof of membership) \$150
  - Adult Saturday Day-trip only (including all meals) \$60
  - Adult Member Discount Saturday Day-trip only (including all meals) \$50
- (3) Children 14-17 pay 50% of the Adult Member price. Children 13 and under are guests of the Barony.
- (4) Make checks payable to “SCA, Inc./Barony of Lyondemere.” **Checks should be mailed to:** Cat Ellen (Seneschal), 5776D Lindero Canyon PMB291, Westlake Village, CA 91362, ATTN: WCCS

We can't wait to share this culinary adventure with you!

**SITE RESTRICTIONS:** No smoking, no pets.

**EVENT STEWARD:** Sensei Asakura Machime

**EVENT EMAIL:** [wccs2025@lyondemere.sca-caid.org](mailto:wccs2025@lyondemere.sca-caid.org)

**DIRECTIONS:** From 210 E, take exit 83 5th Street/Greenspot Rd. Turn left go 32 miles on 38 E/Mill Creek Rd. Turn right on Jenks Lake Rd E, for 3.5 mi to the campground. From 10 W, take exit 89 Singleton Rd, turn right and continue on Singleton Rd which turns into Bryant St. and go about 8 miles. Turn right on CA-38 E / Rim of the World Scenic Byway for 20.5 mi. Turn right on Jenks Lake Rd E, for 3.5 mi to the campground.

## Local Events of Interest

### Tri-Barony Scriptorium

The Tri-Barony Scriptorium will run the **second Sunday** of every month, hosted by the Kingdom Scribe Amarius, The Honorable Lady Valeria Cabriell at 15508 Piuma Ave. Norwalk CA 90650. All are welcome – Most conveniently serving the baronies of Lyondemere, Gyldenholt, and Angels!

Never been to a scriptorium? We work with manuscript arts: calligraphy and illumination (painting/gilding). Training and supplies are available for free. The house has been specifically designed to be a great scriptorium space with oversized tracing boards, a prosumer printer that will print manuscript references at size, a flat file full of good paper, and plenty of supplies that are just waiting for someone to use them.

The scriptorium runs from **11 AM–6 PM** but there's no pressure to attend the whole thing. It is just easier, once set up, to work continuously for a while. Drop by for however long you want to come. We'll have food and snacks (though potluck contributions are certainly welcome). Contact [scribe.armarius@sca-caid.org](mailto:scribe.armarius@sca-caid.org) with any questions.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/899808248348068/899808288348064/>

- Sunday, **Dec 8**, 2024
- Sunday, **Jan 12**, 2025
- Sunday, **Feb 9**, 2025
- Sunday, **Mar 9**, 2025
- Sunday, **Apr 13**, 2025

## Baronial Council Meeting Minutes (August)

**Monday, August 5, 2024** - Attendees: *Eilidh, Fedelm, Guillem, AEflaed, Bart, Grace* (6 attendees)

**Zoom Only** - Opens at 7:15 PM. Meeting starts at 7:30 PM.

### Opening Comments

**Baron and Baroness / Gareth and Alatiel:** Notes

**Seneschal / Eilidh:** I have been exceptionally thankful for everyone who helped make our July events so eventful. I've been a bit swamped with some additional events the past 2 (and upcoming) weekend, but I should have final numbers on all the event reports by next month's council. Our 2025 is very full too, so I would love your input and assistance to continue to make these events a great experience for the Barony, the Kingdom, and all visitors.



## Officer Reports

**Arts and Sciences / Machime:** Virtual A&S this month is Fabric Painting.

**Chatelaine / Guillem:** Things are going pretty good. 5-7 new folks joining the FB or the Discord. Some newer folks at Archery.

**Chronicler / Arwen:** Getting the lost and found from Coronation have all been claimed.

**Constable / Lupus:** Notes

**Exchequer / Gabriello:** Notes

**Herald / Seamus:** Notes

**Marshal (Armored Combat) / Fearghus:** Notes

**Marshal (Rapier Combat) / Ceallach:** (*proxy report*) Rapier practice has been sporadic this past month but will hopefully become more consistent as folks return from summer vacations. We have had a newcomer join us recently, which is exciting.

**Marshal (Archery) / Emma:** (*proxy report*) Things are going well. We continue to have new people show up for lessons and practice. We need to get some more, smaller sized gloves for loaners, we mostly have large sizes. We had some visitors from Altavia for royal rounds last month. We will announce again for the next time we plan to hold them.

**Social Media / Fedelm:** all is well with posts

**Webwright / Sadhbh:** (*proxy report*) I've got Ceallach set up with the rapier marshal email and he's now listed on the officer's page. The upcoming events list and latest Tydes are available thanks to Eilidh. I believe we will need to make some changes for the Chronicler contact info, so please let me know what needs to be done there. Question for archers: is there a plan to reinstate Sunday archery practice in the near future? If not I'd like to remove it from the Meetings page. I have a similar question out to the College of Scribes regarding the monthly Scribe Night event. AEIflaed: More scribal is coming up.

## Old Business

- **Sat, Jul 13, 2024 – Coronation** - Final receipts were turned in. Everything lost and found was claimed. Working to return goods to people. We had some small/nice feedback of it being a nice event. Unaware of any other COVID from the event. Going to send a letter to the Masons about the challenges we faced with their representative. Had some excellent help from volunteers. There were some challenges (including some struggles asking for volunteers, other challenges day of) but it all came out by the end. Coming up with solutions for making Gates move faster. Arwen is still available, not disappeared.
- **Sun, Jul 14, 2024 – Privy Council** - The meeting itself went very well. All receipts have been turned in and I'm told all the reimbursement checks have been mailed out. We should definitely do a better job next time with a budget in place and possibly a "tip jar" if anyone attending wants to chip in for the food provided. Major kudos to Arwen and Guillem and the Cooking guild for the amazing spread. You stunned our Kingdom and they were SO GRATEFUL for the food, drinks, and the ability to take home the leftovers so nothing was wasted. Thank you Gareth for all your work to make the site available, too. - Share the notes with the Barony.

## New Business

- **Sat, Dec 14, 2024 – Lyondemere/Gyldenholt Yule** - our turn as hosts, Gareth and Alatiel to Event Steward. John's church is not available, Gareth is checking on a site from the year before (Redondo Beach), waiting to hear back. Might even be able to check on another site from the Masons. Alatiel would like to do a theme, please be careful to be super inclusive of all religions. Bart has a church down the street from Anniversary, maybe a good site for Yule.

## Baronial Progress

- Aug 17 – Festival of the Rose (Dun Or)
- Sep 7 – Crown Tournament (Dreiburgen)
- Sep 8 – Privy Council (Dreiburgen)
- Dec 14 – Lyondemere/Gyldenholt Yule

## Events for 2025

- Consort's Ranged Weapons, Sun Jan 26, 2025 - Need a Steward, Site is reserved

- Arts and Archery, Sat Feb 22, 2025 - Need a Steward, Site is reserved
- WCCS - West Coast Culinary Symposium, Fri-Sun, Apr 25-27, 2025 - Machine Steward, Site: Camp de Benneville Pines, 41750 Jenks Lake Rd W, Angelus Oaks, CA 92305
- Lyondemere Anniversary, Sat Jun 14, 2025 - Seamus will Steward, Need a Site
- Crown (Lyondemere), Sat Sep 6, 2025 - Need a Steward and Site
- Privy Council (Lyondemere), Sun Sep 7, 2025 - Need a Steward and Site
- Gyldenholt/Lyondemere Yule, Sat Dec 6, 2025 - Gyldenholt's turn to host

## Next Month

**Next Baronial Council: Sep 9, 2024** – Possibly hybrid in-person/zoom, meeting will start at 7:30 PM

Meeting Adjourned: at 8:08 PM

## Baronial Council Meeting Minutes (September)

**Monday, September 9, 2024** - Attendees: *Eilidh, Gareth, Alatiel, Fearghus, Seamus, Fedelm, Guillem, Cassandre, AElflaed, Bartholomeus (10 attendees)*

**Zoom Only** - Opens at 7:15 PM. Meeting starts at 7:30 PM.

### Opening Comments

**Baron and Baroness / Gareth and Alatiel:** We're working on Yule and a "Viking Theme," including Gareth wants to do boat races somehow. We'd like to have the Barony pay for main courses and then folks can help bringing sides and desserts, and we'll come up with a system for that.

**Seneschal / Eilidh:** The Arts Champion hood was found (in Aliskye's estate) and has been handed off to me, and I'll ensure it gets to our Baronial champion.

### Officer Reports

**Arts and Sciences / Machime:** (*proxy report*) Quarterly report was submitted for A&S.

**Chatelaine / Guillem:** We've had 4 new folks on FB, 2 new folks at Archery, not sure how many more newcomers have been at fighting practices, (some new rapier fighters lately). Have more clothing and fabric donations lately. Working to create some new garb events and loaner clothing.

**Chronicler / soon to be Haldorr:** Eilidh will be training Haldorr, and the pace of the newsletter will move to quarterly (2, 5, 8, 11). The kingdom Chronicler is aware of our shift.

**Constable / Lupus:** *not here, no report*

**Exchequer / Gabriello:** Notes

**Herald / Seamus:** Nothing new but looking forward to newcomers submitting names and devices. Kingdom is getting organized with all the sites / territories.

**Marshal (Armored Combat) / Fearghus:** Things are going well, between 4-8 fighters on a regular basis. No injuries, yay. Some breeze, slightly muggy

**Marshal (Rapier Combat) / Ceallach:** (*proxy report*) After some interruptions in early August, rapier practice is back to happening consistently. We've had a wonderful infusion of new fighters, as the newcomer mentioned in my last report (Hayden) has brought us two more new folks this month.

**Marshal (Archery) / Emma:** (*proxy report*) Things are going well. We continue to have new people show up for lessons and practice. We will purchase some more, smaller sized, gloves for loaners, since we mostly have large sizes. On an adjacent note: There will be a memorial for Robert Lantersmith on 9/22 at his house. He was a pillar of the archery community, especially in Lyondemere. He was responsible for the dragon targets we used at Art & archery. There is an estate sale this weekend, with archery stuff, garb and art. What is left will be available at the memorial. There is more information in the post Mike put up about it. Please look for that (on Facebook or email the seneschal) if you have questions.

**Social Media / Fedelm:** Events are scheduled for posting on FB.

**Webwright / Sadhbh:** (*proxy report*) The website, calendar, and emails should all be correct, and I'll add a page for Yule once the details are on the kingdom calendar.

## Old Business

- **West Coast Culinary Symposium (WCCS) in 2025** - We need the barony to approve budget please for WCCS. With approval, Machime can start marketing it and getting the reservations registration set up.
- **New Business**
- **Sat, Dec 14, 2024 – Lyondemere/Gyldenholt Yule** - Tentatively is last year's Redondo Beach site, hoping for similar numbers. Barony will provide main course (and cooks are lined up), BYOB, buffet-style sides and desserts. Want to do "long boat races" decorations, photo ops for Vikings, and we're taking ideas for more Viking things. Viking boat tug of war,

## Baronial Progress

- Dec 14 – Lyondemere/Gyldenholt Yule

## Events for 2025

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- Arts and Archery, Sat Feb 22, 2025 - Guillem, Site is reserved
- WCCS - West Coast Culinary Symposium, Fri-Sun, Apr 25-27, 2025 - Machine Steward, Site: Camp de Benneville Pines, 41750 Jenks Lake Rd W, Angelus Oaks, CA 92305
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- Crown (Lyondemere), Sat Sep 6, 2025 - Need a Steward and Site
- Privy Council (Lyondemere), Sun Sep 7, 2025 - Need a Steward and Site
- Gyldenholt/Lyondemere Yule, Sat Dec 6, 2025 - Gyldenholt's turn to host

## Next Month

**Next Baronial Council: Oct 7, 2024** – Zoom, meeting will start at 7:30 PM

Meeting Adjourned: at 8:04 PM

## Baronial Council Meeting Minutes (October)

**Monday, October 7, 2024** - *Attendees: Eilidh, Gareth, Alatiel, Fedelm, Sadhbh, Miguel (6 attendees)*

**Zoom Only** - Opens at 7:15 PM. Meeting starts at 7:30 PM.

## Opening Comments

**Baron and Baroness / Gareth and Alatiel:** GWW on Friday, Dreiburgen Anniv before next Council Meeting. Lots fun for Yule! We're going to ask the Calendar NOT to put Angels/Altavia and Lyondemere/Gyldenholt Yules on the same days.

**Seneschal / Eilidh:** Hybrid? Nope, Zoom next month because of time change.

## Officer Reports

**Arts and Sciences / Machime:** *(proxy report)* Notes read about virtual A&S

**Chatelaine / Guillem:** Notes about latest newcomers

**Chronicler / soon to be Haldorr:** Eilidh will be training Haldorr, and the pace of the newsletter will move to quarterly (2, 5, 8, 11). The kingdom Chronicler is aware of our shift.

**Constable / Lupus:** *not here, no report*

**Exchequer / Gabriello:** *not here, no report*

**Herald / Seamus:** *not here, no report*

**Marshal (Armored Combat) / Fearghus:** Consistent, no heavies last week or this week, but averaging 3-5 steadily.

**Marshal (Rapier Combat) / Ceallach:** *(proxy report)* Rapier practices have been happening consistently and going well. Last week we had 8 fighters, which is the most we've had in some time.



**Marshal (Archery) / Emma:** (*proxy report*) Things are going well. We continue to have new people show up for lessons and practice. We ordered and received the new gloves, thank you. I'll get the reimbursement form to Gabriello after war.

**Social Media / Fedelm:** Good, no practices this week because of war.

**Webwright / Sadhbh:** Nothing new, Yule ad coming soon. Rapier practice changes have been posted on the website, we'd like to maybe do that with Heavies, too. Our Lyon Bard (Sadhbh) would like to do some music at Yule. Alatiel would LOVE to have as much music as possible. Viking Bardic Shenanigans.

## Old Business

- **West Coast Culinary Symposium (WCCS) in 2025** - (CP ad due before Feb 25 or earlier)

## New Business

- **Sat, Dec 14, 2024 – Lyondemere/Gyldenholt Yule** - (CP ad due before Oct 25 or earlier) Same site as last year in Redondo Beach, barony will pay for entree and potluck volunteers doing sides (Jamal and Steina's partner will be doing some of the rest of the feast). Looking for someone who can do vegan courses. Dragon boat races (like pinewood derby), working on Viking games. Possibly a keg of non-alcoholic mead (dry site). Best weapons / best tables / in Viking themes. Photo booth. Thinking about holiday gifts / kids. Considering no charge at the door, working on that.

## Events for 2025

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## Next Month

**Next Baronial Council: Nov 4, 2024** – Zoom (hybrid?), meeting will start at 7:30 PM

Meeting Adjourned: at 7:50 PM

## Baronial Progress

- Dec 14 – Lyondemere/Gyldenholt Yule

## Baronial Council Meeting Minutes (November)

**Monday, November 4, 2024** - Attendees: Eilidh, Gareth, Alatiel, Fedelm, Guillem, Sadhbh, Nathan, Emma, (8 attendees)

**Zoom Only** - Opens at 7:15 PM. Meeting starts at 7:30 PM.

## Opening Comments

**Baron and Baroness / Gareth and Alatiel:** Nov 11 will be storage unit work day. Gareth is working on the Dragon boat event for Yule. Alatiel is looking into photography backdrops. Need a Google Form for people to RSVP.

**Seneschal / Eilidh:** Notes from the Kingdom Seneschal - link to PDF:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1oUeWr37j9ttKPxoLYKopTpW6BkpYU01f/view?usp=sharing>

- Open commentary for 30-days on changes proposed to Kingdom Law. Move Crown and Privy forward a month on the calendar, so that would be Saturday October 4 and Sunday October 5, in 2025 (with Lyondemere as hosts).
- Bring existing ranged martial activities awards into alignment with upcoming peerage

- Address the gap in process for naming a Regent
- Clarify language for determining baronial successors
- Codify Royal peerages and Order of the Rose

Comments on these changes should be sent via email to [seneschal.officer@sca-caid.org](mailto:seneschal.officer@sca-caid.org) All commentary received via email will be presented to Their Majesties and Their Highnesses for Their review upon the closing of the 30-day window.

## Officer Reports

**Arts and Sciences / Machime:** (*proxy report*) October virtual class happened, with two students attending. November is finally going to happen with a beginning garb class, which is already updated on our meetings website. Could the social media officer please add reminders for the classes starting in January please? All the class and teacher info is kept up to date. Machime is definitely looking for a replacement. Any help would be appreciated.

**Chatelaine / Guillem:** Question about who is approving new membership, Guillem will message all the Admins about spam accounts not being approved. Still get new members on discord and FB, and sometimes new members at Archery. Guillem will work on handouts for newcomers, a postcard type simple card. Eilidh will send the permission form to Guillem.

**Chronicler / soon to be Haldorr:** Eilidh will be training Haldorr, and the pace of the newsletter will move to quarterly (2, 5, 8, 11). And Eilidh will finish the November issue this week.

**Constable / Lupus:** *not here, no report*

**Exchequer / Gabriello:** Conchobhar contacted Eilidh about closing the old account and opening a new one, and Gabriello has been kept in the loop on this. Likely to schedule before Thanksgiving.

**Herald / Seamus:** Notes

**Marshal (Armored Combat) / Fearghus:** Gareth: more rapier fighters, but some semi-new fighters for Heavies have come to some of the Wednesdays.

**Marshal (Rapier Combat) / Ceallach:** (*proxy report*) Rapier practices continue to go well, and one of our newer fighters, Hayden (he just picked an SCA name but I don't remember it), is authorized now! (in cut & thrust)

**Marshal (Archery) / Emma:** (*proxy report*) Things are still going well, but we're a bit slower last month. We had a decent showing at Agincourt, which is the last archery event this year.

**Social Media / Fedelm:** Things are going good. No practices the week of Thanksgiving.

**Webwright / Sadhbh:** Website is good, we have posts up for upcoming Yule and WCCS. And ready to do edits as needed. And we'll put new event announcements for Ranged Weapons Consort January and Arts and Archery in February events to send to webwright.

## Old Business

**West Coast Culinary Symposium (WCCS) in 2025** - (CP ad submitted) WCCS is just waiting for Kingdom to finish posting the event page. Once that goes live, we will start registration. I will need help with billing the PayPal payments and I have spoken to our exchequer at War about it briefly.

## New Business

- **Sat, Dec 14, 2024 – Lyondemere/Gyldenholt Yule** - (CP ad submitted, event posted on FB) Nathan is making a non-alcoholic mead, and tweaking the recipe a bit. Will need some numbers to know how many people are attending. Sadhbh is running a poetry contest, participants will pick a rune for themes and then the contestants will pick their poetry format. Eilidh will donate a horn for the poetry prize.

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## Next Month

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Meeting Adjourned: at 7:55 PM

## Baronial Progress

- Dec 14 – Lyondemere/Gyldenholt Yule
- Jan 4 – 12th Night
- Jan 25 – Unbelted (Gyldenholt)
- Jan 26 – Consort's Champion Ranged Weapons (Lyondemere)

## Baronial Meetings and Workshops

Meetings may be rescheduled or cancelled without notice, especially around holidays and inclement weather. For the most up-to-date announcements, see our FB group <https://www.facebook.com/groups/Lyondemere>, email list (join at <https://groups.io/g/scalyondemere>), or our Discord server at <https://discord.gg/vG7vAbeavJ> where we typically cross-post changes in schedules.

## Regularly Scheduled Activities

There are a number of meetings or workshops held throughout the month for your participation. Most of them do not require any special costuming or equipment, with the exception of the martial arts. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the officers and coordinators.

## Meetings

### Baronial Council Meeting

**First Monday of the month** (unless it's a holiday, then the second Monday), **at 7:30 PM** – Join us every month for our Baronial Council meeting. **NOW IN-PERSON** hybrid with Zoom. Meetings are open to everyone. Officers and Guilds report on the month's events, and general information about upcoming events is discussed. **Zoom** link shared to FB group, groups.io email list, and Discord. No costuming required.

- **If in person:** **Calle Mayor Middle School**, 4800 C. Mayor, Torrance, CA 90505, **Room #33**. Park in the front, go in the gate, go right in the first hallway, look for SCA signs.
- **If virtual:** Zoom link shared by email, discord, and Facebook.
- **Questions?** Contact the Seneschal – [seneschal.officer@lyondemere.sca-caid.org](mailto:seneschal.officer@lyondemere.sca-caid.org)

### Archery Practice

**Archery Practice Thursdays at 7 PM** – Weeknight Lyondemere Archery Practice will be held at Rancho Park on Thursdays starting around 7 PM. Loaner gear is available by prior arrangement, please contact the Captain of Archers to inquire (email below). Free lessons for beginners. As always, all archers of Caïd are welcome to participate. Contact the Captain of Archers at [archerymarshal.officer@lyondemere.sca-caid.org](mailto:archerymarshal.officer@lyondemere.sca-caid.org) if you have any questions.

**Rancho Park Archery Range** can be found at 2551 Motor Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90064. Come in on the parking lot marked with the Archery Range sign. Drive past the front lot to the back lot and park.

### Wednesday Fighter Practice

**Fighter Practices Wednesdays** (both Armored Combat and Rapier Fencing, El Segundo), every Wednesday at 7:30 PM – **El Segundo Recreation Park**, 401 Sheldon Street, El Segundo, CA 90245 (link on Google maps)

If you have questions about armored combat, please contact the Marshal – [marshal.officer@lyondemere.sca-caid.org](mailto:marshal.officer@lyondemere.sca-caid.org) If you have questions about rapier combat (fencing), please contact the Rapier Marshal – [rapiermarshal.officer@lyondemere.sca-caid.org](mailto:rapiermarshal.officer@lyondemere.sca-caid.org)

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## Calendar of Events

### Location Details and Contacts

**First Mondays** (7:30-8:30 PM) **Baronial Council Meeting** Zoom only. See the email list, Facebook group, or Discord server for Zoom link. Costuming / Garb is not required.

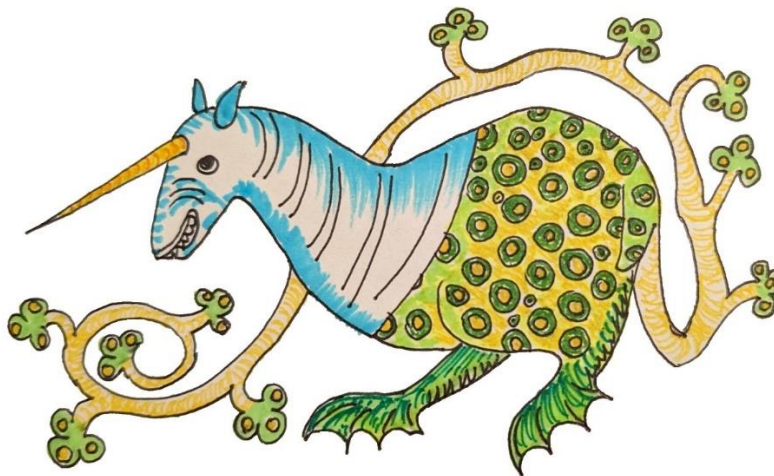
**Wednesdays** (7:30-9:30 PM) **Fighter Practice** (Armored and Rapier Combat) - 401 Sheldon St, El Segundo, CA 90245 Near the tennis courts. email **Armored:** [marshal.officer@lyondemere.sca-caid.org](mailto:marshal.officer@lyondemere.sca-caid.org) and **Rapier:** [rapiermarshal.officer@lyondemere.sca-caid.org](mailto:rapiermarshal.officer@lyondemere.sca-caid.org)

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**Second Sundays** (11 AM-6 PM, open drop-in) **Tri-Barony Scriptorium** - 15508 Piuma Ave. Norwalk CA 90650

**Monthly Tuesdays** (7-9 PM, online) **Virtual Scribes Night** – see the Caid College of Scribes for more information <https://www.facebook.com/groups/collegeofscribes/>

**Monthly Third Fridays Virtual A&S Night** (Zoom 7 PM Pacific) – Topics vary by month: See the email list, Facebook group, or Discord server for Zoom link.



# Pentathlon MYTHS

**BUSTED**

**MYTH:**  
**I CAN ONLY ENTER AS EITHER AN INDIVIDUAL OR AS PART OF A TEAM.**

*FACT: A person may enter both as an individual and as a team member. A person may also be a member of more than one team.*

**MYTH:**  
**I CAN'T SHARE PROGRESS BECAUSE MY ENTRY HAS TO BE ANONYMOUS.**

*FACT: Entrants are encouraged to share their projects and progress in any way they see fit. Entrants may include their names on their written documentation if they so choose.*

**MYTH:**  
**I'M NOT ALLOWED TO GET HELP WITH MY ENTRIES.**

*FACT: Entrants must do all the work by themselves, but it's perfectly acceptable to take classes, talk to mentors, and ask people to provide feedback on entries and documentation.*

**MYTH:**  
**ARTS FAIRE & PENTATHLON ARE THE SAME THING.**

*FACT: An entrant (individual or team) may enter up to 10 entries in the A&S Faire with no more than two in any subcategory. Entrants who submit at least five entries in at least four categories are also eligible to take part in Pentathlon.*

**MYTH:**  
**I HAVE TO WRITE A DISSERTATION FOR MY DOCUMENTATION.**

*FACT: There are 3 allowable documentation formats: written, audio, and video. The main body of written documentation is limited to 8 pages or 1,250 words. Audio/video documentation is limited to 8 minutes long. See Documentation Guidelines for details.*

**MYTH:**  
**MY SCORE IS AFFECTED THE DIFFICULTY LEVEL I CHOSE FOR MY ENTRY.**

*FACT: Entries are scored using a standardized rubric, regardless of whether or not they are entered as beginner, intermediate, or advanced.*

**MYTH:**  
**I CAN'T HELP EVALUATE ENTRIES IF I ENTER.**

*FACT: While it's true that Pentathlon individual and team entrants may not be evaluators, A&S Faire entrants MAY be evaluators for categories they are not competing in.*

**MYTH:**  
**I HAVE TO BE A MEMBER TO ENTER.**

*FACT: The Kingdom Arts & Sciences Faire and Pentathlon is open to all who participate in SCA activities of the Kingdom of Caïd. SCA membership is not required.*

More info? Check out: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/784817909863452>

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