

The Glaucous

Newsletter for the Barony of Seagirt

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Daffodil Approaches!

Join the Baron and Baroness of Seagirt in celebrating the 20th Anniversary of their Barony!

Vie for the title of Defender of Seagirt (armoured combat) or to be the Captain of the Baroness' Own Grenadiers (rapier), both with rich treasure troves of handmade prizes. Another treasure trove will be given as a door prize!

Our gentler contests include the traditional Daffodil in any Medium, Costume Contest (novice & advanced), a Seagirt Rises Bardic Competition, Masks of the Sea Competition, and Name the Seagirt Orca contest!

From 11-3pm we will be running a slate of archery related classes and a round table discussion, and a second slate of varied arts and sciences classes. Merchants will be offer their wares during the day, and day food will be available for a fee.

During the evening, we will have a fully served feast with dishes from Seagirt's proud history including Hedgehogs,

Chicken as Lizard & Samian Cheese-cake! Stay for dancing and merriment afterwards...

Entrance Fee and Feast for Adults:

Note: \$5 Member Discount on all Adult Tickets

Adult Entrance & Feast:

Before Feb.15th \$35; After Feb.15th \$40

Youth & Children Entrance & Feast:

Youth 13-18: \$15

Children 5-12: \$10

Children under 5: FREE

Entrance Fee (No Feast):

Adults: \$25

Youth & Children: FREE

For tickets please contact HL Edward Holgove (Ted Godwin).

Feast and Entry Combo tickets will only be sold in advance! NO combo tickets will be sold at the door. Feast ticket cut off will be March 7th. All tickets are non-refundable.

Please make cheques payable to "Barony of Seagirt"

JANUARY ACTIVITIES

There's always lots going on in the Barony! Here are the regularly scheduled gatherings for this month.

MONDAYS: Bardic - private residences, **7 - 9:30pm**

TUESDAYS: Allthing (dance, workshops, social time and council meetings depending on which Tuesday) - James Bay New Horizons, 234 Menzies St, **6:30 - 9:30pm**

WEDNESDAYS: Fighter practice (heavy & rapier) - Langford, **7 - 9pm**

SATURDAYS: Archery **3-6 PM** Langford. Thrown weapons TBA

SUNDAYS: Fighter practice (heavy and rapier) - Langford, **1 - 3pm**

Always check our Facebook page "Barony of Seagirt SCA" for up to date information on these and other activities.



Gentle Arts 2018

Come one, come all, to Seagirt's Gentle Arts event! Saturday, January 20 at 9am - 10pm James Bay New Horizons Society (Allthing site).

2018 is the 20th anniversary of when Seagirt became a Barony, and so we're going to celebrate all year long!

As the first event in the year, Gentle Arts is following the theme of 'Anniversaries' - Seagirt shares an anniversary year with so many other momentous events in the SCA period, and we'd like to celebrate as many of them as possible!

For example, 2018 will be the 790th anniversary of the Sixth Crusade. It is also the 500th anniversary of the Dancing Plague of 1518. Or, if academics is more your thing, 2018 is the 570th anniversary of the Vatican Library or the 850th anniversary of the first classes at Oxford!

There will be something for everyone!

Come watch our gentles compete for the Baronial Arts and Sciences championship, or take part in one of the many classes that will be available.

Schedule and class list (at time of publication):

9am Gate Opens/A&S competitors Set Up

10am Opening Court (Invocation)

11am-1pm Classes / A&S judging / Gold Key Room Opens

11am-1pm An Tir History

11am-1pm Drop Spinning

11am-12pm Twined Cordage Baskets

11am-1pm Research Papers/Documentation

11am-12pm Twined Cordage Baskets

12-1pm Heavy Fighting Fakes and Feints in the classroom and then

2-3pm after a break for lunch and gear up



1-2pm BYO Lunch

2-6pm Classes / A&S judging

2-6pm Intro to Card Weaving

2-3pm Beginner's Knitting in the Round

2-3pm Ask the Scholars Panel

3-4pm Bara Tapes

4-6pm Intro to Dance

2-4pm Period Poetry Styles

4-6pm Bodhran

4-6pm Pennywhistle

3-4pm Games

4-6pm Ripping Off Dead Monks: Guilt-free tracing & copying in illumination

6-7:30pm Potluck Dinner

7:30-8:30pm Closing Court

8:30-10pm Dancing/Socializing

10pm Clean up begins

Event Steward: Isabella da Firenze (mka Jen Peters)

Email: isabelladafirenze@gmail.com

Cost: \$20 with a \$5 discount for members (Kids under 18 are free)



Your Baron & Baroness Update



**Conall MacLagmayn and
Letitia Talbott**

VI Baron and Baroness of Seagirt

Good Morning Seagirt, This past month we had our Yule celebration and it was lovely. There was a pot-luck feast, carolling, classes, tournaments, people taken on as students, and much merry making and Baron Conall and I both feel honoured to have been able to have been there for it all.

Thank you to HL Juliana and her event team for putting on such an amazing event! It was a pleasure to be there and all of your hard work paid off!

A big thank you to my Head if Retinue Lady Anne Greystoke and all of Baron Conall and my retinue for all of your help organizing us and keeping us watered, wined and fed.

For those who weren't there Conall and I were pleased to give out a few awards to deserving populace.

Lady Gizela Z Nitra is now our

newest member of the Order of the Orca! It was a good event for Lady Anne Greystoke who was awarded the Rock of Seagirt, and was welcomed into the Order of the Seagull, which is our polling order for long term service.

Lady Marguerite SaintClaire was given a rock for her dedicated service in Retinue. Thank you so much ladies!

Two of our populace were taken on as students this weekend. Lady Esasinghen MacAlasdair was taken on as a Demoiselle by HL Tatiana Alexievna, and Lady Anne Greystoke was taken as a Man at Arms by Master Gareth Doiron. Congratulations!

We also had a few competitions this weekend. This weekend passed we had our Bardic Champion chosen.

Two members of the populace chose to compete for the title, the tried and tested HL Juliana de Badele, and a new bardic competitor Lady Anne Greystoke. The judging was much deliberated over and the scores were very close, but Lady Anne Greystoke was the final winner! A big congratulations is in order for both contestants, and huzzah for Lady Anne! We look forward to seeing you promote bardic and teach within our Barony over the coming year.

Also, the Baron and I would like to thank Lord Saito for all of his work as our Outgoing Bardic Champion and look forward to him competing again in the future.

We also had our traditional Feast of Immaculate Confection competition at Yule. There were many competitors, some from close to home, and others who travelled from afar. There were 3 categories, most period recipe, best tasting and best subtlety. Master James Llewelyn

took the best tasting category, HL Lucy Holgrove won the best subtlety, and Lady Melyes Anikó won the most period recipe. Thank you to all the people who entered our dessert competition!

We also had the 'ugly sweater' Yule outfit competition put on by HL Morgaine of Essex. Many people dazzled us with their costuming 'skills' and in the end the winners were Lady Anikó and HL Athelina. We must thank HL for running this fun competition and all the people who participated.

Thank you to our gracious Prince and Princess of Tir Righ Sir William Mac Brennan and Mistress Nadezhda Toranova who attended our event, awarded our citizens, and be headed no one. It was an honour to be in your presence, and still be alive.

Thank you all who attended, and we wish everyone a wonderful New Year Yours in Service, Baron Conan MacLagmayn & Baroness Letitia Talbott "As the sea parts, Seagirt rises!!!"

**We are always
accepting largess.
If you would like
to help but need
ideas on what to
make please feel
free to contact us.**



Our Seneschal has Words!

Thanks to Ned for holding down the fort in the interim. I am looking forward to working with council for the betterment of Seagirt.

My main focus for 2018 will be Community. What can we do to make our internal Community in the SCA, and our external Community in Victoria, a better environment all round.

We will undertake the task of updating and revising out manuals and reworking our operating procedures as needed. Seamus will step up as Drop-dead deputy replacing Ned and Tatianna will step in as deputy of operations.

I would like to request that officers start including attendance for weekly meet ups in there reports each month.

The Rocks will no longer be used, and will be dismantled.



Arts & Sciences

by our Lovely Lucy Holgrove, A&S Minister.

Upcoming classes will focus on projects for Daffodil.

Bardic: Was mostly cancelled in December due to the holidays and moving. One newcomer who hopes to attend more often.

Dance: With winter and Christmas, Dance is slow. More Arts and Sciences classes have been offered, often running concurrently and this Minister is teaching some of them.

Others have stepped up to teach dance. Offer help teaching **otters** to teach dance. Apparently our Baroness had an idea about that. She had found a packet of info we could purchase help teach Medieval Dance

Arts and Sciences classes were fairly well attended in December. Many thanks to HL Mathieu Thibaud Chaudeau de Montblanc for his multi-part class on Safe Books, and

Lady Hallveig Sigrunsdottir for her knitting class. 4) Looking for more teachers for classes in 2018, please contact me via Facebook. Classes on any Arts and Sciences, crafts, SCA topics, or largesse are all needed!



If you say so, Lucy...

Archery Update

By Anikó Melyes.

The indoor range is set up and thanks are due to Master James and Wulfgar. We had a grand opening mid December! Considering the date (close to Christmas) it was well attended. We brought snacks and beverages to share and everyone cleaned up afterwards. Huzzah!

Regular practices to commence in the New Year (2018) on Saturdays 3-6pm. We have been discussing breaking the practices up to contain a drill session/short demonstration or talk component with them with input and teaching from various people sharing their skills and

favourite drills. If you have an idea for a talk/drill let me know and we will arrange for you to teach it - OR if you aren't comfortable teaching it we can work on finding someone who can teach it to the group.

I would like to hold an arrow making workshop at an allthing or the fight practice space if there is interest, let me know if you would like to learn.

If you are a Senior Marshal, talk to me if you want to hold a practice and I will arrange for you to get a key.

Thrown Weapons

ByHL Athelina Grey

Not a lot this month due to holidays and Yule. Gave out tassels to those who achieved an average with Thrown Weapons Royal Rounds. Wondering if there will become a badge for TW like there is for archery for ranks. Looking at possibilities for throwing in the indoor site. Need some backdrop options. Waiting to hear from other branches re spring competitions. Need help making a backdrop for the indoor range, and some more thrown weapon stands. Also need some more rounds as our throwers keep enthusiastically axing them apart! Need to get stands and rounds no later than the end of January. Suggestions/ leads/ help making things are needed!

Looking for a M/F with great hands and a lot of passion...

We are looking for a person who would like to take over the very important job as Baronal Scribe. Do you love painting, illumination calligraphy? Can you organize a handful of individuals and documents on a deadline? Want to be the person who inspires and fosters this beautiful art in our Barony?

Our Scribe, Baroness Elina Karsdottir has been long serving and holds other offices and would like to find a replacement for her in the office.

If you are interested, send her an email at scribe@seagirt.tirrigh.org for more information.



Time to Make Plans...

JANUARY

- 12-14 **An Tir 12th Night** Barony of Wastekeep (but on Denman Island so...Hartwood this is close!)
- 20 **Gentle Arts** Barony of Seagirt
- 26-28 **Ursulmas**, Barony of Aquaterra
- 27 **Newcomers Demo**, Shire of Hartwood

FEBRUARY

- 03 **Winter's Tourney** Barony of Lionsdale
- 17-18 **Tir Righ Investiture** Shire of Hartwood
- 24 **Lionstage**, Barony of Lions Gate

MARCH

- 02-04 **Kingdom A&S & Rapier Championship** Barony of Glymm Mere
- 10 **Daffodil** Barony of Seagirt
- 24 **Canterbury Fayre** Barony of Lions Gate
- 30-02 **Island Fall Faire** Barony of Seagirt

APRIL

- 14 **Tournament of Roses** Shire of Danescombe
- 20-23 **Hartwood/Seagirt TUTOR** Shire of Hartwood

MAY

- 05 **Lions Gate Champions** Barony of Lions Gate
- 12-13 **Fjordland Rising** Shire of Fjordland
- 18-20 **May Crown** Shire of Ramsgaard
- 25-27 **Sealion War** Barony of Lions Gate

JUNE

- 08-10 **Tir Righ Coronet** Barony of Tir Bannog
- 16 **Lionsdale Champions** Barony of Lionsdale
- 29-1 **Ducal War North V** Shire of Coill Mhor

JULY

- 04-08 **An Tir/West War**
- 06-08 **Stranded Mermaid** Shire of False Isle
- 20-22 **Coronation** TBA

Expect this list to expand, keep up to date at <http://www.antir.sca.org/Upcoming/>



Seen Online

Facebook Group: Show Your SCA Kit! A Unofficial SCA Group

Posted by: William DeVito

· Lyndhurst, NJ, United States

in case anyone was wondering how strong a 12 gauge helm is, the 3 dents on the upper left are from a .45



Tir Righ Investiture

Whispers carried upon the Autumn Winds bring rumor that Tir Righ will soon have an Heir to the Storm Thrones. In the Shire of Hartwood, Prince Liam and Princess Nadezhda shall step down and bow before the new Prince and Princess of Tir Righ: Vikingr and Lishinia!

As well, not only will this Event host the Rapier Championship to select the new Scar for Tir Righ but there will be contests and activities for Heavy Combat, Archery, Thrown Weapons, and an A&S Largess Competition.

Site Info:

Name: Cowichan Exhibition Grounds
7380 Trans Canada Hwy Duncan, BC

The Site will open at 9:00 on February 17 and closes at 12:00 noon on February 18, 2018.

Registration fee is \$25.00, less \$5 for members with proof of membership; children and youth are free. Students and seniors receive

a \$5 discount, upon display of valid Identification.

Please make checks payable to the "Shire of Hartwood".

...Hotel booking information is now available. Booking is online only.

A Block of rooms has been reserved at the Best Western Plus Chemainus Inn. All rooms include a complimentary hot breakfast buffet, free Wi-Fi, parking, access to our indoor mineral pool, hot tub and fitness facilities. All rates listed are based on double occupancy; additional adults are \$15+taxes.



Photo by Christina 'Alessandra' Grant

Walls! Walls!

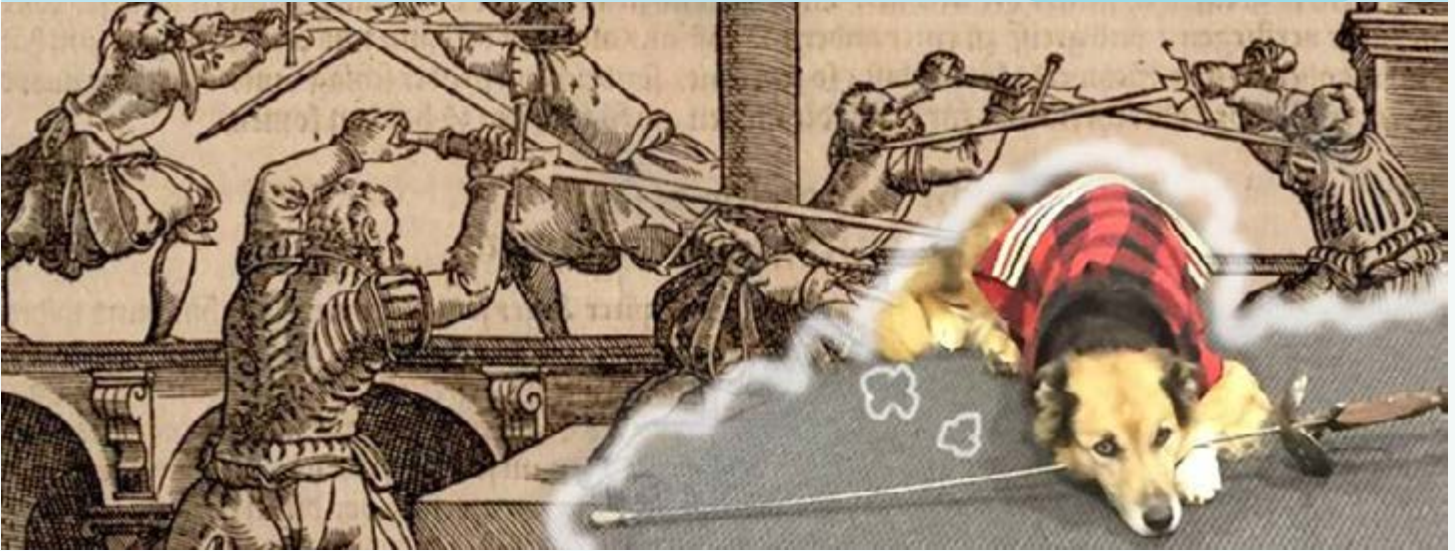
2 people attended the hands on class held by Lady Matilda. We had fun, didn't we, ladies? Runa Morrigan Mirror and Amber Gordon helped make beautiful things. 2.5 done, 12+ to go. Wear old clothes and come paint with us. All tools and paint provided. No experience necessary!!

On that note, if anyone has old indoor or outdoor house paint laying around, in ANY COLOUR please donate it to your Barony. Especially natural shades and shades of White.

Also old beaten up big paint brushes. You know the ones, you hang on to them because you don't want to just put them in the garbage, but, you know you'll never use them.



Seagirt Fight Practice



Seagirt hosts fight practice for both rapier and heavy disciplines twice weekly. Newcomers and inexperienced are welcome to attend (we need someone to hit... just kidding we love getting people kitted up and learning the ropes)! We have lots of gear if you want to try swinging something new like an axe. There are pel poles to whack and always helpful people to get even

experienced fighters working hard both body and mind. The adorable header photo collage was created by Amber who is also our Branch Rapier Marshal. "Samba Dreams of Becoming Master of Defense."

The weekend practice is held Sundays 1-3pm and the weeknight practice is on Wednesdays from 7-9pm. Both are at our practice space at 693 Hoffman Ave, Victoria



Recipe of the Month

Sambocade Cheesecake

Cheesecake with elderflowers

PERIOD: England, 14th & 17th centuries | SOURCE: Forme of Cury and The Closet of Sir Kenelm Digby, Opened | CLASS: Authentic

ORIGINAL RECIPT FROM FORME OF CURY:

179. Sambocade. Take and make a crust in a trap & take cruudes and wryng out þe wheyze and drawe hem þurgh a straynour and put hit in þe crust. Do þerto sugar the þride part, & somdel whyte of ayren, & shake þerin blomes of elren; & bake it vp with eurose, & messe it forth.

(For the translation, please refer to Sambocade)

- Hieatt, Constance B. and Sharon Butler. *Curye on English: English Culinary Manuscripts of the Fourteenth-Century (Including the Forme of Cury)*. New York: for The Early English Text Society by the Oxford University Press, 1985.

ORIGINAL RECIPT FROM THE CLOSET OF SIR KENELM DIGBY, OPENED:

To Make Cheesecakes. Take 12 quarts of milk from the cow, turn it with a good spoonful of runnet. Break it well, and put it in a large strainer, in which rowl it up and down, that all the whey may run out into a little tub; when all that will is run out, wring out more. Then break the curds well; then wring it again, and more whey will come. Thus break and wring till no more come. Then work the curds exceedingly with your hand in a tray, till they become a short uniform paste. Then put it to the yolks of 8 new laid eggs, and two whites, and a pound of butter. Work all this long together. In the long working (at the several times) consisteth the making them good. Then season them to your taste with sugar finely beaten; and put in some cloves and mace in subtle powder. Then lay them thick in coffins of fine paste and bake them.

- Friedman, David and Betty Cook. *A Miscellany*. Published privately, 1988, 1990.

MODERN RECIPE:

This version of Sambocade is a combination of the recipes from *Forme of Cury* and *The Closet of Sir Kenelm Digby, Opened*, posthumously printed in 1699.

1 nine-inch pie shell
2 Tbs. heavy cream
2 Tbs. dried elderflowers
3/4 lb. cottage cheese
3/4 lb. ricotta cheese
3 eggs
1/4 lb. butter
1/3 cup sugar
1/4 tsp. cloves
1/4 tsp. mace
1 Tbs. rosewater (optional)

Combine all ingredients and blend thoroughly. (A food processor or blender will do the job nicely.) Pour mixture into pie shell. Bake at 350° F for 45 minutes to an hour, or until filling has set and the crust is a golden brown. Let cool and serve.

Elderflowers can be found at natural food stores, herb & spice specialty shops, stores that carry exotic teas, etc. I find them at my local food co-operative. Don't use a substitution - the flavor of elderflowers is unique and the taste of the final product depends on the real thing. Rosewater is a remarkable liquid that can be found in Oriental, Indian, and other imported food stores. The rose aroma & flavor are strong and powerful - be sure to use the real thing and not a substitute.



Recipe from <http://www.godecooking.com/goderec/grec17.htm> Photo courtesy of FromageHomage.co.uk

What is the Council?

What makes the Barony work?

The answer may not be what you would immediately think, in truth, the answer is, "everyone." Everyone involved in the different facets of this Barony add to its rich tapestry in their own ways.

Some of have skill sets or a desire to learn and participate on a more in-depth basis and they are great candidates for what we call the Barony's 'Council.'

Our main purpose is to sustain a healthy Barony, with a population that is engaged, growing and participating in the SCA. Oftentimes that takes creativity, brainstorming, event planning, bookkeeping, organizing and so much more! We always welcome your input.

Our goal is to always have a deputy or two for every single position, and that there is always engagement, learning, experience and interest in what is happening at the level of Council. If you are interested, you are welcome to attend a Council meeting as the they are open. If you are interested in becoming a deputy, come to a meeting and let us know what you may be interested in. Likely we will have a good fit for you!

Council is held the first Tuesday of every month at the allthing space. There is always an extra chair if you would like to attend.

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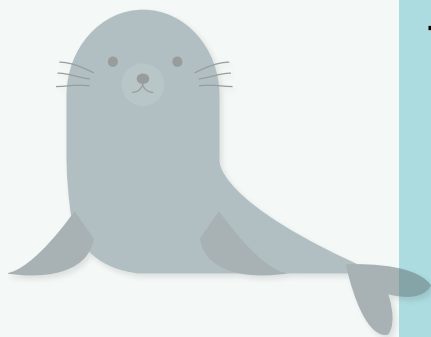
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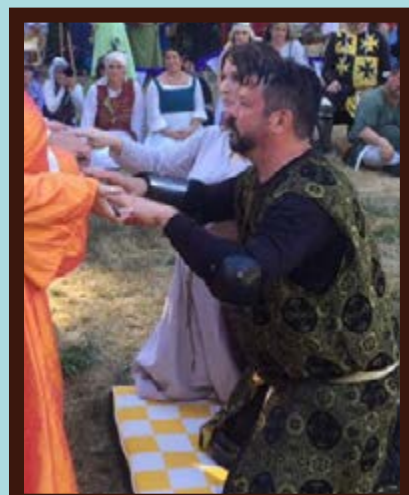




Our Amazing Royals



**Their Royal Majesties of An Tir,
King Christian Bane
and Queen Helene d'Anjou**



**Their Royal Highnesses of An Tir
Count Savaric de Porte des Lions
and Countess Dalla Hjalbaadsdottir**



**Their Highnesses of Tir Righ,
Prince William Mac Brennan and
Princess Nadezhda Toranova**



**Their Excellencies of Tir Righ,
Tanist VikingR and
Ban Tanist Lishinia**

(Apologies as the web didn't have the info posted yet.)

Photos and information from antir.sca.org/WhosWho/ and facebook

Want me to Repeat that?

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