

Grapevine May 2012



Chronicler



Unto the worthy populace of Bordescros and to all of the friends of the Shire, Greetings.

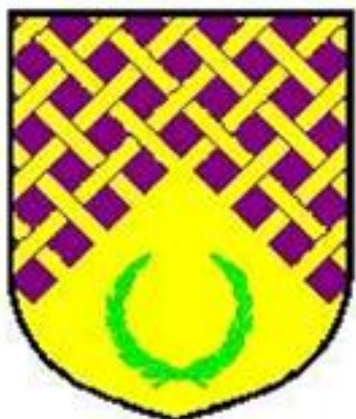
May Crown is only a week away and preparations are coming along nicely. If you have any enquiries please contact Bart or Adelle for more information.

We will be having a meeting on Saturday afternoon approximately 4.00 pm for all Bordescros members, this is the perfect opportunity for all of us to be together for a meeting to discuss important issues within our Shire, you will find a list of agenda item on page 5 and if you know of any issues that might need discussing please email them to me and I will add them to the agenda.

This is only a short Grapevine and I will be doing another one after May Crown with photos again like I did for Border War.

If anyone would like to write an article for the May Crown edition of the Grapevine, I would appreciate it if you could send it to me as soon as you can or let me know you are writing one and I will wait for it. See you all next weekend at May Crown.

Yours in Service,
Arnora BloodAxe



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Positions Vacant

CONSTABLE

Role:

Responsible for site and event safety, indemnities/waivers (where required -- generally *not* required in New Zealand) and lost property.

Requires:

Current SCANZ membership

Preferably own transport, and the ability to remain on site later than most

Workload:

Principally at events: ensuring a site is inspected, safe and secure and advising attendees on issues such as marking of tent ropes and other sensible precautionary measures.

At the end of an event, gathering any lost property and publishing a list (including updating the online copy). Bringing lost property to events or meetings where appropriate, auctioning off or otherwise disposing of long-term unclaimed property.

By default, responsible for the Barony's storage unit at the Canterbury Faire site, but a deputy can be appointed for this as the event approaches.

Reporting Channel:

Baronial Constables are required to report to the Kingdom Constable on the 15th February, copies to Seneschal and B&B.

Resources:

Subscribe to the Constables list via <http://www.sca.org.au/constable>

The current Constable's Handbook is also linked from the above location.

CHIRURGEON

Requires: SCANZ Membership, Current first aid certificate, desire to help out.

Workload: Being responsible for first aid at events you wish to volunteer at, paperwork for each event, and quarterly reports to kingdom.

Reporting Channel: Kingdom Chirurgion

Resources:

- Chirurgonate emailing list (chirurgonate@sca.org.au)
- <http://www.chirurgion.org/>
- <http://www.sca.org/officers/chirurgion/welcome.html>
- Chirurgions handbook - <http://www.sca.org/officers/chirurgion/ChirurgionsHandbook2004.pdf>
- Local helpers

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LISTS

Role:

The Lists officer is a deputy to the Knight Marshal and is responsible for coordinating the running of lists at all fighting events (heavy and rapier tournaments, war, also boffer tournaments if so inclined). This does not mean you would always be expected to do the lists yourself, but you would be expected to perform the task or find a deputy to do so, if asked in advance by an event steward or marshal-in-charge.

Because the Lists officer must sight fighter and marshal authorisation cards and handle the associated paperwork, they are also usually asked to also handle SCANZ sign-ins at informal events at public venues (e.g. Musters) where those entering the “controlled space” of the list-field are the only ones required to sign-in.

Requires:

A current SCANZ membership, and a willingness to learn how to handle different tournament formats and style. The Lists officer should be familiar with the relevant rules governing the checking of authorisations, whether established via an authorisation card or a completed still-current copy of an authorisation form.

Workload:

Handling lists, filing reports, handling paperwork as required by the Kingdom Lists Officer and attending Baronial Council meetings (about 2-4 hours a month in total).

Reporting Channel:

The Lists officer is required to report to the Baronial Council monthly, and the Kingdom Lists Officer quarterly, with a copy to the Knight Marshal.

Resources:

SCA Marshallate Web pages:

<http://www.sca.org/officers/marshal/>

Lists reporting page (for reporting tournament results):

<http://www.sca.org.au/lists/report.php3>

Current tournament results:

<http://www.sca.org.au/lists/listkeeperreports.htm>

There should be a Lists folder containing pre-prepared forms for running round robins and other useful paperwork such as sign-in forms, spare authorisation forms etc.

Meeting Agenda

The Meeting will be held in the Kitchen Hall so those who are busy cooking can still be involved in the meeting, this will happen while the Crown are having their meeting at approximately 4.00pm.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Pricing for Fighter Training, A&S and Feast/Tourney.
2. Keeping the Location for Bash or should we look for somewhere else.
3. Seneschal is leaving at the end of the year.
4. Border War 2013, can we still use the Scout Camp? Where would we hold it otherwise? Who would be Autocrat, Feastocrat etc.

We will have a list of agenda items for you to view and think about at May Crown, so send any issues that you may wish to be discussed, there will also be other thing that the Seneschal want discussed yet, so ask at the Troll Booth, where the view this list.

News

Information

LOCATION: Sport Fishing Club,
Hinckler Drive (Lockheed Dr) off
Borella Road, ALBURY 2640

START TIME: 2pm

COST: **FEAST & TOURNEY**
\$10.00 Members
\$12.00 Non-Members
Children Free
First Visit - \$2 each
A&S & FIGHTER TRAINING
\$2.00 per person
SCA YEARLY MEMBERSHIP
\$25.00 per year

WHAT TO WEAR: **Feast and Tourney only**
Medieval Garb
(The group have loaners for newcomers)

WHAT TO BRING: Medieval Food to share
(Food for Feast & Tourney only but some of
us bring afternoon tea for A&S)

30th Anniversary

Bids for the 50th Year Anniversary Celebration Sought The Society for Creative Anachronism is seeking bids for the 50th Year Anniversary Celebration of its founding in 1966. This large scale, general focus, anniversary event will be open to general attendance and participation by both SCA members and nonmembers. For more details on a successful bid, please visit...

[<http://sca.org/50Year/>]

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Comments are strongly encouraged and can be sent to:

SCA Inc.
Box 360789
Milpitas, CA 95036

You may also email
comments@lists.sca.org.

30th Anniversary

Good day my Lords and my Ladies,

There has been a change in venue for the Lochac 30th Anniversary event. We are NO LONGER holding the event at the Petersham Town hall. The Event will be held at the Addison Rd Community centre Great Hall, on Addison Road Marrickville.

This Location is the same location as Reverse Garbage. There is plenty of parking at site and road parking around the area. I have been told there is also a bus that goes along Addison Road.

Dragana Rosza

Marshall

Victorian Control of Weapons Act 2000

The Victorian Control of Weapons Act 2000, and its related legislation, the Control of Weapons Regulations 2004 and the Firearms Act 1996, was enacted to control the presence of weapons in the hands of the public that might represent a threat to community safety. The Department of Justice recognises, however, that certain historical and cultural groups have a legitimate reason to possess some of these prohibited weapons (steel or other metal swords, spears, axes, pole arms and other weapons deemed to form a part of legitimate re-enactment of medieval life and history – for the purposes of the SCA activities these weapons have to be rebated (deliberately blunted, the standard rebate being a 2mm rounded edge)), and is thus empowered, under the auspices of the Governor-in-Council, to grant exemptions to these groups for specific situations. The Society for Creative Anachronism is one such organisation. The exemption itself can be accessed from <http://www.sca.org.au/stormhold/files/exemption.pdf>. It is highly recommended that you print out a copy of the exemption, read it thoroughly and understand it, and carry a copy on you when you are in possession of your weapon.

Note that the SCA recreated weapons primarily constructed of rattan, with some instances of PVC, rubber and fiberglass, are classified as Controlled Weapons (class – batons). Controlled weapons are weapons that are designed for use for legitimate purposes but which need to be regulated because of the danger they pose if misused. These weapons include imitation firearms, swords and bayonets and all knives that are not classified as prohibited weapons. A person may possess, carry and use a controlled weapon provided he or she has a lawful excuse. A lawful excuse includes legitimate recreational, sporting, collecting or employment activities, but does not include self-defense. Breaches of the Act, whether for Prohibited or Controlled Weapons, carry a maximum penalty of a \$6000 fine and/or 6 months imprisonment. The metal weapons used by Rapier and Cut & Thrust combatants are Prohibited Weapons under the Act. The rapier community is your best source of information regarding the ownership and use of these swords.

Body armor is illegal in Australia. In Victoria we use the same Exemption to the Act, under section 8B, to allow us to use body armor for historical re-enactment purposes. Armor should be transported in bags/chests/other suitable containers to and from events. It is an offense to wear armor in public, even if travelling to the event. Under no circumstances is it to be worn at places like a shopping mall or on public transport.

The first thing that should be noted is that, if you are a [prohibited person](#) under the Act, then you are specifically excluded from any exemption. (note – clicking on the phrase “prohibited person” will take you to the definition as per the Firearms Act 1996). The relevant passage in the Act is Section 3 Definitions (1), listed under “prohibited persons”.

You will note that there are conditions relating to the [safe and secure storage](#) of the weapons. These are covered by the Firearms Act 1996, Section 4 of Schedule 4. When transporting the weapons they must be kept in a secure container unable to be accessed readily by anyone other than the holder of the exemption. A locked bag (zippers locked together) would be the minimum. Traveling with the weapon in an unlocked bag is NOT sufficient under the exemption (in fact it could be considered a concealed weapon, which is another offence all together).

A further note on storage of your gear. Your car is not legal storage. The exemption only covers travel to and from an event, not dropping the kids off at school or doing a spot of shopping. If the weapons are in the car at any time other than travel to or from an event you are not covered by the exemption.

The exemption ONLY applies for transporting the equipment to and from an historical re-enactment event/training/meeting, the use of the weapon at such an event, and the storage of it at a residence or club establishment. If you are carrying the weapon for any other reason, you are not exempt.

At the meeting of the SCA Australia Ltd's Board of Directors held on 26th March 2006 it was resolved that the only acceptable means of identifying a person as a member of the SCA Australia Ltd shall be a current financial membership card issued by the Registrar of the SCA Australia Ltd. It is recommended that you also carry a copy of the Exemption and photo id. An event flyer if you are on the way to an event (or a print out of an email or webpage announcement of the event, training or meeting) could also be useful.

Finally, remember the the moment you fail to meet any of the requirements, YOU ARE NO LONGER EXEMPT. Owning and carrying prohibited weapons is very much a privilege, and a privilege that is very easily removed. Your actions may also impact the rest of the group's ability to continue to enjoy exemption. In the past, when the SCA's exemption was threatened the SCAA Ltd's Board of Directors handed down the harshest penalty within their purview. I see no reason why any possible future incidents should not be dealt with in a similar fashion. This is a very serious business. A removal of our exemption would instantly close down all forms of CA combat in Victoria.

IF YOU ARE IN ANY DOUBT AT ALL ABOUT YOUR ABILITY TO COMPLY WITH ALL THE REQUIREMENTS, DO NOT OWN OR CARRY A PROHIBITED WEAPON.

If you have any doubts about what is presented here, consult the legislation yourself, or enquire with the relevant authorities. The advice presented here is not that of a professional lawyer, and is offered as a guideline for those wishing to ensure compliance with the relevant Acts.

It is each individual's responsibility to comply with the relevant Acts and regulations. The SCAA has no responsibility for any member's adherence, or lack of adherence to, any of the conditions, requirements, statutes and guidelines with regard to this matter.

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4 TH AUGUST	LOCH ALBA TOURNEY AND FEAST
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18 TH AUGUST	BORDESCROS TOURNEY AND FEAST
1 ST SEPTEMBER	LOCH ALBA TOURNEY AND FEAST
9 TH SEPTEMBER	BORDESCROS FIGHTER TRAINING AND A&S
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6 TH OCTOBER	LOCH ALBA TOURNEY AND FEAST
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Up Coming Events

Foundation of Lochac 30th year celebration event

Stewarded by Llewen the Unruly

30 years ago, the SCA Lochac had it's first major event in Campsie, Sydney

Those who founded Lochac came from university, fantasy and gaming circles. They formed a medieval group that after a while decided to join the world wide SCA.

They had a dream before we even called it the dream

This is their story, and therefore ours.

Petersham Town Hall -16th of June 2012

- * Museum display photos and relics 5 to 6 PM
 - * Theatre and storytelling 6 – 8
 - * Eat, drink, talk to the founders 8 – 9pm
- * Lights on at 9, stay longer to talk or go to the pub with an old mate

Students \$10 / booked \$20 / at the door \$30,

Founders (pre 1982) in for free

Come to learn, come to celebrate, come to meet and honour our founders and those who were lucky enough to be at that first event (that's where I was).

This will not be your usual event. History as theatre and story is what this event is about, reliving the creativity and eccentricity of our beginnings

There will be plenty of food but no feast structure. Table with selections whenever you want.

There will be people you have not seen for years – for example: Hrolf and Madelaine from Ynys Fawr, along with a bunch of other dinosaurs.

Do not come if you want an ordinary feast where you sit up the back getting drunk and talking to your friends. Come to watch, participate and interact, and learn where we all came from.

Bookings to lochac30@gmail.com

Enquiries and if you wish to help me with theatre or organisation , or if you are an "ancient one", please contact me at: llewentheunruly@gmail.com

Arts and Sciences

May Crown XLVII (2012) hosted by

An item of furniture -
including stages of construction

An item of any kind,
specifically for Equestrian
activities

A scribal work on behalf of
your Barony, Shire (e.g. a letter
to the crown, a challenge to a
neighbouring group, etc) in a
historic style

Midwinter XLVII (2012) hosted by

An item of any kind, made
from wool

An item of armour, for man or
beast

Food that travels well- Ideally
to be presented at the event,
however photos and comments
from tasters will be accepted.

BORDESCROS ARTS & SCIENCES COMPETITIONS FOR ASXLVI

- Unless indicated otherwise, all competitions are to cover all regions of the world 600 CE to 1600 CE.
- Items do not have to be new, but must be made by the person/s submitting them to the competition.
- They should not be entered into a competition at the Shire level more than once, unless it was incomplete at the first occasion.
- Documentation is not essential, but will result in extra points.
- Points are awarded up to 10 for each of documentation, authenticity, creativity/presentation, complexity and workmanship



Children's Page



If you have any activities that would suit children or just information aimed at children please send it to me and we will include it here.

I will try and include a web site as well to check out, so if you know of any please send me the links ...

<http://www.chiddingstone.kent.sch.uk/homework/saxons.htm>

<http://www.coloring-book.info/coloring/> check out this page for more pictures for your children to color in.



Tenth-century Frankish Nobility

Left: The Frankish noblewoman wears an embroidered mantle over a bliaud, and chainse. **Right:** The nobleman

is wearing a mantle over an embroidered tunic, cross-gartered stockings, and soft leather shoes.

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Bordescros A&S Entry Form

(to be completed by the Entrant and retained by the Bordescros A&S Officer)

Event: _____

Date: _____

Name of Competition: _____

SCA Name: _____

Legal Name: _____

Entry No: _____

Contact Details: _____

(Address or Email) _____

Time Frame / Location in Period: _____

Have you included Documentation with your entry?

☐ Yes ☐ No

I agree to have a photo of this entry added to the Bordescros A&S Web Site:

☐ Yes ☐ No

I agree to have a photo of this entry and documentation published in
Bordescros Grapevine:

☐ Yes ☐ No

INFORMATION FOR JUDGES:

Is this your first attempt at this type of item / skill ?

☐ Yes ☐ No

I would consider my experience level in this skill to be:

☐ Beginner ☐ Intermediate ☐ Advanced ☐ Professional

(A&S Officer, please check the Entrant's skill level is noted on the A&S Competition Judging Form).

Signed: _____ (date)

Bordescros Regnum

**King & Queen**

King Siridean and Queen Margi

**Prince & Princess**

Crown Prince and Crown Princess

**Seneschal**

Lord Ysambart Cortin

**Hospitaller**

Position Vacant

**Herald Pursuivant**

THL Lowry verch Gwenwynwyn ap Llewellyn

**Reeve**

Lord Crimthann MacFiachac

**Knight Marshal**

Lord Magnus

**Arts & Science**

Lady Thomsina Coke

**Constable**

Position Vacant

**Chronicler**

Lady Arnora BloodAxe

**Web**

Mistress Cairistiona inghean Raghnaill

