

The Steppes Letter

January 2017



Words from the Baroness



Greetings, loyal populace of the Steppes,

If you are reading this in the first week of the month, plans are in full swing for Twelfth Night, which promises to be a time of great music, bardic, fun, and pageantry. We very much hope you will attend and be part of this wonderful Barony tradition. Please come and talk with us during the day at Twelfth Night, so that we can meet as many people as possible.

In this, our first newsletter as your Baron and Baroness, we want to extend our gratitude to Baroness Katya for all that she has done to enrich the Steppes during her time as Baroness these past three years. We hope she will enjoy her well-deserved new spare time!

We're excited to announce that in 2017, we will be revamping our Populace meetings. We will be holding Populace in the Park quarterly, with tournaments, arts and Science, and Court. It will be a great time for everyone! We will be alternating the other months with activities (movies, museums, whatever the populace is interested in) and dining out opportunities.

We hope everyone can join us for a 2017 goals and planning meeting on Sunday Jan 29th at Makerspace. We will use this time to learn what everyone wants to see happen in the Barony during the year. Discussion topics will include fighting opportunities, best days of the week for gatherings, possible restaurant choices, camping at Gulf War, and much more. If you will be unable to attend, please contribute your thoughts by emailing us at: Baroness@steppes.ansteorra.org or Baron@steppes.ansteorra.org.

And speaking of Gulf War... we are also planning a Steppes Gulf War camp. Right now we plan to be next to Elfsea so that we can share Master Caelin's great cooking. Remember that electronic early registration closes on February 15th. Look for the postings with more detailed information. And Gulf War is not the only place we want to have a Steppes Camp! We plan to have a pavilion available for members of our Barony at many other events throughout the Kingdom. If you are camping, come camp with us! Daytripping? Look for us. We will include our monthly travels in each newsletter and post them online as well.

We are so proud of our wonderful Barony, which is so richly endowed with dedicated workers. In the coming year, there will be many varied opportunities to participate; we are currently taking applications for Minister of Arts and Science, Hospitaler, Minister of Children, Wardlord Autocrat, Steppes Artisan Autocrat and 12th Night 2018 Autocrat, to name a few. See the deadlines elsewhere in the newsletter.

Vivat Steppes

Peter and Sarah



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Words from the Seneschal

Greetings Mighty Oakwood,

I first would like to congratulate Don Alain de la Rue on his acceptance into the order of the White Scarf at Tournament of Champions! For those of you who did not make it to the Tournament, you missed a great set of tournaments. Our Champions represented us well and the Baroness was a most gracious host by feeding us all till we were at bursting point.

I hope your holiday season has been all you expected it to be and more!

I want to extend a great big “Thank you!” to Mistress Honour for hosting the Yule party. It was wonderful to see everyone there enjoying food and fellowship. Of course there were plenty of shenanigans had by everyone during the white elephant gift exchange!

Twelfth Night is well under way and looks to be a huge success. We have plenty for everyone to do with the Eisteddfod, dancing, photo booth, classes, open A&S tables, gaming, a scrumptious feast... and oh yeah... an Investiture!

Baroness Alessandra and Ldy. Safyia could still use help with the set-up on Friday, and we need at least 16 servers to sign up to serve and 4 more volunteers to help with the preparation of feast in the kitchen (this is where I will probably be). I am extending a free feast to the 16 who sign up to serve during feast. (I did this for years to fund my habit in college... hint, hint)

It has been a wonderful year here in the Steppes. I have personally witnessed so much greatness from our Barony this year. It brings tears of joy and sadness as I look back on 2016. I know that many of you will share my sentiments. For this I give you this blessing for your new year as we aim to have more tears of joy than sorrow for 2017:

I wish you to have a lucky new year filled with wealth and success in each endeavor and may you live a long life blessed with unity and happiness, to create your future to be as brilliant as embroidered clothe. As always, take care of yourselves and each other.

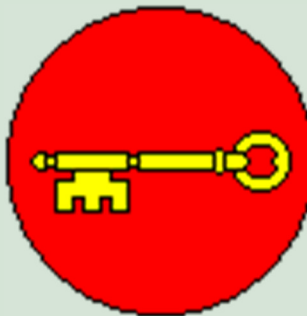
We are a Mighty Oakwood,
We are Family,
We are a Barony,
WE ARE STEPPES!

YIS,
HL Aurelia Yverneau
Seneschal, Barony of the Steppes



Seneschal

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Words from our Officers

Greeting Steppes!

I hope everyone had a good holiday season! We are just about ready for 12th night, and financially we are doing well. Thank you to everyone who had outstanding checks; we are required to get them all cleared before the end of the year and you all did it! The account stands, as of the end of November, at \$17,028.51. Please see the end of the newsletter for a copy of the financial policy and budget for 2017.

I hope you all have a good start to the new year!

Cristiana d'Avranches



Exchequer

Lady Cristiana d'Avranches

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I know there are some, perhaps many of you, that have names or devices you wish to submit. Each submission will require a check for \$8 to the Barony, and in turn the Barony will write a check for \$7 to the Kingdom. If you do not see me at an event to submit your paperwork and check, you can contact me by email at herald@steppes.ansteorra.org and I will give you instructions for sending everything to be by mail. Or if you prefer, you can also meet me at the monthly business meeting on the 3rd Thursday of each month. If you need help with a name or device please send me an email and I will do my best to help you, or put you in touch with someone that has the knowledge to do so.

In service

Lord Dragos



Herald

Lord Dragos

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Words from our Officers

Greetings Steppes,

Happy New year! And to start 2017 in the right mood here is the new issue of your newsletter.

I just want to send a small reminder that all articles are due by the 20 of the month, so I can have time for edition. January is very busy with the holidays, but now things should be back in order.

Also, time has come to start looking for a deputy who can take the office once I leave it in February 2018. Being Chronicler is fun, and not much work, and ideal position for newcomers who want to help.

If you have questions or wish to be my deputy, send me a message, I'll be glad to answer anything (related to this please!)

In Service

Ldy Safiya Spizega

Chronicler of the Steppes



Chronicler

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Greetings Good People of The Steppes,

Though the hot weather made practice hard this summer, we look forward to cooler weather and more practice the fall. We will be doing regular target practice for October but will also be including Combat archery to get ready for BAM this November. Look forward to seeing everyone there!! We would like to thank Aibinn Ingen Eremon for stepping in these past few months while we were away. She is awesome and greatly appreciated!!

Interim Archery Marshall

Duskin Mac Sneachda



**Archery Marshal
(INTERIM)**

Duskin MacSneachda

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Words from our Officers

Greetings to The Steppes,

Happy New Year!!!

Come to Steppes rapier practice on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 and learn from Master Miguel, Master Brendan, Master Robin and hundreds of Dons and Doñas, including the newly scarfed Don Alain. (Well, maybe not hundreds, but you'll be well instructed.)

Practice will resume January the tenth in the cafeteria of T.C. Marsh Middle School located at 3838 Crown Shore Dr., Dallas, TX 75244. Park in the lot on Cox Ln. I'll announce changes if necessary.

Loaner gear is available for new people. (Guys will need to provide their own athletic protector.)

Find out more by joining the Steppes Rapier Practice FB group or by contacting me. (214) 773-5415

Come out and stab your friends.

In service,

Lord William Swindell
Steppes Rapier Marshal



Rapier Marshal

Lord William Swindell

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Greetings Steppes,

Heavy activities in the Steppes are going well. Both official practices are drawing a consistent crowd, but the crowd could always be bigger! Everyone is welcome and encouraged to come out! Loaner gear is available for those that want to fight, just contact me or another officer to make sure it will be at the practice you plan to attend.

Practices resume next week, January 11. So come and join us!



Knight Marshal

Diderik von Schatten

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Words from our Officers

Greetings Steppes,

What a great month we have had! Several newcomers have found their way to our great barony. Please welcome them if you see them at activities. I am still taking donations of loaner garb. We will need as many items as we can get with 12th Night coming up.

Gulf War is around the corner. Steppes will have a great camp this year, so plan to join us!

I'd once again like to thank my deputies Lady Emilisse de Loupey, Lady Sidheag Sorcha and my newest deputy HL Alexandra Notte Claire. I could not do my job without them.

This means that we are currently taking applications for Hospitaller. Please contact me for information on the office and how to apply.

Yours in service,

HL Sarah Fynn



Hospitaller

HL Sarah Fynn

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There is not very much I can say due to the holidays. We had a nice lesson on Inkle weaving at our A&S night this month, thanks to our lovely Chronicler! 12th Night is coming up and there will be an area for the artisans to come, sit, talk, work, etc, just inside the main door.

Sincerely,

Jennie Bainter

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Words from our Officers

Hello Steppes,

The Website is up to date with all the information received for Twelfth Night. The Update for the new Baron and Baroness will be done Sunday Morning after their elevation at first hour in the morning.

From there, it is my goal to keep completing the website.

As an important note, since Christmas I've been unable to log into the Webminister e-mail account. Kingdom is notified about it and I hope to regain access to it by the time this newsletter is published, but still if you need to contact me, please copy my personal email address until further notice. the address is gomunoz@gmail.com.

Yours In Service

Santiago el Rojo
Webminister of the Steppes.



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Greeting Steppes,

Hope everyone had a great summer. We are back! It's going to be a busy fall!

In Service

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Alexandra Nottle Clare

Deputy Youth Combat Marshal
Viscount Galen of Bristol

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**Youth Rapier
Marshal
Youth Boffer Marshal**

Capten Rhys

Words from our Non-Guilds

Steppes Bowyer and Fletchers Guild

Greetings,

We have had some difficulties as of late due to medical reasons however we plan to restore our regular monthly meetings starting Friday Aug. 26th. With war season starting up soon I felt we should begin with a combat archery preparedness workshop. Be prepared to bring your combat archery kit and let's make sure your kit is in good repair and working order. Nothing is worse for a combat archer discovering you have an equipment problem at command of "lay on"!

Even if you are not currently a combat archer there will be a lot to learn and much to do. So come join us for a fun evening of shared tasks and tales of glorious battles past and more yet to come as we inspect & repair our combat archery kits!

Hope you shall join us!

Regards,

HL William Black Dragon aka "Ironwyrn"

SLAB (Steppes Loose Association of Brewers)

Greetings,

We have had a bit of a hiccup in our non-guild since Steppes Warlord due to some medical issues however things are moving along again.

With the coming fall season we plan to spotlight a seasonal favorite, pumpkin ale! So we will be posting some of our own and asking you to post your favorite pumpkin ale recipes. Hopefully that shall inspire us to make and share some of these offerings. There is a local Halloween event coming where pumpkin treats and libations are the theme so if you are of a mind it will be a great time to share and taste the offering of your fellow local brewers. So if you start this month you shall have plenty of time to boil, ferment, rack and age your pumpkin ales prior to Halloween!

I am still teaching folks how to brew a simple basic ale however just doing small classes upon request so should you want to learn how to brew ale contact me on Facebook and we shall be glad to help you get started.

Looking forward to seeing what your favorite pumpkin ale recipes are!

Regards,

HL William Black Dragon aka "Ironwyrn"

Words from our Non-Guilds

Steppes/Elfsea Music and Vocal non Guild

There are interesting things afoot. The Steppes Music Guild has established two working groups, the Instrumental Music group that meets on the first and third Sundays of the month at 2421 San Paula, Dallas 75228, starting at 2:00PM, and the Vocal Music Group that meets at Cedar Hill Methodist at 128 North Roberts in Cedar Hill on the second and fourth Sunday of the month also at 2:00PM. Both exclude meetings on major holidays, and will change meeting locations to Populace in the Park when applicable.

The Music Guild is Looking into teaching some lessons and group sessions for those interested in acquiring the courtly grace of music, including instrumental and vocal performance and songwriting and basic musicianship. You don't have to be a highly trained singer or instrumentalist to join us, and we welcome all skill levels.

For more information about the guild as a whole contact Herr Marcus at seafox@gypsyheir.com or Master Llywelyn at todd@twmarsh.net. For information about the specific groups, Herr Marcus is the contact for the instrumental group, while Master Llywelyn runs the vocal group.

Words from our Cantons



We've had some cooler weather lately so it looks like weekly practices are back on! At our A&S night this past month we repaired most of our loaner armor, so we're ready for new fighters. It was wonderful to see so many old faces come out to join us on the 19th, and with the cooler weather I hope to see everyone more often!

In Service,
Lady Alhdryð ceorlestrange

**Senechal of the Canton of
Glaslyn**

Lady Alhdryð ceorlestrange
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Hey all,

Thank you to all who attended and volunteered
at Laurel's Prize Tourney this September

Maggie MacPherson
Seneschal of Kyngescreke



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From the Steppes Gulf War Land Coordinators



War is coming!!!! War is coming!!!!!!

But more important a wonderful, fun filled encampment is coming!!! Steppes is going to Gulf War. War this year is: Sunday March 12- Sunday March 19.

It's time to register. We will be camping next to Elfsea so we can share Master Caelin's great cooking. This hospitality is on a first come basis. See posts regarding it.

As in years past, land is only allocated to those that preregister.

A few basic dates to keep in mind:

Mail in registrations must be post marked no later than January 31, 2017 (<http://www.gulfwars.org/.../uploads/2016/11/Reg-Form-2017-Dra...>)

Electronic registration requests and payments must be performed no later than February 15, 2017 at 11:59 pm Central Time (<https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLSdBxUN5yWrKJ4dn3.../viewform...>)

Please select "Kingdom of Residence" as "Ansteorra", "Group Camping With" as "Other", and then type in "Barony of the Steppes" in the field below.

Once you have preregistered, please send us an email (Sarah4sca@yahoo.com) with the following:

- Style of tent (modern or period)
- Size of tent (with and without ropes)
- Names of people staying in the tent (to make it easier to correlate with the master list)
- Estimated arrival day and time (morning, afternoon, evening, night)



ROYAL WEDDING PLANS ON HOLD!

by HV Lete Withespring, Guest Correspondent

London, September 11, 1348 (late breaking news in from Bordeaux)

The city of Bordeaux, much affected by the recent arrival of the Black Death, is awaiting word on the health of our English princess, Joan, 15, daughter of King Edward III, who is presently fighting the French. Her mother, Queen Philippa of Hainault, rarely leaves England, except to visit her native Low Countries, and is not expected to visit the wedding. Crown Prince Pedro, 14, her groom-to-be, is the heir to Castile.

Rumor has it that the prenuptial documents have already been signed to guarantee any sons born to the marriage will succeed to the throne of Castile, regardless of any possible offspring by any future marriages of Prince Pedro. The nuptials of Princess Joan and Crown Prince Pedro will unite the two countries of England and Spain. The French, reputedly, are most fearful, as is to be expected.

With her, the Princess is reputed to have several dresses of silk, the latest fabric. Her wedding gown is rumored to be made of 150 meters of gold interwoven Rakematiz, a thick, imported silk. Her elaborate ghtas, one dark brown and one green, are also of Rakematiz. In addition, she has five corsets of Digaston, the heaviest silk. These are woven in various designs in gold.

It is understandable that one of the English ships in the harbor is allotted for just her clothes, her private, portable chapel, and other accouterments accompanying her to the wedding, now so in jeopardy by her dangerous illness.

This last August, Bordeaux Mayor Raymond de Bisque greeted Princess Joan and her large entourage, including 100 English archers. Also present were England's former Chancellor and now Head Diplomat of the princess' entourage, Baron Robert Bouchier, Oxford diplomatic lawyer Andrew Ullford, and Gerald de Podio, a Bordeaux Cathedral priest.

In front of this august group, Mayor Raymond de Bisque cautioned Princess Joan about the dangers of pausing in Bordeaux in her route through Gascony to Crown Prince Pedro's home in Castile.

Not long after this meeting, the princess' executive, Baron Robert Bouchier, succumbed on August 20 there in Bordeaux. Many of her entourage have fallen ill and died.

Bodies of locals are reported as piling up in the streets and especially at the docks where the old Plantagenet castle, Chateau de Ombriere, is situated by the estuary. An expensive section of the town, the docks are the primary storage area for bales of cloth and wool.

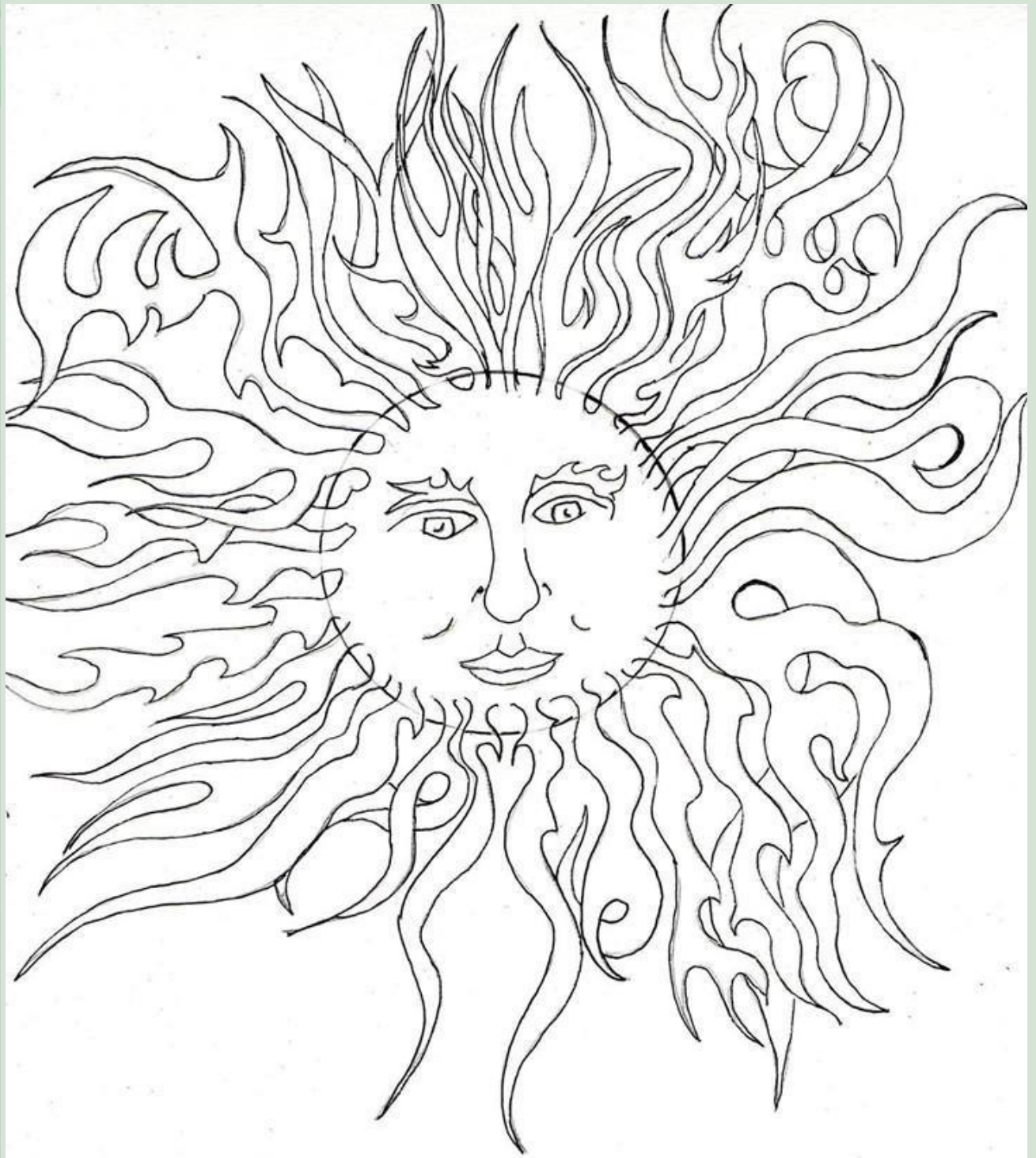
With all these deaths, fear is mounting that Princess Joan may not survive. Fervent prayers are being offered for her recovery.

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Da'ud Bob Movie Review

The Last King



I'd heard some whispers on the wind that this movie was coming out, but for whatever reason, whether it just never played here in Lonestarrora at all or whether it did hit a few of the "arts" film houses for all of a week before going away, I never caught it in the theaters. So all I can say is, "Thank heavens for Netflix!" Because that's where I found it, and now can review it for you. I'd been looking forward to it because it's a Norwegian film based on an incident in the history of Norway, and I wanted to see how well they did it, in addition to wanting to know a little bit more of the background. I'd heard a little of the story a few years back, when attending a conference in Oslo, Norway I was able to listen to Marianne Reusch talk on "Skis as Charges in Scandinavian Coats of Arms" (and isn't that a pretty narrow topic!), and she noted that the incident about which this movie is centered was commemorated in the coat of arms of the municipality of Lillehammer.

So, yeah, I was interested in seeing this movie, and was very happy to have finally found it. And so it is that this month, Da'ud Bob reviews for you **The Last King**.

Starring Jakob Oftebro as Skjervald, Kristofer Hivju as Torstein, Inga Ibsdotter Lilleaas as Ylva, Ane Ulimoen Overli as Inga, Elg Elgesem as Frikk, Pål Sverre Hagen as Gisle, Thorbjorn Harr as Inge, Stig Henrik Hoff as Erlend, Thea Sofie Loch Næss as Kristin, Torkel Dommersnes Soldal as Egil, Benjamin Helstad as the King, and Jonathan Oskar Dahlgren as the infant Håkon Håkonson, the story takes place in the year 1206, when Norway was in the midst of a civil war, and one side, the Birkebeiners, set off on skis bringing the two-year-old (though he appears younger in the film) heir to the Norwegian throne to safety. (Just so you know how it comes out in the end, the young boy later became King Håkon IV Håkonson and ended the last civil war in Norway.) But it's mostly an action movie, so there's lots of riding horses through the snow, pulling sleds through the snow, and cross-country skiing, beaucoup kinds of fu, and a lot of suspense and close calls.

Good points: The ponies. Period skis, which are shaped very differently from modern skis, and use entirely different methods for strapping onto your feet. Period skiing techniques. Much of the armor. The hurdy-gurdy. The cross-country skiing. (The Norwegians love to ski. They even make special skis with wheels so they can practice their skiing through the summer.) The weapons. The Northern Lights. The arms of Norway hanging on the wall of the castle.

Bad points: Some of the armor was later than the early 13th Century, the setting for the movie. Kristin walking a long ways through a cold castle while barefoot.

Zero breasts. One gallon of blood. 42 dead bodies. Sword fu. Axe fu. Crossbow fu. Fire fu. Spear fu. Poison fu. Arrow fu. Horse rolls. Skiers roll. Gratuitous fog. (I would have said "gratuitous snow," but it is winter in Norway, after all!) Academy Award nominations to Jakob Oftebro as Skjervald and Kristofer Hivju as Torstein for some really epic cross-country skiing, including walking - quickly! - up a hill with skis strapped to their feet, and to Kristofer Hivju as Torstein for "If I die, I'm going to kill you." A 52 on the Vomit Meter. 3½ stars. Da'ud Bob says, "Oh, yeah, before I forget it, the coat of arms of Lillehammer is a shield with a blue sky above and white snow below, appearing like it would on the side of a mountain, with a skiing Birkebeiner bearing a kite shield and spear and carrying the royal child. The incident happened 800 years ago, and it is still commemorated in the heraldry of the town. If you like movies based on real history, you're gonna want to see this one. Check it out!"

January 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Chivalry Practice.	2 Glaslyn Practice. KingesCreek Practice Music Guild	3	4 KyngsCreek Populace Meeting	5	6	7 Steppes 12th Night
8 Chivalry Practice. Archery Practice.	9 Glaslyn Practice. KingesCreek Practice	10 Rapier Practice	11 Chivalry Practice	12 A&S Night.	13	14 Crown Tournament
15 Chivalry Practice. Instrumental Guild	16 Glaslyn Practice. KingesCreek Practice Music Guild Meeting	17 Rapier Practice	18 Chivalry Practice	19 Business Meeting.	20	21 Round Table
22 Chivalry Practice. Archery Practice. Vocal Music	23 Glaslyn Practice. KingesCreek Practice	24 Rapier Practice	25 Chivalry Practice	26 Scribe Guild meeting	27	28 Sable Soldier II Winterkingdom Barony of Bonwicke 25th anniversary
29 Chivalry Practice	30 Glaslyn Practice. KingesCreek Practice	31 Rapier Practice	1 Chivalry Practice	2	3	4

- ◆ **Sundays 2 PM—Chivalry Practice** at Oak Creek Park 2531 Oak Creek Dr Carrollton, TX (At the gazebo behind the tennis center).
- ◆ **Sundays 2 PM—Archery Practice** at Westlake Sports Center, 601 Gross Road, Mesquite 75149 (1st and 3rd Sunday)
- ◆ **Mondays 6:45 PM—Glaslyn Fighter Practice** at North Lakes Park 2001 W. Windsor Dr. Denton, TX
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- ◆ **Wednesdays 6:30 PM—Chivalry Practice** at Huffhines park 1500 Apollo Rd, Richardson.
- ◆ **Wednesday 3, 7 PM—KyngsCreek Populace Meeting** at Napoli's Italian Restaurant. 101 TX-205, Terrell.
- ◆ **Thursday 12, 7 PM—A&S Night** at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church 1333 Beltline Road Garland, TX
- ◆ **Thursday 19, 7 PM—Business Meeting** at Half Price Books.

- 5803 Northwest Hwy, Dallas
- ◆ **Thursday 26, 6:30 PM Scribes Guild Meeting** at 3168 Catamore Ln, Dallas
- ◆ **01/07—Steppes 12th Night Feast** at First United Methodist Chruch. 128 N Roberts Rd, Cedar Hill, TX 75104
- ◆ **01/14—Winter Crown Tournament** at 457 County Road 269 Snook, Tx. 77878
- ◆ **01/21—Winter Round Table** at 524 N Stallard St, Stillwater, OK 74075-8219, United States
- ◆ **01/28—Sable Soldier II** at 10701 County Rd 305, Terrell, TX 75160
- ◆ **01/28—Wintekingdom** at Creek County Fairgrounds 17808

February 2017

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29	30	31	1	2	3	4 Candlemas Provincial Games
5 Chivalry Practice. Archery Practice Instrumental Music Guild	6 Glaslyn Practice. KingsCreek Practice. Music Guild Meeting	7 Rapier Practice	8 Chivalry Practice KyngsCreek Populace Meeting	9 A&S Night	10	11 Kingdom A&S
12 Chivalry Practice Vocal Music Guild	13 Glaslyn Practice. KingsCreek Practice	14 Rapier Practice	15 Chivalry Practice	16 Business Meeting	17 War College	18 War College
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- ◆ **Thursday 16, 7 PM—Business Meeting** at Half Price Books. 5803 Northwest Hwy, Dallas

- ◆ **Thursday 23, 6:30 PM Scribes Guild Meeting** at 3168 Catamore Ln, Dallas
- ◆ **2/4— Bryn Gwlad Candlemas** at Georgetown Community Center. 445 E. Morrow St. Georgetown, TX 78626
- ◆ **2/4 —Mooeschadowe Provincial Games** at Payne County Expo Center. 4518 Expo CR E, Stillwater, Oklahoma 74075
- ◆ **2/11 —Kingdom A&S** at Hart -Morris Conservation Center. 5601 CR 4812, Athens, TX 75752
- ◆ **2/17—2/19 —Raven's Fort War College** at The Stones, Huntsville, Texas N30.65278333, W95.440075

12th Night at the Barony of the Steppes

January, 7 2017 at Cedar Hill first United Methodist Church.

128 N. Roberts Road, Cedar Hill, TX 75104.

9:00 AM to 10:00 PM

The Barony of the Steppes welcomes you to celebrate its 12th night feast in the presence of their Royal Majesties Jason Dryfesdale and Margherita de Mantua.

Accompany the Steppes at the investiture of its new Baron and Baroness, and into the stepping down court of HE Ekaterina Iadorovna Kharlampieva.

Enjoy the stories of the best bards in kingdom at Eisteddfod, participate in our table decoration or costume contests or enter into our table-top siege engine competition. Enjoy yourself with the European dancing and Christmas carols

Masters of Defence. Your presence is required by Their Royal Majesties into the Circle.

Registrations (Please make all checks payable to SCA Inc, Barony of the Steppes) :

Adult Registration: \$15

Adult Member Discount Registration: \$10

Child (6-17) Registration: \$5

Youth (5 and under): Free

* Minors must be accompanied by a parent or a legal guardian. They may also attend with a 21 year or older adult with a signed and notarized Minor Event Form from the parent. Also, children under 5 can enter free.

Feast registration will be \$10 per person. Please know that the site is DRY.

Directions to site From US-75 S:

- ◇ Follow US-75 S, I-35E S and US-67 S to N Hwy 67/U.S. 67 Frontage Rd in Cedar Hill. Take the exit toward Belt Line Rd from US-67 S.
- ◇ Continue on U.S. 67 Frontage Rd. Take W Belt Line Rd to N Roberts Rd

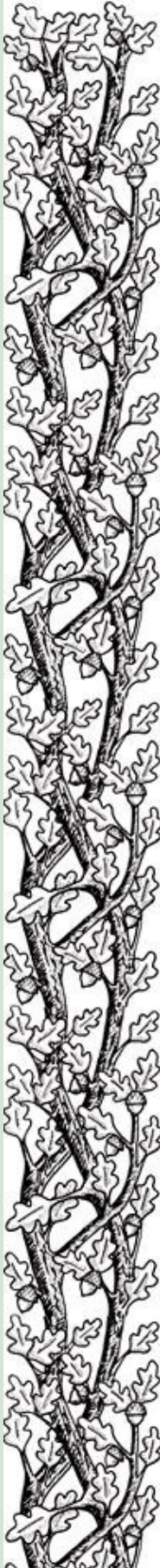
HE Alessandra Desiderio (Karie Mitchell): karie.mitchell@gmail.com / #214-562-2433**

Event Steward.

Ldy Safiya Spizega (Francisca Moreno): mfrancisca.moreno@gmail.com /#214-901-1832 **

Assistant Steward

**Please no calls after 10 PM



Baronial Schedule, Come and Join Us!

Come join us at the following events. If we have enough people coming we will bring the Baronial Pavilion so we all have a place to gather. If it's a camping event we would love to have anyone interested camp near us so we have a Steppes Camp. Let's have a presence on the road in Ansteorra!

January 2017

7 Steppes Twelfth Night
14 Crown Tournament
21 Round Table
28 Sable Soldier Project II

February

3-5 Provincial Games
11 Kingdom A&S

March

12-19 Gulf Wars

April

31-2 Elfsea Defender
7-9 Coronation
14-16 Wiesenfeuer Baronial
21-23 Glaslyn Defender of the Flame

May

12-14 Queens Champion
19-21 Northkeep Castellan
26-28 Steppes Warlord

Peter and Sarah
Baron and Baroness

Coming Soon!

The Ansteorran Order of Chivalry

Presents

Sable Soldier Project II

A **FREE** day of

Fighting, Training, and Fun

Saturday, January 28, 2017



The Chivalry of Ansteorra invite you to the Rafter J Cowboy church for the Sable Soldier Project II. Join us for a day full of training and combat classes for the inexperienced and veteran alike. For more info go to our Facebook page or our website: <http://sablesoldier.net/>

Site Policies: Site is open from 7 am to 7 pm on Saturday, no camping. Merchants are welcome and encouraged. Pets must be on leash at all times and are welcome in the arena and parking area. Service dogs are welcome with full access. Site is dry. Minors must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian or with a 21 year or older adult with a signed and notarized Minor Event Waiver Form from their guardian.

Directions: Rafter J Cowboy Church
10701 County Rd 305, Terrell, TX 75160



Located on CR 305 just past the I-20 Exit on SH 148. Look for the Rafter J sign as you head south and take a left and look for the Rafter J Cowboy Church Arena on the right. If you pass a car repair place on the left then you have gone too far. You can turn around at the Cowboy Collections Arena and go back to the first opportunity to turn right.

Nearby Hotels: Quality Inn & Suites, America's Best Value Inn, Holiday Inn Express & Suites

Nearby Food: Taco Bueno, Church's chicken, Wendy's, Applebee's, Waffle House, Taco Bell, Arby's

Event Steward:

Sir John of Severn MKA John Chotkey
940 Easton Dr., San Marcos, TX 78666 johnsevern@hotmail.com
512-796-6293



Winter Crown Tournament

January 14, 2017

Site opens at 8:00AM and closes at 11:00PM

Come to Ansteorra's Winter Crown Tournament and vie to be the next Heirs to the dream that is the Kingdom of Ansteorra.

By their Majesties request all entrants must submit a letter of intent no later than January 9th, 2017 (AS LI).

The Shire of the Shadowlands wishes to honor all of the entrants in Crown Tourney, and requests that entrants send a depiction of their arms and the arms of their consorts to eventstewardshadowlands@gmail.com.

Pavilion space by the list field is limited, and will be by reservation, with priority given to period pavilions. Please send pavilion dimensions (including ropes) to eventstewardshadowlands@gmail.com.

Site fees:

Adult: \$15

Youth (6-17): \$5

Child (5 and under): free

Family Max: \$30

Member discount price: \$10

Make checks payable to: SCA Inc./Shadowlands

A parent or legal guardian must accompany minors. They may also attend with a 21 year or older adult with a signed and notarized Minor Event Waiver Form from the parents.

Children's crafts, youth boffer tournament, insignia derby, games and other activities will take place in and around the hall during the day.

There will be hot soup served around midday for everyone to enjoy. In the evening, the Shadowlands will be hosting a potluck meal, with the Shire providing some of the meat. Bring a dish to serve 4-6 others. Please bring serving utensils and an ingredient list if possible. If your item needs heating, please contact the potluck coordinator. Refrigerator space is limited; please plan to store your item until feast time.

The site has a climate-controlled hall, indoor restrooms, indoor tables and chairs. Site is wet in period containers. Pets are allowed outside on leashes. NO PETS allowed in the hall. Merchants welcome. Please contact the event stewards to arrange space at: eventstewardshadowlands@gmail.com.

Directions:

457 County Road 269.

Snook, Tx. 77878

GPS 30.484760, -96.467912

From HWY6: Exit University Drive East
Continue for 14.5 miles

Turn Left on County Road 2155

In 1.3 miles turn left on spur 2155

Continue for 0.8 miles Site is on the Left

From HWY36: Turn on to HWY 60 East

In 8.7 miles turn right on County Road 268

In 1 mile turn right on county road 2155

In 1.3 miles turn left on spur 2155

Continue for 0.8 miles site is on the left

For More Information visit shadowlands.ansteorra.org/event/

Co-Event Steward

Lady Elsie Hooper

Shanna Obit

P.O. Box 201

Lyons, TX 77863

979-271-0610

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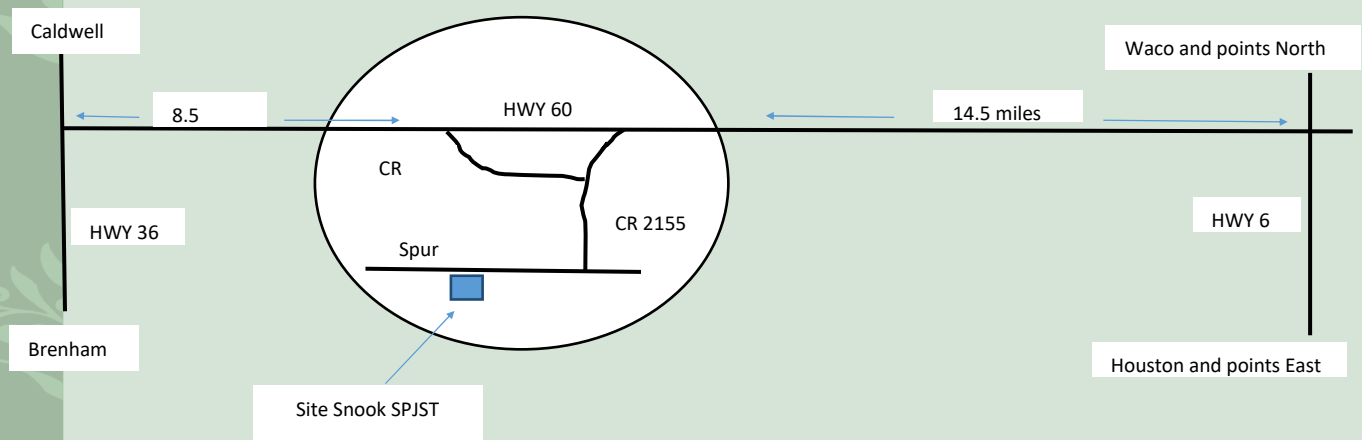
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1209 Saunders St.

Bryan, TX 77803

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Opportunities

Steppes Business Meeting

3rd Thursday of the Month - 7 PM until 9 PM

Is held in the Community room of the Half Price book Flagship Store and open to the Populace! If you have topic to discuss and you are not able to come, please send them to our Senechal to update the Agenda. Officers, the same goes for you.

The Financial Committee Meeting is after Business meeting

A&S Nights

2nd Thursday of the month - 7:00 pm until 9:00 pm

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church 1333 Beltline Road Garland, TX 75040-3267 This is on Beltline, at N Garland Rd.

You will see a large sign for a car wash. Parking is behind the church. This is a monthly meeting, held the second Thursday of each month, for sharing in our interests in the arts and sciences. There are several tables, so bring a project if you have something you want to work on.

Early Music Guild Meeting: 1st and 3rd Monday of the Month—7:00 PM until 9 PM.

Doors open at 6:30 PM, come early if you need to tune up your instruments. Please contact seafox@gypsyheir.com for more specific directions.

Scribal and Illumination Meeting: 4th Thursday of the month—6:30 PM to 9:30 PM

Hosted my Mistress Honour du bois. Every Scribal night will have open charter painting for those who wish to paint our awesome charters as well as some structured classes ranging from beginning to advance techniques as well as original scroll work. We will be planning and working on scrolls for our baronial events too, so bring your ideas.

Chivalric Fighter Practice

Steppes fighter practice is open to all. New fighters welcome! The only equipment that a beginner needs to supply is an athletic cup. Loaner gear is available, and good gentles will happily be willing to instruct beginners in the fine art of Chivalric or Heavy Fighting.

Fighter Practice will not be held on the following dates: Sunday before Gulf Wars, Sunday after Gulf Wars, Memorial Day Weekend (Steppes Warlord), Labor Day Weekend

Sundays 2:00 pm Carrollton

Oak Creek Park 2531 Oak Creek Dr Carrollton, TX

(It's actually past the Tennis Center, behind the playground. Plenty of parking along the road.)

Wednesday 6:30 pm Richardson

Huffhines park 1500 Apollo Rd, Richardson, TX 75081 , besides Fire Station # 4

Rapier Practice

Tuesdays 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm

Tietze Park. 2700 Skillman St, Dallas.

Monitor the Steppes Rapier Practice facebook page for info and site clarifications. New fighters are always welcome. The only equipment that a beginner needs to supply is an athletic cup. Loaner gear is available and good gentles will happily be willing to instruct beginners in the fine art of Rapier or Light Fighting.

Archery Practice

1st and 3rd Sundays 2:00 pm

Steppes archery practices are held on the first and third Sundays of the month, 2PM at the Westlake Sports Center, 601 Gross Road in Mesquite 75149

Glaslyn

Mondays 6:45pm – 10:00pm (Except Christmas Eve and New Years Eve)

North Lakes Park 2001 W. Windsor Dr. Denton, TX

Directions: From I-35 E in Denton, Texas exit University Drive (Hwy 380). Go east on University Dr. Go north on Bonnie Brae St. Go east on Windsor Dr. Just past the baseball fields, turn left (north) into the parking lot. Continue around as if you are going to the soccer fields. Practice is in front of the basketball court on your right, soccer fields on your left.

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Populace Meeting in on the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm.

Napoli's Italian Restaurant. 101 TX-205, Terrell, TX 75160

Fighter Practice is on Mondays at 7:00 pm.

Ben Gill Park

1039 9th St, Terrell TX 75160.

Other Places to Find Great Things

There are many sites on the Web and Facebook for SCA interests. Below are a few. This is in no way an endorsement for any of the groups listed, or a final list. It is just a way to direct people to groups that they might not know about, that may be of interest.

Web:

sca.org

ansteorra.org

steppes.ansteorra.org

calendar.ansteorra.org

hospitaler.ansteorra.org

heraldry.ansteorra.org/honors (Awards)

ansteorra.org/links

Facebook:

Barony of the Steppes

Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA)- <https://www.facebook.com/currentmiddleages>

The official Facebook page for the SCA.

Legion of Swashbucklers: This group is open to all rapier fighters

Steppes Cooks: This group is for those interested in cooking

Steppes Calligraphers and Illuminators Guild

Canvas Castle Showcase- <https://www.facebook.com/groups/471086229603006/>

Canvas Castle Showcase: Show off your tent, camping furniture, or anything that makes your camping experience more homey

Elizabethan Costume- <http://www.facebook.com/groups/29374273995/>

For those people fascinated with the clothing, accessories, hairstyles, cosmetics, etc. of the 16th century. Although the name says "Elizabethan," anything from the Tudor period (1485-1603) is fair game for discussion.

Garb For Sale - <http://www.facebook.com/groups/130311470376509/>

For selling clothing, camping equipment, feast gear, period books and services

SCA Runway - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/460750480615188/?ref=ts&fref=tsA>

Place for showing off SCA fashion.

Tudor Conversations- <http://www.facebook.com/groups/TudorWorld/>

An on-going conversation among like-minded enthusiasts of the 16th century exploring the world of the Tudors, with occasional excursions among the early Stuarts

Viking Clothing <https://www.facebook.com/groups/279611679205/>

For all clothes Viking!

Vikings of the SCA - <http://www.facebook.com/groups/244158265607631/>

Group for those interested in all things "Viking" related in the SCA.

SCA Equestrian - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/34623283817/>

For those interested in Equestrian Arts in the SCA

SCA Garb - <http://www.facebook.com/groups/scagarb/>

A group for discussion of researching and making all types of garb for the SCA

Offices Open for Bids

Local Offices:

The current local offices are open for application. Please send a copy of your application to the current officer, Seneschal, and the Baroness. Applications can be downloaded from the [Kingdom website](#).

Office	Closing Date
Minister of Arts and Sciences	January 31st, 2017
Hospitaler	January 26, 2017
Minister of Children	January 26, 2017
Seneschal Deputy	N/A
Chronicler Deputy	N/A

Kingdom and Society Offices:

The following Kingdom and Society offices are open for bids. Please contact the officer for questions concerning application information. Applications for Kingdom offices can be downloaded from the [Asnteorra Website](#).

Office	Deadline	Contact
Deputy Rapier C&T Marshal	January 5th	crown@ansteorra.org marshal@ansteorra.org rapier@marshal.ansteorra.org
Kingdom Central Re- gion Rapier Marshal	January 5th	crown@ansteorra.org marshal@ansteorra.org rapier@marshal.ansteorra.org

Autocrats Needed

Event bits:

The current event bids are open for application. Please send a copy of your bid and budget to the Seneschal, and the Baroness.

Event	Closing Date
Steppes Warlord 2017	January 31st
Steppes Artisan	February 28th
Steppes 12th Night 2018	April 30th

2017 Steppes Budget

TOTAL: \$5,525.00

A&S Minister 450

A & S Night supplies 100

Printing 50

Scribal Supplies & projector 300

Archery Marshal 600

Archery Supplies 100

Archery Lane Rental 500

B&B 1,050

Populace in the Park food 200

largesse & prizes 200

Gulf War Expenses 150

Baronial Regalia 500

Chamberlain 2220

Storage Unit 1920

Storage Tubs & Supplies 150

Equipment Repairs 150

Chronicler 150

Printing 150

Exchequer 155

Ink cartridges & Paper 150

postage 5

Herald 80

Postage 10

Art supplies 20

Printing 50

Hospitaler 200

Fabric for loaner garb 100

Printing (flyers, cards) 100

Knight Marshal 160

Rattan & Maintenance 150

Printing 10

Rapier Marshal 160

Printing 10

Maintenance 150

Seneschal 50

Ink cartridges & Paper 50

Youth Marshal 250

Maintenance of Chivalric 125

Maintenance of Rapier 125

Financial Policy Barony of the Steppes 2017

1. General

- a. All provisions of the Financial Policies of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. and the Kingdom of Ansteorra shall be applicable to this Financial Policy of the Barony of the Steppes.
- b. Society and Kingdom Financial Policy shall take precedence except where this Financial Policy of the Barony of the Steppes specifies more stringent requirements than shown in the Society and Kingdom Financial Policies.

2. Financial Reporting

- a. Monthly/Quarterly reports will be submitted to the Central Regional Exchequer by the last day of the month following the report month (e.g. February monthly report is due by March 31) and copies sent to the Central Regional Exchequer.
- b. The Landed Nobility of the Steppes, Seneschal, and members of the Financial Committee shall receive a copy of the Exchequer's monthly report by email or hard copy within 30 days of filing. A copy of the report shall be available for any member of the populace to review upon request. Current balances of the barony's checking and savings accounts shall be published at least quarterly in the baronial newsletter.
- c. The Annual Report (Domesday report) shall be submitted to the Central Regional Exchequer and Kingdom Domesday Deputy by the date specified by the deputy with copies provided to the Seneschal and Landed Nobility of the Steppes.
- d. The baronial Financial Policy shall be reviewed by the officers at the October Business Meeting, submitted for approval by the populace at the November Business Meeting and submitted to the Central Regional Exchequer by November 30th of each year.

3. Financial Committee

- a. The Financial Committee shall consist of: 1) Landed Nobility of the Steppes (who have only one combined vote); 2) Seneschal; and 3) Exchequer. There will be two other local members at-large. These two positions shall be announced and opened for bids.
- b. Applications shall be considered and voted on by the populace at the Business Meeting.
- c. No two Financial Committee members shall share the same address or have a close familial relationship (with the exception being the Landed Nobility of the Steppes).
- d. At-large members elected shall serve a term not to exceed two years.
- e. The committee shall meet once per month and also for a specified purpose or emergency action if requested by a member. Items to be reviewed can be sent out and discussed by e-mail in advance of a meeting.
- f. Financial Committee members that miss more than two scheduled committee meetings shall be reviewed in absentia at any official meeting of the officers to determine if removal from the Financial Committee is warranted. Lack of communication can be grounds for dismissal.
- g. Vacancies shall be announced at the monthly Business Meeting and published in the newsletter. Vacancies shall be filled within 30 days of the position being vacated.
- h. Financial Committee members shall be paid members of the SCA.
- i. All members of the Financial Committee shall either have attended a treasurer's financial policy class within the past year, or attend a treasurer's policy class at the next available opportunity such as Round Table or King's College.

4. Budget

- a. Each officer shall list anticipated expenses for that office for the coming year and submit them to the Exchequer for review by the Financial Committee prior to September Business meeting. If no budget is presented, the Financial Committee shall assign a budget to that office.

b. The Barony's yearly budget shall be presented to the populace at the October Business meeting and submitted to the Central Region Exchequer by November 30th.

c. An acting officer can request access to spend the budgeted funds for said office, after review by Financial Committee.

5. Expenditures

a. Non-budgeted expenses shall be reviewed and discussed at the Business Meeting. They shall then be reviewed and approved by the Financial Committee prior to the funds being spent.

b. Receipts for pre-approved out-of-pocket, non-event expenses shall be submitted within two populace meetings (approximately 60 days) from the date of purchase or the expenses may not be reimbursed. Exceptions may be made with Financial Committee approval.

c. All expenditures (budgeted and unbudgeted) require the advance completion of either the Check Advance or Check Request form. Budgeted expenditures require approval of the Exchequer and unbudgeted expenditures require approval of a simple majority of the Financial Committee.

d. Fully documented receipts shall be provided to support all expenses. This rule applies to anyone expecting reimbursements.

e. Any single capital expenditure exceeding the value of \$500 shall be proposed and advertised in at least one issue of the Barony of the Steppes Newsletter prior to the business meeting at which the expenditure will be decided upon. The full populace present at the business meeting shall have opportunity to make comments prior to the decision. The decision shall be made by the Financial Committee.

f. With the unanimous approval of the Financial Committee, any single capital expenditure exceeding the value of \$500 may be made without advertisement in the Newsletter if a decision must be made prior to such a time as would allow typical procedure for high-dollar capital expenditures.

6. Cash Receipts

a. Gate receipts shall be deposited into the baronial account within five business days of the end of the event.

b. All other receipts shall be deposited no later than 14 calendar days after receipt.

7. Event Bid Process and Gate Policies

a. All bids shall contain the following information, and shall adhere to Baronial, Kingdom and Society laws.

i. Basic budget for the event to include, but not limited to site rental costs, porta-johns, prizes, printing, site tokens, feast/food, and miscellaneous expenses.

ii. Autocrat's résumé, SCA or mundane. A brief note about history or qualifications shall suffice.

iii. Contract or quote from the site.

iv. Basic idea of theme, contests, etc. for event. These are in addition to any Baronial Championships being decided.

v. Family Max charge for the event.

vi. Individuals who will receive complimentary admission to the event.

1. Landed Nobility of the Steppes

2. Current Crown plus one entourage

3. Current Consort plus one entourage

4. Current Heirs plus one entourage each

5. Current Steppes Warlord plus their Consort of Love and Beauty

6. Current Steppes Rapier Champion plus their Consort of Grace and Honor

7. Current Steppes Archer
8. Current Steppes Bard
9. Current Steppes Artisan
10. One event Steward
11. One feast Steward

b. The Financial Committee shall determine the financial viability of all event bids with attached budgets.

c. All viable bids shall be presented to populace at Business Meeting for discussion. Bids are to be presented by the person submitting the bid.

d. The Financial Committee shall vote to approve the bid.

e. A list of people to receive complimentary admission shall be provided to gate that lists both SCA and legal names. Anyone not on the comp list shall be approved by the Financial Committee no later than two weeks prior to the event.

f. Requests for reimbursements for event purchases shall be approved by the event autocrat and turned in to the Exchequer within 5 days after the event in order for the event report to be prepared and submitted within 10 days as required by Society Financial Policy.

g. Joint events shall be subject to all group financial policies, with baronial representation. Event bids for joint events must include a breakdown of agreed upon group contributions, responsibilities, and profit/loss split. All Financial Committees involved shall approve and sign the bid.

8. Assets

a. The baronial physical assets shall be stored in an approved storage facility under the supervision of the Quartermaster, the Exchequer, and the Seneschal. An inventory of all baronial property shall be conducted not less than once a year and a copy of the inventory listing shall be signed by the Financial Committee and forwarded to the Central Regional Exchequer by November 30th of each year.

b. A copy of the inventory shall be provided to anyone who requests a copy.

9. Designated Funds

a. When a Designated Fund is set up, a primary purpose shall be established by the donor or by the Financial Committee. The final destination of all Designated Funds is the Baronial General Fund.

b. Designated Funds may be transferred to the General Fund only if there has been no activity for a reasonable period of time and the transfer has the unanimous approval of the Financial Committee

10. Miscellaneous

a. The Barony shall loan funds or property to SCA, Inc., and its subsidiaries only. Prior to lending or borrowing funds or baronial property (including wall hangings), the Barony shall have, in writing, an agreement with the borrower detailing the method of return, repayment, liability, and profit disbursement.

10. Guilds

a. Formation of a guild shall comply with Kingdom of Ansteorra policies regarding such.

b. For guild operations, the appropriate officer's budget shall be utilized for guild purchases, with the approval of said officer. If the amount requested exceeds \$50, it shall be decided upon separately by the Financial Committee.

c. Inventory of guild holdings shall be done as necessary, not to exceed an interval of 2 years.

11. Trailer

- a. All trailers owned by the Barony of the Steppes are to be used for storing and transporting baronial property to and from SCA functions. Trailers owned by the barony shall not be used for strictly personal purposes by members of the barony.
- b. Anyone towing a trailer owned by the Barony of the Steppes shall be a member in good standing, and tows the trailer at their own risk.
- c. Agreements to store and tow the trailer shall be made in writing in advance between the member storing or towing the trailer for each trip and the barony. Each agreement shall include specifications of timeframes and calculation for any expense reimbursement. Each trip shall be considered round-trip, and the member towing the trailer is responsible for its return at the end of the trip, unless otherwise specified in the agreement.
- d. Trailers shall always be loaded in compliance with the trailer's maximum gross trailer weight rating, maximum tongue weight rating, and load balancing instructions. Trailers shall be attached to a towing vehicle rated for that type of trailer. Trailers shall be attached using all legally required attachments and restraints and working electrical connections.
- e. If there is available capacity in the trailer after the baronial property is loaded, and there is a desire to transport additional personal property in the trailer, it is allowable that additional personal property owned by baronial members is placed in the trailer. Any personal property is loaded into the trailer at the property owner's risk.

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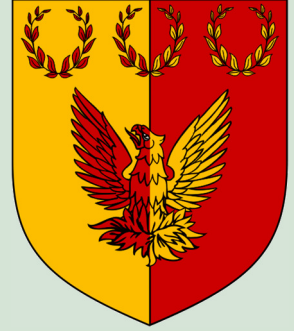


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