



The Blue Strand



*Barony of Krae Glas
Sense of Purpose*

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From the Baron and Baroness

Greetings to you all and welcome to the New Year.

Over the summer we have continued to enjoy the food, arts, entertainment and fighting in the Twilight Tourney series. Congratulations to all the competition winners so far and particular thanks to all the children who created entries for the Egyptian tourney. It's great to see the enthusiasm for the arts and sciences in our next generation. We hope you will continue to enjoy the tourneys as we travel to Turkey for our next stop on the spice road.

This month we will be travelling to Stormhold for their February Monthly Bash and later in February we will journey north to Bordescros to defend our outer territories from the acquisitive Warden (aka Baron Politarchopolis). Our sp... ambassador to his court informs us that he and Duke Cornelius are raising a vast force of cannon-fodder... ahem new fighters and filling them with false tales of weakness in the South. We invite as many of you as will to join us in teaching them otherwise.

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Yours with purpose

Elsbeth and Cormac



From the Chronicler

Greetings, one and all, and welcome again to The Blue Strand.

We have had a wonderful start to our new year, already seeing a new Baronial Champion become likely.

I have been attempting to collect the history of the Barony of Krae Glas. Although our history is short, we have already taken our place in it. We have secured the very significant role of hosting The Twelfth Night in 2013, not to mention the many other events, like Suth Moot that will set our Barony apart.

An accurate history requires an accurate place to store it. As such I have created an archive, in the form of a new email address.

Any business with the Chronicler will be stored at kg.chronicler@gmail.com, ensuring that future generations will have the records they need, in an easy to find place.

Without further ado, I give you the first edition of The Blue Strand for 2012.

YiS
Veronica Bellini
Krae Glas Chronicler

In Court - Events

Twilight Tournament So far - Fighting

What an amazing event so far! The fighting in all three nights has been very engaging to watch.

The series started with a battle to keep both an army and themselves from becoming a vassal to another warlord. Although the current Baronial Champion, Zhou Long Xi Khan Sheng, had an early lead, it was Gib Purchase who went on to win the night, and an early lead.

The second round took us to mysterious India and a Bedford Points Style Tournament. This style is most often described as "for fighters who love to fight" and our fighters did not disappoint. The fighting was fierce, with the blows often resounding around the lemon-scented lawns. The clash of sword on shield or armour greatly entertained us all, including Erika, who found it most amusing when Zhou got hit and fell over. The closing court saw Gib confirmed as the winner of this second round.

Egypt took an interesting turn, with the fighting style being Pharaoh of the Pyramid. The winner had to hold the pyramid for eight undefeated rounds. The clear winner of this event was Gib Purchase. He stood on top of the pyramid at the end of eight rounds, after ousting Cormac's early lead.

However Leif then declared that to remain Pharaoh, Gib had to fight everyone. Gib agreed and went on to fight a Melee of Gib versus everyone. In the end he was felled, leaving only the current champion and the Baron standing. It was an impressive effort, fighting so many and leaving so few.

To sum up:

Round 1

China - War Between the States

Combatants:

Gib, Cormac, Zhou, Tobias, Airden, Bertram, Casper, Antoinette, Theophilus and Leif

The winner of the First night's tournament was

Gib Purchase

Round 2

India - Bedford Tournament

Combatants:

Gib, Cormac, Zhou, Airden, Theophilus and Seigfried

The winner of the Second night's tournament was

Gib Purchase

Round 3

Egypt - Pharaoh of the pyramid

Combatants:

Theophilus, Antoinette, Airden, Cormac, Seigfried, Gib, Zhou

The Winner of the Third night's tournament was

Gib Purchase

The current standings are as follows:

Gib
Cormac
Zhou
Airden
Seigfried
Theophilus
Casper
Antoinette
Tobias
Bertram
Leif



All fell to Gib

Twilight Tournament So far - A&S

A very important part of the Twilight tournaments is what happens around the fighting.

Firstly there is the cooking. The most amazing dishes have been sampled so far. We've had everything from lamb and salmon to crocodile. There have been the most amazing dishes of vegetables and even a mock-fish pie. Of course, who can forget the sweets!

There have been so many delicious things to eat. People have been so generous that we have even had leftovers.

It was wonderful to see the children getting involved. With or without their parents help, they made the most wonderful dishes.

Then there has been the entertainment. We have heard the most amazing stories, seen some interesting and wonderful dances, heard music that is both a delight and memorable and this is just the beginning of what we have seen. The Baroness even submitted a pyramid, made with real child labour.

The everyday items have been as varied as the entertainment. The winning entries have included a silk sock and a Canopic jar. Although not an obvious part of the celebrations, it is well worth looking at the artistry of this category. They are unique and beautiful.

It is interesting to note, that the A&S competitions for entertainment and a made item, could still be won by anyone. This includes someone who is only going to enter the last two rounds of the competitions.

A&S winners:

	Cooking	Entertainment	An every day item
Round 1	Lady Clara	Leif Magnusson	Lady Magdalena (Silk Sock)
Round 2	Lady Clara	Paul, Theophilus & Magdalena (Tied)	Veronica Bellini (Fruit Kheer)
Round 3	Lady Clara	Antoinette Stryk	Finn of Krae Glas (Canopic Jar)

Closing Court Awards

Upon the retirement of their former roles, Yves de Lyle and Martyn Fairchild were awarded the Baronial award of Apollo Dolphinus, for service. Both did an amazing job in seeing our Shire rise to a Barony and we thank them for their outstanding service.



Krae Glas Younglings

Children's Twilight.

Gib may have won round three of the Twilight tournament, but the night belonged to the children.

Firstly the children had not one, but two entries into the A&S cooking. Those who sampled them said the honey and date balls, along with the mock-fish pie, were wonderful. With or without their parents help Branwen and Sophie did a great job. Many people are looking forward to their next entries.

The children's night did not end there. Finn won the A&S everyday item competition, with a Canopic jar. Although there were no body parts in it, the next person to be mummified would be very happy with his work.

Finally the children even entertained us. During the course of the evening the Baroness arranged a human pyramid, made with real children. It was a sound structure that would stand against the winds of time. It certainly stood against the wind of the night's weather.

In the closing court they did a play about Cleopatra, in keeping with the Egypt theme. The play was created and performed on the night, without any adult help. It was great to see their efforts.

It was a highly entertaining night and we look forward to seeing more from the children.

Minutiae and Hearsay

Minutiae

New Officers

Congratulations again to Martyn Fairchild of Grenhamerton, who became Krae Glas' new Seneschal, on the 13th day of January *in the year of our lord* 2012. A prestigious role. Given his ability as Baronial Herald, the populace are confident he will do as great a job in his new role.

Congratulations also to Tomasia Mariano who has accepted the office of Baronial Herald. I am certain she will carry this office with the dignity that it requires.

Thank you to Yves de Lyle, former Seneschal, and Martyn Fairchild, former Baronial Herald, who have served us very well. They have done an exceptional job.

Twelfth Night 2013 announcement

I am very pleased to announce that Their Majesties, Siridean and Margie, have decided that Twelfth Night 2013 will be hosted by the Barony of Krae Glas (Melbourne, Australia) over the weekend of the January 12-13 next Year.

In service,
Catherine de Arc
Lochac Seneschal

Did you know?

Direct deposits between banks sometimes do not have the details you include for the transaction. Sometimes the only thing that appears is the bank and amount.

With this in mind, please email the Reeve when doing a bank transfer. Please include who paid it, what it is for, when it was deposited and the amount.

Hearsay

Company of the Black Dolphin:

Little has been heard of this much maligned crew. Is it possible they're out patrolling the borders of fair Krae Glas?

Are they raiding our neighbours in search of easy plunder and rich women?

Or possibly they're setting up shop in a new tavern somewhere while the Dodgy Dolphin is under such close scrutiny by the Constable and his trusted men.

Upcoming Events

The following are upcoming events. Please let the chronicler know of others you wish to add to this list.

Krae Glas:

Twilight tournaments

Turkey - 17th February 2012
The Oak Grove
Monash University
Venice - 16th March 2012
The Lemon Scented Lawns
Monash University

Pirates of the Aegean &
A Night in the Dubious Dolphin

18th March 2012

Suth Moot IV

6th - 9th April 2012

The lands of the southern part of the Kingdom of Lochac (the sinister part thereof) welcome you to attend Suth Moot.

Suth Moot is a low-key, family friendly, relaxed event that we hope will offer those who wish to avail themselves of the opportunity over the long Easter break to do medieval stuff. Knowing, as we do, that other Living History events are also geographically remote, we also invite members of those groups to attend.

With a full children's activities stream, Arts & Sciences Collegia & workshops, Archery, Guild of Defense and Heavy Combat streams all tastes are catered for in a convivial and comfortable environment offering period camping, modern camping, cabins and day tripping.

Cost:

(not including cabin accommodation)

\$60 until 25th March 2012, \$70 after and at the gate, \$20 day rate

\$2 must be paid by all non SCA annual financial members.

Additional information, including the booking form can be found here:

[IV Suth](#)

Beyond our fair borders:

Middle Eastern Dance Guild meeting

February 18th, 2012

11a.m. So bring some food to share and any outstanding project you would like to catch up on.

Please email miriam.staples@gmail.com for further details

Border War XIV

24th - 26th February 2012

Where: Camp Kurrajung Scout Camp Oura Rd Wagga Wagga NSW
For a fully catered camping weekend of war, tourney, equestrian, arts & sciences-

Cost Members \$80 non-members \$85. There are 60 dormitory bed spaces available at an extra \$30 for the weekend.

Bookings to Sir Jon Dai at s.davis_1969@hotmail.com

The Third Chess Challenge

March 17th, 2012

Address: Harleston Park, Seymour Rd, Elsternwick VIC 3185.

Times: 2-6pm

Cost: Members and Newcomers \$6, non-members \$8, children \$2.

Please book but payment can be made on the day.

Email miriam.staples@gmail.com to book.

Rowany Festival 2012

6th - 9th April 2012

Bookings have to close on MARCH 1, 2012

For more information, visit the attendance booking web page:

http://festival.lochac.sca.org/?page_id=65

For more information, contact Sorle Maknicoll sorle.sca@gmail.com

May Crown

11th - 13th May 2012

From 12th Night till Easter Members \$75, Non members \$80

From Easter, gate prices apply \$80 and \$85. Dorm accommodation is available at an extra \$30 per head.

The event is a fully catered camping event at Camp Kurrajung Scout Camp Oura Rd Wagga Wagga NSW

Bookings can be made via Sir Jon Dai at s.davis_1969@hotmail.com

Regular Events

Rapier Practice & Capstone Training Every Thursday 7:45 - 10:00 PM
Fairhills High School, 330 Scoresby Road,
Knoxfield, Victoria Australia 3180

Dance Practice Every Friday 6:00 - 8:00 PM
Central 1 lecture theatre foyer,
Building 63, Monash University

Fighter Training Every Friday 8:15 - 10:45 PM
Central 1 lecture theatre foyer,
Building 63, Monash University

Monthly planning Meeting 2nd Saturday Mthly 12:30 - 1:30 PM
Magnolia St, Doveton

Monthly Crafhall 2nd Saturday Mthly 1:30 - 7:00 PM
Magnolia St, Doveton

'Bash and 'Broidery 4th Saturday Mthly 2:00 - 5:00 PM
9 Cypress ct, Cranbourne North



[Click here for the link to the Calendar](#)

Baronial Awards

Apollo Dolphinus

There are three variations, Martial, A&S and Service.

This award recognises someone who has excelled in one of the above areas.

They don't need to be the best fighter, but it could be someone who has assisted with lists or promoted fighting, as an example.

The symbol of the order is a Dolphin haurient, with a red, green or blue stone dependant. Red symbolises martial, green symbolises A&S and blue is for service endeavours.

Recipients:

Gwynfor (Martial)	27/08/2011
Paul de Ville (Arts and Science)	16/11/2011
Yves de Lyle (Service)	13/01/2012
Martyn Fairchild (Service)	13/01/2012

Baroness Cypher

These are awarded to individuals who have come to the Baroness' attention, and are small tokens of varying types - such as buttons and teasels.

Recipients:

Baron's Cypher		
Auðun inn illi	27/08/2011	Token - ring
Baroness' Cypher		
Celsa	27/08/2011	Token - button
Envoy to Politocopolis		
Adrian Neggastein	27/08/2011	Token - two pronged fork

Baronial Endorsement:

The Baronial Endorsement was created by Cormac and Elspeth to recognise those who have enriched the Barony of Krae Glas through their actions and their sense of purpose.

The symbol of the Krae Glas Baronial Endorsement is two dolphins endorsed.

Recipients:

Theophilus Balsamon	27/08/2011
Veronica Bellini	20/11/2011

Baronial Spurtle

The Baroness wished to recognise those who have helped the Barony in the culinary fields - whether it is by preparing, cooking, serving or helping in the kitchens.

The symbol is a small silver spoon.

Recipients:

Gwir verch Madog	27/08/2011
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Contacts

The Baron and Baroness of Krae Glas

Baron Cormac Lenihan and Baroness Elspeth Caerwent (Conrad and Cathy Leviston)

The baron and Baroness administer the lands and people of Krae Glas on behalf of the kind and queen of Lochac. They ensure that Krae Glas contributes to the nobility of Lochac, and recognize good work within Krae Glas, be it martial, in the arts and sciences, or in service.

Email: [Baron and Baroness](#)

Seneschal

Martyn Fairchild of Grenhamerton (Andrew Bennett)

Ph: 0404 927 395

Email: [Seneschal](#)

As in medieval times, the Seneschal is the head of the group who handles the day-to-day affairs and manages the other Officers. A mundane equivalent is President.

Reeve

Nicolette Dufay (Lillian Johnston)

Ph: 0413 518 151

Email: [Reeve](#)

The Reeve handles the financial aspects of the group, including maintaining the books and bank accounts. The mundane equivalent is a Treasurer.

Chronicler

Veronica Bellini (Monica James)

Email: [Chronicler](#)

The Chronicler records the history of the Barony and distributes it for the known world to read.

Marshal

Leif Magnusson (Matt Curran)

Ph: 0400 669 459

Email: [Marshal](#)

The Marshal is responsible for encouraging Martial activities within the group. They ensure that fighters are safe on the field as well as inspecting and authorising new fighters. They coordinate Heavy, Rapier, Combat Archery and Target Archery.

Group Rapier Marshal

Seigfried of Capstone

Email: [Seigfried](#)

Coordinates and encourages rapier combat within the group.

Captain of Archers

Miguel Rodriguez de Santiago (Matt Armstrong)

Ph: 0409 300 193

Email: [Captain of Archers](#)

Coordinates and encourages all forms of Archery within the group.

Arts and Sciences

Clara Luther (Kath Langmead)

Email: [Arts and Sciences](#)

Encourages the pursuit of any arts and sciences through classes, workshops, informal gatherings and competitions.

Herald

Tomasia Mariano (Hannah Langmead)

Email: [Herald](#)

Coordinates the running of Heraldic activities for the group, including registration of names and devices, performing voice heraldry during events such as court, and on the field during tournaments.

Constable

Miguel de Santiago (Matt Armstrong)

Ph: 0409 300 193

Email: [Constable](#)

Responsible for site and event safety, indemnities/waivers and lost property.

Web Minister

Paul de la Ville (Paul Harrison)

Ph: 0405 462 362

Email: [Webwright](#)

Maintains the group's internet presence. This includes social networking sites, the mailing list and the main website. They also assist with moderation of the forums, form policy and create and maintain content for the site.

If you are interested in assisting with running Krae Glas, or want to know more about what an Officer does, then please contact the Seneschal so we can register your interest.