

The Blue Strand

The newsletter of the Barony of Krae Glas.
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From the Baron and Baroness

Unto Our Populace of Krae Glas do Jon and Margie send warmest greetings.

Long has this pestilence held Our Lands in thrall but still we persevere and proudly observe the tenacity of our people. We see the care you show for each other as circumstances change and restrictions are sometimes thrust upon us with little warning. It is heartening to see our populace in various online forums as we wait expectantly to see you all face to face once more.

The time approaches when it will be one year since we first sat upon the thrones of this mighty Barony, following in the deep footsteps of those who had come before us in leadership. We would have wished for a celebration to commemorate this occasion but sadly that is not to be. However, on the 27th day of August it is the 10th anniversary of The Barony of Krae Glas; a time for great rejoicing. Please take this time to share your stories, and your pictorial evidence of your memories of Krae Glas.

To all, a challenge, whether you are new to Krae Glas or a founding member, or somewhere in between, put pen to paper and record a memory. It could be styled as a diary entry or report written in a style reminiscent of pre 17th Century, a poem or even a song. It could even be a short play that we could perform in times to come! We look forward to your stories.

We thank all of Our Baronial Officers who have toiled to ensure that our Barony thrives, even when we are unable to meet together face to face. We sincerely thank our Web Minister, Lady Ana Vuallachia, our Knight Marshal, Lord Robert Calais and our Arts & Sciences Minister, Mistress Yvonne du Plumetot, for their service to Krae Glas over the past two years and more. Huzzah! Huzzah! Huzzah! We welcome the incoming Officers, Lord Curian Shiranui and Lady Roisin Cinnsealach, our new chroniclers, as we look forward to new quarterly editions of The Blue Strand. Mistress Nicolette du Fay is our new Arts and Sciences Minister and Sir Jon is our new Knight Marshal. Please see the regnum for a full listing of Krae Glas Officers and their contact details.

We congratulate the College of St Monica on their very successful year so far. Regardless of the challengers that have beset our Collegians their numbers have swelled and interest in Arts & Sciences and combat related activities has burgeoned under the capable and enthusiastic leadership of Lord Liam and his officers. It gladdens us greatly and we look forward to a time when we can join your activities and share with the Collegians our skills and knowledge.

As Our Cousins, the Baron and Baroness Stormhold prepare to relinquish their stewardship of our neighbouring barony, we thank Brian and Miriam for their unerring support during this first year of our tenure as Baron and Baroness of Krae Glas. We look forward to collaborating with their successors, The Honourable Lady Eleanora de la Birche and Master Leif Magnusson, however, we ask that our populace keeps a wary eye to our North and East. There has been rumour that many hands may be needed to construct a wall, the like of which even Hadrian would be jealous...

But looking towards our own hearths, we encourage you to maintain your Arts & Sciences and marshal endeavours. Such activities contribute to the physical health and mental wellbeing of our people, even if we are doing them in relative isolation. The ring of the hammer on the anvil, the gentle clacking of knitting needles, the dull and rhythmic thud of working out on a pell, all provide needed escapes from the cares that beset us at this time.

As we look ahead to the next 12 months we ask you to consider what projects, workshops, collegia, events and other endeavours you would like to see in Our Barony. Your suggestions could be for on-line or face to face activities. We look forward to your suggestions no matter how simple or how grandiose. For example St Monica's was hoping to host Inter College War this year but might like to start planning for next year instead? Maybe you would like a collegium on basic nalbinding? Want a bardic circle event with a bonfire and group singing? What do you want?

We look forward to the Stormhold Investiture and hope to see some of our populace there in a show of support, and to keep an eye and ear out for any suspicious behaviour or stirrings of hostility from our new Cousins.

As the Spring approaches we look with great anticipation to our next baronial event, The Frog and Prince Tavern, stewarded by the inimitable Mistress Elspeth Caerwent. The date for this event will be published broadly. We have greatly missed the opportunities to attend events and share experiences and we eagerly look forward to when we can once again come together for events.

In Service,

Jon and Margie.

Baron & Baroness Krae Glas.

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FROM THE SENESCHAL

The Barony will be purchasing a Zoom Pro account for future online meetings and events. Thanks to Mistress Miriam bat Shimeon for the assistance she has given to us in our online endeavours.

The issue of the borders of the Hamlet of Lyttleham is still being explored with the Deputy Kingdom Seneschal.

Looking forward to the “Frog and Prince Tavern Event” - a face to face event that is planned for the end of this year.

Thorgrim d’Vergr—Seneschal

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“The most certain sign of wisdom is cheerfulness.” *Michel de Montaigne*



REEVE’S REPORT

Account balances as at end August 2021:

- Community Solutions One account \$2,461.93
 - Cash Reserve B account \$10,314.08
 - No cash reserve or floats outstanding
 - Xero fully reconciled to end August.
- Dropbox is up to date with bank statements, event reports and council minutes.

Elspeth Caewent—Reeve



THE KRAE GLAS

REGNUM

This is where you will find some of the contact details for the officers of our Barony.

The full list of contact details can be found at our website.

The Baronial website is: <https://kraeglas.lochac.sca.org/>

We also have a Baronial FaceBook page. SCA—Barony of Krae Glas

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/kraeglas>

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ARTS & SCIENCES

Congratulations to all who participated in the Lochac Scavenger Hunt. Although Krae Glas did not have a designated team there were members of the Barony who were participants in other teams.

This was a wonderful opportunity for individuals to join a team and attempt to produce entries in 80 categories in just 2 weeks! A little bird is saying there may be another of these in the future. Keep you eye out! The contestants had so much fun, and even more importantly, many said it re-engaged them and they had a rekindled enthusiasm for the SCA after the hiatus imposed on so many of us by these times of plague.

Together with the new Baron and Baroness of Stormhold, Leif and Eleanora, your Krae Glas Baron and Baroness are taking it in turns to issue weekly Facebook challenges to our two neighbouring baronies.

The Baronial Cloak Project is moving along steadily, with many of our artisans contributing their skills and time. It is not too late to become involved in this exciting project. Gentles at all skill levels can participate. Please contact our Arts & Sciences Minister, Mistress Nicolette du Fay, if you think you might like to contribute.

ARTS & SCIENCES SUNDAYS

Mistress Nicolette du Fay is hosting virtual Arts & Sciences workshops fortnightly from 1– 3pm.

The link will be published each fortnight prior to the workshop.

Bring along your own project or just come along and be inspired.

Is there something you would really like to know about? Bring your questions and your curiosity.

HERALDRY

Thinking about a name or device? There are many within our Barony who may be able to help you. Our Baronial Herald is Master Cormac.

Wondering how you can use your own personal heraldry, or the heraldry of the Barony? Come along to Arts & Sciences Sundays or talk to our Arts & Sciences minister, Mistress Nicolette du Fay.

COMBAT

For all things martial ask the Baron, who is also our Knight Marshal, Sir Jon Dai. Margie also has a wealth of experience as a member of the Lochac company of Archers and an experienced marshal. For information about combat rules <https://marshal.lochac.sca.org/>