**Barony of Krae Glas – Meeting Minutes March 2025**

**Time:** opened by Rúnfríðr Keiliselgr at 7:37pm, closed at 8:40pm

**Date:** 11th March 2025

**Attendance:**

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| Acting Seneschal | Rúnfríðr Keiliselgr(Rachel Thorpe-Jones) | Present |
| Deputy Seneschal | Rúnfríðr Keiliselgr(Rachel Thorpe-Jones) | Present |
| Reeve | Finn of St Monica(Finn Mac Eoin) | Present |
| Deputy (outgoing) Reeve | Elizabet Hunter(Janet Coath) | Present |
| Knight Marshal | Muireach Mac Gréine(Andrew Wilson) | Present |
| Captain of Archers | Maude atte Weylete (Michelle Kurrle) | Apologies |
| Constable | Vacant – warrant expired in December | N/A |
| A&S Officer and Deputy Chronicler | Joanna of Braidwood (Joanna Thorpe-Jones) | Apologies |
| Deputy A&S Officer | Tassilon Fetherstonhaughe (Patrick Corby) | Apologies |
| Herald | Mærwynn of Legeceasterscire (Maree Yarwood) | Apologies |
| Chatelaine | Hjortetakk Gorgonites (Asmodea Barton) | Apologies |
| Chronicler and Social Media Officer | Julia of the Ravens (Julia Jamieson) | Apologies |
| Deputy Social Media Officer | Talie van Groeningen (none) | Apologies |
| Quartermaster | Vacant – warrant expired in December | N/A |
| Webminister | 無名 of St Monica (Kevin Duong) | Apologies |
| Baron | Jon Dai of the Lane(Stephen Davis) | Present |
| Baroness | Margie of Glen More (Margie Henley) | Present |
| St Monica Seneschal | Theodwin Vriunt(Zachary Bessemer) | Apologies |

**Populace attending:** Airdin Mac Dara (Warren McArdle)

**Minutes:** taken by Rúnfríðr Keiliselgr. Motions in blue.

**Previous minutes:** the minutes from the meeting from February 11th were approved. This was moved by Margie and seconded by Airdin. Carried unanimously. The minutes from the February 18th meeting are outstanding.

**Officer appointments and vacancies since last month:**

1. Seneschal – Master Gomez and Rúna in discussions about the appointment process to appoint a new Seneschal. Airdin is also happy to talk to candidates.
2. Deputy Chronicler: now Joanna of Braidwood.

**Event reports:**

1. Battle on the High C’s stewarded by Airdin and Roisin on the 25th of January – event report outstanding.
2. Love: Fate vs Chance Twilight Tourney stewarded by Julia and Robert event report outstanding.

**Upcoming events:**

1. Coming up soon
	1. Ides of March stewarded by Rúnfríðr with Collegian support on the 15th of March
	2. Ironbeard Challenge stewarded by Maude and Jon on a date to be determined
2. Regular events
	1. Regular Thursday night training
	2. Bimonthly archery – next one is March 16th, this Sunday
		* Maude reported she will need more help getting gear and setting and packing up
	3. Crafthall in April
		* Margie moves we cancel because of Rowany Festival. Finn seconds. Passed unanimously.
	4. Hall hire
		* Airdin to reach out for invoices for the hall now that the regular person is back as there are some for the past few months that haven’t been sent to us
3. Other events
	1. Chess Challenge on the 29th of March stewarded by Airdin now as Erin is sick
		* Finn moves $150 for venue hire and other expenses for Chess Challenge. Julia seconds. Passed unanimously.
		* Airdin will organise getting the throne, kneeling cushions and basic court items on Thursday for the event
		* We are missing pieces of thrones – does Asmodea have it?
	2. Rowany Festival on the 13th to 22nd of April
		* Jon is campsite warden and will check numbers soon
		* Borrowing BBQ from Barony

**New general business:**

**Hall venues:**

Baron Lief found out on the weekend at a Scouts event that there is some discussion about being the Noble Park hall that we use being sold.

There was discussion of other halls, including one that was recently renovated. Airdin to send data about halls and Rúna to put into spreadsheet in case. Airdin to also reach out to Wombat about rumour.

**Timing of meetings:**

Tuesdays are working generally for people. Earlier in the evening is better for Finn, our new Reeve, but worse for others.

**Birthday bash by Stormhold:**

Margie notes the birthday bash is on May the 4th, which is the saint day of the College. Communication problems are possible, although we didn’t specifically say to avoid the event. When we write event proposals, we usually explicitly avoid clashes with Stormhold events.

Rúna has asked the College if they had any objections or concerns about this event and they are fine with it.

**Outstanding expenses:**

Jon wants a discussion about outstanding expenses that have been approved but not made at the May meeting.

**Miscellaneous other things:**

Sign-in sheets for February and March need to be put in the Dropbox. Airdin will send them to Elizabet.

We are having problems with the Square, including losing the cable and charging plug.

**Officers present declared nothing to discuss from officer reports. Included for reference.**

**Officer reports that Rúna has access to:**

Reeve (Elizabet):
Account balances as at the end of Feb 2025 :
Community Solutions One  account          $13,255.70
Cash Reserve B account                           $0.01
For a total of $13,255.71
No cash reserve or floats are outstanding at this time
Xero fully reconciled to end of Feb 2025
Dropbox is up to date with bank statements.
Sign in sheets from Thursday night Trainings on the 13th and 27th of Feb are not yet in Dropbox
Event reports outstanding for STTS High C's and STTS Love, Fate vs Chance

B&B (Margie and Jon):

Since February the Barony has been very active with Thursday Night Training at Dolphin’s Keep, and a flurry of activity at the College of St Monica’s as they prepare for The Ides of March event. The Baroness is somewhat concerned about the possibility of a coup staged by the Krae Glas Officers, or those from our College. The Baron will not be able to attend as familial and other duties have called him to the Barony of Rowany until the waning of the next full moon. My back is therefore, feeling rather exposed to potential knives.

It is with some sadness but with deep gratitude that we thank Ysabel Norrice for her service as our Seneschal for this past twelvemonth. The tyranny of distance and other pressures have made this change a necessary one but Ysabel has not left us without a capable hand to take the helm. We thank Lady Rúna for agreeing to take on the role of Acting Seneschal while due process is done to appoint a new Baronial Seneschal.

Other officer positions have also passed into new hands and these will be announced in Court at the Ides of March event. We have also had an influx of newcomers to our Barony and we welcome them warmly to our hearth.

We were greatly disappointed that neither of us was able to spend time with our populace at our March Crafthall and Market. The Baroness had been planning to teach basic tablet weaving, using the design of the Oseberg braid. Although she was struck down with illness, the very capable Julia of the Ravens stepped up and was able to teach in her stead. Thank you Julia, your dedication is greatly appreciated. In her solitary confinement the Baroness made a measure of braid to help her feel that she was a part of the Barony nonetheless.

The Baroness is looking forward to holding Court at the Ides of March, assuming she is not preoccupied with removing knives from her back, or having to haunt the remainder of the event due to a successful assassination attempt. We would like to be able to acknowledge those deserving of reward but we rely on missives from our populace to share with us the good works of others. Our eyes and ears cannot be everywhere, so we rely on yours.

It is with heavy hearts that we relay news to our populace of the death of Wulfsige Clovenhart. Wulfsige was a very early member of Lochac, back in the days of The Principality of Lochac. Everyone who attended Rowany Festival knew him – he was THE festival marshal. He may not have known it but as the Baroness ventured into the world of marshalling, he was her role model, the marshal she aspired to be. A gentleman with a big heart, a big voice, a big hat and a big fur cloak on a cold festival evening.

We were both fortunate to be able to attend the High Tide event in the neighbouring Barony of Stormhold. Though the weather was challenging, and perhaps more than Baron Leif could handle, the company – and the food – was excellent. The event was exceedingly special as we were able to witness the Elevation of Baroness Eleanora de la Birche to the Order of the Pelican in recognition of her decades of unstinting service to the Kingdom of Lochac. The King, Kitan, and our Cousins Baroness Arabella From Ynys Fawr, and Baron Gavriil and Baroness Kolfinna from the distant Barony of Mordenvale, made the long journey to witness this great event. However, the Baroness of Ynys Fawr was present not only to grace us with her strong bardic talents, but to keep a watchful eye on her northern borders.

Baron Jon has taken the reins as our Camp site Warden for our group site at this year’s Rowany Festival. Plans are afoot for another shared food fund with members of Stormhold who will be camping with us again this year. We are looking forward to Rowany Festival and seeing old friends and meeting new in only a month’s time.

Her Excellency has continued to use the facebook pages of the Barony and the College, together with our email list, to try to motivate our populace to engage in SCA activities in our Barony. Thanks to our new Baronial Deputy Chronicler, Joanna, we have once again seen a new issue of our newsletter, The Blue Strand, full of interesting articles and information. Please seek it out and ensure that you peruse it – it is worth the read! Our Keeper of Memories, who is also our Social Media Officer, has continued to provide excellent information to our populace and that of Stormhold, liaising with Her Excellency, and other Baronial officers, regarding advertising our activities and events through social media.

As always, we are keen to hear the ideas and wishes of our populace so that we may serve our Barony better.

A&S Officer and Deputy Chronicler (Joanna):

A&S: A&S happened at the Crafthall of a tablet weaving class – 4 students, 3 successfully made it past the warping & wove various amounts of oseberg bands!

As Deputy Chronicler, the first newsletter went out.

Captain of Archers (Maude):

No archery this year yet but upcoming this Sunday! I will need more help then normal getting gear from the hall and setting up/packing down. Sharr will likely bring a fair bit of gear so it’ll be quite newbie friendly

Knight Marshal (Muireach) – given in meeting:

Training is happening, but it’s been a bit of a slow return.

Webminister (Kevin):

Nothing much to report besides updating events on the website.

Chronicler/Social Media Officer/Recorder of Memories report (Julia):

Chronicler: First newsletter with our new editor is out & very entertaining! Still trying to figure out if there's a better way to distribute it.

RM: Actually making progress on my backlog! Health permitting, I should have a bunch to share later this month!

SMO: Stats: Facebook is at 241 likes & 294 followers (+4/7 from last month). Insta is at 90 followers (+9 from last month!). Engagement rates on Instagram & Facebook are both good - Facebook much more so than Instagram (though IG had excellent growth this month).

My notes: It was brought to my attention that (despite my best efforts) a lot of people still aren't seeing the posts due to algorithm issues. Discussed using the @everyone tag in the Facebook group for important posts as it sends out a notification, no objections were brought up, so I will be doing this from now on. A few newcomers told me yesterday that the information going out on our Facebook page made it very easy to understand exactly what was happening & when. So that's a big win!

**Next reporting dates:** None coming up.

The meeting was closed at 8:40pm.