

Dragon Taeles

Dragon & Quarterly



Schembart Carnival
14 January 2023
Rayment Park,
Lathlain

GenghisCon 23
21 January 2023
Telethon Speech and
Hearing Centre

**March Crown
Tourney**
10 March 2023
Ern Halliday
Recreation Camp

Highland Gathering 2022

Highland Gathering celebrates all things Scottish at the largest Highland Gathering event held in Western Australia! You don't need to be Scottish to take part in this annual tradition, so gather your family and friends to enjoy the visual spectacle of kilts, bagpipes and a medieval fair.

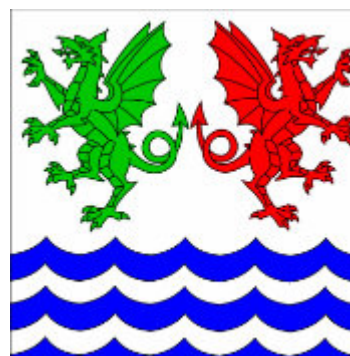
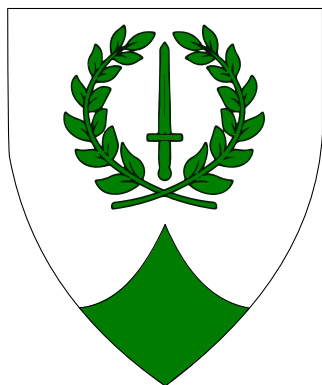
Following the Perth Kilt Run people have the rest of the day to experience Scottish market stalls, highland dancing, pipe band competitions, meet and greet Scottish dogs, watch the hotly contested Heavy Events competitions and of course test your taste buds with the infamous haggis and other Scottish delights.

Let your imagination run wild in the Medieval Fair, learn about your ancestry in the Clan Village, and then kick up your heels with live music and Ceilidh dancing. You will also be able to enjoy some free activities with mini golf and face painting.

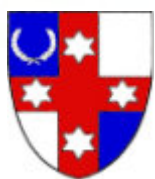


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Regnum



Royalty
King Thibault I and King Jayne I



Baron and Baroness of Aneala
Agostino Tamburri and Elizabeth Rowe



The Canton of **Dragon's Bay**



Seneschal
Magdalena Voranova



Reeve:
Sláine inghean Uí Ruádhain



Captain of Archers:
Isaac Underwode



Chronicler:
Gummi Vkoinen



Constable:
Robert Laffan of York



Chirurgion:
Sorcha inghean Uí Bhradagain

[Contact the Officers](#)

From the Seneschal

Greetings,

And just like that, another year has been brought to a close... Thank you to everyone who braved the heat to attend Yule, and for everyone who has been to the Bay this year.

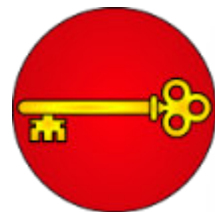
The Dragon is now in hibernation until next year. January 15th she will awaken once again, and this is also first council of the year. Please have any agenda items to myself by January 8th.

No matter how you are choosing to spend this time, I hope that you choose love and kindness to your fellow humans and wish nothing but the best until we are reunited.

Regardless how tough things are, you are not alone and you are loved.

Until next year,

Magdalena



**It's okay
not to
be okay.**

Emergency	000
Beyond Blue	1300 224 636
Confidential Helpline	1800 737 732
Kids Helpline	1800 551 80
Lifeline Australia	13 11 14
Mensline	1300 78 99 78
Relationships Australia	1300 364 277

Crown Missive

Unto the most glorious populace of Lochac do Thibault and Jayne write,
As we move into the final stages of the year we wished to give out thanks to each and every member of the populace who have played roles in making Our reign thus far so spectacular. We are both taking time to be with our families this festive season.

Thibault and Mel are in far off lands with two gosling guards to keep them safe, and to ensure they're having lots of fun along the route. Jayne is tending to their chirurgeonate duties in the North, and will have a couple of days reprieve to spend time having merry feasts with Tay and their family.

We would like to wish all members of Our populace a very restful time as this year finishes up, as We will both be taking some time to recharge and gather Our Spoons for the many adventures in the coming year

Warmest regards and Happy New Year,

King Thibault and King Jayne

Crown of Lochac



Fencing Armour Changes

I am pleased to announce that the necessary Boards, Committees, Kings and Seneschals have all given their approval to permanently change the Lochac Fencing Combat Handbook to permanently remove the requirement to armour 10cm down the inner thigh.

This rule will now be promulgated through Pegasus, to group marshals, changing the Handbook, and will be announced at court, which are all requirements to make this change permanent.

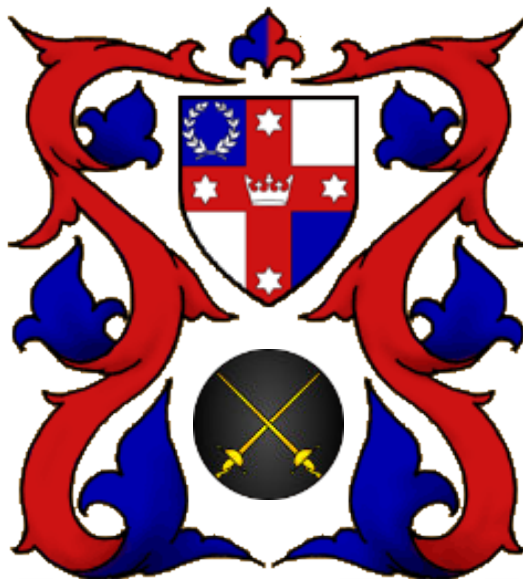
In the meantime, the SCALA Board and SCANZ Committee have approved an extension of the grace period to 28 February 2023, to allow for the promulgation to take place.

No action needs to be taken by fencers. Your current legal armour remains legal and does not need to be changed.

YiS

Sigvaldr

Lochac Fencing Marshal



Seeking the next Canton Constable

My tenure expires in February 2023 and I am now looking for a successor.

Could that be you?

Key requirements:

- You will need to be a current SCA member, 18 years or older
- Reliable and responsive access to email and internet connection
- Ability to keep on top of a variety of related administrative tasks

Key elements of the job:

- Responsibility for security at events, site and event safety
- Maintaining indemnities/waivers
- Associated reporting once every quarter

You'll find more detailed information about this role in the [Officer Job Descriptions Document](#).

Please send your applications to seneschal@dragonsbay.lochac.sca.org.

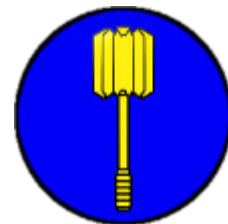
Do please include your membership number, mundane and SCA names, and any relevant experience, along with any important plans or great ideas you would seek to enact if successful in securing the role.

If you would like to know more about the job please email constable@dragonsbay.lochac.sca.org

Yours in Service,

Robert Laffan of York

Canton Constable



Highland Gathering



Highland Gathering is always a great event, and this year was no exception. Raven's Rook lent its kitchen fly and firepit to add ambience to the demo display.



The SCA community in WA continues to educate the public, taking them through the arts of medieval medicines, illumination and leatherwork.

We also provided entertainment, through fighting and for the first time we organised dancing in the arena. This was well-received and piqued the interest of many, whom were reminded SCA is more than fighting.

Many thanks to those whom attended, fought, showcased, danced and helped on the day. Your contribution was appreciated.



The Development of Shields

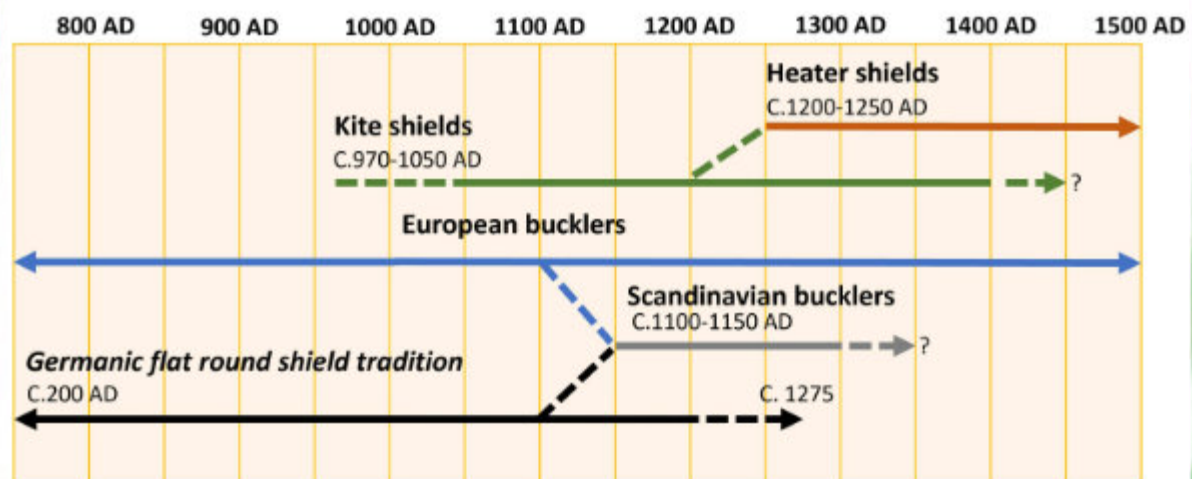
SCA member Rolf Warming's revised chronological overview of main shield technologies in Scandinavia, recently published in Herbert Schmidt's brand new book, *The Medieval and Renaissance Buckler*. The book is available here, for those who may be interested: https://www.amazon.de/dp/3951981776?ref=pe_3052080_397514860).

One of the most interesting findings was the clearer perception of the use of the round shield within the Scandinavian region.

Although most famously known from Viking Age burials, the earliest finds of the round shield type in Scandinavia stem from the Roman Iron Age weapon deposits at Illerup Ådal in Denmark (early 3rd century AD). The round shield continues to assume the role as the dominant shield type in the following centuries, appearing in a variety but closely related versions. To encapsulate this general approach of constructing shields in the region, Rolf Warming has coined the phrase *"the Germanic flat round shield tradition"*.

It is well-known that the round shield is replaced by the kite shield as the dominant shield type on the battlefield towards the end of the Viking Age (as seen, for instance, on the Bayeux Tapestry, dated to c.1070), yet round shields seemingly continue in widespread use in battles for some time.

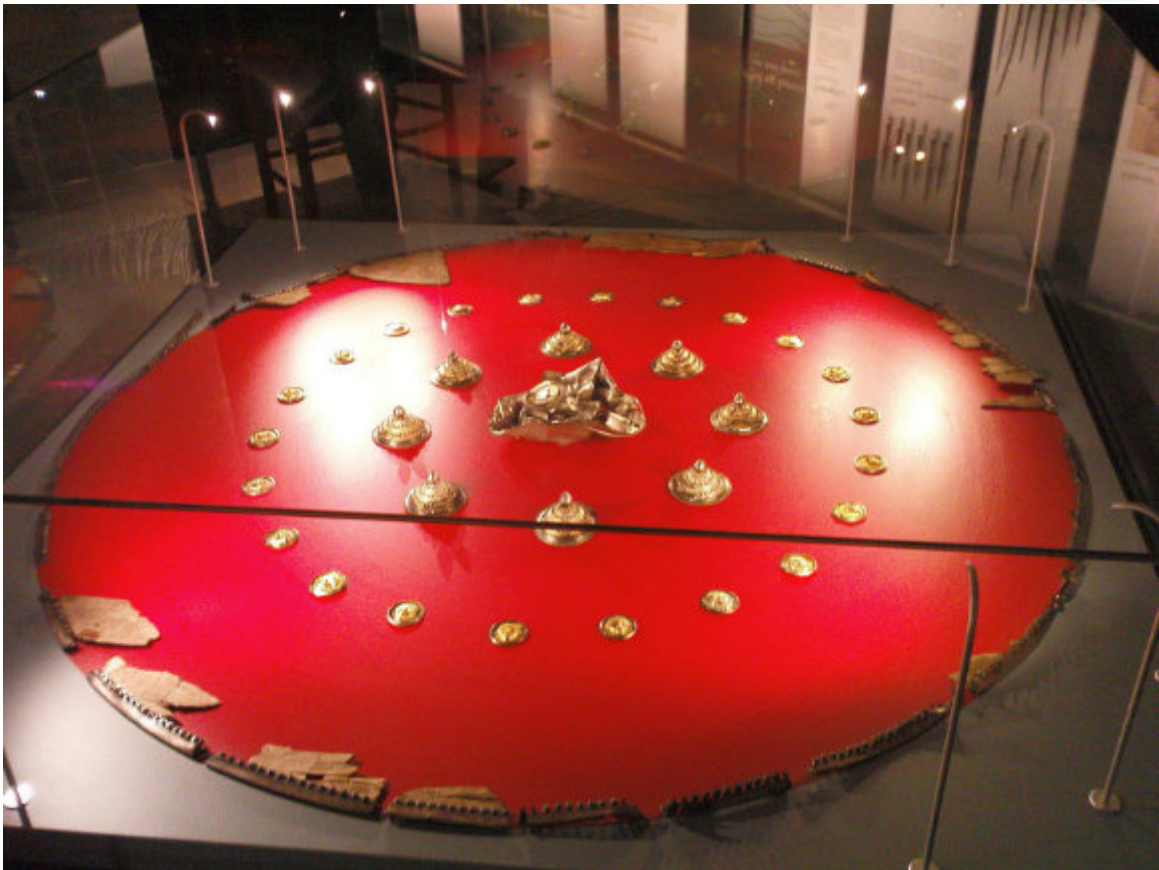
For how long? That has been a challenging question to answer, but, according to the new research, the historical, archaeological and iconographic sources point toward the 3rd quarter of the 13th century. As such, the Germanic flat round shield tradition can be considered an over 1000-year-old weaponry tradition!



Chronological overview of main shield types in Scandinavia from the Roman Iron Age to the Early Modern Period. The provided dates indicate the approximate timeframe in which the respective shield technology traditions become widespread. The dotted lines indicate possible periods of transition in which the sources are more blurred.

Illustration: Rolf Warming.

The Development of Shields



Above: *Fragmented Roman Iron Age shield from Illerup Ådal in Denmark, displayed at Moesgård Museum.*
Photo: Wikimedia Commons



Above: *The small round shield from Rike in Norway, dated to the 12th century AD.*
Photo: Kirsten Helgeland / Kulturhistorisk museum, Universitetet i Oslo, Arkeologi

Sigurd the Dragon Slayer



This illustration displays some typical characteristics of figurative motifs from early Medieval Scandinavia rendered in [Ringerike style](#). Eight stones are known to display carvings depicting the legend of Sigurd the Dragon Slayer. All of them are found in Sweden, the earliest dating to the eleventh century. The legend of Sigurd features in Nordic and Continental Germanic tradition including the Nibelungenlied, the Völsunga saga and Snorri's Edda.

The Völsunga saga featuring Sigurd, the dragon slayer, was popular in the Viking Age. Scenes from the story are depicted on several Gotland picture stones and multiple runestones. Especially the event of Sigurd slaying the dragon is prevalent among the [Völsunga saga runestone depictions](#).

Although the events of the saga take place centuries before the Viking Age, while Scandinavia was heathen, it is still exceptionally popular and prominently featured on Christian stones raised after the conversion.

The fact that the Völsunga saga revolves around heathen deities and mythological themes and figures was apparently unproblematic in post-conversion Scandinavia. However, this might be possible because the central figures of the saga break with old traditions in the narrative. It was, perhaps, even possible to see Sigurd acting as a symbol of Saint Michael's dragon killing.

Aneala Schembart Carnival

In the city of Nuremberg, the Schembart Carnival ("bearded-mask" carnival) was celebrated yearly from 1449 to 1539. Originating with a dance through the streets, the carnival grew more and more elaborate and popular, adding masks, parades, outlandish costumes, sword games and huge themed floats on sleds or wheels.

Join us in the park at Midsummer for Aneala's Schembart Carnival, where there will be plentiful and delicious street food, masks, games, dancing and mischief. A competition open to all will choose the Monarch of Misrule; another will choose the Mini Monarch of Misrule. There will probably be a rapier tournament and may or may not be flaming artichokes.

Participants are reminded that if they are unwell or showing cold or flu-like symptoms, they must not attend.

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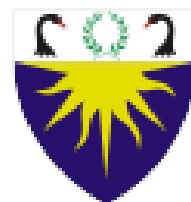
Date: Saturday, January 14th 2023
Setup time(s): 4:30pm-9:30pm (Setup from 4pm)
Food stalls from 5:30 onward
Location: Rayment Park, 1 Rayment St, Lathlain

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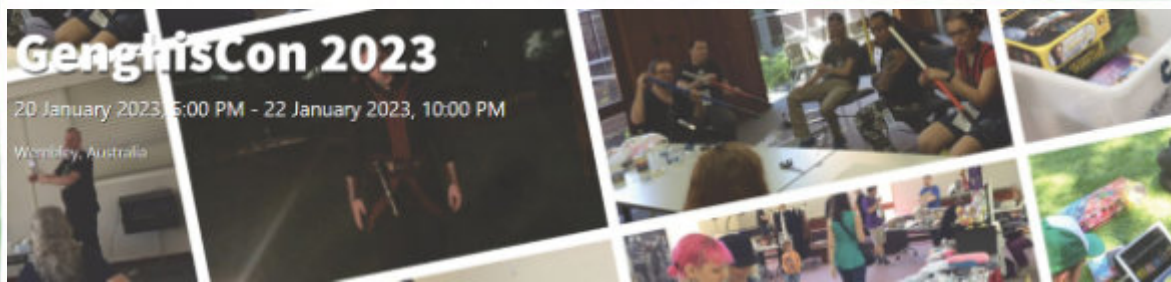
Name: Gwyneth ferch Aeddán
Email Address: claregwyneth@gmail.com

BOOKING DETAILS

Bookings Close: Saturday, January 7th 2023
Booking Contact: bookings@aneala.lochac.sca.org
Price: \$26 adult member, \$13 for under-18s.
Non-members +\$10 insurance.



GenghisCon 23



[GenghisCon](#) is an Science Fiction, Fantasy and Gaming convention, and the SCA has been invited to put on a static display of our Arts and Sciences.

We have organized to be there for 2 days of the convention and will need some people to come in with their Arts and Science projects to do a show and tell. We have limited space and cannot accommodate more than 2 extra people at a time, so please contact me with a time and project you would like to do. Maybe in 2 hr slots.

We hope you can come along to promote and share our enthusiasm for the Medieval Arts. If you wish to actually attend the Convention please purchase tickets at [GenghisCon 2023 register](#).

Please do not attend if you are feeling unwell or exposed to someone who is.

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Start date: Saturday, January 21st 2023

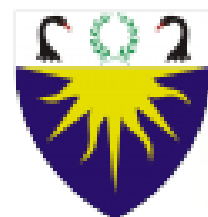
End date: Sunday, January 22nd 2023

Setup time(s): Set uptime is 9.30am Sat. Start 10am finish 5pm each day.

Location: Telethon Speech & Hearing Centre - 36 Dodd Street, Wembley
(located inside Bendat Parent and Community Centre)

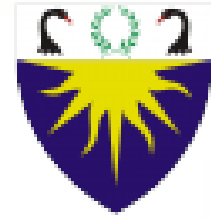
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Edith Penrose: bakerskeep@gmail.com



March Crown Tournament AS57

The glory of reigning as Lochac's Crown lasts for only six months. Through these fleeting moments, the Crown as the font of all awards has the unique privilege to bestow recognition on the deserving populace in front of their friends and peers. But with great power comes great responsibility; to share the burden among Lochac's populace, we hold a Crown Tournament to choose new Heirs to the throne.



The Barony of Aneala has the honour of hosting this tournament to determine the 42rd Crown of Lochac. The event will be held from the afternoon of Friday 10th March through to Sunday 12th March at Ern Halliday Recreation Camp in Whitfords.

We invite the Populace of Lochac - those coming to contest the Crown List and those coming to bear witness - to join us in Lochac's West to share in the wondrous spectacle.

Bookings are critical to reserve your place at this momentous event. We welcome the Populace to book now to secure your place.

Please use our [online form](#) to place a booking for [March Crown 2023](#).

Steward: Konrad Hilderbrant: march.crown@aneala.lochac.sca.org

Bookings: Elizabeth Severn: crown42bookings@aneala.lochac.sca.org



Save the Dates

Rowany Festival 2023

Greetings all,

It is with pleasure that I am able to announce that the co-stewards for [Festival 2023](#) will be Countess Beatrice Maria Malatesta and Lord Dietrich Lehrer.

The dates of Rowany Festival 2023 will be:

- Setup weekend on the 8th-9th April
- Opening Court Wednesday 12th April
- Closing Court Monday 17th April
- Site close Tuesday 18th April

Yours in Service

Jean-Christophe le Saussier

Rowany Seneschal



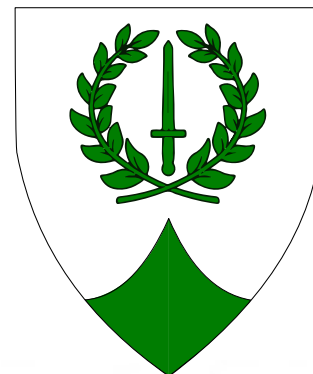
Western Raids 3 (2023)

Dates: 2 June - 5 June 2023

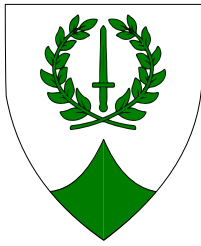
Location: Wandu Progress Association

Event Link: <https://www.facebook.com/events/347553694174479>

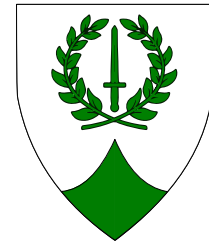
We look forward to an event proposal tabled for Council's consideration shortly.



Dragons Bay Weekly Meet Ups



Sundays @ 9am -12 noon
Wandi Progress Association
302 de Haer Road, Wandri



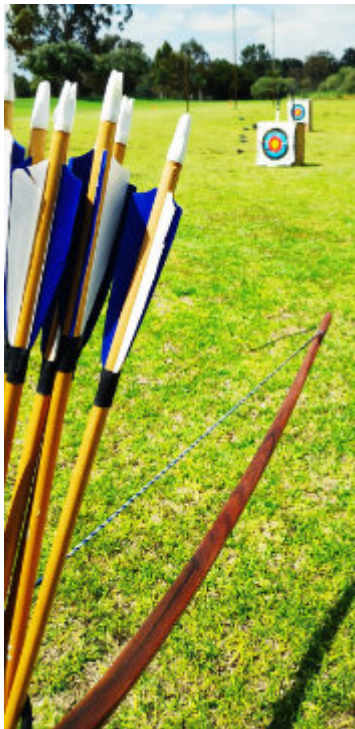
Join us in the clubroom for Arts & Sciences (A&S) activities and/or a cuppa and good conversation, with group projects happening from time to time.

Depending on the weather and attendance we also run an Archery Practice (Loaner bows and arrows available) and for the more martial among you we also host fighter practice for either boffer, rattan or rapier forms.

Clubrooms are powered with air conditioning.

Please note that minors (under 18) must be accompanied by a parent or guardian at all times.

Cost: \$4 members, +\$10 non-members insurance fee.



Kingdom Arts & Sciences Competitions



[Click for more information](#)



A.S. 57 Championship (2022-23)

Spring Crown:

- Heraldic
- Edible
- The Ancient World

November Coronation:

- Maritime
- Health
- Beyond Europe

Autumn Crown:

- Science
- Threads
- 14th Century



Kingdom Arts & Sciences Competitions



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A.S. 57 Championship (2023-24)

May Coronation:

- For rich and poor
- Plants
- The Low Countries

Spring Crown:

- Restful
- Metal
- Near the millennium
(9th – 12th century)

November Coronation

- Decorative
- Fermented
- Iberia

Autumn Crown:

- For a lover
- Language
- 15th century



For more information look up the [Lochac Arts and Sciences website](#).

Entries for interstate events need to be sent at least 2 weeks prior to be received for judging.

Advertising

Mottestone provides you a range of services and supplies, including:

Decorative braid
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Event gear transported
Table or bench hire

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