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# The Chanticleer

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*“Drink wine, and you will sleep well. Sleep, and you will not sin. Avoid sin, and you will be saved.  
Ergo, drink wine and be saved.  
~German proverb*

Harvest. Crush. Barrel. September is the month to harvest the crops and make wine. Crushing the grapes is a common illumination in calendar pages, and endures in the popular imagination from “I Love Lucy” to YouTube. The resulting juice was poured into barrels for storage. Said barrels were known as “butts,” and were a standard measure. In modern measurements, a butt is 126 gallons. So now when someone refers to a “buttload” of something, you know how much!

## Proposed Updates to Custom!

After August’s meeting, the seneschal published these proposed changes to custom for discussion and voting at the September meeting. Any comments or suggestions should be submitted by email to [seneschal@bbm.eastkingdom.org](mailto:seneschal@bbm.eastkingdom.org) prior to the meeting.

### Change# 1:

#### IV. The Baronage.

##### 3. Champions

- a. he Baronage may select champions (the “Baronial Champions”) to represent whatever endeavors and in whatever fashion they choose in their sole discretion.
- b. The Baronial Champions serve at the discretion of the Baronage, for a term determined by the Baronage.
- c. Upon selection by the Baronage, the new Baronial Champions will provide a means of contact (email or telephone) to the Seneschal and Baronage.
- ~~e.~~ d. The location and manner of selection of new Baronial Champions will be determined by the Baronage in consultation with the current Baronial Champions.

### Change #2:

#### V. The Officers.

3. Baronial Officers will serve for the terms defined by Kingdom Law. In the event that Kingdom Law does not define a term, Baronial Officers will serve for a term of four years.
  - a. Unless otherwise specified in Kingdom Law, Baronial Officers may be reelected for consecutive 1 year terms if there are no other applicants for their position.
  - b. At least 4 months prior to the close of each Officer’s maximum term limit, the Seneschal will call for applications. An incumbent officer may re-apply if they do not have a term limit defined by Kingdom Law.
  - c. All Baronial Officers shall make a good-faith effort to find an Emergency Deputy.

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- d. In the event that a Baronial Officer has not submitted a report to the Baronial Seneschal for a period of one year, their office will be deemed vacant, and a successor will be elected. **This election shall occur within 1 month or less of the vacancy.**

### **Change #3:**

#### **V. The Officers.**

- 5. Baronial Officers will be elected by the Populace.
  - a. Applicants for a **B**aronial office must submit a letter of intent to the Baronage, the Seneschal, and the incumbent Baronial Officer.
  - b. Notice of applicants for a baronial office and the date of the Meeting where the vote will take place will be published to the official baronial email list, **official social media page, and, when possible,** in the Newsletter.
  - c. Baronial Officers will be selected by a plurality of the Populace present at the designated Meeting.
  - e. An incoming Baronial Officer will be deemed appointed **as Deputy-Elect** at the Meeting where the Populace vote is taken, **unless the officer position they applied for is vacant.**
  - f. **Deputy-Elects will train with their incumbent officer for a period of time between 3 to 12 months from their election. The maximum time period of 12 months of training may not be exceeded.**
  - g. **All new Baronial Officers will swear fealty to the Baronage and Populace of BBM at the next Baronial Court following their installation.**

### **Change #4:**

#### **V. The Officers.**

- 6. Baronial Officers will make best efforts to attend all Meetings. If a Baronial Officer cannot attend a Meeting, they will provide the Seneschal with a report sufficiently in advance of the Meeting for the report to be read into the minutes.
- 7. Baronial Officers will ~~publish~~ **submit** their contact information ~~on the Website and in the Newsletter to the Seneschal and Webminister.~~ This will include a) their legal name; b) a phone number; c) an email address, and d) their Membership ID# for any warranting from their Kingdom superior if there is one.
- 8. **The Chronicler, Webminister, and Social Media Deputy are three separate offices, to be held by three separate Baronial Officers at any given point. The only acceptable combination of these three positions is as an administrative Deputy to each other for support.**

### **Change #5:**

#### **VI. Policies.**

- 3. A meeting of the Baronial Officers and Populace (the “Meeting”) will be held every month except July, **with the exception to July noted below.**
  - i: **Should there be any urgent matters requiring discussion in July, the July business meeting may be moved to earlier in the month where possible.**

### **Change #6:**

#### **VII. Event Policies.**

- 4. Events must be published in the ~~Chanticleer~~ **Kingdom Newsletter (Pikestaff) and Kingdom Online Event Calendar** prior to their occurrence.

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**Change #7:****VII. Event Policies.**

7. The person in charge of a Major Event (the “Event Steward”) or their designee must attend the two Meetings immediately prior to the Major Event.
  - a. If attendance at the Meetings is a hardship for the Event Steward or their designee, they may request that one of the Meetings be moved to a location that will allow them to attend, **or they may request a videoconference meeting with sufficient notice in advance.** The Barony will make a good faith effort to accommodate such a request.
  - b. In the event that there is a request to move **an in-person** Meeting, the person requesting the change ~~will be responsible for providing an appropriate site~~ **has the option of either finding an appropriate site or may request to attend via videoconference. Written permission must be granted by the Seneschal in advance to confirm either arrangement.**

## **Yule Needs a Day Board Bid!**

Have you ever wanted to run an event day board? Yule needs you! BBM is hosting Yule this year, and would like to present a day board. That’s where you come in! Day boards don’t create themselves, and we need someone to run it. Remember that day board chef is a bidded process. Applications may be submitted to [123431@members.eastkingdom.org](mailto:123431@members.eastkingdom.org). Please use the subject “Volunteering for Yule.”

## **The Barony Needs Officers!**

Want to be involved with the Barony? Be part of the process? Make a difference? Be an officer! Too intimidating? Take a deputy position, help out, and see if you want to go further. There are lots of things you could do – here’s the schedule of elections:

**4th Quarter 2022:**

October 17, 2022 – Minister of the Lists Applications due 10/14/2022

October 17, 2022 – Webminister Applications due 10/14/2022

**Term Expirations for 2023 and beyond:**

Chatelaine (June 2023)

Thrown Weapons (June 2023)

Chronicler (July 2023)

Knight Marshal (July 2023, may be extended if no successor is trained by this point)

Minister of Arts and Science (October 2025)

**VACANT positions:** Applications for these positions may be sent to the Seneschal & Their Excellencies at any time.

Rapier Marshal

Youth Marshal

Youth Minister

Many of our current Baronial Officers are seeking deputies to assist them. Anyone can apply to that officer and the Seneschal at any time for consideration.

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**NOTE:**

All applicants must:

- Be paid members of the SCA, Inc. by the time of election for their respective office.
- Include mention in their application that a good-faith effort shall be made to maintain current membership through their term(s) in office.
- Submit a letter of intent by email to the Seneschal and Coronet prior to their application deadline, at [seneschal@bbm.eastkingdom.org](mailto:seneschal@bbm.eastkingdom.org), [baroness@bbm.eastkingdom.org](mailto:baroness@bbm.eastkingdom.org), and [baron@bbm.eastkingdom.org](mailto:baron@bbm.eastkingdom.org)
- Be familiar with Baronial Custom and Kingdom Law or Kingdom Handbooks governing their office.
- Marshalate applicants are strongly encouraged to hold current marshalate warrants for their position wherever possible. Marshalate applicants without a current warrant at time of election may only act in an administrative role, and may not run practices or marshalate activities themselves.



## **Baronial Officers**

### ***Baron & Baroness***

Baron Mark Red Hand: [baron@bbm.eastkingdom.org](mailto:baron@bbm.eastkingdom.org)

Baroness Gwenllian ferch Llewellyn: [baroness@bbm.eastkingdom.org](mailto:baroness@bbm.eastkingdom.org)

***Seneschal:*** Mistress Kay Leigh MacWhyte: [seneschal@bbm.eastkingdom.org](mailto:seneschal@bbm.eastkingdom.org)

***Chatelaine:*** Baroness Aurelia di Stellari: [chatelaine@bbm.eastkingdom.org](mailto:chatelaine@bbm.eastkingdom.org)

***Chronicler:*** Mistress Eloise of Coulter: [chronicler@bbm.eastkingdom.org](mailto:chronicler@bbm.eastkingdom.org)

***Captain of Archers:*** Lord Gwylim of Flint:  
[archercap@bbm.eastkingdom.org](mailto:archercap@bbm.eastkingdom.org)

***Exchequer:*** Mistress Ciara McRobbie: [exchequer@bbm.eastkingdom.org](mailto:exchequer@bbm.eastkingdom.org)

***Herald:*** Mistress Camma an Daraich: [herald@bbm.eastkingdom.org](mailto:herald@bbm.eastkingdom.org)

***Knight Marshal:*** Baron Angus Gove MacKinnon:  
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***Minister of Arts & Sciences:*** Lord Severin Federmacher  
[moas@bbm.eastkingdom.org](mailto:moas@bbm.eastkingdom.org)

***Minister of the List:*** Lady Cordelia MacDougall:  
[mol@bbm.eastkingdom.org](mailto:mol@bbm.eastkingdom.org)

***Web Minister:*** Mistress Eloise of Coulter:  
[webminister@bbm.eastkingdom.org](mailto:webminister@bbm.eastkingdom.org)





## **Baronial Champions**

*Heavy Weapons Champion:*  
Leon Griffin

*Fencing Champion:*  
Gareth Lockwood

*Archery Champion:*  
Camma an Daraich

*Thrown Weapons Champion:*  
Thrainn Steinsson



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## **Baronial Meeting**

Baronial meetings are held virtually on the third Monday of every month at 7:00pm. The next meeting will be September 19.

## **Ongoing Practices**

Covid Protocols for all practices: *Although the SCA complies with all applicable laws to try to ensure the health and safety of our event participants, we cannot eliminate the risk of exposure to infectious diseases during in-person events. By participating in the in-person events of the SCA, you acknowledge and accept the potential risks. You agree to take any additional steps to protect your own health and safety and those under your control as you believe to be necessary.*

### **Archery Practice**

*Burlington, CT*

17 Bittersweet Lane, Burlington, CT  
Archery practice in Burlington occurs every Tuesday that weather permits from 5:30pm to 7:30pm.

- Proof of Vaccination Required
- There will be an attestation form to be signed by participants to confirm they have had proof of vaccine status checked by the marshal in charge.
- Access to the deck is permitted for socializing; the remainder of the house is closed.
- Archers are advised to bring your own Bug spray; Pens; Water; or other personal supplies.
- The Barony has no loaner equipment. Any loan of equipment is between individuals.

Contact Dorian of Lewes at [bob.schlain@gmail.com](mailto:bob.schlain@gmail.com) for more information.

*Andover, CT*

Andover Archery  
398 Hebron Road, Andover, CT

- Archery practice in Andover occurs on Sundays from 10am to noon, weather permitting.
- Price is \$5/hour/person – pay at the pro shop before departure.
- Parking is limited, **carpooling is highly encouraged**
- Social distancing is required. Please maintain 3-6 feet apart including at the target butts.
- Proof of vaccination status is required to be shown to the marshal in charge prior to starting practice, per current Kingdom guidelines (vaccine card or negative medically supervised Covid test).
- There will be an attestation form to be signed by participants to confirm they have had proof of vaccine status checked by the marshal in charge.
- There is a restroom in the Archery Shop, but the owner doesn't tend to show up until after 11am, so plan accordingly.
- BYO sundries: It is a wooded area so please bring your own bug spray, sunblock, snacks, drinks, and pack out what you bring in.
- All participants must be off site at noon. Contact Gwilym of Flint at [ArcherCap@bbm.eastkingdom.org](mailto:ArcherCap@bbm.eastkingdom.org) for more information.

### **Thrown Weapons Practice**

*Windsor, CT*

Thrown weapons practice occurs every Wednesday weather permits from 5:30pm to 7:30pm.

- Please BYO hydration, chair, sunscreen, bugspray etc. necessary for your own health and safety while participating
- Loaner weapons available
- Closed toe shoes required

Contact Matteo at [225471@members.eastkingdom.org](mailto:225471@members.eastkingdom.org) or Safiya at [239314@members.eastkingdom.org](mailto:239314@members.eastkingdom.org) for more information and location.

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The Chanticleer is always looking for articles, art, and photography! If you would like to contribute, please contact Mistress Eloise at [chronicler@bbm.eastkingdom.org](mailto:chronicler@bbm.eastkingdom.org). We would love to showcase your work.

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