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**From the Baron:**

Greetings Raven's Cove,

As Her Excellency and I stepped up at investiture I wanted to let all of you know that you as a Barony made our vision of that day complete. We couldn't have asked for a better day. Thank you so very much!

As we now move to the future, we will be going to War in the coming weeks in support of our Cousins in the South. I am looking forward to taking the field on both the armored and the rapier side this year. And I know her Excellency is really excited about marshalling for combat archery. Our schedule is extremely full for this event and for those who would like to retain, we will greatly appreciate having you with us.

We, as a Barony, have great things in store. We look forward to seeing how we step up to the new challenges that lay before our Barony. Again, thank you for making our Investiture a day to remember.

Baron Lochlainn



**From the Seneschal:**

Greetings fellow Cobians,

Please allow me to introduce myself as your new Seneschal. With Her Excellency's recent investiture, a rather large pair of shoes were left to fill. I will strive to wear them as well.

We are currently seeking bids for our next Baronial event, Coastal Raids. This will be a melee-centric event in the Spring. Bids are due at the next populace meeting on Oct. 25th. If you are interested in submitting one please contact me for the pertinent information.

Finally, the long wait is over and war is upon us. I hope to see you there. For there are glories to be won, honors to be earned, and drink to be shared.



YIS,  
Lord David of Raven's Cove

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## From the Knight's Marshal

Not much to report from knights Marshall. Practice goes on at northeast creek park on Sundays, and weekly practice at their excellencies. If you plan to fight at wow make sure to check over your armor, and check out the mol check in on the wow site. See you soon. Torquil



## From the Chatelaine

My dear Cobians!

Yes, I have to admit that I have the deadly "helium hand" that infects those of us within this great game. I have stepped up to be your official Chatelaine! Having said that, please know that we are ALL Chatelaines. We all need to step out and talk with folks about how much fun the SCA is and to ask folks to come on out and play with us. There may be further things coming in the near future that will help us to continue to grow. This is a good thing as growth is important to maintaining our fun. Help me to do this (there may be cookies involved) and I will guarantee that our fun will increase!

Yours in Service,  
Katharine



## From the Exchequer

Greetings,

After a wonderful Baronial Birthday/Investiture we now have \$1967.79 in the coffers!!

With WOW coming up if a check is needed for anything please let me know.

In Service to the Barony,

Nadya



## From The Chronicler

Greetings all! The website is up and running— please remember to submit a small write up if you wish to be featured on the member of the month page! Keep taking pictures at events! Officers— I am currently creating official officer emails— be ready for them within the next week.

YIS  
Khiannon



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## From the Herald

Greetings from Voce Corvinus (your Herald) ! We are still awaiting word from Kingdom to resume submissions and I am sure it will be any day now. WOW X is fast approaching us friends and for those who are going that have possible submissions to make, a Herald's Point will be there. This is the quickest way to submit your Name or Device because everything we need to do and can do is right there! So think upon these things as you come to WOW X.

Birthday/Investiture was an outstanding success for us and to all involved to make it happen VIVATS to you! Congratulations to our Award and Order recipients from Their Excellencies and Their Majesties, you all earned them and were well deserved!

Tothian ap Lyonesse

## TIPS FOR WAR! From Baroness Edan

Here are some tips on going to War of the Wings:

1. Make sure that most of your things are off the ground somewhat, due to the possibility of torrential rains that may flood your tent.
2. Make sure your tent is tied shut at night, in case a storm comes in. Plus, I am sure you don't want anyone to accidentally stumble in on you in the middle of the night. If you can, stake the sides of your tent down so that water will run off easily, even dew can be heavy some mornings.
3. Change your socks right before you get into bed; although they may not feel like it, socks can accumulate moisture from your feet during the day and nice, dry socks will ensure to keep body heat regulated for your feet.



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4. In the event of really cold weather, a watch cap or knit cap can work wonders a lot of body heat can be collected from the top of the head to help keep you warm while you sleep.
5. **FLEECE BLANKETS!!** These are a godsend, and if put **INSIDE** of a nice sleeping bag, you will be really cozy while you sleep.
6. Make sure to bring a small flashlight for those late night trips to the bathroom. Not only will these light your way but they can save you from coming upon an "unwelcome surprise" left by someone else. Bring extra batteries for the flashlight, as well.
7. Bring yourself a roll of toilet paper sometimes the potties are out or the toilet paper in them can be "slightly damaged".
8. If you have an air mattress, bring a battery powered air pump and extra batteries for it. Also, if sleeping on one of these, you will want it off the ground. Body heat gets lost and the cold of the ground travels through the air in the mattress, making you more likely to be chilled during the night.
9. **BOOTS!!** Boots are very important and if you have them, bring rain boots. They are perfect for not only wet weather but are also handy when taking trips out first thing the morning, when the ground is wet from dew.
10. Bring your own snacks and drinks, to have on hand in case you get hungry/thirsty throughout the day. Even if you are on a meal plan, there may be times when meals run late or you may miss them because you were somewhere else. Always try and have a back-up plan for eating.
11. Although I have never tried it, I hear that some people may take cat litter with them as well as a 5 gallon bucket, making an impromptu toilet for possible late night needs that may arise. Again, never done it but I have heard it works.



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12. **CLOAKS!** It is helpful to have a lightweight one and a heavier one, as the weather changes drastically from day to night. The days tend to be warm but the nights can be very chilly.

13. Bring a couple of extra pieces of garb. You never know what will happen at war, so it is better to be prepared, just in case.

14. If you can, purchase a small solar panel to help keep your phone charged, if you feel you cannot be without it during your stay on site.

15. Indoor/outdoor rugs in a tent are a great idea some people may even have a welcome mat in front of their tent, so they can take shoes off before entering their tent. This cuts down on dirt and debris, such as rocks, being in your tent. Also, if you can, a small broom can be handy in cleaning these things out of your tent. A broom that is sold in the kids' toy section works nicely in this.

16. Make sure to bring all medications and something in case you get a headache or have an allergic reaction to something again, preparing for the "this may happen" can prove beneficial.

17. Shower shoes for the bath house or outdoor showers make sure to bring these. Also, a small drawstring bag is great for putting toiletries in for transporting to and from the showers. As a woman, I found it helpful to wear a chemise to and from the bathhouse; it is just easier to slip off and on.

18. If you are a fighter, wagons are a great way to transport all of your gear to and from the field.

19. **HAVE FUN** participate in as many things as you can and volunteer if you have some time to spare. Meeting people is one of the best things that happens at this event. As a dear friend of mine used to say, "If you aren't having a great war, you aren't doing it right!!"





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## September 27, 2015 Populace Meeting

### Announcements:

Officers: Please remember to get quarterly reports in!  
See the rest of the cry for officers' reports

### Old Business

#### Investiture Debrief

- Thank you all that helped during investiture!
- We received many compliments on the event
- The food was **AMAZING**.
- Please get ideas going for next year's event!

#### Polling

- We had a low response to the polling from members living within the Baronial zip code
- When polling occurs again please, please, **PLEASE** respond!

### War of the Wings

- The camp fee for WotW will be \$20, regardless of when you plan on arriving. The fee covers food and incidentals for the camp such as firewood and torch oil. Children under age 10 have no fee.
- The Barony is requesting that members bring a twelve pack of water bottles to contribute to the camp so that all may have water all weekend.
- Our campsite is across the street from last year, by the camp showers (very near the field).
- There will be a mini-hofla by the castle after the torchlight tourney on Friday night. Lady Nadya is our host! Please come out!
- Our chore list is done, so please check the spreadsheet (up on our facebook page)
- Their Excellencies are sponsoring the Knight's tourney at 1pm on Friday, the Barony is welcome to come out!
- There shall be a camp sign with a schedule every day!
- We will be renting a van to carry Baronial items to war!



**New Business**

- We are hosting Winter University @ James Sprunt on February 6.

There will be a fundraiser luncheon

Fighting demo pending

- KASF bid has been turned in at the same location!

- Coastal Raids: A new event hosted by the cove!

This is a melee-centered event

April 8-10

Still confirming site location

If you are interested in being autocrat for this event, please turn in a bid.

- We are in need of loaner rapier gear- masks and possibly a loaner sword. At the next meeting we will look into a fundraiser and will have a proposal for new gear ready.

**Next Meeting:** October 25<sup>th</sup>, 1pm at Northeast Creek Park. Inclement weather location is 116 Birdie Ct. in Jacksonville.

**Upcoming Events of Baronial Interest**

The following listing includes events that members of the barony have expressed interest in attending as well as events being held by the barony itself. If you are a newcomer interested in attending any of these events please let a member of the barony know so that we may attempt to find car/crash space for you.

War of the Wings (Boonville, NC) .....October 14-18

Atlantia Fall Crown Tourney (R) (Bennettesville, SC) ..... November 6-8

Cathanar Rapier Collegium (Morehead City, NC).....November 14



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