



# The Cataract

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**The newsletter of the Barony of Rising Waters, The Kingdom of Ealdormere**

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## ***The Cataract***

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## ***Contribute to The Cataract***

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This publication is only as interesting as its content. Please consider making a contribution in the form of photographs, articles, art work, event reports, medieval recipes, items of historical interest etc.

The next issue, Summer 2021, will come out in July 2021 so please send in any submission by the end of June 2020. Thank you!

Corrections, Submissions, Suggestions, please send to the Chronicler, Lady Bera Oddsdottir [chronicler.risingwaters@gmail.com](mailto:chronicler.risingwaters@gmail.com)

## ***Barony of Rising Waters Online***

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The Barony of Rising Waters can be found online at: <http://baronyofrisingwaters.org>



[The Barony of Rising Waters Official SCA](#)



[SCA Barony of Rising Waters Official Channel](#)

## ***Recent Historical News***

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Here are some of the latest articles about historical studies and discoveries that might be of interest to our members:



[Original 'Stonehenge' discovered, echoing a legend of the wizard Merlin](#)



[How Modern Researchers Are Trying to Recreate a Long-Lost Fabric](#)



[Archaeology breakthrough: Researcher found gold and human remains in 'temple of the dead'](#)



[How using sheepskin for legal papers may have prevented fraud](#)



## *Missive from Baroness Sciath*

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Greetings, Rising Waters Friends and Family,

Spring is around the corner, and although I doubt the Winter is over - the most colourful birds have returned from warmer climes. We sit in the Crumphold, confident that the good physicians are busy about their work to stem the tide of this year of plague. While we cannot immediately join

together as a community, I truly look forward to a time when we can once again see each other beyond screens and tech.

With that said, I'd like to give a shout-out to Rhys, Gelleia, Widow Kate, and Bera - all of whom have shown stellar efforts to engage the Rising Waters community and keep the dream alive. We see you, and thank you for the joy that you support. Our good seneschal, Baroness Abhilin, and I are hoping to meet with each of our officers - and we are gladly already begun in this work.

Finally, I'd like to announce the creation of the Rising Waters Youth Corps. The details for candidate submissions will be provided in detail as part of this year's Lady Mary Memorial Tournament. Corps members will be under 16 years old, and may present themselves (with parental/guardian approval) as candidates through virtue of a range of expertise, including bardic, combat, arts and science, and service. This corps will represent the future of Rising Waters.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to get in touch with me at [risingwaters@gmail.com](mailto:risingwaters@gmail.com). Remember that I hold each of you in my thoughts and in my heart.

Yours in Service,  
Sciath  
Baroness of Rising Waters

## *Letter from the Seneschal*

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Greetings unto the Barony of Rising Waters

It has been a long year. It feels like we never left March 2020 but I know I am blessed to be allowed to be the Seneschal of this Barony! We have done some amazing things this year. We held the first on line event in the Kingdom, we restarted the College of St. Antoninus, we have had social nights, Baronial meetings have continued, and so has the Arts and Sciences. That is not all we have done this year, but just some of the highlights. We are an amazing group of people!!

There is hope with the miracle of modern medicine and the vaccine. The message is that we should all have been vaccinated by the end of the summer. Hopefully this will mean that we can have a distance picnic by the end of the summer or early September.

Blessings of the Plague have been the ability to attend virtual events in many Kingdom's across the known world! In this Barony our members have attended events in every Kingdom in the Known World including Locac. There is a call for online learning events to continue in this manner even when we are able to meet in person again.

Thank you everyone for your contribution to Rising Waters!

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Aibhilin



# Baronial Calendar

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Normally, this would be the part of the Cataract where I would show the Calendar of events for the barony over the upcoming months. Due to current events however for at least the nearest part of our future has seen all in person meet-ups being cancelled.

Due to the up in the air nature I will leave that information to be available in it's most current format on the Barony Website and Facebook Page.

Stay safe everybody, Bera

[https://baronyofrisingwaters.org/event\\_calendar/](https://baronyofrisingwaters.org/event_calendar/)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/BaronyOfRisingWaters/events/>

## Now Seeking

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We are seeking applications for a few positions within our growing community.

### Chatalaine

Responsible for helping the barony recruit and support new and prospective members of the SCA

### Exchequer

Responsible for the financial affairs of the group.

### Community Liason

Develop and strengthen relationships with the local community.

### Minster of Children

Responsible for activities & supporting engagement with youth in the Barony.

If you have any questions or wish to apply please send an email application to both the Baronial Seneschal Baroness Gema Krasil'niKova [seneschal.risingwaters@gmail.com](mailto:seneschal.risingwaters@gmail.com) and Baroness Sciath ingen Chaennaig [risingwaters@gmail.com](mailto:risingwaters@gmail.com).

# SCA Online

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## Virtual SCA Collective Calendar

<http://research.fibergeek.com/virtual-sca-calendar/>

## Known World Entertainment Guide

<https://www.facebook.com/KWEGuide/>

## Facebook Groups

The Honorable Clover

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/967942963341698/>

SCA Virtual Classroom and Artisan Display

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

Ealdormere Internet Arts & Science Event

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/896001760844623/>

## Online Universities/Learning

Harvard University Free Humanities Courses

[https://online-learning.harvard.edu/catalog?keywords=&subject\[\]=8](https://online-learning.harvard.edu/catalog?keywords=&subject[]=8)

Coursera Free History Courses

<https://www.coursera.org/browse/arts-and-humanities/history>

edX Free History Courses

<https://www.edx.org/course/subject/history>

My Mooc Archeology Courses

[https://www.my-mooc.com/en/moocs?search\[query\]=archeology](https://www.my-mooc.com/en/moocs?search[query]=archeology)

[More?? big list of free e-learning resources](#)

## Virtual Pastimes

Every Tuesday @ 7:00 PM: [Ealdormere Eats](#) - Join them weekly for discussions on period spices, feasts, recipes and all things food.

Every other Wednesday @ 10:00 PM: [Ealdormere at Home](#) Featuring interviews, event news, with spotlights on artisans, music, and more!

Every other Wednesday @ 8:00 PM: [Simply SCAdian: No Title Required](#) Simply SCAdian: No Title Required is a new bi-weekly "Zoom"-cast dedicated to talking with the talented individuals that populate the Known World of Society for Creative Anachronism.

Every Thursday @ 7:00 PM: [Ask the Knights - Live!](#) - Each week two guest knights answer questions submitted by unbelted from around the Known World!.

Every Friday @ 7:00 PM: [SCA Coaches Corner](#) Hosted by a partnership of coaches from several kingdoms on training, teaching and coaching for SCA combat.

Every Friday @ 10:00 PM: [Between Two Peers](#) Tullia and Helga are friends who play in the Society for Creative Anachronism, who interview other SCA members to keep themselves sane while they shelter in place.

Every Friday @ 8:00 PM: [Three Rivers Bardic Zoom](#) - Hosted by the Kingdom of Calontir's Barony of the Three Rivers.

Every Tuesday @ 6:00 PM: [Backyard Basics - Longsword](#) series of videos designed for HEMA and Heavy combat students, general concepts with a focus on the longsword.

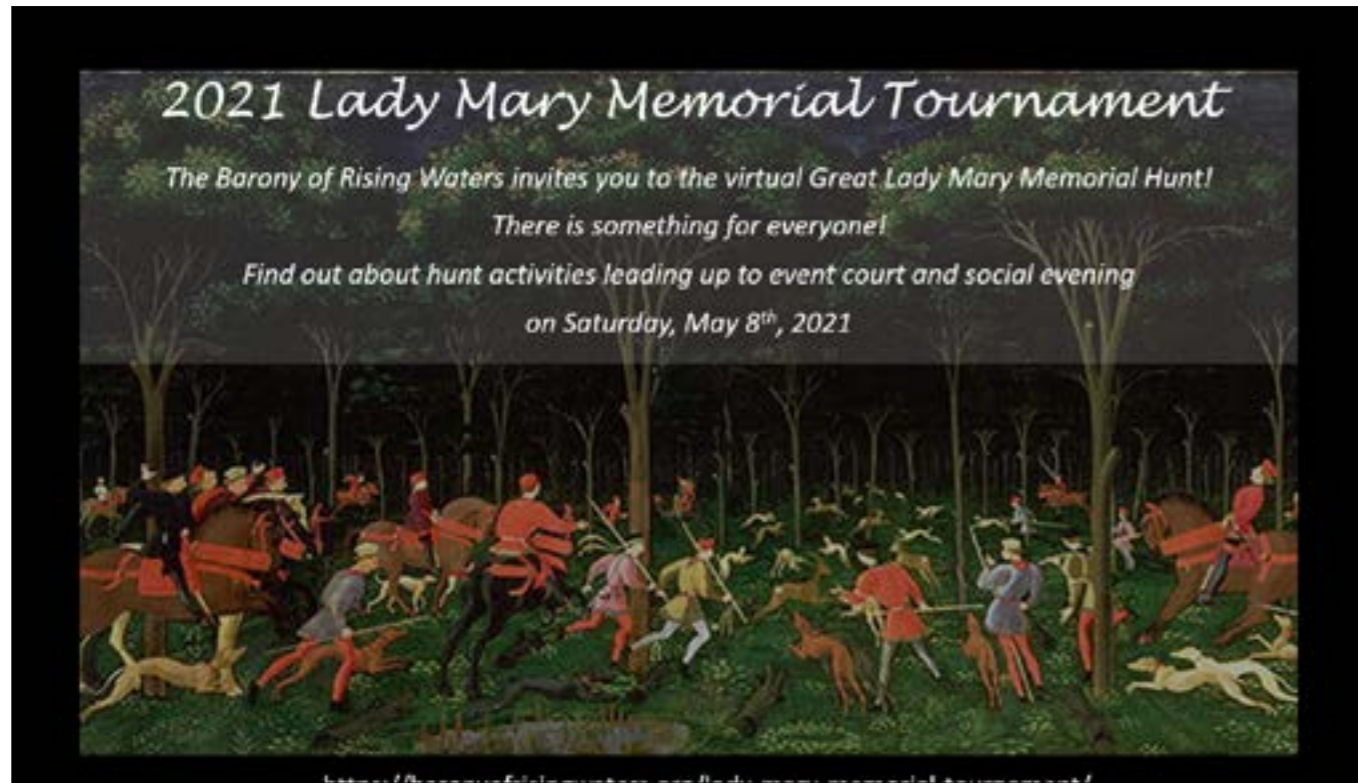
Every Sunday @ 8:00 PM: Sunday [Evenings with the Scribes](#) - A weekly recurring scribal practise the West's Cynagua College of Scribes

Every Day @ 4:30 PM [Afternoon Pell Time](#) A group of fighters using virtual tools to do Pell work together and socialize. We're trying to provide encouragement, motivation, advice, and critique - [zoom link](#)



**Pikeman's Pleasure**  
*Rumble in the Rubble*  
Jun 5, 2021





## 2021 Lady Mary Memorial Tournament

The Barony of Rising Waters invites you to the virtual Great Lady Mary Memorial Hunt!

There is something for everyone!

Find out about hunt activities leading up to event court and social evening

on Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021

## Join the Barony of Rising Waters for the Lady Mary Memorial Tournament Online!

On Saturday May 8th the Barony of Rising Waters will be hosting the Lady Mary Memorial Tournament 2021 online and we would love to celebrate this tradition with our SCA family near and far!

### Introducing the Great Lady Mary Memorial Hunt!

Gather your team and get ready to participate in a variety of challenges throughout the event! There is something for everybody and the winning team will get to share the bounty!

Registration for the Hunt will open on April 15th and details for the challenges will be released in the days leading up to the event



## Sneak Peak!

We don't want to give away all the details yet... but here is a sneak peak at some of the themes of the Virtual Great Lady Mary Memorial Hunt Challenges!

Period Music

Outdoors

Seige Weapons

Marketing

Performance

Blazoning

Illumination

Youth

Fighter Training

Cooking

Boasting

Writing

Heraldry

Research

Community Outreach

& the history of Lady Mary

### How do you find out more about the Lady Mary Memorial Tournament 2021?



Facebook Event



Website



Email

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## *A Message from the Baronial Herald*

Good day members of Rising Waters!

I come to you today not as your Social Media Deputy but as your newly voted-in Baronial Herald. I am humbled and honored that you all believed

in my ability to take on both these roles and perform them with the seriousness and commitment that they deserve. As your Baronial Herald I will endeavour to provide assistance with any heraldry submissions that you may need and be on hand at events should it be required.

On that note, were you aware that currently submissions in Ealdormere are free? Thanks to donations from the Canton of Bryniau Tywynnog, the Barony of Ben Dunfirth and our own Barony of Rising Waters, name, device and badge submissions do not require the \$8.00 that is normally required to submit. What a perfect time to get a new (or old) name submitted. Or perhaps you don't have a badge or device and would like one. Any of our submission heralds (including myself) would be happy to assist you!

Lasty, in an effort to ensure that each officer of our Barony has support and potentially an eventual replacement, I would like to introduce my Deputy Herald, Jotun-Bjorn! He will be handling some of the work for me and be available if/when I'm not available so don't be shy, any questions you have can be directed to him as well.

Looking forward to serving you all and hearing all about your fantastic submission ideas!

YIS

Rhys of Anglesey

## *The Coronets of Rising Waters*



The Barony has two sets of coronets, and this article will focus on the set currently worn by Her Excellency, Sciath.

The coronet pictured here, was created by Dame Eleanor Cadfan in 1999-2000 as the late period coronets worn by the Baron and Baroness of Rising Waters. The first Baron and Baroness to wear these coronets were Baron Tancred of Tanglewood and Baroness Rosalinda Margareta de la Fuentes, who sat the Baronial High Seats from Nov 11, 2000 to Nov 26, 2005.

Although Sciath wears this coronet with lapis spheroids, the spheroids were originally aventurine stone. By custom, when a new Baron and Baroness are invested in Rising Waters, they wear the early Medieval coronets, and switch to these later period coronets afterwards. The box was purchased by Sir Richard and HE Annabelle, and painted by Mistress Rachael Catherine McLellan.

Made from brass, the coronets are decorated with six cut-work elements, topped with lapis spheroids, and eight plates with goblots - the baronial charge in flourish depicted with repousse and chasing (pictured to the right).





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## Baronial Champions

**Armoured Combat:** Lord Eustace di Cordoba

**Thrown Weapons:** Lady Rúna Sólveigardóttir

**Rapier Combat:** Lord Hamish MacLeod

**Arts and Sciences:** TBD

**Bardic Arts:** TBD

**Archery:** TBD

**Youth Champion:** TBD





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