



# Ductus

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Newsletter of the Royal College & Confraternity of Scribes & Illuminators of the Kingdom of Lochac

## 1 Scribal Activity

### 1.1 General

The current standing of scrolls on record is as follows:

#### Scroll Status

Status	Now	Last
Available for Assignment	56	58
Assigned	116	113
Caidan Scrolls	11	11
Recently Completed	37	37
Given Out	876	876
On Hold	1146	1145

#### Available & Assigned Scrolls

Award	Now	Oldest	Last
Pelican	28	07-1997	28
Knight	16	04-1994	16
Laurel	27	08-1994	27
Duchy	2	04-2007	2
County	7	01-2003	5
Viscounty	5	01-1995	5
Grant of Arms	24	07-2002	24
Award of Arms	63	06-1986	64

The focus of the College continues to be the completion of the Pelican scrolls and the assignment of the Knight and Laurel scrolls which total approximately 41.5% of the College's workload. The remaining scrolls are primarily AoAs (36.4%) and GoAs (13.8%), which have been increasing with the increase in registered heraldry. Very little has changed in this regard since my previous report.

### 1.2 Scribes' Activities at Festival

I have requested time slots for a 3 hour Scribes' Workshop and a 1 hour Scribes' Annual Meeting. I hope that people will be able to bring their current projects to the Workshop in order to share exposure to scribal works within the College. I also hope that the Annual Meeting will help in determining the direction of the College over the coming year.

### 1.3 Scribes' Handbook

The Scribes' Handbook has been completed by Mistress Branwen, under the direction of Mistress Cairistiona. This document has now been uploaded onto the Scribes Website. While it was my intention to put an announcement on the Scribes mailing list when the Handbook had been uploaded it seems I may have forgotten to do it straight away ... is done now.

#### ***1.4 AoA Writs***

The writs for this reign were completed using the 15<sup>th</sup> Century writ previously used during the reign of Cornelius and Elizabeth. The 40 writs were delivered during the 12<sup>th</sup> Night Coronation event.

#### ***1.5 Kingdom Officer Writs***

A proposal to produce writs for past Kingdom Officers is currently under discussion between the Kingdom Seneschal and the Provost of Scribes.

#### ***1.6 Financial***

Following discussions on the status of the Scribes' Bank Account it has been decided to close the account as a large part of the backlog has been cleared. The plan is to spend the majority of the remaining balance on re-stocking supplies for the beginners' kits as a large portion of the remaining balance was Fighter Auction Tourney money, which was donated for this purpose. Any remaining funds are to be transferred to the Kingdom. This is yet to be completed.

#### ***1.7 Beginners' Kits***

Stocks for the beginners' kits have been purchased recently although only a small number of kits have been requested by the Scribal Wardens. Some kits have been sent to Southron Gaard and Mordenvale.

## **2 Internet**

The operation of the College is facilitated by a number of electronic means. Comments below.

#### ***2.1 Online Database***

An update of the online database was carried out by Aeron Lasair since the previous report was submitted. Further updates are expected in due course.

#### ***2.2 Scribes' Flicker Site***

The Scribes' Flicker site was last updated on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2012. This site will be updated as more assignments are given out to the recipients.

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