



# The Flames of the Dragon

**July 2024**

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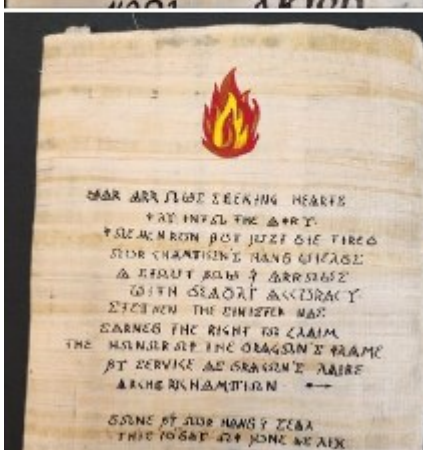
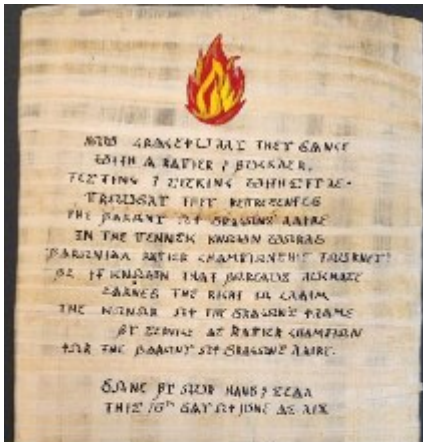
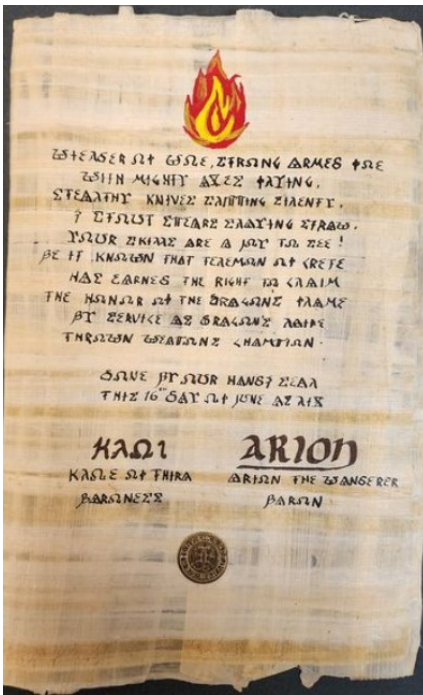


Newcomer's Night welcome point!

Credit. Caterina de Savona

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# Upcoming Events & Activities



- SCA Summer Yard Sale: August 18th at the VFW Hall. Sellers at 9. Doors at 10!
- **Harvest Feast:** October 19 at Marcus Whitman Junior High in Port Orchard, WA. Event Steward Master Arontius of Bygelswade, Feast Coordinator Lady Thea of Midvale.
- Fall Arts & Sciences Play Day: TBD
- **Candlemas:** February 1. Key Peninsula Civic Center reserved, seeking Event Steward.
- **Ostara:** March 29th. Island Lake Community Building off of Island Lake Road. Event Steward Adelheide Leeuwin
- Spring Arts & Sciences Play Day: TBD

## Weekly Calendar

### Tuesdays

- Armored, Rapier, and Target Thrown Weapons, 6:00-8:00
- Social and Arts & Science Classes, doors open at 6:00, classes and meetings start at 6:30 unless otherwise indicated. Over at 8:00.
- First Tuesday—Finance & Business Meetings, all are welcome! Doors open at 6:00 with the Finance Meeting starting at 6:30 and doors close at 8:00

### Wednesdays

- Target Archery Practice from 5:00 to 7:00
  - Bring water, consider a hat, and wear sunscreen!

*All activities are currently held at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Hall.*

## Planned activities during Social

**July 16 Games Night:** Games Night hosted by Gamesminister Lady Lucy of Leke!

**July 23 Bardic Night:** Drop-in Bardic Night, all skills and instruments welcome! Bring what you're working on, test out a piece with a small audience, and/or practice/jam with a group. Bardic arts include instrumental, singing, story-telling, poetry, and more!

**July 30 Coronet Candidates Meet 'n Greet:** Come meet the pairs that have put their names forward for the Dragon's Laire Coronet and ask questions!

**August 6:** Baronial Finance and Business Meeting! Updates about the state of the Barony, upcoming events, and projects. Everyone welcome!

## VFW Hall Location

Henry Bryner Post 4992

9981 Central Valley Road NE

Bremerton, WA 98311

**Do NOT PARK IN THE FIELD ACROSS THE STREET. Marked tow away zone.**



## Scribal Guild Meeting

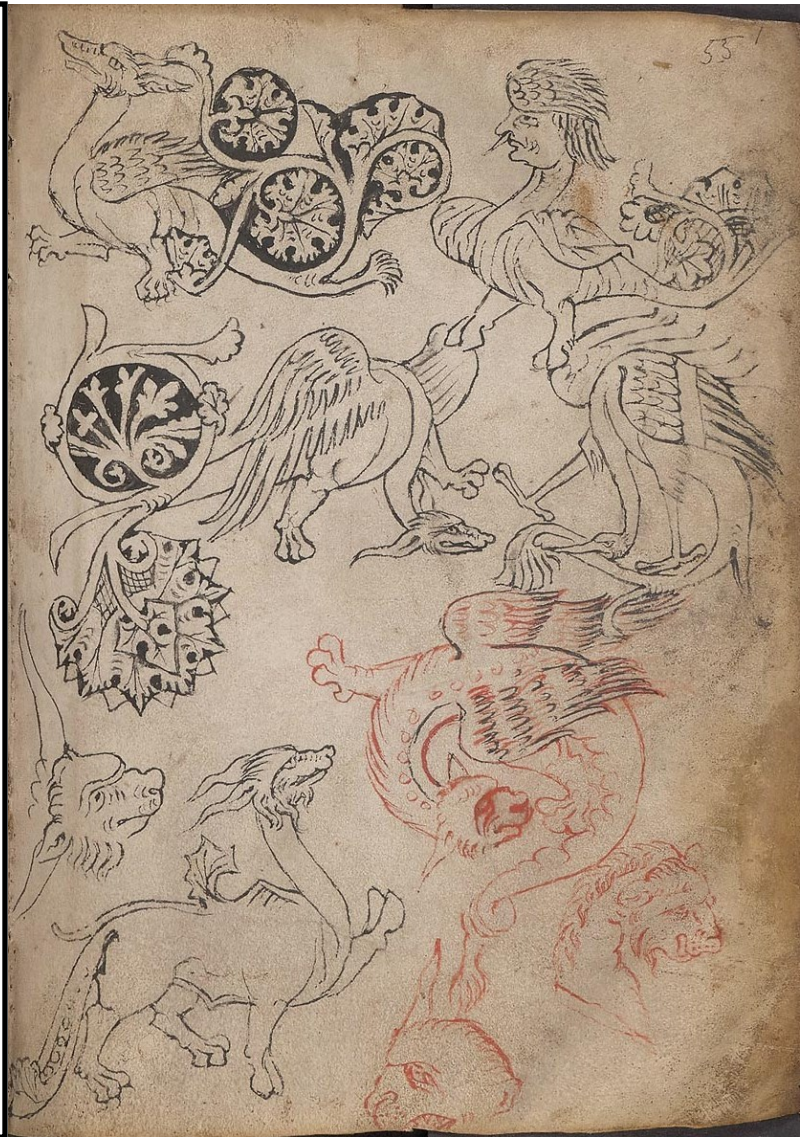
August 8 from 6:30 to 9:30 in Port Orchard

Looking for inspiration: online manuscripts, libraries, other resources.

The July 11th meeting was well attended with 4 scribes who were challenged to be design the layout for dragon themed thank you cards.

Picture: from the Textus Medici: Lapidarius.

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## Culinary Guild Meeting

July 25 6:00 to 8:00, at Lady Thea of Midvale's in Port Orchard



Hoping for brazier cooking if weather allows!  
Possibly some recipe testing for Harvest Feast!

We also want to send a big thank you to Dame Madrun y Gwehyddes for donating her brazier!

This means we now have two available for use  
and this one is easier to get to other demos!

## Around the Region

- **Glymm Mere [July Coronation](#)**: July 19-21, Camp Hope, 192 Elma Gate Rd. W.; Oakville, WA 98568. The Crowning of the An Tir Royal Heirs. May include Officer or Peerage meetings, classes, vigils, tournaments, and the An Tir Champions' Tournament.
- **Three Mountains [Service Academy](#)**: July 26-28, Whitmore Pnd, 26450 S Beaver-creek Rd.; Beavercreek, OR 97004. Come join the Barony of Three Mountains as we explore the essence of what makes our Society flourish: Service. Service, whether it is being a branch officer, running an event, or simply pitching in setting up a tent or pavilion, is essential to our existence. There will be many classes along different tracks of service. More details to come as we get closer to the event.
- **Blatha An Oir [Lord Defenders & Newcomer's Althing](#)**: July 27, Associated Energy Systems, 8621 S 180th St.; Kent, WA 98032. A collation of classes to help those new to the Society learn about what we do in a helpful hands on and help you out way.
- **Aquaterra [Champions](#)**: August 10, 17766 W Big Lake Blvd, Mount Vernon.
- **Shire of River's Bend [William Tell Archery Tourney](#)**: Wahkiakum County Fair, 16 Farigrounds Rd, Skamokawa, WA. William Tell archery tournament, the memorial bocce, the pague rats are coming back, a hat fashion show! it's going to be great, bring the whole family we have kids games, a scavenger hunt and archery tournaments
- **Lion's Gate [September Crown](#)**: August 30—Sept 2, Albion Fairgrounds, 23448 105th Ave. Maple Ridge, BC V2W 1G3. The Tournament for An Tir's next Crown! Also Archery, Equestrian, Rapier, Cut & Thrust, Thrown Weapons, and Youth Armored Combat Championships.
- **Glymm Mere [Emprise of the Black Lion & Autumn War](#)**: September 12-15: T90 Ranch, 16641 Old Hwy 99 SE Tenino, WA 98589. The Baronies of Blatha an Oir, Glymm Mere, Madrone, and Wyewood invite you to attend Autumn War—featuring Emprise of the Black Lion (a collaborative event).



# **Receipts with Rycheza!**

## **Minted Melon Salad**

Good Day and Well Met Good Gentle!

Too hot to cook? Need a refreshing dish? Here's one that is simple and cooling.

This simple melon salad comes from a letter written about healthful eating by a sixth century Roman doctor known by the name Anthimus. Our errant doctor had gotten himself in some political trouble in Rome and headed out into Gaul where he settled into a court position far from Rome. Most of the entries in the letter list the properties of a food and comment on its health benefits, but there are a few recipes, or instructions that can lead to a recipe tucked here and there. While most reflect Roman practices, there is some commentary on the habits of his Gaulish hosts. See Anthimus; on the Observance of Foods, *de observatione ciborum*, Edited and Translated by Mark Grant, Prospect Books, 2007 for more.

The original notes call for using the seeds of the melon as well as the flesh, which is not something you might want to do with most modern melons, however, I did come across a vintage melon-cucumber a few years ago, which is the perfect choice, if I could find it again, for this recipe.



## Minted Melon Salad

One melon ( I prefer a honeydew, but choose whatever you like), peeled, seeded, and cut into bite sized pieces

Sprinkle with a little vinegar, use red wine, balsamic, or if you can get it, raspberry or some other fruit vinegar.

Add in chopped fresh mint or if the leaves are small leave whole. Toss and allow to marinate for a short time before serving.



Original From the Anthimus. (as translated by Mark Grant, Prospect Books, 1996.)

If melons are well ripened, their flesh is particularly recommended mixed with their own seeds, and this is better than if they are eaten on their own. If, as people do, they are eaten like this with diluted vinegar and a sprinkling of pennyroyal, they are good for healthy people. For those who have problem of the kidneys or bladder, diluted vinegar is not suitable, because vinegar when plain is fairly injurious to the kidneys and bladder. And is not good for the liver.

Note: pennyroyal is an herb in the mint family but is no longer considered safe for consumption, especially for pregnant women.



## NEW Baronial Martial Champion!

**Huzzah for the tourneys held at June Faire!**

**Archery Champion: Thomas of Salisbury**

**Armored Champion: Kettil Cedricson**

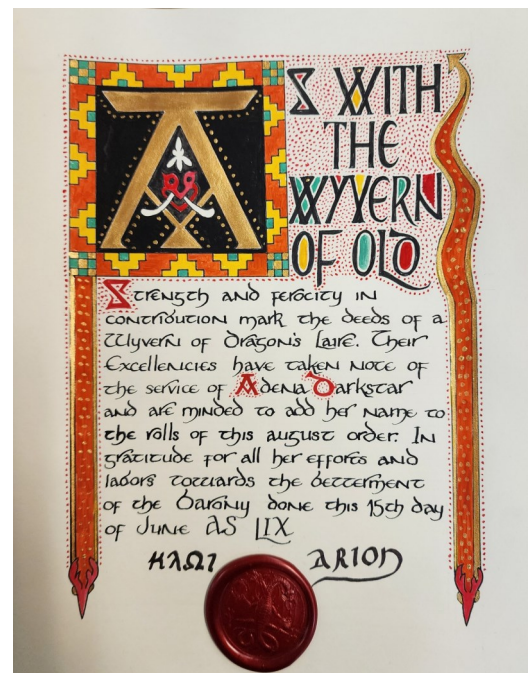
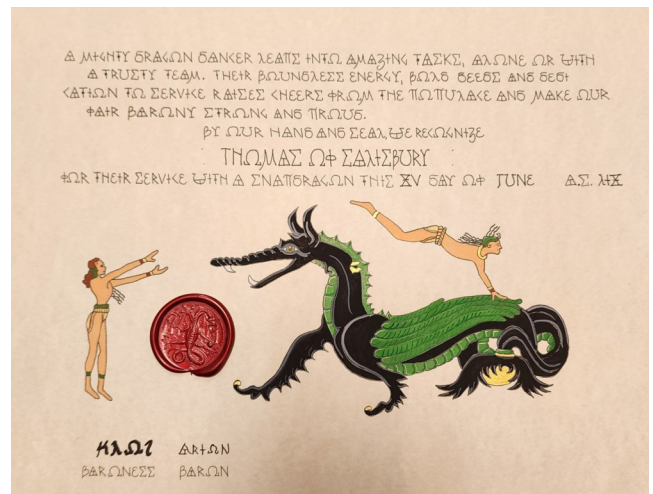
**Rapier Champion: Emil Camus**

**Thrown Weapons Champion: Robert the Tailor**

## June Faire Court Report, June 15-16

### Saturday June 15th

Aoife Ailenach - Snapdragon  
Felix Fitz Pierce - Dragon's Lily  
Harper Carr - Dragon Claw  
Pak Sol Hwa - Snapdragon  
Gwion Bach - Snap Dragon  
Milo of House Awry - Wyvern  
Jacques Luis de Normandie - Wyvern  
Telemon of Crete - Wyvern  
Ellen Fraser - Dragon's Heart  
Thomas of Salisbury - Snapdragon  
Posiedonous Lakon - Bumblebee  
Ciar ingen Fiachnae - Dragon's Pearls  
Halldóra Bjorn - Dragon's Lily  
Lonán On'Drglr - Bumblebee  
Galan mac Aeda - Snapdragon  
Jon Walker - Snapdragon



Theresa of House Awry - Snapdragon

Therese of House Awry - Honorary Citizen

Iohannus ap Gwyllim Pengryth - Dragon's Lily

Anne of Bearshaven & Sven Red Beard  
Einarson - Argent Pavilion

Adena Darkstar - Wyvern

Soraya Abdo - Bumblebee

Soraya Abso - Baron & Baroness' Favor

Smokin' Robinson's - Friend of the Dragon

Hot Dogs, etc - Friend of the Dragon

Funnel of Love - Friend of the Dragon

Sunday June 16th

Caterina de Savona - Snapdragon

Hugues de Bertoncourt - Bumblebee

Angela Rosa Dellamora - Coronets' Favor

Xenos Makellares - Magnificent Merchant

Kara Bjorki - Bumblebee

Catan ingen Aeda - Dragon's Lily

Crystal of the Cretan Archers - Baron's Favor

Stephen the Sinister - Baron's Favor

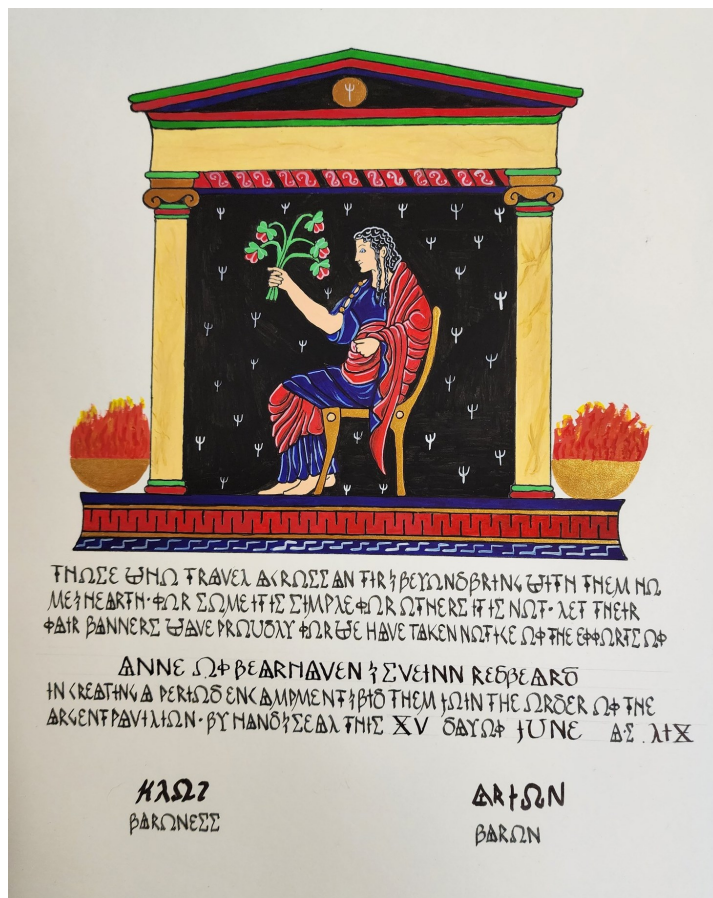
Ciar ingen Fiachnae - Baroness' Favor

Farkas Cedricson - Snapdragon

Lucy of Leke - Sergeant of Dragon's Laire

Iohannus ap Gwyllim Pengryth - Sergeant  
of Dragon's Laire

Jessy Gateman - Sergeant of Dragon's





Laire

Seognag nic Griogair - Sergeant of Dragon's Laire

Ajax of the Myrmidon's - Dragon's Flame

Boreaus Luchase - Dragon's Flame

Telemon of Crete - Dragon's Flame

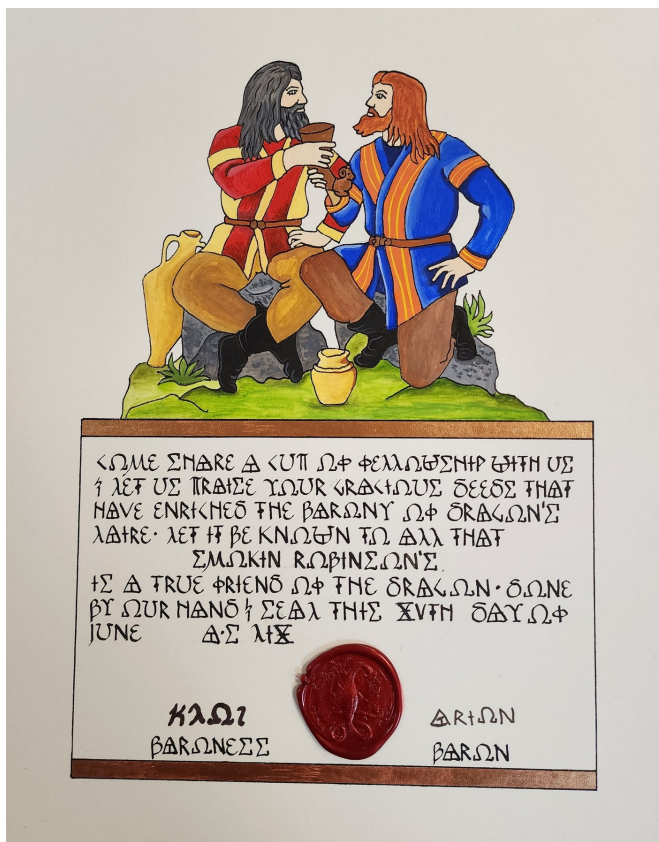
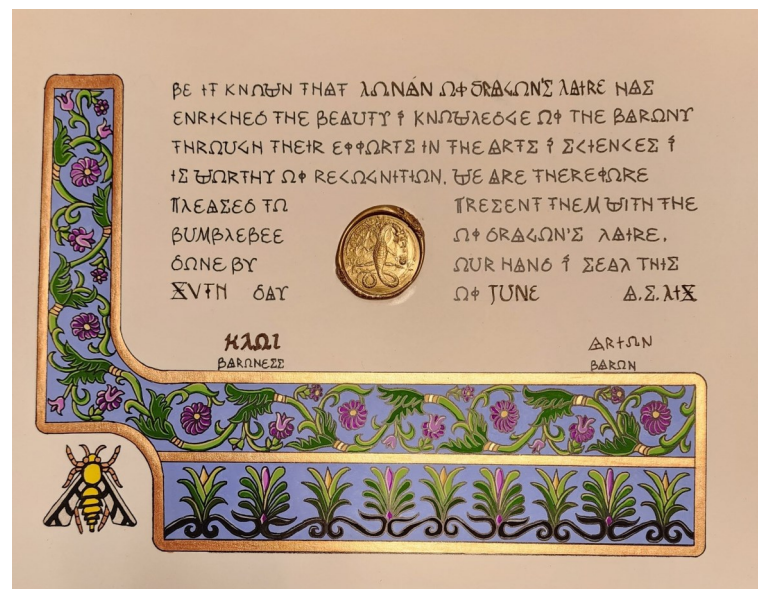
Stephen the Sinister - Dragon's Flame

Guiote de Bourgogne - Dragon's Lily



## Honored Marshal

Thomas of Salisbury



# Contribute to The Flames!

## **We are looking for contributions to the Flames!**

Doing something neat? Found a fantastic article or video that you want to share? Send it in!

Looking for art and photos! The newsletter benefits from your contributions to help break up the text and we love to brag about your skills. Oops! I mean spread the word-fame for our amazing artists! Dragons, SCA topics, scenic views of the Barony...

Please email submissions and/or questions to [DragonsLaire.Chronicler@antir.org](mailto:DragonsLaire.Chronicler@antir.org).

## **OFFICERS WANTED**

**Exchequer:** Looking for a Step-up Deputy, please speak with HL Guiote de Bourgogne!

The Exchequer is the treasurer of the Barony and is responsible for the handling of all SCA funds within the Barony as described by the Kingdom and Society Exchequer handbooks.

Leads the Finance Committee and moderates the Finance Committee meetings. This is a Kingdom warranted position, which is required to send quarterly reports to a designated Kingdom Officer.

- a. Oversee the Steward, the Librarian, and the Finance Committee Clerk.
- b. Act as advisor to the June Faire Committee.
- c. Attend regional Exchequer symposiums, as able, in order to stay up to date on changes to law and policy. These trainings may be in person or via video conferencing.
- d. It is not a requirement that someone holding this Office have a degree or previous modern life job training in this type of position.

**Thrown Weapons Deputy:** Please speak with Lady Crystal or Sir Andras if you are interested.

The Thrown Weapons Officer is responsible for the conduct of Society-legal target thrown weapons within the Barony. This is a Kingdom warranted position which requires quarterly reporting. The duties and responsibilities are described in the An Tir Book of Target and the SCA Marshal's Handbook.

- a. Run the throwing range for weekly practice, as weather permits, as well as at Baronial events and Baronial hosted Kingdom events.
- b. Report scores within the time range stipulated by the Kingdom.



- c. Maintain loaner gear in appropriate condition and submit an inventory to the Steward annually as requested.
- d. Make monthly reports at the Baronial business meeting and submit quarterly reports to the Kingdom Deputy Marshal for Thrown Weapons.

**Chatelaine:** Looking for a Step-up Deputy, please speak with HL Halldora Bjorn.

The Chatelain(e) is a Kingdom warranted Officer position and is the primary point of contact for newcomers to the Barony. They submit quarterly reports to their Kingdom Officer. Chatelain(e)s may have multiple deputies.

Other duties include:

- a. Setup and arrange for volunteers to be in the Chatelain(e) booth at June Faire.
- b. Maintain Gold Key including checking out and in items as well as repairs and replacements as needed. This task may be assigned to a deputy.
- c. Coordinating and scheduling demonstrations for schools, civic groups, and other interested organizations.

**Webminister:** Looking for a Technical Deputy, please speak with HL Máenach na Cailled.

I'm seeking a deputy to assist with technical duties related to the office such as maintenance of our Wordpress website (updating plugins, etc.), managing our email forwarding accounts, and keeping our domain name registrations current. The exact list of duties is flexible, and I'm happy to provide any assistance and training you might want. If you think you might be interested in becoming the next Webminister, this would be a great way to explore the idea. Thank you!

**Lists:** Please speak with Sir Andras if you are interested.

The Minister of Lists is responsible for running tournaments at Baronial events, which will include Baronial Championships and may include Crown Tourneys.

- a. Maintain and stock the Lists box with appropriate forms as needed.
- b. Provide an inventory to the Baronial Steward annually, as requested.
- c. Make monthly reports at the Baronial business meeting and submit quarterly reports to the Kingdom Deputy Marshal for Lists
- d. At Tournaments:
  - Confirm that all combatants have fighter authorization cards.
  - Arrange and record the pairing of fighters at tournaments and demonstrations.
  - Compile a roster of fighters in their area with a note on the qualifications of each.
  - See that combat waivers are brought to and used at all functions which might involve

fighting (armored combat, combat archery, rapier combat, or youth armored combat).

- Assist the Kingdom List Minister at Kingdom events as available, work in conjunction and cooperation with the marshals and heralds to ensure a smoothly run event.

**Games Minister:** Looking for a Step-up Deputy, please speak with HL Lucy!

It is the responsibility of the Games Minister to promote, teach, and support the practice of playing medieval games and pastimes. Games Ministers are encouraged to host activities at Social and Baronial events and are supported if they choose to pursue hosting medieval game nights.

Other duties include:

- a. Maintain, and inventory the Baronial game supply.
- b. Provide the updated inventory to the Steward in January.

**Golden Dragon Pursuivant (Herald):** Looking for a Step-up Deputy, please speak with HL Owain!

The Herald acts as the voice of the Crown and of the Crown's Representatives, the Coronet. The Dragon's Laire Baronial Herald uses the title of Golden Dragon Pursuivant. This is a Kingdom Warranted position, which is required to send quarterly reports to a designated Kingdom Officer.

- a) Provide heraldic services to the Barony including consultations, field heraldry, town cries, and court heraldry. The Baronial Herald is not required to be an expert in all areas but should know who to call upon to provide the services.

**Minister of Arts & Sciences:** Looking for replacement Officer, please speak with Master Arontius or Marquesa Laurellen!

The Minister of Arts and Sciences is a Kingdom warranted position responsible for reporting quarterly to the Kingdom Officer. They are also responsible for fostering the practice of period arts and sciences within the Barony, including participation in the Dragon's Laire Scholars Program. Duties include:

- a. Organize and support the annual Arts & Sciences presentation and Championships, Bardic presentations and Championships, and Scholars program presentations.
- b. Schedule and oversee A&S play days, which are typically held in April and late October/early November.
- c. Organize and support A&S and Bardic activities at other Baronial events and Socials.
- d. Recruit and support deputies to assist with tasks and projects as well as the Games Minister position.

***You can also speak with the Marquesa Laurellen about any position or consider asking about becoming a Deputy!***



# Officers of the Barony & Canton

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# Dragon's Laire Finance Meeting

Barony of Dragon's Laire

Finance Meeting Report – July

7.9.2024

Committee members:

- ◇ Tammie Dupuis, Branch President
- ◇ Kimberly Parks, Branch Treasurer
- ◇ Amanda Zeitler, Committee Member
- ◇ William David Peters, Committee Member via Zoom

Non-Voting Committee members:

- Elizabeth Kamber, Deputy Branch President
- Heidi Schulmeyer, Deputy Branch Treasure

## 1. Account Balances: Request from Exchequer

## 2. Event Bids:

### a. June Faire 6/14/2024

- i. Heidi – Proposed expense: \$30,450; income: \$45,500; profit: \$15,050
- ii. Ciar/Dammit - Proposed expense: \$28175; income: \$28,175; profit: \$7,325
- iii. Ciar/Dammit bid accepted
- iv. Chris/Maenach. Request to switch host site for event website. Currently hosted on weebly. Proposal to either have the kingdom host the website or move hosting to the same website as the Dragon's Laire website. Approved.
- v. Proposal to upgrade to add president's hall. Site fee \$10 for day, \$15 for weekend. Approved
- vi. Financial committee approved to add the Thunderbird arena, (War scenarios, heavy, missiles) for \$2400 + \$150 insurance. Approved
- vii. Request to purchase three pop-ups. ~130\$ for 12x12. Was approved last year and not purchased. Approved
- viii. Request to incentivize June faire volunteers at \$20/hr per person paid to their branch.

With pre-sign up. Approved

ix. **Working on final numbers.**

**b. Harvest Fest 10/19/2024**

i. Michael Rogers (Arontius) Event. Thea Sand (Thea of Midvale) Feast.

ii. Event proposal received. 10/19/2024 at Marcus Whitman Middle School

iii. 1400 site 1200, \$15 for adults, \$12 feast fee.

iv. **No new business**

**c. New Event Request – Ostara – 3/29/25**

i. Heidi Schulmeyer/Adelheide Leeuwin

ii. Site cost \$50 per hour with 25% discount. \$375 for 10 hours

iii. Dry site, insurance will be required, 10\$-15\$ for site fee

iv. Approved for site. Want to see more detail monetary break down for the food portion.

v. Site cost increase to \$525. Event fee increase to \$20. Approved

vi. Approved to provide BBQ meat for the event estimated cost of \$800

vii. Half site fee paid for deposit 275.

viii. **No new business**

**3. Purchases/Expenditures/Fund-Raising:**

a. Artunis, Request for 18 battle ponies to pull 9 chariots, will submit bid. Moved to a later date.

b. Brandy Stier/Ciar Ingen Fiachnea – Proposal to create a special Purpose and Dedicated fund. To use merchant fees received from June Faire to provide prizes for the tournaments. Cap of \$2000 per year. Approved, initial fund with fees earned from 2023 June Faire.

c. Arion/William David Peters – Request for proposal/bid for construction of two storage/carrying bags for the Baronial Chairs. Local request. Approved

d. Request from Deborah Jezek/Halldora to allocate \$50 of Chatelaine budget to the design of welcome banners and info bookmarks. Approved

e. Request from Owain for materials to help create Corbridge and coronet boxes. \$150. Approved without ice chest option. Approved for \$100.

**f. Request to subscribe to Bitwarden, password management service. Allows to share passwords between certain numbers of people. \$40 per year. Approved.**

**4. Administrative Actions:**

a. Looking for Deputy Exchequer.

b. 2024 Budget—review for approval. Increase requested for Scribal from 300 to 500. Addition

of Beautification budget of \$300. Addition of fund for Prize Tournament. Approved.

c. Arion/William David Peters - Request from for regalia for Thrown Weapons champion. Total cost of \$261. Approved

d. **Suggestion to transfer CD to high interest savings account. Discuss for August.**

**5. Long Term Maintenance Agenda Items (Maintained on this agenda until resolved):**

a. Purchase of three Baronial Day Shades- Amanda Zeitler (AKA HE Kloe of Thira)

i. Purchase of three Baronial Day Shades: Canvas was received in June. Poles, ropes, and stakes to be manufactured / acquired and Day Shades assembled for storage. Her Excellency Kloe is managing this effort at the moment. Several people volunteered to assist in this work. M'Lord Kamar (MKA Raymond Hicks) volunteered the use of an Industrial Sewing Machine for the manufacture of Canvas Bags in which to store Baronial Owned Equipment. If you have equipment, or time, you can donate for this cause, please contact Her Excellency Kloe. Susan Levitt purchased new rope. Reimbursement for supplies and a one-time travel allowance approved by the DLFC on 04/12/2021 to Susan Levitt. What is next for the project? Left to purchase: poles and pins, and stakes. Hold on acquiring poles due to the increased cost of lumber. Focus on acquiring stakes. Needs physical help to assess tents and number of stakes needed. David Meyers (AKA Thangbrandr) to submit a bid for pole pins and tent stakes. Approved. Reimbursement made 02/01/22. Dining fly poles bid - Lucy Submitted bid for poles. Approved for purchase of materials. Waiting for reimbursement request. Bag project will re-visit after June Faire. Tent bag project to be taken over by Amanda Zeitler (AKA HE Kloe of Thira) Baroness is requesting funds. Supplies have been received. Waiting for Receipts to reconcile the cash advice. **Now waiting for finished bags. In process.**



# Dragon's Laire Business Meeting

*Written reports are as submitted with only minor corrections for egregious spelling errors.*

*In-person additions from the meeting will be noted.*

## **Words from Their Excellencies**

Greetings Dragon's Laire,

First of all, we miss Arontius' laugh, it is an amazing gift to all who have heard it echo through events and the lands of An Tir. King Ulfgar mentioned him in An Tir West Court and wished him well as did the entire populace there present.

June was a busy month with June Faire, Newcomer's Day, and An Tir West War. Socials and Archery Practice are in full swing. We have come fully out of Winter dormancy with the onset of warm (maybe a bit too warm) weather.

A thousand thanks went out from all corners for June Faire. We won't repeat them all here. Suffice it to say that many hands DID make light work. Dragon's Laire, and all those from our neighboring lands who lent a hand, you rock! Without you all, participants and demonstrators, set-up and tear down, and those who fed and hydrated people, this amazing Demo Event would not be the success it always is. Shout out to the event stewards, Ciar and Furia, for choosing a team to help you make it memorable.

Athenaeum took place the weekend after, and while we could not attend, several of our Barony did and had a great time. They have been posting tidbits here and there on facebook. We hope you all got to take a moment to see pictures from the event.

An Tir West War was more lightly attended than in previous years, but as always, amazing. The endless drive was more than rewarded by the incredible Euchre Creek valley and the easy access to the beautiful beach with a short drive. Sadly, Baroness Kloe was suffering from the Plague and could not come. She made offerings to the travel gods that everyone would arrive safely and have a smashing good time.

The best performance on the war field by a Dragon's Lairian goes to Artunis. She may be short, but she is fierce. She charged the castle gate with a group and made a good num-

ber of kills, before she was standing alone and realized it. The rest of that is history! Farcus also put in several days of almost full time fighting. If there was a war, he was there. If there was a Tourney, he was there. He made it to the 4th round in the Cancer Sucks Tourney. Farcus also challenged His Majesty Ulfgar to a number of fights with great weapons. Why not choose the best to learn from! Morgan also made it into the 4th round of a Tourney.

Kara Bjorki made an incredible find, Erik Mac Lost's son Rowan. He is a professional level Chef and cooked for a number of us. This is the only time we've eaten restaurant quality food at an event! Both of them spent a long time on the archery range, which was run quite a bit of the time by Alaricus. Rowan did an amazing archery shot and bagged a rather large "bat" that was swinging back and forth in the wind.

Dragon's Laire also garnered several awards: Halldora got a well deserved Goutte de Sang. Of course, she spent the entire event helping out wherever something was needed. Does that woman EVER sit down? Posiedonous got a Jambe de Lion for his various artwork. Septimus got a Hasta Leonis as well for his lovely kit. Anne of Bearshaven got a Jambe de Lion for her fabulous photography. Two more awards were collected by Baron Arion and will be presented at Harvest Feast. If you know, SHHHHHH!

House Truemark had a separate encampment with Gaius, Moose, Artunis, Eofie and Gaylan. Artunis, Conrad, Felix, Gaius, and Moose fought as a unit. Conrad, Felix and Moose ran the siege engine. John Walker lent a hand lots of places. Baron Arion fought on "King's Guard" with the Crown Prince and Princess. BTW, our Crown Princess Brynhildr is fierce on the war field. You mess with her at your own risk.

Others from Dragon's Laire or the Canton included Alaricus and Kassandra, Hughes and Caterina, and Balon and Alys. All were busy teaching, running things, and taking classes. Of special note was the quick mead class Hughes and Caterina did and the various fiber arts goodies the Alys was able to learn about.

That's all Baron Arion can remember from war. If I missed you, know that you are appreciated.

Next big event is July Coronation in Glymm Mere. The barony has both camp land and eric space. Please reach out to the Baroness if you are hoping to camp, she has the map.

In Service to Dragon's Laire, the Kingdom and the Dream, we remain,

Kloe of Thira, Baroness and Arion the Wanderer, Baron

Dragon's Laire

PS. If you see someone doing something award worthy, please tell us! We can't be everywhere and see everything. You can simply pop us a PM or use the more official form. You don't even have to know which award. We can sport that part out!

### **Recommend someone for a Baronial or Kingdom Award!**

Help Us honor those who make the Dream a reality!

Do you know someone who deserves an Award for their hard work, martial skills and/or their contributions to the Arts and Sciences? Tell Us!

Help your Crown and your Coronets and identify people worthy of awards. We recently heard someone say, "It took 10 years for someone to notice me with an Award of Arms." In another recent case, a Knight, who was also previously a Baron, finally received an AOA! Everyone assumed that he already had that! This is incredibly sad! We need your eyes and your voices to sing the praises of your fellow Scadians. We are constantly on the lookout, but we can't see everything!

How do you know if someone has a Kingdom or Baronial award? Look them up in the An Tir Order of Precedence: An Tir College of Heraldry: <https://op.antirheralds.org/index.php>

Submit an Baronial Award recommendation award here: <https://dragonslaire.antir.org/wordpress/resources/recommend-an-award/>

Or, write to Kloe ([dragonslaire.baroness@antir.org](mailto:dragonslaire.baroness@antir.org)) and/or Arion ([dragonslaire.baron@antir.org](mailto:dragonslaire.baron@antir.org))

You can find a list of Baronial Awards here: [https://dragonslaire.antir.org/wordpress/welcome/awards/#Awards\\_and\\_Recognitions](https://dragonslaire.antir.org/wordpress/welcome/awards/#Awards_and_Recognitions)

Submit a Kingdom Award recommendation here: <https://antir.org/our-people/award-recommendation/>

You can find a list of Kingdom Awards here: An Tir College of Heraldry: <https://op.antirheralds.org/index.php>



Or, write to the Crown at [Crown@antir.org](mailto:Crown@antir.org)

To write a recommendation start with the following outline:

Who you're recommending and what Branch they live in.

What award you're recommending them for.

What this person did to deserve this award.

What events they will attend.

Who you are, your relationship to the person you're recommending and your contact information (if applicable).

## **Seneschal, Laurellen de Brandevin**

### Remarks:

**Polling:** Our Barony is awesome, 3 couples have stepped up to participate in the polling! Furia Dommitia & Conrad Ross, Adelheide Leeuwijn & Iohannes "Owain" ap Gwyllim Pengryth, and Ciar ingen Fiachnae & Maenach na Cailled.

The first Meet 'N Greet will be July 30th and the second on August 20th. There will likely be an hour or so of mingling and then a moderated Q&A.

Polling is handled online by the Kingdom. You have to be a member and registered as living within the bounds of the Barony's zip codes to participate in the polling. BUT anyone, member or not, in Barony or not, can email the Crown. For additional questions, please speak to Laurellen.

**Coronet transition:** Rumor still has it that at least one of Their Royal Majesties will be in attendance at Harvest Feast.

**Event Steward recruitment:** Someone volunteered for Candlemas (yay!) if that was you, please speak to Laurellen!

June Faire 2025! Looking for bids for Event Steward(s). If you're curious, please speak with Laurellen or the previous Event Stewards! You aren't starting from scratch, you have much support from the Officers and several people have already volunteered to be considered for positions.

Last day as Seneschal is October 1st.

## **Seneschal Deputies**

### **Social Media Officer, Caterina da Savona**

June mostly centered on support for June Faire and Newcomers' Night, both Facebook and Instagram (@dragonslaresca). Shout out to Baroness Kloe for handling the Kitsap Medieval Faire advertising -- and keeping on top of the scammers and spammers. Also to the Barony of Aquaterra, who took pics and videos at June Faire and shared them on their Insta & FB.

The event pages to "save the date" for Harvest Feast 2024 are up on Facebook and the website.

The unofficial Discord continues to grow slowly, with Bianca di Baldessare Saturnio at the helm and Akizuki Soujirou Kaoru stepping up as backup admin. (Join at <https://discord.gg/MSaXbHE8Qh> ).

We also had a first-ever online meeting to bridge the gaps between the SMO and Webminister offices and discuss some cross-platform issues. We hope to make "Tech Talk Thursday" a monthly thing.

## **DEIB, Jessy Gateman**

Greetings mighty Barony,

Thank you all for making our modern guests feel welcome and wanted at June Faire and New Comer Night. I saw many new comers from across the gender and LGBT+ spectrums and they were warmly welcomed to the SCA and treated with kindness and respect. Huzzah to the Barony for showing that we are a welcoming space for all. You rock!

This month we celebrate Disability Pride Month. The American's with Disabilities Act was signed into law on July 26, 1990. The first Disability Pride month celebrations took place in 2015 honoring the 25th anniversary of the law. The overall message of Disability Pride Month is to "honor the experiences and achievements of individuals with disabilities while also committing ourselves to creating a more inclusive and accessible world for all." If you have ideas or suggestions on ways we can make the SCA more inclusive for the disabled community please feel free to reach out and let me know!

And finally one piece of housekeeping: It was brought to my attention that a long time player had made some less than kind comments to another player regarding their garb. Please remember that we all play at different levels. Some people put a lot of time and energy into their garb because it's what they find bliss in while others do their best to wear something vaguely period because their bliss lies in another area such as fighting, service, or A&S. The SCA simply asks that all players make a reasonable attempt at pre 17th century clothing. It is best practice to keep comments to yourself unless specifically asked, AND you have received consent to give criticism. Sometimes all it takes is one off handed, less than kind comment to make someone walk away from the SCA and tell everyone they know about how uptight and rude the SCA is. Don't be that person. Not only is it rude to comment negatively on someone's work (when not being specifically asked for a critique), it can be seen as bullying and can be escalated through the grievance process.

In Service,

HL Jessy "Jess" Gateman, she/her, EDIB Officer

## **Family Activities, Pak Sol Hwa:**

**no report**

## **Exchequer, Guiote de Bourgogne**

Looking for a Deputy!

## **Steward, Conrad Ross**

We conquered our way through June Faire! The load up and set up went smoothly and the Barony rallied with pack up and pack out! Thank you again for everyone who helped, and



thank you your excellency Arion for taking the canvas to dry! We had a slight casualty of 1 bus stop that that met vehicular mishap but should be very easily replaced.

In the upcoming weeks I'll be putting forth a proposal for replacing the large Baronial pavilions poles due to the current ones being warped, splintery, and fills all with despair.

Yours in Service

Conrad

Baronial Steward

### **Librarian, Karl inn Irski**

For the populace of the might Barony of Dragon's Laire, here is your (early) Librarian's Report!

I will be out of town this weekend and next week in the wilds of NE Oregon (near Wallowa Lake) to spend a week practicing my bardic skills. Communication will be sketchy at best, thus I am submitting my report now.

June was a busy month! Time spent helping prepare for, set up, and assist with June Faire.

In coordination with our wonderful Chatelaine, Halldora Bjorn, I provided a selection of books from the library to display on the Chatelaine's table at June Faire, demonstrating the wide spectrum of SCA interests for those wanting to learn more about the Society. Among my volunteer shifts, I spent some time at the table talking to Moderns about the SCA and about the instruments I was displaying.

I reprised the book display at Newcomer's Night the following week, and a personal Huzzah! goes out to those that loaned the book display stand and that committed to returning it to the owner.

On the library management front, I admit temporary (but only temporary!) defeat. My initial attempt at restoring the DL Wordpress site into my local sandbox for testing...did not go as well as planned. But no fear! Your plucky Librarian will continue working with the Barony's extremely helpful webfolks to get a test bed for a library management system, with the goal (still achievable!) being a useable and accessible library management system by the end of summer.

YIS, Karl inn irski, Librarian (and bardic co-conspirator) of Dragon's Lair

## **Arts & Sciences Minister, Arontius of Bygelswade**

**Gamesminister, Lucy of Leke**

## **Chatelaine, Halldora Bjorn**

Good day, dear Barony of Dragon's Lair,

June was a very busy month for everyone as we took this time to introduce how wonderful and amazing our Barony and the SCA is to the general public. I am so very proud of this Barony for doing such an amazing job at June Faire and Newcomers Night! The general public had a blast and they are eager to learn more about us and how they can get involved.

The Chatelaine booth was in the perfect spot for a very rainy June Faire...being placed just inside the door of President's Hall with the A&S demos. Thanks to everyone who brought items for us to display in the booth. The items helped drum interest at our booth and made it easier to strike a conversation with folks as they were full of questions. Items on display included Feast gear, garments, site token collection, fight gear, ancient games, craft projects, samples of books from the DL Library, Old Cryer Magazines, a copy of the Known World Handbook, etc.

As a result of our amazing efforts, the Barony had over 25 Moderns attend "Newcomers Night", which was held on Tuesday, June 18 at the VFW Hall in Bremerton. The Newcomers were welcomed to the event with a "Welcome Token", similar to what was given at June Faire Gate, and invited to look around at the 12+ displays/demonstrations set-up within the Hall, and encouraged to go out to the field to learn about Rapier, Heavy Combat, and Throwing Weapons.

The populace of Dragon's Lair put on a fantastic Newcomers Night, and as a result, at least 10 folks came back the following Tuesday to learn more and participate in the outside fighting/throwing/rapier events.

The Barony is well on the way to having several new members join our group. Soon we will be participating in An Tir's Newcomer Academy, where we will patch in via video link to a live classes on various topics to make it easier for Newcomers to develop a person, learn about Court, how to create a feast kit, etc. These classes are open to everyone...not just Newcomers. More information will be posted soon.

Submitted with kind regards,

Halldora Bjorn

DL Chatelaine

## **Baronial Marshal Andras Truemark**

### **Chief Archer, Brian of Cardiff**

Greetings to our illustrious Barony, Coronets and Populace! In the Month just passed, we have welcomed some half-dozen archers to the field following June Faire and Newcomers' Night. Some are new to the sport, while others are returning after absences of varied length, and I might have heard some are immigrants from other Realms! This could be a banner year for growth of our archery population! In other news, the new Omnibus Peerage for Projectile weapons is moving forward. The next question, what shall the new peerage be called? Keep eyes and ears open, people-there is sure to be much to-ing and fro-ing over this in coming months! Meanwhile, parking may become an issue for our outdoor practices, as the landowners across the road have officially posted the strip of ground next to the road as a no-parking tow-away zone. Finally, last but not least, the Dry (and hot!) Season is officially upon us! Make sure you have water with you at all events and practices, and be sure you use copious amounts of high-strength sunblock on your exposed skin when outdoors. Remember, sunburn hurts, and skin cancer really sucks!

Yours In Service,

Brian of Cardiff, OGGS

Chief Archer, Barony of Dragon's Laire

### **Heavy Martial: Open**

#### **Lists: Open**

### **Rapier, Felix Fitz Pierce**

Greetings Barony of Dragon's Laire,

June was fantastic for the rapier community in Dragon's Laire. We had June Faire that had wonderful and ferocious fighters fighting for the championship, the winner being Emil Grecian From Aquaterra. There were no injuries.

Our newcomers night was also really good! We have had a few new fighters coming out for our regular practices.



In Service,

Felix Fitz Pierce, they/them, Baronial Deputy Rapier Marshal

### **Siege, Wu Zhi**

### **Thrown, Crystal of the Cretan Archers**

What a glorious time was had at June Faire. We held both novelty throws and champions competitions. Much fun was had taking out apples and rescuing Dragon Eggs. We held practice until I caught the covid bug. If you come out to play on Tuesdays remember to stay hydrated!

-Crystal

### **Youth Armored Combat (YAC): vacant**

### **Chronicler, Ciar ingen Fiachnae**

We continue to produce the Flames!

Each month the Flames has updates for the weekly schedule including classes and practices, events in our region, and a medieval recipe. Additional content is welcome and because this is an electronic publication, links work! Please contact dragon-slaire.chronicler@antir.org for questions or I can be reached on Facebook or Discord as well as at most Socials!

### **Golden Dragon Pursuivant (Herald), Owain ap Gwylliam Pengryth**

### **Baronial Scribe, Adelheide Leeuwin**

All charters have been handed out at this time. Scribal Guild meeting on Thursday!

### **Webminister, Máenach na Cailled**

Remarks: The bid for Bitwarden came from our 'Tech Talk', our new monthly meeting of the Web and Social Media team to make sure we're all coordinating our needs.

Added positions to the monthly report form: SMO, DEIB. Added some forwarding address as part of the goal of coordination.

Still working with the Librarian on an online hosting for the catalog.

### **Guilds & Groups**

### **Culinary & Spirit-makers Guild, Ciar ingen Fiachnae**

Greetings and well met!

The guild met for a night of relaxation with others cooking and had a comfortable evening. There were updates about cookbook sales, the state of the Culinary Fund, the upcoming name update vote, and plans for this summer and fall.

We're aiming for a July cook on the brazier evening but it will depend on both the weather and the burn ban status! It will likely be a Thursday evening as many members are attending events on the weekends in July.

We are happy to answer questions and work on projects! You can find us on Facebook at the Official Dragon's Laire Culinary & Spirit-makers Guild, at Social, or by email to DragonsLaire.Culinary@antir.org.

### **Decorations Committee, Adelheide Leeuwin & Deputy Sigridr Vilhjalmsdottir**

No update at this time

### **Event Updates**

#### **Arts & Sciences Day Camp**

No update at this time

### **June Faire/Kitsap Medieval Faire, Ciar ingen Fiachnae & Furia Dommitia**

Greetings Sun-drenched Dragons!

The Final June Faire report for 2024 is expected in August.

#### **Attendance numbers:**

##### Merchants

32 merchants

9 food vendors

|          | Pre-registration | At Gate | Moderns |
|----------|------------------|---------|---------|
| Camping  | 216              | 212     |         |
| Saturday | 14               | 118     | 1247    |
| Youth    | 35               | 32      | 613     |

#### **Gratitude!**

As the Event Stewards for June Faire, we cannot catch all the amazing people who contribute to this event.

For us, it started in July 2023 with coffee and ice cream, crunching numbers, and staring at maps while our partners entertained our dogs.

The event ended at 5:45 PM on June 16th, with the last bale of straw delivered to the VFW

Hall.

As I type this, we're working with our amazing Exchequer to get the final receipts entered and the numbers crunched to finalize the report.

At the end of any event, but especially June Faire, an outpouring of thankful announcements is made, and we still don't catch everyone. Not only do we have people who pick up a golf cart shift or grab a schedule to voice herald on the fly, but we also have our seven-hour public demonstration!

The Kitsap Medieval Fair doesn't happen without everyone who attends. We miss thanking the Marshals who keep us safe, the Bards who keep us entertained, the fighters on the war field and in the rapier erics, archery, siege, and thrown ranges, setting scores and doing novelty shoots, the artisans and scientists in the hall and field, our merchants who add to the feel and also provide the goods, and our participants who show up in garb and armor.

Our people come from all over: Dragon's Laire and Misty Ridge but also Blatha an Oir, Glymm Mere, and Madrone, too far-flung An Tir, the West, and sometimes even the East!

Thank you! Thank you for your support throughout the year! Thank you for sharing the event and putting up fliers! For attending and braving the crazy June weather. We can't do it without you, and we wouldn't want to. See you next year!

### **Harvest Feast 2024 , Arontius of Bygelswade**

No updates at this time

### **Candlemas,**

No updates at this time

### **Ostara, Adelheide Leeuwin**

Nothing new to report. Reminder that the other half of the deposit is due in February.

### **Oh by the way...**

### **SCA Garage Sale—Countess Elisabeth, Hugues, many others**

Approved with a planned \$100 donation to the hall. Contacting Sherry for the day.

### **Consider Zoom for the Finance & Business Meetings—Hugues**

Attending in person can be a great hardship if you have to work second shift, have a disability, have a family, or a variety of other reasons. Other branches have their meetings en-

tirely online, which allows for greater access and also recording the meeting for those who would like to be aware and can not attend.

Conrad Ross proposes a hybrid model. Caterina agreed that this could be made to work although might require investment in some equipment such as a microphone and camera.

Laurellen will discuss with Jessy as our DEIB Officer and we will follow up in August.

### **Dragon's Scholar—Halldora**

We haven't heard anything recently and if we had a time frame it would allow those who wish to participate a better idea of the schedule they have to work with.

Laurellen will discuss this with Arontius.

### **July Coronation Camping—TE**

If you want to camp with the Barony, please let Kloe know ASAP as it is this weekend.



## **Officer notes from the Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge**

**The June Business Meeting for the Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge was held online via Zoom, June 28th, 2024.**

### **Canton report for Seneschal, Alys Graye, submitted June 30, 2024 (UTC):**

The Incipient Canton had a strong showing at June Faire. We volunteered in several places. Our Ghost gate was fully covered in addition to volunteering at Volunteers point, ghost gate, marshalling, and at the A&S pavilion. I encouraged volunteering at any effect folks are at. This is to improve our reputation.

We had very vigorous conversations at last meeting about June Faire, Volunteering and the positive effects it has. and writing up awards. The plan is to move the in person July Meeting to August 5th at the home of Jeff and Jenifer Lee. The August meeting and gather will shift back to the last Monday of the Month.

We have hit Major discouragement from members who wonder why we are not a Canton yet. This will be addressed in a separate email to be sent out before July Coronation.

### **Canton report for Herald, Máel Cáemgein mac Sheamuis Ui Chonchobair, submitted June 29, 2024 (UTC):**

Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge Herald monthly report: June 29, 2024

This month I submitted new heraldic device submissions for Jesse and Karyn Welch (Names have yet to be submitted). I am also continuing to check OSCAR regularly to see if any of the past submissions have come through. I have also sent a letter to the Barony asking for instruction on what to do get our Canton name, Device, and badge submission process going and received the reply of "Be patient."

Yours in Service,

Máel Cáemgein mac Sheamuis Ui Chonchobair (Kevin Franklin)

Canton of Misty Ridge Herald

### **Monthly Canton Marshal's Report for the Proposed Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge Marshal Fearghus MacCulloch, submitted June 28, 2024:**

We have submitted the paperwork to become an Incipient Canton and are waiting to hear from the kingdom about our status. Since we are not an official branch yet we have not

held official practices. There have been no injuries at the practices that we have not held

**Monthly Canton Archery Marshal's Report for the Proposed Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge Marshal Fearghus MacCulloch, submitted June 28, 2024:**

We have submitted the paperwork to become an Incipient Canton and are waiting to hear from the kingdom about our status. Since we are not an official branch yet we have not held official practices. There have been no injuries at the practices that we have not held.

The question of why we cannot have SCA official practices has been raised yet again. A group discussion with the Baron, Baroness, Baronial Seneschal, Canton Seneschal and myself has started regarding the matter. I presented my findings and emails from the Kingdom Seneschal and the Kingdom Deputy Seneschal stating that we cannot have official practices yet. The only viable option that I presented is that I would need to be made a Baronial officer and then could hold baronial archery practice in the proposed canton. To do this, the Customary Officer Policy of the Barony would need to be changed to allow someone who is not a member of the Barony to hold office. Approval of this proposal needs to be obtained from the Kingdom Seneschal before the process can begin.