



# The Flames of the Dragon



**Three of the St. Hildegard copper coins, also called 'Baraks' from the work of Master Ian Cnulle**

**November 2025, AS LX (60)**

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## In case you missed it, online offerings!

- **[2025 Virtual West Coast Culinary Symposium](#)**, sponsored by the West. November 16th from 8 AM to 5 PM Pacific.
- **[Virtual Chatelaine Summit](#)**, January 31, 2026. 10 AM Pacific time start.
- **[Triple Kingdom University](#)**. Friday-Saturday February 6-7. Hosted by Lochac, Drachenwald, and Atlantia for a day of round the world classes! They are currently recruiting teachers with pre-registration to begin on January 26th.
- **[Known World Combat Collegium](#)**, Sept 5-6, 2026 in Northshield (Stoughton, WI)

# Upcoming Events & Activities

[Candlemas](#)—Hosted by the Barony of Blatha An Oir with Feast Coordinator Halldora Bjorn. Located at the Key Peninsula Civic Center: 17010 S Vaughn Rd NW; Vaughn, WA 98394.

- The event runs from 10 AM to 8 PM
- Details are currently scant but Arts & Science Activities are expected

## Misty Ridge Calendar

### Saturday

- Archery practice, 1:00 - 3:00 PM Saturdays.
- Please email Fearghus at [mistyridge\\_marshall@antir.org](mailto:mistyridge_marshall@antir.org) for directions.

### Monday, December 1st, at 7:30 PM

- Business meeting online via Zoom
- Meeting invite available through the Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge Facebook group.



## Modern Activities of Interest

**Disclaimer: None of the following activities are associated with the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc or are sponsored/supported by it.**

- [Salmon viewing etiquette!](#) Salmon viewing starts the first Saturday in November.
- 10th Annual [JINGLE FEST Holiday Craft & Gift Show](#). Nov 15-16th, Kitsap County Fairgrounds. Raises money and awareness for Meals on Wheels Kitsap. FREE, accepting donations of cold weather items for home-bound seniors.
- [Fall Festival of Gems](#), Nov 22-23, Kitsap County Fairgrounds. FREE.
- Visit with [Santa at the Poulsbo Candy Shoppe](#) for FISHLINE, Nov 23, 12-4. FREE Photo, accepting food and cash donations for Fishline.
- GeekCraft EXPO [Seattle Holiday Market](#), November 28, 7 PM—10 PM.
- [Holiday on the Bay](#), Port Orchard Waterfront, December 6
- [Krampus Market 2025](#), Dec 6 at 2 PM, Pacific Ave and 5th, Downtown Bremerton.

## **VFW Hall Weekly Calendar**

### **Tuesdays @ the VFW Hall**

- 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.

### **Tuesdays @ the Silverdale Lutheran Church Annex: 11701 Ridgepoint Dr NW**

- Armored Practice every Tuesday. YAC 1st and 3rd, Rapier Practice 2nd and 4th,

### **Sundays @ the VFW Hall—weather dependent**

- Thrown from 11:00—12:30
- Archery from 1:00—4:00 to 5:30 depending on light

### **Planned activities during Social (subject to change)**

**Nov 18:** Scribes! Games! Youth Arts & Sciences

**Nov 25: Potluck and Bardic Night!** Music, stories, song, dance! Tasty things to eat.

Warm things to drink! Low key social, don't cook, come anyway!

**Dec 2:** Finance and Business Meeting! Doors open at 6:00, meeting starts at 6:30. Youth Armored Combat Practice.

**Dec 9: Officers, who, what, and why with Her Excellency Furia Dommitia!**

**Dec 16:** Scribes! Games! Youth Arts & Sciences

**Dec 23 and 30th : TBA**

### **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

### **November 13th—Morgan Black Hours with Dame Tamlyn**

Come work on a sample of the Morgan Black Hours style and learn about Black Hours in general. Zoom will be open for socializing, but instruction is hands on in person starting at 7pm.

### **December 11th—Gouche Gems taught by Lyndi of Summerngate**

Learn the layers to paint gems on illuminations.

Potential for open house painting day in later December, more to come!

In the new year, a “new” medieval calendar!



Neat article on the [Medieval Calendar by Roger S Wieck](#). The Morgan Library and Museum, New York. In associate with Scala Arts Publisher, Inc, 2007.

## Culinary Arts Guild Meeting

**November 20th Meeting: Saffron taste-testing, Candlemas recipe trying**

At Halldora's in Poulsbo, 6:30 PM

**December 13th Meeting: Winter potluck and treat exchange (savory or sweet)**

At Otilla's in Poulsbo, 2 PM

THL Halldora Bjorn is exploring a feast of seasons with recipe from Italy for Candlemas

For those wondering... single-serve mini Torta Bianca (Ginger Cheesecakes) are likely to make a reappearance.



Arcimboldos Four Seasons, evoking ages of man, temperaments, and the seasons associated with them. [Interesting article](#) about the painter and the variations on the four seasons 'portraits' he painted.

[Funny Faces: Arcimboldo's Four Seasons](#). The Garden History Blog, posted April 13, 2024. Link from 11/11/25.

## Around the Region

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- **Glymm Mere Yule**, Dec 6, Washington Land Yacht Harbor  
1. Pre-reg required, closes Nov 21st. Feast along the Spice Route from China to Yemen! Menu posted.
- **Aquaterra Good Yule**, Dec 6, Mount Vernon Library Commons. Pre-registration required for feast.
- **Madrone Yule**—A day of Dance, Art, & Music. Fauntleroy United Church of Christ, 9140 California Ave SW; Seattle, WA 98136. Hospitality table plus lunch by donation, Potluck for dinner.
- **Twelfth Night**—Jan 9-11, Hilton Bellevue; 300 112th Ave SE; Bellevue, WA 98004.

# St. Hildegard Coppers

## Magister Arion the Wanderer

I learned how to make coins from Master Ian Cnulle. He learned how to make coins by studying coins and the technology available in the Middle Ages. He started from scratch where little was known about how medieval coin dies were actually made. Granted, there were a lot of academic publications about how they might have been made. But few had attempted to put graver and punches to steel to find out. My coin die work benefited from 16 years of his experience. When people ask how my coin die work got so good, I answer “I had the best possible teacher.” I was able to do my second coin die as Greek high relief because he had already sorted out how to do that.



Some of Ian's best known SCA coinage are the St Hildegard copper coins. I recently published a book detailing this impressive body of work. He carved 50 high relief coin dies over a period of 7 years. These were lovingly called “Baraks” since the first coin was made for Jarl Barak, an early King of An Tir. These copper coins were sold for \$1 at SCA events across the USA. They could be used to purchase goods from participating merchants for \$1. The merchants could redeem them from Ian for \$1. Ian was a consummate artist. He wasn't a particularly good business man since he never made any money making these coins.

I had two reasons to publish this book:

1. To share Ian's amazing art with a wider audience. To my knowledge, there are only 3 complete sets of the of these coins in existence. This book shows all the coins at a 6x magnification.



## 2. To help support Ian's widow. She gets all the profit from book sales.

As to the 6x magnification, when you magnify his work, you find amazing fine details that you may miss at actual 1" diameter size. If you magnify my work that much you see the flaws. You don't see his flaws because there aren't any.

The text describing each coin was gleaned from lengthy letters he wrote to his father. My tasks in putting the book together were to get decent pictures of the coins and to limit the descriptions to 400 words. Ian was NOT a man of few words, so combing through his 45-page letters to his father was an interesting exercise in editing to keep his flavor while keeping my god daughter, who did the layout and book design, happy.



The Preface was written by Karen Kidd, Ian's widow. It gives you a window into who this quirky artist was. Ian died suddenly on 11/11/11.

The book is [available through Amazon](#).

## ST. HILDEGARD COPPERS



Arion the Wanderer, Editor  
With coin descriptions by Gregory Paul ("Ian Cnulle") Franck-Weiby



“

I want my work to be a distillation of my short lifetime full of curiosity and wonder and study.”

Gregory Paul “Ian Cnulle” Franck-Weiby  
Feb. 15, 1972

THE SAINT HILDEGARD COINS, lovingly known as “baraks” in the Society for Creative Anachronism, were used for a period of time as a \$1 token acceptable as payment for wares by SCA merchants. Struck red hot on 1 inch diameter by 1/8 inch thick copper blanks with a target weight of 14 grams, these coins have a satisfying heft in the hand. They are listed in multiple volumes of Krause Publications “Unusual World Coins” as “Coinage of the Realm” and have an international collector base. This is the first complete listing of all types in the series by coin die completion date.

This book is a posthumous tribute to one series of Greg Paul (“Ian Cnulle”) Franck-Weiby’s coin art. He died suddenly on 11/11/11. The text used to describe each coin was gleaned from a set of lengthy letters written to his Father. Enjoy his beautiful art and his mastery of the written word.



# 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

### **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.
- 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.

**You can also speak with the THL Pernell Camber about any position or consider asking about becoming a Deputy!**

**Want to be an Officer but aren't sure about a membership? Visit [sca.org/member-services](http://sca.org/member-services) for additional details and also The [Signorotti Membership Assistance Fund!](http://sca.org/signorotti)**

# Introducing new Officers!

## **Rapier**

My name is Briar Rose, I hail from the Outlands where I trained with my father, Topaz, throughout my youth. I began attending official practices in 2020 and having been training off and on since then. I have been committed to making my presence as a rapier fighter more known in Dragon's Laire since June Faire after a year long hiatus due to ongoing health issues. Outside of the SCA, I am a cosplayer, performer, and writer.

## **Golden Dragon Pursuivant (Herald)**

### ***Summarized from her introduction at business meeting:***

Morgaina, has been in the SCA for 17 years, first in the Oulands, and more recently An Tir. Looking forward to getting to know Dragon's Laire better. Enjoys both Voice and Book heraldry!

# **Officers of the Barony & Canton**

## **Coronet**

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Social Media Deputies: Anne of BearHeaven and Doc

**Date of the meeting: 11/11/25**

The Motion to approve the October Finance and Business Meeting Minutes from **Brian of Cardiff**

Seconded: **Stuart of House Awry**

The Populace approved the motion, there were no Nays or Abstains.

# Dragon's Laire Finance Meeting

Barony of Dragon's Laire

Finance Meeting Report –

11.11.2025

Committee members:

- \*Pernell Camber, Branch President
- \*Nikippa Lakaina, Branch Treasurer
- \*Furia Dommitia, Committee Member
- \*Conrad Cedricson, Committee Member

Non-Voting Committee members:

- o Guiote de Bourgogne, Deputy Branch Treasurer
- o Ciar ingen Fiachnae, Populus

1. Account Balances: available upon request of Exchequer

2. Event Bids:

a. Autumn War 9/11/2025 - 9/14/2025

- i. Rosa Marcella is Event Steward; Myskia Billingr is Event Co-Steward
- ii. Request DL run the Archery field and buy into the event for 10% of expenses in exchange for 10% of the profit plus reimbursement for buy-in.
- iii. Buy in is estimated at \$1385; return on investment is estimated at \$1090. Total return (buy in plus profit) is estimated at \$2475.
- iv. Intention is to utilize profit for archery program enhancements.
- v. Approved.
  
- vi. DL's 10% cost share is due by 15 October.
- vii. DL cost share payment sent 15 September.

viii. BAO is waiting on Kingdom PayPal coordinator for final totals before sending cost share payment.

b. Harvest Feast 10/11/2025

i. Halldora Bjorn is Event Steward

ii. Event proposal. Site, Village Green Community Center, Kingston, WA. Site cost \$2390.

iii. Day Fee \$20, Feast Fee \$15.

iv. Estimated Expenses \$4475; Estimated Income \$4800; Estimated Profit \$325.

v. Harvest feast PayPal preregistration was requested and approved

vi. Approved comps (currently TE and the 2 Champions (A&S and Bardic) as per Customary) are noted.

vii. The Finance Committee deliberated virtually and decided to make Harvest Feast a free event (optional donation). Refund requests are due Today using the Google Form posted online. Refunds (minus paypal fees) will be made via check in the coming weeks.

viii. Refund checks have been issued.

ix. Income from donations, minus PayPal fees and refunds: \$2,350.25. Expenses: \$4,184.20. Net loss: -\$1,833.95

c. June Faire – 19-21 June 2026

i. Tiernan of House Awry is Event Steward & Cedric is Co-Steward

ii. Event Proposal Presented

d. Beltane – 24-26 April 2026

i. Proposal Incoming

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. 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. Printing – one handbook, 20 waivers per tourney. (add to budget annually) (approved)

- d. Web-team: request to move domain name and hosting to new providers. Increase capacity and reduce cost. (approved)
- e. Storage unit: too much stuff, safety hazard. Barony items dispersed across numerous homes. Could we have June Faire stuff in a second smaller storage unit? - not really (approved). Storage unit prices have doubled, so this is now on hold. New Storage Unit options presented and one approved by finance committee. First 6 months paid for.
- f. Request to allow \$20 per month allowance for digital communication functionality; options will be explored by the Web team. Zoom available now.
- g. Request – Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge requests reimbursement for physical copies of Incipient Canton Petition to Kingdom for delivery to the Soverns. \$200.67. Approved.

#### 4. Administrative Actions:

- a. Suggestion to transfer CD to high interest savings account. Look into the process. Maturity date 3-15, 202, will decide after maturity date. Passed maturity date. Revisit in 2026.
- b. Officers and Guilds. Start thinking about your expected 2026 operating expenses. We will be setting the baronial budget at the January business meeting. Another plea for 2026 Operating Budgets.
- c. Stale checks – if you receive a reimbursement check, make sure to deposit it within 60 days of receipt and before the end of the calendar year to allow for clean financial reporting to Kingdom and Society. Suggestion: Have “Void if not cashed within 60 days” printed on checks upon next available opportunity.
- d. Paid for Annual VFW Hall rental for Tuesdays. \$1300.

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

- a. Purchase of three Baronial Day Shades- 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 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. Lucy of Leke purchased new rope. Reimbursement for supplies and a one-time travel allowance approved by the DLFC on 04/12/2021 to Lucy. 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. 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 HE Kloe of Thira 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

To the moderately soggy and entirely windswept populace of Dragon's Laire,

### Quick Note:

Pernell has been gracious enough to let me make two small but important clerical clarifications.

Firstly, step-up deputies must be approved by the Seneschal and Coronets, regardless of the position. Whether your position reports directly to a Kingdom Officer, a Baronial Officer, or the deputy of a Baronial Office, any step-up deputies must get approval. If there's a chance you may need to step into the role, you need approval.

Secondly, please never include anyone's modern name in your reports. While the Facebook group is mildly private-ish, your reports are published in the Flames and streamed to YouTube which are both public. If the person you are referencing does not have an SCA name yet, do not include their last name. This is an important safety precaution which may seem excessive but remember, there was a time when the home address of the King was published in the Crier.

### Trunk or Treat:

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Third Annual Trunk or Treat and a special shout-out to the one who actually braved the outdoors. This year was our busiest yet and it's so wonderful to see the children of Dragon's Laire in all of their costume finery. We want to especially thank Ciar for providing the craft activity which was the biggest hit of the evening though the delicious soup was a close second.

Now that Daylight Savings Time is once again upon us and the world grows darker and soggier by the day, we wanted to take a moment to remind you all that you are an invaluable part of our community. Mental health can take a hit as Vitamin D becomes environmentally scarce but remember that store-bought is fine! Please remember to be patient and kind with yourself as we approach the Big Dark and the Holiday months. It's a perfect time to reach out to friends, join a class, and work on a project. It is wonderful to see your faces at Socials and Marshallate practices so please reach out if you need help.

**Award recommendations (paraphrased by Ciar):**

If you would like to recommend someone for an award or recognition, we have a handy form on our website.

There is a handy form on the Kingdom website for Kingdom forms, this one does require you create a login.

If you are just not into the forms. You CAN HAVE A WORD WITH US! You can pull either one of us aside for a word at Social or you can send an email.

Don't know which award, doesn't matter! Spread the word fame of your friend, family, or a complete stranger you saw on the field doing the thing. We promise to take notes.

# Celebrating the Dragon's Laire Populace!

## Not-Our-Court Court Reports

### July Coronation

Lyndi of Summergate - l'Esperon et du Lion (presented at HarvestFeast, roving)

Hugues de Bertoncourt - Jambe de Lion (presented at HarvestFeast)

Caterina da Savona - Jambe de Lion (presented at HarvestFeast)

### Autumn War

Aoife - Inspirational Consort AND Goutte de Sang

Rycheza z Polska - Lion's Strength

Felix Fitz Pierce of Dover - Award of Arms

Telemon of Crete - Sable Gauntlet (presented at HarvestFeast)

### Rose & Thorn Symposium

Kara Bjorki - Sable Pheon AND Goutte de Sang

Veleda ingen Kee - Sanguine Thorn (presented at HarvestFeast)

**Cynagua Fall Coronet** (Kingdom of the West, Principality of Cynagua)

Agnes berengarii de Girona - Order of the Laurel,

## Dragon's Laire Court Report

### Harvest Feast

Lyndi of Summergate, Bumblebee (roving)

Robert the Tailor, Bumblebee (roving)

Bianca di Baldasarre Saturnio, Dragon's Flame

Hugues de Bertoncourt, Dragon's Flame

Sigridr Vilhjalmisdottir, Order of the Dragon's Pearl

Idomeneus the Crabby, Dragon's Lily

Pak Sol Hwa, Drake's Shepherd

Halldora Bjorn, Order of the Wyvern

Isemay Makenze, Order of the Wyvern

Clyde Bedoe, Snapdragon

Poseidonis Lakon, Nautilus

Jessy Gateman, Order of the Dragon's Pearl

Iohannus "Owain" ap Gwyllim Pengryth, Order of the Wyvern

Ciar ingen Fiachnae, Baron & Baroness' Favor

Kloe of Thira, Baron & Baroness' Favor

Jenae' la Joyeaux, Baron & Baroness' Favor

### **New Scholar's of Dragon's Laire**

Karl inn irski

Brighid Ross

Paullus Quintilius Barbatus

## **Seneschal, Pernell Camber**

A fantastic way to get to know more people in the barony is to volunteer to help. It's an exciting job so come check it out and decide if you would like a turn as seneschal. I'm saving a spot on the schedule.

Are there people who will come to the social on 12/23 and/or 12/30? If anybody isn't busy with family/social events I'm happy to hold social on those Tuesday nights. Please let me know if you would like to come and what Tuesday (or Tuesdays) are best for you. If the group is small the social will be at my house where it's nice and warm. ***A poll is available on both Facebook and Discord to receive input from the Populace.***

Please recommend deserving people for rewards. It's easy!

The Dragon's Laire PO Box address has changed to 1004 (used to be 99) Dragon's Laire, PO Box 1004, Silverdale, WA 98383. DL Customary review.

## **Seneschal Deputies**

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

I'm still looking for people to mentor in the fine art of event communications! October's events centered on Harvest Feast and the SECOND Tuesday business meetings for Oct & Nov.

\* Moderators had to intervene a little on Facebook: as a gentle reminder, please keep your SCA spaces medieval! Although we may have strong feelings about modern politics, there are other places on the internet to share those. SCA social media policy prohibits things that can be construed as being for/against any candidate.

\* Our Discord shows healthy growth, slowly becoming more active. Aoife & Morgan's video series is getting a lot of online love. Watch it on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, or Tik-Tok.

\* We are also looking for more content to boost the Misty Ridge online presence.

\* The Facebook frustration of the month is the sudden increase in group posts being flagged by the platform as possible "spam." Moderators are not being notified. We are re-

leasing these from jail... when we notice them. I am making an extra effort to watch for such posts.

\* As always, thank you to Bianca di Baldasarre Saturnio & Akizuki Soujirou for running our Discord, Anne of BearsHaven and Doc for representing Misty Ridge, our partners on the Webminister team, and to all the officers who help me populate the monthly "what's happening" post with YOUR activities.

### **DEIB, Jessy Gateman**

Greetings Great Barony,

Thank you all for making our newcomers at Harvest Feast feel welcome and part of the group. When people feel like they belong they're more likely to stick around.

Normally I post about an EDIB topic that is being celebrated or an "awareness" month that we're currently in. This month I'd like to deviate from that. As many of you know many people in our community are suffering this month with possible food insecurity and the stress of not knowing when their bills are going to be paid. Many of our members, and our community at large, are government employees who have now gone over a month without a pay check. If you are in a position to help in any way I know the populace would be greatly appreciated. How can you help? You can donate cash to your local food bank. Donating cash allows food banks to purchase in bulk and get better deals than you or I can get. Don't want to donate cash? Then donate things like pet food or hygiene supplies. We have a free table at Social. Bring items you don't need or want to pass on and put them on the table (please take any left overs with you at the end of the night). You can also become a SCA Fairy. Consider sponsoring someone so they can go to an event. If you live near another populace member offer giving them a ride so they don't have to use so much gas. There are many small ways to make a difference. Let's lift each other up as we go through this stressful season.

Finally, if you have a few minutes tonight at the end of Social please help us reset the room for the Silverdale Senior Club's craft sale tomorrow. I know they'd appreciate our able bodies moving tables and chairs for them. Let's surprise them with the hall being ready for them when they arrive.

As always, I'm here for you. Even if it's just a listening ear and a shoulder to cry on. We're all in this together. You matter and I'm happy you're here.

In Service,

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

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

No report

## **Misty Ridge Seneschal**

Updated Customary has been submitted to the Kingdom Seneschal for review. The application for full status has been submitted to the appropriate Kingdom persons.

Beltane has been bid, some discussion was held about the site, seems like a good opportunity to try a new location.

## **Exchequer, Nikippa Lakaina**

### **Steward, Kloe of Thira**

Remarks: Big push to move everything before Thanksgiving. Please watch for a call for volunteers, likely November 22 or 23rd but weather dependent.

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

Nothing to report for the past month

YIS,

Karl inn irski

## **Arts & Sciences Minister, Karl inn Irski**

October 11th saw a wonderful Harvest Feast, with competition to select the new A&S and Bardic Champions.

Sigríðr Vilhjálmisdóttir is our new A&S Champion, with an outstanding display of the culmination of the flax project, weaving the spun flax into cloth

Zabel Maloyan, with a moving story and song, "We Will Go Home", is our new Bardic Champion

Harvest Feast also saw a renewal of the DL Scholars Program, with a wide range of papers presented. 3 new Scholars were named: Brighid Ross, Paullus Quintilius Barbatus,

and Karl inn irski

HL Jessy "Jess" Gateman taught a class on pants making on 10/21 at Social YIS,

Karl inn irski

### **Gamesminister, Lucy of Leke**

Greetings. Mighty. Barony.

Halloween social was the greatest night of the year for board games.

Introduced several people to mancala and another to hnefetafl.

The hnefetafl was even borrowed to be studies at home.

When will it be Halloween again?

YIS Lucy

P.S. FYI -

Mancala is a simple, fast game which requires a little counting and forethought to win.

Hnefetafl - Viking chess - is the first game I have encountered where each player has a different goal so each side must be played with different strategies. Fun. And challenging.

### **Baronial Marshal Posiedonous Lakon**

Baronial practices have moved in-doors to the Silverdale Lutheran Church

Practices are well attended, with an average of about 7 people in armour.

No injuries/incidents to report.

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

Greetings Dragon's Laire!

While October consisted of no actual archery practices due to weather, illness, and my Chief Deputy being away on private matters, I am pleased to report that we have had at least one practice for November, that being on Sunday, the 9th. Turnout was small (as expected for Winter) but everyone shot multiple Royal rounds and a few of the current

SSAC ends were shot as well. The weather was clear and a bit warmer than expected with mostly clear skies. A rare boon given the current season! As the days grow still shorter and the weather more chill, it is expected more practices will need to be cancelled, but we will take any available opportunity to get outside and pluck our magic twangers!

With humility and gratitude, I remain

Yours In Service,

Brian of Cardiff, OGGS

Chief Archer, Barony of Dragon's Laire

### **Heavy Martial: Ketill Cedricson**

Armored practices indoors are well attended. Nothing else to report

### **Lists: Halldora Bjorn**

Nothing to report.

### **Rapier, pending, Briar Rose**

Defenseur Jacques is in the process of bringing on Briar Rose to fill this position!

Rapier practices are currently the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.

### **Siege, Owain ap Gwylliam Pengryth**

We have weapons, and plans. Be on the lookout this month for meeting announcements for the future of Dragon's Laire Siege and how you too, can get involved with the long distance impalement of friends. Be the envy of old Vlad. Join us today.

YIS,

Owain

### **Thrown, Robert the Tailor and Deputy Kara Bjorki**

Nothing new to report

### **Youth Armored Combat (YAC), Lyndi of Summerngate**

No report. YAC practices are currently the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.

### **Chatelaine, Aoife Aileanach**

Good Morning, Good Day, and Good Evening!

As with every month your chatelaine team is working hard to make sure that our newcomers are feeling connected with our barony, being dressed in our finest gold key garb, answering questions, and helping our new friends get started no matter where they play.

On Nov 29th is the The Known World Newcomer's Symposium via zoom and costs zero dollars to attend! It is an amazing day of learning, round table discussions and simply enjoying each other's company. The best part is there is something to learn even if you have been playing for years and years! I hope you join us!

As always, if you have an idea for a video, or would like to be interviewed please let me know! I love to feature all of the amazing work we are doing locally!

Gratefully yours in service,

Aoife Ailénach

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

Remarks: Her Excellency provided the reminder I was going to say! Please no modern names in your reports.

### **Golden Dragon Pursuivant (Herald), pending transfer to Morgania**

Unto the great and wondrous Barony of Dragon's Laire does this your Golden Dragon Pursuivant give what is intended as my ultimate report. (We'll see if it sticks this time.) I have , at this time, a step up deputy and am getting her up to speed presently. October was limited in the amount of heraldic conversations and consults with 5 and 2 respectively. While I will still be available for assistance on Heraldic issues, I will be found at the fighter practice side of things more regularly. Please treat your incoming Herald, Lady Morgania with kindness and give her some wonderful names and devices to assist you with.

Yours in Service,

Iohnnus/Owain

### **Baronial Scribe, Kara Bjorki**

Monthly Report from the Baronial Scribes. (Yep I got it online for a change):

The amazing artist in our Barony have continued to do amazing work! I hope you have gotten to see how amazing Inktober went. A special thanks to Tammy and Lyndi for helping coordinate this!! Thank you Kat Skalla for helping with finishing up the Baron and Baroness favors and for being willing to step up as a deputy to me. As always, please feel free to reach out if you have any questions about what we do or if you are willing to paint. Also please remember to put those around you in for awards!

## **Webminister, Kira Kirova**

The Dragon's Laire baronial zoom account is ready for populace use. If your office or guild needs access please contact the web minister with your request and include the time and dates of upcoming zoom meetings so the web minister can be on hand to provide any necessary verification codes or other supports for login.

## **Guilds & Groups**

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

Remarks: No meeting in October between Harvest Feast recovery and modern schedules.

Our November Meeting is on the 20th, we will be doing our re-scheduled Saffron Tasting and some recipe testing for Candelmas.

Our December Meeting is on the 13th, we will be doing our potluck (period or modern dishes are fine, the goal is one you wish to share) and treat swap (savory or sweet).

If you are interested in being on THL Halldora's Feast team for Candlemas, please contact her directly.

### **Scribal Guild, Tamlyn of Wyntersea**

October was ScribeTober! Scribal Guild activities included weekly Zoom meetings (averaging 4 in attendance) and the "Dragon" prompt and participation at Harvest Feast (Korbin, Sven from BaO, Lady Ekatrina Korsakova BaO, Emil Camus, Griffin Payne, Flynn Payne, Corey Skillman, Jean Luc de Brest, Khoas, Sage, Olwen the Curious, created cards which are posted in Dragon's Laire Facebook group, results for the month of prompts can be found in the Official Dragon;s Laire Scribes group (I have about 11 days

to finish: -).

I'd like to thank again Lady Lyndi of Summergate and Dag for their help at Harvest Feast.

I hear the Lady Lyndi has made several successful trades of Youth Cards and I need to finish mine so I can do so as well.

Upcoming there will be only one Guild meeting each in the months of November and December. November's meeting is this Thursday the 13th starting at 6:30pm in person and is Black Hours Illumination with instruction starting at 7pm, Zoom will be open, but this is in general a hands-on class. December 11th Guild meeting will be Painting Jewels taught by Lady Lyndi.

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

Remarks: Continuing to work on decoration design to use up the remaining fabric in our stash. Sigridr is doing decorations for 12th Night, Dragon's Laire will be well represented.

### **Event Updates**

#### **June Faire 2026:**

Remarks from Tiernan: Still exploring site options. Will have an update at the next meeting once things are mapped out.

### **New Bids**

Ciar ingen Fiachnae requested approval from the Populace to explore bidding for Kingdom Arts & Sciences and Queens Rapier Championship 2027. Populace approved. There are a few site options being explored, if they work, the finance bid will be at the December meeting.

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

Discussion lead by Lady Lucy of Leke about how we could possibly do a directory so that we can connect SCA name, Modern name, and face. This would allow easier connection among the Populace. Concerns about violating SCA policy around protecting people's privacy.

Karl inn irski offered to provide cyber security discussions around computer and social media use if there is interest. The SCA is very online for research, communication, and event coordination.

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

**The November Business Meeting for the Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge was held online via Zoom, November 3rd, 2025**

## **Canton Seneschal, Veleda ingen Kee**

October Monthly Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge Seneschal's Report

- We updated our Petition to Advance to Canton status and sent the updated version to the Dragon's Laire chain of command on September 10th. We sent the updated Petition to the Kingdom, and the Kingdom Seneschal sent comments requesting more information. We are preparing a Customary for the Canton of Misty Ridges in accordance with Kingdom's comments.
- Weather permitting weekly archery practice is held on Saturdays from 1 to 3 PM.
- We held the routine Canton business meeting on October 13, 2025.
- We held another unofficial social locally on Sunday, October 13th that was well attended. We agreed to hold monthly unofficial socials at this meeting in the future. It is at no charge since Lady Culfre MacQuohollistar is a resident.
- We submitted Form 14 to add Lady Culfre MacQuohollistar as the Chatelaine for Canton of Misty Ridge.
- We found an alternative site to the Prairie Grange and will be submitting an Event Proposal for Beltane to Dragon's Laire for sponsorship at the November business meeting. Several of our Canton members visited the proposed site, Salish Trails campground, and confirmed it would work well for the event and they are offering the common areas without charge.

YIS,

Veleda Ingen Kee

Seneschal

Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge

## **Canton report for Exchequer, Jeffery of Jarrow**

There was no financial activity in October 2025.

## **Canton report for Marshal & Chief Archer, Fearghus MacCulloch**

The Incipient Canton has two marshals, one in target archery and one in heavy weapons. Target archery is still the only martial activity that holds practices on a regular basis.

We held no practices this month due to inclement weather and event attendance.

## **Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge Herald monthly report:**

Submitted name Submission for Culfre McQuhollaistar.

Yours in Service,

Máel Cáemgein mac Sheamuis Ui Chonchobair

Canter of Misty Ridge herald

***Errata: The Flames of the Dragon has the incorrect date for the Misty Ridge Business Meeting, it was held previously on October 6th.***

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