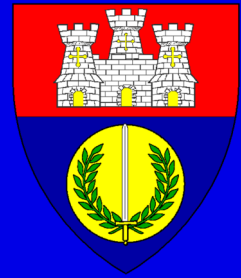


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From the Baronage

Greetings everyone from your Baron and Baroness,

Welcome to the scorching summer months. For those of you busily packing for Pennsic, we wish you smooth efforts, safe travels, and an uneventful return. We look forward to everyone sharing their stories from Pennsic, the sights seen, deeds done, and purchases bought!

We have settled into the new storage location and have an eye on moving again this fall to an even less expensive location. Either way, all the work of our helpful members has cleaned up a lot of items that were no longer useable, enabled a cleaned-up layout in the new storage location, and in many ways greatly improved the state of Baronial gear.

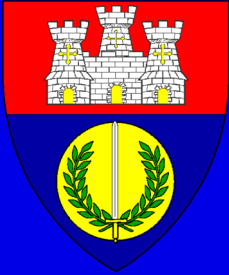
Weekly fight practices and gathers continue at the Moose Lodge just south of Ashland on Tuesday nights. It has become a "go to" practice for armored fighters with a large number of Knights and Royal Peers in attendance. Our rapier fighters also have a solid practice with regular visits from neighboring fighters. Others come and hang out at the many benches and tables, doing A&S projects, conducting Baronial and Kingdom business, and just visiting and hanging out. There will be the typical break around Pennsic but if you haven't attended in a while, please come grace us with your presence in mid/late August as we pick back up after Pennsic and the temperatures start moving back to fall comfort.

As everyone probably knows by now, Her Excellency and I stepped up to watch over Caer Mear as it's Baronage back in March, 2001. The initial tenure of Baronage runs 3 full years. We were looking to step down at that time, but we strongly wanted to re-align the turnover of the Baronage back to our capstone event of Ruby Joust in late May. Unfortunately to do this put the transition into the reign of Crowns not yet chosen until this November as HRH Ragnar and Mary Isabel will step up and King and Queen in October and step down next April. The de-Investiture and Investiture of new Baronage must take place at a royal progress event and the decision of the Baronage must be made by the Crowns doing the investiture.

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Monthly Baronial Gather

No gather in August (Pennsic) September to be announced is the next gather.



Old and New Business

Old Business

1. Site to hold gather and practice- Continuing to look for sites, (Seneschal) next gather at Seneschal home. – No gather in Aug (Pennsic) Next one Sept 9th -Will provide updates before each on FB
2. Baronial storage – Relocated to Extra space storage 3600 west end drive- still need to complete an inventory.
3. Bid brought to group to Host KASF 2024- Has been sent to Kingdom – Was awarded to another group-

4. Ruby 2024 Bids due at Sept Business meeting

5. Baronage Stepping down at end of tenure 3/2024, TRH and Kingdom have been contracted, waiting on timeline. **Update post business meeting** : Baronage has decided to request a vote of confidence and TRH have granted this. Polling will be conducted per Kingdom policy by Virginia Regional seneschal- once we know the timeline this will be shared.

Please be sure to check/update your membership expiration date and address via <https://members.sca.org/apps/#MbrMange> and to confirm email address is correct in the ESP, <https://polling.atlantia.sca.org>

New Business

1. Looking to possible hold September business meeting in person, more information will be posted to Baronial Facebook after Pennsic

Officer Reports

Seneschal Report

2nd qtr report has been filed

Attended Curia

1. Much discussion was held regarding naming of the new Kingdom award for service and A&S to a group
2. Discussed changes regarding the selecting of Chancellor of University and deputy position.

The will be no Baronial business meeting during August as it falls during Pennsic

Exchequer - Total in bank 13,421.03 4 checks out for 414.19

Knight Marshall:

MOL: Need a Volunteer.

Chronicler: Submissions on time. Nothing to report.

Webminister: July QD is up. Email distribution list is in the works with new URL link.

Minister of A&S: Great monthly gathering. Cook out was a success.

Chatelaine:

Quartermaster: Storage unit moved ! West End Drive.

Herald- Nothing

Chancellor of Youth-Vacant

While we felt we had started in plenty of time with the help and direction of Master William, we were obviously not nearly quick enough. Even the timeline schedule from the Seneschals office urges one to talk to the new Heirs within a week or two of them winning Crown Tourney. When contacted, HRH pointed out that they only had 3 open weekends during the full span of their reign. At that point, we were left with a only few choices if we still wanted to step down right away. None of these choices were very optimal either.

The first option was to find a volunteer to autocrat a new event specifically for the Investiture process with only 3 or fewer choices for weekends to make it happen. If we managed that, we would then have to squeeze the entire candidate process and Baronial polling into the time remaining before that event. We have a number of amazing works and skilled autocrats but we rely on the energy and charity of volunteers to put such an event together.

The next option was to talk to the BoD for a variance to extend our reign nearly 2 months to Ruby Joust. Given the current stress and drama going on at the Society level plus experience with such things given by former and current Crowns, this was deemed unlikely. We would have to pin our hopes on it, wait until that process dragged out for an answer and likely be left exactly where we started.

Instead, her Excellency and I conferred with others, including HRH, and decided to push for a polling of confidence amongst the populace. This polling will go to the current Heirs for their decision when they are King and Queen. If things go well and we feel they are likely to do so, this will extend the reign of Aine and myself for another two years. Armed with our improved knowledge of the timing and requirements, our plan at the moment is to step down part way during the 2 year extension, planning for a turnover of the Baronage in 2025 at Ruby Joust. This would require contact the new heirs after Fall Crown Tourney next year in 2024 to get their acceptance and get everything on the calendar. That also then gives us plenty of time for our Seneschal to conduct the polling process and doesn't add a last-minute additional event on the Barony's calendar (and more importantly, on its coffers).

We thank everyone for your understanding as we and all of our officers strive to keep this Barony running smoothly. I hope to see many of you at Storvik's Battle on the Bay in late August as well as at the Tuesday gathers.

In joyful service,
Aedan and Aine
Baron and Baroness Caer Mear

Weekly Meet-ups

Fighter Practice:

Tuesday's

6:30 pm

Ashland Moose

Lodge

11299 Washington

Hwy

Ashland Va. 23005

Monthly Gathering:

Aug: no meeting

September TBD

Baronial Business

Meeting:

8/9/2023

7:30 pm

Via Zoom Link

Check Facebook for
the link

Exchequer's Report

Last report:

4 Outstanding Checks: 414.19

Ledger Balance: 13,421.03

Regnum

**Need to contact
an officer .**

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 Lady þorfinna Holludottir (Sara Smith)
 Mistress Helen Whitmore (Beth DeByle)
 Sir Balin D'Acier (Jayson Steele)
 Lord Steffan von Musbach (Barry Klohr)
 Lady Rose Eileen Robertson
 Baroness Helena de Berkley
 Seraphino Ferruccio (Chris Guzek)

Events

For a complete listing :<https://atlantia.sca.org/calendar/>

July - 2023

07-28 - 08-13 : Pennsic War 50 : (Aethelmearc) (Q K Pr P)

August - 2023

08-25 - 08-27 : Battle on the Bay :Upper Marlboro MD (Storvik) (Pr)

September - 2023

09-01 - 09-04 : Sacred Stone Baronial Birthday :Boonville NC (Sacred Stone) (Q K P)

09-01 - 09-04 : Emerald Hastilude II :Lanexa VA (Tir-y-Don)

09-09 - 09-09 : Stierbach Baronial Birthday XXV :Spotsylvania VA (Stierbach) (Pr)

09-09 - 09-09 : Duke Uni. SCA Demo :Durham NC (Windmasters' Hill)

09-16 - 09-17 : Fall University :Durham NC (Kapellenberg)

09-22 - 09-24 : Trial by Fire and Lochmere Arrow :Glen Arm MD (Bright Hills) (Pr)

09-23 - 09-23 : Silver Chalice :Harleyville SC (Hidden Mountain) (Q K P)

09-30 - 09-30 : Marinus Baronial Birthday :Virginia Beach VA (Marinus)

09-30 - 09-30 : A&S Workshop :Spartanburg, SC (Nottinghamhill Coill)

09-30 - 09-30 : Roxbury, Milled! :Montgomery Village MD (Roxbury Mill) (Pr)

October - 2023

10-06 - 10-09 : Atlantia Fall Coronation :La Plata MD (Dun Carraig)

10-17 - 10-22 : War of the Wings :Boonville NC (Atlantia) (Q K)

10-28 - 10-28 : Royal Archer :Midland VA (Sudentorre)

10-28 - 10-28 : A&S Workshop :Spartanburg, SC (Nottinghamhill Coill)

Love's Quiet**By****Lady Merorie Matheson****CM Baronial Herald****CM Baronial Bard**

Love's Quiet - Documentation A Petrarchan Sonnet, named for the most well known author of this poetic style, Francesco Petrarca, is characterized by its rhyme scheme and structure. It consists of an Octave, with rhyme scheme AB-BAABBA, and a sestet, with rhyme scheme CDCDCD. Originally an Italian renaissance poetic form, when written in English, the common hendecasyllabic meter is changed to iambic pentameter (similar to other sonnet forms of the period, such as the Shakespearean sonnet). It was also common for these sonnets to feature love as a key theme, frequently with the octave presenting a "problem" or scenario, followed by a twist, or solution, in the sestet. Francesco Petrarca, known as Petrarch in the English-speaking world, lived in Tuscany in the early to mid 14th century. One of his best known works was Il Canzoniere, the Song Book, one of the first poetic works published in the Italian vernacular, and featuring 366 poems, the majority of which were sonnets of the style described above.

Love's Quiet

**Where now has gone the wild love of my youth?
The butterflies; the breathless, gasping need
That overcomes good sense and plants the seed
Of doubt and jealousy, clouds the truth
With beauty, passion, moving songs of luth
And lyre, too, makes us long and plead
Fearing its loss, declaring love our creed
We dare any part us with words uncouth.**

**But lo, I saw in this my dearest friend.
I felt a calmness, stillness of the heart
Such that I thought this peace should never end.
True Love, I see now, does not fear to part.
It endures, burns like the coals that you tend
With trust more than fervent need, the faery dart.**

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