

AVANTGARDE

10 YEARS OF MAJESTY, 10 YEARS OF AVACAL



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Kingdom of Avacal

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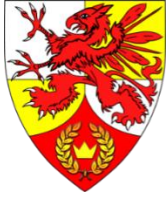
Their Majesties, Hrogn and Astrid, King and Queen of Avacal, have issued the following sanction against David of Vinjar, known in the modern world as David Fraser, Temporary Removal from Participation, effective as of September 7th, 2025.

Yours in Service,

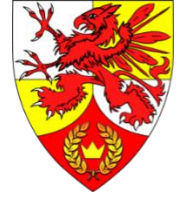
Countess Sadb Jofreysdottir

Vicki Foster

Seneschal, Avacal



AVACAL ROYALTY



Their Royal Majesties

King of
Avacal

Hrogan Gunthersson

Queen of
Avacal

Astridr Arnbjarnardottir



Royal Progress

These are the events Their Majesties are planning to attend:

Vinfest

Myrgan Wood Anniversary

Samhain

WinterCoronation

For any further information on Their Majesties progress, or general retinue questions, please contact the [Head of Retinue](#) - Duchess Asney Grimolfrsdottir

KINGDOM OF AVACAL CHAMPIONS

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Champion of Rapier	Tommaso Tiepolo	Champion_of_rapier@avacal.org
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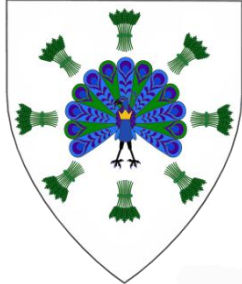
Champion of Arts & Sciences	Susan of Myrgan Wood	Champion_of_artsci@avacal.org
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Youth Champion	Emmett ap Malabar	
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Champion of Bardic	Dolce Machiavelli	Champion_of_bardic@avacal.org
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For further kingdom details, please visit Avacal.org the recognized website for The Kingdom of Avacal.

HEIRS TO THE GRYPHON THRONES

<u>CROWN PRINCE</u>	Aiden ap Grendal	
<u>CROWN PRINCESS</u>	Issabella of Kendal	

PROGRESS OF THE CROWN PRINCE AND PRINCESS

Vinfest	Winter Coronation
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Known as of publishing date.

For further information on Their Royal Highnesses progress, retinue, etc., please contact them via email (linked above). They will announce members of their team at their pleasure.



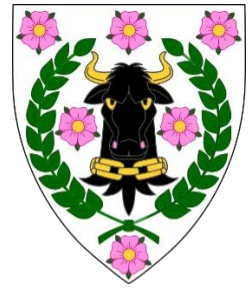


Award Recipients at Dragonslayer 2025

Kiera the Shadowed
Freydis Birthesdottir
Melchor De Bazán
Sigfuss Thorulfsson
Vladimir Strážca
Jocelyn of Montengarde
Ana Maria del Salto
Geneviève Cadieux
Lucrezia Iseppa Constantina di Arborea
Bjar the Blue
Kiera the Shadowed
Ellias Silver
Donnan Sionnach
Cynnia Mactyre
Freydis Birthesdottir
Sigfuss Thorulfsson
Šejmes of Montengarde

Argent Flame
Black Arrow
Champion of Sword
Champion of Arrows
Sable Dragon of Montengarde
Sable Dragon of Montengarde
Golden Link
Horn and Sword
Sable Cinquefoil of Montengarde
Mountains of Montengarde
Baronial Favour
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BARONY OF MONTENGARDE & THE BARONIAL SUCCESSION APPLICATION



We, Baron Refr and Baroness Adis, have been honoured and so proud to have been able to serve you as your Barons for the last two and a half years. It has been humbling in the best of ways and one of the most amazing journeys of Our lives. Watching the joy on People's faces when We have been able to give awards acknowledging all the amazing work they do; being able to stand at the head of Our mighty army, seeing the military might of Our people; being able to give beautifully made largess to Our amazing volunteers; welcoming all the wonderful Newcomers who joined this Great Game during Our time on the Baronial Thrones. These are things that will be hard to give up but give it up We shall, and a bit sooner than you are expecting.

With Baron Bjar and the Baronial Officers having bravely held their positions during Covid for longer than normal, when We stepped up almost all of Our officers were also new in their positions or were needing to step down shortly after Our own Step Up. If We wear the Coronets for a full four years, almost all the Baronial Officers will be needing to step down at the same time a new Baronial couple steps up. It also creates a situation in Avacal where all three Baronial couples will be stepping down at the same time. This means there is no experienced Baronial couple still in Office to help the newer ones. Though past Barons are wellsprings of information, they cannot be present at the plethora of meetings that sitting Barons need to team up for.

We both feel that We can be best of service to Our Barony and to Our Kingdom by ensuring that there is a smoother transition for Our people and for the Baronies of Avacal at the 4-year post-Covid mark.

We are announcing that we will be stepping down at Montengarde's 12th Night, in January of 2026. That means that the process for the Crown to choose a new Baronial couple begins now. The entire polling process is approximately 90 days. This includes a Baronial Meet & Greet for people to ask potential baronial couples questions and this will take place on Thursday September 18, 2025. All interested parties must have not just applied but gained actual approval from the Crown to put their names forward before September 9, 2025. The Baronial Polling will take place on November 1, 2025 at Samhain. The results from the Polling then go to the Crown. They consider the applicants and the input from the Populace from the polling and then They decide who will be next to sit the Baronial Thrones and when it will be announced.

We look forward to answering any questions you might have as to Our experience on the Baronial Thrones and We look forward to mentoring and supporting Our successors. Have no fear. You have a proud lineage standing behind you, supporting you and cheering for you.

In Service to Their Majesties and to the People of Montengarde.

Baron Refr and Baroness Adis

Kingdom Officer Opportunities

Open officer positions are listed on Avacal.org as vacant. If you are interested in assuming an officer position, please submit your letter of intent as well as your SCA and mundane resume to the Chief Administrator of that Office and the Seneschal.



Avacal's College of Heraldry requires a Contingency Deputy Herald to meet kingdom status conditions. If you are interested, please forward your SCA resume and a letter of application to the current Sanguinaris Herald, Arwyn of Leicester at herald@avacal.org.

CONTINGENCY DEPUTY HERALD AKA RED RAM HERALD

Job Description:

1. The Contingency Deputy Herald will administer the office if the Sanguinaris Herald, for whatever reason, cannot continue in that role.
 - a. Specifically, the contingency deputy herald will work with the Crown and Kingdom Seneschal to advertise and select a new replacement.
2. The Contingency Deputy Herald shall not be a spouse/partner of the Sanguinaris Herald.
3. The Contingency Deputy Herald will report quarterly to Sanguinaris Herald.

Skills and Competencies:

- o Prefer to have a knowledge of a least one aspect heraldry or a willingness to learn
- o Strong administrative skills including email, spreadsheets, word processing
- o Good working knowledge of governing aspects of the SCA such as corpora, kingdom law and Avacal customs
- o Able to learn administrative aspects of heraldry such as OSCAR (Online System for Commentary and Response), Administrative Handbook, Order of Precedence, etc.



KINGDOM CHRONICLER

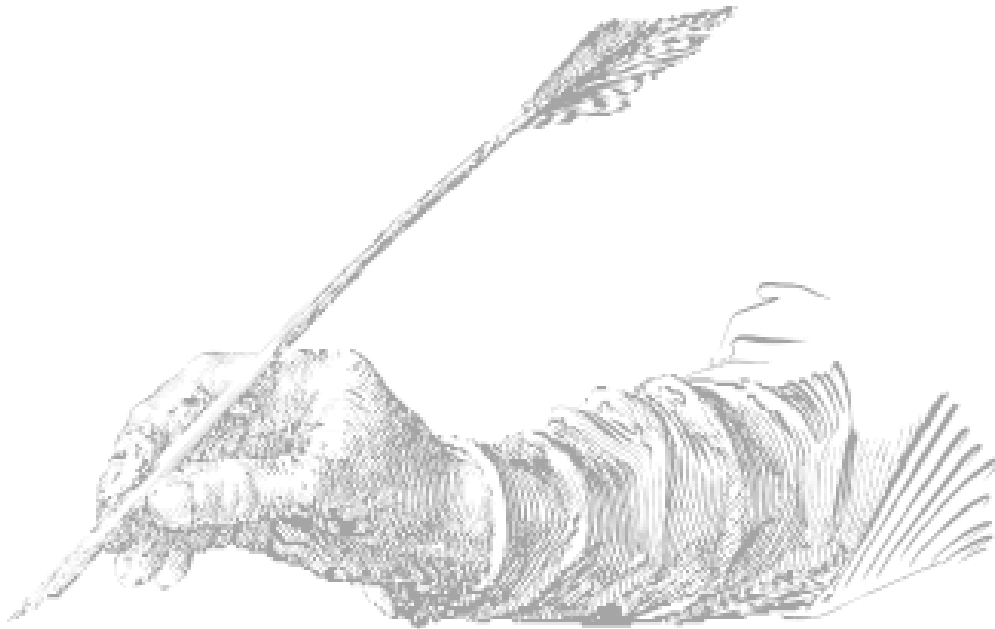
Are you the chronicler Avacal needs? If so, please forward your SCA resume to the [Kingdom Seneschal](#) and [Kingdom Chronicler](#) by November 31st 2025.



The Office of the Chronicler is responsible for the publication of the Kingdom Newsletter, the Avantgarde: a primary source of information about Kingdom activities, events, law changes and other matters relevant to our Kingdom.

Job Description and Skills Required:

1. Create the kingdom newsletter according to the laws and procedures of Society.
2. Remain ***Neutral*** at all times.
3. Have a computer with reliable access to the internet.
4. Use open-source software to create newsletter.
5. Own a dictionary or have access to one.
6. Occasionally wrangle cats.
7. Have fun.



AVACAL OFFICIAL EVENTS

MYRGAN WOOD ANNIVERSARY

October 10th – 12th, 2025
Museum of Antiquities
University of Saskatchewan
107 Administration Place
Saskatoon, SK S7N 5A2
Event Steward: Skald the Peacemaker and Kottr Hrafnas

Gate Fees:
Adults \$30 (\$20 with membership)
Youth 0-17 Free



Come join us to celebrate the founding of Myrgan Wood! Arts & Sciences, Combat, and great merriment will be available for all. The University of Saskatchewan is our backdrop for the drama of competition and warmth of revelry. Champion tournaments in Arts & Science and Heavy Combat are features alongside bardic, space-friendly archery, and fencing.

SAMHAIN

Nov 1st, 2025
Abbeydale Community Hall
821 Abbeydale Drive NE
Calgary, AB T2A 6N7
Event Stewards: [Lucrezia Iseppa Constantina di Arborea](#), [Freydis Birthesdottir](#), and [Jocelyn of Montengarde](#)
Feast Steward: Sigfuss Thorulfsson

Gate Fees:
Adult: \$35 (\$25 w/membership)
Youth: Free
Children: Free

Feast Fees:
Adult/Youth (12 & up) : \$15



The Barony of Montengarde invites you to Spicy Samhain 2025! This is our Bardic Champion Event, but of course, there's MORE – siege weapons, rapier, armoured, A&S, AND of course Baronial Polling. BUT WAIT – THERE'S MORE?! Why yes – because we love Samhain – we encourage people to dress up in a costume that their persona would wear!

EVEN MORE – why yes – FEAST! HL Sigfuss' Fantabulous Chili, served with white tray buns, shredded cheese, and sour cream on the side which will be followed by Lord Vader's delicious pumpkin tarts.

Not to be outdone – Sir Kate and Mistress Ellisif will be preparing a lunch by donation, and they have Black Forest cake cupcakes for dessert!

AVACAL OFFICIAL EVENTS

WINTER CORONATION

Nov 8th, 2025

Brian King Center

202 8th Avenue North

Warman, SK S0K0A1

Event Stewards: [Tofa Valadottir](#) & [Segdae Ua Faelin](#)

Feast Stewards: Alexandra of Myrgan Wood & Ella Baldric of Sigelhundas



Gate Fees:

Adult: \$40 (\$30 with membership)

Youth: free

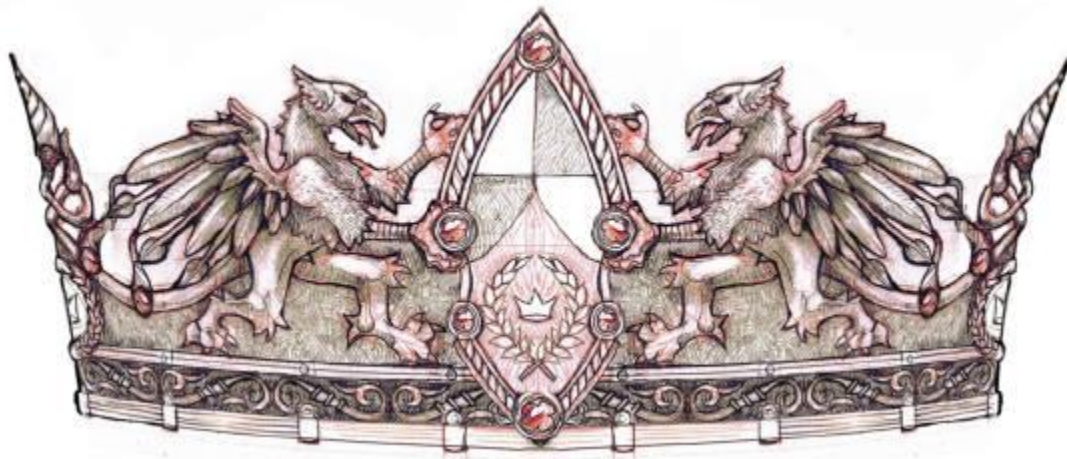
Feast Fees:

Adult: \$25

Youth (12-17): \$15

Join their Majesties Hrogn and Astrid as they step down from the noble Gryphon Thrones and witness the ascent of Avacal's Heirs. Our new Crowns will then oversee a tournament of blades as Maestro Tomasso Tiepolo selects his successor as Avacal Champion of Rapier! As the day grows dark, settle in for a Summer Barbeque Feast at this Winter Coronation

Lady Alexandra of Myrgan Wood and Lady Ella Baldric of Sigelhundas invite you to a gluten-free backyard BBQ during this frosty event! Featuring a Smoked Pork Shoulder main and assorted accompanying sides, brush off the winter chill with warm summer flavours and good company! Off-board table space available.



AVACAL OFFICIAL EVENTS

A VERY AYRESGARDE CHRISTMAS

November 28th - 30th, 2025

Girl Guide Hall Cranbrook

1428 2nd Street

Cranbrook BC V1A 3H1

Event Steward: [Thisbe Elysande la Blanchette](#)

Feast Steward: Sylve Leslie

Gate Fees:

Adults	FREE
Youth 0-17	FREE

Feast Fees:

Adults	\$25
Youth 12-17	\$15
Child 0-11	\$5



What better way to kick off the holiday season than Ayresgarde's annual celebration? This is laid back event full of merriment and just a pinch of mischief. Defenders in both A&S and Bardic will be decided, games will be played, gifts will be exchanged, and of course we will be rounding it all off with a fabulous feast! Hope to see you there! Another sumptuous multi-course feast fit for a King! Menu TBD but guaranteed to be grand!

KRAMPUS

Dec 5th - 7th, 2025

Immanuel Anglican Church

142 Massey Road

Regina, SK S4S 4M9

Event Stewards: [Matthew Pawliuk](#) & [MacKenzie Graham](#)

Feast Steward: [Bela Dunn-Beadry](#)

Gate Fees:

Adult:	\$30 (\$20 with membership)
Youth:	FREE

Feast Fees:

Adult:	\$20
Youth (12-17)	\$15



Join us in Sigelhundas for Krampus! We offer an enchanting mix of sword fighting, arts and sciences, and feasting for all ages. Enjoy thrilling tournaments and explore medieval arts and sciences through exciting classes. As night falls, savor a banquet fit for royalty with traditional dishes and exciting flavours!

AVACAL OFFICIAL EVENTS

YULE

December 13th, 2025
Alberta Avenue Community League
9210 118 Ave NW
Edmonton, AB T5G 0N4
Event Steward: Guillaîne de Gualle
Feast Steward: Jean de Chauillac



Gate Fees:

Adults	\$30 (\$20 with membership)
Youth 0-17	FREE

Feast Fees:

Adults	\$20
Youth 12-17	\$10
Child 0-11	Free

As the old year winds to a close and the new year draws nigh, come eat, drink and be merry. Gather with friends both old and new as you admire our artisans, cheer on our youth, and listen to our bards, as they compete for the honour of becoming our Champions. Feast details and menu will be announced closer to the event.

Future Event Dates:

12 th Night	January 17 th , 2026	Montengarde
Winter Crown	February 14 th , 2026	Kingdom
Skald the Hall	March 7 th , 2026	Myrgan Wood
Winter War	March 21 st , 2026	Borealis
Ferret's Feast	April 11 th , 2026	Valley Wold
Grand Tua	April 25 th , 2026	Kingdom
Spring Coronation	May 16 th , 2026	Kingdom



SOCIETY NEWS & EVENTS



KNOWN WORLD EVENTS

[Virtual Known World Newcomer's Symposium](#)

November 29th, 2025

Kingdom of Atenveldt

Event Steward: Lady Victoria

Co-Steward: Mistress Kolgrima Asgeirsdottir



**KNOWN WORLD
NEWCOMER'S
SYMPOSIUM**

INTERKINGDOM WARS

[GREAT WESTERN WAR](#)

November 4-10, 2025

Kingdom of Caïd (California)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

[PEOPLE ON THE MOVE - OFFICER OF INCLUSIVE PROGRAMS](#)

The SCA Inc. Board of Directors has appointed Emily Renee Carroll (She/Her/Hers) as the Officer of Inclusive Programs. This position plays a vital part in strengthening the SCA's commitment to building a respectful, inclusive, and welcoming community for all.

The Officer of Inclusive Programs serves as a strategic leader within the SCA's Corporate Office, tasked with shaping and guiding diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging (DEIB) initiatives across the organization. This role plays a crucial part in developing inclusive policy, creating impactful training programs, and fostering a culture of belonging for all members and volunteers.

[APPLICATIONS EXTENDED - DEPUTY EXCHEQUER FOR NMR](#)

Are you a data wizard? The Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA) Inc. is seeking candidates for the position of Society Deputy Exchequer for Non-Member Registration (NMR) data. This position reports to the Society Exchequer. Please click link in title to view the duties, responsibilities and requirements for this position.

Interested applicants should send a letter of interest, together with modern and SCA qualifications to exchequer@sca.org

BOD MEETING SCHEDULE:

2025 QUARTERLY MEETINGS

October 18th - 19th, 2025 - Live (Hybrid)

SOCIETY OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

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MEMBERSHIP QUESTIONS CAN BE SENT TO: MEMBERSHIP@SCA.ORG

THE SIGNOROTTI MEMBERSHIP ASSISTANCE FUND

Experiencing financial stress? The Signorotti Membership Assistance Fund is available to support those participants who may find it difficult to continue their memberships. We also welcome donations to this fund.

Members of our community can request assistance from our Corporate Office to purchase or renew memberships using this fund, named in honor of Renee Signorotti who recently retired after heading up the SCA's Membership Office for over 40 years.

To request assistance:

1. Email membership@sca.org and let us know that you would like to take part in this program. Please be assured that we will treat your request confidentially. No financial questions will be asked, as requests will be taken on good faith.
2. Complete a membership application (found on the [Document Library page](#)) and send it to the Corporate Office via email, Postal Mail, or Fax.

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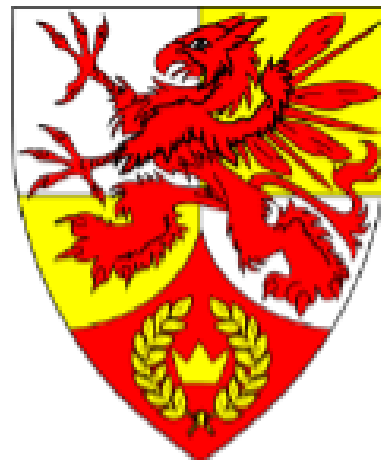
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