



The News

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE
KINGDOM OF CALONTIR



KINGDOM CALENDAR & ROYAL PROGRESS

Event Dates	Event	Crown	Heirs
September 4–6, 2026	Raid or Trade <i>Coeur d’Ennui</i>		NA
September 11–12, 2026	King’s Companie of Archers <i>{Lilies’ Site}</i>		NA
September 25–27, 2026	Vertigo: Birdigo! <i>Lost Moor</i>		NA
October 1–4, 2026	Fletch and Flame <i>Villa Frumentaria</i>	— —	NA
October 1–4, 2026	Namron Protectorate Epic 50th <i>Ansteorra</i>		NA
October 2–3, 2026	Autumn Arrows <i>Calanais Nuadh</i>	— —	NA
October 9–12, 2026	Winterfylleth <i>{Lilies’ Site}</i>		NA
October 24, 2026	CalonCon <i>Lonely Tower</i>	— —	NA
October 31, 2026	Grimfells Homecoming <i>Grimfells</i>	— —	NA
November 14, 2026	Fall Crown Tournament <i>Lonely Tower</i>		NA
February 13, 2027	Winter Coronation 2027 <i>Coeur d’Ennui</i>		
February 20, 2027	Winter War Maneuvers <i>Vatavia</i>	— —	— —

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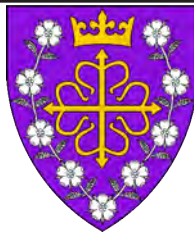
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*Diversity, Equity, Inclusion,
and Belonging*

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Hail Calontir!

As We write this, We journey to Pennsic War where Calontir will fight alongside Our Midrealm allies. We had a great time at Coronation and We thank everyone who made the day so special. At Feast of Eagles, great victories were won by Our Champions and the wonderful displays by everyone were delightful to see.

Once We return to Calontir, We are excited to watch Our Calon Equestrians demonstrate their skills at Cattle Raids and see what Our talented artisans have been working on at Kingdom Arts & Sciences.

One of Our initiatives is to increase the Kingdom's social media presence. To that end, We would love to encourage everyone to send in photos and short videos suitable for social media to Our Kingdom social media officer! See a trend? Let's make it happen!

As We look to the future of this great Kingdom, We seek heirs. Letters of intent are now being accepted for the Fall Crown Tournament. The Crown Tournament shall be held on November 14th, 2026, in the Barony of Lonely Tower. This tournament shall be fought as bring-your-best, best two out of three.

In the Finals, it shall be best two out of three of three. Each finalist shall select a weapon form for one round. Should a third round be needed, The Crown has selected a 6ft thrusting spear as the weapon.

To be considered, fighters must be able to span their shield across the longest points, and each couple must submit the following:

- Names of both Fighter and Consort
- Proof of current SCA Membership for the fighter and consort at the time of the tournament. If membership is due to expire at any time during the reign, proof of renewal within 10 days of winning Crown Tournament will be required.
- List of SCA events attended within the past 12 months.
- A copy of a legal ID for the fighter and consort. Both must reside in Calontir (or Treaty) and meet the age requirements of Kingdom law.
- A Statement of Intent: Why do you wish to be Crown?
- The names of your:
 - Chamberlain
 - Head of Household
 - Scribe
 - Herald

All letters must be submitted to the Crown and Seneschal no later than October 18th, 2026. We look forward to seeing who among the Heartland's finest shall step forward to bear the weight of Calontir's legacy.

*In service to the Dream,
Þyrikr Raðúlfsen & Alicia Niel,
King and Queen of Calontir*

Welcome to the Dog Days of Summer Calontir,

Lilies was just yesterday, wasn't it? Hard to believe that Pennsic just ended, we are working on things for Winterfylleth in two months and already some of us are plotting for Kris Kinder in December! In-between all of this we still have Kings Companie of Archers, Toys of Tots, Crown Tournament in November – more on that later—and the so “loved” CalonCon for officers in October.

I would like to welcome back to the Seneschal branch HL Jorunna Refsdottir who will be stepping up as our new Kingdom Social Media Officer. Please join me in thanking Lady Mielikkä Koiviston for her tenure in that position. People tell me that the Kingdom Seneschal is a hard job, really, what the Social Media team does is make sure events are put together and promoting the Kingdom across various platforms, they do more work than me.

As Their Majesties mentioned in Their letter this month, the time for Crown Tournament is fast approaching, even if the calendar reads August and we are melting in 100 degree days... We must plan for the future. To that end, a reminder that to enter Their Majesties Crown Tournament on November 14th in the Barony of the Lonely Tower, the combatant and consort must provide:

This information must be received by October 18th to both the Kingdom Seneschal (seneschal@calontir.org) and Their Majesties (Crown@calontir.org).

We will be looking in the coming months for a new Minister of Youth as HL Helias prepares to step down in February. If you have an interest in making Calontir and the SCA as a whole exciting and enriching to the youth of this Kingdom please reach out and speak with him, you never know you may find your passion.

Finally, CalonCon. This yearly meeting for Kingdom Officers is scheduled for Saturday, October 24th in the Barony of the Lonely Tower. Mistress Roise, our Kingdom Exchequer, and I are still working on the time

frame for the day. Currently we are planning to start around 10am and end at 4pm. In person meetings will be for Seneschals, Exchequers, and Chatelaines. Please check with your Kingdom superior for scheduling on your respective offices. Some may happen on different days.

Anne

Greetings, Calontir!

The time has come to seek our next Gold Falcon Principal Herald — the herald who leads our College of Heralds, stands at the Crown's side in court, and helps shepherd the naming and armory traditions that make our kingdom's pageantry shine.

If you've ever watched a court herald announce an award and thought "I could do that," or if you've spent years quietly helping populace members research names and devices, this might be the office for you.

What Gold Falcon Does:

- Serves as the voice of the Crown as needed
- Leads and supports our kingdom's heralds — local, regional, and deputy
- Helps populace members find and register period names and arms
- Works with the College of Arms on heraldic submissions and questions
- Keeps the kingdom's heraldic records and reports in order
- Mentors the next generation of heralds

Who We're Looking For:

Someone with heraldic experience — whether in submissions, court heraldry, or deputy service — who communicates well, stays organized, and enjoys working with people at every level of the kingdom.

How to Apply

Send a Letter of Intent to goldfalcon@calontir.org, including your heraldic history and any relevant experience you'd bring to the office. Interviews are tentatively planned for Kris Kinder, so please send your letter in as soon as you're able.

Heraldry is one of the ways we bring the medieval world to life for each other — courts, ceremonies, names, and arms all trace back to this office. If that calls to you, we hope you'll consider stepping forward!

*Yours in Service,
Dyrfinna Tonnudottir
Gold Falcon Principal Herald*

Greetings Calontir!

I am pleased to announce that our next Webminister has been selected. Otto Augustin von Württemberg has been selected to serve as our next Kingdom Webminister and is expected to step up into the role this winter.

We have recently completed a major change to the website look & feel in order to make the homepage more "outward focused." As part of this effort, we will be working to streamline site navigation to reduce the total number of pages and make it easier to access needed information.

CALON Update:

We have spent the summer fixing bugs and making minor improvements to the embedded content. Our next project will be to develop a system for handling event pre-registration. This is expected to take several months.

*Sincerely,
Gawin Kaypler, OoD
Calontir Webminister*

Good Morning, Calontir!

As summer winds down, think about what classes you would like to take or teach online! Zoom classes can be taught and taken whenever there is enough interest.

The following names were read into court at Feast of Eagles. Many certificates were picked up, but I still have many in my possession. My next event will be King's Companie of Archers.

Auditor Artis certificates are awarded to those who have taken at least 30 classes in 3 or more disciplines, and they are as follows:

- Olivera Woll
- Rigela Alicia la Placida
- Alianore de Strivelyn
- Kathleen of Stonehaven

A War certificate is awarded to those who complete 15 classes in one week. Solveig Briansdottir earned theirs at Lilies 2025.

Praeceptors are instructors who have taught at least 5 distinct classes: we appreciate the following gentles who are instrumental in the learning that takes place in our Kingdom:

- Black Corwyn MacCamie
- Isarna the Mad
- Fiondel Songspinner
- Jehanne Bening

- Shandrake Vale
- Dammo Utwiler
- Gwendolyn Verch Morgaine
- Sorcha inghean ui Mhaolain
- Banba MacDermot
- Cecilia de Gatisbury
- David ben Benjamin
- Katherine Devereaux of York
- Michael de Safita
- Ravasz Janos
- Ameline de Coity
- Gillian Warrender
- Helena Soranzo
- Jacqueline de Brackeleire
- Jorunna Refsdottir
- Kathleen of Stonehaven
- Mathieu Chartrain
- Morgana MacDermott
- Pádraigín an Ein i gh
- Sebastian d'Hinnisdael
- Roxelana Bramante
- Gabrielle des Chats Noirs
- Luna di Catarino Tofani
- Da'ud ibn Al-Kabash Al-Mai'ez Al-Garnatah
- Tove Brianesdohter
- Azumi no Nariko
- Genevieve de Chambery
- Johann Steinarsson
- Hannah de Avila

*Yours in service,
Lucia of Vativia*



Unto the Chroniclers and Populace of Calontir,

My warrant as Kingdom Chronicler comes to an end at the Fall Crown Tourney. Sometime afterwards, I expect to move out of Calontir to warmer climates. This makes **NOW** the best time to start the transfer to the next Chronicler. This missive is to start the search for my replacement. If you have considered stepping up into the role, please let me know and we can discuss it.

I currently use InDesign, which Kingdom pays for licensing, or you can use Publisher or any other publication software that works with US Letter size paper.

The duties of the Kingdom Chronicler are simple enough.

The Mews:

- Receiving flyers for approved events, store them on a Google Drive, and link them in the kingdom's website.
- Collecting articles from Kingdom officers and finding a cover for the next issue of The Mews.
- Putting the issue together and sending it off to Society before the deadline on the 10th of the month.

Group Newsletters

- Receiving newsletters from the Baronies and the Shires that have chroniclers.
- Reviewing those newsletters and picking nominees for the annual Blackfox Awards.

Meetings

- Attending Witan meetings at Crown Tourney and Coronation.
- Meeting with group chroniclers at CalonCon.

If you are interested, please contact me.

*Yours in service,
Randal Logan of Knightsbridge
Chronicler, Kingdom of Calontir*





Barony of Coeur d'Ennui invites you to

RAID or TRADE

"Along the Silk Roads"



September 4th – 7th, 2026

Location: Ashton Wildwood Park, 8717 W 122nd St N, Mingo, IA 50168

Raid or Trade site will open at 5:00 PM on Friday September 4th and close at 12 Noon on Monday Sep 7th.

Gate Hours for Registration:

Friday 9/4 - 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Adult Registration:

\$35.00

Saturday 9/6 - 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Adult Member Discount Registration: \$25.00

Sunday 9/7 - 10:00 AM to 12 Noon

Youth (17 and under):

free



Planned Activities:

- ❖ Camping! Come join us for a day or a long weekend.
- ❖ Competitions: Archery of all types, Armored Fighting including Buzkashi/Kok-Boru tournament, Cut & Thrust Fighting, A&S: Camel, in any medium, Bardic fireside tall tales, Hobby-Horse Polo, and lot of Games!
- ❖ Eating! The Barony will be spit roasting a lamb Saturday evening, all are welcome, all other dishes pot-luck style.
- ❖ Merchants!! Merchants welcome, no additional fees.
- ❖ Sunday morning camel swap: Bring your blanket and trade goods, your unwanted items may be someone's new treasures!
- ❖ Site is discreetly wet

Event steward: Arnevaz al'Shirzan, Jenny Wilson Welder (515)231-5707

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Deputy event steward: Antonia Stefani, Deb Keller (641)456-8953,

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The Barony of Vatavia
proudly presents
King's Companie of Archers

Site opens 9/11/26 at 8pm
Site closes 9/13/26 at 10am

Kelsey Short Youth Camp (Area 2)
17980 Collins Rd.
Smithville, MO 64089

Adult Event Registration: \$30
Adult Member Discount Registration: \$25
Youth 16 & Under: FREE
Cash or check accepted at gate
Make checks payable to: SCA, INC: Barony of Vatavia

Donation tavern lunch benefitting the
Newcomer's Glen will be available on site.

Alcohol allowed on site but not on the archery field.

Event Stewards:

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VERTIGO

Birdigo

Imagine a riot of color, the cacophony of birdsong and a flurry of feathers... Join the Shire of Lost Moor for a weekend of food, fun and festivities as we celebrate the timeless allure of everything avian.

WHEN: September 25th-27th, 2026

WHERE: Crowder State Park - 76 MO-128, Trenton, MO, 64683

GATE INFO: Friday: 4pm-11pm
Saturday: 8am-2pm
Site Closes Sunday at Noon

Adult Event Registration: \$25
Adult Member Discount: \$35
Youth (0-17): Free
Feast: \$15

Activities: A&S Competition - Birds in any medium

Archery Rattan Steel Youth Rattan
Youth Steel Youth Activities

A donation breakfast and lunch will be provided as well as a paid feast.

Site is wet - Please drink responsibly.

Event Steward: Lord Helias Basilou (Nick Robitsch) 503-387-9905

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Event Website: <https://lostmoor.calontir.org/vertigo>





AUTUMN ARROWS

XXXIV: IT'S ALL GREEK TO ME

A WALK THROUGH ANCIENT GREECE

hosted by the Shire of Calanais Nuadh

PULASKI COUNTY SHRINE CLUB CAMPGROUND

26920 Shrine Rd

Laquey, MO 65534



ARCHERY - A+S - CAMPING

Weekend of October 3rd, 2026

Site Opens 5pm October 2, 2026

Site Closes 11:30am October 4, 2026



Event Steward: Lukasz Lanckoronski

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Seneschal: Catin of Edington

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At Gate:

Adult Event Registration: \$25

Adult Member Discount Registration: \$15

Youth (6-17): \$5

Children (5 and under): Free

Feast: \$15 per seat (50 seats available)

Make checks payable to "SCA, Inc - Shire of Calanais Nuadh"

The Baronies of Vatavia and Lonely Tower Present

Winterfylleth III -Return of the Kith

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9TH, THRU MONDAY, OCTOBER 12TH 2026

Site will open Thursday, October 8th @ Noon

Kelsey Short Youth Camp

17980 Collins RD

Smithville, MO 64809

Come join us for all the standard activities we have hosted over the last few years!

Rattan combat Scenarios

Steel combat Scenarios

Archery and thrown weapons competitions

Arts and science classes (including the monstrosly popular Parallel Play)

A Chili Fundraiser on Saturday night alongside Saturday Night Smackdown!

And, finally, The Chilies Event Stewards have decided to continue the "Damn the economy!" tradition and are keeping site fees the same as previous years!

Adult Event Registration: \$50 / Adult Member Discount Registration: \$40

Youth (6-17) \$15 / Children 5 & Under: FREE

Merchant fee: \$20

Event Stewards

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QUARTERLY BOARD MEETINGS TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

✦ July 19, 2026

✦ October 17, 2026 — Location TBD

MID-QUARTER CONFERENCE CALL

✦ Mid-Quarter Conference Call - TBA

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Kingdom Law
<https://shorturl.at/z9YvS>

Event Flyer Guidelines

For Their Majesties to hold Court and for official business to happen, a complete flyer must be published in The Mews. Failure to do so means that the Crown cannot hold Court at that event. Prior to emailing a flyer, confirm your event with the Reeve. The Mews WILL NOT publish an announcement if your event has not been approved or confirmed. Check the Kingdom Calendar at: <https://www.calontir.org/calendar/>

Editable: An Editable version of your flyer MUST be sent. Work with the Social Media Officer for flyers that may be posted on social media.

Deadline: The Chronicler must receive event copies no later than the 1st of the month THREE MONTHS PRIOR to your event. *For Example:* If the event is in November, the flyer must be received by August 1st for the September Mews. Refer to the Calendar at the front of the Mews.

If there is an issue with meeting the deadline, please contact the Chronicler ASAP. There is no grace period. The deadline is final and non-negotiable. The earlier a flyer is received the better!

Flyers MUST contain these SIX ITEMS:

1. Name of the sponsoring group or groups
2. Day, month, and year of the event
3. Site open & close times for populace
4. Location of the event—the name of the event site, and full address.
5. Name, both SCA and Modern, of the Event Steward, including contact phone and email (Needed for emergencies or issues arise)
6. Registration—Please use these lines:
Adult Event Registration: \$
Adult Member Discount Registration: \$
Youth 17 & Under: FREE