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the official newsletter for the kingdom of gleann abhann



*Our Heirs!*



# From Their Majesties

Greetings unto the noble populace of Gleann Abhann.

Last month we gathered on the field of glory and challenge that revealed Duke James and Viscountess Christine as our new heirs. I know you will all join me in welcoming them to their new station and we will look forward to what their reign will bring.

It was a beautiful day and as we assembled to look towards our future, we also gazed to the past.

We remember the good times, and we consider the pain; we celebrate new friends we made, and we mourn of those we have lost; we think about what we have learned, and we understand how much there is we still don't know.

From the outside 20 years seems like a very long time but from the inside it has felt like merely a blink. The wheel of time seems to spin faster and faster, but we must remember to slow down and appreciate what we have built together.

Thank you all for being here to help us celebrate the past, the future, and most importantly the present of the best kingdom in the whole known world, Gleann Abhann! **AWÉ HAILE!**



Caillin Danielle  
King Queen



# From Their Highnesses

To the esteemed Populace of Gleann Abhann,

Know that it is with a heart full of admiration that we write to you this day. Your passion breathes life into every tourney field, every artisan's workshop, and every gathering, forging the bonds that make Gleann Abhann not just a place, but a truly special home for us all.

We would like to extend our deepest thanks to all who made the recent Crown Eist and 20-Year Celebration such a truly memorable event. Despite the glorious heat of the summer sun, your joyous presence and the incredible efforts of so many ensured that the spirit of Gleann Abhann shone brightly. We wish to particularly acknowledge and thank Co-Autocrat Cormac the Bald and Baroness Gidd for their tireless work, and Thorfinna Kohlsdotir for her exceptional dedication as reservationist. Indeed, our thanks go out to everyone responsible for organizing and executing such a magnificent event from the marshals and heralds to those who ran the list and those who provided such a scrumptious Consorts' breakfast. The variety of activities kept us all entertained and reminded us of the rich tapestry of talent within our beloved kingdom.

We are profoundly grateful to Their Majesties, Caillin and Danielle, for the honor and privilege of fighting in Their list. It was a fierce and noble competition, and we are humbled by the opportunity to stand and serve. To the entire populace, your cheers, congratulations, and unwavering support on the field and throughout the day filled us with immense pride. Moreover, we must commend the valiant fighters who stepped onto the list: their honorable and noble combat is a testament to the strength and chivalry within Gleann Abhann, and their efforts should fill us all with profound pride.

We extend our sincerest gratitude to the Shire of Iron Ox for their exceptional hospitality in hosting the recent regional fighter practice. Your welcoming spirit made everyone feel right at home, and the rapier and heavy fighting practices were truly outstanding, offering invaluable opportunities to hone our skills. We especially appreciate your members' good humor and participation in helping Her Highness create a few memorable TikToks!

To those who journeyed with Her Highness into the far-off lands of Calontir, thank you. The magic of the War of the Lilies was truly unforgettable, and I am grateful to have shared such an extraordinary experience with loyal friends by my side. Your dedication and companionship made the journey and the event all the more special. To the populace of the great Kingdom of Calontir, thank you for always being so welcoming, old friends and new alike. Your fellowship truly enriched my time there.

Should it be the will of the fates that something befall our beloved King and Queen, it will then be our solemn duty to ascend the Aries Throne and hold a coronation to formally begin our reign. In anticipation of that time, we wish to share a few thoughts. We will be holding a scroll competition for Sovereign Letters of Endorsement and Jeweled Ring. We know the artisans of Gleann Abhann will create true masterpieces. Furthermore, we will be seeking individuals of exceptional skill and spirit to stand by our side as King's Champion and Queen's Champion, as well as choosing our Kingdom Yeoman. We eagerly anticipate finding those who will serve with honor and distinction.

And for those who watched the recent Crown Eist with hearts pounding and swords aching for the fray, know that we are already dreaming of our Crown Eist, and we hope to see many of you step onto the field when that time comes.

May the River flow ever strong, and the storms of life only make us stronger.

Yours in Service and Fealty,

James  
Prince

Christine  
Princess



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## FROM THE CHRONICLER

Greetings unto the Populace of our fair Kingdom,



Wow what a crazy month we have had, we have new Heirs! As Prince James and Princess Christine prepare to take the thrones, expect to see a ton of things happening in the Kingdom. They are both excited for the eleven months to come, and quite honestly so am I. I am beyond happy for Princess Christine or Dot as we all know her ;)

Should we talk about Kingdom A&S, I feel like we should. It's getting closer and closer which means you have less and less time to finish your project. Am I pushing, well heck yeah I am, get off your butt and get to work ;)

Summer is here, "The Heat is On", OMG the heat. It is going to be "Hot in Herre" for the next few months. We are going to be "Hot Blooded, check it and see" for a while. This means events are going to be few and far between so we will have to find time in the "Heat of the Night" or on the "Hot Summer Nights" to spend with our friends and chosen family until event season comes around again. Although "Some like it Hot" the Shire of Iron Ox has found a way to beat the heat with an Indoor event. Please venture to Summer War Melees on Aug 9th for an air conditioned event to break up the summer months.

Ok I'm done being dumb,  
have a great month!

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**JUL 12** Gold Dragon Tavern IX  
Red Stick School of Fencing • Baton Rouge, LA

**AUG 09** Summer War Melees  
Shire of Iron Ox • McKenzie Arena • Raymond, MS

**AUG 23** Aphar Faire  
Province of Lagerdamm • Washington AR

**AUG 23** Pax Axe  
Barony of Axemoor

**SEP 05** Finis Aestatis  
Barony of Seleone

**SEP 13** GA Arts and Sciences  
Province of Lagerdamm • North Little Rock, AR

**OCT 03** Gleann Abhann Fall Coronation  
Kingdom Save the Date

**OCT 17** Diamond Wars  
Barony of Small Gray Bear • New Blaine, AR

**OCT 24** Samhan  
Barony of Grey Niche

**NOV 07** GA Fall Crown List  
Kingdom Save the Date

**NOV 15** Huntsman's Harvest VII  
Shire of Coil Fhionnabhann

**DEC 05** Winter Revel  
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Good Greetings Unto the Kingdom of Gleann Abhann from Your incoming Diamond Herald!!

Let my Heraldic Tyranny Begin!!!

First, let me extend a big Awe Hell to Master Brann Finn hua Neill for his years as the Diamond Herald. Thank you so much for your dedication.

Second, Dame Jane Beaumont is the new Amythest Herald for Gleann Abhann. An enormous bucket of gratitude poured over her head for taking on this important role. In addition, a bigger bucket of gratitude poured over Mistress Isabel Winterbourne for her time in this office. The Kingdom appreciates all your hard work.

To the entire Kingdom, The Amethyst is the Herald's office that makes sure that our Crown has the award regalia needed to recognize all the talented gentles in Court. We always need artisans to make the regalia. Donations to the Amethyst office help pay for the supplies needed to make the regalia. Please consider donating to the Amethyst office or doing a fund raiser at an event for the office. Keep your eyes out for some fun competitions from the Diamond Office.

Third, The Topaz Herald, who is our very talented Master Jam Ricarediz is looking for a deputy for his office. This is the Office who makes sure that the Crown has all the scrolls They need for Court. You can reach him at [Topaz@gleannabhann.net](mailto:Topaz@gleannabhann.net) if you are interested in applying to be his deputy.

Master Brann Finn has been working on an update to Heraldic Law. Once he has sent it to me, I shall review it and hopefully we'll be able to get the update out soon. Also, Master Jam Ricarediz, our Topaz is updating the Scribal Handbook and we hope to get that project finished soon. My thanks to both of these gentlemen for their hard work.

In the meantime, I am here to help with any Heraldic questions or needs that you may have. If I don't have the answers, I will find out who does. You can reach me at [diamond@gleannabhann.net](mailto:diamond@gleannabhann.net).

Thus I Remain in Service to the Dream,

*Mistress Daphne of Colchester*

Kingdom Diamond Herald



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20th Year & Crown List





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JULY

# GOLD DRAGON TAVERN IX



July 12, 2025



**Red Stick Fencing**  
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Baton Rouge, LA 70817



1:00 PM ~ 11:00 pm



Shire of Wyrmegeist

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AUGUST

# SUMMER WAR MELEES



August 09, 2025



**McKenzie Arena**  
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9:00am ~ 5:00pm



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Non Member \$25

INDOOR VENUE

17 & under Free



# APHAR FAIRE



August 23, 2025



**Brunson House**  
Old Washington Park  
103 Franklin St  
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9:00 am ~ 6:00 pm



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# PAX AXE



August 23, 2025



More Info to Come



Barony of Axemoor

SEPTEMBER

# FINIS AESTATIS



September 5-7, 2025







More Info to Come



Barony of Seleone



# GA KINGDOM ARTS & SCIENCES

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SEPTEMBER





# GLEANN ABHANN FALL CORONATION

 October 3, 2025


 **More Info to Come**

  
 Barony of Grey Niche

# WAR OF THE DIAMONDS

 October 17-19 2025  
 Shoal Creek Camp  
571 Methodist Youth Camp  
New Blaine, AR 72851  
 5pm Fri - 12pm Sun  
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Member \$20  
Non Member \$30  
Bed \$10  
Feast \$10



17 & under Free




# SAMHAN


 October 24-26, 2025

 **More Info to Come**

  
 Barony of Grey Niche

# GLEANN ABHANN FALL CROWN LIST

 November 7-9, 2025

 **More Info to Come**


OCTOBER

NOVEMBER



# Selfie Queen





# Glenn Abhann COURT REPORT

## Award of Arms

Emeline La Petite,  
Heather of Iron Ox, 20th Year

## Grant of Arms

Isabella Vitturi, Raven the Weaver,  
Una inghean Fairbourne, 20th Year

## Court Barony

Cormac Michelsone, Gilbert des Moulins,  
Marcilla le Despenseur, Tundryn Jarlsson, 20th Year

## Combattant Ram

Vali Ulfarrson, 20th Year

## Order of the Sable Banner

Kane Redfeather, 20th Year

## Order of the Silver Lamp

Dinara Torzhokskaia, Elizabeth Alexandra Donan,  
Isabella Vitturi, Una Inghean Fairbourne - 20th Year

## Order of the Marble Chalice

Ambrose Wyld, 20th Year

## Garnet Chalice

Jam Ricarediz, 20th Year

## Order of the Argent Branch

Seren na Fian Daire, 20th Year





# Gleanne Abhann COURT REPORT

Order of the Gules Quill

Sigveig Solvig, 20th Year

Order of the Ram's Heart

Od Gidason, 20th Year

Order of the Pelican

Giacomo Falcone, 20th Year

Gleann Abhann Bard

Jean La Machina, 20th Year

Gleann Abhann Poet

Mardoll Renault, 20th Year

Gleann Abhann Yeoman

Dafydd ap y Kynith - 20th Year

Queen's Champion

Effin O'Faelan, 20th Year

Banner of Valor

Christof D'Wynter "Wolf", 20th Year

Wreath of Chivalry

Effin O'Faelan, 20th Year





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And vow to provide my  
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I promise to defend our  
fair Kingdom  
against all that  
desire her harm  
with word, deed and  
force. From this day  
forward, as long as  
my Crown allows, I  
am bound to be  
faithful, holding  
honor and courtesy  
above all.