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# Reports from the Realm



## Stellar Majesties

Greetings to the best populace in the known world. During our tenure as King and Queen we were incredibly busy and would like to share some insight into our reign.

In the first round table during our tenure as heirs we gave our promise and commitment to our kingdom that we would be as transparent as possible in regards to kingdom law changes, calendar changes, and award constitution changes. The most meaningful way to do this for us was to publish in detail any changes that would qualify and ask for commentary from populace members. We the crown acknowledge that our experience within the SCA is not the same as most of our populace. As such, we cannot fully understand the impact that a change may have on each of you without giving you a chance to inform us. We were able to use your commentary as a guide to assist us with determining the viability of each change or if the change perhaps needed to be slightly different. Please note that each response was read, weighed equally in our decisions and we attempted to respond to all commentary with at minimum a confirmation of receipt.

Our second way to accomplish our goals of transparency, as well as increase inclusion of our populace, was to accept proposals directly from the populace for changes to kingdom law, calendars, and award constitutions. During the reign we received and published 7 proposals written by our populace and 6 proposals written by our Vindheim royals. We also published 2 surveys at the request of our populace to receive better guidance for potential future changes.

The SCA and our kingdom are commonly advertised as a family-oriented organization. In order to support this as well as to increase the participation of our youth, we sought to show by example that our youth populace are important to the crown. We took several steps: establishing the prince royal to show that our youth can and should be welcomed into court as participants; re-introducing the youth gift box, revising the rules so that our youth walk safely instead of run to meet the gift box, and ensuring that the box contains fun items; inviting and welcoming children to come into court with their parents to be a part of their parent's award or recognition; recognising our youth populace with kingdom awards whenever possible/given the opportunity to do so. Supporting our youth activities coordinator at each kingdom event if/when possible.

It is no secret that most official courts and activities run on what's referred to as "SCA time". While sometimes things happen and activities must be delayed, we firmly believe that the crown should respect our populace's time. As such we have diligently attempted to be prompt in court's start time, end time, and circles at events. Additionally, we have strived to hold business meetings virtually during non-event days/times so that kingdom officers/nobles/deputies and the crown can be more accessible during events.

We were and are fully committed to the efforts of our DEIB officers and support them wholeheartedly. We believe in providing a welcoming, kind, and inclusive space for all. It is our hope that our kingdom continues on this path of area growth which has been proven to successfully increase recruitment and retention. We encourage all populace members but especially anyone holding an office or deputy of an office to take the time to attend DEIB class offerings. To that end we required

all entrants (both fighter and consort) to take at least one DEIB class as well as provide a verbal explanation of what they learned in their class in order to participate in our crown tournament.

As some have noticed, the award recommendation online process is somewhat lacking. It's cumbersome to use and on the back end has some significant issues (such as all of the form results have been lost prior to October 2023 in addition to many other errors.) In order to assess if there were better options, the crown asked Master Martin, due to his significant mundane experience and knowledge of the kingdom's system, to review the current system. After several months of research, it was determined that both process and technical applications would not meet the needs of the kingdom. To that end Master Martin Malone was joined by Sir Alejandro Ramirez Mendoza to research a new management system that could meet the current as well as potential future needs for the kingdom. This past month a prototype was completed and met the approval of the current crown, heirs, and kingdom webminister for further development.

The new system will have significant upgrades and new features such as but not limited to: the marshal site for authorizations (upgrade), marshal card mobile progressive web app (new), kingdom award recommendation submissions (upgrade), kingdom award recommendation database/reporting (new), user view of tracking their of award submissions (new), and officer current/prior database (new) along with warrant tracking (new). These upgrades will be created, tested, and then go live in phases as the development team completes them and they are signed off on by the kingdom webminister. The current phase release of this new system (which has been named Ansteorra Management Portal/AMP) is set for October 1st. This first version contains the upgraded marshal site functions and kingdom award recommendation system. Virtual training for the new system is tentatively set for mid September. The crown would like to recognize Master Martin, Sir Alejandro, and Kingdom Webminister Baroness Kolfinna in kyrra Ottarsdottir for their significant contributions to researching and building the prototype system. Additionally the crown would like to recognize Mistress Kajira and Prince Jean Paul de Sens for assisting with the UAT of the prototype. We

greatly appreciate the volunteers that agreed to join the development team for their future efforts in this endeavor.

During our reign we published a request for commentary on revising the Sable Crane of Ansteorra award constitution. We are appreciative of every populace member who took the time to write in their thoughts or talk to us in person about the proposed change. Due to the overwhelming amount of positive commentary, It's our pleasure to approve the award revision exactly as proposed. The populace will see this new category in the new award recommendation system.

We would like to thank the following individuals for significant contributions to our reign over the past 6 months: Countess Elizabeth, Countess Amelot, Jarl Floki, Mistress Kat, Our amazing herald Saeb, Duchess Ebergardis, Honorable Lady Lessandra, Countess Chrystiana, Sir Alejandro, Mistress Adelaide, Mistress Jean-Marie, Vash, Dona Halldora, Lady Aetheylwyn, Lady Anne, Lord Rolo, Bridgette and John of York, Lady Wulfleda, Lord Wilhelm von Bruck, Dae, Honorable Lady Koia, Mhearai, Mistress Elena, Lady Eadgyth, and Mistress Elena. The prince royal would also like to thank Mistress Elena, Honorable Lady Hadassah, Countess Amelot, Lady Katherine, Lady Vera, Lady Emily, Lord William, Lady Haven, Lord Lance, and all of the youth coordinators who he had fun with.

We would also like to thank each of our kingdom officers for their dedication and service to the populace, the event staff of each kingdom event during our tenure, our incredibly patient prince royal and her majesty's mother, who without her contributions to our daily life we would not be able to do this reign. Finally, we would like to thank all of the populace for making this kingdom such an incredible home for all of us. Without each of you we would not have this unique and amazing community. We were incredibly honored and proud to represent you as your crown during our reign.

**Sven Randulsson IV & Antigone of York III**  
King and Queen of Ansteorra



## Stellar Highnesses

Fresh from Their Majesty's victories at Pennsic, we have returned home and continued our preparations for Gulf Wars. We are meeting weekly with the coronets of the Gulf Wars treaty kingdoms, mapping out the schedule of war points for maximum enjoyment. We are very excited, as the future rulers of Gleann Abhann, Meridies, and Trimaris have already shown themselves to be thoughtful, hard working, and creative. We are going to have some fun times, and there will be some great battles. In addition to the planning of the battles, we have already looked to our armies, and will be announcing the first of our martial generals at Kingdom A&S, while we support our Artisans. We are still looking for generals to organize, encourage, and coordinate many other aspects of war - volunteering, water bearing, missile weapons, arts & sciences, youth activities, etc. If you would like to volunteer yourself or someone else please send us an email!

Turning to the immediate future we hope to see you all at Coronation, perhaps even in your finest (or quickest) Elizabethan garb. The Barony of Namron has been extremely generous in hosting Coronation during their Protectorate event, and we will be mindful of respecting their activities while handling our own. Having said that, we do plan to do some different things during Coronation, and hope that everyone finds it interesting and maybe even enjoyable.

### JPEG III

P.S. If you see us in between this Black Star and the next one, come up and tell us the secret phrase "Tucker is the best boy." We'll have a small token for you.



## Kingdom Seneschal

Greetings Ansteorra,

As we head into our Fall event season and looking forward to cooler temperatures, we get to look forward to awesome events and activities.

We have our new Kingdom Arts and Science Champion and our Gulf Wars Champions that will be representing

Ansteorra at Gulf Wars in 2025.

In October we will have an unusual event. We will have the step down of our Royal Majesties and the investiture of the Heirs as our new Crown and the Barony of Namron will have their Protectorate event at the same time.

Then in November will have our Queen's Champion and Bordermarch War of the Rams.

We are going to have a fun and busy time. Please stay safe and have a wonderful month

In Service,

**Margherita de Mantua**

(mka Vallie Copley)

Regional Vice President/Seneschal of Ansteorra



## Kingdom Exchequer

Greetings,

Thank you to everyone that was able to make it to round table this year. Please keep up the amazing work and keep me and your regionals apprised of anything that comes up.

We have a lot of events coming up, please remember to turn in your reports on time. For bank account requests please remember to use mundane names for everyone. I would like to thank the groups that have started sending myself and the NMR deputy event numbers by email so that the process is not held up by snail mail. As always if you need help first try your regionals if they are unable to help, please reach out to me and we will see what we can do. I want to thank everyone that is starting to send in page 2 of the event form by email so that reports to society can go in on time. I am including a link to the E-sign site that we use for the kingdom and principality it might be useful to you as well. Free Electronic Signature - Xodo Sign ([eversign.com](https://eversign.com))

**Opening officer applications for the Southern regional exchequer, and the NMR deputy, and chamberlain. For the chamberlain office you will become a deputy under our current deputy to learn the job and take over around Jan 2025. Applications**

will be accepted until I receive an applicant for these positions. Please support your kingdom with service.

In Service of The Dream,  
**HL Sean Mac Daniel**  
Chancellor of The Exchequer  
Kingdom of Ansteorra



## Kingdom Chatelaine

Greetings Ansteorra,

Progress on the change-over from the usage of hospitaler to chatelaine is continuing and changes to emails and the website should be nearly complete. The entire Kingdom has been doing incredible work recruiting newcomers over the last year so let's work together to help them feel welcome and engaged with the SCA! Over the Summer we had demos in the Shadowlands for Howdy week, San Japan in Bjornsborg, Ffynnon Gath held a Library demo, and that is just what has been reported to me at this time. Please check in with your local Chatelaine to see if there are any recruitment opportunities that they may need assistance with!

Yours in Service,  
**Tuathal O'Sheils**  
Kingdom Chatelaine



## Kingdom Chronicler

Hello to Ansteorra, Kingdom of the Sable Star!

I am seeking entries for a special edition of the Black Star featuring the research papers of our A&S community. The standard of document, archaeological, and living history research within the SCA can compare to professional academics. Those who specialize in the more esoteric side of A&S deserve a chance to shine. Please review the submission requirements and email your research to [kingdom@chronicler.ansteorra.org](mailto:kingdom@chronicler.ansteorra.org) before October 1st.

With enthusiasm,  
**Sayyida Rayya al-Ruqay'ya**



## Kingdom Minister of Arts & Sciences

Greetings Ansteorra,

I hope everyone enjoyed Kingdom Arts and Sciences new activities, display and youth A&S. Congratulations our new Kingdom Artisan, and please is know know how we can continue to make better experiences for the populace and artisans.

We are currently working on improving communications for all things A&S. The A&S website is the all encompassing source of all things Arts and Sciences. It includes all the information for the next A&S event and a wealth of information on the Ansteorra programs. It can be found at [Ansteorra.org/artsandsciences](http://Ansteorra.org/artsandsciences). We have also created a new static Facebook Page. This is not a group and will not be subject to algorithms that cause you to lose posts. It will cross post to the Ansteorra group but it will originate here to make items easier to find. We should have automations to discord and any other platform working shortly.

I would also like to congratulate Rosenfeld on their Beads, Baubles and String event. There were a lot of great classes. If you missed it see if the instructors might be willing to teach for your group, either in person or online.

As we head into fall consider teaching a class at War of the Rams. I have been working closely with my counterpart in Gleann Abhann and it would be great to share knowledge with our neighbors.

I hope to see you out and about sharing your talents.

In Service,  
**OBia**  
Magnifica Biatrichi Malatesta Canzionari di Palermo, OL,  
KMOAS



# Star Principal Herald

Greetings Ansteorra from Annais Star,

I hope everyone is having a great fall! Tourney season is underway. What a great time to get to know a herald! Do you need a procession into a list, some bragging rights while taking the field, a registerable name, device or badge? Find a herald! We'll be glad to help you with all your heraldic needs! Don't know a herald? Let me or any of the College of Herald's staff know, we will get you taken care of quickly and efficiently! That's what we're all about!

Another Ansteorran Heraldic and Scribal Symposium is in the books. What an amazing time we had! I want to thank all the instructors who gave of their time and knowledge to make this year's symposium a success! What a great job all of you did! Also, I'd like to thank the event coordinators, HL Sigrun í Biarká Sveinungsdóttir and Ldy Escarlotta de Granada, for taking on the challenge of this event. They did a spectacular job! Thank you to M. Meadhbh nī Ruaidh óChonnemara for a fabulous sideboard! Oh the goodies she had for us! And a HUGE THANK YOU to Their Excellencies of Bryn Gwlad, Orazio and Kolfinna, for their willingness to host this event in their lands. Your enthusiasm, graciousness and hospitality will always be remembered. Thank you all!

These past few months have been full of changes to award constitutions and award texts. So if you scribe, herald, or have an interest in either of these, take a look at the Ansteorran announcements page for more information on the changes Their Majesties Sven and Antigone have made.

As mentioned at Round Table in July, it is time for me to step aside. The past (almost) two years have been filled with an overload of fun, friends, work, and rewards, not only for me, but for the Colleges of Herald's and Scribes too. We've all come a long way and it could not have been done without each of our members doing what they do best. Each of you have worked so hard to make the College a welcoming place of learning and acceptance for everyone! Thank you so much for building a stronger community, rising to all challenges,

exceeding all expectations, and impressing the pants off the Known World!! You have set the bar higher than ever! I am so proud of each of you! And I really appreciate everything you have done and will continue to do under the next Star Principal Herald.

I meant to announce this in last month's Black Star, but life had a good go at me. My apologies for any confusion the delay may have caused. It was not my intention to cause befuddlement. Therefore, it may not come as a surprise to some of you that HL Sigrun í Biarká Sveinungsdóttir has been confirmed as the next Star Principal. She will take the oath of office at Coronation on October 7th. I know she will be amazing in this position. She has already proven herself as a leader in the heraldic and arts communities. Her knowledge and love of heraldry shines through everything she's done for the College and the populace of Ansteorra. Congratulations, Sigrun!

I ask that all members of the Colleges of Herald's and Scribes be in attendance at Coronation to welcome her to the office (as budgets, time and life allow.) I look forward to seeing everyone there!

However, I am not going away. I'll still be around as a free agent for shenanigans and other heraldic hanky-panky! Also at Coronation, I will don the mantle of Sable Roundel. I'm not sure if I will live up to the joke and actually implode, but I am looking forward to a bit of respite. I already have a cunning plan (or two)!

And lastly: Ansteorra, Thank You for allowing me to serve. I hope I left the College of Herald's and Scribes in a better place and well positioned for the future.

Until we meet again, I will always remain Yours In Service,

**Annais Eleanor de Montgomerie**  
Star Principal Herald



# Zodiacus Herald

Greetings!

My thanks to Abe no Sadasuke, Vászoly Báthorij, William Cameron deBlakstan, Diego Fortuna de Almeria, Wulfleda Foxe, and Sæbjørn í Eyðigarði for their court reports.

YIS  
**Magistra Estrill Swet**  
Zodiacus Herald

## Another Day in the Park (Eldern Hills) (07/27/2024)

Cerridwen McKeown	Pillar of Vindheim
Misty of the Eldern Hills	Pillar of Vindheim
Sorcha McCullogh	Cotes Anciennes

## Hotter Than Hellsgate (07/27/2024)

Gathred Draco Ivarson	Award of Arms
Guillaume le Crespe	Sable Crane
Jonathan Draco the Charioteer	Award of Arms

## Pennsic War (08/07/2024)

Adelaide de Bourbon	Sable Sparrow
Aingeal Blair Mac an Ghabhann	Sable Sparrow & Thunderbolt
Alcina Odessa	Sable Sparrow
Alexandre Crane	Thunderbolt
Ammon Von Niemanden	Sable Sparrow
Æthelwynne Stíðmódu	Sable Falcon
Belgutei Batar	Sable Falcon & Thunderbolt
Charles the Grey of Mooneschadowe	Sable Sparrow & Thunderbolt
Damon Xanthus	Thunderbolt
Drew Kirkos	Award of Arms & Blade of Merit
Escarlata de Granada	Sable Sparrow
Giovanni di Cellini	Sable Sparrow
Gunnarr Bjornulfsson	Thunderbolt
Hadewig Wurmelin	Sable Sparrow
Haraldr Bassi	Sable Thistle (Stamped jewelry) & Sable Sparrow
Jean Paul de Sens	Thunderbolt
Johann Klaus von Heidelberg	Sable Sparrow
John Drake	Chivalry
John of Severn	Thunderbolt

Kajira Camber	Thunderbolt
Katerine Bontemps	Sable Sparrow
Kyrus Logisson	Thunderbolt
Lessandra della Torre	Sable Sparrow & Thunderbolt
Marguerite Dinard	Thunderbolt
Michelle Chantal de Charente	Thunderbolt
Miklos Nemeth	Thunderbolt
Narkissa Ekaterina Vladimirovna	Sable Sparrow & Thunderbolt
Sæbjørn í Eyðigarði	Thunderbolt
Sven Torsgard	Thunderbolt
Vittoria Maggiere	Sable Sparrow & Thunderbolt
Wentiliana le Chandeler	Sable Talon (Target Archery)

## Vindheim Academia Della Spada (Namron) (08/17/2024)

Jacques de Saint Amour	V. Rapier Champion
Johann Wolfgang von Aue	V. Cut & Thrust Champion
Marcus von Fürth	V. Princess' Rapier Champion

## Glaslyn Artisan of the Flame (08/24/2024)

Delfina de Borja	Sable Sparrow & Sable Thistle (Illumination)
Mhearai Hamelin	Sable Thistle (Wind instruments)

## Serpent's Symposium VI (Loch Soilleir) (08/24/2024)

Ace of Loch Soilleir	Award of Arms
Alia Killough	Sable Thistle (Basket Weaving)



# Updates to Kingdom Law

## Article II Officers, Section 8 : Minister of Arts and Sciences

A. The Kingdom Minister of Arts and Sciences (MoAS) is responsible for the education of the populace in the arts and sciences and for furthering historical interaction and research.

B. The MoAS oversees arts and sciences (A&S) activities throughout the kingdom, including the following:

1. Coordinates the scheduling, organization, and running of the Kingdom A&S Competition.
2. Coordinates the scheduling, organization, and running of King's College.
3. Coordinates other arts and sciences events as required by the Crown, including kingdom participation in inter-kingdom activities.
4. Oversees the activities of A&S colleges or guilds created at the discretion of the Crown.

To be replaced with:

A. The Kingdom Minister of Arts and Sciences (MoAS) is responsible for the education of the populace in the arts and sciences and for furthering historical interaction and research.

B. The MoAS oversees arts and sciences (A&S) activities throughout the kingdom, including the following:

1. Coordinates the scheduling, organization, and running of the Kingdom A&S Competition, Kingdom Collegium, Laurel's Prize Tournament, Middle Eastern Dance Competition and Eisteddfod.
2. Coordinates other arts and sciences events as required by the Crown, including kingdom participation in inter-kingdom activities.
3. Oversees the activities of A&S colleges or guilds created at the discretion of the Crown.

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## Article IV Events, Section 2 Reoccurring Kingdom Events

B. The second weekend of each month is reserved for the placement of these reoccurring Kingdom events (including Crown and Coronation)

To be replaced with:

B. The second weekend of each month is reserved for the placement of these reoccurring Kingdom events unless otherwise specified in kingdom law.

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## Article IV Events, Section 2 Reoccurring Kingdom Events, Subsection 1: Crown Tournaments, Coronations, and Principality Coronet Tournaments

A. Crown Tournaments occur on dates acceptable to the Crown, as follows:

1. Summer Crown Tournament occurs in June, preferably on the second weekend.
2. Winter Crown Tournament occurs in January, preferably on the second weekend.

To be replaced with:

A. Crown Tournaments occur on dates acceptable to the Crown, as follows:

1. Summer Crown Tournament occurs in June, preferably on the first weekend.
2. Winter Crown Tournament occurs in December, preferably on the first weekend.

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## Article II: Officers, Section 1. Titles

Replace "Hospitaler" with "Chatelaine"

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### Section 11

The Kingdom Hospitaler coordinates the welcoming and preliminary education of new members and other interested persons and assists in the development and growth of new groups.

Replace with:

The Kingdom Chatelaine coordinates the welcoming and preliminary education of new members and other interested persons and assists in the development and growth of new groups.

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The Kingdom Hospitaler is responsible, with the approval of the Kingdom Seneschal, for the public relations of the SCA within the kingdom.

Replace with:

The Kingdom Chatelaine is responsible, with the approval of the Kingdom Seneschal, for the public relations of the SCA within the kingdom.

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**Article VIII: Local Branches, Section 2: Baronies**

A warrantable seneschal, treasurer, and at least two of the following: a marshal, herald, hospitaler, chronicler, or minister of arts and sciences.

Replace with:

A warrantable seneschal, treasurer, and at least two of the following: a marshal, herald, chatelaine, chronicler, or minister of arts and sciences.

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**Section 3: Provinces**

2. A warrantable seneschal, treasurer, and at least two of the following: a marshal, herald, chronicler, hospitaler, or minister of arts and sciences.

Replace with:

2. A warrantable seneschal, treasurer, and at least two of the following: a marshal, herald, chronicler, chatelaine, or minister of arts and sciences.

The full Ansteorran Kingdom Law can be found at:  
<https://ansteorra.org/library/>

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**'White Pangur': A scholar and his cat**

He is joyful with swift movement  
when a mouse sticks in his sharp paw.  
I too am joyful  
when I understand a dearly loved difficult problem.

...  
He it is who is master for himself  
of the work which he does every day.  
I can perform my own work  
directed at understanding clearly what is difficult.

(Translation by Gerard Murphy, Early Irish Lyrics, 1956)

# Updates to Kingdom Awards

A. Major alterations to this document from the October 2018 edition include:

a. Addition of polling rights to the Order of the Golden Lance

B. Major alterations to this document from the May 2019 edition include:

a. Addition of the ability of the Crown to poll the following orders at their discretion:

- i. Star of Merit
- ii. Iris of Merit
- iii. Blade of Merit

b. Addition of field of service to the Sable Crane

c. Addition of the Award of the Golden Bridge of Ansteorra

The full Ansteorran Award Constitution can be found at:  
<https://ansteorra.org/awards/>



HOSTED BY THE BARONY OF NAMRON  
**PROTECTORATE  
CORONATION**  
OCT 4TH - 6TH 2024  
FRIDAY 6PM UNTIL SUNDAY 12PM



**EVENT REGISTRATION**

ADULT NON-MEMBER REGISTRATION: \$30

ADULT MEMBER DISCOUNT

REGISTRATION: \$20

FEAST: \$15

17 & UNDER: FREE

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**ALL PETS MUST BE ON A LEASH**

**ALL ALCOHOL MUST BE IN PERIOD CONTAINERS**

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**CAMP WILL ROGERS SCOUT RESERVATION  
362689 US-64, CLEVELAND OK 74020**

**FROM THE NORTH:**

1. Take U.S. Highway 75 South to OK-20 West at Skiatook.
2. Continue on OK-20 West through Hominy to Cleveland.
3. Merge onto OK-99 South, then turn right onto Old Hwy 64.
4. follow the signs for the SCA event on Old Hwy 64 to Will Rogers Scout Reservation.

**FROM THE SOUTH:**

1. Take U.S. Highway 75 North to OK-97 North near Sand Springs.
2. Merge onto OK-51 West, then OK-48 North, and finally OK-99 North towards Cleveland.
3. Turn left onto Old Hwy 64 and follow the signs for the SCA event to Will Rogers Scout Reservation.

**EVENT STEWARDS**

Viscountess Caterina Giovanni (Kirsten Pupek)

dnk\_p@hotmail.com | 850.529.0050

Maestro Orlando Giovanni I (Dan Pupek)

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THE BARONY OF BJORNSBORG  
CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO A

# Danse Macabre

## REGISTRATION:

- REGISTRATION: \$30
  - MEMBER DISCOUNT  
REGISTRATION: \$20
  - YOUTH 0-17: FREE
  - FEAST: \$10
- LUNCHEON INCLUDED**

- Chivalric, Archery, & Bardic  
Champion Competitions
- Followed by court  
& a Masquerade Ball

- Camping Encouraged
- RVs- contact for info/availability
- Site wet in period containers
- Dogs allowed, must be on-leash.

**Autocrat:** Honorable Madalena de Orozco (mka Jennifer Ytuarte) jmaghassi@gmail.com, 210-765-0015

**Feast Stewards:** HL Hadassah Sarai Bas Yossi, (mka Judie Willey) & HL Torquil mac Seamus (mka Shawn Willey) E-mail: Littledragon0861 @ Gmail.com  
PHONE: 214-784-7605

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Make Checks Payable to SCA Inc. - The Barony of Bjornsborg-

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## SITE INFO:

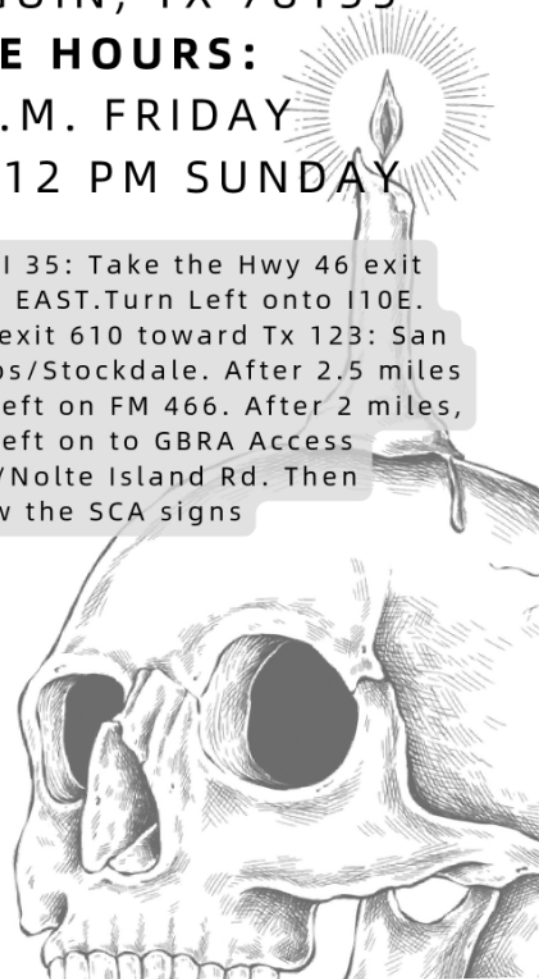
### NOLTE ISLAND

2220 FM 466,  
SEGUIN, TX 78155

### SITE HOURS:

5 P.M. FRIDAY  
TO 12 PM SUNDAY

From I 35: Take the Hwy 46 exit going EAST. Turn Left onto I10E. Take exit 610 toward Tx 123: San Marcos/Stockdale. After 2.5 miles turn left on FM 466. After 2 miles, turn left on to GBRA Access Road/Nolte Island Rd. Then follow the SCA signs





**The Barony of the Eldern Hills invites you to**

***Samhain 2024***

***Clash of the Clans***

***October 25-27***

***at Camp Graham Ball***

***12442 FM 368, Holliday TX 76366***

***Site Opens at 4pm Friday and closes at 11 am Sunday***

For updated information, visit our website at <https://ansteorra.org/eldern-hills>

Adult Events Registration: \$15

Adult Member Discount Registration: \$10

Feast \$10

Children 17 and Under: Free

Make Checks Payable to SCA Inc./The Barony of the Eldern Hills

Event Stewards: Lady Misty of Eldern Hills mka Misty Barnett 940-923-2476 (Text are better but will return calls if message is left) [Mistydawn964@gmail.com](mailto:Mistydawn964@gmail.com), Lady Hrefna Gunnarsdottir mka Kell Shelton [SheltonKell@gmail.com](mailto:SheltonKell@gmail.com), Lady Morygan Lockhart mka Sarah R Smith [sarah.bunch51@gmail.com](mailto:sarah.bunch51@gmail.com)

Feast Stewards: Honorable Lady Nafisa al-Nahdiya mka Catherine Godby [Cfells409@hotmail.com](mailto:Cfells409@hotmail.com) 940-733-3575, Faolan An Doire mka Justin Wiese [kingweesel@gmail.com](mailto:kingweesel@gmail.com) 405-923-0212

Camping sites available. For **cabin** or **RV space**, please contact Villana Palazolo mka Kayleigh Metz

RV spaces have an additional fee payable to camp: \$10 per night, Add \$5 for air conditioner

Directions take your best route to Wichita Falls, then head onto Us-82. Us-277 South towards Abilene/ Lubbock. Stay straight on Us- 82/Us-277 for roughly 20 mi then turn left onto Tx-25. After approximately 7 mi, Turn right onto FM-368 proceed mi turn Left onto the unpaired road at the camp Graham Ball sign.

Minors must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. They may also attend with a 21 or older adult with a find and notarized minor event waiver from parents.

Site is wet in period containers only.

Well behaved leash pets with current vaccinations are welcome.

# SEAWINDS DEFENDER

*The Shire of Seawinds Celebrates  
"40 Years as a Proud Ansteorran Shire"*

**October 25-27, 2024**

Embark on a nostalgic journey with us as we reminisce about the glorious days of Seawinds! Over 4 decades, we have witnessed epic events, encountered remarkable people, and woven countless cherished memories.

Join us as we choose our Newest Defenders:

**Chivalric - Rapier - Thrown Weapons - Archery - Bardic - Arts & Sciences - Brewing – Gustatory**

## **Nolte Island Park, Seguin, Tx**

**2220 FM 466, Seguin, TX**

### **Directions**

**From SA-** Take I10, exit onto Hwy 123, turn left onto FM 466

**From Austin-** Take I35 to San Marcos, onto Hwy 123 to Seguin, turn left onto FM 466

**From Houston-** Take I10 to Seguin, onto Hwy 123, turn left onto FM 466

### **Site Information**

- Site opens 5pm Friday, closes Sunday at noon
- Hospitality Friday, 8pm-midnight
- Camping is available
- Restrooms but no showers
- Space for vendors
- Pets are welcome, dogs must be leashed and not unattended
- **Minors must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. They may also attend with a 21-year-old or older adult with a signed and notarized Minor Event Waiver Form from the parents.**

### **Event page:**

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1206261450793453>

### **Website:**

<https://ansteorra.org/seawinds/>

### **Registration**

**Adult Registration (18 & up) - \$30**

**Adult Member Discount - \$20**

**17 and under - Free**

**Feast - \$12 (limited to 75 attendees)**

**Make checks payable to "SCA Inc/Shire of Seawinds"**

### **Food & Feast**

All are invited to enjoy a complimentary breakfast and side-board lunch.

The Shire of Seawinds is known for its amazing food & feasts. For our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary feast, we will draw inspiration from the countless delicious menus from throughout the years.

Anyone with a food allergy, the meals may contain dairy, gluten, peanuts, fat, bold flavors, etc. Menus will be posted on the **Facebook Event Page** and the **Seawinds website** soon.

**Event Steward:** Caitriona inghean Mhic Lochlainn (Patty Randolph)- [prand@swbell.net](mailto:prand@swbell.net)

**Feast Steward:** Carrick Fionn (Glen Kiely)- [glenpkiely@gmail.com](mailto:glenpkiely@gmail.com)

**Vendor Contact:** Elisa/Elisabeth Campbell- [waffles.cabbages@outlook.com](mailto:waffles.cabbages@outlook.com)





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## Kingdom Calendar



### October 2024

- 4-6.....NAMRON PROTECTORATE & KINGDOM CORONATION
- 18-20.....BJORNSBURG - DANSE MACABRE
- 25-27.....ELDERN HILLS - SAMHAIN
- 25-27.....SEAWINDS DEFENDER

### November 2024

- 1-3.....NAMRON - VINDHEIM MISSILE ACADEMY
- 1-3.....SHADOWLANDS - A TOAST TO ABSENT FRIENDS
- 9.....QUEEN'S CHAMPION
- 15-17.....BRYN GWLAD FALL BARONIAL
- 21-24 ..... BORDERMARCH - WAR OF THE RAMS

### December 2024

- 7.....WINTER CROWN TOURNEY
- 14.....VINDHEIM WINTER CORONET
- 21.....WISENFEUER YULE

RP - Royal Presence, HP - Heir's Presence, KP - King's Presence, QP - Queen's Presence, Pc-Prince's Presence, Ps-Princess' Presence, CC - Chivalric Circle, LC - Laurel's Circle, PC - Pelican's Circle, WSC - White Scarf Circle, CSSC - Centurion's Circle, AdO - Arc d'Or Circle, GL - Golden Lancer Circle, GTT-Golden Ticket Tournament, \*PED\* - Perpetual Event Date.

Royal Presence and Circle Scheduling for informational purposes only, and is subject to change without notice.

This is the official complete Calendar of Events for the Kingdom of Ansteorra as of March 6th 2023. Only those events listed above, whose times and locations have been published in this newsletter, may be the site of activities where actions of long-term significance may take place. Other events of local or limited interest are published in both this publication and official branch newsletters. For changes or deletions, please contact the Deputy Kingdom Seneschal for Calendar Requests (see Deputy Kingdom Officer listings).

Board of Directors  
Quarterly Meetings  
2024

October 20 (Virtual)

All agenda items must be submitted by the first of the month before the meeting.