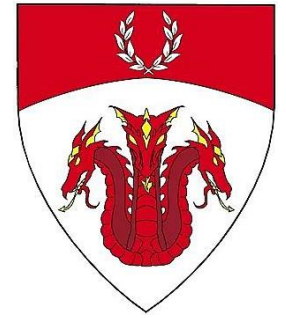
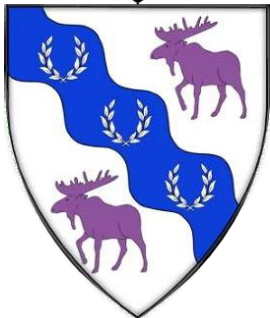
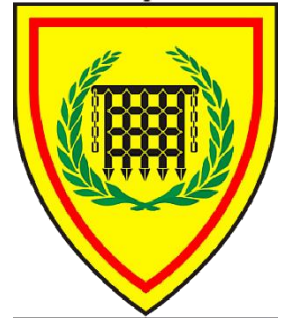
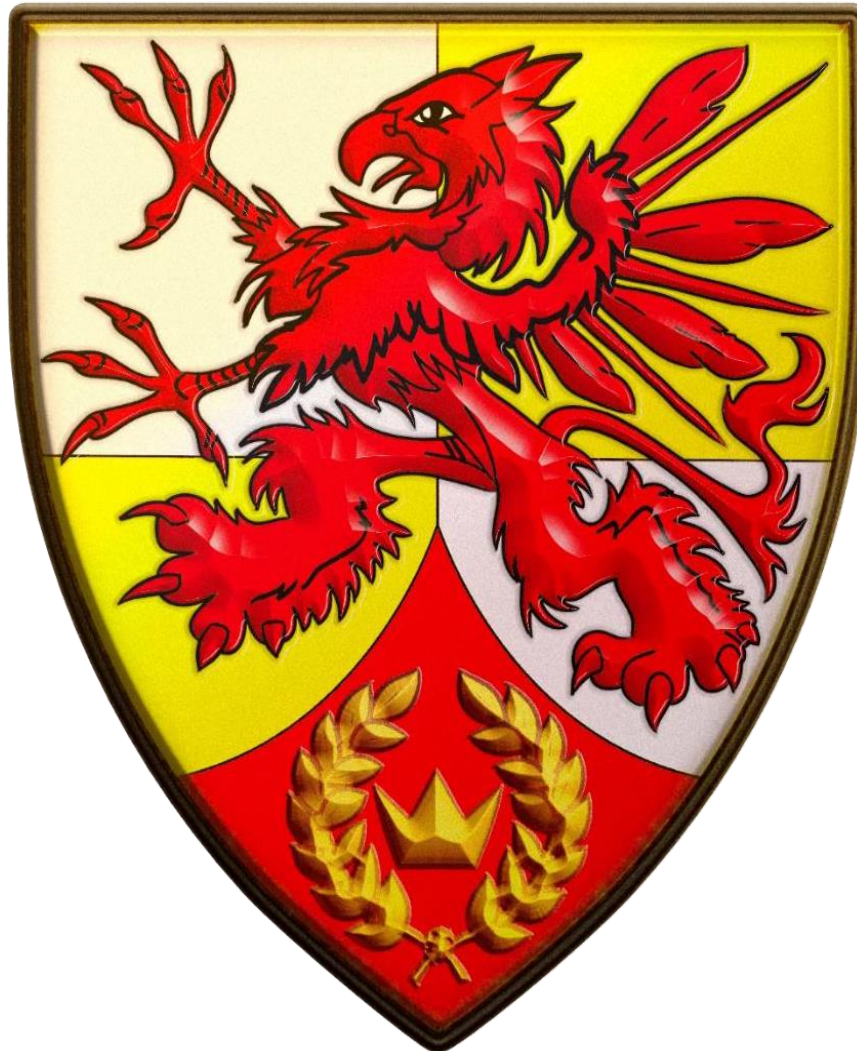
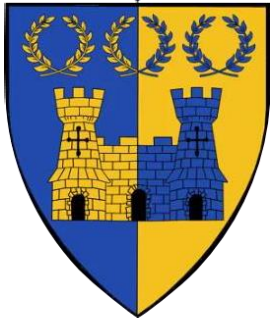


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Their Glorious Majesties of Avacal at Pennsic LI



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Champion of Arts & Science Milpryp Weaver

Champion of Bardic Arjun Singh

Champion of Youth Vesla

AVACAL COURT REPORT

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JULY 26TH TO JULY 28TH, 2024

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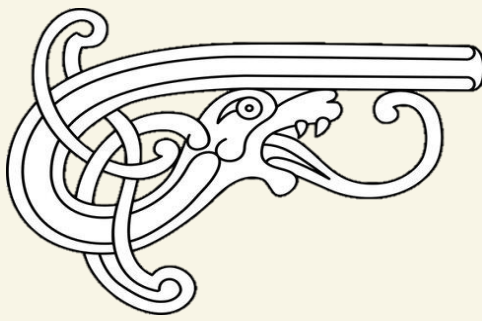
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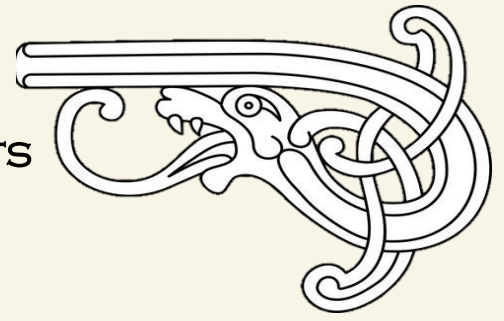
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Congratulations!



KINGDOM SENESCHAL NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



Greetings and Salutations,

We are all enthusiastic about the upcoming introduction of the new martial peerage (official name to be announced by the Society, expected in late September to early October 2024). We look forward to celebrating our exceptional range martial community and the opportunities that lie ahead.

However, we would like to inform you that, due to timeline constraints, Our Royal Majesties will not be able to elevate any individuals to this new peerage during their reign.

Thank you for your understanding, and we appreciate your continued support as we navigate this exciting transition.

Yours in Service,

HL Renee Carr
[Kingdom Seneschal](#)



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CHRONICLER'S DESK

Greetings and Salutations!

Thank you to all those who have generously given their time and talent to share in the Avantgarde and The Fluffy Flyer! We appreciate all your contributions and are always looking forward to submissions from you all.

Yours in Service

Lucrezia Iseppa Constantina di Arborea

UPCOMING EVENTS

EVENT	DATES	BRANCH
Valley War	August 23 rd - 25 th	Shire of Valley Wold
Fall Crown	August 30 th - September 2 nd	Shire of Bordergate
Vinfest	September 13 th - 15 th	Shire of Vinjar
Myrgan Wood Anniversary	October 11 th - 13 th	Barony of Myrgan Wood
Snow Eaters	<i>Official Calendar Submission TBA</i>	

Do you have an event or a story, news, recipe, or a research article that needs to be shared? The Avantgarde and The Fluffy Flyer have room for your submission! If you would like to submit content, please email chronicler@avacal.org and include your SCA name with your submission. Also, linked below are the release forms that may need to accompany it. **Deadline for submissions is the 1st of every month.**

[SCA Model Release Form](#)

[SCA Creative Work Copyright Assignment/Grant of Use Form](#)

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AVACAL OFFICIAL EVENT POSTINGS

VALLEY WAR

When August 23rd - 25th 2024

Where 1640 Ominica St E, Moose Jaw, SK S6H 7K7

Price \$25 (\$15 with membership); 17 and under free

Site Hours August 23rd at 12pm - 25th at 12pm

Event Steward [Geoffrey Lawrence](#)

The call of war is on the horizon! Come and join us to determine the shire's archery defender. There will be heavy and rapier scenarios and of course general shenanigans!

FALL CROWN

When August 30th - September 2nd , 2024

Where Quad War Site, 52°52'47.7"N 109°54'55.5"W

Price \$40 (\$30 with membership); 17 and under free

Site Hours August 30th at noon to September 2nd at noon

Event Stewards [Volchok Vikingson](#), [Lucinda the Valiant](#), & [Lucrezia Iseppa Constantina di Arborea](#)

After a summer of securing borders, crushing rebels, resolving foreign wars, the Baronies, shires, & populace are enjoying a peaceful existence. TRM shall turn their attention to securing the selection of Their Heirs. Join Their Majesties for bardic evenings & tournament days while the finest warriors advance their consorts in the Crown Tournament





VINFEST

- When September 13th - September 15th , 2024
Where Camp Tamarack, 704063, Range Rd 62, Grande Prairie, AB, T8W 5B3
Price \$35 (\$25 with membership); 17 and under free
Site Hours September 13th at 4pm to September 15th at 10am
Feast Fees Adult \$30 Youth (12-17yrs) \$30 Children (0-11) \$15
Event Steward [Ademar Donedei do Pietro](#)

Storms blow on waves, shields and swords clash. A Pirates song eerily amongst the fog. The Northern shire of Vinjar Bids all defy winter's call. Will you be free amongst pirates of the plains or be pressed into service in the name of order and justice. Vinjar calls for those to defend, Rapier, arts and Sword. In this Shipwreck edition of Vinfest!

A feast of sea and land. Shipments of the sea have made way to join the incredible fare known far and wide throughout Avacal. Special care is being made to provide for our Shipwreck themed edition of Vinfest feast!

MYRGAN WOOD ANNIVERSARY

- When October 11th - October 13th 2024
Where Northridge Community Centre, 901 3rd Street N, Martinsville, SK SOK 2T2
Price \$35 (\$25 with membership); 17 and under free
Site Hours October 11th at 5pm to October 13th at 2pm
Feast Fees Adult \$25 Youth (12-17yrs) \$15 Children (0-11) \$0
Event Steward [Haskul Thorkellson](#) & [Susan of Myrgan Wood](#)

Please join us this fall for a celebration to commemorate the anniversary of our Barony. Three days of activities are planned to include a feast focused on the bounty of our Barony's harvest, tournaments to determine the new Armoured and A&S champions of our Barony and a Grand All-Tourney that will span all three days of the event encompassing armoured combat, fencing, Arts and Science and Bardic.



KINGDOM OFFICER OPPORTUNITIES



AVACAL KINGDOM EARL MARSHAL

The Kingdom Earl Marshal (KEM) plays a vital role in our kingdom, serving as a key officer who reports directly to the crown and their society counterpart. We are seeking a dedicated individual passionate about overseeing all combat activities across various disciplines, ensuring adherence to the rules of Avacal and prioritizing safety.

Key Responsibilities:

- Manage reports to society and maintain accurate records.
- Fill deputy positions to support combat-related events.
- Oversee the warranting of fighters and marshals.
- Ensure all combat activities are conducted safely and in accordance with kingdom rules.

Qualifications:

- Willingness to apply for the position as per standard procedure.
- Previous experience as a senior marshal or fighter is beneficial but not required.
- Ability to work collaboratively with a talented team and handle disputes respectfully.

As KEM, you will have the opportunity to shape the combat landscape of our kingdom and support a community of enthusiastic participants. If you are interested in contributing to the growth and safety of our combat activities, we encourage you to apply by sending an email to [Their Royal Majesties](#) and the [Kingdom Earl Marshal](#)



AVACAL SANGUINARIAS HERALD

We are seeking applications for the Office of Principal Herald of Avacal. My term as Sanguinarias Herald ends in July 2025, and I would like to have time to train the next Principal Herald so the change over is smooth.

The Officer is both challenging and rewarding. You will coordinate and work with a great team of Heralds inside and outside our Kingdom.

The responsibilities of this office include:

- Kingdom officers are required to have active membership status with the Society.
- File quarterly reports from your officers and report them to Avacal Curia and the Society Herald, known as Laurel.
- Give good counsel to their Majesties and court regarding heraldic matters. This includes Kingdom awards, devices, precedence, ceremonies, information about the cultural aspects of the Society, and heraldic advice.
- Attend monthly decision meetings to determine the status of heraldic submissions.
- Recruiting and training new heralds is a way to grow the college and build a more significant knowledge base.
- Maintain a welcoming environment and abide by Society and Kingdom, laws and customs.

You are only expected to know and answer some questions but understand what resources are available and how to seek them out.

Please have a look at the [Society Herald Admin Handbook](#) for more information.

If you are interested in this challenging and rewarding job, please send an email to [Countess Sadb Jofreysdottir](#) and [Their Royal Majesties](#)



AVACAL SUBMISSIONS HERALD

We are looking for a dedicated Submissions Herald to manage electronic submissions and correspondence effectively. The ideal candidate will:

- Be able to be warranted as an exchequer for fee collection and remittance
- Have a stable mailing address
- Reliable internet access
- Proficiency in graphics software like MS Paint or Inkscape, along with MS Office

Responsibilities include:

- Creating Kingdom and Society Letters of Intent,
- Attending monthly decision meetings, and
- Producing summaries for publication, with a
- Willingness to learn about general heraldry and related systems like OSCAR

Ongoing training will be provided. Although knowledge of heraldry would be preferred, this is primarily an administrative position. This position takes approximately 15 hours each month and has several key deadlines.

Please send your letter of application to the Kingdom Herald, [Countess Sadb Jofreysdottir](#) and to Kingdom Exchequer, [Lady Ruqayyah bint Abbas Al-Ifriqi](#)



AVACAL CALENDAR OFFICER

Are you ready to make a meaningful impact at the kingdom level? If you're computer-savvy and enjoy organizing tasks and working with fillable forms, we invite you to apply for the Calendar Officer position! Your expertise will help us maintain an efficient calendar for our community.

Responsibilities:

- Receive and Check Event Submissions: Ensure all official SCA events in Avacal are submitted and error-checked before creating event pages.
- Set Up Event Pages: Create official event pages on both the Avacal.org website and Facebook using submission forms.
- Assist Event Stewards: Guide new stewards through the submission process and help resolve any errors.

- Report to the Kingdom Seneschal: Submit quarterly reports before each Kingdom Curia meeting.

Qualifications:

- Strong interpersonal and communication skills.
- Reliable computer and internet access.
- Familiarity with Avacal's Event Policy, WordPress (*or a willingness to learn*), and the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA) values.

Application Process:

Interested candidates should email their letter of intent and qualifications to:

[Their Royal Majesties](#)
[Kingdom Calendar Officer](#)

If you want to contribute to Avacal's events from home, we'd love to hear from you!

Kingdom Officer and Deputy Opportunities

If you are interested in any of the following volunteer opportunities, please click on the linked team below to apply by email.

[Avacal Seneschal Team](#)

- Family Activities Officer

[Avacal Arts & Science Team](#)

- Deputy Arts & Science Minister

[Avacal Chatelaine Team](#)

- Deputy Chatelaine

[Avacal Chronicler Team](#)

- Deputy Chronicler

[Avacal Exchequer Team](#)

- Deputy Exchequer
- Chamberlain

[Avacal College of Heralds Team](#)

- Deputy Herald
- Silent Herald

[Avacal TUA Team](#)

- Deputy Regent
- Northern Chancellor (AB)
- Southern Chancellor (AB)
- Eastern Chancellor (SK)



SOCIETY NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND KNOWN WORLD EVENTS

NEW RANGE MARTIAL PEERAGE — POTENTIAL NAME AND ARMORY FEEDBACK SESSIONS

On June 5, the Board of Directors approved the creation of a new peerage for ranged martial arts, instructing Laurel Queen of Arms to initiate the process of devising and registering its name and armory. Given the complexity of this task, especially with nearly 60,000 registered armories and about 5,000 order names since February 1970, the challenge lies in ensuring that new designs do not infringe on existing registrations. To facilitate this, a working group was established on June 9, comprising heralds with expertise in conflict resolution and order naming, and is now seeking feedback from the relevant communities. Two meetings will be held at the Pennsic War on August 8, along with Zoom sessions on August 12, allowing public input. Additionally, new submissions that conflict with the proposed order's name or armory will be put on hold until the registration process is complete.

For the full article please click [here](#).

COMMENTARY CALL — REMOVING ‘COURTS OF CHIVALRY’ REFERENCES IN CORPORA

The Board of Directors is seeking feedback on a proposed edit to Corpora to remove references to ‘Courts of Chivalry’.

Explanation: In the early days of the SCA, “Courts of Chivalry” were used to deal with completely in-game behavioral issues such as failure to acknowledge blows on the tourney field, lack of what was seen as proper courteous behavior toward ladies, etc. Sometimes these “courts” were codified in kingdom laws, and sometimes they were not. Often there was confusion. However, over the decades the SCA has developed standardized policies with which to deal with these issues that do not include public courts conducted by the Crown, peerage bodies, or other entities. These policies have the benefit of providing consistency across the Society, regardless of Kingdom. While many kingdoms still have laws regarding such “courts”, they are seldom or inconsistently used. Often the courts are not in compliance with Society policies on investigative procedures and sanctions and can set up an expectation that the SCA will function akin to a law court, which is problematic as it is untrue. As a result of the creation of new policies to handle these problems, some kingdoms have chosen to eliminate all references to such courts from their laws. Unfortunately, Corpora still implies they are required (Corpora II.C.4.h, below).

To clarify the matter, the Board seeks commentary on a proposal to eliminate from Corpora all references to Kingdom Courts set up to deal with disciplinary issues. This would not necessarily prevent a kingdom from continuing “courts of courtesy” or other mechanisms that work for them as long as those mechanism are in compliance with Society policies but would remove the Corpora expectation that such “courts” are required.

Commentary is requested by September 25, 2024. To read the full article click [here](#).



SOCIETY NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND KNOWN WORLD EVENTS

KNOWN WORLD COOKS AND BARDS 2024

When: Friday, August 30th to Monday, September 2nd, 2024
Hosted by: The Shire of Sterlynge Vayle, Kingdom of Aethelmearc
Featuring three days of classes, feasting and revelry, focusing on food and entertainment from the Middle Ages.

Click [here](#) for full event details and registration information.



KNOWN WORLD NEWCOMERS' SYMPOSIUM 2024

When: Saturday November 30th, 2024 - held on Zoom
Hosted by: The Kingdom of Calontir
An online gathering for newcomers to the Society, there will be classes and networking opportunities for all members of the SCA, new and old alike. We are looking for teachers, so if you are interested, please fill out the class proposal form on the web site. Deadline for classes is September 1, 2024.

Click [here](#) for full event details and registration information.



GREAT WESTERN WAR 2024

When: Tuesday October 8th - Monday October 14th, 2024
Hosted by: The Kingdom of Caid
The Kingdom of Caid invites you to Great Western War XXVI to Tell Your Story while camping along the lovely shore of Lake Evans located at 13601 Ironbark Rd, Taft, CA 93268, October 8-14, 2024.

Click [here](#) for full event details and registration information.



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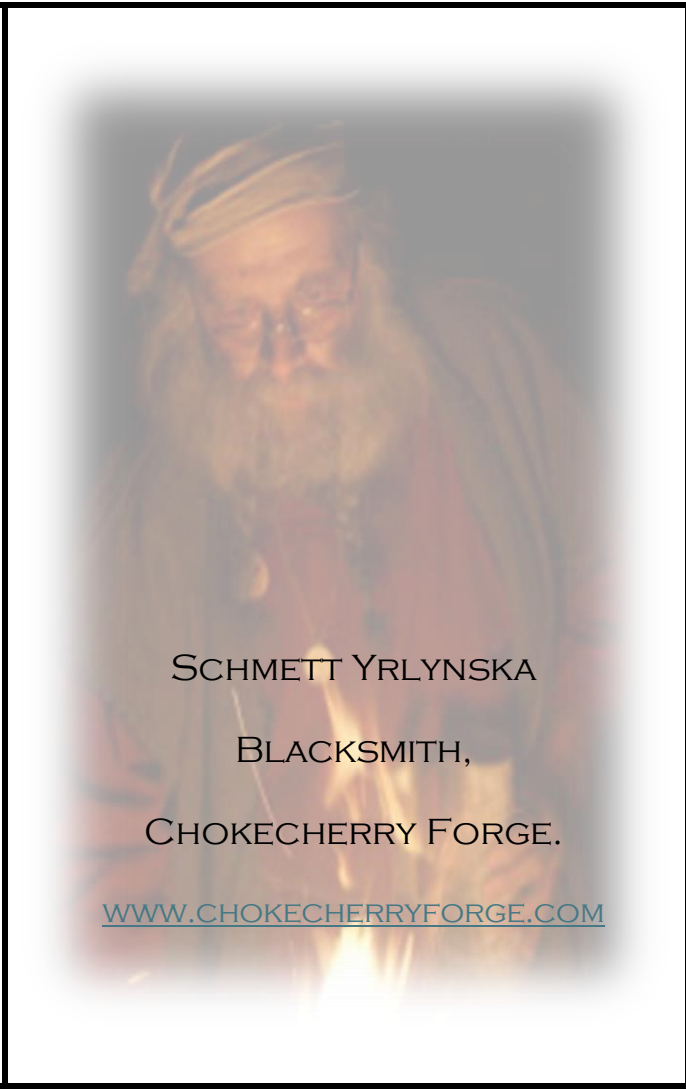
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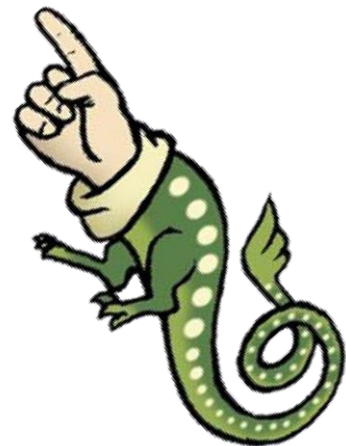
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