

AVANTGARDE

KINGDOM OF AVACAL'S OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER



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CHRONICLER'S DESK



At May Coronation, Their Majesties Kvigr and Svava introduced two new awards. One, the Iron Skull, was made official in Kingdom law even though it had been handed out since the first Bardic Championship in 2019. The second was the Royal Foreign Legion – an award that can be earned repeatedly, each time you attend a foreign war in the service of Their Majesties of Avacal. These new awards had me thinking about awards in Avacal – their role, their significance and how they are earned and bestowed.

Avacal awards play a vital role in the kingdom, fostering a sense of community, inspiration, and motivation among its populace. These accolades act as a visible recognition of merit and service, reinforcing the values that form the foundation of the SCA and Avacal specifically.

The significance of Avacal awards extends beyond individual recognition. They unite the kingdom, inspiring others to strive for excellence, pursue new areas of study, and contribute to the diverse tapestry of Avacal's cultural and martial endeavors. By celebrating outstanding achievements, these awards create a supportive environment that encourages personal growth and the pursuit of mastery.

Earning an Avacal award is a testament to dedication, expertise, and active participation in the kingdom's activities. Whether it is through artistic prowess, chivalric combat, service, or scholarly pursuits, recipients exemplify the values and ideals cherished by Avacal.

While the crown can bestow awards autonomously, especially where they see an oversight, more often, the crown bestows awards at the recommendation of the populace. One of the duties as a member or participant in our game is to nominate those who you feel are deserving of an award. <http://recommend.avacal.org> is a shortcut to the forms we use to recommend our peers (or Peers) for an award. If you haven't submitted a recommendation lately, I ask you to think over your last few events and if anyone stood out to you, check to see if they have an appropriate award already on the Order of Precedence (OP) at ([http:// heraldry.avacal.org/op](http://heraldry.avacal.org/op)) – if they don't, consider putting a good word in for them. The Kingdom thrives when its people feel respected and their achievements noticed!

Until next issue Friends!
Hamelin L'Archier

AVANTGARDE SUBMISSIONS

Do you have an event? A story, news, recipe or a research article that needs to be shared? The Avantgarde has room for your submission! If you would like to submit content, please email chronicler@avacal.org and include your SCA name with you submission. Also, linked below are the release forms that may need to accompany it. Deadline for submissions is the 7th of each month.

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KINGDOM AND COURT

nto the Mighty Kingdom of Avacal,

We, Gunther and Eyoddi, King and Queen of Avacal, send greetings!

Our lands have awakened to the spring, and bountiful crops begin to grow. Our Barony of Borealis begins a new era under the leadership of the vibrant Aman and Sarah, and thanks the stalwart Jean and Guillaine for their many years of guidance, as do We.

... But there are sounds of unrest in our lands, and rumors of...war!

We ask all loyal subjects who are able, to rally with Us at Alfheimland (The happiest place in the known world!) to help end this uprising without any *unnecessary* bloodshed, so that we may all return to peace and prosperity!

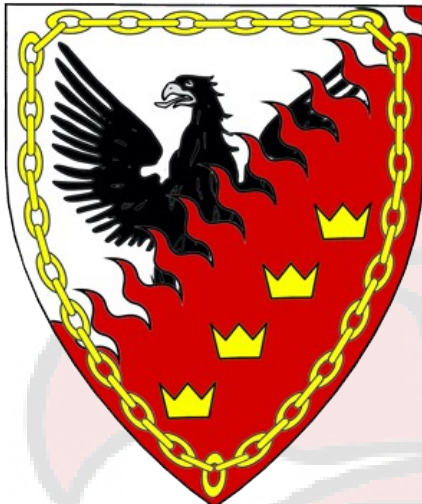
In service to Our People, and to The Dream,

Gunther Rorikson, King
Eyoddi Lokadottir, Queen



KINGDOM AND COURT

ROYALTY, AVACAL



GUNTHER RORIKSON
KING



EYODDI LOKADOTTIR
QUEEN

CHAMPIONS OF AVACAL:

Champion of Sword	Skane Tyrsson
Champion of Arts & Science	Tova Asketill
Champion of Arrow	Adam of the Camp
Champion of Bardic	Aran of Ayresgarde
Champion of Rapier	Robert of Clan Gunn
Champion of Youth	Njord Swordbreaker

COMING EVENTS

- Quad War - June 30 - July 4, 2023 - Shire of Bordergate*
Summer Champions - July 7-9, 2023, Barony of Myrgan Wood
Pillage Practice - July 14-16, 2023, Shire of Sigelhundas
Midsummer Mischief - July 21-23, 2023, Shire of Ayresgarde
Tri-Baronial Cup - August 4 - August 6, 2023, Barony of Borealis
Valley War - August 25 - August 27, 2023, Shire of Valley Wold

<https://newavacalwebtttwo.avacal.org/calendar/>

OFFICIAL EVENT POSTINGS

QUAD WAR

When: June 30 - July 4, 2023

Where:

Quad War Site

52°53'02.7"N 109°53'56.1"W

Site Hours: Noon to Noon

Price: \$30 (\$25 with membership)

17 and under free.

Event Stewards:

Volchok Vikingsson (viking1162@gmail.com) & Strio Smior (quin-nW@mcsnet.ca)

Within the borders of the fair Kingdom of Avacal, there are whispers of an epic battle years in the making. Whispers become roars, and build the anticipation. The Shire of Bordergate would like to invite one and all to participate in the quintessential medieval event, Quad War, and celebrate with our Avacal & visiting kingdom friends.

SUMMER CHAMPIONS

When: July 7-9, 2023

Where:

Quad War Site

52°53'02.7"N 109°53'56.1"W

Site Hours: Noon to Noon

Price: \$25 (\$20 with membership)

17 and under free.

Event Stewards:

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Join the Barony of Myrgan Wood at our Summer Champions event to find our next Champions of Arrow and Rapier!

There will be many other activities

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(Summer Champions)

on the schedule that aren't normally run at events because Myrg likes to keep it weird!

· 3 Truths and 1 Lie:

Breakable Shields Tournament with actual breakable shields!

· Friday night Team Torchlight Tourney for both Rapier and Armoured Combined! We've always wanted to see them fight at the same time right?

· Bardic Bingo! Oil up those walkers and get your dabbers and windpipes ready!!

· Target Archery Competition with real arrows and live peasants!

Myrg Summer Champs is a fun

event. Come have fun.

PILLAGE PRACTICE

When: July 14 - 16, 2023

Where:

White City Acreage

Site Hours: 4pm Friday to Noon Sunday

Price: \$25 (\$20 with membership) 17 and under free.

Event Stewards:

Myghchaell Loughlin(chatelaine@sigelhundas.org) & Philipp of the Lakes (grissom12@gmail.com)

Join the Shire of Sigelhundas for a day of fantastic fun, bardic balderdash, slinging steel, pointy projectiles, crazy combat, and delightful dancing, among other things!

Something for everyone! Camping possible.

MIDSUMMER

MISCHIEF

When: July 21-23, 2023

Where:

Mountainview Girl Guide Camp
8055 Wycliffe Road, Cranbrook, BC, V1C 7C6

Site Hours: 4pm Friday to 4pm Sunday

Price: \$20 (\$15 with membership) 17 and under free.

Event Steward:

Christina Moore (tinamoore9@gmail.com)

All the frivolous fun you know and love, and now featuring our armoured, rapier, and archery defendership tournaments! Plus classes, merchants, the ever popular Mischief Games and MUCH MORE! What are you waiting for?

VALLEY WAR

When: August 18-20, 2023

Where:

Rankins Group Camping
Buffalo Pound Provincial Park
Marquis No. 191, Moosejaw, SK, S0H4C0

Site Hours: 1pm Friday to 12pm Sunday

Price: \$15 (\$10 with membership) 17 and under free.

Event Stewards:

Geoffrey Lawrence (Jeff McKibben) jeffmckibben@hotmail.com & Jacinda of Valley Wold (Jacinda Tyndall)

Good people of Avacal , come to Valley War to help us decide a territory dispute with our neighbor , ie postal codes.

So we are going Postal this year

This will be decided by war points for archery, heavy combat, rapier combat , A&S and bardic. We will be having our shire archery defenders tournament as well.

SCA NEWS

DRAFT PROPOSAL FOR COMMENTARY

CORPORATE POLICY XIX. DELEGATION OF INVESTMENT AUTHORITY POLICY

The Board of Directors is currently considering the following addition to the SCA's Corporate Policy:

XIX. Delegation of Investment Authority Policy

The Board shall ensure that fiduciary responsibilities concerning the proper management of SCA, Inc.'s institutional funds are fulfilled through appropriate investment structure, internal and external management, and portfolio performance consistent with all policies and procedures. Based on the advice and recommendations of the Treasurer and its external fund manager(s), the Board shall approve investment policies and objectives that reflect the long-term investment-risk orientation appropriate to the organization. The Board may, at its sole discretion, create or eliminate committee(s) to advise the Board in furthering its duties and may select, appoint, and remove members thereto.

The Board hereby delegates supervisory responsibility for the management of its invested funds to the Corporate Treasurer, subject to the financial limitations specified in Corpora, as noted below:

- determine that institutional funds are prudently and effectively managed with the assistance of management and any necessary investment consultants and/or other outside professionals, if any.
- recommend the retention and/or dismissal of investment consultants and/or other outside professionals.
- receive and review reports from management, investment consultants and/or other outside professionals, if any.
- periodically meet with management, investment consultants and/or other outside professionals management, investment consultants and/or other outside professionals.
- report to the Board (as needed) whether this policy, investment activities, risk management controls and processes continue to be consistent with meeting the goals and objectives set for the management of institutional funds.
- execute such investment transactions as are necessary to ensure that SCA, Inc.'s investment portfolio reflects the asset allocation, investment-risk orientation, or other direction regarding the investment portfolio as has been established by the Board.

Corpora in its entirety can be found here: <https://www.sca.org/resources/document-library/govdocs/>

Please email all commentary to SCA-Comments@sca.org and use the title "Corpora – Investment Authority" in the subject line. NOTE: Do not use attachments in your commentary. Attachments will cause your message to be marked as spam, and it will be bounced.

In lieu of email, commentary may be sent by US Mail, Postage-Prepaid, to:

Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc.

RE: Corpora – Investment Authority

P.O. Box 611928

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Commentary regarding this proposed Corpora change, whether sent by email or US Mail, must be received by the Board no later than September 15, 2023.

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QUARTERLY BOARD

MEETINGS

All quarterly board meetings
have a 10:00 am start time unless
otherwise stated.

Depending on "safer-in-place"
regulations in effect, meetings
may be handled by VoIP rather
than in person.

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Pennsic - How to Survive Day to Day on Site with Arwyn, Avacal Pennsic Coordinator

This month concentrates on how to survive Pennsic day to day with the resources on-site. If you are still wanting to come to Pennsic, please contact me at arwynofleicester@gmail.com or Stephanie "Arwyn" Mortenson on the book of faces to determine what we can do now that the pre-reged deadline has passed.

Pre-reged deadline has passed? Can I still come? Can I just show up?

Pre-registration allowed us to monitor how many people are in the set sized "Kingdom of Avacal" encampment and to determine if we needed to have the "Populace of Avacal" one too. Now that the deadline has passed, we still have a few options. We can see if there is still space in the Kingdom space. However, "single camping" is always an option. This allows you a space within a block that isn't completely full with encampments. This may or may not be near the "Kingdom of Avacal" encampment but you will be on site.

How to do I Survive Troll (old name for gate)? Can I get in at night and pay later like we do at Quad?

On Friday July 28 (otherwise known as zero night) check in starts at 9AM with Land Agents responsible for final negotiations and signoff for the land grab blocks to be done. Once a block has been completed, then each camp of that block receives passes for 5 vehicles to enter and begin to setup. All of this continues until the whole of Pennsic's Land Grab is complete, which is usually at noon on Saturday. At that point, all people can enter and go off to their encampments or assigned single camper spot.

If you arrive on Zero Night and don't have a vehicle pass, you can stay on the battlefield (which has portajohns) until Troll opens for everyone. You still have to pay to camp/stay on the battlefield but you can't enter into the site. Alternatively, you can go back and hang out at the pilot 24h truck stop with the McDonalds on Hwy 422. Except for the first weekend Troll is not open overnight and is open only from 8AM to 10pm. Without either a Pennsic medallion, receipt or hospital armband (issued if you lose your medallion), none of the gates will let you in (no exceptions). Portajohns are on the battlefield while you wait until 8AM for Troll to reopen.

Adults (over 18) must have a government issued ID (since we need a passport to get in the US) so we're all good. Anyone bringing children under 18 years please contact me (Arwyn) so we meet the requirements and the extra rules for them to attend Pennsic. No coins or checks (including travellers checks) are accepted at Troll. Please only use US Cash or Credit Cards. If you have pre-registered, bring your barcode (Print out or have it open on your phone). Bring the licence plate of the vehicle you're responsible for and the plate for any trailer pulled by your vehicle.

Please note that at peak times, Troll/gate may be busy. Normal expected busy times are Land Grab weekend and Friday of the middle weekend. Plan accordingly since there are no food merchants on the battlefield (McDonalds at the Pilot prior just in case). I have waited 4 hours at Troll in peak times.

Once you get your medallion, put it on as soon as possible (they give you a cool piece of string). Take a picture of your receipt. You need this to get in and out of Pennsic and to and from the battlefield (located on the public road) so you need it to get back into the site.

What should I Bring?

Garb for all weather conditions (rain, cold to the point of snow, hot and humid). Layers and natural fabrics (wool, linen and cotton) are your friends! If staying longer than a week, there are onsite laundry services as well as ones in both Butler and Newcastle.

Raincoat or poncho, boots for mucking about, wool socks and plastic tarps for wet days on end.

Light shoes or sandals because barefoot is not recommended since the site has poison ivy and poison oak along with sharp rocks on the non-paved roads. Period shoes are great but bring your running shoes, work boots, etc. to help with the walking.

A nice wool one cloak or the bog coats are great in both the rain but also when it is cold. A cloak is better because it can be used as an extra blanket.

One set of mundane/modern clothes in a plastic bag in case of major rain storms.

Sleeping bag and pad/air mattress and a sheet and/or light blanket for the "warm" night. Bring a pillowcase and stuff it for clothes to reduce luggage if flying.

Food can be acquired at the food merchants on site and great groceries are available at the Cooper store. On-site food merchants do not do food plans because Groups do. At this point, no Avacal specific meal plan is being organised.

Bring your cup or tankard as a minimum feast gear especially if you are going to the parties.

Prescription and non-prescription meds that you take normally for the entire time plus a bit just in case of flight delays and/or cancellations.

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Toiletries including the usual stuff (soap, towel, toothbrush, etc). If you are minimising luggage and only doing carry-on, small travel size versions of these liquids are available at the Cooper Store.

Portable Light Sources. Flashlights are best for travel by air. Batteries, etc can be purchased at the Cooper Store.

Cash Money in US Funds. Have cash on hand for food merchants... almost everyone else takes Visa and Mastercard. ATMs are on site but can get extreme lineups during war week.

Sunscreen and Anti-chafe lotions. Pennsic is warmer and more humid. So plan for both of these.

Earplugs. Although drumming and singing is not allowed after 2am, ear plugs help if you want an early night.

What does the site have for resources?

Coopers Lake Campground has great services including:

- Internet Cafe including USB phone/tablet charging stations, B&W and colour laser printing, computers with internet access, faxing
- Store which takes Visa, Mastercard and sells lots of things including:
- Ice, wood, propane
- Drinks: Water, juice, milk, soda/pop, tea and coffee, slushies (BUY Water, cooper onsite water takes like SH*T, copper level is very high but still meets legal drinking standards!)
- Food: snacks, bread, produce (corn on the cob), canned goods
- Health and Beauty: sunscreen, bug spray, toiletries, first aid
- Camping Gear: tent stakes, air mattresses, fire starters, folding chairs, blankets
- Hardware
- Showers - near the store and down by the lake -near my camp
- Temporary Amazon.com drop off point on site - great for last minute or emergency orders.

Pennsic services include:

- Disability Services including Camping, scooter recharging, parking (located in the town tent across from the store)
- Information Point (located in the town tent across from the store) to provide information about onsite and local area info such as telephone and local contacts including pizza
- First Aid Point with EMS staff 24hr/d and Doctors on site generally from 9am to 6pm
- Onsite newspaper runs from Saturday to Friday of war week. Pennsic independent available from the children urchins screaming at the top of their lungs "Pennsic Independent only a dollar 25!"
- Buses! One or two routes running around Tuesday of peace week and two during war week

Pennsic Rules?

Pennsic has some significant rules to ensure that our 10,000-15,000 attendees stay safe and the event runs smoothly. Check out Pennsic Rules - The Pennsic War for more details but the major ones to watch for are listed below.

- No cutting of trees, branches, shrubs, or other foliage for any reason, including, but not limited to, use as firewood.
- Do not use the sinks in the bathhouses for any purposes other than those for which they are intended; prohibited uses include but are not limited to: the washing of dishes, utensils and/or clothing, as well as bathing.
- 5 MPH/8 KPH speed limit for all roads within the campground. Use special caution in congested areas. The posted limits may be too fast for local conditions.
- No martial activities of any kind shall be permitted outside of the proper, designated areas. This includes, but is not limited to: siege weapons, youth combat weapons, thrown weapons, rapier, archery, armored heavy combat and/or modern martial arts
- NO trenches or wastewater pits may be dug deeper than 3 feet. All pits must be filled in prior to leaving the event.
- You may not plug electrical or electronic devices into any outlet in any Cooper's Lake Campground building or Pennsic War facility.
- Quiet hours shall be enforced between 2:00 A.M. and 7:00 A.M. throughout the campground.
- All Vehicles shall be removed to the parking lot area within six (6) hours of first arrival (as noted on your vehicle's "hang tag" provided when you troll in).
- Vehicles which are improperly parked or are in violation of any site rule or site policy are subject to immediate towing without any prior notice.
- Vehicles that arrive on site one hour prior (aka 9pm) to closing of troll during quiet hours may be parked for the night in the camping area. The vehicle must be completely off the road, near the camp of the vehicle owner, until 6am. However, after 6am has arrived the vehicle must be moved to the parking area in accordance with standard policies

Finally, most of these items discussed over the last few months also work for events at our Quad Site. If Pennsic 50 couldn't work this year, then think about Pennsic 51 (2024) or Pennsic 52 (2025) and plan.

AVACAL KINGDOM BUSINESS

AVACAL ADVOCACY COUNCIL

Avacal is seeking 2-6 people for the position of Advocate Council. The Avacal Advocacy Council will address situations when a member of the populace needs help understanding their options should they feel they are being mistreated. The role of the Advocacy Council is to support the populace member in addressing their concerns respectfully to support a healthy culture within Avacal. This support can help members to navigate kingdom laws and policies, listen to concerns, offer advice such as SCA policy and procedure options, and assist with conflict resolution.

One member of the Advocacy Council shall be the Avacal DEI officer.

Responsibilities of the Advocacy role:

- Be willing to be approached during events, meetings or outside SCA formal events to assist with managing interpersonal conflict between populace members in an advisory role.

- Actively listen to the concern of the populace member and validate facts by asking clarifying questions.

- Offer feedback, where appropriate, and, if needed, support the design of scripting to address conflict by focusing on facts and the situation's impact.

They may be present with the populace member when they approach the other party in the efforts to resolve the conflict.

Considerations for this position:

- Be considered by others to be approachable, open and willing to engage in dialogue.

- Feels confident to partner with the DEI office, as required.

- Comfortable with conflict, the ability to be objective, listen for facts and assumptions, and offer coaching to address the issue at hand.

- Enhanced interpersonal skills and the ability to manage conflict without creating barriers

- Be non-judgemental and keep the confidence of the people involved

- Receive direction from the Kingdom Seneschal as per the grievance procedure/bullying and harassment policy requirement, etc.

- Dependable access to email and phone.

- Strong ability to build and maintain relationships across all peerages.

- We are skilled at working collaboratively with all leadership across Avacal, including the Crown, Kingdom Seneschal, Baron and Baronesses, all group-level seneschals, etc.

- Attend training to become skilled in Advocacy Training which includes: active listening, effective feedback, and managing conflict.

All officer positions must be paid by members of the SCA.

Please submit your mundane and SCA resume to the Kingdom Seneschal at seneschal@avacal.org.

Changes to the Laws of the Kingdom of Avacal - May Coronation, AS LVIII

Section V.C - Awards, Orders and Honours of Avacal

V.C.I Non-Armigerous Honours: Honours that convey no precedence:

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2. For those entrants who gain second place in their designated Championship competitions shall be honoured with the following:

- a. The Iron Maul: Given to the runner up in Sword Champions Tournament
- b. The Iron Arrow: Given to the runner up in the Arrows Champion Tournament
- c. The Iron Gauntlet: Given to the runner up in the Rapier Champion Tournament
- d. The Iron Quill: Given to the runner up in the Arts & Sciences Champion Tournament
- e. The Iron Skull: Given to the runner up in the Bardic Champion Tournament.

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10. Royal Foreign Legion is bestowed by the Crown to those that travel to foreign wars with the Crown. You may be bestowed this token more than once. All those in possession of the Royal Foreign Legion (RFL) token will be recognized as a Legionnaire in the RFL. There will also be a special rank of Tribune and Prefect of the RFL.

- a. Tribune of the RFL, is the highest ranked legionnaire participating in the Marshal activities of the war (Armored, Fencing, Archery, Equestrian).
- b. Prefect of the RFL, is the highest ranked legionnaire participating in the non-Marshall activities of the war (A&S, Service, Bardic).

The Crowns will bestow these honorary ranks to the highest ranked legionnaire present at the foreign war. This will be bestowed at each foreign war that the Crown travel to. The same person may not necessarily be bestowed this title at each war they attend.

In case of a tie, the Crown will bestow the ranking to the highest ranked legionnaire of their choosing. The same person can not hold both honorary ranks at the same time.

COURT REPORT

The Court of Their Majesties King Kvigir Ivarsson and Queen Svava Suanhuita - Avacal May Coronation May 20th, AS LVIII

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Order of Chivalry

Kathryn inghean Ui Mhaonaigh (Montengarde)

Royal Foreign Legion (New Award)

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Gwenyther of Sigelhundas (Sigelhundas)

Hamelin L'Archier (Borealis)

Kolbera Varsdottir (Borealis)

Hrogan Gunterhsson (Myrgan Wood)

Astrid Arnsbjornsdottir (Myrgan Wood)

Alexios Marvos (Myrgan Wood)

Amya Marvos (Myrgan Wood)

Signe Smidja (Myrgan Wood)

Ademar Donadei di Pietro (Vinjar)

Sakeld the Peacemaker (Myrgan Wood)

Amee Martin (Myrgan Wood)

Thorgunn inn Vidforli (Myrgan Wood)

Gunther Roriksson (Myrgan Wood)

Eyoddi Lokadottir (Myrgan Wood)

Red Bow

Bryce de Chauillac (Borealis) (no OP entry for him yet)

Winged Lynx

Roya of Montengarde (Montengarde)

Sable Flute

Wernar Ivarsson (Borealis)

Fergus of Carlisle (Borealis)

Order of Avacal

Vik Vikingsson (Borealis)

King's Favour

Havarr Kvigsson (Myrgan Wood)

John Wernarsson (Myrgan Wood)

Wilum Winters (Myrgan Wood)

Maiosara thugater Azarionos (Montengarde)

Queen's Favour

Maiosara thugater Azarionos (Montengarde)

Adelheid Holtzhauer (Borealis)

Signe Smidja (Myrgan Wood)

Ademar Donadei di Pietro (Vinjar)

Shunzei no Chikakawa (Myrgan Wood)

Throne's Favours

Inga in hraustliga (Borealis)

Arnsbjorn Tiernanson (Borealis)

Astrid Arnsbjornsdottir (Myrgan Wood)

Hrogn Gunthersson (Myrgan Wood)

Adelheid Holtzhauer (Myrgan Wood)

Lucinda Knarrabringa (Borealis)

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Solfrid Kvigirsdottir (Myrgan Wood)

Inga Svavasdottir (Myrgan Wood)

Bera Kvigirsdottir (Myrgan Wood)

King of Avacal

Gunther Rorikson (Myrgan Wood)

The Court of Their Majesties King Gunther Rorikson and Queen Eyoddi Lokadottir - Avacal May Coronation May 20th, AS LVIII

Queen

Eyoddi Lokadottir (Myrgan Wood)

Duke

Kvigir Ivarsson (Myrgan Wood)

Duchess

Svava Suanhuita (Myrgan Wood)

Princes Royale

Logan Guntherson (Myrgan Wood)

Ulrich Guntherson (Myrgan Wood)

Ezra Guntherson (Myrgan Wood)

Elders

Ayame Houjou (Myrgan Wood)

Edward Vikingsson (Borealis)

Champion of Heavy

Skane Tyrsson (Montengarde)

Champion of Arrow

Adam of the Camp (Avacal)

Iron Maul

Fergus of Carlisle (Borealis)

Iron Arrow

Robert Boniface (Myrgan Wood)

The Court of Their Excellencies Montengarde, Baron Refr Bjarnarson and Baroness Adis Ulfsdottir - Wyndwyrms May Days - May 27, AS LVIII

Order of the Golden Link

Huszar Ilona (Wyndwyrms)

LETTERS OF ACCEPTANCE



EIRIK OF THE TWO RAVENS

BADGE CHANGE FOR ANGELO LAMBERTI DA FANENGO
OR, A CHALICE WINGED AT THE STEM GULES



EIRIK OF THE TWO RAVENS

BADGE CHANGE FOR SÆXULF ÆT ESSEXE
PER FESS GULES AND OR, A TIERCE SABLE



EIRIK OF THE TWO RAVENS

BADGE CHANGE FOR KOBE TAROU HIROMOTO
AZURE, A RAVEN WITHIN AN ANNULET ARGENT.



JOHANNA KATRIN STRICKENFADEN

BADGE
ARGENT, A BEND SINISTER COTISED BETWEEN A PEACOCK IN HIS PRIDE FACE TO SINISTER AND A
BOAR'S HEAD COUPED CLOSE VERT ARMED OR, A BORDURE VERT



JOHANNA KATRIN STRICKENFADEN

BADGE
ARGENT, A BEND SINISTER COTISED BETWEEN AN ASS STATANT TO SINISTER AND A BELT IN AN-
NULO, A BORDURE VERT



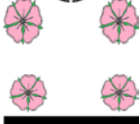
JOHANNA KATRIN STRICKENFADEN

ALTERNATIVE NAME AND BADGE
ARGENT, IN FESS TWO SOCKS AZURE



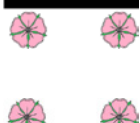
BARONY OF MONTENGARDE

BADGE FOR ORDER OF CHILDREN OF SAINT FERDINAND
ARGENT, A LABYRINTH SABLE BETWEEN FOUR PINK WILD ROSES PROPER



BARONY OF MONTENGARDE

BADGE FOR ORDER OF THE GOLDEN LINK
ARGENT, ON A FESS SABLE BETWEEN FOUR PINK WILD ROSES PROPER A CHAIN OR



BARONY OF MONTENGARDE

BADGE FOR ORDER OF THE GOLDEN HEDGEHOG
ARGENT, ON A FESS SABLE BETWEEN FOUR PINK WILD ROSES PROPER A HEDGEHOG OR



ALRIC OF MYRGAN WOOD

BADGE
(FIELDLESS) IN SALTIRE TWO ARROWS INVERTED OR, OVERALL A ROUND BUCKLE VERT.

KINGDOM NEWS



CATHERINE DANCORT

DEVICE

ARGENT, A SEA-HORSE AZURE BETWEEN IN CHIEF TWO CATHERINE WHEELS SABLE



KOLBERA VARSDOTTIR

BADGE

QUARTERLY ARGENT AND VERT, A FOX RAMPANT PROPER MAINTAINING A PANACHE OF THREE OSTRICH FEATHERS VERT BETWEEN TWO ANCIENT CORONETS IN BEND SINISTER OR.

New Kingdom Bardic Deputy Officer

Greetings unto the Bards of Avacal do I, Countess Karina de Elephantide send warmest greetings.

It gives me great pleasure in announcing that Lady Siobhán Brix has been chosen as our next Kingdom Bardic Deputy Officer.

I stepped into the role in 2018 and feel that I have done all that I can do and thus, it is very much time to retire.

I will always be proud of the accomplishments you've allowed me, but most proud of winning the hearts of the Crown and the Kingdom and finally giving the Bards of Avacal their Kingdom Bardic Champion and the honor of running the first Bardic Championship of Avacal. To say my heart has been full ever since is an understatement.

Thank you Avacal for allowing me this great honor in serving you.

Yours in Service, Laughter and Song,

Countess Karina de Elephantide R., OR, CB, NE
40th Queen of Caid
Order of the Rose
Court Baroness
Kingdom Bardic Deputy Officer (2018-2023)
Montengarde Bardic Champion II
Apprentice to Master Beorn of the Norther Seas
Avacal Cheerleader and giver of free mom hugs



OUT OF KINGDOM EVENT

Lion's War

Clinton War Site - August Long Weekend

August 4th noon - August 7th 3pm

Barony of Lions Gate

Event Steward: Mikhail Kurganovic (mbe@uniserve.com)

Event Fee: Adult \$45, Membership discount of \$5 will apply, Eighteen and under Free. Make cheques payable to Barony of Lions Gate.

Site Address: Martin Ranch on Clinton Creek, 7701 Clinton Station Road, Clinton BC Canada

There is RV parking available in the upper parking lot – no additional fees

Merchants are welcome – no merchant fees

There will be non-TUTR classes for those with a thirst for knowledge. If there is something you would like to learn or teach, please contact our class coordinator, Rhune (bcchains@yahoo.com)

For many years, the valley of Clinton has suffered under the oppressive weight of peace and harmony.

Now, at last, war has come again to the traditional stomping grounds of Lions Gate's mighty army, the ancestral seat of Viscountess Maelen and her lord, Viscount Scellanus, and the home of Tir Righ's most venerable castle. War!! Economic prosperity! Martial glory! And a new collection of epic tales to while away the winter hours!

The ravaging hordes of Cold Keep and her lackeys are marching South under the flimsy pretext of collecting tithes. The Glorious Baron and Baroness of Lions Gate call on their armies, their vassals, their allies, and all lovers of truth and justice to join them in crushing this nefarious insurrection, and then celebrating victory in an epic party for the ages.

Return with us to the home of mighty battles of the past. Join friends and family as we meet in glorious battle, slay our foes, and then join them in camaraderie and revels afterwards. Hear the clash of armoured combat upon the dusty plains of Clinton! Witness the swashbuckling elegance of rapier combat in the tavern! Hear the songs of the bards as we gather around the hearths at night, and revel in the craft of the most skilled of artists as we sing, fight, and craft our way to victory.

Come Seagirt! Come Madrone! Come Borealis and Montengarde! Thornwold and Danescombe, Krakafjord and Tir Bannog, come ye all! Come ride to victory in armour, rapier, archery and thrown weapons, arts and a children's battle.

Come home. Come witness history. Come to Lion's War.

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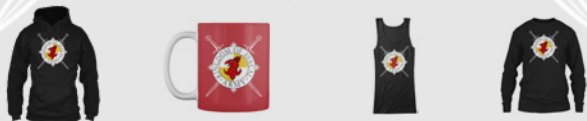
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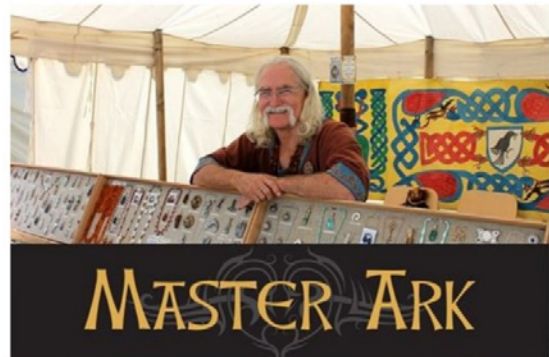
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With the sun shining and summer in full bloom, have you been eager to set up your encampment but can't seem to find all of your tent pegs or S hooks? Has your spouse been saying they'll get around to making you a trivet but keeps going a Viking or chasing the goats in the field? Or are you looking for a new tripod to give your fire that special something? Well look no further because here at Iron Sunset Forge lady Thora Volundsdottir is here to help with all your iron needs. We even make flint strikers to get your fire going. Feel free to contact us at ironsunsetforge@gmail.com (fb:iron sunset forge)

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COVER: Lord Ademar and his son Guglielmo watching court at May Coronation, May 20th, AS LVIII. Photograph by Conan (Mitchell Craig)