

AVANTGARDE

10 YEARS OF MAJESTY, 10 YEARS OF AVACAL



Kingdom of Avacal's Official Newsletter
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CHRONICLER'S DESK

GREETINGS, NOBLE POPULACE OF AVACAL!

As we celebrate 10 years of Avacal, it's a time to reflect on our shared history, the friendships forged, and the incredible achievements of our Kingdom. This milestone is a testament to the dedication and passion of every individual who has contributed to our vibrant community.

Highlights from This Issue:

- Royal Transitions: Welcome our new Kingdom Web Minister, His Excellency Raoul Delaroché, and extend gratitude to Her Ladyship Roya for her years of service.
- Upcoming Events: Mark your calendars for the Avacal Grand TUA, Spring Coronation, and the 10th Anniversary Extravaganza—a 10-day celebration of Avacal's legacy!
- Officer Updates: The Office of the Chatelaine seeks a new leader—could it be you?

Call for Submissions:

- The Avantgarde thrives on your stories! Share your event reports, A&S projects, combat triumphs, or personal reflections for future issues. Submit to chronicler@avacal.org

A Moment of Appreciation:

- A special thanks to all the volunteers who make Avacal's events and offices run smoothly. Your efforts ensure our Kingdom's continued growth and joy.

Stay Connected:

- Follow Avacal on social media and visit avacal.org for the latest news. Together, let's make the next decade even brighter!

In Service to the Dream,

Lady Lucrezia Iseppa Constantina di Arborea
Kingdom Chronicler

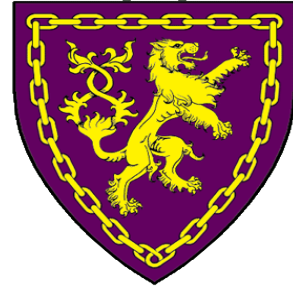


AVACAL ROYALTY

Their Royal Majesties

King of Avacal

Viki Vikingsson



Queen of Avacal

A'isha Rayhana al-Karim



Their Royal Highnesses

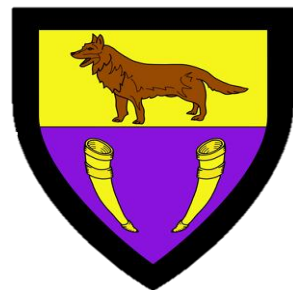
Crown Prince

Hrogan
Gunthersson



Crown Princess

Astridr
Arnbjarnardottir




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For further kingdom details, please visit Avacal.org the recognized website for The Kingdom of Avacal.



**12TH NIGHT 2025 AWARDS GRANTED BY
THEIR EXCELLENCIES,
BARON & BARONESS OF MONTENGARDE**

Geneviève Cadieux
Drífa at lækjarmóti
Rhiannon Quon
Allert Pierson
Celestino Van Brabant
Lauren of Montengarde
Medb Polestripper

Champion of Rapier
Champion of Arts and Science
Dragon of Montengarde
Emissary of the Minotaur's Chair
Sable Drum
Children of Saint Ferdinand
Sable Cinquefoil of Montengarde



**Skald the Hall 2025 Awards Granted by
Their Excellencies,
Baron & Baroness of Myrgan Wood**

Ayame Houjou
Tonogawa no Keiran
Yukimura Kaen
Æthelbert Davidson
Annika Ulfrdottir
Annika Ulfrdottir

Gold Leaf of Myrgan Wood
Elm Leaf of Myrgan Wood
Champion of Bardic
Elders of Myrgan Wood
Elders of Myrgan Wood
Champion of Youth

Avacal News & Announcements

OFFICE OF THE EARL MARSHAL

Good News Avacal!

I have a successor! Duke Ivar has heroically stepped up to lead the combat disciplines of the kingdom into a new golden age of... Combativeness!!!!

The Fergus reign of terror will come to a close in the final months of 2025. Right now, we are working on the transition of the office. If you're wondering why we are taking 6 months, the society is going through a transition time in how the books of combat will be managed across the society and we feel Avacal needs some consistency during the roll out. More info will follow.

In the meantime, please carry on and grit your teeth, it's only a few more months. His grace is currently the deputy KEM, and if there are any conversations that you feel will be long term it would be a good idea to loop him in on sooner rather than later.



You friendly neighbourhood KEM
Iarla Fergus (best before date : Dec 2025)

OFFICE OF THE CHATELAINE

The term of the current Chatelaine is coming to an end as of March 31, 2015. If you are interested in this position please contact the [Seneschal](#) or [Chatelaine](#).

The Kingdom Chatelaine is the officer responsible for training, advising, and coordinating public outreach, newcomer acquisition, acclimation and retention for the Kingdom of Avacal. This officer is currently a deputy to the Kingdom Seneschal.



Duties include:

- Coordinating and monitoring the efforts of group chatelaines.
- Developing and maintaining materials for recruitment, newcomer orientation and retention, and local officer training.
- Maintaining a knowledge base for Kingdom demos and monitoring compliance with the Kingdom demo policy/guidelines document.
- Working closely with other Kingdom-level officers to create, implement, and monitor Kingdom-wide marketing efforts for new member acquisition and retention.
- Performing other duties assigned by the Kingdom Seneschal as directed.

Successful candidates for this position should have demonstrated leadership skills, problem-solving,

and experience with demo management.

Applicants should be able to travel to other groups throughout the Kingdom as necessary and have easy access to phone, mail, and reliable email. They must also be paid members of the Society and able to meet quarterly reporting deadlines in a timely manner.

This position presents the opportunity to help preserve the rich traditions of the Kingdom of Avacal and assure its future by assisting in recruiting and retaining newcomers. The successful candidate will have the opportunity to help introduce people to this game and will have a long-term, positive impact on the participants across the Kingdom.

Questions regarding the position may be directed to Renee Carr, Kingdom Seneschal via email at seneschal@avacal.org.

Résumés, including SCA offices held and awards received, must be sent via email to seneschal@avacal.org. Résumés must be received by **May 31, 2025**.

Hear Ye! Hear Ye!



It has been announced that we have a new Kingdom Exchequer – Lady Kaydance Pardus! Thank you for volunteering to take on this important role in our Kingdom.

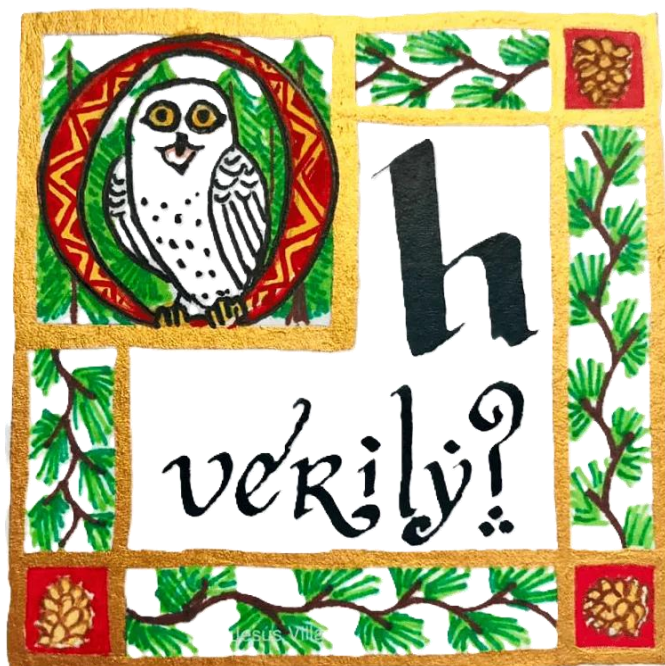
The Office of the Exchequer currently has several vacancies listed for deputies, if you would like to speak with Lady Kaydance Pardus about those volunteering opportunities or other related financial matters, please contact her via email at exchequer@aval.org

HUZZAH! A CELEBRATION OF SERVICE AND NEW BEGINNINGS

After many years of dedicated service, Her Ladyship Roya of Montengarde is stepping down from her role as Kingdom Web Minister. We extend our deepest gratitude for her exceptional commitment and tireless work in supporting the Avacal dream. May her retirement be filled with joy and well-deserved relaxation!

At the same time, we are delighted to announce that His Excellency Raoul Delaroché has graciously volunteered to take up the mantle as our new Kingdom Web Minister. If you are interested in joining the Avacal Web Team or require technical assistance, please reach out to His Excellency at web@avacal.org.

Here's to honoring the past and embracing the future—Avacal thanks you both!





BARONY OF BOREALIS CONFIDENCE POLLING DATE SET

Greetings to the populace of Borealis

Their Excellencies Aman and Sarah have served you well and in good faith for nearly two years, and they have shown a willingness and commitment to continue serving the Barony and the Kingdom into the future. The Crowns and Coronets have heard their request and in turn, ask the populace of Borealis: Do you have confidence in their leadership?

On June 4, 2025, representatives of Their Royal Majesties will be on hand to conduct a Confidence Polling of Borealis. As Seneschal, it is my duty and honour to host them at our regular tavern night and business meeting. I ask that all populace of Borealis that are members of the Society attend and participate in the polling. If you are unable to attend, you may contact myself or the Kingdom Seneschal in advance of the polling, and we will provide an alternative to allow you to participate.

Borealis Confidence Polling
Alberta Avenue Community Hall
9210 118 Ave, Edmonton AB
June 4, 2025
7:00 PM through 9:00 PM

Important reminders:

- ☉ By Society and Kingdom law, only individuals with an active membership in the SCA are permitted to participate in a branch polling. The representatives of Their Majesties may ask for proof of membership.
- ☉ If you are unable to attend the polling in person contact borealis.seneschal@avacal.org or seneschal@avacal.org **before** the polling date, and we will provide alternate arrangements.
- ☉ If you reside in Borealis but will not be a member at the time of polling, Society and Kingdom law will not allow you to participate directly, but you are still able and encouraged to provide feedback to the Crown by contacting crown@avacal.org
- ☉ A branch polling is not a vote. The results of a polling are confidential, and will be given strong consideration by Their Majesties, but authority over all branch leadership decisions rests with the Crown.

Yours in Service,

Iolar the Sinister
Borealis Seneschal

AVACAL OFFICIAL EVENTS

AVACAL GRAND TUA

May 3rd at 9:00 AM to 10:00 PM
University of Alberta - North Campus
2-29 Triffo Hall, 116 St and 85 Ave
Edmonton, Alberta, T6G 2E1
Event Steward: [Sicillia Beaumont](#)

Gate Fees:

Adult	\$40 (\$30 with membership)
Youth (0-17 yrs)	FREE

The Barony of Borealis proudly welcomes you to The University of Avacal!

Their Majesties, King Vik and Queen A'isha, seek new champions of Bardic and Arts & Science, and invite Their populace to join Them for a full day of championships, classes, competitions, and merriment.

Instructors of all disciplines are welcomed - both from afar and from within Avacal's borders. Please contact HL Sicillia to add your class to the roster. [Class listing](#)

Feast Details:

Although a feast will not be held, arrangements are being made for a group reservation at a nearby restaurant(s). Arrangements are also being made for Regional Practice. Please stay tuned for further details.





AVACAL SPRING CORONATION

May 16th, 2025, at 12:00 PM to May 19th, 2025, at 1:00 PM
Benalto Agricultural Centre
Benalto, AB T0M 0H0
52°18'22.4"N 114°16'48.2"W
Event Steward: Li Xia

Gate Fees:

Adult	\$40 (\$30 with membership)
Youth (0-17 yrs)	Free

Come full circle to where we first started as a kingdom 10 years ago!


At the site of Avacal's first Crown and first Coronation, join us for an exciting weekend of 10th Anniversary celebration and coronation of our heirs, as well as combat, archery, classes, and more. We'll even have a feast!

Feast Steward: Arjun Singh

Feast Fees:

Adult	\$15
Youth (12-17 yrs)	\$15
Children (0-11 yrs)	\$15

See the one stop shop for all things Spring Coronation on our [website!](#)



Avacal
Coronation
Benalto A.B.
May 16-19 2025

MAY DAYS

May 23rd, 2025 to May 25th at 12:00PM
Grassy Lake Municipal Campground
310 Chapman Ave
Grassy Lake, AB T0K 0Z0
Event Steward: [Freydis Birthesdottir](#)

Gate Fees:

Adult	\$30 (\$20 with membership)
Youth (0-17 yrs)	FREE

With the thawing of the lands and the new growth blossoming, we gather our mighty archers and talented bards to herald in the spring! Come gather with our tiny shire and find our new defenders and spend time with great friends!



SILVERWOLF

June 14th, 2025
Warburg Community Hall and Ball Diamond
5335 50A Ave
Warburg, AB T0C 2T0
Event Steward: [Stryder of Borealis](#)
Co-Steward: [Iolar the Sinister](#)

Gate Fees:

Adult	\$35 (\$25 with membership)
Youth (0-17)	Free

On the 14th of June, their excellencies of the Barony of Borealis, Baron Aman and Baroness Sarah invite all to the bask in the Light To The North.

On this day, not only shall our swords be sharpened, armour cleaned and mended, and bow strings waxed and readied, in anticipation of our championship tourneys, there will also be feasting!

Feast Steward: [Signe Smidja](#)

Come and enjoy our buffet style feast. Menu and registration will be coming shortly!

Feast Fees:

Adult	\$20
Youth (12-17)	\$20
Children (0-11)	Free



DRAGONSLAYER

July 18th - 20th, 2025
Site Address: TBA
Event Steward: TBA
Gate Fees: TBA

For further information
please contact the [Montengarde Seneschal](#).



AVACAL 10TH ANNIVERSARY EXTRAVAGANZA

June 27th to July 6th, 2025

Quad War Site - 52°53'02.7"N 109°53'56.1"W Marsden, SK

Event Steward: Duke Kvigr Ivarsson

Event Website: [Avacal 10th Anniversary](#)

The Kingdom of Avacal is turning 10 years old and to celebrate we are combining two of our standard calendars weekend events with a mid week Anniversary event to make one big 10-day celebration of Avacal.

One of the oldest and most attended events Avacal is Quad War. It has been a destination location and event within Avacal for a very long time. With Myrgan Wood Summer Champions always the immediate weekend after Quad, it has given Avacal the opportunity to host a 10-day event for Avacal 10th Anniversary. We will be hosting visitors, teachers and Royals from all over the Knowne World to join our celebration.



Please join us over this 10-day event and participate in all that Avacal has to offer!

	NMS	Member
Adult <u>10 Day</u> Event Registration	\$110	(\$100)
Adult <u>Quad</u> 1st Weekend Registration	\$30	(\$40)
Adult <u>Week of Avacal</u> Registration	\$90	(\$100)
Adult <u>MWSC</u> 2nd Weekend Registration	\$30	(\$40)
Youth Registration (0-17)	\$0	(\$0)



SOCIETY NEWS & EVENTS



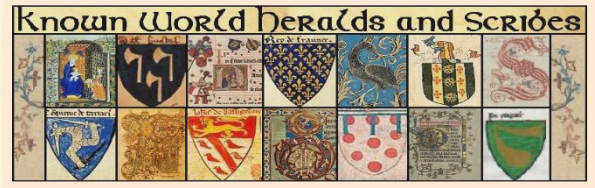
KNOWN WORLD EVENTS

[Virtual Known World Heraldic Scribal Symposium \(KWHSS\)](#)

June 13th - 15th

Kingdom of Ealdormere

Event Steward: [Magistra Pompeia Rufina OL OP](#)



INTERKINGDOM WARS

[DOUBLE WARS XXXVI](#) May 23rd - June 1st, 2025

Kingdom of Drachenwald (Sweden)

[ANTIR & WEST WAR XXXIX](#) July 1st - 6th, 2025

Kingdom of AnTir (Oregon)

[PENNSIC WAR LII](#) July 25th - August 10th, 2025

Kingdom of Aethelmearc (Pennsylvania)

[LILIES WAR XXXVII](#) June 6th - 15th, 2025

Kingdom of Calontir (Missouri)

[BATTLEMOOR](#) July 2nd - 6th, 2025

Kingdom of the Outlands (Colorado)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

[APRIL 2025 QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING](#)

Registrations are now open for the SCA Inc. Board of Directors' April 2025 Quarterly Meeting, taking place on April 12, 2025, at 10:00 AM Pacific Time via Zoom ([register here](#)), with an in-person session at the Home2 Suites Murray (4927 S State St, Murray, UT 84107) starting at 11:00 AM Mountain Daylight Time. The event, hosted by the Barony of Loch Salann, Kingdom of Artemisia, includes public sessions and a Q&A. In-person seating is first-come, first-served (no formal pre-registration, but an [informational form](Board Meeting | April 12, 2025) is available). A confirmation email will be sent after webinar registration.

[RANGED PEERAGE PROGRESS UPDATE](#)

The SCA Board of Directors has announced the timeline for establishing a new **Ranged Martial Peerage**, with key milestones including a **vote at the April 2025 Quarterly Meeting** (to finalize the Order's name, heraldry, and regalia), **writs for three founding members per kingdom** issued starting **May 1, 2025**, and **elevations commencing June 7, 2025**. Approved by the Board in June 2024, the new peerage will recognize excellence in pre-17th century ranged combat, requiring candidates to demonstrate skill, teaching, and service while upholding chivalric values. The three initial principals will form the Order's advisory body, guiding future inductions after consultation with the Crown. For details, see the [FAQ](#), and direct questions to seneschal@sca.org or president@sca.org.

OPEN SOCIETY OFFICER POSITIONS

Candidates are being sought for the Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging Office deputies' positions: Seeking applicants for 2 deputy positions: see descriptions for the [Project Implementation and Learning & Development deputies](#)

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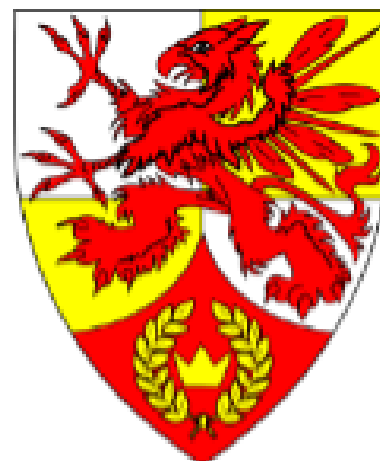
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