

# THE SIREN



The Barony of Stromgard Newsletter

June 2023

## LETTER FROM THE BARON AND BARONESS

### Greetings Stromgard!

Noble citizens of Stromgard,

This past month has been filled with events both joyous and hard for all of us.

Let us begin by acknowledging the events of May Crown. Brandr inn Havi, now called Brandr Raynersson, was knighted in the processional before the tournament. He has lived in, and served, the Barony of Stromgard as an officer and Sergeant. It brought us great pleasure to see him acknowledged as a knight.

There were many entrants from Stromgard in the Crown Tournament, including Duke Tiernan, Duke Morgan, Viscount Ulfr, Sir Rayner, Sir Sun Jiang, Sir Brandr, and entering his first Crown list, Uhtred, squire to Sir Rayner. After the preliminary rounds, the tournament entered the elimination rounds of sixteen fighters and Stromgard was well represented by Duke Morgan, Sir Rayner, Sir Sun Jiang and Sir Brandr. There were two other fighters from the Three Baronies, Sir Matheus Bane, as well as Sir Nicolai von Takov (who we will claim for Stromgard, as he attends our practice weekly). The tournament was won by Duke Morgan inspired by Duchess Livia! Hurrah for all of the fighters from Stromgard and the area who entered the tournament, and to the victorious Stromgardians!

Egil's in Adiantum was attended by many Stromgardians, along with the Baroness. Reports from the event indicate that people enjoyed themselves. Thank you to Ronan for being the Camp Master for the event.

Scribal night was attended by Baroness Gaeira, and archery practice has recommenced for the Summer months.

We have received several recommendations for awards, but we can always use more. It is our duty and pleasure to grant awards recognizing the contributions of the people of Stromgard.

Diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging are very important issues to the Barony of Stromgard. Your coronets are minded

in that vein to acknowledge that it's Pride month, and we want people who are LGBTQIA2S to know that they are welcomed, appreciated, and celebrated for who they are and whoever they love.

Last, on a somber note. We want to acknowledge the death of a man who was a friend and family to many people here in

**Baroness Gaeira & Baron Justin.**



## Officers Reports

### **Seneschal: Alina present, written report.**

Nothing new to report this month from the Seneschal /

Yours in Service

Viscountess Alina of Folkstone, OP

### **Exchequer: Constance present, written report.**

Greetings to Their Excellencies and the barony on Stromgard.

The May bank reconciliation is uploaded to the baronial website. I received the last of the receipts and moneys for founding Revel in June. Please be on the lookout for the closing report next meeting.

YIS

Constance Le Clerc

Exchequer

Barony of Stromgard

**Chamberlain: Alexander absent, written report.** NTR. Seneschal reports they have inventoried at Grennels, and will disposition at next meeting.

### **Arts and Science Minister: Pora present, written report.**

To Their Excellencies and the Populace of Stromgard,

Greetings – we had an Arts & Sciences meetup on June 7, 2023 with 7 people in attendance! At the meetups we are currently doing large projects for the barony!

Our next A&S Meetup will be Wednesday, July 5, 2023 at my residence – please look for the event descriptions on the Stromgard Book of Faces. If you need help finding them, please contact me and I'll make sure you get on the recurring invite.

Yours in Service,

Póra Jórsalafari, OL

Stromgard Arts & Sciences Minister

**Chatelaine: Siobhan absent, written report.**

Greetings to Their Excellencies and the Populace of Stromgard!

I have been in contact with a newcomer couple who are planning to attend Scribal nights and A&S nights going forward and are interested in archery practice as well. They plan to attend Tri Baronial Family Day and AAA for the weekend.

On the fourth Wednesday of May we held our baronial Scribal night at New Seasons and had newcomer from Dragons Mist attend. It was her first SCA meeting of any kind. We have introduced her to the DM Seneschal who has introduced assisted her in making contacts locally.

We continue to see increased numbers of expats from other areas of the known world – we are glad to welcome them to our fair Barony.

I have nothing further to report.

Yours In Service,

Lady Siobhán an Sionnaigh Ruaidh

### **Scribe: Tatiiana absent, written report.**

A huge thank you to Siobhan for organizing the scribal night. We had a nice turn out. I would like to start the search to find a future Baronial Scribe, but I'll hopefully be back next month for an in person report. Nothing else to report.

YIS,

Tatiiana

### **Herald: Ronan present, oral report**

Nothing to report. Available for heralding.

### **Chronicler: Helvi present, oral report.**

Siren was uploaded. This was be my last time compiling The Siren. Please consider taking it on.

Yours in Service,

Helvi the Half-Deaf

### **Social Media: Penelope absent, written report.**

Nothing to Report.

### **Web Minister: Eil absent, written report.** Nothing to report.

### **Knight Marshal: Sir Rayner absent, oral report.**

Nothing to report. Good attendance at practice going into summer with some new people showing up too, onlookers, transfer knights.

### **Rapier Marshal: Ikenaga Asahi, present. written report.**

We had one official practice this month with the heavies at the park.

There were five rapier fighters, including a newcomer. Peter Bates and Talbot were present as senior marshals. I showed up a second time with no other rapier fighters attending. The current plan is to be there on the second and fourth Thursdays with possible additional weeks if there is interest.

I also picked up some additional Baronial rapier loaner gear from Duncan and Moira.

Thank you,

Ikenaga Asahi

### **Archery Marshal: Feradach present, oral report.**

Practice was delayed, but next one had several people show up and had a great time.

### **Sergeantry: Fenris absent, no report.**

## VACANT OFFICES

- Equestrian Marshal
- Youth Marshal
- Lists
- Cut & Thrust
- Thrown Weapons Marshal
- Chronicler

## Event Reports

### **APRIL 29: Founding Revel: - Aelfwyn Fiske**

Still working on receipts, etc. 62 attended, 8 non members, 1 child. Closing next week is the goal.

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**SEPT 22-24: Game of Thrones and Stormgods - Dagmar**

StormGods/StormBlades Venue reserved- Wakaiakum fairgrounds entire site for three days at \$600. Need an on site stunt event steward(s) for the day, as Stephanie will be unable to attend.

**JULY 22: Rivers Region Family Day -Dagmar**

Rivers Region Family Day all set up. Birch Shelter. Ready to go.

**AUG 10-13 An Tir Arts Academy - Angela**

Budgets and details handed out. Break even around 100-120 people. Discussion of day trippers. Please pre-register. Need contract by this month. Food by June 30th. Contract date/refund by date is drop dead date. Seneschal helping get into Crier.

**DEC 16: Stromgard Yule - Helvi**

Budget and site were Camas, but they raised the price, so the cheapest spot is now Manor Grange, reserved and they are happy to have us. Will put in new budget next meeting for the vote. Voted on asking DM about a Dual Yule.

**OLD Business:**

**CORONET COMMITTEE:**

RFPs are out. Waiting on returns. Should be by next meeting.

**BARONIAL INVENTORY:**

Inventory was conducted at Grendal's. Found the Original Sword of Stromgard, a pavilion, event type big candle holders, kitchen utensils, food warmers, and a crock pot.

**EGILS CAMPING**

There will be land reservations for the Barony of Stromgard. If you already registered for Egils, just let Ronan (John Paul) or the Event Steward know.

If you are even thinking of going to Egils, please let us know. We get more sq. ft. for everyone who we add to the encampment.

**BENCH THRONES**

Still at the design stage.

**Stromgardian Awardees**

- Order of the Grey Goose Shaft — Feredach the Beardless
- Bell and Chain — Siobhán an Sionnaigh Ruaidh
- Silver Sea Urchin — Gregory of Stromgard
- Bunchberry — Ronan Mac an Leagha
- Bunchberry — Helvi av Gotland
- StormMaker — Allegro Corbinello de Ravenna
- Knight — Brandr inn havi
- Lion Cub — Gregory of Stromgard

If I have missed any awards, PLEASE let the next Chronicler know so they can update the list!!!

**In attendance:**

- Alina of Folkstone
- Constance Le Clerc
- Angela Rosa Dellamora
- Baron Justin
- Baroness GaeiRa
- Þóra Jórsalafari
- Feradach the Beardless
- Ikenaga Asahi
- Aelfwyn Fiske
- Ronan Mac an Leagha
- Helvi av Gotland
- Ikenaga Asahi
- Miranda Faoltiarnaa
- Ragna in Valska
- And if I missed anyone I apologize. It was cold.



# Awards of The Barony of Stromgard

If you know someone who is deserving of any of these recognitions, contact the Baron and Baroness with your recommendations.

## Orders and Honors

### Potissimus Hippocampus (Stromgard's Highest Honor)

Awarded for extraordinary service, continued involvement, encouraging others in their pursuits, epitomizing the aims of the society, and being the ideal to which all should strive. There is a polling order of the group. Granted a maximum of once per year. (Fieldless) A seahorse within and conjoined to an annulet engrailed on the inner edge argent.

### Noble Company of the Swan

The Noble Company of The Swan recognizes those individuals who show true courtesy and grace in their everyday actions and behavior. This award is given in consultation with the members of the company.

### Ullr of Lore

The Ullr of Lore recognizes those individuals who show excellence in persona development.

### Eldhus

The Eldhus recognizes those individuals whom maintain a period encampment. The token is traditionally a carved stone.

## Service

### The Order of the Bell and Chain

The entry level Baronial service award. (Fieldless) A chain in chevron inverted conjoined in pale with a hawk's bell Or.

### Ordo Famuli

Granted to those who show outstanding service to the Barony over many years. A higher award than the Bell and Chain. (Fieldless) A pair of hands appaumpy wrists outwards maintaining between them a roundel argent.

### Pillar of Stromgard

The highest service award, granted to exemplars of service whose labors behind the scenes contribute greatly to the strength of the Barony.

## Children's Awards

### The Stromgard Sand Dollar

Granted to citizens aged 13 – 18 who show maturity beyond their years and show continued exemplary service to Stromgard. The badge of this award is a silver sand dollar pendant representing the future wealth of the Barony.

### The Silver Sea Star

Granted to those gentles residing outside of the boundaries of Stromgard who have consistently helped Stromgard. (Fieldless) An estoile within and conjoined to an annulet engrailed on the inner edge argent.

### The Order of the Silver Sea Urchin

Granted to citizens under 12 years of age that serve the Barony. (Fieldless) A sea urchin contourny argent.

### The O'brich

Granted to those individuals who overcome or solve the biggest problem at an event. Traditionally awarded a heavy silver-colored chain.

## Arts & Sciences

### Amicus Musarum

Granted to those that encourage involvement in and personally excel in the arts and sciences. (Fieldless) A gem ring argent gemmed gules.

## Favors of the Coronet

### Honor of the Seamar - (The Baroness' Favor)

(Fieldless) A quatrefoil saltirewise slipped Or.

### Baron's Favor

A token as chosen by the granting Baron.

### The Bunchberry

Awarded at the discretion of the Coronet to those who foster a sense of community within and outside Stromgard

### Dragon's Gate

Awarded at the discretion of the Coronet to those who, in the eyes of the Coronet, have transformed in some way. Principal of this recognition is Erik Daegarsson.

### Shield Bearers of Stromgard

Given to those individuals that have aided the Barony in times of war. Principal of this recognition is Susanna Herst.

## Upcoming Events

*(an attempt at period costume/garb is expected. If you don't have garb, inquire about Gold Key)  
Please visit Kingdom of An Tir Event Page (<http://www.antir.org/events/>) for details.*

**June 15-18**                    **Dragon's Laire June Faire**  
**June 24**                        **Madrone Athanaeum**  
**June 27-July 2**            **An Tir West War**

## Activities in the Barony of Stromgard

*(period costume/garb not expected during monthly activities and all are welcome.)*

**Monthly Baronial Council Meeting**— Fisher Basin Park SE 192nd Ave and Mill Plain Blvd. Please watch the Book of Faces and/or the Baronial Website ([stromgard-sca.org](http://stromgard-sca.org)) for details. *For questions or to confirm activity, contact:* [Stromgard.seneschal@gmail.com](mailto:Stromgard.seneschal@gmail.com).

**Rapier Practice** — Currently happening at 3M's practice. Visit their website or [www.facebook.com/groups/696161364096256/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/696161364096256/)

**Archery Practice** — Seasonal hiatus. *For questions or to confirm activity,* contact Feradach (Vern Myers) at [stromgard.archery@antir.com](mailto:stromgard.archery@antir.com) or <https://www.facebook.com/groups/542609719249948>

**Thrown Weapons Practice** — Seasonal hiatus. Contact Matthias von Schwarzenberg (Bud Clark) at [harlenclark64@gmail.com](mailto:harlenclark64@gmail.com) or private message Bud Clark on Facebook for location address. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/542609719249948/>

**Arts and Science Nights** – Wednesdays at Thora's. Address posted on the Baronial Page on Facebook. *To confirm activity or ask any questions,* contact Arts & Sciences Office (Kerry) at [stromgard.artsnsoci@antir.org](mailto:stromgard.artsnsoci@antir.org) or on Book of Faces.

**Scribal Night**—fourth Wednesday of the month at Four Seasons Market, 2100 SE 164th Ave. Vancouver WA.

**Stromgard Fighter Practice** — Thursdays at 7:00 pm at Fisher Basin Park SE 192nd Ave and Mill Plain Blvd. *For questions or to confirm activity, contact:* [stromgard.marshall@antir.org](mailto:stromgard.marshall@antir.org) or <https://www.facebook.com/groups/256143011097207/>



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