

THE SIREN



The Barony of Stromgard Newsletter

January 2022

LETTER FROM THE BARON AND BARONESS

GREETINGS FROM STROMGARD!

First off, we would like to thank again our event steward, and the entire crew that helped with Yule, you all made our first event back magical! We are truly blessed to have a Barony full of such wonderful people!

We hope everyone had an amazing holiday season as well as an amazing event at the coronation of 12th night. Stromgard Welcomes TRM Svenn and Rauokinn to the Sable Thrones.

For us the event was a wonderful whirl of activity and emotion, so much overwhelming joy to be with friends and chosen family once again. As we look forward into the new year, we anticipate opportunities coming our way.

Thank you to everyone who participated in our informal polling regarding our question of extending our tenure through to 12th night 2023, we have approached the Crown with this request and look forward to hearing back from their Majesties An Tir.

We hope as personal comfort allows, we will see more of you at our local meetings, practices, art nights and as such we will be working to create a hybrid of sorts and always welcome ideas for how those who aren't able to gather in person can still be a part of activities within the barony.

We welcome Constance our new exchequer and thank her for taking on the role we thank Everild profoundly and deeply for her years of service to this Barony, Duncan I truly appreciate your diligence and your quiet but steady resolve. Thank you for everything you have done for Stromgard.

We anticipate so much potential as 2022 begins, we will strive for more in person activities activity days, pop up event days at the park, official events and other means for community outreach if you have an idea for an activity you would like to host please make certain you bring it to us so we can think on and find a way to make a fun things happen for all of us. Founding Revel approaches with the StormMaker Competition a key point of interest.

Attention Fighters of Stromgard! The Principality of Summit presses against our borders and attempts to incite skirmishes and threatens to bring war against The Rivers Region of Three Mountains, Dragons Mist and Stromgard. WE will stand tall and ready for any trials and tribulations Summits thinks they could bring. Stay Safe, Stay Strong, Stay Stomgard

Yours in Service,
Moira, Baroness Stromgard
Duncan, Baron Stromgard



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Officers Reports

Seneschal: Ronan present, written report.

Greetings to their Excellencies Baron and Baroness and populace of Stromgard,

The month started with a great Yule Celebration, the event was well attended, thank you to our event stewards and to all who volunteered.

Congratulations to Their Majesties Sven and Raokinn. I hope everyone had a safe and time at 12th Night. Warm welcome to our newest excellencies in Three Mountains Michael Sinclair and Eden Celeste.

As many of you have heard, an individual who attended 12th Night on Saturday January 8th, 2022 has tested positive for Covid-19. They were vaccinated and wearing a mask at the event. This announcement is to inform those who attended the event and the Kingdom as a whole. We encourage those who were at the event to get tested for Covid-19 and avoid contact with others until the test results are received. The Kingdom's in-person activities will be suspended for 10 days. The Kingdom can resume activities on January 21, 2022.

Exchequer: Constance present, written report.

Greetings to the lovely Barony of Stromgard! The bank reconciliation is in the Members File Share section of the website.

Everild is making the transition smooth and easy for me. I am now available via the Exchequer email address. Feel free to reach out at anytime if you have any questions. If for some reason I cannot answer a question, it gives Everild the opportunity to impart some more knowledge upon me.

Outstanding items:

If you still need to be reimbursed for expenses from Yule, please reach out as soon as possible. I would like

to close out the event before February's meeting. The fillable check request form is on the Website in the Exchequer Files under Forms. I can also email it to you.

The barony needs two volunteers from the populace for our financial committee. The meetings are 30 minutes before council meetings. The tenure is a one-year commitment. These would be voting positions. However, anyone from the populace is welcome to attend the meetings as observers.

Chamberlain: Alexander present, oral report. Trying to get inventory in line by end of March.

Arts and Science:

Aíbinn present, written report.

Greetings! A few things to report: A&S classes and activities at Yule were well attended and everyone seemed to have fun with them. Helvi has completed the Kingdom cookbook, and is an amazing human being. His Excellency taught a wonderful glass class, and has plans for future classes, please stay tuned. In lieu of next Wednesday's A&S meeting, I will be hosting a wire ring class at my home the following weekend, on the 22nd at 1pm. A Facebook event will be created for that class. The class and open shop will be on the 22nd.

Herald James Le Bruin, absent, no report.

Scribe: Tatyanna present, oral report. Nothing to report. Note: Towards February, there will be stuff needing people to paint. Check with her.

Chatelaine: Dagmar present, oral report.

Greetings to Their Excellencies and the Populace of Stromgard! What wonderful events we have had! (Thank you Autocrats!) Stromgard Yule was the perfect small and festive event for people to reacquaint themselves with in person SCAing.

New faces were welcomed warmly, so proud of you Stromgard, and I know those new folks will become SCAians!

Then, a glorious 12th night with the coronation of TRMS Sven & Rauokinn! I know the Barony is looking forward to their reign and positive progress for our Kingdom! HUZZAH AN TIR!

Chronicler: Helvi present, written report. Siren was uploaded.

Social Media: Penelope present, oral report. Nothing to report.

Web Minister: Helvi present, written report. Nothing to report.

Knight Marshal: Elrin, absent — verbal fight practice report provided by Ronan. One practice, no injuries, on lockdown until Jan 22.

Rapier Marshal: Chris present, oral report. One meeting, no injuries, on lockdown until Jan 22.

Archery Marshal: Feradach absent, no report.

Thrown Weapons Marshall: Matthias absent, no report.

Sergeantry Constance present, oral report. Nothing to report.

Lists Rostislav absent, no report.

Be There!

See your friends
receive recognition!

FEBRUARY 26th
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Virtual (online)
Founding Revel Court with
Her Majesty &
The Barony of Stromgard

See Kingdom Events Page for details.

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Event Reports

and to ensure a low key, low pressure and wonderfully laid back fun event.

The site was thoroughly cleaned up in very good time and was inspected and approved by Dave who also ensured the place was locked up properly when we left.

Many thanks to everyone who braved the rain to come and festivate and enjoy the holidays!

Founding Revel 2022

Dagmar Thorfinnsdottir, Event Steward. Present, Written report.

With Omicron threatening our populace, Founding Revel 2022 will be moved to a later date in the spring. Stromgard will continue to strive towards people feeling Safe and Comfortable at our events. More information about this will be available soon. (Note: Date change to 4/30).

Aelfwyn will be Feastocrat. We will be doing Charcuterie Platters to allow informal dining.

In Attendance

Duncan Vitriarius,
Moira Ramsay,
Ronan Mac An Leagha,
Alexander Son of Gray,
Everild Beaty,
AElfwynn Fiske,
Donnina Donatelli,
Constance Le Clerc,
Penelope Violette,
Helvi av Gotland,
Aíbinn ingen Chon Mara,
Peter Bates, Tatyanna,
Dagmar Thorfinnsdottir,
Penelope Violette

As Always, For more info or if you have ideas, Please contact me via the Book Of Faces or email: Stephaniefaith86@gmail.com
YIS - Lady Dagmar

Stormgods 2022

Matthias and Feradach absent. Nothing to report. Will probably be at Trojan Park.

Grand Thing / Tournament of Champions 2022 needs event steward.

Old & New Business

END OF YEAR REPORTS DUE TO KINGDOM BY FEB. 1st.

Be sure to check for regular updates and announcements on Kingdom Covid Policy on the KINGDOM WEBSITE.

Contact Constance about the upcoming Baronial Financial meeting.

Date for Founding Revel has been changed to April 30th for reasons of public health.

RE: Baronial Champions serving as temporary officers— Yes, it is doable, and we will vote on it next month

ENTER TO WIN! The Siren Sweepstakes

Send in a photo of your art or a project in progress OR submit something in written format (poem, song, recipe, short paper, review, etc.) for publishing in The Siren

Be sure to indicate for which prize you are contending:
stromgard.chronicler@antir.org

THREE WONDERFUL PRIZES
One nice pair of metal shears
One big sheet of birch barch
Dozen fresh, organic free-range duck eggs

Seneschal will draw a name for each prize at February's Baronial Council meeting to determine the winners.

Winners must be present at time of drawing.

Yule 2021

Donnina Donatelli, Event Steward. Absent, Written report.

Yule went very well. Thanks to the Helvi, the entire hall was transformed into a beautiful and festive Medieval feast hall, complete with a photo nook.

We were able to safely space tables down in the kitchen area which allowed family groups to sit together and enjoy their time. Chickens arrived on time (Thanks Daryl!) for a most enjoyable luncheon of chicken and rolls supplied by Their Excellencies to the populace.

Much respect and gratitude to the Feastocrat, Aelfwyn Fiske, and her inspired kitchen crew to get the rolls baked and the chickens divided up in record time for lunch. Also for baking all those lovely cookies! Yum!

Scheduled events and classes went well and as scheduled. Children's events were well received and the attending children were happy and enjoying themselves. Much gratitude and appreciation to Dagmar for handling the Children's activities and for setting up the amazing hot chocolate bar! And thank you to Mother and Father Christmas for presiding over the Children's Court!

We were fortunate to have a number of awesome volunteers who also helped things to run smoothly

Awards of The Barony of Stromgard

Orders and Honors

Potissimus Hippocampus (Stromgard's highest Honor)

Awarded for extraordinary service to the Barony, continued involvement, encouraging others in their pursuits, epitomizing the aims of the society, and being the ideal to which all should strive. This is also a polling order of the group.

Granted a maximum of once per year.

The badge for this honor is: (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 service award for the Barony.

The badge of this order is: (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.

The badge of this order is: (Fieldless) A pair of hands appaumpy wrists outwards maintaining between them a roundel argent.

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.

The badge of this award is: (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.

The badge of this order is: (Fieldless) A sea urchin contourny argent.

The O'brich

Granted to those individuals who overcome or solve the biggest problem at an event.

The badge is traditionally a heavy silver-colored chain.

Arts & Sciences

Amicus Musarum

Granted to those that encourage involvement in and personally excel in the arts and sciences.

The badge of this award is: (Fieldless) A gem ring argent gemmed gules.

Favors of the Coronet

Honor of the Seamar -

(The Baroness' Favor)

The badge of this award is: (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

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

Upcoming Events

(an attempt at period costume/garment 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.

January 29	8:00 AM - 7:00 PM	Ursulmas	The Barony of Aquaterra
February 5	4:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Virtual Royal Court for Not-Candlemas with Dragon's Laire	
February 19	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM	Candlemas	The Barony of Blatha An Oir
February 26	9:00 AM - 11:30 PM	Rogue Tavern Returns	The Barony of Madrone
February 26	1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Virtual Court for Not-Stromgard Founding Revel Court	
March 5	12:00 AM - 12:00 AM	Summits Arts & Sciences & Bardic Championship	Shire of Southmarch
March 11 - 13	3:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Kingdom Arts & Sciences and Rapier Championships 2022	

Activities in the Barony of Stromgard

(period costume/garment is not expected during monthly activities and all are welcome. Proof of Covid vaccination is required and will be checked.)

Monthly Baronial Council Meeting— Virtual Meetings. Please watch the Book of Faces and/or the Baronial Website (stromgard-sca.org) for details. *For questions or to confirm activity, contact:* John Paul (Ronan Mac an Leagha) stromgard.seneschal@gmail.com — 503-929-9435

Stromgard Fighter Practice — Thursdays at 7:00 pm at private residence – 5111 NE 125th St Vancouver 98686. *For questions or to confirm activity, contact:* stromgard.marshall@antir.org or <https://www.facebook.com/groups/256143011097207/> for Armored fighting

Rapier Practice — First and third Saturdays of each month. Look for a facebook event for location and time. *For questions or to confirm activity, contact:* Chris Perkins stromgard.rapier@antir.org or <https://www.facebook.com/groups/696161364096256/>

Archery Practice — On Hiatus for the winter. *For questions or to confirm activity, contact* Feradach (Vern Myers) at stromgard.archery@antir.com or <https://www.facebook.com/groups/542609719249948>

Thrown Weapons Practice — On Hiatus for the winter. Contact Matthias von Schwarzenberg (Bud Clark) at harlenclark64@gmail.com or private message Bud Clark on Facebook for location address. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/542609719249948/>

Arts and Science Nights – First and Third Wednesdays – 7:00-9:00 PM. Open metalworking shop. Indoor projects. Classes sometimes. Private residence in Vancouver, WA. *To confirm activity or ask any questions, contact Arts & Sciences Office (Jenn Lee) at stromgard.artsnsoci@antir.org or on Book of Faces.*

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(see Sergeantry Page on the Baronial Website)

Contact Us

Give any officer a call or send an email for more information about our group and activities.

Or visit us on the web at: <http://stromgard.org>

And Facebook at:

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The following offices are currently open or seeking replacement:

- ◆ Equestrian Marshal
- ◆ Youth Marshal
- ◆ Cut & Thrust Marshal
- ◆ Rapier Marshal
- ◆ Youth and Family Activities Coordinator
- ◆ Gold Key

Any currently filled office that you are interested in always needs deputies.

If interested in an office, come to baronial council or talk to the seneschal.