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The Barony of Stromgard Newsletter July 2021

LETTER FROM THE BARON AND BARONESS

Greetings Stromgard!

As we transition back to more in person activities and events, we would ask that people be patient with the officers, event stewards and each other. There are many new rules and guidelines that must be followed for us to have in person activities again, and we are all doing our best to follow these directives. All Baronial Activities and events are open to everyone. Please make sure that each of you are following the CDC guidelines. It may be a while before everyone is ready for in person activities again, and we encourage folks to do what they think is best for themselves and their families. We are all friends here, so please remember to be kind to others and yourselves. About in person activities, we are looking forward to once again being able to have practices and other activities again! We have a lot of time to make up for, and we look forward to seeing everyone as the SCA opens back up!

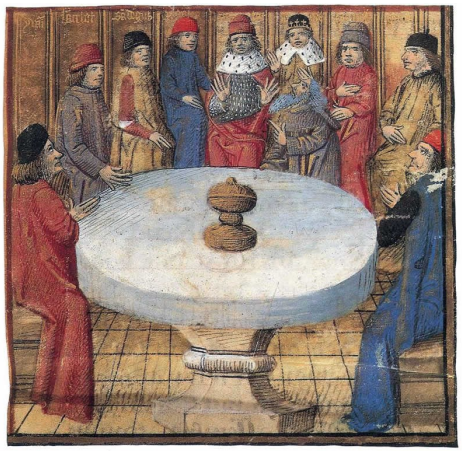
In Service,

Baron Duncan & Baroness Moira



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Officers Reports

Seneschal : Ronan present. Written report.
Greetings to their Excellency's, Baron and Baroness and populace of Stromgard, Here is my July Seneschal Report.
Welcome, I want to thank everyone for attending our first in person meeting since March of last year.
Reminder Quarterly reports are due by July 31st to respective Kingdom Officers. Please get them in sooner rather than later now that An Tir is open they will be looking for more detailed reports
Pre-registration for camping event attendance is required. I want to Thank House Daos for already registering over 25 people for our Tournament of Champions event in September.
If you have any questions in regards to the re-opening of activities please see me after the meeting.

Yours in Service,
Laird Ronan Mac an Leagha

Exchequer: Everild absent. Written report. The bank reconciliation is in the files section of the website.
Quarterly or other reports done

Respectfully Submitted,
Everild Bayte
Stromgard Baronial Exchequer

Chamberlain: Alexander present.
Nothing to report

Arts and Science: Helvi present. Written report.
This month our StormMaker challenged us to make masks. You can see the awesome masks made at https://www.stromgard.org/stormmaker-past-challenges. Scroll down from the top. The latest one (masks) is at the bottom.
Coming up next: 12th Night not 12th Night Garment Challenge, details at https://www.stromgard.org/stormmakerchallenge.
July 7 was Battle of the Baronies Trivia Smackdown. Jeopardy style Categories: Generalities, An Tir, Viking, Eastern, Warrior, Heraldic are the themes. Also posted links to trivia games on Facebook so you can play after the event.

Herald:
James Le Bruin, absent.
Nothing to report.

Scribe: Tatiana absent.
Nothing to report.

Chatelaine: Dagmar present.
Nothing to report.

Family Activities: Office open

Chronicler: Ragna present. Verbal report.
I'm working on adjusting the siren to post covid as things start opening back up. Nothing further to report.

YIS
Ragna In Valska

Social Media: Penelope absent.
Nothing to report.

Demo Coordinator Office open

Gold Key: Kata of House Bread absent.
Nothing to report

Web Minister: Helvi present. Written report
I updated Officers page, Activities page, Calendar, and Tournament of Champions pages.

Knight Marshal: Elrin of Hrasselveg, present. Verbal heavy fighter practice report provided by Baron Duncan.
No injuries. First practice at Marshall Park was well attended by about 10 people & fighters had a good time.

Rapier Marshal: Peter Bates, present. Verbal report
First practice happened with 5 attendees which is a record for the last two years. Tried to have practice on Monday but life got in the way. We have three new people interested in joining. Communication is happening. Practice is at the old location if we can get more than six people on a regular basis we will need to change location

Archery Marshal: Feradach absent.
Due to unforeseen delays first practice back will be July 20th at the old location

Thrown Weapons Marshall: Matthias absent.
Practice will resume Wednesdays 7/21 at 6:30 at the barons residence

Cut and Thrust Refskegg of House Bread absen.
Nothing to report.

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Officers Reports Cont.

Seargentry Captains Constance LaClerc, present. Fenris, absent. Written report.
Greetings to their excellencies and the mighty Barony of Stromgard! It warms my heart to see all of you in person!
Sergeantry will officially be restarting at Tournament of Champions in September. The culmination will be at Founding Revel as usual. This will make for a short turnaround this year, but supports and classes will be in place to help make this an awesome trial "year".
If you are currently a Sergeant of Stromgard and do not have a Baldric, please let me know. Her Grace Hlutwige wants to make sure all Sergeants have them before the next group comes through.

YIS,
Constance Le Clerc

Lists Rostislav absent.
Nothing to report.

Tournament of Champions
Event details were updated on Baronial Website and An Tir Calendar of Events. Tentative schedule put together, including StormHunter Tournament, StormThrower Tournament, Iron Trident Competition, An Tir's Got Talent Bardic Competition. Details at https://www.stromgard.org/tournament-of-champions.
IMPORTANT: Pre-registration will be required for the event (but not payment until you are actually, physically at gate). Please pre-register on the Baronial Website at https://www.stromgard.org/pre-registration.
We are seeking one or two Children & Family activities person to run a cool game suggested by our new Arts & Sciences Officer. Get your background check in now.

Event Reports

I believe Contance and Fenris (Sergeantry Captains) are seeking teachers for classes at the event. Ronan is working on, and may have secured, site contract by the time of this meeting. We are re-using the deposit check from before the pandemic lockdown
Want to volunteer to be one of the many hands that make light work? We are also looking for:
a. Land-o-crat
b. Gate coordinator & volunteers
Want to be a vendor? Contact Helvi the Half Deaf or Ronan Mac an Leagha (John Paul)

Yule 2021
Greetings to Your Excellencies and to all the good people of Stromgard. It's very good to see you all again after our enforced sleep.
It's been difficult to find a potential site for Yule, as most of our usual possibilities are already booked or will not be booking until later. I did locate a Grange in Amboy that looks promising. Stats include:
Mt Valley Grange Hall
40107 NE 222st Ave
Amboy, WA 98691
CONTACT: Georgene Neal - Georgia513@tds.net
Two levels, large rooms with kitchen in basement.
COST: $150/day
DEPOSIT: $100. Refundable if place is left clean.
FEAST: If we are allowed to serve food, suggested potluck.
There are still a couple inquiries outstanding that may work out and be more centralized. The Amboy Grange is our only definite one so far though. We are tentatively on their schedule now.
YIS,
Donatella

Founding Revel 2022
Stephanie volunteered to event steward.

StormGods/Game of Thrones 2022
Matthias and Feradach volunteered to event steward

Grand Thing/Tournament of Champions 2022
Needs event steward

Old Business
No old business discussed

New Business
Helvi voted in as new Chronicler
Aíbinn ingen Chon Mara (pronounced EVE-in in-EEN Cohn MAH-rah) voted in as new Arts & Sciences Minister

Announcements
August meeting will be live in person not virtual—Currently expected to be at McLaughlin Park, but TBA.

Attendance

Duncan Vitrarius, Moira Ramsay, Ronan Mac An Leagha, Ragna In Valska, Peter Bates, AElfwynn Fiske, Helvi av Gotland, Dagmar Thorfinrsdottir, Constance LeClerc, Tedford Wolf, Alexander son of Gray, Aíbinn ingen Chon Mara, Gulenay Khazari, Ashley Quinterro, Lorrcan, Donnina Donatella, Elriin of Hrassvelg

Attendance

Duncan Vitrarius, Moira Ramsay, Ronan Mac An Leagha, Ragna In Valska, Peter Bates , Everild, AElfwynn, Feradach the beardless,Lorccan hua Con-chobair, Helvi, dagmar, Gulenay, carmmal Keith-Keenan, Matthias,Hlutwige, Alexander,

ONLINE PRESENCE

Here are some links to different online activities and challenges being offered while we are social distancing and keeping everyone safe

An Tir Video Challenge

Artisans and Scientists of An Tir! We need your classes and demos for the An Tir YouTube Channel!! Rules: 1. No obscenity. 2. No denigrating remarks about yourself or anyone else. 3. The topic must be appropriate for the SCA. If it is something you would teach or demonstrate at an event or SCA social, it's a good topic

For more information go to https://www.antir.org/announcements/an-tir-video-challenge/?utm_source=rss&utm_medium=rss&utm_campaign=an-tir-video-challenge&fbclid=IwAR0B2q3XGiwIbI9toHeOSylrCNvOsXOHkEZAhadEB7XFkYVGqwrh42YkQag

To see the videos go to https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NZCIWw0_tJk&fbclid=IwAR1w_fvhL1WU6U81X0D6Tsa_g4SeNsp2MA9VYERSdRxkrRm0hfpmqVxNbrY

Virtual An Tir

Virtual An Tir Facebook Group
https://www.facebook.com/groups/VirtualAnTir/

Resources during Coronavirus isolation

The Coronavirus is going to be with us for a while and since we're practicing social distancing for all the right reasons, here are some resources for eating, staying entertained and some ways to hang on to some zen. **Everything listed is a free resource unless specifically listed otherwise.**
https://quirkylenses.com/2020/03/16/isolation-entertainment-and-some-practical-matters/

JSTOR

During this time of distancing JSTOR has opened it site to everyone who wishes to do research instead of only college students. This is an academic library of academic journals, books and primary sources. A rich source of information. https://www.jstor.org/

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 appaumy 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

(attempt at period costume/garment expected. If you don't have garb, inquire about Gold Key)

AUGUST 14
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Glymm Mere Marshal Champions (in person event)

AUGUST 28
8:00 AM - 9:00 PM Roman and Scythian Summer (online event)

SEPTEMBER 3 - 6
12:00 PM - 3:00 PM An Tir September Crown (in person event)

SEPTEMBER 17 - 19
3:00 PM - 3:00 PM Vulcanfeldt Archery Fest (in person event)

SEPTEMBER 24 - 26
12:00 PM - 3:00 PM Stromgard Tournament of Champions (in person event)

Regular Activities in the Barony of Stromgard

(period costume/garment is not expected during monthly activities and all are welcome)

Monthly Baronial Council Meeting— TBD Live venue. Please watch the book of faces for details. *For questions or to confirm activity, contact*: John paul (Ronan Mac an Leagha)at Stromgard.seneschal@gmail.com — 503 -929-9435

Stromgard Fighter Practice — Thursdays at 7:00 pm at Baron & Baroness' home – 5111 NE 125th St Vancouver 98686. *For questions or to* confirm *activity, contact*: stromgard.marshal@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 — Private residence. *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 — Wednesdays at 6:00 PM at Baron & Baroness' home. Contact Matthias von Schwarzenberg (Bud Clark) at harlenclark64@gmail.com or private message Bud Clark on Facebook for location address.
Check on https://www.facebook.com/groups/542609719249948/ for updates or to confirm activity.

Arts and Science Nights – Restarting in August at Baron & Baroness' home. Opportunity to work on Arts and Science projects. *To confirm activity or ask any questions*, contact Jenn at tromgard.artsnsci@antir.org

Fighter Workshop – Saturdays depending on events and James' scheduled – Please RSVP for private tutelage. Open shop designed to help get and keep fighters in armor
For questions and on-going schedule – https://www.facebook.com/groups/364327937033071

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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

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The following offices are currently open or seeking replacement:

- Equestrian Marshal
- Youth Marshal
- Youth and Family Actiivities Coordinator

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

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

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