The Echoes

The Official Newsletter of the Principality of Summits

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Behold Their Alpine Highnesses!

Weylyn ibn Rustam and Lin Dis de Aquisgranno

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Announcements

New Coronets!

Bad puns and big smiles from Their Highnesses, Weylyn and Lin Dis! Having emerged victorious in the September Coronet Lists, they were elevated at Winter Investiture to Coronets of Summits. Our heartfelt thanks to Visc. Bato and Visc. Emma for steering the Principality through the past six months with light and your indefatigable cheerleading.

Head of Retinue: HE Nadezhda Volynskaiia, OP

March Coronet Format

We are pleased to announce the format for Our Coronet Tournament in March so that you can prepare for the Lists. The following format is to be followed:

The tournament will be standard Double Elimination.

Authorizations must be sought prior to the day of the event, please come prepared for the Lists.

Standard lineup and unbelts challenge for Round 1. The remaining rounds will be "Bring your Best" except for the third round.

The third Round will be fought buckler and a single weapon. Buckler to be 15" maximum diameter or equivalent area if alternate shape used. No Madu/stick style, must clearly be a shield, strapped or held. Bucklers will be available. Weapon can be anything under 48" long.

Quarterfinals, Semifinals, and Finals format will be best of 3.

A reminder: Authorizations will not be issued on the day. Please come prepared.

It is Our preference that personal banners and heraldry are carried during the processional and displayed in visual range of the fighting eric during the tournament. This is not a requirement of entrance but encouraged to promote beauty and gravitas for the tournament.

Additionally:

We are adhering to Summits laws which state that Fighters must live within the current bounds of the Summits for 1 year before the tournament. This includes those persons who have lived within the newly expanded border for one year. Inspiration can live outside our borders. However, If the Inspiration lives outside our borders, a letter of intent must be submitted at least a month before the day of the tournament. Private conversations will be had with any pair asking for this consideration. We maintain the right to grant or deny as we feel best serves the populace of the Summits. Letters of intent for those with Inspirations outside the borders of Summits must be submitted to Summitscoronet@antir.org by 2/18/2023.

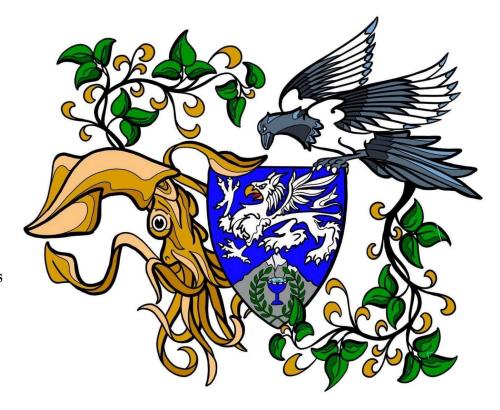
We are excited to witness the chivalry and prowess of the Summits and look forward to seeing you in the Lists.

In Service,
Weylyn and Lindis
Coronets of the Summits

Gryphon Travel Fundraiser

Join us in Supporting the Gryphon Travel Fund!

Our deepest thanks to Genevieve Choue, Gwyneth Blackthorne, and Thorholfr Egilsson for putting together this incredible piece of art. Now YOU can own a slice of Summits history by purchasing any number of useful and decorative commemorative items from the link below!



Now for smaller print:

Our thanks to Gwyneth for utilizing her merchant account. 100% of profits after production costs will go straight to the travel fund.

There are two sizes of picture available so, be sure to check out all the options!

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Award Token Bids



Artisans! Their Alpine Highnesses need your help!

Their Highnesses Weylyn ibn Rustam and Lindis de Aquisgranno, Prince and Princess of the Summits, have opened bids for Grail Tokens to be given during their reign, and in future reigns. The tokens are usually pendents.

This award has a registered badge - A silver grail inside of a

silver annulet. The token should reflect that.

While they have traditionally been cast in pewter, the Grail Tokens are not limited to that medium. They need to be designed in a way that allows them to be painted to represent the five (5) different Grails that are awarded.

In the past they have been the inside of the grail is painted, like the grail is filled with a colored liquid, or they have been a Grail on a circle and the background is painted the color of the type of Grail. If you can think of another way to represent the different grails, great!

(Painting can be done by anyone and is not a requirement of the token creator).

- ~ Your Design, including materials
- ~ Number of Grail Tokens in a production batch
- ~ Cost of a production batch
- ~ Estimated turnaround time per batch, if ordered

Email your bid, with your full contact information, to summitsseneschal@antir.org

Bids are due by March 1, 2023

(This post was generously created by Emma Halden)

New Champions

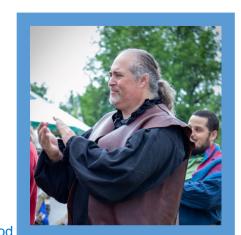


Ivan Shieldbane (left) has stepped up as Summits Defender, subsequent to Weylyn winning September Coronet.

Photo Credit: Mina de filia Philipe

Visc, William Geoffrey the Rogue (right) was victorious at Winter Investiture and is now Summits Captain of Cats.

Photo Credit: Idonia Sherwood



Court narrative for the Investiture and First Court of Their Alpine Highnesses Weylyn & Lindis, December 10, 2022 in Coeur du Val:

After a moving investiture, Bato & Emma affirmed the succession of Weylyn & Lindis and received from them the customary pledge of advocacy and some personal words of support and joy.

Weylyn & Lindis received the Grail of the Summits, presented by Graf Berek von Lantenthal, and drank a toast to the People of the Summits. They then announced Viscountess Nadezhda Cupbearer for their reign.

Their Alpine Highnesses received Oaths of Fealty from the Champions of the Summits and from the Chivalry. As the Chivalry retreated, Master Corwyn, first Defender of the Summits, toasted to the health and joy of Weylyn & Lindis. Oaths of Fealty and Service were required from the Companions of the Laurel and Pelican, the Masters of Defense, the Royal Peers, the Landed Baronage of the Summits, and the Officers of the Summits and their deputies. Further oaths of Fealty and/or Service were accepted from the Retinue and from members of the Populace.

After a brief recess, Their Alpine Highnesses Weylyn & Lindis created Bato Viscount and Emma von Bern Viscountess, witnessed by the Companions of the Rose and Valorous Estate. Their Viscounty coronets were made by Vrin and are magnificent, and they were presented a breathtaking Viscounty scroll.

Their Excellencies Terra Pomaria requested and received permission to do business in Their Highnesses' Court. The Terra Pomaria Youth Archery Champion's (Onora O'Cleirigh) birthday was recognized by singing and the presentation of gifts, including a fine coat from Her Excellency Adiantum.

The format of the Summits Principality Arts & Sciences & Bardic Championship was announced. The event is scheduled for Presidents' Day weekend, February 17 -20, 2023.

William Geoffrey the Rogue, victor of the day's Principality Rapier Champion tournament, was invested Captain of Cats. The previous holder of that office, Bowen Doyle, was admitted to the Order of the Blade & Buckler.

The event steward made announcements and was presented by Their Alpine Highnesses with gifts for her staff.

Court was closed.

EGIL SKALLAGRIMSSON MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT XLVII BARONY OF ADIANTUM

May 26-29, 2023 Eugene, OR

Egil's Tourney has something for everyone: demos and classes galore; a prize bardic circle; multiple heavy, rapier and cut & thrust competitions; multiple archery scenarios and competitions; thrown weapons competitions & beginner's sessions; Norse stickball; Norse trade blanket; and of course Merchants' Row. This year we bring back the Three Pillars Competition, which includes individual events within the service, A&S, and martial pillars of our society. There will be many prizes and lots of opportunity for participation. For details, class lists, specific martial competitions, merchant application forms, information about pre-registration, the Three Pillars Competition. etc. please see the Baronial website or Facebook group – http://adiantum.antir.sca.org - https://www.facebook.com/groups/BaronyOfAdiantum

Event Stewards: Hrodnavar Hakonsson / Steve Alter, 541-896-3539, oriole005@gmail.com and Yseult of Broceliande / Pam Perryman, 541-344-0896, pam@bobwhitman.com

Event Registration:

Adult Event Registration: \$30. Youth ages 11-17: \$15, children 10 and under free.

Adult Members will receive a \$5 member discount.

For a single day, Saturday or Sunday only:

Adult Day Registration: \$20. Youth ages 11-17: \$10, children age 10 and under free.

Adult Members will receive a \$5 member discount

To lessen the impact on families we will institute a family cap, limiting the fees to two youths per family accompanied by parents. Any additional minors attend for free.

Pet fee \$2 per pet (either full entry or day-tripping). Each pet must be accompanied by a proof of current rabies vaccination showing either the date of vaccination or the date of expiration of the current vaccination. Only non-livestock mammals and birds are allowed (Park rules).

We can accept PayPal payment, cash, or checks payable to 'SCA Inc. – Barony of Adiantum.' All payment to be made at the gate: we will not collect payment at pre-reg.

Hours: Gate opens noon on Friday, May 26; site closes 3 pm on Monday, May 29, 2023.

Site: Lynx Hollow State Park, 80998 Davisson Road, Creswell, OR, 97426

Directions: From north or south, take I-5 to the Creswell exit, #182. At the end of the off-ramp, turn west toward the center of town. Turn left onto Hwy. 99 directly after the railroad crossing. Go south on Hwy. 99 for 1.3 miles. Turn left onto Davisson Road. Park entrance is 2.3 miles on the left, directly across from the state park sign.

Summits Regional Fight Practice

Our regional fight practice was held in February at Stonehenge Farms. We had over 40 fighters and 60 participants from all over An Tir. What a wonderful turnout and fantastic fights!



Photo Credit: Lindis Aquisgranno

Please keep an eye out for posts about future regional fight practices towards the end of Summer.

New Adiantum Coronets

Please welcome Baroness Isis and Baron Brynjarr into the family of Summits Coronet Cousins. Their warm hearts and generous spirits will serve them well during their tenure.

Baroness Isis has been playing in Adiantum for the past handful of years, enjoys cooking, leatherworking, plants, stones, and is enjoying the exploration of her Ptolemaic era Egyptian persona.

Baron Brynjarr has participated in our organization for 20+ years, while also enjoying time and garnering experience with other medieval recreation groups. He is very devoted to his blacksmithing and enjoys developing his Norse persona.



Photo Credit: Kaisa Isaaksdotter

Royal Summons (Officer Terms)

Consider looking into these offices if you are interested in taking on the position at the end of their current term.

Seneschal—December 2023

Calendar—March 2024

Social Media—March 2024

Exchequer—December 2022 (REPLACEMENT NEEDED)

Chamberlain—

A&S—September 2024

Blue Grael Herald—June 2023

Marshal—March 2025

Archery—September 2024

Rapier—VACANT

Cut & Thrust—VACANT

Equestrian—VACANT

War Lord—VACANT

YAC-VACANT

Chatelaine—September 2024

Chronicler—March 2024

Webminister—September 2023

Gryphon Scribe—December 2023

Lists—June 2024

Family Activities Coordinator—VACANT

Submission Information

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Deadline: The deadline for submissions is the 25th of the month prior to release, approximately one week prior to publication. Electronic submissions should be emailed to the Chronicler at summitschronicler@antir. org. Hard-copy submissions should be sent to Ann Fleckner 788 W 11th Ave, Eugene, OR 97402. Please allow at least one week for delivery, and please retain a copy for your records.

Formatting: Acceptable formats include: Text attachments in Microsoft Word, Excel, or Rich Text Format (RTF); Photo/artwork attachments in JPG, GIF, or TIFF formats; text embedded in an email document. Please do not include special formatting (e.g. decorative fonts, multiple spaces, and the like) as those must be removed prior to insertion.

Content: Articles must be appropriate for the SCA's tax-exempt purposes (education and activities relating to the Middle Ages and Renaissance). The Chronicler reserves the right to edit all copy, and will print articles in accordance with the policies and guidelines set forth in the Society Chronicler's Handbook.

Event Announcements: The Echoes will no longer carry event announcements. All such information is available in multiple sites on-line and can be updated in a much more timely manner. Please consult the Kingdom Calendar.

Ayla Roth,

Chronicler,

Summits summitschronicler@antir.org

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Winter Investiture Moot Officer Reports

Seneschal – There was a Groups setting in 365 that was not set up correctly. Did the research and made sure to fix the setting. In a recent group email, I asked the Officers to report on both something positive about their office, as well as something they would like to see change.

Something Positive happening in my Office: I have had a few people come forward as interested in being Events Deputy, and one person interested in being a Recruitment and Retention Deputy. Had three people come forward about being an Events Deputy to help the Branches with all the steps involved with putting on an event. I am also happy with the number of Moot reports.

Something I would like to see change: There have been some, but I would like to see more Branches working together to Bid Kingdom Events, partner up for events and activities, and if a branch wishes to switch events reaching out and communicating between branches. Finally, I would like to see Summits get better about Quarterly reports. Reminder your reports are due the 15th the month after the end of the Quarter.

Quick Overview of my Office: Over all things are going ok. There are definitely times that I received multiple emails and messages throughout the day. If I have not taken care of something please reach out again, I likely got overwhelmed. Master Feridach has agreed to be my Deputy for the rest of my term, Cassandra is still helping, especially with Excel witchcraft.

Calendar – Not in attendance. Would like to remind people to log in to the Kingdom Website calendar to put in their EIFs.

Social Media – Social Media is going well. People are behaving themselves. If any branches want to send video clips, then I can post things from branches other than my own. Live streaming and Social Media aspects are going well. Adiantum borrowed the livestream kit for Yule, which went well. I do have a question about process: when an event is approved on the calendar, I should get an email letting me know so I can put the event page together, correct?

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Chamberlain – Been working with Kingdom Chamberlain. Will be changes coming to how we do paperwork to coincide with Kingdom. Will need info on all regalia from all the branches. There will be an Excel spreadsheet that tracks the status of regalia.

A&S – Something Positive happening in my Office: The upcoming Summits A&S&B Championships event (now "Alpine Festival of the Arts") has been expanded to two days (Presidents' Day Weekend) to include non-competitive displays by all artisans. This will enable greater participation in the event and a broader showcase for the artisans of the Summits.

Something I would like to see change: I would like to see a Summits "Collegium" become an annual event.

Quick overview of how my office is doing: The Arts and Sciences are flourishing in our Principality, but we need more opportunities for our artisans to be seen by the greater Kingdom audience. This can (in part) be addressed by the expanded Alpine Festival of the Arts, and would also be aided by resumption of a Summits Collegium, allowing opportunities for artisans to share their knowledge and demonstrate their skills. Mistress

Taran Daestingr has agreed to be my Contingency Deputy for the office.

Duchess Verina mentioned that Summits used to have Griffin College and might be a style of event that we can look back into. New Ithra is set up so that Summits can have it's own college within it and have access to the content therein.

Herald – Not in attendance. No report. Term ends in June 2023

Marshal – Positive: Practices look like they are doing well and have seen good turnout for tournaments. Would like to see regional practices happening more often.

We had the Captain of Cats investiture tournament. Everything went well and there were no issues. I am still looking for a replacement for the Earl Marshal/Heavy Marshal position.

I have one application but would like more before making a decision. The Summits rapier marshal position is still open.

Deputy – The Archery Marshal - Duncan McKai Term ends: Sept 2024

Deputy - The Rapier Marshal—VACANT

Deputy - The Cut & thrust Marshal—VACANT

Deputy - The Equestrian Marshal—VACANT

Deputy - The War Lord of the Summits—VACANT

Deputy - The Youth Armored Combat Officer—VACANT

Chatelaine - Not in attendance. No report.

Chronicler – Good: Talking with Her Highness about some thought on how to get Echoes more widely-read. One of the topic that's come up is demystifying the process of Baronial Polling, Changeovers, and what it's like to be a Baronial Coronet. Have thought about doing a monthly mini-Echoes with little snippets and stories about various processes that don't get openly examined very often in Summits.

Will definitely have more focus after stepping down.

Seamus says we can get Chronicler set up on the Principality page to be a contributor.

Web Minister – Something Positive happening in your Office: I broke my isolation and spent 2 hours at an actual event - my first time back since March 2020. It was nice to see familiar faces again, and I actually loved putting together and hosting the Webminister class at Summits Service **Collegium. I was able to**

meet some of the branch Webministers from around the Principality, and the class became a casual roundtable where we shared tips, suggestions, and experiences regarding the office.

Something you would like to see change: Things are relatively smooth at the moment. Of course, getting photo and model release forms filled out are an ongoing task that seems far more complicated than it should be. But I don't have any solutions, other than staying proactive and just making sure the paperwork happens.

Quick overview of how your office is doing: Things are steady and quiet. I get several requests a month for email password resets. Keeping the various details on the website up-to-date (royalty/champions/officers) is always a work in progress. On a personal note, I've been putting energy into the newly minted An Tir Livestreaming Crew. Just like photos and written reports help us keep a history, the court livestreams help preserve special moments for people being acknowledged in court. It also makes events more accessible for people who can't attend in person. We're always looking for volunteers, and if anyone is interested in being part of this new, cutting edge facet of the game, I'd love to hear from them.

Scribe – Positive: people are beginning to paint again after the COVID break. Beautiful art is happening.

Lists – Was sick for Winter Investiture, HL Gwyneth Blackthorn ran lists in her absence. HE William Geoffrey the Rogue was victorious in the Capt. of the Cats Champion Tournament. Thank you to Randulf Greenwall for Heralding, Piaras, Bowen, and Victor for marshaling, Miriam Fenix for running, and Elsa and Iurri for fighting Bye's.

Family Activities Coordinator - VACANT

Branch Reports

Adiantum – Successes: Baronial Polling complete and Heirs announced. Planning for 12th Night 2020 is almost complete and we are ready to put on a spectacular event.

Challenges: Baronial transition. New visions, new personalities, new communication.

Rapid growth in child involvement from the occasional sighting before COVID to regular participation in archery, thrown weapons, and arts & sciences. Yule had 8-10 children doing A&S projects and making a presentation to their Highnesses. Adapting programs and awards to keep them engaged.

Great Ideas: Developing a volunteer agreement with State Parks to ensure the long-term access and affordability of the Egils site.

Briaroak – No Report

Coeur de Val – Shifted some offices around. As a group, brainstorming ways to get the branch back together as a team.

Corvaria – Branch is mostly focused on Alpine Festival of the Arts. Everything else is being pushed off until after that. This is reflective of how few of our people are participating.

Glyn Dwfn – Inez has been sick for some time. She has found a new deputy as her's moved to Corvaria recently. Marshal Practice is put off until after the new year. All other gatherings going strong. Preparing for Coronet. All is going well.

Mountain Edge - No Report

Myrtleholt – No Report

Southmarch – Have you had any challenges or successes? Elected new shire Marshal, had majority of officers and others from the Shire attend the Summits Service Collegium in November. Identified a site for May Revel on May 6th. Will require a security deposit as well as a separate check for site reservation fee. This is due on the 1st of January. Holding monthly A&S events after business meeting, next A&S will be to practice painting on blank charters that have already been sent to the shire in the mail

Do you have any concerns or questions? Waiting on ExChecker Account at the bank to be able to work on reserving a place for Indoor Fighter Practice and pay

required security deposit for Midland Event Center for May Revel. If we don't have account, we will be holding a vote to agree on repayment to event coordinator for security deposit and site reservation fee.

What can the Summits Officers do to assist you? Waiting on ExChecker Account to be able to pay deposits for Conference Room for Business Meetings, Possible deposit to Fairgrounds for fighter practice and Security Deposit for Event Center for May Revel.

What is something you would like to see improved in your area? Shire Officially meeting weekly for Official Practice, coordinate at least one A&S event a Month, and have at least one Archery Practice a month if possible.

Shire would like to thank everyone for their assistance with Collegium and the responses from other Officers to our questions.

Terra Pomaria — Firstly, I would like to call attention to Their Excellencies Terra Pomaria and their efforts. His Excellency Thegn Clovis submitted and was approved to be Event Steward for our Winter's End event in late January. Meanwhile Her Excellency Baronesa Ximena's extraordinary efforts to secure a location for our monthly social gatherings known as Ceilidhs. HEX's dedication to the social well-being of our Baronial populace is a wonder to witness.

The Barony is still seeking bids for Bar Gemels, Long and Short, and (now) Martinmas. While His LORDSHIP (huzzah!) Stephen de Kilpatrick is an excellent event steward; he ran two events back-to-back. I hope that more stewards step forward.

Much of Terra Pomaria's populace have been occupied at the Principality level as this current and the most recent Principality Coronets live within our borders. It is wonderful to see so many Terra Pomarian's behind (and on) the thrones of our fair Principality.

Now that Investiture is behind us, Her Excellency Viscountess Emma von Bern will be resuming the office of Seneschal. It has been my pleasure to serve these last 7 months.

Tymberhavene – Decided as a branch to no longer do War in the Trees. Looking at doing another event in June.

Principality Regnum



Seneschal: Seamus O'Caellaigh

Calendar Deputy: Zanobia Fiorentini

Social Media Officer: Zulaikha al-Zarga'



Exchequer: Sindri inn hárfagri



Chamberlain: Diana de Winterton



A&S Minister: Hrod-Navar Hakonsson



Herald: Brendan ap Llewelyn



Marshal: Feradach mac Tralin mec Domongairt



Chatelaine: Deirdre ne Phadraig macGroigair



Chronicler: Ayla Roth



Web Minister: Adele Neuton



Gryphon Scribe: Fortune verch Thomas



Lists: Godwynn Reynard



Family Activities Coordinator: OPEN

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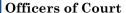
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Captain of Eagles: Erik Halfdan Drengrsson

Alpine Scholar: Taran Daestingr

Summits Hunter: John Wayland

Skald of Summits: Margaret inghean Domnhaill

Cut & Thrust: William Geoffrey the Rogue