

THE SIREN



The Barony of Stromgard Newsletter

June 2025

Letter from the Baron and Baroness

Greetings Stromgard!

Greetings unto the Most Noble Populace of Stromgard,

We do not have much to report this month, so we will keep it short.

May Crown was a glorious event, even with the winds, and Stromgard SHOWED UP! Our fighters dominated at the crown tournament, fencers, archers, artisans etc... everyone seemed to really be enjoying themselves and so many of our populace, and of the Tri-baronial area, were recognized for their accomplishments. Ultimately, Stromgard is about to be home base for the next King and Queen once again as Octamasades and Achaxe step up in July in the TriCities area. Truly a great weekend!

Think about those around you who are deserving of recognition and make your recommendations to the Crown. We would also like to get letters of recommendation for those deserving of recognition for Baronial awards as well. One of the best parts of this game we all love is being able to share in recognizing the efforts and passions of others.

Until next month,

We remain in your humble service,

GæiRa and Justin, Coronets of Stromgard.

Baroness GæiRa & Baron Justin.

Officers Reports

Seneschal: Saeunn

Nothing to report

Exchequer: Feradach

We still have money

Chamberlain: Open Office

No report

Arts and Science Minister: Cathyn

our Excellencies,

Another mostly quiet month in Your Barony as regards the arts and sciences. Great rejoicing resounds in the lands owing to our new art space/indoor combat practice venue being identified, and I am planning on re-establishing the weekly-ish A&S meet-ups in this space most recently organized by my predecessor. I will be revisiting the A&S Activities polling to identify both topics of interest to Your subjects, and those that have volunteered to teach what they know.

In service to An Tir through the Barony of Stromgard, I remain

Cathyn

Chatelaine: Ismay

Practices have begun at the Arts Center.

There is interest from other groups who utilize the building.

Tri-Baronial Newcomers is still held on Portland, the first Tuesday of the month.

Nothing else to Report.

YIS

Dame Ismay

Stromgard Chatelaine

Scribe: Siobhán

Greetings glorious Stromgard!

Our monthly scribal nights have moved to Thursday nights again, at the same location as fight practice. We held our first new Thursday meeting May 29th, and had a great turnout! We had two tables filled with people painting both Baronial and Kingdom Charters. We had newcomers, local folk and friends from Three Mountains attending.

We received a donation of magic erasers from a wonderful 3M newcomer, Cindy Smith, who also has donated paint pallets and paint.

I sent charters home with many, and look forward to collecting them this month.

On Thursday June 5th, A&S night, I brought paints and charters out again for a couple of 3M painters who couldn't make it the week prior. Alas, one of those friends unknowingly had covid, and gave it to me, so I will not be at council meeting this week.

A new FB Event for Stromgard Scribal Night will need to be created - the previous one was a recurring event for the 4th Wednesday and it wouldn't allow me to edit the dates any further. A request has been submitted.

Nothing further to report.

Yours In Service,
HL Siobhán an Sionnaigh Ruaidh
Scribe
Chatelaine Deputy
Royal Court Reporter
Royal Heir's Scribe

Stromgard, An Tir

Herald: Ronan

To Their Excellencies of Stromgard, Here is my monthly report. My time as Herald is coming to an end in July. I have enjoyed my time heralding in court and helping people with their names and devices. Having moved out of the Barony I feel it's time for another member to step up and hold this position. I am more than happy to answer any questions a candidate may have in regards to the office, feel free to contact me.

YIS, Ronan

Chronicler: Pleiades

Nothing to report.

Social Media: Penelope

No report

Web Minister: Eil -

Nothing to report

Knight Marshal: Sir Rayner

No report

Rapier Marshal: Ynes Cabeza de Vaca

No report

Archery Marshal: Gideon Finlay

Hello Good Seneschal, and Their Excellencies, and the REST of you not in a padded seat, Archery practice has started again, Tuesday evenings, and it has been at 6-8 but will be moving to 7-9. As always, it is weather-dependent, but we have had up to 8 or 9 people show up at a single practice. We will always post to the Baronial Discussion forum on facebook, as well as the Tri-Barony Archery and Thrown Weapons group, An Tir Archery, and my own timeline on Facebook usually the day of, check for cancellation due to weather, or any other changes.

We don't have any specifics yet, but I have been asked to do an Arrow Making class, probably on a Saturday, some time this summer. I am still getting details together on this, and it might need to span a couple of sessions to go over the different steps of making arrows, but the hope is to have that open for whoever wants to come. More to come as I get more planned.

No major archery related events planned for the Barony in the near future. Whoever ends up running Storm Gods, I am happy to step in as Marshal in Charge, though I am not authorized to run the Thrown Weapons range, only the Archery Range.

I believe that is all I have to report at this time.

In Service,
Gideon Finlay
Stromgard Baronial Archery Marshal

Thrown Weapons Marshal: *Ælfwynn Fiske*

Thrown Weapons report is that we are continuing regular practices

Sergeantry: Fenris

No report

Event Reports

Game of Thrones and Stormgods: September 5-7th 2025

Baron Justin will be running this event at Driffa's farm (the usual place).

Most likely \$30-35 for gate

Gideon agreed to MIC for Archery/Thrown tourney's

Yule - December 14 :

Dagmar will be the event steward and we are confirming if Hawkinson is available. Elin will let us know soon.

Old Business:

New Business:

- Council approved to “auto-approve” sites for new events so that we do not get lost by waiting a month.
- Facebook events will be cleaned up by Saeunn
- Proposal for customary review by Baron Justin... Saeunn to schedule soon
- Sir Ed volunteered to help teach new event stewards next year

Meeting Attendance:

GaeiRa
Justin
Gideon
Siobhan (virtual)
Elfwynn
Pleiades
Feradach
Cathyn
Saeunn
Artus
Sir Ed
Alaria

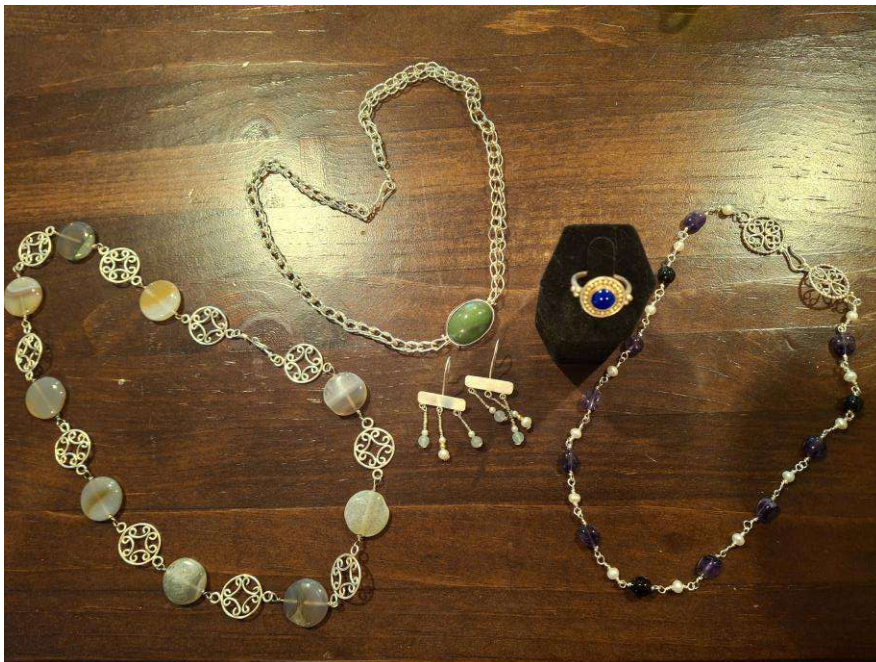
Stromgard Arts & SciencesSpotlight – May A.S. 60

Her Ladyship Elizabeth Blackburn, she/her



Do you have an A&S "concentration", If so, please tell us about it?

Currently, filigree jewelry.



I found and joined the SCA because of my love of sewing and historical sewing methods. Sewing is my first love, I've been doing it for over 20 years. I've only been in the SCA 10.

Like many of us, do you dabble in many forms of A&S? If so, please share what you're currently working on, what drew you to it, and maybe list the other forms you've done in the past or have just put on hold.

I'm currently working on constructed jewelry (not casting). Soldering is my favorite thing to do, and I've been working on a lot of simple filigree pieces inspired by Roman jewelry of the late Imperial era. Sewing is my first love, but due to physical injury, I don't do it as often. I've also dabbled in embroidery and spinning, but I don't do much of either nowadays.



How long have you been pursuing the Arts & Sciences?

In the SCA, I've been pursuing A&S from day 1. The way I look at it, I've been pursuing A&S long before the SCA, the SCA has simply given me new avenues of interest.

What's your favorite part of your A&S journey? Making? Research? Sharing? Feel free to expound so we can share your joy.

I love it all. Making, researching, teaching. I especially love teaching new people, or people who are new to my craft.

Where do you find your best primary and secondary sources?

I find my best primary sources on museum websites. The Met and the British Museum both have extensive collections of extant jewelry that is well photographed and documented. Jack Ogden is my favorite modern author, who writes extensively on historical jewelry techniques. There are a small number of primary written sources on jewelry making, as well, and I have those as hard copies.

Is there anyone who has inspired you along your journey?

Master Roibeard macNeill, Mistress Matilda de Mattenye, Earl Cathyn Fitzgerald have all been sources of both inspiration and encouragement.

*Please join me in thanking Her Ladyship Elizabeth Blackburn for sharing her Arts & Sciences Journey with us. *If you want to learn more about what HL Elizabeth does, she is open to conversation. Let me know and I can get you connected.*

The purpose of Spotighting Stromgard's Artisans and Scientists is to highlight the immense talent and knowledge that resides within our borders. Additionally, to spread joy, creativity, curiosity, and shared knowledge throughout the region. We have so many wonderful Artisans,

Scientists, Creators, and Scholars in our midst. I hope you'll join me in celebrating them.

If you or someone you know is interested in being part of the Stromgard Arts & Sciences Spotlight, please email your friendly baronial StormMaker at Siobhan.redfox.sca@gmail.com, or have them fill out the googleform here: <https://forms.gle/fZe7t6dTegbFLuF86>.

Yours In Joyful Service,

Ladyship Siobhán an Sionnaigh Ruaidh - StormMaker

Tri-Baronial Happenings

Barony of Stromgard
Skamania & Clark County
Washington



Barony of Three Mountains
Multnomah & Clackamas County
Oregon



Barony of Dragon's Mist
Washington & Clatsop County
Oregon



Newcomer's Night: 7-9pm
Every 1st Tuesday at Parkrose (East Gate) Masonic Lodge
4812 NE 102nd Ave. Portland, Or 97220

Upcoming Events:

July Coronation: July 11th-13th

Indoor Event - Coronation of the new King and Queen of An Tir
Three Rivers Convention Center
7016 W Grandridge Blvd, Kennewick, WA 99336
Gate fee and other details TBD due to venue change.
[FB event with ongoing updates here.](#)

Long and Short of It: August 8th-10th

Camping Event - Various Tournaments
Stonehenge Farms
9755 Willamette St. Aumsville, OR 97325

Mountains Pride Field Day: August 15th-17th

Camping Event - Various Tournaments
Willson Farm
30300 SE Lisha Rd Molalla, OR 97038

September Crown: August 29th - September 1st

Camping Event - Crown Tournament to determine next royals
Klickitat County Fairgrounds
903 N Fairgrounds Rd Goldendale, WA 98620

Many *many* more events are happening over the summer! These are just a selection over the next few weeks within a couple hours' driving distance from the tri-baronial area or major events for the kingdom. Check the Kingdom Event Page for more events!

The events to the left are paid events that require garb unless otherwise noted. Single day events typically charge a gate fee between \$25-45. Each event will have more details available (including schedules, pre-registration links, and fees) on the [An Tir Events web page](#)

If you do not have garb but would like to attend, alert your Chatelaine and arrangements can be made. Most events offer "Gold Key," which is a collection of appropriate garb available for attendees for no additional charge. Check with the event steward or local Chatelaine to find out if Gold Key will be available for an event.

Social nights, practices, arts and sciences nights, etc. are more casual (modern clothing, usually free to attend) but if there is a class or workshop, the host may charge a fee for supplies. You may always attend to simply observe and socialize without payment regardless.

The schedule of social nights and practices are available on the other sheet.

Helpful Links

Kingdom of An Tir	  <p>← Official An Tir Webpage</p> <p>Areas of interest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our Lands: Find your local group • Events: Kingdom Calendar • Library: Documents and handbooks • Our People: Who's-Whoof the Kingdom <p>Social Media</p> <p>Official Facebook Page</p> <p>Unofficial FB Discussion Group</p> <p>Discord Server</p> <p>YouTube</p> <p>Instagram</p>
Barony of Three Mountains	  <p><i>Oregon: Multnomah & Clackamas Counties</i></p> <p>← Official Web Page</p> <p>Official Facebook Page</p> <p>Unofficial FB Discussion Group</p>
Barony of Stromgard	  <p><i>Washington: Vancouver area & Clark County</i></p> <p>← Official Web Page</p> <p>Official Facebook Page</p> <p>Unofficial FB Discussion Group</p>
Barony of Dragon's Mist	  <p><i>Oregon: Clatsop & Washington Counties</i></p> <p>← Official Web Page</p> <p>Official Facebook Page</p> <p>Unofficial FB Discussion Group</p>
Principality of the Summits	  <p><i>Oregon: South of Portland</i></p> <p>← Official Web Page</p> <p>Official Facebook Page</p> <p>Unofficial FB Discussion Group</p>

Available Virtually: Kingdom of An Tir Newcomers Academy Classes

Classes are taught online by Regional Education Deputies under the office of the Kingdom Chatelaine once a month in a staggered schedule to make it easy for them to pick up any missing class in another region.

If you are interested, reach out to the Education Deputy to the Kingdom Chatelaine at chatelaine.education@antir.org. Also, check us out on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1054978165734246/> - An Tir Newcomers Education (unofficial)

Six Class Topics Available:

- History of the SCA
- Activities in the SCA
- Etiquette in the SCA
- Make Your Own T-Tunic
- An Explanation of Heraldry and Regalia in the SCA
- An Explanation of Awards and Peerage in the SCA

Tri-Baronial Happenings

Baronial Activities Schedule






<div>Barony of Stromgard Vancouver Area & Clark County Washington</div> <div></div>	<div>Barony of Three Mountains Multnomah & Clackamas County Oregon</div> <div></div>	<div>Barony of Dragon's Mist Washington & Clatsop County Oregon</div> <div></div>
<div>Baronial Council 2nd Thursdays 7-9pm theARTScentered 1007 E Mill Plain Blvd Vancouver, WA 98663</div> <div>Social Nights: All Thursdays 6:30-9pm theARTScentered</div>	<div>Baronial Council 3rd Tuesdays 7-9pm Parkrose Masonic Lodge (sometimes held virtually. Link is shared in FB group if so)</div> <div>Social Nights: Tuesdays 7-9pm Parkrose Masonic Lodge</div>	<div>Baronial Council 3rd Wednesdays 7pm Hillsboro Public Library—Brookwood (sometimes held virtually. Link is shared in FB group if so)</div>
<div>Martial Pursuits</div> <div>Archery: Most Thursdays 6-8pm Private Residence - ask for address on fb or discord group (weather permitting)</div> <div>Thrown Weapons: Mondays 7-9pm Private Vancouver residence –ask for address on fb or discord group (weather permitting)</div> <div>Armored and Rapier All Thursdays 6:30-9pm theARTScentered 1007 E Mill Plain Blvd Vancouver, WA 98663</div>	<div>Martial Pursuits</div> <div>Archery: 1st and 3rd Thursdays 6-8pm Washington Park Archery Range (weather permitting)</div> <div>Thrown Weapons: Same time/location as archery</div> <div>Armored and Rapier [armored currently on hold] Mondays 7-9pm Multnomah Arts Center 7688 SW Capitol Hwy Portland, OR 97219 (Basketball Court)</div>	<div>Martial Pursuits</div> <div>Archery: Sundays 1-3 pm THPRD Archery Range at PCC Rock Creek—North Practice Field 17705 NW Springville Rd, Portland, OR 97229 Adult and Youth loaner gear available.</div> <div>Armored and Rapier Tuesdays 6:30-9pm Marjorie Steward Center 21907 SW Sherwood Blvd Sherwood, OR 97140</div>
<div>Unofficial Tri-Baronial Archery and Throwing Facebook group (link) – discussion, addresses, and weather-based updates for outdoor practices.</div>		

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Note that Stromgard has the space at theARTScentered in Vancouver every Thursday from 6:30-9pm. Even if a specific topic is not the focus based on the schedule, social nights are always available.	Note that "Parkrose" and "East Gate" masonic lodge are the same location: 4212 NE 102nd Ave, Portland OR You may see it referred to as one or the other depending on the source.	

The Tri-Baronial Treaty signed in 2013 (or 48 Anno Societatis) binds the Baronies of Stromgard, Dragon's Mist, and ThreeMountains in a communal relationship of support, shared land, and mutual attempts at conflict-free scheduling whenever possible.

For this reason, all members of the populace of any Barony are welcome to participate and compete as they'd like in neighbor baronies. Do not feel compelled to keep yourself within the bounds of your local barony, and consider every citizen of our lands a neighbor.

In short, feel free to attend anything on the schedule, at any time, for any reason, regardless of where you live or how long you've been playing. We'd love to see you!

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.

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