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The Barony of Stromgard Newsletter January 2023

LETTER FROM THE BARON AND BARONESS

Greetings Stromgard!

Greetings unto the Sergeants, Champions, Officers, and Most Noble Populace of Stromgard, Stromgard' s Yule event was a big success with so much laughter between friends and family and many wonderful memories made. Congratulations to Her Excellency Dagmar on a job well done! We kept our part of court short and sweet with some fealty, a thank you to each Duncan and Moira and then 4 Bringers of Joy were recognized. It is our plan to recognize Bringers of Joy at each event that our Barony hosts during our time as the Coronets. Please be sure to share your counsel with us as to who it is that brings you joy between events, and what they've done that has brightened your life or brought a smile to your face. Also, we would like to extend the invitation to you, if you are attending 12th night, to join us in suite 311 to celebrate our stepping up and take a break from the hubbub of the day on Saturday between 12 and 8 (or later, we'll play it by ear).

Come enjoy some light refreshments and ask us questions, offer ideas, or perhaps sing a song if that is the mood that strikes you. Feel free to bring contributions to the refreshments if you so choose. We would like to find a time in the not-too-distant future to meet with the Sergeant and separately with the champions and officers if it's any all possible to chat about how things are going and your thoughts and ideas going forward.

Yours in Service,

Baroness GæíRa and Baron Justin.

Officers Reports

Seneschal: Alina present, written report.

Greeting to the barony of Stromgard from your new Seneschal. Although I will be reaching out to officers, I have a few thing that I would like to have updated for my records.

Checking in with everyone on their Warrants and expiration dates of their warrants.

Updates to the web page,
Added Vern and Di as sergeants
Updating the front page with pictures and introduction of our new Baronial coronets
Updating me as Seneschal

Review and additions needed to the customary and financial policy Review by March by populace , review at meeting by April, send to Kingdom and Crown tor approval.

Yours in Service,
Alina of Folkstone

Exchequer: Constance present, written report.

Greetings Their Excellencies and the Barony of Stromgard! I want to take a moment to welcome and thank our New Baron and Baroness as well as our new Seneschal. I know I speak for many in the Barony when I say thank you for your service.

Now on to the fun stuff! Thirty minutes before next month's meeting will be the quarterly financial committee meeting. We will be reviewing the 4th quarter report for 2022. All are welcome.

Thank you to everyone who cleared checks written to them from the Barony before the end of December. Your actions helped make for an easy yearend report. Stormrider Championship is now closed. Thank you all. If there are any outstanding expenses from Yule that need reimbursement, please get them to me so I can close out Yule before next month's meeting.

The December bank reconciliation is uploaded to the baronial website in the member's section.

Finally, the 4th quarter financial report will be submitted by the end of next week.

YIS, Constance Le Clerc Stromgard Baronial Exchequer

Chamberlain: Alexander absent, no report.

Arts and Science:
Þora present, written report.
To Their Excellencies and the Populace of Stromgard,

I hope everyone had a happy holiday season and wonderful New Year! We had an Arts & Sciences Meetup on January 4th, 2023 with 6 attendees present working on projects! Several of us are working on some largesse for the Barony, so if you don't have a current project, please feel welcome to come and work on charters or largesse activities!

Kingdom Arts & Science will be held in Ocean Shores this year on February 24th through the 26th. One of Stromgard's own, HE Dagmar, will be entering as a single entry. We also have a few other Rivers Region folks participating in the competition – I hope to see you there as part of the cheer squad or as a judge!

Our next A&S Meetup will be February 1st, 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.

Herald James Le Bruin, absent, report. Prefer voice heraldry. Open office its been two years.

Scribe: Tatyanna absent, written report.
Greetings Excellencies, officers and populas of Stromgard,

We hope you enjoyed a lovely Yule event and are settling in well to the New Year.

With the new baronial reign, we will soon be looking for artwork for charters. More information will be released soon about the requirements and preferences for charter sets, so keep an eye out if you'd like to submit art for consideration. Also, if anyone would like assist with the calligraphy, please contact me.

YIS,
Tatiiana

Chatelaine: Dagmar present, written report.
Deputy Chatelaine Shannon Yoffe
Check for forms change over Feb. 1

Greetings to Their Excellencies and the Populace of Stromgard!
I am looking forward to our upcoming events- 12th night and the OMSI Demo!
Looking forward to seeing many folx from around the Kingdom as we celebrate the coronation of our Heirs this weekend!
I will be stepping down as Chatelaine after February's council meeting. FRET NOT POPULACE! I will be continuing my work with Stromgard and have no intention of slowing down!
As Always,
Have ideas for day events?
Please reach out to me for help, inspiration, and guidance with running a baronial day event! These can be simple and inexpensive to put on but allow the local populace to enjoy more SCA in a more inclusive manner.
Already have a future event on the calendar? I would love to help you with event and site information! Inclusive language and maximum detail with low word count! The best way to reach me is on the Book of Faces or via Gmail.
Yours In Service and With Gratitude

HE Dagmar, Yolotli of An Tir - Chatelaine Stromgard

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

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Social Media: Penelope absent, written report.
Greetings Your Excellencies and the Barony of Stromgard
I have been updating the admin teams on the Baronial Page and group with the new Baroness and Baron. And continue to post information as things come up. I will not be at tonight's meeting because my nephew is visiting from Idaho.YIS Penelope

Web Minister: Ell absent, report. Nothing to report.

Knight Marshal: Sir Rayner, absent, report.
Was reported to the Kingdom- Sir Elrond fainted at practice due to dehydration and wassent to the hospital. He is doing well now.
Regular attendance each practice of about 8-15 fighters. Six fighters will be at the upcoming OMSI demo.
Nothing otherwise to report.

Rapier Marshal: Ikenaga Asahi, present. written report.
No practices occurred over the last month with the holidays. We are discussing beginning practices again possibly as soon as next week on Thursdays. They will start at Chris Perkins house like they have been in the past, but I am also going to look into other possible locations that have more space and don't require him to open up his garage for us.

Thank you,
Ikenaga Asahi

Archery Marshal: Feradach present, report.
Archery practice is on hold until around May when the weather gets better, nothing significant to report at month otherwise,

Thrown Weapons Marshall: Matthias absent, no report.

Sergeantry Fenris absent, no report.

VACANT OFFICES
- Equestrian Marshal
- Youth Marshal
- Lists
- Art & Sciences
- Cut & Thrust

Event Reports

Yule 2022 - Dagmar
Notes: Yule was wonderful- thank you again to the staff that helped me put together this event! The manor Grange would love us to host another event there- I'm glad we were able to add this venue back onto our list of places to play.
And a huge thank you to the populace who donated! 161.00 USD
Financials for this event will be ready by next meeting- apologies.

OMSI Demo - Dagmar
We have a limit of 25 volunteers who will receive wristbands and access as demonstrators. I will be in touch with those volunteers. Please still come to the event if you are inclined to and enjoy!
There will be five tables set up with different SCAdian highlights at each one. We will also be having a Photo Booth, Dance class, Heavy Armored combat and Rapier demos.
I need a person who can do a make&take demo there- like writing folx names on a bookmark, or having 2-3 attendees paint a mini scroll to take home. Please contact me via Facebook or email! Thanks.

In attendance:

Moira Ramsey
Constance Le Clerc
Ronan Mac an Leagha
Helvi av Gotland
Siobahn an Sionnaich
Ruaidh
Þóra Jórasalafari
Justin de Leon
Everild Bayte
Ælfwyn Fiske
Gæira Runfastsdottir
Dagmar
Thorfinnrsdottir
Gundahar Holtzsson
Katherine Hetzel
Neamhain Coulter
Drifa in Rauða
Peter Bates
Ikenaga Asahi
Volchko Kuznets
Volkov
Angela Delamora

(guessing attendees)
Chronicler will do better next time.

Event Reports

APRIL 29: Founding Revel: - Aelfwyn Fiske
Notes: submitted for Calendar request, need input .

SEPT 22-24: Game of Thrones and Stormgods - Gundahar Hotzsson

Notes: submitted for Calendar request
StormGods Event Work Update:
•Planning a site walk with the land steward-
•Touching base with the StormBlade and StormGod-
•Continuing work with Di/Ælfwynn on classes

JULY 22: Stromgard Family Day - Dagmar
Notes: Need to schedule on Calendar

: AUG 10-13An Tir Arts Academy - Angela
Second staff meeting third Sunday
Discuss what we need.
Trojan updated increased the by 50% plus additional charges use of perinate structure and disc gulf. Closed Mon.-Wed.Can't get into site until Friday morning.
Increase from 2200 to 5 grand.
Checking with Drifa on parent farm and other sites such as the St Helens at Columbia Country Fairgrounds, Wahkiakum County Fairgrounds, Skamokawa WA. Already over a dozen people volunteering to help

Bid for September Crown: Drifa will present this weekend at Curia Sunday morning @ 12th Night. '

Event Reports

We need to update the locks on the baronial trailer and wheel locks. Further we can't currently lock and unlock the doors.

Amazon 25-30 dollars estimated approved Wheel lock boot. 95 for the pair, approved.

Alina to look into concrete pad for next meeting for new storage at TE house as the trailer will be sitting on grass, also tarp to cover.

Open to the option of starting the process for new Coronet for Stromgard Vote : YES

Coronet have been repaired not in great shape. But not functional not easy to store, don't fit everyone's head, been in place for almost 20 years.

First need to put together committee, what in design?: transportability , storage, open the process to discuss. Amount to spend?
Committee Members Miranda, Exchequer, Shannon, Chamberlain, Excellencies.

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 appaumy 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/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.

November 11-13	**Collegium—Aquaterra**
November 19	**Three Mountains Archery Championship**
December 10	**Three Mountains Yule**
December 17	**Stromgard Yule**

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— Round Table Pizza meeting room. 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.marshal@antir.org or https://www.facebook.com/groups/256143011097207/ for Armored fighting

Rapier Practice — Currently happening at 3M's practice. Visit their website or www.facebook.com/groups/696161364096256/

Archery Practice — Seasonal hiatus. *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 — Seasonal hiatus. 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 – 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.artsnsci@antir.org or on Book of Faces.

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