

The King's Garb



Two distinct details of *The Battle of Anghiari*, Leonardo da Vinci (in honour of upcoming war season).
From: <http://gallery.euroweb.hu/html/1/leonardo/06anghia/index.html>

Psych! It's actually spring now!
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Editorial

Last month's spring issue was a false alarm, but I can say with confidence this month that spring is actually here! Not much going on this month in the Chronicler's office, apart for me leaving for the Kingdom of Ealdormere for a summer job. Along that vein, if anyone has interest in writing the Garb for three months while I'm gone, I would really appreciate it. Otherwise, I'll just write up in Toronto and send it to someone here. This issue, look for an event report on Spring Champions (thanks Illyanth and YE Catriona!) and a description of a select few Kingdom-level awards An Tir hands out. Thanks to the few people who responded to my polls about fight practice. Based on what little response I had, I think we should try Thursday this week for rapier practice at least. Enjoy spring everyone!

L Guillemin de Rouen, Chronicler



Kingdom-Level Awards

(borrowed from <http://www.antirheralds.org/awards/OP/awardlist.html>, the An Tir Herald's website)

Kingdom-level awards are bestowed upon those who so distinguish themselves in their chosen discipline(s) that they are recognized as worthy by the King and Queen themselves. Each of these awards is a great honour in its own right, which is why they can be considered rare in comparison to other awards. As with last month, I will try and provide a brief description of a select few awards (there are literally dozens in total) and those residents of our Barony who have been honoured with them (presented in OP). I have also tried to organize the awards based on the level of arms they carry (armigerous awards only). For those awards with large membership bases in the barony (a Goutte de Sang, for example), please see the Baronial Order of Precedence at:

<http://op.badger.cx/op/branches/op/current/Myrgan%20Wood.shtml>.

Order of the Chivalry – A Patent of Arms-level award (commonly referred to as a Peerage) which recognizes excellence and service in the field of armoured combat. A Patent of Arms is the third level of armigerous recognition and members can choose their own designation. Members of the Chivalry are referred to as Knights of An Tir and are commonly called “Sir”.

There are two local holders: HH Gunther Rorikson and Sir Taras of Kiev

Order of the Pelican – A Patent of Arms-level award (commonly referred to as a Peerage) which recognizes excellent and noble service to the Kingdom of An Tir.

See above for a description of a Patent of Arms.

Local holders: Master Michael of Brecon
Master Heinrich Alois Kannessohn
Master Colin Ellwood

Order of the Laurel – A Patent of Arms-level award (commonly referred to as a Peerage), it is given to those who demonstrate nobility, excellence, and willingness to instruct in the Arts and Sciences at a Kingdom level. Holders are often referred to as “Mistress/Master”, but other designations include “Dame”.

There is a single local holder: Mistress Fabienne l’Accusée.

Goutte de Sang - Given for long time and excellent service to the Kingdom of An Tir. Carries with it a Grant of Arms, which is the second level of armigerous rank. Due to this Grant of Arms, those who have been honoured with this award are referred to as “His Ladyship” or “His Lordship”. Members of the order often wear about their person a token bearing a drop of blood on a checky yellow and white field. Please see Baronial OP for a list of local holders, as there are many.

Jambe de Lion – A second award which carries with it Grant of Arms status. See above for the meaning of this. A Jambe is awarded for excellence in the Arts and Sciences which has been recognized at the Kingdom level.

<i>Local holders:</i> Mistress Fabienne l’Accusée	Master Michael of Brecon
Master Heinrich Alois Kannessohn	HL Gerhard Thorwulfsson
HE Roxanne Delaroché	HL Tarquyn of Sergontium
HL Pandora Mischiefmaker	HL Zenovia Kallipygia

Order of the White Scarf – Another award which gives Grant of Arms status, a White Scarf is awarded to those individuals who distinguish themselves above all others in rapier combat. There is a single local holder, HE Raoul Achille Delaroche, who is also one of only five in the Principality to have been given this award.

Order of the Grey Goose Shaft – As the White Scarf is to rapier, the Grey Goose Shaft is to archery. It is presented to those who distinguish themselves in excellence and service in the field of archery. As with a White Scarf, it carries with it a Grant of Arms. There are currently no local holders of this award.

Viscount/Viscountess – A title achieved by those who have served as Prince/Princess of a Principality of An Tir or of the former Principality of An Tir. Awarded at the end of a term of service, which lasts 6 months.

Local holders: HH Gunther Rorikson
HE Catriona McManus

Court Baron/Baroness – A title bestowed at the discretion of the Crowns to Territorial Barons and Baronesses at the completion of their terms. The award carries with it the designation “His/Her Excellency”.

Local holders: HE Chikakukawa no Shunzei
HE Gareth Bydaweyr
HE Roxanne Delaroche
HE Raoul Delaroche

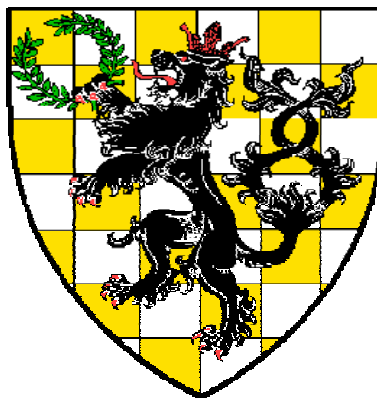
Award of Arms – Although I mentioned it last month, AoA’s are actually awarded by the Crowns of all Kingdoms, but in our Kingdom, the King and Queen have given permission to the Prince and Princess to bestow these awards (I don’t really understand it either). Congrats again to L Illyanth and L Lazarus, who were awarded their AoA’s at Spring Champions.

Order of the Carp – Awarded for acknowledged excellence in persona development, it is one of the Kingdom-level awards that are most rarely bestowed.

There are only two local holders: Sir Taras of Kiev and HE Chikakukawa no Shunzei.

Lion’s Cub – A Lion’s Cub is an award given to children (ages 5-10) who, although younger than the rest of us, still represent the ideals of merit and service that we all aspire to. It is described as “given to those...who display courtesy and/or service but might not be ready for an Award of Arms.”

Local holders: Baronson (Rodger Walker)
Sorcha MacCarraig (Cassie Nixon)



Event Report-Myrgan Wood's Spring Champions Event (April 23rd)

-thanks to L Illyanth and HE Catriona, whose posts I edited to complete this article

Recently at Myrgan Wood's Spring Champions event, much occurred that even those who were not present should be informed of. Great deeds and feats were accomplished, and there are some that I believe deserve particular mention from our fair Barony:

As most of you probably know, Lord Hamish MacCarraig had offered to autocrat, feastocrat, and organize the A&S tournament wholly by himself for this event. Unfortunately, circumstances outside of his control forced him to make the long journey to the barony of Montengarde, and miss a good deal of the events of the weekend. On very short notice, two astounding Ladies were asked (and accepted) to take up the responsibilities for this event: Her Excellency Chikakukawa no Shunzei and Lady Lina Joya of Grantham's Keep. The event, as all who attended can attest to, went remarkably well, thanks to the efforts of Lord Hamish in advance, and HE Chikakukawa and Lady Lina the day of the event.

When called into court, the two women were presented (rightfully so) with the award of the Elm Leaf in Spring, for their actions that day. HE Chikakukawa, however, denied that her actions had been of any such great consequence as to merit the award. Our Baroness Catriona relented, then found her at the end of court, helping in the bar, and promptly presented her the award anyway for her efforts there, making the point that it truly is at the discretion of those in authority who deserves what and that if you're going to be given an award, you'll get it whether you want it or not. As an addendum to all this, before Lord Hamish left on his journey he was presented with an Elm Leaf in Autumn, not just for his service relating to that event, but for all that he has done for the barony over the past years.

Later in court, a small gathering was called forward of some of the younger members of the barony. Améline LaJolière, Jorgen, Guillemine, Lord (although-not-at-that-point) Lazarus Haubergier, Quintessa, and myself were those whose presence was requested. According to Her Excellency Catriona, it had been decided to present us each as well with the Elm Leaf in Spring, for what we have accomplished so far in our short time being in the barony. Améline, Lord Guillemine, Lord Lazarus, and Quintessa all currently hold Baronial offices, among the other work they have accomplished, and along with Jorgen have all contributed very positively to the barony as a whole. They are always willing to help out (I honestly think Lord Lazarus enjoys being troll, he's there so often...), have all enriched the barony through their various skills, and have done a myriad of other things to increase the good name of our Barony.

Her Ladyship Zenovia Kallipygia, one of the judges for the A&S competition, was given the award of the Blood Red Crocus at court. This award, for those of you that don't know, is our Baronial award for dedication and service in the Arts & Sciences. HL Zenovia has taught classes, entered competitions, and created amazing things, including a fantastic

Viking tunic that she showed off in the Arts and Sciences competition [and received an overall score of 25.5 out of 25. WOW]

Finally, Lazarus Haubergier received an Award of Arms. Rightly deserved, in my opinion, for his repeated stoic submission to the fates that always have him sitting in troll. Not much else to say here, beyond congratulations, my friend.

Indeed, congratulations to all who received awards, both mentioned above and from other places that I have not mentioned. Next time I'll pay closer attention and remember all the awards that have been given out, and the stories that go along with them.

YIS,
Illyanth of the Woods



[HE Catriona later added the following, also posted to the list]

While Illyanth did a wonderful job of retelling the tales of the weekend, I must add three further points.

First, Magy Of Aberdeen who resides in Rhuddglyn was honoured by His Highness with an Award of Arms.

Secondly, our new Champions of Rapier and of the Arts and Sciences, HE Raoul Delaroche and Weldon the Gray (respectively), were decided in well-contested tournaments and later sworn in during court.

And of course, not to forget, Lord Illyanth himself was also honoured by the Prince with an Award of Arms! Her Highness was saddened that she could not be there to personally present this award, as Illyanth is a member of Her guard.

Both of these awards, plus all the others mentioned, were very well deserved.

Catriona

Upcoming Events

- Saturday May 7th: **Beltaine, Montengarde** (Calgary, AB)
- Saturday May 14th: **Harrows Cross Champion's Tournaments** (Cluny, AB)
- May 20th-22nd: **May Crown, Corvaria** (Prineville, OR)
- June 3rd-5th: **Avacal Coronet Tournament, Bitter End** (Red Deer, AB)
- June 18th-19th: **Dragonslayer, Montengarde** (Calgary, AB)
- July 1st-4th: **QUAD WAR**, (Marsden, SK)

Please see the An Tir Calendar @ <http://www.antir.sca.org/Upcoming/> for more events

Regular Events

Monthly Tavern is currently held on the first Wednesday of every month at the Off-Broadway Dinner Theatre (639 Main St). Contact the Chatelaine for more information.

Fighting Practice for both Rapier and Armoured Combat is held (Summer hours):

- every Sunday at 2pm on the U of S campus at the Ukranian Poetess Statue
 - every Thursday at 6 pm in Kinsmen Park across from the Mendel Art Gallery.
- Contact the Master of Stables or Master of Blades for more info.

Target Archery Practice is currently held once a month at the Kyoro Archery Range and Tae Kwon Do Centre at 220 20th St. W

- next practice is Thursday May 17th @ 7 pm. Cost is \$4 per person.

Arts and Science Classes are held roughly biweekly subject to availability of instructors and space. See mailing list or contact Arts and Sciences Minister for more information.

Business Meeting is cancelled this month

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Myrgan Wood's Homepage: <http://www.chainmailstore.com/mw/>
Incipient Shire of Rhuddglyn: <http://www.codexpublishing.ca/rhuddglyn>
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