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Minutes of the July 26, 2015 Meeting

Meeting commenced at 11:00 AM.

In attendance were: Paul *Crescent*, Estrith *Dolphin*, Jeanne Marie *Noir Licorne*, Brianna *Courtesy*, Selene *Aurum*, Eridana *Ambre*, Ariana *Trident*, Angharat *Coral*, Cormac *Decrescent*, Elizabeth *Beau Coeur*, and Damien *Sable Fret*.

Meeting schedule for 2015: August 16, September 13, October 18, November 8, and December 6.

Approved submissions were forwarded to Laurel on the June 30, 2015 Letter of Intent.

From Crescent:

- As I transition into the role of Crescent, I am making a review of the College's existing policies, specifically the Financial and Administrative policies. If you have any comments, please contact me.
- These policy reviews are a precursor to a new Herald's Handbook, which I aim to have completed before I step down as Crescent.
- After many years of faithful service, Avicia de Na Baiona has stepped down as Exchequer for the College
 of Heralds. I wish to thank her for time and energy, and to thank Ariana verch Gwenllian for taking over
 the role.
- Emmeline Dernelove will be stepping down as *Bellows* at 12th Night. She will be succeeded in the role by Mealla Caimbeul, who was made a Pursuivant by His Majesty at Lyondemere Anniversary.

From Dolphin: June/July LoAR has not been released yet.

Society Notes:

At Lyondemere Anniversary, Their Majesties admitted Angharat *Coral* to the Order of the Lux Caidis for dramatic performance.

July Submissions

AElfhild Ragnarsdottir – New Name Change and New Device Change, *Argent, a double-headed eagle sable maintaining in base two swords in saltire inverted Or, on a chief gules three mullets of eight points argent.*

If approved, submitter would prefer their old name, Asiya al-Mubaraka, be released.

Submitter will allow minor but not major changes, and prefers a female name. If the name must be changed, submitter prefers the spelling "AElfhild Ragnarsdottir"

AElfhild is documented to 940, 993-1006 through the "Prosopography of Anglo-Saxon England," http://www.pase.ac.uk/pdb?dosp=VIEW_RECORDS&st=PERSON_NAME&value=14572&level=1&lbl=Ælfhild

Ragnarsdóttir constructed from Ragnarr, found in Aryanhwy's Viking names found in the Landnámabók, http://www.ellipsis.cx/~liana/names/norse/landnamabok.html, following the rules given in Uckelman, Sara L., A simple guide to creating Old Norse names, http://www.ellipsis.cx/~liana/names/norse/sg-viking.html,

-rr > -rs: Geirr > Geirsson ~ Geirsdóttir

This name combines English and Scandanavian names, allowable under SENA.

Name approved and forwarded to Laurel. Device approved and forwarded to Laurel.

AEIfhild Ragnarsdottir – New Household Name "Mi[d\}gar{d\}r" and New Badge, *Vert, two mallets inverted in chevron within a serpent vorant of its own tail argent.*

FIXME documentation.

This name is returned for presumption with Mi{d\}gar{d\}r, the earth. We in the College of Heralds feel that Earth is an important enough placename to protect. Unlike the use of Thor, which is not presumptive if combined with another element that demonstrates that the submitter is not claiming to be THE Thor (e.g. "Thor Ragnarson") there is no other substantive name element in this submission that delineates the household as different from "the earth."

We would also note that the use of Jormungundr and what the submitter claims to be Thor's hammers in combination with a household name describing the world that Jormungundr encircles in Norse mythology may run afoul of excessive religious symbolism. An appropriate substantive name element added to the household name may clear this issue.

The emblazon depicts mallets inverted, not Thor's hammers. The College of Heralds contacted the submitter and [FIXME]

Household name returned for presumption. Badge approved and forwarded to Laurel.

Alsander Bardon – New Device, Vert, a reremouse and in base two torches in saltire Or.

Device approved and forwarded to Laurel.

Bernadette de Costa Tempestad – New Name & New Device, *Sable, a pale argent surmounted by a sun and in chief three mullets counterchanged.*

Submitter accepts all changes and prefers a feminine name. If changed, the submitter cares most about the meaning, "of the stormy coast."

Bernadette is found in "Names from Fourteenth Century Foix" by Cateline de la Mar. (http://www.s-gabriel.org/names/cateline/foix.html)

de Costa Tempestad = "of the Stormy Coast"

The College was unable to find documentation for Costa Tempestad, nor were we able to find suitable pattern of Spanish bynames or locative names to support the submission. We note that "de Costa" is a documentable byname on its own.

Precedent states that "by longstanding policy, the College disallows complex charges counterchanged over other charges" [Grethfurth Wulfstan, May 1993, R-Atlantia] Therefore, this device is returned for counterchanging a complex charge over an ordinary. (Gynter Eiriksson 1/2011) SENA A.3.F.4 reaffirms this precedent, stating that complex charges counterchanged over other charges must be attested.

Name returned for lack of documentation.

Device returned for violation of SENA A.3.F.4, "Excessive Counterchanging."

Borgunna Varsdottir – New Name & New Device, *Per bend sinister raguly Or and azure, a decrescent azure and a dormouse dormant Or.*

Submitted as "Borgunna Varrsdottir" changed at the meeting to reflect the appropriate patronymic.

Submitter allows all changes.

Borgunna: header spelling on this web page:

http://www.vikinganswerlady.com/ONWomensNames.shtml

Varr: header spelling on this web page:

http://www.vikinganswerlady.com/ONMensNames.shtml

Both cited from the same source: NR = Lena Peterson. Nordiskt runnamnslexikon. (Dictionary of Names from Old Norse Runic Inscriptions). Språk- och folkminnes-institutet (Institute for Dialectology, Onomastics and Folklore Research).

Name approved and forwarded to Laurel.

Device approved and forwarded to Laurel.

Hakim ibn Suleiman – New Device, Vert, a duck rising contourny, wings displayed, in base a sheaf of arrows fesswise, a bordure denticulada Or.

Device approved and forwarded to Laurel.

Henriet de Saint Denis – New Name & New Device, *Azure, a chaplet of lilies argent, surmounted by a fleur de lys Or.*

Submitter allows all changes and doesn't care about the gender.

Henrriet and Denis are found in: http://heraldry.sca.org/names/french/paris1423.html

There is no issue with the combination of lilies and fleurs de lis:

[One commenter] has shown there was apparently a difference noted by heralds in period between the stylized fleur-de-lys and the natural lily flower since the arms of Eton College contain both used in a cadency context. Under the new rules this is enough to determine that a difference of type may be granted, assuming no real possibility of confusion. (LoAR 17 Jun 90, p. 4)

However, there is an issue with the fleur de lis being barely overall. Most commenters noted the same issue, that the fleur appears almost, but not quite, within and conjoined to the chaplet. The College suggests shrinking the fleur just enough to make it within and conjoined to the chaplet, thus clearing the issue.

Name approved and forwarded to Laurel. Device returned for style issues.

Marcus Adler - New Name

Both name elements are documented through FamilySearch.

Marcus Dallye, Male, Married 23 June 1583, Crundale, Kend, England, Batch M01338-6 Bridgitt Adler, Female, Married 17 Dec 1592, Kelvedon ear Colchester, England, Batch M04228-1.

Name approved and forwarded to Laurel.

Ocelotl Moteczuma – New Name & New Device, *Or semy of cartouches sable, a fess embowed to base argent fimbriated gules between four crescents one and three azure.*

Spelling (no preferences, specifically allows any alternate spellings of Moteczuma) most important.

Please see attached document for name examples

Precedent says that a line of division cannot be embowed to base, but it says nothing against ordinaries. Therefore we will send it up as-is.

We note that the design of the fess embowed to base and the crescents three and one appear on shields in the Codex Mendoza, a document from 1542, an Aztec document prepared for Charles V. Submitter appears to be trying to represent jaguar fur through the use of cartouches. http://publicdomainreview.org/collections/codex-mendoza-1542/

Name approved and forwarded to Laurel. Device approved and forwarded to Laurel.

Ocelotl Moteczuma - New Badge, (Fieldless) Three arrows fesswise gules overall a bezant semy of cartouches.

Badge approved and forwarded to Laurel.

Sasha Dmitrievich – New Device Change, Gules, a badger statant contourny Or.

Old Item: Gules, an osprey striking between in chief two crescents Or, to be retained as a badge.

The new device adds a field to the client's badge, (Fieldless) A badger statant contourny Or, registered via Caid in August 2000.

A potential visual conflict was noted, "Gules, a bear statant contourny Or" (Barony of Septentria, for the Award of the Golden Bear). We believe this to be clear.

Device change approved and forwarded to Laurel.

Siomha ingen Stiofan - New Name & New Device, *Argent, in fess three billets checky gules and Or and a base rayonny sable.*

Submitter desires a feminine name.

http://medievalscotland.org/kmo/AnnalsIndex/Feminine/Sithmaith.shtml has variations of the name Sithmaith in Old Gaelic Irish Sources:

Further information about the name Síthmaith, may be found in:

OCM (p. 166 s.n. Síthmaith).

The Sources page lists the Annals referenced below. Information about secondary sources is included on that page as well.

Raw Data

In the table below, I have separated individuals with a blank line. That is, when there are multiple entries in the annals that refer to a single person, those entries are grouped together.

Within the list of entries referring to a single person, I have sorted the entries primarily by orthography when it is obvious that what I am seeing is the same entry showing up in multiple annals. The entries that tend to use older spellings are listed first.

NOTE: The Annals referenced below under the code letters A, B, C, E, & F tend to use later spellings than the other Annals. In some cases, the spellings listed in these Annals may not be appropriate for the year referenced in the Annal entry.

In some Gaelic scripts, there is a character that looks approximately like a lowercase f, but without the crossbar. This character (represented by an underscored, e, in the entries below) sometimes represents e and sometimes ea depending upon the context of the text.

Annals Entry Context Citation (formatting preserved) (d. 771-778) U U778.8 R Sit Maith, abatisa Cluana Bairenn A M773.6 R Sithmaith, bannabb Chluana Boirend Cl year 771 (p. 123) R Sith-math abbesse of Clonboreann, 2 died. 2 Clonboreann. - On the west bank of the Shannon, nearly opposite Clonmacnois. The foundress was St. Cairech, a sister of St. Enda of Aran. [Note: 17th C translation.]

Siomha is found in OCM pg 166 as the modern form of the name Síthmaith.

Stiofan is found under the header Stiamna OCM pg 167. This is a borrowing from the biblical Stephen with the Normans. Other Irish forms Steimhin, Stiana, Sleimhne (in the 13th century) and latterly Stiofan. No clue when "latterly" is

Nothing with similar spellings in IGI records

The documentation provided does not support the use of Siomha in period, nor the surname in this spelling.

Name returned for lack of documentation. Device returned for lack of a name.

Tyne MacPhersone. New Device. *Per chevron azure and purpure, a chevron sable fimbriated between a crescent and a snake vorant of its own tail argent.*

This is a change from the charges being Or. I just wanted to double check the conflicts first.

Device approved and forwarded to Laurel.