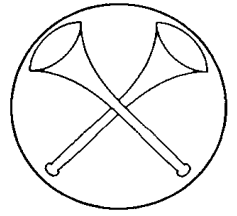


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Minutes of the March, 2026 Meeting

Meeting commenced at 7: PM.

In attendance were: *Alienor Dolphin*, *Mary Pilgrim*, *Ren Puffin*, *Bruce Batonvert*, *Eridana Gold Starre*, *Brig Bellows*, *Rivkah of Dun Or*, *Seamus Coral*, *Jean Marie Palimpsest*, *Hrorek Chevron*, *Eiríkr Gold Phoenix*, *Saitou*, *Fritha Gold Forest*

Upcoming Dolphin meeting schedule:

April 8th- Internal Letters Due

April 15th - CoH Decision Meeting

May 6th - Internal Letters Due

May 13th - CoH Decision Meeting

June 3rd - Internal Letters Due

June 10th - CoH Decision Meeting

July 1st - Internal Letters Due

July 8th - CoH Decision Meeting

August 5th - Internal Letters Due

August 12th - CoH Decision Meeting

September 2nd - Internal Letters Due

September 9th - CoH Decision Meeting

October 7th - Internal Letters Due

October 14th - CoH Decision Meeting

November 11th - Internal Letters Due

November 18th - CoH Decision Meeting

December 9th - Internal Letters Due

December 16th - CoH Decision Meeting

From *Palimpsest*:

- See presentation in LOAR Archive, dated for:
<http://heraldry.sca.org/loar/2025/11/25-11CL-summary.pdf>
- <https://heraldry.sca.org/loar/2025/12/25-12CL-summary.pdf>

From *Crescent*: Letters of intent for Crescent are still open until privy council (April 5), announcement of Increscent will be on June 1

If any officers of the CoH are intending to compete in crown, please send me a notice of your temporary replacement in case you win

From *Dolphin*:

- Reminder, If an item is not paid, and not ready to go into OSCAR, please do not put it on a letter.
- AcDrac is coming up, there will be a Herald's Point, Mary is running it.
- Report from Puffin - Class on CoH Garden meetings at Collegium by Seamus. There will be other classes from members of the CoH, Bruce Draconarius has a class on How Manuscripts Were Made and Calligraphy 101. If anyone else has heraldic classes please let us know.
- Bellows is also teaching a Field Heraldry class at Collegium. Golden Rose is teaching two heraldry classes at AcDrac - Names are Hard (with Aine), & Heraldic Display 101.

From *Battlement*: GWW is starting to swing into gear. If anyone would like to learn how to do the Battlement job, let Mary know. She is happy to train you :)

From *Bellows*: Will be hosting a class/demo at Collegium for Field Heraldry. We also have an opportunity to get two badges for the Calafia demo at Comic Con reserved specifically for heralds.

From *Courtesy*:

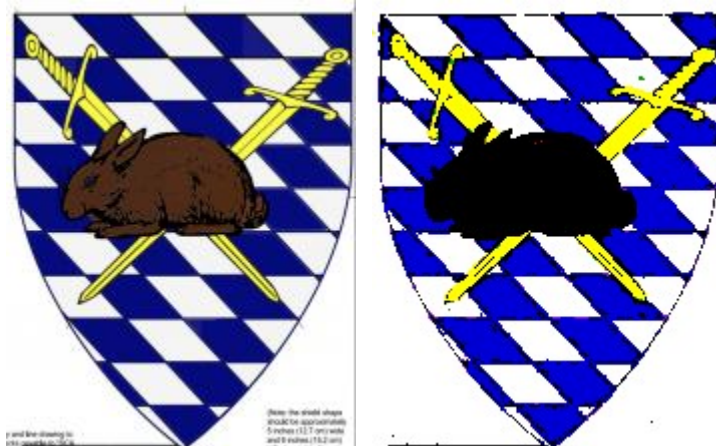
From *Recorder*:

From *Scribe Armarius*:

From *Webwright*: There is now a form where folks can request heraldic services on the website. It goes directly to Dolphin.

March Submissions

1: Adonis le Bel - New Name & New Device



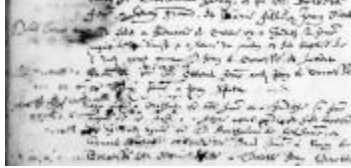
Barry bendy argent and azure, two swords in saltire Or and overall a rabbit couchant brown proper

Adonis is a masculine given name found dated to 1644 in Belgium in Familysearch records

Adonis Dusart Male Christening 18 Nov 1644 Namur, Belgique C87028-3

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:V5M8-K25?lang=en>

le Bel is a German surname dated to 1596 found in Familysearch



Sara Le Bel Birth 15. August 1596 Frankenthal, Frankenthal, Bavaria, Germany

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QPKV-BKXB?lang=en> see image

German is one of the languages used in Belgium in period

Barony of Calafia

Submitted by Eridana

Correction to Name (2026-Mar-10 19:03:32): New emblazon as comment

This is the pre emblazon from the submitter. I reworked the design on the approved form which the submitter approved. My laptop where the file is had the power cord die. I have a new on order that will be here Thursday. I will add the correct approved emblazon when I can use the computer where the file is. and the doc file

COMMENTARY:

NAME -

Jeanne Marie (Palimpsest)

documentation verified (I wasn't sure about le Bel but that really is transcribed correctly, it's a Latin record). No conflicts found

DEVICE -

Bruce Draconarius of Mistholme (Batonvert) at 2026-03-04 18:08:22

The swords are *inverted*. Reblazon: *Barry bendy argent and azure, two swords inverted in saltire Or surmounted by a brown coney couchant proper.*

If the revised emblazon is significantly different, we can revise the reblazon as needed

Jeanne Marie (Palimpsest)

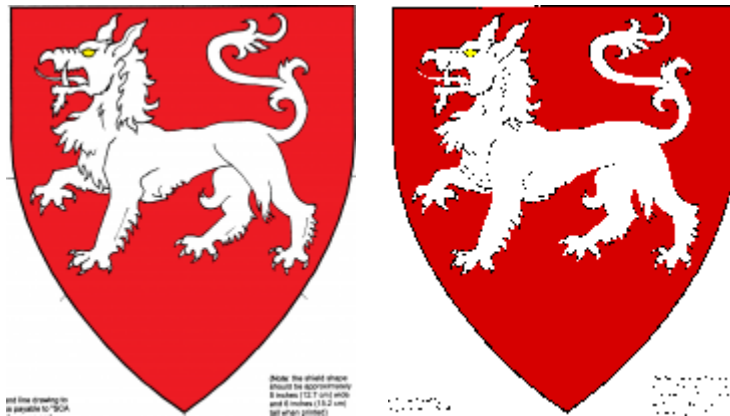
comment says a new emblazon is in the comments; it isn't. I disagree with Batonvert's reblazon. The current standard would place in saltire before the primary charges and there is no reason to change coney to rabbit. There is also no need to blazon the rabbit as brown; that is the default for a coney/rabbit (GoT Table 4). I agree that the swords need to be blazoned as inverted. So,

Barry bendy argent and azure, in saltire two swords inverted Or overall a rabbit couchant proper. No conflicts found.

Name and Device are both approved and forwarded

2: Alia la rousse - New Device Change

OSCAR finds the name registered exactly as it appears in November of 2006, via Caid.



Gules, a tyger passant argent

Old Item: Gules, in pale two tygers passant argent, to be released.

The submitter has received a Letter of Permission to Conflict (dated 22 Feb 2026) from Kedivor Tal ap Cadugon, allowing her to conflict with his registered badge (reg. July 2002 via Atenveldt), (Fieldless) A tyger passant argent enflamed azure.

COMMENTARY: No conflicts found.

NOTE - UPLOAD DOCUMENT PACKAGE AND LETTER OF PERMISSION TO CONFLICT TO DOCS

Device approved and forwarded.

3: Alphonsus Balthasar von Hamer - Resub Alternate Name

OSCAR finds the name registered exactly as it appears in October of 2021, via Caid.

Please consider the following possible conflicts identified by OSCAR (many will not be conflicts):
Jak M'Kenye(1/2005), Jane Ascham (6/1995), Jane Gunn (7/1996), Jesenia Maa Jinn (1/2025),
Jesse MacKinnon (12/2016), Johanna MacAnna (4/1996), Johnne O'Cuain (6/1985)

Jan Wickman

This name uses the English name pattern given+byname found in SENA App A
<https://heraldry.sca.org/sena.html#AppendixAEnglishWelsh>

Jan is a Dutch masculine given name dated to 1571 (among other dates) found in DMNES
<https://dmnes.org/2023/1/name/John>

Wickman is an English surname dated to 1565 found in FamilySearch
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:N5XV-L48?lang=en>

Dutch and English name elements can be combined if dated within 300 years per SENA App C
<https://heraldry.sca.org/sena.html#AppendixC>

Consulting Herald - Séamus

Barony of Wintermist

COMMENTARY:

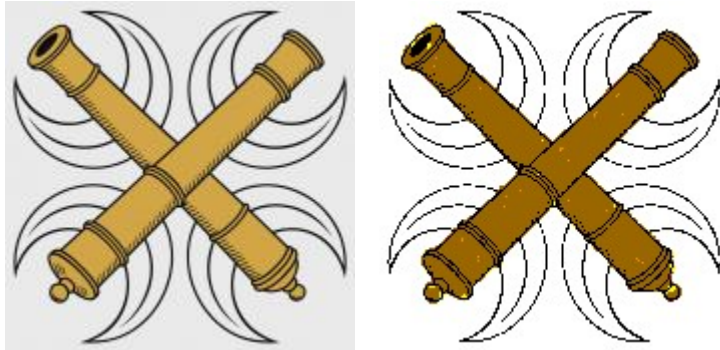
Jeanne Marie (Palimpsest)

it needs to be noted on the Lol that the previous submission John of Wick, was returned 06/2025 for presuming on John Wick. DMNES also dates Jan to 1571 (amongst many dates) in England in a Dutch context, but we consider it English for registration purposes so there is not a language combination here. It is also dated in Middle French and Walloon contexts in the same time period in England. No conflicts found.

Name approved and forwarded.

4: Alphonsus Balthasar von Hamer - New Badge

OSCAR finds the name registered exactly as it appears in October of 2021, via Caid.



(Fieldless) A Cross of Caid argent surmounted by two cannon barrels in saltire Or

COMMENTARY:

Jeanne Marie (Palimpsest)

as the submitter wants a cross of Caid, I think this should be redrawn as such. I disagree with Batonvert that use of a cross of Caid would be presumptuous. The charge combination is not a

restrict charge. If it is redrawn as a cross of Caid, it should be noted on the Lol that the submitter requested the use of the named motif. Cannon barrels are long skinny charges the requirements of SENA Appendix I4 are met; however, I'm vaguely recalling a precedent dealing with two long charges in saltire and a discussion of whether they are considered compact charges for purposes of that appendix. If so, this will need to be redesigned. I'll try to find the precedent before the meeting. No conflicts found.

Hrorek Halfdane of Faulconwood (Chevron) at 2026-03-03 16:42:17

Per the November 2020 Cover Letter, Effective immediately, a cross of Caid as proposed by the Kingdom of Caid is defined as the tinctureless arrangement of charges, four crescents conjoined in saltire horns outward. Since the crescents are not conjoined in this submission, I believe its blazon should be (Fieldless) Four crescents in saltire horns outwards surmounted by two cannon barrels in saltire Or.

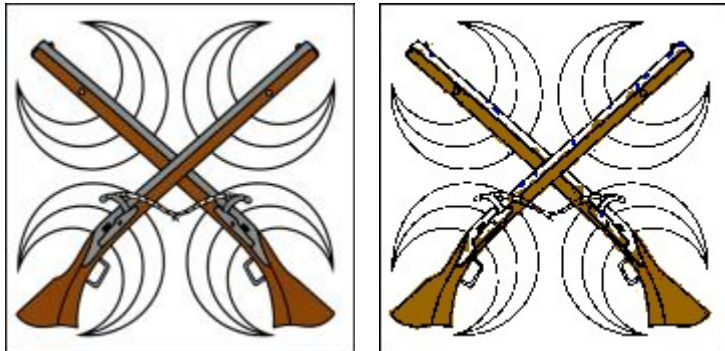
Bruce Draconarius of Mistholme (Batonvert) at 2026-03-07 22:40:41

And it is only the fact that the crescents aren't conjoined -- that this is technically not a cross of Caid -- that prevents this and the next badge from being returned for what would be, in my opinion, presumption.

Badge pended for redraw and conversation about presumption with Crescent.

5: Alphonsus Balthasar von Hamer - New Badge

OSCAR finds the name registered exactly as it appears in October of 2021, via Caid.



(Fieldless) A Cross of Caid argent surmounted by two muskets in saltire proper

COMMENTARY:

Jeanne Marie (Palimpsest)

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for purposes of that appendix. If so, this will need to be redesigned. I'll try to find the precedent before the meeting. The barrels are grey, not sable so they need to be blazoned as two grey iron muskets proper per GoT Table 4 (s.v. Firearm). The muskets are not Or as proposed in Chevron's reblazon. No conflicts found regardless of whether the barrels are considered argent or sable for contrast purposes.

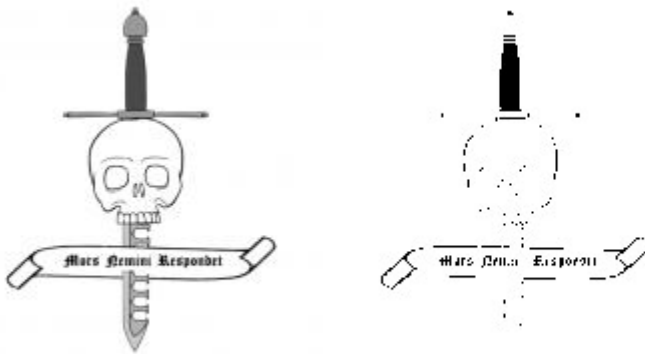
Hrorek Halfdane of Faulconwood (Chevron) at 2026-03-03 16:43:22

Per the November 2020 Cover Letter, *Effective immediately, a cross of Caid as proposed by the Kingdom of Caid is defined as the tinctureless arrangement of charges, four crescents conjoined in saltire horns outward.* Since the crescents are not conjoined in this submission, I believe its blazon should be *(Fieldless) Four crescents in saltire horns outwards surmounted by two muskets in saltire Or.*

Badge pending for redraw and conversation about presumption with Crescent.4

6: Alphonsus Balthasar von Hamer - New Badge

OSCAR finds the name registered exactly as it appears in October of 2021, via Caid.



(Fieldless) An escroll charged with the words Mors Nemini Respondet transfixd by a sword breaker dagger proper, overall a death's head argent

A period example of this type of dagger can be found at <https://oscar.sca.org/s.php?u=2034975>
[wallacelive.wallacecollection.org] - **NEED THE ACTUAL IMAGE, NOT JUST THE LINK**

COMMENTARY:

Jeanne Marie (Palimpsest)

it needs to be shown that the hand is period hand. Images need to be included, not just the linked to the Wallace collection. As blazoned, the escroll is the primary charge, which I don't believe it is. I'm not sure how to blazon this collection of charges and whether or not it can be considered to have two overall charges (which would be an issue). No conflicts found.

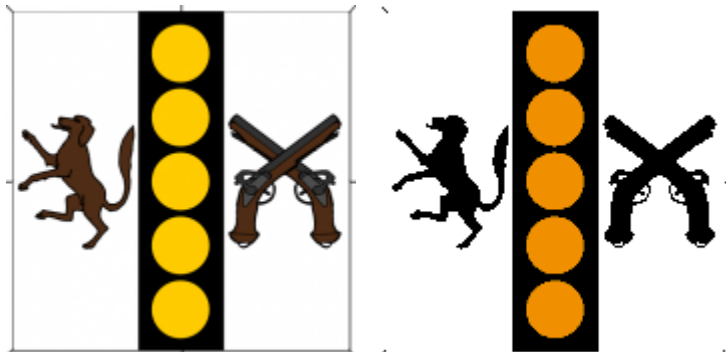
Dagger needs to be blazoned as inverted.
Issues with color.

Determined not to be Nazi or Reich- related imagery
Needs to be a clear primary charge

Badge pending for redraw

7: Alphonsus Balthasar von Hamer - Resub Badge

OSCAR finds the name registered exactly as it appears in October of 2021, via Caid.
BADGE NEEDS TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH NEW ALTERNATE NAME ABOVE - Jan Wickman



Argent, on a pale sable between a hound rampant and two pistols crossed in saltire proper five bezants

COMMENTARY:

Jeanne Marie (Palimpsest)

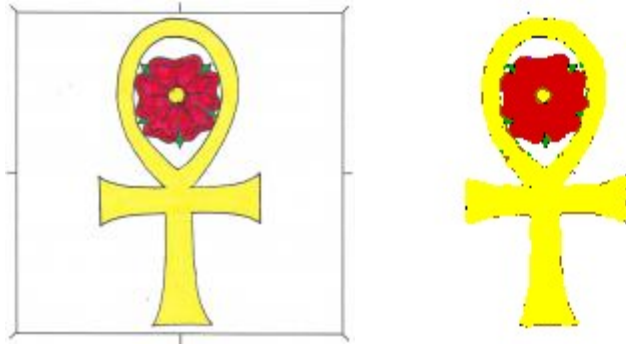
it needs to be noted that the prior submission, Argent, on a pale sable between a brown hound rampant and two wooden pistols in saltire proper five bezants, was returned on the 06/2025 LOAR for the improper use of proper. Is this (or any of the above badges) to be associated with the alternate name, Jan Wickman?

Drop crossed from the blazon; charges in saltire are crossed by definition. It needs to be specified that the hound is brown. The barrels appear grey, not sable. So, Argent, on a pale sable between a brown hound rampant and two grey iron pistols in saltire proper five bezants. For purposes of conflict, the grey barrels would be considered sable. I would cite the fact that there is not a unity of arrangement issue under SENA A3D2e despite the fact that the pistols are in saltire have to be blazoned separately from the over (default) arrangement of in fess. For purposes of this rule, "pairs of charges in saltire...are considered to be single charges for the purposes of arrangement". No conflicts found.

Badge approved and forwarded.

8: Hemneter Pennefer - New Badge

OSCAR finds the name registered exactly as it appears in July of 2023, via Caid.



(Fieldless) A rose proper within and conjoined to the hoop of an ankh Or

Recommendation of badge given by Batonvert

Barony of Naevhjem

Submitted by Pennefer Crescent

COMMENTARY:

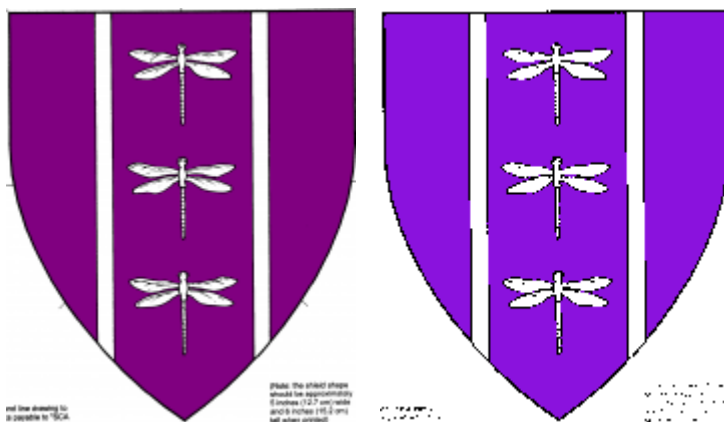
Jeanne Marie (Palimpsest)

No conflicts found whether the rose or the ankh is the primary charge, which will depend on the decision on the Jan. LoAR (Oct. 12th LoPaD).

Badge approved and forwarded.

9: Kalia Janówna - New Name & New Device

Please consider the following possible conflicts identified by OSCAR (many will not be conflicts):
Khal Gan(7/2016)



Purple, three dragonflies in pale between two pallets argent

No changes.

Kalia is a Russian feminine given name, variant of Kala, 1577. Goldschmidt, "A Dictionary of Period Russian Names"; <https://heraldry.sca.org/names/paul/ka.html>

Janówna is a Polish feminine patronymic, combining the masculine given name Jan (numerous citations, starting in 1477 through 1650) with the patronymic suffix -ówna, both found in Johnson, "A Preliminary Survey of Names from the Historical Dictionary of Personal Names in Bialystok", pp.11, 33; <https://st-walburga.aspiringluddite.com/docs/Bialystok.pdf>

The submitter wishes to be consulted before changes are made, if changes are necessary to register this name.

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COMMENTARY:

Name:

Jeanne Marie (Palimpsest)

the author for the surname article should be listed as Lillia de Vaux (we tend to use SCA names rather than legal names). Articles from St Walburga are no photocopy now. It should be noted that an East Slavic (Russian) given name can be combined with a North Slavic (Polish) byname when dated within 300 years per SENA Appendix C. No conflicts found.

Name and Device approved and forwarded.

10: Lǐ Bāng (李 邦) - New Name & New Device

Please consider the following possible conflicts identified by OSCAR (many will not be conflicts):
Leoba von Mainz(4/2000), Lyall Albanach (1/2019)



Per pale wavy vert and Or, a tree eradicated counterchanged argent and sable

李 邦 (pinyin: Lǐ Bāng) with the tone/pitch markings added by the submitter. They can be dropped as needed to the format Li Bang. All documentation provided was found without these markings. This pattern of SHI (family name + MING (given name) is documented in Li Katsumori's article "Introduction to Pre-16th Century Chinese Onomastics":

https://heraldry.sca.org/names/Chinese-Onomastics_v1.1.pdf This name should avoid conflict with the Emperor Liu Bang with the additional syllable on the surname, per SENA PN3.C.5, especially given the substantive difference in the character used by the Emperor: 劉.

李 (Lǐ) is a Chinese surname found dated to in Alec Story's Chinese Biographical Database compilation <https://sundries.alecstory.org/2018/09/breaking-heraldic-log-jam-applying.html>. This site uses data pulled from the CBDB (<https://cbdb.hsites.harvard.edu>). It is also found dated between 466-1600 in Li Katsumori's article "Introduction to Pre-16th Century Chinese Onomastics": https://heraldry.sca.org/names/Chinese-Onomastics_v1.1.pdf

邦 (Bāng) is a masculine Chinese given name found in numerous instances dating between 194BC and 1614 in Alec Story's Chinese Biographical Database compilation, cited above.

Consulting herald - Ariana Tyger

Barony of Calafia

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COMMENTARY:

NAME -

Jeanne Marie (Palimpsest)

the hanzi have to removed from the header (01/2025 CL). Tone markings are registerable (SENA Appendix D). It should probably be noted that this is visually clear of the emperor's name under PN3C5, Substantial Change to the Appearance of a Short Name Phrase, which allows a single letter difference to suffice when both names have four or fewer letters and occupy the same position in the name (surname in this case). No conflicts.

DEVICE -

Bruce Draconarius of Mistholme (Batonvert) at 2026-03-07 22:43:14

It is extremely difficult to make out the *per pale wavy* line, due to the complexity of the charge overlying it. That the line isn't straight, we can see -- that the line can be identified as *wavy* is more problematic. Maybe make the division *per fess* instead of *per pale*?

Jeanne Marie (Palimpsest)

I agree with Batonvert that the line is difficult to make out, but that's probably a call for Wreath. No conflicts found.

Eridana (Gold Starre)

the wave can be made wavier by making the waves deeper and adding another ½ wave

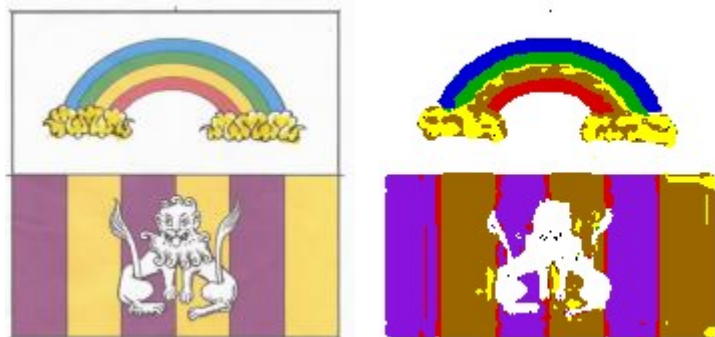
Name approved and forwarded (with adjustments)

Device pended for redraw to make the wavy...wavier.

11: Ovrynka Gaylis and Lucius Blackledge le Scott - New Badge

OSCAR finds the name (Ovrynka Gaylis) registered exactly as it appears in August of 2023, via Caid.

OSCAR finds the name (Lucius Blackledge le Scott) registered exactly as it appears in July of 2023, via Caid.



Per fess argent and paly purple and Or, a rainbow proper clouded Or and a bicorporate argent

I am not sure I remember how to enter joint badge but this is jointly owned by Ovrynka Gaylis and Lucius Blackledge le Scott

The submitter has a back up badge if the submitted one has issues



Paly purple and Or, a bicorporate argent

Barony of Calafia

Submitted by Eridana

COMMENTARY:

Bruce Draconarius of Mistholme (Batonvert) at 2026-03-04 18:11:34

Missing a rather important noun: bicorporate lion.

Gotta say, the backup badge is better. Y'know what would be better still? (Fieldless) A bicorporate lion argent. Perhaps we might suggest it to the clients?

Eridana Gold Starre (Gold Starre) at 2026-03-04 18:23:13

I did try and she said the submitted badge "speaks to her".

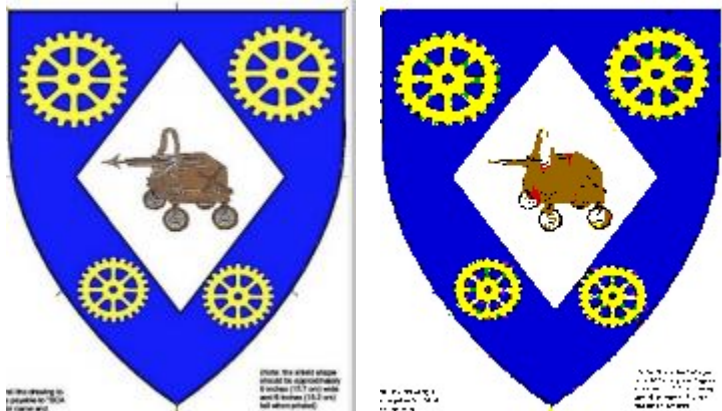
Jeanne Marie (Palimpsest)

Complexity notes: A Rainbow has a complexity count of three on its own, so this badge has a complexity count of seven. Just for reference.

Badge is awful, but since we have no reason to return it... **Badge is approved and forwarded.**

12: Paulus Vitruvius - New Device

OSCAR finds the name registered exactly as it appears in September of 2025, via Caid.



Azure, on a lozenge argent a ballista proper between four cogwheels Or

This is a Kingdom resub originally submitted in May 2025. We spent a lot of time trying to find a period ballista. Once we found images there was a rule we had missed with the original design.

SENA A6C, Claims through Arms of Pretense and Unearned Augmentations - "The use of a charged lozenge as arms of pretense or an augmentation is vanishingly rare. We will not consider a single uncharged lozenge, a single lozenge with a single, non-ordinary, tertiary charge, or multiple lozenges to be a display of independent armory nor its use to be presumptuous." As this has two tertiary charges, we have a presumption issue.

Earlier comment and images provided by Adelaide de Beaumont (Pympernell)

Here's the trouble with the ballista as drawn. That's absolutely the business portion of the ballista, BUT it is nearly always shown in use, which involves being mounted on a platform or stand. Image #1 is a number of drawings of ballistas, including in terrible modern heraldry. But they all draw it in such a way as to make clear that this is not something one man can fire. What is depicted on this submission looks pretty much like a crossbow, and sure, a ballista is a HUGE counter-weighted crossbow, but as an image, it seems to have had a lot more substance than it does in this depiction. Do we have depictions from the period that call something a ballista and ONLY show the working part?

Two of the images below called ballista would be called trebuchet to my eye. The other 2 are similar to what is submitted as a ballista on this device. We are aware it might not be enough to register the submitted armory.



NEED LINKS FOR BOTTOM TWO SOURCES FROM ADELAIDE (IN KINGDOM COMMENTARY FROM PREV SUBMISSION)

Barony of Calafia

Submitted by Eridana

COMMENTARY:

Bruce Draconarius of Mistholme (Batonvert) at 2026-03-04 18:13:16

Much better rendition of the *ballista*.

Let's blazon the secondaries before the tertiary: *Azure, on a lozenge argent between four cogwheels two and two Or, a wooden ballista proper.*

Eirikr

The term *Carroballista* might be better used in the blazon since it depicts a four-wheeled ballista

Device approved and forwarded (with new blazon).

13: Theodoric van der Vorst - New Name & New Device



Sable, on a bend vert fimbriated between two escarbuncles, a rapier argent

Theodoric is a Dutch masculine given name dated 1602 and 1611 found in FamilySearch:

Theodoric Absil, male, christening: 16 Jan 1602, Saint Michel, Namur, Belgium, Batch #C87028-1, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:FVWC-6RJ?lang=en>
Theodoric Minet, male, christening: 26 Jun 1611, Saint Michel, Namur, Belgium, Batch #C87028-1, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:FVWC-6RJ?lang=en>

van der Vorst is a Dutch surname dated 1450 and 1466 from Aryanhwuy merch Catmael and Kymma Godric's Names from Antwerp, 1443-1550: Surnames
<https://www.ellipsis.cx/~liana/names/dutch/surnamesplaiser.html>

Barony of the Altavia

Submitted by Crescent

COMMENTARY:

Bruce Draconarius of Mistholme (Batonvert) at 2026-03-04 12:15:12

The rapier is *inverted*, which needs to be specified in the blazon.

Jeanne Marie (Palimpsest)

I agreed with Batonvert that the rapier needs to be blazoned as inverted. No conflicts found.

Name approved and forwarded.

Device approved and forwarded with corrected blazon.

14: Wihtstan æt Hamwic - New Name Change

OSCAR NOTE: the old name was registered in November of 1989, via Caid.

Old Item: Wihtstan Gravenor, to be released.

Authenticity requested for Saxon, 8th to early 9th century.

This name uses the Old English pattern given+locative per SENA App A

<https://heraldry.sca.org/sena.html#AppendixAEnglishWelsh>

Wihtstan is the submitter's currently registered given name

Hamwic was a major port city in England in the 7th century, modernly known as Southampton

https://www.persee.fr/doc/acsam_0000-0000_1994_act_4_1_1062

Consulting Herald - Séamus

Barony of Wintermist

COMMENTARY:

Jeanne Marie (Palimpsest)

the submitter requested authenticity so we should redoc the given name rather than relying on ERA. However, that may not be possible as it was documented originally as a surname

(Hwitstan); I'm not seeing documentation in the files for Wihtstan or why it was changed. It appeared on the Lol as "Wihtstan is an Anglo-Saxon name formed from themes found in Aelfwynn Gyrthesdohtor's monograph (Caerthan Symposium Proceedings, 1981)." I believe the CoH has a copy of these proceedings; I couldn't find an online copy. I can't reach PASE to see if the name can be doc'd there. It should be noted that SENA Appendix A notes that Old English locatives are formed æt X, which provides the necessary documentation for the preposition.

Bruce Draconarius (Batonvert)

PASE has numerous bits **[INSERT DOCUMENTATION FROM BRUCE HERE]**

Name approved and forwarded pending documentation from Bruce.