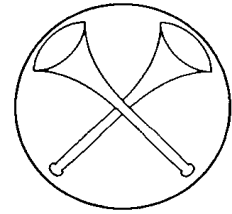


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Minutes of the September 17, 2025 Meeting

Meeting commenced at 7:00 PM.

In attendance were: Jeanne Marie *Palimpsest*, Alienor *Dolphin*, Cormac *Beare*, Eridana *Gold Starre*, Ren *Blue Raven*, Brig *Bellows*, Mary *Pilgrim*, Saitou, Hrorek *Chevron*, Beatrix *Recorder*,

Upcoming Dolphin meeting schedule:

- Wednesday October 8th, Internal Letters Due
- Wednesday October 22nd, CoH Meeting 7pm (Discord)
- Wednesday November 5th, Internal Letters Due
- Wednesday November 19th, CoH Meeting 7pm (Discord)
- Wednesday December 3rd, Internal Letters Due
- Wednesday December 17th, CoH Meeting 7pm (Discord)

From *Palimpsest*:

- Review of most recent Cover Letter, <https://heraldry.sca.org/loar/2025/06/25-06CL-summary.pdf>

From *Crescent*:

- Re: OP - We are working on it. Stay tuned.

From *Battlement*:

- Volunteer hours are up. Volunteer early & often. We need folks at Herald's Point & volunteers for Morning & Afternoon Cry. Also, Battlement is now PayPal trained. The Exchequer is offering more classes going forward: in person at Angel's Anniversary & at Crown, online on 10/08, 7pm

From *Dolphin*:

- Ask Battlement to add an announcement to the Morning & Afternoon Cry (Th - Sat) that HP has moved to A&S.

September Submissions

1: Adelaide de Beaumont - New Badge

Per pale gules and Or, three chevronels braced counterchanged

Consulting Herald Adelaide Pympernell

Commentary:

- Kingdom Commentary from Bruce & Damien: no conflicts found
- Jeanne Marie: No conflict found
- Approved and forwarded

2: Ástríðr Selr Leifsdóttir - New Name Change

Old Item: Astridr Selr Leifsdóttir, to be released.

Submitter desires a feminine name.

Spelling (replacing 'd' with 'edh') most important.

This is a minor spelling change to the submitter's current name, Astridr Selr Leifsdóttir, registered March 1990 via the East. We are replacing the given name with Ástríðr, to include the edh (ð) and the accents. The remainder of the name remains unchanged, which is permitted under the Existing Name Allowance, SENA PN1B2g (<https://heraldry.sca.org/sena.html#PN1B2g>).

The feminine given name Ástríðr is cited by Geirr Bassi, p.8, and by the Viking Answer Lady, <https://vikinganswerlady.com/ONWomensNames.shtml>.

Commentary

- Jeanne Marie would have preferred to put it up as errata (quicker & cheaper), but Bruce said that this method would be fine as the submitter had no objection to paying the fees
- Dolphin will reach out to Pelican & Laurel to check what they think would be the best option
- Jeanne Marie put necessary images in commentary for reference

3: Bhaltair de Leomhainn a'Cumail - New Name & New Device

Per bend gules and checky gules and Or in sinister chief a lion argent

Fiachra assisting. Given name only documented.

Bhaltair is lifted from 10-2011 LoAR Caid The original submission for Iseabail inghean is at <https://oscar.sca.org/index.php?action=145&id=17707>,

and was accepted as "a Scots given name and a Gaelic byname". The source was Black, citing <MacBhàltair> as the Gaelic form of MacWalter.

In case the name does require more documentation: the canonical Gaelicised form of Walter was Ualtar or Ualtair, but a lenited "b" was used to represent a /w/ (in modern Irish, bhuel is used to transcribe English "well" Bhuel... Ni raibh sé sin go maith. = "Well... that wasn't good."), and "Baltair" and "Bhaltair" are seen as transcriptions of "Walter":

MCBa1210.1 Baltair do Lasaighi [Walter de Lacy]

Co1308.4 Tomag Mac Baltair Constapla Bonu Finne [Tommy son of Walter, Constable of Boninna]

LC1506.1 Mac Uibhilín .i. Bhaltair [Mac Uibilín, that is, Walter]

U1514.11 [gen] Bhaltair Mic Uibilín

Note: <Bhaltair> is not the "genitive" of <Baltair>. As a borrowed name, the genitive is identical to the nominative. <Bhaltair> has explicit lenition of the "B" (to get /β/ or /w/), as opposed to the implicit lenition of the other form.

That is: the genitive of Baltair is Baltair. It can also be spelled Bhaltair to make the pronunciation clearer.

All that said, I can't see anything wrong with <inghean Bhaltair>, where you'd expect lenition doubly, because it's also after a feminine nominative noun.

Given name documented but the rest is a translation for "of Lions Keep" with no documentation of that naming pattern or that the words would be used in period.

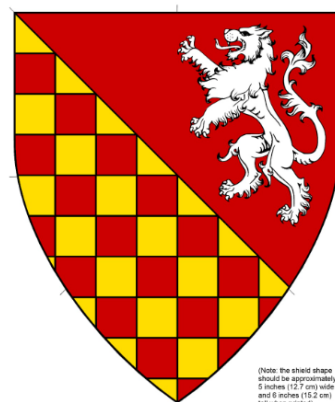
Barony of Altavia

Submitted by Eridana

Submitter drawn. I think this is legal emblazon but name is not going forward so did not conflict this

Commentary:

- Cormac: There is a problem with the emblazon. He will do the mockup.
- Eridana: This is not the name that was originally submitted, but if it is legal, then she will definitely reach out to the submitter. Can they register "of Lion's Keep"? The author said he is still looking, but she hasn't seen any more updates from him.
- Dolphin: Fiachra did have a suggestionJeanne Marie: Given name should not be lenited in this version, h should be removed; You can do Lion's Keep by using Lion as a surname, or Castle of the Lion (all in Gaelic) - see Fiachra's documentation in Kingdom commentary



Fiachra an Doire at 2025-09-08 10:59:30

The Irish byname an Chaisléin, translates to "Of the Castle." It can be dated to 1509 and 1514, and is documented here:

<https://oscar.sca.org/s.php?u=1696893> [medievalsotland.org]

As far as a byname denoting a *specific* castle, stronghold, or keep, I'm coming up empty handed. I'll keep digging, and I'll also look for bynames that reference specific locations that could be used to justify the pattern.

Fiachra an Doire at 2025-09-08 13:16:27

We have "(of) the Castle" documented-see my comment above.

In the Irish Annals, we also see na gCaisléin "of the Castles."

<https://oscar.sca.org/s.php?u=1697090> [medievalsotland.org]

Looking at the full name as recorded in the Annals, we see "Conchobar na Caslen Mac Cochlan," which can translate to either "Conchobar of the Castles Mac Cochlain," or "Conor Mac Coghlan, surnamed of the Castles"

Either way, this gives us a pattern we can use to construct the byname.

If we use the singular form "an Chaisléin," paired with "de Lion" or one of the other variants suggested by Master Bruce, we arrive at something like "an Chaisléin de Lion" meaning, "of the castle of the lion," which is about as close to "Of Lion's Keep," as I think we'll be able to get.

Jeanne Marie Lacroix (Palimpsest) at 2025-09-09 05:44:35

A url is not documentation. Per AH Appendix H ""Standard brief forms that are used to refer to them in commentary are given in brackets (); those sources with no standard brief form must be cited with full author information and title." In this case, the source is "Index of Names in Irish Annals" by Mari Elspeth nic Bryan.

- Eridana can reach out to submitter to see which he prefers & get back to the CoH.
- Jeanne Marie - no conflict found
- **DOLPHIN: Pending approval on device & name from submitter, approved & forwarded - REMOVE**
- **SOV NOTE**

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4: Catherine le Corbeau - New Name & New Device

Per saltire argent and vert, a needle grey and overall a raven contourny sable

Catherine in this spelling is dated in Middle French from 1392-1595 found in the DMNES by Aryanhwy
<https://dmnes.org/name/Katherine>

le Corbeau means 'the crow' in French. Docs lifted from the AnTir Lol 09-2016 6: Cornille le Corbeau - New Name <http://oscar.sca.org/index.php?action=145&id=65582> For le Corbeau - St Gabriel report 3162 <http://www.s-gabriel.org/3162> states

The earlier form of Corbeau is Corbel, which we find used as a byname in the 13th C, 1340, 1404, and 1438. [8] While we haven't found any examples of Corbeau, the variant Corbaut can be found in 1389 and 1422. [8] We believe that Corbeau itself is plausible as early as the 13th century, and that it could have been quite common by the 14th. We can therefore tentatively recommend Corbeau as a fine 16th-century byname." (citing Morlet Picardie)

Aryanhwy has previously commented: Morlet Picarde has both Corbel 13th C, 1340, 1404, 1438 as well as La Corbèle 13th C and La Corbelle 13th C; this, like Corbeau, is a diminutive of <corb>, <corp>, so if the article is appropriate with one it should also be with the other.

Barony of Altavia

Submitted by Eridana

I am not sure how to blazon the needle. Conflict checked as sable

Emblazon NOT approved as yet

Commentary:

- Dolphin: What do we think of the name? (General approval)
- Jeanne Marie: No conflict on the name. Adjust blazon to read "gray needle proper"
- Question about making the eye of the needle bigger? Eridana says that this was the biggest one that she could find.
- Cormac: no conflicts found on device.
- DOLPHIN: With an update to the blazon & approval from submitter, approved & forwarded

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5: Dushenka de la Marguerite - New Badge

(Fieldless) Two holly leaves conjoined in chevron berries to chief proper

Submitter approved emblazon

Barony of Calafia

Submitted by Eridana

Commentary:

- Damien found potential conflict - Probably clear of: Rowany, Barony of The following badge associated with this name was registered in January of 1985 (via the West): (Fieldless) Two rowan leaves conjoined vert, pendant therefrom three berries gules. The image in Rowany's website (<https://rowany.lochac.sca.org/baronial-awards/>) shows two leaves in chevron inverted, and three separate berries (with stems) hanging below.

- Cormac: Given the fact that we don't differentiate for an oak sprig & there are similar vibes between oaks & hollies, we may have an issue with lack of difference in orientation. However, this is not a call that can be made at kingdom.
- Jeanne Marie agrees & recommends getting a permission to conflict
- DOLPHIN: approved and forwarded (though Eridana will also work to get permission to conflict); any decision about conflict must come from Wreath

6: Fyvie Ohe - New Device Change

Argent, a raven contourny and on a tierce sable five annulets Or

Old Item: Argent, in chevron inverted five annulets and in chief a raven contourny sable, to be retained as a badge.

Alternate blazon Argent, a raven contourny sable on a tierce sable five annulets Or this one repeats sable

Closest but clear with change from rising to close, dexter to sinister and charging tierce Anna O'Doran registered in December of 2016 (via the Middle): Argent, a raven rising and a tierce sable

Submitter approved emblazon

Barony of Calafia

Submitted by Eridana

Commentary:

- No conflict found in commentary
- Delete alternate blazon
- Cormac: Precedent from 08/19 - charged plain line tierces are disallowed [ADD LINK]
- DOLPHIN: device is not registerable, returning for redraw (from Jeanne Marie: You can make it indented or embattled & it would be registerable)
 - NOTE FROM ERIDANA: Submitter agreed to embattled tierce, revised emblazon to be sent forthwith, College will fix the blazon accordingly
 - DOLPHIN: There is a step from core practice for the use of a charged complex line tierce (per SENA, Appendix G2) If received in time, this is approved and forwarded

7: Fyvie Ohe - New Badge

(Fieldless) A raven contourny sable maintaining in its beak an annulet Or

Submitter approved emblazon

Barony of Calafia

Submitted by Eridana

Commentary:

- No conflict found in commentary
- DOLPHIN: approved and forwarded

8: Giovanni del Pace - New Device Change

Sable, three chevronells between two lion heads cabossed and a gauntlet aversed argent

Old Item: Per chevron sable and argent, a chevron between two lion heads cabossed Or and a fleur-de-lis sable, to be retained as a badge.

Submitter approved emblazon

Barony of Calafia

Submitted by Eridana

Commentary:

- Jeanne Marie: Old item blazon is wrong - It should read: "Per chevron sable and argent, a chevron between two lion's heads cabossed Or and a fleur-de-lis sable"
- Hrorek: Proposed blazon needs to be changed to read: Sable, three chevronells argent between two lion's heads cabossed Or and a gauntlet aversant argent.
- DOLPHIN: update old item & current item for spelling, approved & forwarded

9: Kyra Audax - New Alternate Name

Katterin Krappel

Katterin is a feminine given name found in Early modern English dated to 1595 in DMNES under Katherine <https://dmnes.org/name/Katherine> by Aryanhwy merch Catmael

StAnthonlin p. 37; 1595

Krappel(l) (docs for Krappell) is a German surname found in FamilySearch records

Melchoir KRAPPELL 163 Marriage Cöln, Rheinprovinz, Preußen, Deutschland M96881-1

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:J4DV-3MQ?lang=en>

Documents for the I/II swap comes from German Names from Nürnberg, 1497: A - M and N-Z by Aryanhwy merch Catmael <https://heraldry.sca.org/names/german/surnamesnurna-m.html>

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Barony of Calafia

Submitted by Eridana

Commentary:

- DOLPHIN: documented byname in previous letter (& other kingdoms are doing this too)
- No questions or conflicts found
- DOLPHIN: Name change approved and forwarded

10: Lucius Blackledge le Scott - New Badge

Bendy engrailed azure and vert, three ducks conjoined by their feet in pall inverted Or

NOT LEGAL DESIGN Returned unless we get a new legal emblazon. Needs new submitter art work. Original had 2 color 6 part field so not legal. Left in the letter just for teachable moment

May be resubmitted without the field which would be (Fieldless) Three ducks conjoined by their feet in pall inverted Or

Barony of Calafia

Submitted by Eridana

Commentary:

- No update on art sent in
- DOLPHIN: Returned for Redesign

11: Ovrynka Gaylis - New Badge

Azure, A donkey within a mascle ploye between four titmice argent

Query

Mascle primary and others secondary? or illegal design

Barony of Calafia

Submitted by Eridana

Commentary:

- From Kingdom: *Azure, within a mascle ployé between four titmice an ass rampant argent.*
- General commentary: Tits & ass? Really?
- Jeanne Marie: we can say it is forwarded without Kingdom support, obscenity must be decided by wreath
- Discussion: adjust blazon as follows: Azure, a mascle ploye between in saltire an ass rampant between four titmice argent (Ok per SENA App J - A primary charge group surrounding a secondary charge, with a separate secondary group)
- DOLPHIN: with adjusted blazon, approved and forwarded (College was divided on whether this is obscenity) - Quoth Batonvert (Dear submitter: Yes, yes, tits and ass. We get it.) - we leave the decision to Wreath

12: Ovrynka Gaylis - New Badge

Or, two acorns slips conjoined issuant from a trimount azure between two beavers sejant erect respectant gules

From the above submission OSCAR finds the name registered exactly as it appears in August of 2023, via Caid.

Acorn motif from Pennsic Heraldic clip art Source: Wappenbuch der Arlberg-Bruderschaft. Artist: Vigil Raber. (Page 364.) <https://heraldicart.org/acorn/>

not sure if primary and secondary or all three primary and not allowed- I expect it to be illegal

Barony of Calafia

Submitted by Eridana

Commentary:

- Jeanne Marie: Cite Appendix J again - SENA App J - A primary charge group, a secondary charge group around the primary charge group (semy, in orle, or numbered charges), and a peripheral ordinary
- No conflicts found; some discomfort with lewdness
- Emblazon of acorns found at http://bilderserver.at/wappenbuecher/VirgilRaberEXAv2_52z2/ Wappenbuch der Arlberg-Bruderschaft: Virgil Raber, 1548 German (Weimar, Herzogin Anna Amalia Bibliothek, Fol. 220), p. 364.



- DOLPHIN: approved and forwarded (College was divided on whether this is obscenity - we leave the decision to Wreath)

13: Paul fitz Denis - New Alternate Name

Páll skjaldarbrjótr prestsson

Submitter desires a gender-neutral name.

- Páll, derived from the Christian name Paul, is a masculine given name found in Geirr Bassi.
- skjaldarbrjótr is a constructed Old Norse byname intended to mean 'shield breaker'. skjöldr 'shield' is found in Cleasby-Vigfusson, s.n. skjöldr (<https://cleasby-vigfusson-dictionary.vercel.app/word/skjoldr>).
 - The genitive is skjaldar, found in compounds on the same page. There is a "documented pattern of Norse names meaning 'thing-breaker.'" [Brandr nefsbjotr Aronsson, 3/2016 LoAR, A-East]. Attested examples include hornabjotr 'breaker of horns', haugabjotr 'breaker of horns, hornbreaker, grave robber', and garðabjotr 'breaker of fences', per from Tilnavne i den islandske oldlitteratur by Finnur Jónsson (http://heimskringla.no/wiki/Tilnavne:_Enkelte_begivenheder).

- prestsson 'priest's son' is the expected Old Norse form of the relationship byname formed from a occupation. Prestr 'priest' is found as a header in Cleasby-Vigfusson (<https://cleasby-vigfusson-dictionary.vercel.app/word/prestr>). The expected singular genitive of 'priest' is prests-, found in compounds on the same website, and formed following the rules in Geirr Bassi (-r to -s). The standard Old Norse patronymic particle -son is found in Appendix A of SENA.
- Gunnvor Gerfalck provided the following post-Viking age examples of this byname: - E.H. Lind Personbinamn has <prestsson>. D.N> is Diplomatarium Norvegicum, Bs. is Biskupa sögur, and Hák.S. is Hákonar saga Hákonarsonar: - <prestsson>, Amunði, D.N., 1312; Anbiorn D.N., 1336; Arnbiorn, D.N., 1309; Aslaker, D.N., 1320; Eskil, D.N., 1314; Grimar, D.N., 1311; Grímr, Bs., 1289; Guðbrandur, D.N., 1333; Kare, D.N., 1333; Niclis, D.N., 1382; Olafuer, D.N., 1329; Ormar, D.N., 1318; Sigwardus, D.N., 1301; Vigleikr, Hák.S., †1280; Þorberger, D.N., 1329; Þorkæll, D.N., 1292; Þosteen, D.N., 1329. "Priest's son."
- In addition, Icelandic forms of this byname are prest sun (1292), prestson (1329), and prestzson (1479), in Diplomatarium Islandicum (<https://books.google.com/books?id=w8yij1C6d-wC>). The pattern of given + descriptive byname + descriptive byname is found in App. A of SENA. The submitter allows corrections to the grammar as needed.

Commentary:

- From Pennsic
- NO conflicts found
- DOLPHIN: Approved and Forwarded

14: Vittoria di Napoli - New Name & New Device

Quarterly vert and azure, a bird volant wings addorsed argent

Submitted as Vittaria di Napoli. I could not find a given name with Vittaria spelling. Vittaria does appear in Advanced Book Search as a place name but not for positive the letter is an 'a' not an 'o'. Vittaria might translate as victory in Italian.

Vittoria is found as a feminine Italian given name in Names from Sixteenth Century Venice by Juliana de Luna <https://www.s-gabriel.org/names/juliana/16thcvenice.html>

di Napoli, 'of Naples' is found in a 1543 book title (plus shows up many more examples throughout the book) <https://oscar.sca.org/s.php?u=1688628> [www.google.com]

Barony of Calafia

Submitted by Eridana

Commentary:

- Jeanne Marie: There is a step from Core Practice for the use of a bird volant, wings addorsed, per SENA Appendix G2
- General commentary: It seemed vaguely ecclesiastical, but pretty
- Eridana: Submitter has not approved either name or device as depicted & doesn't expect a response until 09/26
- Jeanne Marie: No conflicts found on name or device

- DOLPHIN: Given that we are waiting for response from submitter, the College can't move forward, this is returned.