

# Laurel Letter of Pends and Discussion (LoPaD): December 23 2004

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To all the College of Arms and all others who may read this missive, from François Laurel King of Arms, Evan Wreath, and Margaret Pelican, greetings.

This letter contains the issues raised in the July 2004 LoAR for CoA discussion. The text in this letter is copied verbatim from that LoAR; it is provided here for convenience. As with a November LoI, these matters are currently scheduled for the Laurel meetings in March 2005. **Original commentary must be in the College's hands no later than 31 January 2005. Responses and rebuttals to commentary must be in the College's hands no later than 28 February 2004.**

**1. Cluain, Canton of.** Device. Per fess wavy argent and vert, a bull salient guardant sable and a laurel wreath argent.

The branch's name was pended on the April 2004 LoAR "until the group can submit a proper petition for their group or until four months from the publication of this LoAR, whichever comes first" (as noted on the April LoAR and LoPaD). The device is being pended until the same month as the name decision occurs, January 2005.

A device supposedly for this branch appeared on the April LoAR. That association was erroneous: the device on the April LoPaD was actually for a different branch. This is the REAL device for Cluain. The device for the other branch was registered in May 2004 under the correct branch name.

Please advise the group to draw the chief a bit more narrowly and the ship accordingly smaller. This is as large as a chief can get without being returnable for confusion with a *per fess* line of division. Please instruct the group also to draw the laurel wreath with a narrower opening at the top.

This was originally item number 5 on the 22 March 2004 Lochac Letter of Intent.

**2. Gregory Kystwright.** Badge (see RETURNS for Household name House Silverthorn). Argent, in pale three roses sable barbed and seeded proper between flanches gules each charged with an Ionic column argent.

The blazon on the Letter of Intent was sufficiently confusing that nobody in the College could tell what it was actually supposed to mean. The miniature emblazon was blurry and unclear on commentors' copies of the LoI, so it was of no help in divining a correct descripton either. We are pending this for further research under a correct blazon as supplied above.

This was originally item number 22 on 17 March 2004 Middle Letter of Intent.

**3. Ianto van Diemen.** Badge. (Fieldless) a furison Or, striking a flint with flames of fire proper.

Possible conflict was called in commentary with a badge of the Duke of Burgundy and/or the Toison d'Or (Order of the Golden Fleece): (*Fieldless*) *A furison striking a flint with flames*. Drakkar cites Boulton's *Knights of the Crown* which includes some outline pictures, and Pedair na Cluaine Bige cites <http://www.khm.at/system2E.html?/staticE/page476.html> and [http://employees.oneonta.edu/farberas/arth/arth214\\_folder/burgundy\\_intro.html#golden\\_fleece](http://employees.oneonta.edu/farberas/arth/arth214_folder/burgundy_intro.html#golden_fleece) as online references.

We already protect one badge of the Toison d'Or, and this badge is likely deserving of protection as well. However, we are uncertain as to the exact form(s) of this badge. Therefore we are presenting the badge to the College for further research as to its blazon and its protectability. Since we do not know whether a protectable form of the Burgundy/Golden Fleece furison badge will conflict with Ianto's badge, the latter must likewise be pended.

This was originally item number 9 on the 22 March 2004 Lochac Letter of Intent.

**4. Illaria inghean mhic Giolla Mhaoil.** Device. Vert, on a bend between a tree and a roundel argent three crescents palewise gules.

Blazoned on the LoI as Gules, *on a bend between a tree and roundel argent three decrescents palewise gules*, most commentors noticed that the tertiary charges were not *decrescents*, but nobody could have noticed that the field is decidedly not gules. We are pending this to the April 2005 meeting so that it can be researched under the correct blazon.

This was originally item number 11 on the 11 March 2004 Ansteorra Letter of Intent.

**5. Jayme Dominguez del Valle.** Device. Vert, in saltire two rapiers inverted argent, in chief a horseshoe inverted, all within a bordure wavy Or.

Blazoned on the LoI as *Vert, in saltire two rapiers inverted argent, in chief a horseshoe inverted argent, all within a bordure wavy Or*, the tincture of the horseshoe was misblazoned, and the Letter of Correction did not reach the College until the very end of the primary commenting period. We are therefore pending this to the April 2005 meeting so that it can be researched under the correct blazon.

This was originally item number 12 on the 11 March 2004 Ansteorra Letter of Intent.

**6. Lochac, Kingdom of.** Acceptance of transfer of heraldic title Astrolabe Herald from Caid, Kingdom of.

Pended to allow the letters of transfer to arrive from Caid.

**7. Lochac, Kingdom of.** Acceptance of transfer of heraldic title Blue Lymphad Pursuivant from Caid, Kingdom of.

Pended to allow the letters of transfer to arrive from Caid.

**8. Lochac, Kingdom of.** Acceptance of transfer of heraldic title Tour d'Or Pursuivant from Caid, Kingdom of.

Pended to allow the letters of transfer to arrive from Caid.

Pray know that I remain

In service

François la Flamme  
Laurel Principal King of Arms