

For the February 2010 meetings, printed May 15, 2010

To all the College of Arms and all others who may read this missive, from Olwyn Laurel, Istvan Wreath, and Mari Pelican, greetings.

Items listed below in square brackets have not been scheduled yet. For information about future scheduling, please review the status table located on the Web at <http://oscar.sca.org/index.php?action=137>.

The February Laurel decisions were made at the Pelican and Wreath meetings held on Saturday, February 6, 2010. These meetings considered the following letters of intent: Caid (21 Sep, 2009) (pushed due to lack of packet), Atenveldt (15 Oct, 2009), East (24 Oct, 2009), Æthelmearc (25 Oct, 2009), Northshield (26 Oct, 2009), Ansteorra (28 Oct, 2009), Meridies (28 Oct, 2009), Gleann Abhann (29 Oct, 2009), Laurel LoPaD (29 Oct, 2009), An Tir (31 Oct, 2009), Artemisia (31 Oct, 2009), Atlantia (31 Oct, 2009), Ealdormere (31 Oct, 2009), Outlands (31 Oct, 2009), Palimpsest Rules Letter (31 Oct, 2009), and West (31 Oct, 2009). **All commentary, responses, and rebuttals should have been entered into OSCAR by Sunday January 31, 2010.**

The March Laurel decisions were made at the Pelican meeting held on Saturday, March 6, 2010 and the Wreath meeting held on Sunday, March 7, 2010. These meetings considered the following letters of intent: Middle (29 Sep, 2009) (pushed due to lack of payment), Middle (30 Oct, 2009) (pushed due to lack of payment), Lochac (31 Oct, 2009) (pushed due to lack of packet), Calontir (05 Nov, 2009), Æthelmearc (14 Nov, 2009), Atenveldt (15 Nov, 2009), Drachenwald (16 Nov, 2009), An Tir (25 Nov, 2009), Gleann Abhann (27 Nov, 2009), Laurel LoPaD (27 Nov, 2009), Meridies (28 Nov, 2009), Ansteorra (30 Nov, 2009), Artemisia (30 Nov, 2009), Atlantia (30 Nov, 2009), Lochac (30 Nov, 2009), Middle (30 Nov, 2009), Outlands (30 Nov, 2009), Palimpsest (30 Nov, 2009), and Trimaris (30 Nov, 2009). **All commentary, responses, and rebuttals should have been entered into OSCAR by Sunday, February 28, 2010.**

The April Laurel decisions were made at the Rowany Festival roadshow held on Sunday, April 4, 2010 and at the Pelican and Wreath meetings held on Saturday, April 10, 2010. These meetings considered the following letters of intent: West (30 Nov, 2009) (pushed due to lack of packet), East (13 Dec, 2009), Atenveldt (20 Dec, 2009), Drachenwald (21 Dec, 2009), Drachenwald (27 Dec, 2009), Gleann Abhann (27 Dec, 2009), An Tir (29 Dec, 2009), Atlantia (29 Dec, 2009), Ansteorra (30 Dec, 2009), Outlands (31 Dec, 2009), Æthelmearc (02 Jan, 2010), Atenveldt (20 Jan, 2010), Ansteorra (27 Jan, 2010), Meridies (29 Jan, 2010), Gleann Abhann (30 Jan, 2010), Middle (30 Jan, 2010), Atlantia (31 Jan, 2010), East (31 Jan, 2010), Gleann Abhann (31 Jan, 2010), Outlands (31 Jan, 2010), and Trimaris (31 Jan, 2010). **All commentary, responses, and rebuttals should have been entered into OSCAR by Wednesday, March 31, 2010.**

The May Laurel decisions will be made at the Pelican and Wreath meetings held in May 2010. These meetings will consider the following letters of intent: Caid (31 Dec, 2009) (pushed due to lack of packet), An Tir (27 Jan, 2010) (pushed due to lack of payment), Caid (31 Jan, 2010) (pushed due to lack of packet), Ealdormere (31 Jan, 2010) (pushed due to lack of packet), Calontir (07 Feb, 2010), Laurel LoPaD (14 Feb, 2010), Calontir (15 Feb, 2010), Æthelmearc (23 Feb, 2010), Atenveldt (23 Feb, 2010), Atlantia (25 Feb, 2010), Ansteorra (26 Feb, 2010), Meridies (26 Feb, 2010), Drachenwald (27 Feb, 2010), An Tir (28 Feb, 2010), Lochac (28 Feb, 2010), Outlands (28 Feb, 2010), and the Palimpsest Rules Letter (28 Feb, 2010). **All commentary, responses, and rebuttals should have been entered into OSCAR by Friday, April 30, 2010.**

The June Laurel decisions will be made at the Pelican and Wreath meetings held in June 2010. These meetings will consider the following letters of intent: West (31 Jan, 2010) (pushed due to lack of payment and packet), Laurel (05 Mar, 2010), Artemisia (15 Mar, 2010), [Atenveldt (15 Mar, 2010)], [East (20 Mar, 2010)], An Tir (22 Mar, 2010), [Northshield (26 Mar, 2010)], [Drachenwald (29 Mar, 2010)], Gleann Abhann (29 Mar, 2010), [Caid (30 Mar, 2010)], [Trimaris (30 Mar, 2010)], [Ansteorra (31 Mar, 2010)], [Atlantia (31 Mar, 2010)], [Ealdormere (31 Mar, 2010)], [Lochac (31 Mar, 2010)], [Middle (31 Mar, 2010)], [Outlands (31 Mar, 2010)], and [West (31 Mar, 2010)]. **All commentary, responses, and rebuttals should be entered into OSCAR by Monday, May 31, 2010.**

Not all letters of intent may be considered when they are originally scheduled on this cover letter. The date of posting of the LoI, date of receipt of the Laurel packet, or other factors may delay consideration of certain letters of intent. Additionally, some letters of intent received may not have been scheduled because the administrative requirements (receipt of the forms packet, receipt of the necessary fees, et cetera) have not yet been met.

REMINDER: Until all administrative requirements are met, the letter may not be scheduled.

From Laurel: Office Changeover

Effective April 20, 2010, Aryanhwy merch Catmael has resigned as Pelican Queen of Arms. We would like to thank her for all the time and effort she put into the job, and look forward to her continued activity within the heraldic community. We wish her the best in all her future endeavors.

Juliana de Luna will be assuming the duties of the Pelican sovereign at KWHSS in June. Until that time, Mari ingen Briain meic Donnchada (who served as Pelican from 2001-2004 as Mari Elspeth nic Bryan) will be serving as interim Pelican Queen of Arms.

From Wreath: Alternate Blazons and Multiple Diminutives

This month, we are changing the way multiple ordinaries are considered for conflict. We have precedent which says that ordinaries of the field are not registerable. We have precedent which says that 'an ordinary charged with an ordinary' is equivalent to an ordinary of the field fimbriated, and thus not registerable. Since those two blazons are not registerable, under the precedent from the June 2006 Cover Letter which says that unregisterable blazons do not need to be considered for conflict, multiple diminutive ordinaries do not need to be conflict checked as a single underlying ordinary charged with an ordinary of the same tincture as the field.

Argent, two bendlets gules should not be interpreted as *Argent, a bend argent fimbriated gules*. Nor should it be interpreted as *Argent, on a bend gules a bendlet argent*. However, *Argent, a bend Or fimbriated gules* should be interpreted as *Argent, on a bend gules a bendlet Or*. It should not be considered equivalent to *Argent, a bend Or between two bendlets gules* because the Or bend cannot lie on an argent field.

Please see the ruling on Bella Emiliana da Monte under the Atenveldt acceptances section of this LoAR for more details.

From Wreath: Crosses of Cerdaña

A submission this month included a *Cross of Cerdaña*. This cross is an SCA-invented cross. It has never been documented to period. Barring evidence for the use of this cross as a period charge, we will cease to register these crosses after the August 2010 Laurel meeting.

Send What to Whom

Letters of Intent, Comment, Response, Correction, et cetera are to be posted to the OSCAR online system. No paper copies need be sent.

Submission packets (one copy of each name form plus documentation, including petitions; two colored copies of each armory form plus two copies of any associated documentation, including petitions) to the SCA College of Arms, PO Box 31755, Billings, MT 59107-1755.

Cheques or money orders for submissions, payable to "SCA Inc.-College of Arms" are to be sent to David Duggar, Attn: Laurel Chancellor of Exchequer, 1705 Holiday Pl, Bossier City, LA 71112-3706.

Send roster changes and corrections to Laurel. College of Arms members may also request a copy of the current roster from Laurel.

For a paper copy of a LoAR, please contact Laurel at the address above. The cost for one LoAR is \$3. Please make all checks or money orders payable to "SCA Inc.-College of Arms". The electronic copy of the LoAR is available free of charge. To subscribe to the mailings of the electronic copy, please see the bottom of <http://heraldry.sca.org/heraldry/lists.html#lists> for more instructions.

For all administrative matters, please contact Laurel.

Pray know that I remain,

In service,

Olwynn ni Chinnedigh
Laurel Principal Queen of Arms