# THORFINN HROLFSSON CRUX AUSTRALIS HERALD COLLEGE OF HERALDS OF THE KINGDOM OF THE WEST

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Unto The College of Heralds of the Kingdom of the West in the Principality of Lochac From Thorfinn Hrolfsson , Crux Australis Herald

Greetings My Lords and My Ladies

The College of Heralds of the Kingdom of the West in the Principality of Lochac met for its October meeting on the 11th, present were Thorfinn Hrolfsson, Crux Australis Herald; Gabriella Okehorn, Pursuivant Extraordinary for Saint Bartholomew; Lady Elenor of the Grieving Heart and Diarmid uLorcain Pursuivants Extraordinary at large and Lord John of the Hills and Edelfrau Kattrin die Wissbegierigenreissender von Tuerbingen as visitors.

The next meeting is planned for November is the 8th in Politikopolis and contact me for location. Projected dates for December is the 6th and January is the 10th and February is the 14th. These may change if a particularly interesting event appears.

The new fees now operative at \$A1=\$USO.71 are:-		
Registration of name only	\$US 5.00	\$A7.00
Change of registered name	\$US 5.00	\$A7.00
Registration of a badge only (name registered)	\$US 7.50	\$A10.55
Change of registered device or badge	\$US 7.50	\$A10.55
Registration of name and badge	\$US 8.50	\$A12.00
Change of registration of name and device	\$US 8.50	\$A12.00
Registration of a device only (name registered)	\$US 9.50	\$A13.40
Change of registered badge to device (no previous device)	\$US 9.50	\$A13.40
Registration of name and device	\$US 10.50	\$A14.80

## QUARTERLY REPORTS

Your quarterly report is due. Your seneschal must get a copy of your report. Canton and College heralds may report directly or through their baronial herald. If you report directly you should send a report to your baronial herald. I have yet to receive reports from Rowany, River Haven, Stormhold, Saint Bartholomew, Saint Ursula, East Ridge, Saint Swithun, Ventbarre, Nan Soar Sporiad, Saint Aldhelm.

Saint Ursula and East Ridge you are grossly over due on reports for the last several quarters, do you still exist?

The deadline for the next quarter has passed. With Pegasus not printing the complete regnum for each group these reports are now essential.

With your Doomsday report, I want all heralds to give a report for the year directly to me. This includes all Canton and College heralds and all at-large heralds. These will be expected by the December meeting.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE COLLEGE OF HERALDS

The College of Heralds requires that a submission must have four (4) copies of the emblazon sheet done in colour and three (3) copies of the history/information sheet for a device submission. A name submission requires three (3) copies of the history/information sheet. Three copies of the relevant documentation must also be supplied. All documentation and forms must be on A4 paper.

A resubmission is a submission and requires all of the above.

A submission also has the required fee, which for a resubmission is zero.

Any rostered herald receiving submissions and passing those onto myself, is required to act within 30 days of receipt of every submission. You must either submit it to your heraldic superior (Crux Australis Herald) or you return the submission for just and stated cause. This 'just and stated cause' bit is the letter of return explaining why the submission is not acceptable.

As rostered heralds  $you\ can\ return\ submissions$ , but you must write a letter of return and send a copy to me. Thus if I think it was incorrect I will ask you to retrieve the submission and send it on to me. This is a backup for your judgement. I expect you to be returning submissions and writing letters of return, this is part of what the submittion payment.

#### COMMENTING MEETINGS

Commenting Meetings are on every Monday at House Cranleigh (2 Sherwood Street, Mt. Waverley), this is very close to Mt. Waverley railway station. These have been peripatetic and lacking in Letters of Intent lately, so check with me before embarking.

# ARMORIAL AND ORDINARY

An air freight package of 6 copies of the new Armorial and Ordinary will be arriving soon. If you wish to buy one of these copies please place your order as soon as possible. The money will be required on delivery and the heralds of the major groups will be given preference. Other copies will arrive surface mail. The expected price for the initial package is about \$A80 to \$A90.

MINUTES OF THE KINGDOM MEETINGS OF THE COLLEGE OF HERALDS
The minutes of the College of Heralds of the Kingdom of the West are available for \$US10.00 for rostered heralds from the College of Heralds at 2322 Russell Street, Berkeley, California 94705, U.S.A., I highly recommend these to all heralds.

## SUBMISSIONS

Aenor Serpentshield; Stormhold > new name and device

Aenor is close to the Irish Adnor and has the same pronounciation, serpentshield is a descriptive of his device.

Per pale Vert and Sable, three snakes embowed and fretted Argent, this appears to be clear of conflicts.

Antoine le Rêveur; Saint Bartholomew > new name and device Antoine is the French equivilant of Anthony and dates in various forms to at least the Roman times, Yonge mentions it on p xxvi. The by-name is thought to mean dreamer, however, my dictionary has it spelled as Rêver.

Sable, issuant from base flames proper and in dexter chief a compass star Or. His original submission of Sable, issuant from base flames proper was found to be in conflict.

Edmund the Lame; River Haven > new name and device

Edmund is on P93 of Withycombe and dates from at least 922, the lame is a descriptive epitaph in modern English.

Sable, an armoured leg with sabaton embowed and on a chief Argent three maltese crosses Gules. His device was found to be in conflict with Sable, a caltrop and on a chief Argent three more Gules, which is registered to Friar Randall.

Isolda de Chasteaulin; Saint Bartholomew > new name and device Isolda is on P166 of Withycombe and dates to at lest 1199 in this spelling, she has documented Chasteaulin to a 10th Century manor. Sable, on a fess Or a serpent knowed Gules and in chief two mullets Argent. This

appears to be clear of conflict.

Morgan of Eagle's Nest; River Haven > new name and device Withycombe has Morgan on p222 and it has been registered many times in the Society, of the Eagle's Nest is a TSCA epitaph also registered to Siona of the Ealge's Nest, who is also from River Haven.

Per pale Azure and Sable, a cross double parted and fretted gemel and in chief two mullets Argent. This appears to be clear of conflict.

Seoan Seaxeswaine; Politikopolis > name resubmission The previous submission with the given name Shuan was returned for no documentation. This is phonetically the same name, but spelled in the traditional Irish.

Simon de Lyons; River Haven > new name and device Simon is on p270 of Withycombe and is of biblical origins, Lyon is a town in France. The device of Ermine, on a bend Sable three lions fesswise counter couchant Argent was found to be in conflict with many devices in Papworth such as Ermine, on a bend Sable three martlets Argent, there is only a minor for the change from lions to martlets. Also the lions are poor style as they are fesswise on a bend, a charge on a bend or bend sinister follows the line of the bend, this allows the charge to be drawn larger and hence to be more easily recognised.

Dark Skies, shire of > new name and device Per fess indented Sable and Vert, a dance between in chief two mullets Argent and in base a laurel wreath Or

The name and device are returned because there is no supporting petition from the group to show approval of this submission. The device is also returned for redrafting as the charges are drawn to small. A branch device should be an example of good heraldry even on the submission forms.

Lochac, Principality of > new heraldic title Hund Pursuivant, this is the title for the herald in charge of organising the Commenting meeetings and for drafting the letters of comment to the College of Arms.

River Haven, Barony of > badge resubmission for the Order of the Bridged Towers Azure, two towers conjoined by a double arched bridge Or this appears to be clear of conflicts.

River Haven, Barony of > new heraldic title Golden Sea Horse Pursuivant, this is the major charge on the baronial device and will be the title for the baronial Pursuivant.

Saint Bartholomew, College of > new name and device, with petition Bartholomew is the patron saint of mead, also the French Catholics massacred the Huginots in Paris on his feast day in the late 16th century, this is about the only time I can think of when it was nice to live in Normandy, with England being so close <end of political statement>.

Per saltire Sable and Azure, a laurel wreath between in cross four open books Argent each charged with a bee barry Sable and Or, this device appears to be clear of conflict.

I remain My Lords and My Ladies your servant in Lochac

Thorfinn Hrolfsson , Crux Australis Herald

l'ossed by Vesper

. Lochac, Principality of

Name registered, transfer of badge and new

For the Mead Guard: Per pale vert and purpure, a windmill within a bordure Or.

This badge is currently registered to Reynardine de Clifford. As Prince of Lochac, he has authorized and accepted this transfer. The badge will be used for a Principality fighting unit. As this is a transfer, no mini-emblazon is included.

Riverhaven, Barony of

Name registered, Order name registered, new badge for Order.

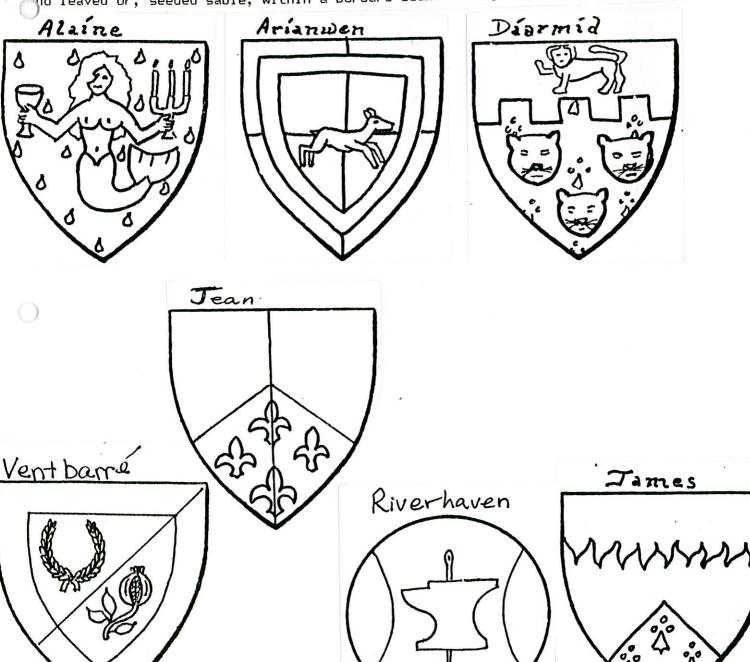
For the Order of the Pierced Anvil: Azure, a needle palewise debruised by an anvil Or between a pair of flaunches argent.

The name for the Order was registered on the LoAR of May XXII. We pass this on with misgivings as to its complexity. It has a complexity score of 3:0, which is usually too much for a badge, and it has three charges in three colors, which is not the world's best style for a badge. However, the fact that the needle is the same color as the anvil and is essentially negligible in terms of visual impact gives it some unity. Note that the needle was not used to generate difference. (Besides, "Whomsoever shall pull this needle from this anvil shall be rightful born embroideress to the Queen of all England" has a certain charm.)

Ventbarré, Shire of

Name registered, new device.

Per bend sinister Or and gules, a laurel wreath vert and a pomegranate slipped nd leaved Or, seeded sable, within a bordure counterchanged.



Possed by Vesper

Alaine de Rue Vert of Dragon Vale

New, name and device.

Sable goutty d'eau, a mermaid erect affronty proper, tailed Or, crined gules, holding in her dexter hand a goblet and in her sinister hand a candelabrum, both Or.

This was submitted under Alaine des Rues Vert of Dragon Varl. It was stated that the submittor wanted the byname to mean "of Green Street of Dragon Valley", but we could not find varl in any of our foreign language or English dictionaries. We therefore used his authorization to change it to of Dragon Vale, as the closest equivalent. The French was changed to be grammatically correct as well.

The given name is a variant of Alan, which is cited on p.7 of Withycombe. Although this spelling is not listed, the form Aleyne is. The first byname is French for "of Green Street", a reference to his mundane surname Greenway. The

final byname is TSCA.

The mermaid is blazoned as "proper" since the body is Caucasian. The device is similar to that of Vincent of Winterpeak: "Per pale vert and sable, a mermaid erect embowed, drawing a bow Or". We allowed a point for the difference in field and another for the combination of position difference and partial tincture of the mermaid.

Arianwen de Lynn

Name registered, device resubmission to Laurel.

Quarterly azure and gules, a hind courant to sinister within an orle argent. Her previous submission of "Quarterly azure and gules, a hind courant and a bordure argent" was returned in the February XXI LoAR for conflict with Liesel von Blauen Donau: "Azure, a winged stag springing argent, winged, attired, and unguled Or, within a bordure argent". This design clears this problem.

New, name and device. Diarmid Ui Lorcain

Pean, three leopard's faces Or, on a chief embattled argent, a lion passant

quardant sable.

Diarmid is a common Gaelic given name, which is cited on p.84 of Withycombe under Diarmit. Ui Lorcain is the Old Gaelic form of O'Larkin. It is given on p.134 of McLysaght's <u>Guide</u> as of Lorcain.

This is an alternate. His first choice, "Sable, a bordure erminois", was judged to be too similar to the arms of Bass: "Sable, a bordure argent"; and to the device registered to Corwin the Stargazer: "Quarterly sable and gules, a bordure argent mulletty sable".

James of Lochiel

New, name and device.

Per chevron Or and counter-ermine, a chief rayonny gules.

This was submitted under the name Jamie of Lochiel. We could find no evidence of the use of Jamie as an independent given name in period, so we have used his

James is cited on p.170 of Withycombe. Lochiel is a made-up Scots place name which was passed in March XX for his brother, Bran of Lochiel.

Jean Etienne de Brive-la-Gaillarde New, name and device.

Per pale and per chevron Or and sable, in base four fleurs-de-lys in cross counterchanged.

This was submitted as Jean-Etienne, but hypenated first names were not used in period. We have changed it to the correct form.

The given names are the French forms for John and Stephen. Brive-la-Gaillarde is a period town in south central France, according to the Encyclopaedia Brittanica.

# Returned by Vesper

Rhiannon of RoseBriar New, name and device returned.

Quarterly sable and gules, a garden rose bendwise slipped and leaved within a bordure argent.

The given name is Welsh. The byname is TSCA, and would be allowable as two words. However, it is very clearly written as one word with a capital "B" in the middle. This does not conform to medieval practice. The submittor allows no changes, so it will have to be returned.

The device appears acceptable, but it cannot be sent to Laurel without an acceptable name. It is, however, very similar to the device registered to Nikki

Whitelaw: "Argent, a rose azure bendwise slipped and leaved vert within a bordure gules". The submittor will be informed of this similarity.