## **Investiture of the Crown Prince and Princess**

<u>Awarded for:</u> Victor and Victor's Consort (if present) of Crown Tourney

<u>Token:</u> Wreaths of Rosemary bound with ribbons of red, blue and white.

<u>Prep:</u> wreaths should have been made in readiness. Crown may wish to prepare words to address the day, the field, etc, before their litany and presentation of the wreaths. Crown must decide if investing the Heirs on the field with wreaths of victory, or formally later with the Principality Coronets; Herald should amend the ceremony as appropriate (see NOTE)

Armigerous: No

Scroll: No

Crown litany: Yes (lots)

NOTE: If their Majesties choose to invest their Heirs with the Principality Coronets, substitute the word "wreath" with the word "Coronet"

**Herald:** 

Let all present gather and witness as [Name] and [Name] our King and Queen by right and by virtue, recognise and name their Heirs. Let it be seen, let it be honoured and let it be remembered.

If the Victor's consort is present at the event

[Victor], come forward and present [Victor's Consort], your inspiration to victory, to the Crown, and to the Kingdom you will rule.

Victor and Consort come forward and kneel before the Crown.

If the Consort is not present at the event.

[Victor], come forward and pronounce your Consort, who was your inspiration to victory, to the Crown, and to the Kingdom you will rule.

Victor come forward and states the name of his/her Consort, then kneels before the Crown.

Herald:

Let all present here bear witness, and let messengers be sent throughout the Kingdom to let all know this: [Victor] and [Victor's Consort] have this day been found worthy to rule.

Crown may wish to address the populace, speak as to the day, etc.

Sovereign: This field has been a true and worthy challenge; We have seen what valour, skill and strength [Victor] has met this day. [Victor], it is Our judgement that you have been truly tested, and proven your right to rule Our Kingdom after Us, not only by strength of arms, but also by virtue of courage and of chivalry. When you are King/Queen, remember this day, hold yourself true to all you fought for on this field, and be worthy of every man and woman who tested your mettle today.

With this wreath I acknowledge you as Our Heir, to the Crowns and Thrones of Lochac.

Places the wreath upon the head of the Victor.

**Consort:** 

[Victor], the Kingdom of Lochac is large, and heavy is the crown on the head that rules it. We judge it too heavy for one person to bear, and so, as all who have come before us have done, We require that not only should you show strength and valour on the field, we demand of you humility, that you fight not for your own rank and glory, but instead to honour and elevate another who inspires you. As [Victor's Consort] has, through [her/his] manifest virtues and qualities, inspired you to greatness, and remembering always that we had Queens before we had Kings, We give you the privilege to recognise [her/him] by your hand, from Ours.

Gives the wreath to the Victor, who places it on the head of the Consort (if present).

Herald:

[Victor] and [Victor's Consort], you are from this moment Crown Prince/ss and Crown Prince/ss of Lochac, until such time as King [Name] and Queen [Name] depart from their thrones and summon you to take their place. Look to those who have come before you; by wreaths of rosemary you are charged to remember them, and to honour what they achieved by way of your deeds and actions. Look to those who you will rule: by fealty you will be bound to them, be worthy of their service. Look to those who will follow you, for you are but two links in a mighty chain; strive then to learn and give all that you can, for every chain is made strong only by the strength of each link in it. Rise, and greet those who will be your subjects

Herald:

Long Live [Victor], Crown Prince/ss of Lochac!

Long Live [Victor's Consort], Crown Prince/ss of Lochac!

Long Live the King!

Long Live the Queen!

Three Cheers!