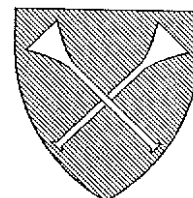
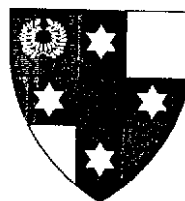


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UNTO THE COLLEGE OF HERALDS of the Kingdom of the West in the Principality of Lochac, and unto all others who might read this missive, does Gereint Scholar, Crux Australis Herald, send warm greetings. This is my *Crux Australis Monthly Letter* for March A.S. XXIV.

While I've had to make excuses for my tardy correspondence in the past, over the past month or two I've exceeded all bounds of what might be termed "acceptable delays". For this I'm sincerely sorry. "Mundane commitments" is the excuse I'm offering: a collision of the Adelaide launch of Triple J FM and the 1990 Adelaide Festival. My mundane workload was approximately doubled, and as a result for a period of around four weeks I did no SCA work and no housework whatsoever — and fortunately most of you haven't had to cope with the consequences of the latter. I've now drawn up a plan for catching up on the backlog, and I should have everything in order by Autumn Coronet. If there's something you need done before then, please call me and remind me, otherwise I'll assume that it can wait a week or two.

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Have You Paid for Your *Camel*?

Please look at the mailing label for your *Camel* and check the expiry date. Is it still some time in the past? The \$20 annual subscription fee for the *Camel* has been in force for some time now, yet some local heralds and individuals have not yet paid this amount. The whole point of instituting a subscription fee was so that the *Camel* would not continue to be a major financial drain on the Crux Australis office. I think I've allowed sufficient "grace period" for people to come up with the money. Therefore, if your subscription is not up to date, this will be the last *Camel* that you'll receive. I believe that the Canton of Agaricus is the only group which has offered a reasonable excuse, and they will be exempted, as will the usual VIPs. But for everyone else, sorry, but your free time is over.

Roster Changes and Corrections

My apologies for referring to the new group of Dragon's Keep as a Canton of Aneala. It is in fact a

Shire. A complete *Roster of Heraldry* is enclosed.

Autumn Coronet Tournament

Unfortunately I will *not* be attending the Autumn Coronet event on Mordenvale in late April. I have appointed as my deputy Lord Decion ap Dyfrwr Trefriw, Acting Goutty d'Eau Pursuivant [Bruce Probst]. He will be coordinating Courts, and taking care of any administrative matters that may arise. If you have any business for Courts, please notify Lord Decion as soon as possible. All Field and Duty heraldry will be coordinated by my Field Deputy, Master Gwynfor Lwyd [Peter Ryan].

The New *Armorial & Ordinary*

At the time of writing, 25th March, the new *Armorial & Ordinary* is about to be sent to the printers in the United States, so copies will be available for purchase very soon. It's a massive 1200 pages, and once you put it in a box for shipping it weighs 4.3kg. Master Thorfinn Hrolfsson [Stephen Roylance] will be arranging its distribution in Lochac. The more copies Thorfinn can sell, the cheaper they'll be, but in any event don't expect much change out of \$100. You can contact him at 1592 Malvern Road, Glen Iris VIC 3146. Telephone (03) 885-6348.

So Master Thorfinn can work out the details, please place your order with him as soon as possible. If you've already placed an order, please re-confirm it now. If you miss out on the initial distribution, you'll have to arrange a separate mailing from the United States, and this will obviously be more expensive for you. Although Master Thorfinn intends on arranging an Australian printing, he'd also be interested in hearing whether you'd be prepared to wait for three months or so for copies to be sent from the United States by surface mail, perhaps saving some money.

In addition, the pricing is based on the cheapest commercial photocopying available. It's *possible* to obtain cheaper copying if you "do it yourself" at the print shop, and although this might knock around 25% off the price, it means that someone would have to "mind the copier" for an unknown number of copies of all 1200 pages. If you'd be prepared to volunteer to do this, Master Thorfinn would *love* to hear from you. However he's *not* interested in people offering to steal this amount of copying from their mundane employers.

Quarterly Reports Due

Group heralds, your Quarterly Report is due at Autumn Coronet, 22nd April. Because I will not be attending the event, please mail your reports to me. If you're not sure what your report should include, please see the *Camel* for February A.S. XXIII (1989), or any edition of *Lochac Heraldic Policy*.

Heraldic Research Material

Some time ago, I published a list of the books and other research material available in the libraries of the Hund Pursuivant and the Crux Australis Herald. Since we've both made a few purchases lately, it's time to distribute an updated list. Please note that although it might appear that Lord Hund's library is small, this is not the case. I've merely listed his books without notes to save room. Please feel free to contact either of us for references to the books we hold.

On the Eventual Succession of the Crux Australis Herald

Last month I explained at length my plans for eventually resigning as Crux Australis Herald and passing the office on to a successor. Please go back to that *Camel* and read what I said, even if you've already done so. My recent rush of mundane work caused considerable delays in the running of the office, of which you're all more than aware, and I suspect that these mundane commitments are more likely to *increase* in the foreseeable future rather than go away. I therefore believe that it would be better for the Principality if I handed on the office while it's still running more-or-less smoothly. A couple of people have expressed interest in taking on one or other of the less time-consuming duties,

and I've had one person express interest in being my successor as Crux Australis. However, I think you'll agree that it would be better to have a wider range of candidates to choose from. After re-reading my comments in the February *Camel*, if you think you might find it entertaining to be Crux Australis Herald, please get in touch. I'll be considering my options over the next four weeks, and I'll make a formal announcement of my decision in the April *Camel*.

Meeting Schedule

My regular monthly meetings are usually held on Sunday afternoons at The Scriptorium IIA, 2A Te Anau Avenue, Prospect SA 5082, starting at 2.00pm. The next regular meeting is at The Scriptorium IIA on Sunday 29th April 1990. After that, they're on 30th May, 17th June and (tentatively) 15th July.

The Hund Pursuivant, Master Thorfinn Hroffsson [Stephen Roylance], holds weekly meetings to provide comments on submissions from other kingdoms. There's a meeting at 8.00pm every Monday night at the home of Lord Thrainn Járgrímsson [Stefan Akerblom], "Fjordhalla", 7 Glenlea Close, Rowville VIC 3178. There's often an additional meeting on the first Tuesday of the month, at a different venue. Regular commentary is also taking place in Aneala [Perth], Innilgard [Adelaide], Llyn Arian [Lake Macquarie NSW], River Haven [Brisbane] and Ynys Fawr [Hobart]. Contact the relevant local herald for details.

This Month's Submissions

The March meeting of the College of Heraldry of the Kingdom of the West in the Principality of Lochac was held on Sunday 18th March at The Scriptorium IIA. Present were Master Gereint Scholar, Crux Australis Herald; Mistress Aislinn de Valence, Frette Rouge Pursuivant; PEs At Large Lord Robert Furness of Southwood and Master Tovyve Woolmongere; Cornets Lord Dubhghlas Mac-Ailean and Lord René du Bon Bois; and The Cat.

1. **Alasdair Blackhill** (device resubmission to Crux Australis; SUBMITTED) [Parvus Portus, HID472]

Per chevron azure and sable, two smithy's hammers and a two-horned anvil argent.

This gentle's name was submitted on the West Kingdom *Letter of Intent (LoI)* of November 1989. His previous device submission was *Per chevron azure and sable, in pale smithy's tongs and an anvil, and in fess two smithy's hammers, all argent*. This was returned by Crux Australis under the old *Rules for Submissions* for breaking the complexity limit (AR6c) — it used three different types of charges in a standard arrangement. Under the new *RfS*, this would still be illegal. VIII.1.a, "Tincture and Charge Limit", says "As another guideline, three or more types of charges should not be used in the same group". (See also the definition of "charge group" in the *Glossary* to the *RfS*.)

This simplified design seems free of problems. Because there doesn't seem to be a default type of anvil, the blazon specifies that the submitter wants one with two horns.

Consulting herald: Kyrii Windstrider.

2. **Aylwin Greymane** (new name and device; name SUBMITTED, device RETURNED) [Innilgard, HID513]

Per chevron azure and argent, in chief a bezant.

Aylwin, an Old English given name, may be found in *Withycombe* (p.39), while *Greymane* is an English epithet referring to grey hair.

The device is in conflict with the mundane arms of Bassingford: *Azure, a bezant* (Papworth, p.1046). We can count one clear visual difference for the change to the field, but that's all. We can't count any difference for the *bezant* being *in chief* because it's forced into this location by the Rules of Tincture — you can't have an *Or* object on an *Or* portion of the field.

Consulting herald: Aislinn de Valence.

3. **Carl the Hopeful** (new name and device; SUBMITTED) [Innilgard, HID502]

Vert, two scarpes Or, each charged with an arrow sable.

This submission was originally discussed last month under the name *Carl Van Hope*. It was intended to be a Dutch version of the submitter's mundane name, *Charles Wannop*. But although *Carl* certainly needed little documentation, we had nothing to support the submitter's confident assertion that *Van Hope* was the original Dutch version of *Wannop*, so I pended this name awaiting further documentation. The submitter now reports that he cannot find any documentation, so rather than delay his device submission any longer, he will submit it under the TSCA name *Carl the Hopeful*.

I've blazoned the device as shown above, rather than *Vert, on two scarpes Or, two arrows sable*, to remove any possible ambiguity over the number of arrows in the design.

Consulting heralds: Tovy Woolmongere and Robert Furness of Southwood.

4. **Drew Steele Graal-de-Sang** (new name and device; SUBMITTED) [Stormhold, HID486]

Sable, an armoured and gauntleted arm fesswise, maintaining a cup, in base a goutte, all Or.

According to Withycombe, *Drew* is a Norman variant of *Drogo* (p.89). Reaney dates the surname *Steel* to AD1327 (p.332). *Steele* is listed as a variant spelling, but without a date. However, browsing through Reaney reveals that in this period, the terminal 'e' was more or less optional in similar Norman names. The epithet was originally submitted as *Sang Graal*, which is intended to be the Old French for "blood-cup". No documentation was provided for either the spelling and meaning of the words nor the correct grammar of this construction. While our knowledge of Old French is approximately nil, our sketchy knowledge of modern French tell us that this is more likely to be something like *Graal-de-Sang*. The submitter has asked for corrections to the grammar, and we therefore seek the help of the College with this name.

The device manages to avoid the usual clichés that you might expect accompanying such a name, and appears free of problems.

Consulting herald: Decion ap Dyfrwr Trefriw.

5. **Dubhghaill O'Séaghdha** (new name and device; name SUBMITTED, device SUBMITTED WITHOUT SUPPORT) [Stormhold, HID517]

Per chevron argent and sable, a chevron between two lions dormant gules and a dragon dormant argent.

Dubhghaill may be found in O'Corráin & Maguire's *Gaelic Personal Names* (p.79), as can *O'Séaghdha* (p.164).

I believe this device is in technical conflict with the mundane arms of Newman: *Argent, a chevron between three lions couchant gules* (Papworth, p.387). There's one clear visual difference for the different field. The question remaining, therefore, is whether there's another clear visual difference between one *lion couchant gules* and one *dragon dormant argent*. The answer to this question is, as far as I can determine, a clear and unambiguous "no". *Rules for Submissions* X.4.e, "Type Changes", which is applicable to "charges placed directly on the field, including strewn charges or charges overall", says that "changing the type of at least half of the charges is one clear difference" [my emphasis]. We have a difference in only one charge in a group of three, which is less than half, which is therefore *not* a clear visual difference. (The positions *dormant* and *couchant* are not significantly different from each other, since the only difference is the position of the head of the beast.) Similarly, X.4.d, "Tincture Changes", says that "changing the tincture of at least half of the charges is one clear difference" [my emphasis again], and similarly we've only changed one charge in three. (Lord Robert Furness of Southwood further argues that you shouldn't even be able to count this tincture change, since it's forced by the change in field. However, the rules only specify that forced *position* changes don't count for difference. Tincture changes to the field are counted under X.4.1, while those to the field are under X.4.d, so they can

clearly be counted separately.) The two devices are therefore in conflict, and I would have returned the device.

However, Lord Goutty d'Eau disagrees, on the grounds that the rules make no mention of what happens if you change the type *and* tincture of less than half the charge group. He says "it is my belief that this device *is* sufficiently different, but I am well aware that the *RfS* probably do not support me. Nevertheless, I'm submitting the device as is so as to obtain a definite ruling from Laurel on whether 'half-differences' can accumulate. (I am not necessarily saying that the rules are wrong on this point, I just think that they need to be more explicit than they currently are.)" I disagree. Whilst under the old *RfS* we had the concept of "minor points of difference", which under many circumstances could add up to become a "major point", part of the reason for the rules revision was the get rid of the relatively arbitrary and difficult-to-learn system of point counting. My belief is that the rules don't mention adding not-clear visual differences, so it can't be done. However, since Goutty d'Eau has requested a ruling from Laurel, I'll submit this device, although I will not support his argument.

If the device is not found acceptable, the submitter will accept: *Per chevron argent and sable, two lions dormant gules and a dragon dormant argent.*

Consulting heralds: Decion ap Dyfrwr Trefriw and Thorfinn Hrolfsson.

6. **Edmund the Lame** (device resubmission to Vesper; SUBMITTED) [Politarhopolis, HID89]
Sable, an armoured leg couped at the thigh, on a chief argent, a maltese cross between a decrescent and an increscent gules.

Lord Edmund's name was registered in February 1988. His most recent device submission was: *Sable, an armoured leg couped at the thigh and a chief argent.* This was returned by Lady Vesper in July 1989 for conflict with the mundane arms of Gilman: *Sable, a man's leg couped at the thigh argent* (Papworth p.962). Whilst we argued that we could count the necessary minor point of difference under the old *RfS* for the armouring of the leg, Parker's *Glossary* tells us that legs are "generally in armour".

This new design appears free of problems. Curiously enough, Lord Robert Furness of Southwood has noted that Lord Edmund's very first submission would probably now be acceptable under the new *RfS*: *Sable, an armoured leg couped at the thigh, on a chief argent, three maltese crosses gules.* However, Lord Edmund will go with his current submission, and accept his original design as an alternative design.

Consulting herald: Roddhu Oakburn and Robert Furness of Southwood.

7. **Ingerith Dan Rus** (new name; PENDED) [Innilgard, HID514]

The language for this name is listed on the forms as "English Scandinavian". According to Withycombe, *Ingerith* is a variant of *Ingrid*, found in England in the 13th century (p.162). However, no documentation was provided for the rest of the name, and there's no such language as "Scandinavian". While there was a Kingdom of *Rus* in eastern Europe in the earlier parts of the Middle Ages (as you might guess, it's what we now call *Russia*), we can only guess that this is what the submitter means. Further, although I assume the word *Dan* is some sort of preposition, I have no way of telling for sure. There's also the question of whether the construction as a whole is linguistically valid. The submission will be put in the pending file awaiting further documentation.

Consulting herald: Aislinn de Valence, who would like it known that although she's listed on the forms as "consulting herald", she merely spoke briefly with the submitter before the forms were taken away and filled in.

8. **Jacinta Van Schoonhoven** (new name and device; SUBMITTED) [Politarhopolis, HID521]
Argent, in saltire four hearts, points to centre, gules, overall an annulet Or.

Withycombe says that *Jacinta* was used in 17th century England, although its roots as a

plant name go back to ancient Greece (p.168). Yonge also mentions the name, but gives no date (p.81). However, *Jacinta* is the submitter's mundane given name, and we feel that it's compatible with Society usage under RfS II.4, "Legal Names". *Schoonhoven* is a town in the Netherlands, although using *Muir's Atlas of Ancient, Mediaeval and Modern History* we could only date it to after the 17th century (Map 46A). The submitter asserts that "there is a document that shows that it exists in the 1300s", although copies were not enclosed. However, given that the town is *almost* documented to period, this seems a reasonable claim. It still would have been nice to see the document...

The device isn't especially wonderful style, but it's legal. (Mistress Aislinn reaffirmed her claim that it's impossible to design good armory using hearts.)

Consulting herald: Roddhu Oakburn.

9. **Janeta of Lindisfarne** (new name; SUBMITTED) [Innilgard, HID515]

Withycombe clearly states that "*Janeta* is not uncommon in mediæval records" (p.172). The town of *Lindisfarne*, the home of some of the Middle Ages' most beautiful illuminated manuscripts hardly needs further documentation.

Consulting herald: Aislinn de Valence.

[Policy on Underage Submitters: *This submitter is only eight year old. While there isn't any "minimum age" for submitters as such, the College of Heraldry doesn't allow people to register names or armory for others. This means that we don't allow parents (or anyone else for that matter) to register names and armory for their children. SCA children may happily use a name given to them by their parents, but the heralds will not register it until the child is old enough to choose his or her own name. This age will vary for the individual child. As for armory, children are encouraged to use a suitably differenced version of their parents device (adding a label for the first child, for instance), and this use need not be registered. In this case, I have quite sufficient evidence that the submitter chose the name herself, and that this "strong-minded eight-year-old" knows what she wants. I'm therefore quite happy to submit this name.*]

10. **Llewellyn Judde of the Marches** (new name and device; SUBMITTED) [Stormhold, HID518]

Gules, on a fess argent, between four roses argent, barbed vert, seeded sable, three and one, a brock statant to sinister proper.

This name is *not* Welsh, but solidly English. Withycombe given this English spelling of the Welsh *Llewellyn* (p.197), while Reaney dates a *John Judde* to AD1204 (p.199). The final epithet *of the Marches* is in common or garden English.

The device appears free of problems.

Consulting herald: Decion ap Dyfrwr Trefriw.

11. **Mercurio d'Alien** (name and device resubmission to Crux Australis; name RETURNED, device PENDED) [Politarchopolis, HID348]

Counter-ermine, a falcon displayed to sinister Or, charged on the breast with a chevron coupé and inverted gules.

This gentle's previous submissions, under the name *Mercurio Rhys d'Alien*, were returned by Crux Australis in September 1986. The name was written two different ways on the forms, and it was unclear which version the submitter wanted. Further, it mixed an Italian *Mercurio* with a Welsh *Rhys* with a French *d'Alien*, which was illegal under the old *Rules for Submissions*. The device submitted at that time also had some stylistic problems.

Mercurio is Italian, used by Shakespeare in his plays. The surname is supposed to be French for "the Outsider", but it isn't. According to my English dictionaries, the modern English word *alien* comes from the Old French *alien* and the Latin *alius*, meaning "another". But the modern word means simply "from somewhere else" or "foreigner", whereas the submitter's intended meaning of "the outsider" has more overtones of being something apart from the normal society,

even an outcast. I would be happier if we could establish that the Old French word *alien* actually means what the submitter wants. More importantly, however, the word *de*, which here elides to *d'* before a vowel, is a masculine preposition meaning "of" or "from". It is *not* the same as the masculine definite article *le*, meaning "the". The formation would in fact be *l'Alien*. However, the submitter will only accept minor changes that preserve the *sound* of the name. Because this correction would change the sound, I've returned the name so the submitter can make an informed choice. Now if he could find a place in France called *Alien*...

The device appears free of problems, but can't be submitted further without an acceptable name.

Consulting herald: Decion ap Dyfrwr Trefriw.

[A Reminder about "Returned": *Never forget that when a name or piece of armory is "returned", it's not the end of the world, and it doesn't mean the heralds hate you. We can only submit something that's both legal by the rules and acceptable to the submitter. The process is known by the neutral word "return" rather than "rejected" or "refused" for exactly that reason — it's a neutral process. Take this submission for example. Remember that all the Crux Australis office and more senior heraldic offices have to work with is what's written on the submission forms and what's attached to them. In this case, while we can construct a perfectly legal SCA name Mercurio l'Alien, we can't be sure the submitter would find this acceptable, since he's specifically told us that the sound is more important than the meaning or spelling. Whilst I could make the change and submit the name, I'd probably get into trouble if "they changed my name and submitted it without asking me" than returning it to make sure we're doing the right thing. Remember, all "returned" means is that I can't submit the name or piece of armory as it is. They are my only two choices I have when I deal with a submission. What about the "pended" stuff? Well this is actually the same things as "returned", but the problem is just some minor technical or administrative thing that I know can be fixed in a short time. See, for example, what happened with the submission for Carl the Hopeful above.]*

12. **Monique de la Maison Rouge** (new name and device; SUBMITTED) [Politarchopolis, HID389]

Quarterly argent and gules, four towers counterchanged.

The name is French. According to Withycombe, *Monica* was the name of the mother of St Augustine (p.222), and *Monique* is the French equivalent. The rest of the name, *de la Maison Rouge*, is French for "of the Red House". Note that this name was submitted as *Monique du la Maison Rouge*, but with the submitter's permission we have corrected the grammar. (In case you're wondering, *du* is a contraction of the masculine form *de le*, meaning "of the", and it certainly wouldn't combine with the feminine *la*. The meaning of *du la* would be "of the the"!)

The elegantly simple device appears free of conflict. It's clear of the mundane arms of Castel: *Quarterly gules and argent, in the first a tower of the second* (Papworth p.369) [that is, ...*in the first quarter a tower argent*]. Under RfS X.4.a, "Field Differences", "Reversing the tinctures of a field divided into two parts, per saltire, or quarterly is one clear difference". And under X.4.f, "Number Changes", four towers is a clear visual difference from one tower.

Consulting herald: Roddhu Oakburn.

13. **Politarchopolis, Shire of** (device resubmission to Laurel; PENDED) [Politarchopolis, HID326] *Argent, on a pale gules a griffin segreant argent, overall a laurel wreath counterchanged.*

The history of this Shire's heraldic submissions is a long a complex one, which I won't go into here. Suffice it to say that the Shire's name was registered in its present form in October 1988, while the most recent device submission was returned by Laurel for conflict.

This new design caused a twitch or two in those people familiar with the arms of the Middle Kingdom. However, when we checked the blazon we found them obviously clear: *Argent, a pale*

gules, overall a dragon passant vert, in chief an ancient crown Or within a laurel wreath proper. (The exact count is left as an exercise for the reader.). However, this device cannot be submitted further without a supporting petition from the populace of the Shire.

Consulting herald: Roddhu Oakburn.

14. **Rainald FitzRenyard** (new name and device; SUBMITTED) [Stormhold, HID516]

Sable, a bend sinister between two rapiers inverted Or, a bordure argent.

Withycombe lists *Rainald* as a Middle English variant of *Reynold*, dating to the *Domesday Book* of AD1086 (p.252). Reaney lists *Renyard* as a variant spelling of the surname *Reynard* (p.293). Since Withycombe lists *Reynard* as a given name as well (p.252), then *Renyard* should also be acceptable. And *Fitz-* is the standard Norman patronymic.

The device appears free of problems.

Consulting herald: Decion ap Dyfrwr Trefriw.

15. **Raulyn Fynch** (change of registered name; SUBMITTED) [Politarchoopolis, HID369]

The submitter's current name, *Roderic Fynch*, was registered in November 1988. He wishes to retain his registered device: *Per chevron inverted argent and vert, a standing balance sable and in chief two pommes.*

Withycombe dates *Raulyn* back to AD1306, a variant of *Raoul* (p.250), while the surname *Fynch* appears in a list of the taxpayers of Essex from AD1327, as cited in C l'Estrange Ewen's *A History of Surnames of the British Isles* (p.166). Photocopies have been provided.

Consulting herald: Morag Ameredith.

16. **Tegwyn o Llyn y Fan Fawr** (new name and device; name SUBMITTED, device RETURNED) [Parvus Portus, HID494]

Sable, a bordure vert, overall a fret argent.

The given name *Tegwyn* may be found in in Bartrum's *Early Welsh Genealogical Tracts* (p.214). *Llyn y Fan Fawr* is apparently "a dark, usually fog-covered lake in the mountains of Wales, near Brecon", although we have no documentation to prove this. The submitter asks that we correct the grammar if necessary.

The device has several problems. First, the *bordure* breaks the rules on contrast by being colour-on-colour. VIII.2.b.i, "Contrast Requirements", clearly states that "The field must have good contrast with every charge placed directly on it and with charges placed overall", and a *bordure* is a charge. (Note that some systems of heraldry allow *bordures* to break this rule. SCA heraldry is not one of them.) In addition, we could find no period examples of a charge overlying a *bordure* as in the submitted design. (Just because you can blazon it, it doesn't mean you can do it.)

Consulting heralds: Peter the Uncertain (name) and Eric of Stormwind (device).

17. **Ulfgar the Unspeakable** (new name and device; name SUBMITTED, device RETURNED) [Parvus Portus, HID519]

Sable, a cockerel statant Or, a bordure rayonny gules.

Ulfgar is a common enough Anglo-Saxon name, variant of *Wulfgar*. The epithet *the Unspeakable* is, we suppose, a legal TSCA phrase in modern English. However, we'd like to note that the concept of being "unspeakable" (presumably in the sense of "unspeakably bad") is a bit sophisticated for Middle English. Generally these "six-bit epithets" were *not* used in period. If someone was "unspeakably bad" in the sense of "tasteless", say, then he'd be *Ulfgar the Rude* or even just *Ulfgar Rude*. These complex epithets are distinctly TSCA, and can doubtless be blamed upon the influence of modern fantasy novels rather than any true concept of mediæval naming practices. All that said, the name is probably legal under our rules.

This device breaks the rules on contrast by putting a *bordure gules* on a *sable* field. (See the submission immediately above for the explanation.)

Consulting herald: Wulfstan of Broxton.

18. **William Roving Eye** (new name; SUBMITTED) [Parvus Portus, HID520]

William hardly needs documenting. The byname *Roving Eye* would certainly be possible for someone who exhibited this unfortunate personality trait. This is also more likely a formation than something like *William of the Roving Eyes*.

Consulting herald: Wulfstan of Broxton.

Those submissions not returned have been forwarded to the Vesper Principal Herald, and should be considered at her April meeting. You can find drawings of the devices on page C-1 and C-2.

News of Previous Submissions

The West Kingdom College of Herald's *Minutes* for January arrived recently, but since there was no reference to submissions from Lochac I haven't included it here. The *Minutes* for February have not yet arrived.

Similarly, the Laurel Queen of Arms' *Letters of Acceptance and Return (LoAR)* for her December meeting arrived recently, and the relevant extracts appear on pages L-1 to L-3. We're still waiting for the results of the January and February meetings.

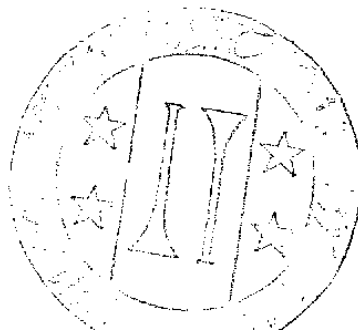
Errata

In last month's *Camel* I accidentally mis-blazoned the device for *Cynon Yscolan ap Myrddin*. It should be: *Vert, three ermine tails conjoined in pall inverted, heads to centre, argent*. Please correct your old *Camels* now. My thanks to Lord Goutty d'Eau for pointing out the error.

An *Order of Precedence* for Lochac appears in the April edition of *Pegasus*. If you discover errors or omissions, please report them to me immediately. Please note also that the notation "(nr)" after a name means that the name in question has not been registered with the College of Herald.

Your Servant,

gereintus scholaris †
Baron Master Gereint Scholar
Crux Australis Herald



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The following material is taken from the covering letter to the Laurel Queen of Arms' *Letter of Acceptance and Return* for December A.S. XXIV (1989):

THE CODING SYSTEM REVISITED

For the convenience of those who do not have the November letter at hand, the coding system use to facilitate analysis of the letter and the rulings made on individual items is repeated below.

Please note that a new code has been added to accommodate the many releases which were included on this letter. Only releases which were a separate action are included in this count (i.e., releases as a result of change of name or device are not counted). The use of a single letter code ("R") allows its doubling where two items have been released by the same action (e.g., "RR" for a badge and household name).

The codes used are as follows:

- 0 Name element passed under both sets of rules.
- 1 Armorial element passed under both sets of rules.
- 2 Name element returned under both sets of rules.
- 3 Armorial element returned under both sets of rules.
- 4 Name element passed under old rules, but not under new.
- 5 Name element passed under new rules, but not under old.
- 6. Armorial element passed under old style rules, but not new.
- 7 Armorial element passed under new style rules, but not old.
- 8 Armorial element passed under old conflict rules, but not new.
- 9 Armorial element passed under new conflict rules, but not old.
- H Holding name formed.
- CA Corrective action (blazon correction, spelling correction, etc.).
- AP Administrative pend (lack of forms, incorrect blazon on LOL, etc.).
- R Release of registered item.

ON THE RESULTS OF THE DECEMBER MEETING

Using the same procedures used for the November meeting (i.e., completely separate processing followed by collation of results, the outcome of the meeting were as follows:

Passed under both sets of rules: 246 total, 129 name, 117 armorial (Nov.: 414 total, 203 name, 211 armorial)

Returned under both sets of rules: 45 total, 14 name, 31 armorial (Nov.: 67 total, 25 name, 42 armorial)

Passed under old rules, but not new: 1 total, 0 name, 0 armorial style, 1 armorial conflict
(Nov.: 5 total, 0 name, 3 armorial style, 2 armorial conflict)

Passed under new rules, but not old: 20 total, 5 name, 3 armorial style, 12 armorial conflict
(Nov.: 34 total, 15 name, 7 armorial style, 12 armorial conflict)

Holding Names formed: 1 (Nov.: 7)

Corrective Actions: 2 (Nov.: 2)

Administrative Pends: 1 (Nov.: 5)

Releases: 61

Excluding the holding names, corrective actions, releases and administrative pends, 312 separate actions were taken (525 in November). As in November, we excluded these categories for a fairer comparison. Using this system, the acceptance rate under the old rules would have been 79.17% (Nov.: 79.81%). The acceptance rate under the new rules would have been 85.26% (Nov.: 85.33%).

Using the same formulas as for the November submissions we considered the relative proportions of submissions passed under old and new rules and rejected under each. For December, 266 items would have been registered under the new rules as opposed to 247 under the old for a rate of 107.69% (Nov.: 106.92%). Under the new rules 46 items would have been returned as opposed to 65 under the old rules for a percentage of 70.77% (Nov.: 71.29%).

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Note that again these submissions would have been dealt with at Kingdom level under the old rules and so any conflicts that would have been clear under the old rules but not the new rules would have been expected to show up. On the other hand, a significant proportion of the submissions which would have been obviously clear under the new rules, but conflict or be dubious under the old presumably were returned at Kingdom level.

ON THE RELEASE OF THE NAMES AND ARMOURY OF DEFUNCT SOCIETY BRANCHES

The Board having remanded the issue of release of armoury of defunct Society groups to the College of Arms, we hereby set the following policies with regard to the such registered names and armoury:

1. When any Society branch other than a Kingdom goes out of existence, its ownership rights over its name and armoury revert to the Kingdom in which it was located at the time it passed out of existence.
2. Names and armoury of Society branches which have reverted to a Kingdom in this manner may be released by joint action of the Crown and Kingdom Seneschal, provided these procedures are followed:
 - a. The intended release must be advertised in the Kingdom newsletter with adequate time for the populace to comment on the appropriateness of the release.
 - b. Once the advertisement period is complete, the notice of intent to release must be published to the College of Arms in a letter of intent properly circulated to the College of Arms by the Principal Herald or designated representative. This will allow comment from areas lying outside the current boundaries of the Kingdom in which the group used to exist.
 - c. After the appropriate period for commentary and objection from the College has elapsed, Laurel shall evaluate any objection to the proposed release. If there are no objections or if it is deemed that the objections are not of such weight as to bar the release, Laurel shall then announce the release of the appropriate items in a letter of acceptance and return.
3. The ownership rights in the name and armoury of defunct Kingdoms shall revert to the Board at the time the Kingdom passes out of existence. Such names may be released only by action of the Board after due advertisement of the intent to release in Tournaments Illuminated and the Kingdom newsletters.

The first releases made under this policy are contained in this letter. Submitted by the East on a separate letter of intent after previous advertisement in *Pikestaff*, the East Kingdom newsletter, they were accompanied by a letter of release signed by the Crown and the Kingdom Seneschale.

Note that such releases do *not* have to be placed in a separate letter, but may be included in an ordinary letter of intent. (However, if a Kingdom proposed a mass release following the example of the East, a separate letter might be more convenient for the Principal Herald and for the commenting members of the College.)

A copy of the release documents which bears the signatures of the Crown and Kingdom Seneschal should be included for the file of each group whose name and/or armoury is being released. Note that actions dealing with several groups may be included on the same letter: in that case multiple copies of that letter should be included in the submissions packet.

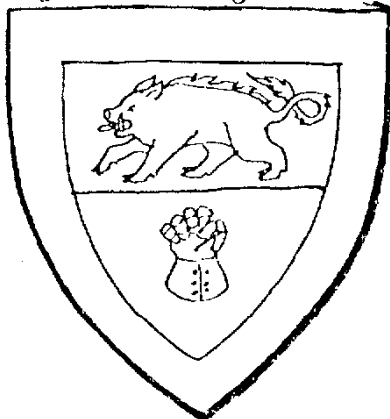
The following submissions were REGISTERED by the Laurel Queen of Arms on 30th December A.S. XXIV (1989):

- 0 Andrew of Gwent. Name only.
- 0 Bran Emrys o Garnhedryn. Name only.
- 01 Mordred Boarslayer. Name and device. Per fess argent and sable, a boar passant and a armored fist palewise and appaummy counterchanged, all within a bordure gules.
- 1 Saint Ursula, College of. Device. Argent, two she-bears combattant gules, maintaining between them two arrows inverted in saltire, in base an open book tergiant sable within a laurel wreath proper.
We have acceded to the desire of the College to maintain the cant by specifying the sex of the bears [although noone but a he-bear would presumably be able to tell . . .]. Note that the wreath is proper, rather than vert as blazoned on the letter of intent, as the woody parts are clearly depicted as brown/black. This borders on the edge of overcomplexity under either set of rules.
- 1 Viviane Morgaine de Burgh. Or, a dragonfly within a bordure azure charged with three acorns Or.

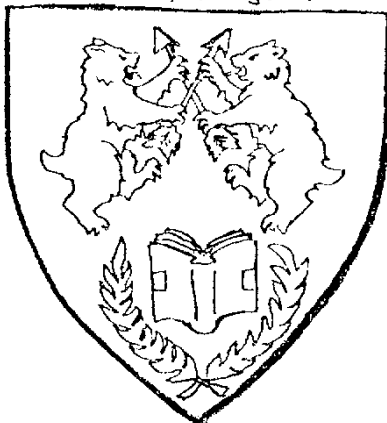
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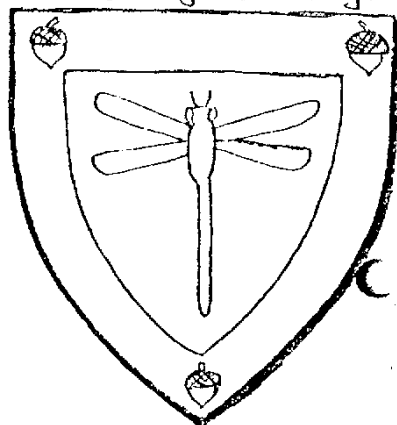
Mordred Boarslayer



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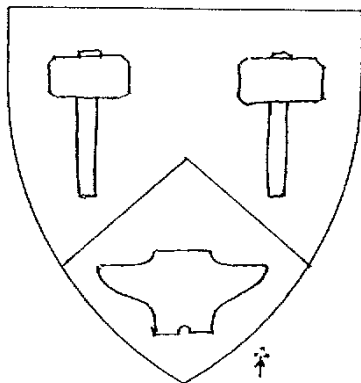


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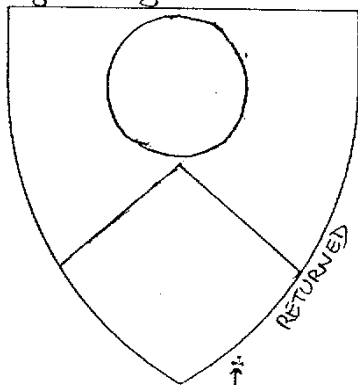


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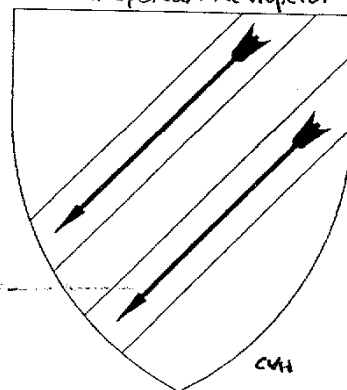
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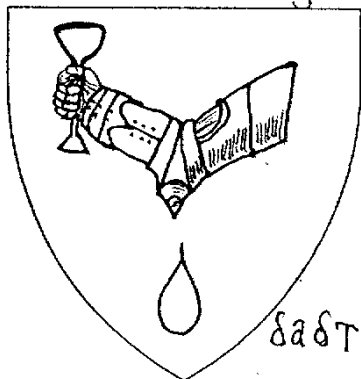
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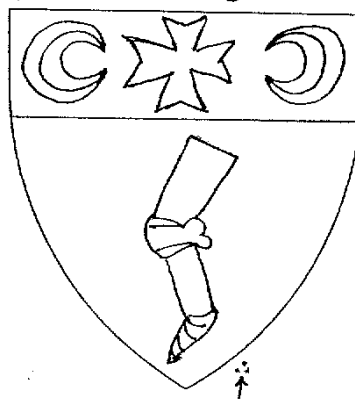
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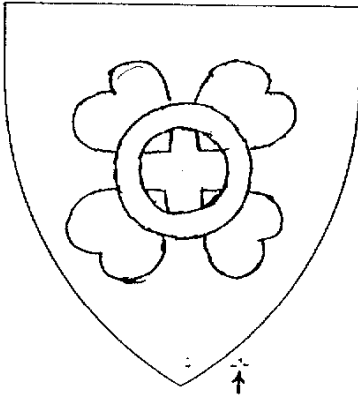


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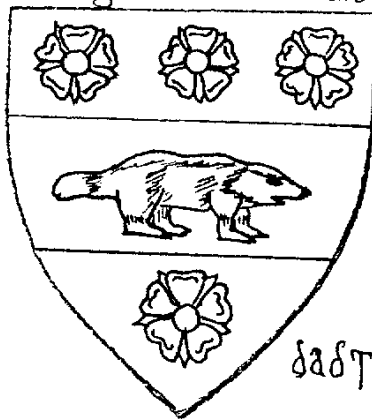


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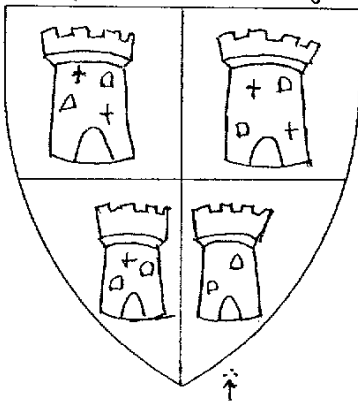
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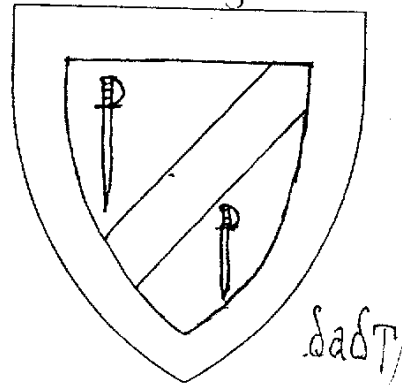
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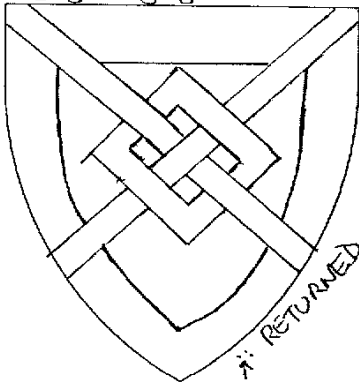
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