

Crux Australis Monthly Letter for October/November 1993

Crux Australis Herald Master Peter the Uncertain

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Unto the College of Heralds of the Kingdom of the West in Lochac, Greetings from Peter the Uncertain.

New Cronicler

Once more this eminent journal arrives late, and bimonthly. I've given up apologising. Hopefully this will be the last time, as from now on the production of the Camel is in the hands of Ædward Stadfæste. formerly **Tames** Mordenvale, mundanely James Petersen. His address is 29 Bruce St, Nooks Hill, NSW 2300. His phone number is (049) 26 4148. At the moment, all submissions, subscriptions and enquiries should continue to be directed to the Crux Australis Herald, as I want Ædward to find his ground with production before I transfer financial and administrative responsibilities. I would like to thank Tancred Enrico de Castrogiovianni, Rene du bon Bois and Keridwen the Mouse, all of whom offered their services. I have absolute confidence that each of these gentles could have done the job superbly; in the end I chose the person whose present and expected workload had, in my opinion, the most room.

Crux Deputy - Court & Ceremony

Having taken care of that particular job, it's time for me to get rid of another one. I wish to establish a Crux Deputy position in charge of Court and Ceremony. This job will involve composing ceremonies as required, and supplying copies of them as needed, and is likely to be particularly interesting the first few months after we go to kingdom. It will also involve maintaining and upgrading the heraldic portions of the Lochac Royalty Book, and liasing with Their Highnesses and their heirs concerning their needs heraldically. At Coronets this officer will be Court Duty Herald, unless their Highnesses request otherwise. Should this officer not be able to attend Coronet, it will be their

responsibility to find a responsible replacement for the event, and to supply them with all necessary paperwork. At present it should be possible for a rostered group herald do do this job in parallel with their present duties, but in fairly short order it will become a full time job.

With this officer in charge of court at Coronet, and Mortar Pursuivant in charge of field heraldry, it should be possible for the Crux Australis Herald to sleep under a tree all through a Coronet weekend, except for the Investiture Court, when I'll have to wake up long enough to present the Great Seal. I like this idea a lot.

Applications for this job should be sent to me in writing at the address in the letterhead. Applicants should have experience as a court herald, in either Barony or Principality Courts. In addition, they must have a feel for theatre, the ability to write ceremonies that inspire emotion rather than sleep, and the ability to deal with Royalty. [This means giving advice firmly as well as respectfully, giving in gracefully when they overrule you, and saying "I told you so " only enough to drive the point home.] Possession of or easy access to an IBM PC or compatible would be an advantage. [I have the complete ceremony books for Lochac and the West on disk, which makes edits very easy.] I hope to be able to name this officer by 12th Night.

Crux Deputy - Heraldic Submissions

Eventually I wish to establish a deputy position in charge of heraldic submissions. This officer would be in charge of processing all heraldic submissions, preparing internal letters of intent, recommending to Crux whether particular submissions should be passed or returned, writing letters of return and consulting on redesign of names and



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devices. The job comes with three drawers of files and the bulk of the Crux library. It is without doubt the biggest slice of the Crux duties, and the most fun. Consequently, it would require the victim to surrender all other offices, both heraldic and otherwise, in order to do it justice. I'll be calling for volunteers for this job as soon as I've got rid of the Court position.

You might be wondering what Crux will be doing if all this work is being done by someone else. The Crux office will supervise all it's deputies, as well as managing the Crux bank accounts, reading and replying to group heralds reports, problem solving, dealing with enquiries and generally dealing with all of the administrative tasks that I've let slide. Crux will still have to be an experienced herald, but my successors should have a chance to watch TV or pleasure occassionally; for something the present workload does not allow.

Meeting Schedule:

I hold a meeting every month on the first Sunday of the month to consider submissions received since the last meeting. These meetings are held in my home at 3/60 Buller St, Everton Park, Brisbane, and usually commence at 2.00 PM. This starting time is proving to be very flexible. If you're planning on dropping in as a surprise, phone ahead to confirm the starting time. I promise to act surprised when you arrive.

Subscriptions and Publications:

The Crux Australis Monthly Letter (Camel) is available from the address in the letterhead of this letter for \$25.00 for 12 months. Make cheques payable to "SCA College of Heralds". Back issues are available by arrangement.

The Minutes of the West Kingdom College of Heralds are available from The West Kingdom College of Heralds, 2308 Alva Ave, El Cerrito, CA, 94530, USA for US\$15.00 per year. Make cheques out to "SCA College of Heralds."

The Laurel Letters of Acceptance and Return are available from The SCA College of Arms at PO. Box 1329 Manhattan Beach, CA, 90266-8329, USA. Send a cheque for US\$25.00 made out to "SCA College of Arms."

Please note that everything of relevance to Lochac is extracted from the West and Laurel letters and reproduced in the Camel.

Master Thorfinn is the Australian agent for Free Trumpet Press West, which produces many useful and some essential books on SCA heraldry. His up-to-date price list will appears in this issue of the Camel.

Internal Letter of Comment

Because the Camel is one month late, the first round of internal commentary is for the months of October and November. The comments of the Crux meeting are printed here as a guide to style. Could you all please send your commentary to Rocket Pursuivant, Lord Decion, c/- Bruce Probst, PO Box 182, Surrey Hills VIC 3127; telephone (03) 808 2567 (home). Please have them IN HIS HANDS by January 1st, and remember that at this time of year the mail moves a mite slowly.

Lochac Heraldic Collegium

I've got to say that the Collegium was a great success. Attendance was rather light with reguard to numbers, but the amount of talent and enthusiasm present made up for it. As well as Vesper and Crux Australis we had Hund, Rocket, Goutty d'Eau, Cingfoil and Fret Rouge as well as the group heralds from Dismal Fogs Agaricus, and doubtless other goup heralds whom I forget. Lots of heralds at large came out of the woodwork as well. I personally, found it incredibly useful to be able to TALK to a significant number of the College, rather than write to them. An awful lot of ideas got floated, analysed,

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Lochac heraldic Collegium

modified and either adopted or rejected ("Burn the Heretic!") during the course of the weekend, and you'll be seeing the results of them over the next year or so. Vesper strongly approves of the internal letter of comment experiment, and practically ordered me to continue the delegation of Crux duties. I hope to summarise the lectures given over the next few months, which means that I'll be leaning on a lot of the people who spoke to provide me with their notes.

My deepest thanks to Lady Marit the Wanderer for her work as autocrat and feastocrat. She may take pride in such a successful event. Thanks also to Marit's mum, Ulfried of Trondheim, for the hospitality of her garage; possibly the most famous in Lochac, and certainly the most frequented. I'm almost sorry I didn't stay there myself, despite Pedr's snoring. We shall all remember the characteristic Agarican nocturnal bipedal wildlife for some time. Next time we set either sentries or snares.

One of the forums I moderated was on Grand Marches. Out of it came a new set of guidelines for running grand marches in Lochac. These guidelines are printed below, in draft form. I request comments from the college by the 1st of January. Do you have any problems or suggestions? Do you strongly approve of any particular point? Based on commentary recieved, I intend to modify these guidelines as necessary, and announce them as Lochac Heraldic Policy. If you want a say in that policies formulation, here's your chance.

Grand Marches - draft guidelines only.

These guidelines define standard procedure. They should be varied from only at the direction of the Coronet, or if, in the judgement of the Court Herald, they are greatly inappropriate for the situation.

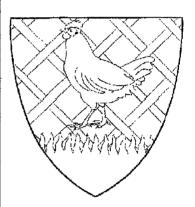
◆ The march shall be in loose order of precedence. Gather the AoA's, the

Leaves, the Grants, ect in groups, but don't worry about getting the groups into order by date of award.

- Should a couple wish to march together who have different precedence, the lower may march with the higher, or vica versa.
- ♦ Households may march as a group, taking precedence from the household head. For example, Sir Sasquatch and his House Bigfoot may march with the Peers, but will be called only as "Sir Sasquatch and House Bigfoot", reguardless of the number and rank of the rest of the household. Household members are, of course, free to march as individuals, if they so desire.
- ◆ Send 'em up two by two, preferably one of each type. This way the Coronet only has to remember two names, and can match them to sex. If the pair is not a mixed couple, indicate who belongs to which name. Exception-nuclear families may march as a group.
- ◆ The order of precedence for Grand Marches, unless otherwise directed by the Coronet, will be AoA, Court Baron/ess, Leaf, Grant, Peers, Royal Peers, Lochac Great Officers, Landed Baron/ess.
- ◆ Order of march will be AoA's first, then in the above order.
- ◆ Multiple title holders may march at any level they are entitled, but each person may only march once.
- ◆ Non armigers do not march, except as part of a household or as someone's consort.

Change of Roster

The new Acting P.E. for St Gildas the Wise is Hal the Archer, m.k.a. Paul Saunders. His address is 17 Coolamon Road Taroona TAS7053. The new herald for Abertridwr is David de Saxby, who replaces Ceridwen ferch Dafydd ap Cradog. His address is 186 Manning Rd, Wilson, WA, 6107. The



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Little Brusi of Dragon Vale

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new herald for River Haven is Vladimir Ericovich of Kiev, m.k.a. Wayne Browning. His address is 116 Hammersmith St, Coopers Plains, 4108. He replaces Aryic Erikson the Sinister in the office of Aquarius Pursuivant. Seeing Vlad is a cornet at the moment, his present title would be Aquarius Pursuivant Acting Extraordinary. I hope to roster him as a full P.E. soon. [So get moving on that damned test, Vlad!] River Haven has also aquired a new Canton, the Canton of Baccus Woods. Their herald is William de Castille, m.k.a. Steven Maynard, of 18 Medina St, Moorooka, Qld, 4105. His phone number is (07) 892 3890.

Correspondence Recieved from Nov 1st to Nov 16th

This section has been added to the Camel because too much mail has been going astray recently, some in the post and some in the pile on my desk. In future each piece of mail recieved by the Crux office shall appear here together with date recieved, and I intend to update the list daily without fail. In future, if you have sent me something that isn't listed here, you can assume that I haven't recieved it. If your letter requires a reply, however, and it is months in arriving, you can safely assume that I have been drowning in paperwork. [This, unfortunately, is normal.]

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Ceridwen ferch Dafydd ap Cradog -Resignation of office and appointment of successor.

Hund - External commentary letter of Oct 29th

Goutty d'Eau - Request for help with fealty oaths in languages other than modern English, new name submission for Brighid ferch Gwynedd with cheque for \$12.00.

Nov 3rd

Laurel - Advice of his resignation and name of his successor. Snorri Blodrekker or Odinslundi -

Device resubmission to Laurel.

Nov 4th

Giles Leabrook - Submissions or resubmissions from Wolfgang von Auerbach (new N&D),
Giles Leabrook - (resub change of D),
Mathilde Adycote of Menheniot (N resub Vesper),
Jon Dai - (new N&D),
Rohais Ireton of Attenborough - (new N&D),
Hugh the Little - (new N&D),

Hugh the Little - (new N&D), Brennin Half - Hand (new N&D), Vladimir Ivanavich Kurgan the Untrained - (N&D resub Crux).

Nov 8th

Hund - new price list for heraldic publications.

Nov 9th

Vesper - October minutes and West LoI.

Canon - Updated Lochac Gentry and Precedence list.

Nov 11th

Free Trumpet Press - New \$US price list and change of address for orders to USA.

Nov 15th

Lochac Knight Marshall - Proposal for definitive policy of calling "lay on."

Nov 16th

Rocket - Letter of comment of Nov 11th

David de Saxby - Return of signed roster letter as Pursuivant for Abertridwr.

Ceridwen ferch Dafydd - Return of signed roster letter as P.E. at Large

T-Shirts Available Again From Rocket.

Heralds in Lochac will be aware that orders for the Hell's Heralds t-shirts were recently being solicited in the pages of the Camel. The first run of these t-shirts has been printed and sold out. Lord Decion ap Dyfrwr Trefriw wishes to know if there is sufficient interest in Lochac for a second run to be printed. Cost of the shirts would be \$18.00 each, plus \$3.00 for postage if

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required. All profits are to go to the College of Heralds. If interested, please let Lord Decion know as soon as possible. Send no money now - if there is insufficient demand, there will be no second print run. If there is demand, further advertisements with full details will appear in Camel and Pegasus. For further information, contact Lord Decion c/- Bruce Probst, PO Box 182, Surrey Hills VIC 3127; telephone (03) 808 2567 (home).

Fealty Oaths in Period Languages.

Goutty d'Eau has talked himself into a job. Pedair made the error of casually mentioning to Vesper that it would be nice if we had copies of the oath of fealty in period languages so that new peers could take the oath in their 'native' tongue. Vesper immediately 'suggested' that he take up the project. Pedair is now looking for anyone who has copies of fealty oaths in period languages, or who has sufficent competence in any period tongue to translate our present oath. If you can him recover from consequences of a big mouth you can contact him at the following address:

Pedair na Cluaine Bige (Pedr Gurteen), 10/55 York St, North Fitzroy VIC 3068. Phone (03)- 282 3562 [wk], 489 477 [hm], 282 5117 [fax].

Who calls "LAY ON!"?

Following on from discussions at the Heraldic Collegium and further discussions between Goutty d'Eau and the Knight Marshall, Sven has been in contact with a proposal to finally settle this perennial bone of contention. To summarise his letter:-

Marshalls perform a BRIEF inspection of each fighter as they enter the eric, with particular attention to armour usually removed between bouts. When the marshalls are satisfied, they position themselves between the fighters and signal the herald by raising their staffs and catching the heralds eye. The herald calls the litany, ending with the words "at the marshalls command... Lay On!." At the word "...command" the marshalls position their staffs between the fighters. At the words "Lay On" the marshalls clash staffs to start the fight. If there is only one marshall he lifts the staff out of the way to start the fight. In a melee or war the marshalls repeat the "Lay On" call so that all can hear it. The signal for the combat to commence is the raising of the staffs.

As far as I can see this policy is workable and should be adopted. If anyone has MAJOR problems with it let me know, but if I don't hear anything by the second week of December I'll be confirming this proposal with Sven as joint Lochac Heraldic and Marshallate Policy. I particularly like the idea of a standard Lochac wide signal between marshall and heralds to commence the litany.

The following precedents are reproduced from the July 1993 Letter of Acceptances and Returns, cover dated 20 August 1993.

Petitions

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A number of submissions in the last few weeks have shown me that there's some confusion in the College of Arms about the petitions needed from SCA branches. Two points, in particular, need to be clarified:

First, petitions must accompany the name and device submissions (be they new, resubmission, or change) for any SCA branch up to Baronial status. The petition serves as a measure of the populace's support for the proposed group name and device. (Principalities and Kingdoms must likewise show evidence of popular support for name and device submissions; but as they're larger, taking petitions becomes an unwieldly process. Polls are more often used for Principality and Kingdom submissions.) Only the name and device of the group are required to be accompanied by a copy



Diana the Dismal



Drew Steele Sangraal

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of the petition, per the Administrative Guidelines. The Laurel Office doesn't require petitions for such submissions as the names of Orders, populace badges, and the like; they're nice to get, of course, and Kingdom Colleges may choose to require petitions with such submissions, but they're not mandatory at the CoA level.

Second, the petition should state, very clearly, exactly what the petitioners approve. We had a recent submission where the petition said, simply, "Petition" — followed by signatures. I assume that everyone was honest in this case, that the petition was meant as support for the group name, and that all the signers knew it; but for all one could tell from the paperwork, the petition could have been for ice cream to be served at the next fighting practice. As evidence of popular support for the submission, it wasn't worth much.

Petitions should include, at the top, the items the petitioners are expected to support: the name and/or device to be submitted. Only that way can the document be considered evidence of support for *that particular* submission. If nothing else, common sense would prevent anyone from signing a blank petition; that's as risky as signing a blank check. Let's take a little more care in the form of the petitions sent to the College from now on; please make sure that they say, in black and white, that the petitioners knew what they were supporting.

Titles

So what, exactly, constitutes a title? Good question.....

A large part of the Society's re-creation involves titles: bestowing them, earning them, using them. A fundamental axiom is that title, rank and honor may not simply be claimed; John can't call himself *Sir John* unless he is, in fact, a Knight of the Society. The College's Rules on presumption (in particular, Rule VI.1) follow from this axiom: we won't register any name

that sounds like a claim to title, rank or honor.

If someone were to submit an obvious titular claim — say, *Michael Rex* — then the need for return is fairly clear-cut. It's the less straightforward cases that give us headaches: when the "claim" is ambiguous, or when a title evolves into a documented period name. How can we judge which borderline cases are truly presumptous, and which are acceptable?

Examples of period usage help, but don't settle the matter; we also deal with SCA usage, and the perceptions of folk within the Society. (If period usage were our sole guide, then Lord wouldn't be our lowest-ranking title, nor Master one of our highest.) Our lodestar may be found in the Corpora section on Titles (VII.C): our main concern is the appearance landedness, and of noble or hereditary rank. That, and the list of Society titles, provide some guidelines for judging names, to be balanced with period documentation.

Let me give some concrete examples of the balance we try to keep. The classic example is the given name *Regina*: a documented given name, but also the Latin for "queen", and on the College's list of titles for use in the Society. If it weren't documented as a name in period, it probably wouldn't be registerable at all (the current case for its masculine counterpart *Rex*); but as it is documented, it can be used so long as it doesn't violate *Corpora*'s ban on the appearance of landedness. *Regina the Baker* is acceptable; *Regina of Germany* is not.

Other names may be acceptable because, even interpreted as titles, they don't interfere with the Society's official title structure. Mary the Apprentice would be registerable because the name implies neither landedness nor official SCA rank. Robert Abbot would be registerable because the "title" is a documented byname, and again implies no official

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SCA rank. (However, *Robert Abbot of Lincoln* would imply territoriality, and would be returned.)

Our biggest headache to date has been the title Master/Mistress. Its Society usage as a title of peerage would prevent anyone registering, say, Peter the Master -- despite Master being a documented byname in a number of cultures. Peter the Brewing Master or Peter the Falconry Master are likewise unacceptable, as would be translations into other tongues. This is a case where Society usage takes precedence over documented **bynames** Baumeister. Short of a time machine set for A.S. II, when the first Masters of the Laurel were created, I don't see that anything can be done about the problem at this late date.

The submission that prompted this discussion (Lucius Thayne) was one of these borderline cases. Thaine, Thanne is a documented surname: it's also a rank and title, both in period and in the Society (the OE alternative title for Its etymology, and literal translation, is "servant"; but that's also the literal translation of knight, so the fact didn't help much. Thane certainly implied landedness in period. The fact that a period thane would have used his title as [Name] thegn, the exact structure of the submitted name, was the deciding factor for me; it gave the submission the appearance of a claim of rank, exactly what our Rules are meant to prevent. Without that final point, the period documentation might have sufficed to make the name acceptable; I really don't know. But you see, now, what sort of juggling act we have to perform -- and why universal satisfaction is impossible.

Miscellaneous Miscellanea

- We have no evidence that chipmunks were known to period Europeans: the OED's first citation of the word is dated 1842.
- Semy charges, by definition, are evenly strewn across the field. When

the field is divided in half by a field partition (such as *Per chevron*), then half the semy charges are on each half of the field -- again, by definition. We thus count a CD for the tincture of the field, and a CD for the tincture of half the primary charge group.

- ♦ Just as we grant a CD between a sun and a mullet (of 5 points), so do we grant a CD between a sun and an estoile (of 6 rays).
- This raised some question in the commentary as to whether the saltire could legitimately be "abased" (not issuant from the corners of the chief), as in this submission. Normally, the placement of a saltire is fixed by the points of the shield: the upper limbs issue from the corners of the chief, as would bends and bends sinister. However, using the 13th Century arms of FitzWalter (Or, a fess between two chevrons gules) as a model, we decided that a hypothetical Or, a fess between two saltires gules would be acceptable style -- which would therefore argue that a saltire need not automatically issue from the corners of the chief, but might move to chief or to base if the design dictated. We also decided that such movement should be noted in the blazon, either implicitly (as in our hypothetical example) or explicitly (as in this submission).
- ◆ I agree with those commenters who noted it would be a kindness to explain to the submitter (if he doesn't already know) that the period term Illuminator would have had nothing to do with calligraphy. Evangelist might be the closest modern equivalent.
- ♦ The charge in chief was blazoned on the LOI as two hands conjoined in fess. This would have had two default hands i.e. apaumy rather than the clasped hands shown. According to Lord Crescent, the motif of two hands clasped has an heraldic name: a foi, used in French blazons and possibly some English canting arms (Parker 305).



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- ♦ We don't grant Substantial Difference between an apple and a pear—there's at best a CD between the two fruits, and one could argue negligible difference.
- ♦ Rule X.4.j.i states that "Generally, such changes must affect the whole group of [tertiary] charges to be considered visually significant." [Emphasis mine.] The word "generally" gives us some leeway, true, but the cases where that leeway can be exercised are few.

It has been ruled (LoAR cover letter of 16 Oct 90) that "in certain particularly simple cases, changes to type or number plus change of tincture of onehalf of tertiary charge(s) will be sufficient difference for a CVD." The defining case closest to the current submission was that of Éibhleann O'Ceileachair, Sept 90: her submission of Azure, a demi-sun issuant from base Or, on a chief argent three shamrocks vert was deemed clear of the Barony of Aneala, Azure, a demi-sun issuant from chief Or, on a chief argent a laurel wreath vert between two swan's heads and necks erased respectant sable. That case, and the case of Bruce Draconarius of Mistholme on the same LoAR, set the standard for "certain particularly simple cases": all the armories considered had at most a single charge beneath the chief.

- ♦ The charge in chief was blazoned simply as an annulet in the LOI. In fact, it is a ring of Celtic knotwork not even knots conjoined in annulo, but actual Celtic knotwork as found in the Book of Kells, with the plaits sable and the spaces between the plaits vert. As such, it is not period heraldic style: for one thing, it cannot be blazoned in a way that permits the emblazon to be reproduced. Celtic knotwork has been banned from Society armory for many years (v. the LoAR of 10 March 78).
- It has been noted in the past (LoAR of July 92) that aversant clenched is probably the *least* identifiable posture for a hand or gauntlet.

- As a side note: the cartouche was drawn in this submission with pointed ends, not the rounded ends normal for the charge. We've registered this variant form in the past, usually blazoned a cartouche with pointed ends; the technical term for the shape is mandorla, or amygdaline aureole. (Metford's Dictionary of Christian Lore and Legend)
- A thane (or thegn) was a free retainer in pre-Conquest England, and in Scotland up to the 15th Century; the term denotes a member of territorial nobility corresponding to the Norman baron or knight. The title was one step below the eorl, and might be either earned or inherited. In the SCA, the term is used as the Old English equivalent of "baron", and is therefore reserved. Old English usage puts the title after the name: Ælfred cyning, Leofric eorl, Lyfing arcebisceop. submitted name is thus exactly in the form that would have been used by a period thane. That fact, along with the Society use of the title, and its hereditary nature in period, outweighs the documented use of Thane, Thaine as a surname later in period. It must returned therefore be as presumptuous. (OED, under the entries for earl, king and thane; '93 E.Brit., vol.11, p.672; Reaney DBS II, pp.112, 345)
- We have granted no difference in the past between a *bridge* and a *castle*, considering both to be stonework surmounted by towers.

Submissions recieved by Crux Australis for the October meeting.

The attention of the College of Heralds in Lochac is drawn to the following name, device and badge submissions, which were recieved for October. Your opinions, recommendations and suggestions on these devices is requested, with particular emphasis on possible conflicts, violations of the rules of submission and blazon and emblazon problems. Equally

important is your positive support for devices which you feel are likely to be registerable. Commentary on these issues must be written, and recieved by me no later than January 1st 1994.

Ædward Stadfæste (James Petersen) -Mordenvale New name

The submitter gives "Ædward" as an "altered spelling of 'Edward" which "gives a more Norse feeling to it." Reference is made to Yonge's "History of Christian Names" in support of the name, but no photocopies are supplied. Stadfæste is recorded in the Oxford English Dictionary in this spelling, (photocopies supplied), from the Danish, meaning to confirm or establish. Several dated references preceeding 1600 AD are given in the dictionary.

The submitter will accept minor changes to the name. The important elements to him are language, sound and spelling. Four copies of the form and documentation were recieved, together with payment of \$12.00. Consulting herald: the submitter

Eric of the Misty Hills (Mark O'Brien) -Mordenvale New name and device Per fess vert and sable, on a fess rayonny or a compass star sable.

NOTE: only four copies of the emblazon sheet were recieved. This device is put forward for commentary in the hope that the submitter may provide a fifth copy before January 1st. However, the device will **not** be forwarded to Vesper without another copy.

Eric is given as English name and reference is made to Yonges "History of Christian Names", glossary listing, p.liv. No photocopies are provided. No documentation is provided or referenced for "of the Misty Hills." The submitter will accept minor changes to his name and states that the important element to him is the meaning. He further notes that "Fog, Foggy, etc aren't acceptable."

The submitter gives two

permitted changes to his device:-

1/ Place three compass stars on the yellow fess

2/ Change the compass star to yellow and put it on the green. The important elements of the design to him are the charges and the colours. Four copies of the name form have been recieved. Only four copies of the emblazon form were recieved. Payment of \$24.00 has been recieved. Consulting herald: Ædward Stadfaste.

Muirghein NiGhrainne (Naomi Fryer) -Anaela - for House Hawkstower Fieldless, on a tower azure a hawks lure argent.

The submitter has provided five copies of the badge emblazon sheet. No changes to the design will be accepted unless agreed to in writing. Payment of \$12.00 has been recieved. Consulting heralds: the submitter and Creag MacGhille Andraig.

Healfdene Sunchaser (David Bass) -Anaela New name and device Per pale sable and gules a sun counterchanged fimbriated or.

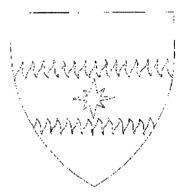
Healfdane is documented with photocopies from "The British - Myths and Legends" by M.I. Ebbutt, p.9. No photocopies of the books title page were recieved. Healfdene is a name used in Beowulf. No documentation is referenced or provided for "Sunchaser." Acceptable alternate names are given as "Halfdane Sunchaser" and "Halfdan Sunchaser". Minor changes to the grammar and spelling of the name are acceptable. The important element to the submitter is the sound.

Changes to the device allowed by the submitter are as follows:-

1/ "with the addition of a bordure or"

2/ "fimbriated argent and if necessary a bordure argent" The important features of the design to the submitter are the charges and the colours.

Five copies of the name and device forms, together with payment



Eric of the Misty Hills



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Jean le Renaud

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of \$24.00 has been recieved. Consulting herald: the submitter

Morwenna o'y Glyn (Rebecca Harris) -Anaela New name.

The language of the name is given as Welsh. Acceptable alternate names are "Morwen o'y Glyn", "Morwyn o'y Glyn" and "Morven o'y Glyn". Documentation is provided for Morwenna from "The Bloomsbury Dictionary of First Names" by Julia Creswell, p.174; "The Oxford Dictionary of English Christian Names" by Withycombe, p.223 and "Scottish Christian Names - An A-Z of First Names" by Johnston and Bacon, pp.104-105. Morwen is documented from "A Book of Welsh Names" by Trefor Pendall Davies, p.47. "o'y", meaning "of the" is documented from the "Welsh Dictionary" by Collins, pp.291,345. Glyn, meaning "valley" is documented from "The Dictionary of the Welsh Language - Vol 2" by Pughe (W Owen), p.82 and from "The Complete Welsh-English\ English-Welsh Dictionary" by Evans and Thomas, p.304. Morwen means "maiden". "o'y" is Welsh for "of the ". Glyn means "valley." Appropriate numbers of the documentation and name forms are provided, together with payment of \$12.00. Consulting herald: none listed.

This letter contains four new names, two new devices and one new badge. Commentary must be sent to the Crux Australis Herald and recieved by January 1st.

Letter of Comment on Lochac Submissions of October AS XXVIII (1993)

A commenting meeting on these submissions was held at the home of the Crux Australis Herald on October 3rd commencing at 2.00. Present were Peter the Uncertain, Crux Australis and P.E.s at large Harald of Sigtuna and Serena of the Lion's Paw.

Morwenna o'y Glyn Consider Morwen o'r Llyn (SCA July 1990). The names sound very similar. This name means "maiden of the lake", while the submitters means "maiden of the valley". There is no doubt that they are sufficently different in translation. However, the RfS Part V.4.b. states that "the difference in translated names will be judges by their sound, not their meaning". However, this apparently refers to translations of the SAME name, i.e. Mary is in conflict with Marie but clear of Miriam. This name is probably clear, as the minor differences in all three words make it sufficently different in our opinion. I would really appreciate comments on this one - Crux.

Healfdene Sunchaser

This device, we believe, is illegal under Part VIII. 3 of the RfS:"...Voiding and fimbriation may only be used with simple geometric charges placed in the centre of the design." We feel that the sun is not a simple charge within the meaning of the rules. Simple means circles, squares, triangles, etc; the simple figures of plane geometery and their heraldic equivalents. All offered alternates have the same problem. This device should be returned for major redesign. The name appears to be free of conflict.

Muirghein Ni Ghrainne - for House Hawkstower
Both the name and device appear to be free of conflict. According to the PicDic a hawkslure has the cord to chief. This emblazon has it dependant to sinister. The blazon should be corrected to "Fieldless, on a tower azure, a hawkslure argent, cord dependent to sinister"

Eric of the Misty Hills.

The device and name appear to be free of conflict. Withycombe notes that Eric was not a common period English name. Introduced by the Danes around 800AD, only one example of it appears in the Domesday Book of 1080. "...of the Misty Hills" is TSCA, ugly but legal. (Or maybe he's

shortsighted and can only see the hills as a blur...Nah!)

Ædward Stadfæste

If no-one can document the "AE" spelling the name should be corrected to "Edward", as the submitter will allow for minor spelling changes. No conflict with the name can be found.

The attention of the College of Heralds in Lochac is drawn to the following name, device and badge submissions, which were recieved for November. Your opinions, recommendations and suggestions on these devices is requested, with particular emphasis on possible conflicts, violations of the rules of submission and blazon and emblazon problems. Equally important is your positive support for devices which you feel are likely to be registerable. Commentary on these issues must be written, and recieved by me no later than January 1st 1994.

Brennin Half-Hand (Doug Aplin) Politarchopolis
New name and device.
Argent, and eagle striking and on a
bordure vert seme of alternately
acorns inverted and oak leaves argent.

No documentation is provided for the name. The language is given as Irish / English. It is stated to be derived from Brendan, the 6th century Irish saint. Withycombe apparently notes that the name is derived from the Irish "Brenainn". The submitter contends that Brennin is an acceptable version of this name. Half-Hand is plain English and descriptive, the submitter being minus some fingers. Minor changes to the name are acceptable. No important element are noted. One alternate design is given for the device - Argent an eagle striking and on a chief vert, seme of oak leaves argent.

Brian di Kaffa (Brian Kwan) - St.
Bartholomew
Resubmission of device to Laurel.
Or fretty vert a hen chicken close and a base rayonne gules.

Brian's previous submission was returned by Laurel in September 1992. This is a complete redesign. No alternates are listed. The submitter gives the charges as the most important part of the design.

Brighid ferch Gwynedd (Elizabeth Anne Tobin) -Stormhold.
New name.

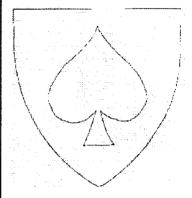
Documentation has been provided for this name. Brighid appears in Withycombe on p.54, from St Brighid (453-523 AD), whose cult was very popular in both England and Ireland. The earliest use of the name in this spelling in England as a christian name is in 1480. Gwynedd appears in Hanks and Hodges "Dictionary of First Names" on page 145 as a Welsh surname taken from a region of medieval North Wales. The submitter will accept Brighid Gwynedd as an alternate name. The important element to her is the sound of the name.

Drew Steele (Raymond Berry) -Stormhold. Resubmission of device to Vesper. Sable a dexter gauntlet raised in benediction reversed or.

Drew's previous resubmission - "Sable a dexter hand couped aversant the thumb obscured a bordure or" was returned by Crux on Feb 23rd 1991 for conflict with the mundane arms of Gunter - "Sable three gauntlets within a bordure or). The submitter has stated that the important elements of the design are the colours and the charges. The "Make No Changes" box has been ticked.

Diana the Dismal (Diane Lillian Fox) -Dismal Fogs New name and device. Gules a reremous displayed sable on a plate argent.

No documentation is provided for the name. Diana is given as a variant of the submitters mundane name. Withycombe is cited as a source. Dismal is given as "from Dismal Fogs (Grandfather Clause)"



Giles Leabrook



Healfdene Sunchaser

The language is given as English, grammar and spelling may be corrected. Three alternates are given for the device -"Purpure, a reremouse displayed purpure on a plate or", "Per fess argent and sable two reremice displayed palewise counterchanged" and "Sable a reremouse displayed gules on a plate argent". The make no changes box has been ticked, then crossed out and initialed by the submitter.

Eleanora de la Birche (Fiona Heale) New name and device Or, three squirrels sejant erect gules each maintaining a mushroom and on a chief vert a needle or.

Documentation is provided for the name. Eleanora is given in Withycombe (p.96) as a variant of Eleanor, introduced into England by Eleanor of Aquitane (d. 1204). Reaney's "Dictionary of British Surnames" (p.33) gives a Walter de la Birche from c1182. No alternate names are given. Language and sound are the important elements. No alternate devices are given. The charges are the important element.

Gershom of Ravensdale (Matthew Bingley) - Ynys Fawr. New name and device Argent a raven to sinister proper armed and langued gules on a chief sable three bells or with clappers gules.

No documentation is provided for the name. Gershom is cited from Withycombe p.132. Ravensdale is cited from Ekwall p.381. The language of the name is given as English. Minor changes to the grammar and spelling are permitted, and requested if necessary to make the name correct English. The important elements of the name are meaning, language and sound. No alternate names are given. The make no changes box on the device form has been ticked.

Giles Leabrook (Braddon Giles) -Politarchopolis Resubmission of change of device. Argent a card-pique azure.

Giles' last attempt at changing his arms was returned by Crux in the July-August Camel. This is a complete redesign. Listed alternates include, in order,"Azure a card pique argent"and"Argent three card-piques azure". The second alternate is listed twice.

Consulting herald - the submitter

Gregory the Vyl (Craig Warne)-Rowany Resubmission of name to Laurel

His previous name, Gregory the Disgusting, was returned by Laurel at the Sept 1992 meeting. Disgusting is not a period word. The OED cites its first recorded use at 1754. The byname "the Vyl" was suggested in a letter from Latimer Herald which is included as documentation. Vyl is a period spelling of vile, according to the OED. Latimer further states his own opinion that such a negative descriptive byname would be uncommon in period. The submitter has indicated that the language of the name is "Viking", and that the spelling and grammar may be corrected to be correct for the language. Consulting herald: Vesper

Hephzibah MacLeod of Kilmuir (Ann E. Stevens) - Stormhold.
New name and device
Argent a scorpion tergiant to sinister sable and on a chief sable three caltrops argent.

Extensive documentation is included for this name, as well as a cover letter by Goutty d'Eau. The submitter has listed the meaning, language, sound AND spelling as the most important elements of the name. Hephzibah is cited from Hanks and Hodges p.153 as from the Bible (2 Kings 21). MacLeod is a common Scottish clan name, cited here from Bain's "Clans and Tartans of Scotland" p.206. Kilmuir appears four times in the "Ordnance Survey Atlas of Great Britain". However the submitter has been unable to document the existence of any of these places in period. Goutty d'Eau has broken down

the name elements to their possible original meanings. Kil means a church or possibly a wood. Muir means either the sea, the moor, or large. The cover letter states that the meaning is irrelevant to the submitter, so long as she can be of KILMUIR. Note that this contradicts the information on the name submission form. The submitter lists the charges as being the important element of the device. Permitted changes include "change position to tergiant erect", "add a point pointed", and combining both the preceeding. Consulting herald - Pedair na Cluaine Bige.

Jean le Renaud (John Fox) - Dismal Fogs.
New name and device.
Quarterly sable and gules, bendwise two fleams argent, in bendwise sinister two fox masks jessant-de-lys or.

The submitter has given three alternate names -Jean Renaud, Jean le Reynard and Jean Reinald. Documentation consists of a partial photocopy of a letter between Crux and the Dismal Fogs P.E. dated 13th July 1989. In the letter Crux states that "obvoiusly, Jean is OK" and that "according to Reaney's Dictionary of British Surnames Renaud dates from AD 1297." The submitter requests that minor changes be made to the name to correct spelling and grammar to proper French. The important part of the name to him is the meaning. The important element of the device is the charges. One possible alternate is given - Quarterly argent and gules, bendwise two towers proper, in bendwise sinister two fox masks jessant-de-lys or. Consulting herald-Tariq ibn Jelal etc...device - Gereint Scholar - name.

Jon Dai (Stephen Davis) Politarchopolis.
New name and device.
Per saltire sable and argent in pale two
stags heads erased and in fess two
wolves heads erased counterchanged.

No documentation is provided for this

name. Withycombe is cited for evidence of the existence of John as a period name. Reaney is cited for the surname of Aluric Dai (1196 AD) under the surname Day. The submitter will accept John Dai as an alternate name. Two alternates are listed for the name - "Face the heads to sinister" and "Per saltire argent and sable, ect." Consulting herald - Gles Leabrook.

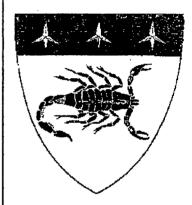
Little Brusi of Dragon Vale (Bruce McIver) - Stormhold Appeal on return of device by Crux Sable three dragons volant-en-arriere in annulo or.

Please note that this is an appeal. Regardless of the decision of the Lochac college it will be forwarded to Vesper. Please comment if you support the appeal or if you do not, so that I may add the opinion of the college to the argument.

Brusi's last resubmission was returned by Crux in May 1993. One of the reasons that his original device was returned by Laurel (Nov 1992) was that his dragons were volant. Laurels judgement was that there is no volant (flying) position for quadropeds and that dragons are quadropeds. Therefore, they could not be rendered volant in the SCA. Crux returned his resubmission in May because, despite other problems that Laurel had pointed out being fixed, his dragons were still volant and therefore unacceptable according to Laurel.

In a letter of appeal, Goutty d'Eau and Littel Bruci have pointed out that in Papworth (p.980, Raynon, Ronton, Breake, etc), there are several people who bear dragons volant. Further, the dragons in this submission are not volant but volant-en-arriere, the default position for insects. (Ref: PicDic #410, Insects). They point out that insects are multi legged winged beasties, and that the posture could also be described as tergiant, wings displayed.

Consulting herald: Pedair na Cluaine Bige.



Hephzibah MacLeod



Jon Dai

Lorenzo de Erudito (Michael Warby) -Politarchopolis Resubmission of name to Crux

Lorenzo's name was returned by Crux in September 93 because he had not provided documentation form an English Italian dictionary for his name, which he stated means Lorenzo the Scholar. These photocopies have now been provided and support his submission.

Louisa Reynell
Resubmission of device to Vesper
Or a fox passant between two bars
dancetty sable.

The submitters last resubmission, 'Argent a fox passant between two bars dancetty sable" was returned by Vesper at the Oct 93 meeting for conflict with Walsall 'Argent a wolf passant sable'. The important element to the submitter is the fox charge. Listed alternates include "Or a fox passant between two bars sable", "Or a fox passant and a base indented sable" and "Or a fox passant and a chief indented sable."

Consulting herald - Giles Leabrook

Marguerite d'Chemille (Sharon-Lee Bailey) -Parvus Portus. New name and device. Or palewise a rose unbarbed proper and a sea-blatt vert.

No documentation is provided for the name. The Art of Heraldry by Fox-Davies is cited as the name source (p.52, 450). Minor changes to grammar and spelling are acceptable. The important element of the name is the sound. The important element of the device is the charges. The Make No Changes box has been ticked on the device.

Consulting Herald- Kasper von Tyrol

Marguerite Russell of Paisley (Fiona McArthur) - St Monica.
New name and device
Per pale argent and azure a chevron inverted and a cross in chief counterchanged.

Extensive documentation is provided for this name. Withycombe documents Marguerite as a French form of Margaret, and notes the use of the English version on the name in England in 1093 AD, and that it and it's variants remained popular throughout our period. Black's Surnames of Scotland (p.705) cites a Walter Russel Circa 1164 AD, and on p.644 notes names derived from the town of Paisley in Renfrewshire, with variant spellings dating back to 1179 AD. Minor changes to the grammar and spelling of the name are acceptable.

Consulting herald-Thomas Flamanc of Kelsale.

Martyn Fairchild (Andrew Bennett) - St. Monica

New name and device Purpure an inverted chevron cotised argent, in chief a phoenix or. Documentation is provided for the name. Martyn is an English variant of Martin cited in Hanks and Hodges Dictionary of First Names on p.227, where it is noted that the name was very popular on the Continent during the Middle Ages. Fairchild is cited from Reaneys Dictionary of British Surnames, p.121, where a Robert Fairchild's name is recorded from 1250 AD. Minor changes to grammar and spelling are acceptable. The submitter has asked for grammar and spelling to be corrected for the indicated language, but has failed to indicate a language. The submitter has indicated that the charges and colours on the device are important to him, and he has ticked the Make No Changes box. Consulting herald - none listed.

Mathilde Adycote of Menheniot (Katrina Hunt) - Politarchopolis Resubmission of name to kingdom.

This gentles previous name, Mathilde of Gardrum was returned by Vesper in April 1993 for failure to properly document Gardrum. This is a major redesign of name. No documentation is enclosed. Mathilde is cited from Withycombe, and from the Domesday Book. Menheniot is cited from

Ekwall's Oxford Dictionary of English Place Names as existing in 1291. Advcote is cited from the geanealogical listing of the Mormon Church, who document the christening of a John Advcote in Oct 1584. Reaney's Dictionary of English Surnames is also cited for Thomas Adey (1327) and William de Cotes (1190). The submitter will accept the alternate name of Mathild Adycote of Menheniot. The language of the name is English, minor changes to grammar and spelling for the sake of correct English are requested if necessary. Consulting Herald - Giles Leabrook

Ramon de Castellon de la Plana (Greg Taylor) - Stormhold Resubmission of device to Vesper Azure, issuant from a chevron a demilion rampant to sinister maintaining an anchor all between three compass stars argent.

This gentles previous submission, "Azure, issuant from a chevron a demi-lion rampant to sinister maintaining an anchor all between two mullets of eight and a compass star argent." was returned by Vesper in Nov 92 for poor style. It is not permissable to mix different mullets on the same device. Permitted alternates include "change compass stars to compass roses","per chevron azure and argent, as above, counterchange", and "add a bordure argent". Important elements are given as the demi-lion and the azure field. Consulting heralds - "The Hund Heralds (all of 'em)"

Rohese de Fairhurst (Meroe Cahill) - St. Bartholomew
New name and device
Vair en point, issuant from top of fess two trefoils sable.

Documentation is provided for this name. Rohese appears in Withycombe (p.258) as a Norman form of "Rose". De Fairhurst appears in Reaney (p.161) as a surname from 1260. The language is given as English. Important elements are the meaning and sound. Minor changes to spelling and

grammar are requested if necessary. Alternates for the device include "increase number of trefoils to four"and "change to ermine, issuant from fess two trefoils azure". Important elements of the device are the charges and colours. Consulting herald - Hrolfr Hreggvidarson

Snorri Blodrekkr or Odinslundi (Grant Thayer) - Ynys Fawr. Resubmission of device to Laurel. Per chevron throughout or and sable a dragon passant and in chief three oakleaves counterchanged.

Snorri's previous device, Per chevron throughout sable and or two oak leaves and a dragon tergiant in annulo head to base counterchanged on a chief purpure a comet or, was returned for simplification and redesign by Laurel on June 13 1993. This new submission meets the redesign requirements. Notes to scribes indicate that "the chevron is a right angle". The make no changes box has been ticked. Important elements are the charges and colours. Consulting herald - Hrolf Herjolfssen

Vitez Tatiana

Resubmission of device to Crux. Azure, two scimitars inverted to saltire or debruised by a wolf's head caboshed argent.

This device was returned by Crux in Sept 93 because of a shortage of coloured emblazon sheets. This shortage has now been corrected. Consulting herald - Latimer.

Vladimir Ivanavich Kurgan the Untrained Resubmission of name and device to Crux Per pale chevronelly argent and gules a tyger rampant sable.

The device was returned by Crux in September 93 for a shortage of coloured emblazon forms. This has now been corrected. The name was returned for lack of documentation, specifically of the name Kurgan. The submitter has now provided



Louisa Reynell



Marguerite d'Chemille

photocopies form the Encyclopaedia Britannica showing that the city of Kurgan-Tyube has existed since the 17th century. Extracts from Unbegaun's Russian Surnames (p.238) give the name Kurganov, meaning 'burial mound', but no dates are given. The submitter will accept Kurganov as an alternate for Kurgan if necessary, and requests that spelling and grammar be corrected to make his name correct in the Russian language. Documentation for Vladimir and Ivanavich are also provided, proving their period use beyond doubt. Consulting herald - Giles Leabrook.

William de Castile (Steve Maynard) -Baccus Wood New name and device Azure a gauntlet sinister clenched sable within a vetu voided.

Documentation is provided for the name, being copies of encyclopaedia entries for William the Conquerer and the city of Castile. Alternate names acceptable include William of Castile, William of Spain and William d'Espaniole. The important elements of the name are language and sound. The submitter will allow minor corrections to spelling and grammar, and requests such to correct the name to the given language, but no language is given. The Make No Changes box has been ticked on the device form. Consulting herald - none listed

Wolfgang von Auerbach (Andrew Brisbane) - Politarchopolis.
New name and device
Azure, three wolves couchant in pale argent.

Documentation is provided for the names. The New Book of First Names by Michelle Brown gives a St. Wolfgang, Bishop of Swabia, b.925. d.994 AD. Websters New Geographical Dictionary gives Auerbach as a city founded circa 1144 AD, 55 miles south of Leipzig in Germany. The language of the name is given as German, and corrections to spelling and grammar to make it good German are requested. The form says

that the submitter is trying to consiruct the name "Wolfgang from Auerbach" in German.

Consulting herald - Giles Leabrook.

Anomalies of the Meeting

Samantha Robinson of York - new name and device - while I have all the correct forms, the submitter has only sent me a cheque for \$16.00, which is \$8.00 short. While I suppose I could process the name and just delay the device until the rest of the money comes through, it seems wiser to me to hold the lot until it's paid in full. It keeps the accounting simple. I will process this submission at the \$12.00 rate, IF I recieve a cheque for \$8.00 by February 1st, otherwise I shall count the name as paid at the old rate and require \$11.00 to cover the submission of the device at the new rate.

Sushannah of Locksley - resub of name to Crux - My Lady, I must apologise. Somehow your submission got buried somehow and has only surfaced as I type this. It shall be considered at the next meeting.

Rohais Ireton of Attenborough - new name and device - this submission arrived unaccompanied by any fees. While I am assured that the money is on it's way, under no circumstances shall I process any submission until the necessary fees are paid. I will, however, accept this submission at the \$12.00 rate, IF the cheque arrives by February 1st.

Hugh the Little - new name and device - this submission arrived unaccompanied by any fees. While I am assured that the money is on it's way, under no circumstances shall I process any submission until the necessary fees are paid. I will, however, accept this submission at the \$12.00 rate, IF the cheque arrives by February 1st.

(Once again, the name research for names has been performed by Mistress Keridwen ferch Morgan Glasfryn's name research meeting held the Friday before the meeting. In attendance at this meeting were: Keridwen ferch Morgan Glasfryn. Owen ap Morgan, Frederick of Holland, and Eilis O'Boime. As, always, this research is noted as a quote, ending in "-KfMG".)

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2) Aelfthryth of Saxony [Politarchopolis]

New Name, New Device

Or, on a pall inverted between three mullets of six points sable, four mullets of six points Or.

"Aelfthryth is a feminine Anglo-Saxon given name. Boehler (p.21 ff under Aelfthryth) dates the submitted spelling to the 9th and 10th centuries.

"Saxony is a name applying to a variety of regions in what is now Germany, including the one in the north-west whence came the Saxons to England. I have been unable to discover what this land was called in 9th-11th century English, however Ekwall (p.406) lists place names with similar, or similar sounding, elements in similar spellings, so I find the submitted spelling not impossible. Saxby: Saxebi 1086, Saxeby 1206; Saxham: Saxham 1086; Saxton: Saxtun 1086. Based on these, a more likely spelling might be Saxoni (or the Latin Saxonia), but the submitted spelling is the standard modern form and should be acceptable.

"Tengvik (p.123-4) lists over a dozen examples of names in the form <given name> of of of proper name of place> in the 10th and 11th

centuries in England. For example: Ælfled of Clymestune (970)." -- KfMG

6) Douglas Fitzwilliam [Riverhaven]

New Name, New Device

Per chevron sable and gules, two estoiles Or and a phoenix argent.

"Douglas is a given name of Gaelic origin that was used for both men and women in the late 16th century (Withycombe p.88 under Douglas where the submitted spelling is noted in 1605).

"Fitzwilliam is an Anglo-Norman patronymic surname based on the given name William. Reaney DES (p.171 under Fitz William) notes the submitted spelling in 1424 for Edmund Fitzwilliam. The example on the preceding page for James Fytzjames (1559) gives us an example of the name pattern closer to the date of the given name." -- KfMG

11) Oriel of the Gypsies [Politarchopolis]

New Name, See RETURNS for Device

Submitted as: Oriel of the Gypsys.

"Oriel is an English feminine given name. Withycombe (p.234 under Oriel) dates the submitted spelling to the 13th century, although she says that it "soon died out".

"According to Borrow, Gypsies first appeared in England around 1480. The OED notes the first occurrances of "gipsy" in the mid 16th century, and notes the plurals gipsies (1600) and gypties (1641) from which the submitted spelling may be interpolated." -- KfMG

13) Rudolf von der Drau [Stormhold]

New Name, See RETURNS for Device

"Rudolf is a German masculine given name. Brechenmacher (p.445 under Rudolf) dates the submitted spelling to 1332.

"Drau is the German name of a river in eastern Europe also known as the Drava. The submitter documents the submitter form as a modern spelling from the Britannica Micropædia (1984, p.658). Brechenmacher (p.490 under von der Vechte) demonstrates the use of von with river names in the example of Egberd van der Vechte (1466) which also documents the form of the name. The only question might be whether Drau, like Vechte, is of feminine gender, however Hammond (p.132) notes that in German rivers are "generally feminine" with die Donau, showing the same ending, given as one of the examples." -- KfMG

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Francesca Cellini [Politarchopolis]

Name in Process (June 1993 LoI), Resbumission of Device to Kingdom

Per chevron embattled gules and argent, two owls respectant guardant argent and a rose proper.

This was found to be in conflict with Percival Vaughn: Per chevron embattled gules and argent, two lutes addorsed in chevron enhanced argent and a rose gules, barbed seeded, slipped and leaved vert. There is change of type for the group of charges in the top half of the device, but that is all. Name Registered (Apr 88 LoAR), New Badge

Vert, a turde statant erect affrontee, supporting in chief two double-bitted axes crossed in saltire argent.

This was found to be in conflict with Gawdey: Vert, a tortoise displayed argent. (P. 1044). The alternates did not clear this conflict.

Jean-Claude de Rive Gauche [Politarchopolis]

Gwynhavr of River Haven [River Haven]

Name in Process (July 93 Lol), New Device

Vert, a zule inverted between two scarpes argent.

This was found to be in conflict with Kathleen Erin-go-burne-the-Bragh: Vert, a chalice argent containing flames Or. Since a chess rook inverted looks a lot like a chalice, removal of the scarpes is insufficient to clear this conflict.

Louisa Reynell [Politarchopolis]

Name Registered (Jan 93 LoAR), Resubmission of Device to Laurel

Argent, a fox passant between two dances sable. (The comment was heard at the meeting: "Dances with foxes!")

This lovely device was found to be in conflict with Walsall: Argent, a wolf passant sable (P. 97). Unfortunately, none of the submitter's alternates were able to clear this conflict.

Sable, a winged lion passant guardant, resting it's forepaw on a dagger inverted Or and a bordure Or, mullety of four points sable.

This was a difficult one to deal with. While artistic talent is not a requirement to register armory in the SCA, the folk at the meeting could not tell that the tertiaries on the border were mullets of four points, as they could easily have been crosses of some sort. The lion is difficult to distinguish as well. We felt that based on current Laurel policies, we had to return this for redrawing.

François Henri Peirre Guyon [Politarchopolis]

New Name, New Device

Argent, an ode fleury-counter-fleury azure.

"François is a masculine French given name. François is a transliteration without the c. I don't know if there is a different standard method for indicating this letter. Dauzat (Noms de Lieax) p.599 (under St-François-sur-Bugeon) notes a 17th century place name incorporating the spelling François.

"Henri is a French spelling of the masculine given name known in English as Henry. Dauzat (p.324 under Henri) notes it as a popular

baptismal name.

"Pierre is a French masculine given name, cognate with the English Peter. The submitted spelling may be found in the names of French places dedicated to the saint of that name (Dauzat Noms de Lieax pp.622-3 under St-Pé) in the 13th through 17th centuries.

"Guyon is a French masculine given name. Dauzat (p.316 under Guy) notes that it has also become a surname.

"There is a possible problem in this name with the multiplicity of given names (even counting Guyon as a surname). The only book I have that discusses this practice in France is Les Prénoms en Limousin Depuis un Millénaire by Louis Perouas which, although it discusses naming practices specifically in the Limousin, may be assumed to have relevance to France generally. The relevant discussion (pp.121ff) notes half a dozen examples of double given names (plus surname) in the 16th century (e.g., Jean-Geoffroi de Pierre-Buffiere 1521) but indicates that the practice was rare at the time (whereas centuries later it became very common). In the discussion of triple given names (and higher numbers), the earliest example is Madeleine-Léonarde-Philippe in 1680, but this seems to be an isolated case, for the rest of these longer names fall in the late 18th century. As a result of this information, I must conclude that the name as submitted is almost certainly outside of period French practice. While the submitted indicates that an allowed change is to "drop offending Christian names", the problem here is not with any of the names individually but with their number collectively. I am at a loss to make a specific suggestion. Perhaps the submitter would be interested to learn that the name style that he probably believes to be "typically French" is in fact very much out of period, in order that he may make his own decision in the matter." -- KfMG

In addition to the problems with the name, the charge of an orle fleury-counter-fleury is specifically a disallowed charge as the only use of it we can find in period is an augmentation of arms to members of the royal families of Scotland. While the device is quite lovely, it must be returned. (Unfortunately, the current Rules for Submission do not give a complete list of reserved and/or restricted charges.)

Murgatroyd MacCarrum [St. Bartholomew]

New Name, New Device

Quarterly gules and vert, a lamb statant affronty argent.

"The submitter's own documentation (Hanks & Hodges - First Names) notes that Murgatroyd is originally a place name. I can find no period evidence for its use as a given name.

"The submitter asserts that MacCarrum is a patronymic constructed from carrum, the plural of carr, meaning "rock", along the lines of the surname MacNargid, which Black (p.549) translates as "son of silver" and suggests may derive from an occupational name. The submitter presents no evidence for this meaning of carr and I cannot confirm it. The closest I can find is carr meaning "a rocky shelf" or perhaps carn meaning "a heap of stones". In any case, the plurals of these respectively are carra and caim. If the submitter has different evidence, we will need to see it. Additionally, I do not consider the example of MacNargid as licensing other surnames of the form Mac < object> in general. If the submitter wants a surname meaning "son of the stone mason", which he suggests as a possible translation of his submission, he might consider the existing surname MacClacher (Gaelic Mac Clachair) "son of the mason" as noted in Black (p.468), with dated examples Maklaucher (1538) and Mc clachar (1649) The closest I can come to the sound desired is Mac Callum (Black p.463) or Mac Caran (Black p.464). I can find no Gaelic given name similar enough in sound to "carum" or "arum" that it might produce a patronymic of this form." -- KfMG

In addition to problems with the name, we are returning the device for 1) the primary charge is not identifiable (four-legged beasts, statant affronty all look alike ...) and 2) the College of Arms does not register "baby beasts".

Oriel of the Gypsies [Politarchopolis]

Name Submitted to Laurel, New Device

Purpure, a bend between a unicom's head erased and a dragon's head erased argent

This was found to be in conflict with Archby: Purpure, a bend (arcy or) champaine argent (P. 194). None of the submitter's alternates cleared the conflicts found (the second alternate introduced a second conflict).

Romille de Mont Blanc [Ynys Fawr]

Name Registered (June 1991 LoAR), Resubmission of Device to Kingdom

Argent, a pantheon rampant gules mullety Or.

This lovely device was found to be in conflict with Erlwin Nikolaus vom Schwartzwald: Per saltire pean and Or, a pantheon rampant gules, mullety of six points Or. The submitter's alternates were either illegal or not specific enough.

Rudolf von der Drau [Stormhold]

Name Submitted to Laurel, New Device

Argent, a dexter gauntlet fesswise vert cupping a sun throughout gules, on a chief vert, three mullets argent.

This is being returned for consultation, and non-period style. The gauntlet holding a sun is a bit weird ...

Letter of Comment on Lochac Submissions of November AS XXVIII (1993)

A commenting meeting on these submissions was held at the home of the Crux Australis Herald on November 7th commencing at 2.00. Present were Peter the Uncertain, Crux Australis, William de Castille, P.E. for Baccus Wood, Pursuivant at Large Kyrii Windstrider and P.E.s at large Harald of Sigtuna, Serena of the Lion's Paw and Glynhyvar of River Haven.

Brennin Half-Hand

The blazon would probably be better written as "Argent an eagle striking within a bordure vert seme of acorns inverted and oak leaves argent". The name and device both appear to be in good style and free of conflict. Withycombe (p.53) notes that Brenainn is the MODERN Irish spelling and indicates the pronunciation. The Ox ford Dictionary of Saints (Farmer, p.54) gives two Saint Brendans in Ireland who were contemporaries, Brendan of Birr and Brendan (or Brandon) the Navigator. We recommend that the name and device be passed in it's present form.

Brian de Kaffa

The immediate reaction of the meeting was "Red Rooster BBQ Chicken."
However, we do not consider that the trademark has been infringed. We could find no conflict with this device. As far as we can tell, there are no chickens in Papworth at all. We recommend that this device be passed.

Brighid ferch Gwynedd.
Ferch is the Welsh for daughter.
(C.A.#66- A Welsh Miscellany p.28).
We can find no conflicts or problems with this name, and recommend it be passed. Crux would like to thank the submitter for including such full documentation.

Drew Steele

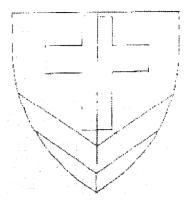
According to the PicDic the correct term for a hand reversed is aversant. The blazon should, therefore, be "Sable, a dexter gauntlet raised in benediction aversant or." We can find no conflict with this redesign and recommend it be passed.

Diana the Dismal.

DAdadadaDAdadadA-BAT-MAN! This device is so close to the Bat Signal out of the Batman fiction that we feel it should be returned for that alone. However, it is also in conflict with Thorvald inn Grimmi (SCA Jan 74)- "Gules a vampire bat displayed sable." We count one point for putting the bat on a plate, but see no other difference. As far as we can see, the first alternate is clear of conflict. As for the name, Diana is cited in Withycombe p.83 from England in 1580. The Dismal seems to be a TSCA epithet, but legal. A point about the mundane name allowance - it only applies to your correct legal name, and not to any variant spelling, contraction or common nickname. The submitter could not claim this allowance for Diana, as her mundane name is Diane. The attempt to invoke the Grandfather Clause seems unnecessary, as the Oxford English Dictionary records Dismal as in use in 1256 AD with much the same meaning as today. The Grandfather Clause only applies to names or armoury elements that have been deemed incompatible with SCA use since they were registered. As far as we are aware, all elements of the name Dismal Fogs are still acceptable to the CoA.

Eleanora de la Birche.

For a while we thought this should be returned for obscenity. The submitters 'r' looks a great deal like a 't', giving "de la Bitche". We sorted it out eventually. The documentation of the name is superb, giving a christian and surname from reliable references from the same language and country that are also from the same era. Squirrels are sejant erect by default, so the blazon would be "Or three squirrels gules each maintaining a mushroom, on a chief vert a needle or." We recommend that this name and device be passed.



Marguerite Russell

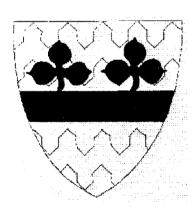


Vladimir Ivanavich Kurgan the Untrained



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Martyn Fairchild



Rohese de Fairhurst

Submissions and Comments

Gershom of Ravensdale Withycombe documents Gershom from the Bible, as sons of Moses and Levi. The Hebrew meaning of the word is "bell", hich is a nice cant on the device. The name is now used mainly by Jews, but was also used by 17th century English Puritans. The Crux library doesn't have a copy of Ekwall, but the name seems reasonable. The device appears to be in conflict with Alesia de Maris of Ravenstar (SCA Aug 88) "Argent a raven close and on a chief sable three mullets or". We count one point for the difference in position between a raven and a raven sinister, but only half a point for the difference between three gold mullets on a chief and three gold bells on a chief. The bells and mullets are tertiary charges, and tertiarys require two complete CVD's to produce one point of difference. We recommend that the name be passed and the device returned.

Giles Leabrook

Harald suspects that this device will prove to be in conflict with a U.S. Civil War unit badge, but we lack the references necessary to check. Finding no conflicts, we recommend that this device be passed.

Gregory the Vyl.

For some reason, otherwise nice, decent people tend, on joining the SCA, to adopt names for themselves that would be justification for assult if they were given by anyone else. There is no doubt, however, that all the name elements are period and that the name is structured in a period manner. Gregory is cited by Withycombe (p.139) to have been common in England from the 12th century and later. The OED on page 628 cited the use of 'vyl' to 1297 AD. If he wants it, let him have it. Recommend the name be passed.

Hephzibah MacLeod of Kilmuir
The name appears to be free of conflict
and in good style. Withycombe notes
on p.150 that the name came into use
in the 17th century, which is a tad
late, but the SCA has usually accepted

biblical names as compatible with the Society. We would suggest the blazon should be - Argent a scorpion fesswise to sinister tergiant and on a chief sable three caltrops argent.

Jean le Renaud.

His name is free of conflict and in good style. His documentation is interesting. Peter wonders how many of his letters as Crux will surface years from now to haunt his successors. The device is plain illegal, having the distinct appearance of arms marshalled by quatering and therefore in breach of RfS XI.3. We recommend that the name be passed and the device returned.

Jon Dai

Withycombe (pp.178-9) goes into great detail on the many variations of the name John, however "Jon" is not mentioned at all. Unless someone can come up with docco for this spelling the name should be changed to "John", as allowed by the submitter. The Crux library does not have a copy of Reaney. Can someone confirm this citation? The device appears to be free of conflict. It's interesting to note that several people this month have realised it's much easier to colour in the emblazon forms if your design is all black and white.

Little Brusi of Dragon Vale.
Crux supports this appeal. The dragons are in a recognisable heraldic posture that can be adequately described by standard heraldic terminology. Further, in my own opinion, there is nothing about the design of the drawing that would raise any hackles about non-period style. I suspect that the reason there is no standard posture for flying quadropeds is that the beasties are not common. The only two I can think of offhand are bats and flying squirrels.

Lorenzo de Erudito What's to say? It's legal. Let it be passed.

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Louisa Reynell
This device appears to be free of conflict. Recommend it be passed.

Marguerite d'Chemille

Withycombe documents Marguerite as a French form of Margaret, and notes the use of the English version on the name in England in 1093 AD, and that it and it's variants remained popular throughout our period. Chemille appears in Art of Heraldry as a name on p.52, lhs, 5 lines from the bottom. We are unable to locate the reference on p.450, which does not appear in the book's index of proper names. The rose in the device looks far more like a cingfoil to our eyes, and we recommend that it be reblazoned as a cinqfoil charged with a bezant. We recommend that the name and device pass.

Marguerite Russell of Paisley
The documentation of the name
appears to be impeccable, and we can
find no conflict. We believe that the
blazon would be better written as -Per
pale argent and azure a latin cross and
a chevron inverted and debased
counterchanged. We find no conflicts
with the device. We recommend that
both be passed.

Martyn Fairchild

This name would appear to be in conflict with that of Martin the Fair Child (SCA May 1980). The device appears to be clear of conflict and quite pretty besides, but cannot be passed without a valid name. We recommend the name be returned and the device held pending a valid name resubmission. [This is the first time anyone at the meeting could remember returning a name for conflict. "We bounced a name - for conflict!? WOW!"]

Mathilde Adycote of Menheniot.

A few months ago Crux announced a policy whereby submissions recieved without proper documentation would be documented, if possible, through the Crux library. If not possible, the submission would be returned. None of the cited books, with the exception

of Withycombe is in the library. If no commenter can support the submitters citations then the device should be returned for lack of documentation.

Ramon de Castellon de la Plana.

As far as we can tell, this device is free of conflict. Crux would like to point out that people tend to be uselessly cryptic when listing their alternates. In this case, in alternate 2, it is not clear whether the parting per chevron is in addition to the chevron as a charge, or instead of it. Recommend this submission be passed.

Rohese de Fairhurst

The name is well documented and free of conflict. It should be passed. The device is technically legal, but the meeting had extreme problems picking the trefoils out against the field. As emblazoned, they are almost totally black on blue, and have insufficent contrast. The device should be returned for reemblazoning, despite the fact that it appears to be legal and free of conflict. The trefoils should be drawn larger, or the vair smaller, or the blue and white reversed.

Snorri Bloddrekkr or Odindlundi This is a good looking device, in good style and apparently free of conflict. It should be passed.

Vitez Tatiana

A beautiful device, in good style and free of conflict.

Vladimir Ivanavich Kurgan the Untrained.

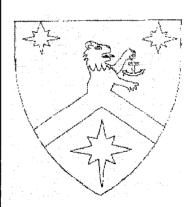
The device appears to be clear of conflict, as well as quite striking. Although the name documentation is not ironclad, we are willing to pass it.

William de Castille

We believe the name to be free of conflict. The gauntlet is emblazoned more as a hand than a glove, but as there is no difference between the two it's not a major issue. Recommend that both name and device be passed.



for House Hawkstower



Ramon de Castellon de la Plana



Snorri Blodrekkr or Odinslundi

Wolfgang von Auerbach.

The name is in good style and free of conflict, as is the device. We suggest that the blazon should be 'Azure three wolves couchant per pale argent'. Recommend that both be passed.

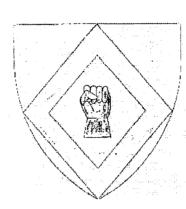
From the Publisher(s). Yes there's two of us. Due to the need for speed with this issue I (Ædward) have called on the services of Rosce de Ferrieres, Seneschal and Chronicler for the shire of Mordenvale. Rosce has been

responsible for this issue and all credit is due to him. Any suggestions or criticisms (if you dare) should be directed to me as I will be doing all the hard work from now on while he drinks the C-- and scoffs all the Tim Tams.

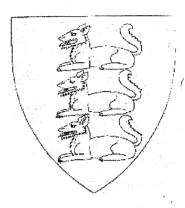
We also need a title for this position and since I'm the first I get to choose it - Pete said so! Since I'm a democratic type I am calling for suggestions, bear in mind the usual Guns 'n' Rockets theme for titles. Gotta go XXX Ææ.



Vitez Tatiana



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