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Month of Nostalgia

King of An Tir in 1992, 1994, and 1997, Made Duke in 1994, Made Lion of An Tir in 2001

A small memoriam to Dux Darius featured on page 8



Royals of An Tir and Tir Righ

King and Queen of An Tir Fig. 1

King Octamasades Skuthikos Pronouns: He/Him

Queen Achaxe Ek Auchatae

Pronouns: She/They

Prince and Princess of Tir Righ Fig. 2

Prince Magnus Ulfgarsson

Pronouns: He/Him

Princess Sina Erdeneva

Pronouns: She/Her

Legati of The Summits Fig. 3

Legatus Augusti Pro Praetor Marcus

Longinius Rufus

Pronouns: He/Him

Legata Augustae Pro Praetore Livia Atella

Pronouns: She/Her





Fig. 2





Fig. 3

Champions and Officers of Tir Righ

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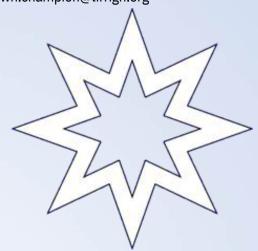
(The Guardian of the Book, The Scholar of Tir Righ)
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Words From the Storm Thrones

Greetings Unto the Populace of Tir Righ

November Coronet is fast approaching, and we write today to share the
format of the upcoming Coronet Tournament as we seek to find Heirs who
will sit upon the Storm Thrones and guide our Principality into the future.
There will be no thrusting allowed from weapons wielded in 1 hand. The
exception to this rule, is an armed Great Weapon Fighter.

The Tournament will once again be held in a round robin format. The top fighters from each eric will advance to the quarterfinals, semifinals, and final. The exact number of fighters advancing will be determined on the day, based on the size of the list and the number of erics.

- Quarterfinals and Semifinals: Best two of three.
- Finals: Best three of five.

Good luck to everyone.



Yours In Service, Magnus & Sina Prince & Princess of Tir Righ

Princess Sina pictured here during her reign as Princess of Avacal holding the young Pheonix Einarrsdottir and Prince Magnus seen here as a young pirate fighter

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Have Your Say!

Greetings to the Populace of Tir Righ,

Your Road to Kingdom committee (RtK) is excited to present to the populace of Tir Righ, with support and approval of the Kingdom Seneschal, our first survey. We are seeking input from a wide range of SCA members and non-members. This is an UNOFFICIAL survey and will provide RtK with information to inform the way forward. If there is sufficient support to move forward, there will be a huge amount of work. The committee will need much support and many volunteers (see the final question in this survey) and we are hesitant to go much further if there is not support from the populace.

This survey will remain open until the Sunday after Coronet Tournament, November 9th at 5pm. PLEASE SHARE the URL or QR Code for the survey far and wide! Please note we will not be sharing any personally identifiable information unless you volunteer to help and then it will only be shared with the committee member most appropriate for the work you would like to take on. Also, please only one response per person.



Kunigunde the Far-Traveled

Those of you who have the good fortune of living on the western portions of turtle island have perhaps never had a chance to meet those in the knowne world who dwell in the kingdom of Northshield. Northshield is more ancient than Tir Righ, and her customs are curious and questionable.

However, Northshield is where my SCA journey was forged! Nigh 15 years ago I was traipsing to my first Moot in the halls of the University of Manitoba. I enjoyed my first fight practices, and met people I would consider my god-parents. My first camping event was Gimli for Castel Rouge 40th anniversary.

Just recently I had the good fortune to return to Gimli for the 55th anniversary of Castel Rouge, and to watch my archery god-parent become elevated as one of the first in Northshield to join the Order of the Mark peerage. This trip of course inspired this months Blast from the Past theme. I've invited all in Tir Righ to send me photos from 15 years ago, and I've received some great photos!

At Gimli I participated in discussions regarding SCA Canada working group. I served feast, I kept list, I plunged in Lake Winnipeg, I made not-so-veiled threats to use my pen against a sassy fighters sword (I still curse you Senyé Swadih!).

Those of you brave enough to journey east of the Rockies will find yourself immersed in a foreign world, where even The King is unsure of his OP number (GASP!), and Champions are declared, not always won (Double GASP!) I recommend it! Put yourself outside your comfortable western zone. Perhaps as Tir Righ forges towards Kingdom Status, you might find yourself intrigued just enough to propose some of their customs for our newfound sovereignty.



Yes, it is I, your chronicler pictured top left at 14 years
old at Barony of Castel
Rouge 40 year anniversary
AS XLVI, and bottom right at
29 years old Avacal 10 year
Anniversary AS LX

In Memoriam







On behalf of Cometessa Morgaine:

It is with great sadness that I announce that Cliff Frick, known to many of us in the SCA as Dux Darius, passed away peacefully in his sleep last night after a valiant fight with cancer. He was surrounded by family and left this world with love at his side. Darius was a larger-than-life presence, both in stature and in spirit. A Knight, three-time King, and Lion of An Tir, he carried the Kingdom in his heart even when he wasn't able to be as active as he wished. As big and imposing as he could appear, anyone who ever attended one of his Courts knows he was truly a softie, quick to happy tears when sharing in the joys and triumphs of his populace. For those of you who knew him well, there are so many memories that capture his heart, humor, and humanity. I would love for you to share those stories here so his family can read them and take comfort in how deeply he was loved by this community. The family will be holding a memorial in November, and details will be shared when available.

Those We Remember





Pictured here - a mainstay in Seagirt and Tir Righ. Master James Llewellyn was a Herald, a multi-disciplined Marshal, a Pelican with protege's everywhere, a scoundrel, a cobbler, a tall tale teller. Master James was many things to many people, and lived a life worthy of an entire chronicler's edition. When I was fortunate enough to meet James, he was captured by my unique name, shared by one of his protege's, and we quickly developed a friendship and warmth for each other. My favourite aspect of his costuming were his shoes, which were often handcrafted leather in a period fashion. Well done James! He is often missed, and he is often remembered.



A Seagirtian on the throne - Duchess Maegan, pictured here at the end of her second reign with Duke Eirikr in the year AD 1989

Not Ton Long Ago





Can you spot the young James Llewellyn in these photos?

A Family Affair



<u>Mistress Yrsa Kettilsdottir</u> - a Prominent Seagirtian Pelican





See here - the baby in red is now a man Grown - Bjaarki - and has begun his own exclusive household - Thornveil

A Family Affair



Pictured here, Lord Seamus of Sky, Lady Anne Greystoke, and Lady Sofia Greystoke, all of Seagirt - Above: year AD 2015. To right: year AD 2023

A Fashionable Cad



This handsome young fellow will be well known to those equestrians on Insula Magna, and all those with an eye for fashion and fancy. Lord Anthony Hawke pictured left in the 1990's and right at the first Tir Righ Investiture. A fine and refined young man!

A Fabulous Lord



Lord Anthony Hawke pictured here in the current year, looking more dapper than ever and increasingly refined

EVENTS

Freeze Off XXVI

Event Main Contact (Event Steward): <u>Ciahnne McBean</u>

Event Date(s): October 3, 2025 until October, 5 2025

Site opens at: 3:00 PM on October 3th 2025

Site closes at: 12:00 PM on October 5th 2025

Event site: North Thompson Fall Fair and Agriplex

4856 Dunn lake Road Barriere, BC VOE 1E0

Tournament of the Golden Swan

Event Main Contact (Event Steward): Magdalen of Haphazard Manor

Event Date(s): October 10, 2025 until October, 13 2025

Site opens at: 5:00 PM on October 10th 2025

Site closes at: 11:00 AM on October 13th 2025

Event site: Cawston Hall

2119 Main Street Cawston, BC

Ancient Arts Academy

Event Main Contact (Event Steward): Fionngualla inghean ui Murchaid

Event Date(s): October 11, 2025

Site opens at: 9:00 AM on October 11th 2025

Site closes at: 6:00 PM

Event site: <u>Brentwood College School</u>

700 Solarium Rd, Cowichan Valley, BC

St. Crispans Festival

Event Main Contact (Event Steward): <u>Jameson Wheeler</u>

Event Date(s): October 18, 2025

Site opens at: 9:00 AM on October 18th 2025

Site closes at: 6:00 PM

Event site: Atchellitz Farmer's Institute

6542 Lickman Rd. Chilliwack, BC

EVENTS (oct.)

Forest Champions

Event Main Contact (Event Steward): Garet Doiron

Event Date(s): October 24, 2025 until October, 26

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Site opens at: 12:00 AM on October 24th 2025

Site closes at: 12:00 AM on October 26th 2025

Event site: Forest Grove Community Hall

4489 Eagle Creek Road, Forest Grove, BC.

Tir Righ Curia - ONLINE



Main Contact (Event Steward): Desiree Chirastella

Event Date(s): October 30, 2025

7pm PST - 9pm PST



EVENTS (oct.)

CANCELLED - Tir Righ Arts Sciences and Bardic Championship - CANCELLED

Event Main Contact (Event Steward): Madire Sinclair

Event Date(s): September 27, 2025

Important Update: Event Cancellation

We regret to share that the Principality Arts & Sciences and Bardic Championship will not be taking place this weekend. (September 27)

As of this evening (Sep. 25), our event site has been designated for emergency services use, and we have now received confirmation that it will not be available to us at all. Unfortunately, despite our best efforts, there are no alternate sites available on such short notice.

We know how much work and heart goes into preparing for this event — from entrants and judges to those planning to attend in support — and we share in your disappointment at this outcome.

Thank you for your understanding, flexibility, and patience as we prioritize the needs of the local community in this situation. We will share information about potential future plans for the championship as soon as we are able.

Please forward as far as possible!

In Service,

Desiree Chirastella

Tir Righ Seneschal

Translated from the Ancient Scrolls of Astrologers

Aries (The Battle-Ready Flame)

Aries, the moon bringeth a chance to reset thy course. The new moon on the 14th bid thee set bold intentions. Yet beware! Mercury's backward dance may muddle thy words. Keep thy patience, and tend thy work with care. Should conflict arise, be swift and fair in thy dealings. Reflection now shall yield clarity later, and thy path shall be steadied by thine own hand.

Taurus (The Velvet-Horned Bull)

The Sun and Venus smile upon thy dealings, bringing growth in love and labor. Mercury granted thee clear speech, though beware the tempests stirred by tense aspects. Hold fast to thy values, yet bend where needed. Adaptability shall be thy shield, and opportunity thy reward. Step boldly, for the stars favor those who move with purpose.

Gemini (The Two-Faced Jester)

Gemini, thy well-being demands gentle tending. The full moon on the 8th calleth thee to release thy burdens and seek peace through quiet motion and mindful breath. Mars in Libra stirs thy bond with body and sustenance; be watchful and kind. As the new moon riseth on the 23rd, cleanse thy habits and begin anew. Rest well, and let thy strength be restored through care and calm.

<u> Cancer (The Sentimental Crab with a Ledger)</u>

Venus and Mercury bless thy tongue and heart 'til the 10th—speak true, and bonds shall deepen. New sparks may fly, or old flames rekindle. Yet as Venus enters Scorpio, emotions run hot; guard against misread words. Seek honest talk and shared joys, for therein lies strength. The latter days of the month favor closeness, let thy heart lead, and love shall flourish.

Leo (The Crowned Roarer)

Mars lendes thee strength of body and mind - use it well in noble pursuits and lively sport. Yet beware, for stress may creep as the stars clash. Take heed around the new moon; rest thy spirit and seek calm. Let meditation, quiet reflection, and daily prayer be thy shield. Balance thy fire with stillness, and thou shalt thrive in both heart and frame. A new lover has entered your heart, hold them close and you will be rewarded greatly.

Virgo (The Quill-Wielding Taskmaster)

Mercury sharpens thy wit, making this a fine time to speak thy ideas and win favor. Jupiter blesseth thy coin, plan wisely, and fortune may follow. Around the 14th, a bright thought may solve old troubles. Yet beware the 21st, when Saturn soweth doubt; spend not in haste. Trust thy skill, stay grounded, and let thy work speak boldly.

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Libra (The Fence-Sitting Flirt)

Venus and Mars shape thy day - one with harmony, the other with restless fire. Early in the month, thou may feel pulled between peace and ambition. As Venus enters Scorpio, emotions deepen, urging thee to reflect and connect. Relationships may shift or grow; speak thy truth and know thy worth. This month, balance thy desires with thy gift for keeping the peace.

Scorpio (The Smoldering Phoenix of Destiny)

The stars favor bold speech and tender touch, especially near the fifth, when passion burns bright. The full moon on the tenth may stir thy need for freedom, speak true, lest silence fester strife. As Venus enters Libra, seek balance and fair exchange. Step beyond thy comfort, and thou shalt find connection rich and true. You are especially blessed, and your enemies continue to falter and fail. Pity to those who attempt to sully your days. Your newest love attraction will bestow many more blessings upon you, remember to keep your heart open.

Sagittarius (The Wandering Arrow)

Mars lendeth thee vigor, yet as the moon darkens near the 21st, tend thy mind as thou wouldst thy body. Rest, reflect, and heed thy inner stirrings, for Uranus may bring sudden moods. Let calm practices guide thee. Adjust thy course as needed, and thou shalt keep thy balance through all tides.

Capricorn (The Goat with a God Complex)

Did you think this month would change my feelings towards you? No, dear Capricorn! Especially if you are a certain Capricorn man(child) born in the year AD2003. Look not for prophecy here, for thy kind hath wounded me, and the female company thy keep repulses. Art thou truly in love, or merely in love with the idea of being chosen? Thy mirror surely tireth of thy gaze, and thy words oft sound like pleas for validation wrapped in flattery. Thou criest "I'm not like the others," yet act precisely like all those who crave attention more than affection.

Aquarius (The Mad Oracle of the Well)

The Sun in Libra lifts thy mind and draweth thee toward fellowship and fresh ideas. Mid-month, as Scorpio taketh the stage, thou may be called to face deeper truths long avoided. Dreams and duty wrestle under Jupiter and Saturn's gaze. Mercury's retrograde may muddle thy words, yet offereth wisdom if thou reflect. Seek connection, and let new visions take root.

Pisces (The Soft-Spoken Siren)

Venus and Saturn guide thee toward lasting bonds and steady work. set thy intentions true. Yet beware Mercury's mischief near the 28th; speak plainly and write thy thoughts, lest confusion reign. On the 31st, the Moon and Neptune awaken thy dreams, trust thy instincts, and let thy heart lead. This month, vision and discipline together shall shape thy path.

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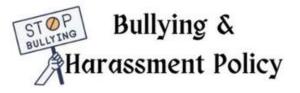
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2025 (Tentative)

January 25 and 26, 2025 – Virtual April 12 and 13, 2025 – Live July 12 and 13, 2025 – Virtual October 18 and 19, 2025 – Live

All agenda items must be submitted by the first of the month before the meeting.



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