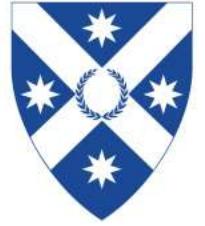


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Principality Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that the Principality of Tir Righ spans the traditional, ancestral, and unceded lands of many Indigenous Nations across what is now western British Columbia, northern Washington, the Yukon, and the Northwest Territories.

We honour the diverse First Nations, Tribal Nations, and Indigenous peoples who have stewarded these lands since time immemorial, maintaining deep cultural, spiritual, and ecological relationships with them.

We recognize their enduring presence, their resilience in the face of historical and ongoing challenges, and their vital contributions to the living history of these regions. We offer our respect to Elders past, present, and emerging, and extend that respect to all Indigenous participants and visitors who join us in our shared pursuits of community, craft, and historical exploration.

May our activities within Tir Righ be guided by gratitude, sincerity, and a commitment to learning from and honouring the peoples whose lands we are privileged to gather upon.

WORDS FROM THEIR HIGHNESSES



Unto the Populace of Tir Righ, Greetings from Prince Finn and Prince Eduardo,

We are overwhelmed with the support the Populace of Tir Righ is showering upon us. Every event We attend from Fight Practices to Arts and Sciences evenings, to Shire and Baronial events, We are greeted with smiling faces and offers to help. We are truly blessed to have these roles and grateful for the warmth and wonder you have all wrapped us in. Thank you to everyone who is on this incredible journey with Us!

Since our last missive we have attended a few events and have been planning for a busy camping season! Tir Righ Heraldic Symposium in Lionsdale was a great success. We enjoyed the classes and all the heraldic conversations. Especially discussion on the potential new Arms for when Tir Righ rises to Kingdom. Please watch for several polls to come out from the committee regarding the Road to Kingdom activities.

What a beautiful sunny day at Sir Eddie's in Thornwold! The sun was shining and the smiles on people's faces warmed our bodies and our hearts. The tournaments, both heavy and rapier, were well fought, the Arts and Sciences displays were wonderful and a good time was had by all! Prince Finn had fun on the archery

range and we both enjoyed visiting with the folks from the Shire and beyond. The demo portion of the event went well and there were many, many people from the public in attendance. We hope to see some of them again. This event was a great start to the summer eventing season. Once again, We would like to state We do not expect any of Our north-of-the-border Tir Righ citizens to cross if they feel unsafe in any way. We are privileged to be able to cross easily because of Our dual citizen/permanent resident status, which makes it much easier for Us.

As you read this missive, We will be getting ready for two events. First, We will represent the Principality at Tir Righ at May Crown. Then immediately turn around for a trip across the pond to Strawberry Raid in Drachenwald. We will take some time before the event to explore the Emerald Isle and then continue Our adventures in Siggelstown Castle. Thank you to all who provided Us with largesse for Our Royal Cousins in Drachenwald and Insula Draconis. Our artisans are truly talented and generous.

If you are planning on participating in the lists please make sure you carefully read the Conventions that have been posted to several Tir Righ Facebook pages as well as published here in The Sentinel.

Our Progress continues to be busy and can be found in total at <https://antir.org/events/activities/royal-presence-tirrigh/>.

Please join us if you can! And again please know We do not expect ANY of our Populace to cross the modern border. Also please continue to note We finalize awards and our court docket two weeks before the event so please submit award recommendations well in advance of the event. Use the Kingdom recommendation form or send us an email to Coronets@TirRigh.org.

Prince Finn and Prince Eduardo



PLEASE NOTE: We love to hear from you on the MANY different social media channels BUT if what you are communicating needs follow-up action (awards, concerns, praise of individuals, etc.) then an email is the best way to make sure it doesn't get lost in the details of courts and awards and travel and all the details of life.

TIR RIGH ROAD TO KINGDOM UPDATE

Greetings from the Road to Kingdom Steering Committee,

Thank you to all who joined our Virtual Town Hall session and met up with our Heraldic Committee at the Tir Righ Heraldic and Scribal Symposium to ask questions, give feedback, and show your support!

We are deep in the data gathering stage of things. Currently we are looking for information on current and historical officer positions that you have held and information on event attendance. If you have any of this information please reach out to us at tirrihroadtokingdom@gmail.com.

Coming over the next month there will be a new poll to decide the amended heraldic arms. There have been a few concepts brought up and the heralds are busy doing conflict checking so that the options that are presented are ones that have the best chance of being registered. The reason we are so focused on heraldic topics right now is because it will take a minimum of 9 months for the registration process. Once we have those items in submission then we can pivot and focus on other tasks while it works the way through the process.

The Postal Code clean up is 95% complete. We have one final area to do a detailed breakdown on and then we can gather the supporting documents to submit to Kingdom for official updating. This has been a huge project but we are well on the way to having it complete.

As always, if you have any question, comments, feedback, or ideas please reach out to the committee by email at tirrihroadtokingdom@gmail.com.

JUNE CORONET CONVENTIONS OF THE LISTS

Hear now the words of
Their Highnesses Tir Righ,
Prince Finn and Prince Eduardo,

We come to you today with news of the conventions for our June Coronet Lists. Choosing our successors is an important part of our responsibilities and after much thought and discussion with our Minister of Lists we ask you to read this missive carefully and be thoughtful about the responsibilities, travel and all the details you will have to consider if you are successful. While the tournament is but a few hours in one day, Your Reign, while exciting, and very rewarding, will be 9 months of go, go, go! Be mindful as you consider your entry into these lists.

First, we ENCOURAGE you greatly to pre-register. Our Minister of Lists, Viscontessa Alessandra and Ourselves are working on a special surprise for those who pre-register.

PRE-REG DETAILS:

Pre-registration will be open 2 weeks prior to Coronet and will close the Wednesday before Coronet at midnight. A link will be shared on the Tir Righ Facebook pages and website on Friday May 22.

On Site Lists will be open for 1 hour only. Please watch for the event schedule for the timing.

Please note: If you do not pre-reg Memberships will be required to be shown at the list table for both fighter and inspirations, as well as fighter authorization. Lists will not be responsible for accessing the database on site.

Please note it is our wish that both the Combatant and the Inspiration display their Arms, Badge or symbol denoting



Photo by Duchess Meagan

them on the list board. Combatants will have a regular heater shaped shield and We encourage all Inspirations to have a 3-inch diameter circle with their heraldry or such on the it. Leading up to Coronet We will have both the 3-inch disks available as well as blank shields for the combatants for your painting pleasure.

Once Lists close and are finalized, the processional will commence shortly after.

It would be advisable to kit up before the processional. Once the procession has completed and all combatants and inspirations have presented themselves to the Coronets of Tir Righ, and sworn to abide by the conventions of the lists, there will be a 20-minute warmup round. Then the challenge rounds will be fought. These single fights will count for or against the combatant in their overall total of wins and defeats. After the challenge round there will be two round robin fields of 10 to 15 people on each field. Fighters will be assigned to one of these list fields for the remainder of the tournament. The top four from each field will advance to the semi-finals. The semi-finals will be a fought best 2 of 3, and the finals will be best 3 out of 5.

We look forward to seeing all who will enter the lists. Pre-register, Pre-register, Pre-register!

Prince Finn and Prince Eduardo



COURT REPORTS

TIR RIGH HERALDIC & SCRIBAL SYMPOSIUM

April 11, 2026 hosted by the Shire of Lionsdale

Their Highnesses Finn and Eduardo awarded the following recognition unto these gentles:

- Honour of the Cornerstone: Maminka the Bohemian (awarded at February Investiture)
- The Peacock Feather of Tir Rir: Honourable Lady Rosalind McAllister
- Red Flame: Honourable Lady Adelheid Wyss
- Silver Quill: Baron Vemundr Syvursson
- Silver Quill: Baroness Brynja Kortsdottir
- Silver Quill: Viscountess Lishinia Aurelia
- Silver Quill: Baron Malyss Makneile
- Silver Wolf: Lady Caterine Rose d'Evreux



HL Rosalind McAllister is presented with the Peacock Feather of Tir Righ. This is awarded to those who go above and beyond in the clothing and beautification of the Coronet or populace. Rosalind is the premier recipient. Photo by Alicia le Wilfulle.

SIR EDWARD'S MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT

Shire of Thornwold, May 2, 2026

The following gentles were bestowed these recognitions

- Award of Arms: Ingvildr Aridottir
- Silver Quill: Mistress Ursula von Freiburg
- Silver Wolf: Mistress Ursula von Freiburg
- Silver Wolf: Efendi Andreyus bin Lazari
- Silver Quill: Majister Jadwiga Radomyskowa
- Friend of Tir Righ: Duchess Angharad Banadaspus Drakenhefd
- Silver Quill: Mistress Genevieve DeMarais
- Silver Hand: Mistress Megan Althea of Glengariff



Baroness Brynja Kortsdottir and Viscountess Lishinia Aurelia are presented with Silver Quills. Photo by Alicia le Wilfulle.

A MEDIEVAL CALENDAR

JUNE



June, the month for haying, from the *Très Riches Heures du Duc de Berry*. In the background is the Palais de la Cité with the Sainte Chapelle clearly identifiable on the right. The *Très Riches Heures* is an illuminated manuscript that was created between c. 1412 and 1416.

In the Middle Ages, time was braided into the rhythms of the Church and the changing seasons, creating a calendar that shaped every aspect of daily life. Feast days, fasts, and saints' celebrations offered a sacred structure that guided work, rest, and community gatherings, while the turning of the agricultural year, from planting to harvest, dictated survival. For medieval people, the passage of time was not measured by clocks or schedules, but by the ringing of church bells, the lengthening and shortening of days, and the cycle of holy observances that gave the year its pulse. These monthly calendars are included here in the hope of helping you, the reader, become grounded in the Middle Ages through the very rhythms and observances that shaped the lives of so many people at that time. The following excerpt has been used with permission from the author.

On the following calendar, major feasts are listed in **boldface**: these are the days that people would most likely have as holidays, although customs and terms of employment varied from place*. In addition to the fixed feasts listed here there were two important holidays that varied from community to community. The first was the Dedication Day of the parish church (that is, the day of the saint to whom the church was dedicated), the other was Fair Day, since many towns had a certain day or days in the year when they were permitted to hold a fair. Fairs were most often held during the summer, but some took place during the winter months. Not every saint's day is listed in this calendar, and some that are listed were not necessarily very familiar outside of ecclesiastical circles.

This was a month for weeding the fields and for sheepshearing. After a year of poor harvests, hard times would tend to set in around June and last until the grain harvest came in during August and September. Traditionally, the hay harvest began after Midsummer Day.

- 1 *St. Nichomede the Martyr.*
- 2 *Sts. Marcelin and Peter.*
- 5 *St. Boniface the Bishop.*
- 8 *Sts. Medard and Gildard.*
- 11 *St. Barnabas the Apostle.*
- 14 *St. Basil the Bishop and Confessor.*
- 15 *St. Vitus.*
- 16 *St. Cyriac.*
- 17 *St. Botulf.*
- 18 *Sts. Mark and Marcellian.*
- 19 *St. Gervase.*
- 22 *St. Alban the Martyr.*
- 23 *St. Etheldred the Virgin and Martyr.*
- 24 **The Nativity of St. John the Baptist (Midsummer).** The holiday would be celebrated with gathering of greenery and with dancing, perhaps also with bonfires. This festival was often an important civic occasion marked by a variety of festivities and displays of communal identity. It was commonly a quarter-day on which quarterly rents came due.

26 *Sts. John and Paul.*

28 *St. Leo the Pope and Confessor.*

29 **Sts. Peter and Paul the Apostles.**

30 *Commemoration of St. Paul the Apostle.*

– **Trinity Sunday:** This fell one week after Whitsun, between May 17 and June 20.

– **Corpus Christi Day:** This was the Thursday after Trinity Sunday, between May 21 and June 24. It was instituted in honor of the sacrament of Communion. In towns this day was often celebrated with major civic festivities, including elaborate religious plays.

Dr. Jeffrey L. Forgeng is the author of numerous books on the Middle Ages and Renaissance, including Daily Life in Medieval Europe, Daily Life in Elizabethan England, and translations of several early combat treatises. He has been curator of the Higgins Armory Collection of arms and armour since 1999. This piece has been reproduced with the gracious permission of the authors, Jeffrey L. Forgeng and Will McLean. It is adapted from Daily Life in Chaucer's England (2nd edition, 2009), part of the Greenwood Press Daily Life Through History series.

*These are based on the holidays listed in a Masons' Ordinance of 1474 [L. F. Salzman, *Building in England Down to 1540* (Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1952), 64-65] and on those mentioned in the journals of John Dernell and John Boys, two Norfolk carters of the early fifteenth century [*Norfolk Archaeology* 14 (1904), 125-57].

COOKING WITH FIRE: A FEAST SHARED

On a beautiful Sunday afternoon in April, about 25 gentles from Seagirt and Hartwood gathered to do something both



Aspasia made a delicious batch of Welsh cakes using her coal brazier

ancient and deeply communal: cook together over open fire. The air was warm, the mood relaxed, and at the center of it all was a slowly roasting pig.

The spread was as generous as it was creative, and while many gentles researched period recipes to try, others brought something already prepared at home; there were no rules about the food, only an invitation to come together.

Amongst the offerings were at least five different kinds of stews or pottages, each with its own character. Potatoes were thrown into the fire, while someone else roasted vegetables and chicken which were then assembled onto flatbreads with saffron oil and an array of toppings.

One participant cooked apples with cinnamon and sugar over the flames, then went a step further by making snow – fresh, sweet whipped cream prepared on site to crown the warm fruit. There was bread as well. One newcomer brought Irish soda bread while others offered home-made cheese and nettles scones and gluten-free cookies. Roasted marshmallows were added as a sweet touch at the end, perfect for using the heat of the coals once the cooking was done.

What stood out most wasn't just the abundance of food or the beautiful spring afternoon, but the spirit of everyone



Carlos tackled the most challenging recipe of the day, roasting a suckling pig over the fire.

present – generosity, experimentation, and the simple joy of gathering around fire. This event was a reminder of how deeply satisfying it is to prepare and share food together, outdoors and unhurried. Thanks to the organizers, Household of the Silver Pot, for organizing the day.

Article and photos by Tatiana Alexievna, Chronicler

HOUSEHOLDS OF TIR RIGH

Welcome to a new addition to our newsletter as we strive to share good content from throughout our fair principality. Each issue we would like to feature one of our many households. For this first one, allow us to introduce you to the House of Thornveil, a multi-branch household.

Who are we?

The House of Thornveil is a relatively new group of young adults based in Coastal Tir Righ, mainly Seagirt, Hartwood, and Lionsgate. Their members are a relatively even mix of people new to the SCA and members born into the Society.

Why did we form?

Thornveil was initially formed when two groups of friends, one new to the SCA and one of SCA 'kids,' decided to band together to make a larger household with shared values and interests. This has grown over time to include more like-minded people.

What do we stand for?

There are many things as a household that we stand for but the biggest thing is creating an Inclusive and safe space for anyone to be able to come and join the game that we have found so much love and joy in. As well as we are working on fostering the new generation of SCA-ers, fostering leadership in ourselves, and bringing the joy to the game.



Photo taken at Daffodil Tourney, March 2026. Back row: Dorgon, Miranda, Artel, Darnell, Bjarkki, Maeve, Katya. Front Row: Meilin, Joye, Rose, Lucy, Sergi, Elspeth. Photo provided by Household.

What are we up to?

Though you may see household members running around event stewarding, running some Baronial offices, or just otherwise being helpful, Thornveil is also currently focusing on getting its members to register their heraldry and names, beating each other in tablero, improving their camp setup, feeding their rabbit, and preparing its army for Sealion War.

Submitted by House Thornveil

EAT THIS BOOK!

By Maestro Eduardo Lucrezia



Book covers off public sites. The left image is of the original 1995 edition. The second image is from the 2018 edition.

This month we will explore *The Original Mediterranean Cuisine: Medieval Recipes for Today* by Barbara Santich. This book was originally published by Prospect Books in 1995. There has since been a second edition published by Equinox Publishing in 2018. The comments and details described in this column are focused on the first edition, which is still readily available through many sources, but either edition will be an excellent addition to your library.

Barbara Santich is a well-known food historian who was one of the professors who established the Masters of Arts in Gastronomy at the University of Adelaide in Australia. For quite some time this was the only university in the world where you could focus, academically, on a degree in the history and culture of food and drink. Besides the work under discussion here Dr. Santich has also written other food and food history focused books such as, *What the Doctors Ordered: 150 Years of Dietary Advice in Australia* (1995), *Looking for Flavour* (1996, new edition 2009), *In the Land of the Magic Pudding: A Gastronomic Miscellany* (2000), *The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Fruits, Vegetables, and Herbs: History, Botany, Cuisine* with Geoff Bryant (2017), and several others.

The Original Mediterranean Cuisine was born out of Dr. Santich's PhD dissertation and brings the "robust, gutsy flavours, sophisticated and subtly spiced sauces" to today's table. This is a book you can pickup and have medieval food on the table by the evening. It combines the history of pre-Columbian European food ways with practical, approachable and easy to use recipes for your friends and family. Santich focuses the book on "the countries that fringe the northern shallows of the Mediterranean: Italy, southern France and Spain". The 70 plus recipes are based on primary sources including Platina's *De Honestis* (Italian, 1480s), *Libro de Sent Sovi* (Catalan, 1324), *Libre del Coch* (Catalan, 1490s), *Libro de Arte Coquinaria* (Italian, 1460s), *Cuoco Napolitano* (Neapolitan, 1490s) and a few others. Each recipe starts with an introductory paragraph contextualizing the recipe. This is followed by a transcription of the original recipe, in the original language, a modern English translation by the author and then a detailed and easy-to-follow modern recipe.

Chapter one of the book discusses, in great detail, how "The Unity of Mediterranean Europe" can be seen as a shared cultural experience, as well as a similarly shared collections of food stuffs. It goes on to discuss the "The Medieval Culinary Revival" from the "crumbled" Roman era and importance of "The Arab Influence" on this new Mediterranean cuisine. Further, Santich discusses the make-up of the "The Mediterranean Kitchen", what "Mediterranean Ingredients" were important to the cuisine and in the subsection titled "The Scent of Spices" she details the importance of these trade goods to all of the Mediterranean cuisines. Santich finishes the chapter with a discussion on "The Medieval Dinner", the "Medieval Recipe Collections" she uses and those which have influenced the recipes under discussion and then closes with a subsection which is incredibly pertinent to producing the dishes, called "The Recipes: Practical Considerations." It should be noted that the second edition of the book is organized slightly differently and has more information than the first edition, including a "chapter" on "Medieval Table Manners."

The bulk of the book, and why this must be in your library, is made up of recipes. It is divided into seven sections: Sauces, Meat and Poultry, Fish and Seafood, Vegetables and Pulses, Pies and Torte, Desserts and Fritters and Preserves. Of course, the end matter with "Selected Sources and Further Readings" and "Index of Recipes" should not be overlooked.

"Eat this Book" is a syndicated column which can be read in An Tir's Kingdom newsletter The Crier, the SCA's Tournaments Illuminated and Tir Righ's The Northern Sentinel. It will help you build your food history library one or two books at a time. If you have a book, a country, or a time period you would like explored please write the author

Visconti Eduardo Lucrezia is a mid-15th Century Italian Renaissance Court and Kitchen Punk. He is obsessed with the food from the Iberian Peninsula, specifically the recipes of Martino and Platina. He is a Companion of the Orders of the Laurel and Pelican and a Lion of An Tir. He is currently the Prince of Tir Righ.

David Huffman-Walddon owns a technology consulting company, Renaissance Strategic Consulting, Inc., and an Arbonne health and wellness business. He has written on food history for The Journal of Italian Food and Wine and Petits Propos Culinaires. He has given papers on the food of the Italian Renaissance at the Oxford Symposium on Food and Cookery and the Renaissance Society of America. His weekly food history and tradition column, "The Vast Repast", was syndicated in Washington, Oregon, California and British Columbia. "Eat This Book" has run almost every month in The Crier, An Tir's official newsletter, since March of 2021.



Author photo by Tessina (Geneva Borland); release on file

JAPANESE INDIGO: AN ALTERNATIVE TO WOAD

Maestra Isabella da Firenze



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Woad is an extremely popular source for indigo dye here in Tir Righ, and for good reasons: it grows well in our climate and can produce that indigo blue that the populace knows and loves. *Indigofera tinctoria* ("True Indigo") is native from hotter, drier climates (generally India, but can be grown in other similar climates) and takes a significant amount of care and specific resources to grow well.

However, there is a type of indigo plant that can grow well in Tir Righ, at least the southern parts – *Persicaria tinctoria*, or Japanese indigo (also known as Dyer's Knotweed). Native to Eastern Europe and Asia, Japanese indigo not only can handle our wetter climates, but tends to thrive in less than ideal conditions. Personally, I do not have much of a green thumb, and I can make Japanese indigo flourish provided I don't do anything that the plants cannot tolerate (they dislike frost, for instance). They can also do relatively well under grow lights indoors or in a greenhouse.

Much like woad, Japanese indigo prefers a high nitrogen presence in the soil (good for growing large, sturdy leaves), and likes to be watered, but not drowned, and you can harvest the leaves of either plant several times in a growing season.

So why bother with a different plant if they're so similar?

While I could go into the more complex organic chemistry side of things, the simple answer is: science.

Indigo dye comes from a variety of molecules in plants known as 'precursors.' These are what allow (through a complicated, but fascinating, process) indigo dye to be extracted from the leaves



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and infused into fabric or yarn. Woad has a molecule known as isatan B, while any 'indigo' plant (*Indigofera tinctoria*, *Persicaria tinctoria*, or *Indigofera suffruticosa* – a plant native to South America – among others) contains indican. It is this difference that actually leads to significant differences in colour.

Indican is the 'stronger' precursor and that, along with higher concentrations of it in the plants, will give you the deep, dark blues.

Isatan B will give you the lighter, slightly more aqua tones you get with woad dye. However, that doesn't mean you can't get the dark blues with woad, indigo just gets you there a little faster and easier (as with most things, this is a general statement that depends on additional factors such as volume of plant material, how those plants were grown, what methods were used to extract the dye, the skill of the dyer, etc.).

Both are beautiful and it honestly just depends on what you are looking for. Japanese indigo, however, will always hold a special place in my heart, and I strongly encourage other interested dyers to experiment with it and see how it compares to woad.



Indigo on wool



Woad on the right, indigo on the left – both on linen which results in a lighter colour.

Maestra Isabella da Firenze, OP, lives in the Shire of Hartwood. For anyone interested in the organic chemistry of indigo, she also has a paper "The Chemistry of Indigo" that she will happily share if asked. This article was originally published in The Crier in 2022 and has been updated in April 2026.



Japanese indigo harvest in the Barony of Seagirt, 2023

TUTR (THE UNIVERSITY OF TIR RIGH): WHERE WE ARE TODAY

Einarr Karlsson, Governor of the University of Tir Righ

Sincere thanks go to Tatiana for offering space in the newsletter to talk about TUTR – AND for making sure that I didn't forget to write this!

What is TUTR?

Unfortunately, I cannot give a good account of the origin of TUTR. I am a relative novice in the SCA (member for about 6 years) and have served as TUTR Governor for less than two. The people who conceived of TUTR know, much better than I, what was intended and what was originally built. So, I will not try to describe TUTR's history; I would probably mislead you.

Currently, the main function of TUTR is to encourage people who play in the SCA to learn about all aspects of in-period life, arts, technology etc.; and to share any knowledge that they have so that others can learn. To do this, we recruit teachers and collect class descriptions, and we provide administrative support so that branches can run courses at events.

TUTR Classes at Events

Some events are TUTR-only, consisting entirely of classes, but more often classes are included in the program at other events. TUTR classes can be added for most types of events, especially wars,



Mistress Alicia teaches finger loop braiding. Photo by Freydis Mannaskelfir

tournaments, and investitures. Banquets are an exception; they rarely have space or time for classes.

When classes are included in an event, the event team should include a TUTR class coordinator. TUTR offers many supports to class coordinators, including:

- the TUTR class coordinator manual
- online preregistration, if time permits
- class lists, on-site registration forms, and class schedules for pre-registrants
- online evaluation forms for students to assess classes and for teachers to assess the event's organizations

We believe that adding classes to events enriches the program and broadens the appeal of the SCA. Not everyone is strongly interested in fighting, or in watching fights. Many SCAdians are blessed with intense curiosity and are drawn to the lure of the research "rabbit hole." TUTR provides a place where these qualities, and the information that people discover from indulging in them, are recognized, appreciated and shared.

TUTR Degrees and Fellowships

TUTR has always intended to recognize students and teachers with degrees and fellowships. Sadly, administrative problems have stood in the way of getting this done. TUTR leaders have consistently recognized that manual record-keeping would not be practical because of the very large amount of volunteer time that would be needed.

From the beginning, TUTR has tried to build a functioning database that would efficiently track eligibility for degrees and fellowships. Unfortunately, this task is also larger than a volunteer can realistically take on, and few people have the necessary expertise. In addition, the service providers who hosted previous versions of our database have more than once made changes that disabled our system or destroyed data.

We do not have a working database at present. A committee of TUTR leaders is working to write detailed requirements that can be taken to software developers to obtain quotations. The Principality will then decide whether or not investing in a database will be a good use of its funds.



Aline teaches silk banner painting. Photo submitted by Aline de Seez

Getting Involved

Regardless of the outcome of the work discussed above, offering TUTR classes adds richness, diversity, learning and interest to SCA events. If you would like to help, there are many ways to get involved:

- If you go to an event that includes classes, look at the schedule and see what appeals to you. Usually the class schedule will be posted on the event page in Facebook, or on the page of the host branch. It is not always possible to post schedules on the Tir Righ or An Tir websites.
- If you have some learning and expertise that you could teach in a class, talk to the organizers of upcoming events and see if classes are planned. If you have not taught that subject before, you will be asked to submit a simple class proposal. To get a proposal form, email tutrgovernor@tirrigh.org.
- If there is an event coming up that could support classes, consider joining the event team as TUTR class coordinator. To get a copy of the class coordinator manual, email tutrgovernor@tirrigh.org.

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- If your branch does not have a TUTR officer, consider joining the branch leadership in that role. The branch TUTR officer helps recruit class coordinators and teachers, and reports TUTR activity in the branch to the TUTR Governor once a quarter.

We look forward to hearing from all who are interested! Your involvement can contribute significantly to the SCA by making TUTR better. Learn more on our website: tutr.tirrigh.org/degrees.htm

The next TUTR currently scheduled in Tir Righ will take place in the Shire of Hartwood, October 17–18.



Letis with her jute and cotton twined tiny basket. Photo by Meagan ferch Meredydd

PRINCIPALITY OFFICER OPENINGS

Office of the Chronicler – Reporting Deputy

The Reporting Deputy supports the Chronicler by gathering and compiling quarterly Branch Chronicler reports. The time commitment is light and flexible, with short bursts of activity four times a year.

In this role, you'll also collect officer warrants and keep track of officer changes throughout the year. Organization is key, and comfort with

filling out a simple spreadsheet is important. You'll need access to a computer although if you're a spreadsheet whiz on your phone, that works too!

This is a great position for someone who enjoys keeping things tidy, accurate, and up to date without a big ongoing time obligation. This opportunity is open now. Please contact chronicler@tirrigh.org if you are interested.

Office of the Exchequer

Looking for the next Exchequer of Tir Righ. Current term is due February 2027, and I would like an opportunity for training the next candidate before then. Interested parties may contact exchequer@tirrigh.org for more information.



Principality Newsletter

Deadline for Submissions: last Thursday of the month. *The Northern Sentinel* encourages submissions from our populace. If you have something you'd like to submit, please email chronicler@tirrigh.org to discuss.

Curia Dates for 2026

June 2, 6:30 start time. Zoom link will be posted on the Principality Facebook page. Watch this space for Curia dates for the remainder of the year.

Reporting Deadlines

		Reports due
Q1	Jan – Mar	May 1
Q2	Apr – Jun	August 1
Q3	Jul – Sep	November 1
Q4	Oct – Dec	February 1

Online Resources

Tir Righ website: tirrigh.org

Tir Righ YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/@PrincipalityofTirRigh>

An Tir website: antir.org

An Tir YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/c/KingdomofAnTirSCA>

An Tir Wiki: https://antir.sca.wiki/index.php?title=Main_Page

An Tir Order of Precedence: <https://op.antirheralds.org/>
SCA: sca.org

TIR RIGH EVENTS SCHEDULE

All bids are two-day events to comply with Principality Law.

Event Stewards will post information regarding their events on the An Tir Events Calendar Website and the unofficial Facebook event. The An Tir Website is the only official source of information and should be your main go-to for what's happening at any event. Please contact the Tir Righ Event Deputy (events@tirrigh.org) for further information on these, and any events in 2028.

2026

June Coronet, June 5–7, Shire of Coill Mhor

August Investiture, August 28–31, Barony of Seagirt

Tir Righ Arts & Sciences and Bardic Championship, September 25–27, Shire of Appledore

November Coronet, November 6–8, Barony of Seagirt

2027

February Investiture, February 19–20 – **Open for Bids**

June Coronet, June 11–13, Shire of Appledore – Rock Creek Fairgrounds

August Investiture, August 27–29 – **Open for Bids**

Tir Righ Arts & Sciences and Bardic Championship, September 24–26 – **Open for Bids**

November Coronet, November 5–7 – **Open for Bids**

TIR RIGH UPCOMING EVENTS

Tir Righ June Coronet 2026

Shire of Coil Mhor

Event Main Contact (Event Steward):

Agata Janisdottir

Event Date(s): June 5, 3pm–June 7, 3pm

Event site: Northwood Lodge and Resort, 5538 Northwood Road, Lac la Hache, BC

Join our Prince and Princess as They welcome the populace to June Coronet to find Their Heirs. More details to come as they become available.

Troll Stomp

Shire of Appledore

Event Steward: Cysia Lindsey

Event Date(s): June 19–21

Event site: Kokanee Creek Provincial Park, 4728 Highway 3A Nelson, BC

Visit the laid-back Shire of Appledore for a whimsical gathering full of classes, potlucks, scavenger hunts, sing-alongs, A&S contests, and general silliness. Hosted in a provincial park, their site rules apply. There is no electricity but electronic charging is elsewhere in park. The park does have potable water and nearby outhouses. Respect local wildlife – especially Sasquatches – and store food properly. TH Finn and Eduardo will be in attendance. FAFO garb, bunting and rainbows are all encouraged. The schedule will be guided by royal whim. Enjoy beach access to the Kootenay River, a nature house, and Osso coffee. Fire restrictions may apply; buy wood onsite.

S.Y.G

Barony of Seagirt

Event Steward: Seth Starr

Event Date(s): June 19–21

Event site: Camp Barnard, 3202 Young Lake Road Sooke, BC

Sergeant, Yeoman, and Gallant trials event. More information to follow on the FB event page

Fields of Gold Engineers Week

Shire of Tir Bannog

Event Steward: Wlfryd of Leedes

Event Date(s): June 29–July 3

Event site: Fields of Gold Educational Centre, 17317 Larch Rd, Telkwa, BC

Details to come.

Cold Keep Defenders

Shire of Cold Keep

Event Steward: Amanda of Cold Keep

Event Date(s): July 3–5

Event site: Miworth Community Hall, 13510 Flint Road Prince George, BC

Cold Keep Defenders is an event where members of the populace compete for the title of Defender in several categories, including heavy, rapier, archery, thrown weapons, and arts and sciences.

Fields of Gold

Shire of Tir Bannog

Event Steward: Wlfryd of Leedes

Event Date(s): July 10–12

Event site: Fields of Gold Educational Centre, 17317 Larch Rd, Telkwa, BC

Details to follow.

July Coronation

Event Steward: Alessandra Luciana Giancomo

Event Date(s): July 17–19

Event site: Ft. Stevens, 100 Peter Iredale Road Hammond, OR

Join us to celebrate the Coronation of the Heirs of An Tir! This event is hosted by the Kingdom of An Tir.

Heavy Champion of An Tir Tournament as well as Squires, Rapier, and Archery tournaments will take place. Volunteers are needed. Make new friends! Meet new people! We have volunteer opportunities in every facet of the event, from gate to fire watch and everything in between. We are looking for anyone interested in learning how to run a Kingdom event. It can be the whole package or a small part – whatever you are interested in we can set you up with someone for hands-on experience. If you are interested in volunteering or if you have any questions please email julycor@antir.org.

Merchant Registrations closes June 30 at 11:59pm.

Hartwood MidSummer Defenders

Shire of Hartwood

Event Steward: Mairi Bronwyn nic Chamarran

Event Date(s): July 24–26

Event site: Camalot, 9780 Somers Road Port Alberni, BC

Details to come.

Lions War

Barony of Lions Gate

Event Steward: Sorcha inghean Triein

Event Date(s): July 24–August 3

Event site: Clinton Creek Ranch, 7701 Clinton Station Road Clinton, BC

Planned events start on **Friday July 31 and run through Monday August 3**. Hot sunny days and cool crisp evenings await participants and revelers alike at this year's Lions War! The Barony of Lions Gate welcomes all from near and far to join in activities with your friends and chosen family! Return with us to the home of mighty battles of the past, and then join them in camaraderie and revels afterwards. Hear the clash of armoured combat upon the dusty plains of Clinton. Witness the swashbuckling elegance of rapier combat in the tavern! Hear the songs of the bards as we gather around the hearths at night, and revel in the craft of the most skilled of artists! And let us not forget to mention the Lions Gate Combat Archery Tournament!

Lions War has a long tradition of inviting volunteers to participate in site preparation the week prior to the main event. Starting July 24, the gate will be open for registration and the site fee will cover your entire stay until the end of the event. The expectation is that during this "Work Week" each person commits 1 hour per day cumulatively towards site preparation. Work meetings are at 9am every morning! Merchants are welcome to set up and display their wares along the designated merchant roads – no fee! Please contact the event steward to arrange for space. RV parking is available but please be aware that generators are forbidden between the hours of 9pm and 9am.

AWARDS AND ORDERS IN THE PRINCIPALITY OF TIR RIGH

Award recommendations: To recommend someone for an award, please visit the An Tir website: <https://antir.org/our-people/award-recommendation/>, or email coronets@tirrigh.org.

To check whether an individual has been awarded a certain award, please visit the An Tir Order of Precedence at <https://op.antirheralds.org/>.

Armigerous Awards

Award of Arms (General)

May be recommended by the populace

The first level of armigerous rank awarded by the Crown generally to those who have become recognized integrated participants in the Society. The Crown of An Tir has granted Principality Coronets the privilege of bestowing AAs to subjects of Their Principalities in the name of the Crown.

Award of Arms (Specific Disciplines):

- Order of the Sanguine Thorn – AoA for Service
- Ordre de la Griffe et du Lion – AoA for Arts & Sciences
- Ordre de L'Esperon et du Lion – AoA for Martial Activity
- Order of the Sable Pheon – AoA for Ranged Martial Arts

Service & Leadership Awards

May be recommended by the populace



Order of the Silver Wolf

Badge: Azure, a wolf's head cabossed and a bordure argent

First level service award; can be awarded prior to an AoA. A “we see you, keep going!” recognition.



Order of the Silver Pillar

Badge: Azure, an Ionic pillar between two mullets of eight points argent

Awarded for longstanding and continued service and exceptional contributions to the Principality. The highest Principality service award.



Order of the Cornucopia of Tir Righ

Badge: Azure, a cornucopia effluent contourny maintaining a suspended mullet of eight points argent

Awarded for continuous donations of time, treasure, and service in the creation of largesse, clothing for the Coronet, Principality scrolls, Principality regalia, and anything else created on behalf of the Coronet or Principality.



Order of the Silver Hand

Badge: (Fieldless) On a mullet of eight points azure fimbriated, a hand argent

Given for consistent and significant contributions and participation to the Principality for 20 years or more.

Youth Awards

May be recommended by the populace



Order of the Silver Sparkes

Badge: (Fieldless) A mullet of eight points azure estencely and fimbriated argent

Awarded to children to recognize their chivalry, honour and service to the Principality, and to fan and nurture their potential.



Order of the Torch of Tir Righ

Badge: Azure, in pale a mullet of eight points voided above the flames of a torch argent

Awarded to youth for recognized service to the Principality.

Inspiration Awards

May be recommended by the populace



Order of the Silver Heron

Badge: (Fieldless) A heron azure maintaining a mullet of eight points argent

Given to those individuals who enrich our lives by their display of an enthusiastic and exuberant joyful disposition. Those who bring great joy to the Principality and her people.



Order of the Amaranth of Tir Righ

Badge: (Fieldless) An Amaranth azure

Bestowed by the Tir Righ Companions of Valourous Estate and Companions of the Rose, to someone they respect and admire, and see as having a visible state of grace in our Society.

Martial Awards

May be recommended by the populace



Order of the Hafoc

Badge: (Fieldless) A Lisbjerg gripping-beast gules

Awarded for excellence in promoting the growth of the martial areas within the Principality. The areas of steel, missile, heavy fighting, equestrian, marshalling youth combat, and rapier shall be considered of equal value.



Order of the Shattered Spear

Badge: Argent, on a chevron azure a spear fractured argent

Given to the fighter showing the most ferocity on the Coronet tournament field.

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Arts, Sciences & Persona Awards

May be recommended by the populace



Ordre de l'Etoile d'Argent

Badge: (Fieldless) A mullet of eight points argent within and conjoined to an annulet azure

Given for exceptional Arts & Sciences efforts done to further the Principality.

Order of the Peacock Feather of Tir Righ

[No badge registered]

Awarded to those who go above and beyond in the clothing and beautification of the Coronet or populace.



Order of the Red Flame

Badge: (Fieldless) A flame gules

Awarded for persona development, encampments, clothing, and other ways that encourage and further the image of medievalism within the Principality.



Order of the Silver Lyre

Badge: Azure, a mullet of eight points and a lyre conjoined by chains argent

Encompassing all forms of the bardic arts, the Silver Lyre is awarded for efforts to further the bardic arts within the Principality.

Order of the Silver Quill

[No badge registered]

Awarded to those who make impactful contributions to the scribal arts within the Principality.

Seagirt Tapestry piece stitched by Sarah Frances Halkett. Runa Dagsdottir photo



Community & Welcome Awards



Order of the Silver Wing

Badge: (Fieldless) In bend sinister a sinister wing argent conjoined to a mullet of eight points azure

Awarded for continuous service in the mentoring and guidance of SCA newcomers.

Reign-Based Favours, Awards & Champion Awards

These are only given by the Coronets

Award of Friend of Tir Righ

[No badge registered]

Awarded by the Coronet to those living outside Tir Righ who contribute to the success and betterment of Tir Righ.



Order of the Raven of Tir Righ

Badge: (Fieldless) A raven rising sable maintaining in its beak a mullet of eight points azure

Traditionally awarded once per reign to an individual who embodies the ideals of the Society.



Blue Lily

Badge: (Fieldless) A lily azure within and conjoined to a mullet argent

Given by the Coronet to the inspiration of the fighter who finished second in the Coronet List of Tir Righ.



Blue Spear

Badge: (Fieldless) A spear azure within and conjoined to a mullet argent

Given by the Coronet to the fighter who finishes second in the Coronet list.



Guardian of Tir Righ

Badge: (Fieldless) On a saltire coupé argent, four daggers points to center sable

Bestowed by the Coronet to Champions who have successfully fulfilled all the duties and responsibilities as Champion and abided by all laws and customs of a Champion of Tir Righ.

Honour of the Cornerstone of Tir Righ

[No badge registered]

Awarded to Principality officers who have successfully completed their 2-year term (or more) in office.



Princess' Talon of Favour

Badge: (Fieldless) A bird's foot coupé argent sustaining a hurt

Given by the Territorial Consort as a token of appreciation to those They have found of great personal aide in Their reign.

Prince's Favour

[No badge registered]

Given by the Territorial Sovereign to those who have greatly aided Them during the reign.

Coronet's Favour

[No badge registered]

Given by the Coronet to those who have provided significant assistance during Their tenure.

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<https://www.sca.org/wpcontent/uploads/2020/07/Bullying-Policy-April-2020.pdf>, <https://antir.org/offices/kingdom-seneschal/>



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Quarterly Board Meetings

Please note: Unless otherwise noted, virtual quarterly meetings are held on Sundays. Live quarterly meetings are held on Saturdays to accommodate necessary travel. Saturday meetings will still be both streamed live and recorded for viewing later. All meeting dates are tentative and subject to possible change. Groups interested in

hosting a meeting should contact the Executive Assistant (ea@sca.org) for information on meeting requirements and how to submit a bid.

Quarterly meeting tentative schedule:

July 19, 2026

October 17, 2026 – Hybrid – Location TBA

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