



THE ZEPHYR



July 2018- Anno Societatis 53

Greetings from our Baron and Baroness



Greetings Ayreton!

We would like to thank everyone in Ayreton for continuing the tradition of attending out of area events and lending a helping hand while there. We have seen Ayreton members serve in the kitchens, on the fields and ranges and in judging and tally rooms of our neighbors. You have Our gratitude for doing so. We will continue to take Ayreton family photos when we are at events and will publish them so all can enjoy and encourage members of Ayreton to take photos themselves at any events or practices they attend and publish them, so all can see the might of Ayreton. With the event calendar as full as it is, it is highly likely that Ayreton populace will be at one events while we are attending another one. Take photos! Of each other, as a group and share!

Pennsic is around the corner and We would ask your presence during opening ceremonies on Saturday, August 4th if you are available. Wear blue and green and show your Ayreton Pride! We understand that Pennsic is an exercise in scheduling conflicts but would love to see you there if time allows. We will also be hosting a small court and Ayreton party on Wednesday evening of war week, August 8th right before Midnight Madness at 7:00 pm in N30, House NoNein House. We will make sure to leave signs along the road to make finding our encampment easier. Their Highnesses Ealdormere are camping with us so that will add pageantry to our Pennsic court. Their current Highnesses Ealdormere have been Our friends and campmates for almost twenty-five years so we are planning an Ealdormere road trip for their coronation. Member of our staff, and friends from the Midlands region are also planning on attending. It would be one pretty cool social event if anyone else cares to join us on the Ayreton Caravan to Ealdormere and all will be welcome. We will be leaving Friday morning September 21, and returning Sunday, September 23. This is also a week before Midrealm coronation and two weeks before Foxhunt, which means those weeks will be energy packed and excitement filled. We understand that many of our Ayreton members will be on the Midrealm coronation staff, so we are working the project management for September in advance, so we can be as much assistance as possible where it is needed. Remember at Pennsic and throughout the summer season, water and sunscreen are your friends. Mix a little bit of work with a whole lot of fun. Continue to help each other out, volunteer amongst the cantons and within the region by doing things you like to do and then take time to do the fun. Thank you Ayreton for being wonderful.

Gareth and Hillary

(photo by Evzenie at Baroness Wars, TE's are wearing garb made by Lette de Cherselawe of the Canton of Tree-Girt-Sea)

Greetings from the Seneschal

Greetings, Citizens of Ayreton!

It's That Time Again, and Pennsic preparations are in full swing. I am humbled by the skill and craft and dedication possessed by the good people of this Barony. I trust that the multitudes of the East will fall before the might of the Midrealm, as bolstered by Ayreton!

Beyond the hurly-burly of War, we have one of my favorite events coming up - All Souls! There is also the possibility of some other events coming to the Barony, but I can't say anything beyond that yet. Just be prepared to do some volunteering!

The Charter review has been really interesting, and forced me to do a lot of thinking about how to ensure stability in Baronial leadership. I hope the efforts are satisfactory!

Have a great summer, everyone - I'm looking forward to seeing you at events!

YIS,

Tieron

Greetings from the Chronicler

Gentle Cousins!

Please take note of the updated Baronial Charter in this issue of the Zephyr. Comments should be sent to THL Tieron.

I am in the middle of a project of trying to get as many members of the Barony as possible to sign (at the least) an SCA Model Release form so that I can publish the wonderful “family photos” that Their Excellencies are organizing at various events. Despite these photos being freely available on social media, according to SCA Corporate policy I can’t publish them here without signed release forms. I am bringing these forms with me to events and meetings. I’ve gotten a good start with the collection of them, but if you’d like to send me the form electronically you can find the Model Release form here--

<http://sca.org/docs/pdf/ReleaseModelFillable.pdf>

It’s a fillable pdf that can be e-signed and then emailed to me (pegcookol@gmail.com). Or look for me at an event soon!

Be safe and stay cool..

In service,
THL Evzenie (known as Zanie)

Calendar of Events

Go to www.midrealm.com/calendar for a complete list.

July 6-8 Simple Day Barony of Sternfeld, (Danville, IN)

***July 7** Day of Playe 3: Tilting At Windmills Canton of Rokkehealdan, Gilberts, IL

July 13-15 Swine and Roses Barony of White Waters, (Tippecanoe, IN)

July 27-Aug 12—Pennsic, Kingdom of Aethelmarc (Slippery Rock, PA)

Aug 24-27-- Baroness Wars VI and Tournament of Defence, Shire of Swordcliff (Taylorville, IL)

Sept 1 -- Tournament of the Arts ,Barony of the Flame (Louisville, KY)

Sept 1-2 - KWAR & KWACC, Kingdom of Northshield (Stoughton, WI)

Sept 15 -- Pots & Pens 3 Shire of Greyhope (Hamlet, IN)

Sept 22 – Ealdormere Coronation, Canton of Bryniau Tywynnog, Shakespeare Ontario, Canada

Sept 29—Midrealm Fall Coronation

Oct 5-7 Foxhunt IV: The Foxhunt Goes Dancing at Lughnasadh, Canton of Foxvale (Big Rock , IL)

**The August Baronial Meeting will be at
Fox and Turtle, 400 E. Orchard Street, Itasca IL 60143
Sunday, August 26th at 4pm (reservation under "Ayreton")**

This restaurant is located in the Itasca County Club and parking is free, Fox & Turtle have their own entrance. If people are interested in taking the Metra in from Union Station it is a 5 minute walk from the Itasca train station.

Website www.foxandturtle.com

AYRETON BARONIAL CHARTER

Proposed July 2018—Changes from previous drafts are highlighted

Preamble

Whereas the purpose of a Barony is to provide new opportunities for fun in the SCA and to create new traditions, let it be known that the Barony of Ayreton claims no jurisdiction over the internal activities of the Cantons, with respect to Canton events, officers, and financial decisions, **as long as the Cantons remain sanctioned**. The Barony of Ayreton will respect and honor the traditions and customs of the Cantons. All participation in the Baronial activities is strictly voluntary and cooperative.

Article I. Baronial Curia

- A. **The duly designated representatives of the Crown, Their Excellency(ies) Ayreton, shall be referred to in this document as the Baronage. One person may be selected, or two individuals of any relationship.**
- B. The Baronial Curia is composed of the Baronage, Seneschal, Exchequer, Pursuivant, Minister of Arts and Sciences, Knights Marshal, and Chronicler.
- C. A Quorum of the Baronial Curia shall consist of the Baronage, Seneschal, and two additional members of the Baronial Curia. A quorum is required for all decisions made by Baronial Curia. Written proxies may be counted to achieve a quorum for decisions.
- D. Additional officer positions may be established by the Baronial Curia, and such additional officers will not be members of the Baronial Curia. The Baronial Curia will define the qualifications necessary to hold additional officer positions they may create in their discretion.
- E. Officers
 - a. All Officers are expected to send copies of reports required by their office to the Baronial Seneschal and to the Baronage.
 - b. Officers are expected to present a briefing on their area of responsibility at every Baronial Meeting, either in person or through a designee.
 - c. **All Officers are encouraged to select and train a deputy, that they may assist with the duties of the office, act as a successor should the officeholder need/desire to step down, and retain institutional knowledge of the position.**
 - d. **All officers must pass along all materials and files of the office to their successor, along with access to electronic accounts.**
- F. Terms of Office
 - a. **All Baronial positions will have a term of two years from their election, which may be extended by two years, with the approval of the Baronage.**
 - b. **After a maximum of 4 years, an officeholder may run for that office again, to be voted on by the Populace.**
- G. Officer Transitions
 - a. Officer selection will be done annually at the Summer Baronial Meeting. Those selected will take office at the next Baronial Curia Meeting.
 - b. Officer selection is done by either voice vote or a show of hands, at the Seneschal's discretion, unless someone requests a secret ballot. If a secret ballot is requested, a paper ballot will be collected and counted.
 - c. **If an officeholder must step down voluntarily out of cycle, they may name their successor (generally expected to be their deputy), for approval by the Baronage. The replacement will then serve out the remainder of the term for that office, as subject to I.F.a-b.**
 - d. **If an officeholder is removed for cause, the Baronage may offer the role to the deputy. If the deputy is found to be unsuitable, or there is none, the Baronage will have the Seneschal issue a call for volunteers, and the Baronage will select from among the available candidates. The replacement will then serve out the remainder of the term for that office, as subject to I.F.i-iii.**
 - e. **Due to the additional legal responsibilities and possible liabilities incumbent in their positions, candidates**

for Seneschal and Exchequer **must** comply with I.G.g.i-iii, unless they are the incumbent officer seeking re-election

- f. All other officers are encouraged to comply with I.g.i-iii, but if there are no candidates by the Summer meeting, nominations may be made at the meeting for immediate voting by the Populace, as long as the person being nominated is present or has sent a written proxy statement.
- g. Members of the Barony interested in taking office or intending to step down from office should:
 - i. announce their interest/intention by the Spring Baronial Meeting;
 - ii. submit an application in writing to Seneschal, who will provide courtesy copies to the appropriate Baronial officer and the Baronage; and
 - iii. meet all requirements for the position they are applying for as defined by the Baronial Curia.
- h. Given their considerable responsibilities and requirements for training, the Exchequer and the Seneschal shall not be elected in the same year, with Exchequers being elected in odd years, and Seneschals in even years. All other officers positions may be on any schedule.
- i. The Barony acknowledges that the Crown and Kingdom Curia have the right to approve or disapprove any local officer. This procedure for selecting an officer is how we choose who we will recommend that Kingdom approve, but Kingdom has the right to accept or reject our recommendation without comment.
 - i. If Regional, Kingdom, or Society officers refuse to warrant a Baronial officer, then the Seneschal(or Baronage, if necessary) will immediately announce this to the Barony, and solicit applications for the office, to be voted on at the next meeting
- j. In accordance with Society Policy, the Seneschal and Exchequer may not live in the same household, nor may they deputy for each other.

H. Officer Conduct

- a. Concerns about the official conduct of any Baronial officer other than the Exchequer or Seneschal should be referred to the Seneschal and the Baronage for resolution.
- b. Concerns about the official conduct of the Baronial Seneschal should be referred to the Baronage. If the complaint is found to have merit, the Baronage may ask the Seneschal to step down, may terminate the Seneschal for cause, and will refer the matter to the Regional Seneschal, and the Kingdom Seneschal.
- c. Concerns about the official conduct of the Baronial Exchequer should be referred to the Baronage and the Seneschal. If the complaint is found to have merit, the Baronage may ask the Exchequer to step down, may terminate the Exchequer for cause, and will refer the matter to the Regional Exchequer, and the Kingdom Exchequer.

Article II. Decision making

- A. When a decision is required of the Baronage, it must be made with the agreement of both individuals, if appropriate. When both are not in agreement on a matter which requires resolution, either individual may refer the matter; to the Crown for resolution of an external matter, or to the Baronial Curia for resolution of an internal matter.

Article III. Meetings

- A. The members of the Barony shall meet at least quarterly.
- B. The Baronage will conduct the Baronial Meeting, or they may delegate the Seneschal to conduct the meeting on their behalf.
- C. Proxy voting
 - a. An officer or member of the Barony of Ayreton who wishes to vote on an issue when they cannot physically attend the meeting may provide a written proxy to a specific individual covering a specific topic. A proxy vote must be in writing. A hard copy of a written electronic communication is acceptable. The written proxy shall be given to the Seneschal for inclusion with the records of that meeting.
 - b. An officer or member of the Barony may also attend a meeting electronically, for example via telephone or video conferencing, if the officer or member makes the appropriate arrangements at his or her own expense.

Article IV. Changes and Amendments to the Charter

- A. The Ayreton Baronial Charter shall be reviewed by the Seneschal or designated deputy at least once during each Baronial tenure. The review process should be scheduled so as to be completed prior to the Baronage investiture or renewal.
- B. All proposed changes and amendments to the Baronial Charter must be published for comment at least once in the Zephyr. The commenting period must then be open for at least 30 days, and any changes or amendments must be discussed at a Baronial Meeting before being approved.
- C. Approval of changes or amendments to the charter shall be by a 2/3 (two-thirds) majority of the members attending the Baronial Meeting at which it has been announced that decisions are to be made on proposed changes and amendments. Proxies will not be accepted for Charter change or amendment decisions.

Article V. Ceremony

A. Awards and Orders

- a. The Baronage will create, name and bestow awards and orders as they see fit. These awards and orders will be created primarily to encourage and recognize achievement, as well as to foster group identity and ceremony.
 - i. A Baronial Award may be given repeatedly to the same recipient unless otherwise noted.
- b. The Award of the Pleiades of Ayreton is given to an individual for any form of general service to the Barony.
- c. A Baronial Order may be given only once to a single individual.
 - i. The Order of Atlas of Ayreton is a high service honor, given to a person for any form of service to the Barony.
 - ii. The Order of Ursis of Ayreton is a martial arts order, given to a person who excels in any form of martial art.
 - iii. The Order of Leo of Ayreton is an arts and sciences order, given to a person who excels in any field of the arts and sciences.
 - iv. The Order of Scorpius of Ayreton is an archery order, given to a person who excels in the field of archery.
 - v. The Order of Réalta Ríáin (also known as The Order of Ríáin's Star) is a youth order, given to a person for service and dedication to the youth of the Barony and/or Society.

B. Champions

- a. Baronial Champions are chosen by the Baronage and serve at Their discretion.

C. Regalia

- a. The Baronage is responsible for the design of Regalia, with the sage counsel of the Baronial Curia.
- b. The Baronial Exchequer shall maintain an inventory of all Baronial regalia in accordance with Midrealm policy

Article VI. Events

- A. Upcoming Baronial Events will be announced sufficiently in advance to allow all members of Ayreton the opportunity to submit an Event Bid for running the event.
- B. An Event Bid shall include the proposed date, location, Event Steward, Feast Steward, and budget.
- C. Baronial Events will be approved by a simple majority of members in attendance at a Baronial Meeting at which the final bid is presented.

Article VII. Guilds

- A. The Barony of Ayreton supports its artisans in their Arts and Sciences endeavors. To that end, the Barony encourages the formation of Guilds. Approval by the Baronial Curia is required to use the name "Ayreton" in the name of any Guild.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO THE COMPANIE OF AYRETON ARCHERS!



By Lady Astridr Zahra Ymirsdottir

This year, Ayreton celebrates the 12th year since Master Dougale MacAlestyr and Baroness Jane the Tall first organized a weekly practice in Forest Park that would eventually grow to become the Companie of the Ayreton Archers that we all know today.

The Companie stands unique in that it is welcoming to all those in the Barony with an interest in archery, regardless of skill or experience. To that end, members of the Companie encompass not only a wide range of ability, but also of interest in various aspects of archery. At almost any given practice, you will see longbows, horse bows, recurves, and more – and will likely hear several discussions about any and all of the above. Furthermore, should you wish to foster a more hands-on approach to your gear, you will find members of the company who create their own arrows, quivers, bows, strings, bracers, gloves, and more, all for a variety of time periods and cultures. The support and encouragement that many of the Companie archers can offer is invaluable, and it truly deepens the knowledge of archery as an art form by incorporating hands-on learning and historical education to building skill.

Companie archers have achieved a number of local, regional, and kingdom level offices and accolades. We are happy to provide new archers with the assistance that they need to grow in whatever area they may be interested in, and to provide all archers a community in which they can flourish. Please come by and join us – We look forward to shooting with you all!

There is an ongoing weekly practice for the Companie of the Ayreton Archers in Forest Park at the Archery Custom Shop, located at 7240 Madison St, Forest Park, IL 60130, from 6:30-8pm on Wednesday evenings. For more information, please check out our public Companie of the Ayreton Archers page on Facebook. Ayreton also recently started another area practice, hosted by the Canton of Foxvale, located at The Archery Place, 1725-B Crescent Lake Dr, Montgomery, IL 60130, on Monday nights from 7-9pm.



ROKKEHEALDAN ANNOUNCES

Small form. Large form. THE North Carolina, U.S.A. England Turret form.
TURBINE MILLS. SHROTTED MILLS.
**THE
MAKETH A WINDMILL
CHALLENGE**

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DAY OF PLAYE III

POPULACE JUDGING CATEGORIES:

- Holland, side and end view. France, grist mill. Holland, stamping mill.
* MOST AUTHENTIC *
* INSPIRED USE OF MATERIALS *
* ENTHRALLMENT FACTOR *

SOME SUNDRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Be Part of the Ayreton Family Photos!

Their Excellencies Hillary and Gareth are taking this show on the road – And they hope you'll join them! As Ayreton travels around the kingdom (and beyond!), we will be organizing a group photo for folks from Ayreton to come out and represent. Details can be found with Their Excellencies or any members of their staff. (Look for their presence set up at the event!)



Ayreton at Pennsic Opening Ceremonies!

Join Their Excellencies for opening ceremonies on Saturday, August 4th at 6pm if you are available. Wear blue and green and show your Ayreton Pride!

Upcoming Officer Reporting Schedule

Archery Marshal	September 1
Chatelaine	November 1
Chronicler	October 1
Exchequer	July 31
Herald	September 30
Knight's Marshal	September 1
MoAS	October 1
Baronial MoAS	October 15
Minister of Youth	October 15
Rapier Marshal	August 1
Equestrian Marshal	August 14
Seneschal	August 1
Baronial Sen.	August 15
Webminister	August 15

Ayreton Activities

Always check with the organizer of an activity before attending. **DATES AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE!**

Sunday

Silver Thimble Guild for Conspicuous Consumption
Contact Mistress Juliana – (773) 750.2180

Ayreton Authentic Cooking Guild (4th Sundays unless noted)
Contact: ayretoncooks@yahoogroups.com

Grey Gargoyles Fighter Practice
Contact: Lady Susanna – mickel14@att.net

Monday

Consort Music
Contact: Master Robyyan - (773) 764.1920

Tuesday

Thieves of Heart Fighter Practice
Contact: Lord Tedesco - tedesco@ayreton.org

Renaissance Dance
Contact: Lady Margrett Norwoode –
mistressmargrett@ameritech.net

Wednesday

Court and Country Music Group
Contact: CourtAndCountry@gmail.com

Archery Practice
Contact: Forester Athelwulf of Dover -Aethelwulf@Dizzywulf.com

Vanished Wood Sewing Circle
Contact: Mistress Katherine – knwkfw@yahoo.com

Mid Week Fighter Practice
Contact: Lord Kith - kith3609@sbcglobal.net

Thursday

The Pippins – Madrigal and Early Music Singing Group
Contact: Mistress Gianetta – (312) 259.6688

Future Article Ideas – Your cool stuff HERE!

- Event reviews
- Recipes from events
- Movie/Book reviews
- “How to” articles
- No “kidding” there I was stories
- SCA administration reports
- Upcoming event ads
- History reports
- Poetry/stories/song lyrics
- Museum/exhibit reviews
- Newcomer articles
- My SCA Life stories
- Pictures of events
- Pictures of you, your family, your friends
- Other great ideas I haven't thought of yet

Ayreton Groups Online

If your group has an online presence, let us know and we'll list it here!

Barony of Ayreton: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Ayreton/> The Barony of Ayreton is the name for the Chicago area within the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA), a non-profit historic research and educational organization devoted to the study and reenactment of past people and cultures, concentrating on pre-seventeenth century Europe during the Medieval, Middle-Ages, and Renaissance periods, and to reproduce the skills and arts of this era. This is in the Midlands region (Illinois) of the Middle Kingdom (Midrealm, the Great Lakes area of the Midwest of the United States). Go to <http://www.ayreton.org> and <http://www.sca.org> for more information.

Ayreton Archers:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/AyretonArchers/>

This is a group to help spread information to the Ayreton Area Archers. Practice times are listed under the Calendar link. Shooting hints and tips are under the Files link.

Ayreton Brewers Guild:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Ayreton_Brewing/

This group is for all those gentles who wish to get together and pursue their interest in brewing and vintning. We are located in the Barony of Ayreton, in the Kingdom of the Midrealm. You do not need to be a member of the Barony to be a member of the group. Here we discuss all matters pertaining the brewing of ales, mead, wines or cordials. We share recipes and tips, support and encouragement. This list is also the primary method for the guild to plan and disseminate information about upcoming meetings and workshops. So whether you are an expert brewer or complete beginner, come join us, ask questions, learn, teach and share your experiences with those around you.

Ayreton Cooks Guild:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ayretoncooks/>

Our mission is to bring delicious, authentic, researched food to the eaters of Ayreton and beyond.

Ayreton Scriptorium:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/AyretonScriptorium/> This is a discussion group for scribes in the SCA Barony of Ayreton located in Chicago and suburbs.

Group Information for the Barony of Ayreton

The Barony of Ayreton

(Chicagoland area)

Website: www.ayreton.org

Email list: groups.yahoo.com/group/Ayreton

Seneschal: Tieron Alainn

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The Canton of Foxvale

(Aurora IL area)

Website: www.foxvale.org

Email list: Contact Banamhaighstir Hillary of Langforde for information (jeffnaggie@aol.com)

Seneschal: THL Yamamura Kitsune

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The Canton of Grey Gargoyles

(South Side of Chicago and Southeast Chicago Suburbs)

Website: <http://midrealm.org/greygargoyles/>

Email list: groups.yahoo.com/group/GreyGargoyles

Seneschal: Mistress Helewyse de Birkestad

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The Canton of Rokkehealden

(Southwest Chicago Suburbs)

Website: www.midrealm.org/rokkehealden

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The Canton of Tree-Girt-Sea

(North Side of Chicago)

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Email list: groups.yahoo.com/group/SCA-Tree-Girt-Sea

Seneschal: Mistress Gianetta Andreini da Vicenza

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The Canton of Vanished Wood

(Northwest Chicago Suburbs)

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Minister of Youth: Vacant

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