Principality of the Summits



Summits June Investiture 2024, AS 59 [Remote]

Words from Their Alpine Highnesses - Their Highnesses thanked everyone for being present and for their service

Words from Baronial Coronets – N/A

Officers Reports



Seneschal: Feradach mac Tralin

We have had multiple officer changeovers in the last few months and I want to thank you all for stepping up. We also have other offices that will need replacements soon. I encourage everyone to consider whether you would be willing to serve as an officer. It is a job of course, but they aren't an overwhelming amount of work and you will have the rest of the team to support you.

Term Ends: Dec 2025

Otherwise, the Summits is healthy. Their Highnesses have taken the throne and I am excited to work with them over the next five months. I would also like to encourage everyone to step up if there are improvements or projects you would like to take on. You don't have to be an officer, a royal, or a peer to contribute in a meaningful way. If you have an idea or a passion then please reach out and we will figure out how we can support you.

Calendar Deputy: Zanobia Fiorentini Term Ends: Mar 2024

Social Media Officer: Morgan Woodsende of Hoghton Term Ends: Apr 2026

As of now, I have been granted access to the following:

- Summitssocialmedia@antir.org email address
- 2. YouTube:
 - https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcWn7cVmCtbWhqL3rTLBxFQ
- 3. Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/principalityofthesummits/
- 4. Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/PrincipalityoftheSummits
- 5. All Barony and Shire Facebook accounts within the Summits
- 6. TikTok (I created this): https://www.tiktok.com/@principalityofthesummits

If there are any additional social outlets I should be a part of, please let me know. I am also an admin on the Unofficial An Tir Kingdom Discord server https://discord.gg/a8DZYW7A8H and the Summits has a Regional channel section there.

I have been testing some new equipment for livestream. I have a GoPro12 and I tested streaming the Defender tournament directly to the Principality Facebook page with it, but the GoPro seems limited in its choices for streaming and I had some battery issues so I swapped to my mobile. I will continue to test this as I can at War. I have also acquired a DJI Mini 3 Drone and have license to fly it in Oregon, so I will be bringing it to War as well to try to get some footage of the battles. I have already

cleared this with the Event Steward and the other drone pilot who regularly films at the event.

I have a stack of Model Release forms I carry to events and I am bringing Photographer Release forms as well, and asking for help creating content for us. Recruitment is much easier when there is current, interesting content we can show newcomers and direct people to check out - if you want to help, please talk with me and I will gladly bring you on board! I am hoping to have a video reel or two by the end of Q3 to be able to post on our accounts and show what we do in 30 seconds or less.

I have also brought on two deputies for my office to assist with Livestream.

- 1. Livestream Deputy: Dominic della Cucina
- 2. Livestream Deputy: Morgan Wyrd

If anyone else is interested, I am seeking a Photography Deputy to help wrangle photos during and after events and manage my stash of release forms.

Please remind your Event Stewards that they MUST invite the Principality as a Co-Host on events if they create their own on Facebook, and they must originate from the hosting branch's page. Individuals cannot be hosts. Please also remind them that Facebook is not the only place they need to post event updates and to try to keep the kingdom calendar & the event website as up to date as possible to avoid issues. All event posts MUST have the site and the site fees listed on initial posting, as well as contact information/email address for the Steward at minimum. Thank you!

Event Deputy: Piaras mac Toirdhealbhaigh Term Ends: Feb 2025



Exchequer: Geiri Smidsson Term Ends: Jan 2026

Typed report requested but not received



Chamberlain: Weylyn ibn Rustam Term Ends: Dec 2025

6 months in the positions – looking through trailer – looking at Pavilion –Bussard and Son in Albany says it should take 14 years more service. Patched hole at new charge. Little bit of work on poles, which Weylyn can take care of. Will last through term and beyond. Replacement cost is between 7 and 30K. Other things need to be replaced – finance committee needs to review. Time sensitive. Coronet travel thrones. Have to be very careful – safety issue. Cannot hold large people. Should be at top of list. Bid written out. Knows of several Summits craftspeople who could make them. Also: summer cloaks – used since Principality began, lame' shredding, fragile, need to be retired. Commission new set of summer cloaks for investiture and summer reign. Propose given back to Duchess Lutgard (sp?) with a thank you. Box thrones supposed to last 15 years, have been used 22 years, but can last a couple more years. Kneeling pillow: need a smaller one. Several craftspeople have stepped up to make it more travel friendly while using existing arms on it. Protective cases for Champions sword: dings on scabbard, etc – protective case. Art for trailer – back burner. Completed: new coronet boxes made by Sir Bane. His Highness chimed in – conversations in the chat – worth looking through.

His Highness suggested a book with images of inventory items that travels with the regalia so the incoming Highnesses can choose what they would like to use. Felted wool for sword sheaths.

Borrowed TP donation box for fundraising.



A&S Minister: Baroness Milisandia

This Quarter has seen the beginnings of change in the office of the Minister of Arts and Sciences. Master Hrodr-Navar finished his term in the Office, and I stepped up at Egil's Tourney this past May. The Warrant process has started (completed?), and I have full access to the official email account. I have started to reach out to the individual branches to introduce myself, and to find out where they may need assistance. I know of a few that need assistance getting into their official officer accounts, so I hope to help them get logged in.

Term Ends: Sep 2024

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In the upcoming weeks I plan to host one or two online "office hours" sessions for branch officers to "drop in" and get assistance with their Q2 Reports. I would like to implement the standardized reporting form I built, and also hope to host an online class or two on how to effectively use the Microsoft 365 officer accounts.

Finally, I have one person who has agreed to be my deputy, and I will be looking for more people from around Summits who would be interested in joining a "Deputy Pool" to learn about the office and gain experience as an officer.

Moodle – Seamus set up certificate program for Arts and Sciences – proposes starting the process. His Highness asked why not host it on Kingdom server – Seamus said it derailed reboot if Ithra and it could not be figured out. Gryphon University Sweatshirts. ©



Herald: Myvanwy verch Robert

Greetings all from Myvanwy Bleu Grael. This quarter I am focusing on updating the roster of heralds so warrants will be current. The only two offices that the Kingdom has correct are Audiantum and Mountain Edge. All other branch heralds are at least one herald behind. To fix this I need a change of officer form and a proof of membership emailed to SummitsHerald@antir.org. If your Shire doesn't have a Herald, that's fine but I need an email from the Seneschal saying that. Baronies, you must have a Herald with a current warrant to stay a Barony. Also working on tabard and heraldic pieces and parts.



Marshal: William Geoffrey the Rogue Term ends: Mar 2025

Deputy - The Archery Marshal - Duncan McKai

Greetings to Highnesses and fellow Officers of the Summits,

Archery & Thrown weapons are off and running for another summer.

By all accounts, both disciplines were very successful at Egils and fun was had by all that attended.

Also, successful a couple of months ago was Bar Gemels in TP.

Practices for both disciplines is happening all over the principality with reports coming in that scores are being recorded and turned in for recognition.

Baronial championships are being planned for several baronies and shires starting tomorrow in Adiantum. Captain of Eagles is set for Murder in the Desert in August, a week or two after Long & Short in TP.

In conclusion, the Kingdom Archer has asked me to contact a few baronies in Southern Summits to see how things are going down there. I will include a summary for next Moot.

In Service,

Archos Duncan McKai.

Deputy - The Rapier Marshal - Alejandro Romero

Deputy - The Cut & thrust Marshal - Antoine à la Langue d'Or

Summits Defender

We have a new defender and its me. War is coming. I'm gonna kill Westies for the glory of our fair land.

Term ends: Jun 2025

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Cut and Thrust

My warrant was up in 2022 and I will need to find a replacement by September when I become the new seneschal in Adiantum.

Coeur du Val

Sword of the Mountain

On March 23rd, Summits held their Captain of Tigers (C&T Champion) Tournament. The format was double round robin with the top two advancing to the finals.

In the finals, Adriano Foscari bested Brenainn Robertson to win the championship.

Deputy - The Equestrian Marshal

Deputy - The War Lord of the Summits -

Deputy - The Youth Armored Combat Officer



Mistress of the Lists: Godwynn Reynard

Last Saturday, June 22nd, Summits held their Defender tournament at Summits' June Investiture held in Coeur du Val.

We had 15 entrants in the list. The tournament format was double elimination. Viscount Antoine à la Langue d'Or won three out of five fights against Viscount William Geoffrey the Rogue in the finals.

This event marks the third anniversary of my assumption of the office of Summits Lists. Unfortunately, that means that I will need to step down in one year's time. I will post an announcement in the coming months (probably soon after September Coronet so that the Coronet's that will be installing the next officer can weigh in on the decision) and would ideally like to have a deputy in place by the end of the year with the intention of them taking over the office come June.

If anyone is interested in becoming minister of the lists, please reach out to either Godwynn or Feradach. You don't need any experience running lists to apply.



Chatelaine: Deirdre ni Phadraig macGroigair Term ends: Sep 2024

Not present



Chronicler: Elizabeth Chandler

• One issue of the Echoes published; another will be published in July

Term ends: Mar 2026

Term ends: Sep 2023

Term ends: Dec 2023

 Next issue will have the introduction of a new peer reviewed paper section edited by Vis. Antoine and others

• Goal is to publish monthly, eventually



Web Minister: Adele Neuton

Things are going smoothly on the website, and I am delighted to report that I have my first deputy! Thank you, Þióðrekr (Tyric) Magnason, for so graciously volunteering.

The new page is up for Their Highnesses, Amalric Blackhart and Z. I've also updated the entry for the current Defender of the Summits (Antoine à la Langue d'Or).

If people notice anything out of date on the website, I do welcome additions and corrections.



Gryphon Scribe: Adrianne von Brandenburg

Summits Scribal Activities are going really well. Five branches have active scribes that are holding scribal nights and distributing charters. Over the last quarter I have continued to work as Reign Scribe for Finn and Eduardo and am now Reign Scribe for Amalric and Z. For both Reigns I've partnered with other scribes working to increase the number of trained scribes available in the Summits. I held a class at Terra Pomaria's Bargemels and will be teaching at An Tir West War.

Term ends: OPEN

Branch Reports:



Adiantum - Murchadh Monaidh Chraoibhe

Egils – 12% increase, tournaments, A&S, combat archery tournament, putting in bid for fall event soon, Principality 11th night bid approved, room reservations opening by end of July. (report presented by Antoine)



Briaroak - Sleibhin O'leannachain

Seneschal not present, no report submitted



Coeur de Val - Jenara Wyndswift -

Doing well, just did Investiture, good event, event stewards on the way to An Tir West War.

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Corvaria - Temperance Trewelove

Corvaria is busy getting ready to host both the Captain of Eagles Tournament August 23-25 and, three weeks later, Fall Coronet. In May, a number of Corvarians supported the Mayor of Madras (SCA Rowan Keele) in their first community May Festival. It was a huge success. This is definitely and event we will want to plan to attend in full with fighters and artisans next year. There is an increased interest in rapier and hope to be adding those fighters to our traditional heavy fight practices, which have been happening on Thursday nights. In addition to the Thursday practices, Viscount Diego has been growing a stable of fighters; they practice on Sundays. Archery practices have been a little sporadic but are usually the first and third Wednesdays. We have recently added a new officer for social media/web minister, and a deputy for Seneschal. All is well here. Our next business meeting will be outside after War.



OFFICERS:

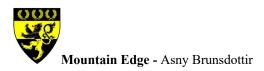
- We have a new Chronicler! YAY! Still need some help with the backlog, though. I will get Chhaya's warrant done as soon as I'm through this report.
 Have a FAC officer! YAY! I will get Leticia's warrant done next, as well.
- Have a lead on a volunteer for Webminister. YAY! I have sent Alessandra some info to read through and am waiting to hear back from her.
- Still need an archery marshal, a deputy marshal, a scribe, and someone on social media but we're doing better than we were in January!

FINANCES

- Starting balance for May was just over \$10k, ending balance was just over \$15k.
- We still have some check requests that are going out from Tain Bo, but suffice it to say that TB was once again, a very fruitful fiscal event for Glyn Dwfn.
- We are spending money on upgrading, expanding, and replacing fighter gear with specific attention to providing options for a greater diversity of body types and sizes.
- Still trying to figure out the title for the Baronial trailer.

EVENTS

- Now accepting bids for Samhain
- Event team did a debriefing for TB and have a very thorough list of things we know to do differently/better next year.
- Many still have concerns about TB outgrowing the new site in a year or two (myself included) and we're continually on the look out for potential site options.
- Found the missing sign in sheets from Samhain 2023! Mina has those and will get them turned into Kingdom.



In April we had a Defender Tournament for rapier and heavy fighting. Baron Peder Georg Jensen is our Heavy Defender Champion. Viscount Sir William Geoffrey the Rogue is our Rapier Defender Champion. Their Highnesses attended, where Prince Finn ran the tournament as past ME defender and Prince Eduardo cooked tasty treats over an open fire.

In May, Oswyn, our Defender of Art & Science, taught us how Shibori dye from 8th century; with Weld and Indigo, it is a Japanese manual resist dyeing technique, which produces patterns on fabric . To view the event, check out pictures on The ME Shire facebook. Tanning event in the future at Mergret's, our Ministry of Arts and Sciences. Several of us attended Egils, volunteered where needed, as well as taught and attended classes.

In June, we are gearing up for June Investiture, where we will be saying goodbye to our Summits Prince Finn and Prince Eduardo and welcoming in our Summits Incoming Alpine Coronets: Amalric and Z. Several of us in the shire have been doing scribal work, sewing costumes, making largess, cooking meals, in preparations for the event.

Morgan of Woodsende of Hoghton has been busy putting together our September Event: Acorn War, XXXI (31st year). There will be war scenarios as well as defenders and competitions in archery, equestrian, art and science, throwing weapons, and bardic. We invite you all to be there and participate. Please find our flier and share with all of your people and beyond. We will be located at the Yamhill County Fairgrounds in McMinnville, OR. There will be indoor and outdoor events, with limited camping. So, in July we will have a pre registration for camping.

Also, we have several officer openings to fill:

- *Exchequer is due January 2025
- Seneschal is due September 2024, We have a person to be announced July 's meeting
- 3. *Herald is due ASAP
- *Heavy Marshal is due ASAP
- 5. *Children, Youth and Family is due ASAP

*These positions will be posted shortly.



Myrtleholt - Elsa Van Aurec

No report submitted – not present



Southmarch - Ailin Alasdair

Greetings,

Southmarch had May Revel with 21 people showing (weather impacted this event due to snow and wind). We had our Arts and Science Championship and had to postpone our archery championship due to weather.

We held a demo for one of the local middle schools (Brixner) May 31st with members of the shire and two members of Glyn Dwfyn showing up to help, it was a huge success and the kids and teachers loved the fighting and arts and sciences demonstrations and displays.

We are scheduled to hold voting for change of officers at our next business meeting (July 17) with a cut off for intent to serve in a position on (July 10). All new officers will officially take their positions October 1.

We are currently set to have a local social on the 5th Wednesday of July (July 31st), and as the seneschal I would like to recognize all the help and assistance Tryygr and Temperance (Royal Patrons) have provided us over the last two years.

We are still waiting to get our ExChequer added on to the bank account as a signer, and once we hold elections I will be submitting up new paperwork to add on a deputy exchequer and a member of the populace here as additional signers to the account along with the incoming seneschal.

In Service, Ailin Alasdair, Southmarch Seneschal



Terra Pomeria - Christmas Caryl

Terra Pomaria is doing well. We have a couple events in the works: the Long & Short of It in August (9th-11th) and the Feast of Apple and Song in November (1st-3rd). Fighter and Equestrian practices are being held regularly, A&S classes are once a month, and Bar Gemels went really well. Happy Summer and Eventing everyone \bigcirc

Regarding the tentative 60 Year Event. Basically, folks suggested it in July, I started trying to gather info like permissions, and we now have enough details to know it's plausible. Big questions are: Is it worth it and who is willing to help? Many folks with much more experience than I have been giving of their time and knowledge to help get things setup for a bid. I am still gathering potential site details. Some of the knowledge folks have shared have led me to look into other options that have different resources (like EQ options and some indoor space). We have a few key positions, but will be in need of many more. If anyone is interested in helping, especially in a specific role, please reach out. Any questions?



Tymberhavene - Randwulf de la Terre d'Été

Mooslemas next month, last week of July, also day event in Sept – birthday bash, new AS minister, new chatelaine, new gold key, new chamberlain

Summits Event Reports:

June Investiture - Coeur du Val (06/20/24): [Recap] - good event

September Coronet – Corvaria (09/21/24)

Cassandra heard from contact – had been using site for free, but it is not a free site, but donation budget was actually the cost, so it is fine. Real kitchen, can offer meals.

Winter Investiture – Adiantum (12/14/24)

Bid approved, finalizing, ballroom at Holiday Inn Express in Springfield, holding pattern until schedule from outgoing/incoming coronets

Alpine Festival of the Arts – Glyn Dwfn (2/8/25):

Bid approved = contract, deposit on hotel in Ashland, reasonable prices, next steps to start gathering team

Spring Coronet – Mountain Edge (##/##/##): Talking to Yamhill County Heritage Center, used site before, flat site, bid by end of July.

Summer Investiture – Myrtleholt (##/##/):

Fall Coronet – Southmarch (##/##): Discussions have begun but nothing firm yet

Winter Investiture – Terra Pomaria (##/##):

Christmas Caryl has been investigating the idea of a big 60 year celebration. Has heard that these big anniversary events have thousands of people. Hopes that those who have the authority to make the decisions will support. Right now there is a Discord, mostly in the discussion/question phase. Eduardo talked about what 30 year was like. Heartland Heritage Park can have 15K people. Current budget is for 600 people but will need to expand. Has wishlist of materials needed, marshals in charge that would have their crews. Will reach out to baronies, envisions a Principality/Kingdom type event.