

# Principality of the Summits



Summits Winter Investiture 2024, AS 59  
[Remote]

## Words from Their Alpine Highnesses

Her Highness welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## Words from Baronial Coronets

Her Excellency Milisandia looks forward to seeing everyone at 12<sup>th</sup> Night – His Excellency Piaras mentioned staying home if sick.

*In attendance: Feradach mac Tralin, Elizabeth Chandler, Mina de filia Philipe, Morgan Hoghton, Eoghan ui Cleirigh, Muirenn ui Cleirigh, Anton a la Langue d'Or, Myvanywy verch Robert, Erin O'Byrne, Murchadh Monaidh Chraoibhe, Zanobia Fiorentini, Weylyn ibn Rustam, Sindri inn hárfagri, Christmas Caryl, Piaras Toirdhealbhaigh, Milisandia filia Willelmi Filii Roberti, Adele Neuton, Rafe Neuton, Ivan Shieldbane.*

## Officers Reports



**Seneschal:** Feradach mac Tralin

Term Ends: Dec 2025

Welcomed people to the meeting. Good news – several new candidates for open positions.

**Calendar Deputy:** Zanobia Fiorentini

Term Ends: Mar 2025

Has a successor! Fortune out of Terra Pomaria – also 2 other candidates if she does not accept. Lots of technical issues with calendar as long as she has been in the office – however, new Kingdom Webminister who may be able to resolve them. If you have an issue with your events – let Zanobia know and she will update. Hopefully with new person taking over and system issues getting resolved, there will be fewer issues going forward.

**Social Media Officer:** Morgan Woodsende of Hoghton

Term Ends: Apr 2026

I have not received a list from any local seneschal about Facebook access, so I'll have to work with Feradach to remove everyone who isn't on his list. If anyone wants to give me their names now please do. The great removing will begin this month!

I also sent in budget requests to replace the Summits tripod and carrying case. The tripod is \$59.99, the case is \$58.99, total of \$118.98. I sent a check request but haven't received this yet.

I'm looking for videos from the Quest that Rauokkin posted to our rattan fighters. If you're comfortable having your content shared on our page and our TikTok, let me know!

I'm looking for deputies to help publish regular content. It requires very little time and I'll train you. Also seeking more Livestream deputies, and event photographers.

**Event Deputy:** Piaras mac Toirdhealbhaigh

Term Ends: Feb 2025



**Exchequer:** Sindri inn hárfagri

Term Ends: Jan 2026

Most of items will come in financial committee meeting – atching up on balls that got dropped over the summer. Sending 2 checks to 12<sup>th</sup> night. New budget to propose to financial committee. Reports due 15<sup>th</sup> from branch exchequers. In process of moving to WA but will continue as Summits exchequer and will hand things over during June Investiture to Godwynn. Feredach thanked Sindri for stepping in.



**Chamberlain:** Weylyn ibn Rustam

Term Ends: Dec 2025

2 good fundraisers from summer onwards – lots of good ideas. Thank you to Anton, Ayla, Cassandra and others who have donated to fundraisers. Good news coming about summer cloaks. All items handed over to new Highnesses. Trailers in good working order. Enameled medallions being stripped down to base metal and will get feedback regarding whether to re-enamel or not.



**A&S Minister:** Baroness Milisandia

Term Ends: May 2026

Most of the branches reported in during Q3 (only missing one branch). I will reach out to the Seneschal of that branch since I have been unable to get ahold of the MoAS, to make sure we are all on the same page. Q 4 reports have already started to come in, as well. I made the decision to finish out the year before switching to the new report forms, so Branch Officers had time to get used to me, and also so they didn't change style mid-year.

Maggie from Briaroak has stepped up to be the new Bardic Deputy, and she is working with the current Summits Bard to create a committee to create judging forms and criteria for the Bardic Championship. The idea is for the forms to still allow the Champion to shift the style and nature of the championship itself, while maintaining specified standards and expectations.

Seamus has contacted Heralds to ask about registering the name "Gryphon University," and was advised that it will need to be called "White Gryphon University" in order to be registerable. There is also a badge associated with GU, so we will be working this next quarter to get both the name and the badge registered. Seamus was also able to get an official email set up for the University to make planning easier.

I still need to get the Warrants filled out and in for Taran, Elizabeth, and Maggie, but two of the three are just needing their signatures. Once I am able to get them all warranted, I will work with them and the Kingdom Web Team to get another email address set up for the Championships.

In the coming quarter, we are looking for more ways and opportunities for Arts and Sciences displays at events in order to get more people some recognition and "word fame" for the work they are doing.



**Herald:** Myvanwy verch Robert

Term Ends: Jun 2025

My membership has been renewed

I've taken Viscountessa Elizabette Tommaso di Carducci as Blue Staff, my education deputy

My term of office is up at June Investiture so applications are open through Alpine Festival of the Arts with a decision by March Coronet so they can work with the Heirs.

The Heralds are working on organizing a formal College, which is a way of spelling out Bleu Grael's deputies and their duties so everyone knows who to ask for help or training in a specific area of heraldic interest. Scribes and Court Coordinators, as protocol heralds are included. The Proposal as presented to the heralds at 11th Night.

- **Bleu Gryphon Scribe** (Herald - new) - Summits Scribal Officer and Scribal College Head
  - Current: Adrienne von Brandenburg
- **Bleu Grael Herald** - Summits Heraldic Officer and Heraldic College Head
  - Current: Myvanwy verch Robert
- Heraldic Deputies
  - **Silver Mountain** - Contingency Heraldic Deputy
    - Current: Ayla Thomas Roth
  - **Bleu Quill** (new title) - Consulting
    - Current: Vacant
  - **Bleu Staff** - Education
    - Current: Elisabetta Tommaso di Carduci
  - **Plume d'Or** - Protocol/Precedence
    - Current: Vacant
  - **Silver Lark** - Tournament/Town Cry/Voice
    - Current: Randulf Greenwall
  - **Bleu Butterflye** - Website/Social Media
    - Current: Vacant
  - **Bleu Trumpet** - Royal Herald (if not Bleu Grael)
    - Current: Elisabetta Tommaso di Carduci (trainee: Kseniia Aleksandrova)
  - **Silver Chime** - Court Coordinator/Reporter
    - Current: Godwynn Reynard
  - **Juste Veue** - At Large
    - Current: Not needed
  - **Que regnes la sages** - At Large
    - Current: Not needed



**Marshal:** William Geoffrey the Rogue

Term ends: Mar 2025

Not present

**Deputy – The Archery Marshal** - Murchadh Monaidh Chroaibhe

Term ends: Oct 2026

This is my first report after assuming the office. I did reach out to each branch for a summary of activities and needs.

Adiantum: Active archery & thrown weapons program. Archery is in a winter lull due to weather but thrown weapons is active due to available indoor range. Several newcomers at practices and nearly all regulars are senior or junior marshals in one or both disciplines. Combat archery is developing and should have a large number of authorized participants by Spring.

Briaroak: Only occasionally have archery practices when people show up to Sunday A&S but want to shoot. Two senior archery marshals.

Coeur de Val: No response, no information.

Corvaria: No response. However, I know there is an archery officer, target and combat archery senior marshals, and practices as weather allows.

Glyn Dwfn: We do not currently have an archery or thrown weapons officer. We do have a couple of archery marshals who run the archery practices and who provide basic reporting and updates at Moot, and whom I will not pressure to become the Archery Officer either because they're technically from Myrtle Holt or because they stepped down from the Officer position last year and need a break.

Generally we run practices at the Jackson county-owned gun and archery range in Central Point every other Sunday. Myrtle Holt runs their practice at the same location on opposing weekends, usually Saturdays. Attendance runs from 5-10 on a regular basis, with the occasional youth joining us. We have folks using a variety of period or period allowable recurve bows and one person with a crossbow. Loaner equipment is in a good state.

I would love to get more folks at the Jr and Sr Marshal level for archery, and ANYONE for Thrown Weapons, though we don't really have a space for that activity at the moment. If more folks were eligible to become the archery officer, I think we'd see that position filled sooner rather than later. I don't have the bandwidth to run a "get yourself marshal'd!" campaign in Glyn Dwfn. I would love to see Summits' support for archery at Tain Bo this year, as I think that would be an ideal time/place to encourage our populace to become marshals. I believe Their Highnesses, especially Princess Mina, would be in support of this (she does a lot of archery).

Mountain Edge: No archery or thrown weapons marshal or activities at this time.

Myrtleholt: No response. However, I know there is an archery officer, target and combat archery senior marshals, and practices as weather allows.

Southmarch: No response, no information.

Terra Pomeria: No response. However, I know there is an archery officer, thrown weapons officer, archery and thrown weapons senior and junior marshals, and all-weather practices due to indoor facility.

Timberhavene: We have people who would like to do these things, but we do not have a space for them, nor do we have marshals.

Marshallate:

Target archery: 20 senior, 8 junior

Thrown weapons: 8 senior, 7 junior

Combat archery: 6 senior, 2

Events I plan to attend (subject to change): 12th Night, Midwinter's Feast, Briaroak Birl, Adiantum Birthday Bash, Spring Coronet, All Fools, Bar Gamels, Tain Bo, Egils, Fast & Loose, Summer Investiture, ATWW, Mooselmas, Long & Short, Fall Coronet, Briaroak Bash, 11th Night Investiture.

**Deputy – The Rapier Marshal - Alejandro Romero**

Term ends: Jun 2025

Not present

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

C&T activities happening in 3 branches – AD, GD, CDV. May have deputy – finishing final steps of marshalate. Tournament in March.

**Deputy – The Equestrian Marshal**

Not present

**Deputy – The War Lord of the Summits -**

Not present

### Deputy – The Youth Armored Combat Officer

Not present



**Mistress of the Lists:** Godwynn Reynard

Term ends: Jun 2025

Not present



**Chatelaine:** Deirdre ni Phadraig macGroigair

Term ends: Sep 2024

Not present



**Chronicler:** Elizabeth Chandler

Term ends: Mar 2026

The Echoes continue to be published quarterly – I welcome feedback regarding any aspect of the publication, especially if there is something I am supposed to be doing that isn't being done. Anton and I have been enjoying publishing the scholarly papers in the Alpine Codex; we hope everyone is enjoying reading the papers and that the populace will continue to submit more.

I'm also super happy that people have been submitting photos and articles etc. – please keep them coming.

A reminder that if your branch does not have a chronicler, the seneschal is required to complete the quarterly report for the Summits Chronicler (that's me) using the template I send out, and submit the accompanying links to the newsletter and meeting minutes (the Kingdom Chronicler needs to be able to access the links). This is included in the info I send out each quarter as well.

Also a reminder that a newsletter is required for baronies.

I may be getting a deputy – I need to finish up a conversation, probably at 12<sup>th</sup> Night.



**Web Minister:** Adele Neuton

Term ends: Sep 2024

Outdated content updated. Description for Silver Spoon and Peacock Feather. Let me know if something is out of date.



**Gryphon Scribe:** Adrienne von Brandenburg

Term ends: Dec 2024

Not present



**Family Activities Coordinator:** OPEN

Term ends: OPEN

Not present

### Branch Reports :



**Adiantum** - Murchadh Monaidh Chraoibhe

106 paid members – double that in casual/unpaid members. 11<sup>th</sup> Night went well – successful event. Midwinters the weekend after 12<sup>th</sup> Night. Getting ready for other upcoming events. In a good position financially and as a group.



**Briaroak** - Archos Líadan of Seahaven

Briaroak Council meetings are usually on the 4th Monday of each month, but this month it is tomorrow during moot, so I am sending this to you.

A&S is held most Sundays, and archery practice also occasionally is held on Sundays at the same site as A&S (when people show up and want to practice, the address is the same for archery and A&S).

Heavies practice was not attended for months, so it was put on a basis of let the marshal know if you want to practice and he will meet you at the usual time and place.

Volunteering for autocrating upcoming events has been a little quicker than usual lately, we have someone starting the planning process for the June 2026 Investiture and Defender Tourney.

Briaroak Bash (1st weekend in August) was cancelled due to air quality from fires. Since Bash was cancelled the year before due to a nearby fire we changed our scheduled date for Bash 2025 to the 2nd weekend in October, and will likely ask for it to be a permanent change.

Birl (1st weekend in February) planning is well underway.



**Coeur de Val** - Jenara Wyndswift

Not present



**Corvaria** - Temperance Trewelove

Not present



**Glyn Dwfn** - Erin Scott

New exchequer on the account. New deputy for Gold Key. New equine officer. New site for Tain Bo – fantastic deal! Also available for Principality events. \$0 rental fee!



**Mountain Edge** - Eduardo

(Morgan)Site for Coronet chosen. More info to come.



**Myrtleholt** - Elsa Van Aurec

**Not present**



**Southmarch** - Ailin Alasdair

New seneschal!



**Terra Pomeria** - Christmas Caryl

Our Barony is doing alright, but struggling with a few things. We are in need of a Chatelaine, Baronial Marshal, and Event Stewards. For Chatelaine, we've had a volunteer but she already has another office. We've requested a waiver so we shall see. We had someone volunteer to be Interim Marshal, but that only tides us over until April, which is not enough. And we've heard rumors of event bids, but no real solid information that is actionable. Sending encouragement to all. We are here for you and happy to help support your SCA dream. Please encourage folks to reach out and step up to help keep Terra Pomaria Supported. Update: New social media officer. Plan for admin side to build strengths. Will keep same baronial marshal. Also there is a plan for Chatelaine.



**Tymberhavene** - Kseniia Aleksandrova

Our meeting is this week on Wednesday. Currently, we have an A&S person, a Chatelaine, an Exchequer, and a Seneschal. At our next meeting on Wednesday, we will be discussing our branch's financial policies and voting on a bid for Summits A&S '26. And seeing if we can collect more officers and members. :)

## **Summits Event Reports:**

### **Winter Investiture – Adiantum (12/14/24)**

Update: 213 people through the door - \$6000 to deposit into the bank account. Hotel was happy with us.

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

Bid approved – all championship info is out for Alpine Scholar and bardic. Side note – if you have not read through current bardic champion's description – there is a youth championship as well (not official). Hotel reservations are open – call for group rate. Option to display for non-competing artisans. Deadline for LOI for Alpine Scholar is Sunday of 12<sup>th</sup> Night; for bardic it is 31<sup>st</sup> of January.

### **Spring Coronet – Mountain Edge (03/29/25):**

Bid approved – schedule being created. Group rate being negotiated with a hotel.

**Summer Investiture – Myrtleholt (06/20/25):**

**September Coronet – Southmarch (09/19/25):**

**Winter Investiture – Terra Pomaria (12/6/25):**

**His Highness thanked everyone for being there.**

**Her Excellency Milisandia invited everyone to a Capricorn birthday party at 12<sup>th</sup> Night.**