

The Signal

Barony of Vulcanfeldt

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“The Barony of Vulcanfeldt is located in the central region of the Kingdom of An Tir of the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA). Vulcanfeldt proudly claims Yakima (Washington) and its environs (Yakima and Kittitas Counties) as its own. Our lands stretch from Ellensburg and Cle Elum in the north, to Grandview in the south and Tampico in the west to Moxee and beyond in the east. Born in the year of Mount St. Helens’ fiery eruption, 1980, the Barony of Vulcanfeldt is an area of rich volcanic soil. It is said that the lands within our barony’s borders (Yakima County) ranks first in the United States in the number of all fruit trees and that it produces more apples, mint, winter pears, and hops than any other county.” *From [Barony of Vulcanfeldt](#)*



A Barony is an area led by a Baron and/or Baroness (collectively titled "The Coronet"), who are appointed by the Crown to be Their ceremonial representative(s) in a particular area. The Kingdom of An Tir recognizes that multiple combinations of gender are possible and The Coronet may choose to use the titles Baron and/or Baroness if desired. Individually, the Coronets are addressed as "Your Excellency". *From [Barony of Vulcanfeldt – Kingdom of An Tir](#)*

Her Excellency Fiona (vulcanfeldt.baroness@antir.org)
His Excellency Ulrich (vulcanfeldt.baron@antir.org)
Baron and Baroness of Vulcanfeldt

Their Excellencies invite you to join the Barony of Vulcanfeldt at their next event: Vulcanalia - October 11-13, 2024 at Fullbright Park in Union Gap, Washington.

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SCA Mission Statement:

The Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA) is an international non-profit volunteer educational organization. The SCA is devoted to the research and re-creation of pre-17th century skills, arts, combat, culture, and employing knowledge of world history to enrich the lives of participants through events, demonstrations, and other educational presentations and activities. In pursuing its mission, the SCA is committed to excellence in its programs, communications, and activities.

SCA Core Values:

- To act in accordance with the chivalric virtues of honor and service in all interactions with SCA members and participants;
- To be a responsible steward of SCA resources;
- To deal fairly with others, and value and respect the worth and dignity of all individuals;
- To practice inclusiveness and respect diversity;
- To promote a safe and respectful environment for all SCA members and participants;
- To act with transparency, fairness, integrity, and honesty;
- To maintain a harassment-free environment in SCA spaces; and,
- To avoid behavior that reflects adversely on the SCA or other SCA members and participants.

Calendar of Events *and* Activities

For additional information visit <https://antir.org/events/>

Events Calendar

- September Crown Tournament, Aug. 30-Sep. 2, Camp McLean, Langley, BC
- Border War, Sept. 20-22, Barony of Wealdsmere, Camp Easton, Harrison, ID
- Chatelaine Symposium, Sept. 27-29, Barony of Wastekeep, Naff Farms, Moses Lake, WA
- Barons Ball, Oct. 4-6, Barony of Wastekeep, Horn Rapids County Park, Benton City, WA
- Vulcanalia, October 11-13, Barony of Vulcanfeldt, Fulbright Park, Union Gap, WA
- Octoberfeast, Oct. 19, Barony of Wealdsmere, Five Mile Prairie Grange, Spokane, WA
- Yule Feast, Dec. 7, Barony of Vulcanfeldt,
- Twelfth Night, Jan. 10-12, Kingdom of An Tir, Barony of Three Mountains, Portland, OR

Activities information

Archery Practice, Tuesdays TBD, 6:00 pm (as weather permits)

Colonial Lawn & Garden, 1118 W. Washington Avenue, Yakima, WA 98902

Not sure you're quite ready for archery, feel free to stop by and watch. You may find an extra bow waiting for you to try. Contact the archery officer for additional information vulcanfeldt.archery@antir.org

Arts and Sciences gathering, TBD

Contact the Arts and Sciences officer at vulcanfeldt.artsnsoci@antir.org

Baronial Business Meeting, Second Monday, 7:00 pm

RoundTable Pizza, 1300 N. 40th Avenue, Yakima, WA 98908

Meetings are held on the second Monday of the month. Officers provide their monthly report, event stewards report on upcoming events, and monthly activity dates are announced. Contact the seneschal for additional information

vulcanfeldt.seneschal@antir.org

Equestrian Practices, available upon request.

Contact His Excellency Ulrich Hellelicht vulcanfeldt.baron@antir.org

Heavy Fight Practices, Thursdays, 6:30 pm (as weather permits)

Randall Park, 1399 S. 48th Avenue, Yakima, WA 98908 (currently meeting on the 44th Avenue entrance) Everyone is welcome to attend practices. Many people come to watch and visit. Contact the Master of Stables for additional information

vulcanfeldt.masterofstables@antir.org

Notices

Volunteers Needed

Lists - Organize and coordinate contestant lists for heavy and rapier contests.

Words from Her Excellency Fiona

Greetings Good Citizens of the Barony of Vulcanfeldt, and all others who chance to read this missive. Your Beloved and Dreaded Baroness does give to you good greetings this day.

I pray that all finds you well, that your harvests are looking healthy (taxes are due soon), and that your families continue to increase in good health and wisdom. I know that many of you have suffered from the smoke in the air from our recent forest and range fires. Hopefully the recent rains will eliminate the danger of further fires. I am not aware at this time of any undue effects on grazing lands or fields at this time. If you have suffered losses please speak with Our land agents regarding a decrease in taxes.

Vulcanalia fast approaches, being slated for October 11-13 at Fulbright Park in Union Gap. Please speak with HL Magdalena Tynkere regarding volunteer opportunities for this event. Team work makes the Dream work, and I will be taking note of those who step forward to lighten the load and make the event a joyful one for all. We will be seeking several new Champions, those being Heavy Combat, Rapier Combat, Archery, and Equestrian. If you are the current Champion in any of those disciplines, please speak with me soon regarding the tournament set up for each discipline.

September Crown is slated for August 30-September 2 in Langley BC. If you are traveling to this event, please be safe and return home to us with tales of

daring and chivalry. If you are competing in the Crown Tournament, do so with joy, honour and chivalry, Make your Consort proud.

Our neighbors to the North, the Barony of Wealdsmere, hold Border War September 20-22. It is my intent to attend. I would like to have my Sergeant's do their duty and provide me with guards, as well as my ladies in waiting in attendance. Our Champions should stand ready to attend me during Court. There will be numerous opportunities to garner word fame for Our Barony by volunteering and assisting with the many small things that are required to make every event work.

Our neighbors to the East, the Barony of Wastekeep, will be holding their annual Baron's Ball on October 4-6 at Horn Rapids State Park in Benton City. I will be in attendance on Saturday only, and again would like to see my Sergeants and Champions in attendance, as well as my ladies in waiting.

This September Crown sees Us finishing our second year as your coronets. Feedback is always welcome, as are award recommendations, whether for Kingdom or local awards. We can't always be everywhere and see everything that you all do to make us proud and bring word fame to the Barony. I count on the citizens to bring attention to the good deeds of others.

I bid you fond farewell.

In Service,

Maestreas Banbharun Fiona ingen Conchobair, OP

Baroness of Vulcanfeldt

***Awards and Honors presented by Their Excellencies Ulrich & Fiona,
Baron and Baroness of Vulcanfeldt***

Baroness War, April 2024

None

Vulcanfeldt Baronial Awards

Members of the populace are encouraged to contact Their Excellencies of Vulcanfeldt with recommendations for these Awards and Orders to the Baronage.

Service Awards

- Award of the Alerion is a first level service award.
- The Order of the Eagle's Ascension is a second level service award.
- Poisson d'Or Award is an award given to children under the age of 16 for service to the Barony.

Arts & Sciences Awards

- The Gilded Quill Award is a first level Arts & Sciences award.
- The Order of Vulcan's Flame is a second level Arts & Sciences award.
- The Ember of Vulcanfeldt is an Arts & Sciences award given to children under the age of 16.

Other Baronial Awards

- Order of the Argent Owl is an annual award given to an individual who embodies the spirit of the SCA.
- Radiance of Vulcanfeldt is granted by the Baronage for gracious and chivalric behavior.
- The Gilded Dragon is a persona development award.
- Period Encampment Award
- The Baronage Favors are tokens or favors given out by the Baronage for personal service.
- Honorary Citizen is given to those who live outside the Baronial boundaries but have become an active valued member of the Barony.

Meeting Minutes

Baronial Council Meeting Minutes

May 13, 2024

Meeting called to order at 7:15 p.m. by Baron Rurik, Seneschal

In attendance: Rurik Gfaldsson, Aesa Ormriauga, Fiona ingen Conchobair, Thorston Kvendukfson, Ullrich Helle Licht, Kata Bugthyra, Alric Ivarsson, Ashley Longbow, Rolf Longbow, AnnaMarie Thomas, Mariana Thomas. In virtual attendance: Dana, Gregoire

- April meeting minutes approved, March meeting minutes approved, February meeting minutes approved with addition of attendee list and correction of Seneschal name
- Baron and Baroness Report (Ulrich Helle Licht and Fiona ingen Conchobair): Had 14 horses in attendance at Baroness War. Thank you everyone who helped make it a successful event. The new coronet boxes, made by Baron Rurik, have been delivered and are really beautiful.
- Seneschal report (Rurik Gfaldsson): Busy dealing with an incident regarding an unruly attendee at Baroness War. We need to hold a gate class so that we have more trained volunteers
- Exchequer report (Jon Tollman): 1st quarter report is in, wrapping up event report for Baroness War, paid \$300 NMR, \$970 to Union Gap Agricultural Museum for site rental, and \$200 to Rich Bright to reimburse insurance cost. Made money on Baroness War. If you need to know the exact amounts in the account, please contact the Seneschal and the Exchequer in writing.
- Chronicler (OPEN): Fiona taking notes
- Chamberlain (Davyd Stanley): absent, trailer is ready for May Crown
- Herald (Gregoire an Bella): nothing to report
- Master of Stables (Steinarr Hrafensfuri): absent but Thorston is covering practice while Steinnar is ill. We are looking to begin holding practice in the parks again, as we don't have the use of the Barrel or the Armory.
- Cem was going to attend tonight to talk about starting rapier practice, but real life happened
- Baronial Archer (Alric Ivarsson): there were two new people at practice last time. Broke a stand, will repair. Moving to two practices a month. The next practice is May 21st at 6:00 p.m. at Colonial Lawn and Garden
- Equestrian (Ulrich Helle Licht): have two new local people starting practice. Needs to get an archery butt and stand for equestrian archery practice. The current format for the Kingdom Equestrian Championship is the reason that we had such good attendance from the equestrian community.
- Lists (OPEN):

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- Chatelaine (Magdalene Tynkere): absent. Had a huge amount of people show up for Baroness War because of advertising by the City of Union Gap Tourist Bureau. Every Chatelaine on site was busy talking and handing out cards.
- Arts & Sciences (Ionamyst): absent.
- Scribe (Kata): Absent. Nothing to report
- Social Media (Uvhild Arrowseeker): absent, nothing to report
- Webminister (OPEN) Past Events:
- Baroness War-Annamarie reported. 157 SCA members in attendance, lots of general public. Everything went smoothly except for the aforementioned incident, and several people going around gate and not paying site fee or signing waivers. Recommend that next year we move gate so that you have to go through it to get on site. Also need to have toilets cleaned Saturday afternoon. Various changes need to be made in layout for archery safety. Also need some new signs made (potable water, bathroom, equestrian area, archery area)
- Upcoming Events:
- May Crown is next weekend. The Baronial Pavilion will be on the eric.
- Vulcanalia: Reservation is done for the site with Union Gap. Still need an event steward
- Yule: still need a steward
- Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Meeting Minutes June 10, 2024

BARONY OF VULKANFELDT BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

June 10th, 2024 7:00 PM

Round Table Pizza – Yakima, WA

Meeting started at 7:04 pm

Attendees: do not have sign in sheet?

1)Approval of May Minutes: Tabled

2)Baron/Baroness Report (Fiona & Ulrich) 12th Night we had our first Noble Estates meeting

3)Officer's Reports (*required office)

a)Seneschal* (Rurik) Spoke of Events attended, Officer turn in Quarterly Reports, Need to review Mina Carte

b)Chronicler* (Open) Need to fill this open position

c)Webminister (Open)Shannon Volunteered- Yeah- THANKS- Motion to approve 100%

d)Exchequer* (Jon) No Report

e)Chamberlain (Davyd) Emailed Report

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f)Herald* (Gregoir)Absent No Report

g)Master of Stables* (Steinnar)

Had Practice, Moved to Thursday, hope to link up with Waste Keeps Practice

h)Rapier – Cem, Discussed Rapier Practice once a month with Regular Heavy Practice, and loaner gear available.

i)Archer (Alric) Next Practice June 18th and July 2nd, now twice a month 6PM Colonial Garden.

j)Equestrian (Ulrich) Gave Report from May Crown, Equine activities.

k)Lists (Open)

l)Chatelaine* (Magdi)m)Arts & Sciences* (Iona)

n)Scribe (Kata)

o)Social Media (Ryan)

4)Past Events / Travel to other branches: None to report

a)Baroness War (Gregoir/Annamarie) Discussed how to do better at Gate and extra paperwork

5)Upcoming Events

a)Vulcanalia, October 11-13, 2024 (Steward TBD) Locked in Dates and FullBright Field and Stage Field

b)Yule, December 7, 2024 (Steward TBD) Locked in Dates

6)Old Business- Device shields on Round tables Walls, with in Meeting Room, Ron has blanks and Fiona thinks may be more in Chamberlains.

7)New Business: None

8)Meeting Adjournment: 7:54PM

No Official Meeting held in July 2024 due to lack of Quorum

Vulcanfeldt Business Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 12, 2024 - 7:00 PM

Per Barony of Vulcanfeldt Minor Carta - Customary for the Barony of Vulcanfeldt “for any votes to be taken, a quorum must exist that includes at least four of the Major Officers and/or the Baronage. Each person holding a Major Office may cast one vote. The Baronage together counts as one vote.”

“Major Officers shall be defined as those holding the offices required to function as a Barony: The Seneschal, Exchequer, Herald, Chronicler, Minister of Arts and Sciences, Master of Stables, Web Minister, and Chatelaine. While not a required position, Chief Scribe is also considered a Major Officer.”

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In Attendance: Alric Ivarsson, Ashley Longbow, Kata Byflugá, Rolf Longbow, Rurik Gjafvaldsson, Shannon Ni Connell, Steinnar Hrafensfuri, Tabitha Di Sclafani, Thorsten Kvendulfson, Ulrich Hellelicht.

Virtual Attendance: Magdalene (Magdi) Tynkere

Quorum met according to Minor Carta guidelines.

Meeting called to order at 7:01 PM by Rurik Gjafvaldsson, Seneschal.

Approval of June meeting minutes: Motion made to approve minutes as submitted, seconded, approved.

No official meeting held in July due to lack of quorum, became a social gathering of those in attendance.

Baron and Baroness (Ulrich & Fiona): Her Excellency Fiona absent. His Excellency Ulrich reported that he attended July Coronation. Not much to report since last month.

Seneschal (Rurik): Quarterly reports were due July 31, 2024. Had two (2) people request virtual access for this meeting, Shannon (webminister) arranged access. Zoom invite available. Chronicler position open for sometime, Dame Ashley sent letter of intent. Motion made to approve Ashley as Chronicler, seconded, approved.

Chronicler (Ashley): Will get minutes and newsletter out around September 1, 2024.

Webminister (Shannon): Trouble getting access to the website. Discussion regarding listing of awards on Vulcanfeldt web page. Rurik and Shannon will further discuss access to the website following the meeting.

Exchequer (Jon): Absent. Rurik reported that the Exchequer quarterly report was completed.

Chamberlain (Davyd): Absent

Master of Stables (Steinnar): Due to smoke/air quality some practices in July didn't happen. Thorsten (deputy MOS) will be running this week (August 15), practice. Rurik stated that he and Aesa will be attending Wastekeep Sergeantry Saturday, August 24, 2024.

Rapier (Cem): Rurik reported that Cem had planned to attend a July heavy practice and bring rapier gear. Practice canceled due to air quality. Will try for another date.

Archery (Alric): Practices going well, no air quality issues with archery. August practices scheduled for Tuesday, 8/13 and 8/27, 6 PM.

Equestrian (Ulrich): Not a lot going on, no official equestrian training. Contact Ulrich if you are interested in practices.

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Lists (OPEN): If interested in this office please contact Rurik (seneschal) for more information.

Chatelaine (Magdi): Via Zoom/virtual attendance. Discussion regarding demo, last social canceled due to air quality, will reschedule.

Arts & Sciences (Iona): Absent. No report. Rurik reminded everyone there is a tunic making workshop at the Mansfield Manor, Saturday, August 17, 2024. More information is listed on the Vulcanfeldt Facebook discussion page. Contact Aesa or Iona for directions and information.

Scribe (Kata): Will be doing scribal in a couple of weeks. Needs information for scrolls.

Past Events: Ulrich attended July Coronation. Madgi attended Newcomer event in Wealdsmere.

Upcoming Events:

Vulcanalia, October 11-13, 2024 (Event Steward - TBD): Bid (attached) submitted by Magdalyn (Magdi) Tynkere. Motion made to accept bid as submitted, seconded, approved. Event Steward - Magdi Tynkere.

Yule Feast, December 7, 2024 (Event Steward - TBD): Need steward and bid.

Old Business:

Shields/Roundtable Pizza: Discussion regarding replacing the shields. Rurik stated that anyone wishing to help with shields meet at Roundtable Pizza September 9, at 6 PM, prior to the business meeting. Rurik will have supplies to put shields on the wall.

New Business:

None

Motion made, seconded, and approved to adjourn meeting, 7:37 PM

**Next Business Meeting:
Monday, September 9, 7:00 PM
Roundtable Pizza, Yakima, WA**

Their Majesties of An Tir

King of An Tir – Eirik Daegarsson II

Queen of An Tir – Brynhildr Ansvarsdottir

Officers for the Barony of Vulcanfeldt

- Baron – His Excellency Ulrich Hellelicht
- Baroness – Her Excellency Fiona ingen Conchobair, OP
- Seneschal – His Lordship Rurik Gjafvaldsson
- Arts & Sciences – Her Ladyship Ionamyst Reginasdottir
- Chatelaine – Her Ladyship Magdi Tynkere
- Chronicler – Dame Ashley Longbow, OP
- Exchequer – His Lordship Jon Macleod
- Herald – Gregoir Au Belle
- Master of Stables – Sir Steinnar Ravensfury
- Scribe – Kata Bugthyra
- Webminister – Shannon Ni Connell
- Archer – His Lordship Alric Ivarsson
- Chamberlain – Lord Davyd of Vulcanfeldt
- Equestrian – His Excellency Ulrich Hellelicht
- Lists – OPEN
- Rapier – Lord Cem Hadar
- Social Media – Lady Uvhild Arrowseeker

Vulcanfeldt Champions

- Arts & Sciences - His Lordship 'Izza al-Dimashqiyya
- Bardic Champion - Lord Cem Hadar
- Equestrian Champion - His Excellency Ulrich Hellelicht
- Heavy Champion - Sir Steinnar Hrafensfuri
- Rapier Champion - Lord Cem Hadar

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