

The Signal

Barony of Vulcanfeldt

October AS 59 (2024)



“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](#)*

For More Information

Barony of Vulcanfeldt Website
<https://vulcanfeldt.antir.org/>

Barony of Vulcanfeldt Discussion Group
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/201003799915766/>

Kingdom of An Tir Events
<https://antir.org/events>

Society for Creative Anachornism
www.sca.org

An Tir Wiki
<https://antir.sca.wiki/>



Welcome to the 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

Baronial Activities

Monthly - 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

Weekly - Armored Combat Practices, Saturdays, 9:00 am

Fulbright Park, 4508 Main Street, Union Gap, WA 98903

Everyone is welcome to attend practices. All levels of experience are welcome to attend. Many people come to watch and visit.

Archery Practice, Tuesdays (Typically the 2nd and 4th Tuesday) 6 PM

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

All levels of experience are welcome. 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.

Arts and Sciences, Dates, Times, and Locations vary.

Whether you are interested in learning a new craft or interested in sharing your craft with others feel free to contact the Arts and Sciences officer for meeting times, dates, and location of the next meeting.

Equestrian practices, available upon request.

Equestrian activities for the barony are coordinated by Baron Ulrich Hellelict. Please reach out to him at baron.vulcanfeldt@antir.org for more information.

Upcoming Events

- **Barons Ball, Oct. 4-6**, Barony of Wastekeep, Horn Rapids County Park, Benton City, WA. Wastekeep's last camping event of the season. Heavy war tournament, Rapier tournament, A&S and Bardic Championships.
- **Vulcanalia, October 11-13**, Barony of Vulcanfeldt, Fulbright Park, Union Gap, WA. Baronial Championships to include Heavy & Rapier Combat, Target Archery & Thrown Weapons, and Arts & Sciences. A Festival of Archery to include Traditional, Historical and Novelty shoots. Themed party to celebrate Harvest.
- **Newcomers Academy, October 15 and November 19**, Online event Microsoft Teams, Third Tuesday of the month at 6 PM. Previous classes included Etiquette in the SCA. More information may be found on Facebook [An Tir Newcomers Education \(unofficial\)](#)
- **Octoberfeast, Oct. 19**, Barony of Wealdsmere, Five Mile Prairie Grange, Spokane, WA. Join us for a day of feasting, fun and merriment at Octoberfeast! This year we are back at the Five Mile Grange in west Spokane. This is a lovely hall with plenty of parking, and space for outdoor activities. This hall was recently remodeled with ADA accessible restrooms upstairs in the main hall.
- **Collegium, Oct. 25-27**, Barony of Wastekeep, Red Lion Columbia Center, Kennewick, WA. Collegium is returning to Wastekeep to stay! Join us for a three day Arts and Sciences extravaganza! Lecture classes, hands on classes.
- **Yule Feast, Dec. 7**, Barony of Vulcanfeldt, Location TBD. Feast of Yule. A time for our Baronage to gather and share thanks.
- **Twelfth Night, Jan. 10-12**, Kingdom of An Tir, Barony of Three Mountains, Portland, OR. Come join us as we attend Their Royal Majesties King Eirik and Queen Brynhildr as their reign draws to a close, completing another chapter in the glorious history of An Tir. Revel in the glorious coronation of Crown Prince Nicolai Rabenis Von Tachov and Crown Princess Ana de la Sara as they claim the rightfully won crown of An Tir for their own.

The Barony of Vulcanfeldt Needs You

Officer opportunities

Lists

Chamberlain

Lists manage contestant scores for heavy and rapier tournaments. Currently we host tournaments at Vulcanalia and Baroness War.

Chamberlain ensures the baronial items stored in the trailer and the storage unit are available when needed for events. Currently the barony hosts three (3) events per year, Vulcanalia, Yule Feast, and Baroness War, that would require assistance from the Chamberlain.

Not quite ready to volunteer for office, maybe later... If you are interested in holding an office in the future, but not sure what everyone does:

- Talk to any of the local officers - they can provide you with insight into what the office entails.
- Look up the job descriptions for each office - good place to start is the baronial Minor Carta and the Kingdom of An Tir site www.antir.org
- Take on a deputy role - check out one of the following offices: Seneschal, Exchequer, Herald, Chatelaine, Chronicler, Master of Stables, Arts and Sciences, Webminister.

Maybe an office doesn't interest you right now, how about an event. Events need volunteers, for a day, a couple hours, during set up, clean up, helping organize activities prior to the event. Events don't just happen, they require people.

- Vulcanalia - October 11 - 12 , 2024, contact Magdi Tynkere to volunteer
- Yule Feast - December 2024
- Baroness War - April 2025

Want to meet people - volunteer to help at Gate, you'll assist with site fees, direct people to camps and activities, and get to know a lot of new people.

Want to know more about armored combat activities - check with the Marshal in Charge for the activity at the event or our local heavy, rapier, or archery officer prior to the event.

Arts and Sciences - make items for display, enter a contest, volunteer to help make site tokens, offer to teach a class or volunteer to help organize classes.

There are so many ways to help out at events - Contact the Event Steward, offer to help. Event Stewards volunteered to oversee the event and keep everything moving so the event could happen, but they need your help to make it all look flawless and come together for everyone attending. When you walk through the gate of an event, all the pageantry, set up, and transformation of a site didn't just happen, people made it happen. Volunteer to be part of that magic.



From The Chatelain

Greeting good gentles, those who are well known, and those who are new.

I am HL Magdalyn Tynkere, better known only as Magdi. I am introducing myself as Vulcanfeldt's Chatelain. The office of Chatelain is an important one because we are the welcome wagon, as per se. The Chatelain's job is to greet newcomers, share information, be an easy contact for those who need help navigating the SCA world, put people in touch with the best person to help fill in any information I may not have in a situation, be the contact for people from other areas who are active but moving into our kingdom and Barony and so many other duties to help interested people have a welcome and smooth start or transition into Vulcanfeldt. I am here for anyone needing guidance regarding the Society for Creative Anachronism.

HL Magdalyn Tynkere
Chatelain, Barony of Vulcanfeldt



From the Chronicler

Greetings from Ashley Longbow,

As mentioned at the September business meeting, articles and photos are always welcome for publication in the newsletter. If you wish to contribute an article or photo please email the item to vulcanfeldt.chronicler@antir.org If we don't have a publication release form on file, I will request you complete one prior to publishing your item.

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Dame Ashley Longbow, OP
Chronicler, Barony of Vulcanfeldt

Monthly Feature

Garb Fashion Timelines

Magdalyn Tynkere 2024

There are those lucky people who know right at the start, know what country and era they wish to build their persona from and there are those who don't know where to start. Choosing a persona and deciding on the culture, region, and era of who you want to represent is one of the most daunting, yet interesting parts of our Sca experience. One of the parts I love best about helping someone realize their persona is researching garb. We have a rich and varied representation of cultures and social standings in all the kingdoms of our SCA. You can develop yourself into who you truly want to be.

There are literally thousands and thousands of options to choose from when it comes to garb and I don't just mean fabric. Let's say, you have chosen the era and culture you are drawn to. In that culture, there are different social status, occupations, religions, and races. Though it is assumed in the SCA that we are all nobility, at least that was the way things were done when I started, there are some who choose to portray the military or the working class. The clothing for the groups within the groups are different from the standard portrait depictions which are different from the nobility which is different from the royalty. See what I mean? That's why some of us crazy garb people make it a study of a lifetime.

As an Explanation, I will use my persona as an example: My persona is a woman in the very early Ottoman Empire, 1290's. My garb is much simpler and plainer than the more popular Suleiman the Magnificent era during the reign of Elizabeth I. The fabrics and colors are different because colors were slated to social standing and gender. Because there aren't many who have persona in this culture and time period, it can be confusing.

Do you have to be this precise? Absolutely not. Do you have to even choose a persona and the garb style right away? Absolutely not. Take your time. My advice is to look around you. See all the wonderful varieties of style, color, and culture, then ask someone about what they are wearing. There are research sources galore. My favorites are the Society for Creative Anachronism main library and .edu and .org websites. Museum display photos, university articles, period paintings and art, are all great sources. Or, you can ask someone that you like what they are wearing. It's a great way to meet people.

I hope this is helpful in helping to start your journey in the Society for Creative Anachronism.

HL Magdalyn Tynkere, 2024

Vulcanfeldt Baronial Awards

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

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.

Vulcanfeldt Baronial Champions

Champions are determined by their respective Champion Tournament held annually.

- Champion of Vulcanfeldt
- Rapier Champion
- Baronial Protector/Archery Champion
- Thrown Weapons Champion
- Arts and Sciences Champion
- Bardic Champion
- Youth Armored Champion
- Junior Archery Champion
- Youth Rapier Champion

Vulcanfeldt Business Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 9, 2024 - 7:00 PM

In Attendance: Aesa Ormriauga, Alric Ivarsson, Ashley Longbow, Cem Hadar, Fiona ingen Conchobair, Kata Byfluga, Magdi Tynkere, Rolf Longbow, Rurik Gjafvaldsson, Shannon Ni Connell, Steinnar Hrafensfuri, Tabitha Di Sclafani, Uvhild Arrowseeker.

Quorum met according to Minor Carta guidelines.*

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

Approval of August meeting minutes: Motion made to approve minutes as submitted, seconded, approved. Kata abstained.

Baron and Baroness (Ulrich & Fiona): His Excellency Ulrich absent. Her Excellency Fiona reported that it had been a quiet month. Fiona will not be able to attend Border War this month. Making plans to attend Baron's Ball and Vulcanalia.

Seneschal (Rurik): Quiet month. Double checking paperwork. Working on email access for Shannon (webminister) and Ashley (chronicler). Attended sergeants in Wastekeep.

Chronicler (Ashley): Minutes and The Signal posted to Vulcanfeldt Facebook discussion page. Contacted Kingdom regarding access to Chronicler email. Once webminister has gained access to Vulcanfeldt webpage Chronicler will provide minutes and newsletter for publication on webpage. Articles, photos, etc are always welcome for publication in the newsletter. Magdi mentioned release forms for articles, photos, etc. Ashley has release forms available.

Webminister (Shannon): Waiting to hear back from the Kingdom Webminister.

Exchequer (Jon): Absent. No report on financials this meeting.

Chamberlain (OPEN): This position is open. If interested in this office please contact Rurik (seneschal) and Baron and Baroness.

Herald (Gregoir): Absent. No report.

Master of Stables (Steinnar): Have been holding regular practices. Will be moving practice to Saturdays, 9:00 AM, beginning September 14, 2024, location will move to Fullbright Park in Union Gap.

Rapier (Cem): Would like to get rapier started in Vulcanfeldt. Discussed hosting a weekend clinic in November. Would like to have an Intro/beginning rapier through Advanced classes.

Archery (Alric): Archery going well, unsure when we will stop practicing due to weather and loss of light in the evenings. Currently planning on practices Tuesday, September 10 and September 24.

Equestrian (Ulrich): Absent. No report.

Lists (OPEN): If interested in this office please contact Rurik (seneschal) for more information. Will need someone to run lists at Vulcanalia.

Chatelaine (Magdi): Would still like to host a demo (in garb) incorporated with one of the fight practices. Discussed having a demo every quarter.

Arts & Sciences (Iona): Absent. No report. Her Excellency Aesa Ormriauga reported on the August 17, Arts & Sciences tunic making day. Good turnout. Next A&S gathering may be in October as the September calendar is already full.

Scribe (Kata): Working on items.

Social Media (Uvhild): Everything quiet.

Past Events: Shannon attended September Crown and Wyewood Champions. Cem and Magdi attended Wealdsmere event. Alric attended the William Tell Archery Tournament. Rurik, Daegar, and Thorsten attended Wastekeep sergeants trials.

Upcoming Events:

Vulcanalia, October 11-13, 2024 (Event Steward - Magdi Tynkere): Planning going well. Discussed costs. Still need a heavy MIC. Will not offer classes this year. Need someone to run youth activities.

Yule Feast, December 7, 2024 (Event Steward - TBD): Need steward and bid. Her Excellency Fiona would be interested in putting a bid together. Brief discussion. Fiona will put together a bid for the next meeting.

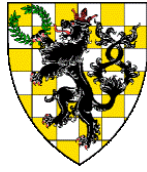
Old Business: None

New Business: Her Excellency Ashley asked about a 20-year celebration. Vulcanfeldt was granted baronial status in 2005, 2025 will mark a 20th anniversary.

Motion made, seconded, and approved to adjourn meeting, 7:37 PM
(*Shields were placed on the meeting room wall following the meeting.*)

**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 Office."



Their Majesties of An Tir
 King of An Tir – Eirik Daegarsson II
 Queen of An Tir – Brynhildr Ansvarsdottir



Their Royal Highness of An Tir
 Crown Prince of An Tir - Nicolai Rabenis Von Tachov
 Crown Princess of An Tir - Ana de la Sara

Officers for the Barony of Vulcanfeldt

Baron of Vulcanfeldt

His Excellency Ulrich Hellelicht
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Arts & Sciences

Her Ladyship Ionamyst Reginasdottir

Chronicler

Dame Ashley Longbow, OP

Exchequer

His Lordship Jon Macleod

Herald

Gregoir Au Belle

Equestrian

His Excellency Ulrich Hellelicht

Rapier

Lord Cem Hadar

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Sir Steinnar Ravensfury

Scribe

Kata Bugthyra

Webminister

Shannon Ni Connell

Archer

His Lordship Alric Ivarsson

Social Media

Lady Uvhild Arrowseeker

Lists

OPEN



Vulcanfeldt Champions

Arts & Sciences - Her Ladyship 'Izza al-Dimashqiyya

Bardic Champion - Lord Cem Hadar

Equestrian Champion - His Excellency Ulrich Hellelicht

Heavy Champion - Sir Steinnar Hrafensfuri

Rapier Champion - Lord Cem Hadar

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.

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