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Welcome to *Il Tempo* (The Times), the Newsletter of the Barony of Ponte Alto, one of the northern baronies in the Kingdom of Atlantia.

Il Tempo strives to be an informative read that you look forward to. To this end, we are always appreciative of any contributions to it: perhaps an article of a project you are working on or are interested in, how to make or play a period game, your experience at an event, how/what to prepare for a day trip, a recipe/piece of garb that you've made, documentation on an item you've competed, a how-to on documentation, a few words on a historical person/event, photos, a book review, something to share with a newcomer; perhaps a short autobiography of your persona or how you came to figure out your persona. The list can go on for ages and is only limited by the speed at which our hands can write what our minds think.

Come, share with us adventures in the great Barony of Ponte Alto, in the grand Kingdom of Atlantia, in this - the Current Middle Ages!

News / Announcements

Letters of Intent for Polling

Letters of Intent for Baron and Baroness are in and are published on the following pages. They will be printed in the July, August, and September issues of *Il Tempo* and on the Barony's website..

> ~ Lady Caitilin Irruis inghean ui Riada Seneschal



Sewing Circle/Fiber Arts

To the Fiber Artisans of Ponte Alto does Lady Runa send damp greetings! I will not be hosting Sewing Circle this month due to pre-Pennsic panic. Please feel free to have it at someone else's house if you are so inclined. August will be my last month in Ponte Alto. I can host, but the house will be in pre-move panic. Be thinking if you'd like to take this on after I depart, and if you'd like to start with August, I can help.

~Lady Rúnfríðr Hofmansdottir



Letters of Intent for Baronage

Greetings unto The Populace of Ponte Alto, Their Highnesses of Atlantia and Their Excellencies of Ponte Alto:

We, Lord Alric the Mad and Lady Cellach Mór (Lady Kel), would like to be considered for Baronage of the Ponte Alto.

We consider ourselves Another Fine Product of Ponte Alto. Though we travel the length and breadth of the Kingdom, and regularly attend events in other kingdoms, Ponte Alto is our "home base". We view service and baronage as an opportunity to continue to support the Barony of Ponte Alto and the Kingdom of Atlantia, and draw attention to the works of its populace. We admire traditions begun in Ponte Alto and continue to ensure that all people feel welcome and supported within the Barony. We also would see the fighting continue at the tremendous level it is, and would work toward a strong Ponte Alto field presence at events.

We have sought the advice of friends, the current Baron and Baroness of Ponte Alto, other current and former territorial Barons and Baronesses and our Peers – Count Sinclair Hawkins, Countess Kari Kyst, and Maitresse Belphoebe de Givet, about this responsibility and now feel we understand the commitment required and the expectations of the office. We have their enthusiastic support.

Alric moved to Atlantia in 1997, and began fighting in Ponte Alto. He is currently a rapier and fighter armored, and a Marshal in both disciplines. He was the Ponte Alto Rapier Champion for Baron James de Biblesworth and Baroness Katharine Devereaux, as well as for Baron Marcellus Capozello di Napoli and Baroness Belphoebe de Givet. He was awarded an Onore del Ponte Nero in 2012. He is a member of the Order of the Golden Dolphin, and a Companion of the White Scarf.

Cellach has been active in SCA since meeting Alric in 2005. She is a member of the Order of the Golden Dolphin, baronial MOL for Ponte Alto, authorized in Combat Archery and Siege Weapons, and is a warranted Combat Archery Marshall. She was awarded an Onore del Ponte d'Oro in 2012. She can also be seen occasionally on the Target Archery Range. She autocratted St. Patty's Day Bloodbath in 2013, dabbles in Arts & Sciences and is passionate about fighter support.

We understand that the strength of a barony is its populace and their commitment to the Barony and Kingdom. As representatives of the Crown it is our duty to encourage and champion that commitment. Should you select to entrust us with your lands and your populace we vow to nurture, support, and build the Barony of Ponte Alto.

YIS,

Lord Alric the Mad (OGD, OWS) and Lady Cellach Mór (OGD)







Letters of Intent for Baronage (cont.)

Unto Your Highnesses Christoph and Adelhait, and the populace of the Barony of Ponte Alto come warmest greetings from Lord Grimkirk ap Greymoor and Lady Agnete Köslin.

As time marches on from the youthful virtues of spring to the bold wars of summer, into the victory celebrations of autumn and the cloistering before winter's icy mantle falls, so too do these winds of change bring us before You now. We have weighed carefully the burdens of *noblesse oblige*, and acknowledge that to stand as landed nobility conveys considerable responsibility. Cloaked in the long shadows cast by Their Excellencies, Drogo and Adina, and the many successful reigns that have gone before, we humbly submit our names in consideration as successor candidates for the honor of serving as Baron and Baroness of our home, Ponte Alto.

In our 50 plus years of combined membership across six (6) vastly different kingdoms, we have come to understand that to hold lands in fief from the Crown is to carry the burden of Obligation. Obligations to serve and nurture those citizens and lands bestowed into one's trust. An obligation to gently cultivate acts of selfless service — both in the defense of our Kingdom, and in ways large and small that beautify and enrich the Realm and our Society. But ultimately, an obligation to acknowledge, recognize and advocate for those who also serve beyond the sight of the Crown.

To those ends, we would consider it our greatest privilege as Ponte Alto's Baron and Baroness to sustain and perpetuate the close-knit sense of 'family' that we found when first we came to Atlantia; that strength of community across our barony which made us feel instantly welcome. We believe it is through this feeling of belonging that Ponte Alto has thrived and grown, as we continue to attract and retain new citizens of all ages.

Currently, we serve the barony, kingdom and society in various roles. Grimkirk, as Knight's Marshal and at corporate as the Society's information and technology officer, and also served as event steward at four of Ponte Alto's last six events as of this writing; most recently, Spring Crown. Agnete serves both as Baronial Herald and at Kingdom as Sea Stag Herald (education). She is also routinely found greeting our guests from the entrance of every event. Supporting both the arts martial and the arts refined, Grimkirk is an accomplished combatant and acquits himself in both Armored and Rapier combat, while also pursuing many gentler arts. Agnete prefers pursuits in various fiber arts, heraldic research, and has an (as yet) unfulfilled interest in archery. Collectively, we believe our own experiences in these areas will help to inform our responsibilities as advocates of the arts and artisans of Ponte Alto.

Still, though our barony is landlocked, we seek new ways to grow our numbers. As Knight's Marshal, Grimkirk has been actively planning to take the barony's local fighter practices 'on the road', across the expansive county lands chartered to Ponte Alto in search of new communities of gentles who are not yet familiar with our Society. As we both believe this is a 'Good Plan', we would encourage continued pursuit of it from the vantage of the Baronage. We would also continue to promote an increase in the pageantry and circumstance that befits our noble kingdom, such as was presented at this Spring's Crown Tournament.

In keeping with Ponte Alto's 'High Bridge', we look forward to the opportunity to serve our barony and its people as its 'bridge' with the Kingdom of Atlantia. In service to the Society,

Lord Grimkirk ap Greymoor, OPF, OCK, OO Lady Agnete Köslin, OO





Lord Grimkirk is a 13c Welshman, who began his days in the Barony of the Flame (Middle), and campaigned abroad as a young man to the lands of the Orient (West), Principality of Calontir (Middle), Principality of Outlands (Atenveldt), and Kingdom of the Outlands, before returning and settling in the Province of Tre-Girt-Sea (First Province of the Known World). From there He then scoured the Middle Kingdom

mka John Michael Schneider mka Sue Schneider

for 25 years to find his one true love, Lady Agnete (a 13c German), impatiently waiting for him. Together, they set out to Atlantia and made Ponte Alto their new home. Active since A.S. VIII (1974) and A.S. XXXIX (2005) respectively, Grimkirk has received the Order of the Purple Fret (MK equivalent to ATL Opal), is a principal of the Middle Kingdom's Order of the Cavendish Knot (MK equivalent to ATL Sea Dragon), and Ponte Alto's Ponte d'Oro (Baronial service). Both he and Lady Agnete have received the Order of the Opal since arriving in Atlantia.



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Procession for Baroness Marie Therese, Spring Crown 2015. Photo by Theresa Crean (Theresa O Cahir)







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June Business Meeting Minutes

Minutes for the Barony's June Business Meeting will be published in the August issue of *Il Tempo*. If you have any questions regarding business conducted at that meeting, please contact Lady Caitilin the Seneschal, at seneschal@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org.

> ~ Theresa O Cahir Chronicler



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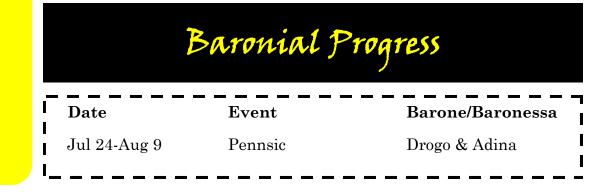








List field at Spring Crown Tournament 2015. Photo by Theresa Crean (Theresa O Cahir)





<mark>Calendar</mark> July

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		1	2 6:00 p.m. Heavy Weapons Practice 6:30 p.m. Rapier Practice	3	4	5 10:00 a.m. Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice* Archery*
6	7	8	9 6:00 p.m. Heavy Weapons Practice 6:30 p.m. Rapier Practice	10	11	12 10:00 a.m. Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice* Archery*
13	14	15	16 6:00 p.m. Heavy Weapons Practice 6:30 p.m. Rapier Practice 7:00 p.m. Sewing Circle*	17	18	19 10:00 a.m. Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice 12:00 p.m. Potluck Archery* 6:00 p.m. Baronial Business Meeting
20 6:30 p.m. Scribal/A&S Night	21	22	23 6:00 p.m. Heavy Weapons Practice No Rapier Practice	24 Pennsic	25 Pennsic	26 Pennsic
27 Pennsic	28 Pennsic	29 Pennsic	30 Pennsic	31 Pennsic	+=weather permitting. **= if needed. Look for a message on the Baronial email list.	*=times and location may vary; please email or call the point of contact in "weekly Events."



Calendar–Looking Ahead August

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25 Scribal/A&S Night	26	27	28	29	30	31 10:00 a.m. Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice Archery*



Sunday

Weekly Events

Fourth Sunday of the month at 6:00 p.m. Please check the Barony's email

list, Facebook page, or contact the Seneschal for the meeting location. Ponte Alto Baronial **Business** Meeting Outdoor Heavy Weather permitting, 12:30 to 4:00 p.m., outdoors at Tysons-Pimmit Park, Weapons and behind Tysons-Pimmit Library, Falls Church. Please contact the Baronial Rapier Knight Marshal for more information or check the Barony's Facebook page before you go to ensure that fighters will be gathering. Practice Outdoor Check the Barony's Facebook page or contact Baronial Archery Marshal for dates and times. The group has been practicing at Lake Needwood most Archery Sundays, and at Ft. Belvoir on alternate Sundays. Check the Barony's Face-Practice book page. The Archery Marshal can give you information and directions to the range. Monday Ponte Alto/ 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. during Daylight Savings Time. The outdoor practice site is at Grimmsfield, 16132 Crusade Ct., Haymarket, VA 20169. Practices are Stierbach held jointly with Stierbach. You may contact the Baronial Archery Marshal Archery for carpool or other information. Practice Held the Monday night after the Baronial Business Meeting-date vary. Scribal/A&S Currently held at the home of the Baron & Baroness (4214 Maylock Ln Night Fairfax) and begins at 6:30 p.m. Bring calligraphy, illumination, and any A&S projects—or come to chat! Thursday Every Thursday at Shrevewood Elementary School from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. Indoor Rapier Please use the rear entrance to the cafeteria. Please contact the Baronial Practice* Rapier Marshal for more information. This is a school activity.* Lemon Road Elementary School from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Practice is geared to Indoor Heavy developing the beginning and intermediate fighters through intensive handson training with experienced instructors, as well as to provide ample oppor-Weapons tunity for more advanced fighters to spar with knight-level combatants. All Practice* are welcome. Contact the Baronial Knight Marshal for more information. This is a school activity.* Sewing Third Thursday of each month. Meets at Lady Rúnfríðr Hofmansdottir Circle (Jennie Murphy). Please call or e-mail for start time and directions (703) 304-3303 (M), RunaSCA@gmail.com; check the Barony's Facebook group for any last-minute rescheduling or cancellations. Friday Once a month, Newcomers Meetings occur from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. at the Newcomers home of various members of the Barony. Contact the Baronial Chatelaine or

*= Note on school locations for activities:

Meetings

There will be no activities at schools during school holidays or on other days when Fairfax County schools are closed or all nighttime school recreational activities are cancelled. Notification of cancellation or alternate site location will be posted on the website as soon as possible. You can visit the Fairfax County Public Schools Emergency Announcement page for school closure status at http:..fcps.edu/news/emerg.htm

check the Facebook page for the date and host's address.

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Release form for **models** (the subject of your artwork or photograph): http://www.sca.org/docs/pdf/ReleaseModelFillable.pdf