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*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 or what to prepare for a day trip or a War, a recipe or piece of garb that you've made, documentation on an item you've completed, 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. For longer narratives (on projects, for example) we can serialize as you go, including photos at different stages.)

This list of potential submissions can go on for ages –limited only by the speed at which our hands can write out what our minds can think of.

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

# Populace Gathering/Business Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Sept 17, 2024

**Began:** 7:32 PM

**Location:** Virtual Meeting

**Adjourned:** 8:47 PM

**Notes:** Viscountess Katya Wanderer

**Attendees:** 14 people

## **OFFICER'S REPORTS**

### **Seneschal – Lord Rónán mac Ímair (Ron Hanagan)**

October Populace Meeting will be pushed to 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday so it doesn't conflict with WoW.

### **Exchequer – Lord Mowgli of Anglesey (Aaron Parness)**

- Current Balance in Checking Account: 7468.66
- Outstanding liabilities: reimbursement for storage fees.
- Baron Hákon noted Costco may be a better place to buy checks next time. Cheaper.

### **Herald – Mistress Johanna le Paumer (Sarah Stango)**

- It's been quiet. A couple of submissions were bounced back for an Admin issue. They are now back in the queue.
- Křišťan announced that Mistress Johanna now has three deputy heralds. Forannán is the third and will be focusing on field heraldry.
- Křišťan is set to do court at Wild Hunt.

### **Knight Marshal – Syr Frederick Thurston (Fred Clune)**

- Heavy Practice moved indoors at the Lemon Road School this month.
- Ponte Alto has two new authorized fighters after Battle on the Bay
- Torin is getting Marshalized for thrown weapons, he's already warranted to marshal Archery.
- The new Rapier Marshal (announced last month) has received the Barony Loaner Gear and is ready to outfit new swords people who are ready to learn.
- Shreve Elementary school is less available this school year, so Rapier Practice will be at Lemon Road Elementary (7230 Idylwood Rd, Falls Church, VA 22043) with Heavy on Thursdays until spaces are figured out.
- Attendance at all fighter Practice has continued to be above average.
- Archery Practice is still combined with Thrown Weapon practice at Grimmsfield once a month on Sundays. Archery practice is continuing to increase participants, although with the light fading, the expectation is that this will wane with winter.

## **Arts & Sciences – Noble Cuno von Altebrücke (Joseph Glancy)**

*But first, a word from our Sponsor:*

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- 4. Original works only. No AI, purchased art, etc.**
- 5. The deadline is October 15th 2024.**

**To Submit, send a copy/picture via email to [moas@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org](mailto:moas@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org) or a private message to me on Facebook.**

**Good luck, and happy crafting!**

*... back to our regularly scheduled programming:*

Two A&S classes were held in September:

- Konrad presented How to Get Grants for A&S Projects which went well. There were four attendees, and an excellent discussion was held.
- Finn an Lachlannaigh did a class on Introduction to Calligraphy.

The **deadline** to turn in Mascot Ideas to the MoAS is **NEXT WEEK** (10/15.) So far there is one entry and one theme song.

The Kingdom MoAS has asked all Baronies to mention that there is no bid for Kingdom A&S. (Please see page 11) This event is held annually on the first weekend of March. Baron Hákon mentioned that the last time they looked Fairfax County park usage rates had gone to \$10,000.

### **Chatelaine – Lady Emilia Nicastle**

Potlucks to welcome newcomers will continue through the winter co-located with the indoor Fighter Practice to the extent possible. We will bring paper tablecloths to protect the cafeteria furniture. All are encouraged to participate and come on Thursdays and Sundays to get to know the youngest/newest of Pontoons.

### **Chronicler – Viscountess Katya Wanderer**

Due to various illnesses and injuries, the recent issues of Il Tempo have been delayed. Hopefully this will now stop happening. In case it doesn't, Katya would be pleased to train a deputy. Hearty Thanks to TH Lord Rónán, and Lady Juliette for their assistance.

## **Web Minister – Brian/Robin & Ronan**

Please send any edits for the website to Lord Rónán and Lord Robin.

Lord Robin continues to improve the web redesign.

Wild Hunt has a website ready to load. Robin will use the 2018 page for reference.

## **Social Media Officer – Noble Salimbene of Ponte Alto (Beth Warren)**

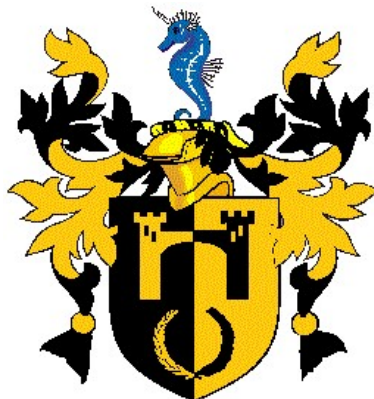
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○ [https://www.instagram.com/barony\\_of\\_ponte\\_alto](https://www.instagram.com/barony_of_ponte_alto)



## **Their Excellencies, Baron Hákon and Baroness Hrefna**

- A new Baronial Progress is now available on the Ponte Alto Website. His Excellency will be solo at War of the Wings.
- Their Excellencies expressed their gratitude to all those who assisted them at the most recent few events.
- One (or more) of the zip codes that should have been Ponte Alto was stolen. Stierbach must be punished. Will culminate at Victory on the Vine next year.
- Frederick will assist Hokan to fix up the field coronets. (2 of the 3)
- Hokan will send photos of original coronets
- **Please [submit](#) award recommendations!**
- We are looking for those members of the Barony who are interested in learning more about the role of the Barons and Baronesses in Atlantia. There is no requirement to ‘run’ to be B or B after Their current Excellencies step down in 2.5 years, but if you have an interest, or have thought about pursuing it further in years to come, we would like to hear from you. Given that Her Excellency and I are still very much learning ourselves we would invite others to share in the journey.
- His Excellency has declared that more Helgaball is required!



## **EVENTS**

### **Fall Crown – Nov 2**

We didn't get the event. We didn't meet the criteria. Spiaggia Levantina won the bid. We will work on a bid for Fall of next year. We will make arrangements for next year with winery owner to try to use that site.

### **Holiday Faire – Katya Wanderer- Stierbach – November 16, 2024**

- Katya needs a key to storage and a check to Stierbach for \$25.
- Workdays at the Storage site will start 10/12. There will be a plan. We will have 5 weekends (not necessarily 2 days each weekend) to clean out, organize, and inventory the items in the Storage Site. AND price and arrange transportation for anything in Storage that will go to the Faire. If you can help transport things to the Fairgrounds, contact Katya. Merchant set-up begins at 8:00 on the 16<sup>th</sup>. The event opens at 10:00. There is a rumor that there will again be a donation lunch by Her Excellency Graciela. (Yum!)
- If you want to donate any items to the Holiday Faire sale table, please get it to Katya as soon as possible. All proceeds of the sale will be put into the Baronial Bank Account to cover our regular expenses. Last year we made \$500. Let's double it for this year!
- Katya would also be grateful for any assistance at the sale table during the event.
- Hakon can provide tables. How many do we need? 4 tables! 2 clothing racks.

### **Wild Hunt – Saturday, November 23, 2024**

- Nobles Cuno and Salimbene (event stewards) are making plans for the return of the Wilde Hunt to Ponte Alto. It will be held at Nottaway Park (the same site as last year's Birthday Party/Baronial Investiture.)
- Mowgli will help Spike the event and send Insurance information to Cuno with budget paperwork.
- The event does not have cooking facilities available, so all will be encouraged to bring picnics for the day. There will be water in the Baronial Pavilion. There may be snacks; bring some to share!
- The Arts & Sciences component of the event will have no particular theme; Kathryn will be running A&S for the day. She intends to do a Scroll drive, so you can start now on scroll blanks for the Atlantian and Ponte Alto awards.
- The Baronial Mascot will be launched at this event.
- Folks have expressed an interest in lawn games.

- **Cuno begs assistance to negotiate and arrange “Porta-Castles.” This will be a three-way negotiation with the Barony, the County of Fairfax, and the Castle provider.**

The event has marshals for Heavy & Rapier, has a Gatekeeper, the Marshals In Charge will find and assign field marshals.

- **Cuno needs guidance with SPIKE (needs to be updated for SCORES.)**
- **Salimbene will get a URL for the event website, and then set up SCORES**
- They are looking for a Lists Minister; (Baron Hákon offered to speak to Maryana).

### **Baronial Birthday and Bloodbath – Ponte Alto – March 22, 2025**

- Mowgli will Zoom with Forannán to go over How to SPIKE an Event.
- Forannán is the Event Steward for Bloodbath which will be at Nottaway Park. Sofia has created a manual. If anyone has a copy of said Manual, could you please forward it to Forannán. Mowgli will make sure they have the exchequer copy of the Event Steward Guide.
- **Need to get something spiked soon, even if the rest of the plans can be deferred.**

### **Victory on the Vine (next year)**

- The Barony is still Looking for an **Event Steward** for AS LX.
- Hokan will propose a date in Late April/Early May. We need to get the next iteration **spiked** already even if we don't have an event steward yet. If you are interested in running the next Victory on the Vine, talk to the Baron and the Seneschal.

### **OLD & NEW BUSINESS**

Katya is organizing some fabric projects to use up the donated fabric that was not sold at the Holiday Faire last year.

1. Banners – would need a short banner class
2. Scroll Cases – always needed at Kingdom; one of our southern brethren (Barony) is desperate for them.
3. The Rapier Marshall would like to make coats for new fighters if we have large enough pieces.

Victory was so successful, Dave is thrilled with us and wants us to come back a lot.

Noble Cuno is waiting to receive your entries into the competition for mascots for the Barony. (Parameters are on FB) He is looking for original artwork, two- or three-dimensional. If you have any ideas, please send him your Mascot Proposal drawings/sculptures. Then a Making Day will be scheduled for the final work-Mascots to be made. TE decides finalists, populace votes.

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Good luck, and happy crafting!

YIS,

*Noble Cuno von Altebrücke*

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## Atlantia Kingdom Arts and Sciences Festival

The Atlantia Kingdom Arts and Sciences Festival is held the first weekend in March, annually. It's the premier A&S event our kingdom holds, and it has a few requirements for the site, which can be found here: [LINK](#). The document outlines the basic requirements plus details on what makes a great KASF site vs. a site that barely fits what we need.

**We have no bids yet for KASF 2025**, but we do have some money generated by fundraising just for this event! Please look around at your community's event sites and let me know if you have some good ideas. I'm happy to chat with you about what could be a great KASF site and bid!

Many thanks for your continued support of our shared A&S community!

YIS,

*Dame Sophia the Orange, Atlantia Kingdom Minister of Arts and Sciences*



## Atlantia Event Calendar – October/November

Date	Event	Location
10-13 - 10-20	War of the Wings	Booneville NC (Atlantia)
10-26 - 10-26	Clash of the Bacchus	Afton VA (Black Diamond)
11-01 - 11-03	Fall Crown Tournament	Centreville MD (Spiaggia Levantina)
11-08 - 11-10	Grit War 2024: A House Divided - Savory vs. Sweet	Apex NC (Ursus Bay)
11-08 - 11-10	Highland Havoc	Ijamsville MD (Highland Foorde)
11-15 - 11-17	Feast of the Narwhal	Trenton SC (Cydlan Downs)
11-15 - 11-17	Hobbiton: A Buckston Birthday	Apex NC (Buckston-on-Eno)
11-16 - 11-16	In a Phoenix Eye / Runestone	Lincolnton NC (Sacred Stone)
11-16 - 11-16	Holiday Faire	Fredericksburg VA (Stierbach)
11-23 - 11-23	Wild Hunt	Vienna VA (Ponte Alto)

\*Note that these dates and links are subject to change. For a full and updated list, please visit the Atlantia Kingdom Calendar at <https://atlantia.sca.org/calendar/>.



## Ponte Alto Recognized

Here we list all the awards and other recognition received by the populace or granted by Their Excellencies Ponte Alto. **If we have missed yours, or someone you know, please let us know so we can add it to the next issue.** If you would like to double check your awards or just look at the OP, you can find it here:

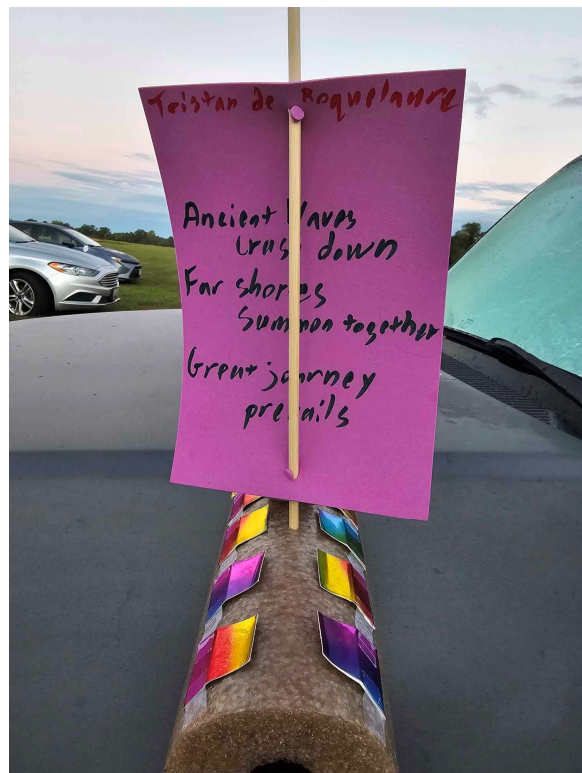
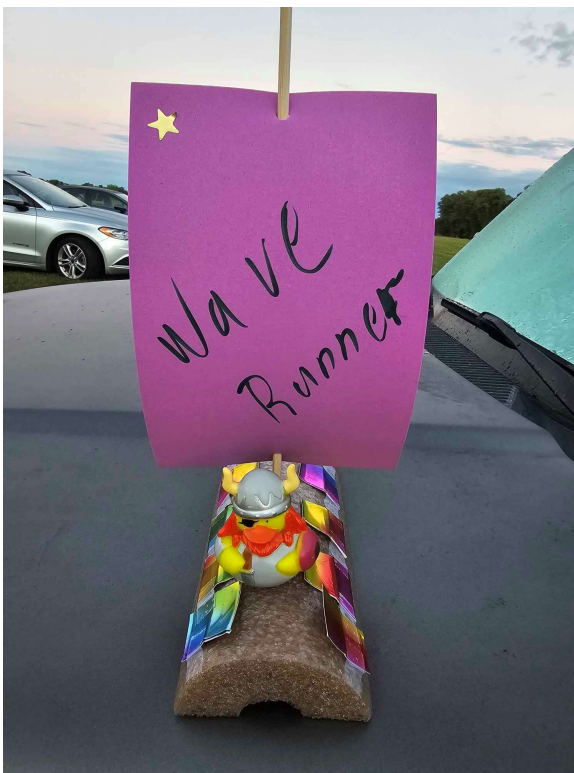
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The following awards were granted TO Barony members for September 2024!

Pontoon	Award Name	Date	Bestowed By
Mistress Symone de la Rochelle	Cloistered Crab (Atlantia) (Lochmere)	9/7/2024	Linhart and Letia
Lady Virginie de Champagne	Award of the Undine (Atlantia)	9/14/2024	Christoph III and Adelhait IV

**Again, if we missed anyone, please let us know so we can add you next month.**

**Congratulations to our own Tristan de Roquelaure, who entered the Boat Making Contest at Battle on the Bay. He won the award for Prettiest Boat!**



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## Rapier Marshal

Miriam Giantslayer (Amanda Petritsch)

Deputy Rapier Marshal  
VACANT

## Archery Marshal

Lord Rónán mac Ímair (Ron Hanagan)

Deputy Archery Marshals  
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## OPENINGS! Uncle Rónán wants YOU!

So many people have stepped up, and you will find their names on the previous pages. Give them a warm Thank You for helping us all to grow stronger as a Barony.

But don't worry – there are still a few openings left:

All Baronial Offices would benefit by having at least one deputy. Why? With deputies, the workload can be shared, so no one has to get burned out by trying to do it all by themselves. It is a great way to work with others to do something to help make your, and others' SCA experience that much better! Plus you get to meet lots of people and you get to learn cool things.

### Current Vacant Positions

**Deputy Knight Marshal** – Come learn about the ins and outs of Marshaling. You get a special place \*on\* the list field during tournaments so you can see heavy fighters close-up.

We are looking for someone who is good with kids. You might even still be a kid yourself. At least a kid at heart. The Barony is seeking both a **Chancellor of Youth Activities and a Youth Marshal.**

**Deputy Seneschal** – President. Yes, that's right. The Seneschal is the President of each group in the SCA. We have an opening for Vice President <insert vice jokes here> So Rónán is the Big Man Off Campus and makes sure it all happens. Would you like to learn how to make sure it all happens? He needs a deputy. Someone to train in case of that rogue beer truck.

**Minister of the Lists** – How would you like to get to know ALL the fighters in the Kingdom? The Minister of the Lists registers all fighters (heavy, rapier, and thrown weapons) for tournaments on the day of an event. There's very little to do between events so this is a 'light' job, but it's front and center, and a lot of fun!

**Deputy Minister of the Lists** – How would you and your BFF like to learn the job together? You can watch all the fighting, you can giggle, and point out cuties, and you'll be doing something useful at the same time.

**Deputy Rapier Marshal** – If you feel you're not quite ready to be the Baronial Rapier Marshal, we've got something else, just for you: A Deputy Rapier Marshal position! S/he will help run the weekly practices, learn field marshaling, enforce armor standards, and



get to know the marshalate community.!

**Deputy Heavy Marshal** – (See Deputy Rapier Marshal above: plus rattan and armor.)

**Chatelain Activities: Gold Key / Demos** – Bringing in new participants is the lifeblood of any Barony! Help foster a welcome environment with Newcomer Meetings and with event presence! The Gold Key Chest is how we get to meet all the new folks who are interested in the SCA.

**We've got something for EVERYONE! We're having Fun! Come! Join us!**

Contact the Seneschal or Their Excellencies for more info!

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<http://chronicler.atlantia.sca.org/Releases.html>

Release form for writing or artwork:

<https://www.sca.org/resources/document-library/#release-forms>

Release form for photographs:

<http://chronicler.atlantia.sca.org/ReleasePhotographerFillable.pdf>

Release form for model(s) (the subject of your artwork or photograph):

<https://www.sca.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/Model-Release-Fillable.pdf>

## Ponte Alto Regular Events

Ponte Alto Regular Events	Usual Days	Location/Address	Google Meet /Zoom/ Webex Code
Outdoor Heavy and Rapier Practice	SUNDAYS (12:00 noon until 4:00)	Tysons-Pimmit Park, behind Tysons-Pimmit Library 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church.	n/a
Weather Permitting. See Barony Marshalate for information (Regnum) Cancellations will be posted on Facebook.			
Outdoor Archery & Thrown Weapons Practice- Stierbach/Ponte Alto	MONDAYS (5:00 p.m. until dusk)	Practice is at Grimmsfield: 16132 Crusade Ct. Haymarket, VA 20169.	n/a
If you need loaner gear or would like more information please contact the Archery Marshal, Lord Rónán mac Ímair.			
Newcomers Events/Meetings	SUNDAYS (Noon start) THURSDAYS (6:00 start)	Online <b>OR</b> simultaneous with Sunday Fighter Practice	<a href="#">LINK</a>
Bring your handwork or small projects to work on; ask questions of fellow baronial members; hang out and watch the fighting; work on your armor;			
Populace/Business Meetings – In October the meeting has been pushed one week to 10/29	Usually - Third TUESDAY of the month	Online. Everyone is welcome to attend. The Barony will try to meet in person four times a year.	<a href="#">LINK</a>
In October the meeting will be on the 4th Tuesday due to a scheduling conflict. The Google Meet link is posted on the Ponte Alto <a href="#">calendar</a> .			