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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!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements

- If you have any warrants in the Society for Creative Anachronism, please contact the deputy seneschal at seneschal@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org. We are working on updating our database of information so even if you think we have current information on your warrants, please reach out to make sure.
- Please [submit](#) award recommendations! <https://polling.atlantia.sca.org/index.php>
- If you are interested in running for Baronage, your letter of intent will be due this month.

AUGUST POPULACE MEETING

Date: August 18, 2026

Began: 7:35 PM

Location: Virtual Meeting

Adjourned: 8:08 PM

Notes: Bentz Klein

Attendees: 13 people

OFFICER'S REPORTS

Their Excellency, Baron Hákon (David Hultman)

Their Excellencies time at Pennsic was limited but they tried to make time for everyone. They conducted some business and provided service.

We are closer to having investiture set up.

We are looking forward to the fall.

The next big event for the Baronage is Stierbach's Baronial Birthday

Seneschal – Rónán mac Imair (Ron Hanagan)

Nothing to report.

Chatelaine – Lady Emilia di Nicastro (Maura Nicastle)

The newcomer's meeting this past Sunday was rained out.

The Chatelaine will post the next newcomer's meeting for September when the details have been worked out.

We received 40 issues of *Tournaments Illuminated* (a magazine) probably from the 90s. Anyone is welcome to borrow or have them.

Knight Marshal – Vacant

Vacant, report given by Sir Hákon brimill (David Hultman) .

We are working to get things set up with the schools. Once things are set, the updates will be posted to the calendar. Most likely Thursday practice will be moving back indoors on the 17th or 24th of September.

Practice was washed out on Sunday.

(Rónán) Archery practice was held on Sunday in the Barony of Highland Foorde to support their program.

(Rónán) 27 people came out for archery on Monday.

(Ginevra) We sorted through all the youth combat armor and gear and have 2 complete sets for each of the 3 divisions.

(Ginevra) Huge shoutout to Mowgli and Maura for marshaling youth combat at Pennsic. Atlantia had the second largest number of youth combat marshals at Pennsic. Youth armored combat went really well.

(Rónán) Seneschal received an e-mail regarding youth activities in Atlantia and will forward it to Ginevra.

(Mowgli) Ginevra has a great idea for a webpage to support youth activities in the Kingdom.

(Mowgli) We may have good weather on Sunday and are looking to reschedule youth combat to this Sunday.

Exchequer – Lord Mowgli of Anglesey (Aaron Parness)

\$9780.89 current balance.

We need to pay for storage.

We have a \$150 check to deposit for equestrian activities at Victory on the Vine.

Arts & Sciences – Herr Cuno von Schleßwig (Joseph Glancy)

If you host an A&S event, please report it to Cuno so they can include it in their quarterly A&S report. Also, please send attendance info (names) if possible. Or at least a headcount.

We are lining up A&S events for September.

(Rónán) The A&S channel on the Discord server is doing great with people posting about their A&S projects.

Social Media Officer – Ricardo Pesci (Keller Scholl)

Ricardo Pesci absent.

Chronicler – Lord Bentz Klein (Benjamin Schwab)

Nothing to report.

Web Minister – Lord Robin of Ponte Alto (Brian MacMonigle)

Lord Robin absent.

Working on onboarding a new web minister.

Herald – Forannán Glórach (Fabian Scholl)

Lord Forannán Glórach absent.

Bardic – Forannán Glórach (Fabian Scholl)

Lord Forannán Glórach absent.

EVENTS

Harvest Market (vice Hallowed Market)

(Finn) We have 8 merchants confirmed.

(Finn) Pigeon Stitches has agreed to provide gift certificates to the costume contest winners. These gift certificates will be paid for by the Barony.

(Finn) We have two musical groups committed to play: Lord Jonathan (Jonathan Mitz) will assemble a group to play Middle Eastern music during the demo and the evening event; DragonSong will play in the tavern following the costume contest (@8:00 PM).

(Finn) A site map has been commissioned from an artist for \$127. The artist delivered a summer map and an autumn map. We can work with the artist to update the map for future events such as Victory on the Vine for a nominal fee (estimated to be \$40).

(Finn) Scores is live and people are pre-registering. If you are planning on going, it would be helpful to pre-register. This event is the same date as Battle on the Bay and your support can matter.

(Finn) We have been doing outreach on Facebook and Discord and have posted a downloadable guide to the event.

(Finn) We still need volunteers for troll and general problem solving.

(Maura) We are starting to reach out to people for demos. We are welcoming anyone who wants to help out.

(Hákon) Do we have a list of what is needed to be coordinated?

(Maura) Dance is set up. We might have a smith. Hákon will coordinate.

(Ginevra) We will have a youth armored combat demo. We are lining up marshals. The youth combat at Battle of the Bay may be sponsored over ours.

(Ginevra) Unauthorized youth cannot hit each other but can wear the gear and hold weapons.

(Rónán) We are looking for Troll volunteers.

(Cuno) Can we have an adult in armor to be a target for unauthorized youth?

(Hákon) We are still looking for more merchants.

Investiture

(Hákon) We are in active conversations with the Barony of Steirbach.

(Hákon) We are looking to get a site locked down before we spike the event.

(Hákon) It is likely that the steward will come from the Barony of Steirbach.

(Hákon) This will be a combined Ponte Alto/Steirbach event.

(Hákon) Their majesties will be at Battle of the Bay and their schedule is determining our schedule.

(Hákon) We are combining this event with Defending the Gate.

(Hákon) This will be a full melee event.

(Hákon) We are targeting the 27th of March 2027 which happens to be Easter weekend.

(Hákon) We are working out the details of cost splits and revenue splits.

(Rónán) Letters of Intent will be due in September and we are planing on moving forward with polling and the transition next month.

OLD AND NEW BUSINESS:

Letters of Intent

(Mowgli) We should make social media posts regarding Letters of Intent.

Happy Hour

(Mowgli) We are looking into having a happy hour for a meet and greet with Baronage candidates

Fall University

(Rónán) Fall University is accepting submissions for classes until August 23rd. It will be held in Lynchburg Virginia.

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No Announcements This Meeting.

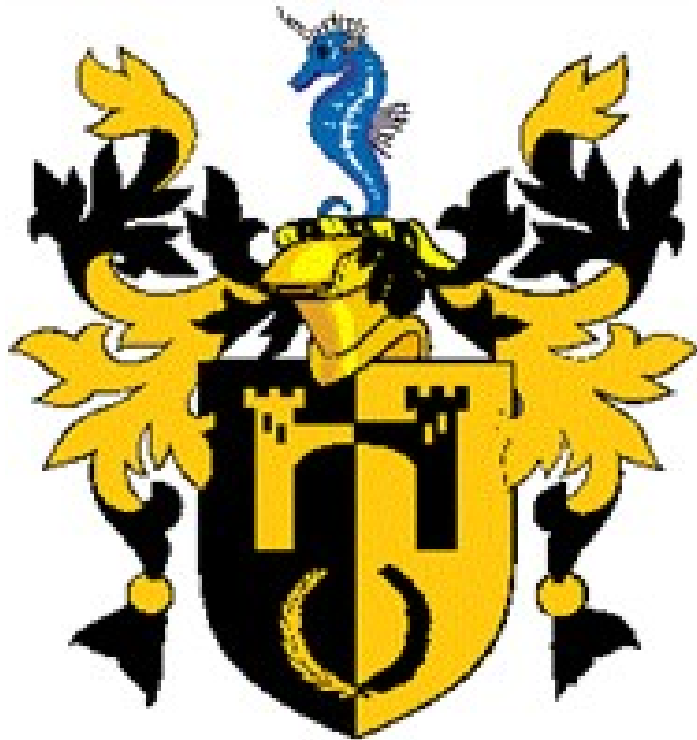
PLANNING FOR PONTE ALTO LOCAL EVENTS

Harvest Market

Event is on Scores for pre-registrations. We have a few merchants and are looking to get more. We have started advertising for the event. We have started booking demos and are looking for more. The costume contest is being planned. We will have a feast. We are looking for people to help with gate and problem solving. DragonSong and Lord Johnathan have been booked for musical performances

Baronial Investiture

A date for the event and location is being worked on. We are in planning with the Barony of Stierbach for a joint event. We are planning a full melee event. Will likely be combined with Defending the Gate.



ATLANTIA EVENT CALENDAR – SEPTEMBER

Date	Event	Location
	SEPTEMBER – AS LXI (2026)	
9-05 - 9-06	Known World Armored Combat Collegium	(Northshield)
9-11 - 9-13	Ancient Embers: Sacred Stone Investiture	Morganton NC (Sacred Stone) (Q K Pr P)
9-19 - 9-19	Fall University	Lynchburg, VA (Black Diamond) (Q K Pr P)
9-25 - 9-27	Stierbach Birthday XXVIII	Culpepper VA (Stierbach) (Q K Pr P)
9-25 - 9-27	Trial by Fire- Arts, Food and Fighting!	Glen Arm MD (Bright Hills)
9-26 - 9-26	Tournament of Silver Chalice	Harleyville SC (Hidden Mountain)

*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 RECURRING EVENTS

Ponte Alto Regular Events	Usual Days	Location/Address
Outdoor Heavy and Rapier Practice Please check the Calendar for last-minute cancellations.	SUNDAYS (12:00 noon until 4:00pm) THURSDAYS (6:00pm-9:00pm)	Tysons-Pimmit Park, behind Tysons-Pimmit Library 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church.
Weather Permitting. See Barony Marshalate for information. Cancellations will be posted on Facebook		
Monthly Dance Practice	Second Thursday of the month, (7:00pm – 9:00pm)	Local Library
Monthly on the second Thursday; Check Ponte Alto Website for location and dates monthly. Hosted by Rachel/Alice		
Monthly Bardic Practice	First Tuesday of the month, (7:00pm – 10:00pm)	Various Venues
For more information and locations text Forannán Glórach at 703-307-5353		
Indoor Heavy and Rapier Practice (On Hold Until Fall) Please check the Calendar for last-minute cancellations.	THURSDAYS (6:00pm-9:00pm)	Location to be Announced.
Check website calendar for details. Concurrent with Arts and Sciences Meeting		
Arts and Sciences Meeting Please check the Calendar for last-minute cancellations.	THURSDAYS (6:00pm-9:00pm)	Tysons-Pimmit Park, behind Tysons-Pimmit Library 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church.
Concurrent with Outdoor Fighter Practice.		
Outdoor Archery & Thrown Weapons Practice-Stierbach/Ponte Alto	MONDAYS (5:00pm until Dusk) during daylight savings time (Spring, Summer, Fall)	Practice is at Grimmsfield: 16132Crusade Ct. Haymarket, VA 20169.
If you need loaner gear or would like more information, please contact Archery Marshal Master Rónán mac Ímair.		

Ponte Alto Regular Events	Usual Days	Location/Address
Baron's Open Chair (if you need to speak to the Baron about official business)		Thursday evening Fighter Practice
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; teach or attend a class. Everyone is welcome!		
Populace/Business Meetings	Third TUESDAY of the month 7:30pm	Online. Everyone is invited to attend.
The Google Meet link is posted on the Ponte Alto calendar .		

UPCOMING PONTE ALTO EVENTS

- ◆ Populace gathering, September 15th 2026: virtual event. Everyone is invited to attend.
- ◆ Harvest Market is scheduled for October 24th-25th 2026.

PONTE ALTO FORESTRY CALENDAR

- ◆ Autumn Forester Collegium and Camp-Out at Fenwald March (Stasburg, VA) on September 25-27 2026. We will gather to teach and learn from one-another. Classes will be available for University of Atlantia credits. Contact Finn on Discord or e-mail at scarey161@gmail.com for details.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

- ◆ Knight Marshal: Oversee and organize martial activities for the barony.
- ◆ Rapier Marshal: Oversee rapier fighters.
- ◆ Deputy Armored Marshal: Help assist the Armored Marshal in overseeing Armored fighters.
- ◆ Deputy Chatelaine: Help direct newcomers to the SCA/Kingdom of Atlanta/Barony of Ponte Alto. Help set up and run newcomers meetings.
- ◆ Deputy Chronicler: Main responsibilities would be a backup note taker and someone to proofread the Il Tempo.
- ◆ Deputy Web Minister: Help maintain the Ponte Alto website and calender.
- ◆ If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact the Seneschal at seneschal@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org.

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