

31 December, 2004

Unto the populace of Atlantia, greetings from Alisoun MacCoul of Elphane, Golden Dolphin Herald!

Herein you will find the results of the deliberations of the College of Heraldry of Atlantia in December, 2004:

ACCEPTANCES

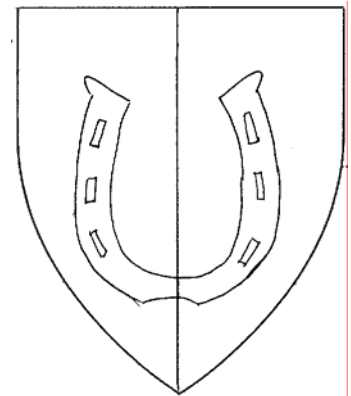
The following submissions have been accepted and included on Letters of Intent to the College of Arms from Atlantia dated in December, 2004:

Anna de Brabant. Request for reconsideration of name modified by Laurel. Her name was registered in May, 2004, as Anna van Brabant because of the submitter's request for authenticity for "thirteenth to fifteenth century Flemish" despite the fact that the byname had been documented from de Grood's "Flemish Names from Bruges". The submitter has indicated that she really wished the originally submitted name and that the request for authenticity was tailored to the title of the source for her documentation so she requested a reconsideration of the name under the relatively recent Laurel Office rubric for handling name changes by the Laurel Office in the interests of authenticity that exceed the submitter's desire for change.

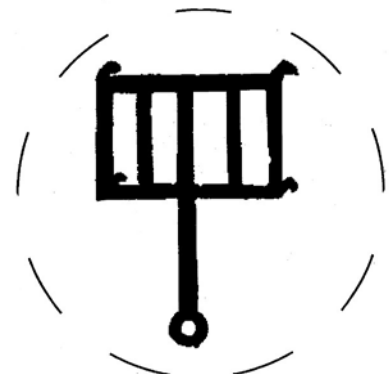
Beatrice von Staufen. Release of device and redesignation of badge as device. Azure, ermined argent, a dexter cuffed glove clenched fesswise Or. This armory was registered to her in January, 1984, under a previous persona name and she now wishes to release it. She now wishes the armory registered in April, 2001, as a badge associated with the alternate persona name Lütolf von Staufen to become her primary armory ("Per chevron vert and sable, a sword argent, a glove grasping the blade, between in chief two lion's heads cabossed Or.")

Bryce de Wales. New name (see PENDS for device).

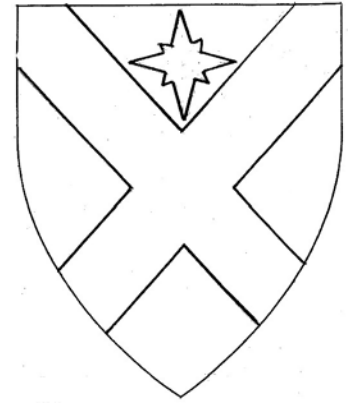
Caitilín Mhór. Resubmission of device. Per pale azure and Or, a horseshoe inverted counterchanged.



Domenico Barbieri da Mantova. New household name for Compagnia di San Lorenzo and badge. (Fieldless) A gridiron palewise sable.



Geoffrey Doune. Resubmission of device. Azure, a saltire and in chief a compass star Or. He has permission to conflict with the Province of St. Andrew in the Kingdom of the West (“Azure, a saltire fracted per pale, in chief a laurel wreath Or.”)



Hawkwood, Barony of. New order name for the Award of the Golden Moon.

Hawkwood, Barony of. New order name for the Award of the Silver Decrescent.

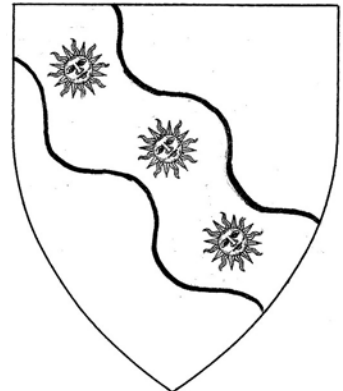
Hawkwood, Barony of. New order name for the Award of the Silver Hawk.

Hawkwood, Barony of. New order name for the Award of the Silver Wing of Hawkwood.

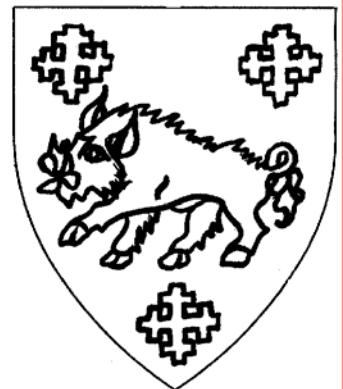
Ichijo Honen. New badge. Sable, a crescent bendwise, within its horns a Japanese crane bendwise displayed argent.



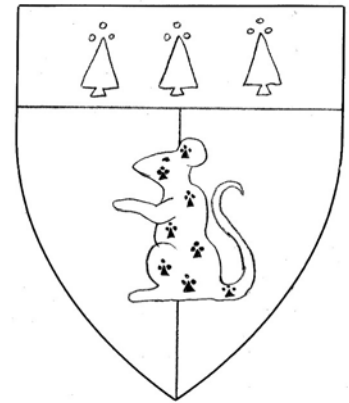
Katharine de la Vache. New device. Or, on a bend wavy azure, three suns in splendour Or.



Mark O Crowley. New name and device. Argent, a boar passant azure and in chief two crosses crosslet sable.



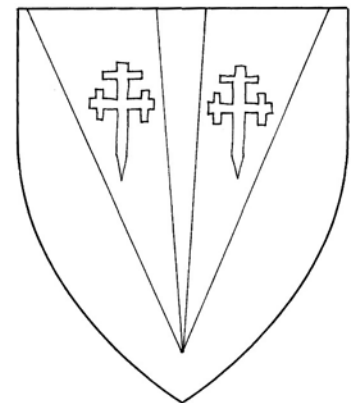
Melissent d'Artois. New change of device. Per pale azure and vert, a mouse sejant erect ermine and on a chief Or, three ermine spots sable.



Melissent d'Artois. badge. (Fieldless) A mouse sejant erect ermine.



Richikha Magdalena Dragonova. New name and device. Argent, on two piles in point, the dexter gules, the sinister azure, two crosses crosslet fitchy Or.



Robert Hallam of Suffolk. New name.

Saige inghean Ghiolla Phádraig. New alternate persona name for Saige ferch Cedwyn.

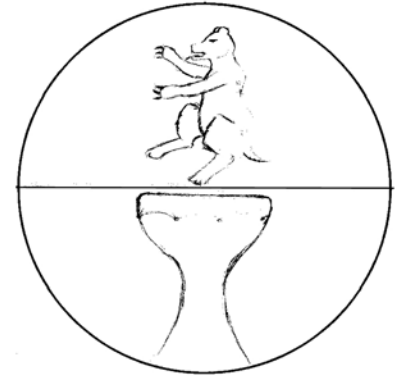
Wilhelm Leopard der Schwartz New badge (see RETURNS for household name for Haus der Schwartz Jäger). Sable, a domestic cat passant argent and in chief an ermine spot Or.



RETURNS:

The following items have been returned for further work:

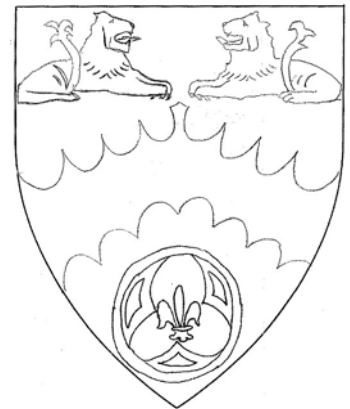
Achbar ibn Ali. New badge. Per fess Or and sable, in pale a bear rampant and a doumbek issuant from base counterchanged. Although general commentary did not focus on the overall style, we decided that the stylistic anomalies in this emblazon were just too significant to overlook. While the intent is clearly to have a bear dancing on a doumbek, the manner in which this was done pushed the limits of style. In the first place, having the drum issuant from base is an oddity which diminished its intrinsic identifiability. Secondly, the bear was in a posture halfway between rampant and sejant (dansant?) which we could not document from period. Also, the lower paw of the bear actually touches the line of division in a non-period manner. As a result, we felt this had to be returned for redrawing and possibly some redesign, e.g., showing the doumbek coupé and more centered in the lower portion of the field.



Hawkwood, Barony of. New order name for the Award of the Eyas of Hawkwood. This conflicts directly with the title of Eyas Herald registered to the Kingdom of Calontir. Under our rules neither the group name nor the designator count as descriptive elements so the descriptive element in both cases is identical: Eyas.

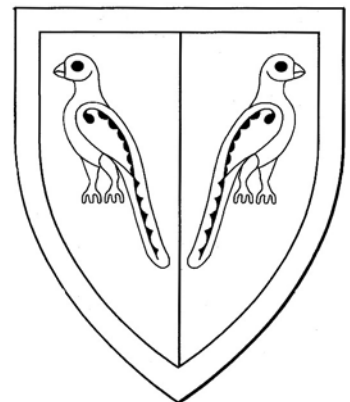
Hawkwood, Barony of. New order name for the Award of the Hawk's Aerie. The submitters cite Shead's article "Project Ordnungsnamen" as evidence for order names based on the pattern of creature + thing, but that listing contained only one instance of that pattern and that was the "Ermine and Ears of Corn" which does not use the possessive form used in this submission or a thing not typically used as a heraldic charge or emblem. While several order names of this pattern were registered in the early days of the Society, those registered in recent times had the basic pattern "grandfathered" to them.

Hawkwood, Barony of. New order name for the Award of the Hawk's Silver Jess. While a jess could be considered a heraldic charge, the concatenation of a creature possessive with a color and charge is two steps from period style for an order name.



Lisette la Bergière. New device. Azure, a chevron engrailed between two lions couchant respectant and a trilobe charged with a fleur-de-lys Or. Nobody was able to provide documentation for the charge in base which essentially consists of something similar to the framing of a trefoliated window Or pierced to show the field through the decorative triangles as well as the tri-lobed opening within which the fleur lies. As a result this must be returned on stylistic grounds.

Louise de La Mare. New device. Per pale purple and Or, two peacocks close addorsed counterchanged within a bordure gules. The identifiability of the birds was extremely problematic since they lack several of the typical attributes of the heraldic peacock close and yet are not really generic birds. As this was accepted at an authorized kingdom consult table, the Golden Dolphin Office would have assumed the responsibility of a redraw if the submitter's intent was clear. As it is, we are not sure if the submitter really wishes two peacocks addorsed or simply two birds with a celticized depiction in which case the drawing would be quite different.



Maire Hélène le chaton noir. New name and device. Argent, a winged cat courant and a winged cat countercourant sable. Since the submitter allowed only minor changes, we felt we had to return this name. Maire was stated to be documented as a feminine given name from Dauzat, but reference to the pages cited indicated that this was in fact an occupational surname with the feminine metronymic usage being shown as Mairesse for the wife of a mayor. While we could have changed the given name to Marie, the fact that she is obviously trying to retain the sound of Merlaine inclined us to the opinion that this would not be acceptable to her. Moreover, the article from the Laurel web site that was used to document the epithet really only documents the general use of epithets. While Dausat (*Dictionnaire Étymologique des Noms de Famille*, p. 116) notes *Chaton* as a surname, there is no evidence that this is a period surname or that it was ever modified with an adjective. While the only negative comment about the armory concerned a potentially non-feline look to the heads of the beasties, the armory could not be passed on for lack of a registerable name.

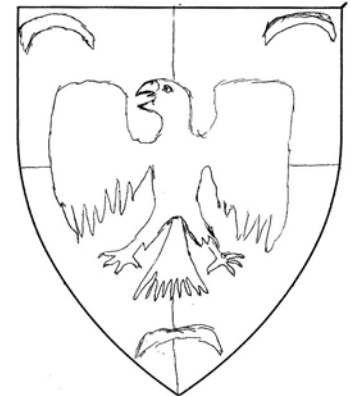


Wilhelm Leopard der Schwartzte. New household name for Haus der Schwartzte Jäger. Since only minor changes to the name were allowed, we did not feel that we were able to modify the name to correct the name to grammatical German for the meaning that they desired: “House of the Black Hunter” which would be *Haus des Schwarzes Jägers*.

PENDS:

The following items have been pended:

Bryce de Wales. New device. Quarterly vert and sable, an eagle displayed, wings inverted, Or between three crescents pendant argent. Normally this would be returned to the submitter for redrawing. Since this was accepted at an authorized kingdom consult table, however, Golden Dolphin will assume the responsibility for the redraw.



Hawkwood, Barony of. New order name for the Order of the Goshawk. This technically conflicts with the heraldic title Goshawk was registered by Atlantia in August, 1983. We have determined that there is an existing precedent set in the case of the Order of the Gordian Knot which allows the principal herald and royalty to allow a group’s order name to conflict with a heraldic title even though ownership of that title is retained by the kingdom. Both the incoming and outgoing Triton Heralds have agreed to granting this permission and we hope to have the necessary paperwork signed at Twelfth Night so that the order name may be placed on the January Letter of Intent.

Your servant,

Alisoun