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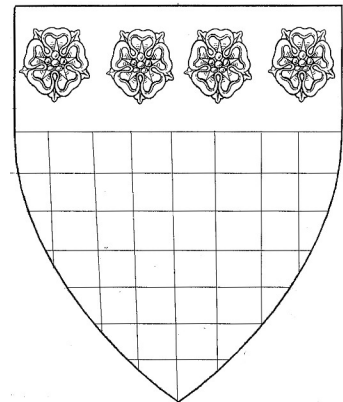
Unto the populace of Atlantia, greetings from Alisoun MacCoul of Elphane, Golden Dolphin Herald!

Herein you will find the results of the deliberations of the College of Heraldry of Atlantia during the month of February, 2008.

ACCEPTANCES

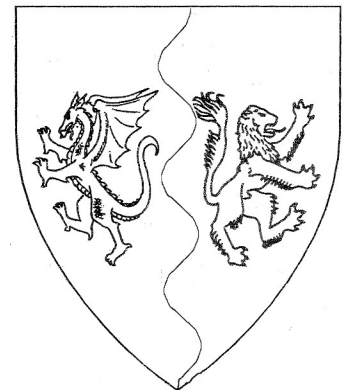
The following submissions have been accepted and included on a Letter of Intent to the College of Arms from Atlantia dated 26 February, 2008:

Clare Garland. Name and device. Chequy vert and argent, on a chief argent four roses proper.

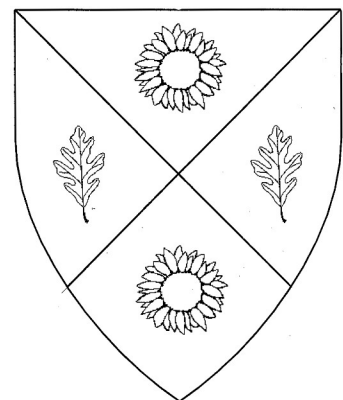


Emma verch Howell. Name.

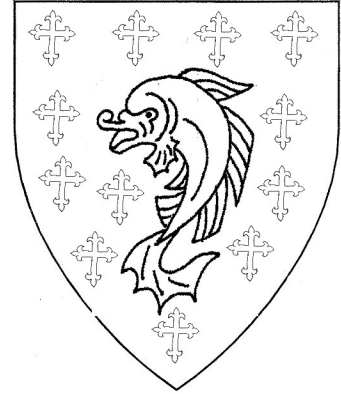
Gabrell Fairecloughe. Device. Per pale wavy vert and argent, a dragon and a lion addorsed counterchanged.



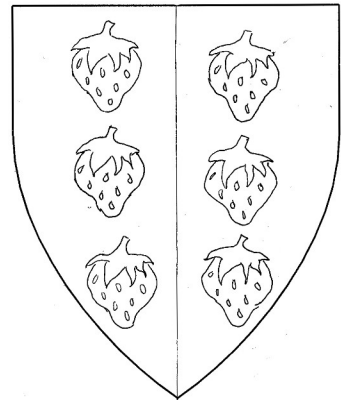
Giovanna Rossellini di Firenze. New name and device. Per saltire vert and Or, two sunflowers Or seeded sable and two oak leaves gules.



Marguerite d'Angers. Name and device. Azure crusilly fleury Latin, a dolphin haurient argent.

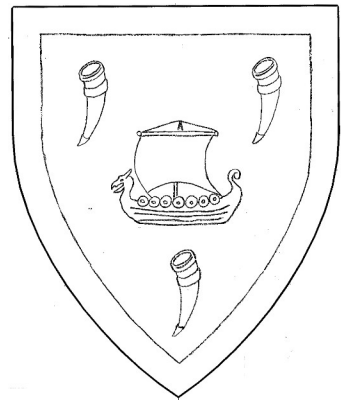


Mariana Francisco. Device. Per pale azure and argent, six strawberries, two, two and two, counterchanged.



Randvér askmaðr. Device. Azure, a drakkar Or between three drinking horns palewise argent within a bordure Or.

Rita de Tacoronte. Name. The name was pended by Golden Dolphin in September, 2007, because the Pennsic Consult Table neglected to provide documentation in support of the claim that the *Rita* was the submitter's legal given name. She has now provided Golden Dolphin with a photocopy of her Maryland driver's license which meets the documentation requirements and additionally has accepted the suggestion made in September that she add the usual preposition Spanish *de* to the name as submitted.



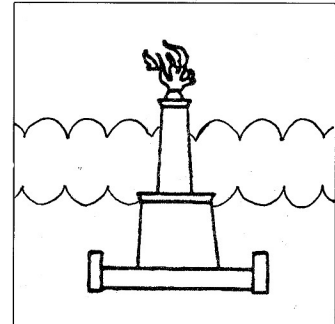
Sorcha Préchán. Name (see RETURNS for device).

Tailefhlaith ingen Ruaircc. Name.

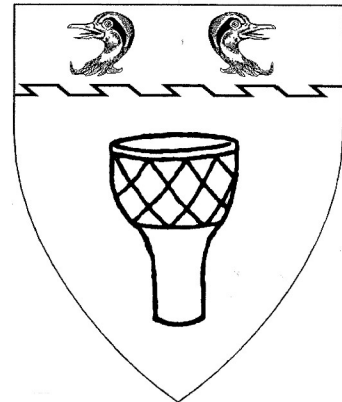
RETURNS

The following items have been returned for further work:

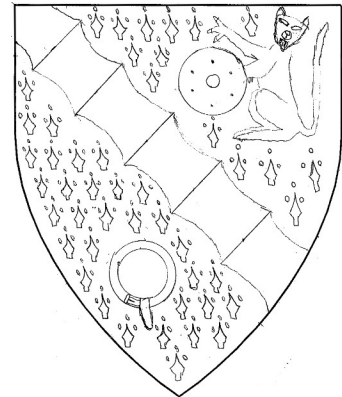
Caer Mear, Barony of. Badge for the Order of La Brise de Mer. Per fess gules and azure, a fess inverted and overall a lighthouse argent. It was the consensus of the commenting heralds that the fact that the lighthouse and the fess shared a tincture unacceptably diminished the identifiability of the relatively complex overall charge.



Gawain MacDonald. Name and device. Purpure, a dombek and on a chief raguly argent two duck's heads erased addorsed vert. The name had to be returned because of the very strong resemblance in sound between this name and the registered name of Gavin MacDhomhnuill. Even if there had been no problems with the name, the device would have had to be pended for redrawing due to problems with identifiability of the duck's heads and the shallowness of the line of division on the chief.

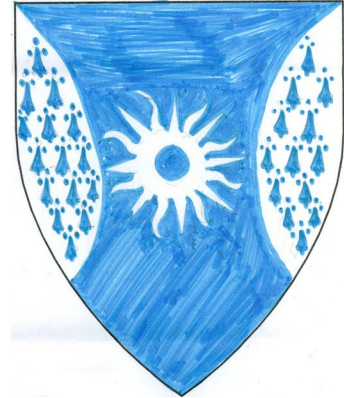


Lydia MacBean of Strathdearn. Device (see PENDS for name). Ermine, a bend engrailed compony sable and gules between a wildcat sejant erect guardant proper sustaining a round shield gules and a belt in annulo sable, buckled argent. Unfortunately, there are multiple problems with the device as submitted. Some of these could be resolved by redrawing, but others are inherent in the design. The first problem is the division of the bend into multiple parts of two colors. Current precedent allows fields and charges to be divided of more than four parts only if one tincture is a metal and one tincture as a color. Here the bend is divided into six parts and two colors which is not allowed. Also, the buckle on the belt is the same tincture as the field on which it lies. That buckle is the defining feature of the belt and the Laurel Office has previously ruled that in such cases there has to be at least enough difference of tincture for the element to be visible. Additionally, the wildcat was drawn so it could not be distinguished readily from a regular domestic cat and no evidence was provided to support the color of a wildcat of this sort in nature as being brown, which is necessary to use the term proper here. By current standards, there are far too many ermine spots on the field and the current Laurel staff have returned armory for just that problem. Also, under our current standards this device is too complex for registration with six tinctures and four kinds of charge. Finally, since it could be argued that the shield held by the cat is large enough to be of the same weight as the cat



and so must be counted as an addition to the charge group of the cat and belt, the secondary charges could be considered “slot machine heraldry”.

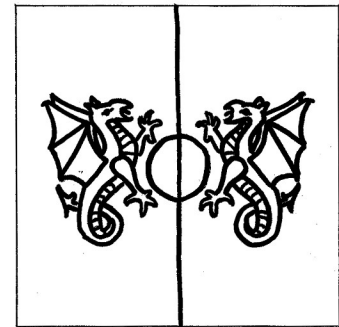
Sorcha Préchán. Device. Azure, on a sun argent between flaunches argent ermined azure a roundel azure. Unfortunately, this must be returned for conflict with Micheila nic Fhionghuin of Skye: (“Azure, a sun argent eclipsed azure charged with a mullet voided argent.”) as there is really no countable difference between a sun eclipsed and a sun charged with a roundel. If this had not been the case, this would have had to be pended for redrawing with fewer ermine spots on the flaunches. We also note that, as with the December, 2007, submission, the required line drawing was omitted from the forms packet so technically a complete packet was not provided.



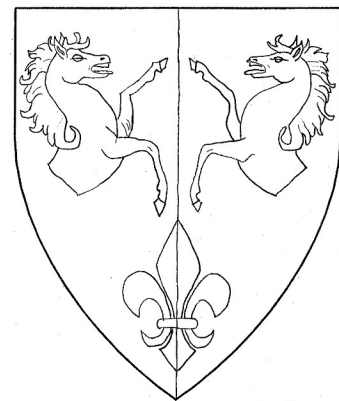
PENDS

The following items have been pended for the stated reasons:

Björn inn hávi. Badge. Per pale sable and Or, a roundel between in fess two wyverns combatant counterchanged. Pended for redrawing on correctly sized forms after consultation with the submitter as to whether he wishes to make the roundel larger, making it clearly co-primary, or a bit smaller to make it more obviously maintained.



Kára vaena Thorudóttir. Name and device. Per pale argent and sable, two demi-horses combatant and a fleur-de-lys counterchanged. Two changes must be made to the name to make it registerable: changing the descriptive to the documented *væna* from the submitted and undocumented *vaena* and adding the marking on the first syllable of the patronymic or dropping the other two markings for consistency. Making one further change to make the patronymic *Pórudóttir* rather than the submitted transliterated form would even make the name authentic. However, given that the submitter limited changes to minor changes, we felt it advisable to consult with her before making those changes. As the name had to be pended so did the device.



Lydia MacBean of Strathdearn. Name (see RETURNS for device). We have pended this name to try to document it more solidly since there was general agreement that the genealogical document provided in support for *MacBean* and *Strathdearn* would not be considered a reliable source. Since the Laurel Office of late has gotten very strict on the provision of documentation for the exact spellings of each name element in period and has been reluctant to accept genealogical publications unless they are supported by actual period documentation, the name as

submitted is likely to be returned unless we do so. At this point, we have been able to find documentation to support *Lidia* as a spelling of the given name in period and can argue strongly for the submitted spelling as well based on the saint's name. We have been able to document a period spelling of the family name that would support *MacBeane* and could argue that that makes the *MacBean* that only appears as a modern header form reasonable. However, at this point we are still looking for a dated period document that would clearly support the spelling *Strathdearn*. Even though we have been able to find evidence that the location was inhabited in period, current Laurel policy requires that it was actually called that in period and spelled in this manner.

Your servant,

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