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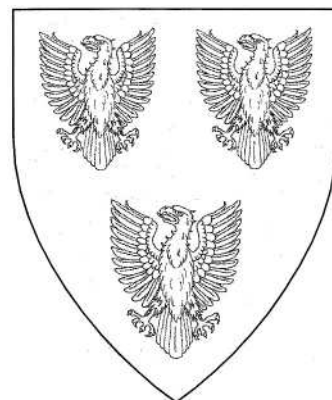
Unto the populace of Atlantia, greetings from Alisoun MacCoul of Elphane, Golden Dolphin Herald!

Herein you will find the results of the deliberations of the College of Heraldry of Atlantia during the month of June, 2009.

### ACCEPTANCES

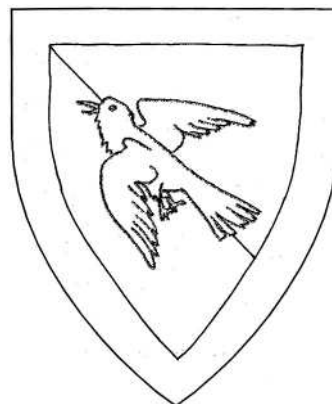
The following submissions have been accepted and included on a Letter of Intent to the College of Arms from Atlantia dated 29 June, 2009:

**Al Altan.** Name and device. Or, three eagles gules.

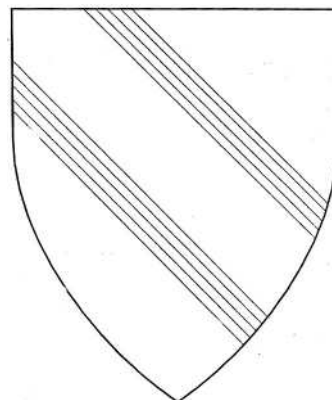


**Arnóra hrafn Ólafsdóttir.** Change of device. Per bend gules and Or, a raven volant bendwise within a bordure sable.

**Caitilín Irruis inghean uí Riada.** Name. The name appeared on the forms as Caitilin Irruis inghean ui Riada. We restored the markings to the given name and patronym to match the documented forms.



**Calle Dore.** Name and device. Azure, a bend doubly cotised argent.

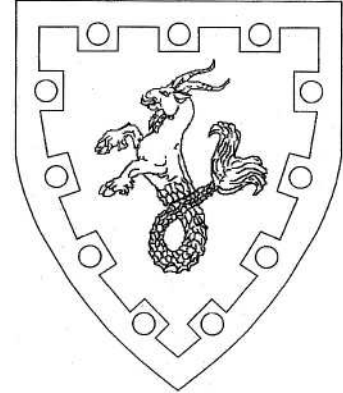


**Ceara ní Néill.** Change of device (see RETURNS for household name and PENDS for badge). Azure, a sea-goat Or within a bordure embattled Or hurty.

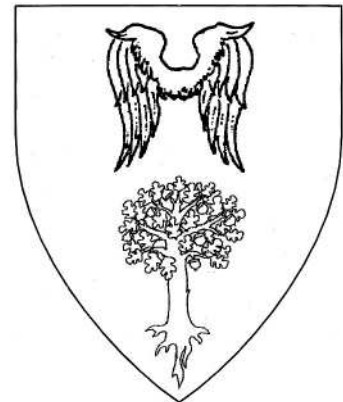
**Edward Tallis.** Name.

**Elizabeth Pynnoke.** Name.

**Godric Linch.** Name.



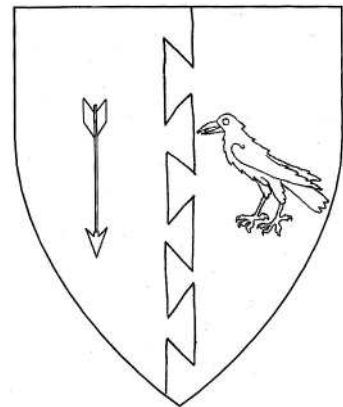
**Grímkell Tannason.** Device. Argent, in pale two wings conjoined in lure sable and an oak tree eradicated gules.



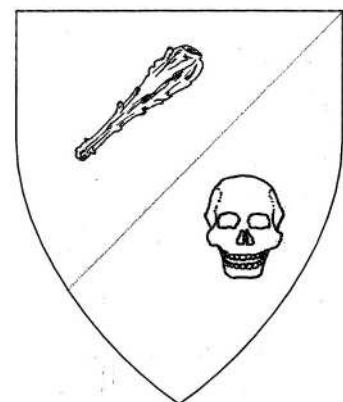
**Guntram Obermann.** Name and device. Per pale dovetailed gules and argent, an arrow argent and a crow sable.

**Gwenhevare of Alnwick.** New name.

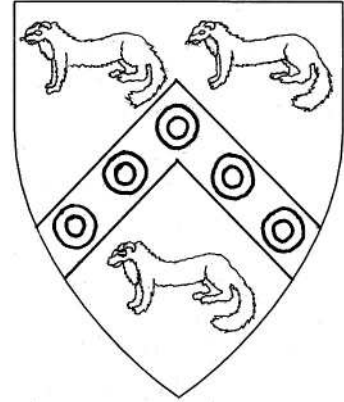
**Jacintha of Highland Foorde.** Name.



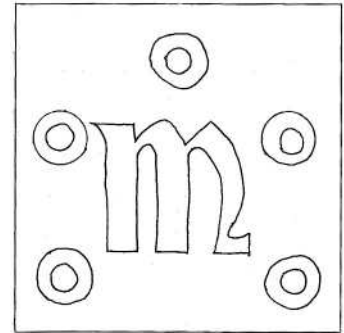
**Jack Black of Flint.** Device. Per bend sinister argent and sable, a club bendwise sinister and a human skull counterchanged.



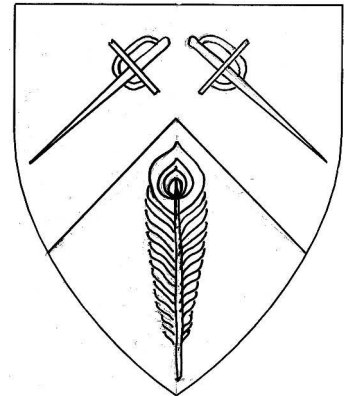
**Martine Picot.** Name and device. Or, on a chevron azure between three European pine martens statant proper five annulets argent. The European pine marten is brown with a creamy white bib.



**Martine Picot.** Badge. Or, the letter “M” between five annulets, one , two and two, azure.

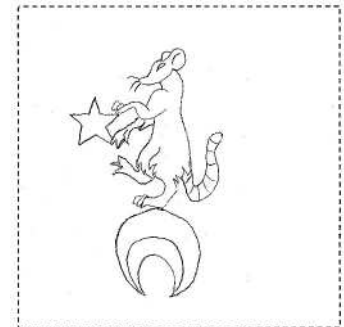


**Melisande de Bretagne.** Name and device. Per chevron gules and Or, two rapiers inverted in chevron Or and a peacock feather palewise proper.



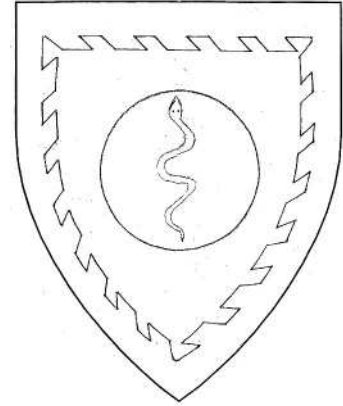
**Muirenn ingen uí Fhlannacáin.** Name.

**Nicolina the Wanderer.** Badge. (Fieldless) A rat rampant sable standing upon a crescent pendant and maintaining a mullet purple.



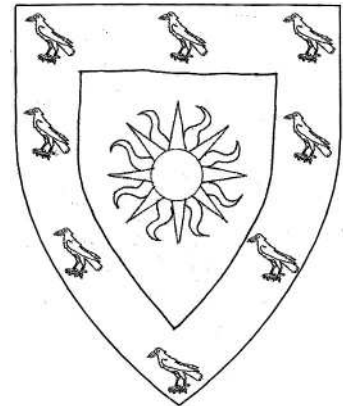
**Ormr Gunnarsson.** Device. Sable, on a bezant within a bordure raguly Or, a serpent tergiant glissant palewise vert. This device was pended for redrawing by Golden Dolphin in May, 2009.

**Riacat of Ponte Alto.** Name.



**Sorcha Crowe.** Device. Azure, a sun argent eclipsed azure within a bordure argent semy of crows azure.

**Vilhjámr spjótsbani.** Name. The submitted byname *spjótjabani*, constructed on the pattern of *berserkjabani* (“berserk’s bane”) using the word for spear (*spjót*) was modified to *spjótsbani* based on evidence that the correct genitive form for the Old Norse noun *spjót* was in fact *spjóts*.



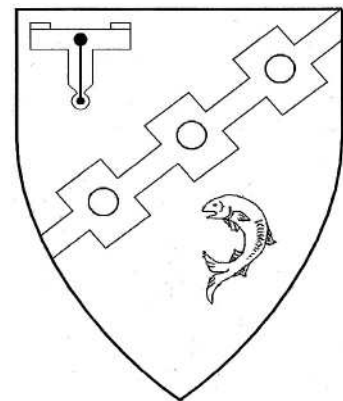
**William Garrett.** Name.

**William Pynnoke.** Name. (

## RETURNS

The following items have been returned for further work:

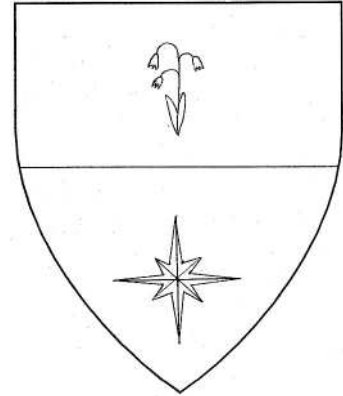
**Braucc Stratton.** Name and device. Per bend sinister sable and azure, on a bend sinister breessed between a level and a fish haurient embowed Or, three hurts. No documentation was provided for either element of the name and none could be found for the spelling *Braucc* as a given name. We were able to find the relatively rare early Irish name *Brocc* which looks and sounds similar to the submitted form and might have met the submitter’s requirements. Unfortunately, the documentation found for the surname *Stratton* places it firmly in fourteenth century England. The admixture of Irish and English is one step from period practice and there appears to be more than three centuries between the dates for *Brocc* and *Stratton* which by Laurel precedent is a second step from period practice. Two steps from period practice in a name is automatic grounds for return. We note that the forms indicate that the submitter’s legal surname is *Stratton* and that might have been grounds for asserting the Legal Name Allowance, but the necessary documentation to support that claim was not provided at the time of submission. Since the name must be returned, the device must be as well.



**Ceara ní Néill.** Household name for House Barra (see PENDS for badge). By longstanding precedent the name of a Scots clan may not be combined with the name of a place which is currently or was in the past the seat of that clan. This precedent applies not only to personal

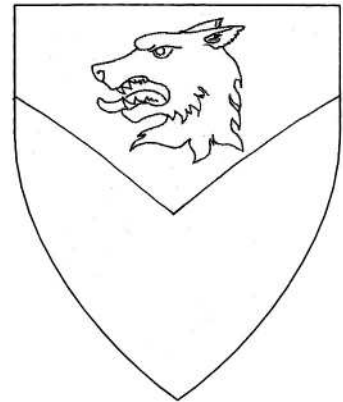
names but also to household names which would be tantamount to a claim that the owner of that name is a chieftain of that clan. In this case, the combination of the patronymic *ní Néill* in the submitter's personal name with the locative *Barra* cannot be interpreted as anything other than a presumptuous claim to chieftainship since the island of *Barra* was the seat of the senior line of the *MacNeills* from the late eleventh century on.

**Jacintha of Highland Foorde.** Device. Per fess argent and azure, a hyacinth azure slipped and leaved proper and a compass star argent. As the only previous instance of a hyacinth occurred in the armory of Rachel of Bon Repos in January, 1973, and appears to have used a modern hyacinth flower, it will be necessary to provide documentation of this form of flower/plant as a period hyacinth flower. The flower as depicted actually looks very similar to a lily of the valley plant, apart from the color of its flowers, and we would have reblazoned the plant to a lily of the valley were it not for the submitter's obvious desire to cant upon her submitted name.



**Oisín Mear mac Cumhaill.** Name. Unfortunately, this name must be returned for presumption as it creates a very strong impression that the submitter is claiming to be *Oisín*, the son of *Fionn mac Cumhaill*, the leader of the legendary *Fianna*. Born from a liaison between *Fionn* and *Sadb* who had been enchanted into the form of a doe, *Oisín* himself formed a relationship with a magical woman and went outside mortal realms for centuries of mortal time. This impression is not diminished by the insertion of the descriptive byname as the byname *mear* was documented as meaning mad and in most of the accounts of *Oisín*'s return to mortal Ireland, he is specifically called a madman by those he encounters.

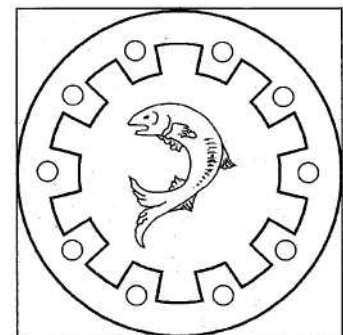
**Ru of Caledonia/Ru Caledonius.** Device. Per chevron inverted gules and sable, in chief a wolf's head erased argent. Unfortunately, this conflicts with Wulfstan of Lucerne ("Per chevron argent and sable, in base a wolf's head erased argent."). There is only one difference technically for the change to the field since by Laurel precedent no difference is granted for the change in placement of the head since the head on Wulfstan's armory cannot be placed in chief since that would place the argent head on the argent portion of the field.



## PENDS

The following item has been pended for the stated reasons:

**Ceara ní Néill.** Badge. Vert, a fish haurient embowed Or within a bordure embattled Or hurty. The emblazon sheet incorrectly placed the badge on a roundel inside the square badge field so we had to pend this badge for redrawing on the correct square field.



Your servant,

**Alisoun**