Kingdom of Atlantia Letter of Decision, January, 2013

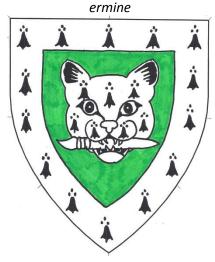
Dame Hróðný Rognvaldsdóttir, Golden Dolphin Herald of Atlantia, sends humble greetings to her fellow heralds – wow, the first time I've had to type "2013" on one of these letters.

I wish to thank these commenters for all of their advice and aid in making the decisions concerning this month's submission, and their kindness in offering 'fixes' for those submissions which must be returned for further work. The commenting heralds were Alainne de Troyes, Alisoun MacCoul of Elphane (Metron Ariston), Etienne Le Mons (Vexillum), Gunnvor silfraharr (Orle), Patricia of Trakai (Drakkar/Manticore Pursuivant), Ragnarr Leifsson, Sabine Berard, Sovany Barcsi Janos (Black Raven Herald/Mantee Herald), as well as the NE Calontir Commenting Group consisting this month of Lord Caoimhin McKee, Kite Herald, Lady Rohese de Dinan, Shadowdale Pursuivant, Lady Aritê gunê Akasa, Giovanni Loredan, and Gawain of Miskbridge (Green Anchor).

ACCEPTANCES

Aemilia Rosa - Resub Device

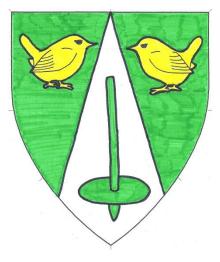
Vert, a domestic cat's head cabossed ermine maintaining in its mouth a paintbrush fesswise argent and a bordure



This is a resubmission of the device "Vert, a domestic cat's head cabossed maintaining in its mouth a paintbrush fesswise argent and a bordure ermine", which was pended by Atlantia in August, 2012 for a redrawing. The previous submission, "Per chevron vert and argent, two domestic cats sejant addorsed argent and a quill pen issuant from an inkhorn purpure" was returned by Laurel in December, 2011. Consulting Herald: Etienne le Mons d'Anjou

Alainne de Troyes - Resub Device

Vert, on a pile inverted and throughout argent between two wrens respectant Or, an unthreaded drop spindle vert.



This is a resubmission after the withdrawal of "*Per pale argent and azure a seeblatt and on a chief wavy two arrows reversed fesswise counterchanged*." during the in-kingdom commentary period in December, 2012, which followed her submission and withdrawal in September, 2012 of the same blazon under the (withdrawn) name "Æscwyn of Mercia".

The submitter is fine with reblazoning the 'wrens' as 'birds' if necessary, should the wrens be judged a SFPP. Consulting herald: Alianne de Troyes

Atlantia, Kingdom of - specific permission to conflict

"We, (modern name) and (modern name), known in the Society as Vladimir Ivanovich Aleksandrov and Kalisa Aleksandrovna, rightful King and Queen of the Kingdom of Atlantia with the agreement of Our Kingdom Seneschale (modern name) known in the SOciety as Bessenyei Rozsa, grant permission to (modern name) known in the SOciety as Ernst Nuss von Kitzingen for his personal heraldic title Coach Herald to be similar to, but not identical to Conch Herald, the heraldic title held by the Kingdom of Atlantia name. We understand that this permission cannot be withdrawn once Ernst's title is registered."

This is being sent up the line even though a new letter is being drafted to include permission to conflict with both the heraldic title "Conch Herald" and "the Order of the Conch".

Betryse Aaradyn Ghyoot - New Name

Consulting Herald: Patricia of Trakai

Brynjolfr rauðskeggr - New Name & New Device

Per chevron sable and argent, three mugs Or and a dragon rampant sable.



This submission was pended by Atlantia in April 2009 for consultation with the submitter, which has now occurred. As a note of internal information, due to the length of time involved the submitter sent in fees to cover both the name and the device, which is a different one from his previously submitted "Argent, a brown bear's head erased proper and a chief embattled sable."

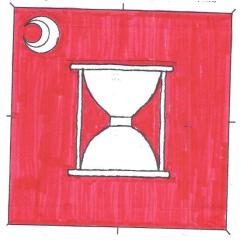
Consulting Herald: Khiba bint al-Jabaliyya

Helwynn Ivelchild - New Alternate Name "Helen Goodechild"

Consulting Herald: Alisoun MacCoul

Ingvar Erlingsson - New Badge

Gules, an hourglass and in canton an increscent argent.



Consulting Herald: Alisoun MacCoul

Krafft Frauenknecht - New Name

Consulting Herald: Isabella Delfino

Nicolo Santorio - New Name

Consulting Herald: Vittorio Mezzadri

Timmeke Haakonson of Nordheim and Adelicia of Cumbria - New Other

Gules, a falcon striking Or, in sinister chief a mullet argent.

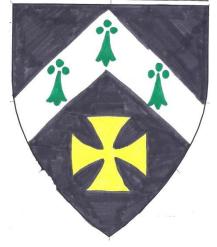


Originally submitted and registered to Timmeke and associated with the household Haakonstead (both registered via Atlantia in Jan 2001), this badge is to now also be jointly owned by Adelicia of Cumbria.

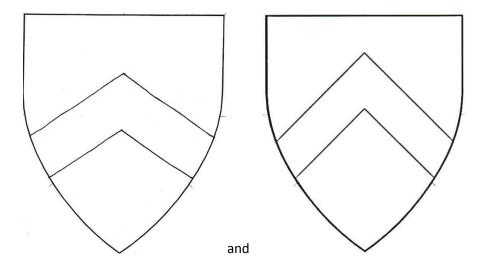
RETURNS

Evja Rognvaldsdóttir - New Device

Sable a chevron argent ermined vert and in base a cross formy Or.



This is being returned for redrawing because the cross and the chevron are basically the same 'weight' in the depiction, making them co-primaries. One or the other needs to be smaller. It is our suggestion that the device be redrawn with a more SCA-standardized chevron and then the cross positioned in base beneath it. For the artist's assistance, we include examples of chevrons that have recently been on devices approved for registration.



Our decision is based on the comments made in the return of the device of Domnall Ó Glacáin ("Vert, in pale a chevron and a fist and in chief two sheaves of arrows Or.") in October, 2012:

"This device is returned for violating the following precedent:

In this submission the chevron inverted and the tree can only be interpreted as co-primary charges, as they are of approximately equal visual weight and neither occupies the center of the shield. This combination of ordinary with non-ordinary charge in a single charge group produces an unbalanced design. Without period evidence for such a design, it is not registerable. [Issobell ni c Gilbert, April 2005, R-Caid]

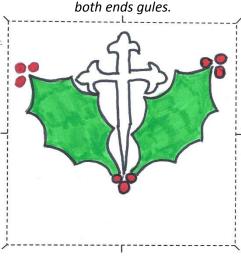
This precedent is repeated in section A3D2b of the Standards for Evaluation, which states "Thus, a single charge group may not mix ordinaries with non-ordinaries or mix two types of ordinaries."

Blazoned on the Letter of Intent as a chevron enhanced, the overwhelming impression was of a primary charge group consisting of both the chevron and the fist.

Please advise the submitter, upon resubmission, that if this is redrawn as a primary chevron with a secondary charge group consisting of two sheaves of arrows and a fist, that there may be an issue under section A3D2c of the Standards for Evaluation, regarding unity of posture and orientation. Specifically, we currently consider a sheaf to be heraldic shorthand for two charges in saltire with a third charge in pale overall: three charges bundled together, not a single charge. Without further evidence of how multiple sheaves of charges, or sheaves of charges with other charges, were combined in period armory, this may not be an allowable arrangement."

Jean Claude de Calais - New Badge

(Fieldless) A cross fleury fitchy argent within and conjoined to two holly leaves in chevron inverted vert fructed at



Consulting Herald: Eoin MacEldeard

This is being returned for a redraw so all of the elements can be more recognisably touching.

in service to Atlantia, Hróðný