

25 October, 2005

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

The Laurel Office has notified us of the results of its considerations at meetings in July, 2005. These results were conveyed in a letter received in Atlantia on 15 October, 2005.

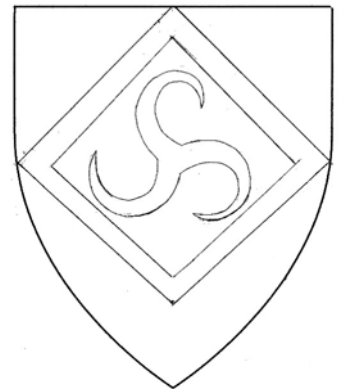
ACCEPTANCES:

The following items were REGISTERED by the Laurel Office:

Canton of Abhainn Iarthair. Name. The Laurel Office modified the submitted name of Abhainn an Iar to Abhainn Iarthair because the submitters had indicated that they wished the name to mean “West River” and the Laurel staff felt that the form *Iarthair* was a more period form based on the existence of the name *Iarthair Midhe* for Westmeath in the period Annals of the Four Masters.

Albina Gherardi. Name.

Alexandre of Kapellenberg. Device. Sable, a triskelion arrondy within a mascle argent.



Christina de Nedham. Name.

Corwyn Moray. Name and device. Purpure, three bendlets argent and in base a lion's head cabossed Or.

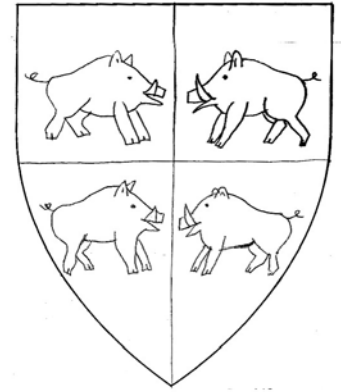


Dante di Pietro. Device. Azure, a rhinoceros's head coupé argent.

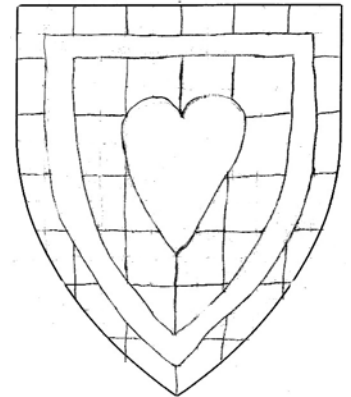


Edward de Clare. Change of name from Geoffrey Wynburne and change of device. Quarterly vert and Or, four boars statant respectant counterchanged.

Gabriella Caterina della Rosa. Name.

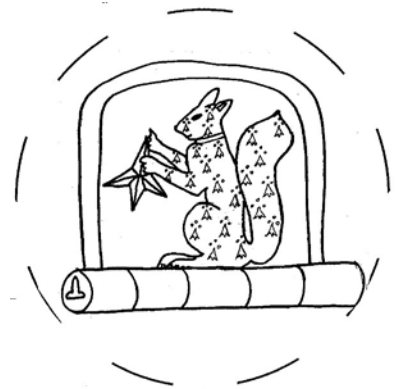


Gisella Cœur. Name and device. Checky sable and argent, a heart within an orle Or. The Laurel staff modified the spelling of the byname to use the ligature “œ” instead of the submitted “oe” in the byname because they felt it was the more standard spelling of the French word meaning “heart”.



Guillaume de Bracy. Badge. (Fieldless) A squirrel sejant erect counter-ermine maintaining a caltrop argent within and standing upon a fetterlock Or.

Halfdan bekkjarbrjótr. Name. It should be noted that the Laurel Office particularly complimented the submitter on the nice period nature of the constructed byname.



Barony of Hawkwood. Name for Award of the Silver Jess.

Ingeborg Schön. Name.

Isabelle Jumelle. Name.

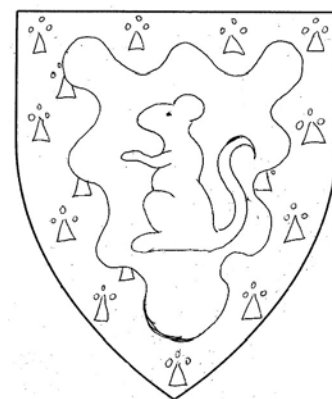
Katla feilan Stefansdottir. Name. Since the Laurel Office considered the *feilan* element in the name as a descriptive byname rather than a given name, which it also is according to the submitter’s documentation, they changed the initial letter of that element to lower case following Laurel precedent.

Marco da Verona. Name (see RETURNS for device).

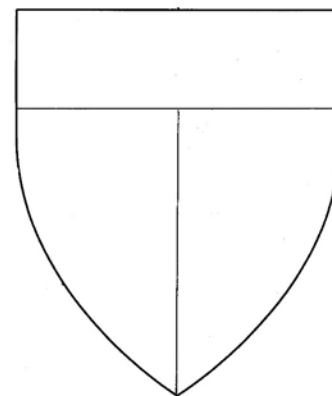
Marryn Blackgroves. Device. Per pale purple and sable, a unicorn’s head coupé argent armed Or within a bordure wavy argent semy of oak leaves sable.



Melissent d'Artois. Change of device. Azure, a mouse sejant erect argent within a bordure wavy erminois.



Ragnall mac Aodha. Name and device. Per pale argent and vert, a chief gules.



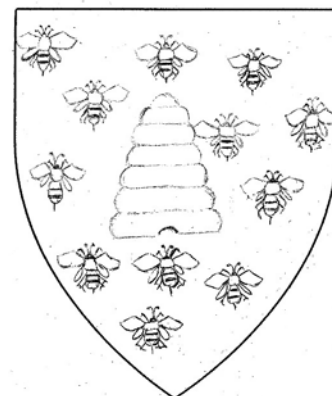
Rhiannon ui Neill. Badge. (Fieldless) On a hurt indented a natural leopard salient ermine, gorged of a coronet sable.

Saethryth Seolforlocc. Name. Since the submitter had requested authenticity for tenth century Anglo-Saxon language, the Laurel Office modified the submitted byname of *Silverlock* to a constructed Anglo-Saxon form appropriate for that period as provided by Golden Dolphin.

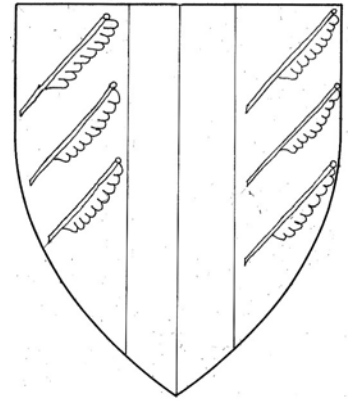


Tegrinus de Rhina. Name.

Therasia Mellita. Name and device. Gules, semy of bees, a beehive Or.

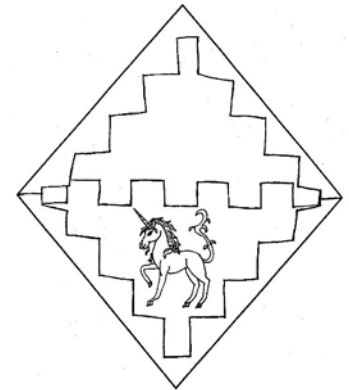


Tristan de Brailesford. Name and device. Argent, a pale per pale vert and azure between six pens bendwise sinister sable.



Wilhelm Schlagenteufel. Name (see RETURNS for device).

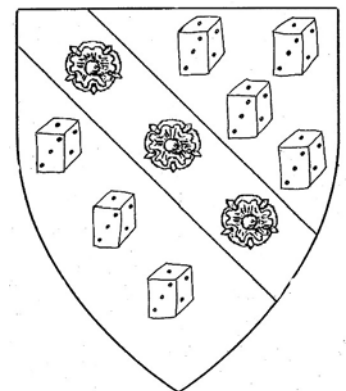
Yrmegard of Hawkwood. Device. Per fess embattled Or and sable, a unicorn passant Or within a bordure indented counterchanged.



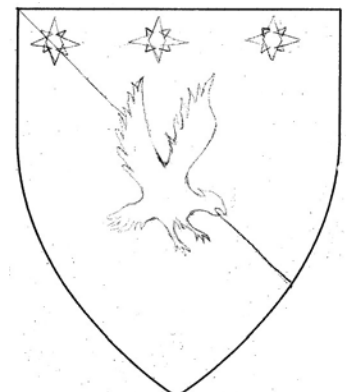
RETURNS:

The following items were RETURNED by the Laurel Office:

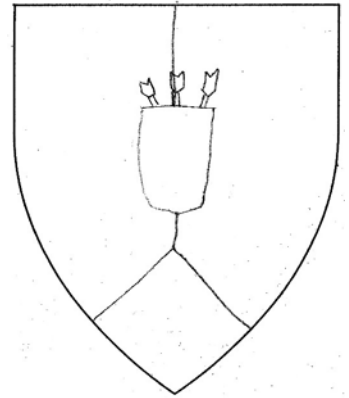
Alfred of Suffolk. Device. Argent semy of dice, on a bend azure three roses argent barbed and seeded gules. The Laurel Office returned the device on technical grounds because the spots were black on the blue dice. While in the past the spots on dice have been considered equivalent to maintained charges and therefore were allowed to violate the Society’s rules on tincture, the current Laurel staff felt that the low contrast prevented the dice from being identifiable as dice and so the device as a whole was returned.



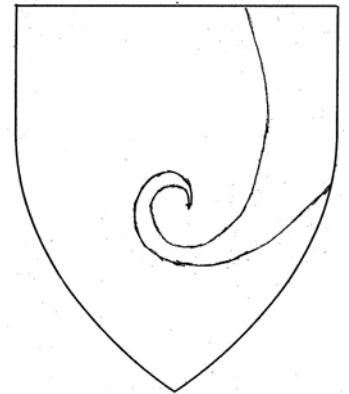
Bjorn Samsson. Device. Per bend sable and vert, a falcon striking to sinister and in chief three compass stars argent. The Laurel staff decided that the falcon as drawn on the emblazon sheet did not meet their current standards for either striking or rising or any of the other “standard” positions for a falcon and therefore returned the device for redrawing with the bird in a position that they would consider standard.



Marco da Verona. Device. Per pale Or and vert, a quiver with three arrows gules and a point pointed azure. Unfortunately, the Laurel Office considered that the quiver was not sufficiently identifiable as a quiver and so returned the device for redrawing.



Wilhelm Schlagenteufel. Device. Or, a schnecke issuant from sinister chief sable. Unfortunately, the Laurel Office issued a new precedent at the meeting at which this device submission was considered. That precedent ruled the period and modern heraldic charge of a gorges, when blazoned as “Sable, a gorges Or.” must also be considered for conflict as if it were blazoned “Or, a gorges sable.” because of the nature of the gorges. This being the case, they felt they had to return your device for conflict with Damian Thorvaldsson (Sable, a gorges Or.) because two differences are required between pieces of armory for registration and they felt there was only one for the difference between the schnecke and the very similar charge of a gorges.



Your servant,

Alisoun