

Atlantian Letter of Decision, June 2017

Unto Cian Triton and the College of Atlantian Herald, does Beatrice Shirwod, Golden Dolphin Herald, send Greetings. Here are all the items intended for our June 2017 Laurel Letter of Intent.

Many thanks go to the multitude of heralds this month who offered up aid in the way of commentary. Their numbers include: Alisoun MacCoul of Elphane (Metron Ariston), Basil Dragonstrike (Lions Heart), Conall an Doire (Blue Talbot), Etienne Le Mons (Sea Stag), Gabriel James West, Iago ab Adam, Lillie Dubh inghean ui Mordha, Lucien d'Artois (Red Raven), Niccolina the Wanderer (Hippocampus), Sabine Berard, Seraphina Delfino (Ragged Staff), and Shannon inghaen Bhriain uí Dhuilleaín. I could not do this without you. Thank you.

This is my first Letter of Intent as Golden Dolphin, so I apologize for any errors it may contain.

Acceptances

1: Aelhaearn ap Bleidcu - New Name (See Returns for Device)

Submitter desires a masculine name.

Sound most important.

Language most important.

Culture (Welsh male) most important.

Aelhaearn as a given name is based on 7th Century Welsh priest Aelhaearn ap Cerfael, later sainted and with a 14th C. Church, St. Aelhaiarn (alternate spelling) at Guilsfield. Another alternate spelling of Elhaearn, a disciple of Dyfrig, appears in the same entry.

Bartrum, Peter C. A Welsh Classical Dictionary: People in History and Legend up to about A.D. 1000. National Library of Wales, 1993:

http://www.llgc.org.uk/fileadmin/fileadmin/docs_gwefan/casgliadau/Drych_Digidol/Deunydd_print/Welsh_Classical_Dictionary/02_A-B.pdf, pg. 4.

ap Bleidcu as a surname follows Welsh naming practice of (Given Name) ap (Father's Name) outlined in this article: A Simple Guide to Constructing 13th Century Welsh Names from Merioneth:

<http://www.heatherrosejones.com/names/welsh/simple13thmerioneth.html>

Bleidcu shows up in an Academy of Saint Gabriel report from 1998:

<http://www.panix.com/~gabriel/public-bin/showfinal.cgi?1135+0> Also listed under Welsh Masculine Names of the First Thousand Years of British Names: Appendices IV and V: https://www.s-gabriel.org/names/tangwystyl/british1000/appendix4_5.html

Commenters expressed concern over the disparity in dates, but as the given name was documented as a saint's name, we are being optimistic and sending this up. We ask for additional help from the greater College in finding additional documentation, if needed.

Consulting Herald: Genevieve d'Aquitaine, Partan

2: Caitilín inghean Uí Ruaidhrí - New Name & New Device

Purpure, a saltire sable fimbriated between in pale two coney's statant argent

Submitter desires a feminine name.
No major changes.

Construction The construction [single given name] **inghean Uí** [eponymous clan ancestor's name in genitive case and lenited] is documented from "Quick and Easy Gaelic Names" by Sharon Krossa (<http://www.medievalscotland.org/scotnames/quickgaelicbyname/>).

Caitilín Caitilín is an Early Modern Irish female given name found in "Index of Names in Irish Annals" by Mari ingen Briain meic Donnchada (<http://medievalscotland.org/kmo/AnnalsIndex/Feminine/Caitilin.shtml>) with Annals dates of 1411, 1471, 1486, 1490, 1506, 1527, 1530, 1568, 1582, 1592

RuaidhríRuaidhrí: is found in "Index of Names in Irish Annals: Ruaidrí / Ruaidhrí" by Mari Elspeth nic Bryan (Kathleen M. O'Brien). <http://medievalscotland.org/kmo/AnnalsIndex/Masculine/Ruaidhri.shtml> Early Modern Irish Gaelic (c1200-c1700) genitive form: Ruaidhrí

We believe this to be different enough from Caitilín inghean mhic Ruadhain for registration.

Consulting Herald: Etienne Sea Stag

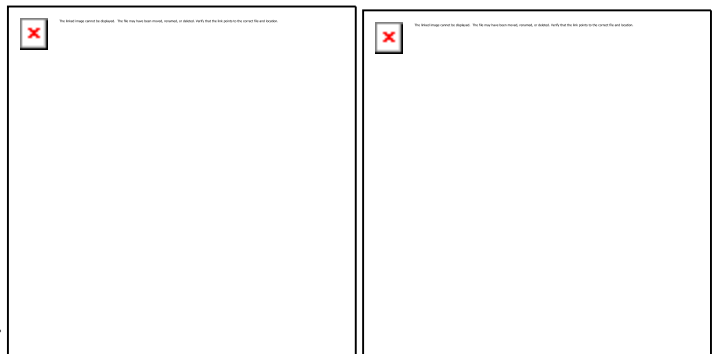
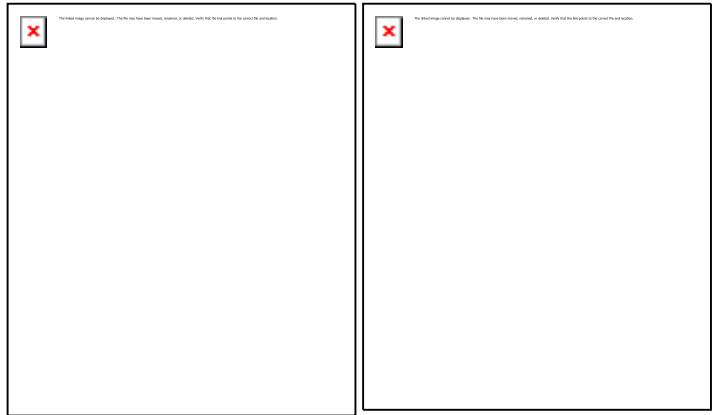
3: Estienne Le Mons d'Anjou – New Household Name & New Badge

House of the Golden Korgi

(Fieldless) A corgi dog Or maintaining from its mouth a drop spindle vert

This name uses the pattern of color + animal for inn signs, which is found in "English Sign Names," by Mari ingen Briain meic Donnchada (<http://medievalscotland.org/kmo/inn/#ColorAnimal>). Examples include: White Hart (1450), Whytchorse (1312), Grayhorse (2 Hen. VII)

House of is an accepted designator for household names based on inn signs per the February 2013 Cover Letter. The spelling house is dated to a1398 in the Middle English Dictionary s.v. angle (n.(2)).



The Middle English Dictionary has: (<http://quod.lib.umich.edu/m/med/>) -> golden (adj.) Also goldein, golding, colden.: 3. Having the color of gold, golden, yellow; shining like gold.

Corgi is found in Wyllam Salesbury's A Dictionary in Englyshe and Welshe (London 1574), where there is a reference to the Korgi ne gostoc, meaning "Corgi or curre dogge". https://www.welshcorgi-news.ch/Leseecke/InfoCorgi/Meaning_eng.html This source also gives a gray period illustration of the breed.

Submitted as "House of the Golden Corgi," we have changed the spelling in-Kingdom to match the documentation, with in-commentary permission from the submitter. There was some question in commentary as to whether we had sufficient evidence, so we are asking the greater College for help in finding further documentation.

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This source also gives a gray period illustration of the breed. It is worth noting that the breed in period was taller than the modern breed and had a tail. Both of these attributes are represented in the depiction.

Submitter has stated in commentary that he is willing to have the dog blazoned merely as a dog, but would prefer a corgi, if possible.

Consulting Herald: Etienne Sea Stag

4: Jared the Bear - New Household Name & New Badge

Domus Calicus et Ursi

(Fieldless) A brown bear proper sustaining a chalice Or

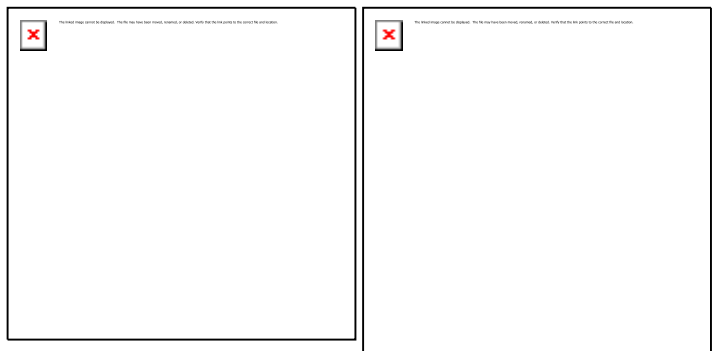
Domus Calicis et Ursi

This household name is a Latinized form of an English Sign Name meaning House of the

Chalice and Bear. An example of a fully Latinized inn-sign name was <signum Ursi> (at the sign of the bear), found in the raw data for Mari ingen Briain meic Donnchada, "English Sign Names" (<http://www.medievalscotland.org/kmo/inn/raw.shtml>). English Sign Names: Raw Data - Medieval Scotland

www.medievalscotland.org English Sign Names: Raw Data. by Mari ingen Briain meic Donnchada (Kathleen M. O'Brien)

Orle provided documentation that Romans used inn signs as did the English, citing Fritz Endell, Old Tavern Signs. Cambridge: Houghton Mifflin. 1916



(<http://archive.org/stream/oldtavernsignsex00enderich#page/n45/mode/2up>) and W. C. Firebaugh, *The Inns of Greece & Rome, and a history of Hospitality from the Dawn of Time to the Middle Ages*. Chicago: Pascal Covici; 1928; pp. 157-171 (<http://www.elfinspell.com/ClassicalTexts/Firebaugh-TheInnsOfGreeceAndRome/Chapter11.html>). Among those named were: The Bear in the Cap, The Four Sisters (or Quattuor Sorores), The Elephant, The Cock, The Camel, The Great Eagle, The Little Eagle, The Serpent, The Great Crane, The Sword, The Wheel, and The Olives. Given this pattern it seems plausible that a Roman inn was named after a Roman artifact. As a Latinized English inn-sign name, it should be registrable either way.

Elfinspell: Chapter XI, The Inns of Greece & Rome, and a ...www.elfinspell.com Firebaugh, W. C.: Chapter 11, from *The Inns of Greece & Rome, and a history of Hospitality from the Dawn of Time to the Middle Ages*, by W. C. Firebaugh, with an ...

Old tavern signs; an excursion in the history of hospitality archive.org

Internet Archive BookReader Old tavern signs; an excursion in the history of hospitality

All elements are located in Lewis & Short's Latin Dictionary online
<http://www.perseus.tufts.edu/hopper/>

Perseus Digital Library www.perseus.tufts.edu Perseus Updates. January 9, 2017: Update on the new MA in Digital Tools for Premodern Studies at Tufts . In September 2016, we announced the creation of a new MA at ...

Domus: Domus meaning house (esp in town). Domus is accepted as a household designator in the 02-2011 LOAR for "Domus Pugni Argentei."

Calicis: The singular genitive form of calix (meaning cup or chalice).

Ursi: The singular genitive form of ursus (meaning bear).

5: Lyneya inghean Uí Ciaragáin - New Name (See Returns for device)

Submitter desires a feminine name.
Sound (sounds like Lanea Kerrigan) most important.

The given name **Lyneya** was documented from Susan Carroll-Clark's "Statistical Survey of Given Names in Essex Co., England, 1182-1272" at www.members.tripod.com/nicolaa5/articles/names.html where it is shown as occurring once.

The construction [single given name] inghean Uí [eponymous clan ancestor's name in genitive case and lenited] is documented from "Quick and Easy Gaelic Names" by Sharon Krossa (<http://www.medievalscotland.org/scotnames/quickgaelicbyname/>).

Ó Ciaragáin is listed as a masculine byname from County Mayo. The feminine form, inghean Uí Ciaragáin, is submitted here. Library Ireland lists Ó Ciaragáin from Woulfe's Irish Names and

Surnames here: <http://www.libraryireland.com/names/oc/o-ciaragain.php>

O'Ciaragain, and the Anglicized version of O Kerigane and O Kierregain show up in this article:
O'Brien, Kathleen M. "16th & 17th Century Anglicized Irish Surnames from Woulfe":
http://medievalscotland.org/kmo/Woulfe/SortedByGaelicRoot_C1.shtml

O'Ciaragain is listed as originating in the Connacht region under Partraige with Ancestry.com's Ireland Tribe Index: http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~irlkik/ihm/tribe_index.htm

Submitted as Lyneya O'Ciaragain, submitter has given permission via email to change to the feminine inghean Uí Ciaragáin, and has stated that she will also accept the forms O Kerigane or O Kierregain.

Consulting Herald: Genevieve d'Aquitaine, Partan

6: **Merovechus de Blariaco** - New Name

Submitter desires a masculine name.

Sound most important.

Language most important.

Culture most important.

Merovechus:

Gregory of Tours mentions:

Book 2: <http://www.thelatinlibrary.com/gregorytours/gregorytours2.shtml> "...Merovechum... cuius fuit filius Childericus" [...Merovech...who was the father of Childeric.]

Book 4: www.thelatinlibrary.com/gregorytours/gregorytours4.shtml "...Merovechum atque Chlodovechum..."[...Merovech and also Chlodovech...]

Book 5, which has the chapter included in the documentation:

<http://www.thelatinlibrary.com/gregorytours/gregorytours5.shtml> which seems to round out the 4 mentions of Merovech. Using the given name as provided by Gregory, we would then use the nominative form Merovechus.

de Blariaco: Dictionnaire Topographique de France at <http://cths.fr/dico-topo/affiche-vedettes.php?cdep=89&cpage=14> shows the spelling Blariacus in the area of Sens dated to 864 A.D.

Modifying this to use a prepositional phrase indicating origin at the specified location we get de Blariaco.

Consulting Herald: Etienne Sea Stag

7: **Rolant Tannhauser** - New Name Change

Old Item: *Roland Gervais*, to be released.

Submitter desires a masculine name.

No major changes.
Spelling most important.

Rolant - "An Index to the Given Names in the 1292 Census of Paris" by Colm Dubh. url:
<http://heraldry.sca.org/names/paris.html>

Tannhäuser:The original, famous Tannhäuser was <Der Tanhauser> the minnesänger, c.1300-1340
Große Heidelberger Liederhandschrift (Codex Manesse), Zurich [Cod. Pal. germ. 848], 264r.
<http://digi.ub.uni-heidelberg.de/diglit/cpg848/0523>

Additional Documentation Attached (Image from the Codex Manesse)

In commentary, Metron Ariston provided some additional IGI documentation, which may prove helpful:

Rolant Garve christened on 14 August, 1586, at Amsterdam (Batch #: C900351)

Barbara **Tannhauser** married on 5 June, 1644, at Aichstetten (Oa. Leutkirch), Württemberg (Batch #: M968621)

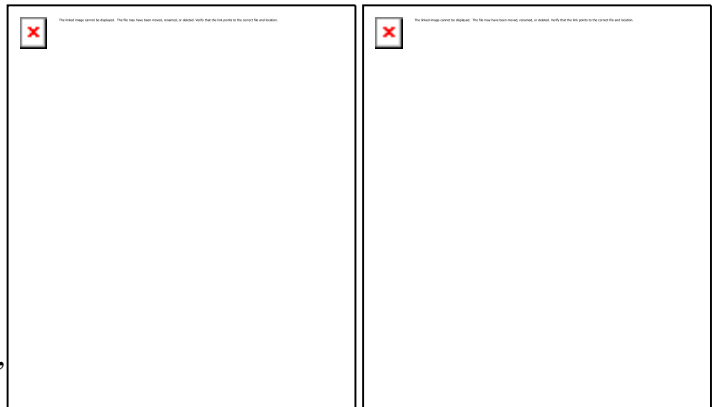
Submitted as **Rolant Tannhäuser**, we have changed the spelling in Kingdom, as we were unable to document the spelling with the umlaut, and the submitter has allowed for minor changes.

Consulting Herald: Etienne Sea Stag

8: Rynion of Raven's Cove – Resubmission of Device

Per chevron vert and azure, between two dogwood blossoms and a coney rampant contourney maintaining a harp argent

Device Submissions History: January 2016
Atlantian Return of "Per chevron vert and azure, between the chevron two dogwood blossoms and a coney sejant erect maintaining a harp sinister argent"



The device was returned for redraw because commenters had a difficult time identifying the argent harp against the argent rabbit and the rabbit is not in a blazonable posture. The posture sejant erect has the arms up over the head and sejant would have all four paws on the ground. If the harp was drawn a little more away from the body of the rabbit, it might help with the identifiability. Also upon resubmission, please draw the chevron with a little steeper.

July 2016 Atlantian Return of "Per chevron vert and azure, a chevron between two New World dogwood blossoms and a coney salient to sinister its dexter forepaw resting on a maintained harp reversed argent "

The device was returned because the name is being returned. Golden Dolphin cannot assign a holding name to send the device forward to Laurel, only Laurel can assign holding names for registration. Upon resubmission, the chevron needs to move up a little on shield, so that is a little more balance on the fess line. Moving up the chevron will allow the rabbit to grow a little. Also please draw the rabbit a little large and the harp a little smaller, as they are currently drawn, they have the same visual weight. If they have the same visual weight, the device will have problems with slot machine or having 3 different types of charges in secondary charge group (Flowers + Rabbit and Harp).

There was some discussion in commentary as to whether the maintained harp should be considered as a co-primary secondary charge(which would trigger a return for slot-machine), or whether maintained charges are of a separate category. We are therefore forwarding this device to Wreath for clarification.

(Note: Rynion of Raven's Cove on the Jan Atlantian Letter of Intent)

There is a Step from Period Practice for the dogwood flowers, as the variety depicted, *Cornus florida* (also called Eastern Dogwood), is a New World species.

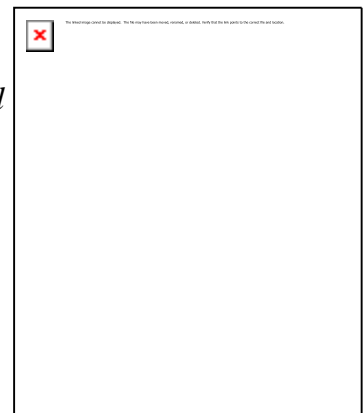
Returns

Aelhaearn ap Bleidcu -Device

Or, a fess checky sable and gules between three crows migrant and a hound statant sable

Unfortunately, this device must be returned due to poor contrast of the checky in the fess. Per SENA A.3.B.3.d,

“Elements not already mentioned must have good contrast between their parts. These include fields or charges evenly divided into four parts other than quarterly or per saltire, fields or charges evenly divided into more than four parts of two different tinctures, and fields or charges unevenly divided into multiple parts of two different tinctures; all of these must have good contrast between adjacent parts of the field.”



As gules and sable do not have good contrast, and checky is a division of more than four parts, we must return this submission at this time. In addition, the discrepancy in size between the center crow and the two flanking it make it difficult to determine whether they are one charge group or two, and we ask that the birds be drawn to be equal in size, and ideally in a more period posture or at least with better internal detailing, to aid in identifiability.

Consulting Herald: Genevieve d'Aquitaine, Partan

2. Lyneya inghean Uí Ciaragáin -New Device

Vert, on a pall between three crosses of Saint Brigid of three points Or, a crow migrant sable

This device is returned for violation of SENA A.1.A.1. which states,

“Any armorial submissions with more than one step from period practice will not be registered under the Core Style rules.”

As both the cross of Saint Brigid and any non-eagle bird displayed are considered steps from period practice, this device contains two SFPPs and must be returned.

Genevieve d'Aquitaine, Partan

In Service to College and Kingdom,

Lady Beatrice Shirwod

Golden Dolphin Submissions Herald

Atlantian College of Heralds

