

BARONY OF STIERBACH

The Bull



Baronial Newsletter September 2026

September Business Meeting

by Genefer Wolfelin

October 13, 2026

As many of the Barony were off to the Debatable Lands in August, the decision was made to postpone the August Business Meeting and reconvene in September. Thank you to Lord Thomas for stepping in to take the meeting minutes!

Notes From Their Excellencies:

His Excellency is channeling his inner mad max with his pennsic trip.

They are very excited with stuff coming up

Baroness Cynthia is compiling an address book of everyone in the barony. Putting a directory together of members listing ways that they can be contacted. The goal to get a better idea of how to reach members of the barony

Letter from the seneschal:

- Unknown status of the barony in regards to number of LOI, waiting on more info from kingdom, that is all we have at this point
- We do have enough officers right now to run the barony
- Seneschals warrants expire in Feb, searching for a deputy to take over in Feb

Lord Thornglimmer included a note highlighting the importance of service and how much goes into Seneschal and Exchequer work, and how great it is when folks step up to do the job that needs to get done

Exchequer Report:

- 18 pre-reg for birthday
- Holiday faire is working on getting scores set up
- KExq hasn't filed Q2 report yet
- Bank account looks good

Deputy Exchequer – going to take the paypal class to handle it at gate

Herald – Nothing to report

- Recording started at this point

Quartermaster – waiting on warrant still

Chatelain – Nothing new to report

Webminister – Website is up and running. The Baronial Birthday website is being updated as fast as possible as able to get info.

Make sure these notes get to the webminister to get into the blog

Baronial Birthday Updates

– Not providing any specific kid activities. Don't have a MOL for kids stuff.

No official MOL for coursing, but may be able to get equestrian MOL to do both

There will be thrown weapons

A&S – still doing the monthly zoom, on schedule.

Old Business:

Baronial Birthday – No specific report. Their excellencies will be camping both nights.

Kingdom calendar is getting updated with more up to date info

Note for the event description – offering a pancake breakfast, free but taking donations.
Ceridwen set up paypal donation options

Holiday Faire – Website is being updated. Working to decide if doing paypal or scores for it.

New Business:

Baron Dunstan – Make sure to double check your account on the esp to make sure it is up to date. Please share this to remind other people to check the esp and make sure your account is working before polling opens

The moo is there as a google group, contact the webminister to join

Mistress Esperanza – Stierbach won the Lochmere shoot last year. The official shoot will be at holiday faire since it was unable to be done at Birthday. Esperanza will get in touch with webministers to get the info posted on the site.

Question on the timeline for the polling. Hoping to know something soon, we will know once we know.

Notes from Their Excellencies:

- Officers try and pull in new people for deputies
- Award recommendations please.
- Really wants to see recommendations for minotaur (heavy fighting)

Meet the Candidates

by Richard Wymarc

September 16, 2026

Dearest Barony,

This is your opportunity to meet the candidates who have stepped forth in a bid to lead our Great Barony. As you know our polling window has been truncated due to circumstances beyond our control. The Baronial Polling ends on September 26, 2026. Our new Baronage will be invested at our Holiday Faire event in November.

We urge you to join one of the two meetings in order to get to know our candidates and ask them questions. Take advantage of this wonderful opportunity, even if you have already cast your vote in the polling! Making our voices heard is important and being an informed member of our populace is so important.

These meetings will be held on September 23, 2026, and September 24, 2026; each will be held at 7:00 pm EST.

Thank you and we will see you there!

Zoom link will stay the same for both meetings.

[https://zoom.us/j/93711471699?pwd=QyG28jggaK58DVY51o0MvgM26GUvbw.1THLJenefer de Winter Order of the Golden DolphinSeneschal, Barony of Stierbach](https://zoom.us/j/93711471699?pwd=QyG28jggaK58DVY51o0MvgM26GUvbw.1THLJenefer+de+Winter+Order+of+the+Golden+DolphinSeneschal,+Barony+of+Stierbach)

Baronial Polling: Letters of Intent

by Richard Wymarc

September 11, 2026

Magnifica Helena Hrolfsdottir, Order of the Laurel

Lord Jasper of Hartshorn-dale, Companion of the Silver Heart and Bearer of the Silver Horns

Unto to their Majesties, Highnesses, and the current baronage and populace of the great Barony of Stierbach do we, Magnifica Helena Hrolfsdottir and Lord Jasper of Hartshorn-dale give greetings and bring word of our hope to be considered as heirs to Baroness Cynthia and Baron Dunstan.

Our history with the SCA and with the Barony of Stierbach is long and forms the backbone of our lives. Magnifica Helena was raised in the society, and Lord Jasper found it through a demonstration at his school when he was but a lad. We met at a dance practice in the Shire of Hartshorn-dale in the East as callow youths, and from this blossomed our love story. We spent the years of our youth and early adulthood playing with the Shire and exploring our varied interests in the Society.

We moved to the shores of Atlantia and this great Barony as young adults looking for work, and were greatly welcomed by the folk of your Canton of Sudentorre. (They made a giant painting of our wedding!) The society and friendship we found here were a great boon to us after moving far from home, to a place where we had no connections. This experience of the SCA as a welcoming community forms the core of what we wish to encourage if we are selected as Baronage. This Society is how we found each other and many of our dearest friends, it is the community to which we turn in need – and we wish it to be so for many others.

We have served this Barony, its Canton of Sudentorre and the kingdom of Atlantia in varied ways over the past two decades. Helena has led monthly dance practice in Fredericksburg for 15 years and currently serves as both the Canton's Minister of Arts & Sciences and Webminister. She previously served as chatelaine for the Atlantian Dance Academy and currently serves as the Dance Track coordinator for Atlantian University. Jasper recently stepped down from a four-year term as Canton Seneschal, and has served as Head Cook for Defending the Gate for several years. Beyond these official positions, we can be found engaged in teaching and service at Pennsic, various Known World events, and the halls and kitchens of events throughout Atlantia and her neighboring kingdoms.

In our time here in Stierbach we have been privileged to witness the leadership of many great Barons and Baronesses. It is our hope if we are selected to join their ranks that we will be able to nurture the creativity and discovery of the people of Stierbach. We wish to grow our community and enable their endeavours across the spectrum of SCA pursuits.

Yours in Service to the Dream,

Magnifica Helena Hrolfsdottir, Order of the Laurel

Lord Jasper of Hartshorn-dale, Companion of the Silver Heart and Bearer of the Silver Horns

Baron Christopher MacConing OL, OP, OD

To Their Royal Highnesses, The Seneschal for the Virginia Region, and the Good Populace of the Barony of Stierbach does Master Christopher MacConing send his regards,

Word has reached me that Their Excellencies of Stierbach, Baron Dunstan and Baroness Cynthia Anne have made it known that they will be stepping down, and as such The Crowns of Atlantia shall require new Stewardship for these lands. After some consideration, I have decided that I will step forward and provide my letter of intent to serve as Baron of these good lands, and to ask for consideration by the populace during the next Baronial polling.

While I have only resided within these lands a relatively short time, I have watched as this Barony has carried itself with honor and pride since before my arrival as well as in years before when I traveled to these lands. I have participated at Baronial events, partaking of tournaments, art, food, and good fellowship, counting many in this Barony as friends and peers. Through all of this and more, Stierbach has become my home, to which I will dedicate my skills and experience in service, art, and combat.

These skills I offer are by no means meager. Most recently I served for many years as Seneschal to your neighbors in Dun Carraig during which those lands did prosper. Before that, I have actively served at the Canton, Baronial, and Kingdom Levels for close to 3 decades, serving wherever or in whatever position needed me. I have taken the field in both Heavy and Rapier combat, fighting with honor for my Kingdom, Household, Lady, and home, earning recognition for my leadership and skill. And during times of peace, I have served my people with my art, shaping metal into items of beauty that recognized occasion, armor that have held fast against the blows of combatants, and weapons that true to their deadly intent.

For all of this, as well as the qualities I carry and encourage in others, I have been recognized at the Baronial, Kingdom, and Society level. These are the skills I offer to Stierbach, should I be chosen to stand as a Baron or not.

With these skills to offer, and with honest intent to serve its people, I ask to be considered to stand as Baron of these great lands.

Should you have any questions or comments do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your time.

Very Respectfully,

Baron Christopher MacConing OL, OP, OD

Baronial Polling

by Richard Wymarc

September 11, 2026

Submitted on the behalf of the Virginia Regional Seneschal

Good people of Stierbach, your Regional Seneschal, Tiarna Lughaidh Ó Murchadha comes bearing news regarding the upcoming Baronial Polling!

I have queued up the Polling to begin via the ESP tomorrow, Saturday the 12th of September. The Polling will close on Saturday the 26th of September. Their Highnesses have two weeks following the end of the Polling to make Their decision. Once the candidates have been notified, I will be able to formally announce to the Populace the results. Investiture will take place at Holiday Faire 2026: Blodmonath on Saturday the 21st of November.

Our candidates (in Order of Precedence) are: Master Christopher MacConing, and Magnifica Helena Hrolfsdottir and Lord Jasper of Hartshorn-dale. Their respective Letters of Intent will have links in the comments.

To access the Electronic System for Polling (ESP) go to <https://polling.atlantia.sca.org> and log in. You may have to click the link to Switch to Baronial Pollings. If you do not have an account, one can be requested at https://polling.atlantia.sca.org/account_register.php

If you have any questions regarding the Polling, please contact me via email. As always, please share this information as you see fit.

Yours in Service,

Tiarna Lughaidh Ó Murchadha

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Seneschal, Barony of Stierbach

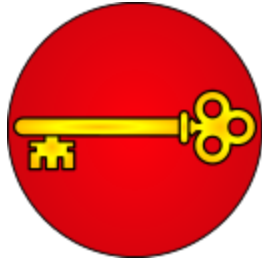
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Meetings, Practices, and Workshops

Meetings:

Baronial Business Meeting:

Meets: Second Tuesday of the month. Starts at 7:00 p.m.

Location: Online

Contact the seneschal@stierbach.atlantia.sca.org for more information.

ALL Are Welcome!

Newcomers Meetings:

New to the Barony? We have some meetings and activities to help introduce you to the SCA.

Contact chatelaine@stierbach.atlantia.sca.org for more information.

Workshops:

Upcoming A&S Classes

[Upcoming Classes](#)

Practices:

Baronial fighter Practice:

Meets: Every Wednesday, weather allowing, 6:30-9:00

Location: 26 Richland Rd. Fredericksburg, VA, 22406

Please contact knight-marshal@stierbach.atlantia.sca.org for more information on heavy weapons and fencing practices.

Fencing Practice:

Meets: Every Tuesday and Thursday, 8-10 pm

Now that school is back in session, the rapier practice held in Fredericksburg will be

moving back to the auxiliary gym at the University of Mary Washington. Starting on September 3, we will be meeting from 8-10 PM on Tuesdays and Thursdays. I know it's quite late for many people, but we would love to see you there!

As always, no experience is required to attend! We love teaching newcomers and there is plenty of loaner equipment.

Stierbach Equestrian Practice Schedule

The 2024 dates are: 3/17, 5/19, 7/14, 9/22 and 11/03

Location: 4603 James Madison Hwy, Haymarket, VA 20169

Brief Description:

Join us at James Long park in Haymarket VA for our first Northern Cavalry Practice! Set up from 10am to 11 am, and riding and/or driving from 11am to about 1pm. After we pack up the equipment, we'll share snacks and fellowship from 1pm to 2pm.

Archery Practice – Grimmsfield

Meets: Every Monday, 5pm to dusk

Runs from the first Monday after Spring Daylight Savings change until Fall Daylight Savings change. (In winter we switch to A&S. 6PM until 9PM.)

No experience necessary. Newcomers welcome. Loaner gear (and coaching) are available!

Baronial Calendar

Today < > October 2026 ▾ ! 📅 🖨️ Month ▾						
SUN 27	MON 28	TUE 29	WED 30	THU Oct 1	FRI 2	SAT 3
Stierbach Bar	Archery Practi	Fencing Practi	Baronial Fighte	Fencing Practi		Coronation
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	Archery Practi	Fencing Practi	Baronial Fighte	Fencing Practi		
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	Archery Practi	3 more	2 more	2 more	1 more	1 more
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
War of the Win	Archery Practi	Fencing Practi	Baronial Fighte	2 more	Harvest Market	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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Barony of Stierbach

Events shown in time zone: (GMT-04:00) Eastern Time - New York

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