

Barony of Namron Baronial Polling

Per the Seneschal's handbook, baronial surveys (pollings) will be conducted every 3 years after a change in local Landed Nobility to gather commentary on the Nobles, unless directed otherwise by the crown. The time has come to conduct Namron's polling.

Members and non-members are encouraged to participate in the polling.

Namron Baronial Polling Schedule

- January 2018: Opinion poll form is printed with candidate letter(s) in newsletter.
- Tuesday, January 30, 2018: (One week before polling.) Send an email to Crown and Heirs with commentary about the candidates. (crown@ansteorra.org, coronet@ansteorra.org)
- Thursday, February 6, 2018: Polling occurs. This will take place during populace meeting. If you are unable to attend populace meeting, absentee polling forms will be available, see below for deadline associated with absentee polling forms.
- Thursday, February 13, 2018: All absentee polls are due by email to kingdom seneschal (seneschal@ansteorra.org). All commentary is due to Crown and Heirs (crown@ansteorra.org, coronet@ansteorra.org)
- End of February: Crown announces their decision.

There are often questions that come up around a polling. Below are some clarifications and answers to commonly asked questions. If you have any other questions, please do not hesitate to contact the local, regional, or kingdom seneschal.

- Local Seneschal: Lady Uliana Haiduk (mka Julia Haiduk); seneschal@namron.ansteorra.org; 713-653-3869
- Regional Seneschal: Lady Cadhla Ua Cellachan (mka Jan Quayle); northern@seneschal.ansteorra.org
- Kingdom Seneschal: Master Modius von Mergentheim (mka Erik Langhans); seneschal@ansteorra.org

Polling Clarifications

Baronial pollings are not a democratic vote and do not necessarily determine who will be chosen for a position. Rather, pollings provide a way for the Crown to hear and consider the opinions of the populace on the matter of Baronial landed nobility.

Candidate Discussion

Candidate discussion on email lists and social media should be avoided. If you have questions for the baronial candidates, contact them directly, not on a list. The Crown and Kingdom Seneschal will determine if there will be candidate Q&A sessions or speeches to be conducted at local functions.

Where to send commentary

The opinion poll form does not include space for written commentary, so any commentary about the baronial candidates should be emailed directly to the Crown at crown@ansteorra.org and to the Heirs at coronet@ansteorra.org. *Do not* send commentary to the Kingdom or Regional Seneschal.

Who can fill out an opinion poll form?

Everyone: member and non-members, residents and non-residents. If you are a member, bring proof of membership with you to the polling.

Absentee Polling Forms

The Kingdom Seneschal will establish the procedures for absentee polling. Typically, this will entail the person wishing to poll emailing the Kingdom Seneschal for a ballot and returning the completed ballot to the Kingdom Seneschal by email prior to the deadline established by the Kingdom Seneschal. This is so all may have the opportunity to participate in the polling. Polling multiple times is not permitted.

Results of the polling

The results of the baronial polling will not be made public. This is the norm for opinion polls conducted in Ansteorra. The results of the polling will be known only by the Kingdom Seneschal, the Crown, and the Coronet. The results will not be shared with anyone else: not the candidates, not the current local Landed Nobility, not the populace, no one. If anyone hints that they know the numbers, they are not from this plane of existence.

Please understand that the poll is a measure of your opinions, not a democratic vote. The Crown alone makes the decision, in consultation with their Heirs.

If anyone has any questions, they may contact the Kingdom Seneschal at seneschal@ansteorra.org.