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### *Greetings, Namron!*

As we write this missive we are getting ready for Virtual Protectorate! Many in the Barony have been working hard to make this event great, and thanks to their efforts there are activities and classes for everyone. We encourage everyone to attend and join the fun!

We are sad to learn that the Norman Medieval Fair will not be held in person in 2021. However they are planning on virtual Fair April 9-11th. The fair has always been a major recruiting and demonstration venue for Namron. We would love to hear your ideas of ways that we can still be an active part of next year's event.

The Proposed Principality is still looking for proposals for coronets, tabards, banners, and pennants. If you are interested in making any of these items for Vindheim to use if it comes to fruition, send a completed bid to the northern regional seneschal by October 9th.

The SCA has created a Membership Assistance Fund to help members who are struggling financially to obtain membership. The process to apply for assistance is simple, easy and confidential. This fund is made possible by the generosity of fellow SCA members wishing to help their fellow medievalist. To apply or donate visit:

<https://www.sca.org/news/establishing-the-membership-assistance-fund>.

We find it hard to believe there is so much activity still happening in the SCA, even though we are not meeting in person. This is a testament to how much the people in this organization care for each other and the things we do. If you have ideas of other ways we can all stay connected or have any other concerns, please let us know!

YIS,

*Baron Micolay and Baronowa Uliana*

BARON AND BARONESS OF NAMRON

LORD AND LADY OF SKORRAGARDR

WARDENS OF THE OUTPOST OF OAK SPRINGS

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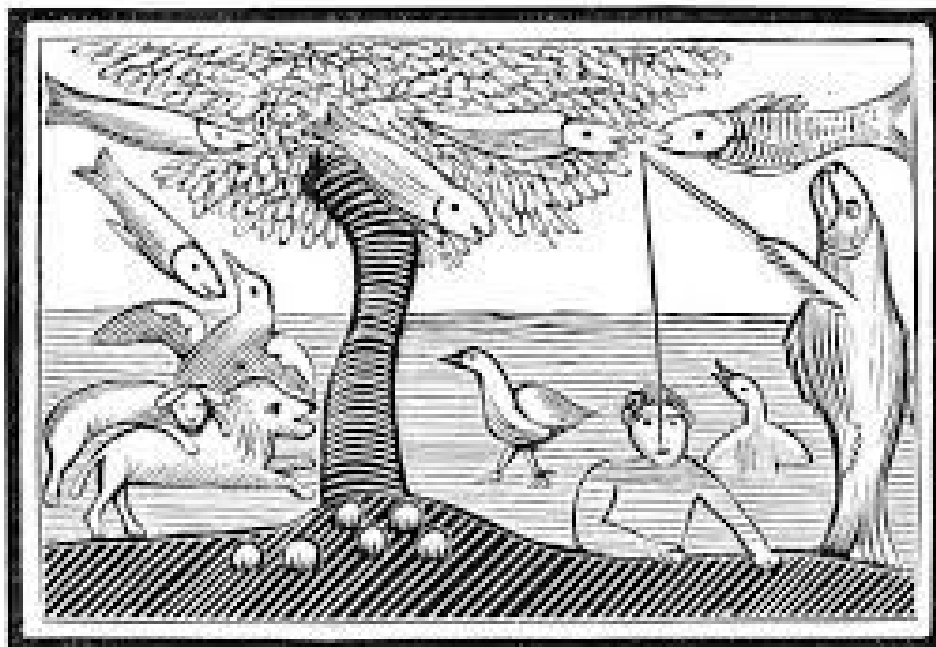
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THE BARONY OF NAMRON PRESENTS

# Virtual Protectorate

Come celebrate with us from the comfort of  
your own home via Facebook!

**OCTOBER 3, 2020**

[HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/GROUPS/VIRTUALPROTECTORATE2020/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/virtualprotectorate2020/)

Games, Contests, Classes, & more!

Virtual Court to be held on Zoom,  
details TBA on the Facebook group page

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# Proposed Principality of Vindheim Initial Regalia Proposals

In the event of recognition and advancement culminating with the Coronet Tournament, our first Princess and Prince will need Regalia and other sundry items necessary for their execution of office.

This is a call for Regalia proposals from artisans. Asking for proposals does not guarantee that it will be made, or that the Principality will even happen. Proposals will be due October 6th, 2020. Please submit all proposals to [northern@seneschal.ansteorra.org](mailto:northern@seneschal.ansteorra.org)

## REQUIREMENTS:

### · One set of “fancy” court level Coronets.

- o Must meet Ansteorra Sumptuary Laws.
- o Able to fit a majority of head sizes.
- o Made of practical, easily repairable materials and coatings.

### · One set of “field” Coronets.

- o Must meet Ansteorra Sumptuary Laws.
- o Must be relatively lightweight and comfortable.
- o Able to fit a majority of head sizes.
- o Should be durable.

### · Two tabards displaying the Principality Arms for the Prince and Princess.

- o Must meet the heraldic standards for signifying the Coronet and differentiating the Prince and Princess.
- o Must be a one size fits most pattern.
- o Must be made of durable materials to withstand use on the field of battle.
- o Must be machine washable.

### · One Heraldic Tabard displaying the Principality Arms

- o Must be a one size fits most pattern.
- o Must be able to absorb tears.

### · One banner displaying the Principality Arms.

- o Must be colorfast.
- o Must be able to easily mount to a variety of walls or pavilions.

· **One Pennant**

o Must be able to withstand the winds of Gulfnado.

o Must be colorfast.

o Must be able to flap in a moderate breeze.

· **Any other overlooked item that you feel is essential to the Proposed Principality.**

o Must provide a very good reason why the item is needed.

o Must not make any future Chamberlain wish that this item never existed.



Wizard riding to the sabbath. From Ulrich Molitor's *Hexen Meysterey*, 1545.



Witch riding to the sabbath. From Ulrich Molitor's *Hexen Meysterey*, 1545.

# October Happenings

- OCTOBER 1 ..... NAMRON POPULACE MEETING
- OCTOBER 2-3..... NAMRON'S VIRTUAL PROTECTORATE  
[HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/GROUPS/VIRTUALPROTECTORATE2020](https://www.facebook.com/groups/virtualprotectorate2020)
- OCTOBER 3 ..... BRYN GWALD VIRTUAL HUNT  
[HTTPS://ANSTEOorra.ORG/BRYN-GWLAD/EVENTS/THE-VIRTUAL-HUNT/](https://ansteorra.org/bryn-gwlad/events/the-virtual-hunt/)
- OCTOBER 10 ..... VIRTUAL ANSTEOorra KINGDOM COURT
- OCTOBER 17 ..... BJORNSBORG VIRTUAL FALL EVENT
- OCTOBER 17 ..... CHEMIN NOIR - HIGHWAY TO HEL IN A HANDBASKET  
[HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/EVENTS/1064458954007420](https://www.facebook.com/events/1064458954007420)
- OCTOBER 24 ..... BONWICKE CHAMPIONS - CAPTURE THE PLAGUE RAT
- OCTOBER 31 ..... VIRTUAL SAMHAIN  
[HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/EVENTS/315966616153369](https://www.facebook.com/events/315966616153369)

## Baronial Practices:

PLEASE KEEP AN EYE ON THE FACEBOOK PAGE FOR UPDATES ON CURRENT PRACTICE DATES AND TIMES DUE TO THE PLAGUE.





## Namron Champions:<sup>A</sup>

### *Archery:*

LORD ROLAND BLACKTHORNE

### *Baroness's Justice (Rapier):*

DON CORNELIUS MERILÄINEN, WSA

### *Arts & Science:*

LADY KERSTEN MERILÄINEN

### *Thrown Weapons:*

LORD RAULFF SMEITHBERDE

### *Bardic:*

ELSPETH BHORÚMA INGHEAN BHRIAN

### *Youth Archery:*

ARI JONGEIRRSON

### *Brewing:*

LORD RAULFF SMEITHBERDE

### *Youth Rapier:*

CASYN OF NORTHKEEP  
*(child division, 6-11)*

### *Namron's Protector (Chivalric):*

JARL TIMOTHEUS KALAMANOS

AIDEN OF NAMRON  
*(youth division, 12-17)*

### *Foolery:*

LORD CUAIS FLAVUIS VALENS

### *Youth Thrown Weapons:*

ARI JONGEIRRSON

## FROM THE SENESCHAL

*Greetings,  
Good Gentles  
of the Storm,*

Fall event season is upon us! We are limited in our physical gatherings, but I encourage you to take advantage of the many virtual offerings happening, and to spend some time outside to enjoy the weather.

Protectorate XLIV is a virtual event this year. I think we're the only group in Ansteorra to host two of them, and it has been quite an adventure. These events are challenging to put together, and I'm grateful that so many of you have contributed your ideas, talents, and enthusiasm!

The Medieval Fair will be virtual in 2021. If you have any ideas for providing a unique online demo, please contact me or Their Excellencies.

Regalia bids for the Proposed Principality of Vindheim have been extended and will now close on October 9, 2020. Full details are published in this month's Plume.

We will have some opportunities to serve the Barony opening soon, so watch the email list and Facebook group for those announcements.

*Frú Kolbjörna*

*Egilsdóttir*

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Detail from Death and the lady. From *Der Doten Dantz (Dance of the Dead)*, printed by Heinrich Knoblochzer, Heidelberg, 1490.



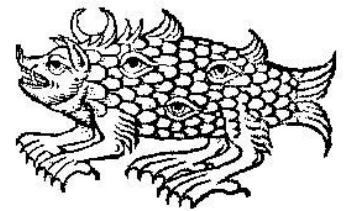
## FROM THE DESK OF THE KNIGHT MARSHAL



A harpy. Unidentified source.



The Nobleman from Hans Holbein's Dance of Death 1523-1525



A Herill or Schweynwal, a boar-like whale sighted north of the Orkneys in 1537 according to Olaus Magnus. From Konrad Gesner's Nomenclator Aquatiliū Animantium, published by Christoph Froschoverus, Zurich, 1560.

Greetings, Namron-

Shields are being put together, but not moving up the phase ladder means no practicing.

Pell work and dot boards are my lot in life right now as well as working on the practice field for when we can practice again.

My shop is expanding, electricity has been run to my out buildings! So, with that in mind, armoring days will be easier when we get to hold them again.

And, as always, we are going to need material donations when we can kick off again.

Leather, rivets, and paracord mostly needed.

That is what is happening around this workbench,

YIS

*Ragnar Kelson of Durham*

KNIGHT MARSHAL OF NAMRON!



# MINISTER OF ARTS AND SCIENCE

*Greetings Namron!*

It's October!!! One of My favorite times of year! What's your favorite time of year? I love fall / October Protectorate!!! Fall camping!! It's great to do all the cooler outdoor A & S projects! Who's working on some woodworking projects, or metal working projects? Let me know I'd love to come out and watch( from a socially acceptable district of course)! Also I'm going to remind everyone that I'll need your importance for when and where and what classes you would like to see! The October class that was going to be announced is being pushed to November zoom class! So I'm looking for a class instructor for October!! Email me or you can try to get in touch FB messages but I'm trying to stay off as much as possible! But I will check it daily.

Now for some word fame!! Baroness Ayesha, Angelina have had their beautiful scrolls handed out this last month!! Beautiful work ladies, ViVat!! I'd also like to acknowledge that the fire storm ink's Wolf, Lee Lori, Shanna, Angelina and Ayesha are working on prize Scrolls for protectorate! We know they will be amazing too!

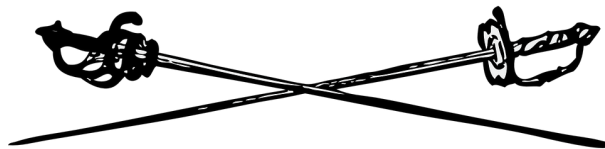
I also want to Shoutout to Baroness Caterina for her amazing work and dedication to classes she has been facilitating these past few months! These classes have been amazing! ViVat Baroness Caterina!!

And keep posting all the beautiful work this amazing barony is doing!! I know it's just not the same not seeing everyone but we will one day!! And then we will have all these beautiful new things!! As always if you have a class Ideal or what to teach a class please let me know !! That's a wrap folks! Back to your regular programming!!!!

YIS,  
*Lady Ellyn O'Ronowe de Graye*







## From the Rapier Marshal

*Greetings Namron!*

October has arrived, and virtual events and activities are in full swing! There are several classes through the Virtual Academy of the Rapier, the Academy for Service-minded Individuals, and several other groups on Facebook. They have been a great way to keep learning and stay connected since we are still unable to hold in-person practices. I encourage everyone to join in and contribute if you can.

With October comes Protectorate, and there are several activities planned for our virtual event, this year. Take a stab (literally) at carving pumpkins with your rapier blade, learn a couple of dances and how to turn them into footwork drills, and lots of other fun!

Hopefully, things will become a little more normal in a few months. Until then, I'm excited to see what activities come up with other virtual events!

Yours in Service,

*Lady Sabine Fulhaberin*

NAMRON RAPIER MARSHAL

## From the Herald

Greetings Namron!

Heraldry is moving slow in Namron but still moving along. We have a plan in place for submitting paperwork now and am slowly processing previous submissions. If you would like to work on your name or device, please reach out to me. I may be moving a bit slower right now than normal, due to my mundane job, but between my deputy and I, we will get your ideas worked on.

YIS,

HL Villana

## FROM THE MINISTER OF CHILDREN

Fall Greetings!

It's my favorite time of year! I love the colors, smells, cooler weather and all things. Not to mention Protectorate! We are going to have some fun activities. You may see a few "faces" from our Barony. I'm pretty excited.

Did you know, before the 16th century, harvest was the term usually used to refer to the season Autumn? The alternative word fall for the season traces its origins to old Germanic languages. The exact derivation is unclear, with the Old English fiæll or feallan and the Old Norse fall all being possible candidates.

### Leaf Lantern



Autumn Leaves in different colors and sizes (smaller is better),  
grease proof paper – any will do, but if you can find white, even better,  
cheese boxes (to give the lantern structure, but of course, you can make your own base etc from cardstock),  
glue or stapler,  
if turning into a St Martin's lantern – wire and a stick,  
electric tea lights

1) Press leaves between sheets of newspaper for a couple of days. This has two effects – the newspaper absorbs the dampness and also flattens the leaf a bit, which gives you a nice finish. Note: if you leave the leaves damp and wet in the paper longer than 2-3 days they MAY start going moldy. All we aimed for, was for the paper to absorb the dampness and also to flatten the leaves a little. Not to fully dry and preserve them!

2) Cut two sheets of grease proof paper to fit around your cheese base and at a height that you want. Lay one sheet flat on the floor and add glue.

3) Add your leaves – let the kids do as they wish, more is more I am sure! But I also find you will get a better glow if they don't overlap too much.



4) Add more glue and then press the second sheet of grease proof paper on top. You can place some books on this for an hour or so to give a nice smooth flat finish, or you can skip right through if you don't want to wait.



5) Take your cheese boxes. You can remove the “top part” of the lid, so you have access for the candle. Staple or glue boxes. Then repeat for the bottom (admittedly the bottom is a bit fiddlier as harder to get there.. but it worked ok). Note: If you do not have a cheese carton, you can use cardstock, cut to the same size to make the base and top of your lantern. Glue or staple. If using cheese boxes, lantern will not hang.

6) Add wires or string so you can hang you lantern off a stick.



Enjoy Protectorate and enjoy October! Happy Fall Y'all!  
 Dýrfinna Miklaelsdóttir  
 Minister Of Children (MoC)

## From the Web Minister

Dearest Namron,

Oh how I have missed you these past forlorn days. I've watched the days on the calendar drop to the floor in an apprehensive state awaiting for our sweet sweet reunion. Until that day comes when I can embrace you once again, just know that I have not forgotten you not my duties to you. In the meantime "we have a website". What you more than likely don't know is that our beloved website has gone and gotten all gussied up like a viking for the raid!

What does that mean you ask, well it means the redesign is live. It's clean! It's sleek! It's elegant! It's now the greatest website on the whole interwebs people! With the help of the greatest scenechal ever, and the bestest wife I know, we have reorganized, reworded, reworked, relabeled, redrew, and rewebbed the entire BaronyofNamrom.com website.

You may notice a lack of pictures, for those of you like me who won't read a book unless it has pictures, that's because we are lacking photos with releases. So here's my challenge to you. Send me whatever you have for past events and any information you think is missing, AND INCLUDE A RELEASE FOR US TO USE IT! Or the sinister seneschal of doom will come hunt me down...

Speaking of hunting... For Protectorate we are running a Storm the Website competition. For those who missed out on participating in leaving the lost Webminister's things up till I find them all at the end of the month. You can still win a prize from your webguy if you can find them... Send me a screenshot of the missing items and you may get a something... It could be pocket lint, or a gold nugget... Okay it won't be a gold nugget, I'm all out of nuggets at the moment. It will be a something though.

Here are the missing items:

### Storm the Website

Find all the things the Webminister has misplaced. He's lost his things and needs your help to find them. Hunt through all the strands of his web to find them.

Missing:

His rolling rick, a tiny snake, his coffee egg, one of his famous #dadjokes, a dancing egg, a ransom from pirates, the great pumpkin, a different pumpkin, his beautiful 14th century bench, and his PSL... Can you find them all?

Yours In Service, Namron Webminister

