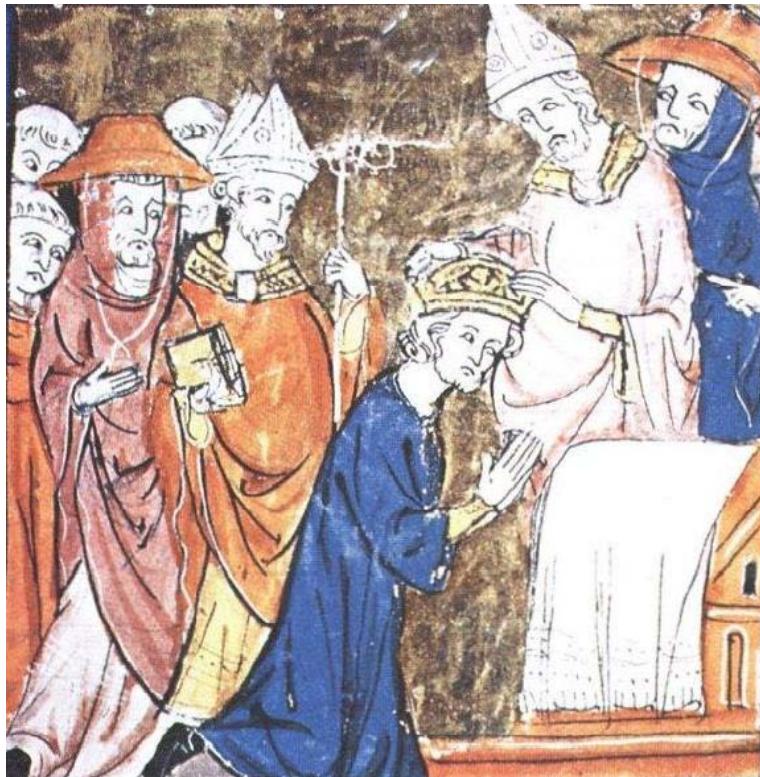


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The Coronation of Charlemagne (AD 800)

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## ***Words from Their Excellencies***

Onto all who may read these words does Pellandres, dit le frère send greetings!

Where were you six years ago? In the SCA, I mean. For me, it was the start of a new adventure. The group had just been raised to baronial level. I was a new father (Anoriel was 5 months old!). I got engaged. The simple *juvens* was becoming what would be considered an adult in my persona's era, late XII<sup>th</sup> century: landed and married. What an adventure it has been. Have I always been up to the task? I know that at points I wasn't. But in the end, for it is where I am relative to this whole thing, I wouldn't have wanted to miss it. I got to learn the power of one's rank. I got to see the limitations the-reof. I got to live first-hand parts of the role of a dignitary. Thank you all for what you have taught me all these years. I got to see expectations, hopes and limitless offers of service, be it to myself, their Majesties or even amongst each other. It has been marvelous!

It is a scary time! A few years back, when duke Andreas had come to visit our northern reaches, I had a discussion with Duchess Isabella about the need to reinvent yourself in the Society. I now live it firsthand. Despite having been active in the Society for nearly 20 years (my 1<sup>st</sup> event was in 92...), those last six have defined a lot of how I am in the Society. And this persona, or a part of it, is now changing and needs to be reinvented. No longer will I be "Pellandres, IDD" (notwithstanding those traditions about founding coronets). "Your Excellency" shouted in a room or hallway may just not be me, anymore... Usually, as soon as I am at a local or Tir Mara event, there are a few things that I could do to people ("What do you mean, I have to find a way to sit down during the event, I'm the [Insert Role Here]!") or things that just happened because the "coronet" brought it to me.

Well, some people have been clear that I won't be allowed to be Pellandres, the obscure... I doubt it's the way I intend it to go anyway. But I have now to find new goals and occupations within our Society. I have a few ideas so I may contact a few amongst you for advice and help on that.

Now, as a group, we have reached an important threshold... It is also time for our own-little-branch-of-the-Kingdom-and-Society to reinvent itself! We get to have new rulers, new ways that things are done! We get to develop new traditions and change old habits. Maybe keep a few or adapt them to new needs and occasions. It is a time I'll gladly tackle along with you all! I can't wait, in a way, to see how this group will fare in the Future. I got to be close to the helm for a while. Now, it's my turn once again to be in the rigging! (I figured Dannicus would like that allegory).

I have been vocal in person, in persona and even in Court about it: Thank you! Thank you for the six years you have offered us. Thank you for the whole way the process to find our heirs has been. Thank you for being a marvelous group that we both gladly served.

And to Tadea and Angus, as a final word, I give all the love of the SCA that I have. They too are stepping forth in a new Society. I hope the best for them and may all the good moments that we got to experience be even more grandiose to them!

In service,  
Pellandres, IDD (still for a little while ;o )

## *Words from the Seneschal*

Unto all those who read these words do I, Lady Jordan, Seneschal of l'Ile du Dragon Dormant, send greetings!

I hope that all of you have enjoyed warm and wonderful holidays with your loved ones! And now that winter is nearing its end, we can once again look forward to planning our season of events – and there are many events to look forward to!

Our Baronial Investiture Anniversary is right around the corner, coupled with the investiture of our new Baron and Baroness. With guests from far and wide attending and plans that have been in the works for months, it is sure to be a most excellent event!

We have demos that people have asked us to do, at Frontier Lodge and the Stone Circle at Stanstead. We have a revival of Border Spat in the works. There is the Archery Championship and Fall Harvest to think of as well... but please remember, \*NONE\* of these things will take place without good people like yourselves to help organize them and participate in them. So if you wish to see these grand opportunities come to pass, please speak to myself, the Coronet, or any of the Barony's officers about getting involved. Remember, the SCA is participatory – it is not a spectator sport; your time and efforts are greatly needed and greatly valued!

And for those who are looking for a way to get involved in the running of the Barony, I invite you to speak to the officers about becoming a deputy, to learn what goes on “behind the scenes”. There will also be a couple of officer positions that will need to be filled towards the end of this year, namely the Seneschal’s office and the Mistress/Master of Arts & Sciences. If you think you may be interested in these or any other position on Curia, I encourage you to get in touch with us; it will be our pleasure to answer any questions you may have!

I look forward to seeing you all at BIA, and again at the end of the month for our spring Moot.

In service,  
Lady Jordan Lovatt  
Seneschal, Barony of l'Ile du Dragon Dormant



The Coronation of Pepin  
Illuminators: Loyset Liédet & Pol Fruit (circa 1469-1472)

## *A challenge from our future Baron and Baroness*

Unto the populace of L'Ile du Dragon Dormant, do Angus McHaley and Tadea Isabelle di Bruno extend their heartfelt greetings.

With the holiday season now past we all look ahead to the Baronial Investiture Anniversary celebrations being held on March 5th. This shall be a time of change and a celebration of the reign of our beloved Pellandres and Valeria. We also know that visitors from near and far will grace us with their company to bear witness to join us in celebrations.

L'Ile du Dragon Dormant's greatest treasure are its people and they are bright jewels indeed. To that end we, Angus and Tadea, would issue a challenge to the people of L'Ile du Dragon Dormant. We would see everyone in their best garb so that all may see how plentiful and stunning our treasure truly is. Be it your own, borrowed, new or that masterpiece saved for special occasions, now is the time for us to put our best foot forward to and to shine.

We look forward to seeing everyone soon.

In Service,  
Angus and Tadea

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À toute la population de L'Ile du Dragon Dormant, Angus McHaley et Tadea Isabelle di Bruno vous saluent chaleureusement.

Les Fêtes de Noël sont maintenant terminées, mais non les festivités puisque nous aurons l'occasion de célébrer l'anniversaire de l'Investiture Baronnaile le 5 mars prochain. Cette heure, propice au changement et vouée à la célébration du règne de nos bien-aimés Pellandres et Valeria, verra de nombreux visiteurs de contrées voisines ou lointaines qui nous feront la grâce de leur présence et se joindront à nous pour ces réjouissances.

Le trésor le plus précieux de L'Ile du Dragon Dormant est sans conteste ses gens qui sont autant d'éblouissants joyaux. C'est pourquoi, nous, Angus et Tadea, aimeraisons vous lancer un défi : que tous ceux qui seront présents lors des célébrations du 5 mars s'habillent de leurs plus beaux atours et dévoilent ainsi à quel point notre trésor est fabuleux et somptueux. Que ces atours soient faits de votre main, qu'ils soient empruntés, nouveaux ou bien le chef d'œuvre que vous conserviez jalousement pour les grandes occasions, le moment est maintenant venu de vous en parer et de briller.

Au plaisir de tous vous revoir très bientôt.

Au service du Royaume,  
Angus and Tadea

## ***Another challenge from our future Baron and Baroness***

Unto all who read these words do Angus McHaley and Tadea Isabette di Bruno extend their heartfelt greetings.

In the past few months we have heard from many people stating that they intend to visit the fair shores of L'Ile du Dragon Dormant this coming March to attend the Baronial Investiture Anniversary. These travellers will come from far and wide to bear witness and celebrate the past, present and future of a **treasured populace**.

While the people of IDD will recognize many of the faces they will see at the event, not all will understand the great distances travelled by those who grace us with their presence. Some in IDD may not truly understand how vast and treasured our friendship truly are. Our sincere wish is for the people of L'Ile du Dragon Dormant to see and understand where so many people have travelled from.

To that end, we Angus and Tadea, would issue a challenge to any attending the Dragon Dormant Investiture Anniversary from outside the boundaries of the Baronial Lands to display heraldry from that wondrous place you call home. We would see heraldry in the form of favors, banners, baldrics, tabbards, etc that identifies your Household, Shire, Canton, Barony, Crown Principality etc.

We do recognize that such a beautiful effort should not go unnoticed, so to the group with the best heraldic display will be awarded a banner, done in the Heraldry of their choice, made by us.

We look forward to seeing everyone this March 5th and anticipate seeing who will most rise to our challenge.

In Service,  
Angus and Tadea

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À tous ceux qui liront ces mots, Angus McHaley et Tadea Isabette di Bruno vous saluent chaleureusement.

Au cours des derniers mois, nous avons entendu plusieurs personnes dire qu'elles avaient l'intention de visiter les beaux rivages de L'Ile du Dragon Dormant en mars afin d'assister à l'anniversaire de l'Investiture Baronniale. Ces pèlerins qui viendront de terres lointaines, nous feront la grâce de leur présence et se joindront à nous pour célébrer le passé, le présent et l'avenir d'un précieux peuple.

Bien que les gens de l'Ile du Dragon Dormant reconnaissent plusieurs des visages qu'ils voient aux événements, il n'est pas toujours facile de concevoir les grandes distances parcourues par nos

visiteurs qui nous honorent de leur présence. Il est difficile parfois de bien comprendre et de concevoir la vaste étendue et la préciosité réelles de nos amitiés. Notre vœu le plus sincère est que les gens de l'IDD voient et comprennent la provenance de nos visiteurs dont beaucoup parcourent de très nombreux lieux.

Dans ce but, nous, Angus et Tadea, lancent un défi à tous ceux qui viennent de contrées lointaines et extérieures à l'IDD et qui assisteront à l'anniversaire de l'Investiture Baronniale. En effet, nous vous invitons à porter et à afficher fièrement vos blasons et couleurs représentant les endroits merveilleux d'où vous venez. Cette pavane héraldique peut prendre la forme de faveurs, bannières, baudriers, tabards, etc., qui identifie votre maisonnée, comté, canton, baronnie, principauté, etc.

Nous convenons qu'un tel travail héraldique aussi grandiose ne doit pas passer inaperçu. C'est pourquoi, le groupe ayant la meilleure présentation héraldique recevra une bannière, faite par nous, selon l'héraldique de son choix.

Nous sommes impatients de tous vous revoir, le 5 mars prochain, et avons hâte de voir qui se montrera à la hauteur de notre défi.

Au service du Royaume,  
Angus et Tadea



Crown Principality of Tir Mara

## ***Words from our Mistress of the Lists***

Unto the Citizens of l'Ile du Dragon Dormant does Lady Wulfwyn, Mistress of the Lists, send greetings.

A friendly reminder that events are looming where you might want to fight or fence. Please check your auth card (please check it even if you don't plan on participating) and if you need to reauthorize then make yourself known to the Knight Marshal or Captain of Fence.

Also please remember that you are required to present a VALID auth card to the MoL on the day of the tourney if you are intending to fight.

If at any time you have problems with your paperwork or you feel that your auth card is taking too long to arrive please contact me ASAP so that I can move the process along a little faster.

YIS  
Lady Wylfwyn  
Baronial MoL



Coronation of Louis VIII and Blanche of Castile at Reims in 1223; a miniature from the Grandes Chroniques de France, painted in the 1450s



## Crown Tourney October 23, 2010



Photos courtesy of Éliane de Lorraine



## IDD Fall Harvest November 27, 2010

Photos courtesy of Éliane de Lorraine

## *Upcoming Events / Événements à venir*

The Canton of Caldirthig in the Barony of Skraeling Althing is proud to present their 2011 **Practicum** FREE event in Ottawa - for more information: <http://practicum.gyges.org/>



### **IDD Baronial Investiture!**



The time to pass the baton has come, and like the spring the new must replace the old. It is for this that we invite one and all to the final court of Baron Pellandres dit le frère, and Baroness Valeria Laskaris, Baron and Baroness of l'Île du Dragon-Dormant, and to the investiture of Their heirs Lady Tadea Isabetta di Bruno and Lord Angus McHaley, that they may claim their rightful place as the new leaders of our fair Barony.

To celebrate this occasion we will have our Rapier fighters show their prowess in front of Their Majesties and Their Excellencies past and future, and determine a new Baronial Champion for our new Baronial couple. Our artisans shall show their skills to all and one will be chosen to represent our Barony as its new champion as well, to bring wonder and splendor to the world in its name.

There will be games and many other activities in store for one and all, and a Feast from Mistress Gwenhwyfar that will make your palate water and have you begging for seconds!

So come and enjoy yourselves, see old friends, make new ones, and join us in celebrating this joyous occasion!

**Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup>**      Site Opens: 10 AM / Site Closes: 10 PM

Centre communautaire Paul-Émile-Lépine  
50 Perrot Blvd, Ile-Perrot, QC J7V 3G1, Canada

Fees: Onboard: \$20.00 / Children under 5: Free  
Offboard: \$13.00 / Children under 5: Free  
Non-members please add \$5 to the fee

**Make checks payable to:** SCA Inc - Ile du Dragon Dormant

**Send reservations to:**

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Or email at: [tsontaks@gmail.com](mailto:tsontaks@gmail.com)

For a more inclusive list, please refer to the Kingdom website. <http://www.eastkingdom.org/>  
Pour une liste plus détaillée, référez-vous au site web du Royaume. <http://www.eastkingdom.org/>

## ***Local Martial Practices / Pratiques martiales locales***

Practices take place weekly. There is a single \$4.00 weekly admission fee for fencing and archery, whether you attend one or several nights. Please note there is an additional cost of \$1.00 if you attend heavy combat practice. Everyone is welcome! Loaner gear may be available for rental on a first-come, first-serve basis. Please contact the Officer in charge for more details.

Nos pratiques ont lieu à chaque semaine. Le droit d'admission est de 4 \$ par semaine pour l'escrime et le tir à l'arc, peu importe le nombre de pratiques auxquelles vous assistez. Veuillez noter que des frais supplémentaires de 1 \$ s'appliquent si vous assistez à la pratique de combat en armure. Vous êtes tous les bienvenus! Vous pouvez louer de l'équipement, selon le principe du premier arrivé, premier servi. Veuillez communiquer avec l'officier en charge pour plus de détails.



### **Fencing / Escrime**

**Mondays / lundis 7:00pm to 10:00pm**

Église St. Matthias Church  
131 Cote St. Antoine, Westmount

Knock hard on the door nearest Metcalfe to be let in. Practice during the summer season is held at Girouard Park (corner of Girouard and Sherbrooke West). Newcomers are strongly encouraged to contact the Captain of Fencers before attending to confirm, as the details of the practice may change on short notice / Frappez à la porte près de Metcalfe pour qu'on vous laisse entrer. Pendant l'été, les pratiques ont lieu au parc Girouard (coin Girouard et Sherbrooke Ouest). Nous vous encourageons fortement à communiquer avec le Capitaine des escrimeurs avant d'y assister, car l'endroit et l'heure de la pratique peuvent changer à tout moment.



### **Archery / Tir à l'arc**

**Tuesdays / mardis 7:00pm to 10:00pm**

Église Wesley United Church, in the basement / dans le sous-sol  
5964 Notre-Dame-de-Grâce Blvd., Montreal



### **Heavy Combat / Combat En Armure**

**Tuesdays / mardis 7:30pm to 10:30pm**

Girouard Park / Parc Girouard  
Corner of Girouard and Sherbrooke West / Coin Girouard et Sherbrooke Ouest

Newcomers are strongly encouraged to contact the Knight Marshal before attending to confirm, as the details of the practice may change on short notice / Nous vous encourageons fortement à communiquer avec le Chevalier maréchal avant d'y assister, car l'endroit et l'heure de la pratique peuvent changer à tout moment.

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