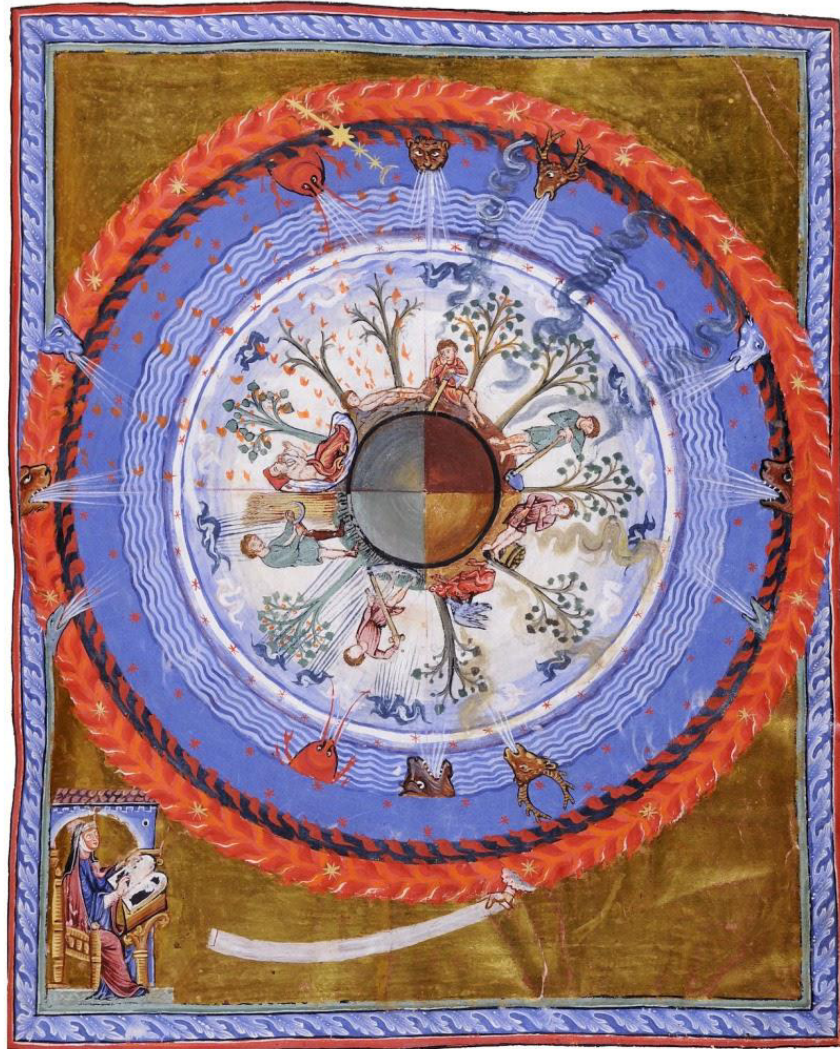


# The Starkhafn Baronial Banner

**Baronial Newsletter 2020 First Quarter**



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## **Request for Letters of Intent for the position of Baron and Baroness of Starkhafn**

From the current Baron and Baroness of Starkhafn, Robartach and Gyda

Letters of Intent from members interested in being considered for the position of Baron and Baroness of Starkhafn need to be turned in between now and Monday, 24 February 2020 either by mail (contact the Baron or Baroness for the mailing address) or sent via Email to the Crown, Kingdom Seneschal and the Baron and Baroness.

The Letter of Intent should be brief (no more than 2 pages) and include each individual's history, experience, and accomplishments within the SCA as well as any modern activities you believe will support your qualifications for the position. Please include contact information.

### **Timeline**

- **Deadline for receiving Letters of Intent** is Monday, 24 February 2020.
- **Candidate couples will be introduced** at a Curia on Thursday, 27 February 2020 (5:30pm-8:00pm). Candidates should be prepared to give a brief statement and answer questions.
- **We will take council of the Populace of Starkhafn** until Friday, 6 March 2020.
- **Announcement of heirs** on TBA.
- **Heirs will be invested as Reeves** at Starkhafn Anniversary on Saturday, April 11, 2020.
- **A notice will be placed in the kingdom and baronial newsletters** announcing a polling for the support of the heirs by the populace in the January / February 2021 timeframe.
- **The Heirs will be invested** as Baron and Baroness at Starkhafn Anniversary on Saturday, April 10, 2021.

### **For those considering sending in Letters of Intent, please keep in mind these guidelines:**

- You must be and remain a paid member of the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA) for the entirety of your tenure (of 3-5 years).
- You must be an active participant in the Barony of Starkhafn and intend to remain so.
- You must be able to travel to other territories (especially in Caid) to represent the Barony as appropriate.
- You should reside within the territorial borders of the Barony of Starkhafn.
- You should be familiar with the rules, laws and culture of the SCA (and the Barony).
- You must be able to work with a variety of people having diverse opinions, personalities, and talents. Fairness and impartiality need to be hallmarks of your dealings with others and in the handling of baronial concerns. Take into consideration the effect of potential decisions on the group as a whole as well as individuals, and act accordingly.
- Financial stability is important, as you will incur many expenses. There is no reimbursement for things such as travel and lodging. Kingdom and Corporate regulations also define what expenses may be paid by Baronial funds, and what you will need to bear from your own pocket.
- Consider the effect this position would have on your familial/personal/romantic relationships. If you are a couple, would your duties cause strains? If you are not, would you be able to work effectively with your partner, and would other relationships be affected, and how?

# Heirs for the Barony of Starkhafn

As the seasons are wont to change, so do all things in life. We are entering the Autumn season as our tenure as Baron and Baroness of Starkhafn. Soon a new season will arrive and a new Baron and Baroness will take up the mantle. We have made it known that it is our intention to retire our mantle at Starkhafn Anniversary in April 2021. As our care and concern for the well-being of the Barony now and into the future is at the forefront of our hearts and minds, we are taking on the search for suitable heirs.



We invite all couples interested in becoming the next Baron and Baroness of Starkhafn to submit a brief (no more than 2 pages) Letter of Intent (LOI) to ourselves (Baron and Baroness), the Crown & the Kingdom Seneschal between now and Sunday, 9 February 2020. Your letter should include each individual's history, experience, and accomplishments within the SCA as well as any modern activities you believe will support your qualifications for the position. Please include contact information so that we may discuss what to expect during the process and as well as answer any questions you may have.

To those who have submitted a Letter of Intent, please plan to be present for the Baronial Curia on Thursday, 27 Feb 2020. The Curia will take place before the members of the populace. Prepare yourselves to answer a variety of questions including information about yourselves and your background within the SCA, as well as your knowledge of Society, Caid, and Starkhafn culture and also your vision of the future of Starkhafn and its populace.

To the populace and friends of Starkhafn, we invite you to come and participate in this Curia. Please bring questions to ask the Candidates. This is your chance to meet those who would step up and lead you, and now is the time for you to ask about anything that may concern you.

We will consult with the populace of the Barony following the Curia through Friday, 6 March 2020. We want to hear your thoughts and insights concerning the candidates who have decided to step forward and vie for this responsibility. During this period we will consult with each couple, to discuss the significant commitments of heart, time and resources this position involves.

We will confer with Their Royal Majesties about which candidates are best suited to be the new Baron and Baroness. The Crown will make the final decision. Once a choice has been made, we will contact all couples to inform them of the decision, and announce the result.

The newly selected heirs will be invested as Reeves at Starkhafn Anniversary, on April 18, 2020. They will then begin their official travel as heirs and to participate in the duties and responsibilities of the Baronage.

Early in 2021, a notice will be placed in the kingdom and baronial newsletters that we will be having a polling to inform Their Royal Majesties that the Reeves have the support of the populace as our successors. This polling is conducted by the kingdom seneschal's office, using the corporate database of addresses to send a mailing to every paid member of the SCA who resides within the Barony of Starkhafn.

The Crown will invest the new Baron and Baroness at opening court at Their convenience. We will entreat the Crown for this to occur at Starkhafn Anniversary in April, 2021.

It is our wish to keep this process as transparent as possible in an effort to create a smooth transition with which we can all look forward to a wonderful future for Starkhafn.

**ROBARTAKH AND GYDA**

## Robartach & Gyda Progress - 2020

Month	Date	Event	Location	City	
January	4	Coronation / 12th Night	Angles	Arcadia, CA	
	5	Privy Council	Angels	Arcadia, CA	
	12	Starkhafn Monthly Tourney - (Armored & Rapier)	Starkhafn	Lorenzi Park - Las Vegas	
	16	Starkhafn Officer/Populace Meeting	Starkhafn	NV State Museum - LV	
	25	Gyldenholt Unbelted	Gyldenholt	Tustin, CA	
February	9	Starkhafn Monthly Tourney - (Armored, Rapier, Arts & Sciences)	Starkhafn	Lorenzi Park - Las Vegas	
	18-24	Estrella War XXXVI (Kingdom of Atenveldt)	Atenveldt	Queen Creek, AZ	
	27	Starkhafn Curia (meet Baronage Heir candidates)	Starkhafn	NV State Museum - LV	
March	7	Spring Crown Tourney	Naevehjem	TBA	
	14	Althing	Starkhafn		
	19	Starkhafn Officer/Populace Meeting	Starkhafn	NV State Museum - LV	
	22	Starkhafn Monthly Tourney - (Armored & Rapier)	Starkhafn	Lorenzi Park - Las Vegas	
April	4	Dun Or Anniversary	Dun Or	TBA	
	11	al Sahid Anniversary	Al-Sahid	Victorville, CA	
	16	Starkhafn Officer/Populace Meeting	Starkhafn	NV State Museum - LV	
	17-19	Starkhafn Anniversary	Starkhafn	Pahrump	
	25	Nordwache Anniversary	Nordwache	Hanford, CA	
May	3	Starkhafn Monthly Tourney - (Armored & Rapier)	Starkhafn	Lorenzi Park - Las Vegas	
	9	Altavia Anniversary	Altavia	TBA	
	16	Wintermist Anniversary	Wintermist	Taft, CA	
	X	CANCELLED-Starkhafn Officer/Populace Meeting	Starkhafn	NV State Museum - LV	
	21-25	Potrero War	Calafia	Potrero, CA	
	25	Memorial Day Weekend			
June	6	Gyldenholt Anniversary	Gyldenholt	Tustin, CA	
	13-14	Collegium Caidis		TBA	
	18	Starkhafn Officer/Populace Meeting	Starkhafn	NV State Museum - LV	
	21	Starkhafn Monthly Tourney - (Armored, Rapier, Arts & Sciences)	Starkhafn	Lorenzi Park - Las Vegas	
	27	Lyondemere Anniversary	Lyondemere	TBA	
July	11	Summer Coronation	Dreiburgen	TBA	
	12	Privy Council	Dreiburgen	TBA	
	15-19	Atenveldt Highlands War	Ered Sul	Mormon Lake, AZ	
	16	Starkhafn Officer/Populace Meeting	Starkhafn	NV State Museum - LV	
	25	Collegium of the Desert	Starkhafn		
	26	Starkhafn Monthly Tourney - (Armored & Rapier)	Starkhafn	Lorenzi Park - Las Vegas	
August	16	Starkhafn Monthly Tourney - (Armored, Rapier, Arts & Sciences)	Starkhafn	Lorenzi Park - Las Vegas	
	20	Starkhafn Officer/Populace Meeting	Starkhafn	NV State Museum - LV	
	22	Cèilidh	Starkhafn		
September	4-7	Highland War	Al-Sahid	Victorville, CA	
	7	Labour Day Weekend			
	12	Fall Crown Tourney	Dun Or	TBA	
	17	Starkhafn Officer/Populace Meeting	Starkhafn	NV State Museum - LV	
	19	Angels Anniversary	Angels	TBA	
October	27	Starkhafn Monthly Tourney - (Armored & Rapier)	Starkhafn	Lorenzi Park - Las Vegas	
	6-12	GWV	Wintermist	Taft, CA	
	8-11	Las Vegas Renaissance Faire Demo	Las Vegas	Las Vegas	
	15	Starkhafn Officer/Populace Meeting	Starkhafn	NV State Museum - LV	
	18	Starkhafn Monthly Tourney - (Armored, Rapier, Arts & Sciences)	Starkhafn	Lorenzi Park - Las Vegas	
November	24	Dreiburgen Anniversary	Dreiburgen	TBA	
	7	Calafia Anniversary	Calafia	TBA	
	14	Naevehjem Anniversary (Frost Dragon)	Naevehjem	TBA	
	19	Starkhafn Officer/Populace Meeting	Starkhafn	NV State Museum - LV	
	22	Starkhafn Monthly Tourney - (Armored & Rapier)	Starkhafn	Lorenzi Park - Las Vegas	
	28	Practicum of War	Starkhafn		
28	Thanksgiving weekend				
December	12	Starkhafn Yule	Starkhafn	Las Vegas	
	13	Starkhafn Year End Tourney - (Armored, Rapier, Arts & Sciences)	Starkhafn	Lorenzi Park - Las Vegas	
January	2	Coronation / 12th Night			
<b>Legend</b>					
		Levy War			
		Monthly Meeting	Starkhafn	NV State Museum - LV	
		Monthly Tourney	Starkhafn	Lorenzi Park - Las Vegas	
		Starkhafn Event	Starkhafn		

# Upcoming Events and Meetings

Starkhafn's 2020 event dates (as available) are listed below. If you are interested in hosting one of these events, please contact the Seneschal and/or the Baron and Baroness.

**Althing** - March 14, 2020 (Event Steward: **EVENT STEWARD NEEDED**)

**Starkhafn Anniversary** - April 17-19, 2020 (Event Steward: Baroness Eibhilin Inghean Laisréni)

**Collegium of the Desert** - July 27, 2020 (Event Steward: **EVENT STEWARD NEEDED**)

**Céilidh** - August 22, 2020 (Event Steward: **EVENT STEWARD NEEDED**)

**Practicum of War** - November 28, 2020 (Event Steward: **EVENT STEWARD NEEDED**)

**Starkhafn Yule** - December 12, 2020 (Event Steward: *Pending*)

- ❖ Monthly Officer/Populace Meetings take place at 6:00pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month at Nevada State Museum at Springs Preserve. [-Monthly mtg for February is cancelled in lieu of the Curia on Feb 27th.](#)
- ❖ Monthly Financial Committee Meetings take place at 6:00pm on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at Big Dog's on Rancho.
- ❖ Weekly Armoured/Rapier practices take place on Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings, please see Official Facebook Page and our website [www.starkhafn.org](http://www.starkhafn.org) for information.
- ❖ Weekly Archery Practice takes place Saturday at 9AM at:  
Whitney Mesa Recreation Center, 1575 W Galleria Dr, Henderson, NV 89014
- ❖ Arts and Sciences meeting information can be found on both the Official Barony of Starkhafn Facebook page and the UnOfficial Barony of Starkhafn Facebook Page.

## **A&S Calendar:**

### **JANUARY:**

**Sunday 12: Monthly Tourney:** Bring a craft to work on while watching the fighters

**Monday 13: Scriptorium:** Come help us make beautiful scrolls.

**Thursday 16 to Sunday 19: CAID Winter Weekend.**

**Monday 20: Monthly Meeting:** Jerusha and Yehoshua's home – talk about Pentathlon

**Monday 27: Scriptorium:**

### **FEBRUARY:**

**Saturday 1: CAID Festival of the Rose:** Some of us are planning on attending.

**Monday 3: Monthly Meeting:** Jerusha and Yehoshua's home.

**Monday 10: Scriptorium:**

**Monday 17: Monthly Social: IKEA**

**Tuesday 18 to Monday 24: ESTRELLA WAR**

**Monday 24: Scriptorium:** (depending on if we are back from war)

### **MARCH:**

**Monday 2: Monthly Meeting:** Jerusha and Yehoshua's home.

**Monday 9: Scriptorium:**

**Monday 16: Monthly Social: Greenland Market**

**Monday 23: Scriptorium:**

**Saturday 28-Sunday 29: CAID Crescent Artisan**

**Monday 30: Bonus Monday ... to be decided.**

### **APRIL:**

**Monday 6: Monthly Meeting:** Jerusha and Yehoshua's home.

**Monday 13: Scriptorium:**

**Friday 17: – Sunday 19: Starkhafn Anniversary.**

# Starkhafn Anniversary

**Event Opening Date & Time:** Friday April 17, 12pm noon

**Site Closing Date & Time:** Sunday April 19, 12pm noon

**Event Steward:** Baroness Eibhilin Inghean Laisréni

**Site Name:** Simkins Park

**Site Address:** 50 E Simkins Rd, Pahrump, NV 89060

*\*Please note this is a different park than previous Anniversaries. Simkins Park is located 5 miles north of Petrack Park.*

***Directions: From Las Vegas***

I-15 S

Take Exit 33 to merge onto Blue Diamond Rd/NV-160 toward Pahrump

Continue to follow NV-160

Make a left turn on E Simkins Rd. Park will be to your right.

**Event Registration:**

Adult Camping Registration \$15

Adult Member Camping Registration \$10

Children 17 and under are guests of the Barony

No pre-registration required. Pay at the gate.

*\*Site is wet: Not Estrella wet, but Meads, Ales, and other libations will be allowed at this event.*

**Feast Menu:**

We are having a grilled feast of meats and various vegetable accompaniments with a suggested donation of \$5 (no pre-payment required)

***Looking for a spot to volunteer? We are in need of those willing to assist in various capacities. Please contact the Event Steward Baroness Eibhilin Inghean Laisréni to make arrangements.***

*Their Excellencies' envoys, with their guard duties in Miklagard now completed, have returned from their adventurous foray east. Throughout their travels along the Silk Road they have procured various wonders, treasures, exotic spices and epicurean delights. The Baron & Baroness invite you to join them in celebrating Starkhafn's 38th anniversary, welcoming home their envoys and presenting their Heirs.*

*Their Excellencies will host their Baronial championships for armoured, rapier, archery, thrown weapons, youth combat as well as the famed Warlord Tourney. Artisans come share your body of work in arts & sciences; the winner will be titled Flame Artisan.n.*

*The Starkhafn Quintivium is taking place this year. To become the Quintivium Champion, one must participate in 5 of the champion events, one from each of the following categories throughout the day: armoured, rapier, archery, thrown weapons and arts & sciences. The participant who scores highest overall will be the new Quintivium Champion.*

*As the light of day fades, the fires will be lit to illuminate the evening's competitors where a new Bard of Starkhafn will be chosen from those who share their talents to delight the muses and the gathered travellers.*

*This is a camping event. It offers a great opportunity to test out your camping gear before the next war.*

## **Schedule for Starkhafn Anniversary**

### **Friday:**

12pm - Site opens

### **Saturday:**

9am - Lists open

10:00am - Opening court (or at their Excellencies' pleasure)

**After Court - Tournaments will commence for all marshal forms**

4:00pm - Judging for the Baronial Flame Artisan

5:30pm - Closing court

7:00pm - Feast. Will post a menu as soon as we have one.

8:00pm - Fireside Bardic Competition followed by other entertainment and fun

### **Sunday:**

Clean up and take down

12noon - Site Closes



## *Eat. Sleep. Shoot. Repeat.*

Lord Paul Stoddard, Captain of Archers

There are times when you look back, if only to see how far you have traveled. In 2013, there were four archers in the Barony who regularly met in the desert to shoot on Saturday mornings. Today, Starkhafn has more archers with active rank than any other Barony in the Kingdom of Caid. We have come a long way in seven years. At that time, few of us knew about competitions such as: the Grand Archery Tourney (GAT), Seasonal Society Archery Competitions (SSAC) or Inter-Kingdom Archery Competitions (IKAC). Now, Starkhafn has five archers ranking in the top 120 (Paul Stoddard, Bartholomew Reynold Codlin, Jon Thomme de Claydon, Kazetani Tarou Noritatsu and Krestia Ivanovna). Out of the 2112 archers throughout the SCA, two Baronial archers scored in the top 10 (Paul Stoddard and Bartholomew Reynold Codlin). In fact, there are over 20 active archers from Starkhafn that competed in the GAT last year. Today, the Baronial archers regularly shoot the SSACs and place in the top 20 in the Open Handbow and Period Handbow division. There are now several of us who have won or placed in the top 3 in archery competitions throughout the Kingdom of Caid. Seven years ago, no Starkhafn archers held a Kingdom archery officer position in Caid. However currently, members of the Barony are acting as the Kingdom Minister of Archers and the Regent of the Caid Academy of Archers.



Also worth mentioning, for the first time in 8 years, the Barony of Starkhafn now has more active ranked archers on the Kingdom of Caid Target Archery Board than any other Barony in the Kingdom. We currently have 20 active ranked archers on the Board. Starkhafn has edged out Dreiburgen who has 18 archers. The Grand Archery Scores have been updated; congratulations to Paul Stoddard and Bartholomew Reynold Codlin who are the only archers in Caid that scored in the top 10.

Our community continues to grow. Please join me in congratulating several archers who have gained rank over the last sixty days: (1) Lobo De Vega (Bowman), (2) Kazetani Kiyotora (Bowman), (3) Robyn R. Isaguirre (Bowman), (4) Kathryn de Bezier (Bowman), (5) Jose Alanis (Bowman), (6) Etzio Varstator, (7) Krestia Ivanovna (Yeoman) and (8) Albert Isaguirre (Bowman). If you are interested in archery, please join us on Saturday mornings starting at 9:00am at the Whitney Ranch Archery Range. We look forward to seeing you there.



# **Baronial Resources on The Book of Many Faces**

## **Barony of Starkhafn (Official)**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/Starkhafn/>

For official announcements

## **Starkhafn Officers**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/104961526259093/>

For the Baronial officers

## **Barony of Starkhafn (Unofficial)**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/76434610880/>

For discussions amongst the populace and announcements

## **Starkhafn Arts & Sciences (Unofficial)**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/543894915763841/>

For discussions, planning and announcements regarding Arts & Sciences topics and events

## **Starkhafn Archers**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/297538950299416/>

For discussions, planning and announcements regarding Archery topics and events

## **Starkhafn Levy**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/167286519990922/>

For discussions, planning and announcements regarding Armored Combat topics and events

## **Starkhafn School of Fence**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/226349494451932/>

For discussions, planning and announcements regarding Rapier topics and events

## **Starkhafn Scriptorium**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/874094372695951/>

For discussions, planning and announcements regarding Scriptorium topics and events

## **Starkhafn Skalds**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/148869775176910/>

For discussions, planning and announcements regarding Skaldic topics and events

## **The Most Excellent Brewers Guild Of Starkhafn (Unofficial)**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/302740049828607/>

For discussions, planning and announcements regarding Brewing topics and events

## **Starkhafn Demos**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/249688865455479/>

For discussions, planning, suggestions and announcements regarding demos

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