

Charter Guideline Document for the Reign of Tiernan and Miranda

Styles:

Norse (with runes) Norse horses, typical Norse icons/symbols, round shields, ships, Lewis Chessmen style people, Norse helms with the eye goggle look and metal ridge that goes up & over the top of the helm, Rune Stones with the text written on them, Odin's horse, serpents with stylized animal heads

Celtic (with insular majuscule) triskeles, quatrefoils, illuminated manuscript letters capitals like in the Book of Kells, borders with large animal head in one corner, simple knotwork easy to paint, animal decoration with dots around them, lion of St. Mark, arched borders like that on the Arrest of Christ from the Book of Kells, Celtic birds (simple, Celtic horses, Swirls on rounds, Running triskeles like on the Amfreville helmet, I like the Initial Pages from the gospel of St Mark from the book of Darrow, WE LOVED the archway with the two of us seated on the thrones- AWESOME!

Byzantine (with uncial), borders with simple designs (curlicues part way up the sides & boxes in corners), buildings, archways with the text written in columns beneath the arches, columns of writing with borders around, large illuminated letters with animals/people, trees, horses.

Texts:

AOA for a fighter with a shield or war motif

(Tiernan written for Ulfgar & Renee of Tir Righ- we do not know if they were used)

Upon the whale road let the sea-skilled man seek word fame.

Fame undying, foretells Tiernan, will belong to those
who waver not and toil towards An Tir's glory.

_____, the acknowledged brave,

hear now how Miranda recognizes the helm-bearing hero.

Heimdall sounds the call, seeking.

Do you now (Lord or Lady) answer and stand acknowledged before the Thing?

In witness of this Award of Arms, We set our hand and seal this _____ day of _____ Anno Societatis XLV.

AOA for Non-Fighter

(Tiernan written for ulfgar & Renee of Tir Righ- we donot know if they were used)

Upon the shuttle road let the craft-skilled seek word fame.

Fame undying, foretells Tiernan, will belong to those
who waver not and toil towards An Tir's glory.

The acknowledged brave, _____,

hear now how Miranda recognizes best bench-mate.

Heimdall sounds the call, seeking.

Do you now (Lord or Lady) answer and stand acknowledged before the Thing?

In witness of this Award of Arms, We set our hand and seal this _____ day of _____ Anno Societatis XLV.

AOA

(borrowed from Owain & Wrenn)

Many are those who strive to better Our lands but some stand out above the rest for their good works and deeds of virtue. We, Tiernan and Miranda, Sable Lion and Lioness, desire to reward such virtuous acts. Therefore to recognize so that all may know their worth, do we bestow upon _____ an Award of Arms.

In witness then, We set our hand and seal this ____ day of ____ Anno Societatis XLV.

Goutte

(Miranda)

No great cities nor roads have been built without drops of crimson blood shed in times of toil. Deeds matched with a dedicated heart are the marks of a worthy worker. Such are the acts of service that you, _____, have done for An Tir. Thus, do We, your undoubted King and Queen, well pleased with your service, admit you to the Order of the Goutte de Sang. Done by Our hand and seal this ____ day of ____ Anno Societatis XLV.

Goutte

(borrowed from Owain & Wrenn)

In days gone by, the Kings of old rewarded the service of Their loyal vassals with torc and golden rings. We, Tiernan, by right of arms King and Miranda by virtue of inspiration Queen, honour those whose acts of selfless service which do honour unto An Tir. We name _____ as one such and grant them entrance into the Order of the Goutte de Sang
By Our hand and seal this ____ day of ____ Anno Societatis XLV.

Jambe

(borrowed from Owain & Wrenn)

The splendor of a kingdom, raised up in majestic glory, shines and chases away darkness and strife. There are those who with their skills and time help to make the Kingdom of An Tir shine brightly. It is with great admiration that We, Tiernan and Miranda, King and Queen, do hereby admit _____ into the Order of the Jambe de Leon.
Given this ____ day of ____ Anno Societatis XLV.

OGGS

(borrowed from Owain & Wrenn)

Gold clad thanes rise girt with swords and keen shield warriors against every foe. These worthies know a hero, and speak the name of one whose deeds can match their own. We, Tiernan Dread Irish King, and Miranda Glorious Sarmatian Queen, hear the words of Our people, and are so minded to command the name of _____ be added to the rolls of the Order of the Grey Goose Shaft. By Our word, hand, & seal, let it be from this ____ day of ____ Anno Societatis XLV.

Hasta Leonis

(Miranda)

The Blade weary call out from the grave the name of _____. Wound snake wielding, battle tunic glinting in the sun, He is a death dealer and widow maker. This Oak of Odin and Feeder of Ravens leads his brothers in battle til none stands but An Tir. Gold Giver Tiernan and Ale Maiden Miranda welcome him home cloaking him with the honor of the Hasta Leonis.
This is Our Word on this ____ day of ____ Anno Societatis XLV.

White Scarf

(Miranda)

Swift of blade and sure of heart,
Might tested, Battle seasoned,
With deeds known for their honour,
Your words well chosen are true.
_____, the Lion calls your name.
Rise now so that all may see,
that Tiernan and Miranda,
have chosen to recognize
you as a member of the
great Order of the White Scarf.
Given this ____ day of ____ Anno Societatis XLV.

Lion et de la Lance

(Miranda)

Fleet of foot, well guided by steady hand,
Thundering hooves bear down upon the enemy.
Heads taken swiftly, golden rings plucked with skill,
Spears left dripping with slaughter dew.
Warrior Queen Miranda
riding in your midst
has seen your prowess.
Let all know that _____
has shown such expertise in matters of the horse
that their name shall forever be carved
in the rolls of the Lion et de la Lance of An Tir.
Signed and sealed this ____ day of ____ Anno Societatis XLV.

Lion's Strength

(Miranda)

Actions speak louder than words and the actions of _____ have left a resounding cheer in the hearts of the people of An Tir. For over twenty years, their selfless work has benefited our Kingdom. Humbled by the dedication and ongoing service of this gentle, We, Tiernan Ring Giver and Miranda Willow of Gold, do recognize them with the honor of the Lion's Strength.
By Our hand and seal this ____ day of ____ Anno Societatis XLV.

Lion's Strength

(Miranda)

As the warp and weft of weaving creates strong fabric, So, too, do the deeds and dedication of Our people strengthen this grand kingdom. Tiernan, Land Ruler, and Miranda, Giver of Gold, do acknowledge the devoted acts of _____ and gift unto them the honor of the Lion's Strength.
Signed and sealed this ____ day of ____ Anno Societatis XLV.

Leo Minor

(Miranda)

Much can be told by the words others speak of you. _____ your word fame has reached Our ears and We are pleased with what We hear. Stand tall and continue to show such worth. Let all know that Mighty Tiernan and Gracious Miranda have gifted from their hands young _____ a Leo Minor.

Done this ____ day of ____ Anno Societatis XLV

Leo Minor

(borrowed from Owain & Wrenn)

When we are young, we hear tales of great heroes who have done great things. _____, it has come to Our attention that though you are young, you do great things. We charge you to continue to be noble, chivalric, and honourable in all things you do. Therefore, do We, Tiernan and Miranda, bestow upon you a Leo Minor.

Given this ____ day of ____ Anno Societatis XLV.

Lion's Cub

(borrowed from Owain & Wrenn)

With joy in Our hearts, We, Tiernan and Miranda, King and Queen of An Tir, have heard tell of one who, though they are small in size are big in heart, Their service is Cherished. So, let it be known that _____ has received from Our hands a Lion's Cub.

Sealed and signed this ____ day of ____ Anno Societatis XLV.

Righteous Rath of An Tir

(Miranda)

After the shield din has quieted, and the last of the Sleet of battle has fallen, We retire to the mead hall to slake our thirst, heal our wounds, and tell tales of our victories. In this companionable comfort we take refuge at fire hearth built by _____ whose skali is soundly crafted and well tended. Wise Tiernan and Noble Miranda, Ard Righ and Ban-Righ, are well pleased with this camp and name you among the Righteous Rath of An Tir.

This is Our Word this ____ day of ____ Anno Societatis XLV

Wordsmith

(Miranda)

Silver tongued and tall tale telling
Our kinsman's voice rings clear.
All hail the speaker of Kings
Thought's Drink pleasant to hear.
Wielder of Council, wise in speech
Blessed by jewelry trees
striking fear and doubt in enemies hearts
Words launched like wound bees.
This Chieftain of Speech, Oar of the Ship
Crafty word wielder
Rise now _____
Ring Giver Tiernan and Miranda Willow of Gold
proclaim you to be a worthy Wordsmith.
This is Our Word this ____ day of ____ Anno Societatis XLV

New Texts as of 7/12/2010

Jambe

Let the poets tell the tale that [name of recipient], through works great and small, through skill and great art, has greatly enriched our realm. Therefore, We ,Tiernan, Ard Righ and Miranda, Ban Righ, do raise our hands and elevate our subject to the Noble Order of the Jambe de Lion and gift unto this gentle a grant of arms Done this [__] day of [__], Anno Societatis XLV

Goutte

We have heard of great deeds, selfless acts of sacrifice for our great Kingdom. Let all people know that these deeds have been seen and We are grateful to our subject, [name of recipient]. Therefore We, Tiernan, Ard Righ and Miranda, Ban Righ, do raise our hands and elevate them to the Noble Order of the Goutte de Sang and gift unto this gentle a grant of arms Done this [__] day of [__], Anno Societatis XLV

Goutte

LISTEN NOW LAND BOUND!

And let all who hear these words proclaim them throughout Midgard,
How Black Browed Ring Breaker,
Hard bitten battle bard, Tiernan King AnTir,
and Swan White mother of warriors,
Gold giver, Miranda Queen AnTir,
Gives Mind's Worth to [name of recipient]
Well are we pleased with your service to Us!
Well are we pleased with your service to Our kingdom!
Now your efforts are repaid!
Now our generosity is made known!
Receive from Our hand the Gift of Rank.
Become a member Order of the Goutte De Sang, by Our will