

February 28, 2017

## East Kingdom

### Internal Letter of Decisions

Unto the East Kingdom College of Heraldry, upon the 3rd day of Iyyar, 5777, greetings! Here is the Letter of Decisions for the Internal Letter of Intent issued on January 11, 2017.

Many thanks to the following commenters who provided assistance this month: Alexandre Saint Pierre, Alys Pelican, Basil Lions Heart, Brunissende Wreath, Edgithe Hlammandi, Edwyn le Clerc, ffride wlfsdotter, Francesco Billet, Gawain Green Anchor, Istvan Non Scripta, Jeanne Blue Alaunt, Kolosovari Arpadne Julia, Lijsbet van Catwiic, Lillia Pelican Emeritus, Maridonna Benvenuti, Mathghamhain Ua Ruadháin, Modar Volk, Ryan Brigantia Emeritus, and Shannon inghaen Bhriain uí Dhuilleáin, . Your commentary and insights are always greatly appreciated.



**1: Anneke Valmarsdotter** -New Name & New Badge **Forwarded**

*(Fieldless) A pinecone stem to chief azure*

Submitter desires a feminine name.

Language (Finnish - ideally pre-15th century) most important.

**Anneke** is a female given name found in Swedish Feminine Given Names from SMP by Aryanhwy merch Catmael dated to 1465.

(<http://www.ellipsis.cx/~liana/names/swedish/smp/anneke.html>)

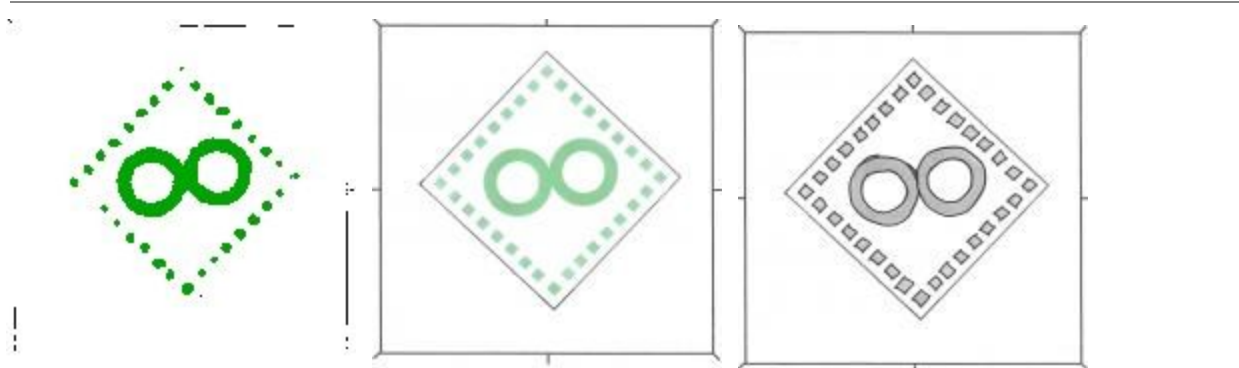
**Valmarsdotter** is a patronymic byname from the male given name **Valmar** found in Vanhat nimityyppimme (Finnish Names) by Rouva Gertrud.

(<http://heraldry.sca.org/names/FinnishNamesArticle.htm>)

**Notes:** *Valmar* is a normalized header form. The attested form is *Walmar*. However, other *Val-* names start with *V-* instead of *W-*.

The patronymic is formed using the Swedish *-dotter* rather than the Finnish *-tytär*. While we normally don't allow the mixing of different languages in the same name phrase, the introduction to the Finnish names article states that "The parent's name was often in Swedish. Actual examples are ... *Appollonia Pedersdotter* (Pietari's daughter)."

Therefore, we believe this construction is registerable and are forwarding the name unchanged for wider commentary.

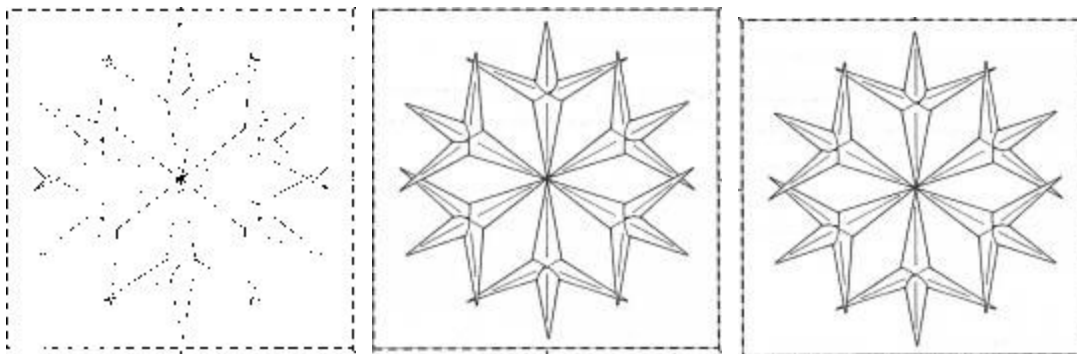


## 2: Arnora Ketilsdottir -New Badge Returned

*Argent, two annulets vert conjoined in fess, an orle of lozenges vert*

This badge is returned as we are unable to determine the submitter's desire. Going by the blazon, this is a fielded badge that has an argent field with charges on it, but none of those charges are the large lozenge in the middle. Going by the emblazon, this appears to be an argent lozenge on an argent field, which does not have sufficient contrast. Alternatively, if this is meant to be a fieldless badge, then the lozenge is a form of armorial display and is disallowed for that reason.

Assuming the submitter wants the design as blazoned, and simply wants it on a lozenge shape, we suggest that it be redrawn on a standard form, in the shape of a square, with the orle of lozenges following the outline of the square. Once registered, the submitter is free to display this on a lozenge or any other shape with the orle following the outline of that shape.



### 3: Christiana Crane -New Badge Forwarded

*(Fieldless) Six caltrops conjoined in annulo points to center argent*

**Notes:** Kingdom commenters were concerned with possible visual conflicts with the badge of Clovia Lumi (January 1973): *Sable, a snowflake argent*, the badge of Thorbjorn Wulfgrimmssønn (May 1983, Meridies): *Per fess azure and Or masoned sable, in chief a snowflake argent*, and the badge of Cerelia de Lacy of Sherborne (February 1983, Ansteorra): *Purpure, an escarbuncle argent*,

Kingdom commenters were also concerned that this is an attempt to register a snowflake, a charge long prohibited by the College as the hexagonal snowflake shape was not known until the 19th Century.

As questions of visual conflict and a determination of whether this is an impermissible attempt to register a snowflake are reserved for Wreath, we are forwarding this badge.



**4: Jean Oste de Murat -New Household Name Returned & New Badge Forwarded**

*Zlatý Mok*

*Per bend argent and azure, a hop cone slipped and leaved Or*

No changes.

"Zlatý mok" means "the Golden Beverage," a reference to the Czech Republic where the household is based.

**Zlatý** means golden in Czech.

**Mok** is an archaic word meaning beverage.

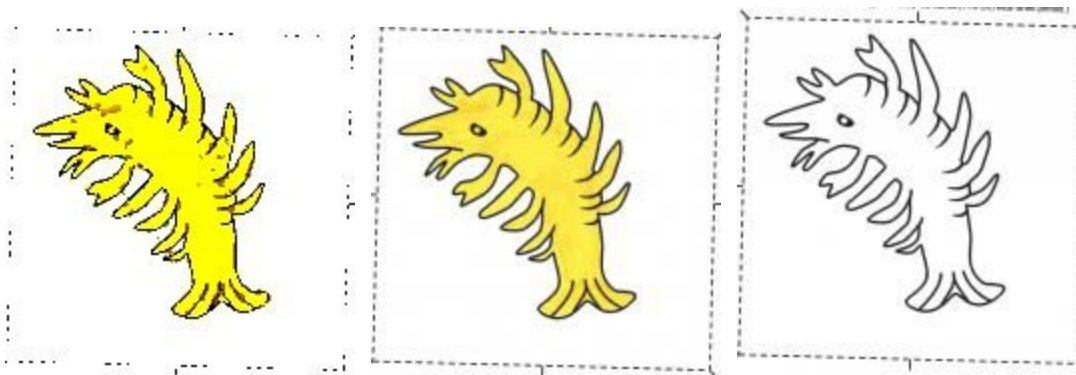
No documentation was provided for this name pattern or word translation. Any assistance in obtaining documentation would be appreciated.

**Notes:** This household name submission presents two problems. First, SENA NPN.1.A. states that "Non-personal names consist of two parts: the designator and the substantive phrase. A designator is the word or group of words that describe what kind of non-personal name it is, such as House, Barony or Order. The substantive element is the part of the name that is specific to the item being submitted." This submission does not have a designator as required.

Second, the submitters have not provided evidence that this name follows a period Czech pattern for the construction of household names, nor documentation of the translation.

We believe this badge to be clear of the badge of Mora Ottavia Spadera (July 2007, Caid): *(Fieldless) An artichoke Or*. There is one DC for the field and an examination of the charges shows that they are inverted from one another, which should provide a second DC.

We believe this badge is also clear of the badge of Turoid of Normandy (May 2004, West): *Purple, a New World pineapple Or leaved vert*. Again, there is a DC for the field. We are unable to find precedent as to whether there is a DC for the change of type between a pineapple and a hop cone, but a related precedent states that "There is at least a CD for the difference between pinecones and New World pineapples" [Margarette Bonvallet, Dec 2011, A-Ansteorra]. We believe that a DC should be found here, as well.



**5: Jean Oste de Murat -New Badge Forwarded**

OSCAR finds the name registered exactly as it appears in December of 2012, via the East.

**Notes:** We believe this badge is clear of the device of Mór Ruadh (Oct 2014, Caid) *Gules, a crab Or*. There is one DC for fieldlessness. We believe that there should be at least a DC between this prawn and a crab.



**6: Lijsbet van Catwiic -New Badge Forwarded**

*(Fieldless) A mortar and pestle sable charged with an elderflower argent seeded and barbed Or*



**7: Lijsbet van Catwiic -New Badge Forwarded**

OSCAR finds the name registered exactly as it appears in November of 2014, via the East.  
*(Fieldless) An escallop purpure winged Or*

**Notes:** Blazoned as submitted as *(Fieldless) An Escallop purpure winged Or*, we have changed the blazon to correct the capitalization.



**8: Orlando Sforza -Resub Badge Returned**

*On a cross crosslet fitchy Or another sable.*

The previous submission, *(Fieldless) A cross crosslet fitchy Or* was returned on the August 2015 East LoD for conflict with Launcelot de Westwood, Sep 1973 LoAR: *Azure, a cross bottonny fitchy Or.*

The addition of the tertiary cross resolves the conflict.

**Notes:** This badge can be validly blazoned as *(Fieldless) A cross crosslet fitchy sable fimbriated Or.* Under that blazon, it is a conflict with the badge of Aengus Stiubhard Mac Dhughail (June 2005, Calontir): *Barry and per pale argent and vert, a cross crosslet fitchy sable.* There is a single DC for fieldlessness.



**9: Ruantallan, Barony of -New Badge Forwarded**

*(Fieldless) On a dolphin haurient argent a tenterhook azure*

**Notes:** This badge is intended to be associated with the populace.



**10: Ruantallan, Barony of -New Badge Forwarded**

*(Fieldless) On a dolphin haurient contourny argent a tenterhook reversed azure*

**Notes:** This badge is intended to be associated with the populace.



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## 11: Ryan Mac Whyte -New Heraldic Title Forwarded

### *Skunk Herald*

Submitter has no desire as to gender.

No changes.

Submitter was granted the rank of Herald Extraordinary and the right to register a personal title by Malcolm Brigantia during the court of their Majesties Brion and Anna at the Barony Beyond the Mountain / Bergental Yule on Dec 3rd 2016. This was witnessed and is testified to by Yehuda Blue Tyger and Charitye Pantheon.

**Skunk** is a gray-period Swedish byname found in the FamilySearch historical records:

Jöns Person Skunk

Mentioned in the record of Jöns Person Skunk and Ebba Andersdr

Name: Jöns Person Skunk

Event Date: 15 Oct 1648

Event Place: Stockholm, Stockholm, Sweden

"Sweden Marriages, 1630-1920," database, FamilySearch

(<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:FKJS-5ZG> : 8 December 2014), Jöns Person Skunk and Ebba Andersdr, 15 Oct 1648; citing Stockholm, Stockholm, Sweden, reference 1636-1738; FHL microfilm 77,814. -

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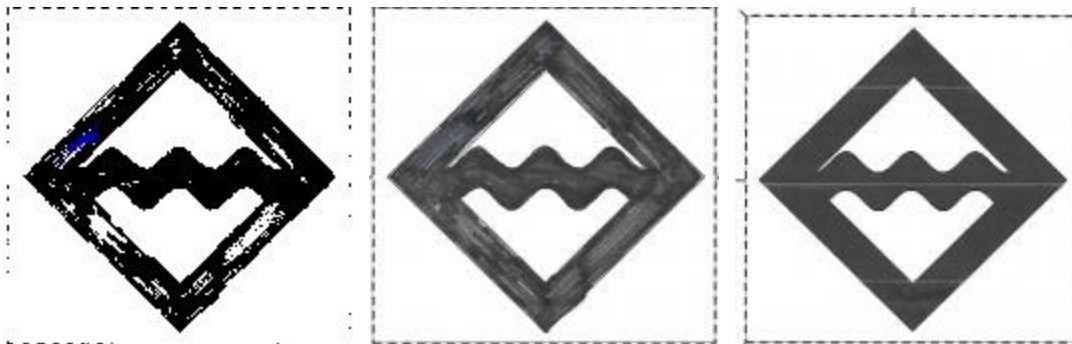
The Pattern of heraldic titles based on family names is found in the "Heraldic Titles from the Middle Ages and Renaissance: Overview" by Juliana de Luna (Julia Smith), Siren Herald, showing heraldic titles based on Family names to be the 5th most commonly used pattern.

**Notes:** The link to the cited article is:

<http://medievalscotland.org/jes/HeraldicTitlesSCA/index.shtml>

This is a Scandinavian byname. The cited article notes that very few Scandinavian titles were found, and the ones there were locative in nature.

However, this can alternately be documented using the pattern of heraldic titles based on heraldic charges, found in the same article, and in English, with *Skunk* being a potential heraldic charge based on a New World animal. Skunk would be a lingua Anglica form, with the plural form *Squunckes*, found in the OED dated to 1634.



**12: Samuel Peter Bump -New Badge Forwarded**

*(Fieldless) A fess couped wavy within and conjoined to a mascle sable.*

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**13: Stronghold of Ravensdale -New Branch Name Forwarded**

No changes.

Meaning (Raven Valley) most important.

**Ravensdale** Park, a deer park in Derbyshire established by the reign of Edward I [1239-1307].  
[http://www.heritagegateway.org.uk/Gateway/Results\\_Single.aspx?uid=MDR2780&resourceID=1023](http://www.heritagegateway.org.uk/Gateway/Results_Single.aspx?uid=MDR2780&resourceID=1023)

**Notes:** During Kingdom commentary Lillia Pelican Emeritus and Maridonna Benvenuti provided additional documentation for the substantive element from the MED:

(1223) EPNSoc.43 (Wm.) 30: Ravenesdal'.

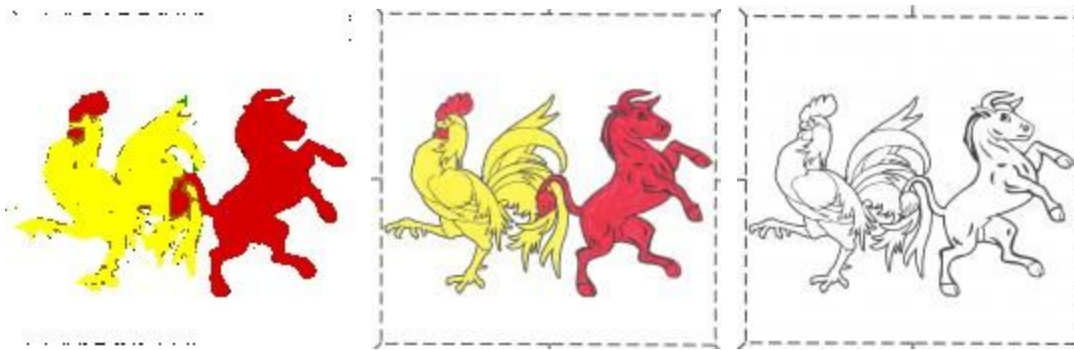
Possibly (1367) EPNSoc.29 (Der.) 597: Rawennisdale.

Similar pl.nms. (c1115) in Ekwall Dict.EPN 363: Ravendala. and (1380) EPNSoc.29 (Der.) 597: Ravendale.

We believe this provides sufficient examples of alternate spellings that the submitted spelling is a reasonable interpolation.



**14: Thomas de Marr -New Badge Forwarded**  
*(Fieldless) A barrel sable charged with a dragon passant Or*



**15: Thomas de Marr -New Badge Forwarded**  
*(Fieldless) A cock Or and a bull rampant gules addorsed and conjoined at the tails.*



**16: Thomas de Marr -New Badge Forwarded**  
*Per chevron inverted gules and azure, in chief a cockatrice Or*

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## 17: Vígborn Vetsson -New Name Forwarded

No changes.

**Vígborn** is a male given name found CV p. 742 s.v. þorn; NR s.nn. Vígborn, Víg-, -þorn, Vígi (<http://vikinganswerlady.com/ONMensNames.shtml#thorn>)

**Vetsson** is a patronymic byname formed from the given name **Vetr** found in NR s.n. Vintr (<http://vikinganswerlady.com/ONMensNames.shtml#v>)

**Notes:** The correct link for the given name is <http://vikinganswerlady.com/ONMensNames.shtml#v>

During kingdom commentary ffride wlfsdotter provided the following additional documentation:

*Nordiskt runnamnslexikon* by Lena Peterson

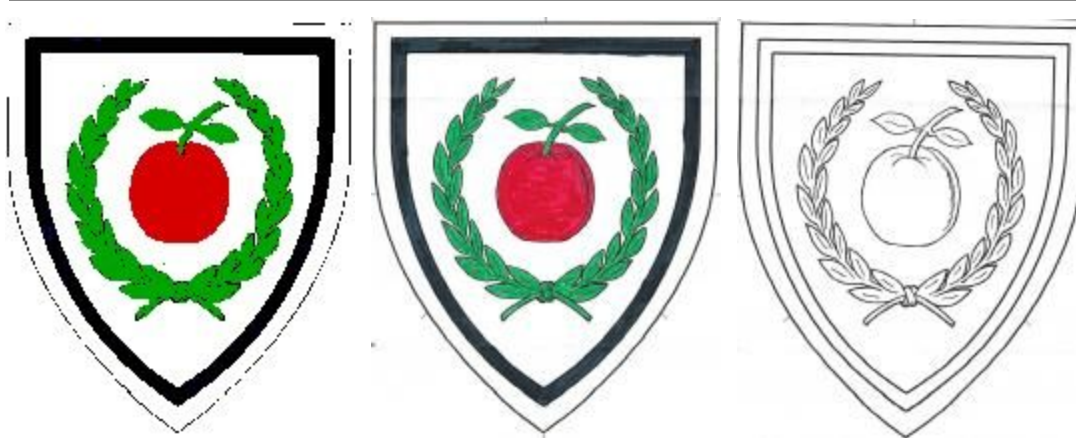
([http://www.sprakochfolkminnen.se/download/18.6dff94c149794d926e379/1415279748920/Ru\\_nnamnslexikon\\_T+141106.pdf](http://www.sprakochfolkminnen.se/download/18.6dff94c149794d926e379/1415279748920/Ru_nnamnslexikon_T+141106.pdf)) has:

sn. Vintr (?), masculine name p. 256.

Lists the Old West Norse form as "Vetr".

sn. Vígborn, masculine name p. 254.

Kingdom commenters were concerned by whether the byname is correctly formed. Lind col. 1097 sn. Vetr notes the genitive case is *Vetar*, which would form the patronymic *Vetarson*. As the submitter allows no changes, and as Blue Tyger is not certain of Norse Grammar, we are forwarding this name for wider commentary.



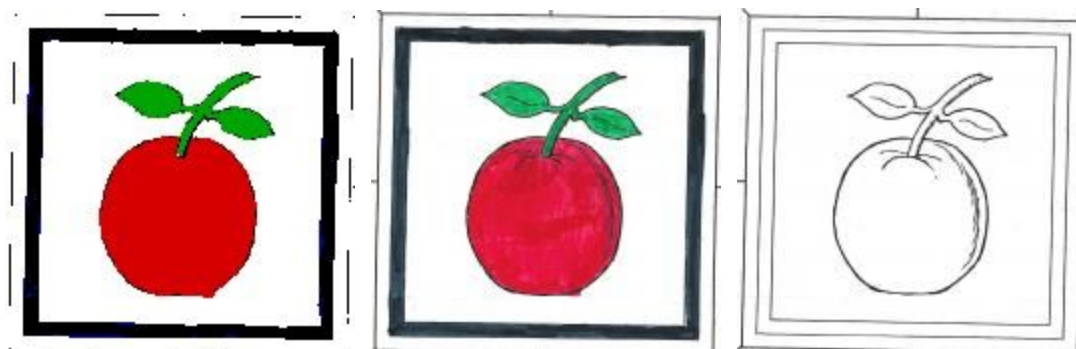
**18: Whyt Whey, Canton of -New Device Change Forwarded**

*Argent, an apple gules slipped and leaved proper within a laurel wreath vert and an orle sable.*

A petition in support of this change is included in the packet and signed by six of the seven branch officers.

The submitter's previous device, *Sable, a cockroach tergiant within a laurel wreath and on a chief embattled argent, a pomme*, is to be retained as ancient arms.

**Notes:** Blue Tyger would like to take this opportunity to commend the Canton herald, Mathghamhain Ua Ruadháin, for a well put together petition. The petition includes the blazons and emblazons of all relevant elements and clearly states who the signatories are as well as the dates of the signatures.



**19: Whyt Whey, Canton of -New Badge Forwarded**

*Argent, an apple gules slipped and leaved proper within an orle sable*

**Notes:** This badge is to be associated with the populace.



**20: Zoya the Orphan** -New Name & New Device Forwarded  
*Purpure, three Arabian lamps argent*

Submitter desires a feminine name.

Sound (Zoya) most important.

**Zoya** is a female given name found in the "Dictionary of Period Russian Names" by Paul Goldschmidt dated to 1356. (<http://heraldry.sca.org/names/paul/z.html>) The spelling in this article is "Zoia". However, in Cyrillic, the name would have been spelled "Зоя" which would be transliterated as "Ia, Ja, or Ya" per SENA Appendix D

(<http://heraldry.sca.org/sena.html#AppendixD>)

**The Orphan** is a descriptive byname. The pattern is found in Paul Wickenden of Thanet's "A Dictionary of Period Russian Names" (<http://heraldry.sca.org/paul/>) The name is rendered in English under the Lingua Anglica Allowance in SENA (PN.1 Personal Names Content)

**Notes:** The submission lacked evidence that "the orphan" is a period Russian name that can be used to form a Lingua Anglica form. During Kingdom commentary the following additional documentation was provided:

Wickenden sn. Sirot (m) -- "orphan."

Khotiak Sirot, Mozyr' craftsman. 1552. [Tup 356]

Sirota (m) -- "orphan."

Andrei Sirota. 1633. [Tup 356]

(<http://heraldry.sca.org/names/paul/si.html>)

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In Service,  
Yehuda ben Moshe  
Blue Tyger Herald