

Greetings unto Their Royal Majesties Amalric & Caia, Their Royal Highnesses Sven & Signy, and Their Excellent officers;

I propose that the Barony of Blatha An Oir host An Tir's Crown List in September in Randal, Wa, on Labor Day weekend, and then host a Baronial event that begins immediately after and culminates in Autumn War the following weekend. The two events combine to offer 10 days of fun over the short week after the holiday, with combinations available at gate of staying for both weekends, either weekend, or the week in the middle. The Barony is ready and, the site in Randal is ready, to host the Kingdom for Crown, and then roll into an amazing Autumn War, with the Baronial succession planned for the final weekend. I submit that this plan will produce the best SCA experience for the people of An Tir.

From the experience of both 40<sup>th</sup> Year and Autumn War this year at the site, the long debated "2 gate" system developed by the Directors and the Society President has proven to be a non-issue. It simply results in one more station in the line at gate, and while we do plan certain physical and logistical improvements in the gate setup, hopefully including the completion of the permanent building, the procedure is sound and does work. It is in the end the exact same system used at the hotel each year at 12<sup>th</sup> Night. Financially, the per head pricing results in the same total cost at the door to each person, (\$15 for Crown weekend only, through \$52 for all 10 days) as well as similar projected net profits for the SCA as a flat fee site, based on projections of 1400-1500 attendees. This projection seems reasonable based on historical data of Crown Lists, however if for whatever reason less people attend, then the per head price model means the SCA loses less than it would in a flat fee model. If more people than expected attend, then the SCA does generate more net profits, but could make moderately less additional profits than a flat fee model. In the end, the site provides a good value for the SCA camper's dollar and a scenic wide open place right on the fork in the river in a valley between Mt. Rainer and Mt. St. Helens with almost no mundane intrusions anywhere in sight, as well as permanent equestrian facilities and a grid of water faucets throughout the camping area. It is in fact a site custom made for SCA events.

Please let me know of any questions I can answer regarding our bid to host September Crown.

In Service,

Kane Severus Seneschal, Blatha An Oir