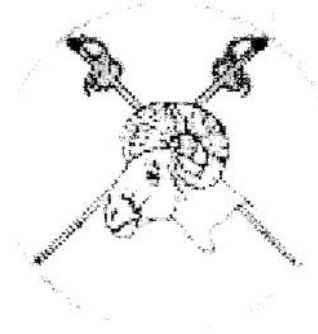


Charter for the Order of the Queen's Blade



1. Companions of the Order Queens Blade shall be the personification of the ideals of Gleann Abhann Rapier. Bladesmen should be known for their courtesy, honor and chivalry on and off the field. Members of the Order shall promote fencing through teaching, studying, and using period rapier technique; maintaining a high level of skill and personal appearance; and providing leadership by sponsoring and marshaling classes, practices, and competitions.

2. Bladesmen shall be willing to teach anyone interested in learning about the rapier. Therefore, there is no need to establish 'formal' or 'special relationships' between teacher and students. Therefore, members of the order are not to take "Cadets" or make similar relationships, even if another name for this type of relationship is used.

3. At this time the Crown has chosen not to sign the White Scarf Treaty. In respect for this decision, Bladesmen shall not use any regalia or designations associated with the White Scarf. If at some future time the Crown decides to sign this or any other treaty, then the customs associated with that treaty will be observed.

4. A member is considered to be active if during the course of a calendar year he/she competes or marshals in at least two of the

five major Gleann Abhann Rapier events (being Gulf Wars, Diamond War, two Queen's Rapier Champion Lists, and Fighter's Collegium), or actively furthers Gleann Abhann rapier by participating in meetings and online discussions, teaching, or research.

5. If possible, members will be notified of the intent to make them inactive before the final status is made official.

6. Inactive members will not count towards a quorum and need not be polled.

7. When considering a candidate for recommendation to the Crown to be added to this Order, people whose personality or opinions differ from the mainstream of the Order should not be excluded. The candidate should meet the requirements set forth in Gleann Abhann Kingdom Law and each member voting yes should consider the candidate to be their equal in courtesy and chivalry on and off the field, rapier prowess, and leadership, service to the Kingdom and to Gleann Abhann Rapier. Receiving the Order of the Queens Blade should make no significant difference in the person's activity in rapier. Rather, the award serves to confirm that activity.

8. Candidates worthy of being watched for possible nomination to the order should be brought to the whole orders attention. All members can then take special note of the person and make additional efforts to encourage the individual in their efforts.

9. Candidates should be considered on a case-by-case basis, including members of equivalent Orders of other Kingdoms.

10. Nominations for induction to the Order will be accepted by the Secretary from any member of the populace as well as the Crown and the Bladesmen, at any time. Nominations must be in writing (Crown excepted) and should be posted to the Order's e-mail listserv.

11. Deliberations of candidates will be held on the Order's 'candidate discussion' list with no archives, so that individuals may be discussed frankly and without worry about their later reaction to the comments made about them.

12. There shall be no limit on the number of candidates which may be recommend to the Crown per reign, however, Companions will exercise discretion in the growth and makeup of the Order.

13. Recommendations must be by unanimous consent of the membership, whenever the Order numbers 10 or fewer active Companions. Otherwise, 80% of the quorum must consent to the recommendation.

14. The Companions shall select a Secretary, who shall send and receive correspondence on behalf of the Order, conduct meetings and online polls, and otherwise manage the business of the Order.

15. When the Companions number 10 or fewer active members, any meeting in which a quorum exists is considered official and decisions of the meeting will be binding on the Order. Whenever the Companions number more than 10, official meetings must be announced to all members in reasonable time that they may make plans to attend.

16. A quorum shall be 75% of the active membership, whether the meeting is live or online.

17. Formal votes online shall have a reasonable time limit of seven days, after which the polling is closed.

18. Queens Bladesmen shall be known by an armband of white bordered in red or a black scarf bordered in red worn about the left arm or shoulder. It may carry a badge of a Rams head with crossed swords. A cape of white and red with a black Gleann Abhann Ram may also mark a member of the Order.

Approved this 7th day of October, Anno Societatis XXXX, Being the Year 2006 in the Common Reckening.

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