

Kingdom of Atenveldt simplified SCA ~Lexicon~

Within any special interest group there will be commonly used terms that are “known” to the persons within the organization but a completely unfamiliar language to a newcomer. Find here a very basic primer of some of the terms found in this pamphlet that may be unusual to you:

Anachronistic: Something out of place, out of time. (Knight in shining armor holding a diet Coke).

A&S: Arts and Sciences; Office that facilitates references for historical arts and culture.

Autocrat: Host or hostess of an SCA event.

Baron/Baroness: Appointed Public representatives to larger SCA groups (Barony) that have over 50 paid members of the SCA.

Chirurgion: Medically trained field nurse.

Chronicler: Office responsible for a group’s newsletter; chronicles activities.

Court: Formal gathering/meeting with Royal presence (Their Majesties or Baronage).

Crown: The King and Queen of Atenveldt, also known as the Royals or Their Royal Majesties (TRM).

~Dream~ (the): What we in the SCA strive to represent in re~creating the essence of beauty, honor, grace and chivalry of Medieval Western European culture.

Eric: Roped fighting field.

Exchequer: (or Reeve) Group treasurer in charge of financial matters.

Feastware: Simple (wooden, pewter, ceramic) mug, plate, bowl, eating utensils not usually provided at SCA meals.

Garb: Historical costume wear within the SCA.

Gold Key: (Hospitaller, Chatelaine) Hospitality representative.

Hardsuit: Armored combat.

Heirs: Victor of Crown Tournament and consort who until Coronation are known as Heirs to the throne of Atenveldt and addressed as Their Royal Highnesses (TRH).

Herald: Voice of the Crown, person who makes announcements, also aids persons in researching personal identification representation.

HOLD! : Stop everything and pray attend. Some danger exists that requires immediate attention!

Huzzah! : Cheer of congratulations; Recognition for a job well done. (Period Hoorah!)

Marshal: Fighting field safety personnel.

Merchant: Person who sells ~period~ style wares, items, books, etc.

M’lord or M’lady: Proper attention getting form of address for ~anyone~ in the SCA.

Mundane: Who we are in our day to day life.

Pavilion: Shade or tent.

Period: Reference term for something within the SCA scope of time (approximately 600 AD to 1600 AD).

Populace: The persons who comprise an SCA group.

Privy: Most common usage: bathroom. (Also Privy Secretary: Personal Secretary).

Rapier: Period fencing.

Reverence: Courtesy nod, bow or curtsy in recognition of meeting others in the SCA.

Seneschal: Group president.

Shire: Recognized group within the Kingdom of Atenveldt with at least 12 paid members of the SCA.

Smalls: Underwear, (trust me). (Children were called children in historical times).

Society: Abbreviated term for Society for Creative Anachronism, or the governing body of the SCA.

“Southwind”: Official newsletter for the Kingdom of Atenveldt. Comes along with paid membership to the SCA.

Troll: Person at an SCA event who takes the site fee.

War: Term for a larger SCA event.

Your Excellency: Proper form of address for anyone wearing a Coronet in the Kingdom of Atenveldt.

At the end of each Royal Court you will hear:

“Long live the King,

Long live the Queen,

Long live these Sovereign lands of Atenveldt”