

Summary of Polling Data

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This is a summary of the data from the “Fourth Peerage” poll. Please see attached poll reports, especially “Total Responses - Unfiltered”, for details.

Demographics

N=3171

SCA membership= approx. 30,000 (from SCA.org site)

How representative is our sample?

Since we do not have access to the SCA’s demographic data, the BOD will need to do these calculations. In order to compare to demographics of the survey respondents to the SCA’s membership as a whole:

1. Compare the distribution of survey respondents by kingdom to the distribution of the SCA membership by kingdom.
In the survey, the 4 top responding kingdoms: Middle (12.0%), An Tir (10.2%), East (8.3%) and Atlantia (8.2%). Rest are under 7%.
2. Compare the distribution of rank of survey respondents to that of the SCA membership as a whole.
The largest percentage of respondents were of AOA rank (42.9%), followed by below AOA (15%), and GOA (14%). The remainder of respondents were composed of Royal Peers (n=184), Peers (knights 233, laurels 269, Pelicans 302), Court (n= 348) and Territorial Barons (n=95). As there are respondents who fall into more than one of these higher rank categories, we cannot estimate their percentage of total survey respondents.
3. Compare the proportion of respondents authorized in the various martial disciplines and non-combatants in the survey to the SCA membership as a whole.
Among survey respondents: Non combatants=753
Combatants (all forms)= 2418

<i>Survey (% of poll respondents)</i>	<i>Known World Population</i>
Heavy= 1472 (46.4%)	11,506
Rapier= 1183 (37.3%)	4777
Archery= 1,370 (43.2%)	3764 (3 kingdoms not reporting)
Thrown Weapons= 621 (19.6%)	unknown
Equestrian =313 (9.9%)	1200
Siege Weapons 280 (8.8%)	330 (?accuracy)

4. Longevity in SCA
See “Total Responses - Unfiltered” report for details. However, 55.2.% of respondents have been in the SCA for between 6 and 20 years. 24% reported over 21 years in the SCA, 14.7% reported 2-5 years in the SCA and only 6.1% less than 2 years.

Question 7 Analysis:

“Do you feel that, all other things being equal, those who meet the basic requirements of a Peerage as defined in Corpora, and practice Non-Chivalric Combat, deserve elevation for excellence in any of those disciplines?”

Yes= 2710 (85.5%)

No= 461 (14.5%)

Breakdown by Kingdom

All Kingdoms had a majority of respondents answer “Yes”

Atenveldt had the lowest percentage of “Yes” (74.8%), and Artemesia the highest (94.3%)

Breakdown by Rank

All of the listed ranks had a majority of respondents answer “Yes”

Leaving out Masters of Arms (only 6 respondents total in the survey), Knights had the lowest “Yes” percentage (58.8%), followed by Royal Peers (62%). Unranked respondents had the highest “Yes” (94.1%), followed by AOA holders (88.6%).

Breakdown by Combat Authorizations

All of the combat forms, as well as non-combatants, had a majority answer “Yes.”

Respondents authorized in heavy had the lowest “Yes” percentage at 77.3%. Non combatants had the highest “Yes” at 91.0%

Question 8 Analysis:

“In order to appropriately recognize those participants for excellence in Non-Chivalric Combat and who are in all other respects considered worthy of Peerage, do you feel there should be a Peerage, separate from all others, that would encompass Non-Chivalric Combat forms?”

Yes= 2002 (63.1%)

No= 1169 (36.9%)

Breakdown by Kingdom

Calontir was the only kingdom with a majority of respondents answering “No” (51.8%).

However, Atenveldt was evenly split, with 50% of respondents answering “No”

The remainder of kingdoms were supportive of Question 8 by fairly modest margins. The most supportive kingdom was Glen Abhean (75%), the least supportive was West (51.5%)

Breakdown by Rank

None of the current Peerages responding to the Survey supported this question, with 84.5% of Knights, 81% Royal Peers, 64.1% Pelicans and 57.1% Laurels responding “No”. A slim majority of Court Barons (55.5%) were also opposed, while Territorial Barons were split 50-50. Unranked and AOA level respondents were the most supportive of question 8 (83.2% and 71.6% respectively).

Breakdown by Combat Authorization

All of the combat forms and non-combatants supported the question. Heavy weapons combatants were the least supportive (51.5% “yes”) while non-combatants were the most supportive (70% “yes”)

Question 9 Analysis:

“Do you feel that the current Non-Chivalric Peerages (Laurel and Pelican) adequately and appropriately recognize peerage-worthy individuals for skill in Non-Chivalric Combat?”

Yes= 995 (31.4%)

No=2176 (68.6%)

Breakdown by Kingdom

All of the Kingdoms had a majority of respondents answer “No”, the current peerages **do not** adequately and appropriately recognize these individuals. Lohac responded the most strongly (78.3% “No”) while Atenveldt responded the least strongly (53% “No”).

Breakdown by Rank

The majority of Royal Peers (69.5%) and Knights (73.4%) felt the current peerage structure was adequate in this area. The majority of all other ranks responded “No”, with unranked respondents most strongly negative (77.8% “No”) and Pelicans the least negative (51.0% “No”)

Breakdown by Combat Form

All of the combatants and non-combatants had a majority of respondents answer “No”, the current peerages **do not** adequately and appropriately recognize these individuals. Non-combatants responded the most strongly (77.3% “No”), while heavy combatants responded the least strongly (58.2%).

End of Summary

TOTAL RESPONSES – UNFILTERED

<u>KINGDOM</u>			Total Responses –3,171		
Æthelmearc -	73	2.6%	East -	263	8.3%
Ansteorra -	175	5.5%	Gleann Abhann -	64	2.0%
An Tir -	322	10.2%	Lochac -	170	5.4%
Artemisia -	35	1.1%	Meridies -	146	4.6%
Atenveldt -	207	6.5%	Middle -	381	12.0%
Atlantia -	260	8.2%	Northshield -	125	3.9%
Caid -	162	5.1%	Outlands -	113	3.6%
Calontir -	137	4.3%	Trimaris -	154	4.9%
Drachenwald -	119	3.8%	West -	171	5.4%
Ealdormere -	84	2.6%			

<u>RANK</u>					
Royal Peer-	184	5.8%	Terr. Baron-	95	3%
Knight -	233	7.3%	Ct. Baron -	348	10.1%
MoA -	6	>.1%	GoA -	445	14%
Laurel -	269	8.5%	AoA -	1,360	42.9%
Pelican -	302	9.5%	Peasants-	476	15%

<u>AUTHORIZATIONS</u>					
Heavy-	1,472	46.4%	Equestrian -	313	9.9%
Rapier-	1,183	37.3%	Siege -	280	8.8%
Archery-	1,370	43.2%	Thrown -	621	19.6%

<u>LONGEVITY</u>					
<2 Years -	194	6.1%	16-20 Years -	515	16.2%
2-5 Years -	466	14.7%	21-25 Years -	350	11%
6-10 Years -	628	19.8%	25-30 Years -	259	8.2%
11-15 Years -	608	19.2%	>30 Years -	151	4.8%

Peerage Survey: Filtered by Authorization

Note: this does not take into account multiple authorizations, so the number indicated is much higher than the actual number of respondents.

Heavy Weapons (Rattan) – 1,472

1. Do you feel that, all other things being equal, those who meet the basic requirements of a Peerage as defined in Corpora, and practice Non-Chivalric Combat, deserve elevation for excellence in any of those disciplines?

Yes 77.3% 1,138 **No 22.7% 334**

2. In order to appropriately recognize those participants for excellence in Non-Chivalric Combat and who are in all other respects considered worthy of Peerage, do you feel there should be a Peerage, separate from all others, that would encompass Non-Chivalric Combat forms?

Yes 51.5% 758 **No 48.5% 714**

3. Do you feel that the current Non-Chivalric Peerages (Laurel and Pelican) adequately and appropriately recognize peerage-worthy individuals for skill in Non-Chivalric Combat?

Yes 41.8% 616 **No 58.2% 856**

Rapier – 1,183

1. Do you feel that, all other things being equal, those who meet the basic requirements of a Peerage as defined in Corpora, and practice Non-Chivalric Combat, deserve elevation for excellence in any of those disciplines?

Yes 85.9% 1,016 **No 14.1% 167**

2. In order to appropriately recognize those participants for excellence in Non-Chivalric Combat and who are in all other respects considered worthy of Peerage, do you feel there should be a Peerage, separate from all others, that would encompass Non-Chivalric Combat forms?

Yes 63.7% 754 **No 36.3% 429**

3. Do you feel that the current Non-Chivalric Peerages (Laurel and Pelican) adequately and appropriately recognize peerage-worthy individuals for skill in Non-Chivalric Combat?

Yes 31.3.0% 370 **No 68.7% 813**

Archery – 1,370

1. Do you feel that, all other things being equal, those who meet the basic requirements of a Peerage as defined in Corpora, and practice Non-Chivalric Combat, deserve elevation for excellence in any of those disciplines?

Yes 84.0% 1,150 **No 16.0% 220**

2. In order to appropriately recognize those participants for excellence in Non-Chivalric Combat and who are in all other respects considered worthy of Peerage, do you feel there should be a Peerage, separate from all others, that would encompass Non-Chivalric Combat forms?

Yes 60.5% 829 **No 39.5% 541**

3. Do you feel that the current Non-Chivalric Peerages (Laurel and Pelican) adequately and appropriately recognize peerage-worthy individuals for skill in Non-Chivalric Combat?

Yes 35.0% 479 **No 65.0% 891**

Equestrian - 313

1. Do you feel that, all other things being equal, those who meet the basic requirements of a Peerage as defined in Corpora, and practice Non-Chivalric Combat, deserve elevation for excellence in any of those disciplines?

Yes 81.0% 253 **No 19.0% 60**

2. In order to appropriately recognize those participants for excellence in Non-Chivalric Combat and who are in all other respects considered worthy of Peerage, do you feel there should be a Peerage, separate from all others, that would encompass Non-Chivalric Combat forms?

Yes 53.7% 168 **No 46.3% 145**

3. Do you feel that the current Non-Chivalric Peerages (Laurel and Pelican) adequately and appropriately recognize peerage-worthy individuals for skill in Non-Chivalric Combat?

Yes 37.4% 117 **No 62.6% 196**

Siege Engineering - 280

1. Do you feel that, all other things being equal, those who meet the basic requirements of a Peerage as defined in Corpora, and practice Non-Chivalric Combat, deserve elevation for excellence in any of those disciplines?

Yes 78.2% 219 **No 21.8% 61**

2. In order to appropriately recognize those participants for excellence in Non-Chivalric Combat and who are in all other respects considered worthy of Peerage, do you feel there should be a Peerage, separate from all others, that would encompass Non-Chivalric Combat forms?

Yes 54.3% 152 **No 45.7% 128**

3. Do you feel that the current Non-Chivalric Peerages (Laurel and Pelican) adequately and appropriately recognize peerage-worthy individuals for skill in Non-Chivalric Combat?

Yes 40.3% 113 **No 59.7% 167**

Thrown Weapons - 621

1. Do you feel that, all other things being equal, those who meet the basic requirements of a Peerage as defined in Corpora, and practice Non-Chivalric Combat, deserve elevation for excellence in any of those disciplines?

Yes 80.0% 499 **No 20.0% 122**

2. In order to appropriately recognize those participants for excellence in Non-Chivalric Combat and who are in all other respects considered worthy of Peerage, do you feel there should be a Peerage, separate from all others, that would encompass Non-Chivalric Combat forms?

Yes 58.0% 361 **No 42.0% 260**

3. Do you feel that the current Non-Chivalric Peerages (Laurel and Pelican) adequately and appropriately recognize peerage-worthy individuals for skill in Non-Chivalric Combat?

Yes 38.8% 241 **No 61.2% 380**

Non-Combatants - 753

1. Do you feel that, all other things being equal, those who meet the basic requirements of a Peerage as defined in Corpora, and practice Non-Chivalric Combat, deserve elevation for excellence in any of those disciplines?

Yes 91.0% 685 **No 9.0% 317**

2. In order to appropriately recognize those participants for excellence in Non-Chivalric Combat and who are in all other respects considered worthy of Peerage, do you feel there should be a Peerage, separate from all others, that would encompass Non-Chivalric Combat forms?

Yes 70.0 527 **No 30.0% 226**

3. Do you feel that the current Non-Chivalric Peerages (Laurel and Pelican) adequately and appropriately recognize peerage-worthy individuals for skill in Non-Chivalric Combat?

Yes 22.7% 171 **No 77.3% 582**

Peerage Survey: Filtered by Award Level

Note: this does not take into account multiple peerages, so the number indicated is much higher than the actual number of respondents.

Royal Peers - 184

1. Do you feel that, all other things being equal, those who meet the basic requirements of a Peerage as defined in Corpora, and practice Non-Chivalric Combat, deserve elevation for excellence in any of those disciplines?

Yes – 114 62% **No- 70 38%**

2. In order to appropriately recognize those participants for excellence in Non-Chivalric Combat and who are in all other respects considered worthy of Peerage, do you feel there should be a Peerage, separate from all others, that would encompass Non-Chivalric Combat forms?

Yes – 35 19% **No – 149 81%**

3. Do you feel that the current Non-Chivalric Peerages (Laurel and Pelican) adequately and appropriately recognize peerage-worthy individuals for skill in Non-Chivalric Combat?

Yes – 128 69.5% **No – 56 30.5**

Knights - 233

1. Do you feel that, all other things being equal, those who meet the basic requirements of a Peerage as defined in Corpora, and practice Non-Chivalric Combat, deserve elevation for excellence in any of those disciplines?

Yes 58.8% 137 **No 41.2% 96**

2. In order to appropriately recognize those participants for excellence in Non-Chivalric Combat and who are in all other respects considered worthy of Peerage, do you feel there should be a Peerage, separate from all others, that would encompass Non-Chivalric Combat forms?

Yes 15.5% 36 **No 84.5% 197**

3. Do you feel that the current Non-Chivalric Peerages (Laurel and Pelican) adequately and appropriately recognize peerage-worthy individuals for skill in Non-Chivalric Combat?

Yes 73.4% 171 **No 26.6% 62**

Master of Arms - 6

1. Do you feel that, all other things being equal, those who meet the basic requirements of a Peerage as defined in Corpora, and practice Non-Chivalric Combat, deserve elevation for excellence in any of those disciplines?

Yes 50.0% 3 **No 50.0% 3**

2. In order to appropriately recognize those participants for excellence in Non-Chivalric Combat and who are in all other respects considered worthy of Peerage, do you feel there should be a Peerage, separate from all others, that would encompass Non-Chivalric Combat forms?

Yes 33.3% 2 **No 66.7% 4**

3. Do you feel that the current Non-Chivalric Peerages (Laurel and Pelican) adequately and appropriately recognize peerage-worthy individuals for skill in Non-Chivalric Combat?

Yes 50.0% 3 *No* 50.0% 3

Laurels - 269

1. Do you feel that, all other things being equal, those who meet the basic requirements of a Peerage as defined in Corpora, and practice Non-Chivalric Combat, deserve elevation for excellence in any of those disciplines?

Yes 80.5% 217 **No 19.5% 52**

2. In order to appropriately recognize those participants for excellence in Non-Chivalric Combat and who are in all other respects considered worthy of Peerage, do you feel there should be a Peerage, separate from all others, that would encompass Non-Chivalric Combat forms?

Yes 42.9% 115 **No 57.1% 154**

3. Do you feel that the current Non-Chivalric Peerages (Laurel and Pelican) adequately and appropriately recognize peerage-worthy individuals for skill in Non-Chivalric Combat?

Yes 39.5% 106 **No 60.5% 163**

Pelicans - 302

1. Do you feel that, all other things being equal, those who meet the basic requirements of a Peerage as defined in Corpora, and practice Non-Chivalric Combat, deserve elevation for excellence in any of those disciplines?

Yes 78.5% 237 **No 21.5% 65**

2. In order to appropriately recognize those participants for excellence in Non-Chivalric Combat and who are in all other respects considered worthy of Peerage, do you feel there should be a Peerage, separate from all others, that would encompass Non-Chivalric Combat forms?

Yes 36.0% 109 **No 64.1% 175**

3. Do you feel that the current Non-Chivalric Peerages (Laurel and Pelican) adequately and appropriately recognize peerage-worthy individuals for skill in Non-Chivalric Combat?

Yes 49.0% 148 **No 51.0% 154**

Territorial Barons - 94

1. Do you feel that, all other things being equal, those who meet the basic requirements of a Peerage as defined in Corpora, and practice Non-Chivalric Combat, deserve elevation for excellence in any of those disciplines?

Yes 78.7% 74 **No 21.3% 20**

2. In order to appropriately recognize those participants for excellence in Non-Chivalric Combat and who are in all other respects considered worthy of Peerage, do you feel there should be a Peerage, separate from all others, that would encompass Non-Chivalric Combat forms?

Yes 50% 47 *No 50% 47*

3. Do you feel that the current Non-Chivalric Peerages (Laurel and Pelican) adequately and appropriately recognize peerage-worthy individuals for skill in Non-Chivalric Combat?

Yes 41.5% 39 **No 58.5% 55**

Court Barons - 348

1. Do you feel that, all other things being equal, those who meet the basic requirements of a Peerage as defined in Corpora, and practice Non-Chivalric Combat, deserve elevation for excellence in any of those disciplines?

Yes 78.1 % 272 **No 21.9% 76**

2. In order to appropriately recognize those participants for excellence in Non-Chivalric Combat and who are in all other respects considered worthy of Peerage, do you feel there should be a Peerage, separate from all others, that would encompass Non-Chivalric Combat forms?

Yes 44.5% 155 **No 55.5% 193**

3. Do you feel that the current Non-Chivalric Peerages (Laurel and Pelican) adequately and appropriately recognize peerage-worthy individuals for skill in Non-Chivalric Combat?

Yes 42.2% 147 **No 57.8% 201**

Grants of Arms - 445

1. Do you feel that, all other things being equal, those who meet the basic requirements of a Peerage as defined in Corpora, and practice Non-Chivalric Combat, deserve elevation for excellence in any of those disciplines?

Yes 88.0% 392 **No 12.0% 53**

2. In order to appropriately recognize those participants for excellence in Non-Chivalric Combat and who are in all other respects considered worthy of Peerage, do you feel there should be a Peerage, separate from all others, that would encompass Non-Chivalric Combat forms?

Yes 66.7% 297 **No 33.3% 148**

3. Do you feel that the current Non-Chivalric Peerages (Laurel and Pelican) adequately and appropriately recognize peerage-worthy individuals for skill in Non-Chivalric Combat?

Yes 27.0% 120 **No 73.0% 325**

Awards of Arms – 1,360

1. Do you feel that, all other things being equal, those who meet the basic requirements of a Peerage as defined in Corpora, and practice Non-Chivalric Combat, deserve elevation for excellence in any of those disciplines?

Yes 88.6% 1205 **No 11.4% 155**

2. In order to appropriately recognize those participants for excellence in Non-Chivalric Combat and who are in all other respects considered worthy of Peerage, do you feel there should be a Peerage, separate from all others, that would encompass Non-Chivalric Combat forms?

Yes 71.6% 974 **No 28.4% 386**

3. Do you feel that the current Non-Chivalric Peerages (Laurel and Pelican) adequately and appropriately recognize peerage-worthy individuals for skill in Non-Chivalric Combat?

Yes 24.3% 331 **No 75.7% 1,029**

Bloody Peasants - 477

1. Do you feel that, all other things being equal, those who meet the basic requirements of a Peerage as defined in Corpora, and practice Non-Chivalric Combat, deserve elevation for excellence in any of those disciplines?

Yes 94.1% 449 No 5.9% 28

2. In order to appropriately recognize those participants for excellence in Non-Chivalric Combat and who are in all other respects considered worthy of Peerage, do you feel there should be a Peerage, separate from all others, that would encompass Non-Chivalric Combat forms?

Yes 83.2% 397 No 16.8% 80

3. Do you feel that the current Non-Chivalric Peerages (Laurel and Pelican) adequately and appropriately recognize peerage-worthy individuals for skill in Non-Chivalric Combat?

Yes 21.2% 101 **No 77.8% 376**

Peerage Survey: Filtered by Kingdom

Aetherlmearc - 83

	Yes	No
Q#7	88.0% 73	12.0% 10
Q#8	60.2% 50	39.8% 33
Q#9	30.1% 25	69.9% 58

An Tir – 322

	Yes	No
Q#7	91.3% 294	8.7% 28
Q#8	71.0% 228	29.0% 93
Q#9	32.7% 105	67.3% 216

Ansteorra - 175

	Yes	No
Q#7	77.1% 135	22.9% 40
Q#8	58.3% 102	41.7% 73
Q#9	35.4% 62	64.6% 113

Artemisia – 35

	Yes	No
Q#7	94.3% 33	5.7% 2
Q#8	54.3% 19	45.7% 16
Q#9	40.0% 14	60.0 21

Atenveldt - 206

	Yes	No
Q#7	74.8% 154	25.2% 52
Q#8	50.0% 103	50.0% 103
Q#9	47.0% 97	53.0% 109

Atlantia - 260

	Yes	No
Q#7	90.8% 236	9.2% 24
Q#8	72.0% 187	28.0% 73
Q#9	23.0% 60	77.0% 200

Caid - 162

	Yes	No
Q#7	81.5% 132	18.5% 30
Q#8	61.1% 99	38.9% 63
Q#9	31.5% 51	68.5% 111

Calontir - 137

	Yes	No
Q#7	84.7% 116	15.3% 21
Q#8	48.2% 66	51.8% 71
Q#9	42.3% 58	57.7% 79

Drachenwald - 119

	Yes	No
Q#7	87.4% 104	12.6% 15
Q#8	67.2% 80	32.8% 39
Q#9	28.6% 34	71.4% 85

Ealdormere - 84

	Yes	No
Q#7	87.0% 73	13.0% 11
Q#8	62.0% 52	38.0% 32
Q#9	27.4% 23	72.6% 61

East - 263

	Yes	No
Q#7	87.0% 229	13.0% 34
Q#8	69.6% 183	30.4% 80
Q#9	24.0% 63	76.0% 200

Gleann Abhan - 64

	Yes	No
Q#7	86.0% 55	14.0% 9
Q#8	75.0% 48	25.0% 16
Q#9	26.6% 17	73.4% 47

Lochac - 170

	Yes	No
Q#7	90.0% 153	10.0% 17
Q#8	68.8% 119	31.2% 51
Q#9	21.7% 37	78.3% 143

Meridies - 146

	Yes	No
Q#7	88.3% 129	21.7% 17
Q#8	59.0% 86	41.0% 60
Q#9	35.6% 52	74.4% 94

Middle - 381

	Yes	No
Q#7	84.0% 320	16.0% 61
Q#8	64.5% 246	35.5% 135
Q#9	30.4% 116	69.6% 265

Northshield - 125

	Yes	No
Q#7	84.0% 105	16.0% 20
Q#8	60.0% 75	40.0% 50
Q#9	33.6% 42	66.3% 83

Outlands - 113

	Yes	No
Q#7	85.8% 97	14.2% 16
Q#8	62.8% 71	37.2% 42
Q#9	36.3% 41	63.7% 72

Trimaris - 154

	Yes	No
Q#7	83.7% 129	16.3% 25
Q#8	64.3% 99	35.7% 55
Q#9	34.4% 53	65.6% 101

West - 171

	Yes	No
Q#7	84.2% 144	15.8% 27
Q#8	51.5% 88	48.5% 83
Q#9	27.0% 46	73.0% 125