

Sabelskjöldarn

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2019

A few words from our chairman

As I sum up the past year and the work of the Board, time has, as always, gone so fast. And if you, like me, have young children around you, you know that time possibly goes even faster.

This year, the Board's focus has been on ensuring that the Association complies with the new general data protection regulation, GDPR, which has involved much work and changes to our Constitution.

I greeted everyone at the door and was even reminded of how small the world can sometimes be. A man I had met in Stockholm during the 400th anniversary of 2017 first came out and greeted me. He told me that he had spoken to one of my daughters and noted that her surname was Kastman. It turned out that he was well acquainted with my brother-in-law!

Our family reunion in Kristdala was very pleasant. It included visits to the folk museum, the farm in Bråhult and a lovely ending with cheese cake and a visit to Kristdala church.

During the annual meeting a prototype of a noble signet ring was also exhibited together with the Sabelskjöld seal and a pendant, which was presented for sale.

In conclusion, I was going to take the opportunity to write a little about the bridal crown which the Association has cared for since 1970 when it was first made available to be used at weddings of family members. I know we have written about this before, but maybe you can discover something new about it in what follows.

It is not the Association that owns the bridal crown, we only care for it and manage its use. It is privately owned by my own family. No one really knows exactly where it originally came from, but an examination of the crown reveals that it was made in Vimmerby sometime between 1662 and 1700 by the goldsmith Hans Persson Bergman. The 1660s were also, as you know, the glory days of the Sabelskjöld.

There is a story that the crown itself is made of pirate silver, which would then have come from pirates, such as the nobles Skytte and Drake. No one knows whether this story is true or not, but Skytte and Drake rampaged around the seas from the 1590s until 1661 when they were imprisoned. The bridal crown is mentioned for the first time in the estate of Nils Olofsson, Sörebo, dated 1751. The crown was bequeathed to his wife Marta Olofsdotter who later remarried Lars Månsson, a

member of the Sabelskjöld family. When Marta died, Lars inherited the crown, according to an estate record of 1782. One can read about this in Bankeström and Heiding's book "About the Family of the Sabelskjöld's".

It was in this manner that our family came into possession of the bridal crown. I have tracked the crown back to the estate inventory of Nils Petter Eriksson in Åsjögla, Mörlunda in 1871. According to this inventory, the bridal crown devolved upon his daughter Maria Sophia Nilsson in 1925. Furthermore, in this inventory you can read that the bridal crown was valued at the large sum of SEK 25; compare this to the fact that a larger silver holder was valued at 45 SEK.

In 1858 Maria Sophia married the "rusthållare" Gustav Erik Johansson from Ekenäs, Målilla. [A "rusthållare" was a farmer who was sufficiently wealthy to supply a fully armed and provisioned cavalryman to the forces in a time of war]. According to Maria Sophia's grandchildren, she was a wealthy woman when she married Gustav Erik. She then gave the bridal crown to his eight children, of which one was Selma Carolina Gustavsdotter, who later married Valfrid Carlsson from Bergebo, Kristdala.

Selma and Valfrid were my grandmother's parents. Unfortunately, several of the "rusthållare" Johansson's children died and Valfrid then chose to buy their shares in the bridal crown from their estates. Valfrid and Selma then became the owners of 4/8 of the bridal crown and therefore it ended up in Bergebo, Kristdala. My mother told me that it was stored in the attic in a sugar box underneath a curtain and that during parties it was frequently used by the children when they went up to the attic to play at regal weddings! These days we are more careful with the bridal crown, which is kept in a bank safe when not in use on loan for weddings of our members and their families.

Currently the Board's work continues with, among other things, the planning of the next family meeting that will be held in Värmland. I hope to see you there!



Staffan Svensson Chairman.

Membership fee and payment

At the meeting in Kristdala, it was decided that from 2019 the membership fee shall be SEK 150 per member. The increase is largely due to the increasing costs of producing Sabelskjöldarn and the cost of postage.

You have received an invoice from PayPal and last day to pay was set for April 4th. If you are paying an amount which ex-

ceeds SEK 150 per member, the additional amount will be considered a gift to the association.

Your membership number is enclosed with on the back of the magazine along with your name and address.

For questions regarding membership or address changes, e-mail member@sabelskjold.se or thina.rydell@sabelskjold.se

Now more variants of our noble ring are available

During the annual meeting in Kristdala, we also exhibited prototypes of our noble ring and pendants embossed with our coat of arms. There was much interest in these items and the goldsmith in Kalmar has been kept busy.

If you are interested in the ring which is available in two models, or the pendants then kindly contact Valdi Smycken directly: info@valdismycken.se or call +46 (0) 80-42 25 25.

If you want to order a ring, first go and visit your local jeweler in order to ascertain the correct size. Bear in mind that this is a signet ring, so ask to try on one of those.

Both rings and pendants can be ordered in different materials: silver, white gold or red gold. The rings are now also available in the precious metal palladium, which is one of the platinum group metals. Palladium is silver white but with a hardness similar to white gold, though at a much better price.

Annica Triberg



Pendant



Signet ring model 2



Signet ring model 1

Price	Silver	18K Red-Gold	18K White-Gold	Palladium
Signet ring model 1 pcs 19	4 900 SEK	14 500 SEK	15 200 SEK	8 220 SEK
Signet ring model 2 pcs 19,25	5 500 SEK	18 900 SEK	20 200 SEK	12 140 SEK
Pendant/round-about 15 mm	1 590 SEK	2 590 SEK	2 890 SEK	

The price of the signet ring is based on weight and daily price of 18K Gold and palladium PD500. If you need smaller och bigger ring than (model 1 19/model 2 19,25) the price will alter.

The price for signet rings in silver is the same in all sizes.

Anchor link Chain is available for the pendant. Comes in different sizes, 42, 45, 50 and 60 cm. Anchor link Chain in Red och White Gold please ask us for price.

Regards Eva and Ylva!



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Late summer meeting in Värmland August 30 to September 1, 2019



Karlstad blir samlingspunkten för vår nästa träff

Between our annual meetings, which are held every other year, we usually have a more informal “meeting”. During these meetings there is time and opportunity to talk about family matters with each other, while we usually visit places related to our family.

In 2019, we will host this meeting in Värmland, where there are interesting branches of our family to discover.

If you want to participate, then please note that there will be no separate invitation to this meeting. If you advise us that you are interested then, shortly before the time, we will email you confirmation and the detailed program.

Time: Friday, August 30 - Sunday, September 1, 2019

Location: preliminary Hotel Gustaf Fröding, Karlstad

Preliminary program:

- Friday evening meet together for a light dinner,

- Saturday morning - coffee and family mingle, followed by a bus trip to different places connected with and of interest to the family. In the evening we will all have dinner in Karlstad.

- Sunday at 11 o'clock visit Lars Lerins Sandgrund, then return home.

Accommodation: Booked and paid by everyone. Our suggestion: Hotel Gustaf Fröding. We plan to arrive on Friday. Either by train or car.

We require your expression of interest before April 30th. After that those of you who have responded will be sent a detailed invitation.

As the association has over 600 members, it is unnecessarily costly to forward an invitation to everyone, therefore we have chosen to only send invitations to those who are interested in participating. If you are interested in registering go to www.sabelskjold.com or send a postcard with the membership number, name and address of those wishing to attend to Thina Rydell, Karlstorp 107, 395 90 Kalmar, Sweden.

Join us for a lovely weekend with the family!

Thina Rydell, Karin Larsson och Annica Triberg

Are you interested in Ingeborg Rosenstråle's earlier ancestry?

The Sabelskjöld family association's includes the descendants of Karl Jönsson who was named Sabelskjöld 1617. But, of course, the exciting story is also historical. Karl was married twice, first with Magdalena Strang and then with Ingeborg Rosenstråle.

Want to know more about Ingeborg Rosenstråle and her former noble ancestry? One of Ingeborg Rosenstråle's descendants Charles “Chuck” Johnson from the USA raised the question at the annual meeting in Kristdala. If you want to

contact him on the question, his e-mail address: bvco1200@hotmail.com

Chuck was eager to share his knowledge of these ancestors with other interested members. At the meeting an interest group was formed which, with the guidance of Chuck, will explore more about Ingeborg's Rosenstråle's earlier roots. We look forward with excitement to an insight into the earlier noble ancestors, either in our newsletter or at a future meeting.

Karin Larsson

120 descendants attend our annual meeting



On 1st September 2018, 120 descendants of Carl Sabelskjöld met in Kristdala for our annual meeting and to socialize. The members who came from all over Sweden also included a handful from the USA.

The advantage of meeting in Kristdala means that we were at, what can be considered, the central place of interest for the descendants of Carl Sabelskjöld. Carl was married twice and had a total of eight children. With his first wife, Magdalena Strang, he begat the daughters Elisabet and Brita and in his subsequent marriage, with Ingeborg Rosenstråle, he begat four sons and two daughters. The best researched branch goes through Carl's eldest son Jöns and his son, who was also called Carl. Carl (jnr.) married Elisabet Duraeus, daughter of the then vicar in Kristdala.

The Sabelskjöld family had several farms that they moved between, but Jöns and later his son Carl seemed to have preferred to live in Bråhult, in the present Oskarshamn municipality.

Towards the end of the 17th century the Sabelskjöld family suffered property confiscation under Karl XI's reduction or-

deal. When Carl died during Karl XII's campaign in 1701, the economy was severely strained. His widow Elisabet, who then lived in Bråhult with her six daughters, was basically destitute. To marry the girls to noblemen, which certainly was her plan, was unthinkable. The daughters, who had been called "the six well-known virgins", were instead allowed to marry farmers from the village. This meant that the name Sabelskjöld disappeared, but that the family spread out in the neighborhood.

During the family meeting in Kristdala on Saturday 1 September we were, of course, given the opportunity to visit Bråhult, where the farm once lay. Today the place is excellent with a memorial sign. Interested people could also visit Kristdala's lovely home town.

In addition to the usual annual meeting deliberations and lunch, a film was shown of a family meeting in Kristdala in 1967, where several persons of importance in the Association then, were seen. And how best to finish a family party in Småland? Well, with cheesecake of course!

Annica Triberg



Saturday September 1st 2018 120 decendants of Carl Sabelskjöld met in Kristdala for the annual meeting. There was a short ceremony in Kristdala church before we all went home.

Photo: Thina Rydell



In the church there was a guide telling us about the many things that connects to the Sabelskjöld family. We didn't fill the church but there was family in almost every bench.

Photo: Thina Rydell

Research on Magdalena Strang's ancestry

Sometimes we forget that new members are constantly coming to our family association and that we need to inform even if it can get tiresome for those who have been around for a long time.

We sometimes say, that there is no research about Magdalena Strang, first wife of Karl Sabelskjöld the elder. But that's not true, however; the Strang branch is not as well explored in our database. That there are fewer descendants from Magdalena is explained by virtue of the fact that Magdalena and Karl had only two daughters together, Brita and Elisabet Sabelskjöld.

In the database that the research group took over in 2012 there appears "Karl Sabelskjöld the younger proband", that is, he was the familial head (primary ancestor). The research group decided that for the 2014 version of the database that we sell, Karl Sabelskjöld would instead have to be the familial head. And accordingly both the descendants of Magdalena Strang and Ingeborg Rosenstråle would be included.

The research group also made decisions, after consultation with the board, not to include in the database any ancestors prior to Sabelskjöld, neither from Strang, Rosenstråle or any other sources whether in the male or female line.

Members have over the years submitted material originating from the Strang branch as well as from generations before and after Karl Sabelskjöld the younger.

The research group's work consists, among other things, of adding new members' material and verifying the data with sources, since the entire database in 2012 contained no source references. We also update the details of those branches of the family that already exist, and obtain surname / birth / marriage / death details where those details are missing from the 2012 version of the database. But we have many years of work left before we can say that we have complete information of / surname / birth / marriage / emigration / death for our entire database.

The research group's main task is therefore not to research new branches for the database. All members of the Sabelskjöld family are welcome to submit their research material in the file format "gedcom" to the research group. Please send them to research@sabelskjold.com. By doing this we will be able to increase our family branches in the database.

Now there is the correct Brita and Maria in the family association's database

Late in december last year, the research group received a membership application that caused some headaches. Applicants traced their ancestors back to a known Sabelskjöld which is what we ask for upon application. The family branch was assumed to originate from Anna Maria Sabelskjöld's daughter Brita Nilsson. Due to the fact that the applicants themselves were uncertain, we researched the information provided. Sweden's family research associations have forums for such issues, Roots and Anbyterforum. Anyone can ask a family question and the person who has adequate information responds.

Because Döderhult's first family tree (see picture) is difficult to read and difficult to interpret, mistakes are easy to make. Thanks to the discussion that can be followed on the Exchange Forum, the research group can now correct several errors. If you want to read it yourself, you will find it under Döderhult's parish and Brita Nilsson.

The problem was the the confusion of two of Brita Nils's daughters. Our descendant Brita Nilsson b. 1730 in Fliseryd is in our database; but after rectification, she is shown as having no family (descendants??).

Anna Maria Sabelsköld died a widow on 20th November 1767 in the cottage Hagen, Åshult's estate, Döderhults parish. At that time, the sick and the unmarried daughter Maria lived with her. Here too, two with the same name, Maria Nilsson, have been confused with each other. It is probable that our relative, Maria, was never married.

Checking family connections several hundred years later is not easy. This is especially difficult when you do not have family trees and cannot follow the family's progress over time.

Who is related to who is difficult to ascertain just by referring to the baptismalregister . When you see the same information on several different sites / pages online, it is easy to believe that it is true! Incorrect information can be found on several different family pages or similar and possibly come from the same incorrect source. Also on the website Adelsvapen-Wiki for the Sabelström family there are similar errors to those found in our database. Currently, we still do not know if Brita had a family and, if so, what happened to it. If you have researched Brita or Maria, please contact the research group!

Karin Larsson



A picture from Döderhults first busförbörslängd (AI:1 1766-1799)

The meeting decided to amend its Constitution

From 25th May 2018, a new data protection regulation has come into force which will make it easier for us to verify that our personal data is processed correctly.

It also affects associations and places higher demands on those of us who process your personal data. We are entitled to collect information in the membership register and save it to our family database, but we may not distribute this information. Our Constitution previously allowed us to distribute our membership directory. This provision, which was in paragraph 11 of our Constitution, has now been amended. We also took the opportunity to change the words “managing the bank’s books” to “have access to the bank’s bank accounts” and the word “safe” to “bank safe”.

If you want to read the new Constitution, you can find it on the association’s website www.sabelskjold.se for download.

Our family database will continue to have the same content as before. However, the cd / usb available for sale does not contain the names of any living persons born within the last 100-years ie. after 1918. At the next meeting, only names after 1920 will be omitted.

Since we have not been able to ask anyone on our new list, we have assumed that it is only a few, or, perhaps none of us, who have attained the age of over 100 years!

New board



*Back row from left: Staffan Svensson, Johnny Sigvardsson, Annica Triberg, Britt Stenervall, Gunnar Malmberg och Thina Rydell.
Front row from left: Karin Larsson, Birgitta Mantefors och Tomas Sannerud.*

At the annual meeting in Kristdala on September 1, our new board was inducted and is constituted as follows :
Chairman Staffan Svensson (re-election), Vice-President Thina Rydell (re-election), treasurer Gunnar Malmberg and secretary Annica Triberg, member and responsible for the shop Britt Stenervall.

Karin Larsson, Tomas Sannerud and Birgitta Mantefors were elected alternates (all re-elected).

Peder Nilsson and Christer Andersson, whose deputy is Roy Karlsson were elected auditors (all re-elected).

This is how we treat your personal information

The Sabelskjöld family association is the designated Data Controller. The information you provide to us when you apply for membership or provide information about your family will be used only by the Sabelskjöld Family Society.

When you provide us with personal information concerning meetings or other events that include food or accommodation, the information will be sent to the interested party. The data will then be saved for one year after implementation. The data contained in the family database will be saved for a longer period. In cases where we are bound by other laws such as the Accounting Act, your information may be stored longer. The legal basis for this is an agreement, because you are a member and pay an annual fee. If you have any questions regarding data protection, you are welcome to contact us.

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Thina Rydell

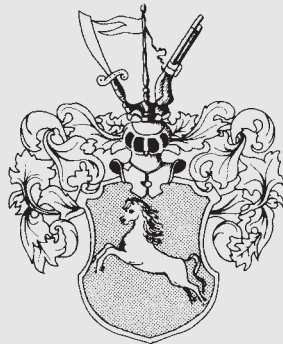
The appointments of Rolf Svensson (convener), Birger Bring and Sture Karlsson who sit on the nomination committee, were warmly renewed.

At the first board meeting after the annual meeting held in Linköping on 20th October 2018, planning began , among other things, planning began for the next “intermediate meeting” to be held 2019, of which more is said elsewhere in the newsletter.

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Do you have suggestions or opinions about the content of this magazine? Would you like to write a line or two? Get in touch!
Remember to notify us any change of address!

Sabelskjöldarn in English

This years edition have had some problem with translation from Swedish to English, and that is why it is being posted to you so very late in the year. The Swedish edition was sent out in January.

Brian Musto and his wife Jan who was visiting Sweden and Kalmar a few years back had offered to help. At last a poorly translation was sent to our member in South Africa and sent back to us whitin just a few days.

Thank you Brian for your help!

Thina Rydell



Joan and Brian Musto at a an old Swedish windmill on Öland