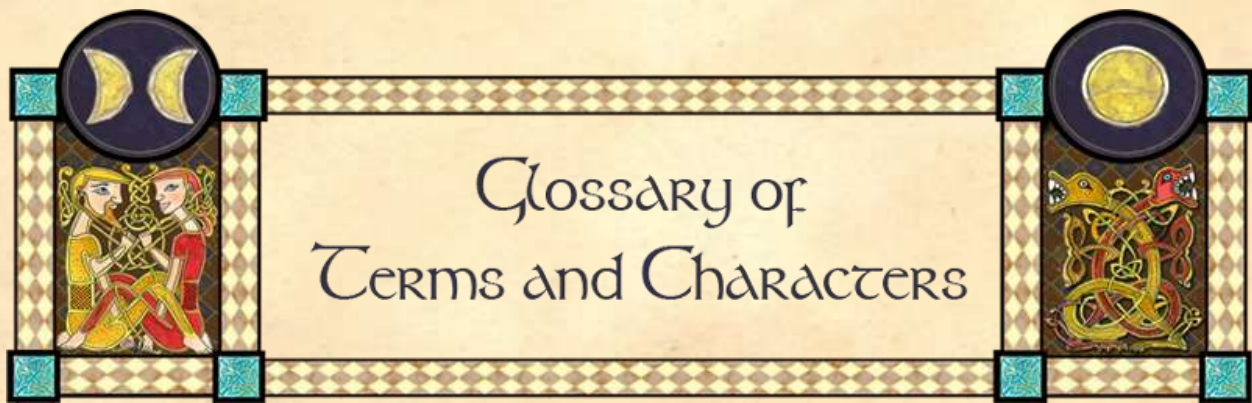


# The Glossary of Summer Moon

*An excerpt from Summer Moon,  
the second novel of the  
Celtic Wolves Series  
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# Glossary of Terms and Characters

## ATTRIBUTIONS

The following characters are products of the author's imagination and/or are derived from Celtic mythology and used with respectful yet fictional purposes for the Celtic Wolves Series, a collection of romantic urban fantasy novels set in modern day New England. The glossary is in no way necessary for understanding the novels, but is provided as an extra for readers. Some inspiration was derived from *The Mabinogion*, a collection of medieval Celtic folktales and deserves a mention. While liberties were taken for fictional purposes, the following translated versions were used for research and/or medieval terms: *The Mabinogion, Translated with an introduction* by Jeffrey Gantz; *The Mabinogion*, Translated by Lady Charlotte Guest; *The Mabinogi and Other Medieval Welsh Tales*, Translated, with an Introduction, by Patrick K. Ford. For attributions and extras on the art visit... [Interior Art of Koko's Journal](#).

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 = TERM

 = CHARACTER

## AERON

Walker; once a messenger to Ceridwen in the Otherworld; earthly body remains in Avon while spirit is trapped in the Vale.

## ANNWFN; OTHERWORLD; LAND OF FAERY

Homeland of the Welsh Celtic deities, similar to sídh of Irish mythology, where the *Tuatha Dé Danann* reside, the land of faery and magical beings.

## AUDREY (AD 2009 -)

Child who can shift into a wolf; parents were killed while in hiding to protect her from the Guardians; see also *Wulfling*.

## BEDDESTYR; WALKERS

Once messengers to Ceridwen in the Otherworld; four known Walkers still exist; all have lost their power to walk between worlds.

## BELTANE; MAY DAY

A Celtic holiday to celebrate the beginning of summer. Referred to as *Calan Mai* in Welsh. Ancient Celts believed that the barrier between our world and the Otherworld was opened this day, and that the Gods visited to bestow fertility blessings.





### **BLEIDD; WOLF**

A Guardian descendant born or trapped in wolf form who cannot change to human; human intelligence exists within the wolf.

### **BRAN**

Original Guardian; member of the Council of Ceridwen.

### **BRIALLEN**

Guardian who resides in Wales with her husband; wife of Maelor; mate of Teyrnnon.

### **CADAN**

Son of Neira; cousin of Rosa; Math's former lover.

### **CASTELL AVON; RIVER CASTLE**

A castle on the island of Avon, located in the White Mountains of New Hampshire; commissioned by the Council of Ceridwen as a wedding gift for Rosa and Math.

### **CERIDWEN; CELTIC GODDESS**

Welsh Celtic goddess, worshiped by ancient Celts as the great sow goddess; though less recognized, Ceridwen was also revered as the goddess of wolves; known to brew potions of transformation and knowledge; Earth Mother of Darkness and Light; master of animal transformation; birth mother of Taliesin.

### **CORMACK**

Brother of Siân and Taran; close friend of Elen; born in wolf form without the ability to transform to human; human intelligence exists within the wolf; given the power to shift by Elen in the first battle of the Dissenters' War against the Guardians.

### **COUNCIL OF CERIDWEN; GOVERNING ASSEMBLY OF ORIGINAL GUARDIANS**

A self-proclaimed governing body compiled by the nine surviving Original Guardians.

**Council members in alphabetical order:** Bran, Edwyn, Gweir, Maelor, Merin, Neira, Pendaran, Rhys, William.

### **CYMRU; WALES**

Homeland of the Original Guardians.

### **DARON**

Leader of the Ontario territory; views the Original Guardians with disdain.



### **DEWISEDIG; CHOSEN HUMAN**

A human mate of a Guardian or Guardian decedent whose offspring can transform into a wolf.



### **DRWGDDYDDWG; EVIL BRINGER**

A derogatory description of Guardian descendants born in human form without the ability to transform into a wolf. The name was created by Original Guardians, fearful of their loss of power.



### **DRYSTAN**

Leader of the Blue Ridge Highland territory of Virginia; views the Original Guardians with disdain.



### **DYLAN BLACK (AD 329 –)**

The alpha wolf and leader of the Katahdin territory; husband and mate of Sophie; father of Joshua; eldest brother of Luc and Elen; son of Merin.



### **EDWYN**

Original Guardian; member of the Council of Ceridwen.



### **ELEN (AD 331 –)**

The healer of Rhuddin Village; sister of Dylan and Luc; daughter of Merin; cannot shift into a wolf but can manipulate nature.



### **FINNBARR (AD 1682 –)**

Also known as Porter; head of home security of Rhuddin Hall in the Katahdin territory; has a tattoo of a Celtic cross in honor of his Irish mother; cannot transform into a wolf.



### **FRANCINE (AD 1955 – AD 2013)**

Mother of Sophie; human; killed in the first battle of the Dissenters' War against the Guardians.



### **GARETH**

Porter of Castell Avon; tortured by Math for taking a mortal lover; wears patch due to damaged eye; not allowed to shift and heal.



### **GAWAIN**

Walker; once a messenger to Ceridwen in the Otherworld; earthly body remains in Avon while spirit is trapped in the Vale.



### **GWARCHODWYR; GUARDIAN**

Descendants of Original Guardians who follow the command of the Council of Ceridwen.



## **GWARCHODWRY UNFED; GUARDIAN, FIRST IN ORDER; THE ORIGINALS**

An Original Celtic warrior appointed by Ceridwen to protect her son Taliesin; taught how to draw energy from the earth to transform into wolves; served Taliesin as a child; age at a very slow rate. The oldest surviving Original Guardian was born 95 BC. There were forty-eight Original Guardians; only nine remain to form the Council of Ceridwen.

## **GWEIR**

Original Guardian; member of the Council of Ceridwen.

## **HAFWEN; "MS. HAFWEN"**

A pixie sent to earth to teach Elen how to use her gift; until trust is earned, the viewer will only see her as a winter wren. Prefers to be addressed as Ms. Hafwen.



## **HEN WAS; OLD SERVANT**

Slaves to the Original Guardians and the Council; Guardian descendants born without the ability to transform into a wolf; age at the same slow rate of an Original Guardian.

## **ISABEAU**

Leader of the forest region of Minnesota; family was tortured and killed in the house of Rhun while serving the Original Guardians.

## **JOSHUA (AD 1995 –)**

Son of Dylan and Sophie.

## **KALEM**

Leader of the Alaskan territory; views the Original Guardians with disdain.

## **KOKO (AD 1868 – AD 1946)**

Luc's deceased wife.

## **LLARA**

One of four leaders who occupy the territories of Russia; views the Original Guardians with disdain.

## **LUC BLACK (342 AD–)**

Youngest brother of Dylan and Elen; son of Merin; husband of the late Koko; banished at birth by his mother for being born in wolf form; raised by Dylan; also known as the Beast of Merin.





## MABINOGION

Also referred to as *The Mabinogi*; a collection of Celtic folklore from medieval Welsh manuscripts, including *The White Book of Rhydderch* and *The Red Book of Hergest*. The first translation of *The Mabinogion* into English was by Lady Charlotte Guest in the mid-nineteenth century. ~ [Mabinogion on Wiki](#)



## MADOC

Leader of the mountain regions of Montana; captained the ship that brought Luc, Elen, and Dylan to the New World; views the Original Guardians with disdain.



## MAELOR

Original Guardian; member of the Council of Ceridwen; husband of Briallen; resembles a turned out troll.



## MAELORWEN; "MAE"

Mostly referred to as Mae; healer who lived in the hills when Dylan and Elen were children; taught Elen the medicinal uses of plants; the first Guardian descendant born without the ability to shift; tortured by the Guardians; currently resides with Rosa in the White Mountains territory of New Hampshire.



## MATH (BC 62 – AD 2013)

An Original Guardian; former leader of the White Mountains territory of New Hampshire; former husband of Rosa; loyal to the Council of Ceridwen; executed by Dylan.



## MERIN

An Original Guardian; mother of Dylan, Elen and Luc; resides in Wales as a member of the Council of Ceridwen.



## MORWYN

Walker; once a messenger to Ceridwen in the Otherworld; earthly body remains in Avon while spirit is trapped in the Vale.



## NEIRA

Original Guardian; member of the Council of Ceridwen; mother of Cadan; aunt of Rosa.



## NESIEN

Walker; once a messenger to Ceridwen in the Otherworld; earthly body remains in Avon while spirit is trapped in the Vale.



## NIA

Leader of the northern New York territory; views the Original Guardians with disdain.







## PENDARAN

Original Guardian; head of the Council of Ceridwen.



## PENTEULU; HEAD OF FAMILY

Leader of a territory; alpha wolf.



## PORTER; RESPECTED SERVANT

Head of home security.



## RHUDDIN; HEART OF TIMBER

The name Dylan chose for his territory, located around Katahdin, the highest mountain peak in Maine; the northern end of the Appalachian Trail.



## RHUN (BC 58 – AD 2013)

An Original Guardian; killed by Sophie in the first battle of the Dissenters' War against the Guardians.



## RHYS

Original Guardian; member of the Council of Ceridwen.



## ROSA ALBAN (AD 1702 –)

Widow of Math; wife of Luc; leader of the White Mountains territory of New Hampshire; parents were killed while protecting Rosa from the Council of Ceridwen; the last pure-blooded unmated female shifter.



## SERPENT OF CERNUNNOS

A flexible sword in the shape of Cernunnos' horned snake, forged in the Otherworld as a gift for Taliesin. The wearer of the Serpent is given a heightened perception of their surroundings and a connection to beings of the Otherworld.



## SIÂN

Dylan's ex-lover; eldest sister of Taran and Cormack; threatened a pregnant Sophie in the woods the night Sophie left Dylan; the woman who gave Sophie her scars.



## SIN

See *Taliesin*.



## SOPHIE (AD 1975 –)

Wife and mate of Dylan; mother of Joshua; daughter of Francine; the first human to give birth to a shifter in more than three hundred years; her aging process has slowed since carrying Dylan's child.



## TALIESIN; "SIN" (BC 42 –)

Son of Ceridwen; possesses powers of transformation and prophecy; Sophie's former employer. Taliesin spent much of the medieval ages intoxicated; therefore it was during this time that many stories of his antics were documented by humans.

Though assigned by his birth mother as protectors, Taliesin views most of the Original Guardians with disdain.



### **TARAN**

Deceased sister of Siân and Cormack; mother of Melissa; killed by Rhun in the first battle of the Dissenters' War against the Guardians.



### **TEYRNON**

First in command of Luc's guard; mate of Briallen; Guardian decedent with the ability to shift; father was human of Norse descent; homestead destroyed by the Guardians in the late 1600s for daring to live outside their rules.



### **TREE OF HOPE**

A gateway between earth and the Otherworld.



### **VALE**

See also *Ystrad Gloyw*; an ethereal dreamlike world between earth and the Otherworld.



### **WALKER**

Beddestyr in ancient Welsh; once messengers to Ceridwen in the Otherworld. Four known Walkers still exist; all have lost their power to walk between worlds.



### **WILLIAM; GWILYM**

Original Guardian; member of the Council of Ceridwen.



### **WULFLING**

Wulflings begin as infant shifters, often deserted by the death of their parents while in hiding; left to fend for themselves; without the company of humans they are unable to learn by example; instincts of their wolves often became more dominant than their humanity.



### **YSTRAD GLOYW; GLOWING VALE**

An ethereal dreamlike world between earth and the Otherworld.

