

Lions Gate Council – February 23, 2012

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Acting Seneschal Report – Callen Drakkar

- Brief discussion of Pennsylvania Lawsuit, LG share will be about \$2,000 give or take. We have room for it in the budget – Don't Panic!
- Ceara accepting new job, and is moving to Kamloops. Will need replacement Seneschal by end of March.

Watch – Garet Doiron

Nothing to report.

Exchequer – Asny Ravnsdottir

Based the number on 2010 final numbers, actual numbers based on 2011 once they're in (late), our net profit is almost \$2,000, so it shouldn't be too big a deal to pay our share of the lawsuit. (don't panic)

Chamberlain – Edrik

No report. New locker? Ceara was looking at the new locker, but no update. It will require downsizing.

Sable Loat Pursuivant (Herald) – Callen Drakkar

No injuries. No activity.

Master of Stables – Griffin

Fight practice getting back to good attendance after holidays. On Feb 7th, we had two tourneys sponsored by Vulf which brought out a fair amount of people. (Including a few other new fighters that didn't return.)

One tourney was Open (knights and everyone else, Sir Ulfgar won, with Stiener second. In the Unbelted, Stiener won.

We made enough to pay for the hall.

We currently have four new fighters at practice getting instruction and using Iron Key. We had 13 people at last practice. Last practice, by 21:30 everyone was gone, except for two rapier fighters, so we can consider ending it earlier.

A Knight from Lochac, Sir Rufus, has been attending practice when he can.

War Practice – March 24th

Archery – Jaqueline Lefleur

Great news!

We have a new Principality Archery Officer, announced and sworn in at Investiture: Archos Gareth Haydon, originally of Montengarde of Avacal. I had the pleasure of meeting Gareth on the range last summer, and know already we have gained a great resource with his arrival in our fair Barony.

Practice - Academie Duello

One more SCA practice was held over the past month. Mundane life and events kept SCAers out of the other three weekends. The rehangng of the nets has been arranged, and they are working well. A few more adjustments are still to be made.

The mix at the open range has been half SCA archers, and half Academie Duello students.

Practices with SCA presence now run 3 - 5 pm on Sundays, excepting event and demo days

Practice - Boorman Archery

First practice is this Saturday, Feb. 25th afternoon. The trial will run until the end of March then I'll review the finances at that time. Any funds I receive beyond the cost of the venue I will, if it meets with council approval, return to the Barony by way of putting them towards Baronial archery supply purchases such as target faces.

Science World Demo

There will an archery table at the Science World demo in March. I will have bow-making, arrow making, and archery gear to display. I'll be there Saturday. I've asked Archos Kenneth of Shaftesbury if he will attend Sunday.

Canterbury Fayre

I am currently working on an archery class-either Period Arrow Making or Archery in the SCA. I'll be asking other archers to consider stepping forward to do the same, space permitting.

Company of Archers

I will be contacting the members of the company of archers to schedule a date for the annual Company of Archers meeting. Arcos Kenneth of Shaftesbury and Archos David of Tiriane are in the company this year, with David being the Captain. Our Baron James and Baroness Margaret and myself as Baronial archer are invited to partake as guests. One question asked of me by Archos Kenneth is how can we promote the Company, and in what ways can we encourage events to have Company qualifying shoots in their tournaments?

Arrow Repair workshop

Finally, I'll be holding a arrow-repair workshop at my home on Sunday, March 11th. I hope to have a brand new spine-tester by then. I'll be asking if anyone has a grain scale they can lend me for the day.

Daylight savings time begins that same day, March 11th, so outdoor practices may begin the following week, weather permitting.

Acting Masters of Blades – Callen and Warwick

We have now moved to a three hour practice, which has raised the cost of practice to \$75/night. To properly manage this new cost (an increase of \$25) we have raised the practice fee from \$5 to \$10 per practice.

We are regularly getting 8 to 12 people at practice.

We have a new Master of Blades, Lord Mattias Blennerhasset, former keeper of Gerhard's Riposte.

No injuries to report. No armour or weapon failures to report.

Lists – Caitrin ni Cingeadh

After a year – I finally did something. For Lionsdale. Nothing else to report.

Chronicler – Wymarcha Hektanah Doiron

Minutes went out, North Wind in progress. (Post Council – North Wind produced)

Library – Ylas

Still haven't gotten the library from Mariko.

Arts and Science – Myrrim de Lancaster

Work proceeds with setting up classes for the Canterbury Fayre

Classes confirmed so far:

Enamelling
Egyptian bracelet making
Leather tankard making
Belt tooling and making
Beginning tablet weaving
Coif making

Unconfirmed classes:

Small leather book
Embroidery
Norse wire weaving
Dance
Period arrow making

Contests:

Sir Kerrigan's Defenders – 2 pieces with documentation. Please contact Sir Kerrigan if you are entering so the appropriate judges can be found. Sir Kerrigan will be generously donating a pair of shoes as a prize for the winner.

Other A&S Contest – A decorated container in any medium. This could include pots, wooden boxes, baskets, decorated scabbards pouches, pictures of decorated containers, metal work containers, embroidered containers, etc.

Bardic – HL Azure Mary Macgregor

No report.

Bransle – Jaqueline

No report.

Dance – Rhiannon ap Gwynedd

No report.

Games – Vacant

No report.

Chatelaine – Sage Mcleod

Newcomers' Information Session (NIS) was greatly attended and we found not only a new newcomer but a gamer as well! Score! Next NIS is March 2nd.

A couple of people have been asking for a spinning night and to be taught how to spin on a drop spindle. So next session is Spinning Night! Everyone is welcome to come out, chat and spin the night away. Yeah! I will be bringing some fibres to show off as well (rabbit, camel, sheep, silk, and dyed roving etc.)

My position is up in March but the NIS meet ups will continue every month (as usual), until a new Chatelaine takes over and decides what they would like to do with it. There is lots of space, it is a very quiet Starbucks and the staff there loves us, so it is a good meeting spot for future meet-ups of any kind.

P.S. Birkeland Bros. Wool in Vancouver is closing March 1st. They have limited amount of stock (mostly roving stuff and a few yarns left) <http://stores.birkelandwool.com/StoreFront.bok>

Chatelaine Presents at Science World:

Ysabell (one of my deputies) will be helping out at Science World and doing Chatelaine duties (handing out flyers, etc). I will also find out about flyers, brochures from the coordinators (next on my to do list).

Demo Info:

We have two demo requests. Both in April and back to back dates: Please read the following and decide if this is something that the barony wants to do. I WILL NOT be able to organize these events but if I can make it out to them I would gladly help out.

First demo request:

Hello there,

I do believe I am speaking to a different Baron and baroness than I have dealt with in the past so I will be very clear!

My name is Angela I am a cub scout and girl guide leader, I am writing to you to ask if your section would be able and interested in coming out to a camp in April and putting on a demonstration for approx 40 kids between the ages of 8-13, the camp is near the Aldergrove border and it is the weekend of April 13 -15th we would probably like to see you the afternoon of the 14th for as many hours as you could spare, of course it includes an invitation to Banquet(Dinner). The last time we saw you all was fantastic and the older kids still talk about it today, we are doing a bridging camp, (mixed boys and girls) and we love to learn so we are looking for all kinds of crafters and talents from your society I know you are a busy group if this appeals to you please get back to me at this address.

Mission girl guides demo, in maple ridge – Caitrin taking lead on it 21st April

Scribe – Aelena Cordovera

Things going well, meet next week.

Webminister – Malie Rennick

Everything's fine, her term is up in March. Needs to be posted, but she'll go for another year.

Past Events

Investiture:

We had a great turnout and although things started out bumpy in the beginning everything seemed to go well. I heard many exclaim they had no idea Squamish was not as far out as they thought so we're hoping to use this venue for future events as it's large, close to everything and not very expensive. Ceara will have the full financial report Friday as the Tir Righ PDF is not functioning properly at this time but here is the rundown...

Total income - \$2540.00

Total Expenses - \$1553.10 (note: need reimbursement for \$98.00 for extra room rental for meetings)

Net profit - \$986.90

Net profit without NMS - \$866.90

Profit Share percentage is 25%

Tir Righ Profit - \$650.18

Lions Gate Profit - \$216.72

Science World Demo:

Things are moving along well. Many have confirmed their participation from the A&S, Archery, and Dance communities. However, I've not heard from more than a couple in the fighting community. I'm hoping to hear from more in the next couple of weeks. I have a meeting scheduled at Science World to finalize the space we will be given. The schedule is as follows:

Saturday, March 17th and Sunday, March 18th:

10am – Set-up

11am - Demo starts

3:30pm – Pack-up

4pm - Demo ends

In exchange for doing this Demo, Science World is offering free parking for participants, entrance into Science World and an \$800.00 donation to the Barony. Children are welcome. Some may remember that last time we got a donation of \$1,000.00 but I'd like it noted that it was for much longer hours (9am - 6pm) and was 3 days over a long weekend.

We've been told we can leave our displays up and items secured at Science World the evening of the 17th. However, I will be discussing this with them more to ensure there is adequate security and let everyone know the details.

I presently have the eric poles, stands and flags as well as the Baronial wall hangings from hosting Investiture and will hang on to them till the Demo instead of making 2 locker runs if that's alright.

Upcoming events:

Canturbury Farye

Classes, schedule needs to be finalized

Bardic - starting to promote

Kenzie and Margaret have roughed out the menu

Warm brie appy

Cream of leek soup

Steak and braised beer/onion pie

Veggie casserole
Barley almonds slivers and salted raisins
Lemon custard

Summer Defender & Antioch
Combining them, may be taken over at a local level (trial this year)
Defender's tourney

TirRigh will not let go of it, Ursulmas – recruitment drive, get people in to us.
Fighters drawn in by prize tourneys
Will still hold prize tourneys and Defender's tourneys
Running erics all day – different tourneys and different things going on
Cenotaph Park: fair grounds in the middle of town
Famer's market opening day in front half of the park, us in the back
May 12th (sat before Mother's Sunday)
Lionsgate and lionsdale pavilions come out
07:30 AM for set-up.
Gate?
Insurance \$50 principality, and book the gym for archery

No gate at this event. We are not charging our people or the public.

Grant for new festivals? \$300 for the good of the event
A&S displays
Following up on merchanting

Sealion War May 27
Donatello's farm
Quote on biffies?
\$20/head – Shakespeare
Aldergrove

TOA – No report. Callen meeting with Claire
August 3 – 6 long weekend

SYGC – Aug 17 – 19
Miles

Harvest Bransle

TirRigh – metal workers guild, two separate rooms, for the day for \$40. (mini kitchen), parking's a bit of an issue, classes

Baroness' Memorial Tourney Dec. 1
Bids?

Ghost Ridge
Local to ridge meadows to take over?
4900 to principality
Members can work for different branches
Principality fundraiser

Other Business:

Potlucks at Events:

Dr. Carus inquired about potlucks at events, in reference to something he had heard at Investiture. Baron James clarified that there was no problem with continuing to hold potlucks at events, but had specifically told Investiture not to host a full-board feast, so as not to conflict with Canturbury Fayre's Baronial Banquet. (Just didn't want two feasts back to back.)

Some further discussion was had about the pros and cons of potlucks, and what types of events they are most applicable at. (Better for local events – where not a lot of people are traveling long distances). The discussion migrated to what other kinds of things would facilitate people staying for the full time at an event. (Some concern people left quite early from Investiture) Suggestions included bardic or dance contests, or a dessert auction.

Burnaby Public Library Meeting Rooms:

Dr. Carus suggested the Burnaby Public Library as a potential Council Meeting space, consensus was the library closes too early to be of use (out by a quarter to nine), but the information was gathered and will be passed along.

War Practice:

Garet Doiron promoted the War Practice
March 24 - 25, 2012
Minimal costs
Gate - \$3
Land is free

Half-Life Party:

Kenzie has now spent half his life in the SCA. Fair warning there will be a party, it's just looking for a date.

Baron's Report

Baronial Coronet Business:

Baron James been working two jobs, so he's busy and grumpy, but hopes he's still Just to everyone.

Other discussion

Jaqueline inquired about finishing erics off with last year's extra money? Some discussion confirming that there was money raised and earmarked for this purpose. Any unspent money will be turned over.