

Lions Gate Council – March 27, 2013

Wymarcha Hektanah Doiron

Seneschale Report – Caitrina inghean Aindriasa

A reminder that officer reports will no longer be read unless there is an issue listed or a request for funds to reduce time spent on officer reports and give more time for discussions and Q&A. This excludes the Exchequer and the Baron & Baroness. However I have a copy of the reports received if anyone would like to look at them

As reported in December, there is a conflict with our agreement with Cloverdale for April 30th. They have already booked the RCMP in for training in the Alice McKay building but have offered us the Agriplex at our normal rate. There is lots of room so we should take advantage of this windfall and use it for a combined thrown weapons practice perhaps?

Cloverdale has a new accountant who has been cleaning up their records and cannot find payments from us for just under \$1500.00 in 2011. There was a tight deadline given to investigate that was not going to work for us and the Exchequer and I agreed that we should pay the arrears to keep the good faith with Cloverdale and investigate thoroughly. Hopefully we can find the invoices and proof of payment to get the funds credited back to us.

Watch – Vacant

Exchequer – Fiona the Archer

As of March 1, 2013, the bank balance was \$5179.95

Outstanding cheques written = - \$2504.16

Deposits since = \$2320.00

Expenses for the remainder of the year:

1. Cloverdale Rodeo
April rate change from \$418.88 to \$400.18 due to taxes
Fight practice March to December \$ 4320.65
2. Public Storage
April rate change from \$234.08 to 219.45 due to taxes
Baronial locker April to December \$ 1975.05
3. Newcomer's Events \$???
4. Justice Institute
Will we be continuing with this site?
Expected April rate change from \$42 to \$40.13 per week due to taxes
Rapier and practice March to December \$ 1806.00

Receivables:

1. hall deposit Canterbury Fayre \$500.00

Cloverdale Rodeo & Exhibition have recently done an audit (new accountant) and discovered an outstanding amount of \$1324.40 from 2011 unpaid invoices for Lions Gate. In the interests of maintaining a good working relationship, and keeping our account in good standing, we have sent the payment. An investigation of the invoices and our payments for 2011 is underway.

I have received, and paid, the first invoice from The Justice Institute for the new rapier practice location.

The gate and ticket proceeds from Canterbury Fayre have been received and deposited to the Lions Gate account. An amount is still expected from the autocrat for the difference between the food advance and actual food costs.

I will be away April 6 to 14. If you have an urgent matter, please refer it to our Seneschale during that time or contact me before April 4th.

The 2012 financial report has been approved by the Principality Exchequer. Please note: the Barony of Lions Gate suffered a net loss of \$2747.27 in the 2012 year.

Chamberlain – Johanna van der Velde

Sable Loat Pursuivant (Herald) – Garet Doiron

The Sable Loat fulfilled the duties of his office, by assisting two clients with device and name registry (and one of those actually submitted, by jingo!). He also improvised a court ceremony at Canterbury Fair, with some success.

The Loat would love the return of his binder of ceremonies from some chap in an incipient canton that borrowed it.

No injuries to report at this time.

Master of Stables – Griffin

There is not a great deal to report. Fight practice continues as usual. There is much instruction going on with both Duke Paul and Steinar teaching.

I have not received a report from combat archery or thrown weapons, but as we have had no practices for them nor events or wars there is not much to report.

Archery – Jaqueline Lefleur

Missile Combat – Elora of Spain

Master of Blades – Mattias Blennerhasset

After our February hiatus due to scheduling issues, we've had weekly practices and are booked for every Thursday until the end of May (with a thank you to Don Warwick for arranging a schedule with the JI). The space is excellent, and it looks like our attendance numbers shall have no problem making rent.

Attendance has been between 4 and 7 per night.

\$380 was collected between Jan 23-March 21 and will be turned in to council on Mar 27th.

No injuries or other reportable incidents.

Lists & Heavy Practice Co-ordinator – Caitrin ni Cingeadh

Lists has nothing to report.

Chronicler – Wymarcha Hektanah Doiron

Quite far behind for the start of the year. Working on getting Minutes and North Wind up to date.

Library – Ylas

Arts and Science – Aelana Cordovera

Metal Guild had classes at the beginning of the month, Angantyre taught 7 students how to use the Repousse tools he taught us to make last time. Alexander taught two kinds of hinges to about 5 students. Wilhelm taught circlets to 2 students, cloak pins to 3 students, and cerrosafe casting to 2 students. There was a Tir Righ guild meeting and we have decided to review guild standards for Armourers, Metal and Weapon Smiths as well as Jewelers.

Lots of A&S at Canturbury Faire this month.

We had classes, contests, Bardic and A&S Defenders Competition. There were Guild Displays and a non guild tapestry inkle weaving demonstration.

Classes

We had four tables of classes Myrrim taught metal point to 3 students. Mistress Caitrin taught Wool Applique (and spontaneous needlebook) to 5 students, Intro to SCA with lots of guest speakers.

Dr. Carus taught Alchemy to one student

Alexander taught 3 classes on Evolution of Armour to 6 students, Minimalist Armouring to 5 students, Kenneth taught Norse Wire Weaving to 12 students, Gareth taught Target Marshalling to 6 students, Tanikh taught a family costuming the weekend after the event. Several classes were cancelled due to illness, Games, Heraldry and Bookbinding.

I also picked up some class proposals for future events scribal, costume, archery, inkle weaving etc. and will continue to collect future possibilities so contact me if you want to teach.

Nineteen students registered for classes.

The classes were submitted for UTR credit. I am told this constitutes my “training by fire” to be one of Lions Gates four new Deans. More training will be coming up so stay tuned to the UTR List.

Tanikh did a fine job of organizing the Judging for A&S Defender, it was difficult to find people who were not already busy for the day. I had the same problem finding judges for the Needlebook contest.

We had four **Guilds** represented, Scribal, Embellishment, Armour and Jewelry and Bookbinding. I put out a Journeyman’s Jewelry Display to celebrate becoming a Journeyman in the Jewelry Guild.

There were five entrants in the **Needlebook** contest, won by Leah of Surrey. Several others picked up materials and made needle books but did not enter the competition.

There were about 6 entries in the **Dirty Dozen Contest**, and I was most impressed by Brigitte’s earrings. Beads won I think.

Jaqueline or Azure will report on the Bardic competition as my stamina did not last long enough to observe it. The pictures of the feast look most appealing.

Thank you for all the people who took pictures.

Bardic – Azure

Dance – Rhiannon ap Gwynedd

Games – Uilliam MacAndrew

Chatelaine – Tamsyn le Rous

Scribe – Marie de Cheriseye la foret

The LFMS demo was attended and with the help of Solveig we very briefly introduced the scribal arts to six different groups of children. The late February scriptorium postponed to 3rd March was attended by Aelana, Tamsyn, Myrrim and myself and Nikolai visited to show us some of the scrolls he has received as well as show us some interesting reference books for inspiration. We worked on charters for presentation at future events. As part of the Guild presentation at Canterbury Fayre I set up a small display with Solveig's assistance. Our next scriptorium will take place at Myrrim's on Sunday, 7th April.

Webminister – Malie Rennick

Past Events

Upcoming events:

Other Business

B&B’s Report

Other discussion

Discussion over Bransle vs. quarterly tavern, possibility for classes.

Open offices:

- Watch