

Hartshorn-dale Shire Meeting: 9-3-2015

Total Attendees: 14

Officer Positions: Seneschal, Exchequer, MOL, Rapier Marshal, MoAS, Secretary. The Archer's Ford Seneschal was also present.

Officers Reports

Seneschal: Kathryn Perry

The Highlands, "Knight in the Garden" demo moved to June. Bhakail agreed to run the demo jointly with Hartshorn-dale. Baroness Philadelphia graciously offered to be the main contact and organizer for the event, and Kathryn has accepted her offer. At its meeting, Bhakail proposed a date of Sunday 6/12 for the event, and everyone at Hartshorn-dales meeting thought that date was acceptable. Diana will be the liaison for this event from Hartshorn-dale, and Kathryn will help out as well.

This fall's we will be voting for the following offices - Seneschal; Knight-Marshal; Minister of A&S; Chatelaine; Fencing Marshal; Domesday Editor; Accessibility Porter. The vote will take place in November, with December acting as a transition period before the new officers take over in January. If you are interested in running, contact Kathryn.

Towards the end of meeting it was mentioned that EK law now allows for people from outside the shire to serve as officers. Groups can decide to have 1) all officers able to be elected from outside the group, 2) all officers but the Seneschal and exchequer able to be elected from outside the group, 3) no officers able to be elected from outside the group. However, this needs to be incorporated into the shire bylaws and Kathryn said that this should be a discussion had at another meeting.

Kathryn noted that she is considering running for Seneschal again, but she has not made a firm decision yet.

The original officer list in Harshorn-dale's charter included the position of Chirurgeon, which needs to be removed by society mandate. The Webminister will be asked to make that change.

Exchequer: *Diana Alene Tregirtse*

-Account Balance= \$4696.48

-Black Rose, Buckland Cross & Owlsherst have sent in their share of money for Shire Wars V. Montvale indicated that it will send in its money soon.

-We have our first monthly financial reconciliation ready for the new auditing requirements

-Working on Third Quarterly Report during September

-Artisan's Village Event Report and finances are being completed

Dance: *Diana Alene Tregirts*

Dance Class will meet during September on the 4th, 18th and 25th. No class on September 11th.

We will meet October 2nd, 9th, 23rd and 30th (for fifth Friday Halloween ball). No class on October 16th (Shire Wars)

Chatelaine: Karl Von Weisboden: No report

Chamberlain: Sarah le Payller: No Report

Demo Coordinator: Elizabet Marshall

Bhakail would be happy to have assistance at their demo at the German Society in Philadelphia on October 4. The event is seeking German themed activities.

MOaS: Naomi bat Avraham

Many of our artisans participated in A&S at Pennsic. Lady Alison Wodehalle, Lady Lissa Underhill, and myself all presented our art in the A&S display. Lady Lissa Underhill and myself also competed in the A&S champions war point, and came in the top 3 scorers on the East/Middle team.

The King's and Queen's Arts and Science champions event will be held in Barren Sands on February 6th.

I am planning a class, possibly an online presentation about effective ways of displaying A&S projects at some point before K&Q A&S. The bronze casting workshop was well attended, and I believe people had a good time.

My quarterly report to kingdom has been submitted.

Archery Marshal: Naomi bat Avraham

We are just about out of light. Next week will be our last weekly practice for the season. There may be sporadic weekend practices during the late fall and winter. I did not find any affordable arrows at Pennsic, but I was given some arrows by two members of my camp.

During the meeting Naomi was asked if she wanted the thrown weapons stands that are currently at Gaven's house. Alison said she could get them and hold them for Naomi.

Fencing Marshal: Jenevieve Fiana Spillane

We collected \$122.00 in dues for July. A check for that amount has been sent in last month for deposit. We collected \$156.00 in dues for August. A check for that amount has been written to give in at the meeting.

No incidents to report. We maintain 3 marshals as regular attenders (myself, Attila and James O'Gallegure) with assistance of Berrick Grayveson.

Attendance: we had 7 to 19 fencers each week. We are maintaining a regular crowd along with visitors from the Bhakail practice and from the Aethelmearc Kingdom.

Several new fencers have come since Pennsic and the Bhakail Commons event. Gorgets were ordered for the shire's loaner gear as per shire approval. The cost was \$116.00 for 2 gorgets plus shipping and handling. A receipt is available for reimbursement.

At Pennsic James became the cadet of Don Collin Monroe of Tadcaster.

On August 23rd, James and I stepped down as Bhakail Champions at the Bhakail Commons Event. During court we were conducted into the Company of the Flame and Salamander by the Baron and Baroness of Bhakail. It is awarded "For excellence in promoting and teaching of the art of Fencing." James and I were honored by the recognition of all that we have put into practice. I am very thankful for all those who have participated and assisted at practice and the support from the Shire. I know I couldn't have done it myself. Vivat to all!

MOL: Attila Soldus: No Report

Web Minister: Andrew of Hartshorn-dale:

There have been a flurry of emails about new policies and procedures for the new EK servers. Right now, there is a lot of confusion about what is allowed and what the access methods will be. I am currently still reading through it trying to understand. There will also be several Webminster Round Tables to help sort the issues out. I don't have any firm information to share at this time but hope that by next meeting things will be clearer.

At the meeting it was noted that the East Kingdom event calendar does not link to the Hartshorn-dale site that is being mirrored on the EK server. Instead it links to the old website server. We were curious if this might cause an issue in the future when we fully transition our website to the EK server.

It was also noted that we still need to decide on an e-mail list. Naomi noted that Andrew may be able to come to regular shire meetings soon, which might help us take up that issue.

Archer's Ford Report

9/2/2015

Officers: Chatelaine, Seneschal, Deputy Exchequer, Chamberlain

New Business:

-Alisa will be doing silent heraldry at the Owlshurst Schola. She will be taking more ASL classes and is also teaching ASL outside the SCA

- Damon has been speaking to a game store about a demo to coincide with a period-esque game release
- Robert suggests we create a brochure to hand out at practices/events. The Seneschal noted that all photos showing people must have a waiver submitted to be use in this way. Robyn pointed out that the SCA has ready-made flyers.
- Robert also mentioned that the Reading Public Museum may contact us for Medieval-themed events.
- The Seneschal would like to encourage more inter-shire activities
- The Seneschal mentioned a possible demo for the GOV-Mifflin [*spelling unclear*] 6th grade medieval send off.

Demo's, Events, and Activities:

Shire Wars

Shire Wars is now an RP

Updates:

- A site herald has been acquired (Serafina)
- The Owlsherst exchequer will be running gate. They are asking Harsthorn-dale to provide the seed money for gate
- Pre-registration has been going smoothly. 11 people have registered so far. 42 people have responded to the Facebook invitation saying they are going.
- Numbers for feast have been bumped up from 80-100 to reflect the events RP status.
- The A&S Coordinator hopes to have a list of A&S classes out by the end of Sept. to be put on the website. She has also put out a call for contributions to the royal gift basket for the. One suggestion given to her was the idea of a "gas card" to help pay the royals transportation costs.
- All martial activities now have marshals including heavy and fencing youth.
- Caer Adamant will be making award scrolls. They were interested in participating, but asked too late to buy into the event formally.

Questions:

- Several people at the meeting asked if the event announcement could make it clear that the 16th of Sept. is the deadline for pre-registration to get a cabin space.
- A question was asked about who was cooking Sunday Breakfast. A cook had not been acquired yet, so Sabilla offered to do the job.
- A question was asked about the length of Royal court at the event. No information has been given to the autocrat about this as of yet. It is anticipated that court will not be too long, as many awards from the Western shires were given out at Pennsic.
- Diana asked if the shire of Silver Rylle has some service dishes and if they could be brought to the event to be used for cooking. She also asked if serving dishes used at the Artisan's Village event, and currently at Naomi's house, could be brought to Shire Wars to be used at the event. Kathryn will get the dishes and tablecloths from Naomi and bring them to the event.

Archer's Ford Brewing Event:

Lady Sibylla, the autocrat for this event, presented the second bid for the event, called "The Feast of St. Aegier"

Event Details: The event is largely a brewing schola, but the idea is to also recruit many other A&S activities. The site is the St. John's church in Blue Bell PA. There is no site fee for the event, so the only large expense is dayboard. The site is an improvement over the site this event was held at last year. It is in a more central location, and has more parking and lots of classroom space.

The second bid was approved pending one change. It was recommended that the autocrat increase the anticipated number of attendees from 50 people to 60/70 people (as a more central location might result in higher attendance), and to rework the budget to reflect that new number.

It was also noted at the meeting that the St. Johns site is downgrading their kitchen, so that might impact dayboard for this and other events held at the site.

Nova Schola

The first bid for this event was presented and accepted by those present. Next month a draft of the event announcement will be presented.

Event Details: This is a resurrection of an event that was held by Hartshorn-dale in the past. The event is an A&S event with a focus on teaching people more about a wide variety of A&S activities. Alison Wodehalle is the autocrat and Millisent de Healthwaite is the head cook. The event will be held on either March 19th or April 16 at the St. John's church in Blue Bell.

One change was suggested and accepted by the autocrat for this first event bid. There will now be a 1\$ reduction in price for children under 17. This change was suggested so that children do not have to pay the NMS fee. However, the autocrat did stress that this event would not feature children activities.

Artisan's Village II

The second bid for Artisans Village was discussed, and approved following discussion.

Event Details: This event will be similar to the previous event, but with no time slots for the villages. Villages will run all day, or as long as the village coordinators can keep the village open. Classes will be added in on Saturday in addition to the villages. There will also be classes on Sunday. 180 people is the break-even number. 200 is the anticipated attendance.

Updates:

- Volunteers are still needed to run gate
- Mael Eoin will be the head cook, assisted by Juliana.

It was noted that the proposed date on the bid of June 10-12 was the same date as the Highlands, "Knight in the Garden" demo. As a result the proposed date for Artisan's Village was changed to June 3-5. Naomi will check with the site to see if this date is available. It may take her a few weeks to do this, as her site contact is on vacation. If the site is not available during the first weekend in June, we will revert back to the June 10-12 date.

There was also much discussion surrounding the proposed budget for dayboard, as several people thought the number for Sunday was too low. During the meeting, Naomi heard back from her head cook, who was ok with the budget as proposed by Naomi, so no change was made.

Misc.:

- Millisent offered to open her house in Harleysville for archery/thrown weapons practice