

Hartshorn-dale Shire Meeting: 12-01-2016

Total Attendees: 16, plus an adorable small child.

Officer Positions: Seneschal, secretary, webminister. A&S, MOL, accessibility porter, chamberlain, fencing marshal

Officers Reports

Seneschal: Kathryn Perry

Shire officer positions were up for election and nominations this month. All of the following people were voted into office. They ran unopposed

- Exchequer – Diana (still needs a deputy)
- Dance Master/Mistress - Diana
- Webminister - Andrew (Sarah is his deputy)
- Secretarie - Jina and Keith Curtis (Rkcurt1@gmail.com & kacurtis@gmail.com)
- Minister of Lists- Atilla
- Chamberlain- Sarah

The following positions had no volunteers

- Archery Marshal
- Thrown Weapons Marshal
- Chancellor Minor
- Herald
- Chronicler

Let the record note that Maggie expressed interest in the position of chronicler at a later date when her schedule would allow for it.

Naomi indicated that Cynon from Bhakail would be willing to run archery practice at our site. If we asked, maybe he would even be willing to become our archery marshal, *if* we change our bylaws to allow for that. Alexander from Archer's Ford, who was at the meeting, also expressed interest in becoming our thrown weapons marshal if allowed by our charter.

We need to make a change to our charter soon to give people living outside of the shire the ability to serve as Harstshorn-dale officers (except for the exchequer and seneschal which kingdom law says must be from the local group). We will vote on this in January. It was suggested by Atilla that the amendment to our charter should allow people from outside our group to hold all offices allowed by kingdom law. This wording would mean we would not have to change our charter should kingdom law change. Kathryn will send out an e-mail informing the group of this vote. If this passes, we might have elections for open positions.

Dec 14th is the joint practice & A&S night in Blak Rose.

Kathryn noted that she will need to make sure every officer is warranted and an SCA member soon.

We also voted Duchessa Diana as the official representative from our shire to the Shire Wars Charter Committee.

Exchequer:

TD Balance \$8806.83

Archer's Ford Funds \$1,784.31

Shire Wars VI Financials Preliminary:

- Total intake \$3,978.90
- Total expenses (approximate) \$2742.54
- Profit to each of the 4 shires \$309.09

Working on EOY Report & Monthly Reconciliations

Dance: Diana Alene Tregirtse

Scheduled to meet December 2nd, 9th, 16th, and 30th (Winter ball)

Fencing Marshal: Jenevieve Fiana Spillane

In November, we met on the 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th. We collected \$117.00 in donations. A check for that amount has been written.

No incidents to report. We maintain 3 marshals as regular attenders [myself, Attila Soldus (Phil Jones) and James O'Galleghure (Adam Hampton)]. We had 4 to 9 fencers each week with visitors from Buckland Cross.

We have continued to have “challenges” each week at practice. The scoreboard for the challenges has been posted on Facebook each week. It has been a great way to improve skills while having a lot of fun.

100 minutes War was a recent East Kingdom event that was attended by several Hartshorn-dale fencers.

James O'Galleghure (Adam Hampton) and I have helped with the Buckland Cross practice. We assisted with marshaling and brought loaner gear. I have acted as Youth Marshal along with another Youth Marshal. One youth has been attending that practice.

We have a date for our annual Holiday party and “White Elephant” gift exchange planned for the Monday after Christmas.

Chamberlain: Sarah Le Paylier:

I am mostly waiting until after the holidays so I will have time to organize a trip to Saby's to collect the Shire's belongings (for sorting, disposal, and finding new homes for),.

Knight Marshal: Talan: No Report

MOaS: Naomi bat Avraham:

I am delighted to accept Lissa's help as deputy. Thank you for volunteering.

This quarters' report to kingdom was sent in on time.

Sarah continues to host A&S days at her house; watch the email list for details. Sarah decided during the meeting that Dec. 8th will be the date of the next A&S night. She will send out an e-mail announcement..

The Churchville Nature Center in Buckland Cross is hosting a basket making class on Sat. January 14th from 1-5pm. The basket design is a period egg basket. Space is limited to 15 people and preregistration is required. The cost is \$35/person

K&Q A&S champions will be combined with K&Q Bardic champions this year, and will be held on Sat.

Feb 11 in the Barony of Concordia of the Snows. If anyone is interested in entering and would like help, particularly with documentation, feel free to contact me. I am happy to help.

A Laurels Prize Tourney will be held on March 25th in the Barony of Carolingia. The event allows artisans to take up specific challenges, a list of which is available on the event website. The goal is to challenge artisans and to create an environment that encourage A&S and where artisans can both show off their work and, most importantly, receive feedback.

Archery Marshal: Naomi bat Avraham

I am not putting my name forward to continue to be the shire marshal. I am happy to run some practices next year, as my timing permits, but I expect my life to be pretty insane.

I have a bunch of shire targets that need to get out of my house. If they live outside where we hold practice, they will likely be destroyed by animals, but I really need the space they are taking up in my basement. If anyone is willing to take them, please let me know.

MOL: Attila Soldus: No Report

Web Minister: Andrew Schickard

I am happy to announce Sarah as my deputy, and our intentions are to rework the site as a wordpress site and partition things out so that those more involved in segments of the shire have access to update their online areas independently.

Archer's Ford Report

The current seneschal of Archer's Ford is resigning as of the end of year. The group will need new seneschal. At least one person from the group is currently considering putting their name in as of this meeting. Archer's Ford meets the first Wed. in January, which is before our shire meeting, so we should know more next month.

A question was asked about the bid for the Archer's Ford April event. The group did send a bid to Kathryn, but it was incomplete. It was pointed out that their charter, like ours, says that a bid needs to be voted on 6th months in advance of an event. Hopefully, we will know more next month.

Demo's, Events, and Activities:

Dining with Lorenzo: On hiatus

Shire Wars:

Governing/Charter Council still forming. Will meet with next year's autocrat as soon as financials are final.

Every shire needs to have a representative on the Shire Wars council. Diana has been functioning as our representative, but we are not sure if we ever officially voted her in. A vote was held, and it passed.

Artisan's Village

The event will be funded by Buckland Cross. They will need volunteers from all over, including from Hartshorn-dale.

Blades and Buzzies

June 24th at the Westown concept school.

Shivaun presented the second bid for this bardic and fencing focused event.

She is looking for the following positions: class coordinator, gate, parking coordinator, setup and clean up coordinators, merchant coordinator. Diana volunteered for gate, and Sarah said she might be able to help. Lissa offered to talk with about possibly doing A&S coordination for the event.

Event Details:

Site cost= \$800 for a 10 hour day.

Dayboard= \$2.50 per person

Break even number= 100

Event Fee- 15\$ for members.

The event was approved by a vote, though we asked Shivaun to send the event announcement to Diana for posting so she can provide feedback about new society event fee structure requirements.

A conversation was held about insurance (Diana said there would be a \$50 fee we need to pay for this) and when we needed to pay the event site fee (and \$250 refundable deposit)

Demo requests

Homeschool Demo:

10am December 7, Wednesday at the Hope Community Church, 31 Lobachsville Rd., Fleetwood, PA 19522. There will be 24 kids and 13 adults, and they are doing a Christmas party with a medieval theme.

Kathryn posted a detailed schedule to the shire-mail list. If anyone has suggestions or changes, let her know. One change Kathryn will propose is that dance should take 30 min, not 20 min

- General Schedule
 - 10:00 to 11:30 demonstrations – SCA (schedule posted to e-mail list)
 - 11:30: Kids in classroom for gift exchange/practice any songs for tin whistle (gives moms time to get food out, etc.)
 - 12:00: lunch with everyone
 - 12:30 or 12:45: Tin whistle performances
- SCA Demo Activities
 - Fencing – Maggie (realized she is unavailable that day), Phil, and Stills (?? We think this is a typo).
 - Dance - Eryn, the Cupp family
 - Clothing demo – Eryn
 - Butter making (in a mason jar) – all the kids

Please let Kathryn know if she has left anything out.

Demo at Dance Practice Site:

Sally Hawk would like us to do a Saturday afternoon demonstration at the nursing home to include A&S, dancing, martial arts, etc.

We need to pick a date and send it to them. Diana will work on picking a date and time for the event and coordinate with the site. After discussion, she will likely propose Feb. 18th, presidents day weekend.

From the Highlands:

This is a demo request and a lead on a possible site.

“We are filling out our calendar for the coming year/s and a number of Board members are still talking about what a wonderful event you all produced here, and have asked if you might consider hosting another Knights in the Garden--or similar--type event here at The Highlands.

We are open to suggestions about what (in addition to massively increasing the publicity) additions & changes should/can be made. If you and the Society for Creative Anachronism might like to continue the discussion, we'd be thrilled to hear from you. Time of year, location on the property, all sorts of options can be discussed. Let me know what you think- Many thanks- Meg”

And another email from Meg:

“Hi Eryn: Good to hear from you! We have been beefing up our PR list and have a new PR & Marketing person, who has more contacts in the area papers, etc. and has gotten better coverage for events. Our calendar can be very flexible, and the field to the north of the stone wall where the sword fighting demonstration was is now free of the deer fence and might be suitable for a "village," if the group would be interested in that. I'll wait to hear from you Many thanks. Meg”

Kathryn will get in touch with Bhakail's chatelaine and talk to them about working with the Highlands.