

Agenda Hartshorn-dale Business meeting August 2021

Attendance-Officers: Alison (seneschal), Diana (exchequer), Milissent (MoL). Elizabet (MoAS), Una (chatelaine), William (Herald), Sarah (Chronicler & Webminister), Brandr (social media), Jakob (deputy chatelaine), James (fencing marshal)

Attendance-Populace: Arpad, Naomi, Derek

- I. Officer reports (please submit written report, which will be included in the minutes)
 - A. **Seneschal:** Alison. Online meetings: Should we begin to seek a wifi capable location to hold a hybrid meeting? Possibly every other month? (Discussion postponed)
 1. **Social Media Deputy:** Brandr:
 2. **Event Autocrat:** Millissent: See report below
 - B. **Chatelaine:** Una:
 - C. **Chronicler:** Sarah:
 1. **Secretarie:** Kathryn:
 - D. **Exchequer:** Diana: Balance today \$6,101.86 Crown Tourney reports are completed. We will earn about \$320 from the event. Reimbursements and shared profit checks to go out shortly. Second Quarter Report turned in on time.
 - E. **Knight Marshal:** Berkhommer:
 1. **Fencing:** James: For the month of July we averaged 10.5 fencers a practice and 2.5 observers/people hanging out. Thanks to some out-of-kingdom visitors we collected \$237.00 of 160.00 owed. We retain two regular marshals, myself and Atilla Soldus with MiTs Tally, Albion, and Eva (and I think Viola too...) With the help of Wentlyanna and Declan we were able to authorize Diego in single rapier (his first auth since his 10 year hiatus.) Ian Douglas and Albion have been starting off practices with guided stretching and warm ups (great for non-fencers too hint hint wink wink.)
 - F. **Herald:** William: Report filed with kingdom
 - G. **MoAS: Elizabet:** It was a great month for arting. Good virtual meetings (2nd and 4th Wed of the month) and I will continue with those. I'd love for some specific topics to be suggested. (See Diana's re dance). Largess was fantastic for the Consules. Keep on making. Is anyone working on something in particular? I'd love to start a series of spotlights on our makers. Let me know if you're interested, or to suggest someone for me to talk to.
 1. **Dance: Diana:** We are taking a two week traditional Pennsic break. Dance resumes either on Aug. 13th or on August 14th as part of the 4-H demo. We are looking at a new indoor site for latter in August and the fall.
 2. **Dining with Lorenzo:** First meeting August 29 th at St. Peter's UCC Church; 1193 Clover Mill Road, Chester Springs, PA 19425 at 2 pm.
 - H. **MoL:** Milissent: nothing new to report. Online reauthorization is now available through the kingdom's MoL webpage. <https://mol.eastkingdom.org/>
 - I. **Webminister:** Sarah:
- II. Covid-19 changes to SCA schedule and events
 - A. BoD's New Guidance as follows:
 1. All modern laws/rules must be followed
 2. Food restrictions have changed: branches can serve food at events. Dayboards and feasts are back! There are two caveats: no bowls of things

people can stick their hands into and serve themselves (pickles, pretzels, etc) and no straws, spigots, or other water-bearing arrangements where a person's mouth is brought to the dispenser.

3. Rosters of attendance are required, and must be maintained for 60 days
- B. Their Majesties and the EK seneschal would like to set an example, and encourage staff at events to wear masks
- C. Please see the EK Events page for all events being planned, including ethereal events.
 1. Ethereal Courts, and EK online events will be posted to the Hartshorn-dale calendar.
 2. Next **Ethereal court** *Thur* Aug 26th at 8pm via the YouTube channel.
 3. Coronation for Ioannes and Honig is 8/28 in NY.
 4. There is an East Kingdom ethereal event calendar (<https://moas.eastkingdom.org/ethereal-event-calendar/>)
 5. East Kingdom Arts & Sciences online class listing (<https://moas.eastkingdom.org/list-of-online-webinars/>)

III. Baronial polling

- A. We mailed, just before Crown Tourney, a polling to every paid member in Hartshorn-dale's zip codes. If you did not receive a polling, but are a paid member contact the seneschal **asap** to receive a copy. We want everyone's voice heard! It must be filled in completely. The forms must be **RECEIVED** by the polling deputy by Aug 15th.
 1. There are 4 items to fill in completely in order for the form to be valid:
 - a. Legal name printed (NOT SCA name)
 - b. legal name signature (NOT SCA name)
 - c. membership number
 - d. year of birth (to prove 14 or over) –
 2. Forms must be filled in completely. Polling forms with blanks will not be counted, and will not count towards making the polling a valid polling.
 3. Please return all pollings. 50% must be returned with all four items above filled in, and a selection made, in order for the polling to count.
 - a. You may choose to abstain, still fill it in completely, **and** return the polling.
 - b. Children under 14 should fill it in completely, marking the under 14 option, **and** return the polling.
 4. There are four options, you must select one of the following:
 - a. Under 14 years and returning the polling in order to make the polling valid
 - b. Abstain. You may choose not to give advice to the majesties, but still return the polling so the polling will be valid
 - c. Yes, I want Hartshorn-dale to become a barony
 - d. No, I do not want Hartshorn-dale to become a barony
 5. You may, and you should, write in the comments section. The entire point of a polling is to give advice to their majesties regarding the question before you.
 - a. This is not a vote. Their majesties will review the talley, and the comments. They do not need to choose the option with the highest votes. The comments are very important in letting them know what

exactly is happening here in this group, and whether we are truly ready for this change.

- b. Take whatever space you need to comment, write legibly, or consider typing it.
6. After the polling is complete and their majesties have reviewed the results, they will then advise the BoD as to what they think is in the best interest of our group. For group status change, the final decision rests with the BoD, upon the advice of their majesties and our kingdom seneschal.

IV. Hartshorn-dale events/demos

A. **Shire Wars.** Oct 15-17, 2021

1. Theme is Battle of Kulikova: Russians vs Golden Horde
2. Berkhommer has been contacted about shire wars. Berkhommer needs to follow up on that, but it sounds like they just need him to marshal.
3. Will keep everyone up to date on needs for the event

B. **GoFourth Demo.** Eleanor. Pottstown High St July 4th.

1. We made the local newspaper! This has been shared with kingdom.
2. **Discussion:** There was armored combat, fencing, dancing, and fiber arts. The layout of the site funneled people through the area we were in. Large interest in children's activities.

C. **Crown Tourney:** Milissent & Chana. July 17th

1. Attendance totals: Approximately 270 were registered, slightly less attended. We will make about \$320 after sending checks to the kingdom and to Bhakail.
2. Their majesties gave us a basket of largess containing mostly wire rings, and some pendants/medallions (not of any awards). We will try and get these items out to people.
3. From Diana: Thank you again to every one who worked at the gate either signing in participants or handing out tokens. You were all great!!! Thanks also to the many who helped carry things to the gate and gate itself when we had to move. We love your muscles and energy!!!
4. **Comments:** Hot. Good day. Well attended. Thank you everyone for your support.

V. Regular activities

- A. Dance: Friday evenings 7:30-9:00, transitioning to every other week in person in an outdoor location, every other week online
- B. Brunch with Hartshorn-dale: Sundays usually at 11am on Google Hangouts
- C. Dame Elizabet's Wednesday evening zooms 2nd and 4th starting 7:30pm.
- D. Book club: hosted by Millissent
 1. Next book is 'Lady of the Ravens' by Joanna Hickson virtual meeting August 17th at 7:30 pm
 2. Discussion: the next book will be "Royal Witches" for September/October
- E. Fencing is happening most Mondays in Spring City. Announcements are via email and Facebook.

VI. New business:

A. Demo at the 4H Center Aug 14th

1. Jakob will make a poster on equestrian. Elizabet will connect Jakob with Doucette

2. James will 'share' the facebook event with other groups

B. Commons canceled (Aug 15th)

- C. Archery discussion:** New member Derek joined the meeting. He is an experienced archer. Discussion followed regarding archery marshals, types of arrows, how to become a marshal. William plans to re-up his warrant as an archery marshal at the great western war in Oct. James noted that the PA state game lands in Schwenksville has an archery range that we may be able to reserve.

- D. Discussion of social outings:** Naomi brought up how much fun it was when a small group of Hartshorn-dale members went to the Elmwood Park Zoo a week ago. This was open to anyone who wanted to join in, and there was no major planning involved. A few people picked a date and time, and invited everyone else via email and facebook. Very casual.

1. Naomi proposed an outing to an Art Show in Lancaster at Long Park Sep 3-5. An email discussion could be held to pick a date, and folks could meet there. <https://www.longspark.org/art-festival>
2. We should do this more frequently. If there is something you want to do, and wouldn't mind having other Hartshorn-dale folks join in, then please feel free to pick a date and propose a casual outing!!

- E. Storage of shire owned items:** Were we able to resolve this? Warin had volunteered to store these items at least temporarily. Eleanor has a few boxes.

1. **Discussion:** Eleanor and Warin were not in attendance tonight, but Naomi mentioned that she has a number of archery items such as targets and loaner equipment, that need to find more permanent storage.

F. Possible future event: a schola - Una & Aislinn - March 5th at the 4H site

1. **Discussion:** Una thinks we could use 5 classrooms. Several people volunteered classes they could teach. Bardic track was proposed by William. Dance and live music proposed by Diana. Archery roundtable and a newcomer's point were proposed by Una. Naomi discussed the timeline in our charter for placing an event bid. A meeting will be held to create the event bid, with Una, Aislinn, Diana, Alison, Jakob, and others if they are interested and available. This meeting will be posted to the group.