

Notes Hartshorn-dale Business Meeting May 2022

Highlights:

Next Demo is May 15, 2022 at the Colonial Theatre in Phoenixville at 12:30 PM.

Details below. There is an informal trip to Longwood Gardens planned for either the 21st or 22nd (weather dependent). If you are interested and do not have a membership, some people have extra spaces in their memberships. There are lots of events on the calendar Memorial day weekend, including Bhakail's camping event in Ridley Creek State Park, the Waking of the Salamander. Advanced registration is not required.

Most regular practices are regular this month, though dance practice is peripatetic the next few weeks so please pay attention to announcements on the email list.

The next Shire event is Harts & Horns, October 8th.

The meeting ended with a discussion about revising the event proposal section of the charter. Please watch for a revised revision to come around through the email list so it can be voted on at the next meeting.

Attendance-Officers:

- Seneschal - James
- Herald - William
- Webminister - Sarah
- Chamberlain - Sarah
- Secretarie - Kathryn
- Chatelaine - Jakob
- Exchequer - Diana (outgoing), Lissa (incoming)
- Fencing - Jacqueline
- MoL - Milissent
- MoAS -
- Social Media -
- Knight Marshal -

Attendance-Populace: Aislinn, Alison, Riocard, David, Naomi

1. Officer reports

a. **Seneschal:** Hi, we're here! - James

i. **Social Media Deputy:**

b. **Chatelaine**

i. I've just been in email correspondence with another newcomer over the past two days! Which brings us up to a total of 10-11 Newcomers/Potential Newcomers to our lovely Shire!

ii. As far as Demos are concerned, We have the Colonial Demo coming up on May 15th at the Colonial Theater in Phoenixville. I have not heard anything still regarding Go Fourth in Pottstown, I am still waiting for people to get information about that to me.

As always, I'm still looking for volunteers for the 4H Fair happening August 11-13th and will be contacting Kevin soon about deadlines for that demo.

- iii. As far as the Boyertown Demo is concerned, I don't remember if I mentioned this last month (If I did, ignore me), but I did finally hear back from Eisental regarding permission for us to hold the demo. They gave us an enthusiastic yes and simply asked that we let them know the details of the event so they can pass it along to any of their people that may want to join in.
- iv. Due to demogeddon being upon us, all of my focus has been currently on that. I am still interested in running Newcomer Classes at least once to twice a month, however, it is still very much so in the brainstorming phase.

c. **Chronicler**

- i. The Spring 2022 newsletter is DONE. It is 26 pages long. It includes Nova Schola (the thank you/kudos email the autocrat sent out, pictures from the garbed plushy display, event announcement, and class lists), and the minutes from the last 3 business meetings.
- ii. It's been posted to the website, announced on the Facebook group, and emailed to the mailing list.

d. **Webminister**

- i. * Uploaded the most recent newsletter, and also the April business meeting minutes.
- ii. * Updated the site-wide text (removed " We are holding regular virtual gatherings, and slowly starting to resume in-person gatherings!" but kept the " Please check our [calendar](#), Facebook and email list for details on our regular Shire brunches, dance practices, fencing practice, and business meetings!")
- iii. * Added this link to the SCA's COVIDSafe policy to the site-wide text: <https://www.sca.org/news/covidsafe-proof-of-fully-vaccinated-status-or-negative-covid-test-policy-resolution/> QUESTION FOR THE GROUP: Is this the best link? - **NO, Use East Kingdom link.** THIS IS THE LINK: <https://seneschal.eastkingdom.org/category/news/c19/>
- iv. * Made some minor tweaks to the Newcomers page - made the topic headings larger & more obvious, added a table of contents at the top.
- v. * I have some newcomer documents that need to be uploaded to the website but I am still debating exactly how to organize them (Alison had created these documents when she was EK Chatelaine, and they're still relevant for newcomers)
- vi. * Update the Chamberlain list on the website
- vii. * Updated the Activities page to include the weekly brunch. Like I said I'd do back in November 2021.
- viii. * Updated the heavy combat section of the website.
- ix. * Updated some of the Activities page sections like I'd talked about doing last fall.
- x. AN ASIDE: Is heavy combat practice being announced anywhere? I think it is the policy that an event must be announced on the email list in order to count as an official SCA practice.

e. **Secretarie**

f. **Exchequer**

- i. Current Balance \$6904.03
 - ii. Significant outstanding bills (waiting for checks)
 - iii. 1st Quarter Report submitted on time
- g. **Chamberlain**
 - i. I will serve out the end of my term (up for election this fall) but I'm not running again. Chamberlain duties fall to the Exchequer in the absence of a dedicated officer.
 - ii. Property storage agreement. Last meeting we discussed the need for a property storage agreement (EK seneschal wanted one, did not provide a sample). A first draft is [below](#); we should discuss this at the meeting.
 - iii. Updating the Shire Inventory list. This is started but I have not yet updated the list on the website.
 - iv. Surplus archery equipment. I have put Nadine from Bhakail's archery practice in touch with both Naomi and Kelly, the current holders of the surplus archery equipment. They can now arrange pickup of the items. I consider my role in this exchange to be completed.
 - v. Apparently the trebuchet still exists but may be in poor condition (I remember that it was unusable and thought we had agreed it could be used for scrap/discarded several years ago). Does anyone object to confirming that the trebuchet does not need to be kept any more? (IT IS STILL FUNCTIONAL)
 - 1. Agree to scrap it/disown it.
- h. **Knight Marshal**
 - i. Ellie Wood will be the marshal in charge of practice, she works a couple miles from Royer Greaves, so it works out for her to do it. She has the key, and has signed Royer Greaves agreement to be the key holder. Her email address is 235409@members.eastkingdom.org.
 - ii. The time is 7pm to 9:30 or 10:00. I put 9:30, because 10:00 sounds really late to someone not familiar.
- i. **Fencing**
 - i. Fencing happened.
 - ii. Four practices
 - iii. Marshalls who attended: Jacqueline Cross (MIC), James O'Galleghure of Tyr Connal, Griffith Davion, Ian Douglass, Declan Gobha, Wentlyanna Bengrek & Lissa Underhill
 - iv. Attendance was on average 9-10 people.
 - v. Site donations totalled 188 dollars of 160 owed
- j. **Herald**
 - i. No activity.
 - ii. Not receiving report copies from Kingdom.
- k. **MoAS**
 - i. Again April was an arty month. Dance met (see Diana's report); Dining With group met on April 3, sharing the space with newcomers getting tunic assistance and other general arting. The Zoom A&S meetings took place on April 13 and 27. New in April, part of the Zoom meeting was used for discussion of a specific topic - hand sewing (and embroidery) needles on April 13, and on April 27 we watched a YouTube and talked about various forms of couching embroidery. Those with topics to talk about are encouraged to contact me - I can find things for many, but it should probably be more than the "fiber arts discussion hour". Sarah taught at the Spring Schola put on by our neighbors, Owlsherst. May 1

was again the Dining with group; I was unable to attend, so am not sure what other activities may have occurred.

- ii. Looking forward, May will have two Zoom meetings May 11 and May 25. There will be another on line display, information is requested by Tuesday, May 31. I will post and email the information again. There will be arts at our Demo at the Colonial on Sunday, May 15.
 - iii. There are a number of opportunities for sharing arts coming up. The Embroidery Schola is in Rhode Island this year, and is a sleep over (but deadline for registration for overnight is tomorrow, May 6; A number of events will be happening throughout the kingdom Memorial Day weekend which will include various arts activities.
 - iv. **Dance**
 1. met 3x in April.
 2. We are scheduled to meet in May As follows: May 6th (at the church); May 13th (at Lady Eleanor's home); May 20th (at Diana & Hrolfr's home). We will not meet May 27th but invite dancers to join us at the Bhakail "Waking the Salamander" event for dancing
 - v. **Dining with Lorenzo Guild**
 1. Dining with Lorenzo met both April 3rd and May 1st. We created a final menu, improved the recipe for Tart de Brye and tried out the recipe for Pears Confyt. We are planning to meet June 5th (venison & crypals); July 10th; and August 7th. We are always open to new members.
- I. **MoL:**
- i. Email from Kingdom that warrant had expired.
 - ii. Info for renewal submitted.

1. Old Business

a. Policy regarding covid vaccine and testing:

- i. New in the East: [Effective immediately](#)(May 2nd), the following change is being made to the East Kingdom Masking Policy:
Indoor: If you are **actively** engaged in fencing or rattan combat, you are no longer required to wear a mask. Otherwise, there are no changes to the existing policies and they apply across the entirety of the Kingdom.

2. New Business

- a. Vote in Lissa Underhil (Larissa Gordon), 137268@members.eastkingdom.org, as Exchequer for Hartshorn-Dale.
 - i. Result: APPROVED
- b. Vote in James O'Galleghure (Adam Hampton), 192047@members.eastkingdom.org, as Senechal for Hartshorn-Dale
 - i. Result: APPROVED (as of Jan. 2022)
- c. [Shire Storage Agreement](#)
- d. Alison Wodehalle has been working on an Autocrat Guide
- e. Remind folks of the upcoming social at Longwood Gardens, 3rd weekend of May, exact day to be decided once we have a weather forecast. Sat the 21st or Sun the 22nd

3. Events and Demos

- a. Harts & Horns

- i. [☰ Bid for November 12 2022 event](#)
 - ii. EVENT APPROVED BY VOTE.
 - iii. Event moved to Oct 8th due to site conflict. See [Event Announcement](#).
 - iv. Things are moving smoothly
 - b. Colonial Theater
 - i. Demo Coordinator: Jakob Agnarsson & laralu@gmail.com
 - ii. Sunday, May 15th
 - 1. Setup at 12:30
 - 2. Doors open at 13:30
 - 3. Movie at 14:00
 - iii. So really only *30 minutes* to interact with the public before the show.
 - iv. Final [Zoom meeting](#) May 12th @ 19:00
 - c. Go-Fourth
 - i. Awaiting official word but is likely to happen.
 - d. 4H Demo
 - i. Coordinator: Jakob Agnarsson
 - ii. Aug 11-13
 - 1. Hours?
 - iii. Still need people. (We have some time.)
 - iv. NO CAMPING
 - e. Boyertown Library
 - i. Princess Bride Themed evening for teens
 - ii. Date Negotiable, 6-8ish PM
 - iii. Eisental says it's ok, just give their members details if they want to join.
4. **Regular activities**
- a. **Dance:** Friday evenings 7:30-9:00, indoor location in Norristown. Announcements by email and Facebook.
 - b. **Dining with Lorenzo** is usually monthly.
 - c. **Brunch with Hartshorn-dale:** Sundays usually at 11am on Google Meet Link is always available on the calendar on the website.
 - d. **A&S Night:** 2nd & 4th Wednesday via Zoom at 7:30PM with Dame Elizabeth's
 - e. **Book club:**
 - f. **Fencing** will be happening most Mondays in Spring City. Announcements are via email and Facebook.
 - g. **Armored Combat** happening most Thurs at Royer Greaves 19:00 - 21:30
5. **Charter Revision**
- a. The meeting concluded with a discussion of the section of the charter that talks about how to propose new events and the steps to get them approved by the shire. The revisions will be revised and sent to the list before voting on them next month.