

## Notes Hartshorn-dale Business Meeting 04MAY2023

### Attendance-Officers:

- Seneschal - James O'Galleghure
- Webminister - Sarah le Payller
- Chamberlain - Ivette of Worcester (as deputy exchequer)
- Secretarie - Kathryn Perry
- Chatelaine - not present
- Exchequer - Elysabeth Underhill
- Fencing - Jacqueline Cross
- MoAS - Aislinn Ysobel D'Argentan
- Social Media - Brandr
- Knight Marshal - not present

Attendance-Populace: Eleanor De'Astlye , Alison Wodehalle , Diana Alene Tregirtse ,  
Millissent De Haithwait, Naomi bat Avraham , MaryAnn

### 1. **Officer reports** (please submit written report, which will be included in the minutes)

#### a. **Seneschal:** We're still here!

##### i. **Social Media Deputy:** Nothing to report

#### b. **Chatelaine**

Things have been business as usual over here in the Chatelaine's office. We haven't had any additional newcomers in April, which keeps our total number of active newcomers holding steady at 13.

We held our regular virtual newcomers' socials on the 11th and 25th, and have had a steady regular group of newcomers in attendance.

Also, Kelly has started sending out emails regarding the Go Fourth Demo (thank you, Kelly!) Please make sure to go over all the information she has available currently if you are planning on volunteering.

As always, if you have any questions or need anything from my office please don't hesitate to email me or my Deputy.

Yours in Service,  
Jakob Agnarsson

#### c. **Chronicler:** Spring newsletter is finished! It's available on the website, and announcements went out on the email list and Facebook.

#### d. **Webminister:** Minor updates: added newsletter and April minutes to the website.

#### e. **Secretarie**

#### f. **Exchequer**

- First quarter report was successfully completed and handed in by the April deadline.
- Current Bank Balance = \$9171.34.
- \$277.01 in checks have been written and not cashed (stamps for the exchequer office, stamps and envelopes for polling, heraldry submission fee to SCA EK.)
- Bank total once those checks are cashed= \$8894.33
- Checks cashed this month include Nova Scola food and NMR

- vi. Yvette is now a signatory on the account, along with James and Myself
- vii. We still have not rec'd Yvette's exchequer warrant. Yes we asked a few times! We are waiting on that to submit the paperwork to the EK exchequer about the signatory change
- viii. Exchequer has leftover stamps from baronial polling (aprox. 20). No envelopes were left over.
- g. **Chamberlain:** Nothing to report.
- h. **Knight Marshal**  
Knight Marshal report 05/04/2023:

I have to start limiting my weekly travel. Practice has been canceled at least 3 times, including tonight due to interest/ a need for a local Marshall. I told our fighters that I will commit to holding practice next week.

On the upside: We do have quite a few new faces showing up to practice, and we are guiding these new people in an excellent direction. To spur along this development I am going to try to hold a regional practice sometime within the next few months. This is just an idea, I want to reach out to a few practices and see if we can find a good time to do this.

May the force be with you.

- i. **Fencing**
  - i. Happened 4 times (4/3, 4/10, 4/17, 4/24)
  - ii. Average attendance was 11.75
  - iii. Donations were \$189.00
  - iv. Had A&S invasion
  - v. James, Andre, Ian, Declan, Wentlyanna, Albion, Atilla, Griff, Melchior, Eva, Ysmay, Gabriella
- j. **Herald**
- k. **MoAS**
  - i. We met virtually on April 12 and 26. A&S Invasion of Fencing Practice took place on April 17. The May virtual meetings will be on May 10 and 24. Fencing invasion is scheduled for May 15.
  - ii. Held a successful garb workshop to make Gold Key Tunics.
    - 1. Sarah is weaving belts
    - 2. Keep the Chamberlain aware of their status/location
  - iii. **Dance:** Met in April on 14th, 21st & 28. Had around 8+ dancers each session. Will meet May 12th, 19th and June 1st. No class May 5th or 26th.
  - iv. **Dining with Lorenzo:** Met April 23rd and tried 3 different sauces. Attendance 12-14. Planning to meet May 21st from 2-5 pm. Cooking plans to be announced.
- l. **MoL:**
- 2. **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 on google meet

- e. **Book club:** A new book will be selected for June. If anyone read the last one let me know. Trying to schedule a meeting to discuss is tough. Open to recommendations
- f. **Fencing:** Most Monday evenings in Spring City
- g. **Armored:** Thursdays in Paoli

## 2. Old Business

- a. **Policy regarding covid vaccine and testing:**
  - i. **Gate in a Box:** Must reference this if you are responsible for holding a practice or meeting.  
<https://seneschal.eastkingdom.org/gate-in-a-box-covid-edition/>
- b. **Storage Locker Survey**
  - i. 21 responses
  - ii. 66% yes we should
  - iii. Subject dropped, and needs to be discussed, with decisions, in June
- c. **Medieval Games Night**
  - i. Would be held at a local game store, play period and/or modern games, attract new people. Maybe garb.
  - ii. Discussion sparked by this post:  
<https://www.facebook.com/alexander.macandrew.3/posts/pfbid0358WvZaGfiq5ZRvKNicXjQ2k644CzoytZDNsXXh1SG6ZYvW4DaKG44TF16LknHP6il>
  - iii. Everyone thought this is a good idea
  - iv. Who is interested in helping? Committee forming?:
    - 1. Brandr, Sarah, Milissent, Jakob, possibly Rue, possibly Blue
  - v. Plan: Visit some of the local game stores to check out their space + talk to them about whether they could host.
    - 1. Options include Games Keep in West Chester or Gamers Heaven in Phoenixville, Palladium Games in Phoenixville, Nerd Merch on Bridge Street of Phoenixville, New Wave in Skippack, or other suggestions.
    - 2. Note that Gamers Heaven has previously charged \$5 per person to play at the tables.
  - vi. Would be officially a Demo since would be open to the public
  - vii. Advertising through the game store as well as usual channels
- d. **Possible new site** for meetings/practices: St Andrews Lutheran in Audubon.
  - i. We are waiting to hear back from the church.
- e. **Future business** to keep in mind: 2023 is an odd-numbered year so Seneschal, Knight-Marshal, MoAS, and Chatelaine will be open for nominations in November. **These are mandatory positions for a barony.**

## 3. New Business

- a. **FENCING NEWS:** Church wants everyone that is using the church facilities to sign a lease.
  - i. The church sent a blank lease for us to go over. Seneschal has been sent a copy.
  - ii. They plan to charge us \$100 a month, due at the first of each month.
  - iii. This is due to the actions of other groups that rent the space, NOT US. According to the pastor's wife, the church LOVES us.
  - iv. They pointed out that the church custodian, George, is having health issues, and we (and all renters) will be responsible for making sure tables

are set up and put back where they belong. This has not been an issue for us, we generally put the furniture back where it was before we leave.

- b. Devise list of questions for the Church about Lease.
- c. Find out when this goes into effect.

#### 4. Events and Demos

- a. **Commons at Milissent & Talan's** 11JUN2023. If fighting/fencing is requested then an insurance certificate will be needed. - It was decided to apply for the insurance certificate, Elysabeth Underhill and Millissent are getting that together.

- b. **GoFourth Demo!**

- i. We've been invited back 4JUL2023 is a Tuesday
  - ii. Unanimous yes vote to participate
  - iii. Eleanor to confirm we will attend with organizers (yes)
  - iv. Eleanor states she is willing to run it. Jakob (chatelaine) will need to connect with Eleanor.

- c. **Harts & Horns 2023**

- i. [Proposed Bid](#)
  - ii. Discussion:
    - 1. Many things were pointed out, and many people expressed concern about the cost. Ivette noted that Dayboard and feast cost less at the last H&H event than is being proposed for just dayboard for this event. Milissent mentioned that some might prefer to pack their own lunch due to either dietary financial reasons.
      - a. Comparisons were made to the upcoming Balfar's Challenge that has \$30 site and dayboard fee, however we do not know the cost of their site or other factors that determined their costs,
    - 2. Alison suggested not charging the site fee at all for kids 17 and under. We do not get many kids, it will not impact our revenue much at all, but will make it much easier for families to attend.
      - a. Teens could still be charged for Dayboard if it is separate.
      - b. It would eliminate the need to create a family cap that is fair.
      - c. Diana liked the idea.
    - 3. Conclusion of the costs discussion was to keep the dayboard cost at \$15 BUT have it optional/separate
      - a. This allows our cooks to prepare a worthy meal
      - b. Cooking has long been a key part of Hartshorn-Dale
      - c. But keeping it separate allows for those who need to skip the dayboard (due to either financial or dietary concerns) the ability to do so
      - d. Consider calling it a "daytime feast" to help folks understand that it's going to be a fancy and significant dayboard
      - e. Maybe pre-reg only? (this was left undecided)

- iii. Discussion of activities continued.

1. We had decided at the March meeting that we would not want to run our heavy weapons and rapier champs at the Investiture event.
  - a. Eleanor suggested River Wars. Jakob stated River Wars was too busy. Others pointed out that would be rather far, and for our first Baronial Champs, we should probably hold it at our own event
  - b. Elizabet pointed out that our new Coronets should be there, thus we should hold it at an event they are confirmed to be able to attend.
  - c. A Commons was proposed. The discussion ended here without a decision.
- iv. Schedule for the H&H event:
  1. An open list field was proposed since we will not be holding our champs tourney. It could follow morning Court.
  2. Open lists should not interfere with any royal or official activities, as there would be no tourney. It would be the same as having an area set aside for medieval games, or a place for stitchers to gather and stitch together.
  3. Jacqueline pointed out that courts cannot be scheduled until we know who will wear the Royal Crowns.
    - a. Coronets will likely sit in state for a few hours
    - b. Some attendees might not be interested in court.
  4. Schedules should be left until we know who the Crown will be and until the Coronets are selected.
- d. APPROVED 5MAY2023