

## Dates to Note:

Pennsic 7/28/2023

In Person Brunch - Gypsy Saloon in Conshohocken, 11:00 am Aug 27, 2023

COMMONS - At Blue's house on 30 September 1:00 pm

Harts & Horns 2023 11/11 (see below for links to details)

## Notes Hartshorn-dale Business Meeting 6 July 2023

### Attendance-Officers:

- Seneschal - James
  - Deputy- Alison
- Webminister - Sarah Payller
  - Secretarie - Kathryn
- Chronicler- Sarah Payller
- Chatelaine - Jakob
- Herald- Lillia
- Exchequer - Lissa
  - Chamberlain -
- MoAS - Aislinn
  - Dance - Diana
- MoL- Ivette
- Social Media - Brandr
- Knight Marshal -
  - Fencing - Jacqueline

Attendance-Populace: Mael Daire Ua Duinn, Bertana, Blue, Elizabet, Milissent, Maire, Naomi, David

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

- a. **Seneschal:** Baronial Polling in progress.
  - i. **Social Media Deputy:** nothing new.
- b. **Chatelaine**

- i. This month has been business as usual in the Chatelaine's office. We held one demo on July 4th which I hear went very well (I was busy with family that day and could not attend). And I will be submitting that demo report shortly.

We held Virtual Newcomer Socials on June 13th and 27th and had at least 3 newcomers attend each time.

\*Speaking of the Virtual Newcomer Socials, they are missing from the meeting agenda once again. We need to make sure they stay on the agenda for regular activities as these happen every month just like A&S nights.\* **Guess I should update the template... - James**

And finally, I did have someone contact my office this past month which brings our total count of newcomers up to 12 active newcomers!

As always if you need anything from my office, please don't hesitate to contact myself or my deputy.

- c. **Chronicler** - Summer newsletter (May, June, July) is due this month. Please send me any news (awards, other honors) that you'd like included.
  - d. **Webminister** - I do not have May or June minutes posted on the website. Are the Agendas from those meetings ready to be posted?

- i. Alison will check that the Agendas are ready to be posted
- e. **Secretarie:** Life. That is all.
- f. **Exchequer:**
  - i. Current Balance= \$8918.33
  - ii. There were no transactions with the bank account in June.
  - iii. 2nd quarter report has been completed and sent to kingdom.
  - iv. **Chamberlain:** I have no report for this month from Chamberlain's office. I would like to table any and all discussion regarding the Storage locker till after investiture, that way, we can devote our time for the next few months on the Investiture.
- g. **Knight Marshal:** Berkhommer is trying to find a replacement who can help with the heavy practice.
  - i. Orso is gearing up to take over.
- h. **Fencing**
  - i. Happened 4 times
  - ii. Average attendance was 13 (YEY! WHOLE NUMBERS!)
  - iii. Donations were \$153.00
  - iv. Had A&S invasion
  - v. Jacqueline, James, Ian, Declan, Wentlyanna, Albion, Atilla, Griff, Eva, Ysmay, Gabriella,
- i. **Herald**
  - i. The new order names, badge, and badge associations are being decided by Society this month. We should have the final decisions in October (following the time to draft and proofread the decisions).
  - ii. I'm making my way through/following up on the submissions that came from Nova Schola and Iron Bog Investiture. If you have a submission for me to work on, or I need to follow up on something we discussed previously, please contact me ASAP so we can get it done before Pennsic. (Anything received by kingdom after Pennsic starts will get processed after the submissions from Pennsic Heralds Point.)
  - iii. For those of you who would like to sit down with a consulting herald in person and you are attending Pennsic, please stop in to see us at the Point. We will be working on consults from Wed. to Wed., with Thurs. as the final day for pick-ups of the completed submissions. Please check our hours in the Pennsic book.
  - iv. Speaking of Pennsic Heralds Point...
    - 1. I am the Deputy for the Point this year.
    - 2. We welcome volunteers at Pennsic Heralds Point: we need heralds of all experience levels, artists, exchequers, greeters, and admins/clerks, as well as loaner laptops and books. We will provide training and mentoring as needed. If you are interested, please email me at the shire herald email address for more information.
    - 3. We also need testers for the program we use to generate submissions forms. Please contact me if you would like to help. Prior experience with our program is preferred.
- j. **MoAS**
  - i. There was an A&S Invasion of fencing practice on June 19. The next one will be on July 17.
  - ii. Virtual A&S meetings were held on June 14 and 28. The July dates are the 12th and 26th.
  - iii. Dance met 5 times in June with 5th Friday Ball
  - iv. Dance will meet July 14th & 21st
  - v. Dining with Lorenzo Guild did not meet in June

- vi. Dining with Lorenzo will meet July 16th at Dave and Kristin Love's house
- k. **MoL:** Nothing to report since we have not had any stabbing or bonging events. Been a very boring past several months in this office.

## 2. Regular activities

- a. **Dance:** Friday evenings 7:30-9:00, indoor location in Norristown. Announcements by email and Facebook. Door needs to remain locked, but a phone number will be given each week to call someone inside to let you in.
  - i. Brandr has been attending most Dance Practices to bring gaming. He will send an email each time. This has been attended by a couple people, and everyone is welcome to join for a variety of games that are either medieval, or medieval themed
- 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 Google Meet at 7:30PM, the link is on the calendar.
- e. **Book club**
  - i. Matilda: Empress, Queen, Warrior by Catherine Hanley
  - ii. Virtual Discussion is scheduled for July 13th at 6:30pm, led by Milissent
  - iii. Next book in Sept!
- f. **Fencing** will be happening most Mondays in Spring City. Announcements are via email and Facebook.
- g. **Rattan** Happens most Thursdays in Paoli.
- h. **Newcomer Socials:** 2nd and 4th Tuesdays online

## 2. Old Business

- a. **Amplification for when we hold court**
  - i. Was discussed by a few people, want to see what the consensus of the group would be
  - ii. Figure that it is good for halls, allowing people that are in the back to hear (and then potentially not chatter)
  - iii. Allows us to be more inclusive of people with hearing issues, and brings us closer to being ADA compliant
  - iv. Jacqueline did some preliminary research into pricing
    - 1. About 200 each for 2 speakers
    - 2. About 50 for 2 speaker stands
    - 3. About 300 for an 8 channel wireless microphone system
    - 4. About 95 for varying length XLR cables
    - 5. Avoiding looking for soundboards (due to price and complexity)
    - 6. Haven't looked into microphone stands for handhelds
    - 7. Would need to also purchase extension cords, surge protectors, and gaffing tape to tape down the cords.
    - 8. About \$845.89 for sound equipment
      - a. Amazon non-profit account?
      - b. Assemble quote, vote in *September*.

## 3. New Business

- a. Mael Daire Ua Duinn would like to be our [Chancellor Minor](#)
  - i. Chancellor Minors work closely with their local Chatelaines to ensure that new families feel welcome and are able to participate in a meaningful way. Chancellor Minors and Youth Officers at Large also work closely with event autocrats to integrate games, classes, and other youth-specific activities for youths attending events.

- ii. Deputy to Seneschal
- iii. Greetings,  
I would officially put my name in for the Chancellor minor position. I may be new to the Shire but I'm not New to the SCA. Im originally from Aethelmearc where for the Shire of Stormsort I held the officers positions of Herald and later Chatelaine, Later I was the Shire of Riversedge's Chatelaine. I have received my AOA, Keystone (service award) and Golden Alce (martial award) from Aethelmearc.

After moving to the Pottstown area we took a 6 year break and I started playing again quietly last year. My original plan had to start putting together a youth fighting program, and while I'm still working toward that I feel like the Shire could use someone taking on the Chancellor minor position especially as we work toward becoming a Barony.

In my mundane life I've been a girl scout leader for 6 years, have all my clearances and experience with creating programs following kids interests.

Your In Service

~Mael Daire Ua Duinn (Congrats you have the job - James)

**b. Coronet updates from Maire**

- i. A while back, I sent out emails to 3 people to submit a proposal to make coronets for our upcoming Coronets. I really only got one response. I reached out to the other two. One has sent absolutely no response and the other asked for some clarification. I sent the info and have not heard back after a second nudge on that email. So, at this point, I figure we just go with the person who actually responded. That person is *Rhiannon, MKA Charla Higgins*. Rhiannon is married to a former member of Hartshorn-dale. I would like to get the Shire's feedback before moving forward with this.
- ii. What are the next steps?
  - 1. Let's see some designs, discuss.
    - a. Mock-ups; drawings are fine
    - b. Pass criteria on to Charla
      - i. Hunting horn (yellow/gold on blue ground), stag's attire (blue),
      - ii. Device center front
      - iii. Stones- pearls or blue (lapis) or yellow (citrine) stones

**4. Events and Demos**

- a. Pennsic 0 Hour is 22 days away. Try not to panic.
- b. Harts & Horns 2023**
  - i. [Proposed Bid](#)
  - ii. [Last month's meeting agenda.](#)
  - iii. APPROVED 5MAY2023
- c. COMMONS
  - i. At Blue's house on 30 September 1:00 pm
- d. In Person Brunch:
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  - ii. 11:00 am Aug 27, 2023