

## Notes: Hartshorn-dale Business Meeting 05OCT2023

### Attendance-Officers:

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

Attendance-Populace: Adelina, Eleanor, Elizabet, Milissent, Bertana, Atilla, Faelan, David, Blue, Viola

### 1. Discussions & Decisions

- a. Nominations (Under New Business)

### 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 Google Meet 7:30PM
- e. **Book club:** [Genghis Khan and the Making of the Modern World by Jack Weatherford](#)
  - i. Discussion in early November
- f. **Fencing** will be happening most Mondays in Spring City. Announcements are via email and Facebook.
- g. **Rattan** On hiatus.
- h. **Newcomer Socials:** 2nd and 4th Tuesdays online
- i. **Youth Combat** Fridays in Pottstown

### ● Old Business: None

### ● New Business

- a. It is an odd-numbered year! More Details sent to the Main email List. These Offices are up for re-election. To run for one of these offices, please send a letter to the Seneschal that includes your membership information and which office you are interested in. More information about what you want to do in the office is welcomed but optional.
  - i. Seneschal
  - ii. Knight-Marshal
  - iii. Minister of Arts & Sciences

- iv. Chatelaine
- b. Brunch at Fitzwater Station - everyone seemed interested though no date was set.
- c. Youth Combat Fridays in Pottstown
  - i. Lady Janette's sister owns Pottstown Dance Studio and they have an open room on Fridays
- d. Winter (Jan or Feb) 2025/Kingdom 12th Night
  - i. Doesn't HAVE to be kingdom lvl/RP
  - ii. 1001 Arabian Nights Theme
  - iii. Regional event
- e. Nova Schola 2024
  - i. 02MAR2024?
  - ii. Brandr as Event Steward
  - iii. Talked to Kevin/4H again
  - iv. Same deal as last year
    - 1. Entire building for 8h; \$900
  - v. Lunch: snack buffet? BYO? Cooked lunch for fee if DWL can manage it.
    - 1. Site does not provide fridge space, microwave access, or running water to clean dishes
    - 2. Anyone else want to take charge of planning lunch? Whether it's boxed/bagged lunch (bags are cheaper) and/or other wrapped/portable snacks.
  - vi. Exchequer oversight of Gate?
    - 1. Create a Gate in a Box with policy/instructions; waivers; pens/sharpies/etc? (**Lissa already has "something" like this**)
    - 2. Who wants to take ownership of the Gate in a Box and plan it? Exchequer (who has to do the final report of the event and so resolve any issues that arose during the day of the event) - and the Exchequer also meets with the head of Gate & ensures policies are known & will be followed? (overseeing Gate without necessarily personally running it)
    - 3. (Milissent is working on creating a Feast box with useful tools)
  - vii. Add An Artisan's Village section? Organized by Naomi, Lissa might help?

- **Events and Demos**

- a. Harts & Horns is Kingdom Rapier Champs
  - i. PAYPAL IS LIVE
  - ii. Is there a list of staff/volunteers?
    - 1. Get group chats/emails going
  - iii. ADVERTISING
    - 1. This is coming up quickly and while it's automatically on most fencers' radar they may not be expecting it so soon. - James
  - iv. Magister John Marshall atte Forde Food Prize. I have judges lined up; there will also be paper for the populace to leave notes. Link to details: [The Magister John Marshall atte Forde Food Prize](#)
    - 1. Now updated on the Event description + website
  - v. The church has long tables available, and they can be set up for us (on either level of the church) if we tell the church in advance
  - vi. Group the Rummage Sale, A&S Corner/Salon, and Gaming tables in the same room (for company + ease of watching all the tables)
    - 1. And/or group gaming near the kids area?

- vii. Room dividers - used previously to create a barrier in the changing rooms.
- viii. Walk through Saturday 10/7 at 3PM to finalize space arrangements
- ix. Bring banners for decorating the hall, stage, etc.
- x. Naomi and Milissent are in charge of tokens - Naomi is stamping horns on tiny little charms. Will visit fencing when all the parts are ready to crowdsource assembly of charms and beads.
- xi. Plan for 300 attendees - assume 80-120 fencers + support folks
- xii. Gold Key?
  - 1. Alison is mastering her serger and is finishing up the tunics from the Gold Key workshop!
  - 2. Sarah has made belts
  - 3. Blue is a master of Sergers and may be able to help
  - 4. Sarah still wants to get some Roman-style loaner garb made
- xiii. Staff Meeting TBD
- **Officer reports** (please submit written report, which will be included in the minutes)
  - a. **Seneschal:**  
Quarterly report due the 15th, what have you been doing the last 3 months?
    - i. **Social Media Deputy:**
  - b. **Chatelaine -**  
Things have been business as usual here in the Chatelaine office this past month. We had the Virtual Newcomers Social on the 12th and 26th of September, and we actually gained another interested newcomer at the latest social! This brings our total active newcomers to 13 currently.

Regarding the Chatelaine election at this upcoming meeting. I am happy to say that both of the candidates for Chatelaine are very capable of running this office. And I will be more than happy to assist either of them as they get settled in.

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

Yours in Service,  
Jakob Agnarsson (He/Him)  
Chatelaine of Hartshorn-Dale (Newcomer Office)

- c. **Chronicler -**  
Summer edition is now out!  
Somebody gave me the advice of exporting the Google Doc minutes as a Word document, which worked really well for being able to add the minutes much more easily. THANK YOU WHOEVER THAT WAS.  
Also I learned that the newsletters do not need to include the minutes, so I may be leaving those out going forward. The minutes are already posted on the website anyway.  
I started a good discussion on the EK Facebook group about the role/necessity of chroniclers/newsletters. There seems to be some widespread concerns that the newsletter format is not necessarily relevant right now (when we have websites and email), although the information (keeping a record of minutes somewhere, recording news from the group) is still worthwhile. At the moment, all groups higher than a Shire are required to have a newsletter, though it can be very simple.

- d. **Webminister** - I've been working on the website for Harts & Horns. [Harts and Horns 2023](#)
- e. **Secretarie** -
- f. **Exchequer** -
  - i. Beginning Balance: 9,498.33
  - ii. Ending Balance: 8978.33
  - iii. One check was written for \$520 to the Fencing Site. Check was cashed by fencing site 9/11
  - iv. To do for H&H event.
    - 1. I will need to reimburse myself for the insurance fee for the Harts and Horns Site \$75
    - 2. I will also need to write a check for the final amount for the Harts and Horns Site Fee. \$300.
  - v. 3rd Quarter Kingdom report is due Oct. 30. Will work on this with deputy.
  - vi. If heavy practice is being put on hold, should I not renew the insurance for the heavy site come December?
  - vii. After the H&H 2023/Rapier Champs event, I will begin transitioning the office over to my deputy, Ivette. I will stay on as her deputy for at least a year.
- g. **Chamberlain**-
- h. **Knight Marshal** -

We have had a few practices in the last two months, but we are in a situation where we do not have a martial that is dedicated to being at the site in Paoli every week. I put a pause on practice until we get a dedicated martial.

Royer Graves is a free site for us to use. We can keep the site. There's a good chance that the practice on Bhakail would move out to us in the winter. I might be able to restart practice in the spring if I move back to the area.

I have reached out to all our surrounding practices and notified them that we are in a pause. I have also contacted our local fighters and given them suggestions for practices that might be near.

At this time I have not been able to get anyone to take over the Knight Marshal seat. I have submitted my letter of intent to our senishal with the caviot that I will gladly assist anyone who wants to replace me.

I will continue to support the Heavy Fighting community in Hartshorndale and provide support to any newcomers as best I can.

Y.I.S.

THL Fredrick Berkhymer Knight Marshall of Hartshorndale

- i. **Fencing** -
  - i. Funds: \$230 Donations
  - ii. 3 practices (9/11; 9/18; 9/25)
  - iii. average attendance: 15
  - iv. Marshalls: the usual suspects
  - v. A&S invasion happened.
- j. **Herald** -

- i. Worked on outstanding submission, commentary, and attended the Society name decision meeting

k. **MoAS**

I want to remind people that Settmour Swamp is holding a schola event on 10/28, Nos Calan Gaeaf: A Winter's Eve Schola. Shire members are scheduled to teach classes. The following A&S activities took place in September:

- i. Virtual A&S: Was held on 9/13 and 9/27. The October dates are 10/11 and 10/18. Suggestions for topics are always welcome.
- ii. A&S Invasion of Fencing Practice: We invaded on 9/18. The October date is 10/16.
- iii. Dance: Met 3 times in September including 5th Friday Ball. Will meet throughout October except the 20th.
- iv. Dining with Lorenzo: Did not meet in September. Our research project on the Hungarian cookbooks is on hiatus until January. Numerous meetings to discuss the dayboard for Harts & Horns have been held. That will be our focus through November. Dayboard will be split between the main hall (for fencers) and the downstairs dining area (for the rest of the attendees). We are planning the menu, to be posted soon, and gathering staff. Everyone is welcome to help out in the kitchen if they are interested. Samuel di Bianco is the head chef, and his daughter Anna will be his deputy. If you want to help contact Sam at [samhonc@gmail.com](mailto:samhonc@gmail.com).

l. **MoL:**

I have nothing to report, since there have been no Marshall competitions.

However, Harts and Horns and the EK Rapier Champions is coming up next month and I can't wait. I'll finally have something to write about.  
Yay!!!!

YiS,

Ivette of Worcester

MoL

## Letters of Intent for Officer Positions

- **Seneschal**

- a. Hi, I'm James. I think you all know me. I guess I can do this another 2 years 😊

- **Knight-Marshal**

- a. I T.H.L. Friedrich Berkhymer am submitting my intent to continue on as the Knight Marshal of Hartshorndale.

I have current membership and will renew in the near future.

If I am able to find a replacement I will work with them to take over the officer position.

Y.I.S.

THL Friedrich Berkhymer Knight Marshal of Hartshorndale

- **Minister of Arts & Sciences**

- a. Hi. I'd like to run for Minister of Arts and Sciences. My membership number is 11647, I live in Hartshorn-dale.

In service to the dream,  
Aislinn Ysobel d'Argentan  
(Current MoAS)

- **Chatelaine**

- a. Here is my letter of intent to run for Chatelaine. I've talked to Jakob and Alison about the duties. I'm excited to talk more with new folks.

Modern name: Sarah Paylor  
SCA name: Sarah le Payller  
membership number: 168536  
expiration date: 2/28/2024  
email: 168536@members.eastkingdom.org

I would likely step down as Chronicler if I got this office. Diana mentioned an interest in taking over Chronicler, so we could still have that office staffed (not required for a shire, but required for a barony).

- b. I am putting my name in for Chatelaine. I have held the office before and am familiar with much of the requirements. I am willing to continue what Jakob started as well as trying to hold at least quarterly in-person get-togethers.

SCA name: Milissent de Haithwaite  
membership # 150800  
Exp date 2/28/2024, will be renewed before expiration date

In Service,  
Milissent