

The Hartshorn

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Awards

Several members of the Shire received awards over the whole of the Plague Year(s).

Eleanor De'Astlye, AoA

Adelina de Verrieres, AoA

James O'Galleghure, Silver Wheel

Albion Drake, Silver Rapier

Brandr Bjorndall, Silver Wheel

Talan Gwyllt, Silver Wheel

Elizabeth Marshal, Order of the Laurel

Sarah Gerwyn Easthope, AoA

Simon Caspar Joder, GoA, Court Barony

Berkhommer von Nuremberg, Order of Tiger's Combatant and accepted to the Order of Pasgarde in Bhakail

Crown Tourney

On July 17th, the Shire of Hartshorn-Dale hosted the first in-person event since the Plague had descended in March of 2020. While the weather was warm, the Plague was most polite and cases were very low at the time of the event, and a very good time was had by all, so happy were we to be able to gather in person!

Nearly 270 gentles attended. Registration at Gate was a very smooth and quick process, since everyone was preregistered and only needed to be checked in. Because of the restrictions imposed by the plague, the event focused on the tournament, and Court after the tournament had ended and the Heirs had been determined. There was also a vigil, and Gnaea Celera was elevated to the Order of the Laurel for her glassworking.

Plenty of water bottles were acquired, to ward against dehydration, and attendees brought their own meals. Shade was erected to protect against the hot sun, and many good gentles enjoyed sitting and visiting with friends not seen for a long time. The site (a local 4H camp) also included a large shaded pavilion.

The sitting Crown gave the Shire a lovely basket of largesse, including many wire rings and some medallions. The Shire had also collected a basket of largesse to gift to the Crown.

Reports from those who attended

Unto the people of Hartshorn Dale!

I was privileged to attend Crown Tournament in your Shire this past summer. Being from another kingdom, and arriving only knowing one person in attendance, I was not sure what sort of a day I would have. I was delighted with how quickly I was taken in by the local community! By the end of the day, I felt like I was a member of the Shire. So many lovely conversations and invitations to join in! Thank you, all, for your hospitality and welcoming spirit. I have heard it said that, "The SCA is full of friends and family that you just haven't met yet." You all embodied that this past Crown Tournament.

A fan of your shire in foreign lands,
Honorable Lady Beatrix Funteyn
Barony of Bonwicke
Kingdom of Ansteorra

James O'Galleghure commented that the weather was very hot.

James took many pictures of the event, which can be viewed from this Facebook album:
[East Kingdom Crown Tourney 2021](#)

Thank yous from the Seneschal of Hartshorn-Dale

Such an event as Crown could not be run without many willing hands. Our Seneschal posted a thank-you after the event (reposted with permission):

“Greetings unto the populace of the East! I am the seneschal of Hartshorn-dale, and I just want to say, what an amazing day we had yesterday!! It was glorious! We heard clang of swords, and the banter of the people. There was much love throughout!

I want to thank a number of people, in no particular order for their contributions to the joys of the day. First is to our autocrats, Milissent and Chana, who took this on with very little time to spare. They were very organized, placing just the right volunteers into tasks that suited them well, and checking in with everyone throughout the planning process. There is more to say, but I will let the smoothness of the event speak for itself.

Next to our Crown and their staff. They were incredibly accommodating, and took the pressure off the event staff for all of the details of the day. A shout out especially Audrye Beneyt, Vox Regis, and to Cassair, who is the organizer of all things (read persons here) Royal. You lovely ladies are a treasure to our kingdom!

To our combatants and consorts, thank you for your willingness to contend for the throne of the East. We are a mighty kingdom, you do us proud. Battling in the desperate heat so that we may have the much-desired heirs is a show of your willingness to give all to your kingdom.

To Warin Adler and to our kingdom webministry team, Matthias and Symon. Thank you so much! For allowing those unable to attend the event, to join with us this day in finding the heirs to the realm. I know it meant a lot to many that they were able to view it from afar. And I would like to note that the heat was so bad that cameras and their operators were overheating. Warin, who is fairly new to the SCA, was out on the field for hours, making this possible, and then Matthias and his team went out to continue the streaming.

I know some of those in attendance had less than welcoming interactions with another group who was on site yesterday as well, and I would like to pass along that the site manager is very apologetic about this, and hopes we will continue to use the site for future events.

Some of the others I wish to thank, I am afraid, with my apology that I do not know their names, but all those who served at the MoL table, those who served with the list heralds, and those serving to keep the list tree updated. You are an amazing bunch who kept things running like clockwork. I love to watch Ellesbeth’s FB page for the updates, even while onsite, it helps me to better understand a small bit of what goes into their jobs.

Our Gate staff, and Mistress Philadelphia Brown (of Paypal fame), made the check-in process painless.

Mistress Vienna added a lovely piece by bringing name tags for us to use! It was very thoughtful of her to share both the idea and the supplies!!

Ratnavati who supplied the bathrooms with baskets of items one might need, as well as the beautiful pop-up used by the Royals while the tournament was in progress. You have such a talent for making things beautiful!

Jakob, a newcomer to Hartshorn-dale, who went around and met every single person there, I believe, and now has friends throughout the kingdom. He is also our deputy chatelaine and I cannot think of a better representative with such enthusiasm!

Sir Cedric of Amorica was so helpful and remained so pleasant no matter how many questions we had for him. A true knight in his courtesy and helpfulness. And what a beautiful and clean tournament. You and the Consules set out to make certain this would be an honorable battle for the throne, and you have succeeded in spades!

Mistress Elizabet (Hartshorn-dale) and Lady Eleanor (Bhakail) handled gathering of largess as a joint gift to the Crown. There were many wonderful items included in these baskets, as well as mugs for newcomers. In return the Royal Consules gave gifts to both Hartshorn-dale and Bhakail, which was an unexpected lovely gesture! (Hartshorn-dale plans to share our bottle of mead at our Commons next month!).

A thank you to my own deputies, you both came out to help. Talan had hoped to contend in this mighty tournament, with myself as his consort, however when we left that hope at BBM, the first thing he said is that he is looking forward to helping at our event! And to James, also my deputy, who attended and helped everywhere he could, without any fencing available to him, you have shown yourself a capable and willing servant of the Dream. You stayed until the last, and it is much appreciated!!

Mistress Medhbh, travelled from her vacation to Hartshorn-dale to spend this auspicious day with us in the humid heat of southeastern PA. She did allow the curious dinos some views of the exciting activities of the day, and it was good to see her. We have a wonderful and responsive seneschal here in the East and are much appreciative of her.

Also, the young ladies who repeatedly filled a basket with water bottles, and made certain everyone on the field was drinking and staying hydrated. Thank you!

I met a lovely visitor from Ansteorra, who is just amazing at blackwork embroidery. I told her she needed to look at Keeper's of Athena's Thimble, but did not get the opportunity to introduce her to the guildmistress, or a senior member I knew to be

onsite, so there is more talk about with her. I'm very glad Beatrix came out to this event, and that we had a chance to geek out over some embroidery and costuming stuff.

And speaking of visitors, Count Seto from the Midrealm joined us again. I had the pleasure of meeting him at the BBM feeder, and geeking out over the embroidery on his garb at that event. It was a stunning ouroboros goldwork about 6-7 inches, and he knew all the background of the northern African piece that inspired it. Well, he was not only at our event yesterday, but named by our Consules as the superhero known as the "East Walker called Blade". It was a wonderful moment!!

I always love the when the Order of the Rose presents tokens to those who inspired them. It is wonderful to see and to hear the good things were happening throughout the day. It inspires me watching the presentation.

Thank to every single one of you who did something to help. Many of you helped carry something for someone else, or helped pass out water, or had an assigned job, or just picked up trash. Every thing you did no matter how small it might have seemed to you, was much appreciated as lightening the load on others! You rock! You all make the SCA a great community!

Lastly, it was seriously hot, like melting hot. A number of people were sensible enough to remove themselves from the heat as the day wore on. I'd like to thank them with all my heart for not making us call an ambulance and having to do paperwork. Being smart, and taking care of yourself makes sure we have an opportunity to play together again!! Stay hydrated!! !"

In service,
Alison Wodehalle
Seneschal Hartshorn-dale (chapter president)
she/her

Links

The fighting was livestreamed, and is still available on YouTube:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=4YjCOYYsb8E>

Here is the event description from the EK Calendar: <https://www.eastkingdom.org/event-details/?eid=3737>

Here is the announcement of the Finals, from the East Kingdom Gazette:
<https://eastkingdomgazette.org/2021/07/17/crown-tournament-finals-3/>

Here is the announcement of the Heirs, from the East Kingdom Gazette:

<https://eastkingdomgazette.org/2021/07/19/alberic-and-tindal-announce-eastern-heirs/>

Here is the court report, from the East Kingdom Gazette:

<https://eastkingdomgazette.org/2021/07/19/court-report-crown-tournament-of-alberic-tindal/>

Go Fourth Demo

The Shire also continued our (new) tradition of demoing at Pottstown's Go Fourth event. We first attended in 2019, and the Plague canceled the whole event in 2020.

Shire member Ritter Baron (baron sir) Karl Aerdigwider von Zaubenberg, unofficially (but mostly) known as Fum summarized the demo on Facebook (reposted with permission):

"We had a very wonderful group of volunteers coordinated by [Kelly](#) (Eleanor) who put on a great demonstration at the Pottstown Go Fourth community event in Pottstown today. And great thanks go to Diana for providing a sound system which was greatly appreciated and of great benefit to the process. We had enough fighters and fencers and dancers to keep an active presence (not to forget spinning and weaving and other things), drawing crowds of onlookers and interested folk who we invited in to talk with us about the SCA and what we were doing. There were too many people who helped to name them all so I'll just say thank you to all of you who were there, you were great!"

May 2021 Business Meeting Minutes

Notes Hartshorn-dale Business meeting May 2021

TL;DR Hartshorn-dale Business meeting May 6, 2021

Martial activities in PA are starting back up. Bhakail has been holding practices – see Bhakail's email list or FB page for details.

Next Ethereal court Sun May 16th at 4pm via the YouTube channel

There is an East Kingdom ethereal event calendar

[\(https://moas.eastkingdom.org/ethereal-event-calendar/\)](https://moas.eastkingdom.org/ethereal-event-calendar/)

East Kingdom Arts & Sciences online class listing

[\(https://moas.eastkingdom.org/list-of-online-webinars/\)](https://moas.eastkingdom.org/list-of-online-webinars/)

Upcoming events/demos:

Pennsic: cancelled. The event put on by the Cooper's is supported by the Pennsic staff, please see the Pennsic mayor's most recent post. <http://www.pennsicwar.org/>

Crown Tourny: Hartshorn-dale is submitting a bid for July 17th at the 4H center in Creamery, PA. Milissent is autocrat, and we are working with Bhakail.

Go Fourth in Pottstown – organizers would like us back, we need someone to head it up as Eleanor may not be available that weekend.

Shire Wars. Oct 15-17, 2021 – still on, help is still needed with site tokens, scrolls, classes, hall decorations.

Local activities:

Dance: Friday evenings 7:30-9:00

Brunch with Hartshorn-dale: Sundays usually at 11am

Crafty sessions are on hold as the organizer is finally moving.

Laurel Challenge Chats every Wednesday evening via zoom, hosted by Dame Elizabeth

Possible newcomer's meeting at Una & William's June 20th 1-4pm – will be announced on the email list & FB when finalized.

Book club: next meeting is May 15th at 2PM, discussing 'Bard: The Odyssey of the Irish' by Morgan Llywelyn.

Attendance-Officers: seneschal - Alison; Elizabeth (MoAS), Diana (Exchequer), William (Herald), Una (Chatelaine), Kathryn (Secretairie), James (Fencing Marshal), Millissent (MOL)

Attendance-Populace: Aislinn, Eleanor, Brandr, David, Jack, Talan

Visitors - Dayna, Rosie, Pat Toland

I. Online meeting: We continue to meet online. (For the foreseeable future)

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

A. Seneschal: Alison:

1. Social Media Deputy: Brandr:

2. Event Autocrat: Millissent: (give report below)

B. Chatelaine: Una:

C. Chronicler: Sarah:

1. Secretarie: Kathryn:

D. Exchequer: Diana: 1 st Quarter Report submitted on time. Current bank balance \$4889.72. Two outstanding checks to Sarah Paylor. Working on insurance request for Crown Tourney

E. Knight Marshal: Berkhommer:

1. Fencing: James:

F. Herald: William: no new business

G. MoAS: Elizabeth: We remain arty. Several members of the Shire are working on Laurel Challenge projects. I will widely share links as they come available to the individual pages.

There are some other activities planned and as they are announced I will spread word of those as well. The Wednesday evening Zoom group will probably go forward, though maybe not on an every week basis. Looking for a better name than A&S Accountability group, but the thought is to have it be a place to drop in for advice and/or to declare projects and check in on how we're doing. More info to come.

Remember, if there is an area of A&S you are interested in, let me know and I'll do my best to help you make contact with someone. Let me know what you are up to. I'm hoping to also start a regular call out to our artful group.

1. Dance: Diana: Met throughout April with a Fifth Friday Ball. May classes will be May 7th, 14th and 21st. We will not meet on Memorial Day Weekend (28th). June Classes will start June 11th as the Heritage Dancers will be holding an outdoors rehearsal on Saturday, June 5th as a test for also holding dance classes outside later in June or July. We would be happy to make outside dance part of a larger event such as a Commons, or a Newcomers Event. I think we should be planning for such an event very soon.

H. MoL: Millissent:

I. Webminister: Sarah:

III. Covid-19 changes to SCA schedule and events

A. BoD's resolution: New Guidance as follows:

1. Reopening June 1st with the following criteria

2. Follow all modern authority requirements

3. Masks fully covering mouth and nose for all over age 4
 4. No shared food, no dayboards, pot lucks, etc
 - a) When eating food you brought, maintain social distancing and remain stationary
 - b) Factory packaged bottled water is acceptable
 5. No overnight camping
 6. Outdoors only
 7. Max 150 attendees
 8. Pre-reg only
 9. Local gatherings continue to be permitted as per EK rules
 10. EK adds that a virtual component must remain an option for meetings
- B. Their Majesties and the EK seneschal have created this plan going forward.
1. Do not attend any meetings, practices, or events if you are ill, and consider carefully if you are in a high risk group
 2. Modern government requirements must be followed. Pa requires in 'green phase':
 - a) Masks to be worn
 - b) Telework when possible
 - c) Social gatherings: Calculator for allowed attendance per PA:
<https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Guidance/Event-Occupancy.aspx>
 - d) <https://www.governor.pa.gov/process-to-reopen-pennsylvania/>
 - e) It is unknown how long we will need to remain in the 'green' phase, but there are predictions that it could last for years rather than months.
 3. Gatherings must be outdoors
 4. Space for 6 foot distancing
 5. Face coverings of mouth and nose if 6 feet distance cannot be maintained
 6. No shared food or drink
 7. Sign in sheets with contact information (phone or email)
 8. Plans to have the gathering must be submitted to the local seneschal.
 9. Respect choices of individuals who choose to either attend or refrain from attending gatherings.
- C. Martial activities in PA, are starting back up. Bhakail has been holding practices.
- D. Please see the EK Events page for all the online events being planned
1. Ethereal Courts, and EK online events will be posted to the Hartshorn-dale calendar.
 2. Next Ethereal court Sun May 16th at 4pm via the YouTube channel
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- IV. Hartshorn-dale events/demos
1. Pennsic: canceled. The event put on by the Cooper's is supported by the Pennsic staff, please see the Pennsic mayor's most recent post.
<http://www.pennsicwar.org/>
 2. Crown Tourney bid: July 17th Milissent is autocrat.
 - a) Bhakail is willing to join us, they would like to share any profit. Answer was that manpower must be equal to share profit
 - b) Our exchequer is working on obtaining the insurance certificate for the site
 - c) Contract is hopefully to be signed this week.
 - d) Final vote from Hartshorn Dale needed tonight
 - e) Discussion: Chana is willing to make masks, some representing HHD and some Bhakail for

those attending. Rosie is willing to put together Children's Activities, or if children are not expected, she is happy to help in other capacities. Vote was unanimous that we will put in the bid. Milissent updated the group that kingdom is willing to offset cleaning supplies by \$50, also that their majesties confirmed they are planning on 16 combattants being chosen from the feeder tourneys. Chana and Milissent took down a couple questions to forward to their majesties.

3. Go Fourth: Eleanor:

a) Discussion: Organizers want SCA back - all outdoors on High street on July 4th. Need someone to run it. Eleanor will take questions back to the organizers, regarding whether we can be in a shady area, whether we can use pop-ups, whether we can get very close with our cars for dropping off, and picking back up our large gear, and whether we can be far away from the music.

4. Shire Wars. Oct 15-17, 2021

a) Theme is Battle of Kulikova: Russians vs Golden Horde

b) Help is needed:

(1) Site tokens, about 150 Discussion: There was interest in us making the tokens.

(2) Scrolls for tourney winners

(3) Title for champions battle winner Discussion: Bertana suggested a title having to do with Kulikova and Prince Dmitri, something like Champion of Donskoy

(4) Decorate main hall Discussion: Diana suggested that we try to have all the participating display the Group's heraldry in the Hall as well.

V. Online activities while in-person activities are on hold.

A. Dance: Friday evenings 7:30-9:00

B. Brunch with Hartshorn-dale: Sundays usually at 11am

C. Crafty session online about every two weeks, announced via email, and on the calendar

D. Laurel Challenge Chats every wednesday evening via zoom, hosted by Dame Elizabet

E. Una plans to host a Newcomer's meeting June 20th 1-4pm at the Sherman's house.

F. Book club: hosted by Millissent

1. Next book is 'Bard: The Odyssey of the Irish' by Morgan Llywelyn. May 15th at 2 PM.

VI. New business: none

VII. Charter sections 11 on property. The following section was voted on and approved.

A. Group Property

B. 2.1. The office of Chamberlain is responsible for keeping track of the Group's property and supplies in accordance with the Society Exchequer policies. If the office of the Chamberlain is vacant, the responsibility will fall to the Exchequer.

C. 2.2. The Chamberlain will maintain an inventory of all items and their locations. Periodic reviews will be conducted.

D. Items used for events or activities will be checked out and checked back in with the chamberlain.

E. 2.3. Anyone storing Hartshorn-dale property is holding it in the Group's name and is responsible for storing the property safely and accessibly. Property must be relinquished when the person is no longer an active member of Hartshorn-dale.

F. 2.4. Any property that is damaged, lost, etc., should be reported to the Chamberlain. Anyone in possession of property is responsible for damage or loss due to negligence or misuse and will be expected to reimburse Hartshorn-dale appropriately.

G. 2.5. Items that are "lost and found" after Hartshorn-dale's activities and events shall be itemized by the autocrat or officer in charge of that activity and turned over to the Chamberlain. The itemized list shall be appropriately published. Any items unclaimed

after 12 months become the property of Hartshorn-dale. Anyone with a rightful claim to an item after this point will have the item(s) returned if it remains in inventory.

H. 2.6. Property which is deemed no longer needed may be disposed of by any method agreeable to the Group.

June 2021 Business Meeting Minutes

Agenda Hartshorn-dale Business meeting June 2021

Attendance-Officers: Alison (seneschal), Millisent (MOL), William (Herald), Una (Chatelaine), Sarah (Chronicler & Webminister), Elizabet (MoAS), Kathryn (Secretarie), James (Deputy Seneschal & Fencing), Brandr (Social Media Deputy), Aislinn (MoAS deputy)

Attendance-Populace: Jakob, Runa, Eleanor, Warin, Arpad, Julia

I. Online meeting: We will meet online again in July, then will begin to seek meeting places with wifi, so online and in person is possible for future meetings.

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

A. Seneschal: Alison.

1. Social Media Deputy: Brandr:

2. Event Autocrat: Millissent: (see report below)

B. Chatelaine: Una: (see below for newcomer meeting)

C. Chronicler: Sarah:

1. Secretarie: Kathryn:

D. Exchequer: Diana: Current balance: \$4,736.72. Deposit Check for Crown Tourney

Site cleared. Insurance Certificate for Crown Tourney received

E. Knight Marshal: Berkhommer:

1. Fencing: James: Fencing starting Monday June 8th. Please watch the email list or the Facebook Groups for details of time and place. Plan is to resume practice at the same location and time in Spring City where practice was traditionally held.

F. Herald: William:

G. MoAS: Elizabet: My half year report was submitted (though a day late). Several members of the Shire answered challenges for the Laurel Challenge. The weekly Zoom chat for those working on challenges was popular, and I will be continuing it as A&S Chat Zoom on a twice a month basis (2nd and 4th Wednesdays). If you have particular topics you'd like to see discussed, let me know. If I can, I'll find someone to invite. A big thanks to Scolastica for

continuing to post opportunities for online learning. I do want to remind folks to let me know what you're up to so it can be in my monthly report and in my report at the end of the year.

1. Dance: Diana: Dance met May 7th, 14th, and 28th. June classes scheduled, June 11th, 18th, and 25th. We will participate in the Newcomers Event June 26th

H. MoL: Milissent: As a new MoL I will try to do what is needed for getting reauthorization paperwork done, but I am not sure what my role in that is

I. Webminister: Sarah: Now that modern life is settling down, plans to update the website, and assign email addresses will go forward.

III. Covid-19 changes to SCA schedule and events

A. BoD's resolution: New Guidance as follows:

1. The BoD has decided to loosen restrictions beginning July 1st.

2. All modern laws/rules must be followed

3. No shared drinking containers, or buffet style food

4. Pre-registration is required

B. Their Majesties and the EK seneschal are working on a new plan going forward.

1. Crown Tourney has two 'feeder' tourneys, both on July 3rd in the central region.

C. Please see the EK Events page for all the events being planned

1. Ethereal Courts, and EK online events will be posted to the Hartshorn-dale calendar.

2. Next Ethereal court Sun Jun 13th at 4pm via the YouTube channel

3. There is an East Kingdom ethereal event calendar

(<https://moas.eastkingdom.org/ethereal-event-calendar/>)

4. East Kingdom Arts & Sciences online class listing

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IV. Hartshorn-dale events/demos

1. Shire Wars. Oct 15-17, 2021

a) Theme is Battle of Kulikova: Russians vs Golden Horde

2. GoFourth Demo. Eleanor. Pottstown High St July 4th. Need organizing and participating commitments within 2 weeks.

a) Discussion: Parking will be reasonably close. We would be located in the kids zone. There would be a little shade. Time of the event is 1pm to 5pm on the 4th of July, with set-up needing to be complete by 10:30 (early due to a parade that will interrupt set-up and display times)

b) Discussion: Volunteers are the greatest need. Diana will check on availability of dancers, James will check on fencing availability. Aislinn can demonstrate/teach spinning. Business cards or a handout is a must have - Una has ordered cards (see below).

3. Crown Tourney Bid. Milissent & Chana. July 17th

a) If our crown tourney bid is accepted, which we should know shortly after June 12th (their Majesties next ethereal court is on June 13th) I would like to schedule a staff meeting on June 27th. The meeting will be at our house and will also have an online component as well. Meeting will be planned for outdoors. Please plan on bringing a chair, your own drink and food. Dogs are welcome but will need to be leashed and cleaned up after

b) Discussion: Site has cashed the check. Insurance certificate has been issued. Staff meeting is scheduled for 6/27 at Milissent's house (with zoom component). We are gathering staff pending winning the bid, if you wish to help out, contact Milissent. Diana will get in touch with Philadelphia Brown to set up Paypal so that it is ready to go, should we win the bid. Warin is willing to work on the livestreaming of the fighting. Those on staff need to remember to register. Alison related the KSen comment that we would not be forced to open to more than 150 attendees, although the BoD is beginning to open events, However the 4H site will allow for more people to attend.

V. Activities happening in the Hartshorn-dale:.

A. Dance: Friday evenings 7:30-9:00 via Zoom

B. Brunch with Hartshorn-dale: Sundays usually at 11am via Google Hangouts.

C. Dame Elizabeth's Laurels's challenge & A&S chat, 2nd and 4th Wednesday evenings via Zoom, starting 7:30pm.

D. Una plans to host a Newcomer's meeting June 26th at 1 pm at her house. Dancers

plan to attend and teach some simple dances. Alison and Wendy will connect this

week to form a safety plan. Una said that others are welcome to come and share their talents as well.

E. Book club: hosted by Millissent

1. Next book is 'Lady of the Ravens' by Joanna Hickson

VI. New business: Should we buy three pop-ups? Vote was yes for Yellow/gold 10X10s

on sale at Dick's. Business cards: Una has designed and ordered a business card.

VII. Coronet specific changes to charter: Final copy as voted on at the meeting is in this document:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Dwea3Ek8sUqwxw6DMSIlbJjtR2D1iyW0YsQsT-7R078l/edit?usp=sharing>

July 2021 Business Meeting Minutes

Notes Hartshorn-dale Business meeting July 2021

Highlights:

POLLING - A POLL is being sent out this week on whether to move to Baronial status or not. In order for the poll to be VALID, 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. Details of how to fill out the poll are in section I V below - please read carefully, and please return all pollings. 50% must be returned with all required items filled in and a selection made in order for the polling to count.

CROWN TOURNEY - Hosted by Hartshorn-dale & Bhakail in Skippack, PA July 17th. Please see event announcement for the latest details, including attendance caps and safety measures. It will include the first in-person court in a very long time.

GoFourth - Thanks to everyone who came out for the demo - there were people there from all over the known world, including neighboring Kingdoms!

Next Ethereal Court: July 11, 4PM, EK Youtube channel

Regular Activities - Fencing has resumed; Dance practice will be alternating weeks in person and on Zoom; Artisan chats on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays as well as Sunday Brunch are on Zoom.

Attendance-Officers: Alison (seneschal), Sarah (Webminister & Chamberlain), Una (chatelaine), William (Herald), Milissent (MoL), Diana (Exchequer), James (Fencing), Kathryn (Secretarie), Berkhommer (Knight Marshal), Brandr (social media)
Attendance-Populace: Warin, Ian, Jakob, Aislinn, Elinor, David, Bertana, Julia, Talan

I. Business Meetings - we will meet online again in August, then will begin to seek meeting places with wifi, so online and in person may be possible for future meetings.

II. Officer reports

A. Seneschal: Alison.

1. Social Media Deputy: Brandr:

2. Event Autocrat: Millissent - see below in Events section

B. Chatelaine: Una: 12 kind souls came to the newcomers event. We danced two new dances. We spun yarn, had individual lunches and visited. We shared ideas for new events and new business cards were given to Jakob for GoFourth for the 4th of July demo.

C. Chronicler: Sarah:

1. Secretarie: Kathryn:

D. Exchequer: Diana: Current balance: \$4,674.06. Three checks written but not cashed. 2 nd Quarter Report due in July. Following the Crown Tourney, we will need to review our finances and consider fund raising.

E. Knight Marshal: Berkhommer: I took a quick Facebook poll to see who would be interested in a fight practice. I received one response. I know the consensus at the Bhkail practice is that they are not ready for two practices a week.

1. Fencing: James: In the month of June 2021 we met 4 times and collected \$216 of \$160 owed (we had a lot of visitors.) I still have cash from our last few pre-COVID practices as well. Most of our regulars have returned and Clark Gaynor, who found us during the pandemic, has made it out at least twice.

F. Herald: William:

G. MoAS: Elizabet: A&S only really new is there are Zoom chats 2nd and 4th wednesdays of the month.

1. Dance: Diana: Dance met 3 times in June and participated in the Newcomers. Event teaching several round dances. Dance will begin alternating between virtual and in-person in July. The current plan is for July 2 nd & 23 rd to be virtual July 9 th will be in Diana's backyard (will email address to list) July 16 th there will be no dance due to Crown on 17 th. July 30 th will be a Mid Summer Ball at an outdoor site. I am actively looking for sites in Upper Merion Township. Other outdoor sites might include either David & Katherine's home or Eleanor's backyard. August will follow this pattern with virtual dance on August 6 th & 20 th. In-person dance will be on August 13 th & 27th. Sites to be announced. I do not know if we will be able to return to Park House in the fall. They are very slowly reopening and I am also considering other options.

2. Dining with Lorenzo: I have located a free kitchen and site for this group. I have contacted the group to see when they would like to resume. We were working on the 16 th century Hungarian cookbook translated by Marti and Julia.

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:

III. Covid-19 changes to SCA schedule and events

A. BoD's New Guidance as follows:

1. The BoD has decided to loosen restrictions beginning July 1st.

2. All modern laws/rules must be followed
 3. No shared drinking containers, or buffet style food
 4. 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 Sun Jul 11th at 4pm via the YouTube channel

3. There is an East Kingdom ethereal event calendar (<https://moas.eastkingdom.org/ethereal-event-calendar/>)

4. East Kingdom Arts & Sciences online class listing (<https://moas.eastkingdom.org/list-of-online-webinars/>)

IV. Baronial polling

A. We will be mailing a polling prior to the Crown Tourney event. This will be sent to all paid

members. If you do not receive a polling, but are a paid member contact the seneschal to receive a copy. We want everyone's voice heard! It must be filled in completely. You will need to return it as soon as possible.

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 abstain, fill it in completely, and still 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 tally, 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.

V. 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 and may be needed to martial.

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

1. Dancers will be ready to participate with music.
2. Fighting at GoFourth! Sir Fum has offered to marshall. Berkhommer will be there ready to fight, he is hoping to get a few others that might be last minute. He will be bringing bottled water, but it is encouraged that each fighter supply their own.

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

1. Current reservations 125. Paypal has been an amazingly smooth experience. Let's never hold an event without it again.

2. It is happening. It is hard work. The rules have changed at least twice since we sent in our bid and even since the bid was accepted. Kevin, the 4-H site manager has informed me that the bathrooms will be stocked but that if we need to resupply that we must bring the necessary supplies with us. Also His Majesty, TIndal, has indicated that he would like us to go over the 150 so that more of the populace may attend. Now we have capped for 200 spectators plus staff. While we initially had an influx of registrations, they seem to have levelled off. After the feeder tourneys we will get another influx as many of the fighters and consorts have not registered.

Diana where are we with mail ins? As of now we do not need any more staff, so if you are not already on the staff team please register as a spectator.

3. Elizabet (Kandy Fling) is coordinating largess basket for their majesties along with Eleanor the Tilemaker (Ellen Leone) from Bhakail. Let's make Hartshorn-dale proud!

Elizabet can collect items at Crown, or if you won't be at Crown, we can work something out the week leading up to Crown. Bought (or out of stash) items are welcome as well as made items.

VI. 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 probably August. Date TBD

E. Keep an eye out for announcements on resuming Dining with Lorenzo!

VII. New business:

A. Three yellow/gold pop-ups were bought. Milissent and Talan can store them between uses.

B. Business cards: Una created a basic business that looks nice and will work very well until we come up with something else.

C. Commons: Proposed commons at Milissent and Talan's house on August 14th. Time to be decided. We have room for fighting, fencing and even dancing. Not sure what the rules for shared food will be at that time so for now everyone should plan to bring their own. Bottled water will be provided.

D. Storage of shire owned items: Eleanor has a few boxes and a bunch of archery equipment that need to be re-homed. Discussion: talked about offering archery equipment to another shire, though we don't know the value of what we have.

E. Possible future event - Una & Aislinn are in the early stages of planning a Nova Scola, an event of classes for everyone but geared toward newcomers. March 5th and early February are being considered at the 4-H center we are using for Crown, or a potential free site that is smaller. The availability of either site has not been determined.

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