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The trees are changing, the pandemic is possibly slowing down, and it's time for the Fall issue of the Hartshorn!

Many Shire members attended Shire Wars, which was able to be held in person this year. There was fencing, fighting, dancing, and court, despite an early afternoon heavy rainstorm.

The Shire is planning two events for next year: A Schola on March 5^{th} , and a late-summer/early fall event.

Awards & Honors

Hartshorn-dale had a strong showing at Bhakail Commons and is now home to both Bhakail's Rapier Champion and Populace Rapier Champ (Diego and Adelina)!

Jakob Agnarsson was authorized in single Rapier at Shire Wars on October 16th!

Sarah le Payller received a Silver Crescent at Shire Wars, October 16th.

Crown Tourney Report

The Crown Tournament of Honig II and Ionnes II was held in western Massachusetts in the Barony of Bergental, November 6th 2021. The day was beautiful, clear skies, a little frost on the ground. I was championed by the excellent Baron Talan, and attending with us was his Lady Milissent. Bergental did a wonderful job with all the details. They had an easy process for following the new covid policy for entering the event. Only combattants and consorts could check-in initially, so Millissent patiently waited by the car, about 20feet from where Talan and I were told to set up. We were joined by friends from Caer Adamant Baron Magnus and Baroness Grainne.

After all the contenders were presented to Crown, the



tournament began with fighters of lower precedence choosing their opponent for the first match. Talan won his first match. Talan presented quite a challenge to Matthias for the 2^{M} round, though Matthias took the match. Talan was out after his 3^{M} match freeing him to watch the finals.

In the final rounds Ryouku defeated Cassian to become the new heir to the Eastern throne, with his consort Indrakshi.

Throughout the day, their majesties Honig and Ionnes held several smaller courts to give awards. Silver Crescents were given on the listfield, as well as Tygers Combattant. There were four peerage vigils held that day. An evening court was also held with more awards given, and the lovely tradition of the Order of the Rose giving tokens to those who exemplified ideals of the Society.

Alison Wodehalle (Alison Choyce)



August 2021 Business Meeting Minutes

Agenda Hartshorn-dale Business meeting August 2021

Attendance-Officers: Alison (seneschal), Diana (exchequer), Milissent (MoL). Elizabet (MoAS), Una (chatelaine), William (Herald), Sarah (Chronicler & Webminister), Brandr (social media), Jakob (deputy chatelaine), James (fencing marshal) Attendance-Populace: Arpad, Naomi, Derek

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

A. **Seneschal**: Alison. Online meetings: Should we begin to seek a wifi capable location to hold a hybrid meeting? Possibly every other month? (Discussion postponed)

- 1. Social Media Deputy: Brandr:
- 2. Event Autocrat: Millissent: See report below
- B. Chatelaine: Una:
- C. Chronicler: Sarah:
 - 1. Secretarie: Kathryn:

D. **Exchequer**: Diana: Balance today \$6,101.86 Crown Tourney reports are completed. We will earn about \$320 from the event. Reimbursements and shared profit checks to go out shortly. Second Quarter Report turned in on time.

- E. Knight Marshal: Berkhommer:
 - 1. **Fencing**: James: For the month of July we averaged 10.5 fencers a practice and 2.5 observers/people hanging out. Thanks to some out-of-kingdom visitors we collected \$237.00 of 160.00 owed. We retain two regular marshals, myself and Atilla Soldus with MiTs Tally, Albion, and Eva (and I think Viola too...) With the help of Wentlyanna and Declan we were able to authorize Diego in single rapier (his first auth since his 10 year hiatus.) Ian Douglas and Albion have been starting off practices with guided stretching and warm ups (great for non-fencers too hint hint wink wink.)
- F. Herald: William: Report filed with kingdom

G. **MoAS: Elizabet**: It was a great month for arting. Good virtual meetings (2nd and 4th Wed of the month) and I will continue with those. I'd love for some specific topics to be suggested. (See Diana's re dance). Largess was fantastic for the Consules. Keep on making. Is anyone working on something in particular? I'd love to start a series of spotlights on our makers. Let me know if you're interested, or to suggest someone for me to talk to.

- 1. **Dance: Diana**: We are taking a two week traditional Pennsic break. Dance resumes either on Aug. 13th or on August 14th as part of the 4-H demo. We are looking at a new indoor site for latter in August and the fall.
- 2. **Dining with Lorenzo**: First meeting August 29 th at St. Peter's UCC Church; 1193 Clover Mill Road, Chester Springs, PA 19425 at 2 pm.

H. **MoL**: Milissent: nothing new to report. Online reauthorization is now available through the kingdom's MoL webpage.<u>https://mol.eastkingdom.org/</u>

- I. Webminister: Sarah:
- II. Covid-19 changes to SCA schedule and events
 - 1. BoD's New Guidance as follows:
 - 1. All modern laws/rules must be followed
 - 2. Food restrictions have changed: branches can serve food at events. Dayboards and feasts are back! There are two caveats: no bowls of things people can stick their hands into and serve themselves (pickles, pretzels, etc) and no straws, spigots, or other water-bearing arrangements where a person's mouth is brought to the dispenser.
 - 3. Rosters of attendance are required, and must be maintained for 60 days
 - 2. Their Majesties and the EK seneschal would like to set an example, and encourage staff at events to wear masks
 - 3. 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 <u>Thur</u> Aug 26th at 8pm via the YouTube channel.
 - 3. Coronation for Ioannes and Honig is 8/28 in NY.
 - 4. There is an East Kingdom ethereal event calendar (<u>https://moas.eastkingdom.org/ethereal-event-calendar/</u>)
 - East Kingdom Arts & Sciences online class listing (<u>https://moas.eastkingdom.org/list-of-online-webinars/</u>)

III.Baronial polling

. We mailed, just before Crown Tourney, a polling to every paid member in Hartshorndale's zip codes. If you did not receive a polling, but are a paid member contact the seneschal **asap** to receive a copy. We want everyone's voice heard! It must be filled in completely. The forms must be **RECEIVED** by the polling deputy by Aug 15th.

- 1. There are 4 items to fill in completely in order for the form to be valid:
 - 1. Legal name printed (NOT SCA name)
 - 2. legal name signature (NOT SCA name)
 - 3. membership number
 - 4. 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.
 - 1. You may choose to abstain, still fill it in completely, <u>and</u> return the polling.
 - 2. 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:
 - 1. Under 14 years and returning the polling in order to make the polling valid
 - 2. Abstain. You may choose not to give advice to the majesties, but still return the polling so the polling will be valid
 - 3. Yes, I want Hartshorn-dale to become a barony
 - 4. 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.
 - 1. This is not a vote. Their majesties will review the talley, 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.
 - 2. 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.

IV.Hartshorn-dale events/demos

- Shire Wars. Oct 15-17, 2021
 - 1. Theme is Battle of Kulikova: Russians vs Golden Horde
 - 2. Berkhommer has been contacted about shire wars. Berkhommer needs to follow up on that, but it sounds like they just need him to marshal.
 - 3. Will keep everyone up to date on needs for the event
- A. **GoFourth Demo**. Eleanor. Pottstown High St July 4th.
 - 1. We made the local newspaper! This has been shared with kingdom.
 - 2. **Discussion**: There was armored combat, fencing, dancing, and fiber arts. The layout of the site funneled people through the area we were in. Large interest in children's activities.

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

- 1. Attendance totals: Approximately 270 were registered, slightly less attended. We will make about \$320 after sending checks to the kingdom and to Bhakail.
- 2. Their majesties gave us a basket of largess containing mostly wire rings, and some pendants/medallions (not of any awards). We will try and get these items out to people.
- 3. From Diana: Thank you again to every one who worked at the gate either signing in participants or handing out tokens. You were all great!!! Thanks also to the many who helped carry things to the gate and gate itself when we had to move. We love your muscles and energy!!!
- 4. **Comments**: Hot. Good day. Well attended. Thank you everyone for your support.

V.Regular activities

. Dance: Friday evenings 7:30-9:00, transitioning to every other week in person in an outdoor location, every other week online

- A. Brunch with Hartshorn-dale: Sundays usually at 11am on Google Hangouts
- **B.** Dame Elizabet's Wednesday evening zooms 2nd and 4th starting 7:30pm.
- C. Book club: hosted by Millissent
 - 1. Next book is 'Lady of the Ravens' by Joanna Hickson virtual meeting August 17th at 7:30 pm
 - 2. Discussion: the next book will by "Royal Witches" for September/October

D. Fencing is happening most Mondays in Spring City. Announcements are via email and Facebook.

VI.New business:

- Demo at the 4H Center Aug 14th
 - 1. Jakob will make a poster on equestrian. Elizabet will connect Jakob with Doucette
 - 2. James will 'share' the facebook event with other groups

A. Commons canceled (Aug 15th)

B. Archery discussion: New member Derek joined the meeting. He is an experienced archer. Discussion followed regarding archery marshals, types of arrows, how to become a marshal. William plans to re-up his warrant as an archery marshal at the great western war in Oct. James noted that the PA state game lands in Schwenksville has an archery range that we may be able to reserve.

C. Discussion of social outings: Naomi brought up how much fun it was when a small group of Hartshorn-dale members went to the Elmwood Park Zoo a week ago. This was open to anyone who wanted to join in, and there was no major planning involved. A few people picked a date and time, and invited everyone else via email and facebook. Very casual.

- 1. Naomi proposed an outing to an Art Show in Lancaster at Long Park Sep 3-5. An email discussion could be held to pick a date, and folks could meet there. <u>https://www.longspark.org/art-festival</u>
- 2. We should do this more frequently. If there is something you want to do, and wouldn't mind having other Hartshorn-dale folks join in, then please feel free to pick a date and propose a casual outing!!

D. Storage of shire owned items: Were we able to resolve this? Warin had volunteered to store these items at least temporarily. Eleanor has a few boxes.

1. **Discussion**: Eleanor and Warin were not in attendance tonight, but Naomi mentioned that she has a number of archery items such as targets and loaner equipment, that need to find more permanent storage.

E. Possible future event: a schola - Una & Aislinn - March 5th at the 4H site

1. Discussion: Una thinks we could use 5 classrooms. Several people volunteered classes they could teach. Bardic track was proposed by William. Dance and live music proposed by Diana. Archery roundtable and a newcomer's point were proposed by Una. Naomi discussed the timeline in our charter for placing an event bid. A meeting will be held to create the event bid, with Una, Aislinn, Diana, Alison, Jakob, and others if they are interested and available. This meeting will be posted to the group.

September 2021 Business Meeting Minutes

Notes Hartshorn-dale Business meeting September 2021 Summary & highlights:

There are many events and activities going on in our marvelous shire. See below for the weekly practices and get togethers such as fencing, dance, book club, and brunch, and don't neglect the officer reports on the way. We have some archery stuff scattered at various homes that needs to be evaluated to determine usefulness and whether and where it should be kept. Please contact Sarah le Payller at chamberlain@hartshorn-dale.eastkingdom.org. We also have a plethora of fancy garb in our Gold Key collection, and a paucity of easy to wear, everyday, appropriate for a summer event garb. An auction of some of our fancy garb was proposed, to occur at the Scola event in March.

Baronial Polling is complete, now we are in the waiting period. If there are any last minute letters of recommendation, please forward to the seneschal (see email below).

It is election season in the shire - in odd years the offices of Seneschal, Chatelaine, Knight Marshal, and Minister of Arts & Sciences are up for re-election. To put yourself in the running for any of these, send a "letter of intent", which needs just your name, which office you are interested in, and your membership information, to seneschal@hartshorn-dale.eastkingdom.org before the October meeting. If you would like to learn more about being a Seneschal, there is a class for that on Sept. 26 from 10 AM to Noon. Please email the branch seneschal or

Seneschal@eastkingdom.org for the zoom link. Look for upcoming classes on being exchequer and an event steward.

Upcoming & possible events:

October 15-17 Shire Wars, the Battle of Kulikova - now includes camping! details here <u>https://www.eastkingdom.org/event-details/?eid=3640</u>

March 5, 2022 - A Scola (Nova Scola?) at the 4H site (where Crown Tourney was held). To volunteer to teach a class, please send a summary of your class with any special requests/requirements to Brandr at <u>185378@members.eastkingdom.org</u>.

Late summer 2022 - a Hartshorn-Dale themed late 14th C/early 15th C event, in need of a name and an autocrat Contact the seneschal (see above) or Diana Alene Tregirtse at 25189@members.eastkingdom.org for more information.

Attendance-Officers: Alison (seneschal), William (herald), Una (chatelaine), James (fencing marshal),

Diana (exchequer), Kathryn (secretarie), Sarah (chamberlain), Brandr (Social Media), Aislinn (deputy MoAS) Attendance-Populace: David

I. Officer reports

A. Seneschal: Alison. Seneschal meeting: From EKSen: Cannot use the word/phrase 'By-Laws', 'charter' is fine, as is 'policy'./ Insurance certificate ordering information has been updated./

There will be a training session for DEI (diversity, equity, and inclusion). If covid exposure occurs at any of our sanctioned activities, local public health is to be contacted and the contact tracing list to go to them. We can make the contacts IF they request we do./ Officers, please make certain your memberships are up to date.

1. Social Media Deputy: Brandr:

B. Chatelaine: Una:

C. Chronicler: Sarah: Is working on creating newsletters, starting with back issues to fill in any missed time, but still needs to work out the details of what materials require permission forms and which don't

1. Secretarie: Kathryn:

D. Exchequer: Diana: Current Account Balance \$5,763.88. Most Crown Related Expenses have cleared. Fencing has been paid for June & July. 3rd Quarterly Report due in October

1. Chamberlain: Sarah: No real updates. Two ongoing discussions (see new business below)

E. Knight Marshal: Berkhommer:

1. Fencing: James:

For the month of August we averaged 8.75 fencers a practice and 0.5 observers/people hanging out. We had 4 practices and collected \$145.75 of \$160 owed. We retain two regular marshals, myself and Atilla Soldus with MiTs Tally, Albion, Eva, & Viola. Ian Douglas and Albion have been starting off practices with guided stretching and warm ups (great for non-fencers too hint hint wink wink.) Hartshorn-dale had a strong showing at Bhakail Commons and is now home to both Bhakail's Rapier Champion and Populace Rapier Champ (Diego and Adelina)! Their EK Wiki pages have been updated accordingly. Albion was put to work as an MiT doing inspections and observing authorizations.

F. Herald: William: also nothing to report. Awfully quiet out there.

G. MoAS: Elizabet: Art happens. Zoom happens twice monthly, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.

1. Dance: Diana: Hartshorn-dale Dance Practice has gone to in-person sessions. We met for the first time, August 27 th, from 7:30-9 pm at All Saints Episcopal Church in Norristown. It is a good site and everyone was comfortable with the SCA safety measures in place. Thanks to Kathryn & David for finding this site. Future practices will be: September 17th & 24th, October 1st, 8th, 22nd & 29th (a fifth Friday Halloween Ball) November 5th. 12th, and 19th. Everyone is welcome to Dance Class, to dance, or socialize, or craft.

2. Dining with Lorenzo Guild: Diana is acting as "voice" to this Guild. a. Please see 'new business' for new event idea.

b. Our meeting schedule for the fall: Sundays: September 19th, October 10th, November 7th, all at 2 pm at St. Peter's Church 1193 Clover Springs Road, Chester Springs PA.

c. We met August 29th in person and had a wide ranging discussion about our goals and future. We discussed future projects, publication of our existing research, and making resources available to the wider culinary SCA community. It was agreed to postpone our existing "Hungarian" project for a year to allow the Szent Gyorgy family to participate.

d. The Guild contains members from other shires as well and is open to anyone who would like to explore medieval and renaissance cooking. You may email me if you would like to join us for a meeting.

(duchessadiana@verizon.net). Diana has established folders on her eastkingdom.org website for our various projects and notes which will be

available to Guild members. Kathryn and Diana have been moving all the existing notes, programs, menus and recipes to this central location.

H. MoL: Milissent: MoL has no new activity

I. Webminister: Sarah: Nothing new

II. Covid-19 changes to SCA schedule and events

A. BoD's New Guidance as follows:

1. All modern laws/rules must be followed

2. 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.

III. Upcoming Officer selections

A. Per our Charter, in September there is a reminder of offices that are up for selection this year.

1. In October (Nomination): Potential candidates must submit a Letter of Intent to the seneschal prior to the business meeting. The letter should include your modern and SCA names, your membership number and expiration, and your email address (preferably an East Kingdom Members email address)

B. Odd years (2021) We will be selecting the following offices:

- 1. Seneschal
- 2. Chatelaine
- 3. Knight Marshal
- 4. MoAS

IV. Baronial polling

A. Polling is complete. We are sending letters of recommendation to the kingdom seneschal. After that we just wait for the decision from kingdom and BoD. BoD has a meeting towards the end of Oct.

V. Hartshorn-dale events/demos

A. Shire Wars. Oct 15-17, 2021

1. Theme is Battle of Kulikova: Russians vs Golden Horde

2. It is now a 3 day event for those that wish to camp.

3. Box lunches will be provided in lieu of dayboard, menu selections will need to be made, either roast beef or vegetarian.

4. Masks will be required, even for fighters.

B. March 5th possible schola event: Aislinn and Brandr: "Nova Schola"? 1. Discussion with Brandr and Aislinn. Event bid is being worked on. To be held at the 4-H center, renting 3 classrooms and the gym, cost should be approximately \$15/person, a boxed lunch (if we go that way) would be a separate charge.

2. From Diana: I am also offering our [Dining with Lorenzo Guild] services to the autocrats of the Schola event in March, to prepare box lunches for the event. These would be purchased on registration to the event, thus meeting the SCA food safety requirements and be in either meat or vegetarian versions. Many other events are trying this solution this fall and it would relieve attendants at the event from having to bring their own lunch. I am hoping that some of our members will teach cooking related events as well.

C. Demo at 4H Fair: Went very well. They came over and gave us the PA system to have Fum use it when marshalling the fights. We had fencers and heavy weapons fighters. Aislinn brought her spinning wheel and a beautiful fiber display.

VI. Regular activities

A. Dance: Friday evenings 7:30-9:00, all in person in a new indoor location in Norristown. Announcements by email and Facebook.

B. Brunch with Hartshorn-dale: Sundays usually at 11am on Google Meet Link is always available on the calendar on the website.

C. Dame Elizabet's Wednesday evening zooms 2nd and 4th starting 7:30pm.

D. Book club: hosted by Millissent

1. Discussion: the next book will be "Royal Witches" for September/October

E. Fencing is happening most Mondays in Spring City. Announcements are via email and Facebook.

VII. New business:

A. Thank you to William and Una for their very generous donation to the shire. We are very grateful! This will help us continue to serve all of our populace and hold future events. Thank you again for your support of Hartshorn-dale. B. Chamberlain: no real updates, but there are two ongoing discussions: 1. What should we do with the Archery equipment that the Shire owns? I believe Kelly had some, and Naomi has some as well. I propose that we get either pictures/schedule a visit, to get a better inventory of what these things are and then we can have a discussion about whether they're worth keeping and if so, where.

2. There were offers on Facebook for more loaner garb, but our current storage boxes are full. At the same time, we have lots of fancy garb and little garb appropriate for outdoor summer events. I believe there was a discussion about whether we should give away some of the fancy garb and hold workshops to create more basic/summer weight garb.

C. Possible future event: Diana to explain. Seeking an autocrat. Possible date Aug 27, 2022. 'Dining with' group looking at doing a feast from late 14 or early 15 century England. If we are granted barony status this could be Investiture. 1. We have decided to focus on medieval English food/feast. I [Diana] feel strongly that Hartshorn-dale should establish some annual events, and suggest that late next summer, like Bhakail, we have an annual commons, birthday or whatever event. This could become the Investiture if appropriate. We therefore decided on this period because our Shire was founded as a medieval English group. As a group founding Hartshorn-dale we (including myself [Diana] and Hrolfr) studied all the town names in medieval England, looked at the naming styles and choose Hartshorn-dale. We also liked all the good hunting icons that went with this name. Our heraldry, old and new, reflects these references and we wanted to create a feast that does so as well.

October 2021 Business Meeting Minutes

Hartshorn-dale Business meeting Notes October 2021

Attendance-Officers: Alison (seneschal), Sarah (chamberlain, webminister), James (fencing) Kathryn (secretarie), Diana (exchequer), Brandr (social media), Elizabet (MoAS), Berkhommer (knight marshal), Milissent (MoL) Attendance-Populace: Jakob, Aislinn, David, Adelina, Arpad

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

A. Seneschal: Alison. See new Covid policy below.

1. Social Media Deputy: Brandr:

B. Chatelaine: Una:

C. Chronicler: Sarah: The backlog of newsletters have been published! Next one is due out towards the end of this month. You can find them all here: https://hartshorn-dale.eastkingdom.org/newsletter/ If you have any ideas for the newsletters -- such as brief summaries of events or demos, or other activities in the Shire -- please let me know. I would like the newsletters to be a resource we can look back on and remember our history.

1. Secretarie: Kathryn:

D. Exchequer: Diana: Current Balance \$5393.21. Working on 3 rd Quarter Report (due 10/31). One \$50 check outstanding. Need to pay for two months of fencing.

1. Chamberlain: Sarah:

E. Knight Marshal: Berkhommer:

1. Fencing: James: For the month of September we averaged 9.3 fencers a practice and 1.3 observers/people hanging out. We had 3 practices and collected \$155 of \$120 owed. We had planned to have practice on Labor Day but low attendance convinced us to cancel. We retain two regular marshals, myself and Ian Douglas with MiTs Tally, Albion, Eva, & Viola. Ian and Albion have been starting off practices with guided stretching and warm ups (great for non-fencers too hint hint wink wink.) Moving forward attending practice will require weekly checking of vaccination status/recent negative test results.

F. Herald: William: nothing to report

G. MoAS: Elizabet: The Arts and Sciences continue in Hartshorn-dale. Twice a month (2nd and 4th Wednesday) on line gatherings for both A&S and general chat. I have heard that there have been some A&S activities also at Monday night fencing practices. Her majesty needs favors. Information has been posted on the East Kingdom's Facebook pages and is also available through the website (follow links to TRMs' page), or message me and I'll get it to you.

1. Dance: Diana: Met in person in September on 17 th and 24 th . This month in person: October 8th and 29 th (which will be a fifth Friday Halloween Ball). Everyone is welcome. There is plenty of space for crafting.

2. Dining with Lorenzo Guild: Met once in September and made delicious bursews. Next meeting is October 10th. Anyone interested in participating should contact me to be placed on the mailing list and receive site location information. Next recipe we are working on is blancmaunger.

H. MoL: Milissent:

I. Webminister: Sarah: The activities section in particular could use a lookover, to make sure it's all still up-to-date. I have received an update to the Dining with Lorenzo section. I'm also planning to review the Newcomer sections; I think we have a good introduction to the SCA, but there was a big recruitment conversation on the EK Facebook group which stressed the importance of having very easy to find newcomer info on the local websites.

II. Covid-19 changes to SCA schedule and events

A. See below for details of new vaccination/testing policy.

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.

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B. Odd years (2021) We will be selecting the following offices:

1. Seneschal (James sent a letter of intent)

- 2. Chatelaine (Jakob sent a letter of intent)
- 3. Knight Marshal
- 4. MoAS (Elizabet sent a letter of intent)

IV. Baronial polling

A. Polling is complete. Update is that the EK Seneschal has forwarded the packet to the Crown.

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3. Voted to add to EK calendar at last month's meeting

4. Need a small group of 4-6 to go through gold key this winter to pick out stuff for a silent auction at the event.

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VII. New business:

A. From our webminister, there is a request to please review the activities section of our website, as some of the information is outdated.

B. New Policy regarding covid vaccine and testing:

1. BoD policy https://www.sca.org/news/covidsafe-proof-of-fully-vaccinatedstatus-or-negative-covid-test-policy-resolution/

2. BoD FAQ

https://www.sca.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/20210829-Proof-of-Vaccination- or-Negative-Test-Policy-FAQs.pdf

3. Everyone age 12 and over will be required to be vaccinated and show proof, or to be tested for covid with a PCR test within 72 hours of an event and show the negative test result in order to gain entry to any sanctioned SCA activity in the East Kingdom.

4. Adelina and Alison both attended a meeting given by KSen, and would be happy to answer questions.

5. KSen is taking questions back to the Board regarding the requirement to show government issued photo ID, along with the proof of vaccine/neg test.6. This policy will affect Shire Wars, and our own dance, fence, and cooking practices.

7. A good suggestion was to have folks alternate between activities to check vaccine status: someone from dance practice come to fencing to check vaccine/covid tests, and then someone from fencing go to dance to do the same. The person checking would need to remain at the entry point for the duration of the activity in case people were running late, as no one can enter without being checked.

8. Also, the information may NOT be recorded in any way, and it is not allowed to NOT check because you 'remember' seeing someone's card last time. It must be checked every time (at least for now). Feel free to write to the BoD if you feel this is not needed, but for now this is what is expected.
9. The person doing the checking is to sign a form stating that they checked every attendee prior to being permitted to enter the event space (I can send you the forms, or possibly Sarah could make a link to them on the KSen website for the HHD website)..

C. Media coverage: KSen advised us today that there is a verdict in the Luis Rondon trial. There is a statement should anyone be contacted by the media. 1. https://mail.google.com/mail/u/3/?zx=1vkc3ppk2p73#inbox?projector=1

D. Social outing: From Diana-"I think we should plan a group outing to the Penn Archeology Museum in November. They have just opened a new exhibit "2,500 years of clothing, etc" that sounds quite interesting."

E. Chamberlain: no real updates, but there are two ongoing discussions:

- 1. Archery equipment
- 2. Gold Key and donation being stored by Sarah and Alison
- 3. Shire needs tabards for champions
- F. Possible future event:
- 1. End of August next year

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