

# **The Hartshorn**

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## ***Awards***

James O'Gallageure received the Order of the Golden Rapier at 100 Minutes War (November 19<sup>th</sup>, 20220). Court Report: <https://eastkingdomgazette.org/2022/12/09/court-report-100-minutes-war/>

## ***November Meeting Minutes***

Recap/summary:

Hartshorn-dale is continuing the process of becoming a barony - letters of intent for coronets (baron/baroness) are due by the December meeting, which is December 1st. The baronial committee has met at least twice online and once in person. Elysabeth Underhill (Llssa) is both chairing the meetings and keeping notes. The notes from the first 2 meetings are in this season's newsletter.

Regular happenings such as fencing, dance, A&S nights, armored combat, and brunches, are happening fairly regularly. In addition to email and Facebook, there is now a Hartshorn-dale Discord - link to join is below.

The group is planning 3 events for 2023 at this time, and Bhakail may be holding their Yule event December 2023 in our boundaries as well. Early in the year we are hosting King & Queen's Bardic Champions Feb. 4, and then Nova Scola on March 4. In October (preferred) or November (alternate date) we are planning the 2nd Harts & Horns event as a baronial investiture. More details of these events and where they are in the planning stages is below.

## Hartshorn-dale Business Meeting 3Nov2022

### Attendance-Officers:

- Seneschal - James O'Galleghure
- Webminister - Sarah le Payller
- Chamberlain - Sarah le Payller
- Secretarie - Kathryn Perry
- Chatelaine - Jakob Agnarsson
- Exchequer - Elysabeth Underhill
- Fencing - Jacqueline Cross
- MoAS - Elizabet Marshal
- Social Media - BRANDR BJORNDALL
- Knight Marshal - (Berkhommer - not present)
- MoL - Milissent De Haithwaite

### Attendance-Populace:

Aislinn, Alison, Diana, Bertana, Adelina, Naomi, Rebecca Johnson, David, Mael Eoin

#### 1. Officer Elections - slate of officers was approved by unanimous voice vote

- a. Exchequer
  - i. Lissa
- b. Herald
  - i. Lillia
- c. Chronicler
  - i. Sarah
- d. Webminister
  - i. Sarah
- e. Minister of Lists
  - i. Ivette of Worcester

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

- a. **Seneschal**: Hi, we're here!
  - i. Social Media Deputy: Working on Discord stuff!
- b. **Chatelaine**: Things are still about the same as they were last month over here in the Chatelaine office. We did get two more newcomers thanks to Harts & Horns. I'm continuing to work with my deputy, Orso, so he is as ready as possible to fill in for me when my surgery comes up next month.

Speaking of, I am still working on picking a date for the first Newcomer Night that we discussed at the last meeting. Due to how busy the next couple of months are going to be between events, holidays, and real life, it may need to wait till January.

- c. **Chronicler** - Fall edition of the newsletter is done and is ON TIME. I would like a cookie.
- d. **Webminister** - Updated minutes on the website. Archived the Harts & Horns website (HartsandHorns2022) while keeping the HartsandHorns page available for next year.
  - i. Question: Do we want a website for Bardic and if so what do we want on it?  
[discussion: no need for a website for Bardic Champs]
  - ii. Also on the to-do list is making a website for Nova Schola.
- e. **Secretarie** -
  - i. Notes from last month's meeting were completed.
- f. **Exchequer**
  - i. Seeking Deputies- contact me if interested.

1. Had one person interested
- ii. Submitted Insurance request for Bardic and Heavy Practice. Was asked by society to wait until November to do this.
- iii. Everything Balances!
- iv. I'm actively getting help from the Western Region Exchequer to update the 3rd quarter report I submitted earlier in October. Yay for learning things!
- v. Beginning Balance for October= \$6066.64
- vi. Ending Balance for October= 7,516.27
- vii. Reconciliation = 6578.78 (the NMR check and three food-related checks from H&H have not been cashed yet )
- viii. Account Activity for the Month

1. Deposits Made: fencing donations, PayPal income for H&H, gate income for H&H, rummage sale profits
2. Checks Written- fencing Site fee, Shire Wars, bardic site fee, H&H site fee, 2 H&H food-related checks
3. \$120 in seed money for H&H gate withdrawn and deposited

*Note about fencing donations:* We fell a bit short of our requirement (40\$ a practice) for July/Aug/Sept, but we made up for it in October. All is good. Just something to keep an eye on.

g. **Chamberlain** - Updated list to include trebuchet stored by Wormwood. Proposal: Gather up all our Shire banners and number/ID them so it's easier to keep track of who has what. Making arrangements with Lissa to update her on status of Chamberlain tasks, prior to stepping down in January.

#### h. **Knight Marshal**

##### i. **Fencing**

- i. Fencing happened
- ii. 4 practices (10/3, 10/10, 10/17, 10/24)
- iii. average 16 people attended
- iv. We had youth fencers in attendance a couple times (Thank you Wentlyanna and Declan for being youth marshalls)
- v. Had our A&S invasion
- vi. Marshalls who attended: Jacqueline (MIC), James, Andre, Ian, Declan, Wentlyanna, Albion, Atilla
- vii. 239/160 dollars needed collected in site donations.

j. **Herald:** Nothing to report. [please see heraldic activity under baronial planning]

##### k. **MoAS:**

i. October was an excellent month for the arts and sciences in Hartshorn-dale. There were two display/competitions at Harts & Horns. Though there were fewer entries than originally expected, the bead voting went well, and there was a lot of oohing and ahhing over pieces.

ii. There were two A&S Zoom meetings, with the second one being a joint effort with Settmour Swamp with a presentation/discussion about searching museum websites. We had a great turnout with friends from Settmour and Bhakail joining us. There is a handout and notes from the chat available, just let me know if you'd like to receive them.

iii. In November, we will have A&S Zooms on the 9th and 23rd (yes, the day before Thanksgiving, if no one shows up, I'll use some of my new museum searching skills). Fencing invasion is scheduled for November 14. I will also be at fencing practice on November 7 to hand something off - if anyone wants me to bring something, let me know (and who knows, there \*might\* be weeded fabric with me, if I work hard this weekend).

iv. Looking ahead, the rules for the Crown Bardic being held in our own Shire in February have been posted, as have the rules for Crown A&S later in the year. I have been inspired by our lovely in person brunch and will be looking for places where we might have workshops.

v. Dance: Met twice in October, the 21st & 28th. We had 6 people at the first class and 8 at the last, including 3 newcomers. Expecting to meet in November on 4th & 11th but not 25th. The 18th is up in the air and we will email if we are holding the class.

vi. Dining with Lorenzo Guild: Completed the dayboard and feast for Harts & Horns. Will meet again in January to plan the Nova Schola Lunch with Colleen Heath

I. **MoL**: Nothing new. Check your authorizations.

### 3. Regular activities

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

b. Dining with Lorenzo: meeting again in January

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

d. A&S Night: 2nd & 4th Wednesday via Zoom at 7:30PM with Dame Elizabeth

e. Book club: On hiatus.

f. Fencing will be happening most Mondays in Spring City. Announcements are via email and Facebook.

g. Armored happens most Thursdays at the Royer Greaves School for the Blind

### 4. Old Business

a. Policy regarding covid vaccine and testing:

i. BoD policy SCA COVIDSafe Policy - no COVID restrictions, but event and meeting announcements must include the SCA Health Acknowledgement.

b. We have a fledgling Discord Server! Click here to join!

i. I'd like to encourage Officers to create a Login for their Officer@hartshorn-dale email account (I'll assign Mod permissions to Officer accounts but not personal ones)

### C. Baronial Committee (Lissa)

- I put out a call for pictures/updated information about shire regalia (banners, champion regalia items, etc) that we have. It's important to know what we have so we can make what we need. Images are included in a Google Docs folder: we have 5 banners (2 held by James, 3 by Jakob). We also have a baldric for our fencing champions.

- Our Shire MoAS and Deputy MoAS have agreed to take over organizing baronial A&S projects. A spreadsheet will be involved.

- Herald/award survey sent out. Results were with the group. Lillia will work on registering things as she is able. Lillia also held two workshops about heraldry in the SCA last month.

- An in person meeting was held Oct. 30th. Notes were sent out on the H-dale e-mail list

- I reminded the artisan working on the coronets to get us pictures. I'll poke him again Friday. Alison is still liaising with the artisan doing our thrones

- Are there other things that need to be done?

- Notes from 2 of the baronial committee meetings are in the fall newsletter, which is here:

<https://hartshorn-dale.eastkingdom.org/newsletter/>

## 5. New Business

- a. Harts & Horns 2022 Recap
  - i. Possibly its own meeting. Stay tuned!
- b. Bhakail requesting use of Lulu and expanding Yule
  - i. Hold a Grand Court.
    - 1. Have local shires process in with the baronies
    - ii. No financial stakes from HHD (Not being run like Shire Wars)
    - iii. WE APPROVE!

## 5. Events and Demos

- a. Crown & Consort Bardic Champs
  - i. Feb 4, 2023
  - ii. Format HERE!
  - iii. Cooks do their thing! (Just Dayboard.)
  - iv. Determine masking via the Champs
  - v. Any other activities? Silent Auction to support College of Performers
  - vi. Child friendly area - Adelina ( MaryAnn) volunteered to create/run such an area. A parent or family member is expected to stay with any child in that area.
  - vii. Alison will ask about amplification at the site.
- b. Nova Schola
  - i. Mar 4, 2023
  - ii. DwL meeting in January with Millesent to plan dayboard.
  - iii. Site Deposit is happening
  - iv. Start gathering teachers this month
- c. Jakob's Tavern Do-Hicky
  - i. Tabled for now.
- d. Harts & Horns 2023
  - i. Champions (martial)
  - ii. Investiture
  - iii. October 14 or Nov 11th - Preferred date is October, alternate is Nov. 11th.
  - iv. Alison moved that James contact crown and church about the October date, and it was so moved.

## *December Meeting Minutes*

### **Important points:**

Coronets! Notice there are 3 pairs of people who have put in letters of intent for the baronial coronets. There was a long discussion of polling and some information provided after the meeting from the EK polling deputy. Links to all of the letters of intent are below, as well as other important information. Please avail yourself of all opportunities provided to meet, talk to, and ask questions of the potential coronets. Keep an eye on email or the Facebook group to get further details. Hartshorn-dale is planning 3 events in 2023: King & Queen's Bardic in February, Nova Scola in March, and Harts and Horns in October (preferably). Please consider how you can help with any of these events! Bids for Harts and Horns will be requested for February, I believe.

## Notes Hartshorn-dale Business Meeting 01 DEC 2022

### Attendance-Officers:

- Seneschal - James O'Galleghure
- Webminister - Sarah le Payller
- Chamberlain - (see above)
- Secretarie - Kathryn Perry
- Chatelaine - Not present
- Exchequer - Elysabeth Underhill
- Fencing - Jacqueline Cross
- MoAS - Elizabeth Marshal
- Social Media - Brandr
- Knight Marshal - not present

Attendance-Populace: Aislinn, , Bertana of Cissanbyrig, Diana AlenaAlison Wodehalle, Tregirtse, John Marshal atta Forde, David of Hartshorn-dale, Milissent De Haithwait, Adelina

1. Officer Reports (please submit written report, which will be included in the minutes)
  - a. **Seneschal:** Shire is still a shire. I have received Letters of Intent for our first Coronets.
    - i. Social Media Deputy
  - b. **Chatelaine:** Things have been relatively quiet here in the Chatelaine's office. However, Orso and I have been working on getting things set up for him to take over for me while I recover after my surgery on December 2nd. So far, Orso is set up with the Deputy Chatelaine Email so he will be available if anyone needs anything while I'm away. We're still discussing a potential date for the first Newcomer Night. There are a couple of scholas happening nearby in January and February so I'd like to make sure that we don't go up against one of those. I've also done some sorting through my newcomer's contact list to see exactly how many newcomers are active, inactive, and who's moved to a different area. Currently, we have 11 active newcomers, 2 inactive, and 4 that have recently moved to different locations.  
If anyone needs anything from my office at all, please don't hesitate to reach out to either myself or to Orso over at the deputy chatelaine email address.
  - c. **Chronicler:** Diana would like to be the Historian, which is technically a deputy of the Chronicler (the Chronicler approves this.)
  - d. **Webminister** - Minutes from the last business meeting as well as the last Baronial meeting (October 30th) have been added to the website
  - e. **Secretarie** - Notes from last meeting were created and posted
  - f. **Exchequer**
    - i. Met with regional exchequer. Third quarter report now fully balances. Things have been learned!
    - ii. Still looking for a deputy. Anyone interested please let me know. Deputy could help out by keeping track of shire possessions (chamberlain duties), and learning all about the role of exchequer in preparation to take over the job if desired.
    - iii. "Review of books" awaiting file transfer from Diana.
    - iv. Meeting with Sarah to discuss chamberlain duties next week.
    - v. Current Balance: \$6623.65. Not much happened in November other than some of the checks that had been written for H&H getting cashed (food, NMS). One 45\$ check still needs to be cashed for H&H food.
    - vi. Society said they would begin processing the insurance requests for 2023 last week. We are waiting on the insurance for Bardic and Heavy Practice.

vii. I added a few quick updates to the exchequer policy document. Two for clarity, simply repeating an idea already mentioned in our charter or kingdom law. At Alison's suggestion, I also added a "refund policy" saying that people who don't attend events ask for a refund within 2 weeks.

- g. **Chamberlain:** I will be stepping down at the end of my term in January. Lissa will take on the duties of Chamberlain (as it's a deputy of the exchequer). If anyone else is interested let me know. Currently the list of Shire property is on the website. A "property storage agreement" for folks who were storing shire property on their property (which is all of our stuff at this point) is drafted, but hasn't been distributed yet.
- h. **Knight Marshal:**
- i. **Fencing:**
  - i. Fencing happened
  - ii. 4 practices (11/7, 11/14, 11/21, 11/28)
  - iii. average 14 people attended
  - iv. Had our A&S invasion
  - v. Marshalls who attended: Jacqueline (MIC), James, Andre, Ian, Declan,
  - vi. Wentlyanna, Albion, Atilla, Genevieve, Griff
  - vii. 273/160 dollars needed collected in site donations
- j. **Herald –**
- k. **MoAS –** November was an excellent month for the arts and sciences in Hartshorn-dale. A number of our members are branching out and learning new things. My half year report has been submitted (or will have been by the time the meeting starts tonight). There were two A&S Zooms on the 9th and 23rd and both were reasonably well attended. There will be two in December, on the 14th and the 28th. They will be on the same link, but officially be hosted by Aislin. There have been some good discussions on the Discord which may result in some workshops either on the Zooms or another medium. A&S Invasion of fencing is scheduled for December 19. Looking ahead, the rules for the Crown Bardic being held in our own Shire in February have been posted, as have the rules for Crown A&S later in the year. Registration for Crown A&S has been opened. Deputy reports (As of my writing of this, I have not received these from Diana – or I missed them).
  - i. Dance - Dance happened at least twice in November
  - ii. Dining with Lorenzo Guild - (Per last month's report) Will meet again in January to plan the Nova Schola Lunch with Colleen Heath
- l. **MoL:** Nuthin happened

## 2. Regular Activities

- a. Dance: Friday evenings 7:30-9:00, indoor location in Norristown. Announcements by email and Facebook.
- b. Dining with Lorenzo on hiatus until January.
- c. Brunch with Hartshorn-dale: Sundays usually at 11am on Google Meet Link is always available on the calendar on the website.
- d. A&S Night: 2nd & 4th Wednesday via Zoom at 7:30PM on Zoom
- e. Book club:
- f. Fencing will be happening most Mondays in Spring City. Announcements are via email

and Facebook.

### 3. Old Business

- a. Update on Baronial coronets & choice of voting method. (Lissa)
- b. Policy regarding covid vaccine and testing:
  - i. See this link for Kingdom Covid Policy and Kingdom wide mask variance for areas with HIGH COVID levels. <https://seneschal.eastkingdom.org/kingdom-pandemic-response/>
  - ii. BoD policy as of December 1st, 2022, which has no restrictions other than specific language about the society not taking any responsibility for any individual participants health to be added to event & gathering notices: <https://www.sca.org/news/board-resolution-amendment-to-covidsafe-policy-effective-1-december-2022/>

### 4. New Business

- a. The Seneschal has received three Letters of Intent for Coronet.
  - i. Meisterin Naomi bat Avraham and Doña Jacqueline Cross
  - ii. Dame Elizabet Marshall and Magister John Marshall atte Forde
  - iii. The Honorable Lady Alison Wodehalle and Lady Milissent de Haithwaite [Letters are posted on the website]
- b. What type of poll? Ranked choice?
  1. Voters "rank" their choices instead of just choosing one of three. Group seemed to favor ranked choice voting as it is done in the East Kingdom, as explained by Alison.[Each voter ranks the candidates from 1st -3rd; the candidates get 3 points for a 1<sup>st</sup> choice, 2 for a 2nd choice, and 1 for a 3rd choice. If someone just puts a checkmark that candidate gets 1 point]
  2. Polling probably will not go out until after the holidays, probably mid January.
  3. An email from the EK polling deputy went out after the meeting. The text of that is below.\*
- c. Elizabet is stepping down from MoAS, Aislinn as deputy is going to be acting MoAS until an election is held.
- d. Lissa can set up a candidate Q&A online and in person?

### 5. Events and Demos

- a. **Crown and Consort Bardic Champs**
  - i. Feb 4, 2023
  - ii. Format [HERE!](#)
  - iii. Cooks planning Dayboard - see below
  - iv. Determine masking via the Champs
  - v. Any other activities? Silent Auction to support College of Performers
  - vi. Child friendly area - Adelina ( MaryAnn) volunteered to create/run such an area. A parent or family member is expected to stay with any child in that area.
  - vii. Milissent: I have been working on the menu: at least 2 soups, fruit, cheese, bread, butters, roast chicken with sauces, another meat variety and some small hand pies.
  - viii. The current champs do not wish to use AV equipment or amplification.
  - ix. PRE REG IS OPEN



**b. Nova Schola**

- i. Mar 4, 2023
- ii. DwL meeting in January with Millesent to plan dayboard.
- iii. Site Deposit is happening
- iv. Start gathering teachers this month
- v. Possibility of informal order meetings in small lunchroom.
- vi. Get Insurance handled

**c. Harts and Horns 2023**

- i. Set a bid due date (not January, maybe Feb)
- ii. Champions (martial)
- iii. Investiture
- iv. October 14 or Nov 11th - Preferred date is October, alternate is Nov. 11th.
- v. Alison moved that James contact crown and church about the October date, and it was so moved.

\*Email from the East Kingdom Polling deputy, Amarie de Saint Denis, sent to the group list December 5th: Greetings!

I have outlined the process for polling below, complete with the various steps and their respective timelines. Some parts of the timeline are flexible, while others aren't. I am here for you every step of the way - it's not nearly as complicated as it may seem at first and I will do everything I can to ensure that it is as smooth and painless as possible.

1. Information Period/Notify the Populace - the Populace should be notified of the plans for Polling via the various communications vehicles for the group, including but not limited to the official newsletter, monthly business meeting, email lists, etc.

2. Polling form approval - concurrent with the Notification window (Step 1), the group can prepare their polling form and submit to me for approval, to make sure the document meets EK Law requirements, plus the needs of the group. Templates are here:  
<https://seneschal.eastkingdom.org/documents/>

3. Request Zip code List - Also concurrent with the Notification window (Step 1), the group can request their zip code list from EK Seneschal, ([seneschal@eastkingdom.org](mailto:seneschal@eastkingdom.org)).

4. Requesting Labels and Preparing Mailing - once the group has had their polling form approved, received their zip code list, and are within roughly 7-10 days of the Polling start date, labels can be requested by forwarding the zip code list to the EK Seneschal. She will forward to Milpitas, and return back the Excel file of labels in about one week's time. Labels will consist only of paid members residing within the group's borders as defined by zip code at the time of the request. On receiving the file, the group will prepare the envelopes and mail the polling forms. Forms \*must be mailed no later than the 10th day after receiving the labels\*, after which the Excel file is no longer deemed reliable, must be destroyed, and a new file must be requested. \*\*Something to note here - while it is in no way mandatory, we have found significantly improved success in pollings that are sent out with a stamped, addressed return envelope in them. It's not required by any stretch but I know many people don't tend to keep stamps around so that definitely helps.\*\*

5. Polling Period - starts the day following the mailing of the last polling form. EK Law mandates that a polling must run at least 30 days, but no more than 45 days, and that all paid members of the group are to receive a polling form, including those younger than 14 years of age. At least 1/2 of the polled Populace must send back their forms correctly filled out for the poll to be valid. Poll validity count includes members under age 14. For additional requirements, refer to EK Law, Section VII. Branches, C. Polling Procedures. (<http://www.seneschal.eastkingdom.org/docs/EKLAW.pdf>) (Keep the holidays in mind with this one; additionally, even if you only have one set of candidates please remind folks that they still need to reply. I don't know how many sets you have running but I wanted to make sure I pointed it out because it is often overlooked.)

6. Tally Period - All forms received by poll closing date are generally counted within two weeks, and results forwarded to EK Seneschal and Crown (as needed), allowing a third week for postal mail. Completed forms are mailed to me unless there is a direct conflict (e.g., if I live in the group being polled). At any point in this process, I am here to help you guide your group, so please ask any questions you may have! The most important step right now is to create the polling form; once you have a draft please send it to me and we can continue with the process. I am happy to help with any questions you have with the creation as well so please don't hesitate to reach out.

Yours in Service,  
Amarie

## *January Meeting Minutes*

### **Notes Hartshorn-dale Business Meeting 5JAN2023**

#### Attendance-Officers:

- Seneschal - [James O'Gallegchure](#)
- Webminister - Sarah
- Chamberlain - None (Lissa is default)
- Secretarie - [Kathryn Perry](#)
- Chatelaine - Not Present, Deputy Orso called in
- MOL - Ivette of Worcester
- Exchequer - [Elysabeth Underhill](#)
- Fencing - [Jacqueline Cross](#)
- MoAS - Aislinn (acting)
- Social Media - [BRANDR BJORNDALL](#)
- Knight Marshal - Berkhommer
- Herald - Lillia (not present at meeting)

Attendance-Populace: Adelina, David of Hartshorn-dale, [Alison Wodehalle](#), [Diana Alene Tregirtse](#), [Naomi bat Avraham](#), John Marshal, Millisent de Haithwait, Bertana of Cissanbyrig, [Elizabeth Marshal](#), Annabeth Sims, Ian Douglas

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

- a. **Seneschal:**Quarterly report submitted 1Jan2023.
  - i.**Social Media Deputy:**
- b. **Chatelaine**

Things were mostly quiet during my recovery and time out of the office, which was very welcome considering I definitely needed all the rest I could get. We did however get a few newcomers! We had a newcomer join us at fencing last night, and in December thanks to the PAX Unplugged Demo we had Katemarie join us and bring her family along! That gives us 3 Adults and 2 Children newcomers for this month bringing us up to a total of 14 active newcomers!

I am still wrestling with the calendar to figure out a date for the Newcomer Night, soon as that gets figured out I'll let everyone know.

I also will be assisting the Chatelaine's office of Caer Adamant during their upcoming Fighter Schola on Jan. 14th.

I had heard talk of Gold Key reorganizing/making new pieces for Gold Key, but I am not caught up to speed on what is going on with those discussions, so I'll need someone to fill me in.

Yours in Service,  
 Jakob Agnarsson (He/Him)  
 Chatelaine Hartshorn-Dale (Newcomer Office)
- c. **Chronicler** - Winter issue is due to come out this month, and will include November, December, and January. Please let me know if there is any news (awards, etc) that should be included.
- d. **Webminister** - We have a website.
 

I fixed the email mailing list subscription directions, that should work now.

There is a new page for the Baronial Candidates: <https://hartshorn-dale.eastkingdom.org/coronet-candidates/> - right now it just has the letters of intent but I can add more information if wanted.

Set up the Historian email for Diana.

Set up Lillia with the Herald email & updated officer list on website.

Set up Ivette with MOL email and updated website

Added 2023 Business Meeting dates to the website.

Uploaded revised Exchequer Policies document.

Added the amazing new high resolution images of the HHD arms (created by Naomi) to the Resources page on the website: <https://hartshorn-dale.eastkingdom.org/resources/>

Still on the to-do list: work with the Autocrat for Nova Schola to build a page for that event (assuming I am remembering correctly that we wanted to do that). Also still on the to-do list: general review/updates.
- e. **Secretarie**
  - i.Last month's minutes were published to the list.
- e. **Exchequer**
  - i.4th Quarter report was sent to regional and feedback rec'd so I can make edits. The numbers all make sense, so it's just me continuing to learn how to fill out the form correctly. I also need James to sign two recon statements for the past year to make my submission complete.
  - ii.Currently we have \$6,278.48 in the account.
  - iii.In December two checks were cashed. One for H&H 2022 food, and one for the site fee for H&H 2023 (total amount = 345.17)
  - iv.Fencing donations from the last three months were deposited before Jan 1st, but are still "pending" as I'm writing this. Amount = \$586.

- v. To do= Send fencing practice church a check for the last three months of fencing practice. Amount = \$440
  - vi. Sca.org was contacted about the pending site insurance forms. The form for heavy practice was sent to the heavy practice site directly, and I received a copy. I was told by corporate that the insurance for bardic would be done next week.
  - vii. If we need insurance statements for future events (Nova Schola, or H&H 2023) please reach out to me so I can get that done. I don't recall doing one for nova schola yet...?
  - viii. Still looking for deputies. Reach out if interested.
- e. **Chamberlain.**
- i. I created a Google sheet with the Shire inventory. I based this off of what Sarah had on the website, and plan to use this going forward
  - ii. Right now it is shared and accessible to be edited by everyone. I think I'm going to put it in my exchequer folder and make the link a read only link, that can be put on the website for people to view not edit. People can email me if they need to make updates. Seneschal should have editor abilities. Thoughts?
  - iii. I would ask everyone to look at the spreadsheet. Let me know if there is additional info I should collect and message me back with updates or questions about what you are listed as holding. I'm looking to include an updated/verified date for who has all of these materials, and to get pics and more details as seems relevant and important to people.
  - iv. There are also a few listed materials that I'm wondering if we need to continue to keep - track of on that list, so comments appreciated about that.
  - v. [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ndaTcikxz1y4LaxOImhnJc05PE5XtkCs\\_u\\_ske3BJ6Ss/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ndaTcikxz1y4LaxOImhnJc05PE5XtkCs_u_ske3BJ6Ss/edit?usp=sharing)
- e. **Knight Marshal**
- i. Our practice continues to grow and grow. We've gained new members over the last couple of months. We even got Talon to come out and show us some new things he has been working on. I am personally excited for the level of fighting we're getting to.
  - ii. I will be attempting to implement stretches and warm ups for fighters who traditionally are reluctant to do so. We tried this in the past, and it did not take. What I am going to do differently is try to do this before practice starts. If you want to stretch and warm up, show up early.
  - iii. Ellie, my deputy, has nothing to add, but she continues to make practice a smooth operation.
- e. **Fencing**
- i. Happened
    1. 3 practices (12/5, 12/12, 12/19)
    2. A&S invasion happened
    3. Average attendance = 9.7
    4. Donations total: \$90
    5. Jacqueline (MIC), James, Andre, Ian, Declan, Wentlyanna, Albion, Atilla, Griff, Jenn
- e. **Herald**
- e. **MoAS**
- i. Hi. We had two A&S Zoom meetings this month. Each was attended by a few people. I plan to hold A&S Zoom meetings on 1/11 and 1/25. I would like to discuss classes people have attended and/or taught at events or virtually. I realize this is a broad topic, but I thought we could start with a general discussion and then follow-up with more specific discussions at subsequent meetings.

ii. **Dance**

1. Held in December 3 times.
2. We had a number of new dancers and had 8 people at several classes
3. Dance scheduled throughout January with the 27th being the January birthday bash. (same weekend as Birka)

iii. **Dining with Lorenzo Guild:**

4. In hiatus in December although discussions about cost of dayboards for events like Nova Schola have been occurring. Expect to start up again in February in preparation for Nova Schola, and also to restart our project working out the Hungarian cookbook that Julia and family translated. I will post dates shortly. Everyone is always welcome at our sessions.
- e. **MoL:** Nothing happened.

2. **Regular activities**

- a. **Dance:** Friday evenings 7:30-9:00, indoor location in Norristown. Announcements by email and Facebook.
- b. **Dining with Lorenzo** is usually monthly.
- c. **Brunch with Hartshorn-dale:** Sundays usually at 11am on Google Meet Link is always available on the calendar on the website.
- d. **A&S Night:** 2nd & 4th Wednesday via Zoom at 7:30PM with Dame Elizabeth's Zoom.
- e. **Book club:** On hiatus.
- f. **Fencing** will be happening most Mondays in Spring City. Announcements are via email and Facebook.

3. **Old Business**

- a. Shire Wars committee
  - i. Notes:  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1jBstE1iXDqvyvCKGIv0o8RfasndQBKLHtlm0qsTxilc/edit?usp=sharing>
  - ii. Seeking 2023 Event Steward

4. **New Business**

- a. In-Person Brunch: January 15th in person brunch at Founding Farmers in King of Prussia. Time to be decided. Looking into making a group reservation. Will be early enough for those that wish will be able to attend the Dining with Lorenzo meeting.
- b. Gold Key
  - i. Discussion Thread created in A&S Discord Channel: [A&S Channel](#)
  - ii. Liquidate what we have
  - iii. Workshops to make super basic tunics of various lengths
    1. rent a room from the 4H center for 5-6 hours?
    2. assembly line with folks cutting, pinning, and sewing
    3. plan out in advance how many tunics we need in each size, and have cutting plans ready so we are ready to start cutting once we get there
      - a. plan for tunics to fall to about mid-calf
      - b. blue and gold colors
      - c. trim around the necklines if we can

- d. tags inside with the size and "Hartshorn-Dale" - iron on? Alison can make it with her Cricut?
  - 4. belts (we have weavers!)
  - 5. maybe if we're feeling fancy make some loaner fabric pouches
- c. Iron Key/Fencing
  - i. One of the bags used to lug loaner fencing gear around has kicked the bucket.
  - ii. Can the shire buy a new one?
    - 1. Price TBD but can range from \$120 - 340 depending on brand, size, etc.
- d. Ian Douglas and the College of Performers
  - iii. Seeking to host their multi-kingdom Bardic Challenge Assembly, usually around April
    - 1. HHD can't commit to 2023 but maybe 2024?
    - 2. Send Ian HHD bidding process.

## 5. Events and Demos

### a. EK Bardic

- i. Staff meeting Tues Jan 10th 8pm via google meet
- ii. Event happens two days after next business meeting
- iii. From Milissent:
  - 1. I'm looking for 6 people that will bake 2 loaves of bread each for Bardic Champs dayboard.
  - 2. I am also looking for cooking help for the event. I am planning on making as much ahead of time as I can (January is really busy). Most importantly I need 3 people that will be there for clean up.
  - 3. What serving ware does the shire own and where is it located? I am not sure of what the site has yet, but we are scheduling a walkthrough Jan 16th.
  - 4. Lastly I am looking for 4 people that are interested in making cookies or individual serving desserts for Bardic Champs dayboard.

### b. Nova Schola

- i. Getting PayPal set up
- ii. Still getting teachers
- iii. \$7/person for lunch
- iv. Staff meeting early February

### c. Harts & Horns/Investiture

- i. Do we have an official Event Steward/Plan/Bid yet?
  - 1. Get an official bid in March
  - 2. Champions (marital)
  - 3. Investiture
  - 4. Nov 11th - Preferred date is October, alternate is Nov. 11th.

## 6. Baronial Stuff

- a. Coronet Updates
- b. Polling - Ranked Choice, James will contact polling deputy now that holiday craziness is done.

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