

Hartshorn-dale Shire Meeting: 6-4-2015

Total Attendees: 12 people

Officer Positions: Seneschal, A&S, Exchequer, Fencing, Demo, MOL, Secretary, Archer's Ford
Seneschal

Officers Reports

Seneschal: Kathryn Perry:

Note: the July meeting will take place on the second Thursday (not the first Thursday as usual).
There will be no meeting in August by tradition.

Exchequer: Diana Alene Tregirtse

Current balance of \$5,905.57

An IRS Audit of the SCA has resulted in corporate changes in Exchequer policy going into effect July 1, 2015. Some of the changes are as follows:

- Autocrats must be prepared to turn over all financial information on events to the exchequer within two days of the event.
- NMS payments need to be mailed within 10 days of the event.
- Monthly reporting will begin in July with signed reconciled bank statements needing to be sent to the kingdom exchequer and kingdom seneschal.
- SCA members cannot write a check to themselves if they are one of the two officers that needs to sign the check. Groups will likely need three local and accessible people to be signatories on the bank account. We have Diana, Kathryn, Michel, and Naomi. When elections are held in December, we should make every effort to change over signatories promptly.

Dance: Diana Alene Tregirtse

Dance: No dance tomorrow June 5th, due to set up for Artisan's Village, otherwise dance will take place regularly throughout June

Chatelaine: Karl Von Weisboden: No report

Chamberlain: Sarah

After Artisan's Village Sarah wants to begin to inventory the shires possessions and work on a better way to keep track of items. This is needed as Naomi could not find a few things she needed for Artisan's Village set up.

Demo Coordinator: Elizabet Marshall-*Others are spearheading two demo opportunities.*

- 1)Jenevieve declined the demo request for the Homeschool Conference. They will approach us next year.
- 2)The Highlands Historical Society demo is being spearheaded by Eryn. No date is set yet, though it should happen in late August. The theme is "A Knight in the Garden". Eryn will be talking more with a representative from the group on June 14th.

Elizabeth also just received an e-mail about a large demo opportunity in NJ at Wheaton Village, June 27-28. She will send out more information to the shire shortly.

MOaS: Naomi bat Avraham

The week after Artisans' Village is Iron Bog Investiture. Former shire member BRose will be getting her Laurel at that event.

Artisan's Village takes place tomorrow! People should attend and learn lots of things!

Buckland Cross (Ray and Markessa) want to put together a joint bid for K&Q A&S with us. TRH's are eager to get out to the Western shires, according to Naomi, so the bid would likely be looked on favorably. The pro's and con's of St. John's Church as an event site were discussed. Naomi was reluctant because there is only one large hall, meaning entries would need to be placed in many small classrooms. It could work, but might be awkward. However, Buckland Cross may have a site in mind.

Archery Marshal: Naomi bat Avraham

Archery will most likely start the second week of June.

Fencing Marshal: Jenevieve Fiana Spillane

We met on May 4th, 11th and 18th. We did not meet on Memorial Day.

We collected \$84 for dues for May. A check for that amount has been made for deposit.

The amount for the loaner gear covered by the shire was less than expected. Darkwood Armory was able to get a discount on shipping. A refund check of \$9 was made out to the shire to reflect the discount.

No incidents to report. We maintain 3 marshals as regular attenders (myself, Attila and James O'Galleghure) with assistance of Alexander from Archer's Ford and Berrick Grayveson.

Attendance: we had 7 to 11 fencers each week. We are maintaining a regular crowd along with new people or visitors every week.

We have been working on sewing projects at practice. Maggie, a regular attender, has finished the new fencing jackets and is now making shirts. We greatly appreciate the shire's approval of new gorgets. The order is pending. The company we wish to use is not taking orders till "Summer 2015".

Attila and I have paused working toward our Youth Fencing Marshallate. We will keep the shire updated on progress as we continue.

MOL: Attila Soldus: No Report

Web Minister: Andrew of Hartshorn-dale:

The Artisans' Village site has been updated with the schedule and menu for the event.

We also have the opportunity to use the EK servers for our mailing lists and should discuss if we want to migrate things over. The seneschal is waiting for more information on this option from kingdom level officers. However, people at the meeting noted that our current e-mail list works

better and is more reliable than the EK one, and it also defaults replies to the sender, and not the entire list.

Archer's Ford Report

15 people attended the meeting!

Officer Report

Herald: The herald's name & the brewing abbey's badge bounced. Alexander is redesigning the abbey's badge.

A&S: Looking for a deputy. Had a few new A&S projects start in prep for Pennsic

Exchequer: \$278.03 currently being held

Webmistress: Looking for a deputy. The website is up to code.

Seneschal: Looking for Deputy. The group is also looking for a new heavy marshall.

Old Business: the bylaws committee is doing, ok, with their first draft almost done. Preparations are underway for a regular Sunday social.

New Business: no new business at the time.

Demo's, Events, and Activities:

Dining with Lorenzo

We are currently working on dayboard for Artisan's Village. The current working document with menu is at: <http://1drv.ms/18EpDhW> . Over the summer we will be planning the feast for Shire Wars on the theme of King Harald's march to Stanford Bridge with English foraging

Artisan's village

The event has:

-Paid pre-reg: 28 adults, 3 kids, 25 for feast, and 14 for camping

-24 people are currently on the unpaid feast list. Naomi believes we will be close to the 80 cap for feast.

-41 people said they are attending on facebook (there is some overlap here with paid pre-reg)

Because the event is between two other large Southern region events (SRWC and Iron Bog Investiture), attendance is a bit low.

Dayboard will be prepared for 120 people, so there should be extra food to feed people with on Sunday for lunch.

There will also be dinner on Friday for the set-up crew.

William Graham bailed at the last minute on demonstrating brewing at the event. Alexander (and friends) will be taking his place, so our thanks go out to them!

Sabine will be playing music at the event.

There will be classes on Sunday, and a few villages will continue to demonstrate on Sunday as well.

Naomi has several above ground fire pits for Saturday night (and marshmallow)

Shire Wars

Update given by Alexander

The fee for the event site was given to the site on June 1st. Alexander viewed the site, looking it over with a fine tooth comb. He has pictures, and has been developing a sketch of a layout for the event set up. There are some areas that were not used last year that will be used this year. Some areas have also been upgraded.

Montvale asked Alexander when their share of the money is due. It was agreed at the meeting that they will be told that we need \$400 from them by Sept 1st.

Atlatl will be held at the event, and it will be in between archery and thrown weapons. Naomi noted that marshals will need to coordinate if the safety areas overlap. The plan is to have tournaments for the ranged weapons during the day. The Archery marshal is from Black Rose, with someone from Buckland Cross to support her. The Thrown weapons marshal is Matt from Archer's Ford. Dominic from Montvale is running atlatl.

There is small cathedral near the water for bards to make music. They will not need to make music in the hall, which had bad acoustics last year.

There is a new pavilion for outdoor A&S (depending on the weather)

Merchants will be placed outside, but next to the main hall.

Alexander asked Bhakail for help finding a heavy weapons marshal for the event. Alexander also asked their excellencies Bhakail to encourage the Royals to attend the event.

The plan is for fencing and heavy to alternate so that each will have time to use the field for a field battle, and then each will have a tournament when the other group is using the field. Alexander has a tentative schedule, but once he gets marshals, he can plan more

The Archer's Ford webmistress will be send updated info as soon as Alexander has it. She has some info already.

The goal is to get things in shape so we can start advertising the event by the end of June. Kathryn stressed the importance of pushing information out to people.

Scadians from Bright Hills Barony in Atlantia may attend. Aethelmearc has big event that weekend, so we will not get much attendance from them.

Brewing Event, Archer's Ford

Alexander presented the shires bid for their February (Saturday Feb. 27th) brewing event. This is a first reading, the bid will be submitted again in July or September with more information for a second vote. Lady Sibylla atte Blakeley is the autocrat, with Alexander as co-autocrat. There will be A&S classes, as well as brewing classes at the event. They are still looking for a site, but have an idea in mind (a bar!). The site must be cheap, and allow alcohol and have room for classes. If the shire has trouble finding a site, St. John's church is also an option. They hope that the budget will come in at \$500 max for the event. Everyone present voted in favor of the bid.

New Business

Alexander noted that he will be attending a meeting of Western region seneschals at an event the second weekend in June. They will be discussing the idea of advocating for the development of a formal Western region. This idea was discussed, and everyone at the meeting was in favor of this idea. There were no major objections. It would help the region because it would mandate that royal progress events would be held here. The Western region would just need to make sure to work together to put on these events successfully.

Sarah is trying to get an SCA club at West Chester college going. Naomi offered to do workshops there, she is an alum.

Elizabeth encouraged people to attend an event on July 20th in Settmore Swamp called "A day in the Solar" It is a donation event, with a potluck. There will be some classes, and a large fabric stash for people to look through.

Naomi raised the idea of encouraging TRH's to give out awards at shires if they attend events in those areas. She noted this would help TRM's. It might also encourage royalty to attend events in shires. This is not currently happening due to the number of baronial investitures.