

Council Meeting Minutes

Barony of Lions Gate

Minutes taken by: Briana

In attendance: Kevin, Mark, Roxanne, Don, Ylas, Duncan, Briana, Millicent, Emrys, Brynja, Gareth, Agnes, Russell, James Wolfden, Christim Fiona, Morweena, Sibhaidh, Crystal, Victoria

Minutes from last council added Dame Arianna is co-Steward for Canterbury Faire, not Master Kian. Acceptance of minutes with that change, moved, seconded and voted accepted.

SENESCHAL'S REPORT - Archos Morweena

Contracts were signed and sent for Thursday Rapier, Canterbury Faire, Baronesses Tourney, and a draft to the new Archery practice (in continuing business)
Contract sent back to WestWinds for Monday fight practice

Dates were released for Lions Stage and our previous date for Champions - new date booked for champions 2018

Premier events

I have received the scheduled premier events for all the branches in Tir Rig for 2018 and 2019.

As I expected the only free date in the "spring" for Champions for 2019 is the one we have this year, the first week of June.

The idea with these Premiere events is each branch gets one event were no other branch in Sir Rig can conflict

So - champions in 2019? June again? This will conflict with June Fair

Reporting was excellent.

Request that any officer with a talking point should put the item in the New Business sheet at Council, in case she misses it when prepping the Agenda.

Officer Terms

I have added my spreadsheet to the officer reports - seems I interchange your names so much those two columns are a mess- I will fix that

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Webminister is due in Jan - she is interested in staying on a year. This job requires a specific skill set and we should have her training a deputy

Chataline - this term is up in May

Background check Update

The three I submitted in August were not processed - I have resubmitted them and the kingdom officer has acknowledged receipt (Garet, James and Edwin Thorne)

Of these one is complete - I have continued to follow up

Insurance was ordered for Thursday Rapier and the new Monday practice

Email addresses

From the Kingdom Seneschal

would like to suggest to you a different way of handling your branch officer email. Some branches are already doing this, but for those that aren't -

Consider setting up gmail accounts for all your officers. Example:

nameofbranch.seneschal@gmail.com

nameofbranch.exchequer@gmail.com

I will discuss this with the Baron and our Web officer as it falls in their realm of expertise and report back

New Equestrian Waiver - we will need to add these to our webpage

These new forms are a combination of the the equestrian waiver and the non-member event waiver, so that now there is only ONE waiver that adults need to sign at equestrian events.

Non-equestrian events will continue to function with the regular waivers as they have in the past, but equestrian events will no longer require non-members to sign 2 waivers.

Attendees at equestrian events will fill out the gate sheet, and ALL attendees will sign the one equestrian waiver.

The An Tir versions with the same amount of lines as the standard gate sheets - but the legal text and wording were copied verbatim from the new waivers that were sent to the Kingdom Seneschals a few days ago.

You can find the new waivers on the An Tir Forms site, along with an instruction sheet and sample form.

<http://www.antir.sca.org/Pubs/forms/#equestrian>

EXCHEQUER'S REPORT – Her Ladyship Isabeau Fiona the Archer

Financial Results 2017

On income of \$40433.29 and expenses of \$35288.30, we have a net gain of \$5144.99 for 2017. These are unofficial numbers until after the fourth quarter reporting is completed.

- Receivables carried forward: \$375
 - \$50 Thursday practice float (to be carried over to 2018)
 - \$175 general supplies (to be solved shortly)
 - \$150 deposit to City of Maple Ridge for The Trials 2018
- The prepaid expenses for the Public Storage were used up at the end of December, giving us the month of January 2018 for free.
- **Practices:**
 - December site fee invoices will be paid this month. All income from remaining practices was deposited in the 2017 financial year except for December Thursday practices which is expected today. The final accounting of the practice year will be available at next Council, however overall it looks like it will come out pretty close to breaking even.

Projects Still Underway

- Seeking approval for a new year of prepaid locker with Public Storage. The monthly rent cost has increased by \$33.60 per month over last year.
- Fourth Quarter financial report is underway though not yet complete.
- Budget 2018 – officer/department feedback
- Financial Policy update – to follow when Kingdom and Principality have completed updates.
- Customary review

Available Funds

As of January 1st, 2018, total available funds were \$20 519.61 which include the following Special Funds:

- Archery \$298.76

- Baronial Pavilion \$3672.90
- Baronial Thrones \$180.00

PAST EVENTS

There were no events between November's Council and this month's.

FUTURE EVENTS

Langley Fundamental Demo

Monday, Feb 19, 2018

Event Steward: Baroness Catrina

Set up is 5:15, Potluck then Demo is 6-9pm. All stations are sorted, with some spares, no additional volunteers needed at this time.

Canterbury Fayre

March 24, 2018

Event Steward: James Wolfden

Little issues with Kingdom Event page, but could edit info on page. We are in the Shannon Hall only, not Alice McKay building as well.

Calling for instructors, contact HL Tanikh (eg class - History of Lions Gate taught by Briony) Three class streams: A&S (prefer practical courses); Bardic; Novus

Holding three Championships. James is working with Minister of A&S re-sign ups, etc, single entrants are welcomed as well as overall, but will need to declare beforehand so requisite judges may be found

There will be a hospitality area at Gate; elsewhere on site a Family craft area and Bardic storytime space; possible tavern in the evening; no largesse competition this year but there will be display space for A and S.

This event will also host the lost and found auction and Baronial library sale.

Merchants are most welcome, contact James Wolfden to make arrangements.

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Tir Righ Heraldic and Scribal Symposium

April 7, 8, 2018

Event Steward: Wulfstan & Caemgen

If there is additional classroom space we will have general A&S classes.

There will be dayfood and a potluck revel in the evening.

Sealion War

May 25-27, 2018

Event Steward: Master Gareth

Event will be at Island 22, the EIF being filled out by the Senechal.

We are going to war, we don't know why yet.

Champions Tourney

June 1-3, 2018

NEED BID

Tournament of Armies

Aug 3-6, 2018

NEED BID

Trials

Sept 14-16, 2018

Event Steward: Catrina and Brynja

Event will be at Albion Fairgrounds. Lancers and Foresters will be trying, we need applicants for Sgrty, etc. Site tokens are already done

Baronial Banquet

Oct 20, 2018

NEED BID

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Baronesses Inspiration Tourney

November 17, 2018

Event Steward: Maminka and Theodora

Event will be at Shannon and Alice McKay Halls.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

Financial Policy Update

Principality and Kingdom are in process of updating financial policies, and we need to consider raising the limit of our discretionary funds in order to cover such expenses as short notice activation of named insurance, etc.

Customary Update

This is ongoing.

LG Pavilion

Baron is going to be handing off pursuing and investigating purchase.

Contract for Practice site

Victoria new contract looks good.

Officer Vacancies

Family Officers – No applicants

Lists - Posted looking for deputy

Games - Posted

YAC - looking for replacement, issues with the background checks slowing any possible applicants

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Bardic and Librarian – discussion tabled to Customary Update

Chamberlain: looking for an Inventory for each Officer: you have till a week prior to Feb Council to send your Inventory lists to Chamberlain. Chamberlain is also having to step down soon, and so we will need a replacement.

NEW BUSINESS

Legal issues

Don: Under the Societies act of BC, extra-provincial societies need to have resident legal advice, and it appears the SCA Inc does not have this in place. If the SCA is not in compliance, it puts a lot of people at risk if the insurance coverage is brought into question.

Mark: There is a provincial body: SCABC it should be coming under that. Some surprise from the membership, as this was not known before.

Seneschal: will investigate with the Principality seneschal moving forward regarding our branch and the Principality's legal status, (extra-provincial corporation or registered provincial society) and the implications thereto.

12th Night Marshal's Meeting

Garet: We need to add 2-3 minutes to armoured combat inspections, to allow for proper helmet padding checks.

CORONET REPORT

Looking forward to getting into the swing of things.

NEXT MEETING

Date: February 28, 2018

Location: VanCity Coquitlam

OFFICER REPORTS

Arts & Science – Millecent of Eaglescliff

- The December Black Kettle cooks' meeting was held on December 13, 2017. Attendance: ~6
- The A&S Social and Scriptorium was held on December 6, 2017. Attendance: ~9
- The January Black Kettle cooks' meeting was held on January 10, 2018. Attendance: ~6
- The January A&S Social was held on January 17, 2017. Attendance: 5
- I am preparing for the Baronial Bardic and A&S Championships at Canterbury Fair.

Bardic - Her Ladyship Briana nic h'Eusaidh

some discussion last month on removing this position - tabled to customary update

Dance - Adelia Danica

No report

Games - Master Nicolai

No report

Scribe – Ciana dei Libri

December we had a Scribal night and we had many brand new scribes! I think we had about 8 people painting, some experienced, some brand new and we had a couple of people working on Calligraphy. Work is continuing on charters and scrolls for the Barony. Next Scribal night is January 31 at the Scribe's House.

Chamberlain – Russel of Danscombe

Sent out a request for offices inventory for the february meeting.

That is all.

Chatelaine – Ragnvald Argolieason

No report.

Chronicler – Laird James Irvein

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Thank you for your patience while I have been dealing with health issues. Hopefully I will return to fully functional soon. I have asked Angela to take the minutes for January.

Equestrian – Her Ladyship Briana nic h'Eusaidh

There were no practices or events with equestrian participation since November council.

There were four Lions Gate members at the equestrian meeting at Twelfth Night, and some good networking occurred there. It is always good to reconnect with the participants and officers from other parts of the Kingdom.

In administrative news, there have been changes to main gate waivers for equestrian events, which removes a step in sign-ins at any event where the equestrian insurance has been activated, which makes gate more streamlined for all attendees. There have also been changes to the authorisation paperwork, and I am working to update all authorisations currently on file. I will be delivering the updated authorisations to the secretary at Ursulmas, so they will be updated in the database shortly thereafter.

According to the forms I have on file, Lions Gate has had 52 authorised riders and ground crew participate at events and practices in the last 4 years. We are working on driving authorisations for several individuals, other special authorisations for mounted combat and crest combat, and junior marshal authorisations for eight. We will very likely see a minimum of another four senior equestrian marshals made this year, as experienced equestrians become familiar with the Kingdom expectations for the position. We remain the only branch equestrian program that has a perfect safety record, and we endeavour to see that this remains the standard for Lions Gate and for Tir Righ, as equestrian expands into the rest of the Principality.

We are still awaiting confirmation of a signed contract and activation of the equestrian insurance for the dates requested for Practices (Feb 11, Mar 18, Apr 22, June 24, July 15, Aug 19, Oct 7, Oct 28, Nov 18, Dec 9). Due to not having location or insurance confirmed, I was unable to submit these practice dates to the Kingdom Equestrian Officer's calendar. As soon as it is in place, we are champing at the bit to get moving on our mounted gaming and skills development.

This looks to be a busy year for our growing aspect of historical recreation. There will be equestrian representation at our annual demo at Langley Fundamental School in February. We have been asked to supply some equestrian equipment to the Shire of Thornwood for their Sir Eddie's Memorial Tourney event, May 4-6, and our hosting of SeaLion War at Island 22 enables us to have equestrian activities at this event as well. Champions Tourney and TOA's sites are yet to be decided, but if equestrian is possible

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there, I will offer my services as soon as the locations are decided and if the option exists. It has proven a popular and expansive addition to Lions Gate's hallmark event, so I am hopeful that it will be in the plan for this year as well. As soon as a bid for Trials is approved, we will know how Eq will function for that event as well.

In addition, there is the excellent potential for Equestrian activities to be included in May Crown, to be hosted by Ramsgaard. The KEO is excited about the possibility and will be the EMiC, with support from his Pricipality deputy. If this ends up a go, I'd like permission to offer Lions Gate's Equestrian equipment for the event, as none of the branches more local to the site have equestrian functionality as of yet.

I have included a copy of our inventory list, for the records of Chamberlain, as was requested.

Family Activities Coordinator - Vacant

No report.

Minister of Stables – His Lordship Brynmor Raven

Weekly Practices:

The Tuesday practice is maintaining consistent attendance and no injuries have been reported for this quarter. Cloverdale site contract ended 31 Dec 2017 . A new practice site is pending for Jan.

Events:

Dec 2017 Baronesses (i have left out appropriate titles)

Semi finals Brynmor Raven with Wulfwyn of Meduseld .Winner Brynmor Raven

Cyneric Bearson with Percival Christianson, Winner : Cyneric Bearson

Final: Brynmor Raven with Cyneric Bearson

Winner: Brynmor Raven

Archery – Her Ladyship Delwyn verch Ynyr

We've had a total of 5 practices in the new location, 3 this year and all have been very well attended. (22-25 ppl). Once I have confirmed volunteers / marshals, we will look to start up our Thursday evening practices, hopefully by the end of Feb or early March. Initial reviews of the new location have been very positive - folks like shooting (and throwing) indoors.

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We've had several new to the SCA attendees per week as well (2-3 ppl) with more looking to attend in the coming weeks.

Blades - Master Cian O'Rhudrhi

I have attached the December report, which goes up to Dec 21. As we have only had one practice thus far in January, I will be including those numbers into next month's report.

The Thursday Rapier practice had an average attendance of 10 people between Nov and Dec 21.

I have sent the December funds to council totalling \$200.

If there are any questions please feel free to reply to me.

Arrow making workshops and TAM classes are being organized as well and will start happening in the next month or so, thanks to all those who've offered to teach or provide a location for the workshops to occur.

Thrown Weapons - Duncan

Since our last council we have held no events.

Our transition to the new location at Taisca Stables was smooth and everyone is enjoying the new set-up.

We have had weekly practices on dec 10, dec 17 a break over christmas and then resumed practices jan 7, 17 and 21st. With an average attendance of about 10 throwers.

I have attendance sheets and cash for the joined archery/tw practices to hand in at council.

Our new hard target frames have been working really well and we have 10 new rounds coming soon courtesy of HL Jaqueline Lafluer.

All in all 2018 has started very well

Youth Armoured Combat – Lady Sibhaidh

Nothing to report.

Sable Loat - Caemgen mac Garbith

No report.

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Officer Position	SCA name	Officer Name	Date of office change	Date due	
Seneschal	Morweena	Marion Drakos	May 17	May 19	
Deputy seneshal	Caemgen	Kevin Garvey	Sep 16	Sep 18	
Exchequer	Isabeau Fiona the archer	Tamala Arm	Apr 17	Apr 19	
Chamberlain	Russell Cam-beul O'Danescombe	Russell Campbell	Jul 17	Jul 19	
Sable Loat	Laric	Mike Cole	Jun 17	Jun 19	
MOS	Kevin Sass	Brynmore Raven	Oct 16	Oct 18	
Archery	Kim Laven	Delwyn Verch Ynyr	Sep 15	Jul 18	Extended
Blades	Jason Homfeld	Kian O'Ruadhri	Feb 17	Feb 19	
YAC	Angela Gallant	Sibhaidh of Lough Neagh		Aug 18	Extended
Lists	Joanne Loney	Cassandra Wineday	Nov 16	Nov 18	
Equestrian	Nancy Hedge	Briana nic h'Eusaidh	Feb 17	Feb 19	
Chronicler	Katherine Irvine	James Irvine	Jan 17	Jan 19	
Liberian					
Webminsters	Karen Meijer-Kline	Jakemina arrowmakre	Jan 16	Jan 18	
A&S	Tina Johnson	Millicent of Eaglescliff	Apr 17	Apr 19	
Bardic	Nancy Hedge	Briana nic h'Eusaidh			
Dance	Lisa Boorman	Adelicia	Jun 17	Jun 19	
Games	Doug Loney	Master Nikoil		Oct 17	Posted
Chatelaine	Lee Hartley	Ragnvald Argoli	May 16	May 18	
Gold Key					
Scibe	Ciana dei Libri	Anneka Homefeld	Feb 17	Feb 19	
TUTR	Tanikh bint Farida	Jo Burrows	Nov 17	Nov 19	
Families	Vacant				Posted
Thrown	Duncan	David Graham	Aug 17	Aug 19	

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TUTR - Vacant

No Report.

Webminister – Lady Jakemina Arwemakere

Updated regular practice and archery practice addresses, and upcoming events