

## **Seneschale Report -HL Ceara inghean ui Mhadadhain**

- 1) There's a new Seneschale in town.
- 2) Goldkey is officially under new management.
- 3) Bids still needed for events.
- 4) Cloverdale has been booked for the next six months, we need 16 people at each practice to break even, but things are looking good for attendance.
- 5) Lions Gate submitted the financial policy in June, to the principality for approval, but haven't heard back. They may rework a few things now.
- 6) Ursalmas needs volunteers for gate. Got a new person in charge, and a new system, and they need help.
- 7) Calendar and event scheduling difficulties – because of shuffling and restacking events, the, calendar is chaotic.

James: At 12<sup>th</sup> Night it was confirmed that a barony can only have three events on the kingdom calendar (level 1 events). You need a minimum of one level 1 event a year, to hold baronial status, but you can't exceed three. This doesn't stop you from having more events (level 2 or 3), just not more level 1.

Ceara: TirRigh is in the process of rewriting their calendar policy, so that each group (shire, barony) can keep one weekend as "theirs." Traditionally, the August Long Weekend has "belonged" to Lions gate.

- 8) Positions need to be filled – crier listings need to be filled in.

## **Watch – Garet Doiron**

Nothing to report. No injuries. No deaths. No events attended for this period. Looking forward to WAR & Tourney season.

## **Exchequer – Her Ladyship Anika Steif**

Exchequer post is still open and looking for applications.

### **Lions Gate Exchequer Report January 2011**

**As of January 27, 2011 the bank balance is \$10,871.45**

**Approx. expenses for the remainder of the year .....\$10,425 (approx)**

(Note, all expenses include paying for January and/or first quarter of 2012)

1. Cloverdale Rodeo  
    Fight practice .....\$3,400.00 (approx)
2. Masonic Hall

Bransles (January).....	\$1,612.80
3. Public Storage	
Baronial locker (January).....	\$2,808.96
4. Sapperton Hall	
Rapier practices 1st quarter.....	\$2,600.00

**Receivables.....\$832.00**

1. Bransle float.....	\$100
2. Baronial Banquet hall deposit.....	\$200 (Miriam has it)
3. Baroness' Tourney hall deposit .....	\$500
4. NSF cheque.....	\$32

**Chamberlain – Her Ladyship Algae McBeign**

No report submitted.

**Sable Loat Pursuivant (Herald) – Lord Caemgen mac Garbith ui Andrais**

Nothing to report. Looking for deputies. Someone I can rely on to doing voice heraldry, if my voice fails during court.

**Stables – Sergeant Dalibor Krivoklatsky**

No report submitted.

**Archery – Her Ladyship Delwyn verch Ynyr**

Jacqueline: Archery going from alternate weeks, to weekly practices at Cloverdale until the weather improves. Newcomers are showing up.

**Blades – Acting Master of Blades - Lady Malie Rennick of Lions Gate:**

Master of Blades position is open and accepting applications.  
Guillemin suddenly had to step down, due to life getting in the way.

Practice numbers have been up, with a semi-regular attendance from our brethren in the Seattle area (Don Talon, Don Gracion and Christopher Stanley came up last week). Guillemin has stepped down as MoB, and I've stepping into the position in an acting capacity until such time as a replacement is decided upon. No accidents or injuries to report that I'm aware of. Rapier fighters have also started attending the Cloverdale Heavy practice, which means nothing but good things for the upcoming Tourney Season. LIONS GATE SMASH!!

### **Lists – Dame Elena de Maisnilwarin**

Dame Elena has stepped down, and Catrin has stepped up. I have a big box of lists shields that we need to white over and make new ones. Some discussion ensued about the possibly of archiving the shields, and that may transpire before they're reused.

### **Chronicler – Lady Winifryd Euphemia Doiron**

Minutes and North Wind from last month went out. I've received nothing for North Wind for this month – please get it in. I have a few pet projects I need time to work on, which I'll probably announce next month if I get a chance to finish the leg work first. I'll be looking for a deputy soon, so we can have a smoother transition for next time.

### **Library – Her Ladyship Maeda no Kiko Mariko**

Note to Chronicler – contact Librarian to instruct.

### **Arts and Science – Lady Myrrim de Lancaster**

#### **Events:**

Scribal workshops are continuing on the third Sunday of each month under the able tutelage of Aelana Cordovera. Over the Xmas holidays there was a scribal retreat where practice was held in painting illuminated capitals (Aelana), whitework by HL Tamsyn, chancery hand calligraphy with Margaret, and scroll designing led by Hlaefdige Thora. We are very grateful to her for travelling and helping us with plans for designs for the new scrolls for our Baron and Baroness.

#### **Upcoming:**

There are two new workshops being planned for February and April. One is an Anglo Saxon Persona Day of discussions and sharing. Mereigha and Aedla will be coming up from Shittenwoode to help us with this as well as Aelana and Wulfstan. The day will end with a potluck dinner. All personas are invited.

Pewter workshop coming up in March or April. It had to be postponed due to mundane problems. There is still room in the class for about three people.

I understand there will be A&S classes held at Winter Defenders, but I don't have any details.

### **Bardic – Her Ladyship Sionann in Ui Fhlaithbheartaig**

Bardic now open for applications.

Winter Defenders is coming up. Contact James for more information. As of Saturday, I'm moving to Abbotsford and will have to step down from this position.

### **Bransle – Her Ladyship Sionann in Ui Fhlaitbheartaig**

No bransles for Dec. and Jan. I was unable to get a hold of the hall in time to confirm January booking. There will be a bransles in Feb. I will also have to step down from the bransle. Jacqueline has volunteered to take over.

More discussion about what to do with bransles, as they mostly lose money. Some ideas include doing it every three months instead, or having a tavern night. Chang volunteered to run a tavern if needed.

More discussion about the format of the bransles, trying to reincorporate workshops or dance, or giving people something to do. Seeing if we can ask people why they don't come to the bransles, some debate about whether bransles are better or worse for newcomers to the SCA.

### **Dance – HL Rhiannon ap Gwynedd**

No report submitted.

### **Games – Her Ladyship Mary Ostler**

No report submitted.

### **Chatelaine – Lady Sage Mcleod**

We had a great newcomers' session at the beginning of the month and I now have 4 Chatelaine deputies to help me out. Their names are: Brenna, Sheila, Tracy, and Isabell/Trisha. We are looking at getting some classes going, handing out fliers and/or possible mini demo.

### **Scribe – Her Ladyship Aelena Cordovera**

No report submitted.

### **Webminister – Lady Malie Rennick**

Nothing to report.

James: Made some changes to the website. Put the baron/baroness email more prominent. Added more dates including Winters Defenders and February Investiture (in March)

### **Other Business:**

#### **Banquet:**

We made money: \$83.22

#### **Winter Defenders:**

Kevin: I have things on the go. A couple people discussed teaching classes. Possibly a tavern. In discussion with Stables and Blades about tournies. I hope to have a rough class list up in the next week, and a tourney schedule. Otherwise good to go. It will be held at the Mason's Hall

#### **February Investiture in March:**

There was some confusion between Morweena and Anika, and the hall has been paid for except for the deposit. Wulfstan and Bernie will be hosting a party, with Anika running a tavern. As it is a catering hall, and we have a cash bar, no outside alcohol is allowed. Still working out the schedules, and their majesties would like to come. Rapier would have to have a tourney on Sat. We have access to the kitchen, purely to get water for the fighters. No other use of the kitchen is permitted.

Further discussion about lay-out of ready rooms, and needing assistance with gate. Ylas volunteered to run gate. Wendy volunteered to assist (in alternation with Watch duties).

#### **TOA**

Callen has agreed to come back for another year! There still needs to be consultation on how it will be named. Callen would also like a deputy, with an eye to that deputy becoming Event Steward next year, with Callen shadowing him/her as needed.

We had approximately 300 in attendance last year, estimates maybe closer to 400 this year. We still need to work out our budget.

Some discussion on extending the length of the event. The park is available from the Wednesday to the Monday encompassing the August Long Weekend. We don't need to book all of it, but it's available for our use should we desire it to be. Options include a more leisurely set-up, or an extension of the event with classes on the week days, and the main fighting on the weekend.

There was much support for the extension of the event.

Kevin also suggested having their majesties talk to Lionsdale and formally request the use of a portion of their lands.

## **Langley Fundamental Middle School Demos**

Feb. 15 18:00.

It's happening. Come help.

### **A&S considerations:**

Myrrim voiced some concerns that A&S is starting to take a back seat again. James reassured her that this is not the case, and that four of the five events on the calendar are incorporating all aspects of the barony, but that Winter Defenders which is A&S Defender and Bardic Defender may be the only event without room for the fighting streams. However, James would like to see some A&S incorporated into the fighting – a Rapier Best Dressed, for example. The reason why Winter Defenders did not seem A&S heavy at the moment is because the classes have not been worked out yet.

### **The End of the Great Eric Project**

Jacqueline: Edric is alive, and has promised to send design files. There are two more images for the last two erics, whose funds have been raised, but we need the files to print the last two erics.

### **The Calendar needs to be rearranged, desperately.**

Anika: calendar needs to be changed, Summer defenders should not be the weekend before TOA

James: looking at the schedule, we're a bit crammed in July/August.

Ceara proposed the idea of creating a special meeting specifically to hash out the specifics of the calendar.

### **Baronial Scholarship**

James: At 12<sup>th</sup> night there was an idea of a barony offering a scholarship, to a warlord, or a heavy champion, to go to Sport of Kings/Art of War. Perhaps we could offer this as a prize to the winner of TOA. Idea was well received, looking at logistics of cost/travel/interest.