

Lions Gate Baronial Council Minutes

April 23, 2008 at 7:30pm

Chair: HL Uilliam mac Fearchair mhic Gillie Aindrias (Seneschal)

Minutes: Lady Caitrina inghean Aindriasa (Gold Key)

Location: Home of HL Uilliam mac Fearchair mhic Gillie Aindrias
17 people present

Officer Reports

Seneschal – Uilliam:

Nothing new to report. Discussion on whether new Counsel Site will work. Concerns with cat allergies. Nothing decided.

Demo Coordinator – Aelana:

Very busy, not many Newcomers from Demos but still encouraging.

Watch - Jon and Gold Key – Caitrina:

Nothing new to report.

Ambassador - Kenneth:

Fall Coronet in Eisenmarche may need to change date as site is not available. Donatello is offering his farm as a site for event so the date may still be saved.

The three groups now have an “Autocrat School”.

Lionsdale champions coming up and have asked if Lions Gate if they can offer volunteers.

Practices for Lionsdale moving outdoors on May 14th. No more target, combat archery only.

Clinton was a yes on Lions Gate and Lionsdale taking on all comers, Cannot confirm if Eisenmarche is included as their meeting is not till tomorrow night.

Exchequer –Anika:

Balance as of April 23, 2008 is \$8,776.88 with \$55.00 dedicated to Baronial Chairs.

Chronicler – Aristophanes:

Not present

Would like anyone who has extensive collections of North Wind back issues to please contact him as he is trying to digitize a complete collection to CD and is missing a number of Issues. Said CD's will be available for sale once the project is complete.

Sable Loat Pursuivant (Herald) –Aline:

Not present

Has created a “Demo Package” for Heraldry. Information and activities in an easy to transport / store binder. Can be utilized even in a Herald is not available to attend a Demo.

Stables (Marshall) – Cyneric:

Not present

No Lions Gate events this month, practice going well. Armor inspection last Monday to ensure fighters are ready for tourney season.

Rapier – Warrick:

Not present – have report from Sina (reporting deputy)

Little to report, worth noting that more fighters are attending Monday night practice in Cloverdale.

Two injuries reported for April.

Planning a Rapier War practice at Lions Gate Defenders.

Have acquired a free steel locker. Needs some repairs and paint but will mean Warrick will be able to secure items and not have to haul them around with him all the time.

Archery – James:

Outdoor season has started. Thursday in Burnaby, Monday night continuing as well.

Arts & Sciences – John:

A very quiet month but after the March we had that's a good thing.

March 28 - Bransel: taught some kumihimo and worked with some of the newbies from the Science World Demo. The Hair Club for Women was active compliments of Lady Sina.

April 16 – King George School Demo coordinated by Aelana Cordovera. Thanks to Aelana, Dr. Carus for his Alchemical display and lectures, Vivien of Shaftsbury's stick weaving.

Games report - Kerry:

March 28 – Bransel: Games table was very busy between the regular players and the many newbies that joined in for the fun.

Bardic report – Zulu:

April 12 – Tir Righ Spring Coronet – newest Bardic Champion is Lady Sionann in Ui Fhlaithbheartiag of Lions Gate.

Dance report – (vacant):

Office currently empty.

Chatelaine – Genevieve:

Not present

In contact with several newcomers via email and phone. One from the Science World Demo and a couple “new to us” newcomers.

Pied Piper – vacant: One person interested but no application.

Chamberlain:

Not present – no report

Dragonward - vacant:

Events and Other Business

SYGC - Jason: Warner Loat not available for desired dates. Sons of Norway want us back and are offering to beat any bid anywhere. Want to accommodate whatever we need. Camping, archery, fighting, etc. Cost depends on the amount of people, approx \$150 to \$200 for the weekend but willing to prorate if small turnout due to distance to site (Mission). Site has large area for camping, bon fire, rentable cabins, pool and working showers. Site owner asked and is fine with Lions Gate carrying their own insurance. Site owner would also like a fight demo on June 21, under 14 people. Rahil to set it up.

Uilliam and Jason to talk about site fees to have published before April 28th. Vote on money next counsel. Note about Warner Loat – new policy about summer bookings. You have to book in October the year before.

May Bardic - James:

Need check for hall rental. Site tokens 300 individual approx \$50.00. 3 Bardic defenders so far. James crafting market stalls to make site look like street market. Merchant stalls will be displaying A&S. Will be encouraging more jugglers and start advertising more on the list. Games being set up for non competitors. Picnic auction (money going towards Baronial chairs). Chocolate Glockhaus game. Royal Heirs will be on site.

Discussion - Feeling of having separate Defenders events a week apart from each other is that Bardic needs something to ensure larger turn out but having Marshal Defenders separate allows people to compete in both. Concern is that people will suffer event burnout. Possibility to merge Bardic and A&S. To be revisited for next season.

\$300. Gate float – voted on.... Passed.

Far Speaker – Elena:

Not present

Elena not getting a lot of response from other branch seneschals. Approx 74 people have responded to Elena's requests. Azure to scan old farspeakers and send to Uilliam to help. No deadline to be set yet.

Kingdom Bardic – Aine:

Coming along, couple of autocrat meetings being set up. Date Sept 22nd. Shannon to do up website. Tir Righ U to be going on this event. Dean being contacted and teachers this week. After investiture there will be meeting of autocrat team.

Sept Coronet:

Royals requested to be able to have event in Lions Gate. Concern that this is two weeks before Kingdom Bardic and we may be stretching volunteers too thin. Eisenmarche will possibly be putting in a bid tomorrow night and Uilliam will look at getting Lionsdale involved. Uilliam to ask Donatello if there is something we can do to help parents on their land (i.e. Costs incurred due to so many of our events being on their land).

Defenders Gate Float:

\$300 – voted on... passed.

NSCA:

Reminder that membership renewals are due. Heavily mandated that every branch have a rep, usually the Seneschal. Looking for volunteers. Azure going to think about it.

Clinton – Amanda:

Baron Griffin - Will hear from Eisenmarche at their meeting tomorrow if they will be in with the three branches against the world.

Rental fee \$9.00 per adult, \$4 per child, **\$16 per family** same as last year depending on what Barony decides what the site fee will be. Site owners concerned that people will not be able to afford to go if site fee goes up. Deposit \$1500... \$1000 for float

Officer's point possibly moved to the "triangle". A&S competition being discussed. Suggestion (Uilliam) brewing contest (Tir Righ brewer's guild). Baroness Caitrin - Flying things. Need to discuss with Lionsdale and Eisenmarche. Looking for ways to have photocopying done cheaply. Malcolm will be there wanting to train someone to take over what he does. Looking for someone to take on being in charge of parking lot. Looking for teachers for classes.

Baron Griffin – Jordan has volunteered to produce war tokens for Clinton war.

Chang – Clinton committee tackling issues with site improvements for next year.

Constitution – John:

Discussion. Uilliam - Need financial policy in place and list of financial committee members as per Kingdom and SCA Law.

John going to talk to Baron & Baroness and Uilliam to get things started. Much discussion on being transparent. John to have something ready for next counsel.

Baronial Coronet Business – Baron Griffin and Baroness Caitrin:

Nothing to add.

Meeting adjourned at 9:52pm