

Lions Gate Council – September 25th, 2013

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Seneschale Report – Caitrina inghean Aindriasa

- To accomplish both the Council meeting and the start of the Baronial Polling, it's been requested that the final piece of business tonight be the official opening of the polls. If you absolutely cannot wait till after the meeting please make yourselves known now.
- I will ask those assembled to please refrain from interrupting and raise your hand if you have a question so that we can get through tonight's meeting as quickly as possible.
- Since our last meeting, the Baronial Storage Locker was broken into. We will have an official report in due time but I would personally like to thank Jacqueline and Fiona who spent their day off at the locker to work with the Facility Manager and the RCMP. As far as we are aware, two crossbows were the only items removed from the locker.
- After spending a couple of days helping our Exchequer with the Baronial file clean-up it was clear that we are not doing too well in regards to record keeping. For each event there should be a "cradle to grave" record in the file. This includes, site contracts, event bid, gate sheets, cheque requests for float, third party invoices, etc. Any paperwork generated by an event should be turned into the Exchequer for the official files. Also, it would be very helpful if Event Stewards could ensure that their gate volunteers are filling out the gate sheets completely with the name of the event as well as date including year on ALL gate sheets. This includes the required info on the waivers. We found many that were not only not filed but couldn't be due to no event listed nor a date to give us a clue as to what event the sheets were for. Most others had to be researched on the Kingdom Calendar to find out what year they were for.
- I have a tentative contract agreement with Cloverdale for the 2014 fight practices which will have us once again in the Agriplex. I have given a copy to the Fight Practice coordinator as well as the practice committee to see how close they believe they will be able to meet next year's financial commitment to remain at Cloverdale or if a new site will have to be found. I think it's wonderful how so many have stepped up to help keep our practice going.

Officer Items of Note: For those unfamiliar with our new Council policy, only items which need immediate attention are read out at Council. The officer reports are available for anyone to read at the meeting and the reports in their entirety are posted in the official minutes. This leaves more time for us to discuss regular and new business.

Past Events

None.

Upcoming events:

Imaginarius Fantasticus Demo // November 16 - 17

Baroness' Inspirational Tournament // November 30 // Duke Ulfr

Other Business

Demos

Lions Gate 'fantable' at V-Con (Oct. 4 – 6th, 2013)– James Wolfden

Langley Fundamental Middle School (LFMS) Demo (Feb. 24, 2014)

B&B's Report

Close to the close of our reign – any award recommendations, please submit them.

Offices Seeking Application:

- Baronial Bard (Vacant)
- Baronial Archer (Vacant)
- Baronial Rapier (Blades) (Term ending Feb2014)
- Chronicler (Term ending Nov2013)

- Dance (Vacant)
- Deputy Exchequer (Term ending Nov2013)
- Family Activities Coordinator (Vacant)
- Games (Term ending Dec2013)
- Gold Key (Vacant)
- Librarian (Term ending Nov2013)

Exchequer – Fiona the Archer

The bank balance, as of today, is : _\$11,538.28

Public storage has been paid up to the end of October.

Justice Institute of BC has been paid up to the end of August.

Cloverdale Rodeo & Exhibition has been paid up to the end of August and a \$1000 deposit for the September to December contract has been paid.

It is time for the exchequer to order more cheques from the Royal Bank.

The NMS for TOA and Tir Righ Investiture has been sent.

The income from SYG & C, and Tir Righ Investiture has been deposited to the LG account.

The 75% of profit for Tir Righ Investiture cheque and the report have been sent to the Tir Righ Exchequer. One outstanding invoice was estimated for, and will be passed on when we receive it. The \$150 site deposit was returned in the Autocrat's name, so it has been sent back to have it issued in the Barony's name for proper deposit.

Baronial locker:

On September 11, the Exchequer was contacted by Public Storage to inform us that the locker had been broken into the previous evening. A suspect was seen with two crossbows in his possession that evening, but the proprietor did not suspect anything until after the break-in's were discovered. They requested that we inspect the locker to see what was taken. That afternoon Kirsten Masse and Tamala Arm went to the locker to see. Inspection of the locker showed that very little had been disturbed other than a few bins were not on the shelf straight, the first aid kit was pulled down, and the crossbows that usually sit on top of the targets, were gone. Other archery equipment was at Kirsten's for repair. The rapier locker was not opened. The Seneshale and Chamberlain were consulted. Due to its size, our locker has three doors across one side, each one with its own hasp (quite sturdy) and lock on the hallway side of the doors. Only one door has an alarmed sensor on it. Cheryl at Public Storage proposed that the hasp mechanism be mounted on the INSIDE of the locker for the doors we use less often, allowing us to open them (from the inside) for better access and keep the locks away from hall exposure. This would leave only one exposed padlock on the alarmed door. She had workmen right there to perform the change, so we agreed. Public storage provided us with a new lock to replace the cut one, at no cost to us. It should be noted that they also offered a larger round latch cut-proof lock first, but after discovering that no copies of the key could be made we opted for a sturdy common lock design. After examination it was determined that the door on one side was too close to the current rack position to allow the change to be made before the rack was repositioned, though they did offer to cut a section of the supports away! The current temporary solution is that we have a round latch padlock on one hall side hasp on a side door, the middle door has a new lock (hall side) and the third door is latched on the inside with our original lock. Both new locks have been gifted to us. Just as a temporary precaution the hall side padlocked second door has a jury-rigged second alarm sensor for now.

Upper management at Public storage suggested that we make a police report. The theft was called in and an officer met with Tamala and Kirsten at the site. A description of the missing crossbows was given and an offer to send some pictures and written description was well received.

A work party is required to unpack and move the shelf unit impeding the changes on the third locker door, to improve security for the locker.

Chamberlain – Johanna van der Velde

Sable Loat Pursuivant (Herald) – Gareth Doiron

No heraldic activity over the last period.

Master of Stables – Griffin

All is well. Fight practice is growing again and preparing to move indoors. The monthly Tourney has returned and there is a lot of drills and technique training happening.

Will soon be handing the reins over to Sgt Miles.

Archery – VACANT

Missile Combat – Elora of Spain

Missile Combat: An impromptu fun tournament was hosted at Odin's Playground. Several competitors had never shot war arrows before; including the winner, Wulfric.

Upcoming: research is being done to confirm space and safety buffers to also have combat archery and war thrown weapons practice at Tuesday fight practice in Cloverdale.

Thrown weapons: nothing to report.

Upcoming: practice and a competition (pending official practice confirmation) will be held in conjunction with the Tuesday fight practice in Cloverdale October 8th. Further practices will be announced pending collaboration with the other disciplines.

Master of Blades – Mattias Blennerhasset

Attendance is floating between 5-12 depending on night. We've kept the price at \$5 and it's still averaging more than enough to cover the JIBC rental.

\$430 was collected in the two months between July 25th and September 19th, and will be turned in at Council on September 25th.

No reportable injuries or incidents.

Lists & Heavy Practice Co-ordinator – VACANT

Chronicler – Wymarcha Hektanah Doiron

Minutes up to date as of tonight; will be working on a new newsletter next week.

Library – Ylas

Arts and Science – Aelana Cordovera

Relaxing and damp weekend at Odin's Playground where I learned to light the camp stove and cook bacon and scrambled eggs for seven people.

Tanikh was in hospital twice this month, so I was busy visiting her and feeding the cat.

Also I started back to work in the evenings, so won't make the next two meetings, also I am preparing for Tir Righ Arts & Sciences, with full documentation on

Anglo Saxon Book and Cirlet and Paper on "Tools and Techniques".

Book Binding Course will start next month, and I need it to be recorded in the minutes that I have been discussing with the Barony over the last three Council meetings if the students are going to get TUTR credit for the Courses.

Also I will be setting up a Metal Decoration Workshop in October as soon as I hear back from Wilhelm and the other teachers. Please see that this discussion gets into the minutes too.

Bardic – VACANT

Dance – VACANT

Dance practice – needs more attendance to keep in BC Housing place. But too many might start charging us. 20ish/night would be perfect attendance.

Games – Uilliam MacAndrew

Nothing happened since last report. I will be teaching "Medieval Board Games" at Tir Righ A&S/B this coming weekend.

Chatelaine – Tamsyn le Rous

Scribe – Marie de Cheriseye la foret

On Sunday, 22nd September, we held a Scribal Arts Day covering goldleaf (thanks to HL Aelana), whitework (thanks to Lady Tamsyn) and, briefly, diapering (myself). I was very pleased that we were joined by four relatively new but talented attendees

(Katie, Jay, Carrie and Mary) and look forward to seeing their work on scrolls and charters in the coming months. We were also joined by our Principality Scribe, HL Marie de Monte, and Lady Myrrim de Lancaster.

Dates for scriptoriums for the coming months have already been set: Sunday, 27th October, Sunday, 24th November and Sunday, 29th December - Scribes' Christmas Revel (and scriptorium). They will take place at our usual location – Lady Tamsyn's common room at Nanaimo and Hastings, Vancouver (approximately). I have been offered use of a common room in Surrey (near the Sky Train) and also Richmond so in the new year we will be alternating locations to allow easier access to scribes in the eastern part of our Barony and beyond.

Webminister – Solveig

Site is working fine have completed a few small changes and additions, along with new Baron and Baroness Polling information.