Council Meeting Minutes May 29th, 2014 Barony of Lions Gate

Seneschal's Report

The Seneschal vowed never to drive to May Crown alone again.

The Seneschal reminded that we need to send both the waivers and the gatesheets in for events. Any branch that falls behind more than two quarters will have all future events removed from the calendar.

The Kingdom Seneschal is stepping down and they are looking at a replacement. It was raised at the Kingdom Seneschal meeting that fundraisers that involve raffles cannot cross state or international borders. A raffle held at an event would be fine but raffles that are done on facebook or similar media have the potential to put the Kingdom in violation of federal laws.

Exchequer's Report

Bank account is currently at \$11845 but that includes \$2548 that belongs the incipient shire of Fjordland.

Past events:

Lions Gate Champions Tourney May 10, 2014 Warner Loat Park, Burnaby Event Steward: Sir Griffin May Champions went well with a total attendance of 102. The event made a small profit of around \$290.

Future events:

Open Doors Demo June 21, 2014 Cloverdale, Alice Mackay Building We committed to this demo back in December/January before Antioch was announced. It is part of the Surrey Open Doors Community event. Both events are free but this is strictly a demo. We will get use of the Alice Mackay to hold a fight practice for the day with space for tables for A&S and other activities.

Sargeants, Yeomen, Gallants, and Courtiers July 24-27, 2014 Event Steward: Garet/Wulfstan The Bid is officially in.

Tournament of Armies August 1-4, 2014 Callen not present.

September Crown August 29th – September 1, 2014 The event steward loves ideas so please bring them forward with the caveat that you may be requested to help implement your idea. She is also looking for helpers in different areas. Rowan volunteered to help with site reservations and Robert volunteered to help with merchants. As this is a Kingdom event, Kingdom officers will coordinate with the Baronial counterparts for certain areas. The event steward has to make a decision on the Senior Marshall for Equestrian as the Principality Officer and the Site Owner have had a falling out.

New Business:

First Aid Kit

The two first aid kits were amalgamated into a single kit. It was discussed what to do with the first aid kits as Chirurgeons are disappearing. Many Chirurgeons would sooner operate under the standard first aid guidelines. It was decided to stock up on some band-aids but to sell off the first aid kit.

Eric Repair

A budget is being put forth to repair the Erics. The Seneschal will also look into what happened with the plan to build more erics.

Website

There is plan underway to revamp the website.

Business Cards

The plan is to get some business cards professionally printed with the website listed on it. They will not have any names so that they can be used by any official representative of the Barony.

Coronet Business

Newcomer's Workshop

The Baron and Baroness would like to bring back the Newcomers Workshop. Sullivan Hall was discussed as a potential site with dates in February and September discussed.

The Future of TOA

This year's TOA will likely be the last TOA. Principality has announced that the Tir Righ/ Avacal War will happen on the August long weekend. They have put in a provision that if the Principality decides not to hold the war, the weekend will go back to Lions Gate. However, Lions Gate needs to hold some event during the summer. Suggestions included some form of a Highland Games, a return of the Heroes Tourney, or a return of Boar's Hunt.

The Baron and Baroness had a fantastic time at Sealion Picnic/War. The court was a lot of fun. They wanted to thank us all. Next council – June 26, 2014.

Exchequer's Report – Her Ladyship Fiona the Archer

The bank balance, as of today, is : \$11845.15, keeping in mind that \$2548.01 of that is in the Fjordland Fund.

The cheques for regular bills have been written as follows:

- Justice Institute = \$157.50 (April site fees)
- Cloverdale Rodeo = \$1050.00 (April site fees)
- Public Storage = \$219.45 (June rental)

The Incipient Shire of Fjordland has returned the money lent out to them for the running of Fjordland Rising, as well as increasing the wealth of their own Shire fund by a commendable amount.

The Canterbury Fayre gate income has been deposited to our account.

The Lionsgate Champions gate income has been deposited to our account.

The Sealion Pic...er War gate income has been deposited to our account. The biffy bill has been paid, though some other fees are still outstanding.

The Baroness's Inspirational Tournament site deposit of \$500.00 is still outstanding from the Maritime Labour Centre. I will step up my pursuit of this item.

The August Investiture site deposit of \$150.00 has been returned to us with an invoice for the remainder of the site fee at \$363.64

Arts and Science – Lady Eleanor Odlowe

Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend council this month.

Plans are underway to make A&S judging forms for Lions Gate. Principality forms have been used for our competitions in the past – this is problematic as they don't reflect competition expectations at a Baronial level and the Principality scores are meant to be weighted after judging is done. Ultimately, my goal is to have championship judging forms and an "informal" form for war points, prize competitions, etc. So far I've been looking at other branches' judging forms and asking around to see what members of the A&S community expect a Baronial judging form to look like.

Lady Ciana de'Libri has approached me and expressed interest in acting as my deputy. I've been in contact with her, and will have more to discuss next month.

I would like to sponsor a Super Six or Dirty Dozen Donation Derby at September Crown and will be approaching the event steward (hi, Cassandra!) and Kingdom Arts and Sciences minister about this to make sure I'm all clear to go ahead with planning. I've also been asking around to see how many people would attend a monthly A&S night.

Baronial Scribe's Report – Lady Marie de Cheriseye la foret

I regret I will be unable to attend the May Council Meeting.

Our April Scriptorium took place on 26th April at our usual location with the attendance of five dedicated scribes. We painted charters which were presented at the Champions Tourney and worked on charters for the Principality. Several scribes are working at home on scrolls for presentation at the next Sergeantry Trials.

Our next scriptorium is scheduled for 8th June at our usual location; we will be attempting designs along the lines of the Black Hours, i.e., gold, silver and white (primarily) painted on black, purple or dark blue. This will be the last scriptorium I will be responsible for as my term of office comes to an end in September 2014; anyone interested in taking on this position may contact me for information on what it entails.

I would like to thank Lady Tamsyn le Rous for the use of her common room for the past few years, HL Aelana Cordovera for her ongoing support and sincere thanks also to HL Miles fitz Hubert for his guidance over the past two years.

Webminister's Report - Lady Solveig of Whitby

Site is working fine have completed a few small changes and updates.

Minister of Stables Report – Sargeant Miles FitzHubert

A report was not received by the Chronicler.

Archery Report - Lady Thérèse de Merc

Practices

Kenneth of Shaftesbury is running most outdoor practices at Burnaby Butts, usually held Monday and Thursday evenings between 5 pm and sunset. Practices in conjunction with the Tuesday night fighter's practice have ended, due to new location not being compatible with archery.

Events

No injuries to report. There was lots of wonderful archery at the Lions Gate Champions Tourney; archery range run by Kenneth of Shaftesbury. Gareth Haydon was victorious over all for the new Lions Gate Archery Champion. At afternoon court, fleon pendants were given to Kenneth and Gareth for their prowess in the Royal Archers Challenge. And yet more: tokens for the top ten archers in the Kingdom of An Tir were given out to Kenneth of Shaftesbury: he garnered 6 tokens total, having made the top 10 in 6 different categories. Vivat to all archers that day!

NO OTHER OFFICER REPORTS RECEIVED.