

Harrowgate Heath Business Meeting

Sunday, September 9, 2012

These minutes must be distributed to all canton members.

Members in attendance: Catherine, Nathaniel, Gwendolyn, Cennèdig, Kaðlín, Richard, Gina, Michael, Carl, Siglinde, Vodnikov, John Morin

Officer reports:

Seneschal: Lady Gina

Our new canton member was just born to Emelote & Taka. Little Olivia was born at 1:36am and weighed in at 5 lb 9oz. Family is doing great at the Ottawa Hospital.

It was noted that the Baronial Council is drafting by-laws that will assist our barony and its members.

It was announced that Greyfells has a new seneschal. Viscountess Kristina was stepping down and the canton would have gone into abeyance if someone else had not stepped forward. Kristina has announced on the Greyfells list that their new Seneschal is Lady Pesha.

Chatelaine: Lord Martin

Absent. A family from Lancaster has contacted us with interest to come out. Many card & flyers have been given out at fighter practices. Also flyers with rip tabs continue to be posted and used.

Pursuivant: Lord Nathaniel

Lots of great stuff happening. Pennsic saw Gwendolyn receive her AoA with her friends from around the country! Congratulations Lady Gwendolyn! Letter of Intent has gone out from the Kingdom with some of our devices. Our Canton badge was rejected because it conflicted with someone else - who had a device design too close to our own. Nathaniel is looking for a deputy Pursuivant!

The canton voted to hold \$150 towards an embroidered canton heraldic tabard. The vote was unanimous.

MoAs: Fulke

The most recent Scribal night at Sahid (last night) had almost 50 people in attendance! We had good attendance at All Things Scribal in Montreal.

Exchequer: Mistress Siglinde.

We have money. All cheques have cleared. We're in good shape.

Webminister: Lord Richard

There are a few changes on the web: notes from their excellencies; fighter page; archery practice; heraldry link; member updates.

Armoured Marshal: Lady Kaðlín (for Lady Morag)

We are getting good attendance at fighter practices.

We are moving to a winter site. 10 fighters every week; even during the weeks of Pennsic. Introducing Melee practice twice a month.

The following members are Marshals In Training (MIT): MIT in heavy & archery - Cennedig; MIT archery - Kaolin; MIT Boffer - Morag. Newly Authorized: Wayne of Harrowgate Heath; Martin the Tall; Nathaniel. Bartholemew reauthorized.

Looking at Cornwall school for indoor archery practice during the winter.

The idea of a thank you to Michael's school was discussed. The possibility of a medieval dinner was lightly considered - to be determined.

Baldric is working with Vod & Aevia to get them ready for authorization.

September 29th - Multi-Kingdom fighter practice at Michael's farm. Everyone is welcome. There will be an archery butt set up as well.

Rapier Marshal: Lord Dafydd
Absent; no report sent.

Archery Marshal: Lord Terrant
Absent. Lord Nathaniel said that we are getting 15-20 archers at Cornwall archery practice.

Several are working towards Yeoman of the Wolf through Mistress Nicolla for the Kingdom of Ealdormere.

This Wednesday is the final outdoor archery practice as it is too dark by 8pm.

New business:

Vod is working on a new project and he has requested 8 canton members who are interested in assisting with carving. Kaolin, John, Richard, Nathaniel and Catherine have all volunteered. Blythe expressed an interest earlier.

Wood projects: Bench and round shield are being proposed. Vod to forward email to Michael to request access to School's wood shop. perhaps one Sunday a month to use the wood shop. Richard reminded the group that Blythe (Bob Buchanan) has also offered his workshop. Vod is looking at starting these projects in October.

It was proposed that expense of duct tape, rivets & rattan for loaner kits & first timers be reimbursed for fighter practice to help with the personal expenses to members who are consistently loaning their kits. This would be used for normal wear & tear. Also look into reimbursement for Kids hockey helmet for boffer fighting. These members were asked to bring written estimates to the next meeting so that the members know the level of expense being voted on.

Gina was asked as Seneschal to contact Caldrithig over territorial concerns.

Event reports:

- Pennsic July 27-Aug 11 (Lady Gina/ Lord Nathaniel)

Pennsic was great. Gwendolyn, Avelyn, Nathaniel, Morag -> all fought in the great war! At the first combat (Town Battle), Gwendolyn charged and fought so hard that she was honoured by their Excellencies in the Roll of Honour! during the Field Battle, Sir *Guillaume* single-handedly took out the East Kingdom Archers!

Gina was the only pre-registered participant in the A&S Display for all of Ealdormere. By the end of the morning, 4 other Ealdormerians joined her.

- Pennsic Pity Party (Kanina)
No report available.

- Baron's Howe Aug 31-Sep 3 (Mistress Siglinde)
Siglinde felt it was the best Baron's Howe event yet! Where were the rest of us?

- All things Scribal in Montreal Sept 2 (Fulke)
Many Harrowgate members attended this East Kingdom event. Well attended, good classes.

- Wilde Woods event (Lord Vod)
Lord Vod made pewter rings for this event as site tokens. He & Aevia enjoyed archery while there.

Demonstration report:

- Demo at Chesterville fair July 29 (Lady Morag)
This event site had no shade provided for a hot day so we brought our own sunshades. There was a positive reception from attendees. Aelfyn came down and joined in the fray. We should be asked back again.

Upcoming events:

5 canton practice - Sept 13

A Day of Piracy Sep 15 - Incipient Shire of Bastille du Lac (Batawa, ON)

Fall Coronation Sep 22 - Shire of Brennestein Datn (North Bay, ON) - Northshire

- Morag is putting her name in for Crown Tourney! Go Morag!!!!

Multi-Kingdom fighter's practice - Sept 29. at Michael's farm. Welcome A&S, archers and audience.

Fall Crown Tournament Oct 27 - Barony of Rising Waters (St. Catherines, ON)

Feast of the Hare Nov 3 - Canton of Caldrihig (Ottawa ON)

Morag is planning another Christmas party this year - date TBA with another white elephant exchange.

Around the room:

John said that he had made wooden bench boxes for A&S and would share the design and plans.

Dafydd's missing cooler from Border Spat turned up at the school, Michael brought it in to the meeting; Gina returned to Dafydd after meeting.

Michael encouraged photos & heraldry for each member. He would love to see a photo on first page of website. This will be done!

Gwendolyn has now lived in Ealdormere for 1 year. She shared some great stories from Pennsic.

Nathaniel made a wooden Norse bed that fit an air mattress 54 x 78" slat bed.

Catherine said that scribal night is going well with 7 person average in attendance. There is interest in doing a short class at the beginning of each scribal night.

Siglinde attended l'anse aux Meadows again this year. Wonderful stories were shared.

During Summer Solstice, Vod will organize teams to travel the world - to prove the earth is round! A team will be 3 to 4 people. Training to be provided.

Next canton meeting is on October 14th at 2pm. The first Sunday is the Thanksgiving Day long weekend and therefore is normally slipped.