

Baronial Officers' Meeting, November 27, 2023

Officer's Reports

Baroness' Report (Sciath/Trudi)

- Planning for the dessert exchange, to take place at the Dessert Revel on December 10th. As in past exchanges, I will invite participants to a group to respond to questions, and sync up efforts.
- Planning to attend Wassail, this Saturday, on December 2 - We look forward to witnessing Baron Valdr answering his writ for entrance to the Order of the Laurel. There will also be a Kingdom Moot at the event, and I highly recommend attendance and participation.
- Looking to the new year: Feast of Lombardy on January 6th, along with the [Known World Color](#), [Blue Dragon Studio](#) is scheduled for January 20-21, [Masque by Moonlight](#) on January 27, Tournoi de Coeur de Glace on February 3, the Family Day Fight Practice is back on for February 19th, Practicum 2024: Back to Basics is scheduled for February 24, followed by Winter War XXV on March 2.
- For awards to be presented at Kingdom A&S on March 23, recommendations should reach Her Excellency by end of January. The recommendation form is online - <https://ealdormere.ca/awards-submission-form-the-kingdom-of-ealdormere/>

Seneschal Report (Dmitri/Sam)

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Exchequer Report (Ieuan/Stuart)

- The third quarter report has been submitted to Kingdom!
- The financial committee met to discuss the 2024 Baronial Budget proposal, and have approved the submission - Budget to be shared in meeting, and posted to the Baronial website. .

Minister of Arts and Science Report (Gema/Jennifer)

- Please let Gema know if you have worked on A&S projects, she has a report deadline on December 7th.

Marshal's Report (Jay/Iustus)

- Attendance is low lately, two new fighters attending practice. Ren is building their own kit!
- Discussions with Hespeller about possibility of sharing of resources and a site for fight practice - Binbrook Fairground
- Concern that Ramshaven practice does draw fighters away from the RW practices on Tuesday nights
- Need to fish out the doorbell for practices.
- We are scheduled at Applewood PS until December 12th and will need to book for the new year and request the insurance. Insurance certificate requests for events occurring

in the second week of January must be received by the office no later than **Thursday, December 14.**

Fencing Marshal's Report (Sciath/Trudi)

- No fencers have come out to practice lately. In recovering from a medical procedure, I am not able to actively engage in rapier, and I am in attendance as the group marshal.
- Elizabeth has reported having a fantastic experience at the 100 minutes war.

Archery Marshal Report (Nika/Susan)

- Possibly for a fletching workshop in the new year - need to have a good idea of how many are interested in participating, in order to order materials in time for the workshop. Timing may be good for February, or March at the latest
- Looking ahead to a mega-practice at Mike's boss' site, possible Sundays

Thrown Weapons Marshal Report (Sciath/Trudi)

- Nothing to report at this time, due to the current season

Herald's Report (Need a Herald)

- Ren has expressed interest in the Herald's role
- The Baronial council voted unanimously to approve Ren for the role.

Signet Report (Genevieve/Jennifer)

- Nothing to report for this meeting, but would encourage residents to send Her Excellency recommendations for awards for her court in March.
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Webminister Report (Bera/Angie)

- Nika may be available as a back-up for this role.

Chronicler (Crespin/Corcran)

- No report

Social Media Deputy Report (Rhys/Christian)

- No refractions to SM policy, four new members
- Top contributors: Richard, Iustus and Ren
- Gen: Need a Zoom meeting or introduction to Discord. Rhys offers to chat with her about Discord.

Chatelaine (Rhys/Christian)

- Looked into the parade participation (action item), and each would require named insurance, and require groups with concrete ideas (number of participants, themes, etc...). 2024 Grape and Wine requirements are not available yet, but if it's the same as last year, the fee is \$45 to participate, and require 20 participants for each group to participate.

- Planning for the Library meet-ups will kick into high gear now. The poll results show that people are interested in alternative sites between St. Catharines and Niagara Falls.

DEI Officer (Sabrina/Annabelle)

- No report

Accessibility Officer (Need a volunteer)

- No report

Calendar Secretary (Abhilin/Leslie)

- No updates

Old Business

New Business

1. Kingdom Arts & Sciences, March 23, 2024
 - a. Updated bid has been approved by Privy Council
 - b. Staffing includes:
 - i. Dmitri - head gatekeeper
 - ii. Margarete de Mey (Roxanne) is our Lunch Steward, with assistance from Their Graces Kayl
 - iii. Rhys - Setup coordinator
 - iv. Richard Larmer - Royalty Room Liaison
 - v. Need volunteer to coordinate merchants
 - vi. Ren is making the event site tokens, they're awesome
 - c. Will need to request insurance (\$75 US) minimum six weeks in advance - Monday, February 4, 2024 would be ideal.
 - d. Sciath is updating the website for this year's A&S Tournament.
2. Lady Mary Memorial Tournament
 - a. Date is set for May 11, 2024
3. Mega practices
 - a. Possible date: January 13th or 27th and February 10th
 - b. Need to poll for interest on the Kingdom of Ealdormere
 - c. Iustus has volunteered to steward these mega practices
4. Dessert Revel - confirmed for December 10th, from 1pm to 5pm
 - a. Pot-luck, bring ingredient printed

Next meeting date: a brief meeting will be held during the Dessert Revel. In the new year, the council will meet on Monday, January 22, 7pm to 9pm, followed by social gathering until 9pm (suggestion)