

Baronial Officers' Meeting, March 4, 2024

Officer's Reports

Baroness' Report (Sciath/Trudi)

- Winter Wonder Whack (Feb. 25),
- Kingdom A&S Tournament on March 23rd.
- Ice Dragon in Batavia, NY on April 6th
- Sock Burner in Odessa - April 13th
- Paardenbloem Festival in Lyndhurst - April 20th
- Coronation, and Septentria Baronial Investiture in Lindsay - April 27th
 - I'd like to request donations for two gift baskets: one for Their (incoming) Majesties, and one for Their (incoming) Excellencies. Please let me know if you can donate an item by April 8th
- For awards to be presented at Kingdom A&S on March 23, recommendations should reach Her Excellency by end of January.
 - Link to the recommendation form for recognition by Her Excellency- <https://ealdormere.ca/barony-of-rising-waters/award-recommendations/>
 - Link to the recommendation form for recognition by Their Majesties - <https://ealdormere.ca/awards-submission-form-the-kingdom-of-ealdormere/>

Seneschal Report (Dmitri/Sam)

- Doomsday report submitted, confirmed by Kingdom Seneschal

Exchequer Report (Ieuan/Stuart)

- I have submitted the exchequer doomsday report
- Provided cheques to Rhys for Library A&S site fees, and Sciath for Fight Practice/Winter Wonder Whack
- Anticipating two invoices from Sam/Seneschal

Minister of Arts and Science Report (Gema/Jennifer)

- Report to Kingdom has been submitted, with some embellishment
- A&S drop-ins at Niagara Falls and St. Catharines libraries have been well-attended. The next one is on March 9th in Niagara Falls, starting at noon to 3pm. Rhys will coordinate activities with Baroness Gema for future meet ups.

Marshal's Report (Jay/Iustus)

- Chris Horsfall/Tarquin has agreed to succeed Jay/Iustus, and will act as deputy until after Kingdom A&S
- Baronial Council voted unanimously to approve Tarquin as the incoming Marshal. Sciath will circulate the change of officer form

Fencing Marshal's Report (Sciath/Trudi)

- Fencing activities at Winter Wonder Whack were well attended. Much appreciation to Maestro Albrecht for teaching a workshop on period cut and thrust technique, and congratulations to Lord Fritz on completion of the prize for cadet rank in the Ealdormere Academy of Defence.
- Baroness Kersteken was elevated to the Order of Defence at Winter War, increasing the ranks of fencing masters in Ealdormere. Wassail!
- Society has released an updated Fencing Handbook, available here:
https://www.sca.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Fencing-Marshals-Handbook_Jan2024.pdf

Archery Marshal Report (Nika/Susan)

- Arrow making round table, with Master Daffydd, and 7-8 participants at Winter Wonder Whack
- Looking ahead to planning for archery practices in the next few months. Will need to coordinate with Michaelis to schedule practices.
- New society consultation on an Omnibus Peerage proposal for both archery and thrown weapons, open until April 2nd - find more information here:
<https://www.sca.org/news/commentary-request-draft-corpora-wording-omnibus-peerage-proposal/>

Thrown Weapons Marshal Report (Sciath/Trudi)

- No practices are scheduled at this time, but we may have the opportunity to have a practice or to get together to prep weapons.
- Commentary regarding this proposed Corpora change to create an omnibus peerage must be received by the Board no later than April 2, 2024. -
<https://www.sca.org/news/commentary-request-draft-corpora-wording-omnibus-peerage-proposal/>
- Please email all commentary to SCA-Comments@sca.org and use "Omnibus Peerage Proposal" in the subject line.

Herald's Report (Ren)

- Doing some consultation and working on submissions for myself and Tarquin

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.
<https://ealdormere.ca/awards-submission-form-the-kingdom-of-ealdormere/>

Webminister Report (Rhys)

- We have a website, and the Kingdom A&S event page has been updated
- Lady Mary page is live, but needs to be updated.

Chronicler (Crespin/Corcran)

- No report

Social Media Deputy Report (Rhys/Christian)

- No infractions
- Top contributors
 - Sir Richard
 - noble Ren
 - Lord Jotun Bjorn

Chatelaine (Rhys/Christian)

- First A&S Drop-in took place last month, with the next one happening on March 6th at the St Catharines Public Library. Everyone is encouraged to attend and bring a project they are working on. Additionally, if anyone has questions they need answered, bring those too!
- Pride in the Park demo is impossible this year due to Murder Melee in the Meadow being on the same weekend. Instead, I will look for opportunities for a demo elsewhere this Spring/Summer.

DEI Officer (Sabrina/Annabelle)

- No report, experienced technical difficulties with her microphone during the meeting.

Accessibility Officer (Need a volunteer)

- No report

Calendar Secretary (Abhilin/Leslie)

- No updates

Old Business

1. Winter Wonder Whack
 - a. 33 participants attended the event
 - b. Raised \$260 in donations towards site fee for the event, and for fight practice site fees.
2. Kingdom Arts & Sciences, March 23, 2024
 - a. Event Stewards: Iustus and Sciath
 - b. Website has been updated to include more items in the schedule for the day, links to Kingdom A&S forms, and deadlines for submissions
 - c. Sciath took photos of the site at Winter Wonder Whack, and provided these to Baroness Liadin's vigil planning team.
 - d. We were also able to confirm the location for lunch with Trumbrand and Kaylah
 - i. Need to acquire a coffee and tea urn - Jotun Bjorn,
 - ii. Sciath taking care of beverages, and fruit tarts
 - iii. Gema making lemon cookies
 - iv. Ren making lavender lemon loaves
 - e. Richard and Annabelle - Royalty Room

- f. Rhys - organizing the event space
- g. Sam/Dmitri and Ieuan - Gatekeeper
- h. Site tokens - Ren is on track with producing the site tokens

New Business

- 3. Lady Mary Memorial Tournament
 - a. Event Stewards: Dmitri and Gema
 - b. Date is set for May 11, 2024
 - c. Confirmed location - Bethany Family Church (main foyer, kitchen and classroom) (estimated \$2750 - need to pay 25% deposit cheque); also available for 2 hours on Friday night before
 - d. Looking for volunteers for different roles:
 - i. Armoured Combat Marshal - Iustus
 - ii. List minister - Iustus will reach out to Margaret and Johanna
 - iii. Need kitchen staff, feast steward
 - iv. Fencing Marshal - Albrecht
 - v. Archery Marshal - Nika and Gunther
 - vi. Thrown Weapons Marshal - Rhys
 - vii. Arts & Science Tournament Coordinator - Sciath
 - viii. Gate - Genevieve, Richard and Silas
 - ix. Looking into tournament prizes, and site tokens
 - x. Ducks Hunt - Gema suggests hiding many tiny ducks at the event site.
 - xi. Sciath has asked about a fundraiser - Sciath will reach out to Anita to work as coordinator
- 4. Sciath suggested discussion regarding moving back to in-person meetings
 - a. Ren suggests they could be coordinated with fight practice (Chris has access to wifi). Sciath confirms that we have access to the Fitch St. School until May 8th
 - b. Nika suggests that they could be coordinated with mega practices at Michaelis' boss' house. Nika has offered to look at the calendar for timing, and work with Michael to schedule mega practices through the Summer.
- 5. Rhys suggested discussion on dissolving the Calendar Secretary office.
 - a. The calendar is currently managed by the web minister, and no one is communicating dates.
 - b. Gema recommends that Leslie should be part of this discussion, as she currently holds this office.

Next meeting date: Wednesday, April 10th at 6:30pm-7:15pm, followed by fight practice and social gathering. This meeting will be hybrid to allow for remote participation.