

Baronial Officers' Meeting, October 27, 2024

Officer's Reports

Baroness' Report (Sciath/Trudi)

- Request to all baronies from Their Royal Majesties to create bags for retinue
 - Pledge to make 1 of 5 bags in Rising Waters
- Coronation (Sep 28) - congratulations to Their Majesties! Congratulations to Margaret du May for receiving her Award of the Maiden's Heart for all of her service, Wassail!
- Huntsmans' Harvest (Oct 5) - Congratulations to Cathal Mor and Ren for receiving their Awards of Arms, Wassail!
- Crown Tournament (Oct 19) -
- Upcoming events: Feast of the Hare (Nov. 9), Queen's Prize Tournament (Nov. 16), Known World Newcomer's (Nov 30), Wassail (Dec 7)

Seneschal Report (Dmitri/Sam)

- Nov. 15th is the next quarter report
- Not alot of communication in the email account
- Reviewing Baronial Succession Policy

Exchequer Report (leuan/Stuart)

- No updates at this time, all reimbursements for Coronation are completed
- Confirmation that we have received the donation from Chris Horsfall for the equestrian portion of the insurance for Coronation. Thank you, Chris!
- Discussion - schedule a meeting of financial committee to confirm the 2025 Baronial budget

Minister of Arts and Science Report (Gema/Jennifer)

- Amazing A&S competition at Coronation, some very eager participants
- Some discussion on A&S classes, but nothing confirmed yet.
- If you're going to QPT, it's a big deal to make something and present it as a participant

Marshal's Report (Iustus/Jay)

- Practice has been well-attended.
- No practice on Oct. 31, as it is Halloween that night.
- See everyone for practice on November 7th
- Dmitri has re-authorized at the last mega practice

Fencing Marshal's Report (Sciath/Trudi)

- Grateful thanks to Baron Alistair for his support in training new fencers, and Sir Richard for making his fencing kit available to new fencers..
- Really pleased to see more fencers out to practice this Fall - with a couple looking at authorizing at Wassail.

- There is some conversation started about hosting a Known World Rapier Academy in Ealdormere - with it taking place in Rising Waters in 2026. We're at the discussion and research stage right now.
- Baron Alistair Kirk and Lord Cathal Mor were successful in challenging prizes at Huntsman's Harvest in the Ealdormere Academy of Defence. Wassail!

Archery Marshal Report (Nika/Susan)

- working on updates to Yeomen of the Wolf. We got all of the backdated prizes handed out at Huntsman's and now that Seamus is taking over, hoping to build on momentum.

Thrown Weapons Marshal Report (Sciath/Trudi)

- Glow in the Dark Throw, scheduled for Nov 2 at 4:45
- Supporting Yeoman of the Wolf

Herald's Report (Ren)

- Call for teachers for the 2025 Known World Herald's and Scribes Symposium
- In internal commentary:
 - New name: **Ciarán Gunne**
 - New name: **Cathal Mór**
 - New name: **Merricke Wight**

Signet Report (Genevieve/Jennifer)

- No report at this time

Webminister Report (Rhys)

- No news at this time.

Chronicler (Crespin/Corcran)

- Looking for blog articles!

Social Media Deputy Report (Rhys/Christian)

- No violations
- 3 new members of the Facebook group (total of 507 members)
- Top Contributors: Sir Richard, Noble Ren and Baron Alistair
- 1 new member in the Discord group (total of 59 members)

Chatelaine (Rhys/Christian)

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DEI Officer (Sabrina/Annabelle)

- No requests at this time.
- Interested in the demographic information in Facebook

Accessibility Officer (Stephan/Jotun-Bjorn)

- Went with Sciath to do a site walk-through for Coronation
 - Had one member from kingdom reach out regarding the Rockton site. They were happy with the set up.

Old Business

1. Fall Coronation
 - a. Thank you to everyone who supported the event, it was a great success.
 - b. Profit to kingdom was \$1,648.99; Baronial profit was \$1,648.99
 - c. NMS report and fee sent to Kingdom
 - d. Report (once signed in this meeting) and profit cheque going to Kingdom Exchequer on Monday, October 28 (by hand)

2. Autumn Mega Practice
 - a. The practice was held on October 6, 2024, noon to 5pm
 - b. Thanks to Her Majesty Anne, and His Excellency Alistair for hosting the mega practice
 - c. Great feedback from most folks
 - d. Participants: 5 archers, 8 throwers, 9 fencers, 17 armoured combat with participants from Aethelmearc
 - e. Looking at this location for future practices, particularly archery and thrown weapons once the snow falls. Armoured and fencing might also fit into the same space.
 - i. Would need funding to rent a port-a-potty
 - ii. May be paid with donations
 - iii. Richard has offered to take the lead (December/January)

New Business

1. Dmitri suggests investigating propane heaters for winter season TW and archery practices
 - a. Bring costing information to the November meetings

2. Dessert Revel
 - a. Date: to be confirmed
 - b. Location: Sir Richard and Mistress Annabelle have offered to host the revel
 - c. Communication: talk to Rhys about event pages
 - d. Dessert Exchange - Gema has volunteered to coordinate it this year

3. Baronial Investiture
 - a. Baroness Sciath's tenure will end in Autumn 2025.
 - i. Baronial Succession policy sent to Kingdom Seneschal for review
 - ii. Timeline:
 1. Publicly announce HE step-down at Lady Mary, May 10, 2025.

2. Letters of intention will be accepted after that time by the Baronial Seneschal.
 3. There will be at minimum two meet and greet sessions scheduled for the Baronial populace to meet with the candidates
 4. Baronial populace will be invited to cast ballots in support of the candidates
 5. Baronial Seneschal will report on the ballot results to Their Royal Majesties and the Kingdom Seneschal
 6. The Successful candidates will likely be announced at War of the Trillium
- b. We are looking for a bid for the investiture event (Sept, Oct or Nov)
 - i. September 13, 2025 is held in the Kingdom Calendar for the investiture
4. 2025 Lady Mary Memorial Tournament
 - a. Date: May 10, 2025 (already on the Kingdom calendar!)
 - b. Looking for a bid
 - c. Ren interested in being a deputy event steward for LM
 - d. Sciath to inquire into availability of New Hope
 - e. Susan to inquire into availability Niagara Agricultural Society

Next meeting date: Sunday, November 24th at 6pm the Crumhold, 161 Russell Ave., St. Catharines