

# Baronial Meeting Minutes

Data: June 28, 2020

Via Zoom, not recorded

## Officer Reports

### *Baroness (Sciath/Trudi)*

- By Royal Decree, events will remain virtual for the time being.
- Status of my motion to approve the creation of the DEI Office?
  - Approved
- My thanks to Lady Bera for her work on the Faces of Rising Waters project. The first item is now posted as the banner for the Rising Waters group on Facebook, and represents Baronial members as allies to the LGBTQ+ community. We hope that we will see more of such works on the Baronial website. I'm sure that Bera will mention further details in her report as webminister.
- War of the Trillium
  - Please check out the weekly challenges, and if possible, join in
  - TRM will hold court (virtually), and I hope everyone attends.
- I have formed a Rising Waters team for the SCA Magnificently Awesome Scavenger Hunt (SMASH!). Our team name is Onguiaahra, the word used to describe the Niagara area in the local indigenous language. Team members include Lord Ieuan, lord Rhys, Baroness Abhilin, Lady Bera, Magistra Nicollaa, lord Jotun-Bjorn, Lady Jowan, Lady Runa, and Lady Wydow Kate of the Lake. The event starts on July 3rd <https://www.facebook.com/events/590610531587536/>
- Thanks to those Rising Waters community who have supported the Shire of Trinovantia Nova. I hope that we continue to provide support to the Shire.
- **Summer Youth Challenge** - Document an experiment, which may include (but is not limited to) creating paint, baking, cooking, or other arts, science, marshal activity, or service. Activities may be documented in picture or text format, sent to me via email at [risingwaters@gmail.com](mailto:risingwaters@gmail.com) or posted to the Rising Waters Facebook group.
- **Taxes!** This year's taxes will be a service tax. However, taxes will be paid via reverse reporting. Please report a service you have seen, witnessed, or have had given to you to [risingwaters@gmail.com](mailto:risingwaters@gmail.com)

### *Exchequer (Joey/Jowan)*

- We have money, life is good (balance is \$7300)
- We purchased the shed, and it's now set up
- No current costs, no revenue (either)
- Gema: the kingdom is asking for assistance for maintaining the kingdom zoom account.
- Jowan: until the quarantine is over, I do not think we should since we have our own running costs to continue supporting.

Andrew's Motion: Barony to provide \$90 to Kingdom to support one month of Zoom licence  
Motion Tabled: lots of discussions came out of this motion, no real solution.

Rhys will post a poll on the officer's facebook group.

Votes will be taken at the next meeting

*Herald (Dmitri/Sam)*

- Not much to report
- Name: Jotun-Bjorn has passed
- Name and Device: Rhys of Angelsey
- Rhys has done a lot of consulting recently

*Signet (Sciath/Trudi)*

- The Summer is upon us, and we will put our scribal gatherings on hold until September (likely 17 or 24)
- The first Shelter in Place Scribal War has ended!
  - Many thanks to Lady Gelleia le Vintner for acting as the kingdom Warband leader - Wassail!
  - Congratulations to Magistra Nicolaa for winning in her letter category - Wassail!
  - Congratulations to Lady Bera for winning her letter outline category - Wassail!
- Known World Heralds and Scribes is now virtual, July 11-12, 2020
  - <https://www.facebook.com/events/2413080092291529/>
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*Marshal Report (Andrew/Richard)*

- No practices for now, but most likely to be outdoors when we can meet
- There's a barrel available

*Archery (Susan/Nicolaa)*

- Looking forward to an archery roundtable online
- Archery practices in Toronto

*Thrown Weapons Marshal (Sciath/Trudi)*

- Plans for a Barony vs Shire TW Showdown, once the Kingdom is open enough to run TW ranges.
- Please check out the Atenvedlt Interkingdom Marshal Collegium, July 18, 2020
  - <https://www.facebook.com/events/892834487882412/>

*Chronicler (Bera/Angie)*

- New issue of Cataract is design stage
- Send in more content if you have it

*Webminister (Bera/Angie)*

- Faces of RW pictures/banner posted to the Baronial website

#### *Chatelaine (Suzi/Ragnheiðr)*

- Garb is all organized in totes, in ziplock bags
- Call out for more garb, especially for large size garb, and men's garb
- There is still interest from newcomers via email and the Niagara Region SCA Facebook page
- There is a need for more bins to store garb, and any new garb that is donated.

#### *Minister of Arts & Science (Kate)*

- Lots of folks busy working on SCA and non-SCA related craft and art activities

#### *Community Liaison (Runa/Gillian)*

- Supporting our community, making masks, still being present (virtually) in the Niagara region.
- Community has been a word that we've heard the most during the quarantine, which is a really good thing to emphasize
- Kuddos to Rhys for his work on the Destash Fundraiser - Wassail!
- Painted rock project - Runa proposes that RW members paint rocks with medieval motifs.
  - She has painted rocks with a number, and they can look it up to find out more information
  - Facebook group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/245328320069054/>

#### *Social Media (Rhys/Christian)*

- Lots of activity on Facebook
- Thank you to those posting/sharing online activities to our baronial group
- Planning on coordinating with Sciath for new content on Youtube, including interviews with officers
- Destash Fundraiser is nearly finished (deadline for donations is July 9), drop off date is now July 10 at the Welland Value Village
  - Thank you to everyone who donated - Wassail!
  - Groups are limited to 3 vehicles for drop-off: Leslie has volunteered her truck

#### *Seneschal (Gema/Jennifer)*

- Starting back at work on Monday, and unavailable during the day. Will answer email/PM in the evening
- Updated baronial members list

#### **Old Business**

- None

## **New Business**

- The DEI Office. Recruitment should begin soon. Sciath to draft recruitment content, to provide content to officers to fine-tune.
- Gema has received an offer to act as Seneschal drop-dead, no vote required. Leslie is accepted as drop-dead seneschal.
- Discussion regarding our members' health
- Discussion about when practices may resume
- Discussion about insurance continuance
- Sciath offered to organize zoom chat to discuss future of Rising Waters events
- Sciath is developing a process map to help members determine how to answer questions they may have.
- Sciath offered to develop tool to help members determine how to find answers to questions or find information.
- Abhilin suggests a roundtable of peers to answer questions to promote openness and transparency in the Barony. It's important for peers to hear what people have to say, especially now.

Stay safe, and reach out if you need any help!

Next Meeting: July 26, 2020 (virtual venue to be confirmed)