

Baronial Officers' Meeting, October 22, 2021

Officer's Reports

Baroness' Report (Sciath/Trudi)

- Congratulations to Baroness Gema and Baron Demitri on their wedding celebration.
- Since our last meeting in October, I've been fortunate to attend Crown Tournament and Feast of the Hare
- Pre-registration for Wassail (held in Shakespeare on December 4th) is now available - Details found here - <https://www.facebook.com/events/575194800275420>
- Upcoming events include: Queen's Prize Tournament (many from the barony attending, and several participating as entrants and sponsors), and Wassail.
- As we are hosting Coronation in January, I would urge our nobles to consider making the award recommendations you've had on your mind to make - to make them now.
 - Kingdom recommendation form:
<https://www.ealdormere.ca/awards-submission-form.html>
 - Baronial recommendation form:
<https://baronyofrisingwaters.org/award-recommendations/>
- There are several projects on the go in preparation for upcoming in-person events in Rising Waters. Reach out to me, if you'd like to help out - risingwaters@gmail.com

Minister of Arts and Science Report (Kate)

- Baroness Gema has been approved as the new Baronial Minister of Arts and Sciences (see business below).
- Lots of A&S to report on: hand sewing, mending, darning, embroidery, knitting, scribal, baking and cooking, spinning, dying.
- Sciath commends Kate for the work that she has done to support A&S during the pandemic. A heartfelt thanks from Her Excellency!

Seneschal's Report (Aibhilin/Leslie)

- Seneschal meeting: Smart Serve will now have an expiry date, everyone who has smart serve expires in June 2023, kingdom is confirming that we can pay to have people certified through Baronial Funds. Recertification 29.95 initial certification 44.95. Going forward smart serve certificates will be valid for five years.
- Those working in the kitchen may need a Food Handlers certificate, again looking to see if the Barony can pay for this. The cost of this is about 30.00 we will look to see if we can buy it in bulk.
- Checking for vaccinations. One person only to do this for an event. But different people can do it at different times. Example first person from 10-Noon, next noon to 2 etc. The only way we can have more than one person checking at a time is if we have people line up in alph. Order by last name. So one person would check A-L next person M-Z. It is suggested that this checking be completed before they get to gate to pay for the event.
- We will need to have something to prove people have been screened for vaccinations, otherwise if they leave the site they will have to go through that screening again.

- There are no food sharing/preparation allowed at official events at this time.
- Will be looking at setting up a contact tracing/PoV separate email account and looking for a deputy to run it.
- Even if the province lifts the PoV requirements in March (and no guarantee that will happen), the kingdom will be maintaining the BOD CovidSafe resolution for as long as the BOD keeps it in place.
- Disregard the event rotation schedule at this time as we just need bids/need to hold the events and that the rotation schedule will be going under review at some point in the near future.
- Request for bids. Bids are needed for almost all Kingdom events coming up in 2022.
 1. Kingdom A&S: Mar 2022
 2. Spring Crown Tourney: May 2022
 3. Fall Coronation: Sept 2022
 4. Fall Crown Tourney: Oct 2022
- Recovery email address for all Baronial emails must be the seneschal's email. The Seneschal's email is the Kingdom Seneschal's. If you do not know how to change the recovery email let me know and I can help.

Signet Report (Gelleia/Jessica)

- No report at this time.

Marshal's Report (Richard/Andrew)

- No fight practices while the weather is cooler, until the new year when we will look at booking a school location.
- Looking to schedule some time to work on armour in garage - need to coordinate to ensure safe distancing.

Archery Marshal Report (Niaka/Susan?)

- No shooting, as the weather is too cool for a practice
- I will look into whether there will be a practice at Rowan's place.
- Gema - request for arrow repair class/workshop. Nika: yes, that's a real possibility

Thrown Weapons Marshal Report (Sciath/Trudi)

- No report at this time. Too cold to throw weapons at this time.

Chronicler Report (vacant)

- While the position is vacant we will have to vote on who takes over. As per the previous meeting I made a mistake we cannot have a blog. Or we can have a news feed or blog that puts that into a newsletter. It does not need to be formal like our previous one.
- We are looking for applications for this position.
- May have a lead on a potential candidate for Chronicler

Webminster Report (Bera/Angie)

- Has done some work to develop a blog on the website.
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Herald's Report (Christian/Rhys)

- No new developments in the tabard project
- Sciath heralded at Feast of the Hare
- Nika is heralding at QPT and Wassail (she is currently Trillium Herald)

Chatelaine (Rhys/Christian)

- Looking into Guide and Scout groups to see if there are demo opportunities there, with the idea of scheduling for the Spring.
- Interested in putting together a New Comer's Corner for Coronation
- Concern regarding goldkey - need to ensure that item(s) must be identified prior to an event, worn by one individual, and sanitized following the event. This is in alignment with the current protocol for loaner gear for fight practices.

Social Media Deputy Report (Rhys/Christian)

- 226 active members on Facebook, no policy infractions
- Discord is still active, with no infractions

DEI Officer (Sabrina/Annabelle)

- No inquiries regarding DEI, and no complaints.

Calendar Secretary (Abhilin/Leslie)

- Calendar is up to date.

Exchequer Report (Ieuan/Stuart)

- Third quarterly report has been submitted, and ThL Petra is scheduling an exchequer's meeting in the next couple of weeks. I'll have more to update after the meeting.
- No outstanding cheques, and requested that New Hope Church confirm that they still have our deposit cheque from Spring Crown (2020).
- Converting current financial ledger to the SCA standard template (on a moving forward basis)
- Heartfelt thanks to Leslie for all of her work on updating the Baronial Financial Policy, and to those of you who took the time to review the draft.
- Open discussion on the revised Baronial Financial Policy
 - Proposal: The Rising Waters Officers' Council approve the revised Baronial Financial Policy

Old Business

Lady Mary 2022

- Date is April 30 due to construction at the church starting May 2. On the Kingdom Calendar, will work on the event once Coronation is completed.

A and S replacement - voting

- One application to consider - Baroness Gema. Officers to vote on candidate - unanimous voting. Gema has been accepted as the Baronial Minister of Arts & Sciences. The transition between Kate and Gema will take place shortly. Kate will make the report to Kingdom for December 7th, after which the position will transition to Gema.

Coronation January 2022

- Aibhilin would like to train people on zoom and answer any questions about checking people's vaccinations a couple of days before the event.
- Nika - we will need to consider how we want to set up the entrance out of consideration for the staff checking vaccination documentation (it'll be cold!). We may consider whether to have a cut-off time for arriving at the event. Playroom is not to be opened until after the arrival time is over.
- Site tokens - Sciath to post pictures of what may be in storage that is suitable for tokens to the Facebook group planning the event.
- Pre-registration - starts on December 1, and ends January 8th (with the possibility to extend to January 15th).
- Tournament formats (animal tourneys), and mask contest have been confirmed
- Richard: concern with where the fighting will take place, and will need to collect the rugs to fight indoors.
 - Sciath will take a look at the temporary tent set up at the Church, and ask if there is heating available
 - May need help to run the tournament - Dmitri has offered to help.
- Need to find a fencing marshal - Sciath suggests asking Albrecht. Nika will reach out to Albrecht.
- Looking for ideas for fun activities while the marshal activities are happening.
 - Gema, suggests heraldic pictiography, or charades
- Gema: suggest that the indoor playroom is closed/locked during the event, to avoid contact and possible spread of virus

Dessert revel dessert exchange

- Event page is up on facebook, and has been added to the baronial Calendar.
- Five people have already let us know that you are interested in participating in the dessert exchange. If you're not sure how to let us know, here's how to participate in the dessert exchange:
 - Step 1: Let us know that you want to participate in the dessert exchange by filling out this form: <https://forms.gle/cQNvSBeXy3qSTXkL7>
 - I'll let participants know how many we need to bake/make for.
 - Step 2: Deliver your treats to Sciath's place (coordinate via PM/email) by December 10th.
 - Step 3: Pick up your platter of tasty on December 11th
 - Step 4: Enjoy such treats as the platter may contain during our dessert revel

- The form will close on Sunday, December 6th, and Sciath will send an email to each participant to let them know how many participants there are, and whether there are any allergies or food sensitivities to consider in your baking plans.

Indoor fight site

- Insurance has been requested for the January start, once approved will apply to the school board. We need the insurance for the school board to approve our request.

Talking about a tobogganing party - moved to next meeting

New Business

Financial policy update - review and voting - completed see Exchequer's report.

Fall crown tourney bid.

- Shared with attendees including pictures of the site.
- Gema volunteers as Gate-Keeper
- Sciath volunteers as Registrar

A&S Initiative (Gema/Jennifer)

- Initiating project to display local art and projects on the website.
 - Starting with Gema, as a beginner showcase
 - If anyone is interested, reach out to to the A&S Minister's email address

Gema: Interested in getting a group together to go walking on the trails in Ball's Falls

- Ball's fall winter walk holiday trail. Nov. 26 to January 9. 5-10 pm Purchase in advance.
- Runs at Night Lite trail.
- Illuminated 1.5 walk through the park.

Next meeting: Sunday, December 12 at 2pm

Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm