

The Masthead

Summer 2016

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Upcoming Events Events in red are hosted by our Barony of Dragonship Haven.

This is an abbreviated list. For a complete list see <http://www.eastkingdom.org/EventListing.php>

July 2016

Friday July 29th-Sunday Aug 14th
Pennsic 45
Kingdom of Æthelmarc
Slippery Rock, PA

August 2016

Saturday Aug 20th
Thélème at Penn
Bailiwick of Iveyinrust -
Philadelphia, PA

Saturday Aug 27th
Battle of the Fiery Beast VI: The Return of
the Lilliputians!
Shire of Coill Tuar Gardiner, NY

Saturday Aug 27th
Brennan & Caoilfhionn's Ducal Challenge
Barony of Settmour Swamp - Pittstown, NJ

Saturday Aug 27th
King's and Queen's Equestrian
Championships
Shire of Quintavia - Groton, MA

Baronial Custom for the Barony of Dragonship Haven update was passed at the May Baronial Business Meeting.

Please read this. It has changed significantly since the 2002 version.

Baronial Custom for the Barony of Dragonship Haven Updated May 2016

Mission Statement:

The purpose of the Barony of Dragonship Haven is to support the SCA-related activities and aspirations of the populace within its borders. The policies, procedures, responsibilities, and awards defined herein are for the recognition and protection of all the gentles of the populace who are served by this Barony.

Overarching Policies:

This document, Baronial Custom of the Barony of Dragonship Haven, shall be the guiding document for governing the Barony of Dragonship Haven.

1. No policy or regulation shall be enacted that is contrary or at cross-purposes to that contained in the Governing Documents of the Society for Creative Anachronism located:
 - a. <http://sca.org/docs/pdf/govdocs.pdf>
2. No policy or regulation shall be enacted that is contrary or at cross-purposes to that contained in East Kingdom Law
 - a. <http://seneschal.eastkingdom.org/docs/EKLAW.pdf>
3. No policy or regulation shall be enacted that is contrary or at cross-purposes to that contained in Federal or CT State Law

4. Any elements of Baronial Custom found to be in violation of explicitly stated laws of the SCA Corpora, East Kingdom, US federal government, or state of CT will be evaluated in the next business meeting and promptly revised
5. Baronial Custom can be updated at any business meeting.
 - a. A motion to amend Baronial Custom can be made at any business meeting. All proposed changes to Baronial Custom must be raised and discussed at a Baronial Business Meeting and voted on in the following baronial business meeting. The matter may be tabled for one additional month to permit further discussion. If a consensus of the attending populace not can not be reached, a vote of all Members present at the baronial business meeting will decide the matter.
 - b. Baronial Custom will be comprehensively reviewed once a year in the month of October. The Seneschal will announce the review of custom in the September business meeting and will gather suggestions on changes and amendments. The procedure for raising, considering, and enacting changes to Baronial Custom is as described above.
 - c. All proposed changes must be discussed at minimum at two business meetings one to raise and discuss the issue that has been raised with further discussion and a populace polling conducted at the next business meeting

Membership:

1. Populace are defined as those participants that live within the boundaries of the Barony of Dragonship Haven as described here:
 - a. <http://dragonshiphaven.eastkingdom.org/8-2/map-of-the-barony/>
2. Members are defined as Populace that have a current membership with the Society for Creative Anachronism.
 - a. Join here: <http://sca.org/members/about.html>

Officers:

1. Baron and Baroness
 - a. Considered a Baronial Officer and will be subject to the review process outlined below for Baronial Officers
 - i. Must meet all requirements in EK Law
 - ii. Must be 21 years of age or older.
 - iii. Must have lived within the Barony for two consecutive years in the last five years.
 - iv. Must have held a Baronial office, stewarded an event, and/or cooked a feast or dayboard within the last five years.
 - v. Cannot hold a kingdom level office while serving as Baron/ess
2. Core Officers are those offices must be filled to remain in compliance with East Kingdom Law. By that law, all required officers must be paid members of the SCA and must meet the eligibility requirements

to hold their office. Officers reports must be submitted to the Kingdom Regional Officer, Seneschal, Deputy baronial officer and Baron and Baroness, before the deadline determined by the Kingdom Officers.

a. Seneschal

- i. The Baronial Seneschal (Business Manager) manages the administration of the Barony's historical recreation, directing the activities of the Baronial Officers, interpreting and clarifying laws and policies governing baronial activities. The seneschal also maintains Baronial Custom and is responsible for organizing Baronial business meetings.

b. Herald

- i. The Baronial Herald is the voice of the Baron/ess, runs Baronial court, aids the populace in the research of names and arms of baronial members, and manages the Baronial Order of Precedence.

c. Exchequer

- i. The Baronial Exchequer (Treasurer) is responsible for all fiscal matters concerning the Barony, administering the check book, bank accounts, and event finances.

d. Chatelaine

- i. The Baronial Chatelaine promotes growth in the Barony and SCA, encourages and welcomes newcomers, maintains gold key, and encourages and helps organize demos.

e. Knight Marshal

- i. The Knight Marshal is responsible for assuring that appropriately warranted marshals are on site to staff the Dragonship Haven Baronial heavy list armoured combat practice, The Knight Marshal encourages new fighters, maintains loaner gear, and helps run local tournaments.

f. Minister of the Lists

- i. The Baronial Minister of the Lists maintains accurate records of the fighting activities and the fighters of the Barony, coordinates the local sign-in lists, and works with the Knight and Fencing Marshalls to maintain an up-to-date list of authorized fighters practicing at the baronial practices..

g. Minister of Arts & Sciences

- i. The Baronial MOAS encourages enjoyment and participation in the Arts and Sciences. Assists the populace to expand and develop their Arts and Sciences skills, encourages investigation into period techniques and artifacts, and helps organize A&S activities: i.e. classes, workshops, competitions, demonstrations, guilds, publications.

h. Chronicler

- i. The Baronial Chronicler publishes the quarterly newsletter known as the Masthead, publishes meeting notes in conjunction with the seneschal, and works closely with the Web Minister and Herald to record Baronial news and business.
- 3. Additional Officers are those officers whom the Barony may choose to have in addition to those required by Kingdom Law. They may be added or removed at the discretion of the populace.
 - a. Fencing Marshal
 - i. The Baronial Fencing Marshal is responsible for staffing Baronial fencing practice, encourages new fencers, maintains loaner gear, and helps run local tournaments.
 - b. Thrown Weapons Marshal
 - i. The Baronial Thrown Weapons Marshal is responsible for staffing Baronial thrown weapons practice, encourages new throwers, maintains loaner gear, and helps run local tournaments.
 - c. Web Minister
 - i. The Baronial Web Minister maintains the Baronial website and all electronic communications and official e-mail addresses
 - d. Chamberlain
 - i. The Baronial Chamberlain maintains a list of all baronial property and helps coordinate removal and placement of items in the storage unit.
- 4. Baronial Officer Terms & Limits
 - a. Elections for new officers will be held at the June meeting in odd-numbered years
 - i. The seneschal will announce upcoming elections at the April Baronial business meeting
 - ii. Letters of intent must be submitted to the Seneschal, Deputy Seneschal, and Baron/ess by the May meeting. Either paper or e-mail are acceptable vehicles for letters of intent
 - iii. Discussion of candidates will be held at the May meeting with both officers and populace present.
 - iv. Any populace at the June meeting may vote on candidates.
 - 1. Proxy votes will be accepted per the terms outlined below
 - b. Any elected officer may step down at any time. In order to step down you must inform the Seneschal, Deputy Seneschal, Kingdom officer to whom you report, and Baron/ess in writing (email is acceptable) of the date you wish to relinquish your office.
 - c. All officers serve for a term of two years.
 - d. All offices can be held for no more than two and a half consecutive terms for a total of five years. Unless otherwise noted by the terms of their office in East Kingdom Policy.
 - e. All offices will participate in an annual review
 - i. Officer Review Process

1. Baronial Officer Reviews will be held at the June business meeting of even numbered years
 2. This meeting will hold an open discussion with both officers and populace about the work being done by each officer and officers' needs from other members of the populace.
 3. If an officer steps down or is replaced at this meeting, their replacement will serve a term of one year until elections in the following year.
 4. If an officer is not able to fulfill the duties of their office, the officer may step down or be asked to step down by a populace consensus.
5. Deputy Officers are STRONGLY encouraged and recommended. Each officer should recruit, designate, and train a deputy to share the workload and to fill in should an officer be unable to fulfill the duties of their office. Deputies should be kept up to date on baronial matters that touch on their office.
- a. Deputy Officers are required to maintain an SCA membership for the duration of their deputyship.
 - b. Deputy officers are among those who have a voice in cases where officers need to make decisions. .
 - c. Deputy officers are NOT required to take on an office. If the officer steps down they are encouraged to assist a new officer to make a smooth transition.
 - d. Deputy officers are subject to the same review process as Baronial Officers.
6. Officers Meeting will be held once a year
- a. Officers meetings will take place in April, all officers and deputy officers are encouraged to attend.
7. The Seneschal and/or Deputy Seneschal may call an officers meeting at any time during the year if needed to arbitrate a decision that cannot be settled (as outlined below)

Decisions:

1. Kingdom Polling
 - a. The Crown may poll the Members of the Barony of Dragonship Haven for any reason. The most common of these is the polling for Baron and Baroness. The specifics of the process of polling is located in East Kingdom Law. <http://seneschal.eastkingdom.org/docs/EKLAW.pdf>
 - b. Only those defined as Members may participate in this process.
2. Local decisions
 - a. Any person who resides within the designated boundaries of Dragonship Haven is considered to be one of the Baronial Populace and may have a voice in general decisions within this barony. This voice may be exercised locally or, in accordance with East Kingdom Law, anyone residing inside the barony may submit written comments to the Crown to discuss concerns about the

leadership and administration of this Barony. Such letters must be signed and contain contact information for the sender.

- i. Decisions on baronial matters will be made by group consensus at a scheduled baronial business meeting. Adequate discussion should take place to encourage informed decision-making.
- ii. If the issue requires an immediate decision, then an informal polling of the attending membership will be employed.
- iii. If the issue is not deemed critical and sufficient objections are raised, the matter should be discussed and tabled until the next meeting. One or more members may be appointed to gather additional information bearing on the decision. Their findings should be presented at the next business meeting.
- iv. If the matter cannot be arbitrated or no progress is made toward a final decision on the issue at that time, it will be referred to the next officer's meeting for review and a final decision.
- v. Any decision made at one meeting may be re-examined at future meetings.
- vi. Actions and disbursements authorized at baronial business meetings must be published as part of the meeting notes of that meeting.
- vii. A special meeting may be called by the Seneschal or Deputy Seneschal to discuss matters too urgent to wait until the next scheduled business meeting. A special meeting must be announced on the Barony's official & unofficial electronic communications site and as many other methods of outreach as can be managed.
- viii. Opinions of populace and absent members may be solicited via official and unofficial electronic communication channels but are not binding should a vote of the membership occur at the meeting.
- ix. Limited and specific proxies (absentee ballot) concerning a single issue at a single meeting may be accepted at the discretion of the Seneschal. Such limited proxies must be directed to the seneschal or deputy seneschal via email or text not later than 72 hours prior to the start of a business meeting to be considered valid. The proxy must be that of a DSH Baronial Member to be counted in a vote of the Membership conducted at that meeting..

Communication

1. Official communications are those that are published on the Baronial website <http://dragonshiphaven.eastkingdom.org>
2. Unofficial communications are those that are on the Baronial Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/272656346139435/> and the Baronial email list

Events

1. Events held within the Barony must be approved by the Populace at a Baronial Meeting in advance of the event. Proposal of an event must include: proposed activities, date, location, budget, event steward, and estimated attendance.
2. Principal Event Steward
 - a. Is considered an officer for the duration of event from proposal through post event steward's report.
 - b. To be the principal event steward, one must have co-stewarded an event previously with an experienced principal steward.
 - i. Must have at least one co-steward who need not have experience as a principal steward
 - c. Is responsible for all aspects of an event.
 - i. Proposes a rough budget to be approved at a business meeting.
 1. Is responsible for making sure the Exchequer is aware of fees and costs associated with an event.
 2. Recruits, supervises, and supports other staff needed for the event.
 - ii. Gives monthly reports to the seneschal about event progress.
 - iii. Obtains a contract for any sites or additional services to be used for the event
 1. Seneschal receives and signs contract and keeps a copy
 - 2.
 3. Exchequer receives a copy and writes check to site.
 4. Principal Event Steward delivers contract and payment to site.
 5. Principal event steward approves advances and expenditures needed by event staff to obtain essential supplies.
 - a. Steward informs Exchequer to whom and for how much disbursements should be made for the event.
 - b. Staff are reminded that receipts must be kept and submitted to the exchequer within a week of the event for final reconciliation, reimbursement in time for the required exchequer's event report.
 - iv. Writes a post-event stewards report. Steward's event report should be completed and presented at the next baronial business meeting if possible or one within 6 weeks of the event.

Baronial Orders:

1. Closed Baronial Orders may not be reopened.

2. Open Baronial Orders are listed below. The Baron/ess may seek comment from currently active members of these Orders on the suitability of potential new Companions. Such comments will be kept confidential.
 - a. The order of the Freya's Cup is given to a member of the populace who exemplifies hospitality in its many forms.
 - b. The Worshipful Company of Artificers is given to skilled artisans who use their art to enrich the lives of Baronial populace.
 - c. Worshipful Company of St. Martins is given to members of the Baronial populace whose exceptional martial prowess represents and defends the Barony of Dragonship Haven with distinction.
 - d. The Order of the Yale is given to honor continued excellence in the service of the Barony of Dragonship Haven over an extended period of time. All inhabitants of the Barony are eligible for the award.
 - e. The Order of the Keel is given to honor excellence in service to the Barony of Dragonship Haven rendered by a gentle who does not live within the confines of the Barony.

DSH Informal Court Reports

Balfar's Challenge (reported by Baroness Bronwen Rose of Greyling, called Brose)

Balfar's Challenge was held this Saturday at the Mountain Mist YMCA site in Meriden CT where it's has been held for the last decade. The weather cooperated and from our viewpoint it was a terrific event.

Master Jaji, Lord Omelan the Left, Lord Agapios and Mistress Wurm worked on Thursday and Friday to prepare the site for the event. Since this is the site's first event of the year, it took a lot of work both by their staff and ours to get things ready.

One of the event Stewards, Lady Isabel de Roys, was just too ill to attend the event although she did make a superhuman effort and got all the prizes to the event. Mistress Renye Wurm and Lord Agapios Cargos stepped up their day to keep things running smoothly. Agapios worked tirelessly to get the merchants positioned and set-up. Mistress Wurm and helpers laid-out field pavilions for the Royal Household of King Kenric and Queen Avelina, the Mistress of Lists, the DSH Baronial pavilion. Many hands raised the baronial pavilion. I saw Catelina, Lavina, Jean Michele, Celeste and Antonius who all made short work of it. Vivat and thank you all.

Registration went smoothly, handled by Lady Joan of Coggeshall and Amy (gee, I don't know what Amy's SCA name is) with event steward Mistress Renye Wurm also lending a hand. We started with 500 site tokens and wound up at the end of the day with 28. And thank you Captain Elias for your welcome and aid to all newcomers.

Despite the excellent prep work, unforeseen complication arose: the site's well pump broke about 9:30 AM on Saturday morning. The YMCA's team worked very hard to get it fixed, but parts could not be had to repair it. Luckily, the pool house on site provided toilets and a pleasant alternate space for changing rooms. Lord Agapios with help from Bean, (Laura, daughter of Lord Adrian and Mistress Peyton) went out to Walmart and brought back 60 gallons of spring water. These were distributed to the kitchen and to all activity areas. I didn't hear a single complaint about the inconvenience. And novice Event Steward Agapios learned a lot about the meaning of the words: "Well, wing it." Or "We'll wing it." Good job!

The kitchen crew supplied, coordinated and encouraged by Master Jaji included (but was not limited to) the wonderful Jared, and Master Thorvald Klaufland, Mistress Pagan Graham, Mistress Eleanore McCarthaigh, Lady Ivanor, Mother Mary Julia (Dyan) Mistress Cassandra Grey of Lochleven, Lord Samuel di Bianco, Lord Adrian de Cadiz, Mistress Lettice Peyton, Master Tristan, and a ridiculously large cast of contributors, helpers and admiring fans. Please add their names to our list.

During the day, Baron Joseph and I and Herald Agapios called a mini-court into being to summon forth many members of the Order of Freya's Cup to welcome Mother Mary Julia (Baroness Dyan of O'Choda's alternate persona) into this DSH Baronial order of Hospitality. Vivat!

I can only mention some of the many merchants with their fascinating wares since I didn't get to do much shopping, this will be pretty sketchy. We did see the Clann O'Choda's garage and goodies sale, Baron Edward Dragonslayer and Lady Morwenna, Baroness (Auntie) Arwen with Charmaine, and the BBM-rapier-&-heavy-fight-practice-benefit bakesale organized by Lady Sitt al-Gharb ha-niqret Khazariyya with help from Mesterinde Anarra Karlsdottir. I am sure there were many wonderful things and people that I didn't get to see. I hope you all enjoyed them.

Thrown weapons range was marshalled and tournaments organized by Lord Leon the Navigator with winner Mateo, second place to Hans of Dragonship Haven and third place to Lord Omelan the Left. Vivat!

Rapier tourney was run by Don Jean Michele and Baroness Catelina de Valencia (Baroness Oranges) with Castle-keepers, Holt Kincaid, Rhode Kephalaia and Christy Page who was attending her second event. I don't know the names of the very fierce dagger-wielding princesses but even I know that "You don't rotate the princesses." Tournament winning team was Calivers Rapier team winners were Don Remy (Justin Aucoin) , Lord Aiden (David Ludwig), and Lord Scrooby. (who was the princess?)

A handsome Archery tourney was designed and the range was ably run by Lady Siobhan inhean Chormaic. The tourney yielded the following team of winners: Tried, Tested and True but I don't know the names of the team members but we congratulate them on their marksmanship with bow and point.

Heavy List tourney was managed by Sir Torrin O'Cuin and Sir Osgkar of the Wood with Mistress Gwendolyn of Basing doing the honors as Mistress of the Lists. Many, many thanks to them all for making a fun and interesting day of fighting. The winning team was called the Hounds and it included Duke Edward Grey, his squire and a woman fighter whose names I didn't get.

Congratulations to the Hounds for their fighting expertise and leadership on the field in the warlord tourney.

An injury on the field resulted in an ambulance ride for one fighter who, it is now reported, received a mild concussion and will be OK but will eventually need a new helm for improved protection.

Youth Combat Tourney a total of 12 fighters in 2 divisions. One young fighter put on armor for the very first time. The younger division was won by Galen of Haus von Drakenklaue. The older division was won by Lord Arnulf of Carolingia. Both winners received a leather belt pouch made by Lady Isabel de Roys. Vivat! Thank you to Sir Cedric of Armorica for the most excellent tourney. Good luck in your future tournament bouts!

The Baronial thrown weapons tournament attracted four baronial contestants. After a thorough test of their skills with knife, axe and spear, our friend, Hans, emerged the victor and was installed as new Baronial Thrown Weapons Champion. We thank Lord Leon the Navigator for his long service to our barony and to Thrown Weapons in the East Kingdom.

In baronial court, the Barony's profound thanks were extended to Lady Joan Coggleshall for her decade of service as Baronial Exchequer. She has graciously agreed to serve as deputy Exchequer for this barony until a replacement may be found. Master Tristan de Worrell was installed as the incoming Dragonship Haven Exchequer had has taken up these new challenges. Good fortune attend them and Vivat to them both.

Lord Mikkel Bildeur, Baronial Rapier Champion, was inducted into the Order of St. Martin for his prowess with fencing. Don Jean Michele LeVode (previous Baronial Rapier Champion) was also inducted into this order for his skill and dedication to rapier. Lord Leon the Navigator (Baronial Thrown Weapons Champion) was inducted into the Order of St. Martin for his skill and dedication in Thrown Weapons here in Dragonship Haven and throughout the East Kingdom. This Barony is well represented indeed by this Order.

The Order of the Keel was enhanced by the addition of Sir Osgkar of the Wood, formerly of Dragonship Haven-- now relocated but still beloved and willing to come a long way to help out on this day.

DSH Baronial Seneschal, Rhode Kephalaria, was inducted into the Order of the Maunche. It was totally news to her.

A vigil head on the Rapier field for Don Quintin Brillant culminated in his being made a Master of Defense at the end of the day.

Clean up progressed very well. Lady Isabelle d' Allaines le Comte led her fencing friends with verve in breaking down of the rapier field hospitality tent and delivering it to the transport trailer. Lord Antonius, Christian, Celeste, Don Jean Michele helped strike, pack and load the baronial pavilion. The site was put to rights with heavy-hitter Mike Presti sweeping the picnic pavilion as Jaji's coterie of adoring helpers assisted him to stow the kitchen gear into his van.

We are sure we have omitted to mention some terrific people who contributed to making this day so memorable. Please accept our thanks for adding to a great event. We're hoping we see you all at Balfar's Challenge next year.

--Baroness Brose

Sir Wilhelm's Hastilude with King & Queen's Armored Combat Championships May, 2016

Tremendous thanks to Mistress Vienna ([Jackie Lauersdorf Van Ostenbridge](#)) and Sir Wilhelm ([Brian Van Ostenbridge](#)) for autocratting a fantastic event and for everything you guys did to make this run so smoothly, the green room was a fantastic idea I'd also like to thank the people who manned that tent, and they were very

welcoming. Thanks to Captain Elias([Jeff Gedney](#)) for hosting the welcome tent. To [Liz Ives](#), [Margaret Peckham](#) for their beautiful displays. To Sarah Byrd ([Sarah Dornblaser](#)) for the experimental bread baking and Master Jaji for his open fire cooking. To Kit ([Kataryn Kit Mercer](#)) for her wood cut displays.

To Omelan for running the archery tourney. To Don Jean Michel leVode([Sean Hayden](#)) for running the fencing tourney. To Isabel du Roys ([Susan Ann Le](#)) for helping Break down and being MO Lfor the fencing tourney. To Agapios ([Jeff Cargos](#)) for setup, heralding / list running and heralding our court, and break down. To our champions Jean Michel and Olaf([Jeremy Glidden](#)) for standing with us and Lady Kit for retaining behind the throne. You guys make us look good and keep us from passing out :).

To our roving chatelaines [Holt Kincaid](#), [Dziuginte Stickbait](#), Kayleigh([Beth Regnier](#)), Liz, Margaret and the others who wore the button. To Izzy([Theresa Brooks](#)) for offering hospitality on the other side of the field.

Thanks to the fighters and fencers who fought and helped make the day a spectacle

To the setup and break down crews in no particular order Jean Michel, Christofel ([Amos Brooks](#)), Simone (Sean Powell), Omelan, Sir Zippy, Catalina ([Veronica Tanguay](#)) , Patrick Michael([Pat Brown](#)) and the many others who helped pitch in to break us down in record time in front of the expected weather.

Thanks to all the people I missed, and all the people who contributed.

Thanks to Their Majesties for allowing us to be the stage for your Champions Tourney.

Brose and I are still beaming with pride in our barony, a great job was done by all.

--Baron Joseph of the Red Griffin

P.S. In Baronial Court Lady Isobel de Royse, Lady Lavina Attewood and Lord Symone de Poitiers (Sean Powell) were welcomed into the Worshipful Company of Artificers. Baroness Catelina de Valencia (Veronica Tanguay) was inducted onto the DSH Order of the Yale.Vivant!

In East Kingdom Court, our own Lord Antonius (formerly Lord Antgar and mka Ant Alteri) was inducted by the crown into the order of the Tiger's Combatant (East Kingdom armored combat order of high merit). Likewise: Yay!

CT Spring Ren Faire Demo May and June 2016

May 21 and 22 and again June 6 and 7 an intrepid band of Dragonship Haven denizens led by Dragonship Haven's Baroness Catelina de Valencia set up a demo at the Spring Robinhood (CT)Ren Faire in another concerted effort to reach out to potential new scadian playmates. Baroness Catelina, Lady Lavina, Lord Omelan, and others pitched the baronial pavilion on Friday night and set up a display of A&S projects, weapons and regalia. Lady Gwenllian Ferch Llewellyn (Lisa August Stevens),Chatelaine of BBM welcomed faire-goers on 3 of the 4 days of this demo. Master Elias Gedney filled in as DSH Chatelain June 6th. Duke Balfar and Lord Patrick of Dragonship Haven, Lord Antonius, and Lord Mark Stephens of BBM faithfully attended many of the hours of the demo displaying the pagentry of SCA armored combat. Lady Lavina, Baroness Catelina, Lord Akamatsu Katsumoto of Bergental, and several others (who I can't name) demonstrated the graceful and deadly arts of the rapier.

Baroness Catelina and Lady Lavina set up a nice display of varied arts of the east Kingdom: silk banners, scrolls, medallions, embroidery, accessories, regalia, and weapons. Baron Joseph and I added a few things and spent some time meeting and enjoying the company of many fine gentles. Dionysia, (mka Christie Page), a new friend, assisted at this event, spreading hospitality and good cheer to those participating. She was joined by cheery Lady Akamatsu Tora and others. We saw many familiar faces in the couple of days we could attend and we know we missed seeing others who contributed to this excellent demo so if we missed you, we're sorry. We packed the list field and gear just as the good weather gave out. We struck the baronial pavilion in a torrential downpour. It got spread out and dried during next 2 days. We returned it and all the other gear to the baronial storage unit. We are grateful for Baroness Catelina for arranging and staffing the demo and to all who turned out to help, show our stuff and meet new people.

--Baroness Brose and Baron Joseph of the Red Griffin

Baronial Business Meeting Minutes and Officers' Reports

February meeting

Dragonship Haven meeting agenda

attendance 9

February 21, 2016

Officers reports:

Heavy: Gerard & Pat Brown

Lots of new fighters at heavy practice lately, which seems like a good thing. Tournament and melee season is coming soon, so I would recommend everyone to check their gear and authorization cards. Also, many thanks to Ubu, we have a portable pell stored on-site, so it should be available at each practice. This is a huge help for all the new people (and old-timers, as well), and it is definitely quite a masterpiece of applied design.

Fencing: Jean-Michel & Catelina

One of our fencers Catalina just received her warrant as a marshal. I talked to her to see if she would be interested in taking up the duties of deputy rapier marshal. I also talked to Christofel if he would be willing to give up those responsibilities. They were both enthusiastic about the idea. So from now Catalina will be acting as my deputy so she can learn the job and gain experience.

Other than that practice is ongoing although still with reduced numbers. We may still be in a winter slump. I'm starting to think of ways to grow our ranks because I much prefer a packed gym.

Thrown weapons: Leo & Agapios

We are still on winter hiatus. I will let everyone know when practice resumes after the whether gets warmer.

Thrown Weapons will be at Balfar's Challenge.

MOL: Gwen

Practice continues for both rattach and rapier every Thursday at the Keefe center in Hamden. This week we actually had more fighter than fencers.

Archery: Omelan

Greetings. Archery practice on hold until warmer days. I will order target backing cardboard and a replacement center for one of the target butts soon. Nothing else to report.

Chronicler: Sara

A winter 2016 edition of the masthead was published and distributed and is attached here as well.

I will shortly be in receipt of many old mastheads from Arwen and will do my best to get them scanned or somehow cataloged in an accessible fashion.

I am actively seeking a deputy. Any interested party should contact me.

Herald: Agapios

Our order names and badges should be passing kingdom level any day now.

Many awards were given out lately

Lady Catalina got her backlogged AOA and received her silver rapier at Birka.

Many things happened at K&Q A&S

Lady Kit and Lord Ulfgir the Nice both became members of the Order of the Maunch Lady Isabel became a member of the order of the silver Broach

Lord agapios became a member of the order of the silver wheel

Chatelaine: Capt Elias & Isabella -

Chamberlain: Jaji

The storage unit has emailed and called me, presumably to remind me of the annual renewal. Whatever is decided in this matter, please let mw know so that plans can be made to either go and sign another contract with them or re-located the items to another storage facility

Webminister: Nargis

Exchequer – Joan & Tristan:

Checking: 5764.88

Savings: 1473.06

MOAS: Elizabeth

Seneschal: Rhode & Christofel

Upcoming meeting schedule (subject to change)

March meeting - TBA

Baron & Baroness: Joseph & Brose

Events:

Hastilude – Vienna & Wilhelm - RP - May 14th - Kings & Queens Rattan Champs - donation - Bethany

Hrim Schola w BBM - March 19 - Tristan & Khaza - classes 11-5 \$13 - Meriden

Balfars Challenge - April 16 - Isabel, Wurm, Agapios - RP - leather chair workshop for prizes after Schola - merchants a coming - Meriden

Demo at CT Ren Fair - Catalena - arrangements in the works for the spring

St. Eligius - Wurm & Tristam - November 12 - Meriden

Old Business:

Baronial custom - going to change approach, will put 20-30 minutes aside at each baronial meeting to discuss and move forward

New Haven Storage Unit? Contract up in February? How much does it cost? Does it suit our needs and if not are there other workable options?

Spending \$500 donation Plan:

a workshop or two for making bling \$200

Make linens for barony \$100

Serve ware \$200

New business:

Proposal: BBM fighting practice on Tuesdays in Middlefield, we have given permission, will get together an email with BBM seneschal for official approval, once signed contract has been received.

Proposal: Isabel - Baronial level warranted youth officer - Isabel will look into becoming warranted

March 2016

Dragonship Haven Meeting

Date: 03.13.16

Attendance: 16

Upcoming Business Meetings

Officers Reports

Archery - Omelan

Greetings! Happy Daylight Savings! Archery practice is still on hold. The much needed supplies are here. Target butt fixed. Hoping the weather stays mild for an early April practice start. End of report.

Fencing - Jean-Michel & Catelina

Nothing really new at fencing to report.

Heavy - Gerard & Pat

Turnout has been high at practice. BBM's new Tuesday night practice sounds like it was a good time: I encourage anyone free on Tuesday nights to check it out. Fight safe.

MOL - Gwen

Fight practice continues weekly. Fergus Ochoda authorized 2 weeks ago. My yearly report has been filed. I will not be at practice on 3/17/16. We continue to have new and old folks show up, some from other kingdoms who are transfers to our kingdom.

Thrown Weapons - Leo & Agapios

Thrown Weapons will start holding practice at Leon the Navigator's house starting Wednesday, March 30th at 5:30 pm till dark. TW practice at the Archery range will start after I have talked to Sir Torrin. Any TW Marshal that can help at either practice will be appreciated.

There will be Thrown Weapons at Balfar's Challenge run by Leon the Navigator. There will also be the Baronial Thrown Weapons Championship at Balfar's, provided their Excellency's would like it at that time.

At Pennsic, Thrown Weapons will have a new (second) War Point - a Populace Throw. There is also a new competition - Baronial Champions. Details on both to follow.

Don't forget that there is still the EK Thrown Weapons Royal Round, which can be thrown at any official practice or event that has TW during the year.

If you like throwing, or want to be ready for the upcoming competitions, please come out to a practice and support your Barony.

Chamberlain - Jagi

If you need anything for Balfars, please contact me well in advanced, I cannot carry anything, but can help you get in. Their excellencies have offered up their trailer if it's needed, but it's a strictly UHaul situation.

Chatelaine - Capt. Elias & Isabella

Chronicler - Sara

A winter 2016 edition of the masthead was published and distributed.

I am actively seeking a deputy. Any interested party should contact me.

Have received archived mastheads and will work on getting them scanned and up on the website.

Exchequer - Joan & Tristan

Checking 4092.64 Savings 1472.94

Herald - Agapios

Mikkel Bildir (Mike the builder) arms are now passed

Order of St Martin name and badge passed Kingdom Level

Order of Freya's Cup name and Badge passed Kingdom Level

Order of the Keel badge passed Kingdom Level but the name bounced because we already have it registered

Artificers the badge passed Kingdom Level but the name bounced but is resubmitted

MOAS - Elizabeth of Rivenstar

Need to find a replacement for MOAS, Elizabeth needs to step down

Seneschal - Rhode & Christofel

Looking to have a first draft of the new custom document together for the April meeting, closer to final draft ready to be voted on in the May meeting. Will re-look at it post Pennsic and update as necessary.

Looking for meeting hosts for June, July, August meetings, please contact either Rhode or Christofel if you're interested

Webminister - Nargis

Continue making changes as they come in. Ongoing projects, getting masthead up on the website, moving over all officer emails, if you need help setting up your email. Attended webminister group at Birka, interesting ideas moving forward.

Baron & Baroness - Joseph & Brose

Events

Hrim Schola - Meriden - March 19 - Tristan & Samantha

Joint event with BBM - Classes 11:00-5:00 \$13

Hastilude - Bethany - May 14 - Vienna & Wilhelm

Kings & Queens Rattan Champs - donation

Balfars Challenge - Meriden - April 16 - Isabel, Agapios, Wurm

Workshop for chairs/prizes, lots of merchants \$15

St. Eligius - Meriden - November 12 - Tristan & Wurm

Demo - CT Ren-Faire - Spring - Catalina

Info to come as it's available

Old Business

Custom

Serving Gear \$200

Linens \$100

Bling workshop \$200

Isabel looking into becoming Baronial Youth Minister

April Meeting Cancelled, no minutes

May 2016

Meeting notes from 5.22 are below.

Couple of important things to note:

The new baronial custom is in place and approved.

This means two things for officers:

1. If you have been in place for more than five years next June (2017) will be time to step down. If you need help finding and training a deputy, please let me or Amos know, we will help.
2. Starting this June we will do annual officer reviews in June, we will start this at our next meeting, June 18th. We will openly discuss each position, how the officer is doing from both their perspective and the baronies, see if there is help or support that we can provide, and see if they intend to stay for a further term.

Next meeting is in Trumbull at Christofel & Izzys

Thank you

Rhode

Dragonship Haven Meeting

Date: 05.22.16

Attendance: 8

Officers Reports

Archery - Omelan

Greetings. I will not make the Milford meeting. I will be at the archery range. We had a nice shoot at the demo, all went well. Practice continues. Dates will be posted.

Fencing - Jean-Michel & Catelina

Nothing really new at fencing to report.

Heavy - Gerard & Pat

Practice continues weekly. Some new faces, some old faces returned after a long absence. Congratulations to Ant on his OTC, very well-deserved, and he is an excellent emissary from our Barony to our neighbors. As we get closer to Pennsic, please check your authorization cards.

MOL - Gwen

Baronial fight practice continues at the Keefe center every week with about a dozen fenders and 8 to 10 heavy list fighters. I attended Balfar's Challenge we had 37 teams of 3 in the heavy list even without Balfar being there! A good time was had by all.

Thrown Weapons - Leo & Agapios

Chamberlain - Jagi

1) Thank you to Their Excellencies for hauling the Baronial equipment around in their trailer so that I didn't have to make multiple trips to/from the storage locker.

2) Since I am unfamiliar with what baronial equipment travels to Pennsic, please let me know what might be going there & back.

3) I am familiar with camping equipment in general and suggest that anyone who does not know the point of a tent stake from the head not put them away in their storage bags and let someone else do so. For the record, the *point* is the part that goes into the ground, but NOT into the stake bag. The head is what you hit with the hammer to drive it into the ground but is the part that hits the stake bag first. If this sounds like me airing my very worst camping bugaboo before the Barony, you are correct. Seriously, it take less time to do it the right way, the stake bags will thank you, and the person who does not have a stake fall point-first through a ripped bag will thank you.

On a personal note, I will be once again setting up the Mongolian Wok at War of the Roses, and will be borrowing five of the red standing banner holders made by Mikkell for Investiture. If you happen to be attending that event, stop by and see me for the obvious reasons but also to see our gear in admittedly unorthodox action!

Chatelaine - Capt. Elias & Isabella

Chronicler - Sara

Exchequer - Tristan & Joan

Herald - Agapios

Many things happened three events two were RPs

Balfars Mikkell Bildr, Leon the Navigator, Don Jean Michel leVode became a St Martin and Sir Oskar of the Wood became a Keel and Lady Rhode became a Maunch

Hrim Schola Lord Grimolfr Skulason became a Keel and Lady Elizabeth of Rivenstar became an artificer

Hastilude Simone de Poitier, Isabel de Roy and Lavina Atwood became artificers and Catalina became a Yale

Antonius Blantus received his OTC

MOAS - Elizabeth of Rivenstar

New A&S ministers Holt & Vienna

Seneschal - Rhode & Christofel

Custom is officially in place, we will be doing officer reviews in June

Webminister - Nargis

Baron & Baroness - Joseph & Brose

Events

Hastilude - we're on for next year!!

St. Eligius - Meriden - November 12 - Tristan & Wurm & Pat Brown

Wurm & Rhode day board

Demo - North Haven - CT Ren-Faire - Catalina

May 21-22

June 4-5

Old Business

Custom - approved

Serving Gear \$200

Linens \$100

Bling workshop \$200

Isabel looking into becoming Baronial Youth Minister

New Business

Received another check from Harvard Pilgrim for \$500

BBM would like to run an event on our lands

“Our group would like to do a Golden Seamstress event at the Federated Church church in Middlefield, where our Tuesday night fight practice is, probably in September. This is a "make an outfit in 24 hours" event.

This site is in Dragonship Haven territory. May we please have permission to hold the event at that site? It is going to be low key--donations for the site fee, minimal prep and clean up and lots of fun for the sewers! Mistress Ciara MacRobbie will be the autocrat.”

PRACTICES

Heavy List Practice

Weekly practices are held on Thursdays from 8pm-10pm at the Keefe Center in Hamden, CT. Contact the Knight Marshal for more information.

Fencing

Weekly practices are held on Thursdays from 7:30pm-10pm at the Keefe Center in Hamden, CT. Contact the Fencing Marshal for more information.

Archery

In season from May through mid-October, practices are on Sundays, noon-3pm (weather permitting), in Oxford, CT. Loaner gear is available. Subscribe to the baronial Yahoo Group linked above for practice updates. Contact the Archery Marshal for directions and more information.

Thrown Weapons

In season, practices are held on Wednesday evenings at 5:30 PM (weather permitting) at a private home. Loaner gear is available. Contact the Thrown Weapons Marshal for more information.

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