

Baronial Council Meeting May 2009

Present – Catherine, Nathan, Lachlaln, Andre, Jane, Columb, Wendy, Bechtold, Cinara, Isabel, Alicia, Catalina, Gillian, Roni

Apologies – Donnchadh, Kerridwen, Branwen, Kilic

The Moose Song is not period. They should be called Elk.

Minutes of the last meeting – The Tournament of the Roses was not listed in the minutes of the last meeting. Bad Seneschal. The Seneschal blames the discovery of clashing events and changes of dates made between council and minutes being done.

Officers

Herald – Report received. Electronic payments are still an issue, the bank account details are currently munted and the college is using personal account. Please check with the heralds before making payments. The Aachenfeld device has gone to Laurel along with two other names. Cinara's device has bounced. The vocal projection workshop at Autumn Gathering went well.

Marshal – Report received. Not much. Discussed changing Baronial training to Aachenfeld training. Agreed. Edmund Kerr was authorized, he's a minor, he will now need his hard hat with light and canary. Armoured combat is going well with at least one event a month and up to 18 in lists. Donnchadh is now a heavy marshal. No injuries.

Rapier – Report received. Virtue and Vice Tournament – 8 combatants. 2 melee authorizations. Autumn Gathering 5 combatants. Authorised Chulain of Chainbridge. This should mean faster progress for rapier in Boesenberg. Cut and Thrust will start in Aneala soon.

Archery – Report received. IKACs are going well. Should we continue with regular IKACs in Aachenfeld? Occasionally but also want other shoots. Nobody died but the Captain of Archers did stab her foot with a bow stand. IKAC – 10 archers, won by Richard. Royal Round – 7 archers won by Richard and Pax. Wandu IKAC – 6 archers won by Nathan.

A&S – Report received. Stephen and Mathilde came to Autumn Gathering and taught lots. Other classes went very well.

Reeve – Report received. \$6217.47 in bank, some money due to come in. No reports from subgroups. Our Lochac levy contribution has now exceeded the cap. The cap no longer applies but it's cool that we had more than 750 adults at event in the last year. There were problems with the constabling at Autumn Gathering. The money appears to be in order but the steward and reeve had trouble matching some indemnities to bookings. Single day events seem to go well but there needs to be more accountability with multi-day events so we know which constable signed in which people and took what money. The suggestion is to ask constables to sign the indemnities they witness and mark which members they signed in on the members form and note how much each person paid. It would also help for bookings officers to take mundane names so they can be matched to indemnities. There were issues with the Dragon's Bay bookings taken by Peter, he is trying to sort it out. One constable changed the event prices for some attendees. This may not happen without specific consultation with the steward.

Alicia noted that boffer is becoming popular and asked about the rulebook. Boffer is not sponsored by the marshals. The rulebook is more guidelines than actual rules. The SCA does not sponsor children's activities. If the parents wish to arrange boffer for their own children they may do as they see fit.

Constable – Report received. Looking for a deputy. Wendy is now a constable at large.

Chronicler – Rosalind is back. Please send her stuff.

Web – Has moved the SCA site onto new hardware, now has the website and mailing list in one box. A&S page has been updated.

Lists – Report received. Several fighters have not shown their authorization cards to the listkeeper which has resulted in the tournament being stopped to resolve the issues.

Chatelaine – Report received. Will redo the photos for demos and laminate them. Has discussed issuing an invoice for the Mythica demo with the Reeve. They have it sorted. Some Curtin Uni students will be coming to events soon to film for a project. We may be able to use this for promo purposes. Loaner tabards are being completed.

Seneschal – Please comment to the BOD about membership for fighters. Please comment to Exchequer about ideas for using Lochac funds. The Seneschal gave the officers present boxes of chocolates in aid of volunteer week. Apparently the Canton Seneschals don't count. Please comment on the new award system being proposed. The proposal was read out and the implications discussed. The other law changes simply bring Kingdom Law into line with the new SCAA policies. They were discussed briefly. The Seneschal promised interesting discussion. She lied. There is an AVO in place between two Boesenberg members. The SCA does not enforce mundane law. We have a duty, since we are aware of the order, to tell them if the other has arrived or booked for an event. After that it is up to them how they handle it. All officers present are on their relevant Lochac officer lists.

Calendar

21/3/09 Newcomers Tourney and Feast – Gillian – 107 people. \$842.75 profit. 16 no shows, 3 people came without booking. There was a noise complaint from a neighbor claiming we did not stop making noise until 1am. This has not come to anything. Boffer won by Abhaya. Best Newcomer Garb won by Alana of the College. Best Garb won by Edmund Lyon of Stirling. A number of 17 year olds were charged child prices which were supposed to be for under 12s.

There was a discussion about booking fees. It used to be the norm that if you booked and didn't come, you paid for the event. This was considered out of line with modern mundane usage. The new plan is if you book and don't come, all you lose is your deposit. Stewards should bear this in mind when setting the minimum deposit and aim for an amount that will both encourage people to book and encourage them to come. The average no show rate in Aneala is about 15%.

24-27/4/09 Autumn Gathering – Lachlahn – The finances are still being sorted. The report will be in next month. Nobody died. The restraining order in Boesenberg arose from Autumn Gathering. House Templestone were told by people to stop singing religious songs. This was inappropriate and definitely not official policy. There were 129 people and about \$700 profit.

17/5/09 Baroness Fighter Auction – Jane – All good. Auction monies need to be paid to the Reeve by next council.

29/5/09 – 1/6/09 Pencampwr – Abertridwr. Please book.

14/6/09 – Heraldic Tournament – Nathan – Neil MacDougall park now require a temporary building licence for the use of pop-up sunshades. The application fee is \$124. A new site is being arranged.

12/7/09 – Tournament of the Roses – Isabel.

17/7/09 – Brass Monkey Bash – Boesenberg – Jochen Schwalbe. Cancelled.

25/7/09 – Midwinter – Jane – Will be at North Perth Town Hall. Must be out by midnight. Deposit of \$10 required.

9/09 Championship – Columb – Form done. Will book dorms as well.

31/10/09 – All Hallows Eve Masque Ball – Catalina – Tudor style ball with period Halloween traditions. Food will be donated.

Old Business

Officers' Medallions – Nathan – will get round to it.

Loaner Armour – Conan – Still waiting.

Disposal of old regalia – Catherine

Ironwing I – Marcellus has suggested slicing the limbs to make some tokens for the champions who had the bow. He likes the idea of turning the handle into a knife handle. I still need designs etc for these proposals.

Old Coronets – Velvet handed over. Links have arrived.

Resources list – Cinara – Has got some useful stuff.

New Business

Using rock three times in a row in paper, rock scissors is called a landslide.

Next Meeting – 19th June at Catalina's house.