

Aneala March 2021 Council Minutes

Attendance: Elizabeth R, Agostino, Leonie, Konrad, Elizabeth S, Gwyneth, Pantera, Kilic, Branwen, Skjaldadis, Sam

Apologies: Isolde, Nathan, William, Gummi, Loki, Dameon, Aife, Zaven

Last Minutes Feb minutes

Approved: Elizabeth S

Seconded: Elizabeth R

Officers Reports

Baron & Baroness

There was half a Hyde Park Faire! Thank you everyone who came.

There was a Newcomers' Tournament! It was a lovely day and we'd like to remind everyone to reapply sunscreen often.

We are looking forward to the Collegia.

The Crown has requested award recommendations.

We would very much appreciate donations of largesse to present to the Crown as a gift.

Seneschal

It was good to see new people at the newcomers event.

We had a lot of interest at Hyde park. Special thanks to Sam and Zaven for fighting both heavy and rapier. Go us.

St Basil Seneschal

Training has had 1 to 3 new people. AGM is coming up. 1st April. Seriously.

We had a boffer tourney first week of semester with 6 newbies, one of whom won.

Movie night on the second week of semester organised by Neville, with about 8 people including newbies.

Nobody died.

Reeve:

Bank Account

Opening Balance 1 Feb: \$23,192.71

Closing Balance 28 Feb: \$23,269.92

During February we purchased new tyres for the trailer \$198 and a 6×3 m pop-up (\$399)

On March 17th the SCA treasurer sent me the bill for Aneala's Kingdom Levies, Event Insurance and GST for the third and fourth quarter of 2020, a total of \$370.03. This payment is underway.

The trailer licence is due on the 16th of April, at a cost of \$67.40. I would like approval to pay this bill and be reimbursed for the expense. Moved Pantera, Seconded Elizabeth R, approved.

Need approval to pay bills for Spearwood PS \$84 for Newcomers and \$31.50 for canteen for Cooks guild the same day. Moved Elizabeth R, Seconded Skjaldadis, approved, for both.

At Hyde Park event was held a special council meeting with Seneschal, Reeve and B&B, Lokki, Nathan, Damien, William de Walford. For approval of airfare for the Crown. Decision was to pay for one airfare up to a value of \$700, which needs ratification at full council. Moved Pantera, seconded Skjaldadis, approved.

Herald

At Hyde Park Demo, thank you to Mistress Leonie for heralding on the Sunday.

One event was held in the last month at Spearwood Primary School, for a Newcomers' Tourney and Archery.

Court and Field heraldry was performed. No Awards were given.

Winners of the Tourney were Lokki Rekr for the Armoured Tournament and Zaven for the Rapier Tournament.

Two thank you awards – to William de Walford and Frances Affrica Ray.

Constable

Hyde Park Demo 27 Feb

13 members attended

No incidents or injuries

Newcomers Tourney 14 March

35 members and 18 non-members attended

No incidents, lost property returned to Isolde

Chronicler

Vine was put out late to allow a write up of the Hyde Park demo event to be included & make that available to new people.

Arts and Sciences

The Kingdom A&S Officer has sent me 7 tokens to give away and 1 award and letter for our recent kingdom competition winner, to be handed out in future events (token criteria still to be agreed with Baron and Baroness).

More opportunities for A&S sessions during combined Aneala and DB Sundays at Spearwood Primary School (future dates: Apr 11th, May 9th and Jun 13th)

Aneala Collegium April 2021- Crown visit and timetable of classes announced

Knight Marshal

We have been having training, numbers (3-5) have been somewhat like as for the Armoured combatants, No injuries have been reported to me.

I have received word back from the Earl Marshal regarding the current reporting scheme.

This was from the Earl Marshal, Angele de Savigny.

"Ideally, groups have a group marshal for each martial activity, and no centralised group marshal that they report to – none of our disciplines should be considered lesser to the others, or superior. A group would just need to have a group marshal of one of the martial disciplines to meet the requirements for groups to have a group marshal.

So the group rapier marshal would provide any reports that their local council requires (aka reporting to the group Seneschal) as often as the group council wants them – they should be collating event reports from any Marshals-in-Charge, reporting quarterly to their baronial counterpart if a canton, and reporting quarterly to the Kingdom Rapier Marshal.

Same for armoured combat, but to the Kingdom Armoured Combat Marshal (which people keep forgetting isn't me!)

Making use of the CC function to send the quarterly report all at once is just fine."

So, we will be reporting via our Martial disciplines and to our group Seneschal.

Rapier Captain

Active fencers are in your group 6

Events

Newcomers Rapier Tourney 4 Fencers in the List

No injuries in this period.

Another blade failure occurred at Lake Monger Training on 7 March 2021, blade broke at tang, it may be repairable.

In regard to my proposed purchase of at least two replacement blades and if possible a number of other pieces of rapier equipment. I am still trying, so far without success, to obtain information in regard to

prices, GST, potential import duty and shipping costs. Given the difficulties I'm experiencing in this matter I will be lending one of my blades to the Barony until I can sort out the purchase issues.

Captain of Archers

The weekly Sunday sessions at Lake Monger Primary are well attended, with popularity increasing over the last couple of weeks. The open day at Spearwood on the 14th March was popular, with many members and guests trying out the archery over the day. I am hoping that we were successful in attracting some new members given the enthusiasm amongst the archers. A big thanks to Catherine de Walford in helping to TAM whilst I provided instruction to the novices. She also got to try out her new English longbow and found out that she shares the same birthday as her excellency.

Unfortunately, a few arrows saw fletchings get stripped during the event – to be expected with novice shooters – so will need to look at some repairs and a new bag of fletches in the near future. Happy to do that if I can borrow a jig.

I am now holding many of the targets and loaner bows plus arrows and accessories which I or Catherine will endeavour to bring on a weekly basis going forward.

I don't have access to any minutes for the last meeting or emails from Dragons Bay so hoping Branwen can fill in there.

Branwen: Branwen and Kilic are going to head to DB to train TAMs – Andrew H has stepped back from this for the moment. DB has an upcoming novelty shoot and Demo.

List Keeper

There was one event requiring list keeping since my last report. The Newcomers event was held on the 14th March 2021 with both heavy and rapier tournaments being contested. Both tournaments were run in the format of best of three bouts, double elimination. The heavy tournament had 5 combatants and the winner was THL Lokki Rekk. The rapier tournament had 4 combatants and the winner was Lord Zaven Zeitountsi.

I have contacted the Kingdom List Keeper requesting that the details for the List Keepers and Group Champions for Aneala be updated on the Lochac website. I believe that Isabel did request this last year but it has not been done.

Web Minister

Please accept my apologies in advance for not attending council this Friday.

Web minister report for March 2021 council:

Nothing to report.

Youth Officer

Received a report for DB Youth Officer, nobody died.

No youth died at Newcomers either.

No other youth activities reported this period.

Still looking for a replacement.

Chatelaine

This past month I have been continuing stock-take of garb, and have gratefully received donated chemises to supplement the ladies' garb. I have also been trialling maintaining a rolling database of email addresses in which I will record how many times I have made contact and whether I received any reply. I hope this will provide a better indication of how effective my emailing system is and how long it is worthwhile persisting.

Hyde Park fair had an engaging display, unfortunately I have had no reply from the six email addresses that were taken down that weekend.

Newcomers tournament was a success, we had enough garb available to dress 11 adults and two youth. We had one family who were walk-ins that decided to spend a couple of hours at the event in garb and were very positive.

Calendar

Past Events

Hyde Park Fair

2021 Hyde Park Demo Event Report

Event Date 28 February 2021 to 1 March 2021

Steward Nathan Bullivant

Marshals Nathan Blacktower and Dameon Greybeard

Herald Leonie de Grey

Constable Aífe ingen Ehdach

Summary Demo ran well on Day 1 with reasonable but not high level of interest from passers-by. A decision was made to not attend on day 2 due to expected storms, the event coordinators also cancelled the day.

A static display was set up under the Barony's shade pavilion. This had a reasonable flow of people and our members helped people to engage with what the SCA is about. Fighting displays happened through the day with both armoured and rapier fighting. The combat is loud and always a hit with the crowd, but mostly draws people as entertainment. Engaging with the crowd at the end of combat rounds helps in trying to promote us as a club rather than as a show. Thanks to everybody who came along and helped. Especially Leonie for collecting the trailer of equipment and returning it.

The location on site is not ideal. We are a distance off the path and crowded by garden beds and the camel ride stall. I would suggest rethinking our location for next year.

Attendance

There was no entry cost for this event, therefore also no Kingdom Levy. 13 Members attended, paperwork was maintained and submitted by the Constable.

Combat

Combat activities happened on the hour most hours alternating between armoured combat and rapier combat. No injuries or failures of weapons/armour occurred. Aífe ingen Ehdach was warned for striking a combatant without properly engaging. Importantly this highlighted that our regular training is focusing too much on individual combat. We are not sufficiently training rules and experience in melee fighting and should go back to doing more of this.

Equipment

Baronial outdoor equipment was used. Mistress Leonie de Grey collected the equipment for the event. Washed tablecloths and returned equipment after the event. No damages or losses occurred. The Baronial trailer has now been returned to the storage container

Newcomers

The event went very well. We had 15 adult non-members and 3 minor non-members for the day, a large interest in Archery, with some in Armoured combat and Rapier, hoping to see them over the next few training sessions. A huge thank you to everyone who attended, this event is about showing off ourselves as a Historical Society. I want to particularly thank William Walford for running Archery all day as well as teaching so many newcomers how to shoot a bow, Mistress Branwen for Heraldry and THL Elizabeth for List keeping! I will submit a formal report before the next council.

Regular Events

Site booking for the 2021 Championship has been cancelled due to site works.

Booking has been changed to Windmill site.

Future Events

Autumn Collegia Event Anzac Weekend 2021 (proposal) 24/4 to 26/4/2021

The Crown will now be attending this event. They will be running classes.

Daytime fee is \$10 per day

Saturday now has a Ball, additional fee of \$10 per head for attending the Ball.

Western Raids – a Dragon's Bay event. We should all go, and be happy.

Proposed events

Newcomer's Feast 2021 Event Bid

Event Steward: Neville

Deputy Event Steward: Sam

Head Cook: Roobi

Date: 010521

Venue: Rivervale Community Centre Main Hall

Logistics: Hygiene, COVID measures, Baronial crates

Time: 1800-2300; Setup: 1600-1800; Pack-up: 2300-0000

Description: An evening of late medieval feasting, dancing and games to welcome new members of the College

Food: See attached Elizabethan menu

Costs:

- Hall Hire: \$680.73
- Bond on Hall Hire: \$1000
- Food per person: \$14

Pricing:

- 18 and above: \$30 (+\$10 non-member insurance)
- Under 18s: \$15 (+\$5 non-member insurance)
- Under 10s: Free (+\$5 non-member insurance)

Break-Even Point: 48 guests

Midwinter: Proposed to be a Dragonsbay event, Feast of New Foods postponed from Feb. Steward: Slaine, head cooks: Gwyneth and Bella. Baroness suggests the 10th or 17th July. Details TBC.

General Business

DEI Officer

From previous minutes:

Do we need one?

General discussion re officer requirements and use of gendered pronouns including on group publications.

Noted, we need to always have explicit permission before attributing pronouns on our publications which includes choosing not to have a listed pronoun.

Isolde van Wilravenssijde

I am in favour of having a DEI Officer. Just because most people in Aneala are good at calling things out at the moment, doesn't mean that this will always be the case. Furthermore, if someone is having an issue they need help in resolving, then having a dedicated DEI Officer they can come to is much easier and less scary than the Council, or even just the Seneschal. Having an Officer whose job is advocacy, conflict resolution and education is an important tool in the prevention of future issues, as well as makes things much easier to resolve when issues do occur.

Pantera and Branwen think it is a good office to have.

Kilic suggests funds be made available for training for the person & Kingdom DEI officer be consulted on available training. Skjaldadis proposes that training in DEI be available including conflict resolution and consultation with relevant groups such as disability and indigenous advocacy groups. Proposal to consult Board on any relevant legal issues.

We think someone should contact the Kingdom DEI officer to find out what is already in place – 2 volunteers – Elizabeth R suggests this is part of the role of Seneschal as head-officer-wrangler.

Pronouns:

- People need to be asked before putting pronouns on a website, what their pronouns are and if they want their pronouns listed
- Kingdom have added pronouns to website and Pegasus

Display Banner

Discuss the production of an all-weather banner which we can use at demos

Leonie to design banners in consultation with others, Nathan to print.

New General Business

Geek Guide

The Geek Guide has asked if we want to advertise. It's being launched at Swancon. Dragons Bay has a good inclusive SCA ad that we propose using. General feeling: let's do it – DB may already be doing it – let's check.

One of the things the Geek Guide has been designed to do is to help promote local community groups and not for profit organisations. With this in mind I would love to offer the Barony of Aneala a free 1/4 page advertising space.

If you are interested the advert would need to fit the following specifications.

57mm Wide by 88mm High, full colour and 300dpi in one of the following formats. pdf. eps. jpg. png

Boddington Fair

Not sure I clicked the right box but I would love to talk to someone to see if you guys would be willing to do a display

At our Medieval Fayre this year on 17 April.

Boddington on 17th April – do we want to go? General feeling: no.

Ongoing

Meeting closed at 9.29pm

Next Council will be 16/4/2021. At Hale School.