

Shire of Hartshorn-dale Shire Meeting May 4, 2006 Minutes

In attendance were: Elizabet Marshall, John Marshall, Sabatina da Valle, Gavan MacBane, Arlyn Bell, Michel Wolffauer, Finn Finnagin O'Flynn, Margarete of Stirlingshire, Palotzi Marti, Kolosvari Arpadne Julia, Kolozoveri Arpad, John de Lithia, Diana Alene, Georg Koopman, Scolastica la souriete, Maire ni Sheaghda [Present, but failing to sign in: Elizabeth of Rivenstar, Sion ap Llywelyn, Bricia de Neubold ("Brynn")](*Note that the attendance list is offered in the order the attendance sheet was signed. Only SCA names are given, where available. Reference to people in these minutes will be by their most common name. A more formal list of names or clarification is available upon request. As always, the Secretarie apologizes for any incorrect spellings and welcomes corrections.*) *Welcome newcomer!

I. Officer Reports (*In continuing effort to make the Minutes a clear and logical document, the Secretarie offers the following format for the Officer Reports. The reports will be listed in the Minutes in alphabetical order each month, regardless of the order in which they are offered at meeting.*)

A. Archery

The shire now has three Marshal-in-Trainings – Severio, Michel and John Marshall.

John and Elizabet Marshall announced that there will be a second archery practice available. This will be at Limerick Bowmen, off Swamp Pike in Limerick on Tuesday evenings. There is room at this site for Royal Rounds (and nearly enough for clout!). There is also indoor practice (though only at 20 yard) space for when the weather is nasty. This will be available year round. Fee will be \$3 for anyone who is not a member of the Limerick Bowmen. John noted that the membership fee is \$70, so anyone who finds him or herself attending many practices may want to join. Practice will be held whenever John and/or Elizabet is available to be present.

It is a requirement of the club that their members can use the facilities using any equipment (including modern compound bows, etc.)

Discussion was also held regarding targets. The targets at Limerick Bowmen are low (they're for hunters to practice). The shire owns three stands and three butts. With two practices, we will need a total of four. Additionally, one of the butts we own is in poor condition. John recommends building one more stand and the purchase of two new butts. Butts cost approximately \$100 at Lancaster Archery. It was noted that at least one of the new butts is needed prior to Alles Fair. After discussion it was decided to purchase two butts through the Alles Fair budget. They will be used at Alles Fair, and then one butt and stand will be returned to Severio for the practices at his parents' and two to John for the practices at Limerick Bowmen. John will construct one more stand. Sion will check with someone at his work whose husband makes butts, as they may be less expensive if they can be available in time.

B. Arts & Sciences

Gavan brought a mock up of the website for A&S and will contact Talan to obtain the information for uploading it.

Liz noted that finals are over and she will now be more involved again, she is looking forward to attending A&S nights, etc.

C. Chronicler

Via Finn, Kathy reported that the Herald should be out in the next week or so, “barring disaster.”

D. Dance

Dance continues to do well, however, there was another complaint from the site. Someone has complained that there were people wrestling in the lobby and moving furniture. Diana is looking into it as they have been keeping everyone in the hall. She thinks these may be inaccurate reports.

E. Exchequer

All of the signatures are in to the bank to change the signers on the accounts.

F. Fencing

Fencing remains at the church, and probably will stay there. Maire will be contacting the church to see about making the start time 7:30 – she believes she will be able to make it for 7:30

G. Heavy Weapons

Practices have been held at the Royers-Greaves school in Paoli for the last two weeks. The fighters are happy there and do not expect to return to the church. Money was collected, which was turned over to the Exchequer, and Sion obtained a check for the church.

Sion mentioned that the Fencers need to decide what to do – whether to stay at the church. Finn said that he believed the previous decision was for the Shire to continue to fund the use of the church if the fencers want to stay there (with continued collection of donations to offset). Maire was not present at this time and discussion was held later (see F. Fencing).

H. Secretarie

The April minutes were approved.

I. Seneschal

Sabatina is now the Deputy Seneschal.

J. Thrown Weapons

Thrown weapons practice will begin again on Tuesday, May 9 at Gavan's house at 6:30. Directions will be posted.

II. Demos and Events

A. Demos

1. Unitarian Church.

Margarete received no additional information from the Church since the initial email. Since it is the same day as Something Fishy and several other area activities, she recommended that as a group the shire not support the demo, but if anyone wishes to attend in garb and "add color" as requested, he or she is free to do so. This was agreed.

2. Royers-Greaves

Set up is Saturday at 10:00. There will be 4 tents. There will be fighters, fencers, A&S and dancing. If you need specific equipment for A&S, you need to bring it. Sion would like to see some period chairs if anyone has some. The period toy display will be present.

The demo runs 11-5 for the public on Sunday. SCA should be there at 10. If you will be arriving late, please let Sion or Margarete know so they can arrange for you to get in w/o fee.

From 2-3 there will be a production by the students of Shrek. During that time, some of our members may be called upon to watch some of the areas being manned by staff members.

There will be a bake sale. Donations of baked goods for the sale will be happily accepted.

The fee for the public is \$5 for adults and \$2 for children. Margarete encourages anyone who can to pay the entrance fee, even though we are offered free admission. This is the major fund raiser for the school.

Scolastica recommended that belt favors, which are not period, be left at home.

B. Events (listed individually)

1. Alles Faire

Bryn is making the tokens and they are in progress. The tokens are copper die cut with a rose. Following discussion, she is going to assume 200 for quantity.

Diana is discussing delivery of ten tables with a company in Downingtown. They will be \$3/day plus delivery fee. Since we are not renting a truck for the food (food is being delivered), this is supported by the budget.

Sam reported through Diana that he has the menus ready. The food is going to be ordered through a jobber who will set up an account (signatures of Exchequer and Seneschal are required) for the Shire. The jobber is interested in having the Shire's business for other events as well. The order must be in to the food jobber by the 16th of May, so quantity decisions will be made by that time.

Diana reported that her request to use the site, emailed to the Seneschal of Silver Rille bounced, so she is working on getting that done.

Diana noted that the Seneschal of the group that Penny & Jaspar are going to will be at the event and she would like to have a friendship ceremony or something with them. Finn agreed.

George noted that he needs a sign making session for parking signs. Finn also wants to make road signs. Finn thinks he's got it under control and between them they should be ok, but will call for help on the list if needed.

Inquiry will be made to see if it is possible to have the site available on Thursday (5/25) for people to drop stuff off. Further information will be on the list serve.

The pre-registration form is on the website. The deadline is 5/19.

New directions have not been posted (ones with mileage information). Diana will send to Talon again. Mike asked to be copied.

Maire has had no response for a substitute Fencing marshal (she is unable to attend), so there will not be fencing.

III. Old Business

A. Pennsic

Reminder, Group land registration deadline for Pennsic is June 1. If anyone wants to set up a "shire encampment" he or she should take note.

Other Pennsic deadlines: 5/15 is the mail in pre-registration deadline and 6/15 is the on line pre-registration deadline. On line registrations are by PayPal only.

B. Commons

Mike is in contact with Bhakail to work out a date

C. Trebuchet

The trebuchet being worked on by Sion with his neighbor is in progress. It will be at Alles Faire for range testing. The date for the project at the school has been changed. Test fire will be Sunday June 4th. Live fire for score will be Monday June 5th

John Marshall noted that the Limerick Bowmen may be interested in a siege engine demo in the future.

In keeping with the decision last month, it was approved to reimburse Sion for the expenses for the trebuchet.

IV. Calendar

It was first discussed that a location is needed for the June meeting. At a later point of the meeting, this was set to Sion and Liz' house (directions to be posted). The June meeting will also be held one week later – the second Thursday, June 8.

Brewers meeting on May 10 location will be announced.

Archery, see above.

A&S night will be Tuesday 5/23 and will be to make items for Alles Fair.

Respectfully Submitted
Elizabeth Marshall
(Kandy Fling)