

Baronial Council Meeting Minutes June 26, 2017

Meeting opened at 7:07pm

Words from their Excellencies: Investiture was great and a lot of fun. An Tir/West War is coming up. Attendance is likely to be down and we have plenty of room.

Their Alpine Highnesses need retinue and will train, so no experience is necessary. At a time to be determined, there will be a tournament to determine the Summits Thrown Weapons Champion.

Due to unfortunate circumstances, William Jakes will complete Gwyn's term as Seneschal. A Deputy will be chosen soon.

Words from the Seneschal: Please sign-in. No new people to introduce. Please turn in your reports.

Old Business

- Event Reports:

- **Birthday Bash:** Event was successful with lots of newcomers and all attempts at the Sergeantry Trials were successful. Final report delayed by the same circumstances that prompted the change in Seneschal.
- **Egils XLIII: Attendance:** We had 776 people sign in through gate (621 adults, 68 youth, 87 children). This is substantially more young people than past years. 66% were non-members, 34% members, which is consistent over the past decade.
 - o **Finances:** with only a few receipts left to account for, it looks like our total income from gate, merchant fees and Gold Key sales was \$14,352 and our expenses approximately \$10,477.05, for a profit of about \$3,874.95. This covers the Barony's fixed expenses for the year (storage unit rent of \$1800 and post office box rent) and goes a long way toward covering most of the other items on our annual budget.
 - o **Activities at the event:** Generally these went very well – see the debrief minutes posted on the Facebook and Yahoo groups for details. Highlights include:
 - o n The length of various fighting activities on the eric is hard to gauge and time run-overs cut short the Cut & Thrust tourney at the end of the day Sat. Scheduling more buffer time between competitions might help.
 - o n -- We had a marked increase in the number of children and youth attending. Looks like we could add more Family Activity activities and YAFAs classes for next year - perhaps a games area with short classes on how to play some period board games or other period games.
 - o n Parking was unorganized and understaffed as the result of late changes in who was in charge - an area to improve in 2018.
 - o n Attendance at Norse Trade Blanket was up and at Prize Bardic Sat evening was down, both perhaps due to the amount of advertising done before and at the event.
 - o n Based on random comments from the merchants, their income seemed to be down this year, perhaps due to the \$644 raised at the Summits Silent Auction.
 - o n While Three Pillars scheduling was spread out between two days more effectively than in some years, we still need to work on better scheduling the judging for Costume,

Decorated Useful Object, Heraldic Display, and 3P Bardic. We also need to clarify how the event works and how to enter both individual and overall competitions. Clearer advanced publicity is probably the answer.

- o n Several areas noted that a team approach would help because the job is too large for just one person, especially for heraldry, lists, gate.

From your autocrat team, many, many thanks for all the hard work that everyone contributed to make this a really successful event. It takes a Barony and then some to make an event this big and complex work so well.

Yseult, Ayla, and Lucius.

From his Excellency: Our relationship with Bucks is strained and their application of a new “pay in advance” policy is unfair. We are researching to determine if another company is a better option going forward.

- **Amergin’s Revolt:** William & Cyeth are researching sites. Event planned for October 20-22.

New Business

- **Bids:**

- **An Tir Collegium 2018:** Valley River Inn, \$2k, dates dependent on U of O football schedule. The delay on confirmed dates for the bid will likely make this unworkable.
- **An Tir 12th Night 2020:** Valley River Inn, \$8k or more due to undefined costs. Motion to move forward with this bid seconded and unanimously rejected. Will go back to Valley River Inn for better terms.
- **Egils XLIV:** Yseult presented a bid for \$12.3k, with an estimated profit of \$1.57k. Will hold bid until July Meeting to allow for competing bids.

- **Other Business:**

- **Summits Archery & Equestrian Championship Rotation:** Proposal made that we plan a Fall outdoor event in 2019 or 2020 suitable to host one of these events and enter the rotation. Discussion only.

- **Officer Applications:** We have several vacancies and others that are coming due for extension or replacement. Please be aware of your warrant status and don’t wait until you are 6-9 months out to announce the need for a replacement. If you are interested in Youth Combat or Family Activities, there is a background check requirement. Please announce your intent for either of these early so we can get that process started.

(Open/Vacant Offices: *Lists, Youth Combat Marshal, Deputy Seneschal; Upcoming Vacancies: Archery Marshal – September, Family Activities Coordinator - October*)

Officer Reports

- Arts & Sciences

I held two Arts & Sciences nights in June, on the 6th & 20th. Both were well attended. On the 6th, a dozen of us had a lively evening talking about things to do at the June 24 A&S Day -- make signs, paint pavilion poles, maybe archery repair and bowstring making, etc., etc. -- geeking out over Anglo-Saxon books, sewing, and painting Norse tent poles.

On the 20th we had 8 or 9 people who made a new bowstring, two dress patterns, one of which also got cut out cut out, and everyone else seemed to get lots of sewing done. Alan got four notes out of the Baronial straight horn, and loud noises from the conch shell.

We also had an A&S Day, Saturday June 24, 10 am to 10 pm. Thirteen stalwart souls braved the baking heat: Antonia painted a charter; Jason made 6 bowstrings and several arrows as well mending many more; Iurii and Victoria helped with the mending as Saoirse glued on points; Kevin set up a full darts range and ran a practice; Alan, Louisa, Godwyn and Yseult painted the poles of the Panther pavilion; Aelfflaed and Marya from Three Mountains showed up for grand geek out over books, and Arlene arrived in time for dinner. Nine of us dined on the deck until the stars came out, geeking out about Anglo-Saxons.

With the help of Godwyn and Alan and Especially Louisa, the poles of the Panther pavilion are now panted dark blue with white accents. All that remains is to touch of the accent areas; the pavilion will be ready for use at A&W War if it's needed.

Your A&S officer organized and ran the A&S area at Egil's Tourney this year, with 4 demos and 37 classes.

Yseult of Broceliande

- Chamberlain

Not present, no report. (Kirby Brokkerson)

- Chatelaine

On Saturday July 22nd we will be doing a textile demo in the textile area of the Lane County Fair. If you would like to participate contact me to have a fair pass reserved for you. Come in garb and bring something to display or demo! (I am still waiting to hear if we will be having a fighting demo). This is usually all day from 11am-8pm.

Francesca Carletti

- Chronicler

Minutes are out. The next Bi-Cranial Bear is due out July 1st, and each Baronial officer is requested to make a submission so we can expand the scope of the newsletter. **All officers are requested to please include me Wesley.c.worley@gmail.com when you send in your reports,**

and if you can get them in the day before Baronial Council Meeting, that would be even better.

Murchadh Monaidh Chraoibhe

- **Exchequer**

I, as exchequer and in accordance with my duties as such, called for an Emergency Baronial Council meeting on May 6th which was held via Email. In attendance were the Principality Seneschal, Principality Exchequer and the Greater Officers of the Barony of Adiantum all named below:

Daniel Tharp – Principality Seneschal
Janet Bianco – Principality Exchequer
Chris Howerton – Baron of Adiantum
Melissa Howerton – Baroness of Adiantum
Robert Jones – Acting Seneschal
Forrest Woodward – Exchequer
Pamela Perryman – Minister of Arts & Sciences
Carly Fenton-Wyrick – Chatelaine
Martha Sherwood – Scribe
Tom Conant – Marshal
Christina Jamerson – Herald
Wesley Worley – Chronicler

The sole piece of business at this emergency meeting was a motion to remove Barrett Spangler from the barony's bank account. This motion was passed with a majority of Yea votes and the rest abstaining.

Current Account Balance: \$27,897.53
Outstanding Checks: \$0.00
Deposits in Transit: \$0.00

Godwyn Reynard

- **Family Activities Coordinator**

As of October, my service as Family Activities Coordinator is up. I am looking for someone to take over this office. If anyone is interested, or knows someone who would be good at this, let me know. I would be happy to contact them.

As for June activities, it was very quiet. Nothing to report.

Cyeth deWestcote

- **Gold Key**

Not present, no report (Alys Meghan Cattwyn)

- **Herald**

Not present, no report (Aelis de la Rose)

- **Marshal**

Birthday Bash and Egils were great, we had enough marshals and there were no injuries. Practices continue with good attendance, and a few new people interested in getting into armor.

Skjaldar-Þorsteinn Thunderhand

- **Archery Marshal**

We have moved practices back outside to Biggs Farm in Coburg. Bucks has delivered to the range. We are working on portable archery target stands. Updates to the practice schedule will be posted on the Yahoo Groups list and FB group page.

Iurii Levchenich

- **Cut & Thrust Marshal**

Not present, no report (Captain Juan)

- **Rapier Marshal**

Due to the unusual circumstances, the Barony has requested a variance to allow William to hold both offices. Egils and practices have gone well. No injuries.

William Jakes

- **Thrown Weapons Marshal**

Darts is going well and practices continue as usual, with reminders going out to those interested by text message. Egils went well with scores submitted for 43 people in traditional forms, 22 in Darts, and seven attending the children's class. Traditional forms have resumed and will be posted. When there are practices of any form, loaner gear will be available.

Kevin Sorok

- **Scribe**

There was a scheduled scribal night May 9 attended only by Dame Johanna, who also took a charter home to work on. I was able to provide Their Excellencies with the three Baronial charters they requested for Egils. I designed and produced two Norse-themed awards that Ayla requested for competitions but these were not awarded because the competitions did not take place. I have the master design which is not specific and with a change of date could be used in the future. The ones I painted are going to waste. I also designed and painted thank-you cards for Yseult, which were distributed, and some blank versions were made up as packets for Gold Key. I painted 8 Principality charters and delivered them in time to be distributed at Egils. In other words, I was busy in May, though I'm not sure how fruitful it was ultimately. There was a scribal demo table at Egils and I gave a number of people instruction in scribal techniques.

I received a packet of Kingdom charters, which Dame Johanna and I worked on June 12. These are all finished and will be delivered at An Tir West War. Currently I am working on an original knighthood scroll which is something of a challenge because the individual has a 10th century Magyar persona and there is nothing close to use as a period-authentic model. I'm stuck with a mash-up of Byzantine and 14th century Hungarian as interpreted by an early 15th century Italian artist. At least it qualifies as creative. Am teaching my panel painting class at ATWW and a kids session on making paint from dirt.

Antonia Crivelli

- **Seneschal**

The office of Seneschal has been changed and William Jakes will be the Seneschal through the end of the current term, ending in (or about) September 2018. The position of Deputy Seneschal is now open for applicants. I am looking for anyone interested, but would be nice to have someone who is interested in becoming the next Seneschal so they could get some experience as to the dealings with the office before stepping up.

William Jakes

- **Thingmakers**

Tomorrow, fabric-covered buttons! Hundreds of them, nimble fingers needed!

Ayla Roth

- **Webminister**

Not present, no report (Rafny Garansdottir)

Final call for new business:

- **Exchequer:** Request to add Marcello as a signer on the bank account, as he will be stepping up as Summits Exchequer later this year. Motion seconded and approved.

Meeting closed at 8:48pm