**Adiantum Baronial Council Minutes, September 27, 2021**

Start time: 7:10 pm End time: 8:05 pm Meeting held via Zoom

Attendees: Ayla Roth, Evan Dunbar, Hrodnavar Hakonsson, Asgerdr Audsdottir, Godwyn Reynard, Margaret Alexander, Tati Sigurdsson, Nai Martin, Michelle Crocker, Donald Doublerose, Mearwynn of Adiantum, Ail’antha of William’s Keep, Ceridwen ferch Morgan, Durin Oldenmoor, William Cristofore, Alan Bowyer, Murchadh Monaidh Chraoibhe, Tighearnen, Aine O’Shehy, Morghan O’Siodhachain, Thorholfr Egilsson, Yseult of Broceliande

WORDS from their Excellencies: There is a new SCA covid policy that will require either vaccination or a negative covid test within 72 hours of attending any SCA gathering. This includes local practices and meetings as well as events. More details will be forthcoming.

WORDS from the Seneschal: We hosted Summits coronet on Sept. 18. It went well despite all the restrictions. Thanks to all who helped out.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**September Coronet Report** from event steward Ceridwen: No Baronial pavilions were used, so we did not have to dry any of it out. Thanks to Murchadh for offering to dry it if it had been needed. There was no gate fee. The Summits will cover all our expenses. No attendance numbers yet (gate sheets are still with the person in charge of gate). Thanks from Ayla to all who helped out.

**Egil’s Tourney report** from Durin (Tessina & Tadhg are the other 2 event stewards): The three stewards met via phone and are in the process of contacting their sub-heads to see whether they are still willing to handle the areas they volunteered to organize in 2020.

**12th Night 2023 report** from event steward Yseult: First payment to Valley River Inn has been made, signed contract has been sent to Kingdom. My co-autocrat is HL Emma Haldane. We have made a data base of contacts for the event and have been brainstorming site tokens. It’s early days yet.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Archery & Thrown Weapons practice**, Alan (archery) and Murchadh (thrown weapons): The Crabtrees would like to plant the field we have been using at their farm. After much discussion, it was moved and unanimously passed to relocate archery and thrown weapon practices to Murchadh’s land in Dexter.

Also moved and unanimously passed that **we move the Baronial trailer** containing the archery equipment to Murchadh’s land in Dexter so that it is available for practices. Evan will look into whether we need any insurance on either the trailer or a practice held at a member’s house. He noted that the trailer’s lights don’t work, but Murchadh says he has some temporary ones that will do for moving the trailer. Brynjarr has the registration papers for the trailer.

Alan will talk with Johanna about an appropriate thank you for the Crabtrees for allowing us to use their field for archery and report back at October Council.

**OFFICER REPORTS**

**Arts & Sciences, Ail’antha of William’s Keep**: A&S has been meeting twice monthly via Zoom with international attendance (from Australia, New Zealand, Canada). The last meeting was Hrodnavar talking about period coins. The next meeting is Sept. 28, Anja talking about how to make and use marzipan. Emma Haldane has been finding teachers and presenters for the A&S meetings.

**Chamberlain, Brynjarr Olfuss**: not present, no report. He will be at the storage unit at 3 pm Thursday to put back equipment used at Summits Coronet.

**Chatelaine, Johanna Trewpeny**: not present, no report.

**Chronicler, Aine O’Shehy**: So I have made it known that I want to step down from chronicler at the end of my time in November. I have been approached by Yseult and she would like to be my deputy until then and has said she would be interested in taking the position over.

**Exchequer, Margaret Alexander**: My apologies for a late report. Our current balance is $12,941.52.   I have sent reimbursements to those folks who sent in checks for September Coronet.

We have been asked to submit expenses for September Coronet to Summits Exchequer for reimbursement.

I also let the NMS monitors know that we did not charge for September Coronet, and that therefore there was no Non Member fee to report.

I have been trying to find the time to contact Columbia Bank about adding Marian as a signer (and also Sindri, for that matter, on our account.  Until that is done (and it unfortunately took months last time!) I will need to retain Exchequer supplies to be able to write and sign checks.  😕  Do we, as we are making these changes, want to add someone who lives closer to Marian to the list of signers?  I believe current signers include myself, Yseult, Godwyn, Murchadh, and Marcello.

I do think Marian [Asgerdr] should be given access to the Exchequer 365 accounts, so that she may poke around and ask questions.

In service,  Margaret Alexander (lame-duck Exchequer of Adiantum)

(Note from 12th Night event steward Yesult – we will need to pay Valley River Inn approx.. $5,820 by December 2022.)

**Family Activities Coordinator**: office is vacant

**Herald, Durin:** Nothing new to report

**Lists, Acacia:** not present, no report.

**Marshals**

**Armored Combat, Tati Sigurdsson**: Due to COVID restrictions on practice and events we had one practice this month with 2 heavy fighters at that practice. Not including the 26th practice.

**Steel Combat, Seamus McMurrough**: We had one practice nothing else to report this month

**Archery, Alan Bowyer:** Despite losing half the month to quarantine, we will have had two practices by the time Council happens.

We will be closing down the Coburg range for the year. Practices will continue at Dexter on Saturdays and on alternating Tuesdays.

I had decided to have practices in Coburg and in Dexter, hoping that it might bring in more people. Instead, it might have hurt attendance by causing confusion. The archery/tw trailer may be stored in Dexter. We can save the barony money by returning the biffy.

I spoke to Mr. Crabtree Friday. He wanted to let us know that we are still welcome, but if we were moving to Dexter, he would plow up the range and use it to grow crops. I told him that he really ought to be able to use that field for whatever would be most productive, but the final choice would be up to council. Not only would we lose a range, but a venue for events like Birthday Bash. We can have those in Dexter or elsewhere, but it is something to consider.

I promised to get back to him after the issue was discussed in council.

**Thrown Weapons, Murchadh**: Practices will be held every Tuesday, 5:00 – 7:00pm, and Saturdays 9:00am – 12:00pm. Location will be the Dexter Range, at least through the end of the year, and are coordinated with Archery practices. Additional practices are to allow for weather cancellations and will not be scheduled in conflict with Summits Events.

Practices have been well attended by three to six people. Scores have been reported and no injuries or accidents have occurred. All required COVID mitigation measures have been observed.

The Marshal’s Database has been repaired and updated, so I am finally listed in the Database. I also have access to enter scores.

Discussion was held at the September 25th practice regarding the Coburg Range. The Crabtree’s expressed to Alan an interest in putting the field back into agricultural use. As we do have an alternate range (Dexter) that is usable year-round for thrown weapons, and with no greater limitations than Coburg for Archery. We propose thanking the Crabtree’s for their many years of support, releasing the field, and relocating the trailer to Dexter. The Dexter site has the same capability for holding small Baronial Events as Coburg, with the additional benefits of water and power.

**Youth Armored Combat:** office is vacant

**Scribe**: office is vacant

**Senescha,** Godwyn Reynardl: Nothing new to report from Summits Moot.

**Social Media:** office is vacant

**Web Minister, Tighearnan:** Nothing new to report this month.  I have a few items that have been submitted to me to make changes, and I will be making time to make updates in the next week.

Respectfully submitted,

Yseult of Broceliande

Deputy Chronicler