

Adiantum Baronial Council Minutes, Sept. 25, 2023

Start time: 7 pm

End time: 8:30

Meeting held in person and via Zoom

Attendees: Isis, Murchadh, Avena, Katherine, Yseult, Alan, Aila'ntha, Finngall, Muirenn, Scott, Gundehar, Momo, Araina, Elizabeth, Sverre, Braeca, Alejandro, John, Johanna, Wulfric, and via Zoom: Eoghan, Helen, Bohemond, Muirenn

WORDS from Her Excellency Isis – Congratulations to our new Tanists, Finn and Eduardo. Anton and Amalric were in the semi-finals at Coronet Tourney, and there were many A&S displays. Congratulations as well to Prince Ivan on his Knighting. Due to the bad air quality, Summits moot has been postponed to Wednesday, Sept. 27, 6:30 pm.

We will hold out Heavy Championship Tourney at Terra Pomaria's Martinmas event.

We are working on Youth Armored Combat – we will be attending a class at 12th Night. Isis has Adiantum badge car decals for sale for \$10 to raise money for Y.A.C.. We are encouraging them to build period looking armor.

We are also working on our kit for Combat Archery. If you are interested, show up at Heavy Practice this Thursday when Wulfric will review what is needed. The Archery Range also has combat archery targets.

WORDS from the Seneschal – We are scheduled to hold Summits Investiture next June, three weeks after Egil's Tourney. I am talking with Coeur du Val and Corvaria about possibly trading events so that we would hold Fall Coronet Tourney or 11th Night instead.

OLD BUSINESS

Fall Revel, Nov. 4, William & Cyeth: Cancelled due to the site giving the date to someone else.

Midwinter Feast – Johanna Trewpeny and Helen Gaskyn: at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church 255 Maxwell Rd Eugene Oregon. Large kitchen, sanctuary, hall and entry hall. It has 5 acres of land and a playground off the hall. There will be an A&S Championship run by Tori, our champion, and a Bardic Championship in the evening run by Gryphon Balckheart, our current champion. Nai has agreed to run a bread competition. Raven will manage a button and yarn thread exchange. There will be A&S displays managed by Aila'ntha, and Yseult will teach some dances in the afternoon. There will also be arts and crafts projects for people to do. Our Baron and Baroness will hold two mini-courts. Asgerd is running Gate and getting PayPal set up. Teresa of Adiantum is in charge of food. We expect 60 to 80 people. More food and schedule details next month.

Gate fee is \$20 for adults 18+, \$5 discount for SCA members;, under 12 and royals free. \$10 for non eating people, \$5 discount for SCA members. Site token will be a button or pin. No cost to make.

Egil's Tourney, May 24-27, 2024, Hrodnavar and Yseult: Activities at Egil's Tourney 48: Arts & Sciences is planning on offering the following eight contests: Costume, Cooking, Beer Brewing, Non-beer Brewing, Cordials, Decorated Useful Object, Scribal: Completed Scrol, and Scribal: Calligraphy. We are looking for someone to spearhead a Bardic circle or some such participatory/performance bardic activity, probably on Sunday evening. Randwulf has volunteered to hold another hafla (middle eastern dance party) on Saturday evening. We have stickball tentatively scheduled for Saturday afternoon. We have a tentative Archery Range schedule that includes a Grand Archery Tournament and the Egil's Archery Contest on Saturday and a Period Shoot, Arcos Shoot and Popinjay Shoot on Sunday, with Siege Engine demonstrations at lunch times on both days. Thrown Weapons will probably sponsor a contest and lots of instruction and

open range time. Wulfric and the heavy fighters are pondering the possibility of including some war scenario practices on Sunday afternoon to the usual range of heavy and steel tourneys. Hrodnavar and I have figured out how to add and fifth list field to our array, including a smaller field for youth combat activities. We will be soliciting classes to be taught throughout the event.

We are continuing to set up our basic roster of area heads and hope to start publicity in October for contests that require advanced planning.

NEW BUSINESS

We will not be loaning Big Green to Evandrus and Enid in the next month as they have had to postpone their wedding ceremony.

Event bids are needed for Birthday Bash (3rd weekend of April, 20 April 2024).

Open officer positions: Lists, Youth Combat, Youth & Family Activities, Social Media. Gundehar Holtzson volunteered to take the Lists Officer position; elected. Eoghan is now deputy Herald and Evandrus Valerius Barbarus is deputy Heavy Marshal.

BEAM Parade, October 14. Margaret Alexander suggested to Aila'ntha that the Barony participate in this event, but it is too short notice for us to organize, and the cost is \$50 for late registration. General agreement that we should look into this right after Egil's Tourney for October 2024.

Helen and Hobbit John petitioned the Barony to become honorary Citizens of Adiantum. Passed unanimously. Clarification that being a citizen does not allow a person to hold an office or steward an event. Our Customary has regulations regarding residency in Lane County for officers and stewards.

Johanna is hosting an informal gathering for the Barony at the shelter in Island Park, Springfield, from 12 to 5 pm on Saturday, Oct. 14. Bring your fighting gear, your A&S projects. Come and do them in public to attract newcomers and just spend time socializing with fellow Adiantumites. This is Johanna's final demo as our Chatelaine (her term of office ends in November), so come celebrate her success as our Chatelaine for four years!

OFFICER REPORTS

Arts & Sciences, Aila'ntha of William's Keep (Warrant expires 6/29/24, 2nd extension): Arts and sciences continues to meet on alternate Sundays at 2pm.

We held a Special demo on Sept 9th at Peterson Barn at the Art in The Park event. Interest was good, and resulted in a couple of people already attending events and joining the Adiantum FB pages. We did not sell any of the books that were made and taken for baronial fund raisers. We will hold those for the next event. We should definitely consider repeating this event. The organizers told us that they had lots of positive feedback on us and that next year they will place us in the main activity area rather than separate with demos, as we were this year.

We met on Sept 10th to work on largess. Attended by 5.

On September 23rd we met for a special A&S event. WOW! What an amazing day we had yesterday on our trip to the Abbey at Mt Angel! We had an attendance of 19, with folks from Adiantum, Terra Pomeria, Mountains Edge, Glyn Dwfn, and Briar Oak, including one person from Terra Pomeria for whom this was her first ever SCA activity of any sort!

Brother Albert Klotz presented an amazing viewing of some extremely rare medieval books, including one moveable print book of which only 18 copies were ever created and a huge choral book that had been found being used as a door stop in a monastic barn! I've got a wonderful video

of his presentation, but I must wait for permission from the Father overseeing Brother Albert for permission to share it publicly.

We gathered at the Mt Angel Coffee Shop first, sharing chats and introducing ourselves. We then traveled across the campus to the library for the manuscript presentation, where we met Brother Albert Klotz. At 11:55 we broke so that he could attend midday prayers and the majority of our group chose to join him as a learning experience regarding monastic life. Following their return at 12:20, Brother Albert resumed his presentation. We were allowed to *gently* handle the enormous choral book and walk through the vault which seals these precious books safely away from pollution and light damage.

Following his presentation, he was allowed to join us for lunch at the Mt. Angel Tap Room. Many purchased flights to taste a variety of brews made there, as accompaniment to their lunch. We enjoyed a variety of light lunch options, as all continued to ply Br. Albert with questions about the books.

Finally, he escorted us back across the campus to the Mt. Angel Museum. It's an eclectic assortment of items ranging from WW1 relics, taxidermied mammals, fish, and birds, rocks and minerals, medieval vessels, and a great deal more.

At last it was time to say goodbye to our host and begin our journeys toward home. But not before agreeing that we will repeat this event in about 6 months including a mini pilgrimage up its hill via their 12 stations of the cross. Stay tuned for upcoming details! I am awaiting communication from the Abbey regarding any restrictions that may apply to such a Pilgrimage.

October events will include making largess and a class presented by Dame Johanna on Silk banner painting.

Chamberlain, Yseult of Broceliande (Warrant Expires: 7/25/2024.): We are still working on a place to store the Gold Key bins as of November. A heated 5' x 5' x 8' tall storage unit at South Eugene Storage (site of our large unit) would cost \$82/month. Hrodnavar has taken the roof supports to the 16x16' simple blue dagedged pavilion home to repair them. Yseult has started painting three boxes found in the storage unit with 11x11 square hnefatafl boards burned into their tops. These will be suitable for prizes or volunteer thanks yours when completed. Adiantum ended up not taking a 16' square pavilion to Summits Coronet Tourney because Hrodnavar, the transport, had a medical problem that precluded attending the event.

Chatelaine, Johanna Trewpeny (Warrant Expires: 11/20/2023, 2nd Ext.): I have acquired supplies and business cards for a Eugene Art Walk demo. Excellent responses online.

We desperately need a Chatelaine Deputy to pass information to. Unfortunately my deputy Helen who was planning to take it on moved so she can't anymore. While we don't play hierarchy here in Adiantum, which I appreciate, the Chatelaine is one of the 'Greater Officers'. This means without a Chatelaine the Barony will cease to be in compliance. We MUST have one. I love this job, but my twice extended time is up. I have to hand it over. It's not hard but it needs heart, and it will be easier if you have a mentor for a bit before putting the hat on. My time is up in November!

Chronicler, Yseult of Broceliande (Warrant Expires: 11/22/2023): I took minutes at the August Baronial Council, then posted them to the Facebook chat group and sent them to the Web Minister for posting on the Baronial web site. I am finishing up work on the 3rd quarter BiCranial Bear. My warrant expires in November, and I will not be able to attend the November Council meeting. We need a new Chronicler. Enid of Hauksgaurthr has expressed interest. She had served for years as Chronicler in Hauksgarthr (Hood River & Wasco counties, OR).

Exchequer, Asgerdr Audsdottir (Warrant Expires: 8/23/23, willing to extend 1 yr): Bank balance is still approx. \$19,531. Asgerdr is out of state until next week; the check book is currently with Yseult.

From Asgerdr's August report: Depending on the next Baronial event we will need a new PayPal reader (Zettle) as the system we used at Egils is no longer supported. That event (Midwinter Feast?) gives us a little time for acquisition and training.

I would like to apply for a warrant extension to January 2025. I also need a deputy.

I will be purging records since we don't need 1980 info. Record retention is 7 years, so I'll retain 7 years plus current.

Gate sheets and waivers must be kept for ALL SCA-approved events, whether or not there is a gate fee. They are to be sent (physically or copies) to Kingdom. The new deputy is working to complete the records, and I cannot find the 2021 Coronet Tourney. The last 2 birthday bashes were spotty on gate, and those sheets have disappeared. If anyone knows about the Coronet sheets, please let me know. Otherwise I'll just tell Kingdom we don't have them. (Margaret does not have them, I asked.)

With current Chamberlain will be organizing forms for turnover of regalia/equipment for officers & champions.

Gold Key, Helen Louise Gaskyn (Warrant Expires: 11/22/2023): Gold key helped 2 people with garb for the Shrewsbury Fair. We need a place to store Gold Key starting in November.

Herald, Finngall McKetterick (Warrant Expires: 12/28/2024):

--In the past month I attended September Coronet and assisted with field heraldry for the tournament, alongside Viscountess Elisabetta and Cormac Mor.

--Eoghan Ua Cléirigh (Josh Kelm) has volunteered to be my deputy.

Lists: Our new officer is Gundehar Holtzson

Marshals

Archery, Alan Bowyer (Warrant Expires: 2/26/24, 1st Ext.): We have been having regular practice, with good turnout. We have been getting good scores, both in regular royal rounds and SAAC targets. No fatalities, no injuries. But with the end of summer upon us and night falling earlier, we might replace regular archery practice with classes such as arrow building and repair.

Armored Combat, Wulfric Marinus (Warrant Expires: 12/28/2024): No injuries to be reported this month. Due to weather conditions practices were canceled for a majority of the month. Last practice there were nine heavy fighters armored up and ready to go until lightning and rain caused practice to end earlier than desired. The barony is still in need of loaner weapons, mainly rattan single handed swords.

Cut & Thrust and Rapier, Bohemond Reynard de Gervais, warrant expires 7/22/25:

8/03 - 9 rapier fighters, 2 minors, no injuries; 8 c&t fighters, 1 minor, no injuries; 10 fighters total

8/10 – Rapier: 3 fighters, one minor, no injuries

8/24 – Rapier: 5 fighters, 2 minors No injuries

9/21 – Rapier: 7 people, 2 newcomers, 1 minor, No injuries

Multiple practices canceled due to weather or illness

Updating baronial loaner gear to be both safer for use and to comply with standards

Thrown Weapons, Eoghan Ua Cléirigh (Warrant Expires: 11/28/2024): Practices are held Monday evenings, 4:00 – 7:00pm, and most Saturdays 10:00 – 14:00, at the Dexter Range, and are coordinated with Archery practices. Practices are also adjusted so as not to conflict with Events. Scores have been reported and no injuries or accidents have occurred.

The Baronial Trailer is located in Dexter. All hitch and door locks are on the trailer and Murchadh has custody of the keys. Thrown Weapons is set up both in the barn and outside adjacent to the archery range in Dexter.

Youth Armored Combat: office is vacant

Scribe, Victoria de Kente (Warrant Expires: 10/25/2023): I just returned from another trip to Alaska, so I missed a week this month. However, my fantastic deputy, Muirenn, has finished all charters and held a special scribal night, which I hear was a great success. The introductory scribal painting class was on Wednesday, September 20. All but three or four of the 15 people present were brand new scribes who had never done scribal work before.

Seneschal, Murchadh Monaidh Chroaibhe (Warrant Expires: 9/26/2024): Having Summer Investiture just three weeks after Egils is daunting, and as a result we are having significant challenges finding Event Stewards and suitable sites (Lynx Hollow Park is big enough, but not cost-effective for a regular weekend event). Therefore, I have proposed trading for either Fall Coronet or Winter Investiture. Cour du Val will be discussing this at their Shire Council Meeting and reporting back to me.

We continue to do work under our Volunteer Agreement on Lynx Hollow Park. Opening up more space to camping is good, but I'd like to see what we can do with the State Parks Manager to improve accessibility both for pedestrian traffic and parking.

As the Social Media Officer is a direct report to the Seneschal, I will include that information in my report until the position is filled. However, as I'm out of state for the last two weeks of the reporting period, I will not be able to provide the metrics. Therefore, Facebook Page and Official Discussion Group have been monitored daily, with events and mandatory postings submitted as requested. No violation of SCA/An Tir Social Media policies noted.

Please note that the following officer warrants have already expired or expire this fall:

- Exchequer - Asgerdr Audsdottir, Warrant Expires: **8/23/2023** willing to extend 1 year
- Scribe - Gillian FitzGilbert, Warrant Expires: **10/25/2023**
- **Chatelaine** - Johanna Trewpeny, Warrant Expires: **11/20/2023** (2nd Ext., cannot renew) – a Great Officer, a required office for a Barony
- Chronicler - Yseult of Broceliande, Warrant Expires: **11/22/2023** Enid of Hauksgardr has expressed interest
- Gold Key - Helen Gaskyn, Warrant Expires: **11/22/2023**. Mearwynn of Adiantum has expressed interest, but does not have space to store or vehicle to transport Gold Key

Web Minister, Katherine of the Lakes (Warrant Expires: 7/25/2024): I have kept the website up to date this month. I am still working on getting a response from kingdom in regards to the Egils website. I still need some officers to respond with how to pronounce their name as I am waiting for that to finish the updated officers' page. The seneschal is looking into if the zoom account can be transferred to the webminister to make it easier in the future. I am also looking into transferring the YouTube account to make it easier for future officers to access and continue to use. I have looked in to a camera for the Barony so that the future webminister will have some equipment that they can use and other officers could also use the equipment for recording the things that they do. I found the Mevo camera, which appears to be \$399.99 according to the website. I have asked the other officers if they had any other suggestions for cameras as well as posting the tech specifications for the camera so that everyone could look at it before council. Moved and passed that the Barony purchase the Mevo camera as described.