

Minutes- 08-2025

August 12, 2025 7:30 PM

Hartwood Council Minutes

Tuesday August 12, 2025

Zoom Meeting

Present

Officers:

Seneschal – HL Anasztazia Sabo/Jennifer Potts
Family Activities – Melissa the Smith/Samantha Stewart
Exchequer - Cunegonda van der Bossche/Danielle Bevan
Chamberlain – Maurus Ionir/Joe Julien
Chatelaine - Absent
Chronicler – Aristophanes Emporos/Scot Stewart
Web Minister - Mu'allima Halima al-Rakkasa/Linda Doerksen
Herald - Duncan Daroch/John Devitt
Minister of Arts and Sciences – Aspasia/Eleni Harvalis
TUTR Minister – Alicia le Wilfulle, OL/Judy Harcus
Minister of Stables – Marcus Fesor/Mark Dor
Chief Archer, Chief Chucker - Master John Macandrew/John Mail

Populace:

Beatris/Bonnie Murray
DuchessTangwystl/Catherine DeSantis
Aline Mail
Ranufr/Kelly Knitch
Isabel/Shannon McAlise
Alfredo/Alfredo DeSantis
Giovanna/Don McConnell
Johanna Worthington

Absent:

Chatelaine – Giovanna de Sollario

Vacant Offices:

Chief Scribe

Call to Order at: [7:35 p.m.]

1. Ratifying of Previous Minutes

July Minutes

Motion to Accept as amended: Halima

Seconded: Duncan

2. Officer Reports

See [Month] '[Officer Reports](#)'

Motion to accept Officer Reports

A. Seneschal

HL Anastasia Szabo – June 2027

- o 2nd Quarter report sent in on time
- o Defender's Tournament: First time handing out acknowledgements on behalf of the shire. I was so overwhelmed and honoured to be the person to do this. I look forward to acknowledging more of our great members over the next two years!
- o A reminder to everyone that I work between 8am and 4pm, Monday to Friday and I often cannot reply to requests during that time. I Will work on setting up "Seneschal's Office Hours" so that you will be able to get a hold of me at specific times. After work, if I am not otherwise occupied, I will be available whenever I can. Thanks for your understanding.
- o I will be putting together an Officer's Training for O365 and Discord over the next couple of weeks. If you are an officer who needs help understanding how to use O365 and Discord, this is the training for you! Please email or PM me to get added to the conversation on when we can do this.

B. Chatelaine

SCA Name: [Giovanna de Sollario](#)

Modern Name: Don McConnell

Branch: Shire of Hartwood

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July 2025

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Attended Hartwood Council meeting and presented info from a non-profit teen group in Port Alberni requesting a SCA demo for a fundraiser in October. Many people expressed interest and the event facilitator will have to confirm the event site.

An individual contacted me for a potential SCA event site in Powell River and requested that some Hartwood folk visit to check out the site with him. 2-3 people offered to go to PR and view the site soon. I advised the individual that people will be coming and provided the contact info to the Hartwood Seneschal.

Attended A & S in South Hartwood to plan for a Newcomers event in September and

TUTR in October.

The belt tags for Hartwood Defenders were handed out to the outgoing Defenders so that they could pass them on to the new Defenders at the end of the event at Court.

Scarlett, Aspacia, and myself were granted Princess Tatianna's favors for our work.

Hartwood Gold Key needs larger sized clothing as the recent event had newcomers but there was no clothing sized 1X-3X – male or female. I took a plaid \$5.00 flannel bedsheet and made two T-tunics when I got home after Defenders and a dress from another sheet. These will be placed in Gold Key for future events. Contacted Scarlett to ask if she will make tags to sew onto the clothing.

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Giovanna de Sollario

Chatelaine - Shire of Hartwood

A. Chronicler

Newsletters are being printed, minutes posted. Deadline for newsletter submissions is the 25th of each month.

B. Exchequer

Cunegonda – Jan 2027

- i. Outstanding cheques include float, fall faire rental, and a vendor reimbursement, NMR
- ii. Outstanding income includes reimbursement for a double payment
- iii.
- iv. Second Quarter report was submitted in a timely fashion, with the inclusion of a new electronic ledger.
- v. The Midsummer Defenders was an enormous success, with 138 attendees. Gate took in \$2750; the Fundraising Committee raised \$550; there was a general donation of \$25.
- vi. The Financial Committee met in July, and the [July+Financial+Committee+Meeting+-+Minutes](#) need to be ratified by Council. Additional [August+Financial+Committee+Meeting+-+Minutes](#) to be ratified from August.

C.

D. Chamberlain

- Armiger Maurus Ioinur - [Warrant End Date]

Movement of Stores:

Supplies and equipment were provided for Summer Defenders at Camp Gilwell on September 26th-27th. Many thanks to Marcus, Muirgen and Sitza with transportation to and from the site.

We have had a request to lend Tiki Torches to Principality for Investiture. If approved, I can deliver them to Elphin this coming week.

A reminder to any event stewards: please provide a written list of any stores required for the event at least a month (if possible) before the event, along with a plan for pick-up and return of said supplies and equipment.

Regalia:

I have created sign-out sheets for Defenders Regalia and am in the process of getting signatures of all the current Defenders.

I re-built the Rapier Defender's regalia sword, installing the original blade and scabbard. I also donated a new frog in matching black leather and have returned to Alfredo at SST this past weekend.

In anticipation of adding a Cut and Thrust Defender (or Champion if after we become a Barony) I have begun to assemble parts for a Regalia Sword. I have another black leather frog that I will donate, as well as a blade and pommel. Help with locating a sword hilt and grip would be appreciated and would keep expenses low. A scabbard will need to be made at some point as well. Lady Thyra made a gauntlet for the Seagirt C&T Champion last year and is willing to make one for Hartwood when the time comes.

Projects:

I am hoping to organize an audit and clean-up of Stores before the end of Summer. Perhaps a Sunday work party with a pot-luck lunch. Any input would be appreciated.

As part of the locker re-organization, we need to identify how best to sell off un-needed materials. We have Gold Key items, donated items, and un-needed equipment that, if managed correctly will provide much needed funds and more storage space.

Armiger Maurus Ioinur

Chamberlain

E. Herald

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MEMBERSHIP & EXP DATE: 132505 - 05/31/2025

WARRANTED? (YES/NO): YES, WARRANT EXP DATE: February 28, 2027

DEPUTY INFORMATION:

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OFFICE ACTIVITY

Shire Star & GOAT token badge paperwork acknowledged received by the Tir Righ

Submissions Herald, along with Anastasia Name, Device and Badge submissions,

waiting on official acceptance by the Heralds

Voice Heraldry

(Court, Tourney, Town Crying (Name Volunteers)

Nothing new to report

IN PROGRESS

(Follow-ups, on-going or incomplete projects, etc.)

Seneschal's banner approved, funds set aside, creation still in progress

COMMENTS

Court Report – Awards from SeaLion War: Runa Dagsdottir – Etoile d'Argent ;

Letitia Talbot – Order of the Pelican ; Kjartan Kraka – Order of the Grey Goose

Shaft ; Esa inghean Alasdair – Order of the Grey Goose Shaft ; Marcus Fessor –

Rock of Seagirt

Reminder, for assistance with Name, Device, or Badge, ask your local Herald.

F. Minister of Arts and Sciences

I have 3 deputies: Nicholas Worthington, Bronwyn, and Gwynafel Ben Madhudhain.

Nicholas is updating the Historic Arts page

Gwynafel is working on helping with the museum for the fall demo.

There are three A&S sessions happening on a regular basis; Campbell River, hosted by Anazstasia, Coombs, hosted by Aspasia and Crofton, hosted by Alicia.

Defenders belt favours are being embroidered by Scarlet. The designs were drawn by Giovanna and the sashes woven by Aspasia.

Historic Arts will hold its last session at the Coombs location at the end of June. It is the end of 3 years there and has been good to our group. We will be looking at new locations.

A shout out to Elizabeth Glidden for her largess entry of pincushions at Sealion.

The populace has been very busy making garb, arrows, needles, metalwork jewelry, maintaining gear, largess making, and much more.

Yours in service,

Maestra Aspasia Bevilacqua

A&S Minister

Chief Scribe- Greetings,

The Shire of Hartwood wishes to report that a team of gentles have been working on creating many new Tags and several more gentles are busy painting them.

A few members attended the virtual Heraldic and Scribal Symposium.

Several scrolls were done and awarded to the recipients.

Yours in service,

Maestra Aspasia Bevilacqua

Minister of Arts and Science

TUTR MINISTER

G. Minister of Stables

Chief Archer Some additional archery info from a shoot after my report

No injuries.

John

Hartwood archery practice July 6 2025

Crossbow failure #1

Light combat archery crossbow

Prod delamination non catastrophic

After re applying prod lashings restrung prod- noticed a weakening in the tension

Took crossbow to open firing line intentionally with no other archers on line.

Cocked crossbow. Heard audible cracking sound and credulous

Removed string, retired from line, removed leather wrap from prob.

Observed delamination of fiberglass prod.

No near miss no injury.

Crossbow failure #2

80# target crossbow

Having reapplied prod securing lashing, re strung prod.

Took crossbow to open firing line intentionally with no other archers on line.

Cocked crossbow, heard audible crack, de cocked crossbow. Observed that prod lashing block had split in two along grain line. (poor choice of wood)

No near miss no injury

Chief Chucker The new net is up at North hartwood, we have a new throwing range in West hartwood with five throwers no incidents and for Defenders the mics are Duncan for heavy Merrigan for Rapier John for archery and Alicia for throwing. Thank you to our mics

- o Deputy, Marcus Fesor

Minister of Blades

H. Webminister Halima al-Rakkasa - [end date Feb 2027]

Deputies: FB - Elphin, Aline, Anastasia

: website Google calendar - Doireann (Dori) Dechti (for on-going activities); Esa Inghean Alasdair (for South Hartwood archery)

Deputies: other - seeking

Social Media included (seneschal deputy).

- **Email Changes** - No issues known; please contact hartwood.webminister@tirrigh.org as needed
- **Website Updates** -
 - Updated website as needed; prepping for some additions of files to the library, and fund-raising links to the front page.
 - Link-testing delegated; updates to come.
 - Approached Seagirt about a Google Calendar of their own, with an eye to linking our calendars; they are considering it.
- **Culture Wiki Updates** - No changes at this time. Will update with the new tokens when finalized. Encourage everyone to have a persona page for SCA bragging and information; I can help.
- **Social Media Updates** -
 - FB Activity: new members, auto-declines, and deletions as usual; a couple of people are on moderate. Anastasia requested moderator access, and was added Aug 6/25.
 - Discord: Ownership not yet acquired. Discussion on building a new server discussed in Steering Committee, likely to be led by Ranfulf/Kelly; nothing new at this time.
- **Teleconferencing (Zoom) Updates** - No changes; no issues.
- **Old business: Re: 2025-03-04 - HE Aristophane's request for an email list for newsletter distribution; contacted Kingdom webmin, who will follow up with an approved platform. - No information yet.**

3. Future Events

New Business

- a. Need more attendance info from practices and events
- b. Discord issues:
 - New discord established, beta testing in progress, Feedback requested.
- c. NMS Discussion and Day fees.