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The Hartbeat



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From the Editor

Greetings Everyone... Warning Rant to Follow...

After much consideration I have decided to strip the Hartbeat down to the bare basics. It seems that few people wish to tackle the forms involved to submit an article, photo or piece of artwork to the newsletter.

While I understand that there is a need to protect copyrighted material and people's privacy, I must admit, gone are the simple days when someone could send me an original article, a photograph from an event or a piece of their artwork and I could put it into print without first receiving a stack of forms. Even if I know everyone is ok with the photo being printed and that the person who gave me the article did it themselves, we just can't take people's word for it anymore.

I have seen the potential for abuse. Many times I have told someone that they can't submit something where they cut and pasted from an article they got off the internet or from a great book they read. As an editor it is important for you to be aware of problems and do what is necessary to avoid bad situations.

Still, as I look through past newsletters I can't help be envious of days gone past when you could find a piece on how to sew Byzantine garb, what White Court was like that year or what dishes would be great at the Yule event, interspersed with pictures of the event and shots of the new garb someone created.

This reminds me of a number of conversations I've had with people lately. Consistently I am hearing how the accumulating number of regulations and paperwork have just sucked the fun right out of the whole SCA experience. I have heard how people miss the many spontaneous types of fun that now require forms and or marshals (if they are even available in your area) to participate in; if you are even allowed to do them at all...

It isn't just the SCA that has been hit by the bubble wrap police, but it seems to bother them more, since they were often drawn to the Society because they are rebels at heart and just wanted a place to escape the overly regulated and litigious real world.

If we want to increase our declining numbers then maybe we should look to the real trend of the future, which is to get back to a simpler existence while maintaining a global community that shares information. People no longer want to do what is "politically correct", they want to celebrate and accept our differences. Technology will be used to simplify, not complicate our lives and in the future, it seems conspicuous consumption will be out and frugality in. This is not just a dream, it is a physical reality for a changing planet.

We in the SCA have access to skills that can be an asset in a world where simpler is better. We have a community where people have the ability to think outside the box, when they allow themselves to. We have the ability to appeal to families who want to do something that doesn't involve a massive

amount of money to participate in. We have a place where men and women can work out their access energy in physical combat. We have a group where you have a thousand years of fashion history to pick and choose your clothes from. And we have a place where you can learn skills to help you learn sustainability.

Perhaps it is time to rethink our approach here. If the future is a global community where information is shared, then maybe we should be seeking a way we can evolve towards that, instead of making it more difficult to do so. If the trend is to embrace our differences then maybe we should stop trying to fit in and celebrate the fact we are not like everyone else.

Of course this is all just my personal opinion and please feel free to express what you think about it or another topic.

Elizabeth Chatfeld

"Chaos in the world brings uneasiness, but it also allows the opportunity for creativity and growth." Tom Barrett

Hartwood Council October 2/2011

11:11am

Officer Reports: Written Reports A&S: Saturday 8/ 2011 Chatelaine: Presentation and written report Chronicler: Requests copies of written reports be sent to her. Asks for newsletter contributions. Exchequer: \$2745.18 in bank (includes presold tickets for White Court. William the Arrowmaker of Lionsgate – donated safety netting. 3 used 3 new. Vince Matthews of Steelbash Armouries of Hartwood – donated knees for largess. Herald: Badge proposals are under way. Call for Voice Heralds MoS: There is an interest in fighting 6 in armour and 5 more sharing helms. Family Activities Coordinator : Activities at White Court – sugar cookies decorated with icing – crafts table and colouring pages needs volunteers - will send report – Zoe – Crafts supplies- Scathach and Elizabeth can donate supplies– Marina was dean of pages.

Old Business

1. Vote For Herald: HL Morel applies - Accepted by consensus

2. Call for Deputy Voice Heralds : Anya Tecia Wickington possible – Charles will not be official but will volunteer.

3. Armada Post Mortem \$311.00 Camping 12 adult 2 youth day tripping : 12 adults 3 youth Seagirt: 5 Hartwood 23 Tir Righ 1, An Tir : 1 Expenses \$77.15 net profit \$233.85 numbers were over estimated by double – expenses will change for next year. Archery was populour as was the boat races but other fighting not represented. Scout Camp Only charge for camping not day trippers. Site could be choice for future events. Alternating with Ravens War or new event?

4. Ravens War Post Mortem for Straight and Arrow: Event Proposal a bit vague – needs work on reconciliation – was done without Marina and Halima - Have them doing events with more experienced people.

There were 20 adults camping. No youth Day tripping. 16 adults 1 youth no children: non members surcharge from 14 (\$5) \$70 gate \$417 Hartwood's take – \$45.06 net profit \$500 advance – no budget

 Charter Committee Report: Revised Charter read by William the Archer – Discussion. Halima meetings discussed- Suggest moving dates of general meetings to before reporting so signatures can be gotten. Middle Oct Jan April, July... Marina - Publish Charter in Newsletter, Website and List and ask to send in comments. Mistress Cecille – prefers more details – will research. - Tabled awaiting more information.

6. Monthly Skype Meetings: Marina would like to get together on months when there is no meetings - suggest: Sunday Nov 27th will check Seagirt TUTR date

New Business

1. Largess Chest: Cecille -We need to maintain it - Building upon book skills – doing more books and printing out pages in advance (belt book ex – target archery handbook: guild info) Include areas for notes and scores or ? Cooks book, Feast Book, Camping, Newbies, Dancing – event checklist. Stuff needed too. Prizes needed too

2. Event Proposal Format: Halima has forms – if you want to do an event must fill out the form. Demos for 2012- two years ahead – event steward and rough date so we can have idea – Halima – Feb April Aug Oct need a schedule – Tabling November on skype until more info available Form for local events created? Nov 6th– Household meeting – Return of Halloween – 1 to 7

3. Event Bids: Tabled to November

4. Principality Bids : Tabled to November Demo by January in three areas

5. Demos – Elsbeth – need contact in Hartwood North and West – lives in Hartwood South. Video presentation

Date for Next Meeting: Jan 8th – Tentative – Errington

Meeting Adjourned: 1:49pm

Hartwood Council Meeting by Skype on Sunday Nov. 27th at Taleah Cristea's

Present in the North are Jennifer, Linda, Jamie, John, Allison, Zoe, and Miranda.

In the West are Shirley, Taleah, Amber, Jean, and Shirley

In the South are Julie, Mischa and Valorie

Technical difficulties delayed starting.

Old Business

- Would like to change date of TUTR to April from March – difficulties finding a hall

- Kjarten and Dori need to find a new date in April – Would like to move Heraldic Symposium to same date – can it be done - Ask Dori if set date.

- Principality Seneschal was phoned - says Heraldic Symposium can be moved April 13/14th – need to find location – 6 rooms – Elizabeth can talk to Navy League. Marina will check North Island College.

- Scathach – Churches don't have enough rooms – VIU should be checked too – Cunagunda Will check Courtenay - Cunagunda

New Business

- Need to have a summer event – need event proposals.

- Camp Gillwell proposed site and Ravens Key Castle site for –proposed Insula Magna week event – see about Insula Magna covering cost – Check with Roberto about site being large enough

- Other Events

- Pas in Insula Magna Event - Seagirt paying the bills - Seth doing it in February

- Elsbeth – Deed to have demo date for each area – needs somebody to be connection for each area – Sara for Hartwood suggested

- Summer – Elizabeth suggest first year for Insula Magna be at Ravens Key site – Really booked up in July and August table wk event for next year instead –

- Aug 11/12th – Need someone for Camp Gilwell - Cecille and Halima –

- Black Knight – Oct 13th Symonne - Event Steward and Elizabeth co event steward – West Hartwood – Council around noon the same weekend.

- White Court – 2012 – December –8th – Scathach and Mischa

- Cunagunda wants newsletter box delivered at Yule

- Symonne is A&S rep for Hartwood West – email addresses and phone # sorted out – messages not getting through

- Halima – would like to add demo info for Feb 25th –Heritage day fair in Cumberland - asking for entertainment – small stage - fighting? Need to talk to Ian and Elzbeth to see if feasible – Possible small archery, small dance and small fighting – Mischa may be able to get Hartwood - get fighters out – 10 am to 4pm

Adjourned 8:23 pm

Hartwood Council Jan 15/12

Attendance: Elizabeth, Cecille, Joye, Aline, John, Miranda, Aleyn, Anicia, Elspeth, Mikael, Scathach, Symonne, Halima, and Marina

Meeting Opens: 11:27 am

Officer Reports:

Exchequer: \$3056.82 allow us to cover the costs of the building for last TUTR. Halima requests long term planning.

Chatelaine: (Written submitted)

Extend Newcomers definition to under 2 years in SCA Demo in Hartwood South - Victoria Day possible (conflict with May Crown -Variance needed? - Elspeth will check into it) Scored big on curtains and sheets to make Gold Key. Storage needed for fabric in each area of Hartwood so it can be sewn. Acquired other stuff for prizes etc

Year budget submitted and approved.

Chronicler : Have decided need for release forms for all pictures and articles has pretty much ended any submissions to newsletter. From now on newsletter will be mostly minutes and event copy. Would like to do an informal group magazine a couple times a year that won't require as much paperwork. Scathach has agreed to become Deputy Webminster

A&S: (Written submitted) Guild links and A&S meetings missing from website Skype Workshop on hold 6 Charters completed 3 single A&S entries from Hartwood – Halima (highest marks in A&S), Aleyn and Kjartan (all well received) and 8 attended Cunegunda completed Junior and Senior Embellisher's Guild challenges at White Court Banners work well underway

Herald : Anicia's name and device passed

MoS: 8 fighters meeting but they need to be authorized – may need to go south, possibly at the Pas

Children's Activities: White Court success - lots of cookies decorated -Colouring sheets used a lot by children of all ages

North Hartwood – Experimented with turning half oyster shells into painting pallets – will work for largess Activity ideas for upcoming events in Hartwood – contact her in time to organize

Seneschal – Will be resigning due to stress in personal life – We need to find and elect new Seneschal – suggesting election in a couple of months. Calling for applications for the position.

Old Business

1. Events Paper work : Armada at Camp Gillwell – Aug 3-5 2012 – Naval Theme – Written report - budget passed

2. Black Knight -Bavarian Centre – Oct 13th West Hartwood – Paperwork – passed

3. White Court – December 1st – Event Steward – Scathach – book halls now for – date passed and booking hall -

4. TUTR – Kjartan Event Steward – Navy League Hall April 14/15 – Heraldic Symposium – Need Liaison for billeting – Symonne

5. Heritage Fair Demo -Feb 18th Cumberland Buchanan Hall - 3 tables for display and demo on stage for 1/2 hour 11 to 11:30; need ideas (Elspeth posted some ideas on line); 10 min dance 10 min fashion show and 10 minutes fighters ; Aleyn will play music; Static display – Marina will bring inkle and let people play; Dori will bring laptop with presentation; Take photos in garb (to be e-mailed) by Elspeth (donation?) Need garb – easy to put on kids and adult garb; Chain Mail Armour – Marina- need stand; Bobbin lace pillow – Cecille; Elspbeth has small cut down pavilion we can use.

New Business:

1. Accepting applications for Seneschal, Chief Archer, Rapier – Send in by next meeting – voted on at next quarterly meeting.

2. New regulations for alcohol in BC – Must have special event permit (private or public event since we are non-profit) must be taken into account when serving alcohol – Need to look into regulations when serving wine at meals – Scathach wrote to liquor board – if want more info contact her.

Meetings: Next will be Skype – need to upgrade to latest version to skype

Next online council Feb 26th (applications for offices need to be submitted)

Quarterly April 15th (need to vote on new officers) at TUTR

Times to be announced.

Meeting Adjourned: 2:25

Insula Magna Pas Des Arms!

1014 Ford Rd Coombs, BC

Do you remember when you first started fighting? when you took that first swing, when you made that first hit, first victory? Ever wanted to show off or just fight for the plain fun and pageantry of it?

Well then...do I have the event for you! come to this years Insula Magna PAS DE ARMS!!!!

What is a Pas you ask?...well...

The point of the fighting is not if you win or lose but to show how honorable and chivalric you are...be flashy, be silly, be however you want to be...but just have fun!

There is a gallery of inspirations, therefore yes bring your lady...or lord who inspires you and they can be part of it!

they will have ribbons to pass out to fighters who has impressed them... there will be 4 colors...

Red is Prowess Blue is Chivalry Green is Honor White is Valor

Fencers listen up! The Pas is for you as well! so bring your gear...your inspiration and of course yourself too!

Site Opens at 11am Fighting will start at Noon, and we will fight till we can fight no longer...well...or until 10pm when the site closes...

There is no food be provided as of yet, so pack a lunch, there is on site flush toilets, there is also the local market right next door which has a restaurant and a grocery store.

Adults \$10 Youths \$5 12 and under are free

Tir Righ February Investiture

February 17, 2012 to February 19, 2012 Lions Gate

Vancouver, BC

Autocrat: Caitrina inghean Aindrasia

There lies a land; a land of storms, a land of winds, a land of heroes. It is time once more for a new Prince and Princess to reign over this land. Join the Barony of Lions Gate as we host Tir Righ and celebrate the investiture of Steinn and Gemma as our new Prince and Princess!

At the same event, witness history be made once more as combatants meet to contend for the honour of being our Principality Rapier Champion, the Scar of Tir Righ.

Other scheduled events include peerage meetings and Curia; an arts & sciences display and "How I made it Extravaganza"! There is merchant space available but it is limited. Please contact the Event Steward.

Friday night from 7 to 11 pm there will be a social gathering at the Howe Sound Brew Pub and Inn, in the Garibaldi room. This will be in garb, no additional site fee is required to attend.

Saturday evening the Wolf and Drum tavern will be on site. No outside alcohol is permitted. There will also be day food available for sale on site made by HL Kenzie McBeighn, as well as tapas for the evening tavern and there are plenty of eateries near the hall.

Detailed schedule coming soon. Updates will be made when appropriate.

For more information, contact the Event Steward, HL Caitrina inghean Aindriasa.

604-567-4663 Caitrina@shaw.ca Email is the preferred contact method Please no calls after 9 pm

Site fees

Adults \$20 (plus NMS)

Youth (13-18) \$10

Children 12 and under - Free

Family Cap \$50

Note on Family Site Fee Caps: "Family" does not include SCA households or roommates - the people

must be related mundanely. Common-law and same-sex spouses are considered related. No more than two adults in a family group can qualify for the Family Cap price; all others of that family must be related minor-aged children. NMS is not included in a Family Cap price.

Site Info:

Name: Brennan Park Recreation Centre 1009 Centennial Way Squamish, BC V8B 0E2

Directions to Site:

From the US: Use the Pacific Truck Border Crossing, and continue on 176th St until you reach Highway 1 (Trans Canada Highway). Take Highway 1 West, towards Horseshoe Bay & Whistler. Highway 99 joins with Highway 1, but continue past Horseshoe Bay on Highway 99 (Sea-to-Sky Highway) to Squamish. Turn right onto Centennial Way directly from Highway 99 (next right after Industrial Way / Finch intersection). Brennan Park Recreation Centre will be on the right. Travel time is approximately 2 hours from the border crossing.

From Vancouver: Make your best way to Highway 99 North to Squamish. Turn right onto Centennial Way directly from Highway 99 (next right after Industrial Way / Finch intersection). Brennan Park Recreation Centre will be on the right.

From the BC Interior: Make your way to Highway 1 West, to Vancouver, and follow as per above. Travel on the Duffey Lake Road (Highway 99 from Lillooet to Pemberton) is NOT recommended during February.

Kingdom Arts & Sciences / Bardic Championship

March 03, 2012 to March 04, 2012 Danescombe

Penticton and Kelowna B.C.

Autocrat: <u>Yrsa Ketilsdottir</u>

Kingdom Arts & Sciences and Bardic Championships March 2 – 4, 2012

Shire of Danescombe Penticton, BC, Canada

The Shire of Danescombe would like to invite the populace of An Tir to join Their Royal Majesties and witness the competition to choose the new Arts & Sciences and Bardic Champions. The Artisans and Bards of your Kingdom have created great things for you to see and hear, come and be amazed by their skill and dilegance to their crafts! In addition to the competitions for the Championships there will be single entry displays, and a children's display/presentation area. Their is also space for a fight practice, both heavy and rapier, as long as the weather cooperates.

The event will occur at The Shatford Center located at 760 Main St, Penticton, BC. There is plenty of parking, the site is completely wheelchair accessible and assistance animals are welcome. Within walking distance there is large selection of food and coffee establishments.

There is space for merchants at the event, please contact the autocrat with space requirements.

Site Fee is \$15 for adults (NMS will be in effect), \$10 for 13yrs – 18yrs, 12yrs and under are free. Mundane family cap of \$45.

Smoking areas will be designated outside due to mundane laws.

Autocrat: Yrsa Ketilsdottir (mka Cristin Olafsson) 608 Braid St, Penticton, BC, V2A 4Y5. 250-490-4771 <u>cristin@shaw.ca</u>

I have confirmed the hotel rates for Kingdom A&S and Bardic in the Shire of Danescombe (Penticton, BC). The Hotel is 4 blocks from the site. It is the closest hotel to the site and a lovely walk or quick drive away. There are many places to grab coffee and food between the two locations.

... The hotel can be found here:

http://www.pentictonlakesideresort.com/

There are three rates depending on your view and they are all for standard double occupancy: Parkview: \$94 plus tax Beachview: \$104 plus tax Lakeview: \$114 plus tax

Parking is \$5 per day.

The default will be for the least expensive until they all book up and then it will go up from there unless you request different accomodations.

There are MANY hotels around the city. This is simply the closest one and we have dealt with them in the past.

To get the rates please book under Society for Creative Anachronism.

If you are flying in the closest airport is Penticton. You can also fly into Kelowna and we can arrange a ride but it is an hour away so please let us know if that is what you choose to do.

Site Info:

Name: Shatford Center 760 Main St Penticton, BC V2A 5E2

Directions to Site:

Directions: Make your best way to Penticton, BC. From the North you arrive in Penticton on Eckhardt Ave. Stay on this road until you cross the intersection at Main St. Less than one block farther is the parking lot for the Penticton Secondary School on the right hand side. This is the parking lot that we will use for the event. Please follow the signs to gate. From the South: come on Skaha Lake Rd. Stay on this road as it curves to the left and turns into Main St. Continue to follow this road for approximately 10 minutes as it drives through the city. It will turn into a one way street. The next intersection is Eckhardt Ave. Turn right on Eckhardt Ave and travel for less than a block, turn right into the parking lot for Penticton Secondary School. Follow the signs for gate.

Daffodil Defender Tournament

March 10, 2012 Seagirt Victoria, BC

Autocrat: DIAMANTE DA MAGENTA_

DAFFODIL 35 FEAST & DEFENDERS TOURNAMENT

http://members.shaw.ca/daffodil35/default.htm

Proposed Event Schedule

9:00 am site opens
10:00 am Lists open, classes begin, merchants open
11:00 am Morning Court and Invocations
12:00 noon Tournaments commence
2:00 pm A&S judging commences
5:00 pm Afternoon Court
6:00 pm Dancing
7:00 pm Feast
10:30 pm Last call
11:00 pm site closes

Armoured Combat - CELTIC SPEED TOURNAMENT Archery - MARKSMAN TOURNAMENT

Rapier Tournament - SWISS 5 FORMAT

FOR FULL TOURNAMENT DETAILS SEE http://members.shaw.ca/daffodil35/tournaments/tournaments.htm

THERE WILL BE DANCING

In no particular order. 13 dances at about 2 - 3 minutes each is 45 minutes.

FOR FULL DANCING INFORMATION (including steps) SEE http://members.shaw.ca/daffodil35/dancing/dancing.htm

The Italian Feast

A delightful Renaissance ITALIAN FEAST, served to your table - SAVOURY & SWEET, Elegant and

Flavourful, with Bardic entertainment between the courses!

FOR FULL FEAST DETAILS, including dishes and ingredients list SEE http://members.shaw.ca/daffodil35/feast/feast.htm

THERE WILL BE A BARDIC FUN TOURNAMENT -- NO DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED & PERFORMANCES WILL TAKE PLACE DURING THE BREAK BETWEEN FEAST COURSES! COME PREPARED TO PERFORM -- NO BARDIC EFFORT WILL BE TURNED AWAY!

THERE WILL BE TUTR LEVEL COURSES OFFERED! SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE! More information to be posted as soon as the classes have been established.

THERE WILL BE A CRAFT & GAMES TABLE FOR 12 & UNDER!

THERE WILL BE A YOUTH TOURNAMENT if enough young combatants attend.

TICKETS

Tickets are available through the Event Steward Donna Diamante da Magenta

diamantedamagenta@me.com

Reserve your Feast Ticket by making your cheque payable to The Barony of Seagirt and posting your cheque to: 6681 Tamany Drive, Victoria B.C. V8Z 5Y8

FEAST TICKETS (includes site fee)

ADULT (19 and over) \$20 (\$5 NMS APPLIES TO ADULT TICKETS)

Youth (13-18) \$10

Children (12 and under) \$6

FEAST TICKETS WILL BE SOLD **ONLY** UNTIL FEBRUARY 25TH 2012

SITE FEE ONLY (at the door, pre-purchased site tickets have a \$2 discount)

ADULTS \$14 (\$5 NMS APPIES TO ADULT TICKETS)

YOUTH \$8

SITE ONLY FEES WILL BE SOLD UP UNTIL 5PM MARCH 10TH

Daffodil in Any Medium

This year's A&S Competition is a Daffodil in any medium "within a French context." Be creatuve and think FRENCH!

Daffodil Costume Contest

The traditional annual costume contest. The judges will be interested in knowing the year, locale, and perhaps class of the garment you are showing. It helps to have the garment on a model - either your body or another's. Be prepared to talk about the design, the finishing, the details, and show off any special effort you took in making the garment(s). The judges will be following the Kingdom judging forms which will mark for: Authenticity (design and materials), Workmanship (Technical, fit and fastenings), General Appearance (appearance and compatibility) Accessories (headwear, footwear & underwear) Complexity (scope, difficulty & use of diverse techniques) and Documentation (major aspects & details)

Merchants

Merchant fee is \$10 and this includes the 1st table provided by the Event. Up to an additional 2 tables may be set up at Vendors own expense with Event Coordinators prior approval. Merchant Application form available at doffodil_35@shaw.ca Those interested in reserving Merchant space can post their Merchant Application form and their cheque made payable to The Barony of Seagirt to: 6681 Tamany Drive, Victoria B.C. V8Z 5Y8

WE WILL BE USING THE RAPID GATE FORMAT OF CHECK-IN AND ALL THOSE WHO HAVE PRE-REGISTERED WILL FIND THEMSELVES THROUGH THE GATE AND ENJOYING THE EVENT FASTER THAN THEY EVER IMAGINED. PRE REGISTER AND FULLY ENJOY DAFFODIL 35 FEAST & TOURNAMENT!!

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR QUESTIONS AND PRE-REGISTRATION : DAFFODIL_35@SHAW.CA

Site Info: Name: COWICHAN FAIRGROUNDS 7380 TRANS CANADA HIGHWAY DUNCAN, BC V9L 6B1

Directions to Site:

DAFFODIL 35 FEAST & TOURNAMENT is being held at The Cowichan Exhibition Grounds

www.cowex.ca

7380 Trans Canada Hwy, Duncan, BC V9L 6B1 250-748-0822 cowex@shaw.ca

Directions from Victoria

Take Douglas St/Trans-Canada Hwy/BC-1 North

follow Trans-Canada Hwy/BC-1 North through Duncan BC

67.5 km

Turn Left at Mays Rd. Destination will be on the right

Directions from Nanaimo

Take Trans-Canada Hwy/BC-1 south

45.9 km Turn right on Mays Rd

Upcoming Events In Hartwood

Hartwood Spring University of Tir Righ

April 14, 2012 to April 15, 2012

Will be held at the Navy League Hall in West Hartwood (Port Alberni)

<u>Armada</u>

August 3-5, 2012 Camp Gillwell, Courtenay Naval Theme

Black Knight Feast

October 13, 2018 Will be held at The Bavarian Centre (formerly the Legion Hall) in Port Alberni

White Court

December 1, 2012 Hall will be announced soon