



The Shire of Hartwood

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Shire of Hartwood, the SCA group that includes pretty much the whole upper island (Nanaimo and North). We dress in clothing of the Middle Ages and Renaissance, attend events which feature tournaments, feasts, dancing, classes/workshops, and more; in the process, we tend to research and re-create the arts and skills of pre-17th-century Europe. It is all about participation and having fun with it!

Your Council

Seneschal: Archos Aline de Seez

Chatelaine: Master John MacAndrew

Master of Stables: Lord Ulf Treteljgar

Master of Blades: Lady Muirgen

Chief Archer (Position open)*

Thrown Weapons: Lord Harold of Hartwood

A&S Minister: Sarah Percy

Family activities: (Position open)*

Herald: Lord Harold of Hartwood

Chief Scribe: Ladyship Maulana Halima

Exchequer: Ladyship Maulana Halima

Chamberlain: Lady Gwynafel

Chronicler: (Position open)*

YAK: Lord Francios Legrand De Lyon

Web Minister: Maulana Halima

*Please apply if interested

At a Glance...

Archery Practice: Comox Valley - Weather-dependent; Mondays & Thursdays. Watch this group for updates. Contact John Mail-MacAndrew, Chief Archer, FMI

Thrown Weapons Practice: Sundays, weather-dependant. Contact Harold of Hartwood (Howard Bevan), Chief Chucker, FMI

Fighter Practice: Nanaimo - Mondays at 5:30 to 9 pm at Camp Calliet, Nanaimo. Contact Ulf / David V Kennedy (MoS) FMI.

Arts & Sciences/Social:

Comox Valley Wednesdays, 6:30-9 p.m.; Games and Grounds on 4th St in Courtenay; contact Sarah Schwarz/Sarah Percy FMI

Nanaimo - Contact Lisa Sigrún Simpson-Corlett FMI

Port Alberni - Contact Prudence O'Brennon FMI.



Hartwood's Yule

by John MacAndrew

A cornucopia of things to do!

November 25 • Noon-10pm

Lion's Club Hall 280 Lions Way Qualicum Bay, BC

The schedule is being submitted to the Royals and will be posted when it is approved.

A "Learn to do the Fighting Lists" class will be held at 11:30 am. Please let Sarah Mary Lady Berribune know if you will be attending class, fee is free.

We have received word of a very special guest. A friend to our own Sir Duncan! Sir Brand from the Region of Madrone! He is a very accomplished Bard, and Wordsmith, and has offered to teach classes, here is his offerings:

- **Educational Demonstrations**
- **Shakespeare/Theatre**
- **Metered Poetry**
- **How to present at Court**
- **An Tir & basic SCA History**
- **Irish & Middle Eastern Drum**
- **Pennywhistle**
- **The Art of Death on the Field**

If you are interested in spending some time with Greg Robin Smith-Dig/Sir Brand of Madrone. Please contact Wendy Gwynafel Kennedy and we will do our best to learn what we can from him.

A Heavy Practice Tournament! A Rapier Practice Tournament!

A Bardic Championship is on the line! All Challengers please contact Lynne Macara.

Show us your best Yule time crooning, and earn your place in history as the Hartwood Bardic Champion!

This year's challenge is to write a filk to the tune of a Yule time carol or song.

The theme of your creation is up to you, but do remember this is a family event. Please register with HL Nichola (tayara@telus.net) by November 15th. See if you can take home the belt!

A Craftsman Championship is awaiting challengers. Jean Clark will accept the names of any brave enough to weather the requirements.

There will be two stages to this challenge. The first:

You are heading to Yule in the Shire of Hartwood, and you are bringing a gift for your hosts. The form this gift takes should reflect your particular talents, and be accompanied by - at least - very basic documentation. When you present your gift to the 3 judges, you will be expected to explain how you created it, and defend any non period changes you may have made to it.

The second:

Will be presented on site, at the event and explained by Lady Elizabeth Chatfeld.

Anyone can participate in either challenge but those wishing to become the Hartwood Craftsman Champion must participate in both.

The Christmas Tree Trade will be available, if there are any questions please contact Lynne Macara.

The feast is potluck, and Chelsea Bourgeault will be arranging the food and set up. Please contact her to arrange for your contribution.

Tickets will be sold and there are only 100 available! Please contact Lady Symonne du Bois to acquire tickets.

Pricing: \$20 for non members. A discount of \$5 for members with cards. Children under 18 are free, they do require a ticket so please include when ordering.

Cheques can be made out to "Shire of Hartwood".

PLEASE NOTE THAT NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.



Hartwood's Champions



Heavy Champion:

Wulfgar Bradax

Archery Champion:

Borgar (front cover)

Thrown Weapons:

Korbinian

Rapier Champion:

Asa Martel

Bardic Champion:

Nichola inghean
Muireadhach

Craftsman Champion:

Elizabeth Chatfeld

Time to Make Plans...

NOVEMBER

25 **Hartwood Yule** Shire of Hartwood

DECEMBER

9 **Seagirt Yule** Barony of Seagirt

JANUARY

12-14 **An Tir 12th Night** Barony of Wastekeep
(but on Denman Island so...Hartwood this is close!)

20 **Gentle Arts** Barony of Seagirt

26-28 **Ursulmas**, Barony of Aquaterra

27 **Newcomers Demo**, Shire of Hartwood

FEBRUARY

03 **Winter's Tourney** Barony of Lionsdale

17-18 **Tir Righ Investiture** Shire of Hartwood

24 **Lionstage**, Barony of Lions Gate

MARCH

02-04 **Kingdom A&S & Rapier Championship**
Barony of Glymm Mere

10 **Daffodil** Barony of Seagirt

24 **Canterbury Fayre** Barony of Lions Gate

30-02 **Island Fall Faire** Barony of Seagirt

APRIL

14 **Tournament of Roses** Shire of Danescombe

20-23 **Hartwood/Seagirt TUTR** Shire of Hartwood

MAY

05 **Lions Gate Champions** Barony of Lions Gate

12-13 **Fjordland Rising** Shire of Fjordland

18-20 **May Crown** Shire of Ramsgaard

25-27 **Sealion War** Barony of Lions Gate

JUNE

08-10 **Tir Righ Coronet** Barony of Tir Bannog

16 **Lionsdale Champions** Barony of Lionsdale

29-1 **Ducal War North V** Shire of Coill Mhor

JULY

04-08 **An Tir/West War**

06-08 **Stranded Mermaid** Shire of False Isle

20-22 **Coronation** TBA

Expect this list to expand, keep up to date at

<http://www.antir.sca.org/Upcoming/>



Wintertime Archery Tasks

by Anikó Melyes

It's that time of year when the shorter days mean shorter archery practices and longer nights. This can mean we either put our bows down and find things to fill the time or we keep our skills alive and working.

Sometimes this means we have to go to an indoor range, and although indoor ranges offer a bit of freedom from inclement weather, they are often a fair amount shorter than our standard 40 yard ranges we normally practice our Royal Rounds at. It is important to remember that 50% of your Royal Round is shot at the 20 yard line, so be sure to value any time you spend there. Focus on your form and posture, work on your breathing, tighten up your groupings and speed up your timed rounds.

One of my favourite ways to work on speed rounds off the range is to stand with your bow and arrows in front of your couch. Practice quickly nocking your arrows, once nocked flick them off onto the couch and grab the next arrow and nock it. Wash, rinse, repeat. This will help create the muscle memory you will need to speed up your nocking time on the range for the upcoming season.

Speaking of arrows and nocks. Find a quiet, stormy or cold day and bring out all of your arrows. Inspect each one carefully looking for cracks, deep gouges, loose fletchings, cracked nocks, knuckled points. Burnish out any flaws that you can, glue down loose fletchings, replace points and nocks as necessary. Check the rest of your kit. Do you need a new string or just a really good waxing? How about your arrow rest? How about that one thing you keep meaning to fix every time you get to the range but never remember to do? Winter is a good time for that.

Other winter archery fun activities:

- Work on a new quiver
- Make a new set of arrows (or TWO!)
- Learn a new skill like cutting or dyeing fletches
- Make some warm gloves for spring & fall shooting
- Prepare your archery kit for the next year making sure you have all the supplies you need (including things like kleenex, bug spray, sunscreen, string wax, extra points, nocks, dental floss/serving, glue/adhesive etc...)
- Make your favourite archery buddy an archery kit for Yule (just sayin)

...and most importantly, SHARE your skills with someone else. Teach a class, grab another interested archer, share some tea and some time. One of the cornerstones of our society is our shared learning and keeping knowledge alive. Before you know it, spring and archery will come around again and you'll be ready for it, kitted out with gear, more knowledge and a winter spent getting better, not letting skills sit idle.

Seagirt's Yule

James Bay New Horizon's Society

234 Menzies St. Victoria, BC

Gate opens at 10am,

Doors open at 9am for Coffee Set Up.

Dinner will be Potluck.

Bardic Competition: Soon to be posted by Saito Saito no Ryoichi Mitsukage.

Yule Costume Contest:

Run by HL Morgaine Essex

Medieval garb with a modern twist. Picture a 14thC parti-coloured gown with half plain fabric, half Christmas fabric. Or a Norse tunic with Christmas decorations for trim. Let your imagination run wild!

There will be two categories: "Ugly Sweater" and "Something More Subtle". "Ugly Sweater" will be the in-your-face, blatantly obvious Anachronism (i.e. apron dress with lit up Christmas tree). "Something More Subtle" Will be, well, more subtle (i.e. Norman tunic or dress with Christmas fabric for trim).

Creativity counts. Documentation not required! Outfits can be either worn or displayed. Ribbons will be handed out for the contestants to wear so you (or your outfit) may be identified.

Judging will be done via people's choice. Prizes will be gift certificates from Gala Fabrics Any questions, please contact Morgaine.

Hartwood Chamberlaine

Are you and Event Steward? a Co Event Steward? Planning an event?

We have:

Painted Walls, tableclothes, tents, tarps, a games box, feast serving gear, table skirts,

Eric stands, ropes, posts and pennants, Direction Signs, candles, and more.

Contact me to get the items you need when you need them!

Thank you.

YIS, Lady Gwynafel



The Royalty of An Tir



**Their Royal Majesties of An Tir,
King Christian Bane
and Queen Helene d'Anjou**



**Their Royal Highnesses of An Tir
Count Savaric de Porte des Lions
and Countess Dalla Hjalbaadsdottir**



**Their Highnesses of Tir Righ,
Prince William Mac Brennan and
Princess Nadezhda Toranova**



**Their Excellencies of Tir Righ,
Tanist VikingR and
Ban Tanist Lishinia**

(Apologies as the web didn't have the info posted yet.)

Photos and information from antir.sca.org/WhosWho/ and facebook

What is the Council?

What makes the Shire work? The answer is maybe not what you would immediately think, but in truth, the answer is, "everyone." Everyone makes up all the different facets of this Shire and adds to its rich tapestry in their own way.

Some of have skill sets or a desire to learn and participate on a more in-depth basis and they are great candidates for what we call the Shire's 'Council.'

The Council is composed of a Seneschal (leader/guide), Exchequer (treasurer), Chamberlain (keeps track of our belongings), Chatelain (public liaison), as well, there are those who take care of more 'compartmentalized' things like Archery, Master of Stables (for heavy fighters), Master of Blades (for rapier fighters), Chronicler (taker of minutes, notes and distribution of propaganda), Arts & Sciences (watching and keeping us motivated with our crafty endeavours), Herald (so many jobs rolled into one!), Childrens' Activities Coordinator and other positions.

Our main purpose is to sustain a healthy Shire, who's population is engaged, growing, participating and functioning in the SCA. Oftentimes that takes creativity, brainstorming, event planning, bookkeeping, organizing and so much more! We always welcome your input.

Our goal is to always have a deputy or two for every single position, and that there is always engagement, learning, experience and interest in what is happening at the level of Council. If you are interested, you are welcome to attend a Council meeting as the they are open. If you are interested in becoming a deputy, come to a meeting and let us know what you may be interested in. Likely we will have a good fit for you!

Upcoming Council Meetings

We hold our regular Council meetings at

The Lighthouse Community Hall,
240 Lions Way, Qualicum Beach,
BC

Meeting Dates:

November 12th

December 17th

Jan 14th (AGM)

Note: please have budgets to Halima prior to Jan 14th.

The upcoming meeting dates will be posted to our facebook page and our spring newsletter



Projects So. Manu. Projects.

A&S is thriving in Hartwood! There are at least three official meetings happening and it is wonderful to see all the creativity and knowledge being shared and also poured into projects.



Marshall Sashes



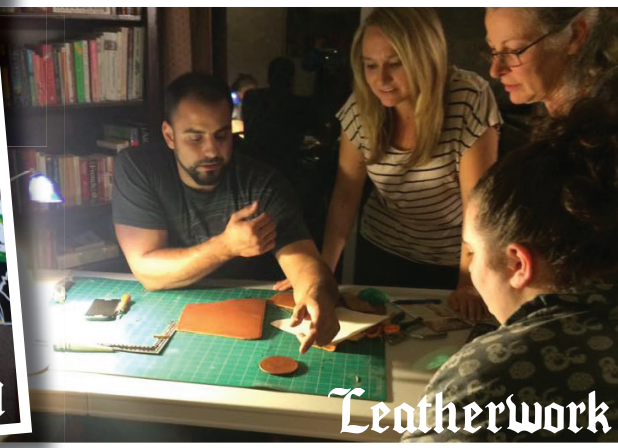
Penants



Heraldry



Tabards



Leatherwork

Recipe of the Season Gyngerbrede

PERIOD: England, 15th century
SOURCE: Harleian MS. 279 | CLASS: Authentic
DESCRIPTION: A sweet honey confection
www.godecookery.com/goderec/grec42.htm

ORIGINAL RECEIPT:

.iiij. Gyngerbrede. Take a quart of hony, & sethe it, & skeme it clene; take Safroun, powder Pepir, & þrow ther-on; take gratyd Brede, & make it so chargeaunt þat it wol be y-leched; þen take powder Canelle, & straw þer-on y-now; þen make yt square, lyke as þou wolt leche it; take when þou lechyst hyt, an caste Box leaves a-bouyn, y-stkyd þer-on, on clowys. And if þou wolt haue it Red, colore it with Saunderys y-now.

- Austin, Thomas. Two Fifteenth-Century Cookery-Books. Harleian MS. 279 & Harl. MS. 4016, with extracts from Ashmole MS. 1429, Laud MS. 553, & Douce MS 55. London: for The Early English Text Society by N. Trübner & Co., 1888.

GODE COOKERY TRANSLATION:

Gingerbread. Take a quart of honey, & boil it, & skim it clean; take saffron, pepper, & throw on; take grated bread, and make it so thick that it can be sliced; then take cinnamon, & strew on; then make it square, like you would have it sliced; and when you slice it, stick in cloves. And if you'd like it red, color it with sandalwood.

MODERN RECIPE:

4 cups honey
1 lb. unseasoned bread crumbs
1 tbs. each ginger & cinnamon
1 tsp. ground white pepper
pinch saffron
whole cloves

Bring the honey to a boil and skim off any scum. Keeping the pan over very low heat, stir in the breadcrumbs and spices. When it is a thick, well-blended mass (add more bread crumbs if necessary), remove from heat & let cool slightly, then lay out on a flat surface & press firmly into an evenly shaped square or rectangle, about 3/4 of an inch thick. Let cool, then cut into small squares to serve. Garnish each square by sticking a whole clove in the top center. OPTION: add a few drops of red food coloring when adding the spices, "if thou wolt haue it Red."

We made this recipe last year at Yule as part of Baroness Letitia Talbot's class. We used a variety of spices including the ones listed above and also many more. Make your gingerbread as spicy or as mild as you like. It is fun experimenting.

Photo Credit The Maroney Blog October | 2011 |



Stick it!

Thrown Weapons, that is.

By Herald Harold of Hartwood

Part 1 Knife.

In the Thrown Weapons trifecta of knife, axe and spear the knife is often the most difficult to master. In this monograph I will attempt to describe what I feel to be the shortest path to success with this most frustrating of weapons.

I will state right at the outset that there is NO correct way to throw a knife. Some ways are better than others, but in the long run if it feels "right" to you, you are happy with your scores, and falls within the SCA safety guidelines then you have already ascertained your "right way".

How will you know when you have worked out a throwing method that suits you? Well your body will tell you. You will discover a rhythm, almost like dancing. Not the bouncy full body on your heels rhythm of a Samba, but rather the fluid gliding rhythm of a waltz. This expends a minimum of energy. You are no longer throwing the knife, you are simply guiding it on its way.

Basics: There are three distinct ways to throw something. You can throw like a baseball pitcher who uses every part of his body to speed the ball towards home plate. This is the "normal" way to throw a ball. You can throw like a cricket bowler. They have to "throw" without bending their elbow and rely very much on the forward momentum of their body to create speed. The third method is the way you throw a dart moving only your forearm and wrist.

Forget them all. They are all wrong for throwing a knife or axe! You need to throw with the action of hammering a nail. Everyone can do it (though some find the nail more elusive than others).

Details: What you are trying to do is propel the knife towards the target with enough forward momentum to stick into the target. Newton tells us that we will be most successful if we present the tip of the knife to the target. Logic tells us that to be successful we need to simplify the process so as to make each throw as near as possible a repeat of the previous throw. Consistency is our mantra.

Components of a throw.

Stance: To make your technique repeatable you must have a firm foundation. You simply can not be concerned with maintaining your balance

while going through the motions of throwing the knife. Stand on the 10 foot line with both feet on the line and together. Take 1 moderate step back. Your body will always move either your right or left foot back. This will usually be the right foot for a right handed thrower but in some cases it will be the left foot that moves. This is the stance you take on a surf board, skate board or snow board. This tells you what foot leads and toes your mark. Your mark is something on the ground that identifies where your front foot must always be set when taking your stance. More on this later.

Now you have taken a comfortable step back move that back foot a small distance (1 foot) to the side. You now have a stable stance that supports your body both forward, backward and sideways.

Grip: There are any number of ways to grip the knife. We are concerned here with throwing at least 10 feet and doing so with one complete rotation of the knife. This means that you will be holding the handle and not the blade of the knife in your hand. There are two ways of holding the knife. One is to pinch the knife between your fingers, generally your thumb and first or first and second fingers. I do not recommend that you start this way for the following reasons.

- 1 - You are limiting the size of the knife you use because of the finger strength necessary to control the knife.
- 2 - The knife can be held in the fingers but you then have to worry about orientation. The knife can be held resting on the hand between the thumb and forefinger, pointing rearward, or rotated forward so the knife is in line with the thumb. That is almost a half rotation difference before you even get started.
- 3 - Re-producing this hold exactly each throw is difficult unless you are quite strong.
- 4 - You have to hold the knife tightly to maintain control. This then requires a greater effort to actually release the knife. This in turn makes it harder to control the release and maintain consistent accuracy.

The second method of holding the weapon is to hold it like a hammer. This requires much less finger strength, and is easily reproducible. You should hold the knife with the absolute minimum of "grip" necessary to retain ownership of the knife up until the point of release. Effectively there is no conscious release. Your hand stops moving forward and the knife simply slides out of your palm. Do not be afraid to hold the end of your knife in your

hand. To make the process reproducible try nestling the end of the knife in your palm just in front of your wrist. It will naturally find a place to rest as you wrap your thumb around the handle. This gives you the position of your grip and is easily reproducible without even looking. Your thumb should lay along the face of the handle NOT along the blade (thin edge) of the knife. This is because laying your thumb along the top of the knife can have a major effect on the knife rotation.

The motion: There are 4 main processes at work when propelling the knife towards the target.

- 1 - The movement of your entire body in projecting your shoulder forward.
- 2 - The combination of your forearm rotating through an arc, modified by the dropping of your elbow.
- 3 - Wrist action in augmenting the velocity accumulated by adding the first two items together.
- 4 - Rotation of the knife. Not strictly changing the velocity through the air but imparting additional kinetic energy to the knife on impacting with the target.

Taking these one at a time. You can add velocity to the knife by simply moving your shoulder towards the target during the throw. This is done by introducing a rocking motion to the throw.

After taking your stance with the target lined up with your throwing shoulder, and with a straight arm, point the knife at the target. This places your arm and most importantly your elbow in the correct position. This should be your position after the release. Now rock back, moving your weight onto your back foot while lifting your elbow slightly and bringing the knife back behind your ear (carefully).

Now here is where most problems originate. The wrist. When starting in this discipline it appears that you have to "make" the knife rotate. To do this you "flick" your wrist. This creates all sorts of problems both in rotations and accuracy. Having said that, your wrist will naturally want to cock at the top of your throw. As a rule of thumb the knife should never drop below the horizontal. Those with "limp" wrists will have to pay particular attention to this. In general you want the knife to start its trip forward pointing between horizontal and 30 degrees above horizontal.

Check to make sure you do not have a death's grip in the handle. Now throw the knife with a chopping action while you rock



Stick it! Thrown Weapons, that is. Continued

forward transferring your weight onto your front foot. Gently does it, remember this is a dance and your feet NEVER leave the floor. Do not twist your body, or unlike a baseball pitcher, allow your body to move out in front of your shoulder.

Let the knife slide out of your hand while you are concentrating on the target. Having released the knife check where your arm and hand are pointing. Upper and lower arm and hand should all be aligned and pointing to the target, or just below it.

Once you have a consistent throw the next step is to score some points. To do that you have to stick your weapon into the target. Provided you have taken my advice regarding grip and flicking your wrist, knife rotation is determined primarily by the radius of the arc through which it passes. The length of your arm, the size of the knife - actually the location of its centre of mass, and whatever your "natural" wrist action is are all the contributing factors. Your aim should be to throw the knife the minimum distance (greater than the min 10 feet) that you can and still make the knife enter the target in a horizontal point first

position. The shorter the throw in general the more accurate. Unless you have an odd throwing style, or a very large knife you should be working at 10 to 12 feet. If you need a greater distance then the knife is too long for you or your action needs some adjustment.

Hints:

If your knife hits the target with the tip down and the handle up move forward a little. If you are already at 10 feet then stop flicking your wrist and/or try a longer knife and seek help. If your knife hits point up or handle first, move back a bit or try a smaller knife. If your knife sticks but is not vertical then you are throwing round house. Start closer to your ear. If you are hitting the target point first but bouncing out try moving your body forward faster while throwing harder. Above all check your grip and wrist action. Improving your scores is a team sport. Ask for critique on each of the components mentioned in the article. Mark your throwing position so you can start from the same place each throw. Remain flexible. Your throwing position may change a few inches day to day. Try all the loaner gear to find the knife that

suits you. Remember the smaller (lighter) the knife the harder you will have to throw it to make it stick.

Equipment: The SCA rules call for a knife between 10" and 16" in length and no wider than 2.5". They must have only 1 point and must have the traditional shape of a knife. There was a rule that the knife MUST be designed for throwing. This seems to have disappeared, but it is a good rule. Start with a simple one piece blade. Do not use your fathers bowie knife or your sisters kukri until you have the basics down. Most knives not designed to be thrown have a ridge on the end of the handle to stop your hand from sliding off when it gets bloody. This is not the unobstructed release you need. Balance the weight of the knife with your strength. Use the heaviest knife you are able to control without fatigue as the heavier the knife the greater the energy transferred to the target, all other factors being equal. This results in greater penetration.

Finally, are you feeling it? Are you dancing or playing rugby? The scores will come with practice. The fun should be immediate!





Hartwood Minutes

January 15, 2017 Financial & AGM

Attendees

Aline de Seez [Seneschal]
Halima al-Rakkasa [Exchequer]
Harold [Herald] [Chief chucker]
Ulf T. [Chamberlain]
Gwynafel Farleigh
John MacAndrew [Chief Archer]
Sarah Percy [A&S Deputy]
Sextus [Castellan]
Melles Anikó [Chronicler]

Meeting called to order at 12:20am

Financial Meeting Opens

Seneschal

- A welcome from our new Seneschal

Exchequer

- Kjartan moves to accept the budget as presented. Gwynafel seconds with estimated incomes for TW & Archery. Passed
- Fundraising opportunities were discussed: options are Tupperware, Bake sale, Silent Auction or Chocolate

Financial Portion of the Meeting adjourned 12:50pm

Annual General Meeting Opens

Adoption of November minutes with amended of "resignation and advertising of family officer" to be added to report. Ulf 2nd. Passed

Exchequer

- Current Balance: 4744.34 in regular and 5.13 in shares

- Officers are reminded that budget should be in now to the finance committee (copy to exchequer@hartwood.tirrigh.org and seneschal@hartwood.tirrigh.org). This includes event stewards for 2017; it's not too early for stewards of 2018 events to start putting their budgets together.
- Lady Symmone has come forward to be an exchequer deputy and I will be forwarding a package to her shortly. If you are interested in also being a deputy, please let me know.; more deputies are good! I will be stepping down in December! Learn how to do the job and become a "drop-dead deputy" who can take over if needed, but not necessarily for a full term. Talk to the current exchequer and seneschal.

Chamberlain

- We have stuff. Lots of Stuff.
- South Hartwood now has a complete set of thrown weapons loaner gear.
- Officially resigning
- We will post position as open for one month. Lost Gear Update. We have been advised to hold by past seneschal and current seneschal to follow up.
- Gywnafel has put her offer in to apply for open position.

MOS

- Position needs to be filled.
- The Requirements were reviewed.
- We will post the position online asking for applications

Chief Archer

- Nothing to report (off season)
- FOrester Challenge discussed.

Castellan / Chatelain

- December was a slow month. We have had a few new people at fight practice in the past month or so looking into rapier fighting which is nice as rapier has kind of died out a little. Hope everyone had a good season in the snow.
- One person got hurt at a practice. Report is being submitted ASAP. The person is going to be back at practice next Monday and wants to fight. I think the report will be sent in with next month's report but it is good to let the shire know.
- 1000 business cards bought
- Touching base with Principality Chatelaine

Family Activities

- Office is currently Open

Chronicler

- Newsletter is upcoming and would like every single officer to submit at least 200 words.
- Is looking for a deputy
- Changes for submitting reports discussed. Would prefer to have them sent as email, with SCA name, Mundane name, Membership number and report under

Chief Scribe

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Herald

- Year end report: 2016 has been a good, nay, great year for Shire Heraldry. We now have 25 Registered members, almost all have devices. We have made a start on documenting the format of our Seneschals audiences and I have gained a little experience in court processes. Our library is growing with the upcoming (in the mail) 4 books on names. We have 4 general heraldry books. These include the bible for English Surnames (Reaney) and the Bible for Heraldry (Fox-Davies).
- There is a budget proposal for the creation of hanging banners for active members that have a registered device.
- There is also work in progress to document recommendations and awards of our covered tokens.
- There are two versions of the blazons for our tokens. It is difficult / impossible to remain consistent with design for many items and remain without conflict. We are close (I Hope) and need to get permission to conflict with one design. This is an immediate priority for me.
- A Big thank you goes out to Doreen and Lynne for the help they have given me over the year. As of Jan 14 there are 3 outstanding registrations:
- In Commentary
 - Elizabeth MacAndrew - Antir Name
 - Elizabeth MacAndrew - An Tir: Device - Lozengy argent and azure, an apple slipped and Leaved OR tranfixe by an arrow fesswise reversed sable.
- Being Decided
 - Anna Melyes - An Tir: Name
 - Anna Melyes - An Tir: Device - Per saltire sable and gules, a chevron between two mullets argent
 - Guencenedl ben Maududain - An Tir: Device - Sable, a wolfhound's head erased contourny Or, a bordure quarterly gules and argent.
- Outstanding issues
 - We have two rejections - one is mine that have to be dealt with quickly

- The budget for the CofA banners has to be approved and a method of guaranteeing the work is completed in a reasonable time frame.
- The software to allow recommendations to be recorded and a record of awards has to be completed and tested
- The token blazons have to be registered
- There is a budget item to purchase some material for the Heralds Tabard. If passed I hope we will see it this year.

Chief Scribe

- Scribes have been quite for the last couple of months, over seasonal celebrations and snow. However, we have had a couple of scribal challenges and will continue to do so, encouraging everyone to try everything
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Break @ 2:04pm Resumed 2:15

EVENTS

Newcomers

- Heritage Day is the weekend before event but also co-incides with Investiture. Some people are already taking part in the demo. Looking for more
- Asking for more demo/displays

TUTR APR 8-9

- Same Site / Nanaimo Cadet Hall
- Site cost \$500
- Site Fee \$15. \$5 discount for instructors who aren't taking a class

Duncan Kerfuffle May 12-14

- Site is Camp Callait
- All marshalls and organizers in place.

- No Mercs!
- Working on details such as war points.

Championship & War Aug 18-20

- Same Site
- Looking for Coautocrat
- Same as last year, need hands to do cleanup beforehand

Yule Aug 18-20

- Need Autocrat and site

Projects

Tabards

- Done by Kerfuffle

Stores Database

- Harold says it is created and needing interface
- Ulf says stores accounted for

Website

- Started by Harold

Demo Kit

- After much discussion, we are stepping it to a list model with contact names and info

Barony

- Need someone to head this up

New Business

An old account was closed so we received monies from Anna Jane in Seagirt. This will be reflected in Exchequer's report

Adjourned at 3:48



Hartwood Minutes

February 26, 2017 Council

Attendees

Aline de Seez [Seneschal]
Halima al-Rakkasa [Exchequer]
Harold [Herald] [Cheif chucker]
Ulf T. [Chamberlain]
Sextus [Castellan]
John MacAndrew [Chief Archer]
Sigrun [A&S]
Sarah Percy [A&S Deputy]
Dorianne
Gwynafel Farleigh

Meeting called to order at 1 pm

Officer reports

Exchequer

- As Submitted

Chamberlain

- Welcome Gwynafel! New Chamberlain
- Report submitted
- Added the Hartwood Banner is now in her possession

MOS

- As submitted with addition that Jarrod of Seagirt came to a practice

Chief Archer

- As submitted

Chief Chucker

- As submitted

A&S

- As submitted
- Halima added that N. Hartwood is now testing out Games & Grounds as a new meeting spot

Chief Scribe

- As submitted

Castellan / Chatelain

- As submitted

Herald

- As Submitted

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EVENTS

Newcomers

- Broke Even, lots of people expressed interest. 21 non members, 8 members, 7 minors.

TUTR APR 8-9

- Two options: 1 add a \$10 fee on top of gate plus classes if you take classes or add \$1 to each class cost.
- Motion: To amend the TUTR Budget to add \$1 per class for travel Budget. Halima 2nd. Passed

Duncan Kerfuffle May 12-14

- Working on details such as day food, war points. .

Championship & War Aug 18-20

- Doesn't look like we have royals

- A heavy practice is requested and all approve

Yule Aug 18-20

- Waiting to hear word on the hall rental

Heritage Faire Demo Mid Feb

- Went well. Good response

Scouts Demo April 2

- Picnic lunch included. Would prefer classes. No archery. Can't do heavy unless we have a youth marshall on site and parents with kids.

Projects

Tabards

- I spoke with Alinora Sigrun and Aniko. Alinora has some of the newcomers tabards started, is doing them assembly line style, but she will have some done for our next meeting.
- She (Aniko) also has material for the War tabards, We will be putting our badge on the War tabards because that's the correct way.
- Herald's tabard material with Alinora and Sigrun to retrieve.

Stores Database

- Inventory list complete. Harold has database.

Website

- The design of the web site is basically done. Needs images.

Demo Kit

- Please email seneschal with what you have and are willing to loan to demo

Steward's Handbook

- Cunegonda's project

Youth Combat Kit

- We don't have a volunteer for youth combat at this time.

Painted Devices Project

- In Process

New Business

TUTR Minister Position

- A request by Ceara was read that TUTR is restructuring and they would like us to create a TUTR Minister/officer position
- Sarah has offered to be involved and become an officer

Feb 2018 Investiture Feb 16-18

- Nanaimo Best Western Dorchester.
- Rough budget: \$2000. Hoping for income of \$2400 based on 120 attending.
- Ulf: Motion to accept running Investiture Feb 2018. 2nd Lisa Passed

Baronial Bid

- Need a committee comprising of Kjartan, Sextus, Howard and Aline
- Searching out regalia Cloaks, circlets and chairs. Tabling to next meeting

An old account was closed so we received monies from Anna Jane in Seagirt. This will be reflected in Exchequer's report

Adjourned at 4:05pm

From: Lisa Corlett 4dvocatus.diaboli@gmail.com
Subject: A&S report
Date: February 21, 2017 at 3:11 PM
To: archerychik@gmail.com, ladyhartwood@gmail.com

LC

The Shire of Hartwood has been busy this year already. Regular weekly meetings have been taking place in North Hartwood at Schloss Barental. South Hartwood has been a bit slower to embrace regular meetings. I think that partly this is due to the fact that we've only been attempting meetings since the winter struck and the weather has been fairly dismal. Now that spring seems to be peeking out, we'll work on giving this another go (probably on another day of the week as well).

The Hartwood populace has been working on a wide selection of arts and sciences since the holidays. Our members take advantage of TUTR classes when available and utilize social media to share their accomplishments and ask questions. Populace activities in this time-frame include:

- * tablet weaving
- * inkle weaving
- * spinning
- * weaving
- * knitting
- * fulling/felting
- * making hardwood nalbinding needles
- * nalbinding
- * making silk pennons for incoming Prince and Princess
- * making sprangworked pouches
- * spindle making
- * advising on a developing TUTR class
- * making paper
- * book binding
- * sewing garb
- * working on a Birgitta coif
- * working on a Tudor kirtle
- * candying orange and lemon peels

Many of our populace were involved with creating largesse for the incoming Prince & Princess of Tir Righ, as well as assisting in the creation of step-up garb for them.

Going forward, Hartwood is hosting the Duncan Kerfuffle event in May which will offer classes. I will be drafting some classes which I have been asked to teach in the future. And I will be setting up a semi-weekly A&S meeting in the Nanaimo area.

Lady Sigrún Bjarnhedinsdóttir AKA Lisa Corlett
A&S Officer
Shire of Hartwood

From: mike bourgaeult r.m.b_1@live.com
Subject: My report.
Date: February 20, 2017 at 10:28 PM
To: ladyhartwood@gmail.com

MB

Sorry but nothing to report on my end. Nothing happened this past month beside practice.

Sent from my Samsung device

From: Linda halima.dancer@gmail.com

Subject: Chief scribe report, Jan 2017

Date: February 20, 2017 at 11:49 PM

To: chronicler - Hartwood chronicler@hartwood.tirrigh.org, Seneschal@hartwood.tirrigh.org seneschal@hartwood.tirrigh.org



Greetings from your Chief Scribe.

There is no activity to report for January, other than discussions at Northwood's A&S nights. Plans are being discussed for monthly or bi-monthly workshops, and a resuming of the monthly challenges.

yours in service,
Halima
chief scribe

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SCA: Halima al-Rakkasa, OP
Apprentice to Mistress Gudrun
Member of GdS, JdL, Carp, Etoile d'Argent, Red Flame, Silver Pillar,
Beacon of Insula Magna
Shire of Hartwood
Principality of Tir Righ
Kingdom of An Tir

From: Linda halima.dancer@gmail.com

Subject: Exchequer report, 31 January 2017

Date: February 20, 2017 at 11:46 PM

To: chronicler - Hartwood chronicler@hartwood.tirrigh.org, Seneschal@hartwood.tirrigh.org seneschal@hartwood.tirrigh.org



Greetings!

As of Jan 31st, 2017, the shares account holds \$5.13 and the regular account holds \$3852.44. A number of cheques went out in January, most for officer-related expenses.

A reminder to event stewards that their event fees must be advertised at the non-SCA-member amount, with a "\$5 discount for SCA members", in accordance with financial policies from higher up.

yours in service,
Halima
exchequer

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From: John Mail lionsgater@yahoo.com
Subject: FEB 2017 Archery report Hartwood
Date: February 20, 2017 at 10:40 AM
To: Allison Mail archerychik@gmail.com, Leslie Eaton paperscape@gmail.com

JM

Feb 2017 Archery report Hartwood

Cumberland demo 18 Feb.

Huge thanks to Blayne Prowse for his demo on archery gear and fletching.

Hartwood Medieval Day

I will be having my usual archery display on site. I can update this further as the event is one day before council.

Pending.

March 18th Seagirt Daffodil - archery competition.

April 8-9 Hartwood TUTR - Target archer arrow construction class, flemish twist and continuous loop string classes.

Master John Macandrew,
Chief Archer, Shire of Hartwood

Hartwood Heralds Report Feb 20017

Officer: Harold of Hartwood

We have had one rejection which requires only a simple "fix"

I have received the following 4 books which have been placed into the Hartwood Library.

1 Etymology of the principal Gaelic national names, personal names, surnames : to which is added a disquisition on Ptolemy's Geography of Scotland 1911

2 A Dictionary of English Surnames

3 The Surnames of Ireland

4 OXFORD DICTIONARY OF ENGLISH CHRISTIAN NAMES

Clearly if you want to be Norse you are out of luck! This will be this years focus.

a single badge is all I have had for registration this month.

Currently we have :

Being Decided:

Elizabeth MacAndrew

Anna Melyes

Guencenedl ben Madudain

I am poised to start on the arms banners.

I attended the demo day at Cumberland. Plenty of interest shown in names. Not a great deal in devices.

Harold Herald of Hartwood.

Report for Hartwood Chamberlain

Feb 2017

Chamberlain Gwynafel ben Madhudhain

At this time, we do have a listing of the items stored on our premises.

There were requests for items for the Cumberland Faire, but unforeseen circumstances did not see these items delivered to the site.

The next event that might require items is the Newcomers Event at the end of the month.

I will also contact the Principality Chamberlain to find out if there is any information I am missing concerning the post.

I am hoping to gather all the items the Shire has and have them stored in the one place. I will be a little lax on that until we have settled in our new homestead, which could be a few months.

Elsewise, I will include the List of items when I send this report to the P. Chamberlain.

Lady Gwynafel

Seneschal Report-February 26, 2017

Well it's been a busy month:

- Our events are all correctly posted on the the Kingdom Calendar!
- The Bowser Hall is booked and all of our council meetings are now on the Hartwood Facebook page under events.
- The Officer Change forms are almost completed and sent in to the Principality and Kingdom.
- Insurance is all settled for Duncan Kerfuffle
- Attended February Investiture-presented the largesse donations to the new Prince and Princess. A huge thanks to all who donated!

Respectfully submitted,

Archos Aline de Seez
Seneschal
Shire of Hartwood



Hartwood Minutes

March 26, 2017 Council

Attendees

Aline de Seez [Seneschal]
Halima al-Rakkasa [Exchequer]
Harold [Herald] [Cheif chucker]
Ulf T. [Chamberlain]
Sextus [Castellan]
John MacAndrew [Chief Archer]
Sigrun [A&S]
Sarah Percy [A&S Deputy]
Dorianne
Gwynafel Farleigh

The meeting was called to order at 12:17 pm by Ailine who welcomed everyone and thanked them for their work within the Shire.

Approval of February 26th, 2017 Council Meeting Minutes, Moved by: Sigrun, 2nd by: Halima Passed

Officer reports

Exchequer

- As Submitted

Chamberlain

- As Submitted

MOS

- As Submitted

MOB

- As Submitted

Chief Archer

- As submitted

Chief Chucker

- As submitted

A&S

- As submitted
- Halima added that N. Hartwood is now testing out Games & Grounds as a new meeting spot

Chief Scribe

- As submitted

Castellan / Chatelain

- As submitted with addition
- Discussion regarding need to report demo events to Sextus for inclusion in his reporting. Further noted that Sextus will have held this position for 2 years in approximately 6 months and discussion around posting of the position.

Herald

- As Submitted

Chronicler

- Report as submitted. Brief discussion by those in attendance regarding submissions for inclusion in the Newsletter.

EVENTS

Scouts Demo April 2

Discussion regarding logistics, numbers and demonstrations.

TUTR APR 8-9

- Update from Event Steward discussion regarding logistics and supports needed.

Duncan Kerfuffle May 12-14

- pdate from Event Steward, discussion regarding logistics and supports needed.

Championship & War Aug 18-20

- Update from Event Steward

November COronet

- Update on the bidding process

Yule Aug 18-20

- Updates from Event Steward and discussion regarding format for the event

Projects

Tabards

- Updates from Howard and Sigrun, discussion of progress and goals.

Stores Database

- Updates from Howard on progress.

Painted Devices Project

- Updates and discussion regarding materials.

Website

- Mock up has been completed committee will meet to approve prior to testing

Known World Map

- No progress to report at this time.

Steward's Handbook

- Discussion Symonne will help on this project.

Barony

- Discussion regarding research and progress.

New Business

TUTR Minister Position

- Motion: To create the position of TUTR Officer in the Shire of Hartwood.
- Motioned by Sextus 2nd by Sigrin Passed

Adjourned at 1:59pm

Reports

Seneschal Report-March 26, 2017

This past month was busy dealing with the usual paperwork, phone calls and emails. I spoke with Cecille and she is happy to have some people over to help go through the material that we can use for regalia etc. There were no official cloaks made.

I also attended our Newcomers Event at the end of February and Daffodil Tourney. My main focus was meeting with Their Excellencies Seagirt about the War Points. It looks like April will be a busy month!

I do have one request about contacting me in the evenings. I would prefer to not have any phone calls or messages on my Facebook account after 9 p.m. (unless there is an emergency-which should involve either blood or the police coming). If you need to get ahold of me after 9 p.m. and it's a non emergency, then please use my seneschal @hartwood.tirrih.org email and I will get to it first thing.

Yours in Service,

Archos Aline de Seez

Seneschal

Shire of Hartwood

March A&S report

North Hartwood is hosting weekly meetings at Games & Grounds in Courtenay on Wednesdays. This venue seems to be popular, with many attendees. Thank you to Sarah for her efforts in hosting North Hartwood A&S meetings.

I am hosting A&S in South Hartwood at my home. In March we held two meetings, with low attendance but as this area hasn't had a regular meeting in quite some time, this is to be expected. South Hartwood's meetings are every second week at this time, posted as events to the Shire Facebook page.

Projects worked on in the shire at these events this month include: weaving (inkle and otherwise), hand sewing, embroidery, knitting, and leather-work.

This month, Seagirt hosted Daffodil Tourney 40. Our very own Vincent de Moubray entered and won the "best armoured costume" section of their costuming contest.

To help promote more entries from our shire to A&S contests at events here at home and abroad, I'm going to post what information I can glean about contests in upcoming events that shire members are likely to attend. I'm hoping that more exposure about contests will get more people thinking about and attempting entries. Hartwood has some really talented members, I think that the rest of the known world needs to see!

Hartwood Thrown Weapons Report Mar 20017

Officer: Harold of Hartwood - Chief Chucker

Not chucking yet however the big news this month is that Dave and I have our first of two signatures necessary for Senior Marshal status. Daffodils was the venue. The day went well and beside passing our exam we introduced a number of people to thrown weapons. Dave deserves special thanks for getting this organized and running the line for much of the day.. Now it is on to the Kerfuffle where hopefully we will get our second signature and be able to control our own destiny.

Nanaimo now has a complete set of targets and weapons. I have made a target out of two by eights that is much more portable than the rounds, however it requires a bit more effort to get knives to stick.

Dave has made one out of 2x4 ends, so we now have three styles to choose from.

The snow has gone off the yard so we are nearly ready to get started again. I have some paletts with which to create a hay bale holder. Dave has already made one for Nanaimo.

YIS

Harold of Hartwood.

Hartwood Heralds Report Mar 20017

Officer: Harold of Hartwood

Highlight of this month was the Heralds consulting table that I got organized at Daffodill. I was surprised and relieved that I had some very experienced Heralds to help me out. Both my boss (Silver Yale Herald) and Danielle's boss (Red Flame Herald) were there together with the very knowledgeable Master Iago ab Adam. In fact they basically took over so I could spend the necessary time with Thrown Weapons.

We were not inundated but did resolve issues for about 5 or six individuals and spoke to many more.

There were no Hartwoodians mentioned in the current (December) Letter of Acceptance. That is to say no rejections and no on-hold and no acceptances.

I visited our Seneschal and together with John cut out some canvas for the device banners. Looked at methods of transferring the images and decided on an approach. I gave created 8 device line drawings so far and should have another half dozen by weeks end.

The Heralds table at newcomers was a draw and most visitors stayed a while to chat all things heraldic.

Attila came up to the table to show off his brand new Arms displayed on his shield. A remarkable job that looks fantastic. I did make him promise not to dint it.

Hartwood is falling behind with registrations. Anyone who has not registered a device should see me and I will help you get started.

Chamberlaine Report

The walls were returned from Daffodil, they only used 2. The Tableclothes are all bleached, washed and dried.

Nothing else to report.

Lady Gwynafel

Chief Archer Report

Greetings Lord and Ladies

Hartwood was well represented in the Daffodil archery tournament with 8 or 9 archers competing in the competitions.

Lord Kjartan won both the crossbow competition and the overall archery tournament. Mistress Halima won the longbow competition.

It was a tad breezy but fun overall.

Upcoming:

- TAM refresher to be scheduled at Casa Macandrew shortly.
- Hartwood TUTOR on April 8-9 will include several archery classes: target archery arrow construction, flemish twist strings, and continuous loop strings.

Duncan Kerfuffle on May 18-19.....See you all there.

- Outdoor practices.

Let's look at Thursdays to begin with starting April 20th unless we get some decent weekends that are both warm and unbooked already.

Master John Macandew,

Chief Archer - Shire of Hartwood

Castilian Report

February had a demo at the Heritage Faire in Cumberland. We managed to get 4 tables instead of 2. Staffing was a bit tight because of Investiture; however, Ulf Erickson (name?) stopped in to help set-up, and we had HL Harold, HL Kjartan, m'lady Adelheide, Lady Muirgen (and child), and m'lord Blayne. Gratitude to the Macandrews/de Seez for loan of display materials. Kudos to all for participation, and excellent use of decorating skills.

February also had a newcomers event ("Medieval Day") in Royston, with displays, demos, and classes. Smaller than last year; this might be attributed to a lack of news media exposure (must look closer at that for the next time). Excellent potluck! More cake! (Thank-you, Harold!) Site fee by donation; pretty much all SCA people paid \$10, so we did slightly better than break even. (Good to know that SCA people realize that it costs money to run events, and chip in!) Not an outstanding number of newcomers but an excellent time for us to visit. (I learned Vincent can somersault backwards in armour.)

Sextus Equitius Xubulus

Chief Scribe report, Shire of Hartwood, March 2017

submitted by Halima al-Rakkasa (MKA Linda J. Doerksen)

~ promoting the full scribal spectrum: wordsmiths, calligraphers, illustrators, painters, and gilders ~

Activity has been less than I'd hoped. We were looking to demo a scribal skill at the demos at Heritage Day and the Medieval Day newcomer event February 25th. This did not happen, likely due to a lack of bodies.

The challenge-of-the-month for March is to create a "thank-you" card, which has not received much excitement. Will continue to work on that. Workshops on calligraphy and painting skills are being developed, concurrently with organizing the resources on hand. Input and ideas are welcome (scribe@hartwood.tirrigh.org).

yours in service,

Halima al-Rakkasa

Hartwood Chief Scribe

Exchequer Report, Shire of Hartwood

March 2017

As of February 2017, we have \$4049.63 in the regular account, and no change in shares.

After the deposit for the Medieval Day event, we will have \$4197.13.

There will be a Gatekeeping class at the TUTOR in April; I encourage all who are interested in being a vital part of Hartwood and SCA events, either as Gatekeeper or Gate Staff, to take it!

Yours in Service,

Halima al-Rakkasa

Shire of Hartwood

MOS Report –Ulf Trelelgar

March 21, 2017

Heavy practice has been well attended with a core group of fighters: Sir Duncan, Sextus, Patrick, Attila, Vincent, and Ulf. Also Jessy Matthews has made a recent return to the group, it's good to see him back. There have been no incidents to report. Hartwood was well represented at the Daffodil tournament by Sir Duncan, Sextus, Attila, Patrick, and possibly Sigurd although I didn't get to see any of the fighting.

Rapier has been hit and miss for people with Nathan being the one steady person that is there every week. Kathryn, Alessandra, and Francios round out this group with sporadic attendance.

Donations have been steady and are keeping pace with the cost of the hall rental. We have asked council to extend the use of the hall until the end of April due to the length of winter this year. An emergency meeting was held to discuss this and a motion was tabled to extend, motion passed. I have asked Stacey to write an addendum to our contract to extend for one more month, and will be putting in a cheque request for \$80.00 to cover the additional 4 Mondays.

I am still waiting for word on whether the SCA would allow me to pursue legal action against Kayla Stark to recover a kit that was lent to her two years ago.

Hartwood Minutes

June 18th, 2017 Council

Attendees:

Aline de Seez [Seneschal]
Halima alRakkasa [Exchequer] [Chief Scribe]
Howard [Herald] [Chief Chucker]
John MacAndrew [Chief Archer]
Gwynafel Farleigh [Chamberlain]
Ulf T. [Master of Stables]
Mulgren, Kathryn [Minister of Blades]
Kadalin, [Chronicler]
Nathan
Danielle
Kadalin

Regrets:

Sextus [Castellan]
Sigrun [A&S]
Sarah Percy [TUTR Officer]

Called to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:12 pm

Approval of Minutes from April Council

Motion: Motion to approve the minutes from the April Council meeting
Motioned by Gwynafel
Seconded by Howard
Passed

Approval of Minutes from May Council

Motion: Motion to approve the minutes from the May Council meeting
Motioned by Danielle
Seconded by Nathan
Passed

Officer Reports

Senchel, Aline - Reminder that officer reports are now required to have numbers in attendance for all, meetings, events, practices, etc. This is part of the requirement for statistics needed for the Shire to become a Barony.

Exchequer, Halima - Accepted, full report below

Chamberlain, Gwynafel - Accepted, full report below



Minister of Stables - Accepted, full report below

Minister of Blades, Muirgen - Accepted, full report below

Chief Archer, John - Accepted, full report below

Chief Chucker(Thrown Weapons), Howard - Report read at meeting, Accepted

Minister of Arts and Science, Sigrun - Sigrun has submitted her resignation effective immediately. Sarah will be covering.

Castilian-term up in Oct, Sextus - No report available at this time

Family Activities Minister, Position Vacant - Reported by Aline - Discussion took place regarding potential candidates for this position

Chronicler, Kadalín - New Chronicler discussion regarding responsibilities and dates for reporting and newsletter articles.

Herald, Howard - Report read at meeting, Accepted

Chief Scribe, Halima - Accepted, full report below

TUTR Officer, Sarah - No report available

Events

Champions - John Event: Aug 18 - 20, further information and details will be posted on the event site. The next site preparation day will be held Saturday, August 5th.

Yule - Site is booked, there was some discussion on logistics. Halima requested paperwork be submitted.

Nov Coronet - The Dorchester Best Western has been booked, as it is a Principality Event the coordination will take place with the principality.

Demos

There are no Demos on the horizon

Projects

Tabbards

Heralds-Sigrun - Note that the banner is found, Howard will follow-up with Sigrun, Heralds have been passed to Freydis.

Newcomers-Alinora, Allison will complete if necessary.

Stores-Database - This was moved to a fall timeline in May.

Website-Halima, John, Aniko, Sigrun, Sextus, Harold-mock up is done; Aniko is no longer on the committee. The mock up looks good and photo's are the next challenge. It was decided Hartwood will have a photoshoot at Hartwood Fall Champions

Demo List - No new demos scheduled; discussion on who has what, the inventory program has space for tracking demo list. This is part of the chatelaine's duties.

Steward's Handbook - Cunegonda, Symmone and Aline - this is moved to the fall.

Youth Combat Kit - Francois has accepted taking this on, it was unanimously supported by those present for him to fill that role.

Shire Regalia - There was discussion on the items the Shire needs to become a Barony, there are some items that can be researched and or put in place in advance. Having items in place can strengthen the Shires proposal. There was also discussion on fundraising for the purchase of items not eligible for general funding from the Shire's equipment budgets. Items discussed include: Kneeling cushions Chairs, Coronets, Circlets and boxes and a Pavilion.

Barony - Harold, Kjarten, Aline & Cunegonda - Cunegonda has agreed to bring her experience and knowledge to the committee.

Painted Devices - Harold, this has been moved to a priority with the upcoming Coronet.

Known World Map - Harold, On hold until the fall.

New Business

Signs - The signs are in rough shape, Nathan will watch for coroplast at the ReStore. Cost to make new ones is approximately \$60.00 (18 x 24). Reflective tape may improve them or the use of a reflective transparent paint to cover them, (cost 6.00 at Midland Tools). Dave has stencils.

Motion: To approve the expenditure of \$60.00 to make new signes.

Motioned by John

Seconded by Wendy

Passed

Storage Locker: Storage will remain with Gwynefel and Ulf at their new location in Pt. Alberni

Nanaimo Practices: Contract was made for the summer with a clause to make it cancelable after three weeks if it was not successful. The practices have been well attended and will continue through to the end of the summer.

Motion: To extend the use of Camp Caillet for Nanaimo Practices until the end of the summer

Motioned by Wendy

Seconded by Nathan

Passed

Largess: A Largess Arts and Sciences competition has been added to the Hartwood Fall Championship. Entries will include 6 identical items.

Next meeting

Quartly reports are due

Meeting Adjourned

Meeting adjourned at 3:47 pm

Action Items

- Halima is looking after the thank you for Jennye and Geoff.
- Aline will set up a meeting with Kjarten, Howard, and Cunegonda to talk about the next steps regarding becoming a Barony.
- Dave to make floor plan with pictures for layout of Yule. The current champion is in Charge of Bardic. Liz is in Charge of the Craftsman Championship. Need to provide a liaison for the Royals.
- Site clean-up in preparation for the Hartwood Fall - Champions is Aug 5th.
- Moving Newcomers event to different communities, to be confirmed, it would be ideal to have an event in Pt. Alberni.

Addendum:

Officer Reports

Exchequer

*As of May 30/17, we have \$6025.85 in the chequeing account.
We can finish writing out the TUTR reimbursements now.*

Chamberlain, Lady Gwynafel

*As the storer's were moving, the stores were taken with them. There is discussion about renting a storage space.
Just knowing if we will continue to store the items, as we have room but are not in the Nanaimo area anymore. All goods are in good condition.*

Minister of Stables

There was a camp meet on Wed the 14th, and 10 people attended. There was a fight practice in Port Alberni where 3 people attended as well.

More in discussion about Iron Key, and extension on the contract for the meets in Nanaimo on Wed nights.

Minister of Blades, Muirgen

*1 practice, 2 geared fighters, 1 not.
Working on getting some of the excess steel key from lionsgate.
Need a deputy for northwood, as I don't know how many fighters are doing unofficial practices.*

Chief Archer, John MacAndrew

Recent

*Archery practices continue Mondays and Thursdays weather permitting.
Lots of Hartwood archers both participated and marshaled at SeaLion. (John, Aline– Marshals) (John, Elizabeth, Aline, Kris, James)
Aline, Lady Elizabeth (Miranda), and I attended Fjordland Rising competing in their archery competition.*

Upcoming

<i>Seagirt Summer Tourney</i>	<i>30 - 2 Jul.</i>
<i>Stranded Mermaid</i>	<i>7-9 July</i>
<i>Hartwood's Forester's Challenge</i>	<i>TBA</i>
<i>SYG Seagirt</i>	<i>11-13 Aug</i>
<i>Hartwood Fall Champions</i>	<i>18-20 Aug.</i>

Chief Chucker(Thrown Weapons), Howard Bevan

Thrown weapons is up and running for the "year". We have had a 5 practices that have been well attended. Last Sunday's practice and BBQ was a great success. John and Nathan manhandled the new LARGE rounds onto the newly reinforced tripods so we will now not have to fight bounce-outs as has been the bane of our existence this year. I attended SST and looked after the TW demo range for a time. We had a number of people new to the sport attend and enjoy the freedom of throwing sharp things at inanimate targets. I have purchased some new 2x4's that will allow me to travel with targets without mounting the large rounds which really need a crane to re-mount. While the design appears sound, the targets suffer from being too difficult to stick axes in.

Dave held a TW practice in Nanaimo this past Wednesday. Reports, though sketchy are very positive.

John came down and transferred the new targets up the the Boyes' and we held a TW Practice on the Championship site after the gardening. I regret to inform the Shire that the bail of Hay has lost all cohesion and has been retired. The support was viscously k by a number of throwers and in currently in the triage center. Nanaimo will need to purchase another bail or two of hay this month. I have one bale only and will need to purchase a couple of spares

I have volunteered to MIC TW at Seagirt's next event so I hope to see some Hartwoodians down there.

The TW scores have finally shown up on the An Tir TW Scores website. I note we have some work to do to catch up to Fiordland's throwers this year. The new rounds will help in this endeavor.

Nathan has donated some light tomahawks that will be easier for the young, infirm, and everyone else to throw. He is also working on some lighter spears. John has donated a very light spear to our growing arsenal.

Minister of Arts and Science:

Sigrun has submitted her resignation effective immediately. Sarah will be covering.

Chatelaine/Castilian, Sextus:

Hello all I have nothing to report. Not much happened the past month.

Family Activities Minister, Office is Vacant:

Reported by Aline, since we don't have the Family Activities Officer. The position is still open and there is an ongoing search for a candidte.

Chronicler, Kadalín Feilan

Kadalín attended this meeting taking over from Aniko as Chronicler for the first time.

Herald – Howard Bevan

I have been unable to carry out my duties this month. I did attend SST and took two courses concerning device conflict checking. I have three device/names to check this month and pass on to the submission herald. Linda and I made a start on the banner project. We painted the field on all the banners John, Alison and I prepared. Now I have to visit the Mail's and cut the rest of the banner blanks and find a convenient time to transfer the device elements to the prepared banners.

Chief Scribe – Halima a-Rakkasa

No changes. However, we have to get cracking on a new set of charters for August

TUTR Officer – Sarah Percy

No report available

Hartwood Minutes

Extraordinary Meeting of the Financial Committee

Shire of Hartwood

June 26, 2017, online

Called by Halima al-Rakkasa, exchequer



Attendees:

Aline de Seez [Seneschal]
Halima alRakkasa [Exchequer] [Chief Scribe]
Howard [Herald] [Chief Chucker]
Sextus [Castellan]
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Exchequer Update: In the process of updating our list of signers to our bank account, the regional treasurer has changed from Paul Puhallo to Elaine McMillan. The reason for not waiting for a regular meeting is that Elaine McMillan lives in Vancouver, and must travel to Vancouver Island to sign the papers (or else we pay for a lawyer to effect the same); she will be on-Island in August, so the sooner started, the better.

Motion: To update our signers as per the October minutes, with the change of Paul Puhallo to Elaine McMillan as regional treasurer.

Motioned by Aline

Seconded by Kathryn

Passed

Hartwood Minutes

July 27th, Emergency Yule Financial Meeting

Attendees:

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Called to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:56 pm

Yule Budget: The event proposal was distributed to those present for viewing. There was discussion regarding several items on the budget. Uncertainties were discussed and concerns put forward, all questions and concerns were addressed.

Motion: Motion that the original budget proposed be accepted.

Motioned by Kathryn

Seconded by Kadalin

Passed

Hartwood Minutes

Aug 20, 2017 Council



Attendees:

Aline de Seez [Seneschal]
Halima alRakkasa [Exchequer] [Chief Scribe]
Howard [Herald] [Chief Chucker]
John MacAndrew [Chief Archer]
Gwynafel Farleigh [Chamberlain]
Ulf T. [Master of Stables]
Mulgren, Kathryn [Minister of Blades]
Kadalin, [Chronicler]
Sextus [Castellan]
Sarah Percy [TUTR Officer]Nathan
Cunegonda
Freydis
Thorkell
Janice
Francois
Nathan
Tesse

Called to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:09 (or maybe that's when the chronicler got there?)

Approval of previous Minutes from: Extraordinary Meeting June 26th, Council Meeting July 27th, and Extraordinary Meeting August 19th

Motion: Motion to approve the minutes as presented

Motioned by Howard

Seconded by Gwynefel

Passed

Officer Reports

Exchequer, Halima - Accepted, full report below

Chamberlain, Gwynafel - Accepted with addition that sashes and tabards will be added to stores, full report below

Minister of Stables, Ulf - Noted that reports will be coordinated with those in charge of practices to accurately represent numbers in attendance.

Minister of Blades, Muirgen - Accepted, full report below

Chief Archer, John - Accepted, full report below

Chief Chucker(Thrown Weapons), Howard - Report read at meeting, Accepted

Minister of Arts and Science - Reported by Sarah, Accepted, full report below, position to be filled under New Business

Castilian-term up in Oct, Sextus - Accepted with discussion regarding approaching VIU for Demo's, submitted report below

Family Activities Minister, Position Vacant

Chronicler, Kadalín - Discussion regarding articles required for a Newsletter and changes to one already submitted.

Herald, Howard - Accepted, full report below

Chief Scribe, Halima - Accepted with discussion of classes for those wanting to enhance skills for working on charters.

Also, discussion around deadlines for new designs. It was suggested that deadlines be put on the main page, submitted report below.

Events

Champions - John Event: A brief discussion took place regarding ideas for next years Champions, Some discussion including expanding it over 2 days, including a siesta time and movement of some of the competitions. John suggested that ideas be sent to him for consideration.

Yule - Details in question have now been looked after, 100 tickets are being printed, the next council meeting will be held at the location to allow viewing and final decision making.

Nov Coronet - The Dorchester Best Western has been booked, MIC's have been lined up and details will be posted in 2 weeks.

Demos

There are no Demos on the horizon, there was significant discussion regarding how to proceed with Vancouver Island University to encourage ongoing Practices and/or Demo's. SCA requirements were discussed and will be looked into further.

Projects

Tabbards

Heralds-

Newcomers-Alinora, Allison will complete if necessary.

Badges- Freydis completed the badges

Stores-Database - This was moved to a fall timeline in May.

Website-Halima, John, Aniko, Sextus, Harold-mock up is done; The mock up looks good and photos are being done.

Demo List - The inventory program has space for tracking demo list. This is part of the chatelaine's duties.

Steward's Handbook - Cunegonda, Symmone and Aline - this is moved to the fall.

Youth Combat Kit - Francois is working on getting kits together.

Shire Regalia - There will be an online Auction to raise \$\$ for regalia items that are not considered equipment. Wendy and Freydis will be working on this. Gold Key items that are being retired can be sold at auction, it can be announced at Yule with the auction opening in the New Year.

Barony - Harold, Kjarten, Aline & Cunegonda - Need to have a meeting to resume the process. It was noted the process is different than previously discussed. There is a period of 18 months of observation and will take approx 2 years to

complete. There needs to be a vote of the populus and an article printed. The article submitted for printing will require some revision to reflect the changes. Cunegonda will get that to Kadalín for printing in the NewsLetter.

Painted Devices - Thorkell offered his shop for having a get together for painting the devices, he has room for several foldout tables as well as a 10 x 6 permanent table in the space which is 32' x 24', this is a central location and could easily be arranged with a little notice to bring in tables.

Known World Map - Harold, tentatively set for the New Year.

Street Signs - Reflective paint has been purchased.

New Business

February Investiture - Master Tristan approached the Senchel regarding the bid for February Investiture. The Fair Grounds have been book and Master Tristan would like our support in his bid. There was discussion regarding the pros and cons of this support followed by a motion.

Motion: To support Master Tristan in his bid for February Investiture

Motioned by Danielle

Seconded by Halima

One abstained

Passed

Tabards: The tabards commissioned for the fighters are not suitable and need to be repurposed, all were in agreement that they are not suitable.

Motion: To repurpose the commissioned Tabards to become Gold Key.

Motioned by Ulf

Seconded by Kathryn

Passed

A & S Officer: The Shire of Hartwood was fortunate to have 3 candidates step forward for the position of A & S Minister. Gwynafel, Freydis and Sarah. The three candidates addressed the group and represented themselves there was a lively discussion and great camaraderie which led to Gwynafel withdrawing and expressing intent to support either of the candidates. Both Freydis and Sarah also expressed interest to support the new A & S Minister and to work as a team. A vote was held and Sarah is the new A & S minister with two deputies to support her in her office.

Next meeting

Sept 17th, 2017 at the Lions Hall in Qualicum Bay
240 Lions Way, Qualicum Beach, BC V9K 2E2

Meeting Adjourned

Meeting adjourned at 1:05 pm

Action Items

- Danielle will update the article regarding becoming a Barony
- Aline will set up a meeting with Kjartan, Howard, and Cunegonda to talk about the next steps regarding becoming a Barony.
- Kathryn will work on prototypes for Tabards and the fighters will propose their own design.
- Dates for the New Comers Event will be reviewed pending a successful bid for February Investiture

Addendum:

Officer Reports

Exchequer, Halima

Exchequer Report, ending July 31/17

Balance in the regular account: 5608.12

Balance in the shares account: 5.13

Of note: Freydis made a donation to Hartwood's coffers.

Halima al-Rakkasa

exchequer

Shire of Hartwood

Chamberlain, Lady Gwynafel

Gwynafel has nothing new to report at this time.

Minister of Stables, Ulf

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Hartwood Archery Report Hartwood

Officer: Master John Macandrew

Chief Archer, Shire of Hartwood

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*Your's in service Master John Macandrew,
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Hartwood Thrown Weapons Report
Officer: Harold of Hartwood - Chief Chucker*

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YIS

Howard

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Preparations are being made for the TW Championship this weekend.*

Minister of Arts and Science:

Officer: Sarah

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Family Activities Minister, Office is Vacant:

The position is still open and there is an ongoing search for a candidate.

Chronicler, Kadalín Feilan

Nothing to report, still working on transition into the position and seeking articles for the first Newsletter. To follow-up with Aniko regarding articles previously prepared.

Herald – Howard Bevan

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Seneschal Report
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Officer: Harold of Hartwood

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Report for Hartwood Chamberlain

Officer: Lady Gwynafel ben Madhudhain

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Gwynafel Farleigh [Chamberlain]
Ulf T. [Master of Stables]
Kadalin [Chronicler]
Aniko Melles
Baroness Letitia Talbott
Cunegonda
Howard



Called to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm

Discussion: There was an increased cost for the belts being made to honor the Champions of Heartwood the cost required approval prior to presentation at the event. The history of the decision to commission the belts was reviewed and it was found the original amount was 50.00 per belt approved in Sep of 2015. This amount was increased after a design change and an additional 20.00 per belt was approved.

Motion: Motion that the approved cost for the belts be increased to 80.00 per belt.

Motioned by Gwynafel

Seconded by Ulf

Passed

Meeting Adjourned 7:58 pm

Hartwood Minutes

Sep 17, 2017 Council



Attendees:

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Halima alRakkasa [Exchequer] [Chief Scribe]
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John MacAndrew [Chief Archer]
Ulf Tretelgjar [Master of Stables]
Muirgen [Minister of Blades]
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Thorkell Hrufna

Regrets:

Gwynafel Farleigh [Chamberlain]
Sarah Percy [A & S]
Sextus [Castellan]
Francois Legrand De Lyon [Youth Armoured Combat]

Called to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:25 pm

Approval of Minutes from Council Meeting August 20th, 2017

Motion: Motion to approve the minutes as presented
Moted by John
Seconded by Halimal
Passed

Officer Reports

Seneschal, Aline - Aline, shared some of the many duties she is in charge as Seneschal, these include keeping things organized for the entire Shire, completing large amounts of paperwork and meeting the responsibilities of Seneschal as liaison.

Exchequer, Halima - Halima noted that the position of Exchequer is opening. There is one potential applicant and the position will be posted shortly. Halima mentioned it is vital that the person have bookkeeping knowledge, Halima also stated she will be available to support the person taking on the office, with a notation that year end will quickly follow the filling of the position.

Chamberlain, Gwynafel - Accepted, full report below

Minister of Stables, Ulf - Accepted, full report below

Minister of Blades, Muirgen - Accepted, full report below

Chief Archer, John - John noted that the position of Chief Archer is open, he will be moving on at the end of the season Nov. 1st. John stated that the position is well supported and organized with multiple Senior and Junior Marshalls he also

noted there are many who could be a candidate, full report below

Chief Chucker(Thrown Weapons), Howard - Accepted, full report below

Minister of Arts and Science, Sarah Percy - Accepted, full report below.

Castilian-term up in Oct, Sextus - Accepted, full report below - Noted that one application has now been received, this will be on the agenda of the October 15th, 2017 Council Meeting.

Family Activities Minister, Remains open with no applications

Chronicler, Kaðlín Feilan - Accepted, full report below - Noted that Kaðlín is seeking a Deputy.

Herald, Howard - Accepted, full report below

Chief Scribe, Halima - Accepted, full report below

Events

Yule - All is in place, details that are being waited for include, the number of retinue that will be attending with Royalty to ensure there are enough tickets available for them to purchase. Howard is also awaiting information on the Heraldry needs.

Nov Coronet - The Facebook Page is up, positions have been assigned with the exception of arranging shuttles between hotels etc.

Oct. Embellishers Workshop - Will be hosted by Cecille at her home in Courtenay. There will be no cost, attendees will bring their own supplies.

Demos

There are no Demos on the horizon.

Projects

Tabbards

Heralds- Sigrun was planning to work on this, due to her schedule Muirgen has offered to look at it and take it on.

Newcomers - Aline provided cords for the waist to make the tabards as goldkey for newcomers more functional

Stores-Database - This project is moving forward, Howard is awaiting data and pictures for testing.

Website - Those present viewed the site, it looks amazing, Howard is now waiting for content, Halima will help with this, Howard is to get her a list of pages. Each one will need a page or two.

Steward's Handbook - Cunegonda, Symmone and Aline - It is unlikely that there will be progress until after the two upcoming events. It was noted that there is currently a significant amount of relevant content available.

Youth Combat Kit - Items are on loan, Francois is in charge of Youth Combat pending his clearance.

Shire Regalia - No updates. *There will be an online Auction to raise \$\$ for regalia items that are not considered equipment. Wendy and Freydis will be working on this. Gold Key items that are being retired can be sold at auction, it can be announced at Yule with the auction opening in the New Year.*

Barony - Harold, Kjarten, Aline & Cunegonda - No Update. *Need to have a meeting to resume the process. It was noted the process is different than previously discussed. There is a period of 18 months of observation and will take approx 2 years to complete. There needs to be a vote of the populus and an article printed. The article submitted for printing will require some revision to reflect the changes. Cunegonda will get that to Kadalín for printing in the NewsLetter.*

Painted Devices - There has been a lot of progress and these will soon be hanging at events. Allison, Miranda, John and Howard have recently contributed to this project. There is more painting and tracing to be done, contact Allison if you are interested in helping.

Known World Map - Howard updated us on progress, it was being scheduled for for the new year, however it has been requested for an article being done for a Principality Newsletter. There is much to do and a timeline was not set, Howard will return focus to this.

Street Signs - Signs have been cut out and are being worked on by John and Halima will be helping.

New Business

Winter Fight Practice - Discussion regarding a proposal for the scout hut to be rented on Mondays from Oct 1st to march 31st, 2018 for winter fight practice. There will be a total of 22 weeks of practice at a cost of 22.00 per week. For a total of \$440.00. These cost have in the past been covered by fees and/or donations.

Motion: To pay \$440.00 to Nanaimo Scouts Hut at 445 Comox Road, Nanaimo to secure the space for Winter Fight Practice.

Motioned by Muirgan

Seconded by Ulf

Champions as Members - Discussion regarding the requirement that champions be members in order to use Regalia. It was decided that a vote on how that will be handled will happen at the next meeting on October 15th.

Next meeting

Oct 15th 2017, hosted by Muirgan

3835 Crocus Road, Qualicum Beach, BC

Meeting Adjourned

Meeting adjourned at 2:10 pm

Action Items

- Danielle will update the article regarding becoming a Barony
- Aline will set up a meeting with Kjartan, Howard, and Cunegonda to talk about the next steps regarding becoming a Barony.
- Kathryn will work on prototypes for Tabards and the fighters will propose their own design.
- Dates and location for the New Comers Event will be reviewed
- Felted chicks will be added to projects through A & S activities
- Howard is returning available focus to the Known World Map

Addendum:

**Officer Reports submitted to Archos Aline de Seez
Seneschal
Shire of Hartwood**

**Hartwood A&S Report
Officer: Sarah Percy, Minister of Arts and Sciences**

In a close election at August Council, Sarah Percy was elected as the new A & S Minister for Hartwood. The other candidate, Freydis Mannaskelfir, agreed to act as an A & S Deputy in Nanaimo, starting immediately. Since the populace responded well to both candidates, Sarah and Freydis have decided to work together closely to attempt to deliver the best parts of their complementary election platforms.

In her first month as deputy, Freydis has taken concrete steps to deliver on her promise to take what she considers A & S projects off the hands of the Seneschal and the general Council. Freydis spent considerable time sorting through project bags that had been lingering in storage, identified an unfinished eric flag project, and made smaller project packages for volunteer sewers to complete. All eric flags have been assigned to volunteers with October Council as the deadline for completion. Freydis has offered pricing and purchasing support to Kathryn Fisher, who is in the process of designing and producing a second version of her fighter's sashes to improve safety and communication on the field.

While individuals in Nanaimo are actively producing A & S projects, there is no regular A & S group there. Meagan Allision has offered to host an A & S at her home in the next weeks, and Freydis is researching the possibility of a regular A & S meeting hosted at a public library branch in Nanaimo.

Gwynafel has expressed interest in perhaps acting as a deputy in Port Alberni when circumstances allow. Currently, there is no active A & S group in Port Alberni, so any local deputy would be charged with starting a group there.

Wednesday A & S nights at Games and Grounds in Courtenay continue to have regular attendance, though the numbers have been smaller due to the busy summer event season. (Aug 23: 3, Aug 29: 10, Sep 5: 3) Hartwoodians show an impressive commitment to this A & S meeting, and a number travel considerable distances weekly in order for us to work together. This month we were treated to a visit by Lady Athelina Gray of Seagirt, who shared her wealth of knowledge about period dancing and music, and described her ongoing relationships with medievalists at the University of Victoria.

This month's A&S projects in Hartwood have included: making jam, hand sewing hoods (wool, linen), gouache painting, banner painting, knitting, garment repair, drop spindle spinning, inkle weaving, and kumihimo cording.

**Hartwood Chief Scribe Report
Officer: Halima al-Rakkasa**

Our painters painted 18 shire charters for Champions, this past month! Gwynafel, Muirgen, Sigrun, Cecille, and Sarah all applied themselves with a will. In addition, Sarah Percy is/was new to the skill, and took on extra last minute needs with aplomb.

Kudos to Thorkell Hrafna for the herculean effort, and success, with the final calligraphy of all but three charters; thanks to Cunegonda van den Bossche for the balance.

Jaw-dropping respect for Melles Aniko's secret project of designed, calligraphed, gilded, and painted scrolls for the out-going champions. Impressive work!

The new woven tokens did not go as planned; we'll have another run at it for Yule.

We need painters for the next set of shire charters! We'd like to send them out earlier, to get them back in earlier, to reduce stress. Watch for it!

In preparation for more painting, we are having the first of Gouache Meets Paper Workshops, with TUTOR credit, on Sept 24th in Parksville. This class is already full. Watch for upcoming classes!

(FYI - Gouache Meets Paper: Workshop Sharpen your medieval eye and deepen your skills! The long version of the Intro, this 4-hour class delves more deeply into understanding the medieval aesthetic, and putting gouache to paper to understand the qualities of the media. Specifics will include ways to lay base layers, ways to model shapes, ways to fill large areas, and ways to painting success.)

(Apologies if I missed names! Please add as needed!)

yours in service,
Halima al-Rakkasa
Chief scribe
Shire of Hartwood
scribe@hartwood.tirrigh.org

Hartwood Exchequers Report

Officer: Halima al-Rakkasa

Current estimated balance: 5.13 + 5030.77
Estimated because the statement has not yet been received.

Tir Righ has stated that we are permitted read-only online access to our accounts. However, someone who has both signing authority -and- is a sustaining member gets full access, which is not allowed. On the other hand, it's a two-signature account. Will be consulting further on this.

We currently have considerable outlay for two major events, two being deposits on sites and one a damage deposit. If things go as planned, we should recoup that outlay.

Yours in service,
Halima al-Rakkasa
exchequer
Shire of Hartwood

Hartwood Archery Report

Officer: Master John Macandrew

Chief Archer, Shire of Hartwood

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The Parksville archery club which shoots out of the Nanoose Bay Penticostal Camp will be having an open house 16 Sep from 10am to 3pm. All SCA archers are invited.

UPCOMING

No further archery events coming up though we will be looking at an end of year BBQ and workshops to be held through the winter months.

I will be stepping down as Chief Archer November 1st. If you are interested in the position please speak to me.

John Macandrew,
Chief Archer.

Hartwood Heralds Report

Officer: Harold of Hartwood

The big news this month ... and it really is big news ... is that the Mail's have taken on the task of getting the hall banners painted...and they look gorgeous. There are about 18 of them, representing currently active members with registered devices. Remember you do not have to be a paid up member to submit (reserve your design) your device. You do have to have a registered name. If you have your Award of Arms then you get to call your device your Coat of Arms.

All those with names, badges or devices they want to hold in perpetuity Please see me. If you have given me the go-ahead to submit your name and device please see me so I can follow up. NOTE: There are many different types of heralds. Voice Heralds - they scream and shout to wake you up in the morning and let you know what is going on during the day. List Heralds (a division of voice heraldry that I just made up) introduce contestants in the Heavy/Rapier competitions and control the spectacle before handing off to the Marshals to get each contest started. Book heralds help you find suitable names for your persona, find references to describe your outlandish device and finally do their best to make sure the device does not conflict with one already registered.

We are always in need of warm bodies to sacrifice on any of these alters. So if you have an

inkling of an idea that you would like to try any of these “disciplines” please grab me and let me know.

You do not have to have a loud voice just a clear voice that carries. If you have a soft velvety voice you can still delve into the murky backwaters of Gaelic naming conventions. Trust me it is fun.

YIS

Harold the Herald of Heartwood.

Hartwood MOS Report

Officer: Ulf

A lot has gone on since last council

Hartwood Champions Heavy was a Valhalla tournament entered were Sextus of Hartwood, Sigurd, Seamus, and Wulfgar. The winner was Wulfgar

August Investiture Heavy Champion was Sir Viking, Runner up was our very own Sir Duncan. We were well represented in the squires tournament by Sextus of Hartwood

September Crown our very own Attila was the runner up in the Squires tournament

Well done everyone

Practice has been going well we had some special guests Sir White Hand and two of his squires joined us for practice as well as (I can't find the correct spelling for his name so I'll just call him) Sad the Happy, a lot of fun was had by all.

It is nice to see some old familiar Faces returning to the field Andrew Mulligan

We will be rapping up the outdoor practices on September 28, and have contacted the Scout hut to begin indoor practice.

There have been no incidents to report and no injuries

Hartwood Castilian Report

Officer: Dominus Sextus of Hartwood

Not a lot has happen over the past month for events and new comers so not much to update you guys on. After our championship we had the last meeting and from what I took from it we will be working out a plan to sell off the gold keep to dump down the size and make way for a better plan. So I will be sending the gold key to the person that is heading up the sale of stuff from the shire in the next few days.

Hartwood Chronicler Report

Officer: Kaðlín Feilan

Thanks to everyone for their reports, I am finding it easiest receiving them at the Chronicler e-mail address as they are then all in one place. That address is: chronicler@hartwood.tirrigh.org . You also still have a day or two to get articles and or pictures to me for the Newsletter that will be published next week, I am also seeking ideas for future articles so we don't get behind again.

Report for Hartwood Chamberlain

Officer: Lady Gwynafel ben Madhudhain

- a) This passed month (August) there was the Hartwood Championships. All the pop up and tents were needed from stores as well as as the Erics. All items were returned and in good condition.
- b) As well Lord Harold of Hartwood and I have discussed the Stores database. He has the database to the point where Pictures can be added to be tested. I have, however, failed to send in him any pictures. I will endeavor to do so as it slipped my mind since our discussion.
- c) The sashes for our Marshals were given to me to add to stores, and were a big hit at Coronet. The sashes are back in the Chamberlain's possession.
- d) Banners of the populace's registered devices are in the works, and when finished, will be given into stores as well.

This concludes the report of the Chamberlain's report.

Lady Gwynafel ben Madudhain

Hartwood Thrown Weapons Report

Officer: Harold of Hartwood - Chief Chucker

From the office of the Chief Chucker of Hartwood.

This has been an active couple of months for Hartwood Chucker.

We have 16 throwers with averages in the An Tir Thrown Weapons score sheet. We have two in the top 10 both with Grand Master Thrower status. But I am most proud of the 7 individuals who are in the lower ranking. Unlike the other branches in An Tir, we have participation at all levels of throwing. Those that clearly find the sport challenging but show up week after week rapping their frustration in enjoyment and see their averages slowly rising are my heroes. Hartwood is the model for this sport that all branches in Tir Righ are hoping to emulate.

I have MIC'd a number of events this Summer and tested and signed off one Senior and 4 Junior Marshals. This shows a healthy spurt of interest in Thrown Weapons. I have begun a dialog with Seagirt, Lions Gate, Fiordland and False Isle regarding an annual regional competition tailored to support growth in all our branches.

We held our first TW Championship last month with Nathan coming out on top. Of great significance both Investiture and Crown featured a Throw Weapons component in their Archery championships. This is great news for ua and hope

that the trend continues with a logical progression after a couple of “featured events” in TW champions being decided for both Kingdom and Principality levels.

I have had to refurbish both our axes and our spear...please take it easy on the weapons until the new budget year! Dave's hay bail is on its last legs and is barely hanging on. On a brighter note Jeff delivered some new rounds from his company's Dry Land Sort, so we are in a good position for next years activities.

YIS

Harold of Hartwood.

Hartwood Minister of Blades Report

Officer: Muirgen

August 9 had 4 rapier fighters. Due to heat, none in gear, so conversation about the direction of local rapier combat and practice techniques happened instead. Camp calliet.

Aug 16, 7 fighters, 4 in full kit. 3 authorizations completed. (Kris and James Sayer, Nathan Rogers) Allessandra was the authorization authority. Camp Calliet.

Aug 19, Hartwood champions, Black Creek. 8 rapier fighters competed. Asa Martel of Hartwood won the championship belt, and was issued with the championship rapier as provided by Sextus, and polished by Francois.

There have been Sunday rapier practices, but I have not been in attendance, and no one is reporting what is happening in North Hartwood. This needs to be remedied. Who is willing to be a Northwood deputy?

1 small, and 1 large rapier mask have been loaned, long term, possibly a gift, to Hartwood from Lionsgate. A medium mask will find its way to us eventually as well. Francois arranged for the arrival from the mainland, and are now in my possession. They both need some foam work, elastic, and drapes put on. I am in the process of repairing them right now so they should be in full circulation shortly.

Youth Armoured Combat

Officer-Francois Legrand De Lyon

No news yet on my security check. (At crown) Had a lovely chat with Sir Kirian and was given a yac manual. I have two perspective youth for yac. It was also confirmed that once I have my clearance. A junior marshal will happen very quickly. Picked up 2 out of 3 rapier masks on loan to the shire. With the possibility of been donated permanently. (passed on to Kathryn)

Hartwood Council Minutes 15 Oct 2017

In attendance:

Aline, John, Kathryn, Kjartan, Wendy, Ulf, Halima, Harold, Sarah.

New Business:

- Chief Archer, Family Activities officers remain open.
- Exchequer is working on confirming replacement.
- John Macandrew has moved into Chatelaine's position.

2018 Calendar:

- Newcomers Jan 27th in Port Alberni. Awaiting EIF
- Feb 16-18 Investiture in Duncan. Work in progress.
- April 20-22 TUTOR in Nanaimo. Awaiting EIF. Symonne event steward???
- Jun 22-24 COW? Awaiting EIF
- Aug 17-19 Champions. EIF submitted. Accepting applications for event steward.
- Nov 24 Yule. Awaiting EIF.

Meeting Dates:

- Nov 12th/Dec 17th/ Jan 14th (AGM)
- Note: please have budgets to Halima prior to Jan 14th.

Events:

- November Coronet: everything is coming together.
- Yule: Tickets are selling out fast. King and Queen as well as Prince and Princess attending.

- Newcomers: Demo and pot luck in Port Albernia 9am to 9pm. (approved by council)

Past events:

2017-Oct-7-8 Embellishers Workshop & TUTR

This was a first-time, focused event to serve the needs of the creative community within Hartwood and related branches. Mistress Cecille de Beumund hosted at her home and was the guiding force for the weekend. Lunch was BYO, and dinner was potluck. Schedule was set for Saturday TUTR workshops, some planned and some ad hoc, with Saturday evening left for Embellishers Guild Challenges. Sunday was left open for any of: ad hoc workshops, challenges, and/or a 4-hour class on "Survey of Medieval Needlework". Cecille's library was available for our use (and was well-used!). Attendees were required to bring their own materials for classes chosen. There were no other costs involved. We had 9 classes scheduled, and one more (ad hoc) was added on Sunday. Seven attendees, all of whom took a minimum of one class, and two people made successful challenges for Embellishers Guild rank. (Subject to correction; not all paperwork is in yet.) Response of those attending was excellent! Most people filled their day with classes, and expressed a desire to repeat the experience! Cecille suggested April 2018 as a possibility. To A&S: Instructors were: * Mistress Cecille: Or Nué, Bobbin Lace, Intro to Cording, Lacis * Lady Guencendl/Gwynafel: Beginning Inkle Looming * Mistress Halima: Making a Square Net, Intro to Needle-made Lace (Punto in Aria), Long-armed Cross-stitch, Inkle Brocade (supplementary weft technique) Students were: * Cunegonda van den Bossche * Nichola inghean Muireadhach * Molly de Dunbretan * Cecille de Beumund * Guencendl/Gwynafel ben Madudhain * Halima al-Rakkasa Embellishers Challengers were: * Nichola inghean Muireadhach * Kjartan kraká Embellishers Challenge assessors were: * Mistress Cecille de Beumund * Mistress Halima al-Rakkasa

Regarding regalia:

A motion was placed by the Seneschal in regards to online discussions around Shire Regalia – Anyone entering lists for a Shire Champion level competition must be a current SCA member. Motion accepted by Kjartan and seconded by Wendy. All members voted in favour.

Projects:

- Painted devices - Complete: 24 devices completed and delivered to Harold.
- Tabards: Sigrun still interested. Harold and Sigrun to establish time line.
- Inventory – ongoing.
- Website: Confirmed not on An Tir server but Tir Righ. Focus of site is primarily on newcomers though will contain history and Shire documents.
- Event Steward Handbook – on hold.
- Youth Combat kit: - update pending.
- Shire Regalia: update pending. See motion regarding regalia above.
- Known World Map – Harold extremely interested but has been on hold with other jobs.
- Signs: Cut and letters drawn on. Sourcing correct paint.
- Fighters Sashes: Agreement on design done. Sourcing materials.
- Eric flags done. Kathryn will be gathering rope, flags, and stands all in one place.

Officer Reports:

1. Exchequer Report, Shire of Hartwood

As of September 2017, we have \$4541.22 in the regular account, and no change in shares. Confirmation of that number when the statement comes in.

We have been notified that the adjusted list of signatories is now official with the credit union.

Reminder that all officers should put their budgets together for the upcoming year.

Reminder that all event stewards should forward their proposals now, for the upcoming year, to the Seneschal and Exchequer.

Halima al-Rakkasa

2. Chief Scribe's report, ending September 2017

We had our first of Gouache Meets Paper Workshops, with TUTR credit, on Sept 24th in Parksville. Attendees included: Muirgen, Kjartan, Aspasia, Sigrun, and Esa of Seagirt; in addition, Gwynafel attended the slideshow part of the workshop. Since then, most of them have painted Principality charters! Watch for upcoming classes in northern Hartwood!

As recommendations are sent to the Seneschal, we will have more painting that needs doing in time for Yule (done by early to mid-November). Please let me know if you are up for it.

yours in service,

Halima al-Rakkasa

Chief scribe

3. Archery report

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John Macandrew,

Chief Archer.

4.From the office of the Chief Chucker of Hartwood.

Numbers have been dropping off this month however some notable throws were recorded. Harold threw a 150 which elevated him to Ludicrous standard. UHF and John are both Grand Master throwers and Tess is threatening to join them. As per my last report I have refurbished two axes and created a “killer” axe from the

remnant of the Nordic style axe we have. I will be purchasing a replacement handle for both the North Hartwood and the Central/East Hartwood nordic axes.

With 16 participants in the Royal Rounds and 6 in the TWIC (Inter kingdom challenge) we have more people on the roll than any other branch in An Tir! We have 3 people in the top 10 for the TWIC roll!

I attach the current scores and standings for the Kingdom.

Harold of Hartwood.

5.Herald's Report for the Shire of Hartwood October 2017

We have finished 24 banners intended for indoor display. I say we but actually the Mail's did the banner painting with only a token amount of help from Linda, Wendy and myself. This represents all the registered devices for active players. Permission has been sought from each member to allow us to hang their device. If any wish to revoke this permission please contact the Herald or the Seneschal.

Those that have been missed please contact the Herald. This may happen if the device was registered outside the shire and the new location of the owner has not been reported.

No new registrations were approved this month, but on the other hand none have been rejected.

YIS

Harold the Herald of Heartwood.

6. Arts and Sciences Report – October 2017

Sarah Percy, Minister of Arts and Sciences Shire of Hartwood

In Courtenay, Wednesday A&S nights at Games and Grounds continue to have regular attendance (Oct 10: 6; Oct 3:3; Sep 12:4). Lady Cecille hosted a TUTOR/Embellisher's weekend over Thanksgiving weekend but I am waiting for details from that event (attendees, activities).

In Nanaimo, Lady Meagan Valentina and Attila Eric Heipel have begun hosting A&S nights, which have been well-attended (Oct 3: 4; Sep 26: 6). The Nanaimo meetings have had a mixture of teaching new skills as well as individuals working on their own ongoing projects.

In Port Albierni, Lady Gwynafel has begun organizing A&S nights. The first local meeting was held at Lady Symonne du Bois' home (Oct 10: 5 attendees), and the next one will be held at Lady Gwynafel's home on Oct 17. The Port Albierni group has decided that the first meeting of each month will be held at the coffee shop Char's Landing, and that A&S meetings will be held on Tuesdays.

Lady Freydis Canukistani successfully organized a joint shire effort to finish eric flags by the October Council meeting. Volunteers involved in sewing were: Freydis, Eleni/Aspasia, Don McConnell. Sarah Percy transported flags from Nanaimo to Courtenay.

This month's A&S projects in Hartwood have included: hand sewing hoods (wool, linen), goache painting, banner painting, knitting, garment repair, drop spindle spinning, wheel spinning, inkle weaving, sewing hoods, sewing pouches, sewing a linen undergarment, book "unbinding" to recycle materials, rebinding a book with fresh pages using long-stitch binding, working on gar, making lammalar armour, teaching basic leather work, making a leather sword sheath and archery bracer, teaching leather tooling, blanket stitch on a Roman cloak, making scarves, making purses.

7. September 2017 Shire of Hartwood Minister of Blades

September has been a fairly productive month. Received 2 rapier helmets, on loan from Lionsgate. They have now been repaired, with back of head protection sewn on. Still waiting on a medium helmet from there, but having transportation difficulty. (Anyone going to Lionsgate any time soon?)

We've had between 2 and 5 rapier fighters at our practices in Nanaimo. Skills are coming along nicely, and we're looking at expanding our group of fighters wherever possible. Still trying to convince our heavy fighters to join for war.

Always looking for non combatant marshals as well. The more support we can get for all the disciplines in the sca, the more successful we will be as a group. Still trying to get senior marshals authorized for rapier.

Chatelaine:

Gold key has gone to Freydis to coordinate the sale.

Master John Macandrew