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UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY 2011

June 30- July 4	An Tir/ West War	Kingdom of An Tir	WA, OR, Western ID, BC, AB, SK, NT, YK
15-17	July Coronation	Shire of Midhaven	Skagit, San Juan, & N. Island Counties
29-31	Dragon's Mist Defenders Tourny!	Shire of Dragon's Mist	Washington County, OR
RECURRING EVENTS			
Sundays	Dragon's Mist Fighter Practice	Witch Hazel Elementary School SE Davis Rd, Hillsboro, OR	Noon to whenever
Last Sunday	War Practice	Witch Hazel Elementary School SE Davis Rd, Hillsboro, OR	Noon to whenever
Second Friday	Business Meeting	Beaverton Community Center 12350 SW 5th St , Beaverton OR	7-9pm concurrent with Revels
Fridays*	Revels	Beaverton Community Center 12350 SW 5th St , Beaverton OR	7-9pm
Mondays	3 Mountain Fighter Practice	Multnomah Arts Center 7688 SW Capitol Highway, Portland, OR	7pm

* Please remember to check the Yahoo Group Dragonsheart (<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/dragonsheart/>) for up to date information on recurring event cancellations.

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FROM THE CHRONICLER

To our lovely Shire folk,

I have to say that with as active a branch that we are I am sad that I do not receive more submissions. It is a somewhat lonely job being Chronicler and even a photo of our fair folk at events for the DT brightens things up. So I have decided to host a contest for the cover of the July DT. We have MANY events coming up, including An Tir/West War for you to have photo opportunities at. Here are the rules:

1. If a face is recognizable in the picture you MUST have them fill out the form found here: <http://antir.sca.org/Offices/Chronicler/SCAPermissionModel.pdf>
2. It must be a picture that YOU took.
3. It can be a photo or art, but they have to relate to the SCA.
4. I must have at least three entries to award the prize. So encourage your fellows to enter!
5. HAVE FUN! This is the most important rule.

The deadline is July 7th. Please submit a paragraph describing what you have submitted. The winner will be awarded a small hand-done scroll myself. If you have not seen my scribal work you can check them out here:

<http://www.jascot.org/gallery/kandrinchae/artwork/scrolls/>

YiS,

Domina Anastasia Komnene

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DM FIGHT PRACTICE INFO

DM Fighter Practice is at Witch Hazel Elementary. The area is a great space with plenty of cover for our needs. Come warmer months there is the school playground close to the area where practice occurs for those of us with young children. In addition the last Sunday of every month will be War practice. So tell your friends in other places to make the trip, bring their toys, and we can play war before the season starts!

Sewing Circle at Revels

Every Friday that there is not a class there will be sewing going on in one of the rooms. There is likely to be at least one experienced person whose brain you can pick. So feel free to bring your projects to work on!

BARONY!

At the last meeting of the BOD we were approved for Baronial status! A happy noise! For those wanting to help in putting together our Baronial Regalia please join the Baronial Discussion list. There are a number of people putting things together. We are looking at September Crown for our elevation.

MAY MEETING MINUTES

05/13/11 Shire Meeting Minutes

Meeting Start 7:20

Introductions and words

Please get your reports in before the 1st. Good job to those who did so. There is a new Kingdom Calenders deputy. If you have not put in reports make sure you send it to the new person.

Officer Reports 7:21

No updates or addendums.

Recognitions 7:23

None known.

Officer Changes

None

Event Reports 7:23

Carnevale report on the yahoo group and in the DT for the full report. There was a lot of help. The feast was over what we needed. Event made \$68.19. If we do this again we will pre-reg. Exchequer approved report 7:27

Faire in the Grove: The Shire came through beautifully. Exceeded expectations. Volunteers adequate to evil plans. Svava is pre-planning for next year. Next year we will look to change date so as not to conflict with Bar Gamels. Due to some excitement with Pacific we are receiving fewer funds, but they are almost equal to the expenses submitted. The shire would have to foot the bill for \$1.35. Dragon's Cache made roughly \$125. Next year pacific has asked us to request \$500 for a demo fee. And there will be a contract for this submitted in advance. Svava is inviting people to be a part of the autocrat team. Please contact her if you want to be on that team.

DMDT Update: We will have equestrian showing up. We have EMIC set out. We have a schedule we are working over. From financial side we have heard from waste management. They waived the fee! If you have the skill and want to make stuff for the prizes please contact the autocrat team. We would prefer to keep our money local. Crier copy will be sent off this month. We were thinking of providing people a \$5 off fee to those who volunteer. This would need to be approved. If you want to volunteer please let Andronikos know.

Boar's Head Hunt and Feast: Honor Feast decided to be the same weekend after our event was up. Morgan contacted their autocrat and we decided to move our event. The new tentative date is the 24th of September. The first site walk will be next Saturday. Everything else is currently on track. We're going to work on getting donations for food. Francesca needs to shave (Quoted by Eoghan)

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MAY MEETING MINUTES

Old Business 7:38

Minutes approved at 7:39

June Faire demo: If anyone is interested we have the general service statement. We will cover 9am-5pm Saturday and Sunday. Svava if anyone needs a ride she can coordinate a lift. There is lots to learn. Just because you volunteer does not mean you miss out on the fun. If you can come out please do.

Grand Thing Fundraiser: There will be cake and pie (Francesca). There will be a bake sale. Yay? There will be Dragon's Cache out.

Last month a discussion about repeat defenders. The general feeling was that while we don't mind if the current defender participates in the tournament. The expectation is that they are not competing for the title. There were a few who didn't care. There were a few who said it depends on how many come out. We are trying to pattern our officer setup after Kingdom. Kingdom doesn't allow for it. There are in fact other branches that do allow for it. Vote put forth "all in favor of allowing Octavian to allow him to compete this year?" The vote came forth as a No by show of hands.

Baronial petition status. They talked about us and approved our petition. They also want to know if we want to open it up for additional candidates. Vote put forth, "All in favor of opening up the baron and baroness candidacy from this point forward until the seneschal says NO MORE". Unanimous vote, none opposed. Final info: Timeline. Events we would like to see the elevation happen. Examples: July Coronation. September Crown. Vote: All in favor of requestion elevation at September Crown. All in favor 8:06pm.

Heron's Reach. No info.

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MAY MEETING MINUTES

New Business 8:09

Lady Macha requests that we come to Acorn War this year. It will be down in Rickreal. No site fee, site owner gets 1/4 of any net profits. The remaining is divided between the three branches. See the letter on the website for the table for concepts of which branch would provide what. Specific lead request for DM provide Rapier marshall in charge. Help in planning Rapier scenarios. To head up waterbearing. The third is request for help with A&S activities. We were hoping to have classes and demos. There is a map in the letter. We have an opp to have A&S near warfield and merchants. All the military activities can see each other. There are other areas of support as well. Will you join us again this year? All in favor 8:14.

Chronicler holding a DT contest. See the DT.

Our webminister was previously a major officer. As an example of Kingdom we were going to make them a deputy of the Chronicler. Cara is stepping down as the webminister. We are officially moving it to a deputy position. Please contact Anastasia Komnene if you are interested.

Financial policy update. Take a look on the group yahoo site forr the details. The financial committee is fully defined. Expense reporting has changed. Expenditures are broken into three categories. Financial policy review instated. Event policy changed. Vote to approve new Policy: Voted to approve. 8:25. It will be sent to kingdom.

Joia wants us to come to the Stellar Middle School demo.

A&S Minister term will be done in August. Letters of intent due by the monday before July's business meeting.

Scribe letters of intent (As we are going Barony Scribe will become a major officer) are due July 4th.

Reminders 8:30

Archery 5:30 every Tuesday at Archers Afield.

Meeting closed: 8:35

MAJOR OFFICER REPORTS

Seneschal: (Eoghan ÓBriain)

Greetings Dragon's Mist!

As many of you read the the meeting minutes for last month, May was very exciting for us! The Society Board of Directors accepted our petition to be elevated to Barnoy! Huzzah! Having said that, the Dragon's Mist Baronial Discussion Yahoo Group has been repurposed to discuss the needed regalia for the upcoming elevation. I've been in communication with Kingdom Seneschal and, at this point, we don't know if Their Royal Majesties will be willing to accept an online polling or require a mail in polling, but the polling dates have been set for August 1 to August 23, and will be either of the above, depending on TRH's will. The dates are set as thus in expectation that TRH's (then Their Majesties) will be elevating our Branch status at September Crown. So, break out your finest and be prepared to attend Crown! I attended May Crown where I attended the Seneschal meeting (a bit late, thank you José for covering for the beginning).

We discussed the changes in Kingdom Law, the most prominent were a clarification in responsibilities for minors and consequences for non-compliance, and the requirement to ask permission to use out of branch lands and compensation for the land's controlling branch. I attended part of Grand Thing and part of June Faire. I'm sure there will be some suggestions and ideas added to the agenda for Friday regarding the way things are run at June Faire. Wow! Unity!
Eoghan

Arts & Sciences: Refr Fiachson

Since last month's report, I've been to Mayfaire in Glym Mere, May Crown, and Grand Thing VI. I attended the A&S chat at May Crown and talked with some artists about their work. At Grand Thing I didn't have a chance to attend any classes, but our big A&S project was roasting an entire pig! We got a bigger pig this year than last, which added a few challenges, but it all went smoothly. Thank you to all who came to share it with us.

This coming weekend Eulalia and I will be demoing at June Faire, so stop by the booth (in the A&S area) for a snack. :)

I'm currently working on organizing a "Cook's Playdate" at DMDT, where cooks can come and camp together and cook collectively. We're also recruiting for classes and A&S displays for DMDT and Boar's Head. It looks like we may have a class on period hunting at Boars Head, as well as maybe one on period animal husbandry.

In the next month or so I hope to have the rules for this year's A&S defendership (Championship by then?) published, as well as the menu for Boar's Head.

YIS,

Ref

MAJOR OFFICER REPORTS

Exchequer: (Antonio Morosini)

Greetings good people of the Shire of Dragon's Mist,

It is I, Antonio Morosini, and it is that time of the month to inform you all as to the financial status of the branch.

Currently our balances are as follows:

Bank of the West: \$4250.04

Chase: \$1944.61

Activity not recorded in these balances: \$300 out of the Bank of the West Account for the remainder of the site use of Carnevale, \$60 out for NMS, and \$50 out for the purchase of 2 Knowne World Handbooks. Additionally I just made a deposit today of all fundraising funds since Carnevale. In total the Shire has raised through donation via the sale of Shire Patches, the Dragon's Cache and the Bake sale of \$300.39! I'd like to thank everyone who helped pull these fundraising events together and contributed. Notably Svava and Francesca. I know many more people contributed and sat at the booths and a big thank you to all those that have helped our Shire prepare for the next step.

I've received one bid for coronets to be put before the Financial committee, and no bids or intents to donate for any Baronial items aside from Radios. Note that the deadline is today for bids. Note: If you want to donate items to the Shire, or donate things we are bidding I need those too. Therefore, I'm extending the deadline for bids and "Intent to Donate" notifications until Wednesday June 8th. The Financial committee will be having its first Quarterly meeting this week and we need those items for discussion. I'm also attempting to restrain the Chronicler from publishing the DT until the 9th so we can make sure the requirements of our Financial Policy are satisfied since all expenditures over \$500 would need to go in this DT for voting in July and completion in August. Not much time people, but the light can be seen at the end of the tunnel

I'm also still waiting on Jose' to get back to me on some information in regards to Carnevale (still need waivers, gate sheets and final attendance numbers before we finalize our NMS payment).

So based on our current numbers we safely have around \$3000 liquid for the use of Baronial regalia and items. Note that this figure is a rough estimate. This number is based on a complete lack of income from both DMDT and Boar's Head, based on those numbers we could spend this amount and still be able to run events next year.

I wish to also create a new Baronial Travel Committee tasked to help create budgets for items and travel expenses for the next year to help figure out what we will need next year. This Committee will assist and report to the Financial Committee. We need figures and budgets for a proposed Baronial Travel Fund. Such items as traveling thrones, tables, a day shade, items for the Baronial Trailer, storage of said items and an idea of budgeting to get our Baron and Baroness to key Kingdom Events and events of our esteemed neighbors. This committee will be tasked with determining the course for raising key funds and planning to create a separate Baronial Travel Fund. I ask the Shire to approve the creation of this committee, thereby splitting responsibility of Baronial Financial Planning since Baronial Regalia will be dealt with primarily in the next few months. Ideally this group will be providing our Baron and Baroness a head start for a anticipated busy winter preparing for their first active camping season next year and sketching out the items needed for their retinue. Note this committee will not be making decisions but will be providing recommendations for their excellencies approval upon their elevation and allowing our future Excellencies input on Thrones, Day Shade, and travel requirements. The recommendations on the creation of a Baronial Travel Fund will also enable the Financial Committee and Shire/future Barony to prepare for the increased costs next year of coordinating travel, events, and the purchase of items necessary for their Excellencies travel.

Also our Bank stuff should be all fixed by the end of the month. Whew. Still having issues with KWHSS NMS, just waiting on the Kingdom Seneschal for a reply.

YIS,

Lord Antonio Morosini

Assiduous Exchequer of Dragon's Mist

MAJOR OFFICER REPORTS

Archery Marshall: (Dmitrii Dragonhealer)

all is going well. we have had much fun flinging arrows.

no problems to report.

dmitrii dragonhealer

Persuivant (Osanna)

Greetings unto the Shire,

My apologies, I will not be attending the business meeting, my youngest son is graduating from high school that night.

I worked with one client with documentation of his name. I submitted my name, Osanna Rosslyn and my device, for registration.

DMDT is coming up soon and I am still looking for field heralds. If you would like to assist, please contact me offline at: [Osanna de Rosslyn@...](mailto:Osanna_de_Rosslyn@...)

On a different note, I have begun archery practice, and would like to thank Archery Marshall Dmitrii Dragonhealer and his lady Signora Caterina Fortuna for their instructions and have found it quite rewarding.

Yis,

Osanna

MAJOR OFFICER REPORTS

Branch Marshall (Signora Francesca Morosini)

Greetings Shire friends!

May was a bit wet, but fun nonetheless! We had a good turnout for Faire in the Grove's fighting demo, plenty of fun and prizes were had. Please see my notes below regarding some feedback on the fighting at this now-traditional demo.

Practice was a bit off due to so many events in the area in May, but we are back on as of 6/12 for practices at Witch Hazel. Remember we start Rapier at 12 and Heavy at 2, and go until 6. Water is provided! There are grassy areas to practice, as well as covered!

I am gearing up for the War, and will take a special interest in any new fighter who wants to be authorized by the end of the month. I can make this happen for you! Please contact me if you're almost ready. Additionally, some plans are being put in place for DMDT, and there should be lots of fun to be had by all! We intend to host at least two days worth of fighting events, including the Defendership for our VERY LAST DEFENDER! Next year we will have ourselves a CHAMPION! Very exciting =)

I hope to see you all at practice, and as a side note I am still looking for a second Senior Marshal to sign my form to be promoted, so that I may help teach the class at Sport of Kings. Please contact me if you know someone who can help - preferably able to come to our practice.

Notes on fighting at FitG:

All the fighters for this event did well, but it was expressed from more than one party (who shall remain anonymous) that the competition was far more fierce than is appropriate for a demo. Reasons were discussed for this, and most of general opinion seems to be the fact that there were very appreciated and worthy prizes to be had for the victors. While this is definitely something we want (in order to entice more fighters to come and play!) it seems to have made the event much more about the prizes than putting on a demonstration for the attending public, which really is the focus of this event. I would like to open this topic to discussion at the meeting or by email thread about how it might be handled for future years at Faire in the Grove. We certainly want to reward our heavy fighters for coming out to the event and showing off, but perhaps we could do so in a manner that will encourage more showmanship and less competitiveness.

Some suggestions that have been put forward:

1. Offer prizes by vote of either the populace in attendance, or by the fighters themselves. Categories such as most educational, best death, most chivalrous, best-looking, most period, etc.
2. Offer a prize of equal value to all who come to fight
3. Offer no prizes for heavy combat
4. (Your idea!)

I would also like to see some Inspirations for those on the fighting field playing their part - waving, giving of favors, rushing to the field to aid a fallen fighter, etc. We could make this much more exciting for next year!

In closing, we are going to have a great summer! See you all soon.

YIS,

Signora Francesca Morosini 4.

MAJOR OFFICER REPORTS

Demo Coordinator: (Svava in Litla)

Greetings People of the Shire

It has been another exciting month of demoing. We had a somewhat last minute prep for Stoller Middle School that I hope to avoid next year. Eoghan, Asim and Ivan fought heavy. Anastasia demoed scribal, Joia games, Fjorlief Runes, Refr food, Jnati and Lisette did sewing, Katriona answered general questions and Jeffrey showed off his archery display.

June Faire was Awesooooommeee! We had lots of volunteers - Geoffrey, Jnati, Conchobar, Aranoch, Brennan, Kegan, Gwenlianna, Margit, Laurel, Maddie, Anne, Thor, Brigitte's parents, Refr, Eoghan, Anastasia and Francesca. Dragon's Lair was pleased and impressed. The moderns came out in droves and kept everyone busy. Shifts were two hours long, so no one burned out, but many people did more than one. Refr and Eulalia worked in the food demo area and kept the gate staff well fed. Several people who had not been before commented on how much they learned and enjoyed the experience. I would encourage the branch to consider doing this again. The branch will be paid when the receipts are counted and reports made.

Faire in the Grove demo still has not had the second debrief meeting with the concerned parties. McMinniman's is busy with wedding season and Pacific is in the middle of finals. I am hoping to pin them down in June, so we can start planning for next year. Photos of this year are up on the website.

Grand Thing Dragon's Cache bake sale: Lots of delicious contributions were made by the glorious bakers of DM and most were purchased, earning the shire \$154.50 which was turned into the exchequer's lady at June Faire.

We had several requests for demos in early June, but I did not think that the branch was up for any more activities than we had. I spoke with Jaqueline, the Kingdom Children's Minister, about establishing a regional demo information group, so that the few demo junkies could get together when requests are made, even if mid-week, so that no one branch is overstretched. I will try to put more energy into this idea next month.

In Service,

Svava in Litla
Demo Coordinator

MAJOR OFFICER REPORTS

Chronicler: (Anastasia Komnene)

Hello my fellows!

May has been filled with a lot going on, though not really in the Chronicler department. There is a contest for the DT going on in case you missed it.

I am seeking a cover for the July DT and accepting submissions. They should be of crafts you have made or interesting things you have witnessed at events. If it was from an event it needs to have been taken in a public place (court, merchant's row, fighting field, etc) or otherwise I need model sheets for EVERYONE in the picture (or faces blurred out). I also need the artist form so that I can use your picture. I need at least three people to submit for the prize to be given out. What is the prize? It is a small hand made scroll! Deadline for submissions is July 5th. I've only had one submission as of yet, so get them in!

In other news...Not a lot to report. I went to Grand Thing and a few of our fellows received awards at Saturdays evening court. Congratulations to Svava and Slaine for their Gouttes.

No one has submitted anything, again, for this month's DT. Please get your reports or anything you want in the DT (Events announcements, advertisements, etc) in to me by the 6th of June.

YiS,

Anastasia Komnene

Scribe: (HL Matilda Beresford)

Greetings Unto The Shire,

Not much to report this month.

If you have Kingdom charters to return, please let me know. And thank you for your beautiful work, it is greatly appreciated!

YIS,

Matilda

BARONIAL CORONET BID

To the Shire of Dragon's Mist,

One Lisa Klein-Addison has proposed the enclosed design, which can be slightly altered and stay within the price range, for our Baronial Coronets. They are to be made out of sterling silver and chased and repoused. In addition they will have filigree cutwork, onyx cabochons, and of course pearls on a five point coronet. Lisa would be able to have these done by the beginning of August. She would need \$500 down to purchase the silver. The total for both coronets would be \$1000. This breaks down to \$750 each that includes time and materials spent.

Her work can be seen at www.jascot.org/kandrinchae/lisa. The proposed design is pictured below.

Sincerely,

Anastasia Komnene/Veronica Lacquement

