

# Barony of Endless Hills

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Official Meeting Minutes  
January 4, 2009

## **I. Call to order**

Tigernach called to order the regular meeting of the Barony of Endless Hills at 2:00 pm on January 4, 2009 in Dickson City, PA.

## **II. Roll call**

Officers Present: Euriol, Tigernach, Gunnar, Barbary Rose, Gaeth, Luminista, Tufa, Ulrich & Failend.

Others Present: Juliana, Cael & Faline

## **III. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

The minutes from the meeting conducted on November 16, 2008 were approved. Motion by Juliana, seconded by Barbary Rose.

## **IV. Important Dates**

- February 8, 2009  
Barony Meeting at Gander Mountain in Dickson City
- February 12 & 14, 2009  
Clarks Summit "Festival of Ice": Parade on Feb. 12 and main Festival on Feb. 14.

## **V. Old Business**

- Fasching  
Refund has been received from the hall. Report has been finalized.
- Yule Party  
Held on December 13th in the basement of Forty Fort Borough Building, thanks to Failend for organizing everything and Baron Rob for securing the location.
- Curia  
Held on December 13th, prior to the Yule Party. Tigernach will post proposed changes to the policies for review before changes are finalized within the next couple of weeks.
- Fencing Equipment  
Receipt or invoice has not been located. Need new invoice from the vendor so equipment can be paid.
- Ice Festival  
Posted dates and times. Need support from fighters, A&S, participants, youth activities & mock court. Need poetic performances for "Court of Love" theme. Float, equestrians, fencers and fighters are being recruited for Parade. Need A&S display for "party" after parade. Looking for "entertainment" for public after the parade. Announcement has been submitted to the AEstel for publication.
- Nesco Roasters  
Approved for purchase. Have not been purchased yet.
- St. Patrick's Day Parade  
Ulrich received emails to continue to participate in the parade, even without equestrian presence. Need a volunteer to be a contact point and coordinate participation in the parade. Parade scheduled for March 14. Tufa has volunteered to be the coordinator for the Parade. Information needs to be provided to the Kingdom Chronicler by February 1 for inclusion in the March AEstel. Motion by Ulrich to have Tufa as parade coordinator and participate in the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Scranton, seconded by Luminista. Approved.

- Gift wrapping  
Received no dates to participate in gift-wrapping this past holiday season.
- Melee Madness  
Bid submitted by Gunnar for May 29-31 at the Wyoming Country Fairgrounds. The baronial A&S, Bardic & Equestrian championships will take place at this event. Euriol will be the head cook for the event. There will be a "Spanish" theme to the event. Murdoch will be handling the fighting/melees.
- Officer Vacancies/Special Election  
Chirurgeon and Captain of Archers are vacant. Baron Robert of Worchester has been nominated to fill these vacancies. No other nominations have been made. Motion by Gunnar to close nominations and elect Baron Robert to fill these vacancies, seconded by Juliana. Approved.

## VI. Officer Reports

- Chatelaine  
Website information from the past month  
Page Loads 49  
Unique Visitors 30  
First Time Visitors 29  
Returning Visitors 1  
My main focus is the Ice Festival Demo and volunteers are still needed. Don't forget to sign up for things to help out with on the data base I created or by calling me or emailing me! If anyone needs questions answered feel free to contact me at any time. Fighters are needed please contact me if you can participate in the demo.
- Baron's Report  
Ulrich discussed people not having their voices heard in the Barony. Ulrich will be attending Twelfth Night, Ice Festival Parade, St. Patrick's Day Parade and Melee Madness. Curia is completed. Letters will be given to their Majesties at Twelfth Night. Seeking to speak with the landed Barons & Baronesses at Twelfth Night to discuss the sponsoring A&S competitions at Ice Dragon. Discussion amongst the landed Baronage to have a rotating event to be held once a year to host the Seven Pearl championships.
- Chronicler  
The December 2008 issue of "Across the Hills" was published on December 6, 2008. I currently have 4 individuals subscribed to the newsletter. If you would like to be on the distribution list for the newsletter, please email me at euriol@ptd.net. Note: Officer reports received after the business meeting, will not be included in the minutes of the meeting. Any officer report that is not included in the meeting minutes will be included in the newsletter as a separate piece if received prior to the publication deadline for the newsletter. I will be confirming contact information for each officer that is to be included in the distributed copy of the newsletter. I need articles, artwork, poetry, book reviews, photographs, etc. for the newsletter. My thanks to Kateryna ty Isaf for providing me all of the recipes from her feast at Fasching to be used as articles for upcoming issues of the newsletter.
- Web Minister.  
(No report submitted.)
- Knight Marshall  
Will be submitting to the Exchequer to include funds in the upcoming budget for repairing and replacing existing equipment. Working with Baron Robert if there is a Sunday available for Sunday Practice in Forty-Fort. The Tuesday practice is still ongoing.
- Armor's Guild  
No new projects. First & last Thursday of every month for workshops.
- Fencing  
(No report submitted.)
- Herald  
No tourneys, no... oh, wait. I actually have to have one now. Okay, I have received into my possession the items of the office of Baronial Herald from Lady Barbary Rose and will be

providing an inventory of the transferred items to THL Kateryna Ty Isaf as soon as it is completed. I have not yet received any court reports or requests for information on submissions. As I would like to see everyone have their own passed arms and names, I am looking into the following ideas to offer information, advice and inspiration: I will be submitting to the Chronicler a small column for publication in the Barony newsletter containing advice and information relating to the Herald's office. Also, I am considering a dedicated night for consultations, possibly in conjunction with one of the newcomers meetings, but this will be dependent upon my new work schedule. I would like to thank Lady Barbary Rose for the smooth transition and look forward to fulfilling the responsibilities of this office.

- Scribe's Guild  
Barbary Rose will be teaching a class in Gold Leaf at Sterlynge Vayle's schola.
- Cook's Guild  
There is interest in having a monthly "Redaction" party. First one is schedule for January 25 at Euriol's. Euriol will be teaching at Sterlynge Vayle's schola.
- Exchequer  
Check book balance 12/31/08 \$4849.92  
Check book balance as of today \$4899.92

Year end report will be completed by the end of the month and forwarded to the seneschal. Once approved I will turn it over to the chronicler for publication.

It's time once again for inventories. Please forward inventories to me by 1/31/08. I will accept email versions of your inventory. All officers are required to give an inventory of your office annually. Also, anyone else holding Barony property needs to report what is in your possession. My inventory deputy will be compiling a list and comparing information from last year, so please indicate anything destroyed or discarded and why.

IE - 3 Glass bowls, discarded – broken

The annual budget needs to be finalized for the Barony, if you have any line items you wish included, please send them to me asap. The approved budget will also be forwarded to the chronicler for publication.

I am looking to train people in the art of exchequer. Please consider giving some of your time to learning the job. It requires about 3 hours per quarter to finalize reports and about 4 hours per event to complete the event reporting. The job is behind the scenes mostly. Eventually I will not be doing this office for the Barony and it would be good to have options for my replacement when the time comes.

- Arts & Sciences  
Greetings from the new A&S Minister of Endless Hills, Lady Barbary Rose--

Events abound with opportunities to show off the creative skills of the Barony!

January 10 is Kingdom 12th Night in Meadville, PA; there is a subtlety exhibition and competition, for those of you who like playing with your food!

The next weekend is January 17; the day of Sterlynge Vayle Schola in Binghamton, NY--this promises to be an educational event with great food, come out and support our neighbor Shire and learn a new skill!

February 7 is the Feast of the Seven Deadly Sins in Delftwood (Syracuse NY) among the various activities are an A&S competition and a decorated hat contest--sounds like fun! Come out and compete for the honor of Endless Hills!

And last but not least, the Abington Business and Professional Board has requested our

participation in a yearly event that they call "the Clarks Summit 'Festival of Ice'" ...their theme for this year is The Renaissance! The dates for this event are February 12 (a 7 pm parade through the streets of Abington) and February 14, their main demo day...they have asked for displays of anything related to the Renaissance period, from armor, crafts, garb; performance arts particularly encouraged as there will be lots of pedestrian traffic out to look at the ice sculptures along the streets...come out and show your stuff on either/both days! Check the Barony website for more updates.

- Minister of the Lists  
No reports at this time.
- Minister of Youth/Youth Marshall  
Meeting with Luminista to discuss youth activities at Ice Festival. Have not received any information from Kingdom Minister of Youth.
- Thrown Weapons  
Submitted Fall report. No practices are currently being held.
- Canton of Riverouge  
(No report submitted.)
- Equestrian Marshall  
Equestrian meeting at Twelfth Night. A marshalls meeting sometime in April. Has been approached to help Sylvan Glen to establish an equestrian program. Will be the MiC for equestrian activities for the Siege of Glengary. Equestrian championship will be held at Melee Madness.
- Seneschal  
Countess Caryl is stepping down at Fall Crown. Officer and marshals are required to submit reports to their Kingdom superior. Please CC me when you send in your report.

#### **VII. New business**

- Inventories  
All inventories need to be updated and submitted to the Exchequer. Water coolers for fighters seem to have gone missing. Ulrich has a cooler and Tigernach believes he has a cooler.
- Year End Tourney  
Juliana will like to autocrat this event and is researching locations. Challenge in park locations due to country park closures.

#### **VIII. Adjournment**

Gunnar made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ulrich. Tigernach adjourned the meeting at 3:39 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Euriol

Minutes approved by: By Quorum on February 8, 2009