

Barony of Endless Hills

Official Meeting Minutes
May 3, 2009

I. Call to order

Lord Tigernach called to order the regular meeting of the Barony of Endless Hills at 12:15 p.m. on 5/3/09 at Borough Building, Forty-Fort.

II. Roll call

Tigernach conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Tignerach, Kateryna, Maria, Gunnar, Luminista, Barbary, Marianna, Goimir, Tufa, Juliana, Dawn, Jeremy, Ennougant, Amy, Robert, Lindy, Euriol, Faline, Rianith, Dei, Po, Failend, Lance, Will, Ulrich, Giovanna

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

The minutes from the meeting conducted on April 5, 2009 were approved. Motion by Baron Rob and seconded by Gunnarr.

IV. Important Dates

- May 8-10, 2009 – Crown Tournament in the Shire of Abhainn Chiach Ghlais
- May 14-17, 2009 – War Practice XX in the Canton of Steltonwald
- May 22, 2009 – Garb Making Workshop at Lady Amy's.
- May 28 – Sterlynge Vayle Demo (6pm-8pm)
- May 29-31, 2009 – Melee Madness
- May 31st, 2009 – Business Meeting after Melee (12pm @ Melee Site) and Meet & Greet with the candidates for the offices of Baron & Baroness.
- June 5-7, 2009 – Coppertree Challenge: El Squid in the Shire of Coppertree
- June 12-14, 2009 – Myrkfaelinn Summer War Practice in the Dominion of Myrkfaelinn
- June 19-21, 2009 – Barony Wars & Bazaar IV in the Shire of Sterlynge Vayle
- July 12, 2009 – Barony Business Meeting & Baronial Election 2pm at the Forty-Fort Borough Building.
- July 17-19, 2009 – East Kingdom War Camp in the Shire of Eisental

V. Old Business

- Melee Madness
Kingdom MOL will be running a class in the late afternoon. She will warrant new MOLs for the barony. Youth boffer fighting is being scheduled is being organized by Failend. Archery Baronial championship will take place after feast. Bardic Champion will be held during feast. The lunch and feast menu have been finalized. Would like 2-3 people to help set up the BMT on Wednesday 27 or Thursday 28. Personal pavilions can be set up in advance.
- Banner project
Fabric has been purchased for the new banners. An issue with sewing machines prevented the banners being ready for the artists today.
- Garb Making workshops
They will be held the 3rd Thursday of every month at Lady Amy's, but date is subject to change over the summer months.
- Pinatas
Failend is still accepting donations for the piñatas. The base piñatas have been completed. Suggested donations type (candy for youth), adults & teenagers (fighters might want, A&S items, nothing that can cause damage when it may be flying through the air)..

VI. Officer Reports

- Baron's Report
Attended Coronation and gave oath of fealty. Gave state of the barony address to their Majesties as they sat in state. Gifts were given to their Majesties. Will be attending Crown, Melee Madness, Barony Wars, Election & Pennsic.
- Chatelaine
April Website Stats
Month Page Loads 26
Unique Visitors 16
First Time Visitors 16
Returning Visitors 0

This November my two year term as Barony Chatelaine is up. I am looking to see if anyone is interested in becoming Chatelaine this November or training to become Chatelaine in November 2011. This is a very fulfilling position to hold. Talking to potential new comers, holding new comers meetings, keeping gold key (loaner garb and feast gear), planning demos, creating and maintaining literature to hand out to populace and keeping the Chatelaine website up to date. Don't worry if you don't think you can talk to strangers and be out going! I wasn't out going when I started. Being Chatelaine helps you become out going and your knowledge of the SCA and Barony grows as you get used to the office. So if someone is interested in getting involved in the Chatelaine office please contact me. If you want to volunteer at first and work your way into a deputy position that's fine I'd be more than happy to guide you in anyway I can. If you just want to run for the office now and learn as you go that's fine too. Once a Chatelaine always a Chatelaine so I am always here to give guidance and support. So please feel free to contact me with questions. I look forward to hearing from you !!!!

Due to a prior commitment, the Boy Scout Demo scheduled for this Sunday, May3rd is canceled. They will be rescheduling for a future date and are very enthusiastic to have us come visit them.

The Canton of Riverouge

Hawley Movies in the Park Demo

Saturday, Sept. 5, with setup at 12 noon, demo beginning at 1 pm. The Demo will run up to the start of the movie at around 8 or 8:30 pm (Dark enough to see the screen). The movie is Monty Python and the Holy Grail. We have already the Barony Fencing Marshals contacted by e-mail to ask if they were interested in planning something. We're hoping to have a heavy tournament. We'd also like to see lots of banners. We will have a please touch area and Aoife and Gilbert might bring out some of their displays such as Modern or Medieval Food.

We are planning to have walkers visit Main Ave. and would like to have a Mock Court. Merchants of handcraft are welcome. Reservations will be through the Hawley Movies in the Park Committee. Thom is waiting on the form to sign up. Cost is \$10 per spot. The fee is waived if you are demonstrating your craft. The Movies in the Park Committee is also gathering volunteers to work with and around us. Juan Espino will be working with students at the Wallenpaupack High School to create banners. Juan has an extension collection of books on Heraldry (He creates and collects lead toy soldiers from all periods including ours.) A local dance school is preparing several one Act Plays which they will perform as well as dance demonstrations. The Hawley Public Library will have a storyteller and a volunteer is exploring Medieval Games (Goimir has offered his expertise to help him). Another is working on a puppet show. A spinner is also planning to demonstrate her craft. A volunteer is making stocks and picture cutouts. Anyone interested in helping out can contact Thom at renn dot thomas at yahoo dot com

Fund raiser

The Canton is also planning a fundraiser. The local chamber has offer the Canton a free space at its Fall Craft (Sept. 12). We're planning on selling bread bowl meals.

The Canton is also discussing a picnic during our June meeting at a local park. Everyone is invited.

Melee Madness May 29,30,31, 2009

http://www.endlesshills.aethelmearc.net/index_files/yearsend.htm

I will be there with a Chatelaine stand set up! If you need Garb, Feast Gear and/or a ride to the event let me know. I am camping Friday night to Sunday morning on site.

Barony Wars and Bazaar IV June 19, 20, 21, 2009

<http://www.bwab.info/>

I will be there and have arranged with the local Chatelaine to have Garb and Fast Gear available on site. I will be camping in their cabin Friday night to Sunday morning on site. If you need a ride please contact me.

New Comer Meetings

Every 2nd Wednesday of the month at Borders in Dickson City in the cafe at 7PM. Every 4th Wednesday of the month at Barnes and Nobles in the Arena Hub Plaza Wilkes-Barre in the cafe at 7PM. It is free to attend and no garb is required.

- Chronieler

The May 2009 issue of the Across the Hills was distributed on April 26. We currently have 54 subscribers to the newsletter.

As always, I'm in desparate need of your articles and artwork.

- Web Minister.

Not present, No report received.

- Knight Marshall

Practice is still on Tuesday. I have been able to procure new loaner equipment. I am trying to procure another basket hilt.

- Armor's Guild

Guild will meet on the last Thursday of the month 7pm-9pm in Avoca.

- Fencing.

MIT's: Baron Robert (sponsored by Lord Po) & Ichabod (sponsored by Lady Dei)

Authed: 16 Expired: 2

New Auths: 3 (Lord Taranach: Single & Case, Naka: Single, Will Deth: Single, Dagger)

Injuries: None reported

Equipment issues: None

The Rapiermaniacs welcome the following new fencers: Benedict (Sterlynge Vayle) who plans to be joining us on the occasional regular basis.

Additional Notes:

- Ichabod continues to MIT at Tuesday night practices and assists at events. He will be running the rapier tournaments at Melee Madness under the marshals supervision and has created the two tournaments that will be held at Melee
- Several Marshals & fencers continue to go up to Sterlynge Vayle to assist with their fencing practice.
- Open practices continue on Tuesday evenings (8ish to 11ish) at the Forty Fort Borough Building. These have been well visited during this month and have included Delftwood visiting marshal: Corbin who ventured to Endless Hills to assist with this month's new authorizations. Also attending was Benedict from Sterlynge Vayle
- The monthly all day practices at the Forty Fort Borough Building on Sunday's also continue.

- Lord Po, Lord Stef, Lord Gunnar and Ichabod attended a demo at the Scranton Cultural Center – which was set up by Ichabod
- Lady Deianeira’s research project continues
- The marshals along with Lady Meg the Mad – at the request of the Kingdom Chatelaine have composed and submitted a “Novice Fencers Survival Kit” to be included in her “Pennsic Book for Newcomers” and at her request are working on an expanded version.
- Champions Tournament format has been selected and information posted to the Endless Hills yahoogroups list. Interested combatants were requested to submit an email or letter of intent to participate no later than April 22nd. The tournament will be open to all interested combatants however the final round will be only for those combatants interested in competing for the title of Champion. The combatant list will be: Baron Rob (competing for title), Lord Po, Lord Gunnar, Lord Taranach, Lady Deianeira, and Naka (NOT fighting for title). There are a few other possible combatants who at this time are unsure of work schedules so have not made an actual commitment. For format that will be used is a designated target tournament. Combatants will draw a random target for each bout and will fight 5 bouts with each opponent. Scoring will be based on successful targets taken.

Waiver Signing Policy: New information received. More will be reported as further clarification is received.

Upcoming Rapier Events

- May: Melee Madness: Swashbuckling Matadors wanted! Grab the Matador’s cloak and prepare for our morning Bullfight tourney! Bring your daggers and case of blades - to better portray longhorn, shorthorn and broken horn bulls! Afternoon itinerary includes the arrival of a Spanish treasure galleon and a ship to shore melee.
- June: Barony Wars & Bazaar: Join us in the Barony of Delftwood as a new challenge looms on our doorstep, an opportunity to display our prowess before Their Majesties against competition from our neighbors. It doesn't matter if you wield a spoon or a rapier, a rattan stave or the reigns of a horse, a quill, a throwing axe or a bow – the sound of the battle drums beckons – let us march to the call of the cambreadth.
- August: Pennsic War – AE Novice Tournament: Organized and hosted by The Rapiermaniacs and Lady Meg the Mad. The Aethelmearc Novice Tournament is open to any authorized rapier combatant, with less than three years from their first rapier authorization, who has never received an award at the Kingdom level for rapier prowess and who has never won a rapier tournament at a published SCA event. (day & time TBA)
- Herald
Is available for consultations. No submissions have been made in the past month. Costs for submissions are \$7 each for name and device.
- Scribe’s Guild
New scribe, Lady Dei, who did the cover for the May issue of Across the Hills. Will be doing scribes at Tuesday night practices.
- Cook’s Guild
We are continuing to experiment with recipes for the Spanish feast at Melee. Stay tuned for scheduled workshops after Melee.
- Exchequer
Balance in checkbook is \$4722.62. Quarterly report has been completed. Still looking for people interested in learning offices. Depreciation on the pavilion is up at the end of the year. The outstanding Fencing equipment purchased in 2008 is still be resolved the Vendor is looking into finding a duplicate invoice.
- Arts & Sciences
April 18, Coronation
Mistress Euriol of Lothian won the Laurel’s Prize for her mustard sauce

April 30

Garb-making workshop held at Lady Amy’s home

May 3, 11:00 am before business meeting

Arrow-making demo before meeting, conducted by Lady Mariana Maria Pietrosanti (from Sterlynge Vayle)

May 3, after business meeting

Baronial A&S Champ to be chosen by competition; winner to appear as the Barony representative to the 7 Pearls competition being held at Melee Madness on May 29-31

- Minister of the Lists
Still waiting for new MoL policies to be published. Waiting for final approval on the training manual.
- Minister of Youth/Youth Marshall
Youth combat and piñata at Melee. Looking to get authorization for Youth Marshalling. Talked with youth about direction of Youth Program in the barony. They would like to have their own "baron/baroness" and create their own awards. Would like it to prepare them as adults within the SCA.
- Thrown Weapons
I would like to hold practices in conjunction with Archery. Three authorized marshalls within the barony. Best days for practices are Wednesdays, Fridays & Sundays.
- Canton of Riverouge
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- Equestrian Marshall
Attended Ladies' Confed event yesterday. Banshee has renewed her authorization. New KEO & Deputy. Equestrians at Melee. Would be willing to hold official practices if anyone is interested.
 - Captain of Archery
Weather permitting, practice today. Interested in practices in conjunction with Thrown Weapons. Looking to have archery practices on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month.
 - Chirurgeon
Don't do anything stupid to get yourself hurt. First aid kit is with Tigernach and needs to be handed off to Robert. Luminista will be set up as a CIT.
 - Seneschal
Attended Blackstone Raids. Countess Caryl is stepping down, the deadline for interest in taking her office has passed. Looking for bids for Investiture, bids due by the May 31st meeting. Q&A (Meet & Greet) session for candidates to be held after May 31st meeting.

VII. New business

- Mariana from the Shire of Sterlynge Vayle requested the Barony's help with a Demo scheduled for May 28 from 6pm-8pm. There is a desire for both A&S as well as Heavy Fighting & Fencing.
- Request from Earl Marshall for the Barony to provide 24 9-10' banner boles, and 24 3' pieces of ribar to be used by the Kingdom for Crown Tourney. Estimated costs to be reimbursed by the kingdom.
 - Motion to purchase 24 stakes to be given to the Kingdom at Crown Tourney for less than \$100 by Euriol, seconded Juliana. (approved)
 - Motion to purchase 24 10' poles and accessories to be given to the Kingdom at Crown Tourney for less \$100 by Tigernach, seconded by Juliana. (approved).
- Three letters of Intent have been received for the office of the Baronage of Endless Hills: Baron Robert & Lady Amy, Lord Gunnar & Lady Barbary Rose, and Lady Deineira.

VIII. Adjournment

Tigernach made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Po. Tigernach adjourned the meeting at 1:41 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Euriol of Lothian

Minutes approved by: Quorum on May 31, 2009