**Meeting start:** 11:09 September 2018

**Attendees:** Kristie Clarke, Gina , Alastair Simpson, April Maxwell, Teresa Davidson, Wendy Regular, Sandra Logan, Alex McDonald, David Hudson, Brutus the Dog

Via Skype: Cindy Bergeron, Lucas LePine, Nancy Irwin

Phone: Brent Kerr

**Minutes of Last meeting:**

**Reports**

**Officers**

Coronet

We attended the following events in the last three months:  
• Lammas event in Ravensdale  
• Summers End in Ynys Y Gwaun  
• Schola in Seashire  
• Tir Mara Archery and Thrown Weapons championship (Avonmore)  
  
We plan to attend, in the next 3 months:  
• Baronial Investiture Anniversary   
• Crown Tournament  
• [subject to confirmation] Herne (Seashire)  
  
Comments:  
• In our opinion, both Lammas and Summers-End went very well, and we are delighted to see such strong events run by the smaller groups within the Barony.  
• Tir Mara Archery and Thrown Weapons in Avonmore was well attended by Ruantallan populace. Baronial populace are both Prince and Princesses Archery Champions.

Baronial Seneschal

There are 100 paid members and about 75 (?) non-paid members in the Barony as of September 2018 and we are very strong and growing.

Upcoming events: October 6 - BIA 30 anniversary, Herne the Hunter (Nov 24, Seashire pending), January 19, 2019 12th night,

Demos: October 26-28 Halcon

We had a quick meeting August 27 at the MFRC and elected Teresa Davidson, Lady Tyffanyne, as our exchequer. Guthfrith, Aveline, Hugh, Gaston, Lucas, Juliotte (phone) and I were present. Her warrant still has not come through. I have sent an email to the EK exchequer and Tir mara Seneschal requesting a push as we have an RP this coming weekend and said that there will be no reports or NMS sent until she is warranted.

It was announced at the Ravensdale Lammas event that the group was official as of the August Pikestaff and they were the Incipient Stronghold of Ravensdale. August 14 I went to a Ravensdale meeting to assist them with setting up their curia and obtaining warrants, a website and email addresses for all officers.

There was an email poll from the EK Seneschal and Webminister asking about social media. There is a new social media policy in place and looks like Facebook and other like platforms will become official. I am waiting further instructions and information.

I have been talking with Phil Swift who recently moved to St. John’s from Ontario Mid Realm. He is super keen to get a group started again and has had 2 fencing practices. He was an MiT for fencing.

A curia member from YYG mentioned to me that the sentiment there was that they were not part of the Barony. I would like to change that and have them feel included.

Herald

## **Submissions**

## **Court**

**Please list the date and Noble(s) for each court held in the previous quarter:**

June 23, 2018 - Baron Guthfrith Yrlignson and Baroness Isobel Mowbray

## **Additional Information**

**Please list any additional heraldic activity you want your Regional Herald & Brigantia to be know:**

I make myself available at weekly fight practice/A&S meetings for consultation and have been aiding several members with device creation and name selection

Exchequer

Exchequer report by Wendy Regular for exchequer Sept 30, 2018

Teresa Davidson has been elected as our Exchequer but her warrant for office has not come through yet.

Current bank balance as of Sept $9,759.61

Holding funds:

Cooks guild - $240.62

Royal travel fun $2088.28

Ravensdale fund $682.53

Rapier fund $8.70

Actual funds: $6739.48

Knight Marshal

I, Thorin Ulfsson, submit my report as Ruantallan’s Baronial Knight Marshal.  
  
During this period we have been holding our regular, sanctioned Baronial Rattan practice Monday evenings, at the MFRC.   
  
EVENTS:  
  
Multiple practices.   
  
Summer's end.

Capercon Demo  
  
Injuries/Accidents  
  
None to report.   
  
Waiting on Baronial reports to be submitted to me.  
  
Y.I.S.  
Thorin Ulfsson  
Ruantallan Knight Marshal

A&S Minister

A&S in the barony had a nice boost since our last meeting. A schola was held in Seashore that saw classes ranging from calligraphy and illumination to seeing pants and hoods. It was a well attended event.

Regular A&S night continue to happen in both Seashore and Distant Shores.

I have also heard a lot about leather and metal work happening and a lot of weaving, sewing and brewing.

That's it since the last meeting.

Chatelaine

New Contacts

Its been a slow quarter for new contacts and new comers how ever we have had some new comers attending events such as the fall schola and check out our weekly practice. The Caper con demo say a lot of interest and new contacts.

numbers: roughly 8, 3 that have kept returning.

2: Have any new comers shown interest in becoming members?

A few have inquired but don’t see the benefit.

3 Activity’s for new comers to attend.

Fall schola, Caper Con demo, Baronial investiture anniversary. Ravensdale Lammas

4: Demos held in this quarter.

Caper Con in Sydney Cape Breton.

5, Gold Key Status:

• Gold Key is in good shape and seeing lots of use.

6, Previous issues.

none

Other Current issues-

prep for Hal Con

MOL:

Nothing to report

Chronicler

* The 4th installment of the Barony of Ruantallan’s newsletter the Quid Nunc has been completed and uploaded to the various media.
* An email has been sent to the webminister to ask her to load to the Barony’s main page.
* The email distribution list needs to be updated. I have some ideas as to how this can be accomplished, however any input would be appreciated. Short of destroying it completely and starting from scratch, I’ve not a clue how to update it. It’s the same one I was using a few years back.
* The next installment will be ready for publishing by January 1 2019.
* If you would like to see anything added or removed, updated etc. Please let me know.

Web Minister

· Aug 29,2018 Updated phone and address on file for East Kingdom Webministry through the webpage.

· Aug 29, 2018 Added Cindy to Google Drive

· Sept 1, 2018 Edited Saturnalia at Vindolanda: Ruantallan 12th Night” for Isolda

Created an event page for Seashire Schola for Joanne

· Sept 13, 2018 Email From East Kingdom

**Webminister Compliance and Policy Follow-up**

Item 2 - Account Creation:

New webmail account set up for Officers - the Self-Service portal (https://members.eastkingdom.org/newaccount/).

In order to maintain account security, these accounts (the user's "member number" account) must be created by the individual users, not by Webministers. If they have trouble doing so, please have them contact help@helpdesk.eastkingdom.org directly so we can work through any problems with them. You can, of course, work with the user (via "shoulder surfing") while they create the account, but they need to go through the process so that they understand what's going on, and can immediately access their email accounts upon creation.

Item 3 - Email Account Usage:

We have some webministers that aren't checking email even monthly, and that's a bit of a problem. Given that email is the primary form of communication for this office, one would expect that email is being checked regularly.

The second part of this is regarding your local Officers (or the Kingdom Officers/deputies, if you're working with a Kingdom Office) not checking their mail. To be perfectly clear, it is not your responsibility to ensure they check email.

Having said that, you should all be aware of the following:

Of the 689 people in the system holding some sort of office, 133 of them (19.3%) have never checked their email.

Another 95 (13.8%) have not checked their email in at least 30 days - or at least we can find no evidence that they've checked it in at least that long.

Using one's official email is a requirement in Kingdom Law. This requirement is going to be more strictly enforced by the Kingdom Seneschal and her Deputies in the coming weeks and months - and they will specifically be looking at the metrics above to ensure compliance with Law. Other Kingdom Officers are beginning to enforce the requirement for purposes of submitting reports as well.

You (as Webminister) and your Seneschal (or Kingdom Officer, guild head, etc) can use the following URL to check email usage patterns for your branch/office/guild: https://members.eastkingdom.org/tools/regnum.php - and so can the Kingdom Seneschal and the Regional Deputies.

Please take the time to review that report for any group(s) you're responsible for.

Relay any concerns to your local group, specifically your Seneschal, so that people can move toward compliance before action is taken by the Seneschallate. Our understanding is that things will move from a "gentle nudge" to more severe action fairly quickly once the enforcement process is underway. In particular, I strongly recommend that you make sure your Seneschal and Exchequer are using their email reguarly, so that there are no problems for those required offices.

· I would like to report that All Officers in the Barony of Ruantallan have checked their emails within the last 30 days

· Sept 20, 2018 Forwarded an email from Madeleine Sinnott about Heavy armoured fighting to Gaston

· Sept 29,2018 Will accept another webminister term if no one else claims the job 😊

**Seneschals**

Seashire

Curia met for a third time and voted in favour of sending a bid to Tir Mara for a combined Sigtuna,Rattan and A&S Champs in June. The bid is now with Tir Mara, so we are awaiting a decision. The Fall Schola in September was very successful, with over 40 people attending. Donations were asked in lieu of a gate fee - we received $159.85. Our current bank balance is $1246.15. The position for Chatelaine needs to be replaced as or current Chatelaine has been in the position for quite a few years. We have one interested individual, so curia will need to meet soon to vote. Planning is proceeding for a Herne the Hunter event Nov 24 (we just had confirmation of the venue). The Seashire Rattan Champs will be run at this event, with it restricted to novice fighters with 2-3 years or less experience (details will be worked out shortly). This event may also be paired with the Tir Mara Rapier Champs (we have had notice of their interest).

Update: we had a quick meeting on October 6th and now have a new Chatelaine - Lady Verdiana - who will be looking into her warranting as soon as possible. Curia also voted to accept a bid for an event - Herne the Hunter - for November 24th, 2018. Our Knight's Marshall has let his membership lapse, so we are currently without one.

Ynys Y Gwead

Irm still looking for a Deputy and an A&S Officer

Bank Balance as of May 31, 2018, $2552.68 Current active members: 8, Active nonmembers: 4 We are currently holding semiregular gettogethers at whomeverrs house that wants to hold them.

We having the occasional armoring day and fight practice to help people get ready for Pennsic.

Distant Shore

No current fighter practices are being held in the Canton.

No current demos have been held in the Canton this quarter.

A&S meetings continue to be held on the third Thursday of each month.

No curia meeting has been held this quarter.

Members of the Canton have submitted a bid that was passed by Baronial Curia, for the 2019 Baronial War Camp. This is to be held at the end of June 2019.

The current balance of the Canton's account is $2,241.89.

Ravensdale

Motion to accept reports Kristie, 2nd by Alex, Passed

**Old Business:**

Doomsday book:

* Need to get a list of everyone in the barony, members and non-members. David will collect names by posting to the Cantons and asking for list of names than post list and have people add names. Senchels please send a list of names of everyone in their area to David via email. Briana will post MOL email.
* Set up a place for photos to take photos. Find someone to take pictures? April will ask Aaron if he is available. David and Lesley may do some.

**New Business:**

Capercon demo report

Autocrat: Jantzen Wee (Oswald of Ruantallan)

Heavy List Marshal in Charge: Stephane Colin (Spurius Genucius Rutilus)

Participants: Jantzen Wee (Oswald), Stephane Colin (Spurius), Sandra Logan (Edmund), Everett Hagen (Edmund), Ian Pratt (Viper), and Greg Bennett (Bjorn) (5 Heavy Fighters, 1 A&S representative)

Location: Centre 200 (481 George Street, Sydney NS)

· Date: September 21-23, 2018

· Hours: Friday 3pm - 11pm, Saturday 10am-11pm, Sunday 10am - 6pm

· Demo Times: Saturday 3:30-5pm, Sunday 10:30-12

· Attendee Numbers: ~950 attendees (aprox same numbers as 2017), numbers down due to inclement weather on Saturday, ticket sales higher than last year.

Activities Engaged in

The demo manned a 4x8 ft table, with a balanced amount of display items for both martial and A&S activities. All volunteers took turns engaging attendees passing by the table, as well as while walking around. A large degree of interest was shown by a variety of participants; of note are: Underworld Larpers, Soulvaria VR cafe, and parents with kids who were unable to participate in Underworld larp due to their age restriction. In some cases we had the same attendees swing by on more than one occasion to examine the items on the table and confirm the date of the first meet up. Sandra Logan also participated in the cosplay competition and won most well fabricated whilst also engaging other competition attendees about the SCA.

Of note as well, is that there is an event called Avalon that has already been ongoing on the island that is very similar to SCA camping events. Participants of Avalon camped in medieval clothes and engaged in general revelry at these events. To my understanding Avalon is an annual event attended by those who are interested in larp with kids.

Demos followed a standard format: explaining armor, fighting, and q&a sessions for the audience. What was new in this demo at least to this autocrat was audience participation with heavy list fighters. The Marshal’s Handbook, as well as the East Kingdom Marshal was referred to in order to ensure all rules obligations were abided by. All participants at the “whack a fighter” (hence WaF) were over 12 years of age, and were predominantly below 30 years of age. A variety of weapons were used, and all fighters participated with the audience. A total of 42 audience members participated and all enjoyed the experience. The Saturday demo was packed with some audience standing so they could observe and Sunday was less busy (due to early time) but slowly increased through the demo. No injuries reported from either fighters or participants of WaF.

Site Feedback

The site was clean and well lit. There were some organizational difficulties mainly some confusion about demo space allocated on Sunday, and having a room assigned to us to store gear, but not being told of it til much later on Saturday (we were told to store equipment in the volunteer room, but were stinking out the volunteers post sat demo). Besides that all facilities were functional and in good condition.

The main difficulty of the con was organizing crash space for volunteers. Enough space was found such that no volunteers had to pay for lodging. Besides that the con was fairly standard organization.

Follow Up Plan

First meeting to be at CBU library on Sep 29th. Goal of meeting is to establish frequency of meet ups as well as distribute basics on SCA activities. Jantzen Wee to follow up with Greg Bennett in a few months to establish impact of demo on numbers.

Request for arrows:

Hi, Brianna. This is my proposal for loaner arrows and targets. I have already purchased 20

targets @ $1.25 each, and also included in the receipt below is two dozen 29” arrows spined for

up to 30# @ $45 per dozen, which will do for the loaner bows and most archer’s draw lengths.

The receipt is in US dollars. When my bank did the conversion, it came out to this:

Aug 09, 2018 SQ \*DAYRL’S ARCHERY SLIPPERY ROCKPA 121.90 USD @

1.339200000000 $163.25

If you need any other details, just let me know.

Best regards,

Sarra.

* Consider asking for a donation when using loaner gear
* Archery is an expense that occurs less often than rapier and rattan?
* Could try a fundraising event for archery? Like a fun shoot.
* Add a small fee to warm camp to cover archery

Motion to approve $163.25, including the $40 previously approved, for loaner arrows and targets. Motion by Kristie, second by Teresa - Passed

Event report from Ravensdale:

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|  | **SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM, INC.** | | | | | |  |
|  | **KINGDOM OF THE EAST - EVENT FINANCIAL REPORT** | | | | | |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | **Branch Name:** | Barony of Ruantallan | | | **Report Date:** | 8/9/18 |  |
|  | **Event Name:** | Ravensdale Lammas | | | **Event Date:** | 8/3/18 |  |
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|  | **INCOME (Report and itemize other income on comments sheet):** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | (A) | (B) | (C) | (D) | (AxC) + (BxD) |  |
|  | **Fee Schedule** | **# Reserved** | **# At the Door** | **Fee-Reserved** | **Fee-at Door** | Total |  |
|  | Weekend adult |  | 32 |  | $20.00 | $640.00 |  |
|  | day adult |  | 8 |  | $10.00 | $80.00 |  |
|  | Weekend family |  | 3 |  | $50.00 | $150.00 |  |
|  | child weekend |  | 4 |  | $12.00 | $48.00 |  |
|  | teen weekend |  | 3 |  | $18.00 | $54.00 |  |
|  | teen day |  | 1 |  | $8.00 | $8.00 |  |
|  | free adult |  | 6 |  | $0.00 | $0.00 |  |
|  | **NMS** | 19 |  | $5.00 | $5.00 | $95.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  | **Donations:** |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | **Other Income (Itemize on comments sheet):** |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | GROSS INCOME: | $1,075.00 |  |
|  | **REFUNDS (Fees refunded to payer):** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | **Fee Schedule** | **# of Refunds** | **Fee** | **Total** |  |  |  |
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|  | **NMS** |  | $5.00 | $0.00 |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  | ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME: | $1,075.00 |  |
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|  | **EXPENSES (Payments specific to this event, do not include supplies to be reused at other events):** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | **1. Advertising** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | **2. Equipment Rental and Maintenance** |  |  |  | $606.52 |  |  |
|  | **3. Fees and Honoraria (itemize on Comments sheet)** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | **4. Food (cost of Feast supplies)** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | **5. General supplies (tokens, awards, decorations, etc.)** |  |  |  | $180.58 |  |  |
|  | **6. Insurance (Non-SCA, report SCA insurance below)** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | **7. Occupancy and Site Charges (subtract refunded deposits)** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | **8. Postage, Shipping, PO Box rental** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | **9. Printing and Publications** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | **10. Telephone** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | **11. Travel (Non-local Gas, Tolls, Airfare)** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | **12. Other Expenses (itemize on Comments sheet)** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | EXPENSES SUB-TOTAL: | $787.10 |  |
|  | **TRANSFERS (Payments to other SCA accounts):** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | **To SCA, Inc. - East Kingdom, for Non-Member Surcharge (NMS)** |  |  |  | $95.00 |  |  |
|  | **To SCA, Inc., for Site Insurance Rider** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | **To SCA, Inc. - ACCEPS, for ACCEPS registration setup** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | TRANSFERS SUB-TOTAL: | $95.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | NET EVENT PROFIT: | $192.90 |  |
|  |  |  |  | **Kingdom Share of profits (if any):** |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | **NET GROUP INCOME (Adjusted Gross Income-Expenses-Transfers):** | $192.90 |  |
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|  | Autocrat: |  | | Exchequer: |  | |  |
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Request for Business Cards:

September 27, 2018  
Request for Business cards:  
Here is the information I have gathered from Vista Print   
 Here is the quote for 2000 cards  
 Cost of cards $102.13 (40% off original price)  
Shipping $7.99  
HST $16.52  
   
Total Cost $126.64  
   
YIS  
Spurius

* Suggested to send cards out to chatelines in cantons

Motion to spend up to $200.00 to purchase 3000 business cards for the Barony by David, second Alex, Passed

Email list not working: Supposed to be monitored by Senchal and be from East Kingdom. Need to have a new list set up current one hasn’t worked in years. Brianna will talk to Miranda about getting this started.

War camp bid:

Motion to accept bid as is David, seconded by Alex, Passed

Membership: People are purchasing memberships because of the cost. Cheapest membership is almost $50 USD. Also associate members are not allowed to sit on curia. Cost was bigger because Pikestaff was mailed but it is now online. Looking into why associate membership is not good enough.

Vote Webminister: Vote to have Miranda to continue as webminster. Passed.

Vote Seneschal: Vote to have Brianna to continue as Seneschal. Passed.

**Other**

Chatelaine term is up in January.

A&S term up in April

Knights Martial is January

MOL is up in January

Brianna will post terms are ending and will be voted on next meeting.

Next meeting is beginning of January.

Proposed date January 13th 11am Sobey’s in Truro.

Motion to adjourn, Kristie, adjourned at 12:58