

## Meeting Minutes for Shire of Owlsherst

# January 23, 2024

### **HOUSEKEEPING**

- Harassment Policy
- Zoom Recording Started at 7 PM
- Approval of minutes from December meeting approved unanimously. Marcus moved to approve, Wulgar seconded.

Present - Cordeilla, Orlaithe, Celine, D'Oryen, Wulgar, Marcus, Kalista, Gerhard, Dagrún, Phillipe, Seraphina, Conall, Linette, Hans

Absent - Unna, Dinnie, Siobahn, Widow Kait

### **OFFICER'S REPORTS**

- Seneschal - Orlaithe -  
Did not attend the Seneschal meeting, but has minutes to read.  
-EK has asked the SCA Board of Directors to have a waiver to have rapier champion as possibility for Crown  
Wulgar and Linette sent a letter of support - they got a reply from Gregory of Lochac
- Exchequer - Kalista - Shire is solvent. No checks deposited for 12th night, and no reimbursements yet sent
- Chronicler - Celine - Report submitted to Kingdom Chronicler, Kingdom Deputy Chronicler, and Orlaithe on 1/3/2024.
- Arts & Sciences Minister - Seraphina - A&S exhibit at the 12th night event
- Chatelaine - Linette - 4 new people at last Wednesday Practice - 2 came to 12th Night . Dane had 3 new people show up at 12th Night.  
Linette is washing out dish towels and sorting through hospitality items from 12th Night.
- Webminister - Cordeilla - Report filed on 1/15/24. Nothing significant to report  
Moderator notes - the facebook group had a flurry of new member requests, so they either did not agree to the rules or the request

approval expired.

Maisie is still Deputy, but she cannot be given access per the rules. Cordeillia's term expires in May. She will be a deputy if necessary

- Herald – Donnchadh - Mael Mhuire (Rhi) name has been approved. She has volunteered to be his book herald deputy
- Chamberlain – Cordeilla - NTR
- Knight's Marshal – Wulfgar - hopes to see new folks fighting. Generally 2-3 people fighting
- Minister of Lists – Conall - Mael Muire and Asa did MOL for 12th Night, both did a great job
- Rapier Marshal – d'Oryen - 8-15 people at Shire Gathering practices. There may be 2-3 new people. Hans did a great job on 12th Night tourney and made a chest for the prize. (Also an A&S project!)

Phillipe got his Silver Rapier at EK 12th night

- Captain of Archers – Unna – NTR
- Thrown Weapons Marshal – Gerhardt - NTR, Wulfgar cleaning new knives that he and Quentin made. Going to heat-treat them at Quentin's. Some will be available for others. There are at least 6 different sets of 2.
- Youth Marshal – Widow Kait/Sean - NTR
- Chancellor Minor- Widow Kait - NTR

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- Shire Wars 2022 - any news yet? - Dagrún is working with new EK exchequer. Dagrún/Torvi will work on getting the checks distributed to the various shires.

- Re-vamping the Storage area - Conall - will re-visit in March
- 12th Night - Conall

**Event went well** and people enjoyed it. Staff did a great job. The food by Tybalt and Gerhard was great.

One of the cooking Laurels reported that the chicken dish was one

of his top 5 dishes that he has had in over 20 years of feasting.  
**We ran it without the trailer** and that may open discussion on how we run the events without trailer and we were out by 9:00 pm

**The chariot races** were a great success with a lot of audience participation.

**We owe church \$375 for event** - Kallista can write out the check.

**Lost and Found items** - cup belonging to Quentin's daughter. Missing items - green and white windowpane check towel of Gerhard's (reported in laundry), flour sack towels missing, basket used for hospitality (to be returned at this week's Shire Gathering). Cordeilla is missing a phone clamp that was under the table.

**Is there a procedure for people who pay via paypal but do not show up.** Cannot be sure if they show up or not. Conall has information about one person who requested a reimbursement. (Kalista's question to Dagrún). Decided we will reimburse when requested.

**Receipt for hospitality items,** Wulfgar can email to Kalista. Hospitality items should come out of Shire monies rather than Event.

**Song book photo copies** -Linette has \$25 receipt, can e-mail to Kalista

**Dayboard Prep** - Gerhard reports he definitely cooked too much food. He was reminded that it's better to have too much food, rather than too little. The numbers are always difficult to predict due to not everyone pre-registering and due to the snowy weather. There are ingredients that he is not charging the Shire. Leftover food was offered to attendees,

with the option of donating money to offset the food cost. There is filling (meat and cheese) and phyllo that are frozen that can be used to make more pasties. Orlaithe suggested a fundraiser of the extra pasties, possibly the first Cook's Guild at Shire Gathering.

**Last date to provide receipts** is January 31. Celine, Tybalt, and all others need to submit receipts to Kalista by then.

- Zoom License obtained - Cordy. \$150 cost, no discount. There have been improvements with the Kingdom program for group meetings. Will try to use this in the fall to see it works for our needs, and if so will not need to purchase Zoom license next year.

### **NEW BUSINESS -**

Pre-payment to church for 6 months - Wulfgar - motion made by Wulfgar to prepay, Marcus 2nd Motion is to Pay \$540 Passed unanimously.

Cost? \$30 a week for 26 weeks (\$780). Conall suggests in summer to pay only 2x a month during the summer. (\$540)

Potential Cook's Guild 1x a month on Wednesdays \$25 for the kitchen fee, suggested by Orlaithe

A&S Saturdays cannot be sponsored until April by Cordy. In April we'll do silk painting of fans. Anyone else want to sponsor A&S on Saturday for February or March (from 10:00 - 2:00)? Whomever sponsors can choose the topic to teach, if not sure Seraphina a list of topics and teachers who have offered to teach

Bhakhail has their officers submit reports ahead of time to shorten

meetings, we can try this in March. Officers will need to write up a report by Mar 19, 2024 and send it to Orlaithe (unless someone else wants to send it out - Cordy?).

Plan for PennMar Irish Festival, Widow Kaite planning on coordinating. It is on the Saturday of Father's Day weekend. More info to follow, but be aware of this so we can have good attendance. (6/15/2024)

PayPal Spam - Gerhard reported that Sarra got a badly worded/spelled email that was fake after registering for 12th Night through PayPal. Please do not click on anything that looks suspicious after receiving the initial invoice. PayPal. Cordeilla indicated that EK often is targeted for spam/phishing. If it happens to anyone, please send the screenshot to her. Thanks for reporting this.

### **Upcoming Events of Interest:**

Refer to the Pikestaff/East Kingdom Website for event detail

### **Scheduling**

Possibly Cook's Guild - considering holding Cook's Guild one time a month at Shire Gathering. Attendees can choose what to attend on those evenings, same as at events (not everyone can do everything). The cost for use of the kitchen would be \$25, to be split between the attendees. There seemed to be support from the Zoom meeting attendees to try this. Orlaithe to discuss this at the Shire Gathering next week (1/31/24). Orlaithe to announce this on email, FB so anyone who is interested can come or contact her to let her know of interest

A&S Classes during Shire Gathering (SG) - Seraphina to arrange A&S classes 2 times/month for SG on Wednesday evenings.

**Reporting Schedule for Local Officers:** A copy of all reports should be sent to Seneschal

- Seneschal: March 30, June 30, Sept 30, Dec 30.
- A&S: June 1, Dec. 1
- Exchequer: Jan. 30, April 30, July 30, Oct. 30
- Archery Marshal: April 1, Oct. 1
- Chatelaine: Jan. 15, April 15, July 15, Oct. 15
- MoL: March 1
- Knight Marshal: Mar. 1, June 1, Sept. 1, Dec. 1
- Herald: March 1, June 1, Sept. 1, Dec. 1
- Thrown Weapons: April 1, Oct. 1
- Webminister: Jan. 15, April 15, July 15, Oct. 15.
- Chronicler: Dec. 15

### **Meeting Conclusion at 8:24 PM**

Next Meeting -February 27, 2024 at 7:00 via Zoom. "Adenga" items to Orlaithe by February 19, 2024.