

Minutes for Shire of Owlsherst
September 23, 2025

HOUSEKEEPING

- Harassment Policy
- Captioning
- Meeting began 7:00 PM
- Attendance
 - Present- Hans, d'Oryen, Celine, Gerhard, Wulfgar, Maria, Linette, Cordeilla, Maol-Mhurie, Dunnie, Rink, Sterling, Marcus
 - Absent - Rink, Conall, Orlaithe, Danr, Asa, Aaron Steele (Subatai?)
- Approval of minutes from previous meetings - not done this month- they have not yet been sent out

OFFICER'S REPORTS

- Seneschal – Gerhard- His Seneschal report is due to the Kingdom at the end of the month. Insurance for the church will need to be renewed from the Kingdom for January, 2026.
- Exchequer –D'Oryen – Current balance is \$8699.12, there is \$182 deposits from practice, all current checks cleared, 2 checks outstanding to be written. One for storage unit - need invoice from Conall, the other for 2 weeks inside for practice - need invoice from Conall. First and Second quarter reports in, 3rd due end of October. The Inn of White Cat paypal up. Carrying 2 items on Exchequer reports - security deposits outstanding that are Codoris blast 2014 (\$25) and YWCA - Camp Canadian (\$100) \$125 total. Linette - there was an arrangement in the past that they just wrapped around. Will need to contact the Y and see what they have on the books. D'Oryen can take it offline to discuss with Linette. It was a 1 day event at the Y run. Outstanding check from last time is now void by the bank
- Chronicler- Celine – Continuing to take minutes.
- Arts & Sciences Minister – Linette - NTR the next 6 weeks A&S busy for the event. One week renting the kitchen for pre-cook.

Cordeilla and Linette working on Game boards. 9 fencers and 2 fighters submitted A&S projects for the Ducal Challenge. Dane submitted a glass bead necklace, D'Oryen had a folding chair, Hans did a pouch, Ragnall did a pouch, Dunny did an engraved hilt and sword, Quintin did a buckler, Celine did Bread and jarred items. Setting a post on Facebook for folks to show off their Ducal entries.

- Chatelaine –Maol-Mhurie – Saturday October 4th Lancaster Troll Market. Meeting at 10 AM for Newcomer's Academy field trip. November DEIB led by Lady Britt the DEIB officer. No topic yet for December. Report submitted to the Kingdom on time.
- Webminister– Rink Mikkelsen– NTR
- Herald – no-one yet, working on Gulfem (Joyce) may be interested in office
- Chamberlain – Cordeilla - Could stand to do an inventory and do something adhoc. Set aside November event items. The trailer will be brought to the event in November. Tent poles and stove are currently missing. Maria asked if she could give a list of the inventory of archery items she has. D'Oryen can get a list of archery items in their barn. Gerhard will get a list of the shire Thrown weapons items that are currently with Ragnall.
- Knight's Marshal – Hans - Practices continue. Last week had 17 participants (those who signed waiver form). No accidents or incidents. Dunny is Buckland Cross heavy fighter champion.
- Minister of Lists – Maol-Mhurie- There are fighters and fencers. All paperwork is in. Sent updated info for her and Asa as a warranted deputy.
- Rapier Marshal – d'Oryen - Practice is going well. Many new people. Tally is coming from Hartshornedale. Hans is Buckland Cross Baronial Rapier champion, Quentin got Order of 9/60 at Ducal ours, 2 made it to the sweet 16
- Captain of Archers – Lady Maria Donald– Practices every other week. 4-5 there every time. Still at Lancaster Archery 2-4 on Old Philadelphia pike. Need to check if Ragnall is doing October 26.

The Sunday before Thanksgiving is the 2nd Annual turkey shoot - 1 for new archers, and other for more skilled. Report to submit at end of month. Ragnall is Archery champion for Bhakhail

- Thrown Weapons Marshal –Gerhard- At Ragnall's in York County every Thursday.
- Youth Marshal – OPEN
- Chancellor Minor- OPEN

OLD BUSINESS

- Inn of the White Cat Event - Updates

Working with Jayme on a games booklet.

There was a meeting on 'decorating committee' looking at lighting options. Ask if anyone has 'battery candles' to borrow - please mark.

Looking into dates for precook at church. Keep in mind that the last week before is Trunk or Treat, so no Practice.

Pickling October 4th at 11AM at Orlaithe's, 25th of October at Jayme's

Paypal up and D'Oryen got 3 mail registrations and 7 or so PayPal.

Had a request that PayPal link is down in the registration area of the EK event

Have a tentative menu, still need Vegetarian entree

Working with musicians. Also looking for possible sing-along booklet of drinking songs, etc.

Next meeting is the 5th of October for all staff - online 2-3.

Maol-Mhurie has shell of the paper program.

- 12th Night Updates - Maol-Mhurie - save the date on calendar. It will be Saint Nicholas theme. Gerhard - for feast, Natalie and Katherine for dayboard. Gerhard looking for volunteers
- Shire Pennsic Camp - equipment missing - tent poles and stove. Discussion as to whether there should be loaning of equipment with a deposit. Seek to have an informal meeting at Wednesday practice since

- Shire wars - no dispersals of profit ever done. Final Report is still with Dagen. We are now at 3-4 years. D'Oryen will talk to Dagen.

NEW BUSINESS

- Non-Member Surcharge donation Plan - Need a volunteer/point person that is not in Exchequer or Seneschal household to collect funds to defray fees for newer attendees. Need a decision as to where the extra would go. Wulfgar offered up banner stands.
- Southern Region Champions 2026?--Interest and thoughts? Dinnie has info - Murdoch and Jaz looking to have a 'Champions Event'. Sterling is searching for sites. Currently looking in Buckland cross. Overnight camping 2-3 days. Equestrian, archery fencing heavies, A&S, feast, etc. looking for additional sites. Buckland Cross willing to fund the entire event to prevent issues like were had with Shire Wars.

Upcoming Events of Interest:

- Oct 4th 10 am field trip to troll market in Lancaster.
- Country Pleasures: October 18th Blakrose Carlisle, PA
- Inn of the White Cat: Nov 8th
- Newcomers: November 11 - DEIB lead by Lady Brit DamnitBrit Meitzler
- Harts and Horns: November 29th Hartshorn-dale Douglasville, PA
- Newcomers: Dec 9th Save the date, no topics currently planned
- Bhakail Yule: December 13 Bhakail Philadelphia,PA
- Owlsherst 12th Night: January 17th
- Weekly Shire Practice: Every Wednesday at 6pm at First Church of the Brethren
- Thrown Weapons Practice: Every Thursday at 6pm in Stewartstown, Pa
- Refer to the Pikestaff/East Kingdom Website for event detail

Scheduling

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: Mar. 1, June 1, Sept. 1, Dec. 1
- MoL: March 1
- Rapier Marshal: Jan. 15, April 15, July 15, Oct. 15
- Knight Marshal: Mar. 1, June 1, Sept. 1, Dec. 1
- Herald: March 1, June 1, Sept. 1, Dec. 1
- Thrown Weapons: April 15, Nov. 15
- Webminister: Jan. 15, April 15, July 15, Oct. 15.
- Chronicler: Dec. 15
- October 28 at 7:00 via Google. Agenda items to Gerhard by October 26, 2025 via senechal@owlsherst.eastkingdom.org

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM