

Adiantum Baronial Council Minutes, April 24, 2023

Start time: 7:05 pm

End time: 8:15 pm

Meeting held via Zoom

Attendees: Katherine, Yseult, Isis, Brynjarr, Eoghan, Muirenn, Fingall, Aila'ntha, Alan, Wulfric, Helen, Johanna, Murchadh, Avina, Alejandro, Hrodnavar, Asgerdr, Godwynn, John Wayland, Donald Doublerose, Mearwyn, Hauk, Jacob Redbourne

WORDS from Their Excellencies Brynjarr and Isis – Bar Gemels was amazing with a fabulous turnout. Our Birthday Bash – amazing, well put on, well done, thanks to Wulfric and his entire team. Great to see new populace and older populace returning. Looking forward to Egils – let's keep going upward and building our community.

WORDS from the Seneschal – Birthday Bash was great, fun, some questions about how things went, understandable. Concern about timed round was that people might not be able to hear the time so close to the road, so we skipped that one. There were questions about crossbows having an advantage, but second place by one point was a period long bow, so no material advantage seen!

OLD BUSINESS

Birthday Bash report, Wulfric: Birthday Bash has come and gone! The event had 83 people enter through the Gate, with 10 people utilizing Gold Key. The Event earned \$99 dollars in donations, almost covered half our budget. I could have communicated more clearly to ensure the Archery events went more smoothly. Overall, the event was a success with net positive feedback from the attendants. Is there post event paperwork needed? Murchadh returned the key, so all is good.

New Champions:

- Archery: John Wayland
- Youth Archery: Finn Ua Cleirign
- Thrown Weapons: Murchadh Monaidh Chraoibhe (Charbroil!)

Egil's Tourney report, May 26-29, Hrodnavar Hakonson: Steward. Advisor Emeritus: Yseult of Broceliande **Location:** Lynx Hollow Park, Creswell, OR **Date:** May 26 – 29, 2023

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Report: The original Event Proposal estimated fixed costs at \$17 per person. This includes cost of water, trash, biffies, and the OPRD fees for site use. Actual expenses are running about \$20 per person. With an expected turnout of 850 people, this means expenses are already \$2550 greater than expected, however OPRD rebates for utilities should cover about half of the extra expense. The event stewards have enacted measures to counter the increased costs, saving ~\$1100 on budgeted costs of site tokens and prizes. The net result should still have us close to the original bottom line. The "Unofficial" Facebook group was initiated on Feb. 22, and now has 111 members. Note that the group is public, so one does not need to be a member to see the information. Emma is managing communications through Social Media.

The Egils website is up and running, and is being populated with all necessary and useful information, plus links to forms and maps. Kat and Eleini have been working to make the website intuitive and visually appealing

Pre-registration opened on March 1 and will continue through May 10. Everything seems to be going well, we have not gotten many questions. Merchant applications are also coming in. I will have pre-reg numbers to report at Council.

A full slate of martial activities is being planned and advertised. The Summits Thrown Weapon ("Hunter") championship has also been scheduled for Egils.

The schedule of A&S classes is filling out. So far 21 classes confirmed, expect more to come. Lynx Hollow Work Parties were held on April 1 and 16. Another is scheduled for April 29.

- Volunteers cleared the edges of the meadow to create more camping space.
- One stairway from the meadow down to the water truck/biffy area is completed. A second stairway will be started on April 29 and finished in May.
- Pyks has not been able to bring his heavy equipment onto the site yet, due to wet weather.
- ODFW has entrusted me with a key to the Lynx Hollow gate.

We have lined up all needed prizes, at a cost of ~\$400 (the event proposal budgeted \$1000 for prizes).

A team meeting was held Thursday, March 30.

Remarks, Hrodnavaar: Egils is an all hands on deck deal – we need as much help as you can give. Will set up on Wednesday (portapots), Hrodnavar will be on site through the event keeping an eye on what's set up. If you help set up Wed. or Thurs., we offer the ability to set up camp early. You can camp or not as you wish. We have to charge \$3 per person per day for early campers (Parks rule). Work party this Sat., April 29. 11 am - 3 pm. This will be the last scheduled work party. Pykes & crew haven't been able to use their heavy equipment yet due to wet weather. They prefer to work week days, will try to get out as it dries out. However, with the agreement with the parks, we can work any time. Hrodnavar has a key to the park gate. We will start the second set of stairs Sat. – probably not finish. Will try to recruit a few folks to come out later and finish it up. If you want to do some clean-up on your own, let Hrodnavar know so we can log in your hours. Parks is supposed to mow shortly before the event. Schedule depends on the weather and wetness of the soil. Will talk with Parks about mowing Mon or Tues before the event. We are negotiating with Parks about the rental charge. This will probably mean a price increase next year. Still waiting to hear back from them about charges for this year.

Lands, Jacob Redbourne: 439 responses to lands reservations so far. RVs = 15 requests (6 with mobility issues). This will fill area A behind gate, We'll use the area by the boat launch as well. Cut-off is May 10 to ask for a reserved camp space. Then I'll start mapping the reservations. Will reach out to camp masters for accurate numbers in each camp. The Baron of 3M wants pavilion space on the Eric Kingdom, then Summits royals will get preference, then Baronies.

Adiantum Beach Revel, Oct. 21, 2023, 10-5, Cyeth and William: not present, no information

NEW BUSINESS –

Open officer positions: Youth Combat Marshal, Youth & Family Activities, Cut & Thrust, Social Media; Lists is seeking a successor.

Gold Key at the An Tir/West: An Tir asked if we would bring Adiantum's Gold Key to the An Tir/West War – the garb and pavilion. Gold Key will go home with the GK officer, then go to War in their school bus. We can put out a donation box. Passed unanimously.

Johanna would like to take a pavilion to the War to do Chatelaine things under, plus heavy/long stakes and stake puller. Unanimously passed.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

Arts & Sciences Aila'ntha of William's Keep: Arts & Sciences continues to meet on alternate Sundays at 2PM in hybrid events. We met online only on March 26th. Due to conflicting events our

next scheduled meeting will be Sunday, April 30th. This will be a hybrid event. We will be making Skjoldehamn hoods in preparation for Tourney season.

Preparatory to Egil's Tourney I am working on recruiting people to lead classes, demos, and geek sessions.

My warrant as A&S Minister expires June 30th. While I am aware that I could request another one year extension, I will be stepping down due to health issues. I am in ongoing discussion with a qualified member regarding my replacement. I will confirm this soon.

Chamberlain, Yseult of Broceliande: I filed my First Quarter report. On April 14 I gave access to the storage unit to Wulfric & company for items needed for Birthday Bash and checked back in the borrowed items on April 16. I have the poles for the 16' square Panther pavilion at my house so that I can paint them for easy identification.

Helen and Johanna have begun construction of the populace day shade that we are making for Egil's Tourney. Hrodnavar has acquired 2 center poles for it. We will use the 8 red poles from the decommissioned A&S pavilion for its side poles. Still needed is the ridgepole. I also have one of the black poles for the Gold Key pavilion at my house to replace its spike.

Ulf the Wanderer has offered to make a kneeler for Adiantum at no charge for labor. We have offered him the wood from the old Baronial Box Seat. I sent him dimensions and a picture of the Seat. If anyone is available to take it to him in north Salem in the next week or so? If we can get it to him quickly, we can probably have the kneeler for Egil's Tourney! Box size is 4' x 19" x 19"

Found inside the Baronial Seat, 2 seat cushions, 20" x 20" x 5" and one back cushion, 22" square (fabric is larger, very fat and cushy), all embroidered with the Adiantum arms.

Chatelaine, Johanna Trewpeny: Chatelaine has had an incredibly busy month! Super fun Adiantum Birthday Bash and a semi restful Bar Gemels with a great Chatelaine meeting and Newcomers on the Archery range. Quite a few online survey contacts as well.

Delivered banners to the Baron and Baroness.

At Birthday Bash, I hosted a newcomers Meet & Greet, followed by my latest iteration of the Chatelaine class: "A Noble's Guide to Eventing: for the Newcomer, Wandering Scadian, and Aspiring Peasant." The joke I am having fun explaining is that everyone starts out as minor nobility, so there are no peasants.... unless one really wants that style for their persona. The class was well received and from reports seems to have been helpful.

I also had fun using the chatelaine cookie stamp and setting up the display under the tent.

Thanks to Wulfric, Yseult and Big John for the extra efforts to get my items from storage. Thanks to many hands who made the setup, teardown and packing of the lady's dragon possible.

Upcoming: Please please please help with Archery Repair as we need as many arrows as possible for the new people. From what I have seen we may have a record turnout. If you don't know how to repair arrows yet, that's ok, you can help sort and learn!

I hate saying to people, sorry, you can't shoot since there is no gear available. I handed them my own at Bar Gemels to avoid saying it. To see the delight on their faces was worth it. Of special Note: one newcomer at Birthday Bash, now known as Elizabeth Chandler, brought her own archery gear to Bar Gemels and shared it with the newcomer who couldn't pull my bow. Yet another newcomer who is diving right in! Huzzah!

Finally, plans for a meet and greet and repeat class at Egils. Hoping to have a Chatelaine Parade to visit the camps. Currently have 100 newcomer buttons made with 100 more block printed and in process. Newcomer parade flag in process.

Chronicler, Yseult of Broceliande: I took minutes at the March Baronial Council, posted them in the Files section of the Barony's Facebook chat group, and sent them to the Web Minister for posting on the Baronial website. I filed my First Quarter report. I also gave the Web Minister information about what articles would be desirable for submission to the next BiCranial Bear.

I have never received the Chronicler's Officer medallion. I do not know whether one exists.

I have, with the Seneschal's approval, updated the An Tir Culturewiki entries for Adiantum and Egil's Tourney; also for Athold Brose, and the Elf Hill Times. The Culturewiki main page is http://antir.sca.wiki/index.php?title=Main_Page

I have filed copies of the 2022 BiCranial Bears with the SCA Archivist and sent my First Quarter report and the February Bear to the Summits Chronicler.

I'm missing Duties of the Office statements from Chatelaine, Gold Key, Herald, Lists, Archery and Rapier Marshals, Scribe, and Social Media.

My term as Chronicler ends this November; I am seeking a replacement. This is a fairly straightforward job: collecting officer and event reports, taking minutes at Baronial Council meetings, publishing them promptly by posting them in the Files section of the Facebook group 'Barony of Adiantum – Official Discussion Group', and sending them to the Web Minister for posting on the Baronial website. The Chronicler must also publish the baronial newsletter, the BiCranial Bear, four times a year. This is one of the requirements of being a Barony. Please contact me if you would like more information.

Exchequer, Asgerdr Audsdottir: Bank balance TODAY: \$17,099.24

1st quarter 2023 report was submitted. I have a deputy, Hobbit John, with whom I will be working and training. I intend to keep the office until January 2025, assuming I can extend my warrant by a year.

I will be out of town between April 30 and May 6; Yseult will have the check book.

Egils 23: If you have completed the PayPal training and would like to work at gate this Egils, please contact me so I can add you to the approval list for the event. Still waiting. Godwynn and Donald Doublerose are on the PayPal list.

Birthdays Bash: 83 attendees. Donations of \$99 were received. Cost of SCA insurance is now \$75. Nothing else new.

Gold Key, Helen Louise Gaskyn: Gold key is all clean and put away after Birthday Bash. At BB I helped 12 people with Key items. Sold \$60 worth of jewelry, bags, etc.

Gold key is ready for Egils and I am set to teach 4 classes at Egils. I plan on making a few more tunics and some hoods. Gold Key has some inkle belts, leather bags and some jewelry to sell for donations at Egils. I made a new dressing room curtain from donated fabric. Received fabric donation from Nai that Isis kindly brought over. Thank you!!! Had 5 people come and work on garb or making a pattern.

Gold Key has been asked to bring the Key to War. I need approval from Barony to take the GK pavilion and Key to An Tir West War this year. Already have help offered by TP Gold Key and the lovely people in our Barony.

Herald, Finngall McKetterick: Taught Field Heraldry & Town Cry class at Birthday Bash. Did some book heraldry consult at Bash, more on line. Can't be at the mini-tourney on May 6, but printed off patten cards that I can give to Wulfric for that practice.

Lists, Acacia: not present, nothing to report.

Marshals

Archery, Alan Bowyer:

Archery season begins soon. The lawn is mowed, the stage is set. Inventories are being taken, gear repaired, new targets set aside. New marshals are in training. Birthday Bash gave us a new champion, John Wayland, and we have a Youth Champion for the first time. Finn Ua Cléirigh will take his place behind the throne of Adiantum, and defend our coronets.

Adiantum was a fine neighbor to Terra Pomeria, from setting up the range, running safety inspections, scoring, to breakdown. We did Summits proud.

No scores to report yet, injuries or fatalities either.

Armored Combat, Wulfric Marinus: No injuries to report for April practices. Practices have typically had about 4 or more fighters present. Something that has appeared to help with getting people out to practice is posting on the Facebook group to confirm practice is happening and give an idea of what the practice will contain, if there are any lessons being taught. May 6 is a practice with field heraldry and new heralds to practice for Egils.

Cut & Thrust: office is vacant.

Rapier, Hauk Bjarnarson: Nothing of interest to report. Minimal Rapier activity lately. 2 to 4 fighters a night, no injuries. Will be part of the May 6 practice.

Thrown Weapons, Eoghan Ua Cléirigh: Practices have been held Monday evenings, 4:00 – 7:00pm, and most Saturdays 12:00 – 16:00, at the Dexter Range, and are coordinated with Archery practices as weather allows. Practices are also adjusted so as not to conflict with Events.

Practices attendance has been down slightly due to weather and illness, as well as conflicting events and work parties. Scores have been reported and no injuries or accidents have occurred. Our Barony currently has the top 3 throwers in the Kingdom, all in the expert Division. The Baronial Trailer is located in Dexter. All hitch and door locks are on the trailer and Murchadh has custody of the keys. Thrown Weapons is set up both in the barn and outside adjacent to the archery range in Dexter.

Adiantum will be hosting the Summits Hunter Championship this year at Egil's Tourney.

Youth Armored Combat: office is vacant

Scribe, Victoria De Kente: This month, I completed all the charters requested for Birthday Bash, and they were presented. I was unable to attend because of personal illness. I will also be unable to attend Council this month because of a death in the family.

Seneschal, Murchadh Monaidh Chroaibhe: Adiantum Birthday Bash was a success. There were some minor issues, but we have new Archery and Thrown Weapons Champions, and our first Youth Archery Champion.

Egils is just around the corner, and everyone's assistance is needed to make it a success.

The last critical piece of transition is the Bank Signature Card, which I am working with the Exchequer to update. As anyone who has been through this will tell you, dealing with the banking processes is always challenging. This time around we also have a bank merger in the mix.

I submitted my Quarterly Report and would like to thank our Officers for getting all of theirs in on time. We have our Volunteer Agreement on Lynx Hollow Park approved and our Egils Event Steward has been working closely with the State Parks Manager to schedule and track our work at the Park. I'd like to start brain-storming how we want to continue the work. I have some ideas, but I'd like to hear others.

I've received confirmation from Society of a completed background check, valid through 3/31/2025. I know there are others in the works but wanted everyone to know the Barony has one. If you need me present for a youth-specific activity, please contact me.

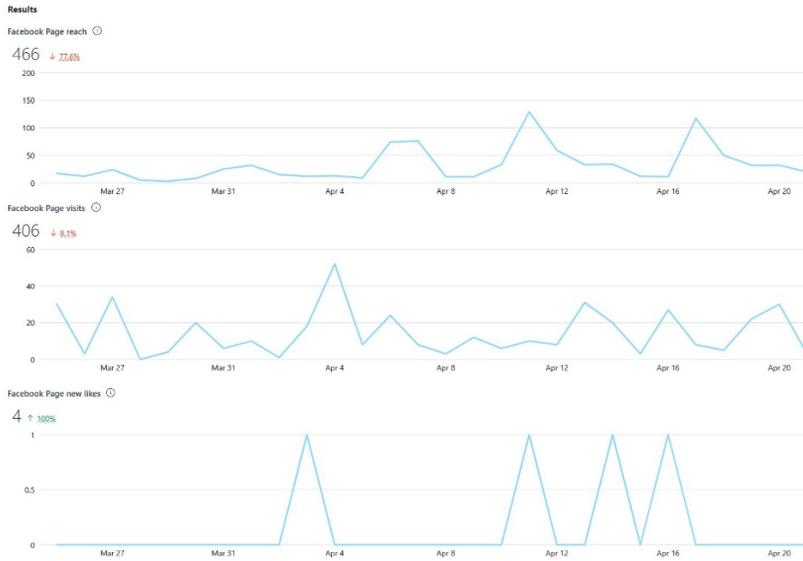
As the Social Media Officer is a direct report to the Seneschal, I will include that information in my report until the position is filled.

Web Minister, Katherine of the Lakes: I have kept the website up to date this month. I have worked on making a calendar that is more usable and self sustaining. I have also added several events to Facebook to help keep up the calendar. I have also worked on the Egil's website. I gave Pam log-in

information so that she could make simple changes to the site. I have also gotten permissions signed and added pictures. I hope to get more pictures soon and at Egils itself. I have also worked with the Heavy Marshal to set up a "class" to practice field marshaling before Egils in the hopes that more people would be willing to participate at the event.

Social Media (office is vacant). **From the Seneschal, Murchadh Monaidh Chroaibhe:** Social Media status: Facebook Page and Official Discussion Group have been monitored daily, with events and mandatory postings submitted as requested. No violation of SCA/An Tir Social Media policies noted.

Official FB Page metrics:



Official FB Discussion Group metrics:

