

Baronial Business Meeting

August 2, 2018

Officer reports are verbatim, meeting notes are paraphrased.

Baron and Baroness

Greetings unto the good and noble populace of Dragon's Laire! Proconsul Conchobhar Mac Eoin and Proconsula Eilidh Keldeleth are greatly pleased, proud and humbled by This, the Mightiest of Baronies.

We are so very happy and excited to see many new faces at practice these days. We encourage all Our populace to introduce and yes, RE-INTRODUCE yourselves to those you cannot recall the names of. Strengthen the ties of friendship within the Barony. If you cannot remember their name, chances are they cannot remember yours. Freely admit you remember the face but have forgotten the name and be willing to laugh a little at your own expense and you may be surprised to find how far a simple act such as that can go to help another feel at ease. Don't let another feel alienated over your own social fears. We were all new once. Reach out and continue to reach out. We cannot stress how important it is to the strength and future of Dragon's Laire.

Dragon's Laire's greatest strength and most precious treasure lies in Her people. In our travels this camping season we are minded of these treasures we are blessed with here at home. With this in mind We look forward to Our Barony's hosting of September Crown. We are confident Master Arontius and his team will do an exemplary job running this event. As always, hosting a Kingdom level event is a huge responsibility, and one that puts all our skills and experience to the test. Even if you do not have an assigned job as of yet, it is important to be ready to step in when need arises. In particular, the weekend of the event itself. Many hands make quick work of setting up and tearing down, and willing helpers are always appreciated on Saturday to help spell someone for a lunch or necessary break, or run a quick errand.

While we as a Barony hold the attention of Their Majesties and the nobility of An Tir it is a fortuitous time to put in award recommendations for those deserving of recognition. A good place to start is with the An Tir Order of Precedence branch page for Dragon's Laire. Listed are all the people who have EVER called Dragon's Laire home. Many do not play anymore, so it is important to look at dates when the last awards were given. However it is a good way to see what awards people have, or do not have, and each award is linked to an explanation of that award. If an individual has never received an award, they will not be found on this page. That fact however does not prevent you from submitting an award recommendation. The following link should take you to the Kingdom OP page for the Dragon's Laire branch.

<https://op.antirheralds.org/index.php?branchByName=14&ward=0&ward1=0&ward2=0>

To submit a Kingdom Award the following link can be found by a quick Google search for "An Tir Award Recommendations" Fill out the form to the best of your ability. Don't anguish over what you don't know, but pay close attention to giving specifics about the deeds of the individual you are recommending for award. Give examples, give details, let Their Majesties get to know them through your words, and give Them the confidence to put Their name and seal on an award based on your recommendation.

<http://antir.sca.org/recommendations.php>

Before September Crown we have Honey War and Autumn war. The forces of Dragon's Laire will be taking the field at these wars but don't forget that there are also Siege weapons to man, Combat and target archery to participate in as well as Arts and Sciences, thrown weapons and volunteering. Just because we are not running the event, other places will benefit from our assistance and we can also earn war points for helping out.

In Joyful Service,
Baron Conchobar Mac Eoin
Baroness Eilidh Keldeleth

From the meeting:

There will be no alcohol AT ALL at honey war, liquor control board will be there and will shut it all down.

Regarding award recommendations, please take the time to pay attention to the description section of the recommendation form. The Crown would like honest and factual explanations and examples for why the person is recommending an award. DO NOT COPY AND PASTE or it will get ignored.

We are going to daytrip Honey War. We will camp Autumn War, and may go to Banner War. Kloe is working on the camp for the Barony at September Crown.

We have included a line to the Order of Precedence (OP) in our monthly report. Be sure to transfer awards if you have received any from other Kingdoms, double check the spelling of your name to avoid duplicate awards, and be sure to copy us (the Baron and Baroness) with award recommendations so we can add our voices to the award.

The second link we included in our report is to the award recommendation form.

Kingdom feast is coming up. There will be lots of good food, arts and sciences, and fighting. It will be at Ocean Shores second weekend in October.

OFFICER REPORTS

Seneschal
THL Ciar ingen Fiachnae

Report:

Greetings unto the Great Barony of Dragon's Laire and the Dread Coronets!

Our summer has flown by and been crazy busy. Many thanks to those that are stepping up to meet and greet our new friends as well as teach, loan gear, and drag in heavy books with cool art.

REMINDER 1: Officers AND Event Staff have 3 days to acknowledge that you sent them a communication. They then have a further week to actually provide you answer to that communication. PLEASE have patience and remember that we are all volunteers 😊

In Service,

Ciar ingen Fiachnae
Seneschal

Marshallate

Baronial Lord Stuart of House Awry

Baronial Marshals report,

It's been a while. We had June Faire fight practice. It continues to go well and we have gained some new fighters who will be constructing armor outside at VFW on August 26th. We will be setting up an assembly line to speed production (this is not a bring your own project to work on sort of class).

YIS, Stuart of House Awry

Rapier

No separate report at this time.

Archer Lord Stephen of House Awry

Another month has come and gone with many newcomers coming out to shoot. They are starting to dwindle as the months after June Faire pass. Some are getting their own gear and others are realizing their time at the range is done as they are not picking up their own equipment.

Thrown Weapons

No separate report at this time.

Siege

No separate report at this time.

Equestrian

On hiatus. No separate report at this time.

Arts & Sciences

Murakami Tsuruko-Sensei

We held several classes at fighter practice in July including a Hand-Sewing Roundtable and Beginning Heraldry with Countess Elisabeth.

August classes include an Embroidery Roundtable on Aug. 7th and a Culinary Roundtable on Aug. 21st.

More classes are in the works and will be announced as soon as we get the details worked out. If there are any classes that you would like to see please contact me or one of my deputies, Countess Elisabeth or Dame Gwen and we'll see what we can arrange.

Some of the Dragon's Lair artisans will be supporting the Arts and Sciences activities at Autumn War later this month. Everyone is invited to join them and add to the fun.

There will be a low-key Artisan's Village at September Crown including a culinary play area, a potters' workshop, a fiber arts pavilion, a game pavilion and bardic activities. Feel free to join us and get your geek on!

Also at September Crown there will be Embellisher's Guild challenges and Costumer's Guild activities, location to be determined.

Don't forget about our Arts & Sciences Daycamp on October 27th at the Port Orchard Eagles Hall.

YIS,

Murakami Tsuruko
Arts & Sciences Minister

Chronicler

THL Sayako Enoki

No report at this time.

Herald/Golden Dragon Pursuivant

Countess Elisabeth de Rossignol

Heraldic activity this month has been mostly name and device consultation. Members of the populace who would like help with either are encouraged to contact me to set up a time at the social. This will help make sure the right books and other resources are there when we need them.

The first class on book heraldry was taught on July 17. More will be forthcoming as can be arranged with the A&S Minister.

Volunteers who can help out as field heralds at September Crown would be much appreciated. If you're interested and would like to learn more, please see me as above. It's a great way to help out both the Barony and the Kingdom, as well as meet new people.

I like to forward the occasional heraldic-related link to the baronial Facebook page. If there's some topic you'd like to read about, let me know.

Questions? Please ask!

Countess Elisabethj

Chatelaine
Isemy MaKenze

Gold Key Report:

Good afternoon Dragon's Laire,

Garb was checked out and returned for ATWW.

If you need to borrow garb for an upcoming event (Honey War, Autumn War, Sept Crown) please let me know and I can bring the tubs to fighter practice for you to go through. Remember, garb is limited and is checked out on a first come first served basis. If you need garb and can't make it to FP please contact me to make arrangements to come to my house.

In Service,

THL Jess, Gold Key Mistress

AWW gold key has come back. get in touch with jess if you want clothes.

From the meeting:

We had 33 emails this month, and there were many newcomers at social.

We also will have a farmers market demo in Shelton on September 22nd.

Exchequer
Gabrielle de Cameron

The Barony's bank balances are as follows:

Checking: \$41,260.01

Savings: \$24,286.38
CD: \$10,241.06

This is my last report as Exchequer. Many thanks to my awesome deputy, HL Richard Everett.

I will be leaving the office in the capable hands of Master Arontius, who I am sure will do a fantastic job.

In Service,
Gabrielle de Cameron

There is a preliminary Junefaire report, but there are more check requests. We are expecting about \$10-11000 profit, which is a little less than last year, but we had expenses this year that we did not last year, like the dust control.

Steward **Master Arontius of Bygelswade**

The office has been turned over to Kloe, and we will try to get a larger storage unit. There is a 10x25 (5' longer than what we have now) for \$260. If we prepay for a year, then we can get discount, and there are other discounts. This unit is about \$40 more a month than we are paying now. Storage is scarce, so it's a good find.

Gamesmaster

No separate report at this time.

Lists *Position open*

Webminister **Máenach na Cailled**

Apparently, another month has passed!

To be honest, my July was focused on my day job and I fell behind on my Webminister duties. However, "beta.scratch.mit.edu" is now live and the 2018 Scratch Conference has been completed, so the pressure is off until... probably November or so.

My current priorities, in order, are:

1. Fix the issue where some computers are unable to load the baronial web site. I'm working on a set of changes that I believe will fix the issue and I hope to publish the changes within the next week.
2. Follow up on a few emails regarding calendar events, etc.

3. Several officers have asked me for assistance with setting up Office 365 accounts; I'm also aware of an issue or two (misspelled addresses, for example) that I will work with Kingdom IT to resolve.

Let me know if you have urgent concerns that don't fall into one of those categories. Thanks!

Here's what I did manage to change on the site... mostly behind-the-scenes changes:

303d2f6 Add Office 365 instructions page

1ce652b Move legacy site into legacy/

b743d87 npm init

ecacb93 Make webpack copy legacy site to dist

no work on july. modern life attacked.

Social media

Kosem of House Awry

No separate report at this time.

YACs

Position open

No separate report at this time.

Scribe

Rhiannon of Eaglesflight

Greetings all!

Not much to report for July. Now I have to get going on the September Crown awards. PLEASE recommend baronial members for awards. You can do it right on the DL website!!

After several classes, the initial crowd of potential scribes has died down as most of them are trying out other new activities. A couple have stayed with it and will hopefully be ready to paint charters for later events.

YIS,

Rhiannon of EaglesFlight
Baronial Scribe

Librarian
Lady Ela Pennayth y Ynis Dewi

We have more books to add to the library.

YAFA

On hiatus.

GUILDS

Bardic

No separate report at this time.

Culinary & Spiritmakers
THL Ciar ingen Fiachnae

Greetings unto the Mighty Dragon's Laire!

The Culinary Guild had a great July with both a well attended play day on July 7th and a monthly meeting on July 25. Our next scheduled meeting is 23rd.

We are currently planning to host both a culinary play space and siege cooking competition at September Crown (burn ban permitting) and advertising for those activities will begin this weekend.

Everyone is welcome to attend our activities, if in doubt about time or location please reach to me in person or by email to DragonsLaire.Culinary@antir.org.

Ciar ingen Fiachnae
Culinary and Spirit-makers Guild

From the meeting:

The play day at Foxdog Farms was well attended.

At our monthly meeting, Theodoric talked about miso production and some of its uses. In August, I don't know if culinary playday will happen due to schedule, but in September, the guild will host a playday and siege cooking at Crown.

Costumers
THL Jess of the Roving Irishmen

Greeting Great Barony,

I have spoken with several newcomers about beginner garb and they have shown an interest in having a class on rectangular construction. I am looking at holding this series of classes after September Crown as I am on the event team.

If you have any garb related questions or need assistance in making garb I can be found at FP on most Tuesdays or reached by email at allonsyjess@gmail.com

In Service,
THL Jess, Costumers Guild Mistress

From the meeting.

There is interest in a rectangular construction class, so we will schedule one.

Scribal Maitre Renart le Fox de Berwyk

The Baronial Scribal guild continues to hold our monthly meetings and they have been well attended. The last being on the 8th of July, all that came had a good time and were busy all day. Next meeting will be held at the VFW Hall on Sunday August 26th 10AM - 6PM. Please bring a snack to share with the other scribes. It was asked if we could have a class on correcting mistakes, oopsies, oh noes! and such, I will bring handouts and teach this class sometime during the afternoon. It was also suggested that we have a class on painting gemstones and other shiny things, we will have such a class in September. THL Rhiannon has been doing the lion's share of the work during most of the Tuesday socials working with those interested in painting, she is setting her sights on sainthood for all the happy faces she creates. Thank you Rhiannon! If you are interested in learning how to paint, calligraphy, please see me at the Tuesday socials or email me at renartlefox@gmail.com

Renart

Textiles

No separate report at this time

DRAGON'S LAIRE EVENTS

Candlemas (February)

Baronial Championships for Arts & Sciences, Scholars, and Bardic

THL Stuart is putting a bid together, but it's not ready yet.

Arts & Sciences Day Camp (Spring)

Nothing to report.

Junefaire (First Weekend of June)

Annual Flagship Event, Open to the Public

Event Steward: Maitre Renart le Fox de Berwyk

Junefaire planning will begin soon.

Last Chance (September/October)

Baronial Martial Championships

Nothing to report.

Arts & Sciences Day Camp (Autumn)

Event Steward: Dame Gwen the Potter

Nothing to report.

Yule (December)

Annual Baronial Feast

Event Steward: Dame Gwen the Potter

Nothing to report.

OTHER EVENTS

September Crown (September 2018)

Tournament to Determine the Next King & Queen of An Tir

Master Arontius of Bygelswade

September Crown 2018 - Team Haggis V

August, 2018, Event Report

1. Most major contracts in place (Biffy, Scooter, Table/Chair Rental, Site, Insurance). Items still on the docket include confirmation of trash dumpsters, straw bales, and permits required for site.
2. Site Lay-Out complete (with adjustments as usual between now and event).
3. Proposed schedule at Kingdom for review.
4. Set-up to begin on site on Thursday before the event. Please do not show up before 1PM (unless part of crew laying out line and site infrastructure).
5. People camping overnight Thursday must be kept to a minimum. Do not plan to camp Thursday unless you've made arrangements with myself (Arontius) and the Campmistress (Kloe).
6. Packing up the U-Haul will happen at 6PM on Wednesday evening before Crown. We will be at Unit 462 at the Fairgrounds Reliable Storage off of Fairgrounds and Waaga Way.
7. Warning! Most likely there will be a burn ban in place. Be prepared for this with proper camp cooking arrangements. **NO OPEN FIRES!**
8. All information will be officially disseminated through the Kingdom Calendar Web-Page for September Crown. Please go here first for information. Between now and Crown, Arontius will be sending 'News Flashes' to the Baronial Facebook Page, the Event Facebook Page, and the An Tir Kingdom Facebook Page.
9. Marketplace is complete. Please be prepared for no food merchants possibly.
10. We will definitely need help with site set-up, Gate, Scooter support between parking and hilltop, and other duties. Starting Thursday and running all the way through Friday. On Sunday we definitely need help in packing up the U-Haul and putting all the Baronial equipment back into storage. Please go to the volunteer sign-up sheet (the link is posted at the Kingdom Calendar Web-Page).

Remember, Team Haggis V is REALLY the entire Barony of Dragon's Laire. The Barony NEEDS YOUR HELP in order to shine brightly to the rest of the Kingdom as they visit our lands for the Crown Tournament. Please consider helping, it will be deeply appreciated!

Thank you, Arontius of Bygelswade.
Chairman, Team Haggis V.
September Crown 2018.

most contracts are in place. Just need straw bales and permits. will lay out lines on Wednesday,

PROPOSALS, OTHER, and Oh-By-The-Way's

Proposals

Proposal for the Financial Committee

Kloe - We need good metal shelves for the storage unit. The committee preapproved spending on metal shelves for \$, and also for OSB for the shelf decking. Will resubmit a proposal with final prices since the price of material can change.

Oh-by-the-Way's

Nothing to report.

Open Officer Positions

*Youth Armored Combat (YACs)** – this position requires a background check.

** Positions that work with youth must meet additional requirements, including a background check and additional supervision. Adult participation in youth activities must meet the "Two Deep" rule, meaning that two adults must be present for youth activities. The second adult need not participate, but instead may simply be present, and must not be of the same household as the first adult, nor be the parent of the child. For more information on youth requirements, please contact the Seneschal.*