

**Lionsdale Council Meeting
Townsend Greens Clubhouse - Chilliwack
February 17, 2005**

Present:	Lord Lou Tang (Seneschal)	Lord John Shewan
	Lady Elspeth Selwode	Tomas de Courcy
	HL Bridghid	HL Genevieve de Clairvaux
	Lord Richarde Touchet	HL Sofia Marika Trom von Trifels

OFFICER REPORTS:

A&S Report – Lady Elspeth Selwode of Wilton, MoAS

Ongoing Projects:

A&S Static Display, Stone walls on canvas – Nothing to report.

A&S Gathering

I held an Usborne Books showing at the January 31st practice, with any hostess proceeds being given to Elena of Lionsdale, our Pied Piper, to build a resource library for her office. Four free books have been ordered for Pied Piper, which I trust will be put to good use.

Submissions this month:

Beth is working on garb for Raphael, working on a new red silk fighting shirt for herself and is planning garb for Aine, Caitilin, Alejandro and Astrid.

Jón Björnsson is working on the following:

- Throwing weapons for Lionsdale
- Knock down (read takes apart easy and stores flat) late period wooden chairs (and one that incorporates the person's device or arms in the back).
- a hand carved Celtic wax tablet
- a carved wooden and antler Norse game
- He doesn't think it's A&S related, but he has been helping some new fighters with their armour and weapons.

Jón has also snatched on the following people:

- Martha (Bowdyn's lady) has completed a hand made rag doll, complete with garb
- Bowdyn has been working on his armour and aside from a helm, he's almost done
- Mairi has completed another friendship favour

He seemed remorseful for not being as prolific as in previous months, but assures me that the pace should pick up next month!

I have been working on garb for a friend's children, new under-tunics for Geoffrey and have begun altering an Italian Ren gown with Bridghid's help.

Bard – No report (Office Vacant)

Exchequer Report – HL Sofia Marika Trom von Trifels

Expenses for Pied Piper, hall rental and Winter Tourney	\$1,280.00
Income from practice donations, May Crown, and interest	\$ 636.91

Chamberlaine

Only ¼ of storage space used; now have a new carpet to use to protect delicate floors from fighters' damage

Chatelaine Report – Giberet Beth Tappuwach Zahab – No Report

Gold Key – Elspeth is doing repairs on some loaner garb for Winter's Tourney

Pied Piper Report: Elena of Lionsdale

Winter's Tourney

The kid's activities at winter's tourney will rock!

Supplies

I am in the process of getting all the supplies together. I will have almost everything for Winter's Tourney.

Pied Piper Resources

Next council, I plan on asking council for funds to create the beginning of resource library for Pied Piper activities.

Chirurgion – No Report (Office Vacant)

Waterbearer Report – No Report

Chronicler Report – No Report (Office Vacant)

Web Minister – His Lordship Kieran Gunn – No Report

Constable Report – No Report (Office Vacant)

Herald – No report (Office Vacant)

Marshal Report – Lord John Shewan, Master of Stables

Champion Communications

Lionsdale Archery Champion- Lady Hæletha atté Leigh no concerns from this Champion.

Lionsdale Armoured Champion- Lord Ian Gower no contact

Lionsdale Light Champion – Lord William Arwemakere has been attending practice to encourage Lionsdalers and answer question in regards to Light Fighting & Archery.

Lionsdale Rapier Champion – His Lordship Don Pierce O'Briain has been attending practice to teach, encourage and answer questions from fighters.

Lionsdale Thrown Weapons Champion – His Lordship Don Pierce O'Briain has had regular contact.

Events & Demos

Workshop- went well with several more armour pieces made with even more patterns

Zid was authorized two handed sword

We had a visit from Her Highness at the Phoenix Tourney.

Marshal

Marshal training on Monday Nights.

Practices

January/February Princess Armouries practices have been well attended

Archery – has dipped to a steady turn out of about 8 Archers per night with a max attendance of 14 in one night this month. Practice runs from 6-7:30PM Mondays. No reported injuries.

Armoured - starting to grow with a steady attendance of over 10 per practice with a max of 14 in one night. Had a visit from Sergeant Miles Fitzhubert this month. No reported injuries.

Light - No Official Practice

Rapier - well attended and going strong ... please refer to the Master of Blades Report for details.

A&S- a small interest here please refer to the Arts & Science report for details.

Communications from the Armouries – nothing

Correspondence – None
Officer/Deputy information – nothing to report.

Archery Marshal – Lord Arnarr – No report

Equestrian Marshal – No Report (Office vacant)

Rapier Marshal – Lord Richarde Touchet

The Shire's Rapier community continues to be strong and well attended. On average 12 to 15 students take classes taught by Don Pierce and myself. I would like to thank Don Guido for his guest appearance and teaching a class last Thursday. His passion for rapier fighting and teaching is second to none.

At this point two students are near to being authorized.

Two weeks ago Cordell managed our shires Phoenix Tourney with about 16 people attending. The tournament began with a challenge round. There were 11 authorized fighters and 5 unauthorized fighters on the lists. The authorized fighters challenged the unauthorized fighters and all fighters fought well and with honour. The second round was a bear pit. Cailean MacQuarrie won the most fights in this round. The new Phoenix Champion was chosen by accolade based on fighting style and skill, honour, and chivalry. I am pleased to announce that the new Lionsdale Phoenix Champion is Soraya. HRH ban-Fhlaith Bernadett presented Soraya with the Championship Cloak. An award was given to Alejandro D'legossi for most chivalric fighter by HRH ban-Fhlaith Bernadett as well. The next Phoenix Tournament will be organized by the new champion, Soraya, within the next several weeks. I encourage the populace to come out and support our rapier fighters at a most entertaining event. I would like to thank Rhyanna D'Adriano and Elena of Lionsdale for helping me with the lists and also to Elena for waterbearing for the fighters. We were also honoured with the presence of HRH ban-Fhlaith Bernadett in attendance.

Don Pierce took a war wagon to the Shire of Cold Keep in the Principality of Avacal and reported:

- 1) Argan Greystone won.
- 2) Kateryn received Best Death.
- 3) All Lionsdale combatants were complimented by numerous people for their chivalric conduct both on and off the field of combat. The populace of the Shire was very pleased to have us in attendance.
- 4) Note that Cold Keep is in the Principality of Avacal and thereby shows that our rapier fighters are well travelled through this Kingdom.
- 5) Tomas DeCoursey made such a good impression during last year's visit to this Shire that a few gentles asked about his absence. This speaks great measures about this Shire's representation in other regions.

Preparations are complete for the Shires Rapier Championship Feb19 Don Pierce and I are MICing the event and hope it to be well attended. The following is an announcement of the event:

Shire of Lionsdale Rapier Championship Tourney February 19 2005

The Shire of Lionsdale, in conjunction with its current Champion Don Pierce O Briain has decided to move the date of our Rapier Championship from June to February! Don Pierce and I would like to promote clean and precise fighting. To aid and abet that idea we have decided the following: The format chosen to decide the next Lionsdale Champion will be a 2 bear pit style with a timed 15 second bout! If after 15 seconds there is no clear winner, ie one person alive then both fighters must report a loss! There will be two 45 min sessions with a 10 minute break in between being played between two erics. After the break the fighters will be remixed for the next 45 min session. The top four fighters will advance to a semifinal single elimination to be seeded by wins. ie The fighter with the most wins will play the fourth semifinalist and number two fighter will play the third placing fighter. Each fighter can choose their best offhand device. The final two will advance to a best of three final. The new Lionsdale Champion will be presented with a rapier sword to be carried with pride for a full year and organize the Lionsdale Rapier Championship Tourney next February. Our past Champions, Don Pierce, Lord Augustine and all the others have displayed a high degree of chivalry and courtesy to our fair Shire. I would hope that our next Champion will be as inspirational. Also, I will strongly encourage our new Champion to visit the Shire often and teach our new rapier students their rapier skills. Lists and armour inspection will open at 10 to 11 am and fighting will start shortly thereafter. Time permitting there will be pickup fights following the Bear pit.

Date: February 19, 2005

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Place: Aggasiz Agricultural and Horticultural Hall, Aggasiz, B.C.

Lord Richarde Touchet Master of Blades Shire of Lionsdale

I have completed building 20 wooden eric posts for the Shire and will be using them this Saturday for the Tourney. This completes the promise I made some months ago to replace and or add to the steel posts that the Shire has now! I will be asking the Shire for monetary reimbursement for material. About a year and half ago I was given 40 dollars to purchase a leather gorget from Kieran Moonhawk. I decided to use the 40 dollars for partial purchase of the materials. I will submit receipts.

There have been no new authorizations this month, no weapon failures, and no personal incidents..

Lord Richarde Touchet Master of Blades for Lionsdale

Thrown Weapons Marshal – Algennon – No Report

Youth Combat Marshal – No Report (Office vacant)

Mistress of Lists Report – Mairi MacDougall

Phoenix Tournament – Monday, February 7, 2005:

We were honoured with the presence of HRH ban-Fhlaith Bernadett in attendance. The tournament began with a challenge round. There were 11 authorized fighters and 5 unauthorized fighters on the lists. The authorized fighters challenged the unauthorized fighters and all fighters fought well and with honour.

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OPEN OFFICES

Bard; Chirurgeon; Chronicler; Constable; Herald; Youth Combat

OLD BUSINESS

Winter's Tourney:

Site will be open Friday at 8pm for set up, and then again at 6am.

Decals:

Query as to what is actually happening with them.

Champions:

Same

Sofia & Yrsa walked the site it has been expanded and leveled.

Arrows :

Lord Symon Cottell donated a box of arrows after Baroness' Tourney.

Fight Practice IOU Policy Change:

Gentles who are either 5 weeks or \$10 in arrears then you will be denied access until you can make payment in full.

NEW BUSINESS

Ithra:

2 days in a row at the Princess Armories
16-17 October 2005

Cross Stitch for Raffle:

John Shewan is checking the legalities with the BC Lottery Corporation.
Elsbeth is building a web-link from the forum to a viewing site.
Proceeds to go to the Shire's Coffers.

The next council meeting will be held on Thursday, March 17th at 7:00pm at the clubhouse at Townsend Greens in Chilliwack.