

**Lionsdale Council Meeting
Maximus' Home - Chilliwack
September 15, 2005**

Present:	HL Lou Tang (Seneschal)	Mairi MacDougall (Deputy Seneschal)
	Lord Symon Cottell	HL Sofia Marika Trom von Trifels
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	HL Bridghid ni Liam	Lady Elspeth Selwode
	Lord John Shewan	Maximus

OFFICER REPORTS:

A&S Report – HL Genevieve de Clairvaux

The new painted wall panel is halfway complete, due to the efforts of Muriel, Andrea, Tarn, Astrid, Daggar, Ayame, Yolanda, Victoria, Bridghid, and myself. Bridghid and Sofia are working on the design of the next two panels.

Elspeth and Elisabeth are working on embroidered favours, and Algennon is completing an armoured lion sketch and a painting.

The second issue of the Paw Print has been printed and Bridghid is working on the next issue with Johanna's assistance.

Kenneth of Shaftsbury, Vivien of Shaftsbury and Elena de Masnilwarin taught an impromptu class while visiting that allowed Johanna to teach Norse wire weaving to many Shire members. Ion made her a draw plate to make this possible.

Haldorr received a necklace and new garb in appreciation for his efforts to make practices and events a positive experience for members of the Shire. The beads for the necklace were made by Fenya. The trim for the garb and the woven chain for the necklace were made by Johanna. Sofia and Johanna put the outfit together with material donated by Elspeth and themselves.

Ion, Haldorr, Bowdyn, and Michael Zidel cast beautiful pewter event tokens and made painted and carved signs and equipment for Odin's Playground with the help of Mairi and all of their children. The Odin's Playground Autocrat team did a lot of research to bring us documentable period Norse games to play (modified so no real sheep were injured).

Aine and Raya wore their new eastern outfits, which were made for them by Basseva.

Johanna is building (with help) a new inkle loom.

I have completed a cavalier hat and dress.

Thanks to Bridghid, Johanna, and Muriel for your assistance with A&S duties.

Bard – Argan – No Report

Exchequer Report – Lord Brandoch le pas d'Acier – No Report

Chamberlaine – No Report

Chatelaine Report – Basseva

New Contact – Another new influx of young people to Monday and Tuesday practices. Attended Odin's Playground. Was not a demo, but was located in an open site. Made contact with several interested parties. Yet to hear back from any of them.

Attendance – Nothing new to report

Demos – Ready and waiting for Minter Demo. A new Chatelaine display will be revealed!

Gold Key/Iron Key/Feast Key – Elora has spoken with me and has made a request for funds to buy storage bins for Gold Key. The current bins do not have lids and make transport and storage difficult. She also informed me that she is going through our stock and weeding out items that are too worn or are in need of repair.

Media – Nothing new to report

Activities – Elora made a suggestion about a Gold Key sewing day, as Gold Key has many donations of fabric, but no one to sew it.

Concerns – At the event this weekend I made contact with a very interested party. I spent the day with her family, introducing them to what the SCA had to offer. I was frustrated to see all my hard work of portraying the SCA as a family safe environment go to waste as soon as the Bardic Competition took

place. The lady in question requested that a song with bawdy content was not appropriate for her child who was attending the competition. This was met with little consideration by the participants. I do not expect that she will be returning. May I make a request that during Bardic Competitions, especially those that take place in open sites that are likely to attract newcomers, we keep a certain level of decorum in place? Minors should be able to benefit from this portion of the SCA as much as anyone else. This, of course, does not extend to private performances at individual encampments where it is up to the host to determine what kinds of songs or stories are appropriate.

Great Successes or Fabulous Failures – Lady Sophia has agreed to become my Deputy! I hope to learn much from her. Odin's playground was quite the event! Had I been aware of the open nature of the site, there would have been a stronger Chatelaine presence. I apologize for this short-coming. I will endeavor to keep closer contact with Autocrats of local events in the future. I hope to make a better showing of it next year. Please contact me with any requests. I am not always visible, but I am always available!

Gold Key – Lady Elora – Absent – No Report

Pied Piper Report – No Report (Office Vacant)

Chirurgeon – No Report (Office Vacant)

Waterbearer Report – No report (Office Vacant)

Chronicler Report – HL Bridghid Ni Liam

The issue of the PawPrint came out on time. 3 new subscriptions and 3 single copies sold - \$2.50 each or \$10.00 for subscriptions. Receipt to come for the printing. Working on the next issue. Have received more addresses for the Farspeaker deputy, Elspeth.

Web Minister – His Lordship Kieran Gunn – No Report (Absent)

Constable Report – Lord Symon Cottell

Champions – Gate well run and well manned. Issues with people parking on the grass.

Odin's – A few issues to deal with: mundanes fireworks, partying, trying to get on site after hours, church group, one SCA sign stolen. No problems at gate with paperwork or cash drops.

Herald – No report (Office Vacant)

Marshal Report – Lord John Shewan, Master of Stables

Champion Communications:

Lionsdale Archery Champion- His Lordship John Dougall MacAdndrew of Ross of Balnagowan

Lionsdale Armoured Champion- Lord Cyneric Bearson

Lionsdale Light Champion – Lord William Arwemakere

Lionsdale Rapier Champion – His Lordship Enoch Jacobsz van Zuidenland

Lionsdale Thrown Weapons Champion – Bowdyn the Peasant

Events & Demos

Odin's Playground – no injuries reported. However, it has been rumoured that there were a few that may have been prevented with proper warm-up and stretching before the Skills contests.

Marshal

A new fighter authorization has been completed. Please be sure to get these done in a timely manner then submitted to Kingdom.

Practices:

Archery – No reported injuries.

Armoured - No reported injuries.

Light - No Official Practice

Rapier – No reported injuries.

Communications from the Armouries – Nothing to report

Archery Marshal – Lord Arnarr (Reported by Lord Symon Cottell)

Due to work, family, or events, the number of archers has dropped. We still have people willing to shoot. Collected \$143.67 from gate at practices.

Equestrian Marshal – Maximus

Will be attending Emprise of the Black Lion Shire of Midhaven. Will report at November council on information learned. Event is September 30-October 3rd.

Rapier Marshal – No Report (Office Vacant)

Richarde is stepping down as Master of Blades at the next council meeting. Applications for this office are being accepted.

Thrown Weapons Marshal – Algennon Lochloinn – No Report

Need new tripods for the targets. Can we take up a collection at practice to purchase supplies? Answer: Yes

Youth Combat Marshal – No Report (Office vacant)

Mistress of Lists Report – No Report (Office vacant)

Seneschal Report – HL Lou Tang

Bard and a Banquet is officially official as it is in the Crier. This was confirmed on Tuesday. There will be court which will add time to the normal event.

OLD BUSINESS

Odin's Playground – Final cost of the site was \$150.00 for the weekend. We will try and get that reduced due to certain conditions ie boisterous caretaker and loud church group. Had to call the caretaker 5 times to clear out the covered area which was booked for our use except Sunday morning. Biggest expense was the portable toilets. Most of the autocrat supplies left over will be given to the Minter Demo.

Remaining tokens went back to Ion to be melted down for next year's tokens. It was suggested that the site fee should have been higher. As it was, we needed 280+ people through the gate to break even.

Thanks to Maximus for the donation of the use of his fabric wall and pickup truck. Feedback from Lions Gate – Seglinda, Vivian and Kenneth – well researched and well run.

Bardic issuenappropriate material was offensive to a newcomer who was attending with her daughter. The songs were extremely suggestive. There should be a rule that the material should be more family appropriate. Bernadette was one of the people in question and the attitude when questioned was not sympathetic. Risque is ok, vulgar is not ok. If we are having a bardic competition allow children to get up and perform. You can jury the format. Sofia will speak to the populace about the difference between what is appropriate and what is not. Contact lady in question and send apology card and explain that it was brought to council and will be dealt with.

Minter Garden Demo – no solidified heavy contact. Everything else going well. Maximus will attend even if just to stroll about in his armour with his lady. Spoke with Minter contact. Advertising will be in the Province, local advertising. Have 2 willing volunteers in garb to wander about Chilliwack in garb handing out flyers. No to the raffle. Will walk the site with them on Monday. Confirmation re yurt village. Out of towners will be attending. Sofia spoke to Canex, will deliver 100 sheets of plywood and will pick it up again on Monday. As a thank you we have offered them the use of the SCA gate for the weekend to enjoy the weekend. Don't know yet if there will be thrown weapons. Will phone contact to confirm. Will be cleared with Algennon. Pied Piper will be near the front of the park. Use of the Pavilion for Pied Piper – confirmed by Tang. Will make it very clear that PP is not a babysitter service. Gardens putting out a coupon with free admission for children accompanying a paying adult. Signs – talk to Zid about D Arts possibly donating, or at least doing the signs. Through Zid we can get a good price on materials for the signs and Zid will donate his time for making the signs. Put grommets in the signs rather than using duct tape to secure them they can be tied.

Ithra – John Shewan

I was informed by the Principality Seneschal that the event has been cancelled due to a conflicting event in Ramsgaard. I feel this is a slap in the face to Lionsdale. Apparently Baroness Amanda was late in submitting the paperwork. Per Johanna, Ramsgaard told Baroness Amanda that they don't want us to have our Ithra. Three hour travel zone should be respected. Johanna was under the impression that Ithra's were never considered a major conflict event. Discussion ensued.

Kingdom Calendar – Events are already listed for 2007. We were under the impression that you could only book one year in advance. If this is not the case we will start booking farther in advance as well. With booking for Ithras always book the date for the Ithra Revel so that the dates preferred are reserved well in advance. Johanna volunteers to put together a 24 month calendar of events to use as a starting point for discussion at next council meeting. It was decided that a separate meeting should be held to discuss event dates. Maximus volunteered his home on October 15th for a meeting followed by a tavern night.

Bard & a Banquet

Play practices are going well. Tickets are for sale for \$12.00/each \$4.00 NMS fee for non-members.

Winter's Tourney 2006 – Bridghid ni Liam

Dates submitted yet again (3rd time)

Champions 2006

Date moved by one week. Meeting 8:00pm at next Monday's practice for those artisans who would be willing to help with invitations and/or gifts for royalty.

Champions Committee

Meeting every week. Next meeting at Ion's place. Some responses from the populace have been received as well as responses from outlying areas. Still at the discussion stage.

NEW BUSINESS

Champion Scrolls – Johanna requests that Bridghid be reimbursed for the wax for the seals in the amount of \$32.00. **Approved Unanimously**

This should be included in the budget for scrolls for next year.

Oil paint needs to be removed from the storage locker at the Armouries. This Monday will be "Fall Cleaning of the Storage Room".

Spring Feast Event – Johanna asks permission to research a feast event for the spring to be held somewhere between March and May.

Lionsdale Assets – Where is the inventory? Things that have been broken or gone missing should be replaced or taken out of inventory so we have an accurate accounting of the inventory and asset values.

Lionsdale Pavilion – The pavilion was damp when stored after Clinton. By the time it was unpacked for Odin's there were quite a few mildew stains on it. Need to put rules in place with regard to care of the pavilion. It was suggested that a cleaning party work on the pavilion before further damage is done.

The next council meeting will be held on Thursday, October 20, 2005 at 7:00pm at the Legal Grounds Coffee House in Abbotsford.

Approved by:

Lord Lou Tang, Seneschal (George)

Mairi MacDougall, Deputy Seneschal (Mary)