

**Attendees:** Joffr, Duncan, Cydney, Gina, Sanna, Elsebeth, Cecilia, Constance, Ysabel/Yael, Amalthea, May

## **AGENDA**

### ***1. Words from our Landed Nobility – Joffr***

Last year TRM wanted Rising Water's location for Coronating, swapped with Althing. Greyfells took it. The Barony also needs a bid for Fall Crown Tournament 2025. Anywhere in the Barony. Would like someone from Caldrithig to put in a bid. Deadline, sometime in the summer. When will it be held? Usually September or October.

- Amalthea – could it be a Baronial collaboration?
  - Joffr – yes, it could be a Baronial event
  - Elsebeth – last year it was October 19
  - Cecilia – an event like that would help with our budget
  - Amalthea – what if no one steps up?
  - Joffr – it will go to another Barony. Need to know asap to out it out there.
  - Elsebeth – Did you ask the Baronial Council?
  - Joffr – yes, it was suggested to ask Caldrithig
- Yael – Requirements?
  - Joffr – high ceiling (15-20 ft), space for fighting, cannot rely on outdoor space, one lust field is 10 ft by 10 ft, royal room, space for feast, kitchen. Horses are not a requirement.
- Elsebeth – Have we done this before?
  - Joffr – yes, last bid just before Covid was in Renfrew (Lucia), there is a Shriners club legion somewhere
  - May – in 2011, Greely
  - Duncan – Lombardy, Baldric won
  - Cecilia – Lombardy uses barn space, not available October – April, promising site Renfrew AG
  - Duncan – I was thinking about an armory
- Joffr – Greyfells was looking at a spot in Merrickville with high ceilings
- Amalthea – has a list of possible sites. What about the Pardenblume site? Does the event steward also coordinate fighting?
- Joffr – the tournament is run by Crown who provide staff for that. The steward needs to provide site, accessible parking, change room. Feast is traditional. Crown may want additional things such as rapier fighting and A&S.
- Amalthea – theme?
  - Joffr – no
- Amalthea – I would not be able to do it but am happy to support

### ***2. Demo opportunity – Baron Duncan***

Hunt Club (E of Rideau River) having a medieval party Friday night, February 21, 2025. Would like our help. They are doing it for profit, we would get an honorarium. How much

depends on what we are offering. Show artifacts. Dance? Music? Low key, no combat or archery. Amalthea and I were attending a meeting about community outreach, it fits.

- Yael – website?
  - Duncan – unknown
- Cydney – time? Details?
  - Duncan – starts at 7 pm, through the evening
- Cydney – how many people do they want?
  - Duncan – not specified
- Cecilia – we have done similar things in the past. Are we local colour? Do they know what they want? Will they feed us? Anachronisms?
  - Duncan – will get back to you
- Gina – specified time period?
  - Duncan – “medieval”
- Amalthea – happy to talk with you about this. Sounds like a great opportunity.
- Constance – requested a recap
- Yael – timing in late February isn’t good. Masque, Practicum. Need a better idea of what they want.
- Eleanor – Duncan, can you run this?
  - Duncan – with Amalthea’s help
- Amalthea – people might not be available due to Masque
- Cecilia – please find out more information
- Consensus without a vote – Duncan will proceed on this

### ***3. Loan of Caldriithig Feast Inventory to Honourable Lady Constance of Caldriithig***

A vote needed to be held because the event which needs these items (Coronation Spring 2025) is not a Caldriithig event. Vote – unanimous yes.

### ***4. Holding an in-person monthly A&S meeting discussion -- Ysabel Hudon***

People want this to be a public meeting, weekend afternoon. McNabb looks good. Sunday afternoon for 3 hours, will charge \$4 per person, cost is \$7.50/hour. More open for new people.

- Joffr – New fencers need equipment and contacts. Will share with fencing community.
- Amalthea – fantastic for newcomers.

### ***5. Canton Budget discussion (vote in January) -- Lady May of ye Wolde***

Hopefully everyone has seen it. We have 2024 actuals, 2025 estimates, kept profit estimates for Practicum and Hare low, due to difficult travel months. Practice costs reflect the deposits received.

- Cecilia – these are typical estimates

- May – went with conservative estimates, added A&S meetings. Expenses include quarterly rapier practice increase, storage locker, new activities need startup or existing activities need equipment, potluck passed Nov. 10 will collect donations. New shelf for storage locker. There is a fund for armored equipment and another fund for teachers' expenses. Balance Sept 30, \$8617.74. Current balance probably more. Will need money to cover Crown Tourney and Hare.
- Constance -- \$5000 is important to maintain in general fund for event expenses
  - Duncan – ideally, we would have enough in case an event tanks.
- May – balance may be higher, haven't had statements due to postal strike
- discussion about how May can access bank statements, consensus view is that she can get printouts due to being a signatory
- Elsebeth – we should put in a bid for Crown Tourney, don't add it to the budget
- Constance – we can vote on a bid separately. We should put in a bid. Can expect a profit of \$750. Greely Legion Hall? They could run a bar to relieve personnel burden.

## **6. Officer Reports**

Seneschal Eleanor – we almost didn't get our cheque back from Hare due to the kitchen and Shalom Room being left messy

- round table discussion about promoting volunteerism to get enough help to clean up after events
- Chatelaine Amalthea – Tuesday is part of my newcomers strategy. Hope to fill needs brought up at Hare. Hope to layer in need for volunteerism. Virtual chat, we'll see how it goes. May offer seasonally. Attended KW newcomers symposium, as did a few others from the Canton. Got feedback from Dame Eleanor on virtual meeting, she may teach a class on honoraria, regalia and other newcomers topics at Practicum. Would like a catalog of 7 most useful items of clothing in Gold Key, would like to sell un-needed items from Gold Key. How to do this following Canton Procedures?
  - May – email me
  - Amalthea – wanted to know before January
  - Gina – need to keep lots of things
  - Amalthea – want to combine things to make outfits, have them accessible. Six bins is a lot to manage. Will streamline storage situation.
- Rapier – marshals not in attendance.
  - Amalthea – a newcomer has been attending practices
- MOAS Yael – Happy that she had a nice talk about how much A&S is happening. We are doing a lot of beginner classes at Practicum, also introductions to new crafts.

- Cecilia – sharing the demo load with Amalthea, would love to touch base with Renn Faire people for input about dance.
  - Amalthea – thank you. Constance has contact info. Will set up a chat.
  - Yael – will contact the person in charge in January
  - Cecilia – will email you my proposal
  - Yael – yes, will also ask about vendors
  - Amalthea – this would be a good return on investment
  
- Clerk Register Elsebeth – nothing new to report
  
- Archery – the field is under snow
  
- Dance Cecilia – Going awesome. Fitness room is great. People receptive to a demo in June.

### ***7. Around the Room***

Eleanor – Potluck is happening on January 5. Expect more info from the organizer Crsitabell when the rental is secured.

Meeting ended 5:30 pm December 8, 2024