

Summer 2018



Barony of North Woods'

Holmgang

**Newsletter for the Barony of North Woods
in the Pentamere Region
of the Kingdom of the Middle
of the Society for Creative Anachronism**



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Ruine der Burg Hammershus auf Bornholm. (Ruins of Hammershus Castle, Bornholm Island, Denmark). Considered the largest medieval fortification in Scandinavia, it featured in a number of struggles between the Archbisopric of Lund and the kings of Denmark.

All Baronies of the Middle Kingdom are required to publish a newsletter quarterly, even if they have a web page. If you would like to submit an article to the newsletter, please send it to the Baronial Chronicler.

An electronic version of this newsletter can be found on the Barony of North Woods web page, under Missives.

Barony of North Woods

Baronial Council Meeting

July 8, 2018 (action items are in **bold**)

Their Excellencies (Áindle and Alianor) -

- TEs proposed an oath that each officer is to give upon assuming their Baronial office

Much discussion about the fealty line

Script to be presented online soon for more discussion

Reason for officer oath is for officers to understand the importance of the responsibilities they have assumed. Lack of reporting puts the Barony at risk for being able to host events

- TEs are grateful to THL Verrix for his service as Baronial Herald and thanks to Master Rocco for stepping up

- TEs passed out business cards with contact information

Ability to inform TEs about award recipients / good things about the Barony

- Owen is creating a NW database to track awards

He would like help in gathering information and to insure it is accurate

He would like one volunteer from each canton to update information for their group

- Pennsic

NW Party hopefully will be at the Pentamere tent on the battlefield

Theme “Into the (North)Woods”

Known World Baronial Rapier Champions at 1 pm (Wed 8th)

- Champions

Will choose one Baronial Champion then choose a Baronial Brigade as alternates

Would like champions to choose someone to mentor

TW at BOTIS – Kestrel (Adult) – Nathan of Ironwolf (Youth)

Armored at Tyger Hunt

Archery at Waterhorse

A&S at Grand Tour

Service at NW Wassail

Rapier at PAOD

- Her Excellency’s A&S Challenge

Her Excellency challenges each Canton to send at least one member to the Regional A&S competitions

Her Excellency will help with documentation or anything else to encourage you to compete

THE DOCUMENTATION IS NOT THAT SCARY!

- His Excellency’s Pilgrimage Challenge

From Pennsic to Tyger Hunt he would like every member to attend one event in each Canton

And also one event in Pentamere not including NW

And also one event in outside of Pentamere

- TEs have proposed the following new Awards. More detail to follow.

Order of Solar Eclipse

Order of Hunting Wolf – teens

Order of the Wolf's Paw – youth

Award of the Biting Wolf – Combat

Award of the Barred Owl – Target sports

Award of the Shimmering Leaf – A&S

Award of Windswept Path – Repeated significant service

Order of the Howling Wolf –

Officer Reports

Seneschal (Maximilian der Zauberer) - I'm locked out of the Baronial Seneschal email account again. If you sent me a report ahead of this meeting my apologies for not being able to acknowledge it.

- The following officer terms end this year

Exchequer

Herald

Knight's Marshal

- More detail to follow

Exchequer (Brigida Alderotti) - Represented by Morgaine who is the new deputy

Minister of Arts and Sciences (Alianor bat Asriel) - Please use both Northwoods.moas@midrealm.org and Northwoods.baroness@midrealm.org when sending reports

- She has not received any reports this quarter. If you sent yours please resend

Chronicler (Sugawara no Tokihira) - Not in attendance.

Herald (Rocco Barbarossa) - Was deputy, is now official since Verrix has stepped down

- He likes the online kingdom report.

Web Minister (Celestria de Cranham) - Is catching up from being displaced from her house for 9 months

- Hopefully will be all caught up in the next couple weeks

- Would like links to Baronial events

Knights Marshal (Bjarg Kormaksson) - Not in attendance.

Rapier Marshal (Sugawara no Tokihira) - Not in attendance.

Chatelaine (Gwenllyen the Minstrel) - Gwenllyen brought 5 high school students and one teacher to BOTIS – They loved it.

- Tyger Hunt is a demo that doesn't feel like a demo. Please come out.

Minister of Youth (Open Position) - No report.

All Canton officers should copy their respective Baronial officer when they report. Baronial officers should copy the Baron and Baroness and the Seneschal. If an officer is unable to make a meeting, a brief report should be sent to the Seneschal beforehand.

Group Reports

Ealdnordwuda

- No representative.

Weald Lake

- Represented by Odelia

- It takes my Child / Baronial Investiture happened
285 attendees

Split profit with Barony (check to Barony \$185)

- Coronation

WealdLake and Roaring Wastes are hosting

Site is Heart of the Shepherd

- ITMCTRAV-PE – Aug 9th, War Thursday, 1-4 pm at MidRealm Royal

Please help if you can

Run our activities or bring your own

- Grand Tour - Oct 27

Specific era focused event – this year is the 13th Century

Baronial A&S Champion will be chosen

Combat tourney finals will be held during feast

Hawkland Moor

- Represented by Damiana

- Smurf Shoot happened

Good turnout. About 50.

Rain stopped at noon! Turned into a wonderful day

- Tyger Hunt – Jul 14
- Ale to the Victors on Sunday – Jul 15
- Brewing and Vintning on Saturday night
- There will be a ballista
- Be aware of ticks
- Pre-cooking has commenced
- Kriemhilt is Primary Court Herald for Regency Court

Fearann Na Criche

- Represented by Kriemhilt
- Water Horse is Aug 25
- Would like music and dance for an evening ball
- Kitchen cleaning crew gets free leftovers (Gwenllyen - There will be a Clean-up Crew)
- Something about archery targets
- Merchanting is free
- Call for teachers

Altenberg

- Represented by Celestria
- BOTIS went well and made money
- BOTIS 2019 will be one week before MidRealm 50 year. Discussing whether or not to cancel.
- Doing food for TRHs at Tyger Hunt

Old Business

- A proposal to amend the Baronial charter. The proposed change would eliminate the requirement for 3 delegates from each canton to attend Baronial council meetings; they would become *optional*. Each Canton would still have 3 votes (in order to balance out against the votes from each Officer position and Baron and Baroness), but these would be cast by the Seneschal (or their designate if unable to attend). The matter was discussed, especially in light of most Cantons not currently bringing 3 delegates.
A separate message will be sent to promote more discussion

- A discussion was held regarding the terms for Baron and Baroness. The charter remains silent on this issue, as this is covered by Kingdom law. This law (XV-303) states that terms are to be up to 5 years. It was decided to educate the populace that the Barony considers a standard term to be 3 years, with a possible extension of up to a total of 5 years (though other terms are allowed as per Kingdom law). This will remain as a tradition and not be codified into the charter.

New Business

- It was recommended that we create a finance committee to facilitate quick expenditures of money. (e.g. up to \$200) Ideally it would be done online and doesn't have to be face to face. Seneschal, Exchequer and either the Baron or Baroness for sure, plus maybe 1-3 Canton representatives. Still fleshing it out.

- **Please send all meeting times and locations for regularly occurring practices/ meetings to Max and Celestria.** This information will be uploaded to the Baronial Website to better encourage participation and to serve as a point of contact for newer members.

Next meetings will be on 10-14-18 at Brewery Becker. All meetings will begin at 1:30 pm.

Featured Article

2013-2017 Baronial Champions

Baron Max and Baroness Gwenllyen graciously provided a list of their Baronial Champions.

NorthWoods Champions

	Rapier	Armored	Archery	TW	A&S	Service
2013	Keaghan	Jorun	Aibhilin	Noelle	Aliyah	
2014	Fearghas	Zygmunt	Anya	Orn	Pomeroy	Sæhildr
2015	Noelle & Brigida	Wihelm	Alice	Orn		Endlin
2016	Kriemhilt & AElfwyne	Wihelm	Ivarr	Kav	Morgaine	Sæhildr
2017	Bloodwolfen	Vigfus	Rurik	Kestrel	Siri	Sæhildr

NorthWoods Youth Champions

	Rapier	Armored	Archery	TW	A&S	Service
2013			Anya from Roaring Wastes			
2014						
2015		Robert & Patrick from Wealdlake	Nicole from Wealdlake			
2016	Jordan from Starleaf Gate	Gavin from Hawkland Moor	Christian from Andelcrag	John from Altenberg		Nico from Wealdlake
2017	Colie from Cleftlands	John from Altenberg	Owen from Ealdnordwuda	Nico from Wealdlake	Liam from Cleftlands	Kate from Altenberg

Baron and Baroness

Baron Áindle Ó Diarmada and Baroness Alianor bat Asriel

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