

CLYFFE NOTES

February Business Meeting Minutes

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In Attendance: Cathal, Minna, Matt, Gormr, Isolda, Mike, Cadfan,

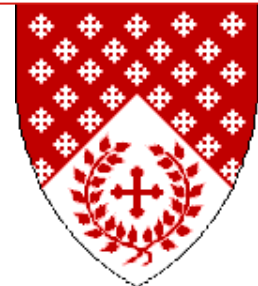
ADITME

Nina will teach a dance class. Molly could not make it to the meeting, but call her if you have any questions. We have volunteers for the Mezze and feast.

Please get your reservations in.

These were all the notes for this meeting. There were officers' reports, but that's in the Officers' Reports section (and the exchequer report is reeeeeeeally long because it's the annual domesday report... teehee.)

I wish I could write more here but there's really nothing else to say... Oh yeah, I did enjoy being the Chronicer for the past 2 years. Thank you for accepting me a such. I'm



Dun Carraig's Arms

sure Matilde will do a much better job than I did. So enjoy this last issue by Me! ;-)





Letter from Their Excellencies



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nto the Populous does Ban Theign Lore Bubeck send greetings!

As Winter winds down and Spring begins to wind up, Our mind is turned to the beauty of the fields. Oh no, not the flower fields – We're talking fighting fields! We have already attended a few fighting events this year. My Lord and I traveled to YMIR which brought us oddly snowy weather, excellent fighting, and a chance to work with our newest MOLIT at the table. The Tournament of Love and Beauty while chilly, was inside a large barn (with a newly paved floor!) which made for more comfort as We worked the MOL table again for the fencers. Don't you just love them? We do. We married one after all! And just a couple of weeks ago, Her Excellency Molly and Ourselves spent a relaxing day visiting, shopping and enjoying the fighting at Defending the Gate.

In April We plan to attend the Moose Tale Collegium and Tourney for what looks to be a very amusing day. They have even planned a feast in Our honor. Well, maybe not in Our honor, but it IS German! The following week will find us in Aethelmarc at Blackstone Raid, an annual favorite of ours. The fighting is abundant and varied as are the merchants. It's a win-win!

So come out and join Us in the beautiful countryside! The flowers grow better when you spill your opponent's blood on the field!

Yours in Service,

Ban Theign Lore Bubeck

Seneschal's Report

Still looking for Deputy Seneschal.

Onb's Report

Letter for January is now. The Dun Carraig camp site for Pennsic is registered. We're going to University and Ymir, and of course, ADITME.

Chronicler's Report

Has been a bad Chronicler. Past issues of Clyffe Notes will be up as soon as possible. I still need a successor as I'm stepping down next month. No extensions.

herald's Report

Quarterly Report was done last month.

Minister of Minor's Report

No Report

All pictures in this issue of Clyffe Notes are my own. All artwork is taken from Dover Publication books. Articles are courtesy of Stefan's Florilegium.

Chatelaine's Report

No Report

Minister of the Lists' Report

NENR

Webminister's Report

Matt is stepping down, and Phillip was accepted as his successor.

Knight Marshal's Report

Attendance at practice has been good, but mostly rapier. Another Heavy Marshal is desperately needed.

Minister of Arts and Sciences' Report

Ro has volunteered to take the MoAS position. Those present ap-

The Business Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm at the Southern Maryland Higher Education Center at 44219 Airport Road, California, MD 20619. For directions go to www.smhec.org.

Exchequer's Report

I received a signed copy of the ADITME contract. I will get a check written and signed for the balance due to the site, then contact the Autocrat to see if she wants it hand-delivered or mailed to them.

The 4th Quarter 2009 report and the Doomsday (yearly) 2009 report were both done and submitted on time.

Per Kingdom Policy I need to publish the first two pages of the Doomsday Report and go over them with the Barony. (If not the pages themselves, at least the numbers). They will be published in our Clyffe Notes and they are being read tonight as well, to cover both. The numbers are listed below.

This also pertains to the Quarterly Reports and those are also listed below for the 4th Quarter.

Serena

4th Quarter Numbers (10/1/09 to 12/31/09)

(COMPARATIVE BALANCE STATEMENT PAGE)

ASSETS

Undeposited and Non-Interest Bearing Cash – Start \$3,198.49 / End \$3,510.99

Receivables – Start \$874.93 / End \$376.71

Regalia & Non-Depreciated Equipment – Start \$554.14 / End \$554.14

Depreciated Equipment – Start \$1,066.70 / End \$1,066.70

MINUS Accumulated Depreciation – Start (\$1,019.13) / End (\$1,066.70)

TOTAL ASSETS – Start \$4,675.13 / End \$4,441.84

NET WORTH

Net Worth – Start \$4,675.13 / End \$4,441.84

Change in Net Worth – (\$233.29)

Net Income – (\$233.29)

***Note - As long as Change in Net Worth and Net Income are both the same numbers, the report is balanced and complete; (parenthesis) explain a loss for the quarter.

(INCOME STATEMENT PAGE)

INCOME

Direct Contributions/Donations (No Activity) - \$34.00

Adjusted Gross Event Income - \$1,219.00

TOTAL GROSS INCOME - \$1,253.00

EXPENSES

Depreciation (Activity Related) - \$47.57

Equipment Rental & Maintenance (Activity Related) - \$174.00

Food (Activity Related) - \$498.22

Occupancy & Site Chargers (Activity Related) - \$662.50

SUB-TOTALS

(Activity Related) - \$1,382.29

(Total) - \$1,382.29

Funds Transferred Out to Another SCA Account (Within Kingdom) - \$54.00

Funds Transferred Out to Another SCA Account (Outside Kingdom) - \$50.00

TOTAL EXPENSES - \$1,486.29

NET INCOME – (\$233.29)

Domesday Numbers (1/1/09 to 12/31/09) (Yearly Report)

(COMPARATIVE BALANCE STATEMENT PAGE)

ASSETS

Undeposited and Non-Interest Bearing Cash – Start \$3,302.33 / End \$3,510.99

Receivables – Start \$10.00 / End \$376.71

Regalia & Non-Depreciated Equipment – Start \$554.14 / End \$554.14

Depreciated Equipment – Start \$1,066.70 / End \$1,066.70

MINUS Accumulated Depreciation – Start (\$1,019.13) / End (\$1,066.70)

Other Assets – Start \$300.00 / End \$0.00

TOTAL ASSETS – Start \$4,214.04 / End \$4,441.84

LIABILITIES

Payables – Start \$72.00 / End \$0.00

TOTAL LIABILITIES – Start \$72.00 / End \$0.00

NET WORTH

Net Worth – Start \$4,142.04 / End \$4,441.84

Change in Net Worth – \$299.80

Net Income – \$299.80

***NOTE – As long as Change in Net Worth and Net Income are both the same numbers, the report is balanced and complete.

(INCOME STATEMENT PAGE)

The Maryland Joust

By: Cadfan

(CHRONICLER'S NOTE: This is a reprint of a story first published in the November issue. Since that issue was down for a while, I'm posting it here again. I'm eternally grateful to Cadfan for his submission.)

"The rings are hung, the course is clear—charge, Sir Knight!"

Spent the afternoon at a joust.

No, it wasn't at a Renfaire or a Vaguely Medievalish Tymes dinner theatre. It wasn't even at an SCA event, God save the mark. It was at the 143rd Calvert County Jousting Tournament (http://www.christchurchcalvert.org/Jousting_Tournament.htm) at Christ Church in Port Republic, Maryland. That's not a typo: they've been doing this for 143 years, through two World Wars and a Depression. Ring Jousting is the state sport of Maryland (<http://marylandjousting.com/>), as it turns out—yet another strange thing about my strange new home state.

I wondered whether the event might be rained out due to the tropical storm that dumped a lot of rain on us yesterday evening, but it stopped during the night and the skies cleared gradually all through the day. Turns out I needn't have worried: they hold these things rain or shine. They're part of a statewide circuit of jousts that's held from mid-April through mid-October, and results in a State Champion being chosen.

The jousts are done on a course of fixed length with three stations, each with a ring hooked to a pin suspended on a lanyard. The largest ring size was 1-3/4". They're wrapped in cords and whitened with chalk to make them more visible, so when someone catches a ring on their lance you'll sometimes see a little puff of white dust that looks like smoke: very dramatic.

They were running four classes of jousters: Beginners (who were all very little kids riding at a walk with an adult beside the horse), Novice, Amateur and Professional. Most of the Novices and Amateurs were kids too (several riding schools sent contingents), but slightly older. There were even a few teenagers in the Professional category, which I found interesting.

They ran the kids through first, letting the Beginners and Novices each have one pass. The Amateurs were actually competing, and they got three passes each. You were scored on the number of rings you caught, and amazingly at the end of three passes there were several competitors with perfect scores of nine apiece. So they started downsizing the rings by a quarter inch on each pass. They got down to 1", which I think is the diameter the pros started at, before they were able to declare a winner.

Afterwards there was a dressage parade, and I have no idea where the women went to get into those dresses. One actu-

The Maryland Joust (cont'd.)

ally competed in hers (the girl in the blue chemise and red dress, riding the white horse—she was a Novice, I believe). I noticed that while the kids, without exception, rode English, most of the pros rode Western

After that they ran the professionals through which included one State Champion. I stayed for a little of that. It was interesting, but you could see that, to the grownups, it was just another sport. Albeit it was fun to see some ol' boy in blue jeans, t-shirt and gimme cap *couche hym hees lonce* and ride, quite literally, full-tilt like something out of Mallory's *Morte d'Arthur*—then again Mallory and his cronies were just good ol' boys of a different era and social class.

But the kids—oh man, the kid were livin' the *dream*.

There was one boy who had the whole outfit: tunic, sword, boots that weren't from a riding catalog. You could see that, to him, it wasn't *sports equipment*: it was *war-gear*, it was *arms*. I don't think he won anything and I don't think he cared. He was like Reepicheep playing chess --he didn't see a game of strategy but an actual battle whose course might be changed by the courage and skill of a single knight.

The girls took it just as seriously in their own way, from the one who competed in a dress, to the one who rode all her courses sidesaddle, to the one who had matching hot-pink shirt, saddle blanket, bridle and reins—and made it a point to ride harder and faster than any of the boys.

In general, the girls were more methodical: they tended to ride just as fast as it took to complete the course in the allotted time so they could concentrate on getting the rings. But there were exceptions, like the aforementioned lady in pink. Or one other girl, who seemed barely more than eight and small even for that age, yet she was competing with much older children in the Amateur rank. She rode fast and hard, with an intensity and focus that was almost eerie. Strange to see the killer instinct in someone so young, I suppose. I didn't get her name, but I wish I had: when she's older, I want to make sure I *never, ever* piss her off.

Christ Church is a bit of history in itself: the current church was built in 1772, the congregation is a hundred years older. The churchyard is like an anthology of stories told in haiku: a lot of young men who died between 1916 ad 1918, others between 1941 and 1945. They don't just play at arms, here.

And, finally, I saw a t-shirt that I just had to have. It read:

CHARLES DICKENS
ENJOYED BASS ALE
*Every now and then
he wrote a novel*

Which I seem to have done. Cheers!

Baronial Progress



Key

BnB—Baron and Baroness

B—Baron

Ba—Baroness

Use other Acorn Progress

Abbreviations.

The Baronial Calendar displays events at nearby locations. It is not indicative of all Atlantian events. For all scheduled events go to www.atlantia.sca.org.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Business Meeting, SMHEC	3 Heavy and Rapier Practice, Southern CC	4	5 Archery Practice, Baron Jonathan's house	6 Kingdom Arts & Science Festival, Tir-y-Don
7	8	9	10 Heavy and Rapier Practice, Southern CC	11	12 Archery Practice, Baron Jonathan's house	13
14 Gulf Wars XIX, Gleann Abhann, March 14-21, R,H	15	16	17 Heavy and Rapier Practice, Southern CC	18	19 Archery Practice, Baron Jonathan's house	20
21	22	23	24 Heavy and Rapier Practice, Southern CC	25	26 Archery Practice, Baron Jonathan's house	27 Defending the Gate, Sudentorre, R
28	29	30	31 Heavy and Rapier Practice, Southern CC			

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