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Highland Havoc 2020
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Bonjorn Highland Foorde!

October is slowly around the corner and that means Halloween and other spooky things too! Do you have a ghost story you want to share? Know a little bit about a haunted castle? Or maybe your favorite historically accurate torture device! Whatever it may be, send it in and we will get it shared!

For those who are not into the macabre: Should anything specifically spooky and dark be submitted, a content warning (example below) will be provided for everyone's well being.

CONTENT WARNING: Contains details of medieval torture. Not suitable for younger children.

As always stay safe, hydrated, and 6 feet apart!

Yours in service,

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Highland Foarde Champions

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Archery - Oger Funk


Bardic - Harper An Cu

Brewing - Ethel Lea Mouse

Heavy Fighting - VACANT

Rapier - Urraka al-Tha'labiyya

Thrown Weapons - Galen Telerisson



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Class Proposals Deadline: 8/3/20
Student Registration: 8/16-9/10/20

ALL ARE WELCOME.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE
ATLANTIAN
OR AN SCA MEMBER TO JOIN US!



Atlantian Activities



Northern Atlantia A&S night: September 16th 6-9pm via Zoom

August Monthly Business Meeting: September 20th 1pm via Zoom

Compass Convergence Singers: Come sing with a group of madrigals! Times and locations change to match the convenience of the attendees. Contact Lady Thorve for more information

Cooks Guild: Brand new! Join Lady Caran in a safe space to discuss historical food facts and food related events within the SCA. No set meeting date or location as of yet. Contact Lady Caran for more information

Virtual Highland Havoc: Feel the rush of equestrian activities as Highland Havoc goes virtual! Check out page 10 for more information

Shire of Roxbury Mill

Weekly Rapier Gatherings: Wednesdays from 6:30-8pm via Google Meet

Weekly A&S Meetings: Wednesdays from 7:30-9:30pm via Google Meet

Lochmere

Baronial Happy Hour: Tuesdays from 7-8pm via Google Meet

For a full list, be sure to check out the
[Virtual Atlantia Activity Calendar](#)

Your Newest Officers

Like the colors in the leaves change as the chill of fall rolls in, those holding office change as well. Recently, we have brought in our newest Seneschal and with him, new ideas to make our Barony the best it can be.



Lord Viljamaiear Larrenson - Seneschal



Its easy to see the SCA is in a time of positive change, and as I step into my new role as seneschal, I can see how I have changed and improved as well. My persona actually started conceptually as a bit of a collector, with some fighting for fun. It's Scandinavian/viking not only because that's what my camp was, but because it fit well for the things I enjoyed. Fighting was the first area of the SCA I got into, but not the last. Unit fighting has a certain uniformity that appeals to me, even if I can be a bit eccentric at times. I have mostly hung up my helmet these days, but every once in a great while I've partaken. After that, I let myself enjoy my vacations for a while, before I started doing some service activities. I really enjoy helping, and I really enjoy making an atmosphere where everyone can enjoy themselves, whether it be through shade, snacks or a refreshing tale. It's easy to be

enjoy and motivate yourself when everyone around you is living their best life.

The vibrancy of the players make it easy to enjoy my favorite part of the SCA: the people. The SCA has been a gateway to so many inspiring people who have a diversity of interests, and I love being able to see what they come up with. I've been lucky enough to host and be hosted by many excellent people. I feel like I am constantly in the company of giants who push me to be better in ways big and small. I like to think I help them as well. When I'm really lucky, I get to wear one of the items they've made and use it as an excuse to talk them up to anyone nearby. Preferably loudly, and in their presence.

I've been playing for close to a decade now, but it feels like a much shorter time than that. To me, the SCA represents a good people, incredible accomplishments, and some very enjoyable lazy afternoons with friends. I am excited to be able to help grow that feeling in a more direct way.

What are the roles of the Seneschal?

Depending on where in the ladder of the SCA you are taking about, a Seneschal does many things and there are many Senechals. The Society as a whole, each Kingdom, and then each Barony all have one of their own that there members can always go to. Below you will see some of their responsibilities:

Society Seneschal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• AKA the Vice President for Operations• Manages administrative tasks• Directs activities of Kingdom Seneschals• Clarifies and Interperets policy
Kingdom Seneschal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chief Administrative officer for the Kingdom• Authorizes Group Officer warrants• Reports as liasion between groups and the SCA
Group Seneschal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Administrative officer for the branch• Assists in the warranting of new officers• Acts as fill in officer for any vacant position

If you ever have any questions for our Seneschal, don't be afraid to ask! He can be reached via email: hfseneschal@highland-foorde.atlantia.sca.org

Voices of Highland Foorde

Though I send this missive with a heavy heart, it has been lightened and my resolve bolstered after my recent respite in my own Virtual Pennsic.

I did not tend to my camp at the appointed time, as I was performing my duties battling the plague with the National Guard. Upon completion of my duty, I came to camp and sequester myself for the good of the realm, lest the plague follow me to my hearth and family, especially my beloved Catella.

I was assisted in my peaceful respite in the lovely woods by fine members of my clanne, Keegan and Brenna, and it was on their land and in their newly acquired tent in which I took my private ease. Their hospitality is and always has been remarkably exemplary.

I have included no depictions of myself as I was not clad in garb, such vestments were safe at home.

While I was there I had the pleasure of another encamped, a dear friend of the White Company, Sigurðr Rothrickson was in possession of a helm too small for his head, which I have agreed to sell for him to ease his burdens. With Keegan's expertise we cared for the helm, restoring it's luster and adorning it with fine embellishments and skins. He has since traveled far to the West and I hunger to hear the stories his new life there will gift him.



My time in the woods was a period of peace, though I am ashamed to say I crave the quickened blood of war on the proud field of Pennsic.

I long for a swift abeyance to this plague, but accept that it is just to wait longer to see my kith and kin if it means we may all arrive safely with our health and spirit shining brightly.

Until then I merely send greetings and care to all who read this missive.

With both patience and longing,

Noble Ivan of Highland Foorde ne Preachain
Order of the Golden Hawk

Highland Havoc

For the good of the realm, we must remain in seclusion, but that does not mean that we must abandon The Dream! Highland Havoc's inaugural year was 2019, and it was created with the intent of having a Northern Atlantian event in the fall focused on equestrian, archery, and equestrian archery. Though we must currently remain at distance, in an effort to engage and entertain, a cast of characters has assembled a laundry list of challenges for those who desire to show their prowess while in isolation. Hone your skills with A&S challenges, virtually ride to victory with the equestrians, and most importantly, Toast to the Realm!



For ease of information and judging, all challenges will be submitted over Facebook via the Virtual Highland Havoc group (**which can be found here**).

Check out the list on the next page to see the challenges available:



A Toast to the Kingdom

Using your voice, props, and “mount” of choice, submit a 2 minute video where you give a toast to the kingdom

Archers & Horses of Myths & Legends

Create an object in honor of an archer and or/ horse of history, legend, or myth

Medieval Halloween Costume Contest

Dress up your horse in a costume made of only period materials

Equestrian Kit Improvement

Submit a photo showing what you have done to improve your kits

Challenge of the Fairy Dance

Blind Gambler’s Choice - 3 mins to complete as many obstacles as possible

Social Distancing Poker Practice

Joust with a 4”x4” target in full barding and garb

Souptacular Challenge

You have been promoted to head cook for our feast and have been asked to provide a soup dish! Post a picture of your dish and the recipe to be judged by participants online

Build-a-Mount

Submit a photo of your best “stick horse” made from any material!

Paper and Streamers and Barding, oh my!

Create the best barding you can using only toilet paper and streamers in 5 mins

Headless Horseman Pumpkin Chunkin

Carve a pumpkin and lob it at a target, Sleepy Hollow style

Running Through the Reeds

Maintain your gait and jump your reeds

Lady Mor’s Bit-o-Everything Challenge

Challenge yourself and your mount with an accumulative points challenge with multiple obstacles

Ride Before a Prince

Show your steed’s prowess and honor before royalty. Your 5 mins begin when you greet the prince and at least 3 moves must be completed

Populace Meeting Minutes

Meeting began at 1:10pm on Sunday, August 16th with 8 attendees: Ludwig, Sinn, Thorve, Aurri, Epy, Vilhjelm, Harper, Scandal

Officer's Gave the Following Reports



**Chatelaine: Lady Caran DeBurg
Not Present**

- Much garb and fabric was donated recently after the loss of a dear friend who was anticipating playing with Highland Foorde before her untimely passing. While much of the garb is usable as is, the rest will be broken down and tuned into other items, possibly banners.
- Light table was obtained from a local school as is available for anyone to use. Please reach out if this is something of interest.
- Quarterly report was turned in on time



**Exchequer: Lady Thorve of Highland Foorde
Present**

- \$12,698.43 in Baronage account.
 - \$50 refund from Wilson Ruritan was deposited
- Report was accepted with no

discrepancy

- SCA requests that we send in our updated financial policy ASAP so they can approve it



**Knight's Marshal:
Sir Gaius Tascius Severus Fabianus
Not Present**

- Nothing to report



**Herald: Baron Fergus of Hanna
Not Present**

- Nothing to report



**Minister of Arts and Sciences:
Lady Harper An Cu
Present**

- We had a virtual Unofficial Northern Atlantian A&S on the 12th, foupeople called in. Embroidery happened. Discussions were had about various SCA topics, including virtual courts.
- Planning A&S challenges and potential Bardic for Highland Havoc
- If you are taking SCA/Clover classes online, or teaching them, please let me know so I can share with our kingdom

what our Barony is up to! Similarly, if you are doing a Facebook live stream about anything SCA, let me know

- Don't forget to post your projects, accomplishments, and experiments to the Virtual Atlantia gallery.



**Chronicler: Aurri La Borgne
Present**

- Considering the idea of having an "Officer's Corner" section of the newsletter that rotates every month
- Will advertise a local merchant every month to assist with Covid relief
- A list of members who can commit for the podcast every month is going to be created



**Web Minister: Baroness Glynis
Not Present**

- Website is constructed. I need to step down but I understand someone is interested in the role. Once they are voted in and warranted, I will hand over the passwords to the e-mails, website, and other such entities.



Youth Officer - VACANT



**Master of the Lists - Epy Pengelly, Armiger
Present**

- Nothing to report



**Seneschal: Viljamaier Larrenson
Present**

- Working on new Baronial charter. On track to finish the first draft by the 1st and once approved by Officers, it will be released to the populace.



**Baron and Baroness:
Baron Ludwig & Baroness Sinn
Present**

- Mistress B held a Spanish A&S class. Got to watch a lady cook a whole chicken.
- Kingdom meeting was had with all Baronial parties. Royal courts will be coming back in a virtual space with awards

- TRM haven't decided what will be done about Crown yet with the pandemic still occurring

Old Business

- HRM: Epy and Baroness Sinn talked to Michelle, she is fine being a back-up helper and is also fine with someone taking over as autocrat.
 - Looking to see if Storvik will trade event dates for better scheduling on our end
- Highland Havoc: Giving people until the 20th to hear back about hosting challenges.
 - Talked to MoAS Lady Harper about having A&S classes and challenges
 - It is all coming together. Will be doing check-ins with people at the end of the month

maintenance on the Iron Key is still on his agenda

- Scandal inquired on the amount in the bank account and why there is such scrutiny on what it gets spent on
 - Baroness Sinn explained that a large cushion is needed, especially when we run events, for both insurance purposes but then also if any large unexpected funding is required. Also Wells Fargo requires a large sum to be in the account at all times or else a penalty will be sent.
 - Scandal followed up that he would then in the future like to see about fundraising for funds to be spent specifically on new feast gear for future events

*Meeting was adjourned at 2:04pm.
 Motioned by Scandal mac Rofir, seconded by
 Aurri la Borgne*

New Business

- Webminister vote: Nomination by Baroness Sinn and seconded by Baron Ludwig for Scandal mac Rofir to take the position. 9 voted aye, 0 nays, 0 abstained. Senechal Viljamaiear will get his warrant put together in the next few days.
- Discussion of upgrading Golden Key to a dedicated storage unit.
 - Baroness Sinn would like a Quartermaster on board before we take the next steps. However if someone wanted to do research on prices and locations, she would not be opposed.
 - Alex is currently working but doing

New to the Barony or SCA?

First off, welcome! We are so happy that you are interested in joining our family of revelry and creativity. You can click the links below to find more information on what the SCA is, how it started, and how **YOU** can get started.

New to the SCA

SCA Newcomer's Portal

How to Get Started

What is the SCA?

Become a Member

If we are your local Barony, reach out to our Chatelaine Lady Caran De Burg to get a jumpstart on your participation within the community! In addition to providing resources and information, the Chatelaine can also provide loaner gear such as feast ware, garb, and accessories to new members to use at events.

You can contact Lady Caran by e-mailing her at info@highland-foorde.atlantia.sca.org

How to Recommend an Award

Do you believe someone in the barony or society deserves an award or recommendation? Awards are given based on feedback from members. All members, no matter their current status, are encouraged to provide recommendations to their Crowns.

For award recommendations we have multiple options:

- Email the Baron or Baroness with your recommendation.
- The NEW Baronial Award recommendation system!
- Also Kingdom level recommendations!

Baron Ludwig & Baroness Sinn want to help with awards. Please notify them by email so they may offer input, especially regarding kingdom recommendations.

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