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# EDICTS AND EPISTLES





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## BARONIAL EVENTS:

None at this time.

## BARONIAL ACTIVITIES:

Business Meeting – 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday

Time: 7:30pm – 9:00pm

Location: Virtual Zoom meeting

Contact: Kale Cinnabarrissa (seneschal [at] blackdiamond.atlantia.sca.org)

Info: A plain-clothes meeting to discuss baronial financial and legal details and upcoming activities.

Cyber Tea – Every Tuesday

Time: 8:00pm – 10:00pm

Location: Facebook Barony of Black Diamond page

Contact: Baroness Alys d'Avignon or comment on the weekly announcement post on the Barony Facebook page.

Info: Weekly chat to discuss ongoing activities in the Barony. Comment on the Barony of Black Diamond FB group to be added to the chat

## ROANOKE Area Activity Details:

Armored combat, rapier combat, and A&S – Every Thursday (except the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month due to the business meeting)

Thursday Time: 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM

Location: Ridgewood Park – 0 Hemlock Rd NW, Roanoke, VA 24017

Rain Location: To be announced on FB group as necessary

Contact: Baron Alonzo Falcone

Info: Armored and Rapier combat practice will meet in the open field. A&S meets under the pavilion. Loaner gear available upon request

A&S Night – 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday

Time: 7:00pm

Location: ZOOM.

Contact: Lady Genevieve la Feseresse or Baroness Alys d'Avignon

Info: Virtual gathering to discuss and display Arts & Sciences, Scribal, Bardic projects

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## SEVEN HILLS Area Activity Details:

Armored, Rapier & Archery Practice & A&S Night – Every Monday

Time: 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM

Location: 1912 Izaak Walton Road, Madison Heights VA

Contact: Master Aldemere McRafe (Allen Foster) (awf556 [at] yahoo.com)

Info: Armored Combat, Rapier, & Archery practice. Loaner equipment available. There is room for A&S in the house. Please note there is 1 large, friendly dog at this house.

## WOLF HILLS Area Activity Details:

All activities suspended at this time.

# BUSINESS MEETING NOTES

9-9-2021

## Seneschal -

War of the Wings is cancelled. Need bids for 12th night, Spring Crown, and Spring Coronation. Need a chronicler. Need articles for new E&E. Officers: please send legal names and contact information to Chronicler email address for E&E regnum. Also, write up a few paragraphs each month about what you've got going on in your area. Use the Chronicler's email address to send articles and information for the E&E.

## Baronage

Sacred Stone was fun. Next Event is Battle on the Bay. Wolfswood was good. Garbed Fighter Practice was good. Need Award Recommendations. Doing good on largess, will still accept more donations Need to put together a basket for Gracie & John. Crown upcoming, will put together a basket for that and coronation. Need bids for Ice Castles

## A&S

Continues. Fall university is coming up on the 18th and 19th of September. 15th is last day to register for classes. Genevote to be deputy. Meetings have moved to once a month (Monday of business meeting week). Last one was on the 6th.

## Chatelaine

Canton practice: 3 new people, possibly 4. Most from our demo at Wolfswood Faire Several interested families at practice in the park this past week. Weekend of March 14th – demo at DaVinci con in Lexington

## Exchequer

No change in account. Still with \$10989.71, Waiting for bids  
Got with Kingdom to get books straight, we are good to go now.

## Knight's Marshal

Fighter practice continues (Thursdays in Roanoke & Mondays in Seven Hills)

## Webminister

Website - Chatelaine information has been updated. Chatelaine email forwarding has been transferred to Agatha. Will need to set up chronicler email

## Seven Hills

Official practices on Monday nights. Wolfwoods Faire practice was good. Met several new people, their Excellencies attended. Garbed fighter practice Labor day @ local park. A fair bit of interest from families and some good pictures. Done all the paperwork on our end to get Alli on the signature cards as new canton exchequer. Bank is sending signature card around for signatures.

## Wolf Hills

No activity. A few newcomers (they made it to Sacred Stone Baronial Birthday)

Next business meeting: October 14th, 7:30 pm, on Zoom

# COVID RELATED INFORMATION

The SCA Board of Directors has just released an update to the current Covid restrictions.

"The SCA Board of Directors aims to balance getting Society participants back to doing the things we love with measures that support Kingdoms in protecting all that people have worked so hard for. Our COVIDSafe Resolutions provide a flexible, risk based framework that allows Kingdoms in the United States and Canada to put in place a core set of requirements that event organizers and individuals must adhere to, based on their current environment and public health directions and advice.

As more information becomes available, the Board reviews and updates its resolutions where necessary in line with its responsibility to act diligently, with due care and in good faith. This is never more important than with issues related to the health and safety of our participants.

In line with this approach, based on changing circumstances and updated expert advice, on September 25, 2021, the Board has resolved the following:

## Proof of Fully Vaccinated Status or Negative COVID Test

In addition to the existing policy allowing Kingdoms to establish a mask policy, Kingdom Seneschals in consultation with the Crown shall have the discretion to implement the following policy requiring proof of COVID vaccination or a negative COVID test taken within 72 hours of an event start time from all event attendees:

Events are any activities defined in Corpora II.A, Society Events Defined

Proof of being fully vaccinated must be in the form of a government issued card (original or photograph) or an electronic record.

Proof of negative COVID test must be issued from a licensed medical provider and presented in such paper form or electronic form that the event staff can verify its authenticity. Letterhead from a medical provider or an email address clearly identifying the medical provider as the sender of an electronic record shall constitute authentic proof.

All persons over the age of 18 must present government issued photo identification along with the proof of being fully vaccinated or a negative COVID test. Parents and guardians of minors must present their own identification along with proof of being fully vaccinated or a negative COVID test for all minors attending an event in their care.

Proof of vaccination or a negative COVID test shall not be required for children under 12. Children that are aged 3-11 shall wear a mask.

In addition to the normal sanctions process, anyone challenging event staff regarding the enforcement of this COVID policy shall be denied entry to or be immediately removed from the event.

The Kingdom must have one person at a time checking the proof of being fully vaccinated or a negative COVID test at an event. The event organizer, or their designee, shall maintain a list of names and times of the person(s) conducting the check at the entrance. Once the entrance is closed at the event, said person(s) will sign a statement at the bottom of the list of names and times, which reads:

“I have monitored the event entrance at the times noted above, and I have verified that each person entering the event during that time has shown me proper identification, along with either proof of being fully vaccinated or a negative COVID test taken within 72 hours of the start of the event.”

Kingdom Seneschals shall notify the Society Seneschal where local, state, provincial, or national law supersedes this policy.

This policy shall not apply to Lochac and Drachenwald."

UPDATED Frequently Asked Questions Related to the Policy are also available at: <https://www.sca.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/20210829-Proof-of-Vaccination-or-Negative-Test-Policy-FAQs.pdf>

### **PLEASE NOTE**

Their Majesties and the Kingdom Seneschal wish to ask for feedback from Atlantia on the CovidSafe policy. There is now a link on the Kingdom webpage for people to send commentary to TRM and the Kingdom Seneschal.

The direct link is here: <https://atlantia.sca.org/covid-safe-comments/>  
It is also on the front page: <https://atlantia.sca.org/>

The commentary link will remain live for the next week for further comments.



### **HERALD'S NOTABLES**



The Heralds would like to announce the following awards:

Baroness Evelyn Merrymet was elevated to the Laurel peerage at Battle of the Bay.

Dame Sbylava Ruslanova received her Knighthood at Storvik Novice



## ANNOUNCEMENT:: vacant position – CHRONICLER



The Barony is looking for someone to fill the position of Chronicler. More than one person can work in the Chronicler office. There is a main officer, and there can be one or more deputies. Previous experience not required. Below is a brief description of the duties of a Chronicler. If you are interested in becoming one, it is strongly recommended that you take the class on being a Chronicler which is offered through Atlantia University. One can also contact the Kingdom Chronicler if you have questions about being a chronicler.

### WHAT IS A CHRONICLER AND WHAT DO THEY DO?

The Chronicler is a person who publishes a newsletter for the barony. The newsletter has articles, art and information about activities and events in and around the barony. Often Kingdom and other outside information is included. The Chronicler is also the baronial Historian.

### DUTIES OF A CHRONICLER

The Chronicler shall endeavor to produce a newsletter that reflects the history of the Barony of Black Diamond.

The Chronicler will attend all Baronial Business meetings in order to take the minutes for the meeting, and then publish those minutes in the baronial newsletter.

The Chronicler is also the Historian for that Barony and will make every effort to maintain a comprehensive Baronial history for Black Diamond on the baronial webpage. The Kingdom Historian will be referencing the Barony's History page, so, it is encouraged to have a separate page on the Baronial website for that History

It is acceptable to have a Deputy handle the duties of Historian for the Barony so long as the Deputy is warranted as Chronicler-at-Large by the Kingdom Chronicler

### REQUIREMENTS TO BE A CHRONICLER

- Must have time to be able to put together the newsletter to meet the deadlines: This could take as little as a hour a day to several hours a day in order to meet the publishing deadline

Baronies are required to publish a monthly newsletter between the 25th of the month before and the 5th of the month the publication is due. For example, for July, the newsletter will be published between Jun 25th and July 5th.

Baronial Chroniclers who fail to publish their newsletter monthly will have their warrants revoked.

Publishing means a .PDF copy is available on the Baronial website and Facebook page (if one is used) and a copy has been sent to the publication recipient list

.• Must have the skill set needed:

This requires word processing, editing, import articles, artwork, etc into the newsletter, and able to publish the document in .pdf format.

• Must have a computer, current word processing software and reliable internet access to put together the newsletter:

-- Current word processing software is required in order to create the newsletter, and to publish it in .pdf format

-- Internet access is required to receive Chronicler emails, and to publish the newsletter to the appropriate recipients.

• Must have and maintain a SCA membership for the duration of occupying the Chronicler's office.

For a complete rundown on all things Chronicler, see section 6 Policies of the Kingdom Chronicler, The Atlantian Book Of Policy



## ANNOUNCEMENT:: vacant position - MINISTER OF LISTS



The Barony is looking for someone to fill the position of Minister of Lists. More than one person can work in the Minister of Lists office. There is a main officer, and there can be one or more deputies. Previous experience not required. Below is a brief description of the duties of a Minister of Lists. If you are interested in becoming one, it is strongly recommended that you take the class on being a Minister of Lists which is offered through Atlantia University. One can also contact the Kingdom Minister of Lists if you have questions about being a Minister of Lists.

### WHAT IS A MINISTER OF LISTS AND WHAT DO THEY DO?

What exactly IS a Minister of the List (MoL)? A MoL is someone who helps organize, complete, and maintain the paperwork needed to track fighters' authorizations and run combat scenarios at events. They are the people sitting at the table on the side of the list field signing in combatants, checking authorization cards, recording authorizations, and filling out all those lovely forms necessary to keep fighting in Atlantia running smoothly.

Any event (including tournaments, demos, war practices, or training at Universities) announced in The Acorn which includes combat activities (heavy, rapier, youth, minor combat or equestrian,) must have an MoL-in-Charge.

### DUTIES OF A MINISTER OF LISTS

A warranted MoL is required to administer all combat activities at Atlantian events. For the purposes of this policy only, an Atlantian event is defined as any event announced



in The Acorn. Any combat activity, including tournaments, demos, war practices, and training at Universities or Collegiums, held at these events requires a MoL

- Each event shall have an MoL-in-Charge who is responsible for filing a tournament report within 14 calendar days of the event.
- The MoL must ensure that each fighter checks in and completes the appropriate paperwork prior to entering the lists.
- The MoL shall prepare one report for each tournament held at an event. If you have three tournaments, the KMoL's office should receive three report forms.
- If a tournament is scheduled but does not occur or is started but not completed, the MoL should send a tournament report stating this fact and the reason, for example bad weather or lack of marshals.
- A copy of the tournament report shall be submitted to the seneschal of the sponsoring branch.

#### REQUIREMENTS TO BE A MINISTER OF LISTS

Anyone wishing to become an MoL must attend the MoL 101 class and complete the MoL internship program. After taking the MoL 101 class, the MoL trainees must complete a written test. Upon completion of the written test and internship program, the Intern must submit, in writing, their desire to take on the office.

If you are having difficulty finding a class to attend, you may contact the Deputy Kingdom MoL for your area or even the Kingdom MoL to assist you. Once approved, the new MoL is added to the roster of warranted MoLs.

For a complete rundown on all things Minister of List, see section 4 Policies of the Kingdom Minister of the Lists, The Atlantian Book of Policy

**ANNOUNCEMENT::**Bids for Ice Castles  
Call for bids open NOW  
Deadline to submit bids: October 23, 2021

Submit your bids to the Seneschal, [seneschal\[at\]black-diamond.atlantia.sca.org](mailto:seneschal[at]black-diamond.atlantia.sca.org)

Important information:  
Ice Castles is the Baronial Birthday event held in January.

In January 2022, the weekend of the 8th is not available. The weekends of the 15th, 22nd, and 29th are available.

The event notice for Ice Castles must be published in the December ACORN, which has a November 1 deadline.

## **ANNOUNCEMENT::Call for Submissions**

The E&E is in need of artwork, articles, poetry, stories, recipes, photos from SCA events or activities, etc. If you have something you would like to have published in the E&E, send your submissions to the Chronicler, [chronicler\[at\]black-diamond.atlantia.sca.org](mailto:chronicler@black-diamond.atlantia.sca.org) Please include a release form with your submission which allows us to publish your item. Those forms are available at <https://chronicler.atlantia.sca.org/Releases.php>



## CAMPFIRESIDE CHAT



Hey all, everyone got a seat? Good, let's talk about stuff, and everything. No specific topic, this is a space to talk about all things SCA, and SCA related. Like .....

Congratulations to our newest Laurel, Baroness Evelyn Merrymet and to our newest Knight, Dame Sbylava Ruslanova!

How does one get an award?

By the populace making recommendations to the Baronage and the Royals. The Crown and Baronage cannot be everywhere at once so they do not see all the wonderful things that our populace does. Therefore, they rely on the populace to point out those individuals who are doing notable things.

How / where does one make award recommendations?

On the Kingdom of Atlantia website [<https://award.atlantia.sca.org/>] or you can submit an email to your Baronage or the Royals. They will need to know the name, both SCA and mundane, of the person you are recommending, and why you think this person should be recognized (what did they do that caught your attention).

How does one become an officer?











All officers are volunteers. You can follow an officer around to see what they do. You can also read up on each office in the Atlantian Book of Policy [<http://atlantia.sca.org/officers/seneschal/governing-documents/>] to find out what the duties and responsibilities are for each office. Any officer can have one or more deputies – which is also a good way find out what an officer does. Any person interested in an office would need to take appropriate classes to be warranted as an officer or a deputy.

Can anyone be an event autocrat?

Yes. You do not need experience to be an autocrat, however it is strongly recommended that you be a deputy autocrat first. It is also recommended that you take the Autocrat class offered thru Atlantia University which will explain what an autocrat is and does. There is also an Autocrat class offered by the Kingdom DEI officer.



## BARONIAL REGNUM

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## BARONIAL NOTABLES

ARMORED COMBAT Champion	Lord Bjorn of Black Diamond (Jarrett Lucas)	
RAPIER Champion	Yakikusa no Yuri (Rachael Renalds)	
ARCHERY Champion	Lady Agatha la Sommeliere (Jordan Mcorrie)	
ARTS & SCIENCES Champion	Vacant	
BARDIC Champion	Master Johann von Solothurn (John Surber)	
BARONIAL SCRIBE	Lady Genevote la Feseresse (Jennifer Barringer)	
Baronial Scroll Wrangler	Jocelyn (Jocelyn Elaine)	
Armored Combat Warlord	Lord Torbjorn Joreksson (Jake Perkovich)	
Rapier Combat Warlord	Lord Renard Belmont (Daniel Belton)	

## BARONIAL FINANCIAL COMMITTEE

Lady Kale Cinnabarrissa	Colleen Miles
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## CANTON OF SEVEN HILLS

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	KNIGHT MARSHAL	Sir Conall mac Aodha mhic Reamoinn (Chris Beazley)	
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