May 2023 Østgarðr Commons Minutes

The province's monthly commons meeting was held May 17, 2023. Here are the minutes as recorded by Angelica di Nova Lipa with additional notes from Mathghamhain ua Ruadháin. The officers' reports are attached at the end.

Attendance

Present

- Nagashima Ichiro Ujimichi
- Sofya Gianetta di Trieste
- Angelica di Nova Lipa
- Albrecht Anker
- Marion of York
- Perez Ben Meir Gershon
- Lada Monguligin
- Eadwine the Younger
- Hanya Vladimirovna Polotskaya
- Friderich Grimme
- Gibbs Moryss
- Jenna ChildSlayer
- Ervald LaCoudre the Optimistic
- Arnora Ketilsdottir
- Richard the Poor of Ely
- Simon the Tanner
- Albrecht Anker
- Catelin Straquhin
- Drasma Dragomira
- Gibbs Moryss
- Ilia Aleksandrovich
- Iola Wulfsdotter
- Kunigunde Weddeman
- Mathghamhain Ua Ruadháin
- Vitasha Ivanova 'doch

- Zahra de Andaluzia
- Francisco de Braga
- Alexander MacLachlan

Absent Officers

- Brandr Aronsson, Arts & Sciences
- Alienor Salton, Whyt Whey Seneschal/Østgarðr Exchequer
- Friderich Grimme, Webminister

Opening

• 7:30 - Harassment notice

Viceregal Report

Crown was a great success and we received many compliments. Thanks and congratulations to the event team with special recognition for Alienor and Francisco's handling of the Gate all day, and Alec for special effort Sunday morning

Upcoming

- Tuesdays: Fighting and fencing practice
- Monthly: A&S live and/or video conference
- May 20th, Ostgardr A&S Championship at Lions End Schola
- May 18th A&S night canceled. If you want to teach a future class, please let us know. It's a comfortable space for folks who are new to it.
- May 20 Viking Day Demo, Catelin Event Steward Ervald: I'll be there at Viking Day on Saturday. And so will Gladiators NYC

- May 24th 7PM Pennsic Camp Meeting video conference; event page on Facebook. Planning. Pre-reg now. We're expecting a big crowd. We're very excited. * Also send email.
- May 28th, Ostg Scribal Workshop (Lada leading a two hour session at Coffee Shop).
- May 31st, Kingdom award polling deadline.
- June 19 Broken Bridge Commons
- June 22nd, Thursday, 7 PM Pennsic Camp Planning Video Conference Meeting https://meet.google.com/eoq-epge-dzi

Committees

Kitchen Supplies Committee

Uji has suggested that we set up a Kitchen Supplies Committee to evaluate the current feast gear preparation items, and to make recommendations on what items should be decommissioned, what can be retained, and to make suggestions on items it would benefit the Province to purchase. Please contact Uji or Friderich if you want to serve on this committee.

Financial Committee

To consider MOL requesting authorization to purchase needed supplies not to exceed US\$50.

Events Completed

Crown Tourney Report by Arnora – All went well. Smooth sailing thanks entirely to our volunteers who prepped for weeks ahead, and worked intensively on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Great event, thanks to Stewards, staff, esp Brett/Alec who drove up from Long Island, Sunday morning to unload the U-Haul.

Future Event Planning

Event Stewards to Report Monthly on event planning and post-event evaluation. Stewards have been added to the Ostgardr Officers' email distribution list and reports list.

June 3rd, 2023 Farmingdale demo - Iola organizing

- -Harry to do chainmail demo.... Needs to authorize in order to be a fighter.
- -Ilia will marshal, Vitasha will come as well
- -Demo Attendees will be able to vend if authorized, and licenced to sell in NYS
- -LIRR station is within 5 minutes walking from demo
 - **June 3rd, 2023** Ervald will be at Cosmic-Com the same weekend as Farmingdale LI demo.
 - June 24th Novice Schola, Rusted Woodlands
 - July 9th (originally June 25th) Ostgardr War Practice in Astoria Park Ervald reports this is the best year in many years for Ostgard area fighters. Ervald requests support, i.e. water bearers, food, lugging support, etc. and asks Alienor's assistance in making the practice an official EK Event.
 - **Sept 2nd, Saturday, Barleycorn** (Day only, no camping) Estimating ~ 100-125 people Arnora: Site Reservation Fee was submitted, insurance certificate was requested and paid for.

Caitlin and Brett/Alec Stewards, requesting volunteers, including Marshalls. Catelin to schedule online planning meetings.

Archery, Youth Combat, and Fencing. Stewards coordinating with current champions. Site typically also includes championships for armored and thrown weapons.

Unknown yet if will include Adult Armored Combat or the Sir Edward Memorial tournament.

Volunteers - Richard will run Barleycorn Memorial Brewing Competition.(Arnora notes site is nominally dry. - Gabriel has idea for Youth Combat Championship.

- Kunigunde: Youth Point
- Mathghamhain: Alienor will volunteer to run pre-reg and gate.

• Barleycorn ideas and questions

- Vitasha: Need an MoL to cover rapier or armored? Caitlin says Yes, for rapier.
- Perez: Or you could do the Sir Edward's challenge at Queens Farm to pull fighters there.
- Gibbs: Barleycorn isn't on the calendar
- Mathghamhain: I propose that we post to EK calendar even though we don't have a budget.
- Alec: I agree, with a basic budget which can be amended if needed.
- **Sept 9-10 Queens Farm**, Catelin is in contact with site rep, to discuss their goals and ours.
- Late Sept/Early Oct NO DATE YET Cloisters Demo @ Fort Tryon Park Medieval Festival
 - Mathghamhain: More or less as usual.
 - Armored combat championships will be at Cloisters.
 - Albrecht: For championship tournament, I'm going to try to get a bunch of former champions. Perez is helping to design an interesting scoring system. Maybe a viewing booth where people can sit and watch.
- Oct 7 King's County Fiber Fest Don't have an event steward. Currently not planning on doing it unless people volunteer to lead. Ragnarr will provide contacts if Event Steward volunteers.
- Oct/Nov Goat's Inn, Oliver no news.
- Nov '23 Jan '24 date range Lada proposes a Scribal Schola later in the year.

 Friderich reminds all to inform Webminster of dates so they can be posted on Calendar and on social media platforms.

Regional Events

- 5/19-5/21 Consort's and Sovereign's Archery Championships, BBM -Colchester, CT
- 5/26-5/28 The Quest for Wit & Wisdom XXXVIII. Settmour Swamp Pittstown, NI
- 5/26-5/28 War of the Roses! & EK Armored Champs, Concordia Schaghticoke,
 NY
- 6/2-6/4 Southern Region War Camp, Carillion Manalapan, NJ
- 6/10 Iron Bog Investiture & Kingdom Equestrian Championship, Iron Bog Swedesboro, NJ
- 6/17 Potted Arms and Fancy Faire, Hawke's Reache Huntington, NY

Other Business

- Uji: Events should have online planning meetings to reduce time in commons meetings.
- **Kunigunde:** Discussing these events at Commons helps to inform and draw people in.
- Mathghamhain: Inventory: Alienor has been tracking. Please note if you are holding onto things.
- Albrecht: I'm planning on stepping down as Social Media officer. I know there is someone else who has that job. Lada has been assisting me with publications. I've been moderating and managing Discord. If you want to post to TikTok and such. No deadline. Please volunteer.
- Simon the Tanner: At Crown a few of us talked about having an event for community benefit. We could reach out to event stewards and do a canned food

drive, items to be donated to a local shelter. Immediate agreement from Catelin, Iola, Vitasha, Ervald. Catelin suggests the name "Robin's Reserve"

Closing

• Meeting adjourned