

# Shire of Blak Rose

## Board Meeting Minutes

### Officers

#### **Seneschal**

**Hashiji Morikatsu**

Deputy: Maraha Kahanikar

#### **Exchequer**

**Tuathflaith Chleirigh**

Deputy: Sol la Cantor

#### **Herald**

**Samira al Mansur**

Deputy: Eleazar ha-Levi

#### **Chronicler**

**Ragnall Cennétig**

Deputies: Tuathflaith ingen huí  
Chleirigh,

#### **Minister of A & S**

**Tirza bithe Reaboughes**

Deputy: Vacant

#### **Knight Marshal**

**Seán Dubh**

Deputy: Vacant

#### **Chatelaine**

**Freydis Illska**

Deputy: Orn Shieldbreaker

### Functionaries

#### **Web Minister**

**Vacant**

Deputy: Tuathflaith

#### **Chamberlain**

Kathleen Rhoten

#### **Librarian**

Joscelin le esqrel

### Current Committees

#### *Financial Committee*

Chair: Exchequer

Seneschal, Deputy Exchequer

**September 14, 2020**

#### **Location:**

Online Conference Call via Google Meets

Submitted by the Chronicler:

Ragnall Cennétig

#### Upcoming Events

Details can be found at Blak Rose and EK Calendars

(Upcoming practices and events will be added to the Calendar)

**Shire Wars (Postponed to 2021)**

**Call To Order**

Ten SCA members were present, seven of them shire members, and the Seneschal called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM.

**Roll Call and Assignment of Proxies**

Proxies not assigned, as Bylawas are still in rewrite. All bylaw mentions marked with "\*" are currently suspended per kingdom. Roll call was taken via sign-in sheet and collected by the Chronicler. In attendance were:

**Officers:**

Jerry Doyle, Seneschal  
(Hashiji Morikatsu)

Shawn Jones, Deputy Seneschal  
(Maraha Kahanikar)

Cooper Kennedy, Chronicler  
(Ragnall Cennétig)

Lew Wolkoff, Deputy Herald  
(Eleazar ha-Levi)

Tracey Hanwell, Exchequer  
(Tuathflaith ingen huf Chleirigh)

Sean Marshall, Knight Marshal  
(Seán Dubh)

Freydis Illska, Chatelaine  
(Miranda Renee)

Marcia Anchors-Jones, Minister of A&S  
(Tirza bithe Reaboughes)

**Resident SCA Members of Voting Age**

**Populace:**

Rosie O'Connell (Shire of Owlsherst)  
Erik Sateren - Baron Ulrich Aeowulf MacNaughtine

\*According to the current By-Laws of the Shire, a quorum is defined as a minimum of three (3) officers or their deputies plus any other two (2) resident SCA members of voting age. As there were eight officers present who made a total of eight resident SCA members of voting age in attendance, the Seneschal declared a quorum to be present.

**Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Minutes approved.

## **Seneschal's Report**

In person events and large demos continue to be postponed until end of Jan 2021, but practices are starting up in certain areas.

## **Other Officers' Reports**

**Exchequer** - Tuathflaith ingen huí Chleirigh

Report sent in and attached at the end of this document.

**Herald** - Eleazar Ha-Levi

Report sent in and attached at the end of this document.

**Chronicler** - Ragnall Cennetig

Minutes for the previous meeting posted.

*Webminister* - Tuathflaith ingen huí Chleirigh

No new activity to report.

**Minister of A&S**

No new activity to report.

**Knight Marshal**

No new announcements but some conversations have been taking place about the rapier presence at Pennsic. Additionally, the EK Knight Marshall has allowed full contact practices to commence with special approvals to address Covid-19 restrictions.

**Chatelaine** - Freydis Illska

No new activity to report. Working on keeping social media going and posting virtual events. Lady Freydis was appointed official Blak Rose Social Media contact.

## **Marshal Activities Reports**

**Archery Marshal Report** (Tuathflaith)

As of the end of August, Blak Rose had 1 of only 4 approved archery practices, and 3 sets of Royal Rounds scores have been submitted, including two new ranked archers (one in Blak Rose and one in Owlsherst). Practices will be moving to Saturday during the day as evening comes too soon to continue evening practices.

**Thrown Weapons Marshal (Alana)(MiT: Ragnall)**

No new activity to report.

## **Committee Reports**

### **Bylaws Committee**

No Report.

### **Shire Wars Committee - Eleazar Ha-Levi**

Lots of new information regarding Virtual Shire Wars event and 2021 Event details that can be found attached at the end of this document.

## **Old Business**

### **SCA Census**

The Census is open and available for filling out.

### **Comic Con**

Details and ideas for Comic Con 2021 are currently being discussed, contact Miranda Renee (Lady Freydis Illska for thoughts and ideas).

## **New Business**

New AOA and Silver Wheel awarded to Lady Illska at the last royal court. A big Vivat to our new Noble.

## **Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM. The next meeting date is posted on the Blak Rose Website Calander with a link for the digital meeting group.

**Blak Rose Business Meeting**  
**Exchequer Report – Tracey L. Hanwell - September 14, 2020**

**Activity this month**

- I am awaiting word on which Shires, if any, have requested refunds on their share of Shire Wars expenses.
- Montvale did not send a check.
- Since my previous report concerning my warrant, I have not heard from the Kingdom Exchequer nor the Kingdom Seneschal. I sent an email to the Society Exchequer requesting intervention on my behalf. Her response was not helpful. Both emails are appended to this report. At this point I am bewildered as to my next move. The irresponsibility of this situation is disturbing beyond polite words.

**Statement of Financial Position**

**Current Financial Assets**

Checking balance on August statement	\$5,432.47
Checks deposited	0.00
Cash not deposited	0.00
Payments expected but not received (Montvale)	412.50
<u>Other assets, including cash on hand</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>Total Financial Assets</b>	<b>\$5,844.97</b>

**Current Financial Liabilities:**

Payments issued but not cleared	175.00
<u>Payments due but not issued</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>Total Financial Liabilities</b>	<b>\$175.00</b>

**Net financial assets: \$5,669.97**

## **EMAIL TO THE SOCIETY EXCHEQUER dated September 2, 2020**

Dear Ms. Tower,

My name is Tracey Hanwell. I reside in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, East Kingdom Shire of Blak Rose. I am inquiring if you have received my request for warrant from our Kingdom Exchequer. I was declared Shire Exchequer by our local officers in January of this year when our newly re-elected Exchequer resigned. This is the third time I have taken over when an exchequer has resigned, and my name remains on the Shire bank account for just this circumstance.

At that time I submitted a request for warrant. The link on the Kingdom website had sent me to the wrong document, so the EK Exchequer corrected me and requested me to find the correct document and resubmit. I did so. That was the last I heard from him. My regional deputy Exchequer, Dagrún, also made multiple attempts for a response to my warrant request.

After some months I asked the Shire to hold a formal, public election. I ran unopposed in July and was elected Exchequer. My Seneschal and I filled out a new warrant request and sent it on July 19, 2020. I have not yet received a response. The Kingdom Seneschal was contacted by my Seneschal, and her reply was that she would "ping" him. That was on August 4, 2020. We have heard nothing since.

I have been serving in this office for about 8 months now without the warrant. I have not been able to access the Exchequer email address and because of this I cannot officially submit any reports. Nor can I receive any prior copies of reports. I had to drive an hour away to sign our year-end report in person. Additionally, there is a man who has demanded his name be taken off our accounts and I cannot do anything for him.

Would you be able to intervene on my behalf? I can forward the documents to you if wish. Any help you can give me would be appreciated.

In service,  
Tracey L. Hanwell  
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## **HER RESPONSE dated September 2, 2020**

Hi Tracey,

I do not handle warrants for below Kingdom level. You will need to contact your Kingdom Exchequer for your warrant. I am cc'ing the East Kingdom Exchequer, David Harvill on this.

Roberta [Tower]

**Deputy Herald's Reports: Eleazar Ha-Levi**  
**Shire of Blak Rose Monthly Report - September 14, 2020**

**East Kingdom Internal Letter of Intent (ILoI) dated 09-14-20**

There is no name or armory from the Shire of Blak Rose currently under review or consideration. A new Internal Letter of Intent for review at the Kingdom level should be posted in the next week.

**My Own Activities**

- I worked with Widow Kait on submitting both her name and her device.
- I continue to be available for consultation on names or armory and may be contacted by e-mail at [eleazar\\_halevi@yahoo.com](mailto:eleazar_halevi@yahoo.com) or at [herald@blakrose.eastkingdom.org](mailto:herald@blakrose.eastkingdom.org). Working on registering your name, device, and/or badge can be a good way to spend some time during the extended “lock-in.”
- I’m also available if anybody would like to start learning about heraldry, either just to know more or to be trained as a herald.

**Laurel Queen of Arms Activities**

The Laurel Queen of Arms announced that the limit on registered names and registered armory has been increased from six of each to ten of each.

The Pelican Sovereign of Arms announced that:

- A set of Venetian Equivalent Titles have been accepted for use by those with Venetian personas.
- Based on current research, there is no evidence that the given name Catriona is Period, and, after this month. It may no longer be registered unless new evidence is supplied.

The Wreath Sovereign of Arms has continued his clarification of the rules involving assumed marshalling.

## **Shire Wars Event Steward Report 09/14/20**

First, the contract has been signed and the EK Calendar updated. Shire Wars IX, the real one, will be held on October 17-19, 2021.

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I have been working with Lady Cordelia Sharp on the event website, *shirewars.eastkingdom.org*. We have settled how the information for the 2021 Shire Wars event will be put into “limbo” to separate it from information on the virtual event. The Kingdom Anti-Bullying Policy will be added to the sight. Also, we’ve discussed how she will be handling the materials for the various things going onto the website regarding the competitions and the A&S Display.

Cordelia has suggested that we offer teachers and those running events their choice of source: Zoom, Google Meet, or other, and let each decide. She can support this.

Cordelia has also prioritized her work schedule for the next two weeks. Things will be up in early October.

Also, she reports that she has not yet received the recipes from Mistress Tirza.

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It looks like there will be at least, three competitions: a contest to generate largesse for Their Majesties, a scavenger hunt, and a martial completion with separate categories for heavy weapons fighters and fencers.

In the Largesse Competition, people: adult individuals, five-person teams, and youth will make – and send to a P.O. Box – largesse. They’ll also send pictures of what they’ve made to our website to be judged by the populace.

For the Scavenger Hunt, we will post a long list (up to forty) tasks. People will register as teams with the same information as the Largesse Competition. Teams will send in short videos of them performing each task, and the populace will pick the winners for each task where more than one team sends in a video. Teams need not try every event. Winner of each task (or sole occupant) will get 1-5 points, depending on the task, and the highest score wins.

I’m still working out the details of the martial competitions, but, again there will be five-person teams. I’ll send the details as soon as they’re settled.

Also, I’ve been contacted indirectly by Chivan (sp?) regarding a possible brewing event. I’ll be talking to her about details.

The deadline for entries for each competition will be November 3, so we can tabulate and announce the winners at the event. Winners will also be posted on the website.

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The A&S Display won’t be a completion, though I do want people to be able to submit comments. The Display will be titled “A Journal of the Plague Year.” The theme will be: okay, artisans, you just had months with little distraction. Show us what did you do or made. Projects can have been started before March 1, 2020, but they have to be finished – or, at least, strongly worked on – since that date. Again, the deadline will be November 3, so the populace “attending” the event can have time to view and comment.

I’d like to be able to keep the pictures and information for these projects on the website after the virtual event. We can decide later if any of the competitions will be part of the October 2021 event.