Quintavia January meeting minutes

Attending: Matthias, Feilinn, Joiha, Ada, Corwin, Thyra, Simona, Iris, Anastasia, Donovan, Rodrigo, Marieta, Mikjal

Next business meeting Feb 12 11am Camelot

Chatelaine: Will be helping at Birka. Yule went well. Go team.

MoL: Birka is incoming! Have several people signed up to help, more is always nice. Stop by in the morning if you want to help, no experience needed. As we've said before, it's gonna be an interesting year for the bearpit, wear shoes appropriate for wood floors that won't slip (but the hotel doesn't actually care about the floors this year, though that doesn't mean spikes...). Fencing might have 1 pit for pickups. Make sure you are authorized, authorizations at Birka will be uncertain. There will only be a tiny space for spectators, and minimal space for gear.

MoAS: Is now the Backlog Deputy for the Signet! Congratudolences! And the incoming Signet is Nataliia (she goes to the Q fencing practice regularly, if anyone needs to see her.) The New Scribes Deputy is Vettorio (we can give you the contact info for him, he's great).

The 2nd scribal moot (in December) was a success (reed and quill cutting, and ink 'tasting bar'). Next moot is Jan 31, then Feb 28. Reminders will go out over email and FB. Next topic is "calligraphy typography", taught by Robert Whitcomb of Brandywine ("St Robert of Parking").

Looking to have quarterly craft days – all A&S all together. When I ask for volunteers, no one emails us, even though they volunteer in person, so please email Feilinn when she emails!

Sewing still happens Monday and Wednesday in Camelot. Shop night often happens on Wednesdays in Stow.

Archery: Life-sized mock-up of the new archery target stand has been completed. Very few mistakes were made. Good enough for gov't work. Will post the worknight for when we make more, we can use help. Sojourner has been talking to Rod & Gun clubs to see if there's somewhere we can shoot in the winter. Peter the Red's practice runs all winter outside. We will try to have an arrow repair workshop over the winter.

Dance: January's practice will be on Jan 10 (but continuing on 1st Tuesdays thereafter).

The demo at the Worcester Art Museum was successful, there were dancers and the museum liked having us.

Arisia will have a ball on the Saturday (4:30-6:30pm) of that weekend. Hermankyn organizes it (Justin helps). There is a different medieval group running a kids' ball at 10am that day. Go dance (in whatever outfit you are in, part of the appeal is the costume-mash-up aspect).

Exchequer: Our pending Deputy Exchequer will be moving into the Shire later this month, woo (Liadan)! End of Year report was submitted well before the deadline. Our bank account is healthy, haven't paid anything lately. Still working on the signatory changes, got that info to the Kingdom Exchequer but things are moving slowly, but the bank has the info now. The Exchequer is in serious

need of deputies, for various aspects of the job, not all involving spreadsheets, so if you want to get involved in an office, that would be great.

Fencing: We are continuing to fence! On Mondays! In Millbury at the MEMEC! This report was given in person!

Herald: Nothing new to report. Contact Rosina if you need any heraldic anything.

Knight Marshal: (Now Sigurthr). No longer Tuesday night practices (haven't for awhile). Still have them Sundays (MEMEC) and Thursdays (Camelot).

Webminister: no report

Chancellor Minor: Birka really needs folks willing to teach classes for kids. You do not need to be warranted or anything, just let Corwin know whether you are or not so they can arrange appropriately. As long as there are unrelated adults present, warranting is not needed.

Seneschal: Thank you everyone who came to Yule, it was a pleasant afternoon.

I will be having open-hours at upcoming events, where people can bug me. As always, my email inbox is open for any comments, concerns or questions. I have written folks in, more of you should also do this. Jan 20 is the deadline for the first polling.

Will be attending the Bergental business meeting on Monday to talk up Battle of 5 Armies and to be sociable with them. Stonemarche business meetings are bi-monthly, will try to attend one of them or send a rep.

Other business:

New potential event site: (Info from Rodrigo) Julian Weisrobin has ~40acres in Hubbardston, would love to have events there. Licensed primitive campground, so we need some experienced eventholders to take a look at it and tell Rodrigo what (really basic) facilities are needed. No more than 100people-sized events. Residential kitchen only. Will investigate.

Rodrigo is now a Real Boy Marshal! Yay!

Household reports:

Strangeways is holding a Birka Sewing Deathmarch today in Mosaic Common House. Also, Shutterfly now makes custom memory card games! We need all of them. (Like EK awards, and local groups)

Darostur is in hibernation.

Anybody wanting to help with the MoDDing Deathmarch should contact Anastasia (to help make stuff for Maloccio at A&S/Bardic, not a secret as it's been writ-ed).

Events:

<u>Embroidery Schola</u>: Feb 25 in Camelot, 10-6, potluck lunch, likely a post-revel. Really need hardy volunteers to help with parking. Have a good set of volunteers for the event (indoors) but we'll be happy to have more help. People who help with parking will be plied with hot beverages. Aleksei is in charge of class coordination. Marieta is autocratting.

We need new directional signs. We could use the Embroidery Schola as a deadline. We need new internal signs as well (preferably laminated).

<u>Hafla</u>: Looking at April 1 at the UU Church in Berlin. Finally heard back from the site, should be \$150 (woo!). Hopefully we can get the contract wrapped up in a couple weeks and get the event on the calendar. Then it will need volunteers.

<u>Schola of Looove</u>: (:P -Ed.) May 6, in Mosaic. No children. Fortune is autocratting. Marieta is making (in)appropriate site tokens. Donation-only event. Dayboard will be part of a class. Not a lab practical, all theory classes. Even have some teachers coming from out of kingdom! Event announcement should be going up soon. Website should be in the works.

<u>Battle of 5 Armies</u>: Aug 26mumble. Website hopefully up before Birka. Need plenty of volunteers. Have buy-in from Carolingia to help host the event, hopefully Bergental will also do so. Andreiko (autocrat) will be going to Iceweasel (in Feb), will be giving payment to Smoking Rocks for "guarding our gold mine", should be good schtick.

New business:

None.