

Northpass Commons Meeting Notes April 10, 2018

Running of the Group:

- Finance Committee- Policy work is in process
- Kitchen Gear acquisition committee- meeting to work out plans
- Gold Key- Seónaid has not purchased fabric yet. Seónaid wants to discuss possibilities of gatherings for creation- will discuss soon. Fabric donated by Esnade and Victor (thank you).
- Event 101- this will be scheduled. Many people interested in learning the process.

Events and Demos:

Brew U-

(Francisco) 26-29 paid reservations and a handful of promised attendees. (With a few more people we'll break even.)

- Volunteers being looked for a few jobs
- Food- people limit 45 for feast, but if there are a few more speak with Friderich. Friderich would also like more staff.
- Some locals unable to attend on the new date
- Loaner feast gear requested- Wilhelm will bring Northpass loaner.

Blood & Axes II-

- Targets are needed for TW.
- Most staff is in place
- Still solidifying plans for Rattan and Archery

White Plains Library Demo-

- Site wants August 25th... 1-5 PM
- Many people have volunteered to contribute their talents.
- Molly has a connection to the Westchester library system – Shared with Seneschal
- Heavy list has been requested, site intends on putting it in the largest meeting room. This needs to be sorted after a site visit.

Barleycorn-

- Only new information- Ducal Challenge is hosting the Rose tournament for Thrown Weapons.
- We still expect event to be successful with many awesome activities planned

Goat's Tavern III-

- This event has become heavily focused on children's activities.
- "Winter is Coming" theme

River Schola (Northpass Schola)-

- It is shared that Nordenhall has already heard about this event, we're not sure how though. 😊

Decameron-

- Lilie presented reasons why Sofya Gianette di Trieste is her preferred choice for co-event steward. Lilie needs help day-of running the event and putting event items in place unrelated to

the performance aspects. Friederich also added that Sofya has experience and competence in making the space appropriate for their vision.

- Discussion occurred over wording of “legal” items related to an event. These are to be handled by the seneschal and not an event steward. Wilhelm endorsed Sofya but clarified that any legal aspects of the event need to be directed to him.
- Motion made to have Sofya be an event steward, seconded, passed by acclaim.
- Sofya spoke of her six years of SCA experience, thanked the group for their confidence. She welcomes any and all feedback in the process of making this event.

No new discussion on **Dance and Games** or **Northpass Yule** during the events section of the meeting.

Recent Events:

Tavern-

- Reporting has been submitted, but not yet confirmed
- Motion to thank Oliver – made and approved heartily

Østgarðr Events in Northpass and beyond:

- Lions Awaken, Lion’s End Demo, Østgarðr- AnDub Challenge, Musicians Day- Seneschal asked for planned participation of populace...and thanked Northpass for supporting all of these activities by sending people and running activity.
- Picnic in the Ruins- Lada pointed out this event is outside and in the view of passers-by. Good for publicity.

Other Kingdom Events:

- Balfar’s Challenge- several people are planning on attending
- Daffodil’s- Wilhelm is running Thrown Weapons and welcomes all who want to come and throw axes.
- War of Roses- Several attending, not enough for an encampment
- EK 50th- Numerous people plan on attending
- Pennsic – Suggestion made for Northpass encampment

Officers and Activities:

Seneschal (Wilhelm Larrson)-

- Online meetings – (after discussion) going forward, yes, we continue to do this. Initially for officers and active locals.
- Dragonship embassy – was well received. Friendships started. Some said they would seek to join an upcoming Northpass commons.
- Nordenfjord- Group is stable and fine, rumors non-withstanding. Reasons for the planned name change discussed.
- Østgarðr- Northpass people are helping and events and gatherings.
- Northpass- we are growing and seeing an increase of activity. Thank you to everyone hosting and running activities like the A&S Gathering, Embroidery and Game Day, A&S Workshop Day, Focused A&S, Archery... There are also plans for other marshal activities in the works.

Exchequer (Buenaventura Miguel Rivera)-

- State of books- Review came back good. Error in Q1 was found and fixed; there was a long discussion on the difficult report form that resulted in the elusive error.

- Paypal for barleycorn has been verbally approved.
- Awaiting corrected checks, the originals came back with the wrong account number.
- Paypal should be available for Decameron

Chatelaine (Francisco de Braga)-

- Gathering information for upcoming report
- New members are attending activities and events!

A&S (Conandil ingen Donngaile)-

- Upcoming Embroidery Circle 4/29 3:30-5:30
- Upcoming Game Day 4/29 3:30-5:30
- A&S Workshop day on 3/18 was a lot of fun and there were many learning opportunities.
- Ongoing "Northern Northpass" A&S Gathering at Lettie's... next one 5/11
- Pewter casting still tentatively scheduled for 6/10

Brewmeister (Oliver de Bainbrig)-

- Picnic at Croton Point Park is coming
- Lots of local brewers are becoming active.

Webminister (Wilhelm Larrson)-

- Email Migration – completed
- New Email list – will happen after the system is better understood

Chronicler (Conandil ingen Donngaile)-

- Stronghold is going well.
- Chronicler accepting articles, photos, and art work for publication- if you are interested in submitting something, contact the chronicler directly.

Herald (Archubeas Grimore)- *Report given by Wilhelm in his stead*

- Nominated a deputy for his office- Archubeas nominated Seónaid (via Wilhelm), Wilhelm took the honor of seconding nomination, voted on and passed unanimously sand with gusto.
- There was a reminder given to the herald (and now the deputy) that a session for members to get names and devices has been requested.

MoL (Seónaid inghean Mhic Aoidh)-

- Training- is going well, Mudthaw was fun, Elsbeth is great.
- Going to Balfar's- shadowing MoL and taking some classes.
- Seneschal asked how office is working out and Seónaid is excited to continue.

Thrown Weapons (Wilhelm Larrson)-

- Balfar's Challenge has big TW opportunities.
- Come throw at Daffodil's... range being run by Wilhelm.
- Plan to make targets- coordination upcoming

(People reporting for roles that would normally be offices)

Archery- information shared by Friderich

Practice:

- Archery has recently been more active with the better weather.
- Scheduled Sundays at Blue Mountain- no cross bows. Hoping for 2 practices a month. April and May are set, looking for schedule June and July.
- Just for fun, unofficial archery at Flying Arrow.
- Considering/suggesting field trips via carpool to other archery practices. (SI and others.)
- Watch for activities to be posted to FB, email group, website, and Stronghold.
- Loaner gear request:
 - There are six new people without gear.
 - There are a number of different options for bow purchases.
 - Detailed discussion about bows and arrows followed.
 - Some equipment has already been donated.
 - *Friderich is going to create a committee of self-nominated volunteers to put together a proposal including: What's needed, Proposed upkeep/maintenance, costs, etc.

Fencing- information imparted by Buenaventura

- Ben asked how many people are interested in fencing- at the meeting about 5
- MiT- he's working on becoming a Marshal
- He wants to organize practices
- Spoke of running activity and offered to take office of Captain of Fence
- Several seconded...motion then made... We have a new officer (unanimously)

Friderich suggested gatherings with multiple activities at once, maybe quarterly

Esnade suggested tandem activities might be more beneficial depending on attendance and specific interest.

Seónaid asked if there were any site thoughts, dates, times, etc.?

Heavy List- information imparted by Wilhelm

- At the moment there isn't a knight marshal, probably won't be for the next 6 months.
- 8-9 people interested in this activity
- 2-3 people have offered to help get people armored up.
- Motion to appropriate up to \$300 for heavy gear/armor when the former King comes back with willingness to help.
- Looking for 2 full sets of armor (helms donated)- Looking for a list of what it would include. If it isn't full kits Wilhelm will come back with the specific information. Kits are going to be made by people willing to help.
- There is a neighbor from DSH that offered to help make starter gear.
- Rattan being donated/offered

FoN Committee:

Right now the focus is continued growth!

Other thoughts/ideas/project:

- Something about eating shrimp... all you can eat shrimp.
- Pennsic Pity Party at Bags End (Friderich and Lilie's); Sat., Aug. 4th
There will be food, a pavilion, garb is optional, and the most important features: AC AND FLUSHIES!!!!

- Apollodora- New Social Media Officer of Østgarðr. They are super excited about this opportunity to reach out to younger potential members. They are running a demo as part of the Brooklyn Pride Parade. Please contact them if you would like to contribute, they are hoping to make the SCA more inclusive.
- Seónaid shared that there is a meadery north of Carmel- discussion proceeded- suggestion of a fieldtrip. Friderich suggested a wine crawl to examine what may have been used in period including documentary. Grettir offered that there are a number of wineries between Warwick and New Paltz... also; there is a winery in Dutchess that has a Jazz Band. Brian offered to be a designated driver if we want to rent a van and do any of these fieldtrips. Decision was made that “this must happen at some point.”

End Times:

Next Meeting Dates-

May 8th at Friderich and Lilie’s (Mohegan Lake)

June 5th at Conandil and Wilhelm’s (Port Chester)

July 10th location TBD

Thank you to those who have recently hosted-

Motions made to thank Francisco and Apollodora as well as Esnade and Victor, Woows ensued, passed by acclaim.

Notes prepared by Conandil ingen Donngaile with assistance from Wilhelm Larrson

Attendees:

Apollodora of Delphi, Ben Rivera, Brian Smarsch, Chris Roeder, Conandil ingen Donngaile (via remote), Esnade O Murrin, Francisco de Braga, Friderich Grimme, Lada Monguligin, Lilli Haicken, Oliver de Bainbrig, Richard the Poor, Seónaid inghean mhic Aoidh, Suuder Saran, Victor Maximus, Wilhelm Larrson, Marcus MacPhárlain, Molly Tobin, Caitlin, Sofya Gianette di Trieste