

# THE CRYSTAL QUILL

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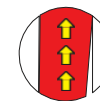
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## **UPDATED RESOLUTION TO SUSPEND IN-PERSON SCA ACTIVITY—NOW THRU MAY 31, 2121**

Greetings:

At the end of July, the Board of Directors issued a proclamation suspending most in- person SCA activities in North America until January 31, 2021, due to the COVID-19 global pandemic. In November, we asked the Kingdom Seneschals and Crowns of the known world to give us their counsel on how to proceed in the first part of 2021. We received very thoughtful responses from nearly all Crowns and Kingdom Seneschals as well as many other concerned people. We wish to thank everyone who responded for taking the time to do so, and for putting such effort into your responses.

After reading and discussing the feedback received, the Board decided at their conference call meeting on 12/01/2020 to continue the suspension of in-person activities in North America through May 31, 2021. That action reads as follows:

Motion by Ross Rougher to extend the *Resolution to Suspend In-Person SCA Activity until January 31, 2021*, originally issued by the Board of Directors on July 28, 2020, for a period of four (4) months, until May 31, 2021. Second by Gigi Coulson. Opposed: none. Absent: Jennifer Krochmal. Motion carried.

The original document can be found here:

<https://www.sca.org/news/resolution-to-suspend-in-person-sca-activity-until-january-31st-2021/>

While there is good news on the horizon regarding effective vaccines and other ways to treat and manage COVID, implementation of those treatments is still in the future. The current situation shows that infection rates are continuing to increase in many places throughout North America. The most important concern at this time must be the safety of all participants.

Please remember that federal, state, provincial, and local health directives and guidelines must continue to be followed whenever Kingdoms decide to authorize smaller local in- person meetings and local fighter practices. These local activities remain under the discretion of the Crown and Kingdom Seneschal. Kingdom Earl Marshals are welcome to give advice to the Crowns and Kingdom Seneschals when approving local practices.

Virtual events, as have been happening in many kingdoms, are of course allowed, and encouraged to continue. If a Kingdom believes that the circumstances in their area allow for an in-person event, beyond approved local practices and meetings, to be held safely before May 31, 2021, the Crown and Kingdom Seneschal are welcome to discuss a variance with the Society Seneschal.

Such variances for events beyond local practices and meetings will be considered, but please keep in mind that limits on participants, mask requirements, local government approval, insurance questions, vaccine availability, and actual conditions regarding the epidemic in the Kingdom requesting the variance are all important issues that will be considered and discussed for any requested variances prior to the May 31, 2021 date.

Further, as stated in the original *Resolution*, if a Crown or Coronet feels the need to step down without heirs, a regent may be installed according to the laws of the kingdom or principality. If those laws are not adequate for the situation, the kingdom is invited to work with the Society Seneschal to create a solution that will be in the best interests of the kingdom or principality.

Live events and personal interactions are a large part of the way the Society has continued over the last fifty-plus years. These restrictions on live events in the SCA are painful, but the state of the world, and the well-being of everyone involved, currently require we be as careful as possible.

It does look like there will be vaccines available soon and once the epidemic is under some semblance of control, we can have live events again and celebrate all our interests and community safely.

If there are any questions, or further concerns or comments, please send them to us.

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[Seneschal@sca.org](mailto:Seneschal@sca.org)

or

John Fulton  
Society President  
[President@sca.org](mailto:President@sca.org)

If you would prefer to send something directly to the Board as a whole that can be done using [sca-comments@lists.sca.org](mailto:sca-comments@lists.sca.org). You may also contact your Kingdom's Board Ombudsman. The list of the Board members and the Kingdoms each represents can be found here: <https://www.sca.org/about/officers/#board>.

In service, respect, and the sincere desire to see everyone safely again, John and Lis

## **RESOLUTION TO LIFT SUSPENSION OF IN-PERSON ACTIVITY IN THE SCA AS OF JUNE 1ST, 2021**

The Resolution follows, or you may also click here for more information: <https://www.sca.org/news/resolutiontoliftsuspensionapril2021>

From: The Board of Directors, and the offices of the Society Seneschal, and President

On March 23, 2021, the Board of Directors passed the following:

### **Resolution to Lift Suspension of In-Person Activity in the SCA as of June 1st, 2021**

- I. Whereas the challenge created by the COVID-19 Global Pandemic demanded heightened safety standards which led to a suspension of in-person activity in North America by the SCA Board of Directors;
- II. Whereas the crisis of the Pandemic is being addressed through a combination of social policy, as well as scientific and medical advancements;
- III. Whereas the SCA Board of Directors continues to prioritize the health and well-being of the membership and participants of the SCA; and
- IV. Whereas the directed suspension of in-person events in North America expires after May 31st, 2021; now, therefore, be it
- V. *Resolved*, that the SCA Board of Directors lifts the suspension of in-person activity in North America, effective June 1, 2021, provided adherence to the items in this resolution;
- VI. *Resolved*, that all attendees in North America must follow all province, territory, state, and local health guidelines at SCA events. In addition, at all North American SCA events:
  - A. Masks that fully cover the mouth and nose must be worn by all attendees over the age of 4 at all times and during all activities except for eating and drinking;
  - B. Court, bardic circles, or any activity that involves voice projection shall also require that masks be worn at all times. Sound amplification devices are highly recommended;
  - C. No day board, water bearing, or food of any kind shall be provided by event staff or attendees to other attendees. All attendees must provide their own food and beverages;
  - D. While consuming food or beverages, attendees are required to remain stationary and follow social distancing rules;
  - E. No overnight camping shall be allowed;
  - F. All events shall be held outdoors;
  - G. There shall be a maximum of 150 people at any event; and,
  - H. All events shall require preregistration.
- VII. *Resolved*, that the SCA Board of Directors mandates applicable Kingdoms who have determined that it is safe to host in-person events before June 1st, 2021 or who propose any deviation from the above restrictions to request a variance from the Society Seneschal in order to hold the proposed event. The Society Seneschal shall have the authority to grant or deny these requests. These requests will be reviewed by the Board using the same review method used for variances to Corpora;
- VIII. *Resolved*, that small local gatherings including, but not limited to: guild meetings, officer meetings, and local martial activities including archery and thrown weapons shall remain at the discretion of the Crown and Kingdom Seneschal, in accordance with province, territory, state, and local health guidelines. Virtual events as alternatives continue to be a viable option;
- IX. *Resolved*, that enforcement of this resolution will be handled by the Society Seneschal and President of SCA Inc.; and,
- X. *Resolved*, that the SCA Board of Directors commends the hard-working officers, royalty, membership, and participants who have allowed the SCA to continue to flourish virtually as we lift this suspension and transition forward in a manner consistent with recommended health and safety standards.

The President and the Society Seneschal have been given the responsibility of implementing the resumption of events within the rules above and adjusting the strictures as needed with Board approval.

As per item (H) in the Resolution, SCA, Inc. has available the Event Module for the mandatory pre-registration process. All kingdoms are encouraged to utilize this tool. More information will be forthcoming from the SCA Accounting Specialist, Mazelle Attiya. If you would like to contact her about this available option, she can be reached at [treasurer@sca.org](mailto:treasurer@sca.org).

Questions or comments should be sent directly to [president@sca.org](mailto:president@sca.org) and [seneschal@sca.org](mailto:seneschal@sca.org) or your board Ombudsman.

In lieu of email, commentary may be sent by US Mail, Postage-Prepaid, to:

Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc., RE: Resolution, P.O. Box 360789, Milpitas, CA 95036-0789

This is our first step toward the resumption of SCA events. Working with the corporate officers and with input from the various kingdoms, we will continue to assess the pandemic environment and make changes going forward as needed, either to add further restrictions or relax existing ones as the situation allows.

No matter what safety precautions we put in place, there is no substitute for each individual being educated about the risk to themselves and their loved ones, and making responsible choices to protect themselves and others from this virus.

We look forward to seeing many of you, in person and in garb, as we prepare to begin in-person events again.

Comments are strongly encouraged and can be sent to: SCA Inc., Box 360789, Milpitas, CA 95036

You may also email [sca-comments@lists.sca.org](mailto:sca-comments@lists.sca.org).

## **THE CROWN OF NORTHSHIELD'S LETTER ON SCHEDULING THE NEXT CROWN TOURNEY**

Greetings Northshield,

We know that everyone has been anxious to hear details about the Crown Tournament and the SCA reopening. Hopefully by now you have seen the official reopening notice from the BOD. If not please see: [BOD Resolution to Lift Suspension of In-Person Activity in the SCA as of June 1st, 2021](#)

We have received a variance from the BOD to hold our Crown Tournament as scheduled in June and to allow the Northshield Law that one member must have the ability to cross the border to be waived for this crown. Coronation is planned to be held, as normal, in September.

We feel it is important to get the kingdom back to a normal royal rotation as soon as possible, which is the reason we are not waiting longer to hold crown.

We hope that Our Heirs will have the task of bringing SCA back to in person activities. We foresee this will be challenging due to the pandemic not being completely eradicated and various people will be hesitant to attend events in person for a myriad of reasons. We may have to live in a hybrid SCA world for a while.

At this time, it is hard to say what our summer will look like. We plan to step down in September. We hope that much of Northshield will be able to attend the coronation of our Heirs. We would also like to give our Heirs the opportunity to plan a Coronation and have time to plan their reign. Hopefully, the pandemic will have improved by September and US States and Canada will have less restrictions. We would also like to be able to attend some events in person. We have not forgotten the people on vigil and will be contacting them about their peerage ceremony plans. We feel a slow reopening will give everyone time to readjust back to in person events.

### **Here are the current crown plans:**

Crown will be held at Duchess Mary and Duke Lars's home. The Crown bid Duchess Mary submitted had an alternative option to host it at their home. Due to the event size limitations from the state of MN, holding the event at Lord of Light is cost prohibitive.

At this time, the border is closed and our combatant in Canada while thoroughly acceptable to the Crown will most likely be unable to attend. We hope that Canadian combatant can join us, but if they cannot we will be moving forward with the tournament. While the border being closed has never happened before it is not the first time combatants have not been able to compete due to forces outside of our control. Deciding this has been very difficult for us. Our Canadian groups are very important and they are integral to Northshield. We have no control over the border situation nor do have any insight to predict what the governments will do.

Attendance to Crown will be limited to Combatants, Consorts and one attendant per couple. The rest of the attendance spots will be reserved for essential officers and event staff. Pre-registration will be required.

We wish to have as safe and healthy an event as possible. We will abide by local and state pandemic regulations, as well as the SCA rules from the Resolution to Lift Suspension of In-Person Activity in the SCA as of June 1st, 2021 - <https://www.sca.org/news/resolutiontoliftsuspensionapril2021/>

We do plan to livestream Crown.

Listed below are the combatants and consorts for the next Crown Tournament. In no particular order and without titles here are the potential heirs to the Stellar Throne.

- Gwenhwyvar verch Owen ap Morgan fighting for Rhys ap Owein ap Gwyn
- Kaydian Bladebreaker fighting for Cassandra Antonelli
- Wu Yun daren fighting for Tom Tinntinnabulum
- Geoffrey de la Brugge fighting for Tatiana Marana Melville
- Murdoch McArthur fighting for Serena Ordonez
- Hanman Hebenstreit Ritter von Mare Amethystinum fighting for Guenievre du Dragon Vert
- Hans Volsch fighting for Genevieve MacArtne
- Ulrich Aeowulf MacNaughtine fighting for Æsileif Glyfisdóttir
- Bazyli Boleslaw z Krakowa, fighting for Helena the Quiet

We have taken a lot of time and deliberations to come to these resolutions. Please know that we did not make these decisions lightly or easily. For We, like you, want what is best for Northshield.

As always, if you have questions or need further clarification, please contact us. If you have questions regarding the SCA event rules, please contact Baroness Alinore at [seneschal@northshield.org](mailto:seneschal@northshield.org)

Ciaran and Elis





## **A MISSIVE FROM OUR BARON AND BARONESS**

*Unto the people of Nordskogen, Blachemere, and Nordleigh, greetings!*

*The gusts of March have receded, and spring is starting to make itself truly at home. Plans for a cautious return to outdoor, distanced, and masked activities are beginning to emerge, but we hope everyone will continue to participate as their own comfort levels and the needs of their loved ones allow.*

*One Baronial activity in particular needs support at this time: we need a volunteer to serve as archery captain! This person organizes and announces practice locations, ensures that loaner equipment (on hold for pandemic currently) is maintained and available to borrow, and tracks data about practices in order to file kingdom reports. The role can be held by someone who is not an archery marshal, though it is very helpful to be a marshal in training. If you're interested but have questions, please feel free contact the Baron and Baroness.*

*We are also seeking volunteers for two other offices. If you are interested serving as our chatelaine (new person contact), letters of interest are due to Their Excellencies and to [chatelaine@nordskogen.org](mailto:chatelaine@nordskogen.org) by our April 21 business meeting; we plan on voting at the May 19th business meeting. If you are interested serving as the Barony's herald, please send a letter of interest to Their Excellencies and to [herald@nordskogen.org](mailto:herald@nordskogen.org) by May 19. A letter of interest should say who you are, describe your SCA experience, and explain why you're interested in the office and what you'd like to do if elected. If you have questions, please feel free to send them to the same contacts.*

*It was a pleasure to see many of you at Northshield's would-have-been-Gulf-Wars week, which included a newcomer day, a Baronial MegaZoom, and much more. A few new folks have connected with the Barony since, and we're so glad to have you!*

*Coming up, there will be an online kingdom court on April 10, and Jararvellir is hosting its Virtual Service Symposium on April 17. May 1 will see Castel Rouge's Virtu-L Birthday Party. And of course, Nordskogen Wednesday Night Online will continue on Zoom.*

*It's not too early to think about Wishes and Waiting: A Hopeful Hybrid, coming July 8-11! This unique event is taking the place of Warriors & Warlords, which has been sensibly delayed for one more year. We hope to see a combination of kingdom wide online activities and local in-person gatherings, including martial arts challenges, arts & sciences displays, a scavenger hunt, and . . . what else would you like to see? If you have an idea for a challenge or activity, please email event steward Baron Bazylly at [bazyli1592@gmail.com](mailto:bazyli1592@gmail.com)!*

*As we look toward the end of May and hope for the SCA's grand reopening, uncertainty and hope will spin us in an unfamiliar dance. Please take care of yourselves and each other. Much has changed, but whatever the landscape looks like as we return, we will stake out our pavilions, fill the martial fields, feed our friends, and gather around the campfire again.*

*We remain yours in hope and determination,  
Caoilfhionn and Gabriel, Baroness and Baron of Nordskogen*



**WEEKLY ONLINE WEDNESDAY MEETING LINK AND SCHEDULE FOR MARCH 2021**  
**IN-PERSON MEETINGS CANCELLED THROUGH MAY 31, 2021**

[Nordskogen Wednesday Night Online, Wednesdays, 7-8:30 pm](#)

Join us for an online gathering while our usual Wednesday SCA social time is on hold. We will be gathered in a Zoom Meeting. The invitation will be posted in a pinned post in the Facebook discussion at the link above each week. Please remember that you are muted when you join in. Video is encouraged but not required. Drop in and out as you wish.

**04/07:** Socializing & announcements  
**04/14:** Socializing & announcements  
**04/21:** Business meeting, socializing & announcements  
**04/28:** Socializing & announcements

**OTHER WEEKLY MEETINGS AND SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS**

For more information on these meetings, see the current version of our weekly newsletter, the [Nib](#), at this [link](#).

**NOTES FROM THE NORDSKOGEN BUSINESS MEETING, MARCH 10, 2021**

Baroness Sorcha Bhuidhe (Sarah Oldenburg Garcia) presiding  
Baroness Rosanore of Redthorn, O.L. (Susan Guthmann Henry) recording  
15 in attendance

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm.

**Officers' Reports**

**Their Excellencies Baroness Caoilfhionn and Baron Gabriel:** Baroness Caoilfhionn: Thank you for meeting early to accommodate next week's MegaZoom. Saturday, March 13 begins week of Gulf War activities. The first activity is the Newcomers event. Drop in. Garb optional. Please note Jararvellir's April 17 virtual service event. Another note: the Kingdom newsletter is now free to all. Go to: <https://members.sca.org/apps/#Newsletters> to find our Kingdom newsletter and all of the Kingdom newsletters. There are officer positions open. Recruit! Baron Gabriel: Suggests that we ask folks to show up for five minutes who don't usually turn up. We miss you!

**Lady Liadan inghean Cheallaigh, Seneschal:** Liadan had to work tonight. Sorcha has nothing to report.

**Exchequer and Financial Report from THL Lewke verch Gwilim, called Lucky:**

Starting balance:	\$ 19,500.66	
Income:	\$ .15	(Bank interest)
Expenditures:	\$ 0	(\$157 in charges waiting to clear)
Ending bank balance on statement:	\$ 19,500.81	
Ending ledger:	\$ 19,343.81	
Balance change:	\$ (156.85)	

Donations for the year 2021 to date: \$0

If you would like to donate and help us to stay financially strong, send a check by mail to Erin Ahlstrom, 2964 Patton Road, Roseville, MN 55113. Checks should be made out to: SCA, Inc.—Barony of Nordskogen.

Has found a volunteer, Isabella Tinker, to train in! Will welcome others as well! The more folks aware of SCA bookkeeping, the better!

Baron Gabriel: Our Exchequer is fantastic! And thanks to Isabella!

## notes from the nordskogen business meeting, march 10, 2021 (con.)

### **Exchequer and Financial Report from THL Lewke verch Gwilim, called Lucky (con):**

GPS has a GoFundMe. They have raised about half of the \$40,000 they need. Also, still looking for places to meet when we can start up again. Ok if the space is usable only for business meetings. Send your suggestions to: [exchequer@nordskogen.org](mailto:exchequer@nordskogen.org)

There will be a financial committee meeting after the April business meeting to resolve the Warriors and Warlords budget.

**Chronicler, Dame Rosanore of Redthorn:** All is ok. Quill will be published Thursday, April 1. Soft deadline is Friday, March 26. The hard deadline is Wednesday, March 31. Would be

**Herald, Lord Irial Féasruadh ó hIarnáin:** Not present. Has stepped down and is seeking a successor. An interim herald is being sought. Baron Gabriel (former SCA Herald) talked about the job.

**Minister of Arts and Sciences, Lady Helena the Quiet:** Lady Neave inghean Domhnaill: No art related injuries reported. Lady Helena: Report filed on time. Stay tuned for some nifty new ideas! Plotting is afoot!

**Knight's Marshal, Baron Bazyli Boleslaw z Krakowa:** Brackett Park is clear of snow! Will talk to Kingdom Earl Marshal to see if safe, socially distanced practices can be held. No injuries to report this quarter.

**Boffer Captain, Lord Tribaldi de Gritti:** Not present. No group practices happening.

**Rapier Captain, THL Sven Asvaldarson:** Not present. No injuries to report. No group practices happening. Sven has picked up the loaner gear from GPS.

**Chatelaine, Lady Jelena (YAY-len-ah) di Paganía:** Stepping down, effective as soon as possible. Will help during transition. (May be moving away.) Deadline for applications: April 21 business meeting. Vote will be held at the May 19 business meeting.

**Archery Captain:** Meistari Sefa Farmansdóttir stepped down December 31, 2020 and still looking for a successor. Candidate can be an MIT but then there will need to be a marshall in attendance. Training is available!

**Thrown Weapons Captain, Comtesse Guenievre du Dragon Vert:** Not present. No group practices happening until it's warm again and ground is non-mucky.

**Clerk of Precedence, Lady Cynthia the Innocent:** Not present. No updates.

**Signet, THL Amary Fairamay:** Need award recommendations!!!! Don't worry about duplicates! Here is the [link](#) for making recommendations. The scribes of Nordskogen greatly appreciate your assistance! Backlog is cleared and will be mostly delivered by the end of this coming weekend. Here is the [link](#) to the mostly up-to-date Baronial order of precedence. Please also consider making kingdom level recommendations. Here is the [link](#) for those.

**Quartermaster, Baroness Kateryn of Roseberry Topping, called Khadijah:** Not present. No updates.

**Webminister and Social Media Officer, Lady Coelwen ingen Adaim:** All is well.

**Equestrian, THL Masina Vitus:** Nothing new happening yet.

### Old Business

WW 2021 will be Wishes and Waiting. Virtual and some small local gatherings. Planning is currently unfolding. If you have an idea for a challenge or activity, please email event steward Baron Bazyli Boleslaw z Krakowa at: [bazyli1592@gmail.com](mailto:bazyli1592@gmail.com). The WW Exchequer, Sayyida Arwa al-Jinniyya, has updated the budget. Storage unit cost is up a bit. Have now bought insurance for the items in storage. WW 2022: Third Times The Charm?

### Announcements

Come to MegaZoom sponsored by all 5 Baronies next Wednesday, March 17!  
Baronial trim: Has arrived in LA! Will soon get a chance to actually order!!!!  
Jimena Taiona has a birthday on March 23. Chaz will be 18 on the 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.**



## **A LIST OF ONLINE SCA GATHERINGS IN THE TIME OF COVID-19**

\*--Facebook Group All times are Central Time unless otherwise noted. An updated version of this list can be found at the link above.

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[Nordskogen Channel on Northshield Unofficial Discord Server](#)

### **Canton of Nordleigh**

Monthly Business Meetings on First Thursdays. See their Facebook [group](#) for more information.

### **Northshield Activities, Classes and Events**

\*[Fencer's Tavern](#) Zoom Meeting, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, 7:30pm, starting Wed., June 10  
Wednesdays: 7-7:30pm, session of called footwork, calisthenics, and various drills.  
<https://zoom.us/j/99320237126> Meeting ID: 993 2023 7126

[Northshield Unofficial Discord Server](#)

[Virtual Service Symposium](#), Sat., Apr. 17; 8:30am-5:00pm; Entry fee: None;

Event steward: THN Aneira Applegate (Kristen Bird), 608-209-5218, [aneira612@gmail.com](mailto:aneira612@gmail.com)

[Virtu-L Birthday Party and Social Afternoon](#), Sat., May 1, 2021, Noon to 6 pm Central Daylight Time; Entry fee: None;  
Hosted by: [Barony of Castel Rouge](#), Zoom link to be announced. Bring your own cake to enjoy at 2 pm and toast the Barony of Castel Rouge with the beverage of your choice.

### **Northshield Royal Activities, Courts, and Events**

[Ethereal Q&A With Their Majesties, May 8, 2020](#)

\*[Their Royal Majesties of Northshield's Facebook Page](#)

### **Future Ethereal Northshield Courts** [Send in award recommendations!](#)

[Ethereal Royal Birthday Court](#), Saturday, April 10, 7 pm Central time

All courts will be broadcast on:

Kingdom Official FB Page: <https://www.facebook.com/SCANorthshield/>

Kingdom YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCU3tGV18QKVnunclqxxMMDw>

### **Past Ethereal Northshield Courts**

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court, April 4, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Coronation, April 18, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court, May 9, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court \(Schützenfest and Mermaids Retreat\), May 29, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court \(Border Skirmish, Castle Fever, Castel Rouge 50th\), June 13, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court \(Mimisbrunnr\), June 27, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court \(WW\), July 11, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court \(All Garbed Up and Nowhere To Go\), Aug. 22, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court \(Venturing Forth\), September 26, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court \(It's the GREAT Nordfest, Charlie Brunn\), October 24, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court \(SUN COURT\), Saturday, November 14, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court \(Boar's Head Court--\*This Little Piggie Stayed Home\*\), Saturday, Dec. 5, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Court \(Elevation of Eyja Bassadóttir to the Order of the Laurel\), Sunday, December 20, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court \(Queen's Prize\), Saturday, February 13, 2021](#)

### **Greater SCA**

#### **General Lists of Events and Classes**

[Countess Jehanette's Unofficial Calendar of SCA Classes, Videos, and Streams](#)

[Dahrien's List of Online Bardic Circles](#)

[The First Bardic War](#), Hosted by: [Kingdom of Middle](#), Saturday, May 15, 2021, 8am, Eastern Daylight Time through Sunday, May 23, 2021 at 11:45 pm, Eastern Daylight Time. Event registration is free.

## **A LIST OF ONLINE SCA GATHERINGS IN THE TIME OF COVID-19 (con.)**

\*--Facebook Group All times are Central Time unless otherwise noted. An updated version of this list can be found at the link above.

### **Greater SCA (con.)**

#### **General Lists of Events and Classes (con.)**

[Known World Entertainment Guide—Google Spreadsheet](#)

\*[Known World Entertainment Guide—Visual Guides on Facebook](#)

[#SCAatHome Highlights 11, June 19, 2020](#)

[SCA Board of Directors Meeting, January 24, 2021 Now Available On YouTube](#)

[SCA Board of Directors Meeting, October 25, 2020 Now Available On YouTube](#)

[SCA Classes On YouTube](#) (List maintained by Countess Jehanette)

#### **Kingdom Specific Lists of Events and Classes**

[An Tir Online Events](#)

[East Kingdom Master List of Online A&S Webinars](#)

[Virtual Atlantia](#)

#### **Individual Events--Ongoing**

[ARTemisia Virtual University](#)

[Drachenwald Try-athlon Challenge](#)

[Interkingdom Bardic Showcase, a \[post\] Pennsic tradition, 2020 Edition, Now on YouTube](#)

\*[The Honorable Clover](#) Need some SCA, but can't make it to an event? Come hang out with us!

[Knowne World Bardcast](#)

\*[Royal University of the Midrealm \(RUM\) Goes Online](#)

\*[SCA Online Virtual Bardic Night](#)

[SCA State of the World Chat April 2020](#)

[SCA Topical Town Hall Sessions](#)

\*[SCA Virtual Classroom and Artisan Display](#)

#### **SCA Individuals**

[Dahrien's Online Bardic Circles via Zoom](#)

\*Meeting ID: \* **850-6206-6750**

Passcode: **1** (yes, just that single digit)

Join in browser or installed Zoom app/program:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85062066750>

Join by Skype for Business: <https://us02web.zoom.us/skype/85062066750>

[Magistrissa Anna Dokeianina Syrakousina/Angela Costello-Perrone Moves Into The Digital World](#)

## **GENERAL NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Baronial Herald Has Stepped Down And Seeks A Successor**

Our Herald, Lord Irial Féasruadh ó hIarnáin, has stepped down and a successor is being sought. The herald is one of the mandatory officers for a Barony and is responsible for seeing that names and heraldic devices are properly registered and for seeing that a herald is provided for being the “master of ceremonies” for baronial courts. The herald does not have to be able to do all of these things themselves; ideally, they will have an interest in one or both areas and be willing to connect to other heralds as needed. Your letter of interest is due to our [Seneschal](#). Please cc our [Baron](#) and [Baroness](#). Please include in your letter what you consider to be your qualifications (mundane and SCA), and why you would like the job, or what you would hope to accomplish.

### **Baronial Chatelaine Stepping Down As Soon As Possible And Seeks A Successor**

Our Chatelaine, Lady Jelena di Pagania, wishes to step down as soon as possible and she is seeking a successor. The chatelaine is the official welcomer of newcomers, online and in person, and also maintains our collection of loaner garb. If you are interested in applying for this position and have any questions, please contact [Lady Jelena](#). Your letter of interest is due to our [Seneschal](#). Please cc [Lady Jelena](#) and our [Baron](#) and [Baroness](#). Please include in your letter what you consider to be your qualifications (mundane and SCA), and why you would like the job, or what you would hope to accomplish. Letters are due by our April 21 business meeting and we plan on voting at the May 19<sup>th</sup> business meeting.

## **GENERAL NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (con.)**

### **Baronial Archery Captain Stepped Down At The End of December 2020 And Seeks A Successor**

Our Archery Captain, Meistari Sefa Farmansdóttir, **stepped down at the end of December 2020** and she is seeking a successor. If you are interested in applying for this position and have any questions, please contact [Meistari Sefa](#). Your letter of interest is due to our [Seneschal](#). Please cc [Meistari Sefa](#) and our [Baron](#) and [Baroness](#). Please include what you consider to be your qualifications (mundane and SCA), and why you would like the job, or what you would hope to accomplish.

### **Nordskogen Trim Update**

Here is a [link](#) to an image of the trim.

If you have pre-ordered trim and have not yet paid for your order, please review the directions and make your purchase promptly. Go [here](#) for the directions on how to pay.

Let us go forth and decorate! Baroness Caoilfhionn [baroness@nordskogen.org](mailto:baroness@nordskogen.org)

### **Donations to the Barony**

Thank you, donors! If you would like to continue to donate during distanced SCA time and help us to stay financially strong for when we eventually reopen, send a check by mail to: Erin Ahlstrom, 2964 Patton Road, Roseville, MN 55113. Checks should be made out to: SCA, Inc.—Barony of Nordskogen.

### **Looking For A New Meeting Space**

We're looking at other options for meeting spaces for when this dark period has passed—and it will someday pass. If you have an option we can explore in your community, drop me a line at [exchequer@nordskogen.org](mailto:exchequer@nordskogen.org)

### **Helping Out GPS (Geek Partnership Society)**

GPS has a GoFundMe! Those who are concerned about the future of our meeting space (which has only raised half of its \$40,000 goal in seven months, and that due to a grant they won) can consider donating personally to <https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/savegps>

### **Online Open Social in Meridies with Mistress Ellen DeLacey**

This online gathering is mainly meant for the folks of Meridies, though visitors are welcome. It happens weekly on Tuesdays from 5PM-Midnight (Central time). A new link is posted each Tuesday and may be found on the [Kingdom of Meridies Facebook Group page](#). Zoombomb protection is in place, and anyone whose name Mistress Ellen does not recognize must show themselves on camera before they can gain admission to the Social. Look for the link in the [Nordskogen Facebook Group](#) on Tuesdays!

### **Fencer's Tavern, Zoom Meeting, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, 7:30 pm**

Wednesdays: 7-7:30pm, session of called footwork, calisthenics, and various drills.

<https://zoom.us/j/99320237126>

Meeting ID: 993 2023 7126

#### **Greetings!**

This is an invitation, to all fencers and their supporters, to stop by this \*humble\* waystation, built by weary travelers just like yourself. Swashbucklers, soldiers, Queen's men (& non-men), duelists, rogues, and even the occasional German, can find a moment of conversation and good company, in our Fencer's Tavern.

**How does it work?** Every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, the Tavern opens its doors at 7:30pm. At this time, the common room is open to all, fencers, and supporters alike. You may not always see the elusive barkeep/host, but the doors will be open to any who might wander in.

#### **Workout Wednesdays**

Since travel has been much reduced in our kingdom, followers of the blade may find they need some help in oiling their rusty parts. Every Wednesday, at 7:00pm, the barkeep/host will hold a 30-minute session of called footwork, calisthenics, and various drills, for any interested parties. No, you do not need your video on to participate.

#### **Mondays and Fridays**

Normally the Tavern is closed. However, if any enterprising folk have reached out to the barkeep/host for the keys, a learning or discussion session may be hosted. These sessions can be either public or by invitation only, at the discretion of the holder of the keys, Lady Heliseus Morte d'Arbor ([Stefanie A. Steele](#)).

## **GENERAL NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (con.)**

### **Virtual Service Symposium, Saturday, April 1, 8:30am-5:00pm**

Entry fee: None; Event steward: THN Aneira Applegate (Kristen Bird), 608-209-5218, [aneira612@gmail.com](mailto:aneira612@gmail.com)  
The Barony of Jararvellir is hosting a Virtual Service Symposium on April 17, 2021 and we are looking for teachers! If you are interested/willing to teach, we would love to have you! This can be on any topic service related! Combat Scribes! Event Planning! Marshalling! Officers! All classes will be taught via Zoom. If you are interested in teaching, please fill out this google form: <https://forms.gle/65hQgeiAENyVSGAs8> Hope to “see” many of you there!

**The First Bardic War**, Hosted by: [Kingdom of Middle](#), Saturday, May 15, 2021, 8am, Eastern Daylight Time through Sunday, May 23, 2021 at 11:45 pm, Eastern Daylight Time. Event registration is free.

Co-stewards: Laila al-Sanna' al-Andalusiyya (Krishna Alexandra) at [Houseofthelotus@gmail.com](mailto:Houseofthelotus@gmail.com) or 415-202-4478 and Hilla Stormbringer (Pam Wolff) at [hilla@bardicproject.org](mailto:hilla@bardicproject.org) or 773-495-3050.

You're invited to The First Bardic War! The lines have been drawn and alliances have been set. The [Shire of Ravenslake](#) of the Middle Kingdom has graciously agreed to host this virtual war, which will occur on Zoom and YouTube. For more information on how to participate go to <http://www.bardicwar.org>.

### **From the Corporate Headquarters of the SCA—Establishment of the Membership Assistance Fund**

In 2020, we are seeing the impact of the pandemic seriously affecting our members and their families. To help where we can, our community suggested the Society set up a donation fund to support those participants who may be unable to continue their memberships. You spoke and we listened.

The purpose of the “Membership Assistance Fund” is to allow the members of our community to request assistance directly from our Corporate Office for new memberships and renewals.

**To submit a request**, please follow the instructions in the [letter from the Membership Office](#). SCA Membership forms are available on our [Document Library page](#). Form Requests will be processed as funds allow. All requests will be treated confidentially.

**To make a donation:** Due to our not-for-profit status, we need your donations to make this fund work. All donations designated ‘Membership Assistance Fund’ will be used for that purpose and that purpose only. You can donate online to the fund [here](#) or you can mail your donation to Membership Assistance Fund, SCA Inc., P.O. Box 360789, Milpitas, CA, 95036-0789. For more information, please email [membership@sca.org](mailto:membership@sca.org).

### **January 24, 2021 SCA Board of Directors Meeting Now Available on YouTube**

### **October 25, 2020 SCA Board of Directors Meeting Now Available on YouTube**

**2020 SCA Census Results:** The 2020 SCA Census results are now available at this link: <https://www.sca.org/news/2020-sca-census-results/>