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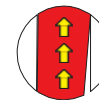
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IN-PERSON ACTIVITIES IN NORTSHIELD CANCELLED FROM JAN. 19-FEB. 28, 2022

Dear Northshield,

After consultation with the Stallari Council, we have decided that with the current increase in COVID infection rates we must pause all in-person activities from now, January 19, 2022 to February 28, 2022. This includes meetings, A&S and social gatherings, and martial activities. We are hoping with this timed break that the worst of what is to come with the current variant will have passed giving the COVID rates time to drop. With our current need to be indoors this time of year, the chances of community spread are higher. With this pause we hope to cause fewer life disruptions and fewer broken hearts about activities being canceled at the last minute.

We are fortunate to have a caring and conscientious populace in the Kingdom of Northshield and we know you will understand that as much as we would all like to see each other in-person, at this time, a pause will ensure getting to see each other once again in the future. The Kingdom Zoom account is available for use and to reserve it please contact Baroness Xanthippe at chronicler AT northshield.org.

Kingdom A&S has been moved to June 11, 2022 and will still be hosted by the Shire of Korsvag at the same site. Please send any questions or comments to seneschal AT northshield.org.

Questions about martial activities should be sent to Duke Siegfried at kem AT northshield.org.

Thank you,

Baroness Alinore, Northshield Kingdom Seneschal

King Hans and Queen Genevieve

Princes Ajax and Principessa Gaia

WEEKLY ONLINE WEDNESDAY MEETING SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY 2021

Nordskogen Wednesday Night Online, Wednesdays, 7-8:30 pm (often runs longer)

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 and will also be sent to the Baronial email discussion group. Please remember that you are muted when you join in. Video is encouraged but not required. Drop in and out as you wish.

02/02: Socializing & announcements

Online class at 7:30 pm: Documentation roundtable

02/09: Socializing & announcements

Online class at 7:30 pm: Fools and Foolery by Lady Ceithne inghean Aiden

02/16: Socializing & announcements; **Business meeting at 7:30 pm**

02/23: Socializing & announcements

Online class at 7:30 pm: Something Early Period with Farolfus

UPCOMING CANTON AND BARONY SPECIAL EVENTS

SCHÜTZENFEST XIII

Hosted by the Barony of Nordskogen in the lands of Rivenwood Tower

Camp Singing Hills, 49496 193rd Ave, Waterville, MN 56096

5:00 PM on Friday, May 20 Until Noon on Sunday, May 22, 2022 (No early arrivals, please)

Event Steward: [Baroness Rosanore of Redthorn, O.L.](#)

WARRIORS & WARLORDS XXVII THREE TIMES LUCKY

July 14-17, 2022 in Tomah Recreation Park, 1625 Butts Ave, Tomah, WI, 54660

Hosted by the Baronies of Nordskogen and Jararvellir

Event Stewards: [THL Bazyli Boleslaw z Krakowa](#) and [THL Clydwyn Gwehydd](#)

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](#).



A MISSIVE FROM OUR BARON AND BARONESS

Unto the good folk of Nordskogen and Nordleigh, greetings!

As we inch toward longer and warmer days, we join you in bidding farewell to the longest January ever. While we were disappointed that an in-person Twelfth Night was not possible after all, our online court and social hour were a warm and joyful time. Thank you to our tech staff, as always, and congratulations to the deserving gentles who were recognized! Skol!

We had many excellent suggestions and generous teaching offers for our Wednesday-night class series, which kicked off the last week of January with Baroness Rosanore's talk on medieval book curses, both real and invented. Big thanks to her for a fascinating discussion! Upcoming Wednesday will be:

2/2: SCA Documentation Roundtable (aka Don't Fear the Research)

2/9: Fools and Foolery by Lady Ceithne inghean Aiden

2/16: Business meeting

2/23: Something Early Period with Farolfus

3/2: Sewing Perfect Corners by Ha Su Jin

Classes begin at 7:30, and social time resumes afterward. All are welcome, so feel free to invite folks who don't usually make Wednesdays but might be interested. If you'd like to teach, please email THL Helena at moas@nordskogen.org. This is a great space to practice teaching or rehearse a class in a low-pressure environment. Another huge thank-you to Helena and to all of our teachers!

As you remember, we have several openings for baronial officers. Here's the latest update:

Seneschal (group leader): Candidates will be introduced at February business meeting and voting will take place at March's business meeting. Applications are due by February 14.

Chatelaine (welcome wagon): Candidates will be introduced at March business meeting and voting will take place at the April business meeting. Applications are due by March 14.

Quartermaster: Candidates will be introduced at March business meeting and voting will take place at the April business meeting. Applications are due by March 14.

Social Media Officer: Candidates will be introduced at April business meeting and voting will take place at the May business meeting. Applications are due by April 18.

Thank you to those who have inquired about the openings and in some cases applied for them.

This missive has included a lot of thank-you's, and all of them are well deserved. As always, it is YOU who make this SCA group happen, from the volunteer hours that keep it running to the sharing of enthusiasm for history that keeps us coming back. For all that this is a difficult time, we are grateful to be weathering it here. Stay safe, and see you online!

Caoilfhionn and Gabriel, Baroness and Baron of Nordskogen



NOTES FROM THE NORDSKOGEN BUSINESS MEETING, JANUARY 19, 2022

Countess Jehanette de Provins (Anne Rosebery)

Baroness Rosanore of Redthorn, O.L. (Susan Guthmann Henry) recording

17 in attendance

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm.

Officers' Reports

Their Excellencies Baroness Caoilfhionn and Baron Gabriel: In-person activities in Northshield closed through the end of February. SCA Board meeting is in two weeks. Register if you're interested. Thanks to all who came to the online court last weekend. And thanks to all who wrote in award recommendations. Next court most likely to be at Schützenfest.

Countess Jehanette de Provins, Interim Seneschal: A&S moved to June 11. Let her know if you have questions. No applicants for the Seneschal office and she's stepping down in February. Recruiting is needed!

Exchequer Report from THL Lewke verch Gwilim, called Lucky:

Starting balance:	\$ 19,059.02
Income:	\$ 50.16
Expenditures:	\$ 1,625.00
Ending ledger balance:	\$ 17,484.18
Balance change:	\$ - 1574.84

Donations for the year 2021 to date: \$1,482.76 (+\$670 Concordia of the Snows Fundraiser)

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.

We are continuing looking at other meeting space options for when this pestilence has passed. If you have an option in mind in your community, drop THL Lewke a line at exchequer@nordskogen.org

Introduced her deputy Oavan aka Kai Jacob Adams.

Potential deputy Exchequers, please see THL Lewke for training. This is an extremely desirable skillset as groups MUST have exchequers to continue to exist. If you read the Northwatch (and you SHOULD be), you'll have noticed how many exchequer positions there are. Dare I mention that Nordskogen has not put forth a WW exchequer candidate in several years now...? Volunteers are also being sought for a 2-year term on the financial committee. The only requirement for that is a paid up SCA membership.

Chronicler, Baroness Rosanore of Redthorn: All is ok. Quill will be published Tuesday, February 1. Soft deadline is Wednesday, January 26. The hard deadline is Monday, January 31.

Herald, Lady Gwennliana Clutterbooke: Not present. Report from Facebook: Nothing to report from me.

Minister of Arts and Sciences, Lady Helena the Quiet: Working with Baroness to get classes set up. First class is next week to be taught by Baroness Rosanore.

Knight's Marshal, Baron Bazyli Boleslaw z Krakowa: Armored Combat's last practice till March was held last night (January 18). A new person showed up out of the blue. Holly heard of us through the Parks website. 3 of our folks were present plus Holly. Once we're live again, Bazyli wants to set up an armor repair night.

Boffer Captain, Lord Tribaldi de Gritti: Not present. Report from Facebook: No change on the Boffer side of things. Everything is shut down again. Don't know when we can start up again. 😞😞 However I did acquire some more gear for boffer.

notes from the nordskogen business meeting, january 19, 2022 (con.)

Rapier Captain, Dona Alianor Rowan: Not present. Report from email: As the Kingdom has suspended all in person activities through the end of February, we hope to resume fencing practices in March, though this will depend on the Covid transmission rates at that time. We're still looking at practice site options, for now the Bloomington site remains our spot. Take care folks, we'll see you soon! :)

Chatelaine, Solveig Andersen: Still seeking a successor. Working on coordinating part 3 of the garb gap filling project along with Lady Iðunn, THL Heliseus Morte d'Arbor, and Baroness Caoilfhionn. Need adult clothing in size medium to size extra-large. Report from Facebook: Two newcomer requests but that's it (one came in just tonight). Still looking for a replacement. I hope you all are well.

Archery Captain, THL Faelan Bacach MacMillan: Archery is closed down for the season since Bwana is probably not a good option.

Thrown Weapons Captain, Comtesse Guenievre du Dragon Vert: No news from Thrown Weapons. May have an unofficial gathering at a local axe bar when it's safe.

Clerk of Precedence, Lady Cynthia the Innocent: Not present.

Signet, THL Amary Fairamay: Not present. Report from Facebook: Signet report because I may be in the middle of another thing: Twelfth Night court was as always a wonderful opportunity to show off some scribal. Thank you to Lady Judith of Northwode and Lord Farolfus filius Richardi! Further scribal news... next meeting, after we have recovered. Baroness noted that Amary also contributed scrolls to court.

Quartermaster, Baroness Kateryn of Roseberry Topping, called Khadijah: Seeking a successor.

Webminister and Social Media Officer, Lady Coelwen ingen Adaim: We have a webpage that's doing its thing. Coelwen made a social media post about the seneschal position and will eventually do this for the other positions as well.

Equestrian Activities, THL Masina Vitus: Not present.

Old Business

Twelfth Night

Was cancelled. Rental fee has been rolled over until next year. \$450 of income came in. The Exchequer is still handling refunds.

Schützenfest XIII 2022

There will be no problem with tent stakes. Planning is still underway.

New Business

Baroness Caoilfhionn is interested in finding someone to run a little in-person moot in April or May.

If the Barony is willing to pay for it, the Kingdom says it's okay if we use QuickBooks. THL Lewke will try to get a hold of a free copy or make a pitch to the financial committee.

A motion for adjournment was made by Baroness Caoilfhionn and seconded by Comtesse Guenievre du Dragon Vert. The motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.

GENERAL NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Northshield Online A&S Display 2022

Registration is open NOW. Post your entry on the Google form [HERE](#).

On or after 2/11/2022: Post the entries and vote on your favorites [HERE](#).

(See also any Non-Facebook Entries [HERE](#).)

Voting on entries will end at 9PM on Sunday, February 27, 2022.

More details are available [here](#). Feel free to direct any questions to Eithni ingen Talorgain at eithni@gmail.com

HELP WANTED

Hello, friends! There are a few positions open in the Barony that need to be filled. If you have ever thought of how you can help our Barony, please consider if you would be willing to step up into one of our open Officer positions. There are positions open that are critical for us to even be able to continue as a Barony. We need volunteers to keep our game alive. We need you.

Please check out the Baronial website at <https://nordskogen.org/> for information on the different positions. Or reach out to us directly and we would be happy to talk to you about the different positions. *[You can also get more information about the positions by reading the appropriate descriptions below.—Editor]*

Open Positions:

[Baronial Seneschal](#): group operations leader who runs meetings, reports on baronial activities to the kingdom level

[Baronial Social Media Officer](#): keeps tabs on our social media presence (Facebook and a few minor odds & ends)

[Baronial Quartermaster](#): manages the Barony's property and storage unit

[Baronial Chatelaine](#): welcomes new members

Deputy Exchequer: backs up the group treasurer; may train to become group exchequer but is not required to do so
LONG LIVE NORDSKOGEN!

Yours in service, Baroness Caoilfhionn

Seeking A New Baronial Seneschal—Critically Needed!

Oyez, oyez! Nordskogen seeks a seneschal! Liadan inghean Cheallaigh Nobilis has confirmed that their job will keep them away from the Barony for an extended term, so we need to seek their replacement. The seneschal is the president of the group; they run business meetings, report to the Kingdom, answer questions about policy, and generally help keep the barony running.

To apply, please send a letter of application to the [Baroness](#), the [Baron](#), and to the Interim Seneschal, [Countess Jehanette](#), with a brief summary of your experience and interest in the position. If you have questions about the position, please email Countess Jehanette at seneschal@nordskogen.org. The deadline for your application is February 14th. Candidates will be introduced at the February 16th business meeting and voting will take place at the March 16th business meeting.

Without a seneschal, we cannot have a group. If you think you might serve the barony in this capacity, please get in touch!

Seeking A New Social Media Officer

Our Social Media Officer, Lady Coelwen ingen Adaim, has now become the Kingdom Social Media Officer, due to the sudden promotion of her boss (he's now our Prince....). She is seeking a successor. If you are interested in applying for this position and have any questions, please contact [Lady Coelwen](#). Your application letter should be sent to our [Seneschal](#) and cc [Lady Coelwen](#) 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. The deadline for your application is April 18. Candidates will be introduced at the April 21st business meeting and voting will take place at the May 18th business meeting.

Seeking A New Quartermaster

Our Quartermaster, Baroness Kateryn of Roseberry Topping, called Khadijah, would like to step down and is seeking a successor. If you are interested in applying for this position and have any questions, please contact [Baroness Khadijah](#). Your application letter should be sent to our [Seneschal](#) and cc [Baroness Khadijah](#) 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. The deadline for your application is March 14. Candidates will be introduced at the March 16th business meeting and voting will take place at the April 21st business meeting.

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Seeking A New Chatelaine (New Person Welcomer)

Our Chatelaine, Solveig Andersen, would like to step down and is seeking a successor. If you are interested in applying for this position and have any questions, please contact [Solveig](#). Your application letter should be sent to our [Seneschal](#) and cc [Solveig](#) 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. The deadline for your application is March 14. Candidates will be introduced at the March 16th business meeting and voting will take place at the April 21st business meeting.

Baronial Exchequer Seeks More Deputies To Train

Are you a potential exchequer? Do you like money? Just interested in bookkeeping? You can participate in the greater financial health of our barony as a deputy or a committee member! Potential deputy Exchequers, please see THL Lewke for training at exchequer@nordskogen.org. This is an extremely desirable skillset as groups MUST have exchequers to continue to exist. If you read the Northwatch (and you SHOULD be) you'll have noticed how many deputies our Kingdom exchequer has. Dare I mention that Nordskogen has not put forth a WW exchequer candidate in several years now...? Volunteers are also being sought for a 2-year term on the financial committee.

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Looking For A New Meeting Space

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Nordskogen Baronial Trim Is Now Available at Calontir Trim!

If you would like to get some of the lovely trim depicted above, here is the [link](#) to the website.

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. Here is a [link](#) to the full schedule for the Social. Look for the link to the Social in the [Nordskogen Facebook Group on Tuesdays!](#)

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

In 2021, 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 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.

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

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Nordskogen

*[Nordskogen Wednesday Night Online, Wednesdays, 7-8:30 pm \(often runs longer\)](#)

Next Business Meeting: February 16, 2022 at 7:30pm

Online Classes at 7:30 pm:

February 9: Fools and Foolery taught by Lady Ceithne inghean Aiden

February 23: Something Early Period with Farolfus

March 2: Sewing Perfect Corners by Ha Su Jin

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

Northshield Activities, Classes and Events

[Northshield Unofficial Discord Server](#) [Northshield Official Discord Server](#)

[Northshield Online A&S Display 2022](#)

Registration is open **now**. Entries should be posted starting February 11. Voting closes February 27.

Northshield Royal Activities, Courts, and Events

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

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

Ethereal Court will be held at the Feast of Isabelle on Saturday, February 26, 2022, time to be announced.

All ethereal 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 and Live Northshield Courts Available Online. Recordings of live courts are double starred.

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

[Coronation, April 18, 2020](#)

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

[Schützenfest and Mermaids Retreat, May 29, 2020](#)

[Border Skirmish, Castle Fever, Castel Rouge 50th, June 13, 2020](#)

[Mimisbrunnr, June 27, 2020](#)

[Warriors and Warlords, July 11, 2020](#)

[All Garbed Up and Nowhere To Go, Aug. 22, 2020](#)

[Venturing Forth, September 26, 2020](#)

[It's the GREAT Nordfest, Charlie Brúnn, October 24, 2020](#)

[SUN Court, Saturday, November 14, 2020](#)

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

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

[Queen's Prize, Saturday, February 13, 2021](#)

[Royal Birthday Court, Saturday, April 10, 2021](#)

[Feast of the Venerable Bede, May 22, 2021](#)

**[Elevation of Dane of Needham to the Order of Chivalry, June 12, 2021](#)

**[Courts at Northshield Spring Crown Tourney and Crown Tourney Itself, June 19, 2021](#)

[Royal Court at Wishes and Waiting, Sunday, July 11, 2021](#)

[The Last Baronial Court of Baroness Clara and Baron David and The Investiture of Gabriel De Lion and Nadrah al-Zahara as Shaikh and Shaikha Castel Rouge, Saturday, September 4, 2021](#)

**[The Elevation of Baroness Caoilfhionn inghen Cheallaigh úí Mhórdha to the Order of the Laurel, Sat., 9-11-21](#)

**[The Final Court of Elis and Ciaran and Fall Coronation of Hans and Genevieve, Saturday, September 11, 2021](#)

**[Fall Crown Tournament: Morning Court and Tournament, Saturday, October 9, 2021](#)

**[Fall Crown Tournament: Evening Court, Saturday, October 9, 2021](#)

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Greater SCA

General List of Events and Classes

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

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

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

Kingdom Specific Lists of Events and Classes

[Virtual Atlantia](#)

Individual Events--Continuing

[ARTemisia Virtual University](#)

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

[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!

[Known World Heraldic and Scribal Symposium](#)

[Knowne World Bardcast](#)

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

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

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

[SCA Board of Directors Meeting, April 18, 2021 On YouTube](#)

[SCA Board of Directors Meeting, July 18, 2021 On YouTube](#)

[SCA Board of Directors Meeting, October 25, 2021 On YouTube](#)

[SCA Board of Directors Meeting, January 24, 2022 On YouTube](#)

[SCA Concert Index](#)

[SCA Covid 19 Reopening Q&A Town Hall, April 23, 2021 On Facebook](#)

SCA Iberia [Webpage](#) and [YouTube Channel](#)

*[SCA Online Virtual Bardic Night](#)

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

[SCA Topical Town Hall Sessions](#)

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

[Virtual Known World Arts and Sciences Display—A Pennsic Activity](#)

Virtual Pennsic University courses are available on their [YouTube channel](#).

Individual Events—One Time

SCA Individuals

[\(The Wrong\) and Honorable Master Dahrien Cordell'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/join/85062066750>

The next bardic circle will be: Sunday, 2/6/22, starting at 6pm, Central Time (official start).

[Sometimes he opens things early, though.]

End: When his last bardic playmate leaves him.

For information on future bardic circles, go [here](#).

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

**RESOLUTION ON COVIDSAFE PROOF OF FULLY VACCINATED STATUS
OR NEGATIVE COVID TEST POLICY**

SCA Board of Directors Resolution Dated: September 25, 2021 and Updated: October 25, 2021 and November 29, 2021

The SCA Board of Directors aims to balance getting Society participants back to doing the things we love with measures that support Kingdoms in protecting all that people have worked so hard for. Our COVIDSafe Resolutions provide a flexible, risk based framework that allows Kingdoms in the United States and Canada to put in place a core set of requirements that event organizers and individuals must adhere to, based on their current environment and public health directions and advice.

As more information becomes available, the Board reviews and updates its resolutions where necessary in line with its responsibility to act diligently, with due care and in good faith. This is never more important than with issues related to the health and safety of our participants. In line with this approach, based on changing circumstances and updated expert advice, on September 25, 2021, the Board has resolved the following:

Proof of Fully Vaccinated Status or Negative COVID Test

In addition to the existing policy allowing Kingdoms to establish a mask policy, Kingdom Seneschals in consultation with the Crown shall have the discretion to implement the following policy requiring proof of COVID vaccination or a negative COVID test taken within 72 hours of an event start time from all event attendees:

Events are any activities defined in Corpora II.A, "Society Events Defined"

Proof of being fully vaccinated must be in the form of a government issued card (original or photograph) or an electronic record.

Proof of negative COVID test must be issued from a licensed medical provider and presented in such paper form or electronic form that the event staff can verify its authenticity. Letterhead from a medical provider or an email address clearly identifying the medical provider as the sender of an electronic record shall constitute authentic proof.

Paragraph 4 of the procedure was updated 11-29-21.

All persons over the age of 18 must present government issued photo identification or a current SCA membership card along with the proof of being fully vaccinated or a negative COVID test. Parents and guardians of minors must present their own identification along with proof of being fully vaccinated or a negative COVID test for all minors attending an event in their care.

Proof of vaccination or a negative COVID test shall not be required for children under 12. Children that are aged 3-11 shall wear a mask.

In addition to the normal sanctions process, anyone challenging event staff regarding the enforcement of this COVID policy shall be denied entry to or be immediately removed from the event.

(UPDATED 25 OCTOBER 2021) The Kingdom must check for proof of being fully vaccinated or a negative COVID test at an event. The event organizer may designate multiple people to perform the vaccination/negative COVID test check where each person performing the check is responsible for all people whose last name begins within a specified subset of the alphabet (for example, one person for A-H, one person for I-M, etc.)

The event organizer, or their designee, shall maintain a list of names and times of the person(s) conducting the check at the entrance. A separate list shall be maintained for each alphabet group. Once the entrance is closed at the event, said person(s) will sign a statement at the bottom of the list of names and times, which reads:

"I have monitored the event entrance at the times noted above, and I have verified that each person age 12 and over with last names through __, entering the event during that time to have shown me proper identification, along with either proof of being fully vaccinated or a negative COVID test taken within 72 hours of the start of the event."

The event organizer, or their designee, shall forward the signed statement(s) to the Kingdom Seneschal, or their designee, who shall maintain such records in accordance with the standards for retention of waivers.

Kingdom Seneschals shall notify the Society Seneschal where local, state, provincial, or national law supersedes this policy.

This policy shall not apply to Lochac and Drachenwald.

Questions or comments should be sent directly to president@sca.org and seneschal@sca.org, or your Kingdom's [Board Ombudsman](#).

A copy of this resolution is available at: <https://www.sca.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/COVIDsafeVaccination-and-Testing-Policy-10-25-21.pdf>

UPDATED: Frequently Asked Questions Related to the Policy are also available at: <https://www.sca.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/20210829-Proof-of-Vaccination-or-Negative-Test-Policy-FAQs.pdf>

**KINGDOM OF NORTHSHIELD LETTER CONCERNING
COVIDSAFE PROOF OF FULLY VACCINATED STATUS OR NEGATIVE COVID TEST POLICY**

September 28, 2021

Dear Northshield,

The Board has recently announced an optional policy that the kingdom may implement requiring proof of fully vaccinated status or negative COVID test taken within 72 hours of entering an SCA event. This policy would apply to any event as defined in Corpora II.A, Society Events Defined:

The term “Society event” refers to tournaments, feasts, and other activities whereby participants can display the results of their researches into the culture and technology of the period in an environment which evokes the atmosphere of the pre-17th century Middle Ages and Renaissance. It also refers to educational activities involving either one-time classes or ongoing Society university organizations, and meetings where participants share skills or discuss the business of the group. All Society events must be sponsored by official branches of the Society, registered with the Seneschal of the sponsoring branch, publicized at least to the members of that branch, and conducted according to Society rules.

<https://www.sca.org/news/covidsafe-proof-of-fully-vaccinated-status-or-negative-covid-test-policy-resolution/>

Their Majesties and I attended an extensive webinar with members of the Board of Directors, the President of the SCA, and the Society Seneschal where we had an opportunity to ask questions about how this policy is intended to be implemented. Additionally, we met to discuss how this would affect all the regions of our kingdom and our diverse population. After considerable discussion, Their Majesties and I have agreed that we will not be implementing this policy at this time in Northshield.

If you have questions, please email us at TRM and Seneschal at northshield.org

Thank you,
King Hans and Queen Genevieve

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Northshield Kingdom Seneschal

**RESOLUTION TO FURTHER LIFT SUSPENSION OF IN-PERSON ACTIVITY IN THE SCA
AS OF AUGUST 1, 2021**

The SCA Board of Directors further lifts the suspension of in-person activity in North America, **effective August 1, 2021**, provided adherence to the items in this resolution;

1. All attendees in North America must follow all national, province, territory, state, and local health guidelines at SCA events. In addition, at all North American SCA events:
 - a. Kingdoms may continue to require the use of masks at their events as they deem necessary;
 - b. As research has shown that minimal transmission occurs from food, the serving of feasts, inns, day boards, and buffet-style food is now allowed at the Kingdom's discretion;
 - c. Large coolers to dispense water into individual personal containers are now permitted;
 - d. To facilitate contact tracing, all who attend any SCA-sponsored event in North America (including local meetings, fighter practices, etc.) must be signed in on a roster prior to entering the event; and
 - e. The following language is required to appear on all event notices, flyers, online announcements, and advertisements, as well as being posted in multiple locations (including gate) at any and all SCA-sponsored functions going forward:

Although the SCA complies with all applicable laws to ensure the health and safety of our event participants, we cannot eliminate the risk of exposure to infectious diseases during in-person events. By participating in the in-person events of the SCA, you acknowledge and accept the potential risks. You agree to take any additional steps to protect your own health and safety and those under your control as you believe to be necessary.

2. Any Kingdoms that propose any deviation from the above restrictions must 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; and,

3. Enforcement of this resolution will be coordinated by the Society Seneschal and President of SCA Inc. Questions or comments should be sent directly to president@sca.org and seneschal@sca.org, or your Board Ombudsman.

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.

Link to document PDF: <https://www.sca.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/AugustInPersonActivityResolution.pdf>

NORTHSHIELD EVENT PROCEDURES AS OF SEPTEMBER 2021

The Board of Directors has decided to loosen many of the SCA-imposed restrictions effective August 1, 2021. Below spells out the requirements for in-person events going forward from that August 1 date:

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The following language is required to appear on all event notices, flyers, online announcements, and advertisements, as well as being posted in multiple locations, including Troll [Registration], at all events:

Although the SCA complies with all applicable laws to ensure the health and safety of our event participants, we cannot eliminate the risk of exposure to infectious diseases during in-person events. By participating in the in-person events of the SCA, you acknowledge and accept the potential risks. You agree to take any additional steps to protect your own health and safety and those under your control as you believe to be necessary.

As has been stated all along, any and all state, provincial, or local health regulations and guidelines will of course need to be followed, including keeping up with changes to government policy based on updated information. Be aware that some local jurisdictions have stricter requirements than their state/province. We also strongly recommend following the safety guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control and Public Health Agency of Canada.

Additional Requirements for Northshield in-person activities (after September 1, 2021):

With concern over rising COVID-19 rates, especially the Delta strain, masks or face shields that fully cover your face will be required at all official Northshield in-person gatherings of any size or type (practices, meetings, events).

Effective September 1, all attendees over the age of 4, including fully vaccinated individuals, will be required to be masked at all times, except for fully vaccinated individuals actively engaged in (wearing a helmet or mask) combat activities (rapier and armoured) outdoors.

At outdoor activities, masks that fully cover the mouth and nose must be worn by all attendees over the age of 4 at all times except for eating, and drinking. The mask must be worn properly over the nose and mouth and be recognizable as an effective mask. The one exception is that fully vaccinated individuals may choose to remove their mask while actively engaged in combat activities. Masks must be put on immediately when leaving the field. If an individual is not fully vaccinated they are still required to wear a face mask when actively engaged in combat activities.

Additional Requirements for Northshield in-person activities (after September 1, 2021) (con.)

At indoor activities, masks will be required for all attendees over the age of 4, at all times including when engaged in combat activities. The mask may be removed briefly for eating and drinking while socially distanced.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/about-face-coverings.html>

In addition to the requirements of state/province and local governments and the SCA, Inc.'s Board of Directors, in-person events in Northshield at this time must:

- Submit a plan to the Kingdom Seneschal by email:
 - Showing that the type and size of the event is allowed under current federal, state or province, and local guidelines. A copy of or link to the relevant part of government re-opening language is sufficient, but should include issue and effective dates.
 - Showing the organizer's specific plans for complying with government and current Kingdom guidelines.
 - The Kingdom Seneschal must approve the plan in writing before the event will be added to the Northshield calendar. "In writing" includes by email or postal mail.
 - All events will take measures to limit the risk of infectious disease transmission.
- Sign-in Roster:
 - All in person activities shall require all who attend to sign in on a roster that provides the legal name of the attendee and some method of contact. That can be email, phone number, or street address.
 - If you do not sign in at the roster you will not be allowed to attend the in-person activity.
 - This roster will be sent to the Minister of Waivers at waivers@northshield.org
 - Preregistration is still allowed and encouraged. If events wish to utilize PayPal for paid pre-registration please email exchequer@northshield.org to coordinate with the Kingdom Exchequer.

Personal responsibility of activity attendees:

Do not attend an in-person activity if you are experiencing any of the symptoms of COVID-19 (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>).

A statement of concern for our Populace:

If you have an underlying condition which increases your risk, strongly consider your own health and safety before attending an in-person activity (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/index.html>).

This document can also be found here: <http://northshield.org/Posts/Display.aspx?ID=63128>

If you have any questions about anything in this newsletter, please feel free to contact the Chronicler at: 651-605-1085 (before 10 pm) or at chronicler@nordskogen.org

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