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Kingdom of Northshield



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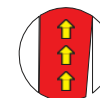
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RESOLUTION TO FURTHER LIFT SUSPENSION OF IN-PERSON ACTIVITY IN THE SCA AS OF AUGUST 1, 2021

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>

KINGDOM OF NORTHSHIELD MASK POLICY FOR MARTIAL ACTIVITIES AS OF 7-1-2021

Greetings from your newly minted Earl Marshal.

In regard to the queries on mask policy, as it relates to martial activities after July 1st, this is what I have for you.

- Should Province, State, and Local health regulations and guidelines permit it, fully vaccinated participants do not need to wear masks after July 1st, 2021.
- Fully vaccinated is defined as 2 WEEKS AFTER a 2nd shot of Pfizer, AstraZeneca, or Moderna, or one shot of Johnson & Johnson.
- Those who wish to wear a mask, regardless of vaccination status, are encouraged to do so.
- Masks must be worn per CDC guidance for all indoor activities no matter what your vaccination status is.
- Masks are required for all activities for those who are not fully vaccinated (vaccination + 2 weeks).
- Rosters still need to be maintained for contact tracing purposes, and must be sent to the Minister of Waivers within 30 days of being signed. (waivers@northshield.org). These rosters must provide the legal name of the attendee and some method of contact. That can be email, phone number, or street address.

Northshield and the SCA are built on the principles of Chivalry, Courtesy, and Honor. As you would at any other time, be mindful of this in regard to current events.

Siegfried, Kingdom Earl Marshal

UPDATED KINGDOM OF NORTHSHIELD EVENT PROCEDURES AS OF AUGUST 1, 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 August 1, 2021):

CDC compliant masks must be worn per CDC guidance on how to properly wear a mask for all indoor activities no matter what your vaccination status is. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/about-face-coverings.html>

Masks are required for all activities for those who are not fully vaccinated (vaccination + 2 weeks). Anyone who is fully vaccinated and still wishes to wear a mask is encouraged to do so. Masks are not required for outdoor activities for people who are fully vaccinated after July 1. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated.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.
 - 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=62921>



A MISSIVE FROM OUR BARON AND BARONESS

Summer greetings unto Nordskogen, Blachemere, and Nordleigh.

Time seems to be speeding up as the kingdom's long-awaited gatherings arrive! We are deeply grateful to the event staff, teachers, patrons, and participants who made Wishes & Waiting a fun weekend of kingdom wide martial challenges, online classes, and activities, and small in-person gatherings here in the barony and in Inner Sea. Thanks also to Their Excellencies and the barony of Jararvellir for cohosting the event. Special thanks are due to Countesse Guenievre for volunteering to reserve space for our gathering and working with Nordskogen's event steward, Bazyli, to make it happen.

While we still face uncertainty about the winter plans, Twelfth Night is coming up quickly. However, we need an event bid and an event steward and staff if we are to host it! Several former event stewards have offered mentorship and support, and we have even had some nibbles for staff. If you're interested in running Twelfth Night, or if you're not sure and have questions about it, please email the seneschal and Their Excellencies.

Newcomers! As in-person events pop up on the calendar, we plan to host two Newcomer Nights during Nordskogen's Wednesday Zooms for anyone new to the SCA, especially those of you who joined just before or while in-person activities were largely on hold. On August 11, Her Excellency Caoilfhionn will give a tour of what you can expect at an event, using the upcoming St. Radegund's Faire as an example. Bring all of your questions: no question too small! In September, our baronial chatelaine, Solveig, will discuss the resources her office has to help people get into the swing of SCA, including the loaner clothes closet, where to find information, and finding people with interests similar to yours. Watch Facebook, the Nordskogen Google group, and Discord for updates.

We have enjoyed our first short in-person events, but the resurgence of Covid, heat waves, and poor air quality are very real considerations as the summer continues. Please prioritize your health and participate at a level where you feel safe. We love to see all of you in any medium, whether in-person or online or by email, message, or phone. Take care!

*Yours in service,
Caoilfhionn and Gabriel, Baroness and Baron of Nordskogen*



WEEKLY ONLINE WEDNESDAY MEETING LINK AND SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST 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. Please remember that you are muted when you join in. Video is encouraged but not required. Drop in and out as you wish.

08/04: Socializing & announcements

08/11: Socializing & announcements

08/18: **Business meeting at 7:30 pm**, socializing & announcements

08/25: Socializing & announcements

UPCOMING CANTON AND BARONY SPECIAL EVENTS

FREE TOURNAMENT OF CHIVALRY, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH, 2021

Lord Of Life Church, 14501 Nowthen Blvd NW, Ramsey, MN 55303

Site will be open 6-8:30pm on Friday, Nov. 19, for setup. Site closes at 8:30pm on Sat. (must be out by 10pm)

Hosted by the Canton of Blachemere This is a single level site with ADA compliance.

Event steward: Duchess Mary of Carrigart; mka Kate Luthner, Kate79@gmail.com

Pre-registration is required at the link below and is open until Friday, November 19, 2021.

Fee: Free

Blachemere is hosting this event in the hopeful optimism that we can continue to gather together. Blachemere wants to throw a grand event without the barrier of site fee and infuse some fun and whimsy in this cantons finale event. We invite the Knights of the Kingdom to come together and teach. In order to volunteer, please contact the MIC, Sir Tom Tinntinnabulum, at holliday.thomas.71@gmail.com. There is space for rapier, boffer, classes, an artisan row, and populace space. If you would like to organize something at this event, please reach out.

A Few Other Items of Note:

1. The site token is a free t-shirt (pre-reg form has space for size you want) for first 250 who pre-register by Oct. 20. Blachemere is gifting the first 250 a t-shirt as a token not just of the event but as a thank you for their support of Blachemere over the years and as a lasting reminder of how we are all in this together. Pre-registration after 250 or 10/20 will still be accepted but the t-shirt will not be guaranteed.
2. For food, there will be a pizza party sponsored by the Chivalry.
3. There will be a post revel nearby after the event (still working out details on location).

Link to Form for Pre-registering

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfzfupVLKeUw0QUFLhemR5lGlrE120btRPjdH-6DMRdymJ_PQ/viewform

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, JULY 21, 2021

Countess Jehanette de Provins (Anne Rosebery) presiding

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

15 in attendance

Meeting called to order at 7:32 pm.

Officers' Reports

Their Excellencies Baroness Caoilfhionn and Baron Gabriel: Baroness: Last weekend, we just wrapped Wishes and Waiting. An adventure in coping! Great slate of classes, good connections online, lovely small gathering at Comtesse Guenievre du Dragon Vert's park space where we mostly hung out and talked. Thanks to everyone who volunteered and participated! Baron: Need a bid for Twelfth Night. Interested? Talk to the Seneschal and Their Excellencies. It doesn't have to be at Lord of Light Church, but at wherever you want. Kingdom in-person events so

notes from the nordskogen business meeting, july 21, 2021 (con.)

Officers' Reports (con.)

far: two practices and St. Radegund's. If you want to participate in person, that's great. Still wanting to be online only, also fine. Will continue online weekly meetings until things are safer.

Countess Jehanette de Provins, Interim Seneschal: Wishes and Waiting, went well, cost us nothing. Seneschals have met and talked about things such as Paypal.

Exchequer Report from THL Lewke verch Gwilim, called Lucky:

Starting balance:	\$ 19,355.30
Income:	\$ 100.16
Expenditures:	\$ 310.00
Ending bank balance on statement:	\$ 19,145.46
Balance change:	\$ -209.84

Donations for the year 2021 to date: \$400

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

Reports have been turned in to Kingdom. Next month we will have a (hopefully) brief financial committee meeting. There is stuff for the financial committee to review before then.

Hint to holders of Baronial property: Now would be a great time to do inventory.

Chronicler, Baroness Rosanore of Redthorn: All is ok. Quill will be published Sunday, August 1. Soft deadline is Monday, July 26. The hard deadline is Saturday, July 31.

Interim Herald, Baron Geoffrey of Warwick: Nothing to report, so no injuries. Looking forward to a discussion of a future successor next month.

Minister of Arts and Sciences, Lady Helena the Quiet: Not present. Nothing new to report. Would love to hear peoples projects. Would like to hear about ideas for future activities. Would like to have a sense as to where people are vs a vs online vs in person. Thanks to the Baron and Baroness, Lady Neave inghean Domhnaill, Lady Coelwen ingen Adaim, and Baron Bazyli Boleslaw z Krakowa.

Knight's Marshal, Baron Bazyli Boleslaw z Krakowa: Not present. The Baroness reported that there was a new person at practice last night.

Boffer Captain, Lord Tribaldi de Gritti: Not present. Still not allowed to have practices.

Rapier Captain, THL Sven Asvaldarson: No updates or issues. 6-8 average attending each practice. Masks are being discarded, sign displayed, no issues with other groups at the park.

Chatelaine, Solveig Andersen: Multiple requests for information have been received. New person here at the meeting tonight. A volunteer at the museum where she works is very interested, but had bad past experience with us! Solveig pointed out to her that we're a global organization and that jerks are everywhere. Has inventoried Gold Key and created a Google photo album. Has talked to the Baroness about doing a demo. Loaned a non-SCA person some garb so he could wear period Viking garb at an upcoming Viking gathering.

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Archery Captain, THL Faelan Bacach MacMillan: Not present. Dame Rosanore reported that he has regularly been posting online announcement of where and when weekly archery practices are happening.

Thrown Weapons Captain, Comtesse Guenievre du Dragon Vert: Not present. Countess Jehanette reported an uptick in attendance due to Wishes and Waiting but this has settled back down. New target and sticks for the range are being built by Lord Lachlann del Glen.

Clerk of Precedence, Lady Cynthia the Innocent: Not present. Nothing to report.

Signet, THL Amary Fairamay: Present. Nothing to report except to congratulate Wishes and Waiting award recipients. All awards ready to be distributed except the pots which are waiting to be fired. Thanks to WW volunteers. No injuries and no ink spilled this year re WW.

Quartermaster, Baroness Kateryn of Roseberry Topping, called Khadijah: Not present and no report.

Webminister and Social Media Officer, Lady Coelwen ingen Adaim: Present. Website has been updated.

Equestrian Activities, THL Masina Vitus: Had surgery on Friday, June 18, so this is suspended for a while.

Old Business

Officers' Day update: Probably a day in January. Checking to see if there are any conflicts.

SUN: No bid from the Barony or anyone else. Deadline for bids has been extended to mid-August.

New Business

Announcements

Countess Jehanette: Her Compleat Anachronist issue is in final proof. Will be out soon. Second part will be out after she digs out from Part I.

Mistress Medb Renata: Rumpelstiltskein back live! Meeting this coming Sunday, 7/25. Have been averaging 2 or 3 attendees (plus Medb). Our Chatelaine, Solveig, wants to do something demo-ish at the meeting, maybe quarterly. Bookstore patrons are always interested and come over to watch so this is a great opportunity for outreach.

Motion to adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made by Countess Jehanette, seconded by THL Lewke, passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm.

GENERAL NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Canton of Nordleigh Monthly Craft Night, 2nd Thursdays, 7-9 pm, Northfield, MN

Canton of Nordleigh Monthly Craft Night is back! Learn a Medieval craft or bring your own project.

(Projects suitable for a church membership hall—no glitter/tiny bits difficult to clean up.) Masks are required by SCA HQ until further notice. Meetings happen on 2nd Thursdays, 7-9pm, St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 418 Sumner Street E., Northfield, MN in the Membership Hall (enter from back parking lot).

August 12th class: Head toppers! "Make your own unisex Viking head covering or Medieval veil."

There will also be tips on inexpensive costuming.

September 9th class: Embroidery! "Make your own Medieval Love Token." For beginners and experienced stitchers.

GENERAL NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (con.)

Court Report from the Wishes and Waiting Court

May it please our Barony to cheer the following recipients in the WW court:

- Brixia Argyopennos, Award of the Heliotrope
- Radeswint Altdorfer, Award of the Heliotrope
- Murienn ingen Fhairchellaig, Award of the Baton Gules
- Lachlann del Glen, Award of Award of the Baton Gules
- Kate de Mallow, Award of the Heliotrope

Huzzah! Yours In Service, Lady Cynthia the Innocent

The Kingdom of Northshield Has Heirs!

At the Northshield Crown Tournament, June 26, in Blachemere, Sir Hans Volsch, inspired by The Honorable Lady Genevieve MacArtne, defeated Sir Geoffrey de la Brugge, inspired by Mistress Tatiana Marana Melville. Vivant!

Vivat To Our Baroness!

Their Royal Majesties Ciaran and Elis are pleased to announce that Baroness Caoilfhionn ingen Cheallaigh úí Mhórdha will be inducted into the Order of the Laurel at [Northshield Coronation](#) in the Shire of Roteclif, on September 11, in our last court. i.e., morning court. An in-person vigil at St. Radegund's Fair on August 28 is being discussed.

Herald wanted!

As many of you know, we need a baronial herald! Our most excellent herald, Lord Irial, had to step down and we are looking for a replacement. No experience necessary and only a few qualifications: The Baronial Herald is first and foremost an officer of the Barony and so needs to be able to make the business meetings, or at least send reports or a representative. You need to know something about or be willing to learn something about the heraldic registration process (how names and arms get registered in the SCA). You need to know how or be willing to learn how to be a court herald and work with the Baronage to come up with a list of court heralds to work with them. You do NOT need to be the court herald for baronial courts yourself, but you will need to know something about the process and help make sure that baronial courts have a herald.

That's it! The good part is that we have lots of people in the Barony who have training in all of these skills (including the Baron) and will likely be willing to help teach you the things you need to know.

If you are interested or have questions, please send an email to the [Baron](#) and [Baroness](#) and the [Baronial Seneschal](#).

If you decide to apply for the job, please include in your email what you consider to be your qualifications (mundane and SCA), and why you would like the job, or what you would hope to accomplish. We hope to have candidate interviews at the August 18th business meeting and hold the vote at the September 15 business meeting.

Baronial Exchequer Seeks A Vote Of Confidence

Our Exchequer, THL Lewke verch Gwilim, called Lucky, has a warrant that expires in August and she is not quite ready for a new person to step up. So, she is asking to be reelected for a year to train her successor. At that time, she would step down and be deputy exchequer. We plan on having this vote of confidence at the August 18th business meeting. Please email the [Exchequer](#) and cc the [Baron](#) and the [Baroness](#) if you have any questions about this.

Donations to the Barony

Thank you, donors! 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.

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 our Exchequer a line at exchequer@nordskogen.org



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.

Helping Out GPS (Geek Partnership Society)

GPS has just begun a new GoFundMe which you can find [here](#) and is also starting up a new [membership drive](#) with nifty perks including a rental discount. The information about becoming a member can also be found at the GoFundMe link above.

GENERAL NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (con.)

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!](#)

Requirements For The Arts & Sciences Queen's Largess Competition At Northshield Coronation

1. Each participant will create 10 of the same/similar items to be donated to the Kingdom Largesse.
2. All (10) items per contestant entered must be displayed in the competition if possible, this is preferred by Her Highness.
3. The winner of The Populace Vote will get a cool thing (as yet a **MYSTERY!** Ooooooh!)
4. Her Highness will also be choosing her second A & S Champion for the Queen's Guard from the participants (MAY be the Populace Vote Winner, MAYbe not!)
5. As this is a bone dry site, you should not enter adult beverages, and food is also not accepted.
6. Documentation is **optional** but if you choose to include it, be sure to take that into consideration when reserving your spot. The space on the provided tables is first come, first served, so keep that in mind when choosing a size for your project. In the event that all provided table space is reserved, you will have the option of bringing your own table, but we won't start accepting extra tables until after the 12 tables have been filled, keeping available (floor) real estate in mind.
7. The tables are approximately 3'x6' and they will be divided into halves and quarters.
8. **Please keep in mind the portability of largesse.** It is for this reason, and to offer space for more creators to participate, that we have chosen not to offer a whole table to any one contributor.
9. To register for the competition, please send an email to: Lady Jelena Pagani jelena.pagani1986@gmail.com with your SCA name and your desired display size (1/4, 1/2, 3/4). You don't have to say what you're making.

Foro's Fighting Scholarship

This is a lightly edited repost of Her Grace Mary of Carrigart's post in the Kingdom of Northshield Discussion group on Facebook.

TLDR; fill in the [application](#) for a chance to earn Foro's donated spot in the training weekend auction item from the Wardens of Winter on 10/2/2021.

Long version; Good morning! Remember waaay back pre-pandemic when the auction had get-together experiences? Well, the Wardens of Winter offered an armored combat fighting clinic to a 'carload' of people with a total of four winners. Three of the winners of that item have patiently waited until it was safe to gather. However, one winner has taken his ultimate leave and while he may attend in spirit, when I asked him about his wishes should he be unable, he said, "Make it a scholarship."

May I present to you, Foro's Fighting Scholarship. Per his wishes, we are offering his spot back to the people of Northshield. He left the details vague so we made an [application](#) with a few scholarship-style questions. We decided to honor his generosity to Northshield by asking how 'you' are serving the kingdom. We are honoring his desire to tackle new challenges and come back to fighting by asking what You want out of this weekend.

We hope to get some good interest. Please cross-post so this is seen by all interested parties. The deadline is August 16, but please don't wait until the end.

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.)

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.

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.

Nordskogen

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

Next business meeting is August 18!

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 meeting invitation will be posted in a pinned post in the 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.

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

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](#)

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!](#)

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 and Live Northshield Courts Available Online. Live courts are 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](#)

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

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Past Ethereal and Live Northshield Courts Available Online (con.) Live courts are starred.

[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, 2 p.m.](#)

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](#)

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

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

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

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

[An Tir Online Events](#)

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

[Virtual Atlantia](#)

[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!

[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 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](#)

Greater SCA (con.)

Individual Events—One Time

[Virtual Known World Arts and Sciences Display—A Pennsic Activity—Aug. 1-8, 2021](#)

8/1 - 8/8: Website space is available to post photos/videos and documentation of all entries for public viewing.

8/8: Interested entrants can schedule Zoom “office hours” to discuss their work with the populace.

If you are interested in displaying this year, please register using this form: <https://forms.gle/HTYChNJG63rRFKdv7>

Registration and submission deadline is **August 1, 2021**.

Virtual Pennsic University courses are available during the month of August, from July 31, 2021 to Labor Day, September 6, 2021 on their [YouTube channel](#).

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](#)

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