

# CLYFFE NOTES

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## October Business Meeting Minutes

**In Attendance:** Minna, Gormr, Adriana, Gwenlyn, Mike, Isolda, Matthew, Mathias, Serena, Erwin, St. Ro, Khadir, Cerridwen, Chip, Cathal.

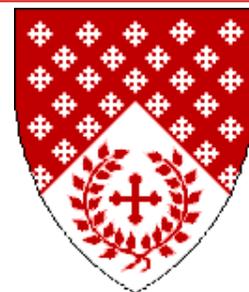
Dun Carraig's upcoming Birthday event was first on the agenda. The autocrat, who should have the Heavy and Rapier fighting scenarios will be forwarding those to the Webminister for inclusion on the new website. Baroness Dealla Cohen will be contacted to possibly be the Chirurgeon (and help the CIT). Mike has volunteered to head the clean-up operation. Cerridwen will be the Marshal for Rapier, and a Marshal for Heavy fighting is still being sought. Troll will close at 3pm. Donations (of items in good condition) are needed for the silent auction. The option of holding a fund raiser to support the BnB travel fund was discussed. The Exchequer said that in order to do this, the financial policy would have to be re-written. This will be further discussed later (perhaps over the elist).

### Middle Eastern Event:

The date for the event was moved to Feb. 28. It will be at ICHall, a freestanding hall behind the Immaculate Conception Church. A flyer with information about the site was passed around as many oohs and ahhs were heard. This is a wet site, however there is no area appropriate for fighting. In light of the problems with last year's site, we will be taking pictures before anything is set up for damage assessment. There will also be someone on site at the end of the event who can approve our clean-up. Kiri is cooking the feast, and Gormr will be cooking the Mezze. At the end of the meeting, the populace voted on the \$725 site fee, and was passed.

### Southern MD Celtic Society

We have agreed to cater and serve a period feast to the Southern Maryland Celtic Society. We're looking at cooking for 60-80 people. The price will be \$10/plate, by Khadir's budget. We will see a profit of about \$3/plate. As a bonus, the



Dun Carraig's Arms

president of SMCS thought we should be entitled to 50% of the profit from the event. It is on Saturday, November 1, with no event competition to hinder help availability. We can be on site as early as 9am, but will probably not get started until 10am. We are responsible for cooking, serving, and cleaning of the kitchen. They will handle the rest of the event. Anyone in attendance should be in Celtic garb or similar (Welsh, Irish, Scottish, Viking). We will need at least 10 people to serve, and help with cooking and with cleaning (hopefully all by different people). If you intend to be there for any part of the day, let Khadir know so he knows what to expect.



A view of the buttresses that adorn the York Minster

# ✚ Letter from Their Excellencies ✚



nto the most wonderful Barony of Dun Carraig do your devoted Baron and Baroness send greetings. Thank you to all of those who braved the hardship of Pennsic to support the Barony and Atlantia. Our forces were mighty on the field, earning the respect of our much larger neighbors. Camp was well run, all who attended were well fed, and We could not have asked for a better group of people to spend Our vacation with. You made Us so happy to serve as your Baronage, and we were so pleased to see all of the hard work of Our people finally paying dividends.

We have an opportunity in the months that approach to swell our numbers. We are hammering out final plans for the Celtic Society dinner at the beginning of November, which is a chance to renew our former alliances with the Celtic Society. Dun Carraig will be cooking and serving a dinner to members of the Celtic Society in exchange for being allowed to put up a booth at the upcoming Celtic Festival in the Spring. This is an excellent chance to make more folks aware of the SCA, Inc. and the wonderful things that we offer. Please note, that we are asking for servers for this event, but are requesting that Celtic garb (or similar location/timeframe) be worn. We apologize for this restriction, but we do not want to distract from the ambiance of the Celtic Society's special night. If you can assist with this very worthy event, please let Baron Khadir know.

At the last Officer's meeting, there was much discussion on how to recruit new members and to provide activities that keep our current members inspired and excited about the SCA. Please keep in mind that we are a organization founded on volunteerism. If we do not have gentles willing to offer children's activities, teach/attend classes or schlep loaner armor, we cannot offer these opportunities to our newest members. Often, we as people fall into a "Not Me" frame of thinking...we're too busy or we feel as if we don't know enough about the SCA to really be able to contribute anything of value. Volunteering at a Baronial level is a great training ground. EVERYONE in the Barony has SOMETHING they can offer, something they can add to make the game special. Spend a moment to think about what YOU can do to make the SCA more fun to those who are starting up, and to build on the fun times you'd already had with the Barony. And take a moment to thank those who are already serving as officers. Sometimes it can be a thankless job. Kind words from your fellow Seadogs can go a long way towards making someone feel appreciated.

Finally, we look forward to Our upcoming Baronial Birthday in the middle of November...a celebration of the peace and tranquility of Our lands. We look at the unity and fellowship of Our people, knowing that His Excellency is a model of even-handed gentility and Her Excellency is a shining paragon of modest decorum. We clasp Our hands in love, and gently guide our populace by Our glowing example.

## BnB' s Report

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Nothing pressing. We have a Pavilion, so please join us (and help schlep). We'd like to put a gift basket together for Lochmere's Investiture. Theron heralded our Baronial Court at Pennsic.

## Seneschal' s Report

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(Minna) Since I'm gonna be new seneschal, I've recruited a new chiurgen (Sam). Many classes were had at Runestone Collegium. I will make a vision statement saying where I want to take the Barony in the next few years.

## Chronicler' s Report

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Nothing to Report

## Herald' s Report

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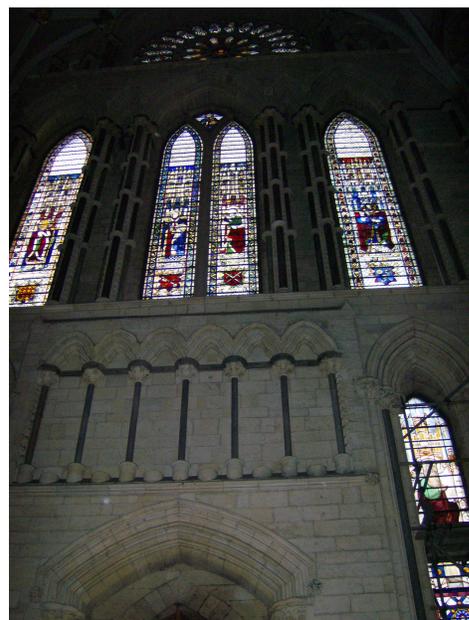
Anything the Herald needed to convey is in the meeting summary.

## Quartermaster' s Report

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Nothing to Report.

**The Initial in Their Excelencies' Letter is from Freeceltic's Celtic Art, Letter type 2. Others like it can be found at <http://www.freeceltic.com/celtic-celtic%20letter%20type2-00.html>.**



Stained glass windows at the York Minster

**Remember that the Pollings are going out in October. Be sure to get them mailed by October 31.**

## Chatelaine' s Report

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Nothing to Report.

## Webminister' s Report

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Nothing to Report.

## Minister of the Lists' Report

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No event, not much to report. I'm MOL-IC (wow that's an unwieldy acronym) for Birthday. Lore's running the rapier table, because she rocks. Gormr is going to send me his scenario for the heavy table so I can play for that. I'm also looking into the all-important MOL table supply--CANDY. To go with the theme, there will be a dish of RED candy and a dish of WHITE candy. (The "white" may be silver, but heraldically they're the same thing.)

**The Business Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7PM at the Southern Maryland Higher Education Center at 44219 Airport Road, California, MD 20619. For directions go to [www.smhec.org](http://www.smhec.org).**

## Knight Marshal' s Report

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Attendance has been low. We're encouraging people to come just to observe. A newcomer who is a classical fencer will be joining us for rapier.

# Minister of Arts and Sciences' Report

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I've been lax on getting reports in, but that will change. I'm in support of more AnS classes, but the last few were very sparsely attended. The Baronial Enhancement Project (see report of meeting minutes for details) is a good idea, but still needs participating support of the barony members. (sort of an AnS "craigslist" where you can post what class you want to be offered or to teach).

**Did you find a mistake? Did I misquote someone? Please (kindly) let me know. Email me at [Chronicler@duncarraig.net](mailto:Chronicler@duncarraig.net) and I'll correct it in the next newsletter.**

# Exchequer Report

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(For October 7<sup>th</sup> Meeting)

Received receipt from Minna (Mindy) for polling.

In process of getting signatures from our new Seneschal and my Deputy Exchequer on the bank paperwork to get the account switched over.

Working on the Quarterly Reports to make sure all is done on time, due October 31<sup>st</sup>.

## October Meeting (cont' d.)

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### Baronial Polling

**Minna sent out polling letters before the meeting. (Nevermind the upside-down envelopes...they'll still go through.) The deadline for sending them in is October 31...VOTE! Let the Kingdom know what you think!!! (about our BnB only, please \*grin\*)**

### Relay for Life

The fund-raiser is not until June, but the first contact letters were sent out already. The website is set up already, and the first volunteer meeting was the same night as the Barony's meeting. Last year over \$1800 was raised. As another means of raising money, there is a possibility of participants' employers advertising for donations for our team around the workplace. Since there's no time like now to get started planning, the question was posed: Do we want to do this again? A resounding "yes" was heard. Do we want Mathias to head it up again? An even louder "YES!" Congratulations Mathias! However, the evil Cardinal needs minions...sign up early, sign up often!!

### Web Page

The Officers agreed in the sooper seekrit (trademark of the Baroness) Officers' meeting that the website is critical for recruitment. Therefore, Matt is starting over. Kelly has been working on the pages and reduced 577 lines of text down to 210. As always, if you see something you don't like, or you have an idea for the webpage, or you find that you're just really good at proofreading and never knew it, Matt needs to know so he can improve the website. Please feel free to contact him. (Contact Information is on the Regnum Page-10) A deadline of November 1 for the new webpage was made.

### Demos

Blessing of the Fleet has come and gone. AnneMarie Gardens' Halloween event was 2 weeks after the meeting, and no plans had been made. We need someone to coordinate these events in the future...an autocrat, if you will, for demos...a...(wait for it)..."demo" crat.

Khadir will take on Blessing of the Fleet next year so we don't miss that again. Past that, we need someone to coordinate the demos, usually done by the Chatelaine—something else the Barony very much needs. Also, demos used to be done for school and scouting groups. Trying to revive that would be good. Annual demos are established in St. Mary's and Calvert Counties. Finding an event suitable for a demo in Charles County is on the list of things to do as well. We need to tap the interest in that county. We have worked our way into an event that we will use as a demo. Thanks to the Southern Maryland Celtic Society, we will have a demo at the Celtic Festival and Highland Gathering as one of the benefits for the previously mentioned Celtic feast. This will be the second demo/year in Calvert County we will be doing. Cerridwen noted that the Charles County Relay for Life is on a different date from Calvert's. If we want to do another team for that fund-raiser we could fill in that hole. She will keep us informed.

### Kingdom Events

Possible kingdom events were discussed and a University bid suggested, with the possibility of using Southern Maryland Higher Education Center (location of the business meetings) as a site. June University was thought to be too close to Challenge of the Heart, but as it would be manned by Kingdom staff, and we only have to handle check-in and getting the site, it was voted that we'd look further into this. Minna will work with Molly. Cerridwen also had contact with Camp St. Charles and talked to them about using that site for a KE...more along the lines of a Crown Tourney. The manager/owner will give us the site at a reduced price if we use it at the beginning or end of their season. Cerridwen will look closer at that site and try to keep in contact with the owner.

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## October Meeting (cont' d.)

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### Supplies Needed

The Rapier loaner gear needs a Schlager (preferably not gold..haha) since that is the default fighting style now. Khadir found that priced were between \$130-170 + shipping. The rapier at the lower-cost end is a simple blade with a small guard. The more expensive rapier is a swept hilt with an overall nicer blade. Those in attendance voted to make the money available to purchase the nicer blade. A gorget will also be needed, however, we may have leather to make one ourselves (and it was even suggested we may already have one). This will be looked into. Discussion turned to the availability of loaner gear, and how to handle how it is lent out. Some suggested that we not lend it out because we've seen it walk off before; however, this was met with some resistance. However, more people agreed with a sign-out sheet with information about the individual's financial responsibility for the equipment he/she takes. And a closer eye will be kept on those who are newer to the barony, until we know how much we can trust them. The Marshals will get together to determine the format for the sign-in/out sheet.

### Heraldic Books

The Herald has 2 books as the equipment for his position. This is very insufficient for herald activities. More information about acquiring more resources will be given after the meeting.

### MOL

The MOL is in need of a system for keeping track of the fighters. Adrianna has suggested a magnet board to fight against windy days. Other suggestions were made and a decision was made to table this until we have a better idea of what we want.

### Exchequer Computer

All exchequer files have to be done on computer files. Because files don't always transfer the same from program to program, some baronies are purchasing a computer so those mistakes can be avoided. Resources include donations or fund raisers. Serena will research prices and resources.

### New Business

#### Email

Official business needs to be posted to the DC\_Seadogs list *and* the DC\_News list, as not everyone is on the Seadogs list. Discussion of said business, or anything not official should be posted only to the Seadogs list.

## Vivaŋt!

At Lochmere's Investiture and Baronial Birthday those from Dun Carraig were well represented. George of Dun Carraig was authorized in Rapier Combat, and her Excellency made quite a showing in the Archery competition, and received the recognition as the best in the novice category.

Congratulations, as well, to our cousins to the North, Dominick Elphinstone, and Margery Winterborne, new Baron and Baroness of Lochmere. We also want to congratulate our dear friend, Dealla Cohen on being made a Baroness of their Majesties' Court.

If you would like to receive Clyffe Notes in printed form, please email me at [chronicler \[AT\] duncarraig.net](mailto:chronicler[at]duncarraig.net). Please give me your SCA and Mundane name(s) and your address.

# November 2008

## BARONIAL PROGRESS

November 1, SMCS Dinner/  
Feast, **Ba**

November 15, War of the  
Roses/Dun Carraig Birthday,  
**BnB**

November 22, Holiday Faire, **Ba**  
(tentative)

### Key

**BnB**—Baron and Baroness

**B**—Baron

**Ba**—Baroness

Use other Acorn Progress

Abbreviations.

The Baronial Calendar displays events  
at nearby locations. It is not indicative of  
all Atlantian events. For all scheduled  
events go to [www.atlantia.sca.org](http://www.atlantia.sca.org).

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Southern MD Celtic Society Dinner/Feast
2	3	4 Business Meeting, SMHEC	5 Heavy and Rapier Practice, Southern CC	6 Archery Practice, Baron Jona-thas' house	7	8 Fall Crown Tournament, Sacred Stone, Nov. 7-9
9	10	11	12 Heavy and Rapier Practice, Southern CC	13 Archery Practice, Baron Jona-thas' house	14	15 War of the Roses; Dun Carraig's Baronial Bday
16	17	18	19 Heavy and Rapier Practice, Southern CC	20 Archery Practice, Baron Jona-thas' house	21	22 Holiday Faire, Stierbach
23	24	25	26 Heavy and Rapier Practice, Southern CC	27 <b>Thanks-giving Day</b>	28	29
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## Overheard in Dun Carraig

That thing just doesn't want to have anything to do with going up does it.

Oh, you're both tired. I'm seeing a pattern here.

I guess I'll lick it.

I have two small things. You have two? (One is my ever-shrinking wife; the other is my dignity.)

It is now time for us to stand up and

say "Thhhhhbbbt."

**And... Overheard Slightly out of Dun Carraig:**

I had to borrow her G string because mine broke.

## Children in the SCA (Part 2 of 3)

Last month, as a way to possibly get children more deeply involved in the SCA, I introduced a short series on activity ideas for youngsters at weekend events. I began with ideas for toddlers. This month we'll look at a few things to amuse the elementary school ages. Once again, the ideas posted are not mine, but can be found at Stefan's Florilegium, in the Children/child-gam section.

- Thou mayest consider...[a] game which finds the favour of many is rope and boxes. Thou takest two boxes, each of a similar size, and each of about 3 handspans square and one or two spans hieght. The boxes are placed firm upon the ground, and upon each box doth one contestant stand. Then a length of goodly rope, twice as thick as thy thumb, and a full rod or two in length, is place in each combatants hands. And upon the cry, they each attempt to pull the other from his place, or failing that, to cause the other to lose the rope.
- Another game doth use much the same boxes, but thou placest them in close proximity, and then the combatants (for truely they are combatants!) take up pillow cases stuffed with rags, and attempt to knock one the other off their box.
- One [person] is it, the lion, and has a den. The runners come away from the base near the den and chant "Red lion, red lion, come out of your den; whoever you catch will be one of your men," after which the lion chases to catch. Whether a tag or a catch is required depends on the age and disposition of kids, and on the terrain, and on the disposition of the parents to let the kids play rough or not. The "it" team grows, and the last runner caught is the new lion.
- Wooly Wooly Wolf is similar. The difference is the signal for running isn't the end of a jointly-chanted verse, but it's this bluff by the leader of the sheep (runners): "I spy the wooly wooly... DOG" (anything besides wolf is a false taunt and the wolf can't run). "I spy the wooly wooly BEAR" or whatever, until finally he says "I spy the wooly wooly WOLF and the wolf comes out and catches some to be wolves with him.

Due to lack of space, if I can, I will post more ideas for this age group next month as well.

## A Message from Our Dread Baron

Unto MY most Savage and Loyal Seadogs does your dread Baron send greetings. We have grown and prospered during these past few years, due in no small part to MY guidance and even-handed management. There are SOME PEOPLE who would think little of spending the Baronies HARD EARNED profits on frivolous stuff (like cooking supplies and Tattoos). These SAME PEOPLE (hint: they like shoes) think ALL fighters should spend their free time making largess and such. Next, they'll be asking us to spout POETRY! ENOUGH, I say, leave the guidance of Land and Subjects to those capable of rational, right-thinking intellect, and let THOSE PEOPLE concentrate on the TRUE duties of a loyal WIFE and subject. Let not your heart be moved by honeyed reasoning, for many are the tricks of the devil...and a well kept home is a true testament to the worth of an honest woman!!

More to follow,

Erwin, Baron of Dun Carraig

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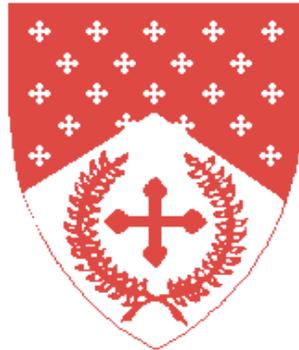
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