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## Greetings unto the Populace!!

It's often said, when we are leaving Pennsic for another year, that we're just going on a "long town run". This has been the longest town run ever, and we are finally going to have the chance to come home to our family!

On a somber note, we wish to mention the passing of a friend, a father, a founding member of the Blades of Brendoken, and a good man. Gabriel de Porte, mka Chris Hetrick, lost a battle that many deal with. We all have our demons, we all struggle to deal with them. Please, do not struggle alone.

Those who have difficult dealing with isolation during this past year and a half, now may struggle with being around so many people. Please, be understanding, be compassionate, and be a friend to those in need.

As activities begin again, please take a moment to reflect on what the last 16 months have been like for everyone involved. Be kind, be sincere, be supportive. We can't emphasize this enough!! Enjoy the stories, the laughter, the hugs and the tears. And please, don't take any of it for granted.

Welcome Back!!

YIS,  
Cadwgan and Eadaoin  
Baron and Baroness of Brendoken



### Marche Reports (continued from page 3)

**Alderford** – We have a new MoAS officer Mistress Catriona. We are going to have a couple more youth officers as soon as I get the paper work in. We continue to have our virtual meetings. The police department is aware that we still want meetings there. When we and the police will allow it. Probably July

**Gwyntarian** – Asking about MoAS position. Every other month virtual meeting. We are still able to go to Turner club when allowed.

**Thistle** – Still in a holding pattern silver creek metro park archery range on Tuesdays when allowed. That day could change.

**3 Towers** – keeping in touch with south park 3 new people moved into the area

**General** – First Bardic War May 15 may 23rd DonalBane part of the Midrealm team and will be doing a battle speech and improv. The next meeting will be June 6th.



This was last month's A&S Largess winner. Congratulations Vicki Myers! photo by Vicki Myers used with permission.

**The First Bardic War** was won by the Eastern/Atlantia Alliance with 19 points. Midrealm came in second with 13 points and the Western Alliance had 2 points. There will be a Second Bardic War. Congratulations to everyone who participated!

### Looking forward to next month's Portcullis:

**Being a retainer 101** Compiled by Baroness Catriona nicHugh Mclae  
A refresher course since it's been a while Know your charges, things to have in your basket, pre-retaining, know their schedule and so much more.

**Cooking with Mistress Judith** – the entrees will be about the seasons, there will be pictures and recipes and more.

## **Our Dearest Midrealm,**

Given the new direction from the SCA, Inc. regarding the ending of certain restrictions, We are thrilled to announce that We will allow in person weekend events to occur on/after 1 July.

All SCA, Inc., state, and local restrictions must be strictly observed.

We continue to heartily encourage all Midrealmers who are able to obtain a vaccination to do so to protect others who may not be able to be vaccinated due to health concerns or their age.

We encourage those who wish to wear a mask to do so, especially if they are not vaccinated.

We understand that there are many people who are not ready to come to an event for many and diverse reasons, including and especially those who cannot be vaccinated or have young children who cannot be vaccinated. We support those decisions and encourage you to only attend events as is appropriate for your health and well-being and that of your loved ones.

Until further notice or until the end of Our Reign, We will not require any of Our Curia to attend any event that they do not feel comfortable attending and will request a variance from SCA, Inc. should it be required by Midrealm law (as is the case for certain events). We hereby proclaim that any officer or representative of the Midrealm shall also enjoy the same privilege: if any group has attendance written into any governing documents regarding the group events, that requirement will be waived until further notice or the end of Our Reign.

Please continue to be kind to each other.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Felix et Madeleina



## **Minutes from the May 2nd 2021 Virtual Meeting**

Hoping this will be the last virtual meeting. Katerina and Akira are moving to Atlantia within in the next couple of months. We'll need a new pursuivant/herald. Contact DonalBane or Akira as soon as possible. We'll miss you.

**Excellencies** – Eadaoin is on another zoom meeting, sends her regards. We appreciate all the service and support Katerina and Akira have given. No matter where you go you will be part of the barony and our hearts. Good to see people getting outside. Remain patient. They will come up with the safest way to get together. If you need anything let us know. Keep in touch

**Seneschal** – There will be an ethereal court May 15. If anything comes out before this we'll let you know. July 6 we will be tentatively meeting at the church. We'll be at the church in June if allowed but it will be outside. Thank you, seneschals, for getting your reports in on time. Pennsic is officially postponed. There is another event but it is not an SCA event. But if you want to help at Coopers Lake please do so.

**Exchequer** – In the bank we have. \$7, 673.60. There was a \$5 bank charge. There is a new exchequer report form. Past reports will need to be updated. Reach out if you want to be the next exchequer.

**Signet** – nothing to report

**Knights Marshal** – check you gear start trying to get outside and stay in shape hopefully to prevent injury

**Rapier Marshal** –

**Chamberlain** –

**A&S** – entry number 2 is the Largess winner the green belt, need an A&S for Gwyntarian. We'll look at doing more A&S activities when we get together.

**Herald** – report went in on time. Will need a new herald.

**Chronicler** – I will post the newsletter on the Baronial Facebook page. I'm looking for a deputy. Thanks to Deirdre, Katerina and Domeer for their help with this month's newsletter.

**Chatelaine** – get the change of office form to Gogan

**Web Minister** –

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

### **From the Board of Directors and the offices of the Society Seneschal, and President.**

On May 25, 2021, the Board of Directors passed the following:

Resolution to Further Lift Suspension of In-Person Activity in the SCA as of July 1st, 2021

I. Whereas the challenge created by the COVID-19 Global Pandemic demanded heightened safety standards which led to a suspension of in-person activity and a subsequent partial lifting of that suspension in North America by the SCA Board of Directors;

II. Whereas the crisis of the Pandemic is being addressed through a combination of social policy, as well as scientific and medical advancements;

III. Whereas the SCA Board of Directors continues to prioritize the health and well-being of the membership and participants of the SCA; and

IV. Whereas the directed suspension of in-person events in North America expires after May 31st, 2021, and the previous partial lifting of said suspension takes effect on June 1, 2021; now, therefore, be it

V. Resolved, that the SCA Board of Directors further lifts the suspension of in-person activity in North America, effective July 1, 2021 provided adherence to the items in this resolution;

VI. Resolved, that all attendees in North America must follow all province, territory, state, and local health guidelines at SCA events. In addition, at all North American SCA events:

A. Kingdoms may require the use of masks at their events;

B. The SCA may not provide shared drinking containers or any food served in a buffet-style. Attendees who accept shared drinking containers or buffet-style food from other attendees do so at their own risk. Feast will not be allowed at this time; and

C. All events shall require preregistration.

VII. Resolved, that the SCA Board of Directors mandates any Kingdoms who propose any deviation from the above restrictions to request a variance from the Society Seneschal in order to hold the proposed event. The Society Seneschal shall have the authority to grant or deny these requests. These requests will be reviewed by the Board using the same review method used for variances to Corpora;

VIII. Resolved, that enforcement of this resolution will be handled by the Society Seneschal and President of SCA Inc.; and,

IX. Resolved, that the SCA Board of Directors commends the hard-working officers, royalty, membership, and participants who have allowed the SCA to continue to flourish virtually as we lift this suspension and transition forward in a manner consistent with recommended health and safety standards.

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

As per item (C) in the Resolution, SCA, Inc. has available the Event Module for the mandatory pre-registration process. All kingdoms are encouraged to utilize this tool. If you would like to contact the SCA Accounting Specialist, Mazelle Attiya about this available option, she can be reached at Mazelle@sca.org.

Questions or comments should be sent directly to president@sca.org and seneschal@sca.org or your board Ombudsman.

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

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

### **MARTIAL ACTIVITY RESTART UPDATE - MK Earl Marshal**

Starting on July 1, 2021, all martial activities will be permitted as normal, with the exception that we must continue to follow Society directives on no shared water/food, and attendance at activities should be preregistered.

ALL directives and restrictions from the Martial Activities Restart Plan are void, meaning all remaining marshal training zoom meetings are canceled, and no one is required to participate in the Reintroduction process.

All martial authorizations and marshal warrants that were valid at the beginning of the shutdown will have their expiration date set for July 1, 2022.

Questions may be sent to marshal@midrealm.org. Concerns about restarting activities may be emailed to sca-comments@lists.sca.org. As a final note: activities being allowed does not require you to participate.