

## FINAL MINUTES

### Darton Shire Council Meeting 19 October 2022

Meeting Start: 1932

Meeting Finish: 2002

#### Attending

Physical: Miles, Catrionia, Chris with the neck brace, Kaia, Peter, Helewys, Lindsey, Sophie, Chris longshanks.

Virtual: Luan, Robyn, Linette, Jenny, Meghan.

Apologies: Fiona, Diego.

#### General Business

- Welcome everyone to the meeting,
- Outline the agenda,
- Ask if there is any general business?

#### Covid settings

New Kingdom Covid Response Plan: <https://seneschal.lochac.sca.org/files/2022/08/Kingdom-of-Lochac-COVID-19-Response-plan-V2.0.pdf>. NZ Government changed Covid settings – especially around mask use. While some other hobby groups continue to ask for RAT tests before attending events, the SCA no longer allows this to be a mandatory condition of event attendance. A CO2 meter was used at DA. These devices can signal when people are breathing relatively fresh air or not.

**Action:** Seneschal to update website so it is clear what we expect at events and regular activities.

**Action:** Seneschal to investigate cost of a ventilation unit with HEPA filters for use at winter events.

#### Canterbury Faire

Do people want to contribute to the cost of a small truck going to Canterbury Faire, in exchange for a share of the space onboard? Luan can drive a truck. Could carry 80% of the Shire gear.

**ACTION:** Luan to follow up for a decision next month.

Chiller trailer: quotes for hire are expensive this year, and no one is currently planning a meal plan in camp. Do we need a chiller or a small fridge?

#### Future Events and Activities

**ACTION:** Seneschal to post list of upcoming events to email list and Facebook groups.

#### Regular Activities

1. A&S and Fencing at Elmwood – every Wednesday.
2. Heavy Fighting at Elmwood – Sundays.
3. Archery – Sundays at 2pm.
4. Dance – Next Dance is after the plague ends.
5. Monthly A&S Online: October and November, then a break until after Canterbury Faire.

**Note:** The Hamlet of Sherwater has cancelled all planned events and regular activities. The one exception is Easter Camp. This is because the Hamlet members no longer feel comfortable about the Covid risk level when RATs cannot be required from everyone attending an event or activity.

#### Shire Fun Days

No set dates or rotation of activities – all depends on what people feel enthusiastic about.

- Saint Fixits Day – for weapon and armour repairs, to be held prior to Canterbury Faire (not later than 14 January 2023)
- Will look at repeating fabric shopping and sewing bee workshops prior to Canterbury Faire, possibly in November/December 2022. Not on November 28 due to birthday party.

## Upcoming Events

A reminder from KDS, use the event form at: <https://seneschaldb.lochac.sca.org/event/new>

or form here: [https://docs.google.com/document/d/1xoXtRibmXTd8LjDY5hKZ\\_YlbEvwFgfuywH-QrW8Bt4/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1xoXtRibmXTd8LjDY5hKZ_YlbEvwFgfuywH-QrW8Bt4/edit)

### Spring Coronation 28-30 October 2022

<https://cluain.lochac.sca.org/node/288>

The site is in Hamurana on the northern shore of Lake Rotorua. Bookings close on October 16.

### Canterbury Faire 21-29 January 2023

The biggest SCA event in New Zealand. First price rise is on 1 November.

<https://cf.sca.org.nz/>

If you are a member of the Darton SCA group, then you are welcome to camp with Darton. Please register for the Darton camp when you make your booking. Bernard is the camp boss. There is a Facebook group for camp coordination at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/181391416106581>

**A&S discussion:** Saturday 22 October.

**ACTION:** Seneschal link youtube video to Darton website. The seneschal has been bad at doing this. Bad seneschal! This is why we need a webwright.

## Collegium

No collegium this year. Look to host at Matariki in 2023.

## Past Events

Nil.

## Correspondence

Seneschal asked for recommendations for royal guard and attendants.

## Officer Vacancies

Seneschal announced intentions to advertise several officers. While not essential, they serve as volunteer opportunities, especially for our new members to learn more about the SCA. The main burden of office is remembering to submit monthly reports to the Seneschal, and quarterly reports to the Kingdom officer.

**ACTION:** Seneschal to advertise vacant offices, including Constable, Captain of Archers, and Webwright.

## Officer Reports

Seneschal

Current Shire membership total is 56.

## Arts & Sciences

Next A&S video will be Saturday 22 October.

## Reeve

**Account balance:** \$9,176.16 (as of 18 October). Some Darton Anniversary payments are pending, waiting for authorisation.

## Scribal

Nothing to report.

## Herald

Apologies.

## Hospitaller

Nothing to report.

## Quartermaster

Nothing to report.

## Marshall

**Combat Archery:** Nil.

**Rapier:** Rapier continues, no injuries.

**Rattan:** Rattan continues, no injuries.

**Target Archery:** Still attracting new people.

**Youth Combat:** Nil.

## Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of 14 September 2022 as amended were confirmed as a true and accurate record.

**AGREED**