

APPROVED MINUTES

Darton Shire Council Meeting 08 May 2023

Meeting Start: 1935

Meeting Finish: 2020

Attending

Physical: Caitriona.

Virtual: Serafina, Helewys, Peter, Diego, Luan, Robyn, Kazimira.

Apologies: Nil.

General Business

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

Covid settings

A sheltered outdoor seating area is being constructed at Elmwood. Diego was out there within a couple of weeks – no roof yet.

Further discussions on indoor ventilation for the barn will take place as we get closer to winter – when Dillon returns, so have thoughts. Trusens \$110 from PBTech; Samsung heavily on sale doing a good job.

Hamlet Boundaries

Nothing to report.

Shire website

Under maintenance.

ACTION: Has the webwright been informed/checked?

Containers

SCANZ meeting on the 23rd update? Nothing definitive?

ACTION: Caitriona to check with Miles/Llywellyn.

Future Events and Activities

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: Will think about it after Collegium.

Note: The Hamlet of Sherwater had a Hamlet Day, with fencing occurring – looks like events at private venues might be back on there, with RATs required.

Shire Fun Days

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

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_YIbEvwFgfuXYwH-QrW8Bt4/edit

Collegium

Newlands Community Centre booked for Saturday 3rd June, 10-5. I have single-digit numbers of classes. Thanks to those with input on having members of public visiting. Present bid – budget approved by Reeve (Diego). \$13 each for hall hire, travel levy and 20% covid margins, \$6 per child. If we have 20 members, we will cover hall hire. Q: does the Shire cover the event membership and travel levy for non-members (\$3), or do we ask public to pay (or at least donate a gold coin towards it)?

Reeve – belief is general public, if not paying event fee don't have to pay event membership – but do have to sign form. Travel levy, we can assume that similar rule applies.

Helywys can offer her inkle loom for have-a-go, if someone else can monitor it (as she and Peter have family commitments out of town that weekend) – several people are capable. Caitriona can have a lucet at the front desk.

ACTION: No fee for public! Caitriona to get class list up and other ideas, start publicity on Social Media, and organise payment etc.

Darton Anniversary 25-27 August 2023

Miles has volunteered to be event steward and will submit a bid soon.

Past Events

Tournament of the Killer Shark

ACTION: Miles to finish the paperwork. Diego has balanced ledgers and list of attendees.

Correspondence

Quarterly reports from Seneschal, A&S officer, and Herald. Marshal and Reeve reports included with Seneschal.

Officer Vacancies

Seneschal will have more when he returns.

Officer Reports

Seneschal

Current Shire membership total is 54.

Feedback sent on social media policy.

Lots of discussions about the container storage space at Canterbury Faire.

Will be following up with SCANZ.

Arts & Sciences

Collegium is a-go. I will get planning that.

Reeve

Account balance: \$6720.95. No time to compare term deposit – Kiwibank (who Shire banks with) minimum deposit is \$5K. Based on that, wouldn't be wise for us, as we wouldn't have Crown Reserve or liquid assets to do a large event. Nice idea, but not going to work for us.

Killer Shark tournament levies are sorted, balanced.

ACTION: Thanks Reeve.

Scribal

Nil.

Herald

Nil.

Quartermaster

Nil.

Marshall

Combat Archery: There is a desire to do this. Playing with proposed kids arrows for Youth Combat, very safe and gentle. Undergoing trial, information to go to Grim/Youth Combat for a report, and then up to Kingdom Earl Marshal. No official status, purely under trial.

Some people awaiting authorisation, requires Marshals turning up to practise for this.

Rapier: Weekly Wednesday training, decent turnout. Monthly training at Sherwater started in April. Encouraging Darton attendees to make stabbing more fun.

Rattan: Rattan continues, depending on attendance, no injuries reported.

Target Archery: We have a potential replacement Captain of Archers, waiting on paperwork for that. He is a keen archer and we are encouraging them to bed in. All equipment still stored with Luan and Robyn. Potential stocktake in future.

Youth Combat: No recent activity.

Siege: The Dragon is a personally owned resource (Luan's), available for any Dartonian Siege Shenanigans. If anyone would like to help assemble, that would be appreciated. Luan looking to become authorised Siege Marshal.

Diego – Darton has a few fencing Marshals. We need a Marshal in Charge for DA. Action: Diego to discuss with Dillon for event bid.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of 17 April 2023 were approved. Issues with website meant they were posted to social media and email list.