

## AGREED MINUTES

### Darton Shire Council Meeting 25 September 2023

Meeting Start: 1930

Meeting Finish: 1950

#### Attending

Virtual: Madeleine, Fiora, Caitriona, Luan, Robyn, Marienna, Helewys, Peter, Kazimira, Diego, Jennet, Azalais.

#### Minutes

The draft minutes of the meeting of 28 August will be up on the website for approval at the next council meeting. Apologies for not getting them up sooner for review and approval tonight.

#### Officer Reports

Could all officers currently in roles please confirm when they started in the role

##### Seneschal

I'm just keeping the lights on until the handover from Miles to Fiora can be completed. No fires to put out this month!

##### Arts & Sciences

Collegium went ahead on 23 September.

- We didn't have enough paying attendees to fully cover the cost of the hall hire, but we had at least 10 new people attend and spend quite a large chunk of time talking with members at the different tables, and taking part in Katherine's illumination class.
- I am hopeful that we will have a few new members keen on the Arts and Sciences joining our Shire soon.

There was a discussion around the desire for A&S events soon, so we can continue the momentum.

##### Reeve

- Current Darton account balance is: \$7537.87
- We still have a few transactions from the recent event to close out
- Invoice for the CF container has been received, \$568.31. All in favour of paying this bill.

**ACTION** - have a conversation about what happens moving forward, with Ildhafn seneschal

##### Scribal

Nil

##### Quartermaster

- One set of loaner garb still out following DA.
- Would be good to get plastic storage bins for the air purifiers.

**ACTION** - Quartermaster to get a couple of ideas for those plastic bins.

Marshall

### **Rapier**

- Weekly training continues as usual on Wednesday nights; numbers down a little the last few weeks.
- There was fencing at the recent Hamlet day.
- No injuries or incidents to report.

### **Target Archery**

- note from Ulf; we need a TAM and we don't have one at the moment

### **Combat Archery, Rattan, Youth Combat, Siege**

- no activity this month.
- Siege is awaiting a senior marshal to approve paperwork.

## Officer Vacancies

Herald

## Future Events and Activities

- There was a discussion around the desire for A&S events soon, so we can continue the momentum from Collegium.

## Regular Activities

Hamlet day will be on the last Sunday of the month. The private venue does require people to take a RAT test before coming.

## Shire Fun Days

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

## Upcoming Events

### **NAAMA 21-22 Oct (the long weekend)**

### **Christmas Feast - 2 December**

- Still sorting out menu details, which will carry the budget with it. Will have a full idea of costs ready for next Council.
- Train friendly times - aiming to serve at 12.15pm, finish by 4.30pm. Train at 4.50pm.
- Request for the air purifiers to be brought North. Bernard volunteered to take them up.

## Past Events

### **Darton Anniversary**

follow ups

- Final accounting – October.
- Agate: requesting the feast cooking crew not have to pay for the feast (\$25).
- The linen has been commercially laundered, thank you Helen for organising.

ACTION: Agate to send list of feast assistants to Miles and Diego, we can comp them for the feast.

- This is in progress

### **Shoot-a-Knight - Sunday 10 September**

- Thanks to everyone for turning up and your support.
- Didn't have as many shooters as expected; more people interested in us being there (Council and Lions).
- Thoughts about how we set up, will talk about what we can do to get the most out of it next time and email those ideas.
- We broke even. Event fee sponsored by Marienna
- Have been approached by the people who run Morrinsville Faire; will have a Sherwater chat and see if we feel it's worth it.

### Correspondence

Nil

### General Business

#### **Containers at CF site**

We've received an invoice for the container, as noted above.

#### **Ideas for A&S days**

- Potentially a dyeing or archery day post NAAMA, some things to paint.
- Tabbards as well; banner material available for maybe a flag workshop
- Gonfannons - there are some in the Hamlet and some in the Shire.
- Sherwater is doing a hanging project to decorate the courthouse in Carterton.
- Maybe more banners