

# THE CLARION



Newsletter of the Shire of Darton, Kingdom of Lochac  
February A.S.XLI (2007)

# Words from the Seneschal

Greetings!

As of Canterbury Faire, I am the new Seneschal. I'd like to firstly thank Francesca for her sterling job, she (and those who went before) will be a hard act to follow.

I'm not about to cause any drastic changes, but I do have a couple of goals. Primarily, I'd like to put some real effort into 'getting out there'. While the Darton Immigration Scheme (TM) is proving very successful (welcome Catalina and William!) I believe we should try to get some new members the 'natural way' too. Particularly I'd like to get to the University club days this year. We've done two very successful demos in a very short space of time, and I have some ideas about how to do them better. I'd like to get other peoples' opinions too, so there will be some discussions on the topic at council meetings. All input will be very welcome, as usual.

Your servant  
Fru Marienna



## Darton Council Minutes

Darton Council meets once a month, on the first Wednesday of the month, at the same location as the weekly Arts and Sciences. Exceptions will be posted to the Darton email list.

### **Shire of Darton Council Meeting Minutes 14 February 2007**

*Present:* Maggie (chair), Martin, Alistair R (minutes), Susan, Sharon, Richard, Tamara, Kerry, Alisdair M, Robyn G

*Apologies:* Dillon, Steven M, Robyn M, Selwyn, Mel

### **Officers Reports**

*Outgoing Seneschal:* Sharon – handover to Maggie complete

*Reeve:* Richard – Start of month \$2002, Income \$137, Expenditure \$120, End of month \$2019

*Marshal:* Dillon (proxy) – Nothing to report, 6 months of warrant remaining, looking for successor, Martin [and Alistair M] plan to apply, however all other applications welcome

*A&S Officer:* Robyn M (proxy) – Nothing to report

*Deputy Marshall for Rapier:* Selwyn (proxy) – Nothing to report

*Hospitaller:* Steven M (proxy) – Levin Manakau Medieval Market successful, many thanks to Robyn G as steward, etc

*Constable:* Alistair R – Nothing to report

*Seneschal:* Maggie –

(1) Proposed (with Robyn M's approval as A&S Officer) Kerry becomes Deputy A&S for steel fighting, Kerry agreed to think about it.

(2) Proposed Shire focuses on recruitment (particularly at Victoria University), and asked shire to attend demos where they can

(3) Proposed completing planned \$400 purchase of serving equipment, after meeting a list of serving equipment to buy to be drawn up {\$90 boards, \$180 large bowls, \$90 jugs and ewers, \$40 storage}, Alistair R agreed to arrange group shopping expedition [by end of March]

(4) Proposed creating banners, at least 2 Lochac and 2 Darton banners, plus personal banners for those that will, meeting agreed to the following standards {1m x 1m banners, painted and dyed on silk, to be flown on 3m+ tall bamboo poles to be sourced from Auckland}, Richard agreed to arrange source for shire/communal banner materials {ink, dye, fabric} and to report to next meeting

(5) Called for ideas for council regalia, etc

## **Past Events Reports**

*Italian Feast:* excellent, made \$20 surplus for shire

*Canterbury Faire:* truck worked well, everything else fine

*Levin Manakau Medieval Market:* great, meeting thanked Robyn G for stewarding & Alistair R for arranging fighting, also developed contacts with REMU recorder consort, may be able to get them to play for ball at DA?

## **Upcoming Event Reports**

*Karori Fair:* Sunday 18 February – Ben Burns Park, arranged by Martin whom needs more fighters in particular

*Darton Championship Tournament #2 – 4 March:* to be held at Fighter Practice Hall, arranged by Martin

*March Camp:* March – mundane camping or hard accommodation bookings to Martin (phone 04-976-0220), cooperation with MLH and archery group going well

*Arabian Feast: Saturday 28 April – 10 Korokoro Road, \$15 M and \$17 NM, bookings to Alistair R (mobile 0212-977-692 or [stefano@paradise.gen.nz](mailto:stefano@paradise.gen.nz)), bookings limited to 20*

*Darton Championship Tournament #3 – 6 May: to be held at Fighter Practice Hall, arranged by Martin*

*Darton Championship Tournament #4 – 1 July: to be held at Fighter Practice Hall, arranged by Martin*

*Darton Anniversary: August –*

(1) Richard reported, some advertising done at Canterbury Faire, but not available at meeting, [general] time table to be advised, Richard agreed plan and budget to be posted to the list, break even set at 40 participants, heavy tournaments to be held each morning, a standard heavy tournament on Friday, a wheel of fortune tournament on Saturday, and a melee tournament on Sunday, rapier time table to be advised, A&S class time table to be advised

(2) Sharon reported, feast to be based on *The Forme Of Cury* (C14th English),

(3) Maggie reported, four winds A&S tournament information available, noted that SCANZ membership prize is sponsored by Maggie & Martin as individuals

*May Crown 2008: May – Sharon reported, bids close 11 April, our bid is complete, except that the marshall in charge is yet to be determined, the size of the feast hall is not known specifically, and the exact location of their majesties' accommodation on site is yet to be determined; the bid was not available at the meeting, Sharon agreed bid to be posted to council members and made available at A&S meetings on 21 February and 28 February*

*Meeting closed 8.25pm*

Summary of decisions

- ❖ Maggie Forest is confirmed as seneschal.
- ❖ New focus on local recruitment.
- ❖ New feast gear to be purchased for Darton



**13. Sappho; from Boccaccio, *De Claris Mulieribus*, Augsburg 1473.**

# Darton Regular Events

*Fighters Practice and Rapier Practice* is held every Sunday 10 am to 2 pm at the Northlands Hall in Woburn Road, Northland. All welcome. Contact Martin on 04-976-0220 for details.

*Arts and Sciences* is held every Wednesday from 7 to 9:30 pm at the home of Maggie and Martin Forest. Contact Robyn McNeil 021 150 4876.

*Darton Council* is held at the same location as Arts and Sciences on the first Wednesday of the month. Contact Maggie 04-976-0220

## SCA and other Medieval Events:

### *March 2007*

What: Darton Championship Tourney # 2.  
When: Sunday 4 March from 10 am.  
Where: Northland Hall, Woburn St, Northland.  
Contact: Martin Forest 04-976-0220.

What: MLH, Darton & Bowmen's Gathering March Camp.  
When: Thursday 8 to Sunday 11 March.  
Where: Brookfield Scout Camp, Wainuiomata.  
Contact: depending on booking type, see add in this issue.

### *April 2007*

What: Arabian Feast.  
When: Saturday 28 April from 6pm.  
Where: 10 Korokoro Road, Korokoro, Lower Hutt.  
Contact: Alistair Ramsden 021-297-7692 or [stefano@paradise.gen.nz](mailto:stefano@paradise.gen.nz)

### *May 2007*

What: Darton Championship Tourney # 3.  
When: Sunday 6 May from 10 am.  
Where: Northland Hall, Woburn St, Northland.  
Contact: Martin Forest 04-976-0220.

### *July 2007*

What: Darton Championship Tourney # 4.  
When: Sunday 6 May from 10 am.  
Where: Northland Hall, Woburn St, Northland.  
Contact: Martin Forest 04-976-0220.

What: Midwinter Coronation  
When: Saturday 7 July – Sunday 8 July 2007  
Where: Christchurch  
Contact: Bartholomew Baskin (Peter Hyde) 03 384 5137 [coronation@sg.sca.org.nz](mailto:coronation@sg.sca.org.nz)

August 2007

What: Darton Anniversary  
When: Thursday 16 to Sunday 19 August  
Where: Brookfield Scout Camp, Wainuiomata.  
Contact: Richard Dagger 027-273-4560



**3. Planting a tree; from Petrus de Crescentiis, *Opus Ruralium Commodorum*, Speier, about 1493.**

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