Shire of Adora General Meeting – Minutes

Date: 24/4/17

Attendance: Peter Schliesske, Brian Pinch, Emily McMahon, Adele Beck, Tony Swallow, Rachel Oakman, Anthony Lange, Rhys Colefax

Apologies: Warwick McGrath, Renee McGrath, Ben Hall, Jennie Whyburn

Meeting opened: 7:40 pm

Standing Items

Item	Presenter
Review of previous minutes	
Accepted by Peter Schliesske, seconded by Adele Beck	
Seneschal's Report	Peter Schliesske
Rowany Festival was good. Adoran campsite worked well with new	
additions (Josh collective) who plan to come to stuff more. It was good to	
see a heraldic melee team in Adoran colours. All in all a success.	
Reeve's Report	Brian Pinch
Account balance as at Mar 31 2017 \$4756.62	
Constable's Report	Rachel Oakman
No report	
(Warwick should have extra sign in sheets from fighter training that need	
to be passed on to Brian)	
Marshal's Report	Warwick McGrath
New fighters coming through which is awesome. We were well	
represented in war and FAT at rowany. We got slaughtered in the melee	
but we dies well.	
The loaner kits are not in good condition and need repairs. I propose we	
purchase two new sets of knees, elbows and gorgets from Tony Podolsak,	
and leather and buckles from Tandy Leather in order to improve the kits.	
New helms are yet to be padded and strapped. Peter to get a quote.	
Archery Marshal's Report	Anthony Lange
Since last war training, no archery happening.	
Adorans participated in target archery (kings round, queens round, IKAC	
and clout) at Rowany Festival. 2 combat archers (Tony Swallow, Claire	
Elliot, and Anthony Lange) on war field.	
Herald's Report	Adele Beck
Warrant has been extended (month by month basis), but need a	
replacement as soon as possible. Will not be extended beyond march next	
year. Group herald doesn't need to be the one to do all the documentation	
for names and devices, just click send on the submissions, and do a	
quarterly report. Interested applicants should email crux herald. Happy to	
discuss with interested people.	
Shire badge is still under review. Was resubmitted in March 2017	
Hospitaller's Report	Emily McMahon
New shelving in our garage, plan to sort hospit into tubs (at A&S day)	
Scribes' Report	Adele Beck
Nothing to report	

Historian/Chronicler's Report	Renee McGrath
Took notes throughout festival to keep track of events that happened in	
order to write next quarterly article (June?)	
Webwright's Report	Renee McGrath
Plan to update website again soon with more dates and coming events.	
Arts and Sciences' Report	Warwick McGrath
Camp decoration competition only had one entrant, so it did not happen.	
Flametree ball coming up – hopefully more entrants in A&S comp there	
(type to be confirmed)	
Chirurgeon's Report	Vacant
Keeper of Regalia's Report	Vacant
List Keeper's Report	Vacant
Rapier Marshal's Report	Vacant
Equestrial Marshal's Report	Vacant

Business Arising From Previous Meetings

Action Items	Presenter
Flametree Ball	Brian Pinch
Kimberley Mills provided a bid in early March for an event to be held on	
17 th June at Unanderra Hall. Renee asked for people interested in	
reviewing the bid to contact her. Kimberley's membership number and	
contact details need to be provided.	
Adoran booking gmail account – details to be provided to Kimberley for	
use for bookings.	
Brian proposes bid be accepted, seconded by Peter. All in favour.	
Peter to get details from Kimberley.	
Unofficially heard that Crown may be in attendance.	

New Business

Action Items	Presenter
Dance Practice	Brian Pinch
What day (Friday or Monday) is most appropriate for dance practice?	
Adele to let Brian know preference of collegians.	
New Kingdom Super Tax	Peter Schliesske
Kingdom needs local groups to start spending their profits. If a group	
accumulates a net profit of greater than \$200 per annum, kingdom will	
take a percentage of it (unless it can be proven that we are saving for	
something and we apply for an exemption).	
Request from Stowe for help at Winterfest Demo	Peter Schliesske (On
Really need fighters and helpers to assist at Winterfest Demo in Richmond	behalf of Karra McLeod)
on the 1-2 July. Adele says college will be helping. Anthony feels it is	
important to reciprocate the help they provide us. General acceptance of	
this idea. Peter will speak to Warwick to change the date of training that	
weekend so as not to clash.	
A&S Day	Peter Schliesske
6 th May at my house in Dapto (contact for address). Date conflicted with	
Stuart Park training. Have spoken to Warwick and training that day will be	
relocated to my house. Lyn Bowering previously donated a roll of silk, and	
a box of silk paints. Will need to purchase some extra materials (eg resist,	
paints, brushes etc) and stuff required for frames.	
Motion to approve payment of up to \$400 for silk painting materials.	
Seconded by Brian Pinch. All in favour.	
20 th anniversary of formation of college	Adele Beck
Anniversary event in late August. Tournament. Brian notes that the first	
college event included a boffer tournament (first champion was decided by	
boffer as there were no authorised fighters).	
University funding	Adele Beck
College putting in a bid to run Nov Crown 2018, as well 2018 inter college	
war. Uni willing to offer up to \$25K.	
Also looking at hiring a bus to send colleges to college war in Melbourne.	Tenu Cuelleu
Claire Elliot would like to run a feast/tournament in Batemans Bay in	Tony Swallow
February 2018. What is the procedure for event bids/approvals in this	
group? Emily informed that the event bid is on the shire website. Fill it out,	

email to seneschal and discuss at shire meeting.	
Future Direction of Shire	All (roundtable
How do we stop our shire from falling apart?	discussion)
Adele – recruitment and retention	
Peter – our shire is so big (active members from Campbelltown to	
Batemans Bay)	
Anthony – smaller hubs in each location. Adele pointed out that this is	
what Warwick is already doing with fighter training (alternating between	
Cambelltown and Wollongong).	
Anthony – recruitment – previously participated in Viva la Gong	
Peter – would like to start travelling down to Batemans Bay for training	
Adele – Collegians move on. On average only one per "group" stick around.	
Brian – strength in households. Our shire hasn't ever really	
Tony – how often are shire meetings? Emily – once per month. If members	
in Batemans Bay become officers, the burden to attend meetings every	
month is large. Emily suggested Skype for members from a distance. Has	
it's benefits and disadvantages. Can meetings be included with other	
events, where we are all already gathered?	
Adele – important to interact with other groups and their events.	
Tony – has started a group before, and spent a lot of time understanding	
the rules of corpora. 3 options for Batemans Bay group – play with who	
they want, form a householdish type thing, form another geographical	
group. Option 3 is hard work and not really interested in doing it again. At	
best we might achieve an unhealthy shire/canton.	
Will the event that Claire runs be a newcomers type of event, or purely	
existing SCA members? Need to consider this.	
Tony – group identity. Very strong "you belong to us" type identity in	
Mordenvale (same geographical size and distance from Sydney as	
Wollongong). Starting to see that in the college. Need to foster that in the	
shire. Dragon-kin is great.	
Emily – after silk banners, perhaps look at purchasing a roll of maroon (if	
available) and gold fabric so that people can make their own shire	
tabards/heraldic clothing (purchase back at cost price). Make a stencil of	
the dragons to include on them. That way we all look the same/unified.	
Adele – some groups have a niche skill circle (eg polit cooks, mordenvale	
brewers etc). Adora has none.	
Emily – we don't have the ability to run a catered event anymore, as no	
one in the group is interested in cooking/period food. Need to look at	
other options. War training – needs to include target archery (IKAC) after lunch. Peter to	
bring a BBQ next time, to avoid the pub then sleep mentality. Next date	
tba.	
Dates for events need to be posted in advance to avoid embarrassment of	
clashing with ourselves.	
Tony – facebook is good for chatting, but email list is better for organising	
stuff. Peter to encourage all to join the email list.	
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Summary of Action items

Item	Person Responsible	Due
1. Pass on sign in sheets to Brian	Warwick McGrath	Asap
2. Quote on armour repairs	Peter Schliesske	Next

			meeting
3. Contact Kimberley	re. Flametree	Peter Schliesske	Asap
4. Dance practice day	preference – contact Brian	All	Asap
5. Advertise shire par	ticipation in Winterfest	Peter Schliesske	Asap
6. Purchase silk paint	ing equipment	Peter Schliesske	A&S Day
7. Price fabric for her	aldic items	Emily McMahon	Next
			meeting
8. Next war training of	late	Tony Swallow	Asap
9. Encourage all to jo	in email list	Peter Schliesske	Asap

Meeting closed 9:20 pm