# **Shire of Adora – Meeting**

# Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December – 7:30pm

Attendance: Hrodebert (Throw The Bear), Mikael, Aelfred, Gwenhwyfar, Maelgwn, Alys

Apologies: Brian, Jochen, Cailem

Chairperson: Gwenhwyfar

Minute-taker: Maelgwn

## Item #1 – Previous Minutes:

Previous Minutes (19th Nov 2021) accepted by Throw The Bear, seconded by Mikael.

### **Item #2 - Action Items:**

- 1. Handover shire gear (Aethelfled and Maelgwn) not yet done. Carry over.
- 2. Shire rapier gear (Micha and Faolan) Still in process. Carry over. Cailem says: "Jack hasn't replied to my message about the rapier gear"
- 3. Upload all TBTS 2020 paperwork to dropbox (Jochen) Will have to check with Jochen. Gwenhwyfar can't find it in Dropbox. Follow up.
- 4. Revise Shire 'processes document' (Gwenhwyfar) Yes it has been revised, but Gwenhwyfar is still awaiting some feedback from the Reeve on specific changes made. Carry over.
- 5. Westpac ID number for Jason Lees (Mikael) not yet done. Carry over. Brian says: "Jason Lees / Mikael Westpac ID number not notified to / or at the least not yet received by reeve." Mikael currently communicating with Westpac bank about obtaining the ID number.
- 6. Drachenstein am Meer:
- (a) Explore membership within postcodes of Hamlet (Gwenhwyfar) Done. Currently has 5 active members, potentially 3 other people who are expired members that could be invited back.
- (b) Review procedures for Hamlet formation (Jochen) Still in process. Carry over.
- (c) Draft charter for Hamlet operation (Jochen) Still in process. Carry over.
- 7. Tourney by the Sea 2022 event submission: Done! Now being advertised.
- 8. Online activities: Two have happened so far. Action item can be removed now.

- 9. Online meet-up for newcomers (Gwenhwyfar) Done, but no one came.
- 10. Gather ideas about gifts for new members (Gwenhwyfar) Done. To be discussed later in Agenda Item #5

# **Item #3 - Officers' Reports:**

**Reeve:** "Balance of Adoran account as at 1st Dec 2021: \$6,126.13. Xero reconciled for November 2021. The only reason for the recent increase in balance is the deposit of Event Insurance money \$85.00 (the total deposited in Nov) which will be transferred out of the account when the kingdom asks for it."

Marshal: Nothing to report since last meeting. Looking towards starting more next year.

**Warlord:** I see the portents of war on the horizon. Storm clouds gather and the wildebeests are restless. There is an unsettling miasma coalescing around the peaks of Doom. FESTIVAL IS COMING!! It's been a long time since Adora has fielded a team on either the War Field or the Heraldic melee Field, and I'd love to see it happen next year. To that end, let's encourage all our fighters (either in training or currently authorised) to be prepared for Festival 2022.

**Herald:** No report forthcoming. Gwenhwyfar's badge has been submitted.

**Chirurgeon:** Nothing to report because no one has been injured.

**Webwright:** Website has been updated with Tourney by the Sea information, which can be accessed via the "Events" drop-down menu.

**Historian:** Posted some information about the Illawarra Flame Tree and the shire's first name of Colles Ardorum.

#### Seneschal:

- 1. Notes from the Seneschal's Meeting Thursday 25th November:
  - Lochac's 20th anniversay next July: they would like everyone in the Kingdom to celebrate it somehow.
  - Crown bids: Adora mentioned at the meeting as having hosted none since November Crown in 2012, so if we put in a bid for a future crown event, we are likely to be accepted.
  - "Lochac History" Facebook group: ALL encouraged to join and please share stories.
- 2. Recent online activities:
  - Adoran Zoom chat Friday 26th November, hosted by Jochen accompanied by Nimue, discussing what happens at SCA court.
  - Adoran Zoom chat Sunday 28th November no one attended.
  - Adoran movie night Tuesday 7th December Willow.
- 3. Plenty of upcoming events: Workshop, TBTS, Festival, Flametree, which are all opportunities to get our newcomers involved.

## Item #4 - Announcing Adora's new officers!

- Quartermaster Hrodebert. He will take steps to ascertain what gear is where.
- Captain of Archers Jochen. Archery Captain is effectively another Deputy to the Shire Marshal.

Congratulations to Hrodebert and Jochen who commence their new roles from today: Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

## <u>Item #5 - Gifts for members</u>

Suggestions from the online poll (in order of popularity):

- 1. Cloth badges of populace badge
- 2. Bottle covers
- 3. Pendant on a cord
- 4. Tassels
- 5. New heraldic badges for specific accomplishments
- 6. A bag
- 7. SCA Newcomers Guide

Gwenhwyfar to investigate costs of getting badges made up. Aelfred had the idea of putting some kind of signifier on it. Gwenhwyfar to gather more information and present at the next meeting.

### Item #6 - Festival

- Adoran campsite coordinator: Gwenhwyfar would like to invite someone who hasn't done it before, with the assistance of a more experienced member.
- Purchase of new equipment: communal and armouring pavilions are needed. Discussed appropriate sizes for an armouring tent (e.g. 4x4m might be better than 3x3m). Hrodebert to investigate options, will get back to us at the next meeting.
- Adoran firepit upgrade: Maelgwn to investigate new options, will get back to us at the next meeting.

### Item #7 - General business

### a) Sanctuary Point Workshop Day:

Ratify the approval to go ahead on 18th December, 10am-3pm. Mikael moved that it go ahead, seconded by Throw The Bear. Gwenhwyfar is to upload the Risk Assessment to Dropbox.

#### b) Flametree Ball

From Brian: "The minutes didn't include myself being asked to look at possible dates for Flame Tree for next year. Dismal Fogs was just asked if either the 21st/28th May 2022 would clash with their Panther Hunt. The only event earlier in the month was May Crown at 4th May 2022 at Bordescross.

I had a reply from Cat saying they would see when/if their venue was available to confirm dates because they were considering running Panther Hunt next year. And was advised I'll (and so we'll) be let known when they know.

So, I suggest making a call for a stewarding team (helpers) for Flametree for 2022. I'd be happy to assist in preparation. E.g. First thing is to confirm the Bulli Masonic Hall or another halls availability chosen by the stewarding team (and make a tentative booking, conditional upon the shire confirming the event).

I'd be happy to help out - checking with halls etc. I may have mentioned to a musician already as those being possible dates (dates being thrown about in the ether) for Flametree next year. Rowany dance practices are being scheduled for restarting early next year."

Best bet is to check the availability of the Bulli Masonic Hall first.

Throw The Bear asked about Covid restrictions at Festival. Festival does not require Covid to attend, details are not clear just yet.

Date for next meeting: Friday, 21st January 2022

Meeting closed: 8:29pm (on a high G sharp from Lady Gwenhwyfar ferch Elena)

# **SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS:**

Action Item		Person(s) Responsible	<b>Due Date</b>
1.	Hand over Shire equipment and other gear from Aethelfled to Maelgwn and Gwenhwyfar.	Aethelfled and Maelgwn to arrange	As soon as practicable
2.	Shire rapier gear: compose a list of what rapier gear is needed.	Micha and Faolan	By next meeting
3.	Upload TBTS 2020 paperwork to DropBox.	Jochen – Gwenhwyfar to follow this up	As soon as practicable
4.	Revise/edit document describing shire quorum and decision-making processes according to feedback provided.	Gwenhwyfar	By next meeting
5.	Jason Lees to provide Westpac ID number to Brian, the Reeve.	Mikael	As soon as practicable
6.	Drachenstein am Meer:  a. review procedures for formation of hamlet, and  b. draft charter for operation of hamlets in Adora.	Jochen (in consultation with Gwenhwyfar)	Ongoing
7.	Gifts for new and current members: investigate costs of various ideas/options.	Gwenhwyfar	By next meeting
8.	New pavilions for Festival – find options and prices	Hrodebert	By next meeting
9.	Adoran Firepit – get quotes on repairing existing versus getting a new one	Maelgwn	By next meeting
10	Call for volunteers: Adoran Campsite Coordinator for Festival, and Flametree Ball stewarding team.	N/A	As soon as practicable