

# Shire of Adora – Meeting

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July– 7:00 pm

**Meeting commenced:** 7:03pm

**Attendance:** Hrodebert, Gwenhwyfar, Jochen, Maelgwn, Micha, Tristan, Anders, Brian, Aodhán

**Apologies:** Ælfred – Is in Broken Hill with poor Wifi

**Chairperson:** Jochen

**Minute-taker:** Jochen

## **Item #1 – Acceptance of Previous Minutes:**

Motion to accept previous minutes (4<sup>th</sup> June) With amendment of start time, which was 7:06pm

Moved by: Maelgwn

Seconded by: Hrodebert

Motion passed.

## **Item #2 – Ratifying Decisions Since Previous Meeting:**

Cold War was cancelled after considerable discussion. The number of bookings was very low, less than half that we have had in previous years. There was a significant risk of financial un-viability, as well as concerns about the amount of effort that would be required to run a small event, as well as concerns about reputational risk. The decision was made by stewarding team to cancel the event.

Motion to Ratify the decision to cancel Cold War due to low booking numbers

Moved by: Gwenhwyfar

Seconded by: Anders

Motion passed.

## **Item #3 – Events and Activities:**

### **Midrealms Meet-ups**

Is progressing well with the following attendance numbers:

Meetup on the 12<sup>th</sup> June had 8 Adult attendees.

Meetup on the 26<sup>th</sup> June had 10 Adult attendees.

Our newer members are getting better. Harry landed hits on Maelgwn. Tristan worked up a sweat.

There has been discussion about running “Mini-Collegia” At Midrealms Meet-ups, which is a great idea. Gwenhwyfar will be running a Collegia on the structure of the SCA Awards system at next Midrealms Meet-ups, Wed 10<sup>th</sup> July. Anders is interested in running a fletching Workshop. Maelgwyn has been running Armouring. Fantastic way of mixing it up and sharing Knowledge.

We have been advised by the Wandandian Progress Association that the Adoran Chest cant stay on the Stage in the Hall. However they are going to look at storage overall and we may be able to store it in one of the storerooms. The Progress Association will get back to us.

Gwenhwyfar advises that almost all the allowance for food has been spent. She has submitted a Request for Release of Funds form to the value of \$21.60.

[Motion - to approve expenditure of up to \\$150 for refreshments at Midrealms.](#)

[Moved by: Jochen](#)

[Seconded by: Micha](#)

[Motion passed.](#)

### **Stuart Park Training**

Session held on 15<sup>th</sup> June. It went well.

We had a long discussion regarding Rapier Training and if it is allowable at a council reserve. Micha asked council a few years ago when involved with Malachy and was advised that no martial arts are to take place (which could potentially also sterilise heavy training). Jochen noted that the risks to the public are very small and that (to his knowledge) there had never been an accident involving the public and SCA'dians training in a public space. This is because of the stringent controls ensuring safety, for SCA'dians as well as the general public. Discussion was had about reaching out to Council again to ask if we can do Rapier. Jochen suggested that if anyone were to call that it should be him as he could have the conversation from a Local Government officer to Local Government officer, which is less likely to end up with a negative, noting that councils are very risk adverse. The way forwards that everyone is happy with is that we will continue with training activities until such a time that we receive notification from Council otherwise. This way we can manage risks as we do. Unless something goes very wrong then it's very unlikely that there will be a complaint to council from a member of the public.

### **Flametree Ball**

All payments have been made, for purchases and refunds.

The bond has been returned and the hall hire receipt has been uploaded to Dropbox  
Shire Tablecloths and Tea-towels have been returned to Hrodebert. The other shire catering gear has to be returned.

Micha has supplied a Feastocrats report.

Outstanding items to Close out of event required including:

- Return remaining Shire Equipment used.
- Rapier Marshals Report
- Finalising Stewards Report

New Action Item 1#. Finalise Flamtree Ball Logistics and Administration. Jochen ASAP, Before Next Shire Meeting

### **Sussex Inlet Viking Festival (Demo)**

Note : Æthelfled not in attendance

There was heavy rain prior to the event. Æthelfled advised that proceeding with the SCA Demo was no longer viable.

Some members of Adora did go to the festival anyway, Ælfred, Anders and Tristan. What remained of the Medieval groups had been rearranged and constrained. Overall – There was a lot of mud but conditions weren't that bad.

### **Cold War**

Note: Ælfred not in attendance due to poor internet at Broken Hill.

Ælfred's report

Cold War: Event cancelled due to not reaching the break-even number of participants. The number of bookings from Adora was strong, but many fewer bookings came from neighbouring groups than was expected. No obvious explanation for the change in numbers this year. Refunds to those who had paid are underway.

There was a cost to Adora in that we have forfeited our bond of \$200.

The post-event discussion is going to take a significant amount of time, beyond that which is appropriate for the monthly shire meeting.

Proposed action item for Ælfred that the meeting be organised by him. However, whilst meeting continued Maelgwn reached out to Ælfred and set a date for this meeting to be combined with the Discussion of the Firepit and Portable Holes. (See below)

Meeting to be held on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July, starting at 7pm, on Discord.

New Action Item 2#. That a meeting be held to discuss Cold War, Portable Holes and Firepit. Maelgwn & Ælfred, Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

### **Archery Day**

Archery day has been approved.

Archery Shoot in the Morning (IKAC)

War Training in the afternoon

After Lunch Novelty shoot to determine the keep of the tankard, Currently Astrid.

Event Steward – Hrodebert

Marshal in Charge - Maelgwn

Target Archery Marshal – Astrid

Arrive 9am for a 9:30 start.

\$15 for Adults

\$12 for Children

Intent is that Anders will be able to complete his TAM Authorisation at this event.

### **Demos**

We have 2 Demo opportunities that have come up:

- Sanctuary Point on the 19<sup>th</sup> October.
- Wandandian Woodchop event 20<sup>th</sup> October

Discussion regarding the practicality of trying to do 2 demos in one weekend. Consensus is that this is not practical. These two events always fall either close, or on the same weekend. Gwenhwyfar suggested that as we did Wandandian last year and Sanctuary Point the year prior that there should be a 2-year rotation and that this year we should do Sanctuary Point.

Discussion regarding the possibility of doing a “Shoot the heavy” at the demo. Ie, people pay their \$10 non-member insurance charge, Sign in and get to shoot at people with blunts. There are significant safety considerations in doing this and it would have to be managed carefully. Also the organisers would have to be comfortable with it.

Gwenhwyfar is willing to take the lead on organising the Demo.

**New Action Item 3#. Organise the Sanctuary Point Demo. Gwenhwyfar, For October 19<sup>th</sup>**

### **Feast of Four Winds**

Proposed that the Fo4W take place the weekend after the Sanctuary point demo and hopefully get some new people to come.

Anders has put his hand up to Steward the event. Thankyou Anders. He would like to run it at the Wandandian Hall as this is a home base for Adora. Would like to run a Bardic Competition for A&S and possibly archery. Details to be discussed and a full proposal presented at the next shire meeting. Suggested that Anders touch base with Reeve as part

of the planning process such that the financials can be clearly explained and sighted by the Reeve prior to the meeting.

Discussion that it would be good to book the hall not to ensure it's availability.

Motion – That the booking of the Wandandian Hall for the 26<sup>th</sup> October be approved

Moved by: Gwenhwyfar

Seconded by: Brian

Motion passed.

New Action Item 4#. Book the Wandandian Hall for Fo4W. Anders & Reeve, ASAP

New Action Item 5#. Put together complete Fo4W Event proposal for approval. Anders, Next Meeting

#### **Item #4 – Action Items from Previous Meeting:**

Item 1#. Finalise Flamtree Ball Logistics and Administration - Jochen. **Ongoing (See above)**

Item 2#. Meeting to be held closer to event to determine if numbers are an issue for going ahead - Ælfred. **Complete**

Item 3#. Archery Day proposal be completed and reviewed by Seneschal and Reeve for approval - Hrodebert, Seneschal, Reeve. **Complete**

Item 4#. Re-run Quatermaster Advertising Process - Seneschal – **To be done this Month**

Renumbered Action Item 6#.

Item 5#. Maelgwn to follow up on Portable Hole options.

Maelgwn has followed up on Portable Holes. We currently have 10 and he proposes that we should get another 6. The quote from Raven Fyre Forge is \$152 each plus shipping. Discussion around how many we need. Another 6 holes will enable us to have more flexibility with listropes. They would also be useful at festival, where we used tomato stakes in some places. The fabricator is a former Adoran, Andrew Egan, who is now in Tasmania. Hrodebert notes that he is having a holiday in Tasmania later this year and could act as courier.

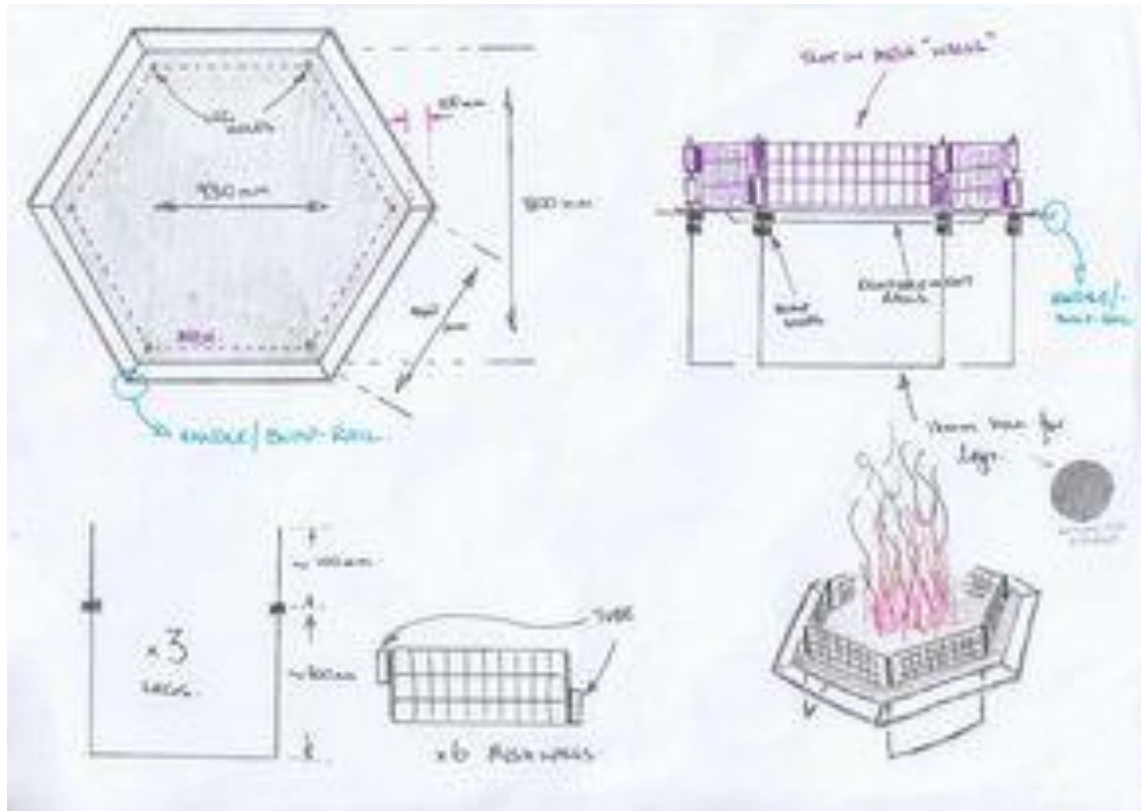
Per above there will be a separate meeting to discuss in more detail on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July, starting at 7pm, on Discord.

Item 6#. Maelgwn to investigate Fire Pit options.

Maelgwn developed plans for a Hexagonal Flat-pack Fire Pit, throwing heat out the sides. He has asked CB Metal Fabrication for a quotation to manufacture. The price is \$922. The

quotation is time sensitive requiring us to commit in the next 4 weeks. Discussion around what alternatives as well as how often we use it. The fact that it is flat packed is an advantage as it makes storage and transport a lot easier.

Here is a sketch of the proposed Fire Pit.



Per above there will be a separate meeting to discuss in more detail on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July, starting at 7pm, on Discord.

Item 7#. Undertake inventory of Loaner Fighting kit. – Aodhán - **Ongoing**

Item 8#. Chronicler and Historian roles to be advertised – **Complete (See Below)**

### **Item #5 – Officers' Reports:**

#### **Seneschal:**

Running process for the Chronicler/Historian – Excellent feedback from the populace, Congratulations and thank you to Anders the Clean, who has taken on this role.

There has been an Alternative Crown selection poll that has been sent out to all members. If this is something that you feel strongly about it is recommended that you keep an eye on emails and respond to polls as they come in.

Quartermaster to be re-advertised this month.

New Action Item 8#. Create new Warrants and check all existing Warrants. Seneschal, ASAP

**Reeve:**

Current Bank account Balance \$16,963.59

All Levies are up to date, we have not yet received notification for Q1 & Q2, 2024  
8 outstanding refunds for Cold War.  
All other events have no outstanding financials.  
Xero has been reconciled.

**Arts & Sciences Minister:**

Nothing to report.

**Heavy Marshal:**

Newcomers at Wandandian are getting good. Getting them into kit is a challenge.  
Warrant has expired, the role will need to be advertised.

New Action Item 9#. Advertise for Adoran Group Marshal. Seneschal, ASAP

**Chirurgion:**

No news is good news! Make sure everyone gets enough sleep

**Rapier Marshal:**

Micha has a new job! (Thanks to the Glowing reference provided by Jochen). This means that he will be able to do more as his hours wont be impacted by all night shift work. His Warrant expires in September. It is his second term so we will be seeking a new Rapier Marshal to replace him.

**Webmaster (Unofficial):**

Brian remains the Deputy Webmaster. He has login's

**Captian of Archers:**

Anders caught up with Ulric at the Okewaite Event. He had a chat and has been inspired.  
Watch this space!  
Has put together a proposal to make Adoran Loaner combat arrows, see below.

**Quartermaster:**

Vacant, Hrodebert is informally filling in.  
Adoran Banner Box is with Aoife  
Catering supplies with Jochen  
Role to be advertised.

## **Item #6 – General Business**

### **Proposal to purchase Adoran Archery Gear**

This proposal is in 3 parts.

- Purchase of 2 Bows
- Purchase of 2 sets of protection (Arm guard and finger tabs)
- Purchase of materials to make Adoran Combat Arrows.

Costs are as follows:

#### Bows

2x Crab Bow \$160 each \$320 total. Sourced from Soul Archer Traditional Archery

#### Protection

2x Archery guard and gloves pack \$50 each \$100 total Leather Protection Pack. Sourced from Soul Archer Traditional Archery

#### Arrows

4" Shield Feathers \$49 per packet of 50

arrow nooks \$9.50 for packet of 12

Combat blunts \$1:20

Fibre tape \$8.18

Bunnings dowel 2.4 metre \$5.70 - each length can make 3 arrows.

Given that it is harder to source Tas Oak form Bunnings the question of the shafts is a bit grey.

Lots of discussion! The consensus for the Bows is that we want to consider alternatives. These are to be explored and bought to the next meeting. Consensus for the protection is that alternatives should be considered. The armguards lend themselves to been made from leather and decorated in Adoran style. Riggers gloves is an alternative for the hand protection. Options are to be considered and tabled at next meeting.

Also discussed target arrows. But it was getting on so defer discussion to next meeting.

Anders wants to do the Arrows in Adoran colours! Which is a fantastic idea. Consensus is that we should go ahead. Some "on the fly" calcs were done to establish an appropriate budget to cover material costs, the eventual value been \$440 for 50 Arrows. Note, could be significantly less should the shafts be easy to source cheaply.

Motion – That up to \$440 be spent on the purchase of materials to make 50 Adoran Combat Arrows.

Moved by: Jochen

Seconded by: Hrodebert



Motion passed.

New Action Item 10#. Purchase of materials and construction of Adoran Combat Arrows.  
Anders, Timeframe TBC

Gwenhwyfar dropped onto the projects spreadsheet and updated on the fly, Thankyou  
Gwenhwyfar!

**Lots of discussion**

**Date for next meeting:** Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> August at 7:00pm on Adoran Discord Channel

**Meeting closed:** 9:17pm

## SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS:

Action Item	Person(s) Responsible	Due Date
1. Finalise Flamtree Ball Logistics and Administration.	Jochen	ASAP – Before Next meeting
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3. Organise the Sanctuary Point Demo.	Gwenhwyfar	For October 19th
4. Book the Wandandian Hall for Fo4W. Anders & Reeve, ASAP	Anders & Reeve	ASAP
5. Put together complete Fo4W Event proposal for approval.	Anders	Next Meeting
6. Re-run Quartermaster Advertising Process	Seneschal	To be done this Month
7. Undertake inventory of Loaner Fighting kit.	Aodhán	June Meeting
8. Create new Warrants and check all existing Warrants.	Seneschal	ASAP
9. Advertise for Adoran Group Marshal.	Seneschal	ASAP
10. Purchase of materials and construction of Adoran Combat Arrows.	Anders	Timeframe TBC