

# Shire of Adora – Meeting

## Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March – 7:00pm

**Meeting commenced:** 7:10pm

**Attendance:** Maelgwn, Gwenhwyfar, Aodhán, Jochen, Micha, Drystan, Brian, Ælfred (arrived late, 7:40pm), Anders (arrived late, 8:00pm)

**Apologies:** Hrodebert

**Chairperson:** Maelgwn (Warwick)

**Minute-taker:** Gwenhwyfar (Renee)

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

Acceptance of January meeting minutes:

Motion to accept previous minutes from the 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

Moved by: Jochen

Seconded by: Maelgwn

Motion passed.

Acceptance of February meeting minutes:

Motion to accept previous minutes from the 4<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

Moved by: Jochen

Seconded by: Maelgwn

Motion passed.

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

None.

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

#### **Midrealms Meet-ups**

Gwenhwyfar reports that the two meet-ups in February were well-attended with 10 adults each time. There was combat training, arrow-making, weaving, sewing and wood carving activities, as well as discussions about preparing for Rowany Festival.

Gwenhwyfar received an email from the Wandandian Progress Association stating they found significant corrosion of the drains in the bathroom vanities, and after replacement, the drains again corroded within a few months. They ask all hall users to please refrain from pouring any type of corrosive chemicals into the bathroom sinks.

The next meet-up is tomorrow evening (March 5<sup>th</sup>) and full kit combat is planned.

### **Micha's Rapier Training & Archery Day (March 29)**

Micha says he has bows and arrows and fencing gear, and wet weather provisions. He needs to fix his archery target before the event. Maelgwn asks if Micha has updated the risk assessment, Micha says he will get to that asap. People may bring their own archery targets too if they wish, as it is a big property.

### **Rowany Festival (April 16 – 22)**

Please book if you have not done so yet. The Adoran campsite at Festival will need a campsite coordinator. We do not yet have a volunteer for this. We are still awaiting a fighter to nominate themselves for the role of Fire Tourney Champion. There has been good progress on fabricating the new fire pit.

You may have seen the email from Dytryk Lehrer via Lochac Announce regarding the "Night of the Wandering Minstrel", planned for the Thursday evening from 7:30pm. Does the Adoran campsite wish to put out a blue light to participate? Maeglwn is all for it. Aodhan agrees, so does Gwenhwyfar. We will just need to source a blue light – this could be a job for the campsite coordinator.

### **Flame Tree Ball**

Micha says although he was thinking about it, but now believes he is not likely to be in a good position to run it this year. Jochen says he is happy to help with food, but not willing to be event steward. Brian is happy to coordinate with musicians and dance lists.

Brian says the chief musician prefers 31<sup>st</sup> May as a date for Flametree Ball, although some other dates are alright too. Jochen mentions that the Autumn coronation is the week before, and May 31<sup>st</sup> is Western Raids and therefore likely to be there and not at Flametree.

Maelgwn to contact the seneschal of Politarchopolis to coordinate planning of dates, as Jochen mentioned that Polit are also planning an event in May.

### **Adoran Walking Event**

Anders not present at this part of meeting. Maelgwn to follow up with him about this event.

### **Sussex Viking Festival (June 6 – 9)**

Æthelflæd not present. Maelgwn is awaiting an email from her.

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

Item #1. Jochen to replace plastic blow-mould table for Wandandian Progress Hall - Jochen.  
**DONE.** Thank you to Jochen for bringing the replacement table to the last meet-up.

Item #2. Organise the next Archery Day - Hrodebert and/or Anders.  
**DEFER DISCUSSION.** Anders and Hrodebert not present.

Item #3. Purchase of materials and construction of Adoran Combat Arrows, clarify SCA rules regarding shaft materials – Anders & Jochen.

**IN PROGRESS.** Jochen reached out to Kingdom Archery Marshal but no response as yet. Seeking a response as to whether eucalyptus from Bunnings may be used for shafts. An official process of testing this material may be required.

Item #4. Organise Adoran Walking Event: finalise approval of event proposal – Anders & Maelgwn.

**ONGOING.** Maelgwn will talk to Anders.

Item #5. Rapier training day at Micha's place: finalise approvals and advertise – Micha.

**DONE.** Micha needs to do some more work on the risk assessment. Micha also needs to advertise on the Adoran Mailing List.

Item #6. Purchase new storage tubs and moisture-absorbing sachets for shire fabric gear - Gwenhwyfar.

**NOT DONE YET.** Gwenhwyfar says sorry and will do this the next time she gets to Bunnings.

Item #7. Create event bid for Flame Tree Ball – anyone.

**ONGOING.** Under discussion.

Item #8. Call out for a Rowany Festival campsite coordinator and Fire Tourney champion – Maelgwn.

**DONE.** He will repeat this.

Item #9. Arrange for new banner poles for Adoran banners – Jochen.

**IN PROGRESS.** Jochen obtained long poles, cut them into four, and painted them red. He will do another coat of paint and drill holes. Will also paint the horizontal poles yellow and drill them. He plans to have them finished by Festival. If he is unable to bring them to Wandandian, he will bring them to Festival himself.

Item #10. Contact Raven Fyre forge about payment and delivery for new portable holes – Maelgwn.

**DONE.** They are bringing them to Festival. Raven Fyre forge has not yet sent an invoice for payment.

Item #11. Arrange a discussion about Shire Gear – Gwenhwyfar.

**NOT DONE YET.** Gwenhwyfar has been a bit preoccupied with mundane matters since the last meeting. She will organise this meeting as soon as she finds the time. The purpose is to discuss what items to keep or move along. Micha suggests we keep Maelgwn.

Item #12. Coordinate officer succession for Chirurgeon and A&S Minister - Maelgwn, Micha, Ælfred.

**IN PROGRESS.** Micha's Chirurgeon warrant ends April 25<sup>th</sup>. Maelgwn will start this process soon. Ælfred has had no applications yet, but he can extend his warrant for a short while if necessary.

## **Item #5 – Officers’ Reports:**

### **Seneschal (Acting) - Maelgwn**

Things are going well, keeping all normal activities rolling along. Last set of reports went in easily, thank you all officers. Jochen expressed his thanks to Maelgwn (and also Gwenhwyfar) for stepping up during a difficult time for him.

### **Reeve - Hrodebert**

Apologies from Hrodebert. No written report was provided.

### **Heavy Combat Marshal - Aodhán**

Nothing to report, business as usual. People are training, people are happy. Next Wollongong training in Stuart Park is happening on 15<sup>th</sup> March. Aodhán will advertise this week, and see if any interest in war practice and pick-ups.

Maelgwn mentions that we will have a decent sized force of Adoran fighters on the field at Rowany Festival, and that war unit practice will be beneficial.

### **Arts & Sciences Minister - Ælfred**

Not much to report other than that he has advertised for a successor. Festival A&S timetable has been released. He has an idea for an A&S competition for Flametree Ball, which he will share with whomever ends up being steward.

### **Webwright - Ælfred**

No updates required. Next thing will be hopefully putting up a page for Flametree Ball. Maelgwn requests that the order of the 2024 minutes on the website be turned about into reversed chronological order.

### **Rapier Marshal – Micha**

Ælfred and Micha have done some rapier training at Wollongong. He suggests there could be some more metal sword work at Wollongong in future. Aodhan encourages this, mentioning that other metal-weapon groups are visible in the area. Aodhan also suggests setting up a list field for the purpose. Maelgwn says we can bring the white portable holes. Micha suggested orange witch’s hats. Maelgwn says he has some and can bring them tomorrow to Midrealms Meet-ups, and bring the white portable holes to the next training.

### **Chirurgion - Micha**

Number of injuries in the Shire is less than one.

### **Captain of Archers - Anders**

Archery is going well. Doing some archery at Midrealms Meet-ups. Still in the process of finding wood for the combat arrows. Various people have been making target arrows – including Gwenhwyfar and Fiona.

### **Historian - Anders**

He is looking at getting a customised, leather-bound book from Etsy for the purpose of creating an Adoran history book. He is wondering if the group would be happy to pay for it.

Jochen moved to that we make \$150 available for purchase of an historian regalia book. Gwenhwyfar seconds that. All in favour. Motion passed.

#### **Quartermaster - Gwenhwyfar**

Gwenhwyfar has been updating the asset register and equipment spreadsheet with details about what we currently possess, and has also tried to track down many items that were listed in the register that cannot be currently located. Many of these items are lost, and the last known holders have no knowledge of their whereabouts. The special meeting she plans to host will be to discuss these matters in detail.

#### **Item #6 – General Business**

Gwenhwyfar brought up idea about Adoran token to give members, akin to the dragon claw previously used for Dragon Kin (warband). There was much discussion about the rules in Lochac regarding awards. Decided to carry over this discussion until the next meeting.

**Date for next meeting:** Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April at 7:00pm on Adoran Discord Channel

**Meeting closed:** 8:30pm

## SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS:

Action Item	Person(s) Responsible	Due Date
1. Organise the next Archery Day: continue inquiries in anticipation of further discussion	Hrodebert and/or Anders	Next meeting
2. Purchase of materials and construction of Adoran Combat Arrows: clarify SCA rules regarding shaft materials	Anders and Jochen	Next meeting
3. Organise Adoran Walking Event: finalise approval of event proposal	Anders and Maelgwn	Next meeting
4. Training day at Micha's place: update risk assessment and advertise via email	Micha and Maelgwn	ASAP
5. Purchase new storage tubs and moisture-absorbing sachets for shire fabric gear	Gwenhwyfar	When able
6. Create event bid for Flame Tree Ball	Any prospective steward	Next meeting
7. Repeat the call-out for a campsite coordinator and Fire Tourney champion	Maelgwn	ASAP
8. Finish off new banner poles	Jochen	Before Festival
9. Ensure Raven Fyre forge is paid for the new portable holes	Maelgwn	When invoiced
10. Arrange a discussion about Shire Gear	Gwenhwyfar	When able
11. Coordinate officer succession for Chirurgeon and A&S Minister	Maelgwn, Micha, Ælfred	When required
12. Change 2024 meeting minutes to be in reverse chronological order	Ælfred (webwright)	When able