

Shire meeting minutes - 24-04-26

Meeting start: 19:07 Meeting end 19:32

Attendees: Aoife Nisbet (Chair/Scribe), Anders, Ælfred, Jochen, Brian, Katherine

Apologies: Maelgwn, Gwenhwyfar, Eir, Mishto, Micha

*Item 1: motion to accept previous minutes*

Moved by Aoife Nisbet

Seconded - no one, minutes were delayed and no one had been able to read it.

Motion: put off for next meeting

*Item 2: Events and activities*

Adoran Meetups: Micha eeds to email Ælfred dates for regular event page. Settled on Alternating Mon/Sat.

Flametree Ball: All sorted and advertised. Eir is steward. Will be at Ribbonwood Centre in Dapto.

Initiatives for Peace Fundraiser: Advertisement opportunity that I will be attending, held 16 May at Calderwood Christian School. Others welcome to come along if able.

A&S Days: Mishto approached me at festival about doing regular A&S days. Aim to be a whole Saturday event, either monthly or every two months. First planned to be a tabard making day. I have a call organised with Mishto to get the ball rolling there

*Item 3: Officers Report*

Reeve - \$16870.92 current balance. Hall hire for flametree has been paid as well.

Quartermaster - Shire and Malachy items taken to festival and handed out to populace during Saturday Market day (thanks to Gwenhwyfar for facilitating this!) Gwenhwyfar has asked for permission to use facebook market place and lochac buy/swap/sell pages to pass on anything left unsold. Permission granted by those at the meeting.

From Gwenhwyfar email:

Since the last meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> March, there have been a number of movements and changes to Shire gear and equipment. At Rowany Festival in April, the shire's 6x3 pavilion, lanterns, curtains, fire pit, tables, banners, portable holes and list ropes were transported to the Adoran campsite to be used, and then afterwards were taken back to storage in Maelgwn and Gwenhwyfar's shipping container. The pavilion held up to the strong winds at Festival very well. It was strategically lowered during the strongest winds which helped to protect it. I am pleased to report that there was no damage to any shire gear during Festival, from the winds or otherwise. The slight exception is the fire pit - which worked very well once again - however, developed a few warps in the base due to the intense heat of the fire. Maelgwn has plans to straighten those warps and possibly strengthen the base construction to help

avoid future warping. The shire's list ropes came in handy, helping to demarcate extra pick-up fields for the use of many fighters at Rowany Festival.

At the Festival market, I successfully redistributed much of the donated St Malachy gear to grateful members of the Lochac populace. This is gear (mostly garb) that was previously offered to Adorans but still unwanted. Happily, much of the garb was picked up by Festival-goers in need of extra warm layers, Collegians in desperate need of garb, and other SCAdians who found various items they had a use for. In the Quartermaster's opinion, this is an ideal outcome, and far better than having these items gather dust in a box, forgotten at the back of someone's shed or garage! The remaining (heavier) items from St Malachy (i.e. 2x old sewing machines, and a large box of matched green/black table linens) will be offered to the populace using online channels. If there is no interest from anyone in Lochac, I ask permission from the Adoran council to use Facebook marketplace to move these items along.

At the conclusion of Festival, "Captain Matt" from Mordenvale visited the Adoran campsite, and generously donated to the Shire a timber candelabra that he had made by hand, plus 4 battery-operated thin pillar candles. Maelgwn and I thanked him personally at the time, although it might also be nice for the Shire to extend some official thanks towards him as well.

The Adoran equipment lists in DropBox have been updated accordingly to show any recent changes.

Captain of Archers - camped next to Wraith at Festival. Anders got his hands on some arrow wood from him. Adora did a little archery at Festival. Anders, Micha and Gwenhwyfar participated in target archery, with Ælfred participating in combat archery during war.

Webwright - Ælfred's warrant is up soon. Ælfred to advertise for a successor.

#### *Item 4: Action Items*

Warrants: A number of warrants are up in the next few months.

Archers: May

Historian: May

Rapier Marshall: Oct

Quartermaster: Aug

Have a think of successors!

#### *General Business:*

Festival Feedback:

All leftover firewood was given away. An idea to make official that each 'family' group brings a bag of firewood. Site Coordinator should allocate people for kindling.

The smaller fire buckets were good. People used the red buckets to extinguish at night and the white buckets stood out at night so they could be used in an emergency.

Everyone liked the watercube!

May be a good idea to send around an email in the weeks leading up to festival confirming when everyone will be getting to site/off site

Will be making an 'official' living document for Adoran site coordinator so that if someone is new or hasn't done it in a while they can have a bit of a checklist. Thanks to Maelgwn what he has already sent, if anyone else has any thoughts, send them through to Aoife.

Next Shire Meeting: Tues 26 May