

March 2008 Council Meeting

Present: Lachlahn, Jane, Catherine, Nathan, Catalina, Columb, Gunter, de Saxby, Ben, Sally, Maidiu, Branwen, Donnchadh, Kerridwen

Apologies: Kilic, Rhianwen

Minutes of the February council meeting were accepted unanimously.

Officers Reports

Herald – not present.

Marshal – Has had contact from Kondrak who will be the marshal for Dragon's Bay regarding what is required for that office. Authorised Lionel Blackhurst. Still discussing handing on the office to Keagan.

A&S – Will hand on to Branwen at the Newcomers Feast. Has done some more with the website.

Reeve – \$11,294.87 in bank. Newcomers float is outstanding. Has tried to communicate with upline about office handover, lack of response is being considered consent. Will hand on to Ben at Newcomers Feast. Ben will become a signatory for the cheque book and join the Financial Committee. Catalina will remain on the committee.

Constable – Columb is now a deputy.

Chronicler – All good.

Webminister – “I hate spammers”. The Anealan site went down because of a massive amount of spam. Problem sorted and steps taken to prevent recurrence. Changes at Kingdom level make it likely that this office will cease to be a deputy to the Chronicler and become an office in its own right.

Listkeeper – Has been handing stuff onto Kerridwen. Will resign at the Newcomers Feast. Reports for events over last two quarters received.

Rapier Marshal – Now Donnchadh. Three new authorizations at College training plus one upgrade. Has tips for rapiers.

Chatelaine – Has received feedback on the brochure currently in use. We did not give out that many at Hyde Park. We should give one to everyone who talks to us. We have a lot of bookmarks left. This print run may last us most of the year. Gillian has the loaner garb for use at Newcomers, she will keep track of it. Liduina has written a Newcomers booklet for Lochac.

Seneschal – Membership numbers are good.

Calendar

10/2 Arrows and Eros Tournament – Jehan – Report received. Attendance – 22. Profit \$67.00. The Chronicler wants the results for Vine – Listkeeper to send them. Steward would like a steward's guide.

29/2 O Day – Very successful. Resulted in more than 20 newcomers at College training on Tuesdays and Thursdays for last two weeks. The College is looking very healthy.

2-3/3 Hyde Park Demo – Kerridwen – Was fun and we would like to do it again. The formal pavilion set up seemed to attract good responses. The rapier spiel was quite good until the overacting got a bit much. Having the audience join in the dancing went well. We need more fighters at these demos, perhaps the Canton could help more here. The armoured fighters could use more variety of weapons to add interest. We need to refer to them as armoured fighters or combatants not heavies. The parking issues have been sorted.

15/3 Newcomers Feast – Catalina – Cooking tonight, 75 booked. Request for those present to bring loaner feast gear if they can.

16/3 Newcomers Tourney – Walter – Nathan hiring a trailer to collect gear.

29/3 Walk for Life – Lachlahn/Catalina – Questions were asked about how we can fund raise for the event when we don't have charity ID and receipts for donations. A sponsorship form is in the information booklet. Catalina will have stuff to give out to participants. Area is too small for the Baronial pavilion, will need smaller shelters.

5/4 All Fools Demo – Kane – The shield painting stall has approval from the organizers. Trio Grosso is playing for the dancing. We need someone to organize

dancers and teach the public. Baroness Jane has volunteered and will co-ordinate with Trio Grosso via Angela. There will be a fashion parade. Please bring a card with information about your outfit for the announcer.

Conan arrived

24-27/4 Autumn Gathering – Jochan – Most present are going. This should have a strong turnout. Kerridwen is taking bookings within Aneala. Full payment is required with booking.

4/5 Baroness' Fighter Auction – Jane – Site is still under discussion. Back up site is Lake Monger Primary School. Steward will have event information form by end of the week. Will auction rapier fighters then have their list then auction armoured fighters and run their list. There was discussion about the format of the auction which continued from the discussion on populace about auctioning mottoes instead of fighters. Baroness Jane is taking comments on this. People need to donate prizes.

30/5-2/6 Pencampwr – Andre – Is a royal visit. 2 bookings so far.

4-6/7 Coronation – Rhianwen – Have had one workshop for painting banners. The next will be Easter Saturday. More bookings needed.

30-31/8 Balingup Festival – Dates just announced.

Old Business

Champion's Rapier – Prospero – Is in Perth, should be delivered to Prospero soon.

Officers' Medallions – Nathan – In progress.

Recruiting Proposal – Lachlahn – Objectives have been met, no further discussion needed.

War Banner – Rhianwen – Will be ready for Festival.

Carving Board – Donnchadh and Nathan – Board is almost ready but needs more sanding. One handle is done. Will be ready for Coronation.

Bosenberg Progress – Catherine – The Lochac Seneschal needs to decide if they are ready and notify the Crown. They have had problems with getting recent events to meet the requirements for SCA events and this may slow things down.

Dragon's Bay Progress – Catherine – The required paperwork is done. We have not had a response from the Lochac Seneschal as to when they become incipient. Currently, the border is as discussed at February's council meeting.

Stewards Guide – Catherine – First draft distributed. Comments required within 2 weeks.

Loaner Armour – Conan – Has found a few different suppliers. He proposes that we buy 3 suits of stainless steels armour including helm, gorget, arms, legs, pauldrons and coat of plates (plates galvanized mild not stainless steel). Estimated cost is \$600 – 800. There was discussion as to whether all of these items were required for loaner armour and it was agreed that this a reasonable set. Including a gambeson was discussed. It was decided that gambesons were better not shared and will not be included with loaner armour but Conan will look at some basic gambesons for the Barony to stock so that a relatively cheap option is readily available. Conan is to do some more research into suppliers to check reliability, quality, guarantees etc. He is authorized to buy one suit from his preferred supplier including the above items up to \$1,000 including postage. If that is good we will likely order two more.

New Business

Rattan - We need some. Nathan will arrange an order privately.

Axeheads - Conan is going to order some rubber Talhoffer axeheads. He will take orders for this and arrange it privately.

Gorget and Shields - There is demand for gorgets and shields. Donnchadh and Kerridwen will hold a workshop to make these over Easter Sunday and Monday.

Newcomers Information - There was discussion about getting information out to newcomers. We are directing newcomers to the Known World Handbook. The newcomers at council felt that lists of useful websites for garb would be helpful. They also want to know where to get feasting gear. Liduina has created a Lochac newcomers guide which may cover some of this. The relevant Marshals and

Champions shall each create resource lists to help people find equipment and direct them to useful information sources for their combat area.

Known World Handbooks - We have been selling Known World Handbooks and Fighter's Handbooks and stocks are running low. Reeve to order another 6 Known World Handbooks and 2 Fighter's Handbooks. The out of date Marshal's Handbooks are removed from the Fighter's Handbook. We will continue to charge \$30 for a Known World Handbook and absorb the extra few cents for postage to make change easier to manage. Reeve to set price for Fighter's Handbook.

Law Review - The upcoming Lochac Law Review was mentioned. People should consider commenting.

Radio Interview - We have been asked to do a radio interview for Curtin FM. Kane is organizing this.

Use of Fighter Auction Proceeds - It was proposed that the proceeds of the rapier part of the Baroness' Fighter Auction be used to sponsor another Rapier Schola. The use to which the proceeds will be put will be discussed at the April Council Meeting so everyone can think about it.

Anealan Campsite - It was asked whether there would be an Anealan campsite at the Autumn Gathering. The Baron and Baroness will arrange this.

Children's Activities - The OziBOD announcement about children's activities was read and discussed as was our understanding of mundane and SCA law in this area. We have several members who already have Working with Children Checks.

Council Location – UWA is too expensive. Hired halls are expensive and key collection requirements are not practical. Public locations like Fast Eddies are not workable for a meeting and they expect us to spend a lot on food. The boardroom in Malaga is too far away and not really an independent location. People are happy with Catalina's house and with using private residences in general. Catalina is happy to host council meetings. Council will continue to be held at Catalina's house.

The next meeting will be on Friday 18th April at 7.30pm.