

Aneala January 2018 Council Minutes

Attendance: Nathan, Agostino, Elizabeth R, Dameon, Leonie, Mery, Branwen, Kilic, Konrad, Julian

Apologies: Elizabeth S, Richard, Lucia, Alessandra, Skjalddis

Last Minutes

December Minutes: <http://aneala.lochac.sca.org/assets/council/council-2017-12.pdf>

Approved: Mery

Seconded: Leonie

Officer Discussion

Baron & Baroness

Intention to start looking at the step-down process. It has been 3 ½ years in the role. A basic timetable: B&B to make public announcement (tomorrow night), about a month for people to talk & ask questions, then nominations sent to King & Queen, King & Queen look to see if they're suitable, then there's a poll, then King & Queen make a decision, then people make new clothes. Changeover in June/July, before the next Coronation.

Unofficial picnic was held for the 35th? Anniversary.

Happy New Year everybody.

Seneschal

Royal Chamberlain has contacted Nathan informing that Their Majesties want to come to Aneala! We have been given some preferred dates, we will pencil in 23-24 June which is the best for the King & Queen and will work well with Baronial Succession.

There have been Facebook comments re Children's Activities - to be discussed later in General Business.

Next month is a reporting month.

Reminder to officers that if you don't get a report from your canton downline, even after you ask for one, direct this issue to Nathan so that it can be followed up with the Canton or College Seneschal.

Reeve

Balance of accounts as at 18 January 2018 is \$ 20,040.17

less Autumn Gathering funds \$505.00 (\$1320 paid as deposit for AG2018)

Net Anealan funds \$ 19,535.17

Reports

Both Quarter 4 2017 and Doomsday 2017 reports were completed and sent upline by the due date.

The Reeve of the Canton of Dragons Bay also submitted both Q4 and Doomsday reports by the due date.

Herald

Aside from some voice heraldry at Toys for Tots, the heraldry side of things is quiet and I may have discovered why. I have been attempting to tackle the website update of awards however the password reset isn't working. It only just occurred to me last night that maybe it is the re-direct to my email that is the problem. I tried all email addresses again earlier today and then tried to send a test email to herald@aneala.lochac.sca.org. When you have the chance, would you please check the re-direct.

(This has been rectified)

Constable

Some errors have been made recently. Contacting the Kingdom Constable to find out if there's an official word on what to do when errors are made/official error correction guidelines.

Please can everyone be vigilant about checking membership cards, particularly at Sunday training (as this is where the errors are occurring).

Chronicler

I completed the December Vine and published it on the 1st of December. Many thanks to Nathan Blacktower who assisted me in the publishing. It seemed to be well received and I got many messages of support. That enthusiasm has spurred me to continue with the ideas developed and to explore some more.

The January Edition of the Vine is well underway and is scheduled to be published on the 1st of January. My continued aim is to publish The Vine on the 1st Day of each month.

Knight Marshal

There was an event. Also there has been training. No report from Dragon's Bay but their marshal has been contacted for a report (as of today).

Arts and Sciences

It has been quiet due to Christmas & New Year's. Musicians are still meeting and blacksmithing is occurring (these are not SCA events). Lots of A&S activity occurring for tomorrow night's event (Midsummer). No A&S Facebook page up yet.

Listkeeper

There was one event requiring a listkeeper, Toys for Tots. Lady Isobel was the listkeeper and did very well. Congratulations to Sir Nathan who won.

Chatelaine

The night before Midsummer Ancient Civilisation theme feast.

Loaner garb/ feasting gear has been requested. Yay newbies.

No expressions of interest for the Chatelaine position. I will start asking around.

Webminister

The herald's email forwarding has been replaced extremely recently. Looking forward to the herald updating the awards. The chronicler has been chronicling excellently and uploading content to the web site. "It's not broke, so I've not been fixing it."

Past Events

16 December - Toys for Tots - Agostino - Garvey Park

Event went well. 25 people. Nathan won the tournament. There was no rapier. It was very windy. Charity were appreciative and sent a nice letter of thanks.

Kilic to fix kuub set and make a nice carry box. Branwen to fix some broken bags for listkeeper/constable tables.

Future Events

20th January Midsummer - Skjalddis

I won't be at Council because it's the night before the event, and I'll be busy pre-cooking and freaking out, but so far I think the preparation is going well? 54 people have booked, including a few newcomers, so I hope they have a good enough experience that they'll come back for more. My food trials have mostly gone well and I'm happy with feeding them to the populace, though unfortunately my home-baked Roman bread was not good enough to inflict on people (although some of it could be used as a projectile weapon), so I'll be ordering round loaves from Baker's Delight instead.

Roni has agreed to judge the A&S competition. I've organised pickup of the Baronial crates and loaner gear.

18th February - Games Day - Nathan

It's not an archery event. It's a Games Day where there will be some archery. There will be kuub etc. as a social gathering. The Cupid archery thing is mandatory because it's around Valentine's Day.

Pot luck table will open early and be open throughout the event. "Graze as you go."

11am-ish start time, 4pm-ish finish time.

Dameon to talk to the school to make sure we can have the event there.

29 March to 2 April - Autumn Gathering -Master Kilic.

Facebook event page is up. Early next month will start fleshing out a timetable. There is already a proposed timetable, includes multiple streams. Request sent out to groups to see

what various groups would like to support, but no response yet. To re-request at the end of the month when everyone has recovered from Christmas etc. Kilic to visit councils and contact the Hamlet.

Archery definitely not on. It has been put forward that if one of the groups wants to sponsor the archery then they can. But at this stage, it's too expensive for too little time.

Confirm that Aneala will subsidise all the food. Branwen has provided food costs per head. Yes, we support buying the food at Autumn Gathering. Figures will be confirmed closer to the date.

Payments have to be in by 2 weeks before. Because the camp wants all the money up-front a week before the event.

Help will be needed to take the trailer. Many people have now volunteered to help take the trailer.

Proposed Events

Hyde Park Demo - no one has heard anything yet.

23 June...Possible Royal Event

General Business

From last council

Children's Activities and entry fees - ongoing discussion

Nathan's proposal: 6 month trial of: subsidise the extra cost of the child attending. E.g. at a free event, kids should be free. At an event like Ern Halliday where it charges per person attending, we should subsidise some amount? (Child = legal child.)

For a long time, under-6 was free.

Mery's proposal:

Fixed cost events children no charge,

Variable cost events: under 10 at no charge, minors 10-17 at half-price.

(Variable cost events have per person additional cost such as accommodation or food)

This will be instigated as a 6 month trial with monthly review during the 6 months.

Carried unanimously.

Mery's other proposal: subsidise the event membership for any person's first event (i.e. one event only); make it clear that the group is "taking the hit" for that. 6-month trial on this too.

Many potential issues with this, particularly around changing constables at every Sunday training. This proposal to be reviewed at a later date.

The children's activities issue: the SCA child protection policy means that all children must be with a parent/guardian/nominated caregiver at all times. It's not acceptable for parents to go do one activity and send their child off to do another activity, where the person running the activity has to look after the child.

To be able to effectively run children's activities, we need to have critical mass of children. Should we make a list of "these activities might be fun for X age range"? Maybe.

Do we build it so that they will come?

Nathan will post a Facebook discussion before next Council to discuss something along the lines of "what activities would your children be interested in that you would be able to run at an SCA event?"

Kilic - Viewing Pav, possibly time to redo the roof.2.5x9M. Branwen will look into costings for replacement. Ongoing, Canvas being chased up. - Branwen has found another person in QLD to find out canvas information. Nathan also suggested to send Rodrigo in Stormhold an email RE canvas suppliers.

Chairs could use some work. Leonie. Still ongoing.

Iron Beak - Richard, Nathan - Ongoing (Due by 35th anniversary event) This is late.

New sieves for feasting gear. Branwen to buy. - Branwen has purchased sieves. Cost \$23. Receipt to be sent to Elizabeth S. Stainless steel and under budget!

New General Business

Kilic - remind stewards that a) they need to contact Lady Isobel to organise a time to collect Baronial gear and b) they need a vehicle capable of holding at least 15 tubs.

Some discussion about steel took place.

Council 16th of Feb (1 day after reports are due).