Minutes of Shire of Bordescros SCA

12:noon Sunday 12 March 2017 at 7 Heyington Place, Wodonga. SKYPE not working. TIME started : 12:25 pm

 Present: Tamsin Walle (Thomasina Coke) [CHAIR], Tracey Sawyer (Lowry ferch Gwynwynwyn) [MINUTE-TAKER], Scott Bulters (Gunther Boese) [TREASURER]; Scott Murrowood (Robert Campbell), Kim Palmer (Kilgrimr Hrafnsdottir).

Apologies: Joy Walker (Cairistiona inghean Raghnaill), Kimberley Beattie (Isabel de Beaumont), Paul Willis (James Douglas), Julie Willis (Mathilde de Lilleburne); Lee Unitt (Tom Askelson)

2. Correspondence in: Bank Statement to 14 Harrier St, Wagga. Gunther spoke to the Board of Directors (BoD) about re-direction and they said if we continue getting the statement posted it needs to be posted to the BoD, but electronic statements are also acceptable.

MOTION: That from this month onward we cancel paper statements and download them electronically. MOVED: Scott Bulters SECOND: Scott Murrowood CARRIED.

Correspondence out: none

- 3. Acceptance of previous minutes. [missed]
- 4. Business Arising from minutes (not covered under following reports): --
- 5. Officer Reports:
 - a. Seneschal Joy Walker/Cairistiona inghean Raghnaill (Tamsin Walle PROXY)
 - Border War went really well, with 37 booked from the Shire.

- Heraldry will be done at A&S this week, although Mistress Cairistiona will not be present after all (as she is in hospital).

- There are lots of plans to be discussed for the upcoming year.

The next Border War will be the 20th so will be a big year. Advertising to commence soon. MOTION: That submissions, with costings, to run/steward Border War XX open on 31st March and close on 30th April. The successful bid will be decided by May and plans finalised by July, and team set up by August.

MOVED: Joy Walker (by PROXY) SECOND: Tracey Sawyer CARRIED

BW Handbook is to be updated with improvements suggested by the last 3 BWs. To be uploaded to the website and dropbox so that whoever takes on the role has the handbook to assist in planning. Previous stewards have expressed willingness to mentor whoever takes on the role.

What are some of the things that hold people people back from volunteering to steward events? * fear of the commitment; * fear of not being able to cope; *fear of failure.

Being organised is the key to overcoming these fears; the handbook and mentors can help with that

- Seneschal will chase up Albury Wodonga Sport Fishing Club regarding the lease, as they have had their meeting now.

- b. Deputy Seneschal Paul Willis/Iames Douglas
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- Reeve Scott Bulters/Gunther Boese
 The report is up on Dropbox in four parts: one for the whole Shire; 1 for Albury, 1 for Wagga and 1 for Border War.

The Balance at the Bank at 28th February is \$13,829.32 The Scout Camp still needs to be paid \$2,276.00 Also waiting for receipts, which need to be finalised urgently for both Border War and the Library demo.

There are four refunds needed for Border War:

R. Taylor	\$60.00 overpaid	
S. Porch	\$45.00 overpaid	
J. Willis	\$45.00 overpaid	
Z. Standish	\$145.00 early cancellation	TOTAL \$295.00

MOTION: That the Reeve's report be accepted and the Border War refunds be paid. Moved: Scott Bulters Second: Tracey Sawyer CARRIED

Lastly, the BoD has sent an email asking whether anyone has purchased anything from SCAdians operating businesses this year, as this needs to be accounted for. If we have, can we please upload it to the Reeve's folder on Dropbox.

- Arts & Sciences Vacant
 Although there is no officer at this stage, we will have one soon.
- e. Marshal Scott Murrowood/Robert Campbell
 - * Albury had no training due to BW recovery
 - * Number of fighters: 11 authorised heavies; 3 fencers; 1 combat archer
 - * Rob was Marshal-in-Charge for BW for the first time report will follow
 - * Training after monthly A&S as well
 - * Iames Douglas is now an authorised rapier marshall. Congratulations.

Marshal's report Wagga – Paul Willis/Iames Douglas There were 3 present at fighter training.

- f. Constable BW paperwork has been uploaded to Dropbox. The application from Andrew Walker needs to be advertised.
- g. Herald Tracey Sawyer/Lowry ferch Gwynwynwyn

Nothing much to report as heraldry was put on hold while I was stewarding BW. Discussions with clients; a class at BW; heralding at BW by Gunther Boese (H-in-C) [see his report].

- h. Chirurgeon Anastasia Jubb/Isolda Deye
 Was Chirurgeon-in-Charge at BW (mundane quals as nurse). Has applied for the position which will need to be advertised.
- i. Webminister Kimberley Beattie/Isabel de Beaumont not present
- j. Hospitaller There has been an application for the chatelaine position. This needs to be advertised.
- k. Lists Scott Bulters/Gunther Boese

* No tourney at the last gathering as we were prepping for BW.

* BW report:

Rapier Tourney	1 st : Don Owain 2 nd : Squire Nikepheros
Heavy Tourney	1 st : Count Kinggiyaddai 2 nd : Duke Erik
Combat Archery Tourney	1 st : Lord Jochen 2 nd : THL Thomasina

- 6. Events:
 - a. Border War: mnay of the reports above include Border War information. Until the final receipts are added in, the Stewards report cannot be sent off; however, there are a few things to mention now.
 - 1. THANK YOU to the whole team, I could not have managed as Steward without the assistance and effort everyone put in.
 - 2. For lists: the mess up with the Heavy tourney was because I did not have the correct tools to run a Single Kill Double Elimination tourney properly. I suggest that we get a set of 5 x 3 cards, pencils and the paperwork required and keep it in the cabinet at the hall, so that next year it is just a matter of grabbing the folder or box and taking the whole thing up, ready to be used.
 - We have made around \$2.5 to \$2.7 thousand dollars profit. MOTION: That \$400.00 of the profit be donated to the Kingdom Travel Fund to cover the cost of Her Majesty's travel to Border War. MOVED: Scott Bulters SECOND: Tamsin Walle CARRIED.
- 7. General Business:
 - a. It has been suggested that instead of Bordescros having two gatherings in two towns each month, that we have one per month; one in Albury, the next month in Wagga. The reason this has been suggested is to try to remove the 'them' and 'us' mentality that some members of the group fear is growing.

*Issues noted during discussion: what about the two venues we are renting, we will be paying

for a service we are not using. Can we afford to do that?

* The distance to be travelled between the two towns can be difficult, especially for those without transport, or short of funds. Is there a central place we could hire a hall so that each group only travels half the distance? Henty? Tamsin says not really, not with the space/kitchen requirements for a gathering.

* What about storing all the equipment, the space we have mow is almost too small, so where would it go if we move?

An alternative suggestion was then made: that we have separate halls for A&S, fighter practise and monthly gatherings in each town, but that once a quarter we have a Quarter-Day Gathering that is combined.

Decided that we all need to think about this, and people from both groups need to be present for the discussion to be fair (via SKYPE or in person). Should we have an extra-ordinary general meeting just to discuss this issue? To be discussed on BUSINESS ARISING next meeting.

Next meeting: 2nd Sunday of the month: SUNDAY 9th April at 12 Noon, at 7 Heyington Pl / SKYPE Meeting closed at 1:35

Signed as a true and correct record:

Tracey Sawyer/Lowry ferch Gwynwynwyn ap Llewelyn – Minute Taker

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Tamsin Walle/Thomasina Coke – Chair (PROXY for Joy Walker/Cairistiona inghean Raghnaill