Reminder of the meeting tonight at 7pm, Right here!! I have uploaded the Draft minutes to the Shire of Hartwood Facebook pages into Documents. Please take a look at them before the meeting so we can have them passed.

Symonne du Bois named the conversation: September Council Meeting.

Halima Al-Rakkasa

I will not be available, but am happy to read the proceedings when I return.

Symonne du Bois

You had mentioned that so I added you to it.

Halima Al-Rakkasa

I appreciate it; thank-you.

5 hours ago

Symonne du Bois added Rosemary Freydis Canukistani Webster.

Rosemary Freydis Canukistani Webster

weeeeeeeeeeeeeeee partay on the book of faces!!

4 hours ago

Lynne Henry Courtney

hehe

Lynne Henry Courtney

I may not get back on here till... oh, 10pm or so. Have fun!

2 hours ago

Symonne du Bois

Just adding a report for before the meeting starts: Chatelaine: Lots of new interest in the shire in the last month, new merchants and members looking to join the fun!

Rosemary Freydis Canukistani Webster

weeeeee

Tristan Thompson

Greetings. I am here and ready to report

Wasn't the meeting at 7?

Danielle Bevan

It is.

K whew.

Symonne du Bois

Before the meeting begins please look over the two soon to be three new documents on the Shire of Hartwood: July minutes and Officer Reports

Read.

Symonne du Bois

Event Reports have been added.

John Mail-Macandrew

Hi

Symonne du Bois

Meeting is called to order. For attendance could everyone who is here please simply state here.

Danielle Bevan

Here.

John Mail-Macandrew

Hefe (with Aline in the background)

Rosemary Freydis Canukistani Webster

omg the msger app is killing me.

Tristan Thompson

Here.

Rosemary Freydis Canukistani Webster

and turned off for tonight

Here

Symonne du Bois

OK some simple ground rules to keep this easy: To keep chatter to a minimum for the purpose of easily keeping minutes I would ask that you please PM me privately if you have a comment and I will call on everyone in order. Please also keep smiley faces out of comments again to make copy and paste simple for the sake of minutes.

Symonne du Bois

Lady Sara is here with me

Symonne du Bois

Has everyone had a chance to read the minutes that were posted to documents

Yes

Symonne du Bois

If so could I have a motion to accept

John Mail-Macandrew

Yes

Danielle Bevan

Yes. Motion to accept minutes from July.

Symonne du Bois

second

Me

Symonne du Bois

any opposed

Symonne du Bois

I will take that as motioned carried

Symonne du Bois

Tristan are you still on and could you please give us your brief report

Symonne du Bois

Ok he can post when its ready, Other officers if you have any brief comments about your report that you would like to post please do so now. Please keep it brief the full reports are posted in Files on the Shire Facebook page

Tristan Thompson

Practices have continued in the last month in nanaimo and we have actually had a pretty good turnout. 4-5 in armour, 2+ watching on average. We have 1 really committed new guy who is working on his own kit and some of his family os interested in events too. This month had canine war which seemed to go well. Doubling the war fighters from last year and we had a seperate tournament. All is good

Danielle Bevan

Exchequer: Chequing: $4,804 as of Aug 31. Minus NMS, Principality take, and not inclusive of Canine War. Investiture take for the shire: $390.80 Canine War for the shire: $709.08 Heartfelt thanks to the Tolfos for generously donating the site fee.

Here! Here! about the site.

Symonne du Bois

If that is all the reports: Danielle do we need to have a motion to accept your report?

Danielle Bevan

We never have in the past. If you'd like, then someone please motion?

Jean Clark

Sorry I'm late just got here

Symonne du Bois

Not necessary

Motion to accept the Exchequer's report

John Mail-Macandrew

Second

Symonne du Bois

Ok we have a motion any opposed

Symonne du Bois

Again I will take that to be all in favor

Yup

Symonne du Bois

Event Reports: Investiture and Canine Reports are also in the Files for the Shire of Hartwood....

Symonne du Bois

Yule: Hall is booked for Nov 22, At the next meeting the request for the cheque for food and hall deposit will be presented.

John Mail-Macandrew

Archery report is on the Hartwood facebook page.

Symonne du Bois

Presale tickets will be available ticket price is Adult members $20 plus NMS if applicable. Youth Feast cost $10, 6-12 $5 and under 6 free

Symonne du Bois

Danielle go ahead

Danielle Bevan

There was some question over the new youth fee policy; seems it's sorted out. If the Steward has any concerns, she should feel free to contact me.

Symonne du Bois

Menu for Yule will be posted by the end of October....

Symonne du Bois

Any questions about Yule?

Fabulous!

Who is the Event Steward?

Symonne du Bois

Lady Sara Hawthorne (Susan Hudema)

Okay thank you.

Symonne du Bois

Copy has gone to Crier. And we are on the Princesses Itinerary

Symonne du Bois

That is it for Yule on to Old Business:

Tristan Thompson

Woot

Symonne du Bois

We have our first two members of the Seneschals Guard. Congratulations Cunegonda Archery and Azemar for Heavy.... I think we will leave the discussion for the Service and A&S for the next in person meeting... So I will table that until the October meeting

Symonne du Bois

New Business:

Symonne du Bois

Before we go on Jean did you have a comment

Tristan Thompson

Actually not to interupt but i have a question about the championship belts

Jean Clark

Yes... I wanted tomention there maybe a few newcomers at the Yule feast and I was wondering about loner garb

I have some, what size?

Symonne du Bois

We can arrange it if we have some idea of size

Symonne du Bois

We have some Gold Key in Courtney and Lady Erin is always good about lending out Garb

Jean Clark

Ok... at least 5 people want to come depending on work schedule... most women

Jean Clark

Good thanks

Symonne du Bois

We can make arrangements

Symonne du Bois

Ok so on to New Business

Tristan has a question about the belts.

Symonne du Bois

Right sorry go ahead Azemar

Symonne du Bois

If you message me privately that you have a question of comment I will remember and you don't get lost in the conversation

Tristan Thompson

Thank you wendy, has anyone heard anything from kjartan? Do we have any report on the belts?

Symonne du Bois

Sorry nothing....

Is he still in Alberta?

Rosemary Freydis Canukistani Webster

is Kjartan firefighting?

Tristan Thompson

Good enough I might privately obtain one for mine (with the councils approval)

Symonne du Bois

Danielle can you mention about Attius

Danielle Bevan

I would object to privately getting a belt. Not if you want to keep it, but these are meant to be passed on, and so should have some kind of consistancy. Attius is in Alberta, but is still willing to make the belts. His cost would be $50 inclusive for high-quality belts made to last, and he is willing to include the first two devices.

Symonne du Bois

For the Champions the Shire will provide a belt, it is something to be passed on and I believe we have already voted on getting them

Tristan Thompson

What would they look like?

Danielle Bevan

They would be long enough to fit all shapes, devices painted at the bottom tip up, period buckles and buckle end, natural tan. (White, red, green and yellow are off limit colours, black and purple bleed for ages.)

Tristan Thompson

Fair enough. I will be paitent

Danielle Bevan

We have not voted to approve the expenditure. That can be under new business, if we'd like. Just as we were going to, he moved. ;p

Symonne du Bois

OK sounds good

Danielle Bevan

Also, we have no other bids. I'd like to see at least one.

Symonne du Bois

Kjarten had mentioned it as well he could maybe give us another bid

Danielle Bevan

Move we table until we get a second bid.

Symonne du Bois

Seconder

Symonne du Bois

Sara seconds

Symonne du Bois

Any opposed?

I have a question about the Tutr Database.

Symonne du Bois

motion carried

Symonne du Bois

we will get there wendy that is new business

Danielle Bevan

That can be messaged to me privately. It is not a shire issue.

Symonne du Bois

First new business

Symonne du Bois

Event dates for 2015

Symonne du Bois

Danielle and I did a little bit of research on this the week before war: The dates we are looking at is TUTR: April 11-12, Archery Retreat: June 27-28, Camping Event September 19-20, Yule November 28.... Any issues

None that I can say now.

Tristan Thompson

Camping event is the war?

Rosemary Freydis Canukistani Webster

Can we have a feline war this time?

Symonne du Bois

yes tristan

Danielle Bevan

Camping event is whatever we get a bid for.

Symonne du Bois

It will depend on who event stewards it

Jean Clark

If I can't get the hall I want for TUTR that date is there an alternate

Danielle Bevan

If someone wants it to be a war, they need to put a bid in for it. If we get no war bids, then it may be something else.

Symonne du Bois

It is difficult in April,

Tristan Thompson

Those dates are fine with me

Symonne du Bois

We will need to have the Date Reservations go in soon

Danielle Bevan

Move to accept proposed dates and submit date reservations under temporary steward name.

second

Symonne du Bois

Any opposed

Symonne du Bois

Motion carried

Symonne du Bois

I can submit the date reservations

John Mail-Macandrew

I would like to note that dates and stewards can be changed if needed.

Symonne du Bois

Thank you

Danielle Bevan

Or cancelled, if no bids are recieved in a timely fashion -- which your exchequer reminds the populace is November, to be approved in January.

Symonne du Bois

Jean you wanted say something about TUTR

Jean Clark

I will not know about the hall until for a bit still... we paid $400 for the weekend last time... what is my hall budget this time... oh and I have a co-steward

Danielle Bevan

-You- need to submit a budget to -us-.

Symonne du Bois

You need to submit your budget for approval

Danielle Bevan

If you'd like help developing it, we should chat later.

Jean Clark

We will... Just would like a ballpark if I have to look around at alternate halls.

Danielle Bevan

I will pull out the archives and give you the historical data.

Jean Clark

Ok... that will help

John Mail-Macandrew

Let''s try to avoid halls where two classes are taught in the same space That really didn't work last time.

Danielle Bevan

It never does. Unfortuantely halls that have an excess of rooms are rare. Or unaffordable.

Jean Clark

If I get the hall I want it won't be an issue

Jean Clark

Marina is my co btw

Symonne du Bois

ok, sorry I should have brought this up in Offficer reports Our Herald has resigned as of September 1, her resignation would have been presented at the August meeting but it unfortunately didn't happen. So we are now looking for a new Herald

Jean Clark

It was in the minutes tho

Symonne du Bois

Nope not the minutes I posted it on the Shire page....

Jean Clark

or maybe it was another discussion..I saw it somewhere

Symonne du Bois

Ok so we have a couple more things for new business.... John

John Mail-Macandrew

Would like to purchace a multisided bow (left/right) 22 pounds draw. Cost approximately $65.

Symonne du Bois

Danielle is this feasible

Danielle Bevan

We've discussed this in the past. It is. Motion to accept the expenditure.

second

Symonne du Bois

Any opposed

Rosemary Freydis Canukistani Webster

can we mark the bow to identify it belongs to hartwood?

John Mail-Macandrew

Easily

Rosemary Freydis Canukistani Webster

good. cause if youre getting the bow i think you are, i don't want to go home with the shire's bow.

Danielle Bevan

John, due to SCA rules the expenditure can go no more than 10% above your request. You said approx. Are you comfortable with the number you've given?

John Mail-Macandrew

Yes.

Symonne du Bois

ok then seeing no opposition motion carried

Symonne du Bois

Danielle you had something to bring up as well

Symonne du Bois

Danielle?

Danielle Bevan

At Canine War we had roughly 6 new people -- and by new, I mean this was their very first event, and for some, their first real interaction. At least two seem very keen, including interest in fighting. But all of them were on site for only a few hours. We knew this, and so the event Steward elected to offer a newcomer discount. In times past, the SCA has offered 'one event free' tickets for members to pass out to their friends as a recruiting tool. I would like to explore how we as a shire can encourage newcomers to check us out without paying $20 to poke their nose in.

Danielle Bevan

One consideration is NMS: We have to ensure the Kingdom doesn't frown on us. Feast, of course, is fixed and no discount should be offered. But site is where we can give a little wiggle room.

Danielle Bevan

Another consideration is how we determine this is a person's first event, and the fact that anyone -at-their first event should be going through the chatelaine.

Danielle Bevan

So one idea was forwarded that the Chatelaine herself might have vouchers she could give to the people she interacts with.

Rosemary Freydis Canukistani Webster

first event in 5yrs and not have an AoA?

Whom is our Chatelaine?

Danielle Bevan

No. They know what the SCA is about, and they know if they're interested or not.

Danielle Bevan

Prudence.

okay.

Symonne du Bois

Sorry Prudence is unavailable to tonight but I do know that she would love the idea.

John Mail-Macandrew

I like the idea but believe because it deals with money it must be approved by the financial committee.

I agree with John.

Danielle Bevan

The missing members of the financial committee will read this later, and we will vote on this at the next meeting.

They would have to be "Signed In" by the Chatelaine as well, to keep the attendance right.

Danielle Bevan

But any comments, concerns and debate can happen now.

Danielle Bevan

At Canine War, guests had their own sheet.

Rosemary Freydis Canukistani Webster

could these vouchers be provided in a small amount to another organization, like how theatres provide 2 tickets to a raffle.

Danielle Bevan

That would be discussed on a case by case basis by council.

Even with the guest sheet, the Chatelaine would need to sign off on them so we KNOW she saw them.

Danielle Bevan

With the chatelaine being the officer to discuss that with first.

Symonne du Bois

It would be difficult because the would not necessarily have contact with someone in the group and they would have to be attending a Hartwood event

Danielle Bevan

I would expand that to Chatelaine or Seneschal.

But that's the Chatelaine's Sphere isn't it? approaching anyone that MAY BE new.

Danielle Bevan

because the Chatelaine wasn't able to make Canine War, but we had 6 guests.

Does she have a deputy?

Jean Clark

I think it is great and it seems Walmart has the potential to be a big source of newcomers... It should go thru proper channels but they seem shy about contacting other people but me at the moment... Maybe we can have them meet her at a games night

Danielle Bevan

To be clear, these vouchers should be had IN ADVANCE

Danielle Bevan

If someone does just randomly show up, then yes, the Chatelaine or Seneschal should be immediately introduced.

Danielle Bevan

And we go from there.

Does the Chatelaine have a deputy?

Danielle Bevan

No.

ah

Danielle Bevan

We couldn't get a chatelaine at all for love nor money for over a year. I'm sure she would like deputies.

Rosemary Freydis Canukistani Webster

print the chatelain's contact info on them and say they have to be redeemed with the chatelain

John Mail-Macandrew

It would be good to have two. One in each area.

But you have to be a member to hold such a position right?

Danielle Bevan

Deputies do not have to be members, only officers; thats a seperate point though.

Danielle Bevan

Anyway. People like the idea in principal, it seems. Are there any other ideas on different angles we can take with this?

Allow their first visit for free?

Rosemary Freydis Canukistani Webster

get $25 worth of event for only $5?

Danielle Bevan

For a 15 minute tour, like Investiture, sure. But if we start getting a lot of people signing waivers but paying nothing (including NMS), Kingdom may look at us funny. THAT I would need to work with Principality. Also, not for feasts; then we're loosing money.

Danielle Bevan

Also of concern is if there are limited tickets -- remember Peasant's feast? -- then again, we could hypothetically loose money on voucher redemptions.

They don't know anything about us, so I don't see why that would be a problem.

Symonne du Bois

Prudence is on the phone with me she loves the idea

Danielle Bevan

So there may have to be events where vouchers aren't valid.

Feasts I feel are a different matter. They pay what we pay.

John Mail-Macandrew

NMS for most events and NMS and feast portion of the site fee if a feast.

But for events, on a site, what not allow them to come and see for free? if they are gonna come back for another day, then charge them.

Rosemary Freydis Canukistani Webster

This ticket is good for the value of the site fee. The holder must still pay the $5.00 non-member surcharge. Enjoy your day!

Most come for a few hours to experience what we are all about, if the first visit is free they may find that inviting.

Symonne du Bois

That is the idea....

But if they are coming for a feast, they pay full.

Danielle Bevan

So long as we aren't limited in space (ie, if someone with a voucher comes, someone paying full price can't), I think it won't be such a huge problem as to negatively impact us. I will speak with the Principlaity Exchequer to verify we are permitted to do this.

Symonne du Bois

They pay the feast portion

I don't know, I think the Feast's are full price for whom ever, because they are still eating.

Most that come to the feasts, have already been to a few events.

Danielle Bevan

All tickets are broken into one or two portions: Site fee, and sometimes Feast.

John Mail-Macandrew

Feasts budgets are calculated hall portion/feast portion so to sort out costs is easy.

Danielle Bevan

Exactly.

Symonne du Bois

This is becoming a very long conversation for on here can we table this until next meeting?

Danielle Bevan

There will be newcomers at Yule. Their first event. So this applies to them directly.

Danielle Bevan

Yes. I'm satisfied that people like the idea; we'll debate more next meeting. Motion to table.

seconded

Symonne du Bois

any opposed

John Mail-Macandrew

Huzzah on this. I believe this is going to not only be a success but spread to other areas.

that would be a good thing

Danielle Bevan

Credit to Symonne for suggesting it.

Rosemary Freydis Canukistani Webster

yay Symonne!

Jean Clark

The newcomers I have talked to expect to pay for the feast..... I also like to discuss maybe having "sponsors" who assist the chatelaine in making sure newcomers are accompanied and walked through (explained) ... certain things... Potentially could be alot of new people at yule

Symonne du Bois

motion carried

Danielle Bevan

Jean, sponsors should be vetted by Chatelaine. This is something to chat with Prudence about.

I think folks already do that Jean.

Jean Clark

Good point ... And not always

That's true, I know most try.

Jean Clark

Yes... sometimes it is hard to tell who is new and who is from elsewhere

Symonne du Bois

Jean don't forget that the one lady and her husband have already attended their first event at a discout.

Jean Clark

I'm not asking for a discount

Symonne du Bois

Does anyone have any other new business?

Jean Clark

They expect to pay full price

Yes....I'm wondering

Symonne du Bois

ok

why can't more meetings be done this way?

I can attend these even on Sundays.

Danielle Bevan

Because it excludes people without computers who do not use facebook.

Ah okay.

Didn't think of that.

Symonne du Bois

I personally like the face to face much better

Yeah but this way is cheaper in gas and shorter in time.

But I understand.

John Mail-Macandrew

Though a mix of face to face and facebook chat might be an opton.

Danielle Bevan

I am willing to chat over Facebook during meetings.

Danielle Bevan

You won't get the same experience; it'll be abbreviated. But it's a possibility.

Symonne du Bois

Especially over the winter

No worries, I hadn't thought it through.

Symonne du Bois

So if there isn't any other new business.... Officers remember Quart are coming due!!

So what is the situation with Archery?

Danielle Bevan

We're always looking for ways to expand people's participation. Doing both things, not a bad idea. Posting our reports in Hartwood Group is maybe something we should do again in future.

When is it and where?

(forgive my awful memory)

Symonne du Bois

Danielle if you can answer. We are getting off topic

Danielle Bevan

No, John can answer. ;p

John Mail-Macandrew

I'll post to the list and facebook page later.

ty

Symonne du Bois

My previous comment should have been that Officers Quarterly reports are coming due at the end of October.... PLease try to get them in early....

Symonne du Bois

Next meeting is scheduled for October 19th, at 12:00 at Lighthouse Community Center

Symonne du Bois

Any last comments

Danielle Bevan

This is a good time to run event ideas/budget ideas past council. It gives you time to work on tweaks.

Jean Clark

Should know about the hall by then

A huge thank you to Aline for her work on the Shire's behalf.

Rosemary Freydis Canukistani Webster

can we have a fb council meeting peanut gallery group conversation next time?

Danielle Bevan

We can experiment with it.

Danielle Bevan

I don't know if I can type to people and listen/participate

Danielle Bevan

We'll see.

Rosemary Freydis Canukistani Webster

like in addition to this one. if people want to concentrate on the official meeting they can, and the other one for socializing and hashing out ideas

Danielle Bevan

Next time is in person, so not an issue.

Rosemary Freydis Canukistani Webster

Aline! what will you do with all your new found free time!?

John Mail-Macandrew

She's off but most likley painting.

Symonne du Bois

Can I get a motion to adjourn

seconded

Danielle Bevan

Motion to adjourn.

Symonne du Bois

any opposed

Symonne du Bois

motion carried

I will have the minutes typed up tomorrow

Symonne du Bois

Meeting adjourned at 841

I'll send them to Symmone does anyone else get a copy?

Symonne du Bois

Thanks Wendy

No Worries.

Danielle Bevan

Once Symonne has approved them, she sends them to Halima for the web. Jean, I'll get that historical data to you tomorrow.

okay thanks.

Good works everyone.

John Mail-Macandrew

Later.

Chat Conversation End