



Hartwood Minutes

May 24, 2016 Council Meeting

Attendees

Gwynafel, Anikó, Cunegonda, Halima, Sextus, Harold, John, Aline, Miranda, Kat, Ulf, Wulfgar, Marguerite, Alinora

Chronicler

Anikó

Meeting called to order at 7:02pm

Officer Reports

Seneschal

- Several offices require deputies. I would like a sound off of anyone that does not currently have a deputy?
- Chamberlain, Ulf
- Exchequer, Halima
- Chief Archer, John
 - Harold and Sextus have offered
- Chronicler, Aniko
 - Sigrun has offered
- Other officers have one, or are currently negotiating for one. Seneschal would like a proper list of who has what, as we're allowed to warrant deputies to ensure smooth transitions. Please let her know!
- Other than that, Hartwood is doing great. Looking forward to a packed summer of events. Thank you all for your hard work!

Chamberlain

- We have stuff and will be collecting the stuffs over the next three week leading up to the CoW.
 - The three pavilions are located in Northwood; two costco popups with the Mail's, and the long pavilion at Halima's. Alienora has a large garage tent.

Exchequary Report

- Balance \$4057. 24, chequeing account. However, a \$7.00 cheque bounced, and will be reimbursed including the \$7.50 fee.
- Takes into account TUTR activities.

Master of Stables

- Half of Iron Key has been transferred to Ulf, with the rest to follow. 3-5 fighters are coming out weekly. Sextus will be working on getting SR Marshal requirements at Sealion War.

Archery

- Practices are continuing Thursday evenings with some slowing in attendance and a cancellation due to travel.
- I am working on setting up a second practice evening but will need additional Sr Marshals to assist as my travel schedule will be getting busier for the next two months.
- No injuries.
- Upcoming:
 - SeaLion War
 - College of War
 - SST
 - Stranded Mermaid
 - AT War
 - SYG
 - Investiture
 - Hartwood Camping Event

~ Master John Macandrew, OP, OGGs Chief Archer, Shire of Hartwood

Master of Blades

- We had one practice.
 - Asa, Aleyn, Tavis, Logan, Mateo and Victoria attended.

A&S

- Well we are losing our host for A&S in the North, so so sad, but there is a discussion about where it can be moved to.
- There have been various things taught and learned over the last weeks, most of it centered around the Tir Righ Artisan Trade. Booties, turn shoes, soaps, mead, and other items have been constructed.
- There are no meeting in Southern Hartwood due to commitment to day conflicts, though Sigrun is spearheading getting people to come out to Wed Fight practice for A&S, starting tomorrow. There will be a mead making day this month.
- There continues to be little activity in Port Alberni; Some ideas on how to encourage meetings were posted, but of course the people who need that aren't really online.
- Virtual A&S is coming up.

Chatelaine

- So not much happening on my end this month. We have a new fighter wanting to train with us at practice he is young and ready to learn. Won't be able to fight till December as he is only 15 but he has been msg in me a few times a day asking lots of questions. Other than that it's be a slow month with plans for war season and what not.
- Been getting a few emails here and there from newcomers and been trying to pass them onto people in their local areas
- Will begin to compile a listing of all contacts and demo requests, with date, type of demo, contact information and who's been assigned to deal with them/If we've turned them down, so no one slips through the cracks and we can track ongoing opportunities.

Chronicler

- Am moving out of area. However intending on keeping position for the meanwhile.
- Checked SCA rules and I can do this. Working on gathering content for next newsletter.
- Current newsletter debuted at TUTR, and was very well received.

Heraldry

- Nothing much to report this month. Two submissions went in last month. I have three that with the appropriate "pressure" may go in next month
- There was one consultation at tutor.
- I regret to inform the Council that I have yet again incurred the wrath of the Heraldic gods with my device, however this has not affected our submittals. I found today that one submittal may have a problem to do with unity of posture? Looking into that tonight.
- I will be attempting to get some instruction this weekend in field heraldry... as long as it does not conflict with archery, of course.
- I am developing a kick-ass history of heraldry course for later this year. This is going to show just who was in charge during the middle ages! And who kept things organized.

- I now have silk and a stretcher with high hopes my badge will pass muster, Time for me to suggest some display regalia!
- Still looking for a bugler to announce my...and others entry into court. If you catch me humming it will be me trying out various fanfares.
- My Lords and Ladies...think regaler, think banners of various shapes and sizes, think pomp and ceremony. Do not leave our beautiful walls bare.

Family Activities

- Nothing to report.
 - Sextus offered to be Aline's Deputy

Old Business Events

TUTR:

- The financial report for TUTR (evnrpt20160430.pdf), Appendix A:
 - https://www.icloud.com/numbers/0006VZMxjJPZxrrgAjz_BrcvA#eventrprt20160430
- Event report for TUTR (posted on FB), Appendix B:
 - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/21507980237/permalink/10154138714360238/>
- We made \$300, entirely due to Instructors deciding not to ask for reimbursement.
- TUTR being what it is, with expensive requirements but also fulfilling our requirement as an educational society, we generally aren't as concerned with profit as we are with other events, but it's still nice. So thank you to the generosity of our instructors!
- Discussion on raising revenue: Expense management is basically down to the site used. Travel Fees are worked into class surcharges, and we had an extra \$60 this year which will be applied to June's event. Various fundraising options (Inn, Silent Auction, Day Food, etc) are encouraged. Day food especially would have been nice.
- We should work on advertising strategy, including posters in local shops, and newspaper contacts. Sleeping over at the site was valuable and got us some more attendees. Site was good for our purposes. Handout had upcoming events, regular meetings, and contact info on back; already resulted in one person finding Rapier practice.
- Things that really didn't work: Running the championship at this event. Organizing demonstrations and judges when everyone is in classes would have been find with 2 entries; with 8 it was a nightmare. Should not run a competition like that in future; reschedule Craftsman Championship.
- More classes were suggested: More classes does not necessarily mean more revenue. Biggest effort should be in advertising and taking the local community into consideration when developing the class list.
- Conclusions: Look into day food volunteer -- someone who isn't likely to take classes or teach -- look at the community needs for classes, and reach out to community for promotion. Do not run Championship at this event.

Upcoming Events

TUTR 2017

- One problem we had is that many desired instructors were not available at short notice -- 'short' being starting in November. We've always known TUTR was an exception in that it required an early bid approval, but we're looking at pulling it back further. I'd like to entertain Event Bids for TUTR 2017 at next Council. A TUTR bid requires:
- Proposed site with space for min.. 4 tracks of classes.
- Overnighing available a serious perk.
- A class organizer, an Event Steward. A Potluck coordinator/dayfood volunteer a serious perk.

Bids to be reviewed in June, decided in August.

Sealion War:

- Participation looks to be high; roughly 6 archers, and another 6 fighters, including Sigrun's household. House Sigis will fight with us. We need an update on the embroidered glove; Cunegonda will contact Cecille. Hartwood will have a shire meeting at 9pm on Friday at Sigrun's encampment to check in with each other. Sextus has something in mind for opening court. Aniko will bring the banner to Archery.

College of War:

- One instructor's paperwork outstanding. Otherwise, hope to finalize schedule this week to allow for registration as of Sealion War. Several Knights have committed to attending. MIC's need to discuss how to present their Tourneys. Heather is handling our Water Point.
- We are still looking for Hay Bales. However, Prue did say she might be able to find some, buy them and would need them back. Have not heard anything recently. Gwynnefal will check with her. Harold has begun cutting rounds for TW targets.
- **Schedule:** Day Food is set, including Friday Supper. Friday night will be an Armourers Moot, and Council.
- Saturday is packed full, but Seneschal's audiences is planned for about 8 pm. Saturday Evening will be a hunker down Tourney for the kids; Allison will chat with Morgaine and Ulf, Cunegonda will bring.
- There will be classes NON COMBAT on Sunday and War for those that want to thump on folks.
- **Promotion:** There are posters designed, people can print them off and put them up in likely shops. Ulf will work with Sextus to ensure any press release/advertising is in line with society Media standards.
- **Travel Fees:** Duke Paul is walking onto the ferry and we are picking him up and getting him to the site. Ryan McEwen was told we could not afford to pay his ferry, and he's

coming anyway. Updated fees are \$380. \$60 in collected surcharge from TUTOR will be applied, bringing it down to \$320. Basing numbers off of TUTOR's \$2 surcharge/25 students, we will add a \$4 surcharge to all classes and should be able to make the \$320 just fine.

- **Fundraising:** 5 people in the longhouse: Charge \$10 instead of the \$7 for a little extra. Pancake Breakfast is a go, Alienora will offer some kickback from day food, some instructors are not charging for classes. We can hold the gold key sale, if a group of people can get together to sort out what we'd like to let go of.
- Two merchants so far.

Budget:

- Sextus moves to accept \$380 in travel expenses, offset by a universal \$4 surcharge to all classes. Halima seconds. No objections; Cunegonda abstains. Motion Carried.
- Sextus moves to accept \$50 Water/Gatorade expenses. Halima seconds. No objections; Cunegonda abstains. Motion Carried.
- Aline moves to accept \$25 fruit/pickles expenses. John seconds. No objections; Cunegonda abstains. Motion Carried.
- Spa and Pancake Breakfast materials will be donated.

Updated budget:

Site: \$4/head @40	= \$160*	Fees: 40 @ \$20	= \$800
Torches x 20	= \$100.69	Spa:	=
Lamp Oil	= \$27.98	Pancake Breakf.	=
Printing	= \$34.52	Day Food	=
Postage	= \$4.41	Garb Sale	=
Tokens	= \$50	Longhouse	=
Waterpoint	= \$75	Classes	=
Class Materials	= ?	Surcharge	=
Travel Expenses	= \$380		

* Have paid \$50 deposit already.

- Huge thanks to Wendy for all her hard work so far.

Championship 2016

- Require a full bid by June event, or may look at cancelling. We have an event site at the Boyes', with the major expense being biffies.

Championship 2017

- Willing to entertain event bids in June, to decide in August.

Yule

- No Report.

Wool Workshop

- Question if we can wash wool in the lake. Will talk to some folks who may know better. Other wool-related activities are an option too.

Old Business Projects

- **Motto:** Cunegonda needs to nudge Stephan on those translations.
- **Herald's Tabard,** Sigrun:
 - My project is the heralds tabard. Up until now, I have been pretty swamped with other things, but I've touched base with Lynne about the fabric that she offered up for it, and I should be able to get started on it after Sealion.
- **Shire Tokens:** Needs a tiny bit more discussion. Try to discuss by Sealion, for polling the week afterwards.
- **Walls:** Done! Just one to make a little fancier.
- **Newsletter:** Done! Debuted at TUTR and was awesome.
- **Website:** This is the next major, important priority. John, Lisa, Sextus, Halima, and Myself have all volunteered to work on it/discuss it, with Aniko chairing.
- **Songbook:** In Nichola's Hands.

NEW BUSINESS

Events

- Principality has requested us to put in an event bid again. Gwynefal has done so much research to the Nanaimo area, we'll discuss potential sites with her. Sextus and Sigrun would like to be involved in the stewarding team to train on how to run large events. Cunegonda will assist. Hosting a Principality event will require we balance with our own events that year.

Tribute

- Aniko has been stolen away from us by a strikingly handsome Seagirtian viking. Much discussion was had regarding appropriate reparations (and also his handsomeness). The following statement was crafted:
 - *Unto Wulfgar Bradaxe, does the Shire of Hartwood send most displeased tidings! Having been deprived of our most valuable and beloved Aniko, we do demand life long tribute (or until such time as she is returned unharmed) in the form of two dozen good cookies whene're he crosses into our borders, of sufficient quality to convey his proper appreciation of his prize, who cannot be made to labour in the execution of this tithe. Further, he shall not prevent her visiting her chosen family up north, nor shall he turn us away when we come to attend upon her. And finally, he himself should come play on a regular basis, or we shall STORM HIS CASTLE (And tattle to his baroness).*
- Seconded by Aniko, and universally accepted, demand to be delivered at Sealion.

There being no further business, Gwynefal motions to adjourn. John Seconds.

Meeting closed at 9:42pm.