

Open: 7:25 pm

Attendance: Theodora, Ragnvald, Robert, Kerrigan, Argolia, Snaer, Odo, Gwenyn, Taranis, Wulfwyn

Regrets: Thorwulf

Absent: n/a

Officer Reports

Seneschal (Theodora)

- Officer positions are open for interested shire members. Both open immediately, closing dates tbd. Interested parties please talk to Theodora. Candidates will be brought forward at November meeting for discussion/consensus.
 - Chronicler - responsible for newsletter, shire council minutes and any official correspondence applications.
 - Web Minister – responsible for upkeep of Shire website
 - Deputy Seneschal – responsible for administrative duties as assigned by Seneschal. Ongoing position and a good way to learn the role of Seneschal. NOT the drop dead.
- Communications:
 - Mailing List: requesting as many people as possible get on Shire mailing list so that minutes/decisions are available as broadly as possible.
 - Requesting shire members share their communication preferences with Theodora so that she can ensure she uses the best method. Please note she herself is more a phone/text/email communicator than Facebook, and if people are comfortable, please share their phone numbers with her.
- Reports: **ALL quarterly reports are to be copied to the Seneschal. No exceptions.**

Exchequer (Robert)

- Income of \$165.00 in fun passes
- \$300 insurance for hall paid out
- Period ending Aug 31, 2015: \$4,220.72 assets & shire equity.

Branch Marshall (Kerrigan)

- **Heavy** (Kerrigan)
 - now into hall for winter season. Average 4 attendees at practice. New this year is sharing space with rapier.
 - Require white-soled shoes for floor.
 - Payment has been made to Regional District and have received confirmation that insurance is in place.
 - **ACTION ITEM:** *Requesting insurance request to be submitted in November.*
 - Had a visit from Viscount Kieran on the 15th.
 - No injuries to report
- **Rapier** (Ragnvald)
 - 4 people got carded at Tides Turning!
 - Looking to approach Serge to share the load of Steel Key or give to heavies.
 - Steel Key is on long term long from Lions Gate.
 - Taranis working on getting his junior marshal

Archery (Wulfwyn)

- **Archery** (Wulfwyn)
 - new archers arriving and old-timers returning. Averaging 6-10/practice.
 - Very successful tournament held at Tides Turning
 - Lions Gate Althing's in Oct – York Rounds and lots of other stuff. Encourage people to go.
 - Have taken Odo as Deputy Archery, with the purpose of having him take over in November when my 2-year term ends.
- **Thrown Weapons** (Ragnvald)
 - Successful tournament at Tides Turning.
 - TW happening whenever we're at Byng
 - 1 new junior marshal (Ragnvald) – yay!

Arts & Sciences (Maminka)

- Argolia/Merewyn – charter painting
- Ylmas – sheath, coif for rapier
- Odo – arrows for Brandon, targets for Tides (with Nyssa)
- Caitronia – fingerloop braiding (for largesse competition)
- Maminka – bunch of stuff for largesse
- Serge – nailbinding socks/hat,
- Snear – gorget, hood, buckler

Pursuivant (Wulfwyn for Thorwulf)

- Nothing to report

Chatelaine (Gwynen)

- Posted an invite on Fjordland Forever FB page to newcomers prior to Turning re getting ready for first event.
- Loaner garb was available at Turning, used by 3 attendees
- Working on collecting and cataloguing Gold Key

Old Business

1. Fjordland Rising (standing item – Wulfwyn for Thorwulf)
 - a. Now that Vigil Tour 2015 and Tides Turning is done will be turning attention to this.
 - b. At this point, nothing new to report.
 - c. Prelim budget & event paperwork to be presented for next meeting
2. Tides Turning (standing item – Maminka via Skype)
 - a. Report for Turning sent to Elora as MIC for TW at the event.
 - b. All reports to be distributed with minutes.
 - c. Financials was finished today. Due to unforeseen insurance costs we are in the red. Otherwise, we would be in the black.
 - d. Commend everyone – especially newcomers. Details in reports.
 - e. Special thanks to Mistress Alicia, Don Warwick & Her Ladyship Elora. Recommend special thank you gifts for Warwick & Elora to be presented at Rising. Alicia has been gifted already. Maminka will do up thank you cards.
 - f. Insurance issue arose due to last minute request by Scouts for Additional Named on insurance. Cost was large. Special thanks to Merewyn & Odo for lining up alternate sites at last minute in case insurance didn't come through.
 - g. Everyone loved the feast.
 - h. Feedback from council: In spite of the financials, the Shire considers this to have been a successful event and applauds and thanks Maminka for her hard work, teamwork and leadership and pushing through problems to ensure success.
3. Website (Wulfwyn)
 - a. Has partnered up with Ciannait and will be starting work this week.
 - b. Shire preference is WordPress.
 - c. Will investigate what the possibility of archive for forms, etc.
4. Rattan (Snear - tabled from Aug)
 - a. With dollar having gone up so much, price has gone up too much to be feasible as a fundraising. Closed.
5. Principality A&S/Bardic 2016 (standing item - Wulfwyn)
 - a. As a result of her win in Principality Archery, Wulfwyn is unable to spearhead the bid. Have approached Maminka to prime.
 - b. Request to put full bid together to bring to Fjordland council.

New Business

1. Tides Turning 2016

- a. Bids open as of next council meeting. Please let Theodora know if you are interested
- b. Preference for next year is camping again.
2. Throw Weapons Tournament Proposal (Ragnvald. Details attached)
 - a. Dedicated stand-alone annual tournament to be held during a spring/summer althing that is dedicated to thrown weapons/missile combat (workshops, mini-tourneys, etc.). Could tie into the multi-disciplinary tournament if desired.
 - b. Prize would be a spear that the winner gets to put their heraldry on, kept by the victor for the year following their victory. Spear to be known as *Fjordland Spear*, with spear bearer known as *Spear of Fjordland*. Three-time winners to be awarded their own personal spear.
3. Shire Recognitions (Wulfwyn)
 - a. Would like to encourage people to start thinking about this.
 - b. Wulfwyn volunteered to an article regarding the purposes of recognitions and the considerations about creating them.
 - c. Please submit proposals to Theodora (via dragonturtle@dccnet.com) for whatever you believe the Shire should be recognizing. Proposals are open for next three months (end of December).
4. Multiple Facebook pages (Theodora)
 - a. Please merge official FB pages onto Fjordland Forever.
5. Bardic night (Martialla)
 - a. Going to start in October. Plans are to host once a month on Saturday nights. First date and location are tbd. Locations will likely be roving.
6. Multi-discipline tournament (Taranis)
 - a. proposing putting together a committee to determine details and recommendations for next running
 - b. proposing that when tournaments run they are done as Althings where all of the Shire is included in the planning/putting on, not just those in the particular discipline
 - c. need to settle whether Defender is Heavy only or the multi-discipline champion
 - d. Theodora to post inviting all interested parties to let her know. Committee to be formally set next month.

Next Meeting: Oct 19, 2015 @ 7:00 pm.

Adjournment 9:42 pm Motion: Robert

Attachments:

Tides Turning Report – Event Stewart

Thrown Weapons Tournament Proposal