

****** Unofficial until approved at the next Business Meeting ******
Shire of Caer Adamant – Business Meeting notes
20 August 2009 – Corbit-Calloway Library, Odessa

In attendance (in no particular order): Padraig, Lewin, Nina, Adolphus, Tori, Ottarr, Magdalena, Huen, Alexendre, Sarra, Kael, Amari, Marietta, Sarah, Hedewigis, Mark IV

Confirm Officer quorum. yes (all present)

Approve previous meeting minutes. done (18 June 2009)

Officer Reports:

Seneschal: (Hedewigis reporting) Second quarter report to Kingdom was submitted. Shire membership stands at 87, with a number of non-members and non-residents choosing to play with us. I appreciate the efforts of our members to keep our Shire healthy and growing. We are fortunate indeed.

Volunteerism: Thank you to all who volunteered at Pennsic, both during the Shire's shifts at EK Royal gate, and at other venues. Our Society's events can not take place without the commitment of time from members. In that spirit, every Shire member should volunteer a bit of time at both of our upcoming events: Swamp Thyng and Pointless War. It does not require a substantial commitment – many hands make light work.

Exchequer: (Sarah reporting) Account balance stands at \$6,173.26, down \$2 each month for the check images in statement fee. Second quarter report submitted to the Kingdom Exchequer.

Minister of Arts and Sciences: (Sarra reporting) Second quarter report submitted. A&S activity is down a bit due to Pennsic prep. Scriptorium date will be adjusted to accommodate family commitments.

Herald: (Alexendre reporting) Submission activity includes devices and badges.

Knight Marshal: (Alexendre reporting) Practices are growing. A new authorisation will take place at Swamp Thyng. First female fighter has joined the ranks. Shire members continue to fight at outside events including Pennsic and at local/regional opportunities. The quarterly report is due 1 September.

Web Minister: (Sarah reporting)

Basic maintenance completed - keeping calendar current. Posted event information for Pointless War.

Captain of Archers: (Padraig reporting)

Archery practices will resume on Sunday the 23rd. 30 September is cancelled.

I was able to make it to the new Pennsic Archery range and would like to say a few words. It is farther away and the bus system needs work but it is a much larger area; there

is more room for range set-ups and the variety of contours enhance the experience. I look forward to annual enhancements to the range.

Chatelaine: (Magdalena reporting) Second quarter report submitted. Attended the EK Chatelaine meeting at Pennsic. A new family who has moved to the area will attend Swamp Thyng and Pointless War.

Chronicler: (Amari reporting) August Fort Knights has been posted and includes details of a new feature for future issues: profiles of Shire members. Please read the August issue for suggested questions and forward your responses to Amari at chronicler@caer-adamant.org.

Old Business:

Events:

Swamp Thyng – (Padraig reporting)

Plans are coming together.

auction: Donations for the Royal Travel Fund Auction have been minimal. I am a bit disappointed in that fact. I am hoping it's a matter of people still working on items they wish to donate. Second hand items (in usable condition) or commitments of services are also welcome (for example: Alexandre is auctioning a dinner for four at next year's Pennsic or Swamp Thyng). Please consider pitching in. The auction will be Sunday morning at 10:00.

Shire Heavy Weapons championship is Saturday and the Archery championship is Sunday.

prep: A work party is scheduled for **Saturday 29 August** for site preparations from 10:00 am till late afternoon. Anyone intending to help please e-mail me so I can plan for the day. Details to be posted that week.

Pointless War – Volunteer list. We covered an extensive list of needs and volunteer opportunities for Pointless War. It is hoped that every member of the Shire will turn out and support this effort on behalf of our King and Kingdom. Please do not wait to be asked – a list will be available on-site and on-list.

September interim election -- Letters of Intent. Lord Kael has submitted the only Letter of Intent for the position of Exchequer. No letters were received for the position of Web Minister. Elections will occur at the September business meeting in accordance with our by-laws. Watch the lists and the website for announcements and ballot information.

Demos:

- Magdalena suggested a possible demo opportunity with Volgamut, The Baby Grand, and local schools. Details will be forthcoming as they are available.
- Newark Community Day Sunday 20 September. Parade. Fighter practice. Magdalena will look into details.
- No info for Tall Oaks.

New Business:

Curia notes. Critical points of the Curia held at the July War Practice in Eisental were presented. Check the EK Seneschal's page on the EK website for details.

Event income supplement (Adolphus). The northern region cooks use a series of auctions to offset the cost of event dayboards. Substantive discussion occurred, and it was agreed that it is a concept that would be well-suited for a large, active cooks' guild. It is hoped that the model can be applied in the southern region to include our own Shire.

Facebook Page. Nina suggested to Marietta that a Caer Adamant Facebook page should be created to encourage communication on another level. An old page does exist which Amari will attempt to have updated. Watch for a list announcement once the page is ready to accept updates.

Spring Thyng. Since no bids were submitted, it was unanimously agreed the bid deadline would be extended to September. Bids are to be submitted to the Seneschal before 1 September. Please see the website for bid requirements.

Other:

Schedule of Activities

Fighter Practice: Sundays 1 – 4 p.m. – check calendar for location

Games: canceled for September (everyone should be at Swamp Thyng!)

Dance: Tuesday 8 & 22 September 7 – 9 p.m. Kennett Square Friends Meeting

A&S Night: Monday 14 September 7 – 9 p.m. Hedewigis's

Scriptorium (C&I): 1 September – 9 p.m. Sarra's ***NEW DATE ***

Business Meeting: Tuesday 15 September, 7 – 8:30 p.m. Dover Public Library