



## **Timeline Festival Committee Minutes.**

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2016**

The meeting convened at 2.00 pm at Gordon VIC.

**Present** were Keith Day, Chase Day, Keith Day, Chase Day, Carlyle Coulson, Mark Haviland, Mark Pountney, Rob Powell, Jarrah Stinchcombe-Wighton and Chris Tosh (by phone).

**Apologies** were received from Mikhael Heeschen, Sandy Sempel and Sharon Sempel.

### **Previous Minutes**

The previous minutes were read. *Rob moved that the minutes be accepted, Mark P Seconded.*

### **Action Points from Previous Meeting outstanding**

Committee ARA membership and merchandising issues were carried over from previous action points.

### **Correspondence**

Keith said there had been a message from Chris Fogwill of HMV to ask if it would be possible for them to peg the jousting arena to create a solid barrier. Keith suggested putting it on the fairway, but said the location would have to be discussed with the Bannockburn committee. HMV will be performing all day.

HMV asked about sponsors for prizes. Chris said that Swordcraft may be interested in being a main sponsor. It was decided that merchants would be approached with a view to sponsoring specific activities as we have done in the past.

Chase suggested merchants could offer prizes in return for a reduced pitch fee. She said prizes for re-enactors were more important than raffle prizes for us.

One of the participants wants to bring his dogs to the event and has offered to build a pen for them so that they are contained. Keith said that in the past it is something that has been done on a case-by-case basis. Keith said ultimately it was a matter for discussion with the Bannockburn committee, as they would be the ones liable, so they would need to make the call. Chase said dogs should only be allowed if they are the focus of the group.

## **Financial / Account Status**

Our finances currently stand at \$1510.45, but expenditure on balsa tips and lances would amount to \$360, leaving a balance of about \$1100.

## **New Member Applications**

No new membership applications were received.

## **Recap of Bannockburn Committee Meeting on May 21 2016**

- Birds of Prey have confirmed they will attend.
- The Bannockburn Festival is being promoted at the Robbie Burns Festival and other events.
- The Highland Dance Association is a confirmed attendee.
- It is too late to consider including Sandy's display.
- Security is to be confirmed.
- Keith noted that the licencing of imitation firearms may be an issue with one of the Bannockburn participating groups. Keith remarked that there is no automatic exemption for imitation firearms under the control of weapons act; imitation firearms still require a valid firearms license (E-class licence) to be carried at events. At the last Timeline event a number of reenactors from one of the WW2 groups were carrying replica / deactivated firearms without the appropriate firearms license in place.
- The Bannockburn Community Newsletter is interested in covering the event.
- There was discussion of the matter of policing weekend passes. A sticker for car windows was proposed as a solution to the difficulty of passes being handed around

## **2016 Event**

### **The 2016 Event.**

Keith said he had spoken to Tony Hodges who has skill-at-arms equipment that was used at the Goldfields event in Ballarat. Keith also noted that Justin has a full set we may be able to use.

It was also suggested that we hold a welding working bee to make our own gear. Carlyle commented that he lives near the Robot Trading steel supplies outlet, and Keith said he would email the requirements to Carlyle for him to investigate. (Carlyle indicated his company would be happy to sponsor the cost of materials). Keith also said we would need to hook up with Justin to find out what equipment he has.

Chris opened a discussion about Swordcraft. Keith asked about feeding them. There is a cap on numbers for catering purposes, but no cap on actual numbers attending.

Keith asked about the standard of their kit. Chris said it depended on which groups came. Keith said they could potentially make up a quarter to a third of those attending, and would have to look good.

Keith asked if they would figure in the mass Battle of Bannockburn. Chris said they were loosely Viking so may not be suitable for the Bannockburn battle. Keith said they wouldn't need to get a whole new kit, but to achieve a reasonable approximation of Scots and English.

Chris said more information was needed, but he would get a plan put together. He asked if there could be a couple of options.

**Sponsorship:** Chase said we need to know which events require sponsorship. Keith said that we need to know first what groups are coming, so we know what needs to be sponsored. There was consideration of advertising on the website, etc.

**Jousting:** Chris asked about Swordcraft potentially sponsoring the jousting. Chase asked if we wanted to knock out the multi-period skill-at-arms contest and have a bigger joust instead. She added that if we can get some big name jousters it will be a major plus.

Mark P. said that having major international jousters would reflect well on the rest of the re-enactment movement. Keith said that if interstate jousters come, it will draw other interstate participants to join in.

Chase asked if Bannockburn would take so many horses (potentially we could have up to 12 horses at the event). Keith said it was another issue that needed to be taken up with the Bannockburn committee.

Keith said that if we had an extended list, we would need to leave room in the schedule for GMRG to fire their 18-pounders. Rob said that GMRG has been organised by Bannockburn directly so we need to make sure we don't have two things going on at the same time.

**Other:** Mikhael Heeschen is to follow up on the butchery display.

**Merchandising:** There was a discussion on producing t-shirts / merchandise for the event although no consensus was reached on what should be produced and whether the cost was justified. Timeline already had a merchandise offer available via Café Press and suggested we should revisit this and update the items available.

Keith proposed putting back up the link for Café Press, and Mark P. seconded.

**Insurance:** Keith raised the issue of registration for the event and that we wouldn't be offering insurance on the day as we had in the past as this became an administration nightmare on the day. It was pointed out that the LARPs will need to register for insurance with Swordcraft. Pre-registration requires that people already have their insurance sorted prior to the event.

### **Meeting Closed**

The meeting closed at 3.45 p.m.

### Next Meeting

The next meeting at Bannockburn is scheduled for Sunday June 19<sup>th</sup>, at 2.00 p.m.

The next Timeline Committee meeting was set for Carlyle's house on Saturday July 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2 p.m.

### Action Points

Action	Who
Send Carlyle the specs for SAA equipment	Keith
Follow up on the butchery display.	Mikhael
Put link back on website for Café Press merchandise	Keith
Discuss location of HVM arena with Bannockburn (pegging down arena)	Keith
Discuss issue of pets / dogs at event with Bannockburn	Keith
Discuss number of horses allowable at Bannockburn	Keith
Organise working bee to build jousting list / SAA equipment	Carlyle