

INTERIM MINUTES between 35th and 36th Meetings of the Baron Courts of Prestoungrange and Dolphinstoun (1998) Limited held in The Hall at The Cockenzie Centre, Cockenzie & Port Seton, East Lothian on November 19th 2002

Present: Baron Sergeand
Anne-Marie Allan
Jane Bonnar
Anne Taylor

1. Minutes of 35th Meeting held at Temple Gardens Mineral Spa, Fairford Street East, MooseJaw, Saskatchewan on 15th October 2002

Confirmed: 1.1 That these were correct as shown at the Website

2. “To Do List”

Agreed: 2.1 That this Interim Meeting would concentrate on consolidating all outstanding items. Also to confirm completed or deadlines set for their completion.

Reported: 2.1(a) (Minute 02/33/2.1) That the PAFS Schedule would, in future be restructured to show order of prioritisation of each item i.e. most important items first on the list and circulated to Baron of Prestoungrange, Baron Sergeand, Jane Bonnar and Anne Taylor.

2.1(b) (Minute 02/34/2.1b) Progress of the following items:

- Profiles & Personae from Murals #1 and #2 by Kate Hunter were now complete.
- CV for George McNeill not available but Jim Forster will supply a book he has written on Mr McNeill’s life. Deadline of 1st February 2003 given.
- CV for Davy Steele: Anne-Marie interviewed Davy Steele’s brother on 18th November and reported that there is a Davy Steele website at www.mcclellanweb.com/davysteele/. Article will be posted to Sylvia on 13th December 2002.
- Greentrax proposal for creating new CD of Davy Steele still awaited
- Anne-Marie had not been able to trace the 2d 1773 Impost documentation locally. Jane Bonnar will send information gathered to Sylvia Burgess who will contact her resources in the Bodleian Library in Oxford.
- For child protection reasons, Preston Lodge School were reluctant to give the names of the children who worked on the seawall mural, but Andrew Crummy has taken the names from the mural.

- Life of Thomas Nelson book being acquired by Anne-Marie from the website
- Jane Bonnar to make contact with Airt Burns Club, Prestonpans by 20th December 2002, for a Goodwill Message to Chemainus as it celebrates Burns' Night with the Baron & Lady of Prestoungrange as their High Hosts.
- Forth Estuary Forum was not appropriate but Jane would continue to send them articles
- As Marg Hall does not reproduce tiles the photo of tile from tile press will be given to Mark Haillay of Direlton, East Lothian who will produce 50 tiles at £10 each, should this price be acceptable.
- The production of a second Fish Lady figurine was to be collected on 13th December 2002.
- The Gothenburg article has now appeared in East Lothian Life.
- Adnam's style water jugs project had been put on hold until February 2003.
- The Funeral Hatchments found in Prestonpans Church were being photographed on 21st November 2002. Anne-Marie is getting article by J W Harkness.
- The History Search/Request would be mentioned in Brushstrokes #3 as well as a separate drop.

3. Scottish Tartans Society

Reported: 3.1 (Minute 02/34/2.2a) That the Scottish Tartans Society had asked to go to "Debate" and Lindsays WS have suggested a meeting being scheduled for February when the Baron of Prestoungrange would be able to attend.

4. Progress for Historical Series & Teaching Guides

4.1 (Minute 02/34/2.4) That Brushstrokes #3 proofs will be sent to Baron of Prestoungrange on 13th December for distribution weekending 20th December together with the Christmas Cards.

4.2 (Minute 02/34/3.2) That the wedding photographs and receipt had been sent by the Provost's secretary in September but had been returned "not known". Anne Taylor has therefore arranged to collect them from the Provost's office.

4.3 (Minute 02/34/3.3) That signed cheques had been left with Anne Taylor to post to authors Craig Ward, Colin Boyd and Michael of Albany on receipt of invoices and authorisation by Jane Bonnar.

4.4 (Minute 02/34/3.4) That Anne-Marie was progressing well with the resource packs and had two to finish by 8th January 2003.

Confirmed 4.1 That Baron Sergeand and Anne Taylor had delivered historical booklets to Newtongrange Museum. Unfortunately it was not possible to have a meeting with Julia Stephens due to a power cut. Anne Taylor has rearranged the meeting for Monday 16th December 2002.

5. 2002 Murals Action Programme

Reported: 5.1 (Minute 02/34/4.5) That the property owner at the top of the steps to the foreshore had not yet been approached. Jane Bonnar will ask Andrew Crummy to suggest an interpretation of the theme which must link the beach murals with The Gothenburg above. Report back required by the next meeting of the Baron Courts by Jane Bonnar and Anne Taylor.

5.2 (Minute 02/34/4.6) That the competition for Mural Panes for display on a rotating basis at The Gothenburg would be discussed at the next Baron Courts meeting in February. The competition is scheduled for Spring 2003.

Confirmed 5.2 That Kate Hunter has completed repair to the damaged mural and added the memorial note.

Reported 5.3 That Jim Forster was negotiating with the RMGC for a suitable wall to hang Kate's mural but RMGC had recently declined the space on the grounds that they needed the space for storage. There appears to have been a misunderstanding and Anne Taylor would follow the matter through with Jim Forster.

5.4 That Andrew Crummy's seawall mural was due for completion by 25th December 2002.

6. The Prestoungrange Gothenburg

6.1 (Minute 02/34/5) That Stephen Lanscombe had visited the site on 10th October and would be meeting the Baron of Dolphinstoun, Baron Sergeand and Anne Taylor in Buckingham on 5th December to discuss the project further. Further discussions will take place in Victoria in late January and a full report at the Baron Courts meeting in February.

6.2 (Minute 02/34/5.5) That the purchase of the car park by the Baron Sergeand was now in the final stages of completion and documentation was expected to change hands early in January 2003.

6.3 (Minute 02/34/5.8) That Anne and Sylvia were unable to have a meeting with Gordon Richardson of Gravity Group but Sylvia had left messages on Gordon's answerphone and will aim to meet him in February.

Confirmed: 6.1 That the forms had been completed and returned to BT for the installation of the new telephone cables in preparation for the transfer of lines in due course.

6.2 That Anne Taylor had collected a wedding photo and a copy of the receipt from the Provost's office. Anne also took the photograph of the 1986 reopening group outside the Gothenburg and asked Pat O'Brien if he could name the individuals.

6.3 That the Historic Scotland expert visited on 8th November 2002 but no report had yet been received.

7. Book-keeping for the Company, Bank Signatories & VAT

Reported 7.1 (Minute 02/34/7.1) That the Baron Sergeand had transferred the book-keeping to Anne Taylor and the application forms for VAT registration had been sent.

8. Budget for 2003

8.1 That the Finalised Budget for 2003 was behind deadline but would be complete by 25th December 2002 and signed off at the next meeting of the Baron Courts (1998) in Chemainus.

9. Sponsored Bus

9.1 (Minute 02/34/8.3) That Safeway had withdrawn their offer of sponsorship for the bus and extensive effort is still being made to raise funds. Jane Bonnar and Anne Taylor agreed to report on progress at the next meeting with a decision then made as to whether the £1,000 donated by Baron Courts should be refunded or an increased offer made to finance the vehicle.

10. Competitive Tenders for Booklet Production

10.1 (Minute 02/34/8.4) That Anne Taylor was still awaiting a quote from her local printer who printed the Christmas Cards and invitations. Jane Bonnar was still awaiting a quote from the printer of Brushstrokes. Quotations must be received before 31st January 2003.

11. Funding

Reported 11.1 That three funding application forms were due for release on 2nd December with a submission dated of 6th January 2003.

12. Michael MacVeigh/ Kate Hunter prints

12.1 That Michael MacVeigh's next subject will be the Prestonpans Mercat Cross. Two photographs of the Mercat Cross were given to Jane Bonnar.

12.2 A painting of the interior of the Gothenburg is scheduled to coincide with the Re-Opening in 2003.

12.3 That the prints of Michael MacVeigh's and Kate Hunter's work had been signed and included for sale in Brushstrokes #3.

13. Microbrewery Recipes

13.1 That the Baron Sergeand was following up discussions with Wiebke Redlich of the Scottish Brewing Archive for recipes.

14. Colliery Rules 1848/Hatchment/William Lamb

14.1 That AnneMarie Allen was copying articles from Scottish Society of Antiquarians on Hatchment, Colliery Rules and William Lamb for possible booklet and NewsNet usage.

15. Prestongrange Coal and Fire-brick Company Limited (1889)

15.1 That no information had been found to date other than the advertisement, but the Baron Sergeand will search Companies House archives for a microfiche.

16. Cockenzie Lease

16.1 That no enquiries had been received for taking over the Cockenzie Lease. The Baron Sergeand is in discussion with the Landlord to push the matter forward.

17. University Credits in Arts & Tourism

Confirmed: 17.1 That Baron Sergeand would arrange a formal meeting with Andrew Crummy and colleagues at Communiversity in February to progress matters locally in Scotland for them.

18. Calendar Competition

Reported: 18.1 That the Calendar would not be produced for 2003 based on the Photography Competition as time constraints and other duties had meant the entries were insufficient at the right standard.

Agreed: 18.1 That Anne Taylor would write to all the entrants thanking them for their submission and say that due to insufficient lead time the Calendar had to be postponed to next year.

19. Visits to Sheffield and Kati Kati

Reported: 19.1 That the Baron & Lady of Prestoungrange were to visit Sheffield Tasmania and Kati Kati New Zealand in the coming three weeks in connection with the Global Murals Association and the 2005 Seminar in Bowen, Queensland, and to capture ideas for use at Prestoungrange.

20. Date and Times of Next Meetings

20.1 That the next and 36th Meeting of the Baron Courts (1998) will be held on January 25th 2003 at the Murals Centre, Chemainus, BC, Canada, with apologies noted from Jane Bonnar.

20.2 That the 37th Meeting of the Courts will be held on February 21st 2003 at The Courts, The Gothenburg, 227 High Street, Prestonpans commencing at 9.30 a.m.