

MINUTES of the 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> Meetings of the Baron Court of Prestoungrange held at The Manor House Milton Malsor and at The Prestoungrange Industrial Heritage Museum Prestonpans East Lothian on January 28<sup>th</sup> & February 8<sup>th</sup> 2000 respectively

**Present:** Much Honoured Baron of Prestoungrange

Lady Prestoungrange

Baron Bailie & Procurator Fiscal Baron Sergeand & Secretary

In attendance: Jane Bonnar

Annette MacTavish Elizabeth Sang Kathryn Wills

30 Members of The Household

1. Minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting and of the EGM of the Court held on January 4<sup>th</sup> 2000 at 1130 Woodstock Avenue, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada

**Confirmed:** 1.1 That these were correct records.

1.2 That the Special Resolution passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting had been submitted to the Registrar of Companies in Scotland and a Certificate of Registration received in the new name of the Court.

## 2. Matters Arising

#### **Ceremonial Regalia**

**Reported:** 2.1(a) (Minute 00/9/2.1a) That the completed Ellwand from

Paul Colbert of Sticks & All had been delivered to Denzil Skinner and the craftsmen of Hamilton & Inches and a promise received

of completion within presentation boxes by May 1<sup>st</sup> 2000.

## Repairs to the Foreshore

#### Reported:

2.2(a) (Minute 00/9/2.2) That Adam Johnston was moving forward to have work completed for May 1<sup>st</sup> including the posting of the Notice, but that a final quotation was awaited for his fees and the fees of the stone mason.

2.2(b) That nothing further had been heard from Scottish Power.

#### Agreed:

2.2 That when the school children visit the beach for the June 2<sup>nd</sup> Graffiti Contest Jane Bonnar shall ensure that parental permission and insurance are in place by the schools.

# Schools' Graffiti Contest on Sea Wall: 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2000

2.3 (Minute 00/9/2.3) That the date should be June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2000 when Jane Bonnar predicted the tides would be favourable in the morning, with a reception afterwards at the local School Hall. In the event of bad weather the reception would proceed in every eventuality.

## **Glenkinchie Malt Whiskey**

#### Reported:

2.4 (Minute 00/9/2.5) That 'By Appointment' Glenkinchie Whiskey had been dispensed to all at the 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting including the Burns 2000 Supper celebrations at The Manor of Milton.

# Gift of Baronial Lands of Dolphinstoun by Sir James Grant- Suttie

2.5 (Minute 00/0/3.1) By Roy Shearer that the Gift of *prima facie* Dolphinstoun baronial lands without warrandice had been completed by Sir James Grant-Suttie for record in the General Registers of Sasines for the County of East Lothian in supplementation of ELN 99 294 on October 11<sup>th</sup> 1999.

## **Ensigns Armorial for the Baron of Dolphinstoun**

2.6 (Minute 00/9/3.3) That the Baron Sergeand had visited Lyon Clerk and agreed the differencing required from the Wills' Family Arms for the Baron of Dolphinstoun, and that progress would begin just as soon as Roy Shearer lodges final copies of the Disposition of the Barony after record in the Register of Sasines.

#### 3. Prestoungrange & Dolphinstoun Tartans

#### Reported:

- 3.1 That a further visit to Keith Lumsden at the Scottish Tartan Society's offices in Pitlochry by the Baron and Baron Sergeand had now taken place achieving a good understanding of the working relationships with Scotland Online, but as yet no desired result with the Online Registry.
- 3.2 That the Barony of Dolphinstoun had adopted, and registered, the Prestoungrange tartan as a family Sept and together they have authorised its use by all members of the Wills' family world-wide.

#### Agreed:

3.1 That The Baron should write to the President of the Scottish Tartans Society seeking urgent action to get the Online Registry fully up to date.

## 4. Development of the Court's Website

## Reported:

4.1 (Minute 00/9/5) That the Baron Sergeand had now briefed Matthew Boffin on the work of Website creation and firm deadlines were established to meet the needs of the Prestoungrange 2000 Project.

## 5. Progress with Project 2000 for Schools

**Reported:** 5.1 By Jane Bonnar that excellent progress was continuing

with editorial work with the Schools Resources and all was still targeted for May/ June launch as expected.

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#### Agreed:

- 5.1 The Malcolm Pearce be invited to undertake the typesetting in the same style as he had produced the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of *The Manor of Milton and the Scottish Baronies of Prestoungrange & Dolphinstoun*
- 5.2 That the Baron should make immediate contact with him and begin to prototype the formatting with the first available copy, being the History of the House of Prestoungrange.
- 5.3 That limited editions of the Prestoungrange Paintings be produced forthwith as postcards for sale at the Museum.

## 6. The Prestoungrange Artists Centre & Kiln

#### Reported:

- 6.1 That Jane Bonnar had consulted local potters so that limited reproductions of Prestoungrange Pottery can be made and offered for sale both at The Industrial Heritage Museum and at the Virtual Exhibition online.
- 6.2 That Peter Gray was advancing plans for rebuilding a kiln using the £50 000 promised by the Baron Court, but individuals willing to make use of the kiln on a regular basis have not yet been identified.

## Agreed:

- 6.1 That the Court would provide modest sponsorship for an Artist in Residence in 2000 on the nomination of Annette MacTavish to capture the Schools' Project and Graffiti Contest in process during 2000, with the commissioning details to be finalised by her with Julian Wills.
- 6.2 That Jane Bonnar submit a supplemental budget for the creation of the Virtual Pottery Exhibition as soon as possible, which provided it was reasonable could then proceed immediately with 3D images on the Website.

## 7. Burns 2000 Supper at The Manor of Milton

Reported:

7.1 That the Supper on January 28<sup>th</sup> had been attended by more than 30 members of the Household with poetry readings and dancing; the new Grant of Ensigns Armorial to the Baron

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had been displayed; and the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of *The Manor of Milton & The Scottish Baronies of Prestoungrange & Dolphinstoun* formally published.

## 8. Common Court with Barony of Dolpinstoun

Confirmed: 8.1

8.1 That following the Registrar of Companies acceptance of the Name change for the Court, henceforth all meetings will be of 'The Baron Courts of Prestoungrange & Dolphinstoun'.

#### 9. Disposition of the Barony of Dolphinstoun

Confirmed:

- 9.1 That the Baron of Prestoungrange and of Dolphinstoun had by Disposition on February 8<sup>th</sup> 2000 gifted the Barony of Dolphinstoun to his youngest son, Dr Julian Wills, and that the Disposition had been forwarded to the General Register of Sasines for the County of East Lothian for registration there.
- 9.2 That on registration the Baron of Dolpinstoun will proceed with Lyon Court for his Grant of Arms, receipt of which will formally in the eyes of the Sovereign re-establish the distinctive barony under Crown Charter descent.
- 9.3 That the Baron of Prestoungrange had by irrevocable Will passed down that named barony and all its lands to Mathew Wills Yr of Prestoungrange.
- 9.4 That on receipt of his Grant of Arms as Baron of Dolphinstoun, Dr Julian Wills will re-gift that barony back to Dr Gordon Prestoungrange for his lifetime, with the proviso that it shall revert directly to Dr Julian Wills Yr of Dolphinstoun on the death of Dr Gordon Prestoungrange Baron during his lifetime under these arrangements of both Prestoungrange and of Dolphinstoun.

## 10. Next Meetings of the Courts

Confirmed:

10.1 That the next and 12<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Courts would be held on April 1<sup>st</sup> at #20-21, Yachting Towers, Main Beach,

Queensland; and the 13<sup>th</sup> on The Baronial Foreshore at Prestonpans on June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2000 for the Graffiti Contest and afterwards.