

Barons Courts of Prestoungrange & Dolphinstoun

Trinity Session: Elizabeth II. 53. 2004. July – November

DECLARATOR OF BYRLAWS

[E II. 53. 2004 P&D. 04] Declaration of Certain ByrLaws governing the behaviours of those who make use of hospitality services at The Prestoungrange Gothenburg, its conduct according to the Gothenburg Principles of 1908 and the designation of July 23rd each year as Gothenburg Day for celebration throughout the baronies:

UPON THE PETITION of the directors of the East of Scotland Public House for the Declaration of Byrlaws in the best interests of the enjoyment by all of the hospitality services at The Prestoungrange Gothenburg, wishing their own commitment to the Gothenburg Principles to be publicly known; and believing the visit by the Lord Mayor of Gothenburg, Jorgen Linder, on July 23rd 2003 to constitute an occasion to be long remembered by annual celebration thereof.

HELD:

After receiving favourable opinions expressed throughout the baronies, concluded that weightily and sufficient grounds exist to make Declarator:

1. That it was fitting and proper to acknowledge the visit of the Lord Mayor of Gothenburg on July 23rd 2003 for that date annually to be the occasion for celebration as Gothenburg Day, and that in taking the initiative at The Prestoungrange Gothenburg in arranging such celebrations each year every effort shall be made to involve and share (i) with citizens of Sweden resident in Scotland and especially of Goteborg, and to make formal exchanges between the two towns as often as may be possible on and around this day, and (ii) with all other public houses throughout Scotland which conform to the Gothenburg Principles most particularly in Armadale and Newtongrange.
2. That the ByrLaws numbered 1–14 presented by the directors of the East of Scotland Public House as following below were in the best interests of those making use of The Prestoungrange Gothenburg and that they should be declared this thirteenth day of July 2004 in notices prominently displayed thereat at once and for the future, and enforced as may be required with the Consent of Neichtbors by the ByrLawmen who have this Session and shall in the future take their oath *de fideli adminsistracione* before these Courts in these respects.

ByrLaws

Governing the Proper Conduct of All who May Visit The Prestoungrange Gothenburg

Unto All Whom it May Concern Be Aware These ByrLaws are:

“maid and determined be Consent of Neichtbors, elected and Chosen be Common consent, in our ByrLaws courts, in the quhilk cognition is taken of Complaintes betuixt neichtbor and neichtbor. The quhilk me so Chosen as judges and arbitratars to the effect foresaid are called ByrLawmen [Skene 1597].”

- 1. No Incentivisation of Consumption of Alcohol or Tobaccos ever to be Attempted** – The Prestoungrange Gothenburg is established for the provision of hospitality to such as seek it by taking food and drink and all such other services for re-creation as are provided as may enhance and better the social enjoyment of Panners and those others who might visit here. At no time in pursuit of these purposes shall this involve any especial incentivisation of the consumption of alcohol or tobaccos.
- 2. Moderation of any Indulgence with Tobaccos to be required** – Notwithstanding that the laws of Scotland permit at this time the smoking and chewing of tobaccos in public, this ByrLaw forbids indulgence therewith in any place within The Prestoungrange Gothenburg or outwith the establishment save in the James Fewell Bar, and expressly requires that such indulgence should be moderate and not give offence to fellow guests.
- 3. Protocols to be Observed in the Use of Mobile Telephony** – Whilst all persons visiting The Prestoungrange Gothenburg will from time to time require to make personal contact with others outwith the premises, the use of the apparatus of mobile telephony to achieve this frequently causes loss of proper enjoyment to others in their vicinity. Accordingly this ByrLaw prescribes that those who visit The Prestoungrange Gothenburg should switch off their apparatus whilst in the establishment and if circumstances require that an outward call must be made that to achieve that purpose they should withdraw to any one of the following areas: The Jug Bar, the Entrance Hallway, The Stairwell, or the Gardens.
- 4. Behaviour Expected that is Conducive to Enjoyment by All** – The Prestoungrange Gothenburg recognises that its hospitality services are designed to ensure that all manner of its guests in divers circumstances enjoy themselves in the company and fellowship of others and that they return again to renew such re-creational enjoyment. For such enjoyment to be universally open to all it is necessary that all our guests are aware of the impact that their behaviours at any time have on the enjoyment of the hospitality by others beyond their own immediate fellowship. If at any time behaviour continues to occur [after a polite initial request to desist therefrom] which can and does offend against the proper expectations of others, the ByrLawmen shall escort such individual(s) from the establishment and announce such measures as may be appropriate for their future presence which may include a total ban from entry howsoever. Any damages occasioned howsoever by unacceptable behaviours shall be chargeable to the individual(s) concerned at replacement cost and entry at any time to The Prestoungrange Gothenburg implies acceptance of this requirement.
- 5. Dressing to be an Acceptable Statement** – The Prestoungrange Gothenburg recognises that the mode of dress adopted by some of its guests may without proper guidance be at variance with the expectations of a majority of others present or soon to arrive. In such circumstances provided proper and reasonable Notice is given Dress Codes and Protocols that make their own statement about the location and the occasion concerned shall be enforceable by the ByrLawmen.
- 6. Expressions of Love and Affection to be Circumspect** – The Prestoungrange Gothenburg gladly anticipates recognises and encourages, through its approach to the provision of hospitality, those necessary and proper demonstrations of love and affection for others within one's own social grouping and fellowship which often occur. Kissing and embracing will normally be but two outward expressions of such love and affection both amongst one's own sex and between sexes. Nonetheless excessive arousal one of another by kissing and/ or other tactile expressions of love and/ or affection anywhere in the establishment or in the Gardens or car parking spaces can impinge upon the enjoyment of others in manifest ways ranging from envy or jealousy to embarrassment. In circumstances where such expressions of love and/ or affection are impinging in such a manner, and are observable or happened upon howsoever, the ByrLawmen shall require that the individuals concerned desist forthwith but if they be unwilling or unable so to moderate their expressions of love and/ or affection one to the other they shall be escorted by

the ByrLawmen to the baronial foreshore for a period not exceeding 45 minutes to cool their ardour before being permitted to re-enter the establishment or the Gardens or the car parking area.

- 7. Re-creation is the Gothenburg Imperative** – The establishment of Gothenburg Principled establishments across Scotland in the late 19th and early 20th Centuries was intended to encourage re-creational activities and thereby to moderate any and all excesses of alcohol consumption *faute de mieux*. As a consequence of such espoused goals which are once again from 2004 forever enshrined in the purposes of The Prestoungrange Gothenburg the ByrLawmen are at all times enjoined to use their best and most professional endeavours to facilitate and encourage participational re-creational pursuits in the establishment, on the baronial foreshore and in the Gardens by the arrangement of especial events including but in no manner limited unto exhibitions, soirees, poetry readings, concerts, theatrical productions, action learning and competitions.
- 8. Services to be Provided from the Jug Bar** – It is a long standing tradition that visitors when leaving, and casual guests who are unable to spend much time in the establishment's rooms, will wish to take away with them food, artefacts and beverages for later consumption in their own abode. The Jug Bar stands ready at all times to dispense such services but will only sell alcoholic beverages to individuals who in the sole discretion of the ByrLawman concerned are over 18 years of age and agreeable to take such beverages as are purchased to their own or another person's home for consumption and that they warrant that they will not attempt consumption on the streets, in any public place howsoever or on the baronial foreshore.
- 9. Parking, Egress and Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol** – Many visitors to The Prestoungrange Gothenburg can be expected to arrive and depart by car or by taxi. In all such circumstances they are especially enjoined to do so without occasioning any inconvenience to those neighbours residing on Redburn Road or the High Street, this to include their selection of parking places and the sounds emitted when entering and leaving. Any unacceptable behaviours in these respects shall be admonished by the ByrLawmen and if continued may occasion the imposition of a ban on future entry to The Prestoungrange Gothenburg. Guests in particular who demonstrably come under a debilitating influence from alcohol they have consumed during a visit such that they are likely to have rendered themselves unfit under the laws of Scotland to drive a vehicle, shall be required by the ByrLawmen to surrender any their car keys until the morrow and have a taxi summoned to take them home at their expense.
- 10. Expropriation of Property** – All the facilities provided at The Prestoungrange Gothenburg are for the benefit first of its patrons and thence for the Scottish Charity that sponsors the Prestoungrange Arts Festival, after the agreed upon 5% return on capital employed. As such the removal of any property, fixtures or fittings from the establishment or the Gardens constitutes expropriation which this ByrLaw cannot countenance except in the case of a single souvenir of a disposable drip mat. Any other souvenir that may be coveted should be purchased at a fair price if it is for sale at The Jug Bar. Any visitor convicted of committing such an act of expropriation up until November 28th 2004 shall be liable for up to 3 daylight hours in the baronial stocks; and after that date to exclusion from The Prestoungrange Gothenburg for such period of time as the ByrLawmen shall determine of sufficient weight and individuals concerned may also be deprived of such membership as they might have of the Scottish Charity and all *GothPoints* standing to the miscreants' credit.
- 11. Credit Terms Accorded are Suitably Constrained** – No visitor may receive credit from The Prestoungrange Gothenburg for any purchases made or to be made except it be agreed prior to the occasion in writing that such terms are available which will in all circumstances require 7 day settlement failure to honour which will necessitate payment of interest on any account of 5% *per month* above the *Annual* Base Rate then prevailing at the Royal Bank of Scotland. Nonetheless all visitors who present cards that have an established line of credit from an

external provider may make settlement in this manner for any purchase normally of £10 or more immediately following their purchase and always prior to leaving the establishment.

- 12. Appeal from ByrLaw Determinations** – All determinations of the ByrLawmen shall at all times be executed as given and when given but any and all who feel that their determinations were not fair or proper are at liberty to Appeal to the Barons Courts of Prestoungrange & Dolphinstoun for a binding judgement in the matter such Appeal to be submitted in writing to the Baron Sergeand and Clerk to the Courts at the Caput of these Our Baronies within one lunar month of the determination, and the Appeal shall be heard within not more than one further lunar month by the Barons or their Bailie.
- 13. Conformance with Any and All Others Laws Extant in Scotland** – The ByrLawmen shall act not only in respect of these ByrLaws but also seek as best they may to ensure conformance at all times with such the other laws and regulations governing these Our Baronial Lands and conduct at The Prestoungrange Gothenburg not least in respect to the licensing terms prevailing for alcohol and tobaccos, the applicable fire, health, hygiene and safety requirements and the caring provision of services for those with disabilities howsoever all arising from proper risk assessments thereof.
- 14. Celebration of Gothenburg Day Annually on July 23rd** – The ByrLawmen shall be responsible each and every year for ensuring that the terms of the Declarator by the Barons’ Courts designating July 23rd Gothenburg Day [E II. 53. 2004 P&D. 04] shall be faithfully followed sharing the celebrations with Swedish citizens and all others in Scotland who adhere to the Gothenburg Principles.

By Order of These Our Barons Courts

Trinity Session [Elizabeth II. 53. 2004] this thirteenth day of July

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