

Minutes of the World 94 Meeting held at on Saturday 18th June 2011 in Saffle

1. Opening of the meeting

Mikael Engbery Chairman of Saffle welcomed everyone after some excellent Viking Games to the World Meeting.

2. Election of the Chairman of the meeting

Everyone agreed in the usual Table fashion that Mikael should Chair the meeting

3. Election of Secretary for the meeting

Someone proposed, it may have been Dan from Tonder that the next year hosts should take the minutes as this would / should mean that the minutes are written up properly! Somehow James Pick from Shirley was persuaded. I think it was through peer pressure mainly to take the minutes. So you've only yourselves to blame if these aren't true and accurate, especially the spelling of everyone's names.

4. Agenda Setting

Chairman and Clubs in attendance:

Saffle ! – Mikael Engbery

Giessen - Steve Gyoerlfy

Venlo – Jeroen Bayyers

Shirley – Gary Phipps

Dundee – Stuart Cumming

Madras – Vijay Kamalakara

Tonder – Lars Godber Nielsen

Zolder – Lieven Daenen

Belfort – Unfortunately not present.

5. Notification of other questions

Dan from Tonder asked about the appointment of Sergeant of Arms and why they weren't nominated? This was met by much grumbling from the masses. Stuart from Dundee bought order to the proceedings by proposing Mehul and Klaus. However an additional problem was noticed by Migel from Tonder as the S of A bottles which are used to serve the alcoholic fines were missing? There was no real explanation as to where they were, hopefully they will make it to Shirley. Instead we "adapted, adopted and improved" by using the centre's coffee jugs with a mysterious drink – it did taste quite nice really. Richard from Shirley agreed these were now better than were used in India!

6. Presentation of all clubs fiscal year – to be presented of all clubs chairman

Venlo – Jeroen Bayyers

Jeroen started by saying they were enjoying themselves this weekend and it had been so far an excellent party. Their club has 19 members. Their main fundraising event had 450 people in attendance and raised €8000-9000. This was put towards 3 main charities including projects in Chennai, India and Dundee, South Africa.

Giessen - Steve Gyoerlfy

Steve thanked their hosts for the good weekend. Giessen has 16 members. Their main project is to support a local charity which supports healthy eating. They also put on an annual flea market and this raises a fantastic €11,000.

Madras Cosmopolitan– Vijay Kamalakara

Vijay started by inviting all to India's National AGM as their club are hosting it on 6 – 8th January next year. MCRT have 25 members and recently won the Asia/Pacific regions award for the best community event, (I think he was fined at this point for showing off!) The club is currently helping build a number of schools and extra classrooms within them. Also as a number of us saw when we went to Chennai last year they have funded a community hospital and the money the World 94 group donated last year was intended to be put towards funding a new block, but there are land issues presently, so they're going to use the World 94 money for other well deserved projects which they support.

Tonder – Lars Godber Nielsen

Lars explained that their club have 18 members and in the spring they had an Oktober fest evening which raised €1000 which is donated to projects in Dundee. Lars also told a good story about the club's Gold Chair was almost stolen by a visiting Table, but thankfully they were able to be quick witted and let the tyres down of the visiting club to prevent the chair being driven off!

Shirley – Gary Phipps

Gary explained that Shirley's numbers had dropped recently to only 9 and so the focus of the year was mainly increasing membership, by buying a database of 25-35 year olds who live within Shirley and also putting on a community beer festival which had been very successful and had led to new members.

Zolder – Lieven Daenen

Lieven introduction was interrupted to much laughter by Gary from Shirley doing a big alcoholic burp! He was quite fairly fined a large number of €Euros which I think is still owed! After we had stopped laughing Lieven told us that Zolder has 21 members and their main fund raiser was 750 attending a race night which made €12,500 !! They also to prevent any drink driving let down the tyres of any drunken Tablers who had driven there!

Dundee – Stuart Cumming

Stuart started by confessing that he did have one of S of A fellowship bottles and would have to ensure that it was returned next year. Dundee has 11 members and had been successful in winning at the National AGM the award for Best International Relations and their Area's Raiding Trophy. Unlike I think most clubs in the World 94 Group they have a Club House which had burnt down, so a lot of their focus was about rebuilding it. They partly did so by producing a pin badge which had the on it "The hottest Club House in the county!" They have been working hard also supporting their school classroom project. A note for your diary they have ARTSA AGM which is in April 2012 and all are welcome.

Saffle – Mikael Engbery

Mikael started by thanking Mathias and Tora for helping to organise the weekend, much applause followed. The club has 10 members and the main project they support is "lonely" women.

7. RT 94 World Web Site

Visti from Tonder then gave everyone an overview of the new RT94 website. The address is www.RT94.org. It was also agreed that each country should have a web master to ensure that contact details were maintained correctly. These were noted down and passed on to Visti and as of writing these minutes are on the website..

8. Next year's World Meeting

Gary from Shirley then gave everyone an overview of next year's meeting which will be in Shirley on the weekend of **Friday 22nd – Sunday 24th June 2012**. The theme is unsurprisingly because of what is happening in the a few months later the Olympics. Because Shirley is very close to Birmingham, which has a major airport it is recommended that everyone tries to fly to Birmingham. The final cost is to be finalised but it is very likely that it will be similar to this year. Further details will be posted on the www.Rt94.org website over the next few months.

9. Other questions

I can't remember any.

10. 3 minutes

Stig gave the Vote of Thanks which went down very well of course.

11. End of meeting

Lastly it was announced who had won the Viking events. The Red Team, of which I was proud to be part of won the team event and Stuart from Dundee won the individual!

The fines were also collected and it was €206 and Kr710 but there were some monies outstanding, you know who you are.