

Mountain Edge Council Minutes - August 2025

Attendees

Layla
Asny
Tyric
Tamar
Elovel
Sabine

Meeting summary

Quick recap

The group discussed their recent activities and event attendance, including participation in various classes and archery practice. They reviewed administrative matters such as meeting minutes, scheduling archery practices, and coordinating upcoming events including a Scottish Festival demo and Arts and Sciences activities. The team addressed financial updates, event logistics, and website management, while also discussing future planning for events like Acorn War and the need for various contributions including scrolls and venue coordination.

Next steps

- **Layla:** Reach out to the principality about the official youth rep position on the council.
- **Layla:** Connect with Elovel and Oswin this week to nail down details for archery practice.
- **Tyric:** Review the process of updating meeting minutes from AI format to approved format.
- **Tyric and Elovel:** Discuss expectations and reporting requirements for archery practices.
- **Asny:** Post the Zoom link for the August 18th meeting about the McMinnville Scottish Festival demo.
- **Asny:** Organize additional planning meetings in September for the McMinnville Scottish Festival demo.
- **Layla:** Collect contact information from Elovel for shire council contact purposes.
- **Asny:** Send Elovel the email with details about the storage cleanup on August 16-17.
- **Layla:** Follow up on the refund for the deposit from the Dragon Smith shared fight practice.
- **Tyric:** Update meeting minutes to say "approved minutes" instead of "AI minutes" after approval.
- **Elovel:** Review shire archery equipment during the cleanup on August 16-17.

- **Tyric:** Verify paperwork for Ozzi before allowing him to participate in fighter practice.
- **Elovel:** Connect with Asny to review archery equipment and setup for potential archery activities after the demo.
- **Asny:** Send Elovel the email with details about the cleanup at Michelle's on August 16-17.
- **Asny:** Send Tamar information about the Scottish Festival demo location at Yamhill County Fairgrounds.
- **Layla:** Reach out to the principality Seneschal about youth activity requirements for the A&S night on August 26.
- **Asny:** Reach out to Morgan about potentially supervising youth activities at the A&S night.
- **Asny:** Check with the Summit's calendar deputy about available dates for Acorn War 2026.
- **Asny:** Research venue options for Acorn War 2026 based on October timeframe.
- **Layla:** Follow up with the crier regarding updating Eduardo's name as seneschal.
- **Tyric:** Work on getting the shire web page to appear in Google search results.
- **Layla:** Follow up with the principality seneschal regarding requirements for creating shire tokens or recognition items.
- **Layla and Asny:** Discuss scroll designs for outgoing defenders with Kathleen Allen.
- **Asny:** Update the inventory document with addresses of where items are stored.
- **Asny and Kathleen Allen:** Continue working on charters/scrolls for outgoing defenders.
- **Tamar:** Review the Scottish Highland Festival email from Asny.

Summary

Event Activities and Name Discussions

The group discussed their recent attendance at an event, where Tamar participated in various classes including music, bardic, and costuming, while Layla accompanied Noam to the archery range for target practice with balloons.

Winter Investiture Fundraising Plans

The meeting began with introductions and technical difficulties, including Layla guiding participants to a new meeting link. Asny and Layla discussed a potential baking contest at the upcoming Winter Investiture, which will feature baked goods auctioned off as a fundraiser, though the exact purpose of the funds is still being determined. Asny also raised a question about Sabine's official role, noting that due to her age, she might not be able to hold an official position, and Layla agreed to look into this with the principality.

July Minutes Review Postponed

The meeting began with Layla introducing the attendees and discussing the review of July's meeting minutes. Tyric mentioned some corrections made to the minutes, including name spellings, and moved to postpone their acceptance until more people could review them. The group agreed to shift the review and approval of last month's meeting minutes to the next meeting. They also discussed the process for getting meeting minutes shared and reviewed, with Tyric and Mergret taking on the roles of initial review and editing, respectively.

Archery Practice Schedule Discussion

Layla proposed a new archery practice schedule with sessions every other Monday, which would align with the shire business meeting. She mentioned discussing this with Elovel, a senior archery marshal, who expressed interest in helping. Tyric inquired about contacting Oswyn, the property owner, before scheduling the first session. Elovel confirmed her willingness to assist with the archery practices and expressed familiarity with Oswyn.

Archery Practice and Festival Planning

The group discussed scheduling archery practices, with Elovel suggesting Mondays or Thursdays as preferred days, noting she's retired and has flexibility. They voted to install Elovel as the new archery marshal, and she will work with Tyric, the marshal in charge, to establish specific reporting requirements and expectations. Asny reported on the McMinnville Scottish Festival demo scheduled for October 4-5, and discussed upcoming zoom meetings on August 18th and September 15th to organize the event, which will include Scottish-themed displays and activities. The group agreed to postpone the start of regular archery sessions until after the demo, considering daylight savings time and equipment readiness.

Event Logistics and Coordination Planning

The group discussed logistics for upcoming events, including a vigil and elevation for Dame Joanna, with Elovel confirming her availability on the 16th. They coordinated details for a demo event at the Yamhill County Fairgrounds on October 4-5, with Asny providing timing (10am-5pm) and Sabine expressing interest despite potential school conflicts. The group also confirmed a meeting for September 15th from 6-7pm, and Asny mentioned an upcoming cleanup event.

Bank Balance and Practice Updates

The group discussed their current bank balance of \$10,032.66, including recently received PayPal funds, and noted they are still awaiting a refund for a deposit related to a Dragons Mist fight practice. Tyric reported on regular heavy fighter practices with 4-8 fighters weekly at Beulah Park, mentioning that Ozzi and Griffin will attend Thursday's practice, though Ozzi needs

proper paperwork due to being a minor. The group also discussed an upcoming Arts and Sciences night on the 26th at the McMinnville Library, where Constanza will lead a class on draping cotardis, and Sabine and Asny are organizing medieval games for youth activities. Layla agreed to consult with the principality Seneschal regarding best practices for youth activities and background check requirements.

Library and Class Planning Updates

The group discussed library paperwork requirements, with Asny confirming that an online check-in was completed but no physical copy was obtained, leading to an agreement to request documentation for future events. They also discussed an upcoming tanning class led by Mergret Dyer, noting that the class was nearly full but might have one spot available. Regarding the arts and science meetings, Tyric updated the website to include these events, and Layla suggested reviewing attendance in October to determine if November meetings should proceed, with December likely to be skipped due to holiday conflicts.

Acorn War 2026 Planning Discussion

The group discussed several upcoming events, with Layla reporting that a winter feast planned for this year likely won't happen due to venue constraints, though some elements might be incorporated into next year's Acorn War. Asny sought input on Acorn War 2026, exploring options between August and October dates, with a preference for October due to scheduling conflicts and weather considerations. The group agreed that Asny should check the principality and kingdom calendars to find available dates, with Layla emphasizing the importance of confirming with the summit's calendar deputy before making any decisions.

Event Planning and Website Updates

The group discussed several topics including venue options for upcoming events, inventory management, and website updates. Asny will research and finalize venue locations, while Layla will follow up on getting the Shire's website to appear in Google search results. The team also addressed the need to create scrolls for outgoing defenders, with Kathleen potentially helping with design work. Elovel expressed interest in contributing to scribal work and event stewardship, and the group welcomed her involvement.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 8th at 6 PM.