

NWC July 2016

General Meeting Minutes July 16, 2016

Greeting/Welcome

The meeting was in Volusia and George Houston called the meeting to order at 1:04pm with 38 members present including the Governing Board and Bri from the Asheville chapter was Skyped in.

Angela, our hostess from the Volusia chapter made a toast and gave out tickets for the door prizes & told us there would be raffle baskets available for after the meeting.

EC History & Elections

George explained to everyone that 16 years ago, Collin King was one of our "founding fathers" and he is now the Tampa chapter president.

Mike Dunlap was our grand poohbah 1.0 (11 years) Gretchen Rath was our grand poohbah 2.0 (2 years) George Houston is our grand poohbah 3.0 (3 years)

Each president & his cabinet has had their own style and helped the Celts grow & change in their own way. We are now a "teenager" and still growing.

George & Barbe are ½ way through their terms so start thinking about stepping up to fill one of their positions, they cannot run for their current positions again per the By-laws. (See website www.NewWorldCeltsInc.org then click on Chapter Resources, and then click By Laws on left hand side)



Welcome!

Our newest Provisional chapter was introduced, Sarasota! Representing Sarasota was:

- Michael Ward-President;
- Deborah Dennis as VP;
- Kim Gonzalez as Secretary;
- Keith Dennis as Sqt at Arms; &
- Frank Shea as Rover/Event Advisor.

The Sarasota chapter is meeting at Pub 32 in Sarasota, Fl.

Tartan Museum

When Dunedin had hosted the General Meeting in the Winter of 2016 they had only used \$50.00 to rent the SAS Hall in Dunedin & it was proposed that a portion of the remaining funds go towards a donation to the Tartan Museum in Franklin, N.C.

We decided to get a Clan Affiliate Membership for \$200.00 and a \$50.00 banner donation. We received a wonderful letter from the museum which is attached.

- Our membership entitles you to Free Admission for New World Celt active members (your current membership card must be shown).
- NWC is eligible to receive 5% off gift shop purchases made by members; in store or online, if they designate their purchase as benefiting our society.
 - 5% discount off each purchase is based on order total before taxes and shipping.
- Payment is made to the clan on an annual basis after Nov. 30th each year.

SCOTTISH TARTANS MUSEUM & HERITAGE CENTER

86 East Main Street - Franklin, North Carolina 28734 828-524-7472 tartans@scottishtartans.org www.scottishtartans.org

Jim Akins
President of The Board of Directors
The Scottish Tartans Museum
86 East Main Street
Franklin, NC 28734

June 1, 2016

George Houston New World Celts 1402 Spring Loop Drive Winter Garden, FL 34787-2131

On behalf of myself and the Board of Directors, we want to thank you for recent donation to The Scottish Tartans Museum for \$250.00. Your banner donation of \$50.00 was received and will be used to purchase a banner for our banner wall display. The \$200.00 will be applied to your Clan Affiliate Membership. Your membership will be in effect until June 1, 2017. We thank you for your continuing support of our museum!

Jim Akins

Jim Akins
President of The Board of Directors for The Scottish Tartans Museum

DONATION RECEIPT - KEEP FOR YOUR RECORDS

Received from New World Celts
Organization: The Scottish Tartans Museum
Date Received: June 1, 2016

Donation Received: \$250.00 (Clan Affiliation Membership – One Banner

Donation)

A non-profit tax exempt cooperation dedicated to preserving the heritage of Highland Dress

Savannah Games Report

George & his lovely wife Lisa attended the games this year and attended the Sponsorship dinner which was \$25.00 & an open bar.

We will want to make a presence at these games. The music and dancers were wonderful. Their set up is a bit different than the way we set up our games in Florida. The clan tents were in a circle and the athletes were in the center so that all the clans could see.

Mary Hill from Tennessee was there, good to see her again.

It was discussed that if any of the chapter officers, if they choose to attend these games, can speak with their chapters to vote to see if the chapter will reimburse you for travel expenses or maybe part if you are in a smaller chapter.

Membership Drive

The membership drive will begin on 10/1/2016. The renewal cards will be mailed out on that day. Last year we had tried not sending out the cards to see if it really did make a difference & if it justified the expense of the cards & postage. Without a doubt, it certainly does make a difference; membership is down so we will go back to using the renewal cards.

We were also discussing a more efficient way process the membership cards for members. Jerry Granby said he would be willing to help with that.

The possibility of a webmaster, or associate webmaster was also discussed to help Barbe out.

Jane motioned & Angela seconded that we pay the membership of whoever will be the associate webmaster.

Scoring of Rebates

2014 was the start of "The Point System"

A point system for chapters with the following points awarded:

- Officer lists with Names, Office & Contact Info to NWC EC by Dec 31st = 1 point
- Meeting minutes to Executive Committee Secretary by end of every month of current year = 1 point
- Treasurer report to Executive Committee Treasurer by end of every month of current year = 1 point
- 9 members or more renewing in the Chapter by Dec 31st for the upcoming year = 1 point
 - o Example: Chapter' total rebate is \$100.00
 - o 1 pt. 1/4 \$= they actually earn back \$25
 - o 2 pts. ½ \$= they actually earn back \$50
 - o 3 pts. 3/4 \$= they actually earn back \$75
 - o 4 pts. all \$ = they actually earn back \$100
- All this information is in the chapter manual
 - (See website www.NewWorldCeltsInc.org then click on Chapter Resources, and then click Chapter Manual on left hand side)

Treasurer Report

Executive Committee

2016 Summer Semi Annual Treasurer Report

Balance (06/30): \$6632.70

Date	Description		Sales
jan	Deposits Including tip and beer money	7,058.66	
Feb	Deposits	\$767.33	
Mar	Deposits	\$368.02	
Apr	Deposits	\$0.00	
May	Deposits	\$16.25	
Jun	Deposits	\$1,010.00	

Total Deposits in all: \$9,220.26 includes paypal.

Date	Vendor	Scholarships /grants	Office Exsp	Meeting Exsp	Games Exsp	Travel Exsp	total monthly expenses
Jan	exsp	\$135.00	\$689.30			\$88.32	\$912.62
Feb	exsp		\$65.06				\$65.06
Mar	exsp	\$400.00	\$599.90				\$999.90
Apr	exsp		\$89.61		\$175.00	\$26.00	\$290.61
May	exsp	\$360.00	\$170.21			\$211.14	\$741.35
Jun	exsp		\$10.54				\$10.54

Total Expenses in all: \$3,020.08.



Account Activity

BUSINESS CHECKING XXXXXX1583

Activity	

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Current Posted Balance	\$6.592.70
Pending Withdrawals/ Debits	\$0.00
Pending Deposits/ Credits	\$0.00
Available Balance	\$6,592.70

Transactions

Show: for Last 6 Months

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03/16/16	CHECK # 1116		\$45.00
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01/25/16	CHECK # 1114		\$45.00
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Proposed: It is proposed that the Executive Committee reverse the action that they generate and distribute their treasury reports to all the Chapter Treasurers from a bi-monthly basis back to a semi-annual basis

- Tampa chapter motioned to approve this proposal
- St. Pete seconded
- Motion approved.

Reminder: Amazon.com rebate program

With the holidays coming up, don't forget if you shop on line, go to the link on the website first then shop so the NWC can get a rebate/donation.

Go to www.NewWorldCeltsInc.org and the link for Amazon Smile is at the bottom of the Home page in RED, below the block with the Calendar of Events.

Dan Callahan Scholarship

The winner of the Dan Callahan Scholarship this year was Kathleen Dugan-Cavanah a Uillean piper from Orange County.

Scholarship Applications on Website

There was discussion regarding the scholarship applications that are downloaded from the website.

These applications are mailed in to the EC at the Dunedin PO Box and it is causing a delay in the chapter receiving the application since it must be forwarded from the EC Treasurer.

- Michelle from Orlando motioned that the scholarship forms be relocated to each chapter's page.
- Brandon seconded.
- Passed unanimously

As of this meeting, Tampa & Dunedin are the only chapters to use the \$180.00 scholarship funds from EC.

Ocala Games 10/22/16

2 tents at no charge \$500.00 Banner \$550.00 1/8-page ad \$1,000.00 event entrance banner Jane from St. Pete motioned \$1,000.00 entrance banner and Carol from Bradenton seconded. Motion passed

Volusia & Orlando will be working the tents which will be no cost.

Volunteers are needed.

<u>Update</u> this event was CANCELLED! Boo! We have our sponsorship money

Central Florida Highland Games Aka Orlando Games

- 2 tents that NWC is pouring beer at
- Sign up on Volunteer Spot
- \$2200.00 will be split up by hours worked per chapter
- Beer 101
 - Pay attention to the experienced pourers
- Wine sales again this year
 - No backpacks
 - No friends behind counter

Website update- Barbe

The website update is complete. A few highlights...

- The Scholarship Applications are on the front page which makes them so much easier to access.
- The Events Calendar link is on the front page as well as
- the Tartan Museum link
- Games & Bands links
- Membership Applications to Print
- Celtic History Archive
- Membership Discounts page link

Amazon.com Smile link is in RED below the links mentioned above.

- Chapters -each chapter has their Facebook link included.
- Membership/Renewals page has it broken down by type of renewal.
- Tir na nog- a page dedicated to members who have passed on.
- Dan Callahan & Greg McGrath Scholarship pages

NWC Kids update

- Our first NWC kid, Morgan King, is visiting from Germany
- Patience Walat is now Secretary for the Tampa chapter.
- NWCK is not run by us (EC), but at the chapter level

UPCOMING GENERAL MEETINGS

Winter 2017 Brandon chapter will host

St Pete motioned to keep the budget of \$750.00 Dunedin seconded Motion passed.

Summer 2017- Tampa will be the hosts

Volusia motioned to keep the budget of \$750.00 Dunedin seconded Motion passed.

Winter 2018 - St. Pete will be the hosts

St Pete motioned to keep the budget of \$750.00 Bradenton seconded Motion passed.

Volusia-Our hosts today

- Ormond Beach Festival
- Kilts for Critters-22 members
 - dog parade
 - Judges, prizes, donated dog food
 - Donated to humane society
- Zombie Pub Crawl-mid October
- Celtic Society-new society combining Celtic Heritage, New World Celts, & Celtic Norse
- Scholarships for two dancers
- Grant to Henrick's School of Irish Dance

Asheville, NC

- Celtober- We have officially taken over production of Celtober! We're taking it back to its roots this year to regroup. So, it's only a one night concert this year with plans to take it back to a weekend festival next year. This year it's being held on Thursday October 20th from 7-10 pm at the Grey Eagle. Jan Zollars will be teaching Breton dancing before the Screaming Orphans and Albannach take the stage!! We will continue our traditional costume contest and our raffle. We are also looking for sponsors for the event as well. We are very excited about this endeavor!
- We had a social on July 6th at a new pub called the Patton Public House. We are hoping this may be our new meeting home if we can work it out with them!
- Our weapons group, the Highland Horde, is off to another great year. We hope to continue throughout the year by looking at indoor facilities to hold us through the mountain winters.
- We are reaching out to the Montford Park Players, a local theater group here, to offer to help them with their Midsummer Renaissance Faire next year. While they are fabulous actors, their festival knowledge is a bit lacking and if they take us up on our offer, we can have an awesome little local Renn Faire! With all the members we have with festival knowledge, our vendor and music contacts and our weapons group for demos, I think they'd be silly to say no. So, fingers crossed!
- That's all we have planned so far. I'm sure we'll come up with some more craic and shenanigans. We don't like to be idle.

Brandon

Past events

- Whisky Tasting- Collin King as William Wallace
- Scholarships
- Pop up Trailer-repairs done
- St Patrick's doggy day
- Renn Faire-great turn out
- Kilt night

Upcoming events

- William Wallace Whiskey Tasting October 1st
 - o 2 whiskies
 - o 2 bourbons
 - o 2 beers
 - Requesting wine tasting for the ladies

Bradenton

- Sarasota games
- Midmonth dinner/social
- Gamble Plantation
- 2 scholarships
- 144 dz beads for St. Patrick's Day
- McCabe's kilt night
- Solstice picnic

Dunedin

- Membership: 77
- Scholarships:
 - By the Numbers: 25 (includes Sandy Keith Scholarship, McFarlin Scholarship & EC Scholarship)
 - o By the Money: \$3,770
- Sponsorships:
 - Dunedin Fire Department Honor Guard = \$875.00
 - City of Dunedin Sponsorship = \$500.00
 - Total of 2 Sponsorships: \$1,375.00

- 2016 Income: \$6,992.00
 - Sources: Brown Bag Raffles, Scottish Breakfast, Three Kilt Nights,
 - One Whisky Tasting, Dunedin Highland Games Raffles, St. Patrick's Day Raffles,
 - Dunedin Chapter Royal T-Shirt Sales, and Anonymous Donations
- Member Participation: Three Highland Games
- Three Pinellas Trail Clean-Ups
- Three Kilt Nights
- Marched in Two Parades

Current Committees:

- Public Relations / Membership
- Revenue
- Barbarians at the Gate

Community:

- Spotlight Organization at January 2016 Meeting of Dunedin Counsel of Organizations
- Escorted the King and Queen at the Dunedin Mardi Gras Parade
- Escorted the Chieftain of the Day at the Dunedin Highland Games
- NWC "Celtic Library" Donation to the Dunedin Public Library
- Provide additional security for the St. Patrick's Day Festival
- Removed over 25 Lbs. of Trash from the NWC Section of the Pinellas Trail

New Projects:

- NWC Dunedin Chapter Website Update/ Revision (http://www.dunedinnwc.org/)
- o Celtic Oyster Festival TBD

Save the Date:

- Dunedin Chapter Kilt Night, August 20th, Flanagan's Irish Pub
- Fall Whisky Tasting, November 16th, Flanagan's Irish
 Pub
- The Dunedin Celtic Music & Craft Beer Festival,
 November 19th, Highlander Park

Hornets' Nest

 Sept. Latta Plantation Celtic Heritage Day Fundraiser Monies raised \$512.80

Orlando

- January- hosted tent for CFSHG, helped with beer pouring
- March- hosted tent, provided security and help with various tasks for the Crooked Can inaugural St. Patrick's Celtic Festival.
- April- helped Volusia chapter with emcee at OBCF
- May- joined St. Andrews society for a kilt night at fiddlers
- June work day raffle baskets and clan info binders
- Upcoming events:
- August 20 Bagpipes, Bangers and Tartan Bash
- September- half way to St. Patrick's day at Crooked Can kilt night
- October- Winter Garden Music Fest
- 10/14/16 McIntyre- Connelly's in Longwood Kilt night \$3.50 drafts all night

Sarasota-Provisional Chapter

6/9/16 was first meeting

- July 30th Kilt Night @ Pub 32 in Sarasota (\$412.00 raised)
- August 1st General Membership Meeting @ Pub 32
- August 28th Siesta Key Drum Circle with Blue Skye Pipe & Drum Band
- Sept 10th Tampa Bay Tartan Ball www.tartanballtb.com
- Sept 17 Halfway to St Patrick's Day @ Pub 32 in Sarasota
- Oct 29th Celtic Music Festival @ Sarasota Fairgrounds -11am to 10pm (Dunedin, Tampa, & Brandon helping)

St. Pete

- Recognized & thanked EC, Tampa & Dunedin for help with raffles & tickets at event-made twice as much as last year
- 5/14- All-Clan Spring Ceili at Sacred Lands
- 1/2 way to St. Paddy's Day Kilt Night upcoming (9/17) @ The Ale & The Witch 111 2nd Ave NE, St. Petersburg. Lucid Druid will be preforming!

Tampa

- We have been helping other chapters
- Scholarships
- USF Celtic Studies Program
 - o 1916 Rebellion & Diaspora
 - 62 hours of interviews
 - Relationship w/Smithsonian
 - o Students do interviews in Tampa
 - Do use skype for some
 - Will continue early 2017
- Kilt night coming soon
- Early January (6 or 7) Scottish 12th Night Ball (final day of Christmas)
- Celtic Christmas

Brian Hall in Texas is working on starting a new chapter

Waxahachie Scarborough Faire

George will work on creating Trifold for chapters

Collin (Tampa) Motioned for meeting to close Shawn (Brandon) seconded. Everyone agreed

Meeting ended 4:20