

Geomancy group AGM.

5th November, 2008.

Agenda:

1. Apologies.
2. Treasurers' report and subs.
3. Election of officers.
4. Programme for next year.
5. New members.
6. Mission statement.
7. A.O.B.

1. Apologies were received from Sara Greenwood, Sig and Karin, Patrick, Jon, Barry and Ivan. Maria said that she had heard from Barry that he is ready to rejoin the group next year.
2. Treasurers report. Ros stated that our current balance is £1,377. 44. She pointed out that some subs had not been paid from last year, and this was rectified by those present. Maria questioned whether we need to have subs, and there was some debate about this. It was felt that this is one way we can make a tangible energetic commitment to the group, and so we then discussed how much is appropriate. After some proposed £10 and others felt it was good to stay with £20, we agreed to stick with £20.
3. Brannie said she felt there was a need to pull the group together, as it seemed to her to be drifting somewhat. Susie said that the death of Maryrose had reawakened an urge for the group to function in her life again. They had proposed that they stand together as joint co-chair, with Maria as vice chair. Maria said she would like to restart the newsletter and act in a supportive role. Grahame said he missed the newsletter, and how it gave news of those members who could not attend meetings. Ros said it was good to have some renewed interest in the group from those who had not been able to attend meetings for a while. Sarah Birrell said it is good that there is so much energy present at the meeting to put into the group, and Grahame suggested that we actually go for having a newsletter editor, a chair and a vice-chair, and this was agreed.

Officers:

Chair.....Susie Shaw.
Vice Chair.....Branwen Edwards.
Secretary.....Grahame Gardner.
Treasurer.....Ros Briagha.
Newsletter editor.....Maria Hayden.

4. We agreed on a programme for next year as follows:
February 21st.....near Malvern
May 9th.....Bury St. Edmunds.
October 25th.....AGM. In the north somewhere.....

5. New members. Two new members have been proposed and these are:

Robert Reid- proposed by Grahame, who gave us a brief CV. It was agreed to ask him to join us as a probationary member at our Imbolc gathering.

Hugh Newman – proposed by Shaun, who gave us a brief CV. Richard supported this as he has worked with Hugh as well, at the Geomancy forums at Sunrise and BGG. It was agreed to ask him along to the next meeting he can attend, as he is away in February, as a probationary member.

6. Shaun said it would be good to have some kind of mission statement on the web, and it was pointed out that we do have such a thing on our website. Maria said she did feel a good sense of the group now she was at a meeting, and Julie said that for those who have managed to attend the last few meetings, it has felt strong. It was noted that we can offer new members:

Peer support.

Referrals.

Newsletters.

Meetings of a stimulating nature, and fine whisky!

Growth and development in our work.

7. Julie mentioned e-mail voting for members who cannot attend the AGM. There was some discussion of this, and it was agreed that Julie will set it up for us. She will prepare a form and send it round for approval. It was agreed that at this time we do not require a secret ballot. She will call for AGM nominations 3 weeks beforehand. We will then have voting – in person, by proxy, and by e-mail.

Grahame mentioned that the NFSH have asked for up to 3 geomancers to come along to a session in May to give some practical workshops, and Richard, Julie and Shaun said they will take this on.

Susie told us of a client she had two years ago who is still having trouble, and the group discussed this for a while and gave her some suggestions for help.

Shaun suggested setting up a Google e-mail group, and he and Grahame agreed to discuss this further.

The meeting finished with a circle to honour and celebrate Maryrose, who died in August. There was strong sense of her presence, and much love was shared.

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