

Geomancy group AGM. October 17th, 2010.

Apologies: Susie Shaw, Brannie, Sarah Birrell, Richard Creightmore, Julie Rocka, Robert Reid, Barry Hoon, Shaun, Karin Lonegren.

Present: Patrick Macmanaway, Sig Lonegren, Jon Appleton, Sara, Greenwood, Ros Briagha, Grahame Gardner.

Agenda:

1. Last years minutes.
2. Treasurers report.
3. Election of Officers.
4. Dates for next year.
5. New members.
6. Web site and enquiries.
7. A.O.B.

1. The meeting started with Sara G reading out last years minutes. The two matters arising were: Festivals with Richard, and the Golden Rule, which is with Patrick.

Patrick said that the Golden Rule is very safe, and will be returned once we have decided the next recipient.

Festivals - Ros said that Richard and Julie had got her a ticket for OOTO< but she had been unable to go. She suggested that each person needs to get in touch with R and J to make arrangements for those events they wished to attend.

2. Treasurers report.

13 members paid subs in 2009/10. Barry, Shaun and Maria did not pay. If folk stop paying their subs, there may need to be a cut off point at which they stop being members or getting referrals.

There needs to be an e-mail reminder sent after the AGM, and a request that subs are paid up by Imbolc, mentioning the above loss of referrals and use of the web site. Once the sub is paid they are fully functioning members again.

The last bank statement said we had £1,028 in the funds. With the subs and payments received for this meeting, it is now at £934, as the funds paid £100 towards the rental of the house for the AGM.

Patrick proposed keeping the balance at @£1500 to help allow rentals etc in the future. This was voted on and passed - All in Favour.

Ros suggested a Bursary place to be made available at each meeting. Patrick then suggested a bursary equivalent, i.e. could be split between 2 or 3 people to give a cheaper rate. Grahame said he was wary of some folk using this too much

to avoid payment, and Ros said that each case should be decided on its own merit. Patrick said that folk really should be able to pay their way. There was more discussion. It could involve an energy exchange, - eg an hour lecture to the group.

Ros said she would create a proposal that is not open to abuse....{ Not done yet}

3. Election of officers.

Officers 2009/10:

Susie ShawChair.
Brannie Edwards.....Vice chair.
Grahame GardnerSecretary.
Ros Briagha.....Treasurer.

Susie has said she does not want to stand again, nor does Brannie.

Patrick proposed Sara Greenwood, and Ros seconded this.

There was a unanimous Vote in favour of this.
The office of Vice Chair was abolished .

Grahame agreed to stand again and was voted in unanimously.
Ros agreed to stand again and was also voted in unanimously.

So Officers 2010/11 are:

Sara GreenwoodChair.
Grahame GardnerSecretary
Ros Briagha.....Treasurer.

4. Meetings are around early March, which gives two possible weekends next year, the 5-6th or the 12th-13th, and mid October , which gives, 7-8th or 15-16th.

Anglesey was proposed for March, and Cornwall for Autumn, and both were agreed.

PLEASE SEND YOUR CHOICE OF DATES TO US ALL A.S.A.P!!!!!!!

Jon asked if these weekends are open to guests? It was agreed that both teachers and new potential members can be invited.It is also good to check this first. It was agreed that two long weekends are better than short ones, so we could try and make these 3-4 days long. Also we could do a week in Cornwall?

Grahame said there is a local dowsing guy on Anglesey who could be helpful.
Sara asked if the accommodation at Ba Millers in Cornwall could suit us, and Sig said he would check this out.

5. There was a unanimous vote that Giulia should become a full member. It was

agreed that Ros should make new medicine pouches for Giulia and Robert, and that they should be initiated at the next meeting they attend.

Other **potential new members** are **John and Jill Moss**, who have spent the weekend with us. It was agreed that they should become probationary members, and after two more meetings we will vote on their full membership.

Hugh Newman could not attend this time, and has shown no real interest in the group, so it was agreed to leave him on a back burner for now.

Ros will check in with **Will Secretan**, and if he is still interested he will need to come along to another probationary meeting to reconnect.

Grahame would like to **propose Peter Knight**. We all agreed. Grahame will contact him.

Also Grahame has been approached by **Bill Holding**. Patrick and Grahame agreed he is not ready for us yet.

Patrick said **Faye Palmer**, BSD, psychic, teacher, might be good, and should be kept in mind.

Sig said **Andrew Cox** might be ready in 2-3 years.

We have a limit of 2 new people a year.

6. Web site. Grahame has had a number of enquiries. Lots want to join us and get training, so they get referred to the BSD. Patrick said we could do with more direct referrals, not the BSD, so that we get the benefit. He suggested we could use some funds to market ourselves more, to try and capture more of the market. It was felt that this is not really what we do. The BSD is the training body and standard. We must remember to let Grahame know when we are running workshops etc, so he can put it up on the web site.

Patrick wondered about a second level of membership paying more and working the market on a higher level, but there was no real support for this. Sara said there are more folk doing BSD stuff who may want to come on to us for further training. Grahame said there are a batch ready for this. We agreed some of us can offer training to take them further.

Sara asked us all to honour Grahames' web site work, and he was then awarded the Golden Rule!!!!

The meeting then closed.