# GRAND ANNUAL MEETING XV.

## DÚNEDAIN AND THEIR STORIES 3. - 11. AUGUST 2013



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#### WHEN?

The international part of our fifteenth Grand Annual Meeting will be held from Thursday, 8 August, to Sunday, 11 August 2013. As usual the program will be rich and diverse, with plenty of workshops, activities and chances to simply relax and socialize, and will reach its peak on Saturday evening, when we hope to have a wonderful party with numerous friends from foreign Tolkien societies with us.

#### WHERE?

Our Meeting will take place in the hut belonging to the Velike Lašče hunting society and its beautiful surroundings. The location is easily and quickly accessible from Ljubljana and there is a well-maintained road to the hut itself. The hut is spacious and well equipped, with two toilets, two showers, a kitchen and a large communal area, and there is space in the rooms for around 20 people to sleep in.

We urge you not to forget, though, that it is a hut and not a hotel and anyone looking for more luxurious accommodation should look at the places recommended below. The space in the hut is limited, so please let us know in advance (preferably when applying) whether you would like to sleep in the hut.

Adjacent to the hut is a covered area with a fireplace where all kinds of workshops and board games will take place. All around it is a large meadow where we will play various sports, activities and sing around the fire, and the forest s around us will offer numerous opportunities for wandering in the wild.



#### **GETTING THERE**

Access to the location from most places will start in direction Ljubljana. You leave the southern Ljubljana bypass at Ljubljana-Jug for direction Lavrica/Škofljica/Kočevje. You continue down the main road toward Kočevje through Lavrica, Škofljica, Pijava Gorica, Turjak, Rašica and Velike Lašče. When you pass Velike Lašče, you will need to be careful, as the road takes you by Dolnje Retje and Gornje Retje, where the railroad joins the road from the left. Half a kilometre later, at the top of a small hill, you will notice a small bridge which crosses the railroad and you have to drive over it. Just after you have crossed it, the forest road splits and you have to take the one going right. Drive for another kilometre or so, keeping to the left whenever the road splits. You will reach a large meadow, where you will already see the hut and probably also lots of orcs, trolls, and elves.

Address: Prilesje 25, 1315 Velike Lašče GPS coordinates: 45.820665, 14.671469 or N45° 49' 14" E14° 40' 17"

#### PRICE

The price for the weekend will be  $50 \in$  per person for those who preregister and  $60 \in$  for those who do not. The **preregistration** will be on our website and it will be **open until 30 June**. The price includes the food (breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks), a place to stay (either in the hut or in a tent) and all the activities you will participate in during your stay with us.

The menu at the Meeting is different every year but as anyone who has ever visited one of our previous Meetings can tell you, it is always one of the highlights of the event. Breakfast is a buffet with bread and various jams and spreads; lunch is the main meal and usually includes something meaty and delicious; and dinner is always something special, either sausage baked over the fire or the traditional Kaiserschmarrn. Be sure to let us know if you are vegetarian or have other dietary constraints!

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#### PROGRAMME

This year's theme are Dúnedain and their stories which describe the wonders and sorrows of their past. In honour of this we will try and remember everything we have experienced together in the fifteen years since the founding of our society. Members new and old will enjoy our time together, reminiscing about the unforgettable moments, the friendships and loves we have shared, and take a look at the best and funniest things we have created through the years.

During the day there will be lots of workshops to choose from (elven jewelry, banner making, candle jar painting, ...) and in the evening we shall have the traditional club fighting, singing around the campfire, a moot under the stars, and tons more. Of course, there will also be plenty of time for other activities such as frizball, club-fighting, Vikings, troll-ball, a short hiking trip and so on.

There will be more to the programme than just that, of course, but for a change of pace from previous years it will all be set a little more freely, so that everyone can do what they enjoy doing the most. We do not doubt, of course, that there will also be plenty of socializing, remembering old friends and making new ones! And please remember, every society that will contribute to our programme (with a prepared workshop, lecture, presentation, game, ...) will get a bonus of a free stay for one person.

#### CONTACT

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#### ALTERNATIVE ACCOMMODATION

If you would like to sleep a little more comfortably there is a large number of tourist accommodation facilities available in the vicinity. Listed here are some of those we might recommend, but do not hesitate to look for others yourself or ask us if you are looking for something specific!

All accomodations are 30 min away from our hut. Appartments Lavric: http://www.apartmaji-lavric.com/ Appartments Klancar: http://www.kmetija-klancar.si/ Hotel Kongo: http://www.kongo.si

