

Archives Committee Report – December 2020

This report is updated in conjunction with the Area Winter Assembly (virtual) on 12/12/2020. Since the last NIA20 Archives Committee Report submitted in September 2020:

- Archives committee chair (Jeff K) has assisted Districts on request with archives-related workshops and has made/preserved audio files (MP3 plus burning to CDs) for NIA20 Archives of the following:
 - Archives workshop/panel (12/8/20 – D.43 archives)
 - Panel discussion/workshop re impact of pandemic (9/8/20 – D.43)
 - “Long-timers” panel discussion/workshop (7/25/20 – D.42 archives)
 - “Long-timers” panel discussion & workshop held (5/9/20 – D.43 archives)
- We have handled and responded to several outside-the-Area requests for assistance received via the Area website archives committee email address.
- The Archives committee is committed to carry out its service responsibilities by, at minimum –
 - Assisting and supporting the Area Archivist as needed
 - Holding Area-wide archives committee meeting(s) (virtual) between Area assemblies
 - Hosting one or more “Area-wide” archives-related “long-timer panels” or similar workshops in 2021 (*planning input to be discussed!*)
 - Helping district/local archives committees prepare and/or conduct workshops and panels, deal with district/local archive collection/retention issues, etc.
- The Committee still *needs someone to step up for Archives Alternate!*
- Regarding the 2021 proposed PPR items that apply to the Archives Committee – and *subject to further discussion* at the Winter Assembly – it appears reasonable to use a 50% reduction (compared to the 2020 PPR) based on 2020 experience and the likelihood of pandemic-related restrictions continuing well into 2021.

In service,
Jeff K – Archives Chair NIA20
December 1, 2020