

LE CHRONIQUE D'ESPERANCE

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Our Crown Speaks

Unto the Populace,

Well, it has been a very busy month. The War went well and I would like to thank all those who put in so many hours of hard work to make it a success. A special thanks goes to Her Imperial Majesty for rescuing the Arts and Sciences when Sir Jehan was unable to attend due to a family emergency.

I also wish to commend all the artisans and combatants for all their hard work and honorable behavior at the arts table and on the field of combat.

I wish to congratulate all of the new knights and I know that they will do themselves and Esperance proud in the upcoming years.

A special congratulation goes to the Marquis d'Aggravaine, the first quadruple knight of Esperance.

I want to commend my opponent, Sir Patrick, for a hard fought contest for the Crown.

I had the opportunity to attend the Aquitaine event and enjoyed myself greatly. The combat was well fought. I regretted that there was no Arts competition. I was pleased to see that when non-members had questions everyone pitched in to answer them.

Although Coronation was, naturally, something of a blur for me a few things stand out.

Many thanks to the decorating crew for a lovely site. And to the Feast-o-crat and her dedicated crew for a wonderful, tasty, feast.

The Coronation itself went well, and I wish to thank Sir Donavan for stepping in when the

Crown Herald was unable to attend, Sir Jehan for representing the Church of Adria, Sir Jamie for all the support and consideration he gave as I struggled to make it through this momentous time, and everyone else who attended and helped whom I may have missed.

Congratulations to Dame Lyrica Angeline as she starts down the road as the newest knight of Esperance both as a Knight Bachelor and a Knight Minister.

And a special congratulations to the newest Baron of the Court, Sir Jamie the Red. This is a title hard earned and well deserved for all the many thankless hours as Lord Protector.

My Ministry staff has been filled with the exception of Deputy Steward for Membership and I hope to have an opportunity to introduce each of them at opening Court at the December event.

As usual, the people of Esperance have come through and made my lady and Myself proud.

In Service to Esperance

Conall O'Cearnaigh
Rex Esperance

From Lady Aifa, the Rowan, Royal Consort

Greetings unto the Populace of Esperance,

Oh, my, what a lot has happened in the last month!

First, Crown War. I would like to thank everyone who made the War a success. And, of course, those who ensured that I had something to eat. I hope everyone had a wonderful time despite a rather damp Sunday. And to the good gentle who slew me so neatly in the first ren battle, well done, I never saw it coming.

Then, Coronation. Thanks to the decorating committee for a lovely hall, to the feast-o-crat and her dedicated crew for the finest Coronation feast I have ever had (though I did not get a chance to sample the cheesecake), and to those kind folks who were so supportive when I had a case of nerves.

All together it was a wonderful evening. To all those who gave us such lovely gifts, I am quite speechless.

I am looking forward to the next year with all its challenges and opportunities to give back to a game that has given me so very much over the years. It is my hope that I can make Adria more fun for us all.

I wish this Kingdom all the joy and peace of the holiday season.

In Service to Esperance,
Aifa, the Rowan

From the (Former) Lord Protector

Unto the Populace of Esperance I send greetings,

Well, I have successfully passed the kingdom into the hands of the new King and am officially retired as Lord Protector. It has been an interesting six months, and no, I will not be running for the crown next year! However, it was also a rewarding six months and I would like to thank the ministers of the kingdom again for their efforts during my time on the throne. I couldn't have done it without you.

I also want everyone to know that I am not going to be abandoning either the King or the Kingdom. I will be around to help with the transition, to answer questions as I can, and to generally provide the new Crown and the members of the kingdom whatever assistance I can during the transition. It will be a tremendous relief to point at the King and say that the buck stops there, but I won't be running and hiding.

To His Royal Majesty, I am at your service. Call me at need.

In Service,
Sir Jamie the Red
Baron of the Court

Our Queen Mother

As you are all aware, Dame Willow de Rara, Queen Mother of Esperance, was forced to step down from her royal duties earlier this year for health reasons. Her Grace, Dame Willow, is not "just" a former queen, she is the first queen of our kingdom, as well as the first knight to have held the position two times. She has been a part of our lives for as long as most of us can remember. It was a sad day when her health forced her from her throne, and it is sad still. Please take a moment and send your good thoughts, your prayers, and your best wishes in her direction. She is still ill, and needs her friends and family here in Adria.

Thank you,
Dame Rosellen

Chancery Business: Agenda for the December 8th, 2001 Meeting of the Estates of the Kingdom of Esperance

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings
 - A. September 8th, 2001
 - B. October 13th, 2001
 - C. November 10th, 2001
- IV. Crown Business
 - CrB1. Introduction of Ministers
- V. Old Business
 - OB1. How actively do we wish to pursue other sites to play at? If we don't move, the site fee will need to be raised from the \$1 that it was at for the past year.

Note: The previous Warden was directed to look into alternative sites and has not reported back. If the estates wish this matter pursued, the new Warden may need time to research options.
 - OB2. Establish an approval process for consorts to be elevated to full crown status if knighthood is obtained during the reign in which they serve as consort.
- VI. New Business
 - NB1. Should Esperance host a feast during March Imperial Estates Meeting (being held in Esperance)? How much should be allocated for costs?
- VII. Additional New Business

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS OF THE POPULACE OF ESPERANCE:

To facilitate the Kingdom Estates meeting today, the above agenda and the following proxy form have been included. As a member, you may make notes on the agenda to inform your Estate Holder (or the crown if you are not a member of a house, barony, etc.) of your opinion. If you are an Estate Holder please use the above as your official agenda and feel free to use the form below as your proxy if you may be unable to attend.

I, _____, m.k.a. _____,

GAME NAME HERE REAL MUNDANE NAME HERE

hereby give my proxy to

_____, m.k.a. _____,

GAME NAME HERE REAL MUNDANE NAME HERE

for the Esperance Kingdom Estates meeting to be held on December 8th, 2001.

Signed:

REAL MUNDANE SIGNATURE HERE December 8th, 2001

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 8, 2001 ESPERANCE ESTATES MEETING:

I. REGULAR BUSINESS

A. Minister's Reports.

- Steward: Presented a copy of the check register, with report.
- Warden: New Warden is Dame Marion Leal Durius, who reports having an empty box.
- Chancellor: Charges against Sir Caspian were dropped. The Lord Protector filed charges against Dame Katherine McGuire.

B. Minutes of the July 2001 Esperance Estates Meeting were approved.

II. OLD BUSINESS

- OB1. Revisit sign-ins and sign-ups: Withdrawn by Sir Conall.
- OB2. Retirement Titles for Dame Willow de Rara and Sir Cromar Volfsblot: No Motion of The Floor.
- OB3 Permit for Eisenhower Park: \$50.00 Deposit and \$50.00 a day Fee was approved, but the Estates directed the Warden to seek out alternative sites should we decide to move.

III. NEW BUSINESS

- NB1. Announcement of Ruling by Lord Crown Protector: Esperance Law for Estates that are under numbers shall again be enforced.
- NB2. Membership status of Sir Talon Marcus: Withdrawn by Author (Dame Maedb).
- NB3. Crown Candidates address of the Estates:
 - a. Sir Conall O'Conneagh announced his Candidacy and that Razi bint Sabra would be his Consort. They answered questions during their address.
 - b. Sir Patrick announced his Candidacy and his negotiations with Lady Baroness Annabella Soth of Brea Own, Canton of Loch Lava, to be his Consort. He was clear of his intention to run with or without a consort. He also answered questions.

IV. CALL FOR OTHER NEW BUSINESS: Being none, the next Estates Meeting Was announced for October 13, 2001.

V. CALL FOR ADJOURNMENT: Approved.

MINUTES OF THE ESPERANCE KINGDOM ESTATES MEETING ON OCTOBER 13, 2001

I. REGULAR BUSINESS

- A. Minister's Reports: Estates directed to see the newsletter.
- B. Approval of the minutes of the September 8, 2001 Estates Meeting: Tabled as @ half the Estates represented by "proxy".

II. OLD BUSINESS

- OB1. Crown Contenders: Shall the Estates accept as Crown Contenders with Consorts in the Esperance Crown War of November 2001, the following:
 - A. Sir Patrick Gullidge (m.k.a. Mark Roberts)
PASSED: Yes = 17, No = 4, Abstentions = 4
 - B. Sir Conall O'Conneagh (m.k.a. Paul Gieri)
PASSED: Yes = 20, No = 0, Abstentions = 5

Note: Sir Patrick's consort will be Baroness Annabella Soth (Cynthia Kocher) and Sir Conall's consort will be Aifa the Rowan (Ginger Gieri). For details on requirements for Crowns/Ruling Nobles, see the bylaws, Article VIII, Section B. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR CROWNS/RULING NOBLES. In addition, a contender must be at least 18 years of age (Article VII, Section C).

OB2: Approval of this year's "Sheep War" expenses.

TABLED: Due to the large number of proxies at this meeting, estates holders did not have the ability to personally review the actual amounts. It was requested by the Lord Protector that the Estates meet in December of 2001, and consider the financial circumstances of this year's "Sheep War" and vote regarding the expenses incurred by the Autocrats.

III. NEW BUSINESS

NB1. Discussion of Imperial Estates Agenda:

The Agenda is too long to be included here, and has been published for awhile now. It can be found at:

<http://home.att.net/~elisabethontis> or
<http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/ontis>.

Please review this and discuss it with your applicable Imperial Estate Holders.

IV. CALL FOR OTHER NEW BUSINESS

ONB1: Proposal to establish an "approval process" for Consorts to be elevated to full Crown status if Knighthood is attained during the reign in which they serve as Consort. This shall be OB on Dec. 8, 2001.

V. CALL FOR NEXT ESTATES MEETINGS

As per custom and law, a (VERY BRIEF) Estates Meeting is to be held at the beginning of the Crown War on Saturday, November 10, 2001.

The Estates of Esperance are called by the Chancellor, and so directed to meet 'neath the "Shady Tree" at the December 8, 2001 Esperance Crown Event.

VI. CALL FOR ADJOURNMENT: Readily done and adjourned.

MINUTES OF THE ESPERANCE KINGDOM ESTATES MEETING ON NOVEMBER 10, 2001

I. Roll Call

The estate holders present in person or by proxy were counted by the chancellor and quorum was established.

II. Old Business

OB1. Approval of expenses for the "Sheep War."

The circumstances of the war were discussed and the estimated loss of the event was put forth as approximately \$225. Dame Katherine Marshal moved to approve the "Sheep War" expenses. There was a second and the estates passed the measure without objection.

III. Adjournment

Minister's Reminders

The Chancellor's office has submitted his report earlier in the newsletter. Please contact him if you have any additional business for the estates meeting.

The Steward's Office has submitted the following information on renewals for the members of Esperance: (the date supplied is the date you expire) (Please note that the Imperial Membership Chair MAY be behind on November renewals. Her office provided this information):

The following members have lapsed in their renewals for the month of November:

11/04 Hillenburg, John P.
11/11 Escamillo, Elisabeth
11/13 Buebe, Jacob
11/13 Buebe, Pamala
11/19 Cavalier Jr., Kirk
11/25 Penix, Timothy Allen

The following members will have a lapse in membership if their dues are not paid in the month of December:

12/01 Summers, Curtis
12/09 Whelchel, Jolynn
12/10 Reynolds, Charles

The following members are due for renewal in the month of January:

01/12 Jones, Laurence D.
01/12 Wycoff-Jones, Laura
01/13 Costner, Nelda
01/13 Costner, Patty
01/13 Keyes, David
01/13 Monninger-Jett, Lorrelle
01/15 Carter, Donald J
01/15 Carter, Korin M
01/15 Carter, Timothy Daniel

Additionally, the following information has been supplied:

Expenses since October Event \$1,717.51
Income since October Event \$1,453.51
New balance in checking \$2,977.42

Memberships November:

- \$88.00 paid to Imperial
- \$40.00 check handed direct to Imperial

Respectfully submitted,

Baroness Angelique Sofie
Retired Steward of Esperance

The Minister of Rolls office had no report this month.

The Sovereign of Arms Office submitted the following:

Greetings to the populace! I am Trent Stone, the new Sovereign of Arms. At this Time I am working on integrating my documents with the SoA documents I received at coronation. There has been one submission by Marsaili MacAskill of Loch Lave this month, which is still under review as I have had a VERY busy week.

Trent Stone

Embattled Hope Sovereign of Arms of Esperance

The Hospitlar's Office submitted the following:

Greetings to all in our great kingdom and Happy Holidays from Us the new Hospitalers! We will be here and there to help greet our new and prospective members. I am sure that we will learn much during our new ministry positions. If you have any questions please contact us at talltunes@aol.com.

Thank you,

Hospitalers of Esperance

Sir William de Mild & Dame Lyrica

Angiline(Bonnie) Baron & Baroness of Vinland

The Wardern's Office had no report this month.

The Minister of Archery's office submitted the following:

The Esperance Crown War went off very well from the archery range until the rains stepped in and told us we were having too much fun and had to stop. The archery scenarios were well recieved and enjoyed. I may consider using them again at a future date. Guess it went off so well the new crowns decided to keep me around awhile longer.

I was not able to attend the Aquitaine event last week, but as soon as I get the reports from them, I'll be able to tell you who won the archery tournament.

In Service,

Sir Connor O'Riordain
Minister of Archery
Sniper of Esperance

The Minister of Joust & War's office submitted the following report:

Greetings, Good Populace,

I am Sir Jamie the Red and I have been named the new Minister of War and Joust. It seems that the former holder of this office has received a promotion. I am currently plotting, um, I mean, working with the Crown Marshal to add a little variety to our tournaments. We will also be working on some war-related goals this year. Hopefully, we will be able to present an even better showing at Banner War this coming year. (Winning a battle with only about 13 combatants against three other armies will be a tough act to follow, though.)

If you have any questions about war, rules, or combat in general, don't hesitate to ask. If I don't have the answers, I'll get them.

In Service,

Sir Jamie the Red

The Art's and Science's office had no report this month.

The Chronicler's office is still accepting submissions! ☺ Please have all submissions to me by no later than 6pm the Wednesday before the 2nd Saturday of the month. My e-mail is located at the back of this newsletter. Please no phone calls after 9:30pm.

The Master of the Ether's office submitted the following:

After almost a year of fighting with the Domain Host, gathering information and Mundane roadblocks, the Esperance Website is finally taking shape! I still have a ways to go I'm working on it. The link is: www.kingdomofesperance.net

If you have information to help fill in some of the gaps please send them in, any and all help is appreciated. My email address is on the back of this newsletter.

In Service,

Sir Connor O'Riordain
Master of the Ether

Calendar of Events

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
						1 DECEMBER Aquitaine Event Royal Coronation
2	3	4	5	6	7	8 Crown Event
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22 Loch Lave Event
23	24	25 Christmas	26	27	28	29
30	31 New Year's	1 JANUARY	2	3	4	5 Aquitaine Event
6	7	8	9	10	11	12 Crown Event
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26 Loch Lave Event
27	28	29	30	31	1 FEBRUARY	2 Aquitaine Event
3	4	5	6	7	8	9 Crown Event
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23 Loch Lave Event
24	25	26	27	28		

Event Schedule

December

Royal Coronation, First weekend of December.

Canton of Aquitaine Event, December 1. Fairmount Park, Riverside. Contact the Viceroy, Sir Troiano the Strong, for more information.

Crown Event, December 7. Eisenhower Park, Orange. Lists open at 10:00 and court will be promptly at 10:30.

Canton of Loch Lave Event, December 22. The canton of Loch Lave is having their monthly event this day. Remember to contact the Vicereine of Loch Lave for more information.

January

Canton of Aquitaine Event, January 5. Fairmount Park, Riverside. Contact the Viceroy, Sir Troiano the Strong, for more information.

Crown Event, January 12. Eisenhower Park, Orange. Lists open at 10:00 and court will be promptly at 10:30

Canton of Loch Lave Event, January 26. The canton of Loch Lave is having their monthly event this day. Remember to contact the Vicereine of Loch Lave for more information.

February

Canton of Aquitaine Event, February 2nd. Fairmount Park, Riverside. Contact the Viceroy, Sir Troiano the Strong, for more information.

Crown Event, February 9th. Eisenhower Park, Orange. List open at 10:00 and court will be promptly at 10:30.

Canton of Loch Lave Event, February 23rd. The canton of Loch Lave is having their monthly event this day. Remember to contact the Vicereine of Loch Lave for more information.

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