

LE CHRONIQUE D'ESPERANCE

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FROM THE CROWN

Good Populace – The December event went well with the exception of a few changes which need to be refined. The Royal Guards were a nice addition and they will do well if Their Majesties give them a little more notice when directions are changed to insure that the front guard is advised when the HRM turn.

Our event was visited by a member of The Black Company from Brandenburg, Tygstyr (Kevin Iverson) the maker of the Kingdom's new scepter; Milady Akrai, Lady in Waiting to HRM Queen Kendra who presented an invitation to the TN 12th Night held January 4; Page Volcoline from TN; Sir Sivax Wartongue and Milady Lyet also from Terre Neuve. We welcome all visitors to our lands and

hope they enjoyed the day. We are grateful also to Sir Sivax and Milady Lyet as they assisted with the marshalling during the fighting tournaments.

Traveling from the Duchy of Sangreal were Sir Roger Lamont and Dame Katherine Lamont, Heirs apparent to the Throne of Sangreal. It was a pleasure to see their heraldry flying in our kingdom.

We had a knight back from a very long quest, Sir Dagr Maquinness, who took the Bowman win on his first try at our target. Well done, and we hope to see him more often.

Our Court Jester was most enjoyable as he tumbled and rolled through the encampment, most adults looked puzzled while the children

laughed. The look on Angelique Suave's face was a Kodak moment without the Kodak. Salty Longboat gave the queen more than was expected and she was fully delighted.

The other Pied Piper for the month of December was our own Dame Guilliana. There were 3 children from the outside lands of Esperance peering across our borders. Dame Guilliana took them to the far side of the event and talked to them about what was going on. The little group grew from 3 to 8. She truly appeared to enjoy the part, as did the crowns.

We thank our Ministers one and all for their participation in the December Event.

Terrin Rex Marion Regina

IMPORTANT NOTES & UPCOMING EVENTS:

- *Esperance Estates meeting to be held at January Kingdom Event.*
- *December 28th: Event at Loch Lave - Autocrat: Sir Troiano.*
- *Historic Birthdays:*

January 6: Joan of Arc (1412) French heroine who led the French Army to victory

January 28: Henry VII (1457) First English King of the House of Tudor

February 15: Galileo Galilei (1564) Italian Astronomer

February 18: Mary I (1516) First Queen to rule England on her own

February 19: Nicolaus Copernicus (1473) Polish Astronomer

ROLL CALL FOR CHIVALRY

On 01/06/03 - HIM posted to the Adrian Empire: "We would also ask at this time that all Knights reaffirm their vow of service as we will not prosper without the personal effort of the many that make up the whole. We should also remind ourselves that our first duty is to uphold and proliferate the Ancient and Nobel Order of Chivalry

and do honor to all Knights past present and future."

We will do so at opening court this Saturday - those of you who are knights please come with this in mind and be proud of your status - show it.

Also, it is the wish of our Herald and our Minister of Rolls that we reaffirm the

names, ranks and titles of each knight. The Herald is most interested in being able to have this information at hand so as to save time and have the ability to call a person into court as appropriate. The Minister of Rolls wants to affirm his records. The crowns would like to update the crowns record book.

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During the Mardi Gras people will throw beads of purple, gold and green. Each of these stones have a meaning. TRM are most interested in learning what these stones represent - who in this kingdom will bring them the answers?

Twelfth-Day celebrates the 12 days after Christmas for some it is the close of the Christmas season the time when the 3 Kings reached the Christ child and gave their gifts. In medieval times from Christmas Eve to 12th Night, there were no obligations for the villagers, other than the customary donation of hens for the lord's table. But it was then that the lord would give feasts for this tenants, sometimes providing a single villager with "two white loaves, as much beer as they will drink in the day, a mess of beef and of bacon with mustard".

MORE FROM THE CROWNS

January 4th, we traveled to the lands of Terre Neuve for an afternoon of collegiums and the 12th Night Feast. The queen found a new Chain Mail pattern that was most interesting and the King did try his hand at both the 4 in 1 and 6 in 1 patterns. HRM Kendra tried her utmost to convince the queen how to make her own period patterns; period embroidery stitches, bobbin lace, leather, music, calligraphy were also offered. Between the collegiums and feast we traveled to the land of Crest (yea – it really exists) the King's personal lands, to visit our friend Lord James of the Black Marsh, an armorer of great renown, who said he will return from his quest and soon rejoin us. That was really great to hear, he has been missed. The feast was full of what 12th Night should

be – a time to give and a time to say thank you. There was music, two knightings, dancing and a very long drive home.

Changes in the appearance and functions of opening and closing court: The Crown will process into court once the populace has been assembled. Should there be a need for an announcement, please insure that request is given in writing to the Herald so that he may so announce to the populace as appropriate at either opening or closing court.

Steel Combat will immediately follow opening court, please know that you are welcome and even encouraged to attend opening court in armor.

TRM formally apologize to the Canton of Loch Lave.

There was a demo to show tournament fighting on December 28 – the same day as your event. Due to misconceptions and misunderstanding – the demo was received as a tournament and so noted on the kingdom's records. It was not the intent of the former crown to schedule a tournament, as his approval does indicate a demo was approved. We apologize for any misunderstandings to you and the kingdom and assure you we will make every effort to see it does not happen in the future.

A word of caution: If you don your armor or any type of fighting gear – it is for your protection and that of Adria that you insure the event is approved by the crowns.

Terrin Rex Marion Regina

A MOST STARTLING ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE HEARLD

Sister Mary Maedb Grace has been taken hostage by the Privateers of the Sweet Siren and their request for ransom was this year's yield of the fine wool of Esperance. Being very smart for privateers, they are aware the coffers of Esperance are very small but the wool is the finest in the world. Other countries compete against each other to secure this wool by offering the Queen fine fabrics for use. It seems HRM was more concerned that she will lose the trading power to secure

fine fabrics than the safety of Sister Mary.

She advised HRM that certain ladies of the court still in contact with the former Chate-laine, now in the Abby, has mentioned Sister Mary leaves the Abby often to attend the Kingdom's Historian. When looking at the Kingdom's Historian, he appears to most healthy and especially glowing this past few weeks. The Queen then raised the question if anyone knew why Sister Mary had left the Abby this day and was advised she

was in search of fine linen and health herbs promised her by HIM which had not yet reached the Abby. To keep peace in the Kingdom and personal quarters, the King sent the Herald and the Captain of the Guard to seek the advice of our fine Cardinal. Perhaps he would be willing to pay the ransom as the Church has far more money than the Kingdom. TRM are most anxious to hear the news on the return of the Herald and Captain of the Guard.

FROM THE MINISTER OF JOUST & WAR

Unto to the populace,

First I would like to introduce myself, I Sir Conall, am the Minister of Joust and War. Many of you know me and have given me support in the past as well as offered your hand in friendship. In the coming year I will be working hard to ensure a fun and interesting tournament schedule.

Some of the things that I hope to do is have tournaments where the combatants will face a number of different knights using different weapons to display their prowess. Also I hope to do some ran-

dom weapon tournaments with a different twist to it, having one card drawn by a selected person where each combatant will use the same weapons. These are a few of the ideas I have, I will also be checking with the Crowns for any ideas they may have. Also I hope to hear from those of you who enter the tournaments as to ideas you may have.

As for marshaling, the call of the Marshall is final. The dream calls for the combatants to respect themselves and their opponent, this means that a temper has no place on

the field and will receive a warning once and dealt with firmly there after. The combatant should be given the opportunity to make his/her own calls but the marshals will ensure that a good blow is accepted. Combat cards are going to soon be a reality and the combatants need to come to the marshals as soon as possibly and get one filled out. Once this happens you need to ensure you have your card with you at a tournament.

In Service
Sir Conall



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FIGHTER PRACTICE

Good Populace,

Now that the Holidays are behind us, it's time to get back to the serious business of playing our favorite game. For anyone who is interested, there is a fighter practice held every Wednesday night at Mile Square Park in Fountain Valley. Enter the park from Brookhurst, where Heil enters the park and proceed Northward. We are on the

side of the parking lot beside the baseball diamonds.

We generally practice both shinai and Renn. New combatants are always welcome. Please come on down and join us. The more people we have, the more different scenarios we can try out. If enough people want to, I'm sure we can practice steel as well!

Practice begins at 6:30 pm

and continues until no one wants to keep going. Usually 8:30 or 9:00.) If you have questions or want more thorough directions, contact me, Sir Jamie the Red, at:

jamiethered@hotmail.com

There is a Yahoo Discussion Group set up for the practice as well. Check out:

[http://groups.yahoo.com/
Fighter_Practice](http://groups.yahoo.com/Fighter_Practice)

ONLINE RESOURCES

Going online can sometimes be a daunting experience. Where do you go to find information about Adria, what discussion groups are available, etc.—it can make your head spin. The following is a list of general and Esperance specific online sources. Keep them near your computer for easy reference.

<http://www.adrianempire.org>

<http://www.kingdomofesperance.net/default.asp>

<http://groups.yahoo.com/Esperance>

<http://groups.yahoo.com/Anvilania>

http://groups.yahoo.com/Fighter_Practice



FROM THE PHYSICKER

Hello and well met. For those of you who have not had the chance to meet me, I am Vaissilli Lo Russo. I have just recently taken over the position of Physiker to the kingdom of Esperrance and think it timely to introduce my policy on first aid and myself. The main thing I would like to try and emphasize on is my view on treatment involving bleeding. First of all, I would like to say that my thoughts

on First Aid treatment are: at your option, as long as it only affects you. I do not think it humane to force medical treatments on anyone so long as you are conscience and understand your decisions to refuse treatment. However, with that said, I would like to also say this; If you have an injury that affects the possible health of the general populace I will

have to say that you will be forced to receive first aid or at least at your option, be asked to leave to find suitable treatment somewhere else. For example, in the case of small cut that is bleeding, nose bleeds, etc this generally only affects you and generally isn't a serious issue, but in truth this does have a potential to affect the whole of the

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FROM THE MINISTER OF ARTS & SCIENCES

Unto the Populace greetings -

The first event in the reign of TRM Dame Marion and Sir Terrin was glorious, as were the arts entries we received. Of the entries we received, a Masterpiece was awarded to Her Imperial Highness, Dame Maedb, for her presentation, process and finished products in the art of creating wool yarn.

In the coming months, we will be holding many collegiums in the Arts and Sciences, including judging collegiums for

those of you interested in becoming arts judges. I would like to know from the populace what you would like to learn. Please email your suggestions at: elspetho@yahoo.com, or write them down and hand them to me at an event.

It is my goal this year to get everyone entering some sort of Arts and/or Sciences item – especially if you are new to the Arts or have never entered before.

I look forward to seeing all of your entries in the coming months.

In Service, I Remain-

Dame Elspeth O'Neill

Ed.: The previous month had a list of the Arts drawing winners held at the Coronation. Missing from that list was Dame Maedb, who selected a bottle of Blueberry Liquor. Also, Sir Ceywolf returned his bottle of liquor to be auctioned at a later time for the Kingdom travel fund.

FROM THE MINISTER OF ROLLS

Good Populace, Greetings,

The December kingdom event was attended by 40 participants. There were 15 participants in archery, eight on the Bowman's list, won by Sir Dagr McGuinness, and seven on the Huntsman's list, won by Squire Wuner Gruesbane.

There were only two participants in the arts, though both received impressive scores. Sir Jamie the Red received a score of 27.25 for another wooden box, while Her Imperial Highness, Dame Maedb Hawkins, received a masterwork with a score of 32 for her spinning.

There were three combat lists, Sarjeant's Shinai, Knight's Renn, and

Knight's Armored. The Sarjeant's Shinai list had five participants and was won by Kuravon. The Knight's Renn list had fourteen participants, from which field, Sir Sivax Wartongue emerged triumphant. Finally, the Knight's Armored list, with eight participants was won by Sir Jamie the Red.

The Aquitaine event on December 7th was attended only by Their Majesties and Squire Greyland.

No knightings, squirings, or other Honors or Awards were reported to this Office at either of these events. A complete list of the Honors and Awards granted at the Coronation Feast is currently being assembled and

will be published when complete.

To verify and complete the kingdom records, I will be asking every member of the kingdom to list for me all of their Titles, Honors, and Awards. If you have any questions about this, please feel free to ask me.

Finally, if you would like a points audit, please contact me for the correct form (Steps to Knighthood). You must fill this form out first! I can, and will, help, but recording your points is your responsibility.

Thank you for your patience as I learn the ins and outs of this Office.

In Service,
Sir Jamie the Red

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 2003						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 New Year's Day	2	3	4 Terre Neuve 12th Night Feast
5	6	7	8 Fighter Practice	9	10	11 Kingdom of Esperance Crown Event/ Estates Meeting
12	13	14	15 Fighter Practice	16	17	18 Canton of Loch Lave Event
19	20	21	22 Fighter Practice	23	24	25
26	27	28	29 Fighter Practice	30	31	

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February 2003						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5 Fighter Practice	6	7	8 Kingdom of Esperance Crown Event
9	10	11	12 Fighter Practice	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 Fighter Practice	20	10	22 Canton of Loch Lave Event
23	24	25	26 Fighter Practice	27	28	

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FROM THE STEWARD'S OFFICE

Ed.: "Greetings Populace,

There was no report received from the Steward, however, from the previous month, the following is a list of expiring members:"

January:

- ◆ Nelda Costner
- ◆ Patty Costner

- ◆ Scott Dash
- ◆ Bethanie Easterday
- ◆ John Hillenburg
- ◆ David Keyes
- ◆ Elizabeth Lorusso

February:

- ◆ Christopher Coffmen

- ◆ Tianay Gobert
- ◆ Paul Jackson
- ◆ Heidi Lanning



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FROM THE PHYSICKER

populace.

Many blood born pathogens are very infectious and need to be controlled regardless of the severity. Blood born pathogens only need to have a microscopic amount enter into another's system to infect them, (for example: hepatitis or other serious blood born pathogens). While this is an extreme example, in many of those cases a lot of people do not even know they may or may not have any serious infections till some serious complication comes up. Because of this I ask you and everyone else to insure

that if any scrapes or cuts occur that they be patched up immediately, regardless of the assumed severity. Anyone can bandage a small cut, and this is encouraged, however if anyone is a bit squeamish or just doesn't have a Band-Aid on hand please feel free to come up to me at anytime for assistance.

The next thing I would like to remind everyone of is that even though the weather is cold you can still dehydrate. So while I did say that your treatment should be optional I am giving you this option in regard to hydration. If you choose not to hydrate then

you choose not to fight. If I watch you fight one bout and not hydrate afterwards no biggie, however if I watch you fight two or more and not hydrate then I will have words with you. Hydration of the body is important not just for heat exhaustion, but also in prevention of injuries – if the muscles aren't hydrated effectively many issues can develop from simple cramping to sprains and strains. So please hydrate effectively!

In Service,

Vaisilli Lo Russo

FROM THE CHANCELLOR

Minutes for the October 12th, 2002 Meeting of the Estates of the Kingdom of Esperance

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
Quorum was established.
- III. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting – July 12th, 2002
The minutes were accepted without objection.
The law passed January 12th was revisited for clarification. The following change was passed without objection:
~~Third party~~ verbal proxies will be accepted for kingdom estates meetings.
- IV. Minister's Reports
- V. Chancellor's Business
- VI. ChB1. Review of the requirements of all crown candidates.
 - A. Dame Aifa the Rowan and Sir Conall O'Cearioiagh
Handled last
 - B. Dame Milisent de Lilley and Sir Robert "Jestar" de la Fonteyne
1 no, 2 abstention – passed by acclamation
 - C. Dame Marion Leal Durius and Sir Terrin Greyphis
2 no, 1 abstention – passed by acclamation
 - D. Any other candidates that declare by the morning of October 12th
No other contenders. Dame Aifa / Sir Conall withdrew.
- VII. New Business
- VIII. NB2 – remove obsolete Esperance law regarding demos. Only affect was to require photos, which was not being enforced. Law repealed without objection
- IX. (recess for rest of event)
- X. NB1. The current crowns propose the following (my wording of their idea):
The Estates of Esperance hereby require the Crown(s) of Esperance to cause to be published a list of which persons belong to which Estates within Esperance. This list shall be updated and published every:
 - A. Month
 - B. Quarter
 - C. Twice a year
 - D. Other
Much discussion – final motion: "Publish by mundane name, in the newsletter, quarterly." Passed without objection. Full wording:

The Estates of Esperance hereby require the Crown(s) of Esperance to cause to be published in the newsletter

on a quarterly basis by mundane name, a list of which persons belong to which Estates within Esperance.

- XI. Crown Business
 - CB1. Review July Imperial Estates AgendaReviewed and crown advised.
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Agenda for the October 12th, 2002 Meeting of the Estates of the Kingdom of Esperance

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting – July 12th, 2002
- VI. Minister's Reports
 - A. Review Kingdom finances from previous reign
 - B. Review Budget Proposal
- V. Chancellor's Business
 - ChB1. Consider the retirement titles of Sir Conall and Dame Aifa.
- VI. Crown Business
 - CB1. Review status of alcohol policies / writs. Reference:
(April 1998) "In order to ensure the safety of our populace on the battlefield, no one is to enter the combat tournaments if they have imbibed alcohol previously in the day."
[Records are unclear as to the level of this item.]
I'm not sure if this is the same item which defined that an consumption after midnight meant that you could not take the field that day.
- VII. New Business