

# LE CHRONIQUE D'ESPERANCE

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## FROM THE CROWN

Greetings!

There's an estates meeting at lunch, agenda: budget review, successful reign review. The Jubilee is from 5-8:30 pm. It seems likely that seats will still be available. Listen for announcements regarding seating availability.

*Esperance Crown War fought for the entertainment of the Populace*

For maximum enjoyment of all, two generals volunteered and chose sides. Squire Render of Esperance

led one side and Marquis Tailin of Terre Neuve led the other. Armored combat led the days battles and generals selected their steel armies from among those wishing to participate in that venue and then directed their heavy armies. The champion's duel was first with Sir Donovan defeating Sir Jamie to give the opening point of the war to the Marquis. The two armies did then fight across the barrier for the next war point and Sir Donovan, the army of the Marquis, did again defeat Sir Jamie, the

army of the Squire. The final steel scenario made sure that both steel combatants, I mean armies, had enough fun and was done as a three part bridge scenario, the first was only blows not between the quarters (or "bob" style), the second was only blows upon the head, and the final was knightly combat (but don't fall off the bridge). The final steel point went to Squire Render's army.

While the armies were properly attired and

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## IMPORTANT NOTES & UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Dec 13th - Kingdom of Esperance Estates Meeting.
- Dec 13th - Kingdom of Esperance Feast - 5pm.
- Conton of Loch Lave event – January 3rd, 2004. Autocrat - Sir Troiano.
- January 10th - Kingdom of Esperance Event.
- January 11th - Kingdom Archery shoot.

*Check the Calendar for more events!*

## IN MEMORIAL - SQUIRE WUNER

Craig Stephen Toth known to Adria as Squire Wuner passed away November 16th. Squire Wuner and his family have been with Adria for 4 years during which time he was a friend to all. He willing shared his love of archery to all would listen. He took his love for Adria seriously and it showed through his integrity and commitments to Adria. His wife indicated at his memorial that integrity and commitment were a way of life with Squire Wuner.

The Crowns of Esperance wish to dedicate this year to Squire Wuner and those of

us who have long bows made by Squire Wuner need to take them out of



their closets and use them. His wife Baroness Tigeura has indicated that Squire Wuner taught her and Squire Falcon the art of making arrows and on her return she is ready and eager to share and continue Squire Wuner's love of archery. She will be our Deputy Minister of Archery assisting Sir Connor. Squire Falcon's plans are to study under the person who taught Squire Wuner the trade of making long bows so that he can continue in Squire Wuner's footsteps.

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warmed up (but after a period of rest), the Steel Tourney was held. This consisted of six combatants with Sergei Borislav Beneshek, Sir James of Bloodstone, Squire Giachino, and the Black Knight joining in on the fun. The Black Knight was eliminated in a destructive bye in the last round with Squire Giachino defeating Sir Donavan for the win. The Squire then challenged and did fight the Black Knight in a fun bout and won two points to one. Congratulations on Squire Giachino's first win on the knight's list!

Dame Willow did enter the arts, but allowed her entry to be neutral regarding the outcome of the war.

Following lunch, light weapons combat began with "renn" combat. Additional participants were divided among the armies with their generals now armored for combat, and the battles began. The two melee points were fought as a bridge battles with a wider bridge used for the second point. Both battles went to Squire Render's army. For the champion's point, the generals agreed to face each other and Marquis Tailin defeated Squire Render for the point.

Shinai divided up the last two combatants with Squire Alwyn joining the side that his knight was on and Sir Terrin joining the side that his squire was on. Shinai was fought as open field, bridge battle, and

a "roman" bridge battle (only one representative from each army fighting at a time). Squire Render's army swept all three shinai points.

At the end of the first day's battles, there were enough points to be decided by archery the following day to be unable to determine the outcome of the war (though the Squire's Army's comeback in light weapons put them in the lead).

For fun in the war archery scenarios, they were done "William Tell" style and with two bowman's and two huntsman's points (replacing the "open" shoot and the "champion's" shoot). An apple was placed on a head (on the end of a stick) pinned against the straw bail (we dubbed her Joan). The first scenario for bowman and huntsman consisted of firing a single arrow each flight. A solid hit (as adjudicated by Sir Ce'Wolf) on the apple was victory (or a tie if anyone else also hit in the same round) and a solid hit on the head was elimination. Her Majesty had the honor of being the first to sink an arrow into Joan, hitting her solidly in her rubber neck which was judged an elimination hit. As the shoot proceeded, the range was dropped from 20 yards, to 15 yards, and eventually to 10 yards. We had one bowman for each army and Squire Alwyn managed to hit Joan (at 20 yards) long before Dame Lenora did (at 10 yards), but as both were

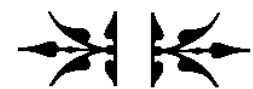
eliminated, no point was awarded for that bowman's list. Sir Jamie had what was ruled a glancing blow to the apple, but later got a more solid hit and took the huntsman's list representing Squire Render's army.

For the final two archery war points, each participant was allowed to fire up to six arrows. A hit on Joan was elimination with the winner being the closest not eliminated. Marquis Tailin finally found us and joined the shoot and pegged Joan right away. The winner on the second Bowman's list was Sq. Alwyn for Squire Render's army and the winner on the second Huntsman's list was Sir Terrin for Marquis Tailin's army. Sir Terrin's arrow slid under Joan's hair, but stuck in the straw and was only an arrow's width or two from the apple.

For the kingdom tournament, we managed to get up to three bowman, but still held a combined list. Mistress Anne had the highest score at the end of the day for the victory.

Final outcome awards the war win to Squire Render's army, but huzzah to all of the participants and to having fun!

Terrin Rex    Marion Regina

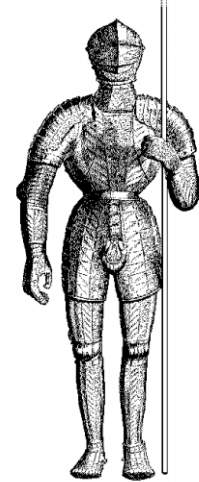


## FROM THE MINISTER OF JOUST & WAR

*Ed. - There was no report from the Minister of Joust and War this month, the winners are reported from the Minister of Rolls.*

Combatants are reminded that they must

have a valid combat qualification card **and** combat qualification tests recorded to be able to participate.



## FROM CANTON LOCH LAVA

Greetings Esperance!

The Canton Loch Lava had a wonderful event on Saturday, December 6th. Sir Troiano the Strong won the Renn tourney while his Squire Render took the Shinai tourney. Kaekilius (formerly known as Kuravon) took the Huntsman's List in Archery. We had a visitor from Umbria, Sir Michael Sinetro, drive 5 hours one way to have fun in Loch Lava. Pssst - Sir Michael came in November, too! He knows something you don't know! Now, you will have to wait until the new year to find out.

Speaking of the new year, we will be celebrating a Twelfth Night Feast at our next event, January 3rd. If you would like to participate in the festivities, please email the Baroness Marsaili de' Meucci at [marsaili29@msn.com](mailto:marsaili29@msn.com). This is a "bring-a-

dish" feast as was custom in period during this celebration. Come celebrate with us! Sir Michael knows...

In Service,  
Karmin Fitzwell



## FROM THE MINISTER OF ROLLS

Good Populace,

This report covers both October and November. In October, the event was moved to the first Saturday of the month to accommodate the Imperial Steel Tourney in Aragon. We had 36 people attend (our event). There were eight archers on Sunday with Sir Connor O'Riordain taking the victory in the combined list. We had no arts that month, but we had four participants in the steel list with Sir James of Bloodstone taking the victory. The Ren list had twelve participants with Sergei taking the victory.

In November, the war and tourney were

combined and were held at our usual site due to the fires. We had thirty-one participants. The archery list included eight participants and Lady Anne (Lisa Cedar-dahl) of Terra Neuve won the victory. Dame Willow de-Rara was the only participant for arts with a sweetmeat. In combat, there were six steel combatants and Squire Giacchino Morones achieved the victory. The Ren list included nine participants and Squire Salty Longboat was the victor.

In service,  
Sir Jamie the Red



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 2003						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 Fighter Practice	4	5	6 Canton of Loch Lave Event
7	8	9	10 Fighter Practice	11	12	13 Kingdom of Esperance Crown Event
14 Kingdom of Esperance Archery Tournament	15	16	17 Fighter Practice	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Fighter Practice ?	25 Christmas Day	26	27
28	29	30	31 New Years Eve - Fighter Practice ?			

***Jubilee Feast for TRH Terrin and Marion to celebrate their second reign!***

**When:**  
December 13th, 2003  
5:00 - 8:30 pm

**Where:**  
Yorba Linda Community Center (in the parking lot behind Hurless Barton Park)

**Cost:**  
\$10.00 per person  
\$6.00 Children 6 to 12  
Free Children 5 & under

January 2004						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 New Years Day	2	3 Canton of Loch Lave Event
4	5	6	7 Fighter Practice	8	9	10 Kingdom of Esperance Crown Event
11 Kingdom of Esperance Archery Tour-	12	13	14 Fighter Practice	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 Fighter Practice	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 Fighter Practice	29	30	31

**HISTORIC DATES:**

- *January 6, 1412 - Joan of Arc - French Heroine who led the French Army to victory. The English burned her at the stake as a witch on May 30, 1431.*
- *January 28, 1457 - Henry VII - First English King of the House of Tudor*



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## AN INVITATION

Fireblood Arms is open in the Westminster mall in Westminster, CA and we would love to see some friendly faces in familiar dress. Toward that end, we are offering all guild members a chance to win prizes. Come to our store in your garb or armor and we will give you a ticket. No purchase necessary. The prizes are \$300, \$150, and \$75 in merchandise at regular price. No cash value. You can get one ticket per person per visit. Drawing to be held on December 26th at 6pm. No need to be present to win, but be sure to give good contact information if not.

Employees of Fireblood Arms at Westminster Mall and their

families not eligible to win. Minors may enter and win, but must be accompanied by parent or guardian to receive prize.

As always, guild members get guild prices. See you all there!

"Welcome good travelers, all gather round... the Fireblood wagons have rolled into town! We've collectible weapons and treasures galore We're the one stop renaissance holiday store!

Have you a passion for pirates or exotic lands Asian, or decorative swords of the elvish persuasion? Do you fancy yourself as a

knight on your steed, then a visit with us is perhaps what you need!

We're not far away, just a leisurely stroll, to 2007 on the directory scroll!

We're easy to find, so answer our call.. and join us today at the Westminster Mall!"

- Don Antonio

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