

LE CHRONIQUE D'ESPERANCE

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FROM THE CROWN

Unto the populace of Esperance:

The December 13th Tournament was graced with the presence of HRM Dame Asiylnn and Sir Prize of Umbria; Karl, Duke of Brandenburg and his lovely lady Mistress Deirdre; Captain Dave Whitaker, with all his wit and charm; Tailan Bran McNeil, Chancellor of Terre Neuve, his lady Mistress Anne and Harry Potter; Sir Ivan and his lady, Lady Polgara. We had one art's entry by HRM Marion - a stain glass of HRM Ter-

rin's heraldry. This was my first entry in this art medium and I continue with my challenge to Sir Robert de la Fonteyne and Sir Ce'Wolf and all artisans near and far to try new arts never before tried by them.

The chivalry, sportsmanship and laughter during the tournaments was awesome. A combatant from another subdivision commented on the non-combatants gathering around in their chairs and castle walls to cheer the combatants on. Some of the combatants not having

enough of each other would continue on the sidelines. At the end of the tournaments, Sir James of Bloodstone called for a Shaini Melee, *encouraged* some of the tired combatants to join those not tired, so like Squire Alwyn. The Crowns were very reluctant to call a stop to this melee but the time of the feast was fast approaching and we still needed to tear down.

Sir Donavon and Sir Troiano made an excellent marshal team with the assis-

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IMPORTANT NOTES & UPCOMING EVENTS:

- February 7th - Conton of Loch Lave event. Autocrat - Sir Troiano.
- January 10th - Kingdom of Esperance Estates Meeting.
- January 11th - Kingdom Archery shoot.
- January 17th & 18th - Multi-Subdivision Tournament and Pot-luck Feast, Prado Regional Park.

Check the Calendar for more events!

MULTI-SUBDIVISION TOURNAMENT

On January 17th at Prado Regional Park, Esperance is hosting a camping event to gather, cross swords, and have fun! Adrians from all over the southwest are planning on joining us to demonstrate their prowess in combat, arts, and archery.

Arts and Sciences will be scheduled (time permitting) separately from the tournaments so those participating in both fields won't have to miss anything. Each combat type will feature a tournament that allows you to face multiple opponents (depending on the number of participants, it will be

somewhere between a round robin and a double elimination format), time for challenge fighting, and a grand melee where everyone gets to fight. Target archery will take place Sunday morning. There are not formal plans for combat archery, but if there is enough interest, I'll bet that we can work it in.

A potluck is planned for Saturday night. Don't bring money, just bring food! (If you are unable to bring food, you are certainly permitted to make private arrangements with others to cover for you.)

The cost is \$5 per person for the weekend + camping or day use fees paid directly to the park. Park information and rates are available at: <http://www.co.san-bernardino.ca.us/parks/prado.htm>

Prado Regional Park was the site of the last Imperial War and is located at 16700 S. Euclid Ave. in Chino (91710).

The fun starts at 10 AM Saturday morning on January 17th and continues through Sunday morning.

See you there!

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tance of Sir Prize from Umbria. Our Pied Piper for the day was Sir Allen MacMahon as he talked to the mundanes sitting on the castle walls. **Well done gentlemen.**

We thank Sir Prize for all his help through out the day and the archery tournament on Sunday. We also thank Harry Potter for his part in protecting Mistress Anne from the

rambunctious combatants.

During closing court, we welcomed Sir Vaisilli Faa as he accepted his responsibilities of Knight Bachelor.

The feast autocrat, Dame Lenora did an outstanding feast. Please look for her report. Before the feast, the Crowns welcomed Sir Troiano the Strong as he accepted his responsibilities for Knight Bannerette and Knight Civil. He requested a Nauti-

cal Theme - what else would it be for a Captain of the Ship Sweet Siren?

At the end of the Crowns feast table one could see the Brandenburg's love of gambling as dice was played.

We thank Dame Lenora and all those in attendance for a full day of fun and enjoyment.

Marion Regina Terrin Rex

JUBILEE FEAST



Thanks to all that attended the Jubilee Feast to help mark the 2nd reign of TRH Terrin & Marion. There were 30 of us there and TONS of food. I hope no one went hungry or without!

Many thanks to our wonderful donor who donated all of the bread, cheese, sausage, fruit and sparkling cider that helped keep our costs reasonable. I could not have done this without you!

Thanks to Arlyce, Guinevere,

Squire Giachino, Dame Milisent, the canton of Loch Lave men, Mistress Anne of Terre Neuve, Marquis Tailin of Terre Neuve, Fire at Will, Dame Evelyn, Sir Royal and everyone else who helped tote things around, put table cloths where they needed to go, cook, tidy, watch and generally keep me calm. Without all of you, I would defiantly have more grey hair and a lot less of it as well.

The menu, for those that

were unable to attend was roasted chickens, green beans with onions and bacon, rosemary and garlic roast pork with applesauce, salmon with butter, chives & white wine, salad with vinaigrette dressing, squash soup, assorted fruit, sausage hedgehogs, cheese, baked brie, bread, honey butter and sparkling cider.

Long live the Crowns of Esperance!

Dame Lenora Greyphis

FROM THE ARTS AND SCIENCE MINISTER

Unto the Populace of Esperance,

My first event at the Arts and Sciences Minister went well. We only had one entry this month but hopefully that will increase in the month to come. I would like to thank Sir Jamie the Red, Dame Marsaili, Squire Jack, and Sir David Whitaker for judging

the entry that Her Majesty Dame Marion turned in, a beautiful stained glass window. For those that did not see it you missed out. Hopefully Her Majesty will be turning in more.

There are a couple of ideas I would like to try this year to hopefully boost the arts participation. Hopefully I will

have everyone's cooperation with them.

YIS,
Dame Milisent de Lilley

AWARDS

The Kingdom of Esperance is a group of people gathered together to learn and teach others of the wondrous time period called the Middle Ages and to have fun and enjoyment within the activities and arts of this wondrous time period. This possible only with the ministry of each of it's members both to the Kingdom and each other.

At the close of the 2003 reign, Their Royal Majesties Terrin and Marion did bestow the following:

Armigerous

Rights: Squire Ray the Red and Squire Falcon

These two squires have been

granted the right to fly their Arms.

The Royal Star: Squire Alwyn and Squire Luren de Wisconsin

The Royal Star is given to individuals new to the medieval recreation who through their enthusiasm and dedication contribute to the betterment of the Kingdom.

Crown Companion: Squire Wuner and Squire Giachino

The Crown Companion is given to individuals who display high standards of chivalry and good fellowship, who by their period activities and

demeanor contribute to the enjoyment and realism of events.

The Royal Order of the Eye -- Green: Dame Lenora Greyphis and Sir Jamie the Red

The Royal Order of the Eye is given to individuals who work long and hard behind the scenes. There are three levels: Brown - conveying favor, Green - conveying high favor, and Blue - conveying highest favor.

So let it be written as of the 13th day of December in the year 2003 C. E.

Terrin Rex Marion Regina

FROM THE CHANCELLORS OFFICE

There will be a meeting of the Estates of Esperance today.

Agenda items at this time are:

- Approval of the Minutes of the December Estates Meeting
- Review and approval of

the proposed 2004 Kingdom of Esperance budget

Any additional items for the agenda should be brought to the attention of the Chancellor or Deputy Chancellor as soon as possible. Both the

minutes and the proposed 2004 budget can be found within this newsletter.

In Service,
The Kingdom of Esperance
Chancellor's Office

FROM THE MINISTER OF ROLLS

Good Populace,

The December event was well attended with thirty-seven paid attendees. There were eleven participants in archery, however, there were not enough bowmen to create a second list. Sir Jamie the Red won the archery list with a score of 32. Dame Marion Leal was the only entrant in the arts with a stained glass window. She'll be giving Dame Katherine Marshal a run for her money soon by the looks of things.

In combat, there were fourteen participants on the Ren list, which was won by Sir James of Bloodstone. There were eight steel participants and that list was also won by Sir James of Bloodstone. Twenty people were awarded ministry points for the weekend as well.

In service,
Sir Jamie the Red



FROM THE MINISTER OF ARTS (PART 2)

I Dame Milisent de Lilley send greetings to One and All,

Since there will be no points award for the tourney on the weekend of January 17th, I want to try something new. I would like all artisans to bring out your arts (old and new) and let's have a people's prize tourney.

You ask, "What is a people prize tourney"? All you need to do is bring out any arts

entry, either all ready entered or not, and let the populace of Adria vote on it. You do not need to bring documentation for this.

Now the voting process. To the populace of Adria I am asking that you bring out tokens to vote with. These can be anything from candy, coins, colored stones, whatever, that you will simply put a trinket on the items that you like. And yes, you can put

down as many trinkets that you want and on as many entries that you like.

There is no over all winner in this, I just thought it might be fun to do without having the pressure of finding art judges.

If you have any question please feel free to contact me.

YIS,
Dame Milisent de Lilley

FROM THE CANTON AGADIR



Greetings Esperance from the Canton Agadir!

Canton Agadir? Yes, that is correct. We, The Canton Loch Lava, have changed our name to the Canton Agadir in the Barony of Marrakech (formerly known as Barony Brea O'wn). More information about those areas in our time period will follow in the upcoming months.

This monthly event had been exciting! We had full lists in all areas of COMBAT! Huzzah! And we had winds of 50+ m.p.h., hence Archery WAS challenging. I personally had to aim at the fence (into the wind) so the wind could assist my arrow to the target. (I only scored 5 points with all but one of my arrows on the target. We are NOT going to talk about where the other arrow went. I hear Wolfgar is STILL looking for it.) Sq. Connor won the archery list with 19 points, that is skill! Did you know - that Sq.

Connor has been in game since April 2001 and has won 4 Archery tournaments but has only participated in 7 Archery tournaments. His sporadic attendance is due to his service to our country. He has spent the majority of his time away protecting and defending. We are proud of him and we also wonder how well he would shoot if he was able to shoot regularly.

Winners of the Tourneys:
Shinai - Sq. Render Renheart
Renn. - Sir Troiano the Strong
Steel - Sir Michael (from Umbria)
Archery - Sq. Connor MacAskill

After the lists, we participated in a Twelfth Night Feast and a "crowning of a king for the day". Grant "the Game Wizard" was the lucky one to find a coin in his piece of King cake! He made a fabulous king! Dame Marsaili completed a brief report on a

few of the different ways Twelfth Night was celebrated. Gift giving was aplenty!

We would like to encourage other members of Esperance to come for a visit and join our lists. I know you will have a good time! Our events are the 1st Saturday of the Month and they begin at approximately 10:00 a.m. - if we know you are attending and you are running late we will accommodate you. We KNOW we are not "right around the corner". If you have questions about our events, email Dame Marsaili de Meucci: marsaili29@msn.com

She will be happy to assist you. In February, Sir Michael (from Umbria) is giving a collegia on the Astrolabe for all of us nautical types. You don't want to miss out.

In Service,
Karmin Fitzwell

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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 Tournament	12	13	14 Fighter Practice	15	16	17 Multi-Subdivision Tournament - Prado Park
18 Multi-Subdivision Tournament - Prado Park	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*

February 2004						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 Fighter Practice	5	6	7 Canton of Loch Lave Event
8	9	10	11 Fighter Practice	12	13	14 Kingdom of Esperance Crown Event
15 Kingdom of Esperance Archery Tournament	16	17	18 Fighter Practice	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Fighter Practice	26	27	28
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ESTATES MEETING MINUTES DEC. 13,2003

Roll Call

Landed estates:

Crown – Sir Terrin and Dame Marion both present
 County Aguilar – not present or represented
 Barony Bloodstone, House of Archer's Reach, House Atherton – proxy to Sir Allen
 House McMahon – Sir Allen present
 House Couer de Rose – proxy to Dame Marsaili
 Barony Vineland – Sir William present
 House Archambault – Squire Luren present
 House Caffeu – Squire Alwyn present
 Barony Brea Own – Dame Marsaili present
 House Durius, House Hijiliac (formerly O'Baggins) – proxy to Dame Marsaili
 House de Rinaldo – Lady of the House Gianetta present
 House Faa – Squire Vaisilli present
 House Battaglia dell' Arte, Casa di nessuna – proxy to Squire Giachino
 House Desert Raiders – Dame Milisent present

Non-landed estates:

Dame Willow – proxy to Sir William
 Sir Donovan – proxy to Dame Marsaili
 Sir Ce'Wolf – present
 Dame Aleta – not present or represented
 Sir Jamie the Red – present
 Dame Maedb – proxy to Sir Jamie
 Sir James of Bloodstone – proxy to Sir Allen
 Sergei, Dame Razi – proxy to Sir Jamie
 Sir Jehan – not present or represented
 Sir Connor – not present or represented
 Dame Lenora – proxy to Sir Terrin
 Sir Terrin – present
 Sir Royal – present
 Dame Elspeth – proxy to Sir Terrin
 Dame Katherine Marshal, Sir Robert, Sir Cromar – not present or represented

Non-qualified estates:

March of Aggravaine – not qualified due to lack of attendance of the remaining leader
 Current leader is Marquessa Rosellen. Marquis Troiano left the March 9/03.
 (Note: a legal representative must exist even to send a proxy. Sir Ce'Wolf has kept us apprised that the March has been planning a meeting to update (possibly by just adding a Marquis) their leadership but still has not done so.)
 Barony Rosewood – Under numbers
 House Couer de Leone – Under numbers since 9/03 and no house Lord/Lady known
 Barony Warfside – Under numbers since 8/03
 House Esperalia – Under numbers since 8/03. Currently 2.
 Barony Lagersuifer – Under numbers since 8/03
 House Utopia – Under numbers since 8/03
 Sir Coda – not qualified due to lack of attendance
 Sir Patrick – under judicial restriction

Sir Ce'Wolf inquired regarding having two votes as a second level knight and retired crown. He was informed that a second vote required a combination of a landed (representing an active estate) and a non-landed voting right and that both of those named were non-landed rights.

Twenty-nine (29) present in person or by proxy out of thirty-six (36) qualified to vote. Quorum established. [At this time, I count only 28 which is still a quorum.]

Reports

The Crown indicated that a planned financial report was not presented due to the illness of the previous Steward. Esperance's

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current bank balance is \$3,970.67, which is approximately \$1,100 more than the balance at the beginning of the 2003 reign.

An estates meeting was scheduled for the January event date to review a budget proposal under the condition that the budget proposal was released in advance of the meeting. The meeting will be postponed until February if the budget proposal is not released in time.

Action Item

The successfulness of the 11/02 – 11/03 reign was brought up for discussion.

Early in the discussion, Sir Jamie the Red indicated he disapproves retirement titles before the Crowns actually retire. This issue is not specifically covered in law, but has been handled multiple times at the Imperial level as a separate vote for each year in office.

After some discussion, Sir Allen McMahon made a motion to table the consideration of a successful reign for one year. Squire Giachino Morone suggested a friendly amendment to include: or until such time as the crowns leave office. This was accepted by Sir Allen.

Motion: That we table for consideration of a successful reign for one year or until such time the reign is completed. **Second:** Sir Ce'Wolf

Vote: 18 Yes; 6 No

(abstentions were not counted, but mathematically would be 5 [4])

[Note: There were more than 4 known abstentions so some estates holders were voting extra votes. All estates holders are hereby cautioned to be more careful in the future... it would add even more overhead to our normally simple meetings to have to use placards. As the vote required a majority and had such a wide margin, the chair does not see a need for a re-vote of this issue.]

Further Discussion

HRM Terrin then asked the Estates if they would comment on the likes and dislikes of the past year. Sir Ce'Wolf asked about the attendance. HRM Marion indicated that had been an ongoing discussion since June. At this point, she could confirm 23 members that did not renew in July 2003 that had not been active even before this year. Nine members from the Northern Area formerly know as the Valley of the Kings; Nine members from House Utopia that did not renew possibly as the result of a change of jobs for Sir Mongo; four members who physically moved out of the subdivision. This is In addition to changes in mundane lives and economics. She reminded the Estates that demos have been encouraged. Squire Giachino indicated we need a marketing approach with a type of press packet. It was also noted that posters of any type usually need approval for them to remain posted. Sir Jamie indicated he will discuss the posters and notices with the responsibilities parties for the April Wayzegeose annual demo. HRM Marion indicated she had no problem with requesting approval for promotion material, however, she must be assured the materials will be used and not sit in the trunk of our cars.

There was also the discussion as to the appearance of the tournaments and lack of regalia. Squire Giachino encouraged that we all participate in assisting each other in set up and tear down.

Adjournment

At this point, HRM Marion indicated we had taken an executive lunch and we needed to return to the Tournament and the meeting was adjourned.

Kingdom of Esperance 2004 Reign Budget

	2002 Reign		2003 Reign Proposed		2003 Reign		difference	2004 Reign Proposed	
Monthly Events									
Site fees collected		1131.00		1250.00		1,020.00	-230.00		1,200.00
Permit costs		-500.00		-630.00		-230.00	400.00		0.00
Net		631.00		620.00		790.00	170.00		1,200.00
Operations									
Newsletter		-275.91		-275.00		-230.79	44.21		-250.00
Insurance Binders		-70.00		-70.00		0.00 (\$100 included in Jubilee)	70.00		-200.00
Minister supplies, Misc.		-40.89		-240.00		-38.70	201.30		-390.00
Web site		-167.40		-200.00		-184.90	15.10		-14.00
Census project		-153.11		-X		0.00			-X
***Equip. (e.g. shades, etc.)									-250.00
Publicity/Marketing									-100.00
Special Awards / Prizes									
Bank Charges									
Total		-707.31		-785.00		-425.44	28.95		-1,204.00
January Special Tourney							359.56		
Site fees collected									430.00
Site cost									-200.00
Building rental									-100.00
Damage deposit									-500.00
Supplies									-130.00
Net									0.00
March Special Event*									
Site fees collected		585.00		750.00		576.00	-174.00		650.00
Site cost		-615.00		-300.00		-300.00	0.00		-300.00
Food and supplies		-174.04		-350.00		-248.62	101.38		-350.00
Net		-204.04		100.00		27.38	-72.62		0.00
July Special Event**									
Site fees collected				720.00		0.00	-720.00		190.00
Site cost				-190.00		0.00	190.00		400.00
Food and supplies				-400.00		0.00	400.00		
Net				130.00		0.00	-130.00		0.00
Crown War (Nov)									
Site fees collected		405.00		375.00		0.00	-375.00		500.00
Donations		100.00				0.00	0.00		
Site cost		-190.00		-190.00		0.00	190.00		-200.00
Building rental		-200.00		-200.00		0.00	200.00		-100.00
Supplies		-81.00		-200.00		0.00	200.00		-200.00
Net		34.00		-15.00		0.00	15.00		0.00
Coronation (Dec)									
Site fees collected		740.00		750.00		340.00	-410.00		750.00
Site cost		0.00		-300.00		-250.00	50.00		-300.00
Food and supplies		-491.67		-500.00		-259.71	240.29		-450.00
Donated food						(-106.76)			
Net		248.33		-50.00		-169.71	-119.71		0.00
Other Donations		303.00		303.00		765.00	765.00		****X
Reign Net		-2959.02		3264.00		304.98	-3845.00		3845.00
							0.00		0.00
							-1767.32		2754.55
							987.23		987.23
							987.23		987.23
							-4034.00		4030.00
									-4.00

Notes:

*March 2002 was a feast following the Imperial Estates meeting.

**March 2003 will be a Mardi Gras feast.

***July 2003 will be a weekend camping Pas d'Armes.

Park permits are now \$70/mo. We are investigating alternate locations.

Site fee income: 2 events @ \$2, 7 events @ \$3 (increase effective February)

***Any general donations collected may be spent on kingdom equipment.

Ministers supplies now include target archery supplies estimated at \$150

With a crown turnover, coronation is again expected to be well attended.

We have had bad experiences with professional web hosting. This year we

are using donated hosting leaving only the domain name cost

There was a special insurance cost of \$100 (included in the \$250) for the

Jubilee site use.



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