

# LE CHRONIQUE D'ESPERANCE

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## SIR NIGEL

Greetings:

As many of you know, and for those who have not seen the many threads on the Yahoo Groups: Saturday, Sir Nigel's family will be removing all life support - this must be the most difficult decision a mother must ever make - to remove life support from a child no matter the age.

*Ed: As of Friday night, the decision to terminate life support for Sir Nigel had been postponed due to a slight improvement of Sir Nigel's condition.*

What can you do to remem-

ber Nigel on Saturday? Fly your banners - heraldry - add what you can to the pageantry of the event. Pageantry was important to Nigel.

The Le' Chronique will have a reprint of a recent "What I would like to see" written by Sir Nigel.

Marion Regina

-- In the adria\_heraldry group at yahogroups.com, Sir Nigel (msg #2270) wrote:

### ***Some things I would like to see:***

1) Helmet coronets.

If you have the right to wear a coronet, why not have a strip of brass cut to match your coronet welded around your fighting helmet? Very period, and very cool.

2) Badges as Nametags.

While your Arms say "I am here", your Badge says "This is my STUFF". Register a badge, and then put it on EVERY-

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## SOA REPORT

Good Populace:

Due to the unfortunate turn of fate of Sir Nigel, the results of Heraldry turned in on March 13 can not be reported at this time. Sir Nigel is truly fighting for his life. We know you will continue to keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

Following is an excerpt from a recent posting to the Heralds from his Imperial Majesty Lord Wright.

"Some have said Heraldry is not an intrigue part of the Adrian Empire. In several subdivisions, estates cannot

be formed or keep their active status without actually flying their banners.

The pageantry of Estates and Nobles flying their banners makes the events feel and look more accurate. We have attended events where lawn chairs are spread in a circle formation for court causing a low moral. We have also seen bright Courts with banners flown high add to the look and feel of a Royal event.

We have seen Knights take refuge under their tents after battles and look victorious regardless of whether

they won or lost the tournament. We also have seen estates and guilds field fighters all bearing the same heraldry which makes not only easy recognition on the battlefield but looks incredible. Anyone who was there could not forget the look and feel of York's Army when taking the field in all matching tabards bearing the Kingdoms heraldry. We assure you that besides looking incredible and being historically accurate, not one single accidental friendly kill took place."

Marion Regina

## IMPORTANT NOTES & UPCOMING EVENTS:

- *The normal tournament for May is scheduled Sunday on Mother's Day. We have decided that day should indeed be spent as Mother's Day - Family Day. Makeup day for the May Tournament will be advised at a later date. - Marion Regina*
- *Banner War May 28 -31 at Featherly Park.*

*Check the Calendar for more events!*

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## FROM THE CROWN (CONTINUED)

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THING - your tourney box, your car keys, the bottom of your plates - EVERYTHING. This works for group stuff as well as individual stuff. It's much cooler to see everything festooned with heraldry than it is to see strips of masking tape with Sharpie scrawls or P-Touch labels.

### 3) Heraldic tabards.

Heralds, get with your Crown and have a tabard made. The tabard should have the arms of your Subdivision on it, nothing more. The Tabard is a large, unstructured garment that has a front panel and a back panel, and then two smaller "sleeve" panels. All four panels have the same design on them.



Links found in the article:

<http://www2.kumc.edu/itc/staff/rknight/Uses.htm>

<http://www.english.upenn.edu/~jhsy/chaucer-ppp-bp.html>

<http://www.albionarmorers.com/armor/100yrs/bpbascinet.htm>

<http://www.rocironwood.org/ACADHRLD/WhatIsHeraldry.html>

<http://www.heraldry-scotland.co.uk/Lyoncourt.htm>

<http://www.philamuseum.org/collections/costumes/1930-28-1.shtml>

<http://www.ealdormere.sca.org/exchequer/L16.jpg>

Just some ideas to get you started...

Fleur-de-Lis

## MONTEREY VISTA SCHOOL DEMO

Unto the Populace of Esperance:

We have received a request for a return demo for Mary Hopkins at Monterey Vista School. The initial request was for May 28th. Due to the Imperial Banner War, I asked if she could advise another date.

Today we received a request for Friday June 11. Last year's demo autocrated by Sir Jamie the Red was so well done, they have requested a demo again this year. The school has advised a donation will be made as was made last year.

Please advise who will be

available and if enough names are received, I will advise Ms. Hopkins of our availability. Paperwork is in process from the school and will be mailed to our Atwood address.

Thank you,  
Marion Regina

JUNE 11 DEMO:

AUTOCRAT IS REQUESTED FOR A REPEAT DEMO AT MONTEREY PARK SCHOOL. We have only received a response from two people that will be available to attend.



## FROM THE MINISTER OF ROLLS

Good Populace,

I apologize for the absence of a message last month, things were very busy in mundania and I am still desperately trying to catch up.

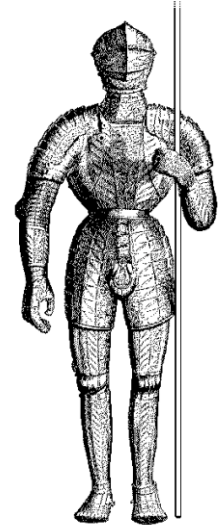
While I do not have the March event forms in front of me at the moment, the April event was very small. In fact,

it was so small that Sir Ce'Wolf was unable to hold many of the special events of the Fool's War that he had intended.

There were only 18 members signed in and able to participate this month. There were only four archers, though that constitutes a list which was won by Her Royal Majesty.

The combat lists were also small, with six ren participants and four steel fighters. Ren was won by Sir Terrin and Steel was won by Sir Troiano of Canton Agadir. There were no arts entries and there were only seven ministry points awarded.

In service,  
Sir Jamie the Red, Rolls



## WUNER MEMORIAL SHOOT UPDATE

Good Archers of Esperance and Terre Neuve:

The top four for the Wuner Memorial Shoot are:

Ramon Hervas known as Juan Ramon with a score of 452

Kevin Hatch known as Govannon with a score of 404

Sam Cox known as Ce'Wolf

with a score of 310

Mary Ann Coe known as Dame Marion with a score of 300

These four archer's are up-to-date for all shoots - we have a few make-ups for April and March that can well change the status however, Juan Ramon is well determined to

remain on top.

Marion Regina

## FROM THE STEWARD

Greetings from the Steward's office!

*All Members are reminded that the annual renewal is coming up July 1st! Please get your dues in ASAP to keep from getting caught in the Empire wide crush.*

As of April 3, 2004, the Financial Status of the Kingdom is:

Balance of Checking Account: \$ 3,783.92  
Petty Cash \$ 120.00

Expenses for the Month of March:

Newsletter \$40.50  
Bank Fees \$1.50  
Mardi Gras \$ 262.81.

Income for the Month of March:

Mardi Gras Feast \$374.00  
Site fees \$80.00  
Ring Fund \$102.00  
Bank Error reversed \$24.60.

We are missing a few bank statements that need to be secured and forwarded to the Imperial Steward. Sir Royal has completed a check register from January 2002

through March 2004 and that record will be forwarded to the Imperial Steward.

Marion Regina



## ELIZABETHAN TOURNAMENT

### **The Kingdom of Esperance is pleased to announce its May event – “Elizabethan Tournament - Playing for the Prize!”**

**Location:** Hurless Barton Park, 4601 Casa Loma Ave., Yorba Linda, CA

**Date:** Saturday, May 8, 2004

**Attire:** If you have Elizabethan or Renaissance costume, please wear it!

#### **Tentative Schedule of events**

8:00 a.m. - Setup Site, list field, Master of List's table.

9:00 a.m. - Event opens, coins handed out, sign ins.

10:00 a.m. - Court, followed by marshal's explanation of the theme, rules for gambling and general list conduct. Contestants enjoined to make ready (armor and select seconds), then arrive at the list field.

10:30 a.m. - Fanfare at list field declares the start of the whalebone list.

Contestants report to list, where rules are explained. Then the marshal is informed of the first contestants and yells out their names, enjoining the next contestant to make ready. Fanfare at list end and winner declared. Money should be thrown to victor. Or something.

11:30 a.m. - Rapier List in the same manner.

1:00 p.m. - Lunch - games and Bear Baiting.

2:00 p.m. - Sword and Armored

Tournament in a like manner After the final list, all contestants should report to the field. All will process to court with the victors of the three lists up front where the ladies can see them. Closing court to follow.

Throughout the day - Various games of chance: dice, cards, cat in a bag, wrestling, challenge matches.

What should I Bring?

Please bring bread crusts, bread rolls, flowers and favors (If you want to know why, please read below).

The Following is a detailed description of the event format.

The purpose of this particular tourney is to replicate the feel and procedures of a late Elizabethan list. To this end, the focus is upon creating a different atmosphere other than the typical tournament. This is not a meeting of great nobles filled with pageantry, but a boisterous gathering of sportsmen playing before a raucous and opinionated crowd. Bearing this in mind, spectators and waiting list contestants are highly encouraged to heckle, jeer, cheer and throw things into the arena! No hard or particularly messy objects shall be thrown, but such items as money, flowers and bread crusts are acceptable.

The list field will be the standard size. Contestants shall decide upon the weapon form prior to entering the field. If a combat form can not be agreed upon, the fighter with least standing shall choose. All combat shall be matched weapons. Loaner weap-

ons shall be available for contestants who lack their own weapons. Scoring and required arms and armor are listed below. Each contestant shall select a second who will examine the weapons of the opponent (please do this before entering the list). When called to the list, opponents will start in opposite corners; the referee will announce them and ask if they are satisfied with their opponent's arms. Assuming the answer is yes (again, please resolve issues off the list!), the referee will tell the contestants to "have at" and the contest will start.

"Hold" will be called for safety purposes only. After each good blow to any valid target, the struck contestant shall yell out the blow (e.g. "Good to the head, damn your eyes!"), action will momentarily stop and the referee will yell the point tally and restart the match (e.g. "3 to 2, Master Hans leads, back afield, ye rangey puppies!").

Should a contestant not notice the blow, the referee may query the blow, and may, at his discretion, call it good. At no point shall the referee make any attempt to be well beloved. 6 points shall win the match- should there be a tie due to simultaneous shots, the match will go to sudden death (\*ahem\*) with the first point scored taking the match. At the conclusion of the match, the loser shall slink off the field and report his loss to the Master of the List.

The next challenger shall then enter the list. The challenger is allowed to choose the weapon

style for the next match. The winner of the last bout shall remain on the field as his second hurries as if the devil were upon his heels to fetch the appropriate weapons. The next match then proceeds as the last. The list shall close once everyone has competed in the lists at least twice.

Victory for the day shall go to the man or woman (for these are topsy turvy times we live in) who has the greatest total of victories after losses have been subtracted (e.g. Three wins and one loss equal two for the total). A tie shall result in another match or some other such amusing contest.

Whalebone list (Shinai)

Though play would normally be conducted with whalebone, due to the shortages from the fisheries this year, we shall be using rushes striped in the appropriate red (shinai with red tape) and any period style buckler. Armor is standard light weapon apparel.

Allowable forms- single whalebone, whalebone and buckler (the crowd's favorite!) and case of whalebone (which is silly, but if you insist). The whalebone list shall be restricted to those of no rank.

Valid blows- Above the hips only! Solid cuts (no glancing taps) to the torso and head are worth 3 points, arms 2. Hands from the wrist down are off target. Should an arm be struck in the process of delivering a blow, the blow that arm would give does not count for points.

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 2004						
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 Koronaburg Faire
16 Koronaburg Faire	17	18	19 Fighter Practice	20	21	22 Koronaburg Faire
23 Koronaburg Faire	24	25	26 Fighter Practice	27	28 Imperial Banner War - Featherly Park	29 Imperial Banner War - Featherly Park
30 Imperial Banner War - Featherly Park	31 Imperial Banner War - Featherly Park					

June 2003						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Fighter Practice	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 Fighter Practice	10	11 Monterey Vista School Demo	12 Kingdom of Esperance Crown Event
13 Kingdom of Esperance Archery Tournament	14	15	16 Fighter Practice	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 Fighter Practice	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

## MOST WANTED

Good Populace: We have received correct responses to the offers of reward for the wanted posters as listed in last month's Le' Chronique. These responses were put into the chest and will be drawn Saturday afternoon for the reward. Anyone else who quietly advises the Queen of the correct place of these Wanted Posters will be added to the chest. Marion Regina

### HISTORIC DATES:

- May 1 May Day - A celebration in England.
- May 1, 1169 - First Normans land in Ireland.
- May 6, 1541- Henry VIII proclaims that a new English Bible must be placed in every Church.
- May 6, 1559 - Queen Elizabeth signed the Act of Uniformity.
- May 30, 1431 - Joan of Arc burned at the stake.
- May 30, 1536 - Henry VIII marries Jane Seymour, his third wife.
- May 31, 1043 - Lady Godiva rides naked through the market square in Coventry England to force her husband to lower the villagers' taxes.
- June 1, 1533 - Anne Boleyn crowned Queen of England.
- June 7, 1329 - Robert the Bruce Scotland's King dies.
- June 7, 1494 - Spain and Portugal sign the Treaty of Tordesillas, dividing the New World between them.
- June 11, 1509 - Henry VIII marries Catherine of Aragon, his first wife.
- June 12, 1298 - William Wallace routs the English at the Battle of Black Ironsides.
- June 15, 1215 - Magna Carta signed by King John on the Isle of Runnymede.
- June 15, 1520 - Martin Luther - Pope issues bull condemning ML works.
- June 20, 1484 - Pied Piper of Hamelin spirits away 130 children, never to be seen again.

## DANSE MACABRE

Danse Macabre, also called Totentanz, emerged in medieval art and literature as a reaction to the hardships of the feudal system and the horrors of the Bubonic Plague, which from 1347 to 1350 killed one quarter of Europe's population. Fearing the plague, superstitious people danced with desperate gaiety in graveyards, enacting the superstition that the dead danced on their graves at midnight to lure the living to their own graves. In this dance, they believed that the Plague spirits would pass them by. While Death was

personified in paintings, poetry, and pageant as the Lead Dancer, the other dancers represented royalty, clergy, merchants and peasants -- all equals when facing Death. In their macabre dance, they confronted mortality and championed Death as the Avenger over the Plague spirits, their feudal masters, and the hardships of medieval life. Whatever physical form the allegorical Danse Macabre assumed, it dealt consistently with death's universal inevitability, the equality of all people facing it, and the futility of wealth and rank. Hans

Hobein the Younger's series of woodcuts, Totentanz (1538) magnificently illustrates these themes.

I have watched this dance at various faire's, the most recent at Koronaburg. This little group dances through the faire and causes quite a reaction. Each member has a different garb as stated above - the clergy is the last member and all dancers have a skeleton mask. The next time you see this dance you will know the history and maybe appreciate the dance even more.

Marion Regina

## WAYZEGOOSE

Good Populace,

Wayze goose this year may well win a prize for the shortest demo of the year. We had a good turn out and had our entire area set up 45 minutes early. We had combatants on the field fifteen minutes before the event was scheduled to open. Unfortunately, we also had a light rain begin about five minutes after we took the field.

Naturally, we didn't let a little rain stop us. We fought in the rain, and the artisans plied their crafts, for about an hour and a half, during which time the rain got worse and worse and worse. For the second time in its 32 year history, Wayze goose was cancelled. As of about 11:00 am, we were told to pack it in and go on home.

We had more (as in 5) visitors after the event closed than we had while it was open! We also invited everyone to Castle Chaos (for those who do not know, that is where my Lady and I live) afterwards for some hot soup, hot beverages, dry clothing, and companionship. Dame Razi and Dame Maedb headed home immediately to put the soup on and the rest of us made sure that everyone got packed up in a reasonable time and headed out.

We were packed and home by 12:30 (taking our time with it). The soup and drinks were welcome, as was the dry clothing and the warmed towels draped around our shoulders as we walked in the door. For those who were not able to come, we missed you.

A special note of praise and

appreciation goes to Sir Vaisilli Faa who drove all the way out from Canton Agadir. He was just too late to be able to drive onto the site, so he lugged his gear all of the way from the parking lot. No sooner did he get ready to step on the list field, than the event was cancelled. Unfortunately, he was packed up and on his way so quickly, that I don't think he got the invitation to Castle Chaos. All that drive and work and he didn't even get out on the list field!

However, all was not in vain, I have in my hands a check from the University in the amount of \$500.00 for the kingdom for our efforts.

In service,  
Sir Jamie the Red

## ELIZABETHAN TOURNAMENT (CONT)

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Hands may be used to knock aside weapons (no grasping) without loss of the hand, but should a cut be received upon the hand, the blow shall count as a hit to the arm.

Grappling is not allowed in this list. Incidental body contact, as long as it is performed in a manly fashion (I.e. Nothing Greek) is acceptable.

Rapier List (Renaissance Schläger)

Play shall be conducted with bated blades (standard Ren weapons).

All lengths including dagger/poniards are acceptable, but should match the length of the opponent's blade. Blunts will be covered with red leather or cloth (blunt and red tape). Bucklers may be used in this list, and should be standard period bucklers as above. Armor is standard renaissance armor.

Allowable forms- rapier, dagger, rapier and dagger, rapier and buckler, case of rapier. As always, a true sporting gentleman will play at different forms lest the crowds tire of the spectacle.

As this is prizefighting, we will utilize the London School's standard on blows - any good thrust shall count, but no blows (slashes) will be counted. A thrust to a limb shall count for 2 points, a thrust elsewhere shall count for 3. A quick slice with the tip shall count as a thrust, as long as positive pressure is provided. Draw cuts shall not count. Again, the hand may be

used to bat aside without loss of the hand, but not grasp. Should it catch a thrust, it shall be counted as a thrust to the arm. Incidental body contact is permitted, as is grappling with mutual consent (for the Knight's list only). Throws, strikes and any maneuvers designed to injure (even if stopped short of injury) are forbidden.

Sword List (Renaissance Cut & Thrust)

Play here is as the rapier list, but this time the allowable weapons are backswords and short swords (replica weapons only, no schlagers).

Early period replica rapiers may also be used). Bucklers as above are permitted, as are daggers (including waster style daggers). Armor shall be per Cut&Thrust or Armored standards.

Again, the prizefighting rules shall be used- this time blows (slashes) only shall be counted. To satisfy the recent complaints of G. Silver and others of his ilk, optionally thrusts may be permitted if both contestants agree (and are both fighting using Adria Cut&Thrust standards).

It should be emphasized that a clean blow is sufficient to be called - there is no need to hit with undue force. Points will be awarded as in the rapier list. Grappling is permitted also as in the rapier list- be careful with hand blocks in this list (hand behind back is recommended, save for grapples)

Allowable forms- sword, sword and dagger, sword and buckler

Military Weapon List

The main difference between this list and the sword list is the armor requirements (Armored standards) and the weaponry. Depending on the contestants, we may run this list simultaneously with the sword list- if both contestants are armored for the armored standard; they may choose weaponry from this list. Bated weapons or wasters are permitted, but wasters cannot play against steel weapons.

Allowable forms- Pike, long sword, 2 handed sword, bastard sword, broadsword, axe, broadsword and target (round shield), broadsword and buckler, bare knuckles (please leave your gauntlets on, though!).

Scoring is as above, but for bare knuckles in which a strike to the torso or head is worth 2 points and a throw to the ground worth 3. A bare knuckle blow or pommel strike may be thrown to the head or torso for other forms- the fist shall count for 1 point, the pommel for 2. A throw to the ground remains 3. All grapples, save those designed to injure, are permitted.

Scoring

A good blow is loosely defined as any clean blow or thrust that result in positive pressure. Mere contact does not count. The referee will appropriately abuse any green sickness dullard who tries to use this rule to shrug off blows.

Any contestant of Sergeant rank or lower may ask for "scholar's privilege", and declare the head a non-scoring area for the bout.

Knight combatants may not ask

for this privilege.

In addition to the winners of each list, all contestants get a chance to vote for the person they thought was the best sportsman of the day. Consider fighting ability as well as those sporting qualities of fairness, aplomb and wit. Ties will be decided by the Queen, may God smile upon her. The winner will be granted a seat at the high table as well as the third slice of beef and third pint of ale after Their Majesties.

Bear Baiting

In the interest of keeping our younglings amused and out of mischief, we have prepared this merry jest. One of our more robust knights has volunteered to dress himself as a bear and have one leg tied to the ground.

Our dogs will be the young ones, who each be given a stuffed stocking and set upon our "bear". The "dogs" must crawl on all fours, and should yelp and bark in excitement. We can trust the "bear" to growl with little prompting. Six good blows upon the "bear's" body will defeat him. A swat upon a "dog" with a paw (really a thick woolen mitt) will require the child to run back to a designated resurrection tree, whereupon he or she can reenter the game. If this game is stacked against our "bear", well he knew the odds when he agreed. Betting will be upon the number of dogs swatted before the bear succumbs to their assault (or on any other agreed upon criteria between betters).

Betting

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## AGE OF THE COTE HARDIE

This list is for people who enjoy studying, discussing, or recreating history...Mainly 14th century life, dress, politics, the role of each family member, religion, warfare, belief and art...This list is for the purpose of learning, developing a persona, and sharing knowledge and theories! Everyone is welcome!



## KORONEBURG DEMO

Good Populace -

This is a reminder of the demo scheduled at Koroneburg Festival this weekend as autocrated by Sir Troiano. A gate list was entered based on probable attendance and attendance from last year.

Riverside and Corona are areas that belong to Esperance and have received few demos in the last 3 years other than Koroneburg. It is well known that we have not received many new members from Koroneburg. There have been more advertisements this year. One problem this year and in the past is the Corona City sign restrictions. Corona has agreed

that signs may be placed on Friday through Sunday and has agreed to review that regulation for future festivals.

DragonMarsh in Riverside will have participants pass out flyers on Thursday, May 6 from 6pm to 9pm. Downtown Riverside is having an "Art Walk". DragonMarsh is located on Main Street between Mission Inn Avenue and University.

Also in a conversation stage is the renaming of the festival to lean more toward the family environment. One comment made was: "However, since we have guilds there that do historic re-creation for as early as the 1300's to as late

as the early 1700's...

Losing the name "Renaissance" would, if nothing else, make a more accurate description of what goes on at the festival.

There are many more structures there this year, participants are working hard to create a fun environment.

We have a small but ample area for our use this weekend; May 15 and 16; May 22 and 23. Please advise if you are able to support the demo this weekend.

Marion Regina



## CULINARY GUILD

New Yahoo Group: [http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Culinary\\_Guild/](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Culinary_Guild/)

Anyone who is interested in medieval cooking, food arts entries, helping to cook at a feast or acting as an Autocrat for feasts are encouraged to join. The group was started in April, there is not much there as yet, but this is an opportunity for interested people to share their knowledge while gaining knowledge as well.



## BANNER WAR

Good Populace,

We have heard some disturbing news about our Empress over the past few days. It seems that while we were recently on holiday, she hath produced another offspring.

We are disturbed by the addition of a second Imperial Child and the effect this child shall have on the proper succession to the throne. Also there is some suspicious behavior concerning this second birth. Apparently it has taken place at least two weeks after the first.

We contend that Wright II is the true and rightful heir to the Throne. Wright II has already show his leadership abilities by being so far ahead of his sister, as he was born not only two weeks earlier than she but also on the exact date and time of our calling (11:45 to be precise). He was declared living and in good health by the Imperial Physicker. Wright II has also shown his ability to interact with the Imperial Estates by

voting at his first Imperial meeting and has shown his strength by battling with the Imperial Mallet at the close of said meeting.

However, we do not argue the fact that (*Ed. Alexandra*) \_\_\_\_\_ also can claim the Imperial Throne, even though she was born 2 weeks later and looks suspiciously like the Empress's bodyguard, Sir Prize.

Therefore, being a proud and biased parent we shall leave the decision of the proper succession of the Throne to the populace.

On May 29 & 30, of the mundane year of Our Lord 2004, armies of all the subdivisions shall gather in the Western, South Eastern and North Eastern parts of our Empire. The autocrats of each site have been informed and they are instructed to post more detailed information and directions shortly.

Upon the completion of each war the victor shall be pre-

sented with a regional Banner and then shall make known which Heir they believe to be the proper one. The Heir with the support of the most Banners shall be the legitimate heir.

May the best child win.

Lord Wright, Emperor





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All attendees, whether fighting or not, shall be given 20 tokens at the day's start. They may use these to place wagers as they will as the day progresses. Bets between citizens are, of course, entirely up to them, and may be placed on anything for any reason.

The kingdom shall also provide a bookmaker for today's festivities. All bets on winners of the bouts will be at strict odds according to rank. Ranked odds shall be as follows:

Knight Champion – 5

Knight Bannerette – 4

Knight Bachelor – 3

Sergeant – 2

Yeoman/Guardsman – 1

An example of odds – Sir Bob, a Knight Champion is ranked 5, Sergeant Joe is ranked at 2. Therefore the odds would be 5 to 2 in favor of Sir Bob. Sir Bob is favored to win.

Bets should be placed well in advance, and cannot be made once the round has started. Contestants who bet against themselves should feel bad.

### Archery Tournament

There will be a special archery tournament of "Cat in the bag" played at the days event. A bag will be hung across two trees and hung from the center, a cat will be placed in a bag (don't worry! We will be using a cat stunt double). Each contestant will be allowed to shoot arrows (combat arrow only) one at a time, in turn, until such time that they miss. Each contestant will be

charged a fee of 2 coins per arrow. Shoots will happen in groups of about four people. The winner of each group will advance until there is a final victor. The victor will receive the purse to include all fees collected for the shoot. In other words, the more people who play, the bigger the prize!

Cards and dice are planned as well. Their majesties have been kind enough to provide us with skilled dealers of English games of chance. Best of luck!

At a yet to be specified time after the day's activities, all tokens will be counted, and the leaders in coinage will be determined. The top three (or so) will be given gifts. Nice gifts, so bet well and try to keep the cheating undiscovered.

Music and Dancing

Well, of course, if we have time during the day. Please, please

bring your instruments and voices. Singing can also take place. We are trying to find a dance master. Haven't quite discovered how to bet upon dancing, but I'm sure where there is a will, there is a way.