

# LE CHRONIQUE D'ESPERANCE

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## CORONATION THANKS FROM THE CROWN

The new Majesties are in awe as to the service given to them at the Coronation. There were many hands to provide for all, a wondrous evening.

Their Graces, Conall and Afia, the feast cook with her helpers (at times I did wish to be back in the pantry with her as there is fun, dishes to wash, merriment, dishes to wash, and pears in the cooler, did I mention dishes to wash?)

The four young servers were most attentive and provided all of the amenities to the head table. Dame Katherine van Hansard did the bows backing up most well and I do remember thinking I was having problems walking forward. If

the head table was missing anything it was of our own doing.

The Captain of the Guards, Sir Donovan, was most attentive with the new court guard. This Queen does believe they will add to our year.

The coronation itself would not have been the ceremony it was without our good Cardinal Sir Robert Jehan Alexandre Crysolstom Antoine. He was also in new attire this evening with robes made by our own Angeliqne Sauve. There is so much talent in the Kingdom of Esperance, we look forward to some of the continued hidden talent to come forth and share their talent that we may all enjoy.

Those named below did provide such talent on the evening of December 7th:

Dame Aleta, Sir Dilvish the damned, Dame Lenora, Molly, Katherine van Hansard, Aberesta, Jasmine Drakonja, Michelle, Sir Terrin, Squire Greyland, Baron William de Mild, Dame Roseellen, Sir Robert "Jestar", Dame Millisent, Donal O'Brien, Sir Jamie the Red, Baroness Angeliqne Sauve, Sir Gregoire d'Avallon, and Sir Jehan.

If we have forgotten anyone, please accept our apologies.

Terrin Rex

Marion Regina

## EDITOR'S NOTE

Well, this is my first issue. Some things are probably going to change (formatting and the like) over the course of the year. I am looking forward to bringing you a pleasing and informative newsletter. Please bear with me as I get the look streamlined.

I would also like to take a moment to shamelessly beg for submissions, comments, critiques, and ideas. This is not something that can be created in a vacuum - it takes more people than you probably realize. Ministers are asked to submit their reports no later than the

Wednesday before the Kingdom Event. Other submissions will fall out based on the deadline above - if it gets to me in time it goes in that month's newsletter, otherwise it will wait for the following issue.

Sir Robert de la Fonteyne

## IMPORTANT NOTES & UPCOMING EVENTS:

- *Esperance Estates meeting to be held at January Kingdom Event.*
- *December 28th: Demo at Harp Inn - Autocrat: Sir James of Bloodstone.*
- *December 28th: Event at Loch Lave - Autocrat: Sir Troiano.*
- *January 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*

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## GREETINGS FROM THE CROWNS



Good Populace:

We have taken a review of the Candidates Statement made last October - In six short weeks the Queen's head has been spinning as she did not anticipate this activity all year long - given only 8 weeks to long forward to a year of fun and adventure. We both desire to encourage adventure as we make every attempt to fulfill those stated goals. The Queen's new wardrobe is

missing two items which seem to have disappeared - the articles are green and brown and they are sadly missed as movement was certainly swifter in those articles!

While the world of communication in the Middle Ages was cumbersome, there is no reason for that to remain in this day. Please know that we are open to all ideas and suggestions that will add to adventure - not so open to gossip that will be hurtful. The

Queen in 9 years has noticed a grateful growth in chivalry in recent years and would encourage that to continue. Please treat each other and each other's possessions with respect and smiles and We are confident that same respect and smile will return to you.

With respect,

Terrin Rex

Marion Regina

## NEW QUEEN'S CHATELAINE

"BEAUTY SUCH AS HERS IS SURE TO DRAW ATTENTION."

The Queen is saddened this day to inform the populace that I had to release my Chatelaine as she was sent to the Abbey of St. John of Jerusalem. This was necessary as her head was in the clouds because of the attention of so many of our young men (and old men) of the court due to her beauty. It is my hope that with the assistance to the sick and elderly her head will

return firmly to her shoulders. And so it is this day that I announce the name of the new Queen's Chatelaine - that of Dame Julianna Elizabeth Veronica Messina. Due to that same beauty that did hamper the ability of the former Chatelaine, I have summoned out of retirement the services of Sir Coda der Drachesoohn to insure Dame Julianna the freedom to

traverse the kingdom unhampered to fulfill her duties to the Queen and thus the kingdom. Please know that this day forward, Dame Julianna does have the ear of the Queen for those who may find it difficult to seek an audience.

Marion Regina

Chatelaine: Dame Julianna - joleym@yahoo.com

## THE ROYAL GUARD

The Crowns of Esperance do wish to advise the populace of the appointment of Sir Donovan as the Captain of the Royal Guard.

As he assumes his new position, it will be his responsibility to insure our safety both within the

kingdom and outside our borders.

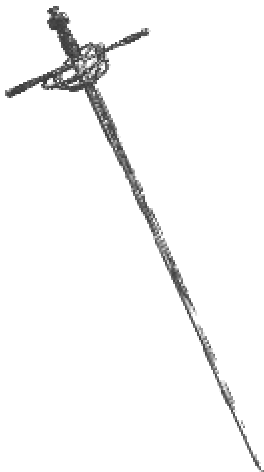
It is our wish that all pay heed to his directives in the performance of his duties.

So say we,

Terrin Rex

Marion Regina

Captain of the Royal Guard:  
Sir Donovan Cadnawon -  
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## FROM THE MINISTER OF JOUST & WAR

Good Populace,

Well, the war went well despite a continuous drizzle that at times threatened to become a down-pour. Alright, so at times it was a downpour. For those who missed it, the scenarios were as follows:

We began by fighting the renn champion's battle, the champions fought five points, each point with a different weapon or weapon combination. All points were fought with matched weapons (both combatants carried the same weapon). The weapons, not necessarily in order, were: sword and gauche, sword and buckler, single sword, brace or swords, and single gauche.

Next we fought the steel champion's battle, the champions fought three points, each with different, matched weapons. The weapons were, again in no specific order, sword and shield, battle axe, and short spear.

The shinai scenarios were:

1) an open field battle, simple, straightforward, and fun.

2) a bridge battle. Wide bridge (4-5 abreast), well fought, and fun.

3) a timed (1/2 hour) resurrection battle. Unlimited resurrections, but the total resurrections per army were counted and the point went to the army with the fewest resurrections.

The renn scenarios, which were fought in a colder and stronger wind after lunch, were:

1) crossed bridges. This one required some heavy generalling. Both armies fought well, but at the end, there was confusion among the survivors. The point was awarded, but a moment of closer attention could have changed the outcome.

2) back alley brawl. The wind was against us on this one and we were unable to get the walls to stay up. As a result, it required a little more imagination on the part of the combatants than intended. It was still fun and might have been the highlight of the combat if it weren't for the rain and the cumulative exhaustion

on the part of the combatants.

The steel scenarios were not fought. The rain and other conditions caused one candidate to decide to concede the points in the interests of his army's safety.

But they were:

1) simple, straightforward open field battle.

2) same thing except, the victory conditions were to kill the enemy general.

The tournament scheduled for Sunday was cancelled and all of those who signed up (either the day before or that morning) were awarded a participation point. No wins were awarded.

Your new Minister of Joust and War is Sir Conal, who will be running things today. It has been a pleasure serving the kingdom as Minister of Joust and War this year. I am moving on to a new position this year.

In service,  
Sir Jamie the Red



"YOUR NEW  
MINISTER OF  
JOUST AND WAR  
IS SIR CONAL."

## FROM THE HOSPITALER

Happy Holidays from Sir William de Mild and Dame Lyrica Angeline. This is our last report as this past year's Hospitalers.

First of all, we would like to thank everyone and the Crowns for their thoughts and prayers during Sir William's cancer treatment. WHAT A YEAR! He is now back to doing what he likes best... fighting.

It was a pleasure to be the Hospitaler. We got to meet many new people that were interested in the "game". Out of prospects there have been some very WONDERFUL new members that joined this past year (like my squire Luren de Wisconsin. All of the Hospitaler items have been turned over to the crown. If you lost it, we may have found it.

Thanks again and have a great holiday!

Dame Lyrica Angeline  
Hospitaler 2002

Sir William de Mild  
Deputy Hospitaler 2002



## FROM THE STEWARD'S OFFICE

Greetings Populace,

Here are the expiring members....

### December:

- ◆ Mary Ann Coe
- ◆ Richard Iacovelli

### January:

- ◆ Nelda Costner
- ◆ Patty Costner
- ◆ Scott Dash
- ◆ Bethanie Easterday
- ◆ John Hillenburg

◆ David Keyes

◆ Elizabeth Lorusso

### February:

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

◆ Patricia Cuthbertson

◆ Robert Deverman

◆ Robert Donohue

◆ Blake Johnston

◆ Alura Rose Morones

◆ Guinevere Morones

◆ Jack Morones

The following is a list of members that have expired:

- ◆ Elizabeth Coudill

In Service,

Dame Milisent de Lilley

## FROM THE MINISTER OF ARTS & SCIENCES

The substitute Art's Minister would not allow me near the judging so I can not expound on the entries. I was given a list which went astray and I do not want to go from memory. It was wonderful to see new entries: Olives by Dame Willow the leftovers of which were devoured by Sir Troiano. (I did get my own jar at coronation - which will be hidden from Sir Troiano) A Tournay Tree - again never presented to my knowledge by the King's new

Squire Aaron. We will expand in the next newsletter and all 12 entries were grand and wonderful.

During the last year, the crowns promoted the arts quite well and one way was to place the names of each entry into a wondrous glass chest. There was a drawing for items presented by Dame Katherine Marshall of London; Sir Jamie the Red and Dame Milisent - The winners were: Sir Jamie selected the beautiful stain glass made by

Dame Katherine; Gabrielle Scibbarrasi selected the wood chest made by Sir Jamie - there were some drool marks on this chest as many of us wooed and awed at this handsome chest. Sir Ce'Wolf selected a bottle of Apple Cider made by Dame Milisent.

There were several months of fine Art's entries last year and the Crowns are looking forward to the years to be wondrous and entries to be many.

Marion Regina

"...THERE WERE SOME DROOL MARKS ON THIS CHEST..."

## FROM THE NEW MINISTER OF ROLLS

Good Populace,

Greetings. I will be taking over as the Minister of Rolls and Lists this coming year. Please grant me a month or so to get organized before requesting points audits. Also, the Imperial manual writing committee is finishing up the new Rolls

manual. There are likely to be some changes. I will notify you when I find out what they are and how they will affect you.

One thing to remember is that you are ultimately responsible for signing in at events and tracking your own points. If you have not done

so, the Rolls office cannot give you credit for points you did not report or events where you did not sign in.

In Service,

Sir Jamie the Red

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 2002						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Canton of Aquitaine Event/ Esperance Coronation
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Kingdom of Esperance Crown Event
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	Christmas Eve	25 Christmas	26	27	28 Canton of Loch Lave Event / Harp Inn Demo
29	30	31 New Year's Eve				

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

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

ESPERANCE ESTATES MEETING ON JANUARY 11, 2003

TERRE NEUVE 12TH NIGHT FEAST & SYMPOSIUM DAY

Following its grand and glorious traditions, the Kingdom of Terre Neuve will be holding its 12th Night Feast on January 4th at the La Mesa Community Center.

Feast doors will open at 4:30 with everyone seated by 5:30.

The fees for the feast are as follows:

- \* Adults (13 years and older) - \$10 if paid ahead of time, \$12 if paid at the door
- \* Children (6 to 12 years old) - \$8 if paid ahead of time, \$10 if paid at the door

If you have any questions regarding the Kingdom of Terre Neuve 12th Night

Feast, please contact King Badger at badgermaybe@cox.net.

Plan a day trip and attend the symposium during the day and the feast in the evening. For more information contact Arts Minister Juliet at Julie.Tamura@am.sony.com or King Badger at badgermaybe@cox.net.



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ESPERANCE

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