

JULY 2008 IMPERIAL ESTATES AGENDA

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GENERAL MEETING INFORMATION

Date and Time

Estates Meeting

July 19, 2008 - 9:00 A.M. to 5: 00 P.M. July 20, 2008 - 9:00 A.M. to completion of agenda

Location:

The July 2008 meeting of the Imperial Estates will be held in the Kingdom of Esperance

Best Western Inn and Suites Hotel

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Room Rates and Accommodations

- \$92.00 + 11.85% tax. for Studio King with pull out sofa beds.
- \$102.00 + 11.85% tax for Executive Suite if available.
- All prices subject to change
- Check in 3:00 P.M. Check out 12:00 P.M.

Breakfast: Complimentary full service buffet.

Lunch: Hearing no request for box lunches - that order has not been placed. The restaurant is not open for lunch on the weekends. There is room service - outside patio - and refrigerator and microwaves in the rooms. The restaurant at the hotel has limited hours.

Hi-speed Internet in all rooms, Evening Social Hours, Coffee and Tea in rooms, Free Cable TV HBO / ESPN.

From the Airport:

Shuttle: Free shuttle from the Ontario Airport and 5 miles circumference of the hotel.

Local Attractions:

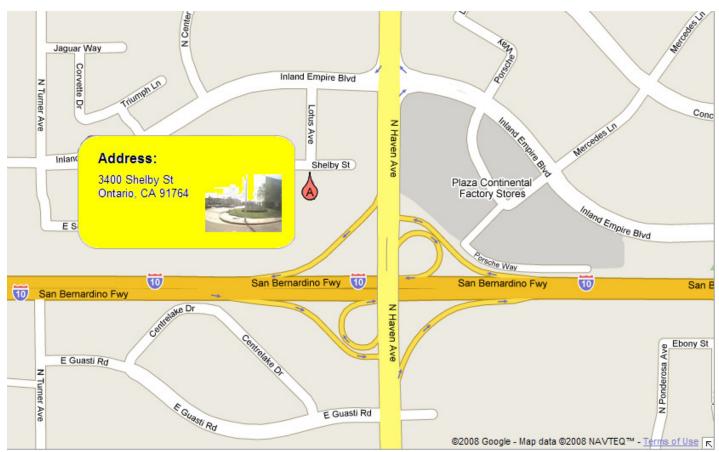
- Benihana,
- Black Angus,
- El Torito,
- Tony Roma's.
- Ontario Mills Mall.
- Cucamonga-Guasti Regional Park
- Featherly Park
- Empire Lakes Golf Course
- Ontario Airport
- Disneyland
- Knott's Berry Farm
- Knott's Soak City

Driving Directions:

From the 10 Freeway:

- Exit on N. Haven Avenue, go North to Inland Empire Boulevard
- Turn left on Inland Empire Boulevard
- Turn left on Lotus. Lotus is the first street with the street sign hidden behind a tree.
- Drive straight into the parking lot for the Hotel.

For those driving - bring a comfortable lawn chair with you - there is a nice area to sit and socialize as well as a BBQ available to the guests. The BBQ does require a reservation. Food and drink of your choice is available on site outside just not in the meeting rooms.



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AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of the March 2008 Imperial Estates Meeting.

IV. REPORTS

V. CROWN BUSINESS

CRB1. Charters No Action

All Subdivisions who have not reported in a timely manner, and are not in communication to correct their deficits, and all Subdivisions who do not maintain the numbers for their status will be placed on the November Imperial Agenda for voluntary reduction in status. Reporting is required and not doing so makes it difficult to determine the status of the Empire. Additionally, all Subdivisions are required to maintain a specific number of members to establish and retain their status within Adria. This is in accordance with Imperial Bylaws. We also request that all Subdivisions submit, to Us directly, a copy of their Writs and Codicils for review. Once approved, the Crown of the subdivision will be notified and the documentation placed under their region on the Imperial Website. Additionally, if your current Charter does not appear on the Website, you are responsible for contacting us, in writing, to ensure that is corrected.

a. Place shires on inactive list

The following shires have zero membership and have been suspended:

None

B. Reactivate inactive shire

The following shires have membership and their charters have been reactivated:

None

c. Recognize new shire

The following shires have membership and their charter will be issued:

None

Note: Membership renewals are due July 1st. Any Subdivisions below numbers will be put on notice at the July Imperial Estates Meeting and listed for size reduction in the numbers are not up to requirements for the November Meeting.

CRB2. Repeal Current Arts Judging Form

Repeal the usage of the Arts & Sciences Judging Score Sheet last approved by the Imperial Estates and return to using the matrix as a guideline in judging.

Commentary:

There has been much dissatisfaction in judging the Arts. To that end, a new judging form was created and passed into usage by a narrow vote of the Imperial Estates. Now that the form has been in use, there seems to be even more dissatisfaction of our arts judging system. If the new form makes things worse, let's start by going back a step while we continue to look at ways to improve the system.

CRB3. Amend Current Arts Judging Form

(Not needed if CRB2 passes.)

Option A.

Change the footer from "White -- Imperial Minister of Rolls" to "(optional) White -- Imperial Minister of Rolls" and agree that NCR forms are not required.

Option B.

Make it known that NCR forms are required to be used for Arts judging sheets.

Commentary:

The East has been dutifully using NCR forms and sending the White copy to the Imperial Rolls minister while the West seems to not have noticed that aspect of the form. If the Imperial Estates are requiring NCR forms, that needs to be clarified to the western chapters. If the Imperial Estates are not requiring NCR forms, that needs to be clarified to the eastern chapters. In either case, sending the detailed judging sheet of a chapter's event to the Imperial Minister of Rolls seems to be an unnecessary expense and creates more volume of paper to be processed and stored nationally.

VI. CHANCERY BUSINESS

CH1. Update Regions of the Empire.

Requires no Action.

Region 1. (West)	Region 2. (Middle)	Region 3. (East)
Alhambra	Albion	Burgandy
Al-Wadi Al-Shahin Brandenburg Carolingia Esperance Gloucester Sangrael Terre Neuve	Bisquia Eakterinegorod Isle De Mort Lancaster Lowenburg New Exeter	Cambridge Castilles Cashel Chesapeake Constantinople Galloway
	Umbria Vingulf	Kincora Pembroke
		Ravenna
		Somerset
		Templemor
		Valencia
		York

CH2. Judicial Decisions

In accordance with Imperial Estates Writ #2, 12, Codex Adjudicata Article IV.8., None received.

CH3. Replace Rolls and Lists Manual

Requires majority to take from the table; majority to approve.

Replace the current version of the Rolls and Lists Manual. Will follow separately.

Author: HIM Sir Terrin Greyphis

CH4. Approve candidates for Imperial Crown

Requires majority to approve.

Article VI.E.4.a, at this Meeting of the Estates, the Imperial Estates shall: qualify and determine acceptability of Imperial candidates.

Article XVI.B.1.b. Candidacy: The chancellor shall notify the populace to submit letters of intent to contend for the Imperial Crown, which shall:

- Be submitted to the Chancellor in writing
- Be received at, or before, closing court of Memorial Weekend War (Interim Imperial Civil War)
- Indicate the prospective Crown, and co-ruler or consort

Article XVI.B.2.a. Eligibility: The Imperial Chancellor shall consult with the Imperial Minister of Rolls and

the Imperial Steward* to determine eligibility. Records of these two Imperial Ministers shall be considered for this determination. A member who fails to meet the qualifications for Crown shall be notified in writing as to the reasons. (*In the case of any discrepancy or disagreement, the Imperial Steward's records are considered to be binding. The Imperial Steward will entertain evidence from all sources available before making a binding determination.)

Article XVI.B.2.b. Acceptability: The Imperial Chancellor shall convene the Imperial Estates General at the regularly scheduled meeting in July, who shall determine the acceptability of each contender to hold the Imperial Crown. If the consort is to be a co-ruler, then their acceptability shall be also examined. If a member is judged as unacceptable by the Imperial Estates General, they shall be notified in writing as to the reason.

Vote to Approve:

Sir Derfel Cadaron Earl of Castilles & Dame Claire Tonnesdter Countess Royal of Terre Neuve

Dame Lenora Greyphis Vicountess of Brandenburg & Sir L'Bet'e de Acmd Viscount of Kincora

CH5. Vote for President and Vice President of the Board of Directors for Adrian Empire Inc.

Requires majority to approve.

Vote to Elect (One pair only)

William K. Haldeman, Candidate for President & Warren A. Mitchell, Candidate for Vice-President

Clyde Games, Candidate for President & Bill Lukey, Candidate for Vice-President.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

OB1. Rename the terms "Chartered Subdivisions" and "Subdivisions"

Was OB3 (March 2008). Failed in March 2008 Notice for Reconsideration in July Given; Majority to approve.

Current Definition (Glossary of Bylaws):

Chartered Subdivision - This refers to a Kingdom, Archduchy, Duchy, or Shire.

Subdivision - This refers to a March, County, Barony or Household.

Item 1: Rename the term "Chartered Subdivisions"

Replace all references to "Chartered Subdivisions" with "Chapter" in all sections of bylaws, Lex Adria, writs and manuals.

Item 2: Rename the term "Subdivisions"

Replace all references to "Subdivisions" with "Estate" in all sections of bylaws, writs, Lex Adria and manuals.

Note from Chancellery: This item was given to the Chancellery at the request of the Estates to create terms in the bylaws to refer to these areas within the Empire and remove the confusion many members have with the current terms. The term "Subdivision" is currently used in the manuals in multiple ways which creates great confusion. Worse, the word "Subdivision" is taken from the mundane corporate world and the organizational body that it defines is not what we have when we talk about "Chartered Subdivisions." "Chapter" is used throughout the mundane world with national groups like ours. Regarding the use of the other term, when people ask, "What do you mean by a non-chartered subdivision?" the answer is, "an estate." Since we all better understand the term "Estate" to refer to a March, County, Barony, or Household, let's just use that word.

OB2. Amend Imperial Estates Writ #2, 12 Codex Adjudicata Article IV. Conduct of Judicial Courts.

Was OB2 (March 2008). Requires majority to take from the table; majority to approve.

Amend to Read:

Once complaints have been presented in writing to the appropriate Minister of Justice or Magistrate, the Minister of Justice shall have no more than 30 days to evaluate them and determine if they are legitimate charges and warrant trial, unless proper cause is submitted in writing to the Crown and Imperial Chancery that more time is necessary. If they are so determined, the following procedures shall be followed.

- 1. The Minister of Justice shall notify the named defendants in writing. This shall be done in any of the following methods
 - Hand delivered
 - Via fax
 - Via email
 - Via mail
 - Via phone conversation (In order to setup a meeting to hand deliver)

Notification of a vassal's Liege-Lord shall qualify as notification of the individual.

- 2. Mediation must be attempted within 20 days of the date that the complaint was found to have merit. Either party may refuse mediation. Mediation may be conducted through electronic media (e-mail correspondence with known legal e-mail addresses), so long as all parties are involved and the Ministry of Justice maintains a written record. If mediation fails, or is refused by either party, the complaint shall become a set of charges.
- 3. Once notified the defendant shall be informed that the date of the trial shall not be less than thirty days of this notification unless the defendant requests Immediate Justice. Immediate Justice shall be defined as within 30 days. If the trial is to be held concurrent to a sanctioned event, the trial shall not be conducted during any scheduled activities at an event, but shall occur during breaks, before, or after the event itself.
- 4. The Magistrate/Minister of Justice will then request the defendant to choose a date for their trial, which must occur within one (1) year from the date the set of charges is filed. This date must be acceptable to Magistrate/Minister of Justice, Crown and plaintiff as well as the defendant. If the defendant has not set a date within 6 months from the date the set of charges is filed, the Magistrate/Minister of Justice has 30 days to set a trial date to occur within the remaining 6 months.
- 5. The Magistrate/Minister of Justice shall select the time and place of the trial, provided Immediate Justice was not called for, in which case it will take place during the next Scheduled event. The Date, Time, and Place of this trial shall be published in the Adrian Herald as well as announced at the next Crown Event, unless Immediate Justice is demanded.
- 6. If the defendant fails to appear at the prescribed time, date, and location of the trial, they may be tried in absentia, and the Magistrate/Minister of Justice will allow any of the trial attendees to speak on behalf of the defendant.
- 7. The Defendant shall be afforded every opportunity to prepare a defense. This will include but not be limited to reviewing evidence and questioning witnesses. The plaintiff shall also be afforded this same opportunity to prepare their case. This "Period of Discovery" shall continue until forty-eight (48) hours prior to trial at which point all witness lists and evidence lists shall be frozen and reviewed by the Magistrate. This may be appealed by to the Magistrate during the trial, and the opposing council Counsel shall have an opportunity to argue against such an appeal, after which the Magistrate shall decide if the added testimony/evidence shall be heard.
- 8. All open Judicial Proceedings shall be videotaped, audio taped (or equivalent), and copies of the tape provided to the Imperial Chancery.
- 9. Lastly, it shall be understood throughout Adrian Courts that the primary responsibility of the Court is to determine the Truth of the Matter. That this This Search for the Truth shall be the over-riding

determinate in the process, and not procedure. Objections due to procedure should be discouraged if they may be used to hide or diffuse the truth.

10. All court decisions must be published as an appendix to the next Imperial Estates Agenda.

Additional Option #1

The above proposal is to be adopted retroactively.

OB3. Amend Imperial Estates Writ 2, 12 Codex Adjudicata to Create an Independent Judiciary.

Was OB7 (March 2008). Requires majority to take from the table; majority to approve. Rewrite not received by the Ministry of Justice.

Option 1

For all Adrian Courts, Civil and Justice, Magistrates and Justices shall be selected randomly.

For Magistrates, annually, at each level and in all subdivisions, the Crown shall nominate candidates who are knowledgeable in Adrian Law; the Estates shall consider the nominees and may approve appointment by a majority to serve for two years. The process shall continue until three Magistrates are approved. A vacancy shall be filled by the same process to fill the term. Magistrates may be removed by a 2/3rds vote of the Estates, judicial sentence for conviction of Adrian or mundane crime, or revocation of membership. Magistrates shall be suspended during a limited judicial ban or suspension of membership. The process is repeated each year and may result in up to six Magistrates serving at any time.

For a Civil Court, the names of the former: Crowns, Chancellors, and MoJs, of the level or subdivision, shall be written on cards, shuffled and drawn by the magistrate. As each is drawn, he shall be called upon to serve, when three agree to serve impartially, they are empanelled. If three are not able or available to serve, the names of the landed Nobles of the rank of Baron or higher and the highest level of Knights available shall be added to the pool.

For a Court of Justice, the names of the landed Nobles of the level (rulers of Marches for an Imperial Court) or subdivision (of the rank of Baron or higher), shall be written on cards, shuffled and drawn by the magistrate. As each is drawn, he shall be called upon to serve, when three agree to serve impartially, they are empanelled. If three are not able or available to serve, the names of the landed Nobles of the next lower rank and all Knights shall be added to the pool.

For a Court of Chivalry, the names of all the Knights of the level (K3s for an Imperial Court) or subdivision shall be written on cards, shuffled and drawn by the magistrate. As each is drawn, he shall be called upon to serve, when three agree to serve impartially, they are empanelled. If three are not able or available to serve, the names of the Knights of the nearest chartered subdivisions shall be added to the pool.

Option 2

Replace the current court structure with an investigating magistrate system. A panel of three magistrates is convened for each case to investigate, mediate, or adjudicate and sentence. Appeals would be made to the appropriate Crown or Estates.

Selection of Magistrates, annually, at each level and in all subdivisions, the Crown shall nominate candidates who are knowledgeable in Adrian Law; the Estates shall consider the nominees and may approve appointment by a majority to serve for two years. The process shall continue until three Magistrates are approved. A vacancy shall be filled by the same process to fill the term. Magistrates may be removed by a 2/3rds vote of the Estates, judicial sentence for conviction of Adrian or mundane crime, or revocation of membership. Magistrates shall be suspended during a limited judicial ban or suspension of membership. The process is repeated each year and may result in up to six Magistrates serving at any time.

OB4. Amend Article III.A. Number of Directors

Was OB8 (March 2008). Requires majority to take from the table; 2/3rds to approve.

Amend to read:

The number of Directors shall be seven (7) nine (9). The Emperor and the Empress shall always be President and Vice-President and serve a one-year term (may be extended in compliance with successive terms as Emperor and Empress). The Imperial Steward shall serve as Treasurer and may serve successive terms (as this is an appointed position by the Imperial Crown).

The Imperial Estates General will elect the remaining four (4) six (6) directors of the Board of Directors from among the paid membership of the Adrian Empire by a simple majority vote; those elected shall serve two-year terms. The directors-at-large shall be comprised of two (2) members from each region (1, 2, and 3) as defined in Imperial Estates Writ 21a. Two (2) Three (3) of these directors shall be elected each year, thus staggering the election.

Directors elected by the Imperial Estates General that become President, Vice President, or Imperial Steward during the second year of their term vacate their seat; the remaining year of their term shall be filled by a one-year appointment, elected by the Imperial Estates General. Candidates may be self-nominated.

The retiring President and the Imperial Chancellor shall have non-voting, advisory memberships on the Board of Directors. They will not be considered as Directors.

Chancery Note: If approved it will be enacted in November 2008. Region 1 currently has no members-at-large, Region 2 has 2 members-at-large, and Region 3 also has 2 members-at-large.

OB5. Adopt Resolution to have a plan in place to hold combat scenarios at night in case of Extreme Heat at IWW.

Was Counter Proposal to OB10 (March 2008). Requires majority to approve.

Authorize additional monies for Imperial War West to provide lights to fight at night when it is much cooler, which will allow us to continue using the same site.

Author: HG Sir Tailan Bran McNeil

Sponsor: HG Dame Anne Bryce of Kincraig

OB6. Amend Article III. Board of Directors to elect Treasurer, limit terms of Board of Directors members.

Was NB 1. March 2008. Requires 2/3rds to approve.

All members of the BOD will be elected. The Chancellor, Steward, former President, and any other members found acceptable by the Board will serve in an advisory capacity. They may offer advice, expertise, and research and report on current issues. They may not hold a vote.

The Steward will serve as the Secretary for the BOD and will be responsible for creating Agendas, taking minutes, and posting them to the BOD group and other appropriate reporting forums.

BOD members will serve terms as follows:

- President/Vice President-as defined under Office of the Imperial Crown
- Treasurer-elected to a two-year term-responsible for all mundane financial obligations of the
 organization including, but not limited to; filing taxes, authorizing checks, maintaining expense
 reports, and maintaining bank account information (including set-up of new accounts). Note: The
 Steward of the Empire will be responsible for collecting and maintaining memberships, maintaining
 contact lists and paperwork, and will be a signatory on the bank account while working with the
 treasurer.
- Members-at-Large-elected to a rotating 2-year term as currently defined.
- The treasurer and Members-at-large will be limited to two (2) consecutive terms.

Author: HG Ashlinn Tiernan (Countess Royal, Albion, Knight Premier) Co-Sponsor: HRM Katriana MacBrus (Queen, Albion)

OB7. Limit the Imperial Crown to a single year (No consecutive years).

Was NB 2. March 2008 2/3rds to approve.

Remove all references to a consecutive year and pax regium in reference to the Imperial Crowns. Change to the Imperial Crown cannot succeed themselves, and allow Kingdoms to adopt local writs in regarding the reigns of King and Queen limiting them to a single reign without conflicting with Imperial Law.

Author: HG Sir Tailan Bran McNeil

Sponsors: HIH Sir Nikolai Belski, HIH Sir Pavo Rosalia, HG Dame Claire Tonnesdtr, HG Dame Anne Bryce of Kincraig

OB8. Retirement Titles: Ducal and Archducal Crowns.

Was NB 3. March 2008 2/3rds to approve.

Allow retiring titles with Imperial Voting privileges to be given those who have served as the Crown of an Archduchy or Duchy.

Amend to Read:

Article VI.D. CHARTERED SUBDIVISION GOVERNING BODY; SUMMONING MEETINGS

The governing body of a chartered subdivision is the Estates General. This body shall be composed of:

Estates Royal (King/Queen, Prince/Princess, Archduke/Archduchess, Duke/Duchess, Viceroy/Vicerine*)

Estates Major (Lord/Lady Protector, Count/Countess Royal, Viscount/Viscountess, Marquis/Marquessa, Founder, Baron/Baroness Royal, and Third-Level Knight)

Estates Minor (Count/Countess, Barony Baron/Baroness, Second-Level Knight, Household Lord/Lady)

Article VIII.B. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR CROWNS/RULING NOBLES

1. The Imperial Crown must have:

Attained the second level of Knightly Rank

Held a Royal Crown with a successful completion of reign (or completed the pax regium if a first time Crown and the Estates General vote that the reign has been successful) or served as a Duke for six (6) months or longer with a successful completion of reign.

Has served as the head of a chartered sub-division (Kingdom, Archduchy and/or Duchy); and has been granted a retirement title (such as Count/Countess Royal, Viscount/Viscountess and/or Baron/Baroness Royal) for a successful completion of reign. This Reign must have lasted at least for six (6) months.

Article IX.D.13

Viscount/Viscountess

Title granted to a retired ruler of an Archduchy for a successful term of office. (Non-voting) Part of the Estates Major. (Voting)

Article IX.D.14

Baron/Baroness Royal

Title granted to a retired ruler of a Duchy for a successful term of office. Part of the Estates Major. (Voting)

Article IX.D.15

Baron/Baroness of the Court/Empire

a. Court title awarded by the Imperial, Royal and/or Ducal Crown, as per Article VI.F.3 and VIII.D. (Non-voting)

b. Title granted to a retired ruler of a Duchy for a successful term of office. (Non-voting)

Author's Note: A Count/Countess Royal who is a retired Crown of a Kingdom is granted a vote on the Imperial Estates, and this is great training for when they desire to run for the Imperial Seat. It affords them an opportunity to be a decision making body in their own right in the Imperial Estates; as well as keeps them active on the Imperial Estates between the end of their term and when they do decide to run for the Imperial Seat. But, this same privilege and training is denied to retired Dukes/Duchesses and Archdukes/Archduchess, who are likewise contenders for the Imperial Seat. This is most likely due to an

oversight when the Duchies were re-designed from being what the Shires are now. This proposal merely seeks to rectify this oversight and afford those retired Dukes/Duchesses and retired Archdukes/ Archduchesses the same privilege of remaining active on the Imperial Estates after their tenure of office has ended.

Author: HRG Sir Kaeyron A. Maethanos (Knight Civil, Knight Bachelor, Duke of Cashel) **Sponsors:** HG Sir Johan von Hohenstaufen (Earl of Terre Neuve)

Counterproposal.

Article VI.D. CHARTERED SUBDIVISION GOVERNING BODY; SUMMONING MEETINGS

The governing body of a chartered subdivision is the Estates General. This body shall be composed of: **Estates Royal** (King/Queen, Prince/Princess, Archduke/Archduchess, Duke/Duchess, Viceroy/Vicerine*) **Estates Major** (Lord/Lady Protector, Count/Countess Royal, Marquis/Marquessa, Founder, and Third-Level Knight)

Estates Minor (Viscount/Viscountess, Count/Countess, Baron/Baroness Royal, Barony Baron/Baroness, Second-Level Knight, Household Lord/Lady)

Article IX.D.13

Viscount/Viscountess: Title granted to a retired ruler of an Archduchy for a successful term of office. Part of the Estates Minor. (Voting)

Article IX.D.14

Baron/Baroness Royal: Title granted to a retired ruler of a Duchy for a successful term of office. Part of the Estates Minor. (Voting)

Commentary: With the talk about trying to limit the amount of personal votes on the Imperial level, a Count/Countess Royal, who is a retired Crown of a Kingdom, is granted a vote on the Imperial Estates this same privilege and training is denied to retired Dukes/Duchesses and Archdukes/Archduches. This is most likely due to an oversight when the Duchies were re-designed from being what the Shires are now. This Counterproposal merely seeks to rectify this oversight and afford those retired Dukes/Duchesses and retired Archdukes/Archduchesses the similar privilege by allowing them to remain active on their Local Estates after their tenure of office has ended to help shape and lead their Subdivision on it's way to Kingdom Status.

Author: HRM Sir Cameron Kilshannig (King of Umbria, Knight Premier)

Sponsor: HG Sir Tailan Bran McNeil (Earl Royal)

OB9. Ladies-in-waiting, Squires, Men-at-arms and Pages.

Was NB 4 March 2008. 2/3rds to approve.

Amend to read:

19. Squires

Those who exchange pledges of fealty with knights for special training. (Non-voting)

20. Men-at-arms

Those who exchange pledges of fealty with nobles, knights, or non-knights for special training. (Non-voting)

21. Ladies-in-waiting, Gentlemen-of-the-chamber

Those who exchange pledges of fealty with nobles, knights for special training. (Non-voting)

22. Pages

Those who exchange pledges of fealty with nobles, knights, or non-knights for special training. Usually a young person. (Non-voting)

Author's Note: This is probably a simple oversight, but if these are each various levels of fealty given, since a Knight has often been in the game longer than a noble (which one can become a noble by brining 4 friends into the game and forming a house within a matter of months after joining), shouldn't the order of precedence favor the Squire?

Author: HRG Sir Kaeyron A. Maethanos (Knight Civil, Knight Bachelor, Duke of Cashel)

Sponsors: HG Sir Johan von Hohenstaufen (Earl of Terre Neuve)

OB10. New Physicker Manual

Was NB 5 March 2008; 2/3rds to approve.

Replace the current version of the Physicker Manual.

Author: Sir Jordon Marbourgh (Imperial Physicker)

Sponsors: HIM Sir Terrin Greyphis (Imperial Crown), HG Sir Tailan Bran McNeil (Earl Royal)

OB11. Recognition of those who render Lifesaving Aid at an Event.

Was NB 6; 2/3rds to approve.

The following three orders are meant to recognize those that render lifesaving aid (whether successful or not) to their fellow Adrians, but also a separate order to recognize those whose efforts were successful in the rendering of that aid.

Determination of "lifesaving aid" should be made in consultation of the current Imperial Minister of Physicks for definition of "lifesaving aid."

The Order of St. Cosmas

Grants Precedence equal to a Lord or Lady of the Court

May stylize themselves as "Lord <Name>" or "Lady <Name>"

Nomination by: Ducal/Royal Minister of Physicks (or their Deputy)

Grantable by: Ducal/Royal Crowns

Note: The nomination body and granting body are separated since it is through the Physickers office that each qualifying event is recognized. In addition the terminology of "lifesaving aid" is a very pliable definition, and those that have been trained in First Aid/CPR are the ones who are able to help make a determination that if a certain action was "lifesaving" or not. This award is able to be granted whether or not the "lifesaving aid" was successful in outcome, as it is meant to recognize those that have above and beyond to render aid to those in need

The Order of St. Cosmas is intended to recognize those men and women of Adria that have gone above and beyond the call of duty to render "lifesaving aid" at a Locally/Regionally sanctioned Adrian Empire Event

It is difficult to render "lifesaving aid" to a stranger, and it is infinitely more difficult to render that same care to someone who you know. This order is able to be granted by the Local Crown after nomination by their local Minister of Physicks (or duly appointed deputy). Members are eligible for inclusion into the Order regardless of the outcome of the care which they have provided.

Upon ratification of the Order, any member who has rendered "lifesaving aid" at a Local/Regional Event during their tenure in the Adrian Empire is eligible to be nominated.

The Imperial Order of St. Damian

Grants Precedence equal to a Lord or Lady of the Empire

May stylize themselves as "Lord <Name>" or "Lady <Name>"

Nomination by: Imperial Minister of Physicks (or their Deputy)

Grantable by: Imperial Crowns

Note: The nomination body and granting body are separated since it is through the Physickers office that each qualifying event is recognized. In addition the terminology of "lifesaving aid" is a very pliable definition, and those that have been trained in First Aid/CPR are the ones who are able to help make a determination that if a certain action was "lifesaving" or not. This award is able to be granted whether or not the "lifesaving aid" was successful in outcome, as it is meant to recognize those that have above and beyond to render aid to those in need

The Imperial Order of St. Damian is intended to recognize those men and women of Adria that have gone above and beyond the call of duty to render "lifesaving aid" at an Imperially sanctioned Adrian Empire Event.

It is difficult to render "lifesaving aid" to a stranger, and it is infinitely more difficult to render that same care to someone who you know. This order is able to be granted by the Imperial Crown after nomination by the Imperial Minister of Physicks (or duly appointed deputy). Members are eligible for inclusion into the Order regardless of the outcome of the care which they have provided.

Upon ratification of the Order, any member who has rendered "lifesaving aid" at an Imperial Event during their tenure in the Adrian Empire is eligible to be nominated.

The Imperial Order of St. Michael the Archangel

Grants Precedence equal to a Baron or Baroness of the Empire

May stylize themselves as "Baron <Name>" or "Baroness <Name>"

Nomination by: *Imperial Minister of Physicks (or their Deputy)*

Grantable by: Imperial Crowns

Note: The nomination body and granting body are separated since it is through the Physickers office that each qualifying event is recognized. In addition the terminology of "lifesaving aid" is a very pliable definition, and those that have been trained in First Aid/CPR are the ones who are able to help make a determination that if a certain action was "lifesaving" or not. This award is able to be granted whether or not the "lifesaving aid" was successful in outcome, as it is meant to recognize those that have above and beyond to render aid to those in need

The Imperial Order of St. Michael the Archangel is intended to recognize those men and women of Adria that have gone above and beyond the call of duty to render "lifesaving aid" at an officially sanctioned Adrian Empire Event (whether Imperial, Regional or Local).

It is difficult to render "lifesaving aid" to a stranger, and it is infinitely more difficult to render that same care to someone who you know. This order is able to be granted by the Imperial Crown after nomination by the Imperial Minister of Physicks (or duly appointed deputy). Members are eligible for inclusion into the Order for successfully providing "Lifesaving Aid" at any Event. [i.e. they provided CPR to a fallen member and that member survived the Cardiac Event, even if they perished for other reasons]

Upon ratification of the Order, any member who has successfully rendered "lifesaving aid" at an Event during their tenure in the Adrian Empire is eligible to be nominated.

Author's Note: Something that Sir Darion Kiriakis of Cashel had asked me recently was "Is there an award or Order which recognizes those that render lifesaving aid, such as CPR, at an event? And if not why?" And to my knowledge there is no such order that recognizes those that have gone above and beyond to save a person's life. Rendering CPR is often difficult when you do not know the person, and it's made much more difficult when you actually do know them.

The following three orders are meant to recognize those that render lifesaving aid (whether successful or not) to their fellow Adrians, but also a separate order to recognize those whose efforts were successful in the rendering of that aid.

Determination of "lifesaving aid" should be made in consultation of the current Imperial Minister of Physicks for definition of "lifesaving aid."

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Co-Sponsor: Sir William Baine (Count Royal, Knight Premier, Knight Champion)

OB12. Proposal to create a Rapier Knighthood Path.

Was NB 7 March 2008 Requires 2/3rds to approve.

Current Law (proposed changes in red):

Combatant Roll

Heavy Renaissance will now count as Light Renaissance in Knightly progression (reference Imperial Estates Writ #13).

- a. Yeoman
 - i. Be authorized to enter the Sergeant's List as outlined in the Combat Manual and Marshal's Guidelines
 - ii. A member in good standing.
- b. Guardsman
 - i. Participation in three (3) Sergeants' Lists at Crown events.
- c. Sergeant
- i. Participation in five (5) additional Sergeants' Lists at Crown events.
- ii. One (1) win in a Sergeants' List at a Crown event.
- iii. Participation in two (2) demonstrations.
- iv. Be authorized to enter the Knight's List as outlined in the Combat Manual and Marshal's Guidelines
- d. Knight Bachelor
 - i. Participation in ten (10) Knights' Lists at Crown events.
 - ii. One (1) win in the Knights' Lists at a Crown event.
 - iii. Participation in one (1) war
 - iv. Participation in three (3) additional demonstrations.
- e. Knight Banneret (2nd level)
 - i. Participation in eighteen (18) additional Armored lists at Crown events.
 - ii. Five (5) additional wins in the Armored Lists at Crown events.
 - iii. Participation in five (5) additional wars in Armored combat
 - iv. Participation in five (5) additional demonstrations.
- f. Knight Champion (3rd level)
 - i. Participation in thirty-six (36) additional Armored Lists at Crown events.
 - ii. Ten (10) additional wins in the Armored Lists at Crown events.
 - iii. Participation in ten (10) additional wars in Armored combat
 - iv. Participation in fifteen (15) additional demonstrations.

Add: g. Knight Scholar (2nd level)

- i. Participation in eighteen (18) additional Knight's Rapier lists at Crown events.
- ii. Five (5) additional wins on the Knight's Rapier list at Crown Events
- iii. Participation in five (5) additional wars in Knight's Rapier
- iv. Participation in five (5) additional demonstrations
- h. Knight Companion (3rd level)
 - v. Participation in thirty-six (36) additional Knight's Rapier lists at Crown events.
 - vi. Ten (10) additional wins on the Knight's Rapier list at Crown Events
 - vii. Participation in Ten (10) additional wars in Knight's Rapier
 - viii. Participation in fifteen (15) additional demonstrations

Note: All combatants who hold current Knighthoods will retain their highest level of Knighthood and may choose which path they wish to take. Combatants may pursue both the armored and rapier tracks simultaneously. All wins and participations held by non-Knight combatants, and those above the highest level of Knighthood, may be applied accordingly. There is already a system in place to deal with separation of these points on the Imperial database. You may also access them by simply looking up Combat points and filling out a Steps-to-Knighthood. It would not require additional rolls entries above what is already being entered into the database.

Commentary: Much like the sports world recognizes the difference between weapons and styles: rifle shooting, pistol shooting, fencing, archery, etc.; we should recognize the difference between Armored and Rapier Combat, in style, function, gear, and historical context. By separating these paths, we pay homage to each of these distinctly different art forms and allow the people who practice them to excel in their specific form of art by dedicating themselves wholly and completely to being the best they can in their chosen style. This also lends to the full experience by all members seeking to participate in combat, regardless of their affinity toward a specific art form.

Author: HG Dame Ashlinn Tiernan (Countess Royal, Albion, Knight Premier)

Co-sponsor: HRG Kaeyron Methanos (Duke, Cashel), HG Warren Anthony (Count Royal, Albion)

Counterproposal: Remove Armored Win Requirement for Knight Bannerette and Knight Champion.

Option 1: Remove Armored Win requirement for Knight Bannerette and Knight Champion.

Option 2: Remove Armored Win requirement for Knight Bannerette only.

Commentary: While I believe that Knight Bannerette and Knight Champion should require participation in Armored lists I do believe a win on either list should be equal in the law.

Author: Sir Tailan Bran McNeil (Earl Royal)

Sponsor: HRM Sir Callon Bryn Corey, King of Terre Neuve

OB13. Modification the New Rolls Manual.

Was NB8. March 2008; majority to approve.

Note from Chancery: The Rolls Manual is currently a Continuing Imperial Crown Writ. Approving the Manual as Imperial Estates Writ returns ownership and control of the document back to the Imperial Estates. Defeating this motion leaves the Manual in the current state and allows the Imperial Crown to make changes at any time. More details forth coming once author's evaluate the proposed rolls manual. Note from the Imperial Crown: With these clarifications in place including updates from feedback received at the March Imperial Estates meeting, it is no longer necessary to leave the manual as Imperial Crown Writ.

OB14. Amend Imperial Estates Writ 21 Rotation of Imperial Estates Meetings to only apply to the November Imperial Estates Meeting.

Was NB9 March 2008; Requires 2/3rds to consider; majority to approve.

Amend to read:

The location of the November Imperial Estates meetings and Coronation shall rotate around the Adrian Empire.

b. Rotation

Each year shall have its own separate rotation schedule. Year 1 shall be regions 1, 2, then 3. Year 2 shall be regions 2, 3, then 1. Year 3 shall be regions 3, 1, then 2. (This allows each region an opportunity to host meetings and coronations.)

Chartered Subdivisions from Regions 1, 2, and 3 may submit bids for the March and July Imperial Estates Meetings. The November Imperial Estates Meeting and Coronation shall rotate between the

three Regions, so that Region 1 hosts the November Imperial Estates Meeting and Coronation in Year 1, Region 2 in Year 2, and Region 3 in Year 3.

Any Chapter is encouraged to put in one bid a year.

Author: HG Sir Tailan Bran McNeil (Earl Royal)

Sponsors: HIM Sir Terrin Gryphis, Dame Patricia Sparr, HG Dame Anne Bryce of Kincraig.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

NB1. Amend Chancellor's Manual IIIA5. Government Reports.

Requires 2/3rds to Consider; Requires a Majority to approve.

This is the section in which the various Ministries, the Imperial Crown, and the Churches make their reports. Within these reports, proposals may be made, including manuals (which may be attached as appendices). These may be acted upon immediately as if they were old business. These items will be treated as new business. (It is often wise to present manuals in sections rather than having them live or die as a whole.) The agenda should reflect how a given proposal is being made.

All reports should must be made in writing so that proxies may benefit from them. Reports should must be submitted to the Chancery by the same deadline as all other agenda submissions.

Non-budgeted expenditure items shall be presented for approval during the Steward's report. In the section for the Steward's report, the Agenda shall clearly direct the Estates to official government sources where any late non-budgeted expenditures (those which were made after the submission deadline) would be published so that the Estates will be able to vote on their approval even though they do not appear in the Agenda itself.

Government reports are to be published no later than 30 days prior to the meeting. Reports may be updated on an emergency basis, updates must be submitted and published to the agenda no later than one week prior to the meeting date.

Authored by: Dame Cerridwyn of York (Countess Royal)

Seconded by: Sir Hawthorn, Crown of York

NB2. Amend Missile Weapons Construction Manual.

Requires 2/3rds to Consider, Requires a Majority to approve.

Alter the Construction Manual to authorize the use of Baldur's Blunts in Construction of war arrows.

Authored by: Dame Cerridwyn of York (Countess Royal)

Seconded by Sir Hawthorn, Crown of York

NB3. Remove 'Membership in Not Good Standing' from HIH Dame Jericho Gutte D'Or and HG Dame Josephine Oaksblood until completion of Trial.

Requires 2/3rds to Consider, Requires 2/3rds to approve.

Comments: The trial process for Princess Jericho and Dame Josephine began July of 2007. They were found to be 'Members not in good standing' in November 2007; without a completed trial. It is our wish that the 'member not in good standing' status be lifted for both until their day in court is complete. Perhaps a limited judicial ban would be more appropriate which would limit them from handling monies until such a time that their trial can be completed with a verdict being handed down from the Knights panel. With the final portion of the trial yet to be determined it would be unfortunate to prevent such accomplished knights from contributing their services to the Empire.

Author: HRM King Hawthorne

Sponsor: Dame Fionnghualla Inghean Ruaidhri Countess Royal

NB4. Publication of Minutes of the Board of Directors.

Requires 2/3rds to Consider; Requires Majority to approve.

The minutes for all Board of Directors meetings will be published to all Crowns, the Adrian Empire Website, and Yahoo Groups within 30 days of the meeting. The names of any minors will be redacted for their protection.

Author: Dame Cerridywn Fiend of York

Seconded: Dorn das Schwarz Brause, Knight Civil

NB5. Plain Language Bylaws i.e.: Lex Adria.

The document will follow separately.

IX. DISCUSSION

X. NEXT MEETING OF THE IMPERIAL ESTATES

November 1-2, 2008; Region 2 Hosts.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

END OF AGENDA