MINISTER'S REPORTS

This document contains the Minister's Reports given at the Imperial Estates Meeting in July, 2003. All documents relating to this, or any other, Imperial Estates meeting may be found online at http://www.adrianempire.org. The Chancellor's report is also contained in a separate document: 2003March_chancellor.pdf

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I. President and Board of Directors

II. Chancery

Contained in a separate file, published earlier this month. A copy is at the head table.

III. Office of Rolls and Lists

IV. Steward's Office

V. Archery

The following report was received from Sir Connor O'Riordain, Imperial Deputy West:

There are 72 people participating in the Postal shoot. This is an increase of about 20 people from last year. The same 3 subdivisions are participating: Umbria, Terre Neuve, and Sangrael. With Esperance in limited participations. Number of subdivisions have not increased, but the number of participating have.

As far as I am aware, Sir Arion has taken over manuals and such with the missile weapons. He may be still working with Sir BlackArrow on it, but he hasn't sent anything over to me since he informed me he was placed in charge of dealing with the manuals.

There have been many ideas for tournaments. Field "hunts", stuffed animal slayings, balloons, etc. Nothing has been put into practice as far as I know, but maybe soon.

The following report was received by Sir Nickademus Fiend, Deputy Imperial East:

Things are going very well on the East Coast. The Kingdom of Castilles has just had their coronation. Banner War went very well, we used combat arrows in all the scenarios. The Postal Shoot has lost pretty much all interest. I am currently working on reports for the Imperial Minister of Archery.

VI. Sovereign of Arms

VII. Office of Joust and War

Sir Wilhelm de Grosso, Imperial Minister of Joust and War, had nothing to report. Sir Arion von Hirsch has been promoted to Imperial Marshal.

VIII. Office of Arts and Sciences

Dame Aleta O'Barry has stepped down as Imperial Minister of Arts and Sciences. From the East Coast Deputy, this report was received: There have not been any major changes to procedures in the Empire over the past few months. The focus of the Imperial A&S Office continues to be encouraging the subdivisions to forward monthly reports to the Imperial Office so they a set of backup records can be kept on the Imperial level, as well as the subdivision level. While progress has been gradual, there has been an improvement in the number of subdivisions sending in monthly reports.

As new subdivisions are formed, or new ministers take up their positions, there have been questions regarding the Arts. Clarificiation of issues and questions regarding the minister position and the Arts in general have been addressed on a case-by-case basis. At the suggestion of one of the newer A&S ministers, an e-list was created for the sole use of the A&S ministers. The purpose is to have a forum for the ministers to ask questions and share experiences and tips on the administration of the A*S program. If there are any ministers who have not signed up for this e-list, I would encourage them to do so. This is one of our best resources for our ministers. The more comfortable our ministers are in their positions, the better able they will be to encourage and guide the artisans of their respective subdivisions.

Squire Toireasa McBride, Imperial Deputy of Arts and Sciences, East (June 24, 2003)

IX. Office of Physicks

X. Publishing Office

The overhaul of the Imperial website is going well, though much slower than anticipated. Most of the basics are in. We will begin working on the bells and whistles soon. There are now "departments" for the various ministry offices. The first to go online at the Imperial site was the College of Arms, along with the Steward's Office (who also is maintaining a separate site, as they have always done). The Chancellor and Rolls Offices are in process now, and will be online hopefully within a month.

As far as the newsletter, we are currently putting together a special edition, containing the original writings of the Empire's populace. These, and any other special editions, will be offered as online versions only, and available on the Imperial website.

The use of the ministry e-lists has been increasing over the months, which is very heartening. These are places for all the ministers to share their resources, and have a place to ask questions. I am seeing a much more unified Empire in the administration of the offices, which I attribute to the easy access of minister to one another.

In service, Maedb Hawkins, Imperial Office of Publishing

XI. Other Officers

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