

The Testament

Gathering, 1109 – Closing Edition

Entropy runs out of steam

As the dusk fell on a damp end of the Sunday of the Gathering, the peoples of Erdreja could give a sigh of relief.

The sense of hope and salvation was created by the defeat of Lord Roan and the Entropy menace.

The threat to the whole of Erdreja was countered by the peoples of all nations uniting for the single task of saving everyone. The affected lands were cleansed before the united forces of the factions, many of whom had recently been at war, came together at the Crown of the World.

The brave warriors placed themselves directly in the path of many a corrupting blow, old enemies side by side standing for one cause. As Sir Fideles, one of the 16 sent to retrieve Lord Roan's staff, described his co-combatants: 'All these people are Heroes of Erdreja' and we within the guild echo this sentiment, and pray the cooperation and friendships that have been forged in the fires of this victory will continue to grow, providing us all with peace and prosperity.

The warleaders of the various factions sat together through many meetings and worked together admirably on the field, led by the Champions of Light and Dark. We thank them and all who took part for delivering us from this threat, especially those in the courageous strike teams.

Fallen Heroes

At time of print news of this great victory had been dampened by the confirmation that some had paid the blood price for our freedom. We would welcome obituaries for the fallen from their families and friends so all can know the names and deeds of those we all owe our lives too.

Erin's Loss

Let Erdreja mourn the passing of another great man. Garf, Ard Righ of Erin, was brutally slain in an Akari attack on the Dragon camp in the early evening of Saturday of the Gathering of Nations 1109.

Garf has fought with the Dragons since he was a simple deck-hand of the Erin navy, some twelve years since.

He will be sorely missed.

We also mourn the loss of their High Bard, Padraig Ap Taran. The world will seem less without his stories and wit.

Peace and Gin

At the end of the second moot 1109, many will have noticed an increase in friction between the Tarantula and Lion Factions.

Both sides readily agreed to meet at the Bards Guild during the Gathering of Nations to discuss the situation.

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The Lions started off by presenting the Tarantula faction with an apology for the heated words exchanged at the end of the Moot, this was accepted humbly by the Tarantulas who immediately recognised that some within their faction clearly would have acted in the manner the Lions had accused.

Quickly a mature and progressive relationship was created as the alcohol flowed and both sides realised their famous love of gin was a platform they could use to repair the damaged relationship and build stronger ties.

The Bards Guild hopes that all factions will follow the example of these great Nations in solving their difficulties, and will readily provide a neutral environment for any other factions requiring such services.

Library Shock

The Bards guild master known as Sarison addressed the guilds council and informed all present that for the protection of the Bards guild he had to step down.

The situation within the Great Library had slowly been deteriorating since the death of the head Librarian commonly known as Sculion. Sarison was convinced that the only way to protect the guild from the situation was to remove himself from the Guild command, and return to his duties within the library.

During his leaving party, a message arrived. Sarison, looking pale, informed all present that he has been given the position of Head Librarian of the Great Library. And the guards of the library are under his command.

Sarison then started to faint and had to be brought round with the application of drink.

By the end of the evening he had given assurances that the library will remain a central part of developing knowledge and understanding for all peoples of Erdreja.

When asked about his future he stated that he had much reading to do, and as his eyes lit up he promised to come out of the library often once he had read a couple of Sculion's private volumes.

Congratulations to Lord Kellen Morghun and the Lady Lucious on the birth of their new baby daughter. We wish you every joy.

Appeal for information

On Saturday evening around 7-8 a member of the Bards Guild and Unicorns faction was assailed by three muggers, using a befriending incantation to allay his concerns. A Unicorn's sash and monies were stolen, but no permanent harm was done, for which we are grateful.

Any information leading to the apprehension of the culprits or the return of said items would be well received. Strangely, they left a single stell behind.

He had been on his way to the Entertainers competition at the time.