

## July 2002 Imperial Estates Meeting Minutes of the Meeting

**NOTES:** The position of Imperial Chronicler will be vacant soon. Applications of interested and qualified persons are being received by the Imperial Crown.

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### I. CALL TO ORDER

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The meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m. The order of the day was suspended without objection.

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### II. ROLL CALL

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#### Emperor and Empress:

- Dame Maedb Hawkins, present [1]  
Sir Karl von Katzburg, present

#### Aragon, Kingdom:

- Crown: Sir Eduardo de Peruzzi (king), present (1)  
Dame Aleigha Firedrayke (queen), proxy
- March de Borgia: Dame Elizabeth (marquessa), proxy (1)  
Dame Serina de Torseillo, proxy
- Marzo di Morte e la Foresta: Dame Ashlinn Tiernan, present (1)  
Sir William Baine (marquis), present
- County Black Rose: Sir Jean Marc Fontenay (count), proxy (1)
- Contea di Convenienza: Squire Callam Kormic (count), proxy  
Squire Calista O'Flannabrah, proxy (1)
- Sir Eric of Stavanger: Count Royal, Vega, absent (0)
- Sir David von Albrecht: Count Royal, Aragon, proxy (1)
- Dame Serina de Torseillo: Countess Royal, Aragon, K3, proxy (1)
- Sir William Baine: K3, present [1]
- Sir Cirus la Marchate des Ombres du Morte: (K3), present (1)
- Sir Pavo Rosalia: K3, proxy (1)

#### Brandenburg, Archduchy:

- Crown: Dame Juliana Hirsch von Schutzhundheim (arch-duchess), proxy (1)
- Barony Hoffbrau: Sir Nigel Seymor (baron), proxy (1)
- Barony Palentines: Sir Rhys ap Thomas (baron), proxy (1)
- HE Sir James of March le Coir Noir: Prince, K3, absent (0)
- Sir Mathghamhain Kilshannig: Prince, proxy (1)
- Sir Erik the Awful: Prince, proxy (1)
- Sir Johan Warhammer von Hohenstadfen: Count Royal, present (1)
- Sir Rhys ap Thomas: Count Royal, proxy (1)
- Dame Marcella Visconti: Countess Royal, proxy (1)
- Sir Nigel Seymor: K3, proxy (1)

#### ArchDuchy of Caerleon:

- Crown: Sir Phaelan up aur Darwin (ArchDuke), present [1]  
Dame Aleska Ardintaine, ArchDuchess, present
- Barony Skidbladnir: Sir David Davidsson Mariasman of Hillsbend (baron) proxy (1)
- House Solstice: Dame Ruth Freebourne (lady) present (1)

#### Duchy of Chesapeake:

- Crown: Sir Aerindane McLorie (Duke) (K2), proxy (1)
- Sir Aerindane McLorie: K2, proxy (1)
- Sir Avalon: K2, proxy (1)

#### Duchy of Dragon's Mist:

- Crown: Dame Sapphire Jade (Duchess) absent (0)
- Mystic Woods: Sir Little John (baron), absent (0)
- Elfsdragon: Sir Bowen Gandalf (lord), absent (0)

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**ArchDuchy of Ekaterinegorod:**

- Crown: Sir Sergay Ruslanovich (Archduke), absent (0)
- Barony Bloodstone: Angus of Bloodstone (Baron), absent (0)
- Sir Dragonet, K3, absent (0)
- Lord Perrin Malcolm, absent (0)

**Kingdom of Esperance:**

- Crown: Sir Conall O'Cearnaigh (King), proxy [1]  
    Dame Aifa (Queen), proxy
- March of Aggravaine: Sir Coda der Drachesohn (Marquis), present (1)
- March of Anvilania: Dame Julianna Elizabeth Veronica Joanna Messina (Marquessa), present (1)
- County Aguilar: Sir Patrick Gullidge (Count), proxy (1)
- Barony of Vineland: Sir William de Mild (Baron), proxy (1)  
    Dame Lyrica Angeline (Baroness), proxy
- Sir William Ce'Wolf (Count Royal), proxy (1)
- Dame Aleta O'Barry (Countess Royal), proxy (1)
- Sir Coda der Drachesohn (K3, Count Royal), present (1)
- Dame Maedb Hawkins (Countess Royal), present (1)
- Sir Jehan von Hapsburg (Prince, Count Royal), proxy (1)
- Dame Elspeth O'Neill (Comtessa of Lincoln), proxy (1)
- Dame Katherine Marshal (Princess, K3, Countess Royal), present (1)
- Sir Talon Marcus (Count Royal), proxy (1)

**Duchy of Sangrael:**

- Crown: Sir Gwydion Dionne (Duke, proxy (1)  
    Dame Xuxa (Duchess), proxy
- House MacDonald: Dawnlyn MacDonald (Lord), proxy (1)
- House Fealough: Wolfgang (Lord), proxy (1)

**Kingdom of Terre Neuve:**

- Crown:  
    Dame Kendra Finster McFadyen de McDonnon (Queen), present (1)
- March Where Dat Al Row: Sir Maddoc McDonnon (Marquis), proxy (1)
- County Anwnn: Lyron (Count), proxy (1)
- Barony Ard Artha: Keeldalyn (Baroness), proxy (1)
- Sir Nikolai McClean Belski von Hapsburg (Prince, Earl of Terre Neuve), proxy (1)

**ArchDuchy of Tierra del Fuego:**

- Crown: Dame Maud de Clayton (ArchDuchess), present (1)
- March of St. Michael: Sir Karl von Katzburg (Marquis), present (1)
- House Verange: Sir Wilhelm der Grosse (Lord), present (1)
- Sisters of Saint John: Dame Maud de Clayton (Lady), present (1)
- Dame Elisabeth Grey (Princess), present (1)
- Sir Karl von Katzburg (Count Royal, K3), present (1)

**Kingdom of Umbria:**

- Crown: Dame Aislynne de Chartier (Queen), present (1)  
    Sir Keegan, proxy
- March of the Rising Star: Dame Keara Craig (Marquessa), proxy (1)
- Barony Dragon's Lair: Draconia DeVona (Baroness), proxy (1)
- Barony Red Wyvern: Cameron Fitzcannon Kilshannig (Baron), proxy (1)
- Dame Roawyn O'Reilly (Countess Royal), proxy (1)
- Dame Justina Maria Martell Murella (Countess Royal), proxy (1)
- Sir Fredrick von Burg (K3), proxy (1)
- Sir Philippe Dubois Guilbert (K3, Count Royal), proxy (1)
- Dame Delia von Burg (Countess Royal), proxy (1)
- Sir James the Red (Count Royal), proxy (1)

**Kingdom of York:**

- Crown: Sir Elric Meladius (King), proxy (1)  
    Dame Skye Meladius (Queen), proxy
- Sir Elric Meladiua (Count Royal), proxy (1)
- March Tir de Righ: Dame Josephine Oaksblood (Marquessa), proxy (1)
- March Mercia: Dame Etaine Llwelyn (Marquessa), proxy (1)
- March Norfolk: Sir Wright Bentwood (Marquis), proxy (1)
- County Coutae Duir: Sir Nickademus Fiend (Count), proxy (1)
- County Phoenix: Dame Ana Llywelyn (Countess), proxy (1)
- Sir Killian Oakesblood (Count Royal), proxy (1)
- Dame Jericho Gutte D'Or (Countess Royal), proxy (1)
- Sir Raffe Cunningham (Count Royal), proxy (1)
- Dame Brejenne Cunningham (Countess Royal), proxy (1)

**Shires:**

- **Andorra:** Frere Auberon Dela'Reve (Viceroy), proxy (1)  
    House dela'Reva: Isabeau Dela'Reve (Lady), proxy (1)
- **Crescent Moon (Cambridge):** Kaeyron Maethanos (Viceroy)  
    House Larethian: Kaeyron Maethanos (Lord), proxy (1)  
    Clan Kyodai: Darion Kiriakis (Lord), proxy (1)
- **Dunvegan:** Lady Isabel MacAskill (Vicereine), proxy (1)
- **Fire and Ice:** Lord Sir Dae Nadel (Viceroy), absent (0)
- **Norddrafn (Borealis):** Sir Odan the Rus (Viceroy), absent (0)
- **Slivowitz:** Sir Gunner Blood Axe (Viceroy), absent (0)
- **Somerset:** Dame Maedb Hawkins, proxy (1)

Quorum was met with 80 votes present (21) or by proxy (59).

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### III. CONSENT CALENDAR

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**Approved with no objections**

One item were placed on the Consent Calendar: **Crown Business, CRB 5. Amend Article III.A.1. open membership definition**

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### IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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**Approved with no objections**

Approval of the minutes of the November 2001 Imperial Estates Meeting (Appendix A).

**Approved as corrected with no objections (correction of Castilles effective date)**

Approval of the minutes of the March 2002 Imperial Estates Meeting (Appendix B).

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### V. REPORTS

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**Accepted as a whole, with no objections**

**A. President and Board of Directors**

The President's report is included in the [Reports](#). (Presented by HIM Maedb Hawkins)

**B. Chancery**

The Chancery Report is included as [Appendix C](#). (Presented by Sir William Baine)

**C. Rolls**

The Rolls report is included in the [Reports](#). (Presented by HIM Maedb Hawkins)

**D. Steward**

The Steward's report is included in the [Reports](#). (Presented by Sir Terrin Greyphis, and Dame Lenora Scott Greyphis)

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**E. Sovereign of Arms**

No official report, but note that the LORR will be done by month's end.

**F. Chronicler**

The Chronicler's report is included in the Reports. (Presented by HRG Maud de Clayton)

**G. Joust and War, Minister of Combat**

The Joust and War, and Crown Marshal's reports are included in the [Reports](#). (Presented by Sir Coda der Drachesohn)

**H. Arts and Sciences**

No report

**I. Physicks**

No report

**J. Imperial Webmaster**

The Webmaster's report is included in the [Reports](#). (Presented by HIM Maedb Hawkins)

**K. Other Officers**

**Bonding Issue Report.** (Lord Wright of York) Appeared as OB1 on the March 2002 Imperial Estates Agenda. The bonding issue was referred to Lord Wright of York, this is what he came back with: *"I was charged to find out the cost of Bonding the Imperial Steward. Upon telephoning several Insurance agencies none have returned my calls. I have spoken to professionals in the field who assure me the cost should be in the low hundreds (i.e., \$100-200). However, I have not received a firm quote in writing as of yet. I plan to go door to door this week or next (banner war delays). However, this means the price may come in after the deadline for new agenda Items. If you can lace this item on the agenda without price until I receive it that would be great. Otherwise I assume it should wait until the next meeting. It should be noted Bonding is an important low cost insurance to protect the funds of the Empire and should cast no dismay on the person bonded. It is not a sign that they cannot be trusted, it is a sign of security of funds."*

**VI. CROWN BUSINESS****CRB1. Charters****No action required**

The shire of Crescent Moon has changed their name to "Cambridge."

The shire of Annelynnrose has been reactivated, and has changed the name to "Rathlin Isle."

**CRB2. Amend XI.B.2. and the Codex Adjudicata to add Conduct Unbecoming a Knight to the list of chargeable offenses**

**Approved** (yes 53, no 16) *Requires 2/3rds to amend Bylaw and majority to amend Codex.*

**Current Law, Article XI.B.2:** Courts of Justice may be called for the following reasons:

**Current Codex Adjudicata, Courts of Justice, 2:** Courts of Justice may be called for the following reasons:

**Add (and renumber both sections):** Conduct Unbecoming a Knight, which for this purpose and consistent with Judicial precedent, is defined as willful violation of Article I. B. Core Values, which are:

- **Fairness** (to be impartial, honest, free from self-interest, prejudice or favoritism)
- **Integrity** (to adhere to a code of values, to be incorruptible)
- **Loyalty** (to be unswerving in allegiance, to one's lawful Crown or government; faithful to a person to whom fidelity is due; or, to a cause, ideal, custom, or institution)
- **Respect** (to be polite, considerate, and demonstrate admiration for people's good qualities and achievements)

### CRB3. Adopt revised Manual of Combat

Motion to table failed (yes 5, count of no votes dispensed with without objection)

**Referral:** A motion was made to refer the issue of the minimum age requirement for steel (16 or 18) to the Board of Directors for decision, inclusion in the Manual of Combat. Approved (yes 67, no 6)  
*Required a majority vote*

**Approved as amended** (yes 52, no 21). *Required majority.*

See [Appendix D](#) for complete manual.

### CRB4. Revoke Manual of Arts and Sciences adopted November 1997

Motion to table failed (yes 17, no 56)

**Approved** (yes 56, no 16). *Requires majority*

Note: A clarification will be issued by the Imperial Crown with details of how the upcoming Imperial War will be conducted.

### CRB5. Amend Article III.A.1. open membership definition

**Moved to the Consent Calendar and approved without objection.** *Requires 2/3rds.*

Suggested changes to first sentence to more accurately correspond with mundane laws and language. (Note: Change to Board of Directors rather than the Imperial Crown was made at the March 2002 Estates Meeting.)

**Current Law:** Membership in the Adrian Empire is open to any interested individual, without restriction of **sex, age, race, religion, or citizenship**. Membership can be terminated by a thirty (30) day lapse following nonpayment of dues or revocation of membership by the ~~Imperial Crown~~ Board of Directors.

**Amend to:** Membership in the Adrian Empire is open to any interested individual, without restriction of **gender, age, race, religion, or national origin**. Membership can be terminated by a thirty (30) day lapse following nonpayment of dues or revocation of membership by the Board of Directors.

### CRB6. Amend Article III.A.1. transpose titles in the Robe Roll

**Approved without objection.** *Requires 2/3rds.*

Transpose the titles of second- and third-level arts knights.

**Current Law:** 2. Robe Roll

- a. Apprentice
- b. Journeyman
- c. Master
- d. Knight Robe
- e. Knight Doctor**
- f. Knight Master**

**Amend to:** 2. Robe Roll

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- e. Knight Master**
- f. Knight Doctor**

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**CRB7. Amend Article V.D. Sponsorship Requirements**

Option 1 was considered before Option 2 (50 preferred Option 1, 43 preferred Option 2)

**Option 1 Approved** (yes 50, no 22). *Requires 2/3rds.*

Eliminate the limitations on Imperially-sanctioned events, and the requirement that the Imperial Crown must sponsor inter-subdivision wars..

**Current Law:** All Royal Crowns shall be required to sponsor one (1) Crown event per month, of which during the course of a year one must be a war event. **The Imperial Crown shall be required to sponsor the Imperial Crown war and any war events which take place between two or more chartered subdivisions. The Imperial Crown may not sponsor more than three (3) Imperial Crown events exclusive of the Imperial Crown War.** Not more than two (2) crown events may be war events, with the exception of a Crown or Civil war event. At all Crown events, members shall be afforded the opportunity to earn their requirements for advancement in their area of endeavor.

**Option 1, eliminate limitation, and sponsorship requirement**

**Delete to read:** All Royal Crowns shall be required to sponsor one (1) Crown event per month, of which during the course of a year one must be a war event. The Imperial Crown shall be required to sponsor the Imperial Crown War. Not more than two (2) crown events may be war events, with the exception of a Crown or Civil war event. At all Crown events, members shall be afforded the opportunity to earn their requirements for advancement in their area of endeavor.

**Option 2, increase the number of events, eliminate sponsorship requirement**

**Delete and amend to:** All Royal Crowns shall be required to sponsor one (1) Crown event per month, of which during the course of a year one must be a war event. The Imperial Crown shall be required to sponsor the Imperial Crown War. The Imperial Crown may not sponsor more than **five (5) Imperial Crown events exclusive of the Imperial Crown War.** Not more than two (2) crown events may be war events, with the exception of a Crown or Civil war event. At all Crown events, members shall be afforded the opportunity to earn their requirements for advancement in their area of endeavor.

**CRB8. Induct Dame Katherine Marshal as a Companion of the Order of the Fleur-de-Lis**

**Approved by acclamation.** *Requires majority.*

**CRB9. Verification of Candidates for Imperial Crown War. Article XVI. D. 2. a.**

Imperial Chancellor: Both sets of contenders are qualified.

Imperial Minister of Rolls (Imperial Chancellor spoke for the Minister of Rolls): Both sets of contenders are qualified.

Imperial Steward: Both sets of contenders are qualified.

Report by the Imperial Chancellor in consultation with the Imperial Minister of Rolls and the Imperial Steward:

- HIM Sir Karl von Katzburg, and HIH Dame Elizabeth Gray
- HG Sir Johan Kreigenschleigel von Hofenstaufen

**CRB10. Fitness of Candidates for Imperial Crown War. Article. XVI. D. 2. b.**

**Approved by acclamation** *Requires majority.*

- HIM Sir Karl von Katzburg, and HIH Dame Elizabeth Gray
- HG Sir Johan Kreigenschleigel von Hofenstaufen

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## VII. CHANCERY BUSINESS

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### CH1. Amend Article VII.F.1. to clarify Chancellor's vote and role

#### Part 1. Amend the law to clarify the office vote (in boldface)

**Approved by acclamation** *Requires 2/3rds.*

#### Part 2. Amend the law to clarify the office role (underlined)

**Approved by acclamation** *Requires 2/3rds.*

**Current Law:** The Chancellor shall be the leader of the Estates including the Estates General. The Chancellor shall be responsible for summoning and chairing all meetings and preparing the agenda. **In the event of a tie vote, the Chancellor shall cast the deciding vote. This is the only time the Chancellor shall be allowed to vote.** The Chancellor shall sign resolutions and scrolls on behalf of the Estates General.

**Delete sentences, amend to:** The Chancellor shall be the chairperson of the Estates including the Estates General. The Chancellor shall be responsible for summoning and chairing all meetings and preparing the agenda. The Chancellor shall sign resolutions and scrolls on behalf of the Estates General.

### CH2. Amend Article VI.E.3., description of July Meeting

**Approved** (no 7, count of yes votes dispensed with without objection). *Requires 2/3rds*

Amend current law to accurately reflect subject matter of July Imperial Estates Meeting.

#### **Current Law: Article VI.E.3. MEETING DATE, JULY**

The Imperial Estates General shall be required to hold a regularly scheduled meeting in the third weekend of July (that being the third Saturday and the day following) for the purpose of attending to the mundane business of the corporation. The meeting would be at a fixed date (or weekend) and would not change from year to year. It shall be the responsibility of the Imperial Crown to coordinate the meeting which shall be held at a time and place designated by the Imperial Crown. The principal agenda items of this meeting shall be:

- a. **To review Imperial level expenses for the past year;**
- b. To finalize enough data to prepare the corporation's tax returns (if necessary);
- c. **To see to any other mundane business.** Each chartered subdivision's Crown shall present a copy of his or her chartered subdivision's financial records at this meeting. Attendance at this meeting shall be mandatory for at least one ruling Crown or representative from each chartered subdivision.

#### **Amend to read:**

- a. **Qualify and determine fitness of Imperial candidates.**
- b. To finalize enough data to prepare the corporation's tax returns (if necessary);
- c. Each chartered subdivision's Crown shall present a copy of his or her chartered subdivision's financial records at this meeting. Attendance at this meeting shall be mandatory for at least one ruling Crown or representative from each chartered subdivision.

### CH3. Delete Article XI.B.8. Hundreds Court

**Approved** (yes 54, no 22). *Requires 2/3rds*

Delete the Hundreds Court.

#### **Current Law:**

A member who wishes to complain of the conduct of another member, but does not wish to invoke a full Royal Court may request that the Ruling Noble having jurisdiction over the offending party convene a Hundreds Court. The Ruling Noble conducting the Court may elect to reject the charges if

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it is self evident that the charges are without merit. The charging party may appeal to higher authority. There are two major restrictions on Hundreds Courts:

- a. A Hundreds Court may not assess a penalty which deprives a member of any award, order, rank, title, or membership rights.
- b. A Hundreds Court may only assess a penalty which can be completed by the member at the same event in which the penalty was assessed. In the event that the member elects not to complete the penalty in the same event, or to appeal the ruling to a Royal Court he shall remain under Judicial Ban until such a time as the appeal is heard or the penalty completed.

#### CH4. Amend Article VI. K. Parliamentary Immunity

**Approved** (yes 65, count of no votes dispensed with without objection). *Requires 2/3rds*

**Current Law:** All members of the Estates General shall be granted parliamentary immunity. No member of said Estates shall face any charge, penalty or court of law for any comments or statements made during or directed toward a session of the Estates.

Furthermore, comments regarding alleged wrongdoing of the Imperial Government, that of any Chartered Subdivision, or Subdivision shall not be actionable by those governmental bodies, or their Ruling Nobles.

**Amend by substitution:** Parliamentary immunity is intended to protect political speech, and the free exchange of ideas necessary for the body to do its work. This includes the right of a member to ask pointed questions about business. Protected language is limited to comments on legislative, judicial or executive proceedings. Parliamentary immunity does not apply to excessive profanity, malicious character defamation, or deliberate misstatements of fact. Protected political speech has to do with issues and statements of opinion. Unprotected speech is pointed accusations of wrongdoing directed at a person, group, or Adrian body that cannot be substantiated by fact.

### VIII. OLD BUSINESS

#### OB1. Amend Article IX. C. Ranks 2.Robe d.iii., e.iii., f.iii., to delete Masterworks

**Item taken from the table with no objections and withdrawn by authors.**

**Current Law:** Article IX. C. Ranks 2.Robe d.iii. e.iii. f.iii. master works

**Delete (and renumber).**

#### OB2. Amend IX.C.2.d. additional requirements for Arts Knighthood

**Failed** (yes 13, count of no votes dispensed with without objection). *Requires 2/3rds*

*Note: Citations and language changes provided by Chancery.*

**Add new vi.** "Judge three (3) arts tournaments." and,

**Amend iv. by adding:** One of which be a class on judging, taught by another Knight Robe or higher rank.

#### OB3. Amend Article III.F, Membership Assignment to Chartered Subdivisions

Counter Proposal was considered before Option 1 or 2 (28 preferred Counter Proposal, 8 preferred Option 1, 12 preferred Option 2)

**Counter Proposal Failed** (yes 30, no 40). *Requires 2/3rds.*

Tally of votes for Option 1 and 2 dispensed with without objection.

**Current law:** A participant shall be considered to be a member of the subdivision in which they reside (where a participant physically lives) . . .



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### **Option 1. Proposal to amend the bylaw by substitution as resubmitted**

**Amend by substitution:** Participants shall be permitted to choose the chartered subdivision they wish to belong to, members can only hold ministry positions, form estates, or be estate holders in that chosen subdivision.

### **Option 2. Original Proposal**

**Amend by substitution:** A participant shall be considered to be a member of the chartered subdivision of their choice, as long as, the changing of chartered subdivision does not reduce the ranking/status of any chartered subdivision (i.e. Kingdom to Archduchy, Archduchy to Duchy, Duchy to Shire).

### **Counterproposal to Amend Article III. F.**

**Replace first sentence with:** A participant may declare their citizenship to a chartered subdivision annually when they pay their membership. If no choice is made, the participant will be considered to be a citizen of the chartered subdivision in which they reside (where a participant physically lives.) Subdivision re-assignment is also allowed for a change of physical residence.

### **OB4. Amend Article III. Section D. Participation to require paid membership.**

Counterproposal was considered before Original Proposal (15 preferred Original Proposal, visibly more preferred Counterproposal)

Motion to table failed (count of no votes dispensed with without objection).

**Counterproposal Failed** (yes 29, no 45). *Requires 2/3rds.*

No motion to consider original proposal.

**Sunday:** Notice of intent to reconsider at the November Estates Meeting.

**Current law:** While all participants in the Adrian Empire are encouraged to become members, Dues paying membership is a requirement for receiving knightly Rank, receiving precedence bearing awards, having arms registered, and holding office. Participation in Adrian Events does not require membership.

### **Original Proposal**

**Amend to:** Participation in the Adrian Empire requires a current paid membership. Membership becomes active when dues are paid to the Steward of the member's subdivision. Anyone is welcome to observe but participation is the exclusive right of Paid Members.

### **Counterproposal to Amend Article III. F.**

**Amend to:** While all attendees of Adrian Empire sanctioned activities are encouraged to become members, attendance does not require membership. Dues-paying membership is a requirement for receiving knightly rank, receiving precedence bearing awards, having heraldic devices registered, holding office and competing in tournament or war. Non-members are welcome to receive instruction and if all safety requirements are met, participate in any Adrian Empire activity, so long as they do not interfere in any way with the opportunity to advance of a paid member."

## OB5. Amend Article IV. Dues. Non-member Participation Fees

**Item taken from the table with no objections and withdrawn by author.**

**Current law:** Article IV DUES

E. Schedule

Membership dues are set at the following:

1. SINGLE

Semi-Annual: \$18.00

Annual: \$30.00

Life: Ten (10) times Annual Rate

2. FAMILY

X = per each additional member over the initial member.

Cap on family memberships set at \$70.00 annually

Semi-Annual: +(\$6.00 \* X)

Annual: +(\$10.00 \* X)

Life: N/A

**Add:** G. Non-member participation fees

Participation fees paid by non-members (excluding site fees) may be applied towards the purchase of membership and is set at the following:

1. INDIVIDUALS

Adult Single Day Fee: 1/3<sup>rd</sup> Current Annual Rate

Child (12 years and under) Single Day Fee: 1/6<sup>th</sup> Current Annual Rate

3. FAMILY

X = per each additional member over the initial member.

Cap on family memberships set at \$40.00 daily

Family Single Day Fee: + (\$1/6<sup>th</sup> Current Annual Rate \* X)

## OB6. Amend Article IX. C. Ranks, Minimum Requirements.

5 no, and approved overwhelmingly

**Approved.** (yes overwhelming, no 5) *Requires 2/3rds*

"Yeoman" (C.1.a.) and "Yeoman Archer" (C.4.a.) state requirements, but "Apprentice" (C.2.a.) and "Clarke" (C.3.a.) have no requirements;

**Add:** "A member in good standing" to all four Rolls.

## OB7. Amend Article IX.C.1. Ranks, and Estates Writ 13. Steel Combat Requirements.

**Both Option 1 and Option 2 failed by acclamation.** *Requires 2/3rds to approve bylaws amendment, and majority to amend writ.*

### Option 1. Eliminate armored (steel) combat requirements for 2nd, 3rd level knighthood

**Amend e.ii. by deletion:** . . . , of which three (3) must be in the Armored Knight's Lists, . . .

**Amend f.ii. by deletion:** . . . , of which six (6) must be in the Armored Knight's Lists, . . .

### Option 2. (if above proposal fails): Allowing cut and thrust (formerly known as heavy renn) to count as armored combat.

**Current Law:** Heavy Renn will now count as **Light Renn** in Knightly progression, reference B. Estates Writ #13.

**Amend by substitution:** Heavy Renn will now count as **Armored Combat** in Knightly progression, reference B. Estates Writ #13.

**Also amend by substitution:** Estates Writ 13.b. and c. "Armored Combat" for "Light Renn".

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## **OB8. Amend Article III. A. 2. Membership Revocation**

**Tabled at the request of the authors** (yes 43, count of no votes dispensed with without objection). *Requires 2/3rds*

**NOTE:** *The authors request this item be postponed until the November 2002 meeting.*

**Add:** c. Behavior identified as threatening the safety and welfare of other members or creating a hostile environment after a duly convened Adrian Court.

**Commentary:** *This would include sexual or religious harassment, violent threats, threats of mundane lawsuits, gender, sexual preference, age or religious discrimination. Mundane corporations need to protect themselves from lawsuit in this fashion.*

**Authors:** *Dame Marcella Visconti (Countess Royal), Dame Juliana Hirsch (Duchess of Brandenburg)*

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## **IX. NEW BUSINESS**

**No new business was acted upon, though discussion was heard on almost all items.**

**Motion to NOT consider items NB2, 3, 4, 5 passed** (yes 54, no not counted).

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### **NB1. Amend Article XI.B.3. and Codex Adjudicata Article III.F. statute of limitations**

**Motion to consider for action failed** (yes 38, no 25). *Requires 2/3rds to consider, and 2/3rds to approve.*

**Current law:** The charges must be filed against a member within 30 days of the discovery of the offence, discovery being when the complainant knew or would have known about the offense.

**Amend by substitution:** The charges must be filed against a member within 60 days of the discovery of the offence, discovery being when the complainant knew or would have known about the offense.

**Commentary:** *Our goal should be mediation and resolution. 30 days is not enough time for that to happen. Once charges are filed, many times it causes more discord. We recommend the change to 60 days to allow some cooling off period and more time for mediation prior to making formal charges.*

**Authors:** *Dame Marcella Visconti (Countess Royal), Dame Juliana Hirsch (Duchess of Brandenburg), Sir James of the March de Coirnoir (Prince)*

### **NB2. Amend Article I. to add description of scope**

*Requires 2/3rds to consider and 2/3rds to approve.*

**Current law:** The period of history that is encompassed by the game shall be defined as the years from 1066 to and including 1603.

**Add:** The scope of the Adrian Empire shall include the Medieval and Renaissance cultures of Europe and those cultures that had a significant presence in Europe during our defined period of history. The scope of our arts and sciences include arts, crafts and sciences that had an identifiable presence and influence in Europe.

**Commentary:** *The current wording is vague enough that a group of Polynesian dancers, Korean singers, Malaysian weavers might have a valid legal claim that they have valid personas/costume, but also demand they have valid arts entries based on the current wording. This clarifies our scope to all new members and groups interested in joining the Adrian Empire.*

**Authors:** *Dame Marcella Visconti (Countess Royal), Dame Juliana Hirsch (Duchess of Brandenburg), Sir James of the March de Coirnoir (Prince)*

### **NB3. Amend Chancellor's Manual regarding meeting locations**

*Requires 2/3rds to consider and majority to approve.*

To alter the Imperial Chancellor's Manual (passed November 2000) so that the March and July Meetings are at a consistent place that is easy to get to from all over the Empire, and to allow other Subdivisions to host an Imperial Coronation.

#### **Current law: MEETINGS**

The rules below are designed, among other things, to allow Estates who cannot attend (often for reasons of geographic inconvenience) to send their proxies with confidence. Nevertheless, all Estates should be afforded an opportunity to attend. Each Kingdom should rotate as host for the meeting of the Imperial Estates General. That means that no Kingdom should host a meeting before all others have done so at least once since the last meeting held in the Kingdom in question. At the Chancellor's discretion, meetings may be held in other chartered subdivision, but rule of seniority applies. No chartered subdivision may host a meeting so long as there is a greater chartered subdivision which has not done so at least as many times. In general, areas with a greater cluster of chartered subdivisions (e.g., as of this writing, the West, which boasts four Kingdoms to the East's one) will host more meetings than those areas with lesser clusters. Nevertheless, if the rotation is observed, all such areas should see a meeting with some regularity, if not frequency. The place of the meeting should be announced through official Imperial channels, including the newsletter, at least 60 days prior to any meeting, unless the meeting is a special meeting (not at a regular date set in the Bylaws) in which case the place should be announced as soon as is practicable and if it must be less than 60 days in advance, as close to 60 days as possible.

#### **Option 1, Add Las Vegas for March, July, with November (Coronation) open**

##### **Amend to read:**

The rules below are designed, among other things, to allow Estates who cannot attend (often for reasons of geographic inconvenience) to send their proxies with confidence. Nevertheless, all Estates should be afforded an opportunity to attend. **Since travel to Las Vegas, Nevada is economical from all areas of the United States including lodging, the March and July meetings of the Imperial Estates General shall be hosted by the Kingdom of Aragon. Any subdivision may place a bid to the Imperial Chancellor to host the November meeting and Coronation.** The place of the meeting should be announced through official Imperial channels, including the newsletter, at least 60 days prior to any meeting, unless the meeting is a special meeting (not at a regular date set in the Bylaws) in which case the place should be announced as soon as is practicable and if it must be less than 60 days in advance, as close to 60 days as possible.

#### **Option 2, same as option 1, with ability to accept bid from another region**

##### **Amend to read:**

The rules below are designed, among other things, to allow Estates who cannot attend (often for reasons of geographic inconvenience) to send their proxies with confidence. Nevertheless, all Estates should be afforded an opportunity to attend. Since travel to Las Vegas, Nevada is economical from all areas of the United States including lodging, the March and July meetings of the Imperial Estates General shall be hosted by the Kingdom of Aragon, **unless the Imperial Crown accepts a bid from another subdivision.** Any subdivision may place a bid to the Imperial Chancellor to host the November meeting and Coronation. The place of the meeting should be announced through official Imperial channels, including the newsletter, at least 60 days prior to any meeting, unless the meeting is a special meeting (not at a regular date set in the Bylaws) in which case the place should be announced as soon as is practicable and if it must be less than 60 days in advance, as close to 60 days as possible.

*Commentary: To illustrate the fact that it is cheaper to go to Las Vegas, here is a chart showing the best prices to this year's July meeting found on Orbitz.com from 15 major airports around the country, both to the Pullman, WA airport (closest to Moscow, ID) and to the Las Vegas, NV airport, leaving on 19 July and returning on 22 July. The search was conducted for 1 adult and only the absolute best price*

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*is listed. It was conducted on May 14 at approximately 3 pm PDT (fares may change depending on when they are ordered).*

CITY	TO	PRICE	TO	PRICE
Baltimore, MD (BWI)	PUW	\$370.00	LAS	\$260.00
Charleston, SC (CHS)	PUW	\$560.00	LAS	\$448.00
Colorado Springs, CO (COS)	PUW	\$456.00	LAS	\$379.00
Columbus, OH (CMH)	PUW	\$378.00	LAS	\$241.00
Las Vegas, NV (LAS)	PUW	\$316.00		
Los Angeles, CA (LAX)	PUW	\$334.00	LAS	\$85.00
Miami, FL (MIA)	PUW	\$441.00	LAS	\$241.00
Minneapolis, MN (MSP)	PUW	\$445.00	LAS	\$256.00
New York City, NY (NYC)	PUW	\$378.00	LAS	\$240.00
Phoenix, AZ (PHX)	PUW	\$328.00	LAS	\$106.00
Pullman, WA (PUW)			LAS	\$338.00
Richmond, VA (RIC)	PUW	\$517.00	LAS	\$404.00
San Diego, CA (SAN)	PUW	\$360.00	LAS	\$109.00

*As you can see, prices to Las Vegas are significantly cheaper no matter where in the country you are. Option A sets the meeting place in Las Vegas, regardless of whether or not we have an Adrian group present. Option B allows other groups to bid for the March and July meetings, but lets the meeting default to Las Vegas. Option B is included on the advice of some people who feel that the regions should have the opportunity to bid more than once a year. As is amply demonstrated by the problems people are having trying to get to this July meeting in Idaho, having the rotation is simply unfeasible. It makes more sense for people to be able to plan and budget if they know for certain where the meetings will be. No other area of the country has such a combination of inexpensive airfare and cheap hotel accommodations.*

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**Co-sponsor:** Dame Marcella Visconti (Countess Royal)

**NB4. Amend Article VII.F. ministry descriptions**

*Requires 2/3rds to consider and 2/3rds to approve.*

Propose removing from the bylaws this section in its entirety and creating an Imperial Estates Writ.

**Current Law, reference:**

- F. DEFINITIONS
  - The Ministries of the Adrian Empire are the Chancellor, the Minister of Rolls, the Steward, the Minister of Arms, the Chronicler, the Minister of Joust & War, the Minister of Arts & Sciences, the Minister of Physicks, the Hospitaler, and Viceroy.
- 1. THE CHANCELLOR
  - The Chancellor shall be the leader of the Estates including the Estates General. The Chancellor shall be responsible for summoning and chairing all meetings and preparing the agenda. In the event of a tie vote, the Chancellor shall cast the deciding vote. This is the only time the Chancellor shall be allowed to vote. The Chancellor shall sign resolutions and scrolls on behalf of the Estates General.
  - Requirements:
    - Imperial - Knight Minister or higher
    - Chartered Subdivision - Chamberlain or higher
- 2. THE MINISTER OF ROLLS
  - The Minister of Rolls is responsible for recording each member's earned requirements, ranks, awards, titles and the date each was received. The Minister of Rolls shall publish advancements as soon as they occur in the next regular official publication. There will be published a list of standings once per year. The Minister of Rolls or a warranted deputy must attend all scheduled Crown events.
  - Requirements:
    - Imperial - Must have a working knowledge of tracking records using databases;
    - Chartered Subdivision - Must be knowledgeable in the keeping of records and/or databases.
- 3. THE STEWARD
  - The Steward is responsible for the legal obligations and finances of the Adrian Empire or chartered subdivision.
    - a. Under no circumstances shall any member obtain or use an ATM debit for any Adrian Empire, Inc. bank account including accounts of any subdivision.
    - b. All Adrian Empire, Inc. checks shall require two signatures.

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- c. All signatories shall sign an agreement stating that they explicitly accept financial responsibility for all expenditures they authorize. If the expenditures are not approved by their local Estates or not approved by the Imperium, the signatories will be financially responsible for reimbursing all funds authorized by their signature.  
Requirements:  
Must be qualified in bookkeeping and/or accounting
4. THE MINISTER OF ARMS
- a. College Of Arms  
The College of Arms shall be a sovereign body of arms, and shall consist of the Imperial Sovereign of Arms and the chief Minister of Arms of each chartered subdivision, and other persons as appointed by the Imperial Sovereign of Arms.
- i. The College of Arms shall protect only the Arms of the membership, Estates, and Domains of the Adrian Empire and those Arms that the Imperial Sovereign of Arms and the College of Arms agree are worthy of protection.
- ii. The College of Arms may not grant the right to bear arms, but only approve of their design and construction according to the established Rules of the College.
- iii. The College may reserve a device for any member of the Adrian Empire as defined in Article III of these Bylaws against the day when that member shall have the right to bear it. The College may also register a device for any potential Estate or potential Domain against the day when that Estate or Domain may bear it.
- iv. The College of Arms shall further aid the Crowns and Estates in the design and staging of authentic ceremonies that are adapted to the needs of the Adrian Empire.
- v. The College of Arms is entitled and required to establish a body of standard terminology, usage, and rules for heraldic registrations and display within the Adrian Empire.
- b. Imperial Sovereign Of Arms  
The Imperial Sovereign of Arms shall be the foremost heraldic officer of the Adrian Empire and the head of the College of Arms. The Imperial Sovereign of Arms shall act as the Voice of the Imperial Crown.
- i. The Imperial Sovereign of Arms is responsible for supervising and coordinating the heraldic functions and activities of the College of Arms and its members.
- ii. The Imperial Sovereign of Arms shall have the exclusive right to resolve conflict of armorial devices submitted by the membership, Estates, and Domains of the Adrian Empire.
- iii. The Imperial Sovereign of Arms is responsible for maintaining the Armorial, Ordinary, and Roll of Arms, or causing them to be maintained.  
Requirements:  
A thorough understanding of the heraldic practices of the Adrian Empire.
- c. Minister Of Arms  
The Minister of Arms of a chartered subdivision shall have the exclusive right to approve armorial devices submitted by the membership of the chartered subdivision.  
Requirements:  
An understanding of the heraldic practices of the Adrian Empire
5. THE CHRONICLER  
The Imperial Chronicler is responsible for overseeing the publication of all official Adrian Empire publications, the editors of the official publications, and serving as a source of publishing expertise and advice for the benefit of the Adrian Empire. The Chronicler of a chartered subdivision is responsible for the publication and editing of official chartered subdivision publications.  
Requirements:  
Imperial - Ability to publish the Imperial Newsletter  
Chartered Subdivision - Ability to publish information to the Imperial Chronicler.
6. THE MINISTER OF JOUST & WAR  
The Minister of Joust & War is responsible for the promulgation of rules and regulations governing the art of combat. The Minister of Joust & War shall create a Manual of Arms that shall outline the weapon and armor standards, training requirements, and the rules of combat as are approved by the Crown governing all combat activities and design the scenarios for Crown, Civil, Landed Wars. A Minister of War may not participate in a war in which they had any part whatsoever in designing or has become privy to any information regarding its conduct that is not available to the general populace. The Minister of Joust shall appoint such deputies, known as Marshals, as needed to insure compliance with the Manual of Combat. The Minister of Joust shall be responsible for supervising the Knight's list.  
Requirements:  
Imperial - Knight Bachelor or higher and Rector or higher  
Chartered Subdivision - Sergeant or higher
- a. The Crown Marshal  
The Crown Marshal shall be the chief deputy to the Minister of Joust & War and shall be responsible for supervising the Sergeant's List. The Crown Marshal shall also arrange and supervise the field judging for War and Lists.  
Requirements:  
Sergeant or higher
7. THE MINISTER OF ARTS & SCIENCES  
The Minister of Arts & Sciences shall promote, assist, and cultivate interest and education in the field of Arts and Sciences. The Minister and deputies shall be responsible for judging all arts/science tournaments and reporting the results to the Minister of Rolls. The Minister of Arts & Sciences shall be responsible for supervising the Knight's List.  
Requirements:  
Imperial - Knight Robe or higher and Rector or higher  
Chartered Subdivision - Master or higher
- a. The Deputy Of Arts & Sciences

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The Deputy of Arts & Sciences shall be the chief deputy to the Minister of Arts & Sciences and shall be responsible for supervising the Master's List.

Requirements:

Master or higher

8. THE MINISTER OF PHYSICKS

The Minister and all deputies must have First Aid Training.

Requirements:

Current CPR and Advanced First Aid certification

9. THE HOSPITALER

The Hospitaler shall be the conduit for new or prospective members to gain information on the Adrian Empire. The Hospitaler shall be responsible for keeping copies of all current manuals and information on the Adrian Empire that might be needed by the membership. They shall keep a 'lost and found' and track items donated to the Chartered Subdivision

Requirements:

Imperial - Chamberlain or higher

Chartered Subdivision - Rector or higher

10. VICEROYS

A Viceroy is appointed by the Imperial Crown to act in its stead for a remote region. A Viceroy shall act on behalf of the Imperial Crown, and in consultation with the Imperial Crown. The authority of the Viceroy shall be limited to the terms spelled out in the Warrant of Appointment.

**Also, amend the current law to read (and remain in the bylaws):**

F. DEFINITIONS

The Ministries of the Adrian Empire are the Chancellor, the Minister of Rolls, the Steward, the Minister of Arms, the Chronicler, the Minister of Joust & War, the Minister of Arts & Sciences, the Minister of Physicks, the Hospitaler, and Viceroy.

1. THE CHANCELLOR

The Chancellor shall be the leader of the Estates including the Estates General. The Chancellor shall be responsible for summoning and chairing all meetings and preparing the agenda.

2. THE MINISTER OF ROLLS

The Minister of Rolls is responsible for recording each member's earned requirements, ranks, awards, titles and the date each was received.

3. THE STEWARD

The Steward is responsible for the legal obligations and finances of the Adrian Empire or chartered subdivision.

4. THE MINISTER OF ARMS

a. Imperial Sovereign Of Arms

The Imperial Sovereign of Arms is responsible for supervising and coordinating the heraldic functions and activities of the College of Arms and its members.

b. Minister Of Arms

The Minister of Arms of a chartered subdivision is responsible for supervising and coordinating the heraldic functions of the chartered subdivision.

5. THE CHRONICLER

The Imperial Chronicler is responsible for overseeing the publication of all official Adrian Empire publications, the editors of the official publications, and serving as a source of publishing expertise and advice for the benefit of the Adrian Empire. The Chronicler of a chartered subdivision is responsible for the publication and editing of official chartered subdivision publications.

6. THE MINISTER OF JOUST & WAR

The Minister of Joust & War is responsible for weapon and armor standards, training requirements, and the rules of combat as are approved by the Crown governing all combat activities and design the scenarios for Crown, Civil, Landed Wars.

a. The Marshal

The Earl Marshal (Imperial) and Crown Marshal (local) shall be the chief deputy to the Minister of Joust & War and shall arrange and supervise the field judging for War and Lists.

7. THE MINISTER OF ARTS & SCIENCES

The Minister of Arts & Sciences shall promote, assist, and cultivate interest and education in the field of Arts and Sciences.

8. THE MINISTER OF PHYSICKS

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- The Minister of Physicks and all deputies must have First Aid Training.
9. THE HOSPITALER  
The Hospitaler shall be the conduit for new or prospective members to gain information on the Adrian Empire.
  10. VICEROYS  
An Imperial Viceroy is appointed by the Imperial Crown to act in its stead for a remote region.

**Commentary:** *The detailed descriptions, duties, responsibilities, and requirements for the Ministers should not be in the Bylaws. The only thing that should be in this document are simple definitions, as it is titled. By keeping them here, it does not allow for timely changes, easily the establishment of ministries as needed, nor updating any aspects of the job.*

**Authors:** *The Crown*

#### **NB5. Amend Article VII.F.6. add definition of Earl Marshal (Minister of Combat).**

*Requires 2/3rds to considers and majority to approve (if writ addition), 2/3rds to approve (if bylaw change)*

If NB4 fails, then a description for Imperial-level Crown Marshal needs to be added to the bylaws. If NB4 passes, then the same description needs to be added to the Imperial Crown Writ.

##### a. Earl Marshal (Minister of Combat)

The Earl Marshal is responsible for enforcing compliance with the rules of combat, and shall report to the Imperial Minister of Joust and War. The Earl Marshal shall:

- Ensure proper weapon and armor standards are being adhered to and correctly interpreted
- Run or assist the Marshal of the Field in running Imperial events
- Supervise and assist local Crown marshals
- Govern and teach the proper training of marshals

##### **Requirements:**

- Imperial - Knight Bachelor or higher, and Rector or higher

**Commentary:** *There is a definition of a Crown Marshal (local), but not an Earl Marshal (Imperial level).*

**Authors:** *The Crown*

#### **NB6. Adopt Marshal's Manual as Writ.**

*Requires 2/3rds to consider and majority to approve.*

See [Appendix F](#) for complete manual.

**Commentary:** *A comprehensive marshalling manual, and qualification procedures is long overdue. The manual as attached is ready for general use and final playtesting before adoption.*

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**Co-sponsor:** *The Crown*

#### **X. NEXT MEETING OF THE IMPERIAL ESTATES**

Imperial Bylaws Article VI. A. and E. 3.

#### **NOVEMBER ESTATES MEETING & CORONATION ~ November 2nd and 3rd, 2002**

The Imperial Estates meeting will be held at the Benicia Historical Museum Camel Barns, at 2024 Camel Road, with the Imperial Coronation held nearby in the historic Clocktower Fortress building, 1189 Washington Street in Benicia, California. This is a wonderful historic stone building complete with artillery and archers slit openings for defense, and a grand overlook of the Carquinez Straits. It also makes a fantastic backdrop for photos in costume. If you stay in Benicia you will be no more than 5 minutes away from things at all times, nearby Vallejo is 7 to 10 minutes away. For the coronation a sumptuous dinner is being planned. Following the tradition of period dinners there will be many dishes to choose from. Remember to bring your feast gear. There will be live music for everyone's entertainment, in addition to performance of a chantry and a range of period songs from



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different countries. The populace of TdF hopes to set forth a fine event for all to enjoy. Registration and further scheduling information will be forthcoming.

**More Information:** <http://www.beniciahistoricalmuseum.org/>

**Airports:** The nearest airport is Oakland airport (OAK); San Francisco International airport (SFO) is a lot farther away and hard to navigate. Sacramento airport is one hour's drive northeast, but (to date) has no shuttle service. There is public transportation to and from Oakland airport via Bartlink buses, Bart trains, and the Benicia Bart Shuttle.

**Airport Shuttles:** There are airport shuttles from SFO and OAK. If you are staying in Benicia you can take a cab to the meeting hall (it's a small town). A list of available shuttles will be provided.

**Nearby Attractions & Other Things:** If you plan on coming early, staying late, or have bored family members along there are many things to do in the area. The Wine Country (Napa/Sonoma Counties) is to the north, about a 20-minute drive. Marine World USA is in nearby Vallejo, about a 7-minute drive. There is a wonderful Kids Playground in the Benicia City Park at the intersection of First Street and Military, complete with turreted and tower slides.

## **XI. ADJOURNMENT**

2:30 p.m. Sunday, July 21, 2002

**END OF MINUTES**

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