

# THE COSMIC BALANCE



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## PANAGEANEWS

This month was relatively quiet. The calm before the storm....

We begin in the Central region on the isle of Mycenea where the Trekkers (Lawful Terminators) destroyed Loogt'n Lizards (Shhvoon worshipping Lizara). At about the same time Wyraxian (Lawful Terminator Giants) and Smasher (Lawful Terminator Humans) ravaged the numerous though defenseless Calm Seas (Shhvoon worshipping Lizara). On the Isle Of Medes outside Peladon Clan Thaxton (Lawful Terminator Humans) destroyed Rockslide (Chaotic Kodan Raman Orcs).

In the west in the region known as Aurumia Foresters (Lawful Terminator Humans), Movallens (Lawful Terminator Humans), and Vraxoin (Lawful Terminator Giants) devastated Moseby's Raiders (Chaotic Kodan Raman Goblins), an old foe.

## LORASIANEWS

This month we begin on the Nulean Plain where most of the fighting is taking place. At Port Royale, Tonatiuh's Torch (Kobolds) destroyed the retreating Colossals (Lawful Giants). At about the same time Ixataca (Kobolds) destroyed Lothario (Chaotic KIL Goblins). Later, Jaws Of Thirst (Lawful HARM Gnolls) destroyed Erste (KIL Humans). Elsewhere on the Nulean Plain, Hellcats (Trimorph worshipping Leomen) defeated the fleeing K-9 Knights (Lawful Gnolls of the Crystalian Warriors alliance). Foresters (Lyredh worshipping Satyrs of the Akuda Combine) destroyed Timber Wolf (Lawful Gnolls) while Bad Blood (Humans of the Akuda Combine) and Bloodnguts (Lo-kee worshipping Giants of the Akuda Combine) teamed up to destroy Radiant Knights (Lawful Humans).

In the Nadev Jungle outside of Reeza'nesh, Dry Scales (Shhvoon worshipping ROC Lizara) smashed 1st Black Dragoons (Chaotic Lizara). Weeks later Saboor (Cosmic Balance worshipping Gnolls of the NWO) defeated Pandion Knights (Lizara) in a hard fought battle.

In the Pryma Forest outside of Novograd, Ratt Skinners (Shhvoon worshipping Goblins) destroyed Freedomian Guard (Humans).

On the Agerian Plain outside Isengak, Red Maw (Lawful HARM Gnolls) smashed the fleeing Grusarians (Chaotic Goblins).

## PANAGEARUMORS

The Kodan Raman holds all the major cities. Soon the Terminators will have nowhere to trade.

The New Blood has struck and it wasn't pretty!

A great terror rises in the East.

The Mobids have arrived! It will take a short while to get settled but then watch out!

The war is over and the victor has claimed his prize.

The Terminators have found new allies, but what are they up to? Hint: The old double cross!

## LORASIARUMORS

Where were the garrisons of ICON while innocent families were slaughtered at markets across the Vardian Plains? Word is they were waiting for their sage's gerontology report!

Tlatoani's days are numbered. Soon he'll feel the wrath of those he has wronged.

There is no "I" in ICON... oh wait. Yes there is.

Ugluk sez all Lawfools die and Chaos rule Lorasias real soon!

Where has the C.W. gone? Into hiding behind Tlatoani's big, wide skirt.

The growing threat of HARM has united the various Chaotic factions as never before!

Tlatoani has betrayed his lawful allies.

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LORASIA PLAYER NOTICE

The 9th Diamond's second in command found his commander frantically searching his tent when he requested leave to see him.

"What is it you are searching for, sir? And may I help you look?"

"I'll have the courier's head who lost that dispatch!"

"Dispatch... sir?"

"The one telling us of the date and time of a meeting at H.Q.!"

"Meeting... sir?"

"Yes... the one they're all talking about in the C.B. ... that meeting."

"Oh! That meeting! Sir, that meeting was for the disbursement of gold to the breeder armies that Tlatoani paid for those 5,000 sets of Chaotic ears we had sent him after Toe Jam's battles, sir."

"Oh..." was all the commander could get out. Then:

"That would explain Knaps having all the drapes closed. He wouldn't want Akuda's greedy eyes on all that gold. Can't say I blame him."

The commander went on: "You know... we need to do something like that. Those guys on Continent I are really feeding good on that Akuda Combo(meal). This KIL (luncheon meat) is really for the birds! Nothing to them!"

The commander sighed.

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LORASIA PLAYER NOTICE

Now recruiting new members who wish to join a Lawful Alliance. We at the Crystalian Warriors work together to help all members achieve maximum benefits of their adventures. We provide all new members with a start up package consisting of over 100 different actions to increase your army's skills and bonuses as well as several Character Attributes. Those wishing more information please contact:

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LORASIA PLAYER NOTICE

To: All Concerned  
From: Sully (A#130 Men At Arms)

Greetings! By the time you read this I should be miles away from my confinement. I will probably be on the move for a while. I will let you know where and when. Any questions, do not hesitate to diplo me.

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LORASIA PLAYER NOTICE

The night is still as the stars twinkle through the treetops; warriors and non-warriors alike rest comfortably after a full day of revelry. Melfus-Star, relishing in the aftermath of the celebration that had been held in his honor, roams throughout the encampment checking to see that all is well. Suddenly he hears the familiar sounds of a wooden mallet striking gently upon the top of a chisel. As he stops to investigate he comes upon his chief engineer hovering over a strange object. On closer inspection he sees that the engineer is carefully dusting out the final touches of an etching that had taken him several long months to design and create. Proudly the engineer turns and presents to Melfus that which had been intended to be given to him earlier in the day. As the engineer wishes him well on his birthday Melfus accepts the shield. Overcome with emotion, Melfus commissions the engineer with the task of creating duplicates of the shield that will be distributed to all throughout the Empire. Melfus reflects; FINALLY A SHIELD HAS BEEN CREATED THAT HIS WARRIORS CAN BE PROUD TO CARRY.



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**WHAT'S NEW — COD I & II**

Having trouble keeping track of all the latest rule changes, hints and strategy articles published in the Cosmic Balance? Now available: "The Best Of The Cosmic Balance" covering Issues #126-#180 (more will be added as time permits). This publication is FREE for the asking when your request is accompanied by a turn or a payment to your account otherwise we ask \$1.00 to cover postage and handling. Another great service from your friends at ADVANCED GAMING ENTERPRISES.

## SCORE CARD

Can't tell the players (ie. alliance abbreviations) without a score card? Here it is:

### Panagea (COD I)

A.I.M. — Aegis In Malum (Latin for Shield Against Evil).

C.S.A. — Circle of Steel Alliance.

D.O.A. — Defenders of Aldaryn.

E.G.A. — Elderwood Guard Alliance.

L.O.O.T. — League of Orcs Ogres and Trolls. Also referred to as L.O.O.(G.)T. when Gnolls are included.

P.T.L. — Panagea Trade League.

R.P.A. — Royal Panagean Alliance.

S.N.A.P. — Society of Neutrally Allied Peoples.

S.W.A.R.M. — Shhvoon Worshipers And Respected Mariners.

### Lorasia (COD II)

A.C.E. — All Chaos Explorers.

Akuda — Akuda Combine.

C.W. — Crystalian Warriors.

F.R.C. — Fourth Reich of Chaos.

Guardians — Guardians of Destiny. Sometimes referred to as G.O.D.

HARM — Heroes and Raving Maniacs.

ICON — Independent Confederation Of Neutrals.

I.R.A. — Imperial Red Armies.

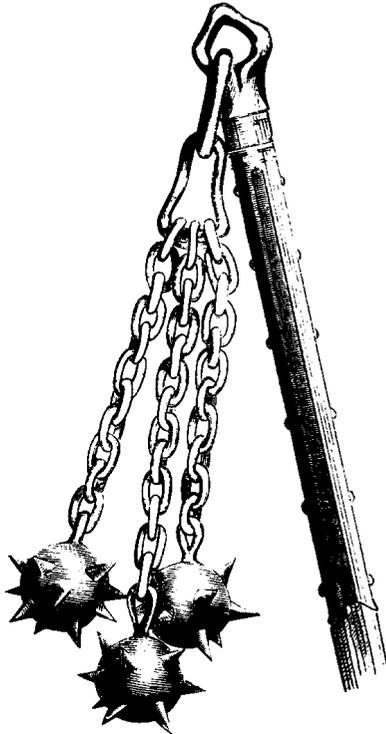
K.I.L. — Kobolds Invade Lorasia.

N.W.O. — New World Order.

R.O.C. — Reign Of Chaos.

R.O.T. — Raging Odious Terror.

S.O.B. — Soldiers Of Balance.



## REMINDER

It is important to remember that the newsletter now covers two different game worlds: PANAGEA (COD I) and LORASIA (COD II). All newsletter submissions (Player Notices or Rumors) should clearly be labeled indicating to which world they refer. Not only does this make the information more useful to the reader but it also helps to avoid confusion between two positions with the same ID Number (one in each game). As stated in the House Rules, materials for the next newsletter must be received by the 21st of the month. Diplomatic messages should also clearly indicate what world they are for.

## COD ON-LINE

Our presence on the Internet is growing rapidly with a number of resources currently available.

If you want to learn about the happenings in the CRACK OF DOOM (I and II) check out the following message boards:

[http://groups.yahoo.com/group/conclave\\_gathering/](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/conclave_gathering/)  
<http://www.neosoft.com/~lanza/ICONdiscuss1.html>

Message Boards are a great way to share ideas and pick up the latest gaming gossip. As with anything you get off the internet — don't believe everything you read! When in doubt, ask the GM. Also, if you have an important comment, question or complaint, send it to AGE rather than posting a message as AGE does not supervise or manage these sites and your comments may never reach us and will be unlikely to get an official response.

In a similar vein, the ICON alliance (COD II) has its own website that contains a wealth of useful information for members and non-members alike:

<http://web2.airmail.net/Lanza/index.htm>

If you want information on CTF2187 check out the following:

TALES OF CTF2187: A great new site by Shannon Muir that contains the best of her game related fiction and more! Check it out at:

<http://members.aol.com/shannonelisemuir/>

ORBO's CTF2187 HOME PAGE: Want to check out a great archive of old CTF newsletters? How about player bios, many with color photos? All that plus lots of other useful information is available at the CTF website. Special thanks to Orbo (Rob Fackler) for his efforts in setting and maintaining this cool site: Check it out at:

<http://userweb.suscom.net/~orbomaxx/ctfhome2.htm>

Brigadier General Them Bones [PN323] of the Beserkers [TM5] has set up a Chat Room at:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ctf2187>

He also has set up an email discussion list. For those of you unfamiliar with a mailing list, here is how it works. Folks interested in a common topic must JOIN (aka SUBSCRIBE TO) the list. All of these "members" will then receive all postings to this list and can also respond and/or post their own messages. All sorts of folks can have all sorts of topics going at the same time — so long as it is strictly CTF related. The list is currently moderated by General I.B. Tryon [PN721] of team WASP [TM18].

To join, send a blank email to: [CTF2187-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:CTF2187-subscribe@yahoogroups.com).

If you prefer to get all of the postings in one "batch" mailing a day (rather than each one sent to you individually) then immediately send a SECOND email to: [CTF2187-digest@yahoogroups.com](mailto:CTF2187-digest@yahoogroups.com)

Of course, don't forget to check out the AGE site which contains all sorts of nifty downloads (House Rules, CC/RC Form, etc.). It is still in its infancy but is expected to grow and evolve rapidly over the coming months and of course feedback and suggestions are encouraged. Check it out at: <http://www.ageforfun.com>

## COMPANYNEWS

As reported in July, Duane was cutting back on other commitments to devote time to AGE which was supposed to result in better service and more game developments. So you are probably wondering what happened since the expected didn't really occur. Well after the traffic accident, Duane was offered a lucrative, though temporary, contract assignment that ran from August through October. Now that that is finished he has time to devote to improving service, turn-around-time and more game development projects. Really! We promise! [Ed: Seriously, everyone should have noted an improvement in turn-around- time recently and new game enhancements should be online shortly.]

Good Gaming,

Debbie and Duane

## SPREAD THE WORD

Do you know someone who might be interested in Play-By-Mail? Better yet, how about someone who might be interested in playing one of the games run by AGE (CTF, COD I, COD II)? If so, send us their name and address and we will send them our massive information package along with a special free gift. It's a great way to recruit a friend into the hobby.



**HAPPYTHANKSGIVING!**