

# THE COSMIC BALANCE



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## PANAGEANEWS

This month we begin in the West which has seen the bulk of the recent fighting....

In the Elderwood forest, Lobo's Moon (Zraxxut worshipping LOOT Gnolls), Wolf's Star (Zraxxut worshipping LOOT Gnolls), and Knights Of Red Ax (Shargash worshipping LOOT Minotaurs) teamed up to defeat Night Watch (Lawful Terminator Humans) in a series of close battles. The next day Guttem (Trimorph worshipping CSA Giants) and Disembowellers (Trimorph worshipping CSA Giants) united to defeat Zephyr (Lawful Terminator Humans). Nearly two weeks later Zephyr counter attacked but was defeated by a fleeing Wolf's Star. At about the same time at the nearby Ogre city of Morgroth, Night Watch defeated Skull Smashers (Kauron worshipping Hobgoblins). Several days later Guttem and Disembowellers again teamed up, this time to ravage Destroyers (Lawful Terminator Humans). Another couple of days would pass before Lobo's Moon, Wolf's Star, and Knights Of Red Ax would again unite, this time to maul Hunters IV (Lawful Terminator Humans).

On the Illyrian plain, Winged Fury (Lawful Runeblades Elves) destroyed Rhake's Farmer Mob (Chaotic CSA Humans). More than a hundred miles away at the Human city of Hampton, Wolverine Psychos (Chaotic Kodan Raman Gnolls) butchered the once powerful Quiet Faces (Wicca worshipping Humans of the Monsties alliance).

In the region known as Aurumia, Fiery Facias (Lawful Runeblades Elves), Stormbringer (Lawful Runeblades Elves), and White Bear Regiment (Lawful Runeblades Elves) teamed up to defeat Ghost Riders (Lo-kee worshipping CSA Humans).

Now we move to the central region where, on the isle of Mycenea outside the Human city of Mycene, Wyraxian (Lawful Terminator Giants) destroyed Dragon Herd (Lo-kee worshipping CSA Lizara). At about the same time Trekkers (Lawful Terminator Humans) destroyed Sea Wolves (Chaotic LOO Gnolls) and Plains Drifters (Lawful Terminator Humans) destroyed Calm Seas (Shhvoon worshipping Lizara).

On the Isle of Mist, Fedaykin (Lawful Terminator Humans) launched a successful bombardment of Death's Grip Cove (Shhvoon worshipping Humans) inflicting heavy casualties and severely damaging the city's fortifications. Meanwhile, Bloodguard (Lawful

Terminator Humans) and Clan Thaxton (Lawful Terminator Humans) teamed up to destroy 1st Marine Corps (Shhvoon worshipping SWARM Humans) while Tsunami (Lawful Terminator Humans) teamed up with Saints (Lawful Terminator Humans) to destroy Banana Sackers (Chaotic Kodan Raman Orcs).

We conclude in the East where, on the Crystal Plains outside the Human city of Narga Thum, Silent Covenant (Chaotic Kodan Raman Gnolls) and Thneed Shipping Co. (Shhvoon worshipping Trolls) combined forces to smash Blademasters (Lawful Humans of the New Crystal Alliance).

## LORASIANEWS

In the Pryma Forest outside the elven city of Lotheria, Hellcats (Trimorph worshipping Leomen) defeated the fleeing Wachorstup (Lawful Guardians Halflings). A week later outside the Dark Elf city of Morlok'ced, Blood Rage (Chaotic Dark Elves) defeated a retreating Stompin Jugulers (Cosmic Balance worshipping Ogres of the IRA) in a close battle. Days later at the Human city of Novograd, Zulu Swarm (Miiya worshipping Xaati) fought to a virtual tie against Black Falcons (Hobgoblins).

On the Nulean Plain outside the Centaur town of West Veldt, Bloodnguts (Cosmic Balance worshipping Giants of the Akuda Combine) destroyed Timber Cutters (Lawful HARM Dwarves). A few days later and fifty miles away Ratt Skinners (Shhvoon worshipping Goblins) destroyed Claws Of The Falcon (Lawful Crystalian Warriors Gnolls). At about the same time 10th Virginia Inf (Chaotic Akuda Combine Gnolls) destroyed Talan Tarmenel (Lawful HARM Elves). A week later Fear That Walks (Lawful Harm Lizara) destroyed Spasm Spasm Boogie (Chaotic Lizara). And nearly two weeks after that Foresters (Lyredh worshipping Satyrs of the Akuda Combine) defeated the Cold Stream Guards (Lawful HARM Elves).

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On the Agerian Plain outside the Gnoll city of Kingston, Demora-Lizers (Cosmic Balance worshipping Gnolls of the NWO) defeated the retreating Gnollo Condottiere (Gnolls). Nearly two weeks later the 509th Satyrs (Lawful HARM Satyrs) destroyed the remnants of Gnollo Condottiere. Two days later and one hundred miles away Kosmos (Cosmic Balance worshipping Gnolls of the NWO) smashed the well-armed Shadowwalkers (Chaotic ROC Dark Elves). More than a week later back at Kingston, Dark Legion (Chaotic Nemesis Goblins) defeated the retreating Sapphyre Legion (Cosmic Balance worshipping Gnolls).

In the Nadev Jungle outside the Lizaran city of Reeza'nesh, Neexus (Miiya worshipping Xaati) defeated Spitters (Chaotic Kobolds). The next day Foresters (Lyredh worshipping Satyrs of the Akuda Combine) destroyed Lacertilla (Lawful HARM Lizara). At about the same time Bad Blood (Akuda Combine Humans) destroyed the remnants of Spitters.

In the Akrid Wastes outside the Goblin city of Garshank, Tonatiah's Torch (Kobolds) and Shadowmane (Lawful Centaurs of the Crystalian Warriors) teamed up to smash the mighty Omega (Chaotic Ogres). Nearly three weeks would pass before Angels Of Death (Chaotic ACE Orcs) would arrive on the scene to finish off the Ogres who had since renounced their worship of Chaotic deities.

In the Anvil Mountains outside the Dwarven city of Balen's Deep, Deathlords (Chaotic Nemesis Gnolls) smashed Blood And Sweat (Lawful Dwarves).



## **PANAGEARUMORS**

News of recent Terminator attacks on anything moving has most sheep sleeping with one eye open.

The CSA is on the ropes! Will their Kodan Raman patrons save them or will they form a new bond with the increasingly powerful LOO(G)T forces?

I hear that when Kodan Raman mothers try to scare their children straight by telling them Xanthor is coming for them, the children reply, "Nah, he's just looking for sheep!"

Under dynamic new leadership the RENEBLADES are making a comeback. Bigger and better than ever, and they have a score to settle....

I heard the real reason that the Thunder fleet of the Terminators sunk is that they had screen doors installed below the water line.

The Kabal Of Justice has been reformed but why? Who will feel its wrath?

Rumor has it the Kodan Raman fell into a hole and couldn't climb out again.

The Terminators' island-hopping stratagem is proving to be very effective. Is there nothing the Kodanites can do to stop them?

The New Blood is running.

Several old enemies have returned to the world. What sleeping dogs have awakened now?

## **LORASIA RUMORS**

The Xaati are becoming increasingly aggressive and are moving out of their traditional homelands. What drives them?

The KIL Alliance has been officially KILLED!

Akuda Combine runs and runs but it can't catch the Gingerbread Man.

Tlatoani was seen carving "Tlatoani loves Naxos" on a tree. What can it mean?

What are "Neccos" and why do the Valian seek them?

An ill wind blows. Who will it strike?

The NEMESIS group is growing in power and may soon become the bane of all!

## BULLETINBOARD

### PANAGEA PLAYER NOTICE

Make a fire for a Terminator and he's warmed. Set him on fire and it warms everyone else.

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### PANAGEA PLAYER NOTICE

Terminator troops are out fighting Chaotics on the eastern continent, but where is Xanthor? Hiding behind his mommy's skirt if he follows established precedent.

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### PANAGEA PLAYER NOTICE

Give Xanthor a fish and he has lunch. Teach him to fish and the dirty, rotten SOB steals your sheep as soon as your back is turned!

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### PANAGEA PLAYER NOTICE

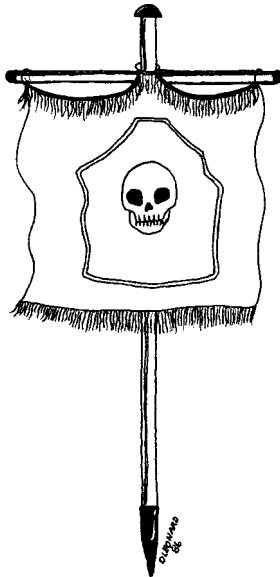
Terminators leave the east and the average IQ shoots up to 50 points. Terminators come back to the east and the average IQ dips 50 points. I hear it's an even greater change when Xanthor travels with them, at least 100 points.

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### PANAGEA PLAYER NOTICE

Boy! Won't Xanthor be surprised when he gets to Hillsdale and finds out that the Kodan Raman has been using it as a big latrine! Especially when he sees how much cleaner it is than when he controlled it!

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### PANAGEA PLAYER NOTICE

The Terminator Thunder fleet's losing the battle just goes to show that in a stand up fight the Terminators lose EVERY time. I spell Terminator L-O-S-E-R.

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### LORASIA PLAYER NOTICE

All who are interested in joining an Alliance of team players, an Alliance that is Lawful and fights against Chaos, an Alliance that will assist you in your needs and help you build by providing you with hundreds of proven actions. Then send a diplo if you are unhappy where you are to A#144 Red Ruby One C#156 Melfus-Star, or write to:

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### LORASIA PLAYER NOTICE

You know, I really tried to stay out of the fray as long as possible while attempting to build an Empire that had moral integrity; an Empire that could assist fellow armies in times of need (to prevent starvation or to help build necessary equipment or to provide materials). In this endeavor I have been able to exist without mishap for a year and a half. Now I receive a report that one of my armies — one of only 300 Craftsmen and a few Warriors and several Non-Warriors — has been destroyed by the scum-sucking punk pukers of Ratt Skinners that have nothing better to do than pick on and bully small insignificant armies that are causing no trouble.

Such is the way of the A.C. and as a result I will now make it my personal project until the day I die to seek out and destroy — no, not destroy, annihilate — every single Chaotic army in the world of Lorasias starting with A.C. armies (the scumbags of the universe). You will never know when I will strike or which of my several armies will do the dirty deed.

Akuda Combine has become the bane of all that is Lawful in Lorasias and they must go. But they will not go quietly. They will be destroyed with all the vengeance that can be mustered. For I have made a personal lifetime commitment to seek you out and stake every one of you manure eating scuz-buckets to the ground spread eagle so that all of the vultures and other scavengers can first devour you and then throw-up your scummy remains to be washed away with the rains to end up into the deep seas as waste and fodder for the fish.

Melfus-Star

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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. Sometimes 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.

## 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.

## 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:

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

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

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

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>