

# THE COSMIC BALANCE



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## PANAGEANEWS

This month we begin in the Eastern region where the fighting was centered in the Black Mountains. Outside the Orc city known as Iron Keep, Hunter's Moon (Zraxxut worshipping LOOT Gnolls) defeated the fleeing Westerners (Humans). Less than a week later at the nearby Lizaran city known as Flea Bite, Fedaykin (Lawful Terminator Humans) and Wyraxian (Lawful Terminator Giants) teamed up to defeat Dragonlance (Lo-kee worshipping CSA Lizara). Meanwhile Bloodguard (Lawful Terminator Humans) destroyed Dragon's Lair (Lo-kee worshipping CSA Lizara).

In the central region on the isle of Mycenea, Trekkers (Lawful Terminator Humans) devastated a fleeing Squid Ink (Chaotic Kodan Raman Orcs).

Moving to the western region we begin in Mireland outside the Lizaran city of Hesh T'eerakk where Foresters (Lawful Terminator Humans), Vraxoin (Lawful Terminator Giants), and Movallens (Lawful Terminator Humans) teamed up to smash and all but destroy Akir (Brraalt worshipping CSA Gnolls).

In the Elderwood forest, Black Widow (Chaotic Kodan Raman Gnolls), Black Scorpion (Chaotic Kodan Raman Gnolls), 1st Kodan Division (Chaotic Kodan Raman Gnolls), and Lomorian Wolf Pack (Chaotic Kodan Raman Gnolls) all teamed up to attack Winged Fury (Lawful Runeblades Elves) and were defeated. That's right, a four army train attack was defeated — such is the power of a massed force of well trained and well armed Elven bowmen!

## LORASIANEWS

On the Verian Plain, the 10th Virginia Inf (Chaotic Akuda Combine Gnolls) smashed the fleeing Rangers Of Elvoria (Lawful HARM Elves).

On the Nulean Plain, Veritable Quandary (Lyredh worshipping Satyrs of the Akuda Combine) and Stink Stank Stunk (Shhvoon worshipping Goblins) teamed up to destroy Stormspike (Lawful Gnolls).

In the Cambrian Range outside the Dwarven city of Reiginhold, Gongylus Gongyloids (Ya-zii worshipping

Xorg) defeated Bitterbrew Clan (Dwarves). Two weeks later at the Giant city of Magdenheim, Ratt Skinners (Shhvoon worshipping Goblins) destroyed Storm Clouds (Lawful Lizara) while Foresters (Lyredh worshipping Satyrs of the Akuda Combine) destroyed Talan Hwesta (Lawful HARM Elves).

On the Vardian Plain outside the Human city of Vardunon, Knights Of Fortunes (Trimorph worshipping Humans) defeated 1st Thunder Legion (Cosmic Balance worshipping Humans) in a very close battle. At the Human city of Kaffa, Goats R Us (Lawful HARM Satyrs) defeated the retreating Skull Crackers (Humans).

In the fetid Jungles of Malundia, Tonatiuh's Torch (Lawful Kobolds) defeated the fleeing Bad Blood (Humans of the Akuda Combine).

On the Agerian Plain outside the Gnoll city of Kingston, Ez'zak Pochteca (Lawful Kobolds) defeated Blood Rune (Chaotic Orcs). Two weeks later outside the Goblin city of Isengak, Fangs Of The Wolf (Lawful HARM Gnolls) destroyed the fleeing Grusarians (Chaotic Goblins).

In the Grimwood forest outside the Ogre city of Ogton, Ixataca (Lawful Kobolds) defeated the 1st Legion Of War (ACE Ogres).

In the Pryma Forest 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). Several days later at the Human city of Novograd, 1st Veil (Trimorph worshipping Dark Elves of the Crystalian Warriors) and First Seekers (Lawful HARM Elves) teamed up to defeat a fleeing Tall Dark & Handsome (Lyredh worshipping Giants of the Akuda Combine).

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## PANAGEARUMORS

The Wyraxians have returned to the East and are marching on their old homestead. Do they seek to rebuild their empire of old or merely to be buried in the soil of home?

The RENEBLADES alliance is down but definitely not out. With financing and training provided by allies they are due for a comeback.

Chaos reinforcements are arriving from breeding grounds in the far east to drive off the Terminator invasion of the Black Mountains freeing up Kodan Forces for Operation: Clean Sweep.

Lord Denethor has found the Bot Of Ages and will use it to great effect against Chaotic scum and vows to cleanse the Elderwood forest region of their vile taint.

Xanthor remains defiant despite running out of cities to trade with. His people now depend on the work of thieves and grave robbers to maintain his gold supply.

Dwarven armies are on the march. They are bringing their most treasured and sacred ancestral weapons to drive off the darkness.

## LORASIA RUMORS

Warlord Sully sullied his pants right before the Akuda put him under the knife.

Neexus got nixed.

Akuda, don't cry but soon you'll get a taste of your own medicine. The real battle armies will have a chance to show their stuff. The battle of Lorasias is now FEAR!

Met-At-Arms should change their name to Men-Without-Arms or better yet, Men-Without-Heads.

A new alliance is forming to combat Akuda scum. Akuda will soon quake in FEAR!

Akuda and friends are hitting HARM's sleeper armies. How do they know? Here is a hint, it's called Operation Guaco-MOLE-e.

The Dwarves of Reiginhold have declared a crusade against the Xorg. "Find'em and Smash'em" is apparently their battle cry!

The Akuda Combine has brought the war to HARM on Continent III, with 3 straight crushing defeats on the Verian Plains.

Elves and Dark Elves working together? What's next, cats and dogs getting married? Dwarves giving away their gold? Ogres with good table manners? Sheesh!

## BULLETINBOARD

### PANAGEA PLAYER NOTICE

To: Chaotic scum and their lackeys

It's good to know that the Chaotic scum and their blind followers have finally gotten their act together (for the umpteenth time) and think they'll be able to crush the Terminator Alliance. Good luck! They'll certainly need all the luck they can find. Despite their overwhelming superiority in warriors and resources, the Chaotics and their lackeys have failed to crush the remaining proud and noble Lawfuls.

Let's make a deal. If you manage to conquer this world by accident, you can have it. However, you shouldn't expect history to repeat itself in Lorasias.

Your worst nightmare,

Xanthor

P.S. I'm getting tired of all the feeble and inept attempts by the Chaotics to get rid of me over the past few years. How about trying harder before I die of boredom?



PANAGEA PLAYER NOTICE

Does anybody know the whereabouts of Sea Dogs of Panagea humans? After I destroyed Pirates of Panagea, I would like to visit with them and pay my condolences. They're probably in a lot of pain. It's my goal to help them get in touch with the recently departed people of Pirates of Panagea.

Let's do lunch,

Xanthor

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PANAGEA PLAYER NOTICE

Derick (leader of the crushed Dragonlance Lizara),

It was a nice victory for my Lawful armies. Since your army isn't considered by your allies to be a major army (only had almost 14,000 warriors), I'm sure they'll downplay my victory over your Lizaran army. Bet you're very happy to know that they think so highly of you and your army.

Have a good day!

Xanthor

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LORASIA PLAYER NOTICE

It was satisfying to pay back Bloodnguts for their attacks on armies belonging to our Empire. This Giant army is no longer a threat to anyone. One smart-mouthed Chaotic noted that it was a minor battle and it was nothing to boast about. I agree. However, it's very difficult to get into a major battle if the large Chaotic armies are running away from you. I'll try fighting major battles. All the Chaotics have to do is work with me. Bring your "major" battle armies to the battle front when I'm in town. Is that a deal?

Your last invitation to battle your armies on Continent I was a bust. You invited (dared) me to set foot on the continent. When I did, your so-called battle armies ran away. What kind of host are you?

Talk is cheap.

Your friend,

Tlatoani

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LORASIA PLAYER NOTICE

Congratulations to squire Drakos of the Akuda army Veritable Quandary. His second kill during the battle with Men-At-Arms was also the Akuda Combine's 10,000th Dwarven kill since the war's inception. Drakos freaked out a little when he stood over his kill and suddenly streamers and confetti started falling. Ed McSatyr awarded Drakos 100gs and enrolled him in Warlord training. An award for 20,000 kills is uncertain as Akuda Seers do not believe there is another 10,000 Dwarves to kill.

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LORASIA PLAYER NOTICE

Warlord Sully has changed addresses. He can now be contacted at:

Warlord Sully  
6 Feet Under  
Nulean Plains, CI Lorasias

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LORASIA PLAYER NOTICE

To: Whoever diploed me  
From: A#173 Stormspike

I couldn't read your script. Could you please write in a more identifiable fashion? Hope to hear back from you soon.

C#138 Stormfist

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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.

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

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://www.hypercon.net~lanza>

Of course, don't forget to check out the AGE site which contains all sorts of nifty downloads (House Rules, CC/RC Form, etc.). Of course feedback and suggestions are encouraged. Check it out at:

<http://www.ageforfun.com>

## 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.



**Happy Thanksgiving!**