

Lords of the Earth

CAMPAIGN TWENTY-FOUR – THE WEST

Turn 93

1442 ~ 1445 Anno Domini

846 ~ 849 in the year of the Hegira

4140 (Water Dog) - 4143 (Wood Ox)

New for T73

[Noble House rules](#) have been added – please take a look at these here.

New [Spreadsheet](#) for the Renaissance has been created – this can be found here and must be used from now on.

Some tinkering with the [Religious Order rules](#).

I'm going back to standard movement rules – sigh – as it is just taking too much time to rewrite these. Please continue to give your orders in year chunks though – The newly created [spreadsheet](#) should help with this

New for T59

Paths to victory: There are several options open to a player when an NPN has been defeated

1. Take the victory conditions (see NPN rules) available for NPNs and allow the NPN to go its own way. This is a useful option if you do not want to increase your imperial size or bother with the NPNs internal affairs.
2. Keep it as either Pacified or Pacified Tributary. You will not get victory conditions but will get income from the NPNs Homeland/Friendly regions and

cities. Also, as the years from conquest marker goes up it may turn Friendly or Tributary. Using this option treats the NPN as a super-region.

3. Old school, you will have to take the regions you want and conquer each in turn. If the capital is taken then some of the NPNs ratings will be added to yours if higher. The NPN will cease to exist.

Dealing with hordes: Hordes can be dealt with a number of ways rather than just an outright battle. These are

1. Threaten them. Hordes respond to a show of strength and may leave you alone if confronted with enough force.
2. Bribe them. They are looking for gold and lands to settle or pillage so if you offer them it on a plate they may well go away. They may also just take it and attack anyway.
3. Use diplomacy. It does work and I suggest chucking in a royal princess or two.

You can also use a combination of the above. If the horde becomes a FA or A, you can direct its attacks or its path of migration.

New for T53

Restrictions on Royal Marriages: Due to the complications arising from these rules only K, H or P leaders can benefit from a Royal Marriage. Members of the Royal Family that have not come into play are not considered eligible. Also, Primate, Order and Secret Empire positions are not eligible for marriage bonuses. These are meant to be diplomatic arrangements between sovereign states.

New for T51

No Orders: If I don't get any orders in for a position and the player doesn't answer my emails then I'll put the position back to a NPN and put aside the players cash (if any) until they pick it or another nation up again.

New for T50

Request Royal Marriage: Used to ask a NPN nation for a bride for one of your Princes or a suitor for one of your little Princesses. Cost is 6AP, Charisma based. The leader doesn't have to be in the NPNs capital but if he isn't then he needs to be in your homeland/capital.

New for T49

Naval Reaction and Blockade: Naval Reactions can only occur when there is action in a Sea Zone that the fleet is based at. The fleet has to be

based from a port and not the Sea Zone. Also, the Reaction can only occur when your own lands or those of an ally benefiting from a Defensive Pact marriage bonus are attacked. It also applies to any merchant fleets you operate through the Sea Zone in the case of piracy. Naval Blockade's only work if your fleet is based in the same Sea Zone as the target port and you spend all (every single one) of your APs in the blockade. The fleet must be based from a port and not a Sea Zone.

New for T48

The use of fleets for Reaction and mitigating the effects of Pirates: My understanding has now changed since we GMs have had some discussion on the list. The use of Reaction has been explained on the Wiki and Patrol is no longer used in the Base Rules.

Reaction

- Take a look at this link for more info
http://www.throneworld.com/wiki/index.php?title=Basic_Rules_Leaders_and_Army_Actions#Reaction

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Trade Route Escorts

- This is specific to Lords 24. Units can be assigned to a trade route to act as static convoy escort using the G type leader. Note this is not as good as patrol as the warships assigned will only reduce the effects of piracy, not capture or destroy the pirates themselves.

Updated NPN and Primacy rules: Yep, been tinkering again but I feel a almost serene sense of satisfaction with my latest offering. See what you think.

Added the ability to hire mercenary captain when there is no mercenary company available: See the mercenary tables

New for T47

Improved cultivation at TL5: If a nation has reached the dizzy heights of TL5 than it can benefit from improved cultivation. You can Improve a cultivated homeland region from 2GPv to 3GPv, or any other controlled cultivated region from 1GPv to 2GPv. This is a level one megalithic construction.

New for T45

New Rivers: I've added in some new possible rivers onto the map. These are rivers that were once passable by light traffic (remember Cogs cannot travel on rivers) and have now become silted up. You can dredge a stretch of the river (along one region border edge) as a 0.5 level project.

Gripes:

Agro as conversion – this has restrictions (see 2.11.5.3) which I will be enforcing from now on.

Rivers can only support light ships – as far as I know Cogs cannot travel on rivers. This also includes Cogs built for trade.

New Primates: We have two new Primate positions this turn. Jumal Skyfather, which is an Estonian god and the Coptic Church based out of Axum.

New for T44

Minor islands and City States: I'll be allowing minor islands (Corfu, Jerba, Wight etc) and city states to be used as locations from T44. Just let me know the rationale behind why you want it separate and if reasonable I'll add it in. Once they are created as locations, they obey all the rules of islands etc. However, their Gpv cannot go above 0.

Flooding: The last few turns have seen a massive increase in the amount of flooding that has occurred. It appears that the years are getting warmer and wetter. As a result of this some of the minor rivers on the map are once again becoming passable to river traffic.

Denmark: Following on from the Minor Islands stuff, you can see that Denmark is now separated out to Jutland and Syaland (Zeeland).

Announcements and items of note

General Stuff: Please use my Paypal account (stephenbrunt@yahoo.co.uk) for all Lords' 24 payments. If you cannot use this facility then please let me know and I will see what I can do about filtering US funds to my account. I may also stop using the throneworld email address due to the mass of spam I'm getting!

Order Form: Please use the [standard excel order form](#)

from now on. I'll update the site with a link to it next week when I get some time. This is important as it helps me process the turn more quickly. THIS IS NOW MANDATORY.

Non-Payment: some of you still owe me some cash. Although it may come as surprise that this is not my main source of income, I see it only polite that you pay for the occasionally night out. So, if you're under zero next turn I'll not process you orders.

Version 6: Lords 24 uses version 6 of the basic rules

The Map: The map now includes India as well as Europe, Central Asia and Africa. I've greyed out repeated areas on the maps to make my life easier.

However, this means some player nations are split across more than one map. I may increase the size of the main map but I'll have to think on this.

Tithes and Tribute: I think these are automatically updated by the stats program, so no need to declare them in your orders.

Control of the Papacy and Religious Orders: In Lords 24 we will not always have a player Pope (or Caliph etc for that matter) and the following rules are used to determine which player faction controls the Pope's actions, Papacy Rules. I've also added some stuff about gaining support from their armies

How to make your GM happy (PLEASE READ! REALLY!):

Please send any and all Lords24 correspondence to stephenbrunt@yahoo.co.uk .

LORDS 24 WEB RESOURCES

The Lords Twenty-Four homepage is at:

<http://lords.throneworld.com/lote24/index.html>

All of the on-line resources, including order forms, mailing lists and web-sites for Lords of the Earth are summarized on this page:

http://lords.throneworld.com/?page_id=2

You can subscribe to the Lords 24 mailing list by pointing your web-browser at:

<http://games.groups.yahoo.com/group/lote24>

...and following the instructions on that page.

VARIOUS FEES AND LEVIES

At the moment the turns cost \$5 – please pay up of you owe

We are using the latest v6.3.5 of the basic rule book that can be found here

<http://lords.throneworld.com/players/loterule/rules.html>

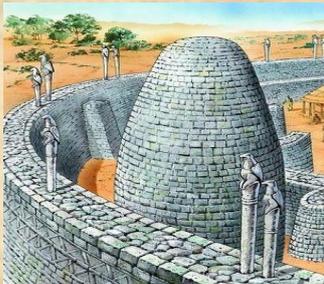
Africa



The Mwene-Mutapa Empire

(Unkulunkulu Civilized Open Empire)

TjiKalanga, King of Mapungubwe



his death in 1444.

Many projects were started during these years, including a great aqueduct in Mwene-Mutapa itself. Priests showed the greatness of Unkulunkulu to the tribes of Shona and converted the province from their heathen ways. While King TjiKalanga ruled from his court in Mapungubwe with Tshiven, Vendalwe was able to secure an alliance with the Ma'lela tribes. Recently converted Shona was to provide more tribute through the efforts of Tinenda before

Usama-Yoruba Onium of Ibo

(African Pagan Civilized Open Empire)

Boure II, Oni of Ibo



In far Galam the city of Bamako was founded. The great highway was extended so that it cut through the jungle from Ghana to Togo, joining Tusyam and Burkina to the Onium. It was also extended out of Gouroul, crossing the Niger to Zerma. Bourne II ruled from Ibo and educated the young heir Obinna in the affairs of state. Sadly, his wife Wini, was to pass away in 1442. Prince Obinna later travelled to Akwanga to gain further support from the city but could not improve on the alliance.

Okechukwo was to gain some support from Togo before N'bona gained an alliance with the Burkina. The marriage of Chininso of Oyo to the Prince Moree meant that the important province once again became part of the heartlands. Jelani took a large fleet south and successfully explored the seas off Kongo.

The Wadai Kingdom of Sennar

(Coptic Barbarian Open Empire)

Malik Karim Al-Shahrani, King of Sennar



The province of Kosti was finally cleared for farmland. Coptic priests were sent to Shoa and convinced over half the population to convert to Christianity. King Malik Karim Al-Shahrani ruled from Sennar and was to have three further children by his with Ramza. Prince Khalid travelled to Adowa where he persuaded

the province to become a full part of the kingdom. The defence of the kingdom was left to Prince Fayez and the generals Taahir al-Sani and Salli al-Safar.

Eastern Europe



The Varangian Rus of Kiev

(Orthodox Civilized Open Empire)

Siegfried, King of the Rus



The Great Wall was stretched to take in the northern border of Kiev with Poland. Gold and grain was once again shipped to the Vladimir Order. King Siegfried named his son Roland as his heir. He was to father a young son before Ingrid of Chernigov's untimely death in 1445. Varangian missionary work in Moldavia bore fruit as the majority of the population now worship the true God. Smirnov of Smolensk was to die from a fall from his horse as he travelled back to Smolensk. The alliance was strong though and his heir was quick to pledge allegiance.

The Oriental Roman Empire

(Roman Catholic Civilised Open Empire)

Alexios, Emperor of East Rome



The Justinian dockyards were constructed in the port of Constantinople. Missionaries from the city were active in both Rhodes and Taman where some small number of converts were made. As Alexios ruled from Constantinople and ensured he was getting value from his merchants, the Dukes Stefans and Katakalon ensured the seas around the capital were free of enemy vessels. Duke John was to cement relations with the Maltese port of Valletta, fully incorporating it into the Empire.

The Order of St Vladimir

(Roman Catholic Civilised Religious Order)

Dmitry, Grandmaster of the Order of St Vladimir



Missionaries of the Order had little success with converting the infidels of Dobruja. The Grandmaster of the Order was to pass away peacefully in 1444 and the control of the brotherhood fell to Bjorn in Dobruja.

The Noble House of Byzantium

(Roman Catholic Civilised Mercantile House)

Cephalus, Chairman of the Noble House of Byzantium



Cephalus of the House Byzantium was to improve the reach of his merchants by opening a branch office in Varangia. Further agents were the House were gained in Atelzuko and Atelzograd through the efforts of Sostratos. The agent in Sicily was persuaded to factor for the House but attempts to gain some market share in Kiev and Palermo came to nothing.

Arabia and the Middle East



The Buwayid Sultanate

(Sunni Islam Civilized Open Empire)

Lamman II, Sultan of the Buwayids



Once again, the cities of the Sultanate were to grow in size as their prosperity knew no bounds. Attempts to gain the knowledge from the west proved fruitless as those nations' agents were actively seeking Buwayid spies. Some improvements were gathered from the Egyptians though as they gave support to the Sultanate. The city of Antalya was still resolutely Christian so missionaries were sent to convert its population to the true faith. While Lamman II ruled from Mesopotamia, Inger continued his work in improving relations with the Levant; a young bride was acquired from the province for Lamman II from the House of Ziad. She was able to provide the Sultan with a daughter not long after she arrived at court. Saban al Sid was able to persuade the city of Quetta to become a full part of the Sultanate. While investigating his city for anything untoward, the Emir of Hastor supposedly fell upon a Maltese plot and was killed. Omar Sin Abul was to take command of the garrison at Antalya but succumbed to a fever and died in 1443 before he could take up his post. However, Abdul Al Sisi was to successfully take command of the Persian army and restarted the defence of the eastern borders. He was to ensure that rumours of the tribes fermenting trouble did not affect the Sultanate.

Western Europe and Moslem Spain



The Knights of Malta

(Roman Catholic Civilised Religious Order)

Heinrich, Grandmaster of the Knights of Malta



Heinrich was with the Pope when news came of Grandmaster Frederick's death in 1443. After a short conclave of the most senior Brothers of Order it was decided that he should take over Frederick's command. He was able to increase the Order's standing with the Pope during these years in Latium. An Order House was founded in Sicily and the one in Attica upgraded to a Preceptory by the efforts of Brother Hans.

The Kingdom of Germany

(Roman Catholic Civilized Open Empire)

Ludwig, King of the Germans



The great highway was extended to Vienna and Genoa. German Christianity was seeing a resurgence during these years and missionaries from Saxony were able to convert the vast majority of Liguria away from the infidel. A young son was born to King Ludwig proving the German king with an heir. Wilhuf spent the years before his death in 1445 ensuring the loyalty of the Austrians. Admiral

Alphonse was also to die in 1445 but fortunately no attacks were forthcoming from the Mediterranean. In Lausatia, Gunther was able to lay claim to the region for Ludvig, while Karlmann gained an alliance with the Savoyards. Early in 1442, Korman was to fatally fall from his horse during his command of the German army.

The Akramid Caliphate

(Sunni Islam Civilized Open Empire)

Tiroman VI, Caliph of the Akramids



Missionaries from the Caliphate were extremely active in Corsica and gained many converts; especially in its main port Bastia. Tiroman ensure that the nations' cities and provinces were secure from attack by upgrading many fortifications. The old Olbian cities of Olbia and Mihkael had their ancient walls greatly improved. The wilderness of Sardinia was cleared and new farms settled on the island. To improve the lives of his subjects, great fishing fleets were established in the Caliphates ports. Tiroman himself ruled from Seville and was blessed with a daughter by his wife Brinn, despite her age. However, Teague was unable to produce a child by his Olbian wife, despite her reknowned beauty. To fully integrate Olbia into the Caliphate, Onika was commanded to offer the hand of Princess Aeryn to Luhk. The able and well liked Olbian was to become a Prince of the Caliphate

Scandia and the Out Isles



Kingdom of Orkeneyjar

(Roman Catholic Seafaring Open Empire)

Soren, King of Orkney and the Isles



King Soren ruled from Kirkval and was blessed with his fourth child by Queen Courtney in 1445. It left to Soren's nobility to gain diplomatic control of the old English provinces. Orkney laid claim to Anglia and Wessex as well as the cities of Portchester and Wells. However, Canute's attempts to persuade the Earl of York to commit to Kirkval was met with outright hostility. It was only crew of Canute's ships that prevented him being slain as he left for Kirkval. Angry Wolf of the Naskapi was unable to undertake Soren's requests to bring God to the Albany as he fell ill from a fever in 1443 and died shortly afterwards. The redoubtable Bishop Gudbrand was tasked with ensuring no Frenchman crossed the Channel to gain a foothold in England while Soren was consolidating his control. Vast sums of gold were transferred to Le Marteau to improve the quality of their forces. Missionaries from the Orkneys were able to fully convert the Jumali city of Ventapils in Musa to Christianity causing concern amongst the Skyfather priesthood.

La Marteau de Dieu

(Roman Catholic Civilised Religious Order)

Geoffrey, Hammer of God



Some of the more remote possessions of the Order were to degrade as the lay brothers moved away. The house in Gdansk was lost as well as Order sites in Turku and Saarema. This was offset somewhat by new Order Houses in London and Wells. Somehow, Naskapi remained faithful to the Order despite its isolation. Brother Eudes accompanied Brother Ottar to the Naskapi lands with new settlers and founded the city of Himlensport, Heaven's Gateway in the Norse tongue of the Order. The death of Grandmaster Tanguy in 1442 meant that

his chosen successor Geoffrey took control of the Order from his newly founded House in London. Tanguy was to increase the status of the Order with its hosts the Orkneyjar before his sudden death. Missionaries of the Order were able to gain a few converts in Sardinia.
