

PRE-GB 1023 POLITICAL SPHERE NEWS

15 July 1023

Opening Words

Hello Noblefolk, less noble folks and other politicians,

A very political Grande Bataille is about to begin. The Jaquerie des Croquants pits the disgruntled peasants led by the UPIR against the nobles of blood and of name led by the Chevauché des Couronnées.

In this document you will find all the relevant information on the political sphere for the Grande Bataille 1023, mainly the bâtonniers, charters, ceremonies and quests.

A 'sphere book' is in preparation, in which you will learn more about the future of the political sphere and details of the direction it will take in relation to roleplaying. For now, this document contains some of the projects from the sphere book that couldn't wait..



Welcome to the Bâtonniers

Almost every region now has a Bâtonnier (Barrister). They are the liaison with the political sphere, they organise and manage elections and they ensure compliance with the regional charter. They also report to the Game Master on important political events and developments in the region, so that each region can be included in the storylines and quests more accurately.

Bâtonniers can be found with or without a bâton (staff). Joie de vivre is very optional. Find the Bâtonnier in your region. Congratulate them. Even offer to help, if you're interested, and become a Bâtonnet (stick)!

Regional Charters Progression

Eight of the sixteen regions and independent provinces have submitted their regional charters. During the Grande Bataille, some of the regions will present their charters to their citizens before submitting it for approval, while others will adopt their already approved charters. The others are running late.



Knighthood ceremonies

If you wish to hold an Knighthood Ceremony, ask your Bâtonnier to make a reservation by sending an e-mail to the following address: nicolas.saucier@bicolline.org

The message must contain: (1) Name of the Region/Province, (2) Day and time of the ceremony, (3) Place of the ceremony and (4) Name of the person in charge.

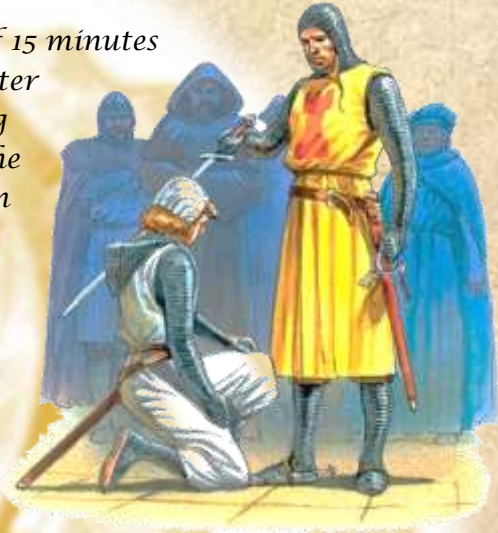
A Knighthood Ceremony lasts a minimum of 15 minutes and must take place in the presence of a Game Master or his representative. The ceremony can last as long as you want but the game master can leave after the minimum time has been reached and the evaluation will stop, so it's a good idea to talk to him before starting the ceremony.

Before the ceremony, you must go to the "Banque de l'hippocampe" (Seahorse Bank) to deposit the order of action and the cards. This order will only be valid once the Game Master has submitted his evaluation. Ceremonies are evaluated but, for this year, this evaluation is only to help you improve your game.

A ceremony may not be interrupted by another group unless this has been planned by the organizers.

Dwarven Conclave

All Dwarves of our world, whether surfacedwelters or normal, of any clan, nation or allegiance, are summoned to the CLXXXIIIth Dwarven Conclave in the **basement of the Auberge on Thursday 17 August at 7.00 pm**. High-Chaired by the most venerable Grutméac "the Young" Forgemont. **For Dwarves only**. As the saying goes: "Beards are a hoot, pointy ears get the boot!"



Dwarven Conclave CLXXXIII

Auberge Basement

Thursday August 17th at 7 pM

For Dwarves Only

Quests for GB 1023

Here are the political quests that will take place during the Grande Bataille 1023. These are only the public quests, open to all.

Hippocampus messaging (Beginner)



A Postmaster General will be asking new players to deliver letters to various lords, dukes, fief masters, Bâtonniers and other important political figures. You don't have to write to us to take part in the quest; everyone with a title will potentially receive a letter.

When you receive such a letter, check that it is your name on the envelope, then open it and follow the instructions on the letter. Stay in the game and take the opportunity to talk to these newcomers, get to know them, find out if they belong to a guild, explain your title and the culture of your region, etc.

Regional Archives (Intermediate-Advanced)

The Comité Archives Historiques de Bicolline collects works of all kinds to create the Great Library. All regions are invited to submit a **timeline** so that the library has a good historical basis and the books are arranged chronologically by region.

Timelines should be decorum and feature the most important events in the region (foundation, major wars, past and present reigns, etc.) in the style of a timeline. This timeline can be a single scroll or several scrolls, one for each era. It can also be of any size and in any medium (painting, collage, sculpture, embroidery, etc.).

Entries must be submitted to the **Hippocampus Archives Library** (new building between the Fhain and the Rangers) between **1pm and 4.30pm, Monday to Friday**. Anyone can submit a piece and more than one piece can be submitted per region, however only one piece per region (the one with the highest score) will be eligible to receive a reward.

For this quest, submissions will be judged by the Historical Archives Committee on three criteria:



(1) the quality of the appearance of the work submitted, (2) the quality of the content of the work submitted (veracity of the historical facts) and (3) the presentation of the work itself (interaction with the Historical Archives Committee). The best entries will be awarded prizes.

Members of the Historical Archives Committee cannot judge a timeline from their own region of affiliation and all committee members ignore the rewards for this quest.

If possible, the Historical Archives Committee requests that regions send a digital version of the timeline to archives@bicolline.org.

Pieces can be submitted at any other time but this quest will only give rewards during the Grande Bataille 1023.

Other Quests

Other quests are planned for the Grande Bataille 1023, but they are secret or target specific groups only. If a quest affects you, you already know about it or you will receive a ducal letter or an electronic pigeon.

