



Herald:

Your Majesty, these are the members of the Order of Chivalry who will compete in Your Crown Lists.

(The Herald shall announce the name of each of the belted fighters entered in the Lists by the specific field that they start on (for example, the Herald will announce all belted fighters that will fight on the Azure field, followed by all fighters on the Gules field.) When his name is called, the fighter shall move forward, and make his reverence to the Crown, and then stand next to the herald assigned to that field, facing inward. At this point his Consort may leave, or stand behind him.)



Herald:

Their Majesties invite the following unbelted fighters to stand with the Chivalry for these Lists:

(The Herald shall then introduce the unbelted fighters who are to be ranked with the Chivalry for the day. As each one's name is called (and which field he is fighting on), he shall step forward and make his reverence to the Crown, then cross to stand in the line behind the herald assigned to that field, facing inward. When all unbelted fighters ranked with the Chivalry have been called forward, the Unbelted line shall step as close to the Royal Pavilion as they may and stay in their line.)



Herald:

Those in the unbelted line should move the line as close to the thrones as possible and keep their line, so that you may better hear.



King:

My Lord Marshal,
let the fighters know
the manner in which this
tourney shall be conducted this day

Marshall:

(The Marshal shall step forward and do so.)



Herald:

You have all heard the conventions of combat for this tournament, and you all know the Rules of the Lists. Do you swear to abide by these rules and these conventions during these Lists?

Fighters:

I so swear.



Herald:

And do you each have one whose favor you shall bear in these Lists, and who shall reign beside you, should you be given victory over the field?

Fighters:

I do.



Herald:

And do you each swear that, should you be given victory in these Lists, you will swear fealty to the Kingdom and populace of Lochac. And do you swear that you and your consort can and will fulfill the duties and obligations of a King or Queen of Lochac, and that you will rule justly and to the utmost of your abilities, as long as you shall reign?

Fighters:

I do.



Queen:

Let the consorts now swear.



Herald:

do you each swear that, should your fighter be given victory in these Lists, you will swear fealty to the Kingdom and populace of Lochac. And do you swear that you and your consort can and will fulfill the duties and obligations of a King or Queen of Lochac, and that you will rule justly and to the utmost of your abilities, as long as you shall reign?

Consorts:

I do.

NOTE: Herald -- change the following to reflect how the Lists are being dealt with at this particular tournament.



Herald:

Now let each of these unbelted fighters, as his name is called, challenge any one of these fighters ranked before the Royalty for the honor of the first round of combat in the Crown Lists. Step forward, with your consorts if they be present, and present yourselves to Their Majesties.

(The Herald shall then call the names of the fighters standing in the unbelted line. The next fighter should be called as soon as the preceding fighter's challenge has been accepted.)

(When the last challenge has been accepted, the Herald shall ask of His Majesty if there is further need of his services, and if there is none, shall take his leave.)



King/Queen:

(The King may, if He wishes, make an exhortation to the fighters; as may the Queen.)



Herald:

Then upon pain of expulsion from these Lists, bear witness to these words.

Bear no stone in this Tournament that may act as a talisman for victory. Yet you all bear the cornerstone of our Kingdom on the field this day. Let your Honour be a rock on which all your deeds stand.

Bear no Amulet today hoping for victory by it's worth. Yet you must display for all token by which you are measured. Let your skill at arms and prowess on the field be the badge by which all know you.

Bear no herb of virtue that by sweet essence victory will be yours. Yet beauty must temper the struggle of arms and clash of combat. Let the favours you bear and the grace of those who inspire you be your guide this day.

Then, let Honour, Skill at arms and Inspiration be the Hallmarks of our tourney this day. Let them be displayed proudly by all who fight here, whether as bright coin to purchase victory or earnest medallion remembering honourable defeat.



King:

Fight this day as you would have history remember you
Fight this day to make your consorts proud.

Use your skills and prowess with courtesy and honour.
For the honour you earn this day will be echoed in the word
and deed in all the Kingdom by all the subjects of the
Crown.

Fighters, go and prepare yourselves
For the Crown Tourney does now begin



Herald:

For the fighters in the Crown Lists, Hip, hip (* 3)
