





# The Tarantulas Guide to the Underdark

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# **Barran Crowned As Imperator**

During the Spring Moot of 1124 Barran was crowned as Imperator of the Empire in the culmination of a struggle to reclaim Telantiwar.

The key to this crowning was the Throne of Telantiwar, which had been bound a millennia ago to Triel Cruentatus during the ritual that destroyed the city. That link to the throne made it impossible for Barran to claim control of the Empire whilst Triel had influence over the throne.

With the throne now moved to the Spire of Lothiriel in Lyonesse, and Triel fronting up a bizarre alliance with King Briar of Lyonesse, a large push was made to resolve Triel's hold over the Throne before she could cement how power and will over the entire Empire.

The exact details of this alliance are still unknown and it is believed that hefty rewards exist for anyone that can provide more detail into the nature of their agreement.

During a rite led by Xya Kerithrion Barran was placed on the Throne that was witnessed by She of the Silver Mask, the Artificer, and a surviving member of Clan Cancarneyar – Barran was then crowned by the Avatar's of the Golden Twins.

Whilst this rite secured Imperator Barran's claim over the Empire, it left a lot of corruption caused by Triel's magic.

A further rite was conducted by High Ritualist Briseis to combine the power of the Golden Twins, using their Avatars as conduits she was able to pull the corruption from the lands of Lyonesse and the Underdark, to undo much of the damage caused by Triels forces.

There have sadly been many notable casualties in the efforts to get Barran onto the throne, but the Empire has rallied behind him and look forward to the future of the Underdark.

## Notice from the Adventurer's Guild

The Adventurer's Guild needs you!!

Magic ducks have escaped from Arcadia. Round them up and deliver them to the Adventurer's Guild desk, to claim your reward!

Alanna and Hootie, Stewards of The Adventurer's Guild

## Herbicide Ban Lifted

Following the death of Iza Darkhide the impromptu ban on Herbicide has now been lifted.

Investigations continue into how the unusual law was passed.

# **Obituaries**

Once again we at The Web wish to mark the passing of those that were willing to put their lives on the line for the betterment of the nation.

#### Iza Darkhide

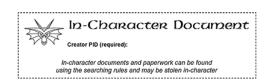
House Micar Memory of the Throne

#### Willow

House Grey

## Krallan

House Micar



# **Tarantula Nuptials**

This year seems to be the year of nuptials for the Tarantula nation, as we have three announcements.

#### Runa & Tathal Maelthra

Runa (originally from Norsca) of House Grey has entered dowry negotiations for the hand of Tathal of House Maelthra. The first of our power couples of this announcement, Runa in her role as Advisor to the Throne of Telantiwar, makes an interesting match to Tathal as Hand of Lolth.

## Lujayne & Soliatire

After many years of dating, Lujayne of the Jackals has agreed to a proposal from Solitaire. The second of our power couples matches the Overtyrant of the Jackals with the Voice of the Dark Elven Pantheon. This is the second time in recent years that a strong alliance has existed between the highest levels of our two nations.

#### Niobie & Barran

The last announcement is that of the Lady Niobie of the Gryphons to Lord Baran Ironfounder. The last of our power couples creates a unique and controversial alliance between ourselves and the Gryphons. Whilst the proposal caused a lot of confusion, his advances were eventually accepted. The exact details of their union are still to be negotiated.

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