

OUTLINE FOR PRINCIPALITY COURTS AT OERTHAN CORONET TOURNEYS

Saturday Morning: Opening Court

Gather populace (“Let all who can hear my voice draw nigh and pay heed unto the court of Their Highnesses ___ and ___, Prince and Princess of Oertha”)

Their Highnesses welcome visitors, populace, and make opening comments.

Autocrats’ opening announcements. (There are always some)

Other announcements as necessary. (competitions, guild meetings, changes in the schedule of events, etc.) (re announcements: try to be as brief as possible without rushing things, this court should, as a general rule, be short.)

Invocation of the Coronet Lists.

Close the court. (see example below)

“This concludes the court of _____ and _____, Prince and Princess of Oertha.

Long live the Prince! -populace repeats

Long live the Princess! -populace repeats

Long live the King and Queen of the West! Hip, Hip!” X 3

(note that there is no pause for populace to repeat last line, go straight into the three Hip, Hips.)

★ **NOTE:** Immediately following the Coronet Lists, be ready to perform the ceremony for Acknowledgment of the Victor. *(Check with the Coronets -- They may want to allow some cool-down/cleanup time to the victor.)*

Saturday Evening Court

Gather populace

Opening comments from Their Highnesses (if any)

Succession of Great Offices (if any)

Awards, presentations, and announcements.

[If Their Majesties are present, and wish to hold court, this is a good place for it, unless they need to wait until after peerage meetings]

Close court.

Sunday: Final Court and Investiture

Gather populace

Opening comments from Their Highnesses

Autocrat announcements

Competition winners

Any further awards from Their Highnesses

Princess' Riband

Release of:

Lord and Lady Guardian

Ladies of the Chamber

Princess' Escort

Princess' Champion

Investiture of the new Prince and Princess:

Procession comes forward and Heirs make claim

Swear in Heirs-former Prince and Princess depart

Cupbearer comes forward, Their Highnesses drink to Oertha

Swearing of Fealty:

Great Officers

Barons / Baronesses

Knights

Other peers

[Homage of the Populace-Optional]

New Prince's Fealty to the King

Invest:

New Ladies of the Chamber

New Princess' Escort

New Princess' Champion

New Lord and Lady Guardian

Viscounty Ceremony for former Highnesses (if necessary)

Awards / Announcements

[If Their Majesties are Present and have not yet held court, NOW is the time.]

Closing comments from Their Highnesses

Close Court