

PLUNDERED GOLD

The invasion of Mitwold, the losses of Oddmire and Meade March, and the subsequent atrocities of Stephen of Sarcombe have cut many Marchers to the bone. *"You don't own it unless you can defend it"* is a popular saying all across the Marchers, and usually said with stubborn Pride. Right now it's tinged with more than a little regret. Still Marchers are Marchers and land is still land. Even with the killing of Jim Moor and the effect the heroic foot-the-baller's death has had on morale, there's still work to be done.

And no time to waste either. The Corazon have been through Meade, intent on theft and pillage. Not just Meade, they've been stripping what they can from village halls, monasteries, granaries and farmsteads. The town of Meade and settlements across Meade March into The Meadows have all suffered as anything that might have value is seized. As news comes of the Iron Confederacy's march into distant Chaveiro, the orc's larceny turns to urgency as they try to flee the territory with their ill-gotten gains as quickly as possible, eager to return to Reinos before the Surrani can give them a taste of their own medicine.

The Sentinel allows travel to Meade Meadow in Meade March on either the Saturday or the Sunday of the equinox.

OBJECTIVE: RETURN THE BOUNTY OF MEADE

- **Lasambrians are fleeing with a rune-bound chest filled with plunder**
- **If the treasures are returned to Meade the Field Marshal will receive 10 thrones to reward those who saved the wealth of Meade**
- **Success will prevent the riches being used to hire a war-band of Fjorknae orcs**

Orcs of the Corazon army are making their way through Meade Meadow after gathering a trove of looted valuables from Meade. The goods are the property of the people of Meade and by rights they must be returned to their owners if secured. To the Lasambrians however, the haul represents something even more precious, a way to try to relieve the pressure in the north and allow them to turn their face against the Iron Confederacy.

The recent assault upon Kierheim, and the vulnerability it exposed, has drawn the interests of the Jotun of the far west, the lands beyond the shores of Kalsea and over the Sea of Snow on the isle of Fjorknae. The Lasambrians have found a huge runebox and filled it with the stolen plunder. Now too heavy to carry, they have placed the great chest, atop a sled constructed in a similar manner to those of the Suaq icewalkers or natives of Tromsa in the cold north. They plan to drag it away and put it on a boat to send over the Sea of Snows to induce the orcs of Fjorknae to join the war on the mainland.

The sled is not easy to move, laden as it is with piles of loot, and shifting it will take a concerted effort. If the orcs are killed, or driven off, then it will be possible to replace them. The runebox is too strong to break open on the battlefield, so the sled will be essential to shift it. Even then it will take six unarmed individuals to move it. Should one of those labouring on the sled be struck down or unable to contribute, then the party will have to wait until a full six are able to work together on the task.

To recover the plunder from the orcs it will need to be dragged back to the Sentinel Gate, where the Marcher egregore and civil service will ensure they are returned to the grateful alders of Meade. If that happens, they will provide the Field Marshal with 10 thrones for them to reward the heroes who recovered their belongings. If the loot cannot be recovered, the Lasambrians will use it to tempt a large warband of Fjorknae orcs to join them on campaign next season.

OBJECTIVE: RECOVER THE TROPHY

- **The Wayford Wanderer's prized foot-the-ball trophy is in the possession of a Corazon jarl**
- **Returning the item to the Marcher egregore will boost the Drakes by 250 new volunteers**
- **A Wintermark maggot is offering 9 thrones for the trophy if it's put in an Ephesus Box**

In YE327 the then senator for Mitwold, Andy Beater, decided to host a spectacular foot-the-ball tournament at the Summer Solstice in Anvil. His critics carped it was just a distraction from all the troubles of the time. Regardless of the reasons for hosting it, the tournament was a big draw with the senator inviting other nations to field their own teams if they dared take the Marches on. That ambition barely survived due to pressing concerns with the Orc Rebellion, but in the end the tournament did go ahead. The senator presented the winners with a cheap trophy he'd got from a tinsmith in Meade.