

### The Official Newsletter of the Knightmare Adventurers Club

Greetings Adventurers! Which do you want first - the good news or the bad news? People always want the bad news first so I shall be contrary the good news then, yes, you've guessed it there is going to be a new series of the best ever television programme with dragons in it -Knightmare!! The bad news is - Lord Fear is rumoured to have a new henchman in tow and he looks pretty evil... turn to pages 4 & 5 for more details.

We will be going into production in the late Summer with lots of our old friends and some new ones but I really can't tell you much more at this stage for fear of incurring the wrath of the Producer who

> wouldn't be happy if I gave away all his secrets, (and he's bigger than me)

but if you read on you'll definitely have a sneak preview of some of the developments.

As usual we have Knightmare Knews on page 2 and the Ghoul's gallery proved so successful that it will be regular feature. Don't forget to turn to the last page for the Knightmare goodies so that you can be in with the in crowd when the new series comes out and please keep your contributions flooding in.

I must leave you now, Lord Fear is coming in for a fitting of his robes and rumour has it that his waist size has increased since he took to eating chocolate worms at the end of the last series which means he has to be told to go on a diet or wear a corset, either way he's not going to be happy!

Wilf Wright

# The Dragon's Lair... STOP PRESS!

# .SNEAK PREVIEW

"All Sorcerers know the secret -Dragons must die for magic to live!"

When William discovers a figure trapped beneath the ice of a local pond, he plunges into a fantastic adventure in a wintery world. Trequard needs William's help in a dramatic quest - to save a newly-hatched dragon from a terrible fate at the hands of an evil wizard... will they succeed? You need to wait until October to find out - the Latest adventure by Dave Morris will be released by Transworld Publishing in the Autumn; can you wait that long?



Trecupard

reguard & Pickle by Chris Lightwing





by Arto Worts.





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## The Portly Pixie

# No, I am not referring to your friend and mine – Pickle the Elf!

The Portly Pixie are holding a Charity Fete and Open Day in aid of National Children's Home on Saturday July 18th from 1 'til 6pm. There will be Tournaments, Indoor fantasy adventure experience, Bouncy Castle, stalls and side shows.

If you are an avid Live Role Playing fan then you may already have heard of *The Portly Pixie*, if not, you are missing out – the group has a purpose built complex for adventures and they provide all the necessary tools for a fully fledged quest. The team will brief you on all aspects of

adventuring and even provide you with costumes so that you really feel the part. Adventures usually take 3 hours and are designed for teams of 6 but they are so popular that they are often booked up 4 weeks in advance. If you are interested in finding out more then write to:

The Portly Pixie, 17, Coniston Road, Coventry, CV5 6GU

Or to get a taster why not pop along to the Fete?

# Two Summer Theatre Schools At The Key Theatre, Peterborough

subscription scheme? If you want to help save resources then tell them all about it – the scheme provides books, posters and leaflets for schools to keep you up to date on all the latest environmental issues. Write to:

**School Friends** 

Friends Of The Earth, 26 - 28 Underwood Street, London N1 7JO

Do your teachers know about the successful Friends Of The Earth

## Greenwood IV – 28th – 29th August

The Forth Official "Robin of Sherwood" convention to celebrate the 10th Birthday of the series – all proceeds to The Woodland Trust.

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The weekend will involve guest appearances, indoor and outdoo events and even a little magic! For further information write to: "Greenwood IV",

c/o 16 Tonbridge Road, West Molesey, Surrey KT8 OEL

Sending a stamped addressed envelope please.

# Ole!

The Knightmare camera crew have just wandered back into the office looking disgustingly tanned and healthy and demanding that they take siestas every afternoon, yes, you guessed it... they have been filming in Sunny Spain this year. The beautiful Castille region of Spain turned out to be just the place for Treguard to set up holiday home in, he even contemplated taking on a time share in the old El Dorado set until he heard a rumour that they are going to be bulldozing the whole village in August!

This is a snap of the cameraman's bottom taken by the director!



Our friends at the Key Theatre will be running two workshops from Sunday 8th August until Saturday 14th of August and Sunday 15th to Saturday 21st. If you are interested write to: Colin Wise, Key Theatre, Embankment Road, Peterborough PE1 1EF



# Spot The Difference...

See how many differences you can spot between Arlo's two drawings of Hordriss and Sidriss

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Ine Differences 1. Weather & Whether: 2. Mouse becomes a squirrel; 3. Cold & 1. Weather & Whether: 2. Mouse becomes a squirrel; 3. Cold & warm fronts change places on chart; 4. Star appears on end of Sidriss' wand; 5. Hotdriss's finger is extended; 6. Ties on Sidriss' dress vanish; 7. Sidriss is wearing a different necklace; 8. dress vanish; 7. Sidriss is wearing a different necklace; 8. Hordriss' eyebrows are different; 9. Hordriss says "we" instead Hordriss' eyebrows are different; 9. Hordriss says "we" instead

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By the way... We forgot to thank Karolina Norgate for her photograph of the workshop in progress in the last issue. Sorry Karolina!

# In this month's Star Interview, The Quest takes... ... A Personal Peek At The Pooka

- TQ How long have you been appearing in Knightmare?
- P This years series will be my 4th time.
- TO How has your role developed over the years?

P My principal task has remained the same and it's something that | particularly relish: scaring the living daylights out of unsuspecting dungeoneers. My character has become more 3 dimensional, (partly due to large amounts of gooseberry pie) and my performances on the show have increased steadily. It has taken the producer some time to recognise my outstanding dramatic talent and quite honestly I think he is worried that I will upstage the rest of the cast.

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- TQ Which other actors have influenced your career?
- P Well obviously Sir Laurence Olivier, but I feel a close affinity with Kermit the Frog.
- TQ Have you been in any other T.V. shows?
- P My debut was in a bush in the Blue Peter garden. It was just a walk-on (or float-on) part, but that was years ago. Since then I have spent most of my time in the theatre and was quite active around the greener parts of the RSC's "A Midsummer Night's Dream". I also starred as some foliage in the recent Robin Hood remake, "Prince of Thieves" with Kevin Costner.

TO Do you think that there could be an Oscar looming around the corner?

- It's more likely to be some daft kid with a bucket on his head.
- Well, actually I meant artistic appreciation of you talents.
- Oh, my dear! Ours is a frightfully unrewarding profession. One frequently tears ones leaves out in sheer frustration. My producer suffers from the same problem, but of course with him it's hair.

TO Talking of such, do you have a favourite hairdresser?

P Actually, Vidal Sasoon personally designed

my "through a hedge backwards" look. It's

fine until Autumn when, unfortunately, it falls out and doesn't grow back until Spring. I am forced to wear a rather tacky plastic replacement during the winter months.

- TO Do you have any hobbies?
- P Most of my time is taken up acting but I do enjoy birdwatching, I have a

natural advantage over human "twitchers" as I have built in camouflage. I am also an avid fan of gardening programmes, some of my best friends have starred in Gardeners World.

- TQ Who is your favourite Knightmare character?
- P Well, my loyalties obviously lie with Lord Fear, but have to admit to there being some truth in the rumours about my romantic links with Gwendoline the Green Warden (although I must stress that I had nothing to do with her departure from the programme last year).
- TQ How do you cope with stardom?
- P It's difficult to go anywhere these days without being recognised, but thankfully my admirers and autograph hunters are usually to terrified to approach me. Obviously it's difficult to spot me in the park but when I go shopping I usually wear a disguise.



Psst! Can you spot the Pooka hiding in my plants?

Even Treguard has to change with the times - new technology has meant that the helmet redesign has been brought in this year. You will see the benefit in the new series when he sends our next intrepid adventurer into the unknown. The more streamlined helmet (the horns kept getting caught in trees!) has been developed by a team of designers in consultation with the Director and Producer to accomodate the latest sound and visual developments, allowing the dungeoneer to have a better view on the world.



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# THE WHO'S WHO OF THE NEW CREW

Wilf Wright went under-cover to try to discover what new delights the Producer has in store for us this year - he even came out of his ordeal relatively unscathed!

Well I think we all have a right to know, don't you? If our Producer is going to sit down with Treguard and Lord fear and conduct interviews for new goodies and baddies in the room next door to me then I don't see why I shouldn't listen at the wall - do you? I did have to plan my campaign with stealth and trickery, I even tried to pull the wool over his eyes by auditioning myself! He soon saw through that though apparently I don't make a very convincing elf... that could have something to do with the fact that I am 6ft 2ins tall and weigh at least 15 stone (perhaps I should have tried my luck as an ogre!). However I did manage to get a little information and I even have admit to using a miniature spy camera to get the shots you see on this page, you know, like the ones that James Bond 007 uses. I actually put my life at risk for you lot so a little thanks wouldn't go amiss (I am particularly partial to peanuts, by the way, just for your information of course, no hints

intended).

Apparently Lord F and Trequard are still arguing about who gets who on their side but I did get the distinct impression that Scarkill didn't survive the accident with the Red Dragon at the end of the last series and that he has been replaced by a reptilian character called Lissard. I also overheard Trequard muttering darkly about changes in the Dungeon management structure which sounded very ominous, but just as he was about to go into details the wardrobe mistress came in with his new

trousers which he is very excited about so he quickly changed the subject. Anyway... I can tell you that all the

photographs on this page are of people that will appear on the new series but 1 don't know who's side they are on.

What is the difference between elephants & fleas? Elephants can have fleas but fleas can't have elephants! Why couldn't the skeleton go to the Ball? Because he had nobody to go with



The Quest

Ever wondered how you would fare in the Knightmare dungeon? Try our fiendish quiz to find out...

- 1. You find yourself in the centre of a maze of tunnels when suddenly you hear the eerie sound of a horn, do you:
  - a) Get out as fast as you can?
  - b) Look for a goblin to guide you out?
  - c) Join in on your tin whistle?
- 2. You are cunningly holding the spyglass and eavesdropping on Lord 7. Out of a dark corridor appears a patrolling Frightknight, brandishing a Fear, all at once his eyes start to glow blood red, do you:
  - a) Quickly put down the spyglass before he traces you?
  - b) Keep looking in case any other bits of him turn red?
  - c) Make a note to send him some eyedrops?

### What is hairy and coughs? A coconut with a cold!

- 3. Ah Wok has climbed onto his stall and is waving his arms about like a mad man shouting, "Lun for your rife!!" Do you:
  - a) Run for your life!?
  - b) Wave back, you wouldn't want to seem rude?
  - c) Regret falling asleep in the Language Labs at school?
- 4. In the depths of the forest, on a tree stump you discover a magic potion, a loaf of bread, a scroll and a gold bar, do you:
  - a) Put the bread in your knapsack; open the scroll
    - and read it then take away the magic potion and the gold bar?
  - b) Put the gold bar in your knapsack; open the magic potion then take away the bread and the scroll?
  - c) Put the knapsack on your head, swallow the magic potion and then have a little lie down?
- 5. Having successfully conjured up the Samurai warrior, he is now getting in your way and you want him to disappear, do you :
  - a) Shout "dispell I A R U M A S!"?
  - b) Smile, thank him and hope that he will go away of his own accord?
  - C) Try to remember your judo moves?

## Search on for Britain's top young birdwatchers

The Young Ornithologists Club launches its annual search for the Nation's top young naturalist this month, by asking them to take part in a three-month project. Entrants to the Young Ornithologists' of the Year competition are asked to keep a wildlife notebook from July to

- 6. You meet Smirkenorf and you desperately need a flight to the next level, do you:
  - a) Flatter him and offer him a dragon mint?
  - b) Leap on his back and kick him firmly in the flanks?

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- c) Ask directions to the Airport?
- sword, do you:
  - a) Hide in the shadows and wait for and opportunity to sneak past unnoticed?
  - b) Challenge him to a duel?
  - c) Ask him if he would mind autographing your T-shirt?
- 8. Treguard warns you that your Life-force is dangerously low, do you:
  - a) Look around for food to put in your knapsack?
  - b) Turn off all the lights to save energy.
  - c) Go home for a good night's sleep, you'll feel better in the morning.

#### How did you score?!

a = 5 points; b = 2 points; c = 1 point

Now add up all your points:

Less than 10 - Are you sure you are on this planet?!

Between 10 and 30 - Are you sure you are watching the right programme? This really is a nightmare!

Between 30 and 40 - Not really good enough, you'll have to sharpen your wits

if you want to become a worthy opponent to Lord Fear.

Between 40 and 50 - We salute you! First Class Dungeoneer material! Better get that helmet off before your head swells to much! Over 50 - Cheat!!!

Hordriss found Sidriss in her bedroom in floods of tears. "What on earth is the matter daughter?" he asked, anxiously. "I've just had a letter from Ridolfo", she sobbed, "and he's only put two kisses on the bottom!". "So?"

"I hate being double crossed!"

September with sketches and notes of everything they see. As well as birds, notebooks will be judged on the way insects, trees, wild flowers and other wildlife are recorded.

Full details are available from:

YOC, The Lodge, Sandy, Bedfordshire. SG19 2DL. The closing date is 30th September 1993

> What do you get if you cross a bear and a skunk? Winnie The Pooh!

Sidriss "I quite fancy getting a job as an actress..." Motley "Why don't you break your leg then?" Sidriss "Why would I want to do that?" Motley "Well - then you would be in a cast for months!!!"



Pickle's Bad Morning ...



## Pickle And His Dog ...



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- 1. The Dungeon Master (8)
- 5. ----- Scaramonger (6)
- 7. Sir Hugh de ----- (7)
- 8. Treguard's Elf Helper (6)
- 10. Leader of the Opposition (4,4)
- 11. Brother ----, The Tavern Monk (4)

## Down

- 2. The Greenwarden (10)
- 3. The Dragon (11)
- 4. The Confuser (8)
- 6. Motley The ----- (6)
- 9. The Cavern Elf (5)



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Keep your contributions flowing! Thanks this issue to Varuni Subramaniam (No. 547) for the crossword, Eddie Greenberg (No. 586) for his Pickle cartoon series, Chris Lightwing (No. 278) for Hordriss & Sidriss and Gemma for her drawing of Motley.

Down: 2. Gwendoline; 3. Smirkenorff; 4. Hordriss; 6. Jester; 9. Elita Across: 1. Treguard; 5. Julius; 7. Witless; 8. Pickle; 10. Lord Fear; 11. Mace

The Quest

Crossword answers:

# Knightmare Klassics

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The Board Game

Thanks for their heip on this issue of TQ to Arlo, Jan, Jimbo, Sue P and The Pooka.

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