

# **The Heart of the World**

## **The Choosing**

The Empress of the Universe normally rules for three or four hundred years before tiring of existence and creating her heirs. She always produces 3 to 7 eggs containing potential heirs two decades before she surrenders her throne. The heirs are sent into the world to be raised by leaders of various races. When the Empress passes from this existence, normally when the heirs are twenty years old, all the leaders of the Land gather to vote for who they want to be Empress. A week-long examination known as the Choosing is held to select the successor. The rulers get to meet each heir and choose who they feel will make the best Empress. At the same time a great Tournament is held to celebrate the Choosing.

This new Choosing will be different as the Empress has already left this existence a decade early.

There are five heirs for the Empress of the Universe this time. Because of the Empress' early departure all the heirs are being rushed to the Heart of the World. This time the Empress produced 5 eggs which hatched into:

## **The Human Child**

Raised by the Late Lord Bruce of Greenwich. His heir Lord Bruce has brought the heir to the Heart of the World for the Choosing but she does not seem like a good candidate. She is selfish and spiteful and would no doubt be a bad choice. But the worst?

## **Night's Dark Child**

Raised by Night's Dark Lord Night's Dark Child was raised among monsters and may be a monster herself. Night's Dark Lord has taken his responsibilities very seriously though and has raised her the best he can.

## **Starchild**

The Starchild was raised by the Lord of the Starfields. Unbeknownst to him she has been suborned by members of FOE and is planning on destroying everything. She feels nothing but pain at her existence and wants everything to end. Her nanny, Cassiopeia is an agent of FOE and has been using psychological torture to warp the child.

## **The Winged Child**

Raised by the Dragon she is quite alien but perfectly safe.

## The Wild Child

Raised by the Goddess of the Hunt she is wild but not a danger.

No.	Ruler	The Human Child	Night's Dark Child	Starchild	The Winged Child	The Wild Child
1	Death from Above					
2	King Troll					
3	Knight with No Name					
4	Lady Life					
5	Lord Bruce					
6	Lord Death					
7	Lord Elf					
8	Lord of the Starfields					
9	Master of the Briny Deep					
10	Master of the Plains					
11	Night's Dark Lord					
12	Sorcerer Supreme					
13	The Dragon					
14	The Hermit					
15	The Summer Queen					
16	The Winter King					

## Lord Chamberlin

The Empress' right hand man he has existed since the beginning. He does not participate in the Choosing but if he should share an opinion it would be influential (+20% to anyone's rolls).