

# CENTURY OF BLOOD TIMELINE (WIP)

## 12 BD - THE DREAM

Daenys the Dreamer -- the daughter of Aenar Targaryen, a minor dragonlord -- has a vision and foresees the Doom of Valyria. She manages to convince her father to relocate their house to a minor possession in the Blackwater Bay, a rocky little island called Dragonstone which they had been made lords of some generations ago by the Freehold.

Powerful dragonlords mocked Aenar for his perceived cowardice -- joking that his daughter cried about a monster under her bed and Aenar believed her -- but he and his family were gone before they noticed. Soon after, Aenar was formally the Lord of Dragonstone first and foremost, and he began to build the trust of the two Valyrian houses which had dwelt in the Blackwater previously: the Velaryons and the Celtigars.

## 0 AD - THE DOOM

The Doom strikes Valyria, destroying the most powerful empire on the world over a few days. A handful of scattered dragonlords attempt to consolidate what remains of the Empire, but with the total destruction of the Valyrian peninsula there is not much left. Most of the Free Cities leave behind what remains of the Freehold, but the Volantenes claim to be the successors to Valyria, proclaiming a new Freehold on the black walls of Volantis.

As each "Freeholder-for-life" and Valyrian Emperor tried and failed to rebuild old Valyria, it was soon believed that it was all dead and gone -- Valyria had ruled the world, but vanished in a day.

A single ember of the fire of Old Valyria still burned: House Targaryen of Dragonstone and their handful of Westerosi islands.

## 28-29 AD - A GREAT CONQUEST

King Harwyn Hardhand, the Iron King of the Iron Isles, conquers the Riverlands. The Riverlands had been under the yoke of the Storm Kings for centuries, but finally some desperate lords appealed to the Ironmen for help in their otherwise doomed rebellion. Harwyn answered this appeal, but he did not give the Rivermen their freedom, and before they knew it, the Riverlands were the jewel in the driftwood crown.

The Riverlands were torn by war and, at the time, far too weak to rise up; but to mistake their weakness for loyalty was a great mistake, and almost every Riverlord began to plot a rebellion, set to come to fruition when the time was right.

## 30 AD - A BYGONE KING DIES

Early in this year, King Mern VIII died, being the last King of any Westerosi Kingdom who reigned before the Doom. His death marks the passage of a bygone era, an era where at least some source of stability emanated from Essos; as the eastern continent is consumed with flames with Dothraki hordes conquering Sarnor, successors to Valyria staking their claims, and the Free Cities fighting among themselves, Essos is plunged into chaos.

He is succeeded by his son, Garth XII. Though young (only 24), Garth XII has a reputation for being almost frustratingly patient and cautious, though some expect Kingship to change the young Garth. After all, so much chaos has arisen since the Doom, surely no King can afford to sit, wait, and watch the chaos?

## 54 AD - A CONQUEROR DIES

Twenty-five years after his great conquest of the Riverlands upset the balance of power across Westeros, King Harwyn Hoare dies of natural causes. Harwyn had spent

every year of his reign since his conquest with his army in the Riverlands, putting down potential rebellions and crushing unrest. Harwyn would die of [some natural thing] at the age of 64, passing the title of Iron King to his son, Halleck.

Halleck has all of the physical strength and bravado of his father with absolutely none of his strategic genius -- though Halleck had served as Harwyn's second in command for many of the years they occupied the Riverlands, he had learned little besides the utility of ramming a huge army into a little one.

## 59 AD - A BAD KING DIES

On the 26th of the 11th Month, King Brandon Stark dies -- he was no great King, as few great Kings earn epithets like "the Bad". Despised by his vassals, Brandon the Bad had never made a good choice throughout his reign, always incurring the wrath of as many of his bannermen as he could. He was renowned for his wanton cruelty, something so intense his own wife publicly repudiated him; just as much he was known for his foolishness, a force so great that his wife was also able to take their children and raise them in her home castle.

As the hated King died, his vassals felt nothing but relief -- his son Jorah seemed capable enough, and the North had been held together only by a fear of ending up like the Riverlands.

## 60 AD - A GOOD KING DIES

In 60 AD, something not out of the ordinary occurs -- the Mountain Clans of the Vale rise up to drive the Andals out (or, more likely, to take a whole lot of loot). Initially, this uprising is left to local lords, but by the 4th month it is clear that the threat is more than a few raiding parties: it is a great army of numerous Mountain Clans, ready to wage war. In response, King Oswell II rides out with an army to put the threat to rest and pacify the Clans.

Oswell would have his wish, the Clans would be pacified, but he would not live to see it -- he was cleaved in half by a Moon Brother during the battle, leaving his Kingdom to his three-year old daughter, Myranda. In most Kingdoms, Myranda would've been deposed, but she was not the first Queen Regnant the Vale had known, and it took more than an uneasy succession to rock such a stable Kingdom as the Vale.

## 61 AD - A WARRIOR KING DIES

Only seven years since he ascended the throne, King Halleck Hoare dies. In his short reign, he had moved his army's focus from maintaining his father's conquests to making some of his own -- he had invaded The Rock and been rebuffed by the young King Tommen II, he had invaded the Vale thrice over and been rebuffed at the Bloody Gate, he had been thrown back across the Blackwater by the Stormlords; despite all of these failures, he had managed to bring Duskendale and Rosby under his rule -- though his army suffered an unexpected humiliating defeat at the hands of the Lord of Rosby before bringing them into the fold.

Before he could even return to his tower from his conquest, however, Halleck was struck by lightning and killed just north of the God's Eye. His death (especially the "lightning strike" part) was rather surprising, and he was mourned far more by the Ironborn than by the Rivermen; he had never cost Ironborn families all that much with his conquests as most of his war chest was extracted from Riverlords.

With Halleck's death, his son Harren ascended the throne, and whatever celebrations the Rivermen had about his death were cut short -- Harren was already known as the Black Prince for his cruelty, and he would not grow into his reign.

## 64 AD - A YOUNG KING DIES

King Tommen II had long dreamed of Old Valyria -- he studied the language, he read its histories, and he dreamed of their dragons. Knowing was not enough for the

ever-ambitious King, and he departed with his fleet and his blade Brightroar to find some of the great Valyrian treasures which he knew of, to turn knowledge into treasure.

While he was on his great quest, his wife would rule in his stead, making sure no harm came to House Lannister or the newborn Prince Loren, though the Queen's duties would last far longer than she anticipated. She knew her wild-eyed husband would be gone for a year or two, but she accepted that and prepared for the eventuality that he would never return.

On the 8th of 2nd Month, 68 AD, King Tommen II was presumed dead and lost in Valyria -- letters to the Triarchs of Volantis had only told the Westerlands that Tommen's fleet had departed their ports and headed for the smoking peninsula, and he had certainly not returned. Messengers went to every city they could, reaching everywhere from Qarth in the east to Koj in the Summer Isles, but nobody had seen that great golden fleet.

With the King's death made official, his one-year-old son acceded the throne as King Loren I, with his mother as Regent.

## 71-73 AD - A GREAT REBELLION

Decades had passed and an old generation died, but the Rivermen didn't forget. Thirty years ago, their fathers had been promised a kingdom of their own by Harwyn Hoare, but now they reigned as his vassals, forced to let his tyrant grandson Harren's army roam between their castles and tax them as he wished. But Harren was no Harwyn, nor even a Halleck -- he was ruthless and cruel, but he could not keep his possessions in line.

It was not easy to get a working coalition of Riverlords, but it was done -- by late 70 AD, even the Brackens and Blackwoods had agreed to cooperate, and next year they massed their armies and rose up. Every lord agreed to sort out matters of Kingship once the deed was done -- a promise they each kept.

After a year and a half of hard-fought battles, the Rivermen threw King Harren back into the sea at the Battle of Ironman's Bay, assuring once and for all that the Riverlands were a Kingdom; and, with their victory, they did have a Kingdom -- but they didn't have a King.

The Iron Islands were also unsure about whether they had a King, as Harren was gravely injured in the final battle as the Riverlords kicked him back into the Sunset Sea. Whether Harren recovers or not is the question on the mind of every Ironborn in the isles.

## 74 AD - GAME START

It has been the better part of a century since the Doom, and things are looking calmer than they have for the rest of this century -- no Kings have died in recent years, the war in the Riverlands has ended and the Ironborn seem weak, and people tire of war across the continent.

Of course, whether or not this holds true is entirely up to the players -- perhaps the young monarchs of Westeros will meet the fates of their fathers, or the greenlanders are wrong to think Harwyn's defeat is the Ironborn's defeat, or that the thirst for war and honor is ever set to calm down.

## Monarchs & Heirs in 74 AD

*Note: ? means something is up to the claimant, an X just means it hasn't been filled in yet.*

- **King Jorah Stark of the North**, 35 years of age, has reigned for 15 years. Jorah has tried his best to make up for his father's numerous failings and blatantly tyrannical behavior. **The year in the North is 15 Jorah.**
  - **Prince Torrhen Stark**, 12 years of age is the heir of the North. He is King Jorah's eldest son.
- **King Harren Hoare of the Iron Islands**, 36 years of age, has reigned for 13 years. Harren is known as "Black Harren" for a reason, specifically his penchant

for excessive cruelty -- some Ironborn see this as a mark of strength, others as foolishness. **The year in the Iron Islands is 13 Harren.**

- **Prince ????? Hoare**, 17 years of age is the heir of the Iron Islands. He is King Harren's eldest son of four.
- **Queen Myranda Arryn of Mountain and Vale**, 17 years of age, has reigned for 14 years. Though Myranda is young, she has been trained to rule from a young age unlike many Queens Regnant. **The year in the Vale is 14 Myranda.**
  - **The Vale's Heir is not formalized**, though they are a cousin, uncle, or possibly aunt of Queen Myranda I
- **King Arlan V Durrandon of the Stormlands**, 56 years of age, has reigned for 39 years. **The year in the Stormlands is 39 Arlan V.**
  - **Prince Argilac Durrandon**, 20 years of age, is the heir to the Stormlands. He is King Arlan's eldest son and he has no children of his own.
- **King Loren I Lannister of the Westerlands**, 11 years of age, has reigned for 10 years. Loren is merely a boy, and the true power behind the throne is his mother, the Queen Regent. This is how regents work, as Loren is only 11. **The year in the Westerlands is 10 Loren I.**
  - **The West's Heir is not formalized**, though they are a cousin, uncle, or possibly aunt of King Loren I.
- **King Garth XII Gardener of the Reach**, 68 years of age, has reigned for 44 years. **The year in the Reach is 44 Garth XII.**
  - **Prince Garse Gardener**, 19 years of age, is the heir of the Reach. Garse is Garth's grandson and the son of the deceased Prince Gyles. Garse has no siblings.
  - **Prince Mern Gardener**, 43 years of age, second in line to the throne of the Reach as he is Garth's oldest living sibling and Prince Garse has no siblings. Mern has four teenage sons: Edmund, Gawen, and two sons without canon names.
- **Princess Meria Martell of Dorne**, 56 years of age. has reigned for 31 years.

- **Nymor Martell**, 19 years of age. is the heir to the Principality of Dorne. He is Meria's child and he is not yet married.
- **Lord Aerion Targaryen**, XX years of age, and reigned for XX years.
  - **Visenya Targaryen**, 0 years of age, is currently the heir to Dragonstone.
- **King Clarence II Brune**, XX years of age and reigned for XX years.
  - **The Claw's Heir is not formalized**, though they are a child, sibling, cousin, uncle, or possibly aunt of King Clarence II.

## Other People in 74 AD

There are several other people who are canonically alive in 74 AD:

- **Lord Manfred Hightower**, ? years of age and reigned for ? years.
- **Lady Valaena Velaryon**, ? years of age. The wife of **Lord Aerion Targaryen**, the mother of **Visenya Targaryen**, and the sister of **Lord/Lady Velaryon**.  
Valaena (and by extension Lord/Lady Velaryon) is half Targaryen herself, as her mother was a Targaryen.
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## Events of 74 AD

Though the game is up to the players, there are a few events set to happen this year:

- **The Great Council of the Riverlands** is set to happen in the 6th month of this year on a patch of empty land on the northern shore of the God's Eye. At this council, the Riverlords will choose their new King, though the year leading up to it should leave time for political maneuvering.
- **The Coronation of Myranda I of the Vale** is set to happen in the Xth month of this year at the Eyrie/The Gates of the Moon. The grand event is expected to be a great opportunity for the Lords of the Vale to meet with one another and get to



know their Queen, as well as an opportunity for the Queen to find (or deal with) potential suitors. Suitors and lords aside, all eyes are set to be on the Queen.