Session/Game: Thranconia Blueholme 2 Date: December 31, 2022

The Cat's Back Episode 38: The Mountain Lord

Campaign Date: March 29, YOR 2023

Characters:

Giggles, gnoll. Fighter-10 N (Pete Z)
Shump, half-orc, cleric-fighter-7, L
Mr. Ow, catter, magic-user-10, N (Bob L)
Renly Faire, half-elf, cleric/thief-7, N (Quinton L)
Zerkwad, human, cleric-10, L (Andrew S)

NPC'S

Red Jim the Pirate, human, fighter/thief-5, N (henchman to Shump)
Cat Astrofee, catter, thief-8, N (henchcat to Mr. Giggles)
Slam Beefcake, half-ogre, fighter-5. Ch, Slaughter King, (henchman to Renly)
Doctor Fang, human, lackey-4 (henchman to Renly)

Judge: Dave N.

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Dawn breaks over the Ostkrags as Mrow and the gang look upon the ancient fortress. They approach the castle and 4 divine Corvus met them. Zerkwad tried to negotiate but Mrow threw a lightning bolt. The corvi were quickly destroyed but not before the leader grabbed Mrow, transforms him into a weasel and attempted to fly off. It was slain on the wing, dropping Mrow-weasel to the earth. Zerkwad cured and restored him to catter form. Each of the corvi burst into clear fire and vanished when slain.

Renly climbed the castle tower and threw down a rope from it. The rest climbed up after him. The team breaks into the main chamber of the fortress and is confronted by the Mountain Lord Kragissimus, a huge gnome-like divine sending of the neutral gods of the Earth. Mrow throws a fireball at him, but it fails to harm him. Giggles charges is and wounds the being, but is severely bashed up by his mighty club. Suddenly, a squad of 8 Corybantes (divine warriors of neutrality) rush in and engage in combat with the party (except Mrow and Renly who are waiting outside on the wall). Giggles is cut up very badly, but is healed by Zerkwad's magic staff. Mrow throws a second fireball, wounding many of the Corybantes and also very badly wounding Zerkwad. The Mountain Lord makes a strange call after Cat Astrofee backstabs him and smashes Cat and Giggles again. Mrow summons a Fire Elemental and sends it forward. Just as Giggles dispatches the Mountain Lord a second squad of Corybantes, mounted on Griffins appears above the castle and pelts Renly and Mrow with a rain of javelins.

Mrow and Renly rush inside and shut the door. They open it up again and let the Fire Elemental out. However, the Elemental cannot reach the flying Griffins and rages about a bit. They open the door and Mrow uses a fireball to wound 3 of the Corybantes. The battle degenerates into an exchange of missile fire from the doorway, with Giggles finishing the last Griffin with a thrown club from the wall.

With the various spiritual sendings of the neutral gods having been destroyed, The cat-crew reclaim the fortress for their own. They choose Shump to be the lord of the yet unnamed fortress and center of his own freehold. They begin to make plans to refurbish the fort and build a road to Wheatabix.

