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"WHO INCONVENIENCED REG" CASE SOLVED! OPEN WEEKEND DECLARED AS TENTATIVE SUCCESS DESPITE MURDER

Watch spokesperson Captain Shivers called a press conference after a dramatic disclosure at last night's Sunshine Sanctuary Gala Dinner. She declared, "Last night's revelations at the dinner were a show stopper! There was great excitement at the Gala Dinner, when the Duke of Quirm was dramatically murdered mid-Gala (with a candlestick, we are reliably informed). It turned out that not only was Lord Rodley the culprit, but was also the person who stabbed Constable Reg Shoe in the first place."

She went on to reveal the details of the weekend-long intense investigation involving many of the Special Constables recruited for the Watch Open Weekend.

Capt. Shivers confirmed that the case was now fully closed in no uncertain manner, going on to say that "the conclusion to this tale is now complete. This was a complex web of intrigue, a plot born of a fevered mind. On an entirely unrelated matter, we at the Watch would like to offer our heartfelt thanks to the incomparable Meabh Browne, who couldn't make it this weekend to see her characters brought to life by the talented cast."

As for the motive behind Lord Rodley's dastardly crimes, it was revealed that Lord Vetinari's recent inheritance legislation, which allows for illegitimate children to be considered for inheritance, [as featured in

previous editions of the Times - Ed] had spurred Lord Rodley into action to try and remove all the evidence of the Duke of Quirm's recently born natural son by the socialite Cecilia Wiggs - a child that would rightfully inherit instead of Lord Rodley under the new laws.

Commander Vimes, the senior Watch sergeants, and Lord Vetinari were quick to praise what has been described as the "sterling work, quick wits, steady grit and determination demonstrated by the Special Constables during their investigation." It was confirmed that they would be recognised with an award at this afternoon's Watch Open Weekend Closing Ceremony.



Commander Vimes looks on as Lord Rodley is apprehended by Captain Carrot following the dramatic revelation / Iconograph by Otto Chriek

WEATHER FORECAST

The town of Mad Wolf will soon see an end to its record-breaking drought. It has not rained any form of edible fauna for 16 days, and the citizens were getting hungry. However, a large magical front is rolling off the Ramtops and should soon break over the town, which can expect fowl weather.

In local weather, the green fog over the Unreal Estate seems likely to continue. However, the wizard casting the spell will run out of energy by the end of the week. Beware of lightning strikes around Dolly Sisters on Tuesday, as the Atheists' Society have scheduled their annual meeting there.

MISSED CONNECTIONS

You: Dripping wet and covered in the contents of Harry King's wagon

Me: Driver, laughing maniacally

You: Strong, burly watchman with soft hands and a gruff demeanour

Me: Unlicensed thief with surprisingly few bruises

You: Squat dwarf with lustrous full beard

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You: Troll with curvaceous limestone strata and inviting alluvial deposits

Me: Troll with large rock and steady job

CORRECTIONS

By popular demand, there will be a repeat of Friday's **Armour Workshop** taking place in Treacle Mine Road today, from 11:00 to 13:00.