

# Feral Ghost Kills Again

Details on the Scarlet Bride and her latest victims. Gruesome!



## Where are the Wardens?

The Feral Ghost known as the Scarlet Bride kills at will in the back-alleys while those the Immortal Emperors' sent to protect us are holed up in their Ivory Manor, denying the spectre's very existence.

On the 17th of Elisar, Qess Sevoy never made it home from the Leaky Buket after asking Crowl Templeton for his hand in marriage. A

gondlier found her body, a shriveled husk, spring flowers in her hair and under her fingernails. The Spirit Wardens quickly removed the body.

The same day Ring Daava was found headless, with flowers stuffed into his neck-stump after the Daava and Slane families had arranged his marriage to Mara Slane on the 45th of the same month.

Sources say that Whispers in the know claim it is a feral ghost called the Scarlet Bride who is to blame. Spectrology evidence confirms as much!

The Scarlet Bride stalks the back-alleys of Duskwall during feast-days with her maid-sisters in tow, murdering young men and women on the precipice of getting married. Survivors say the Scarlet Bride maid-sisters begin by throwing flower petals at their victim's feet and ambush them in the alleys as they run in terror.

The Warden-General declined to give an official word on the status of the Spirit Warden's hunt for this feral spectre but his office offered this statement:

"Your reporters need to seriously consider that the Scarlet Bride could easily be a clever gang. This puff piece does nothing but cement the reputation of Duskwall's latest masked criminals." (cont'd, p12)

## SCARLET BRIDE OPPORTUNITIES

1 A pub owner has been finding flowers in his ale after hosting a wedding. He's looking for protection from the Scarlet Bride, who he's sure is coming for his head.

2 A gang of bravos are dressing like the Scarlet Bride and mugging folk in your hunting grounds.

3 Black market ghost hunting equipment is suddenly in high demand and there is a shipment of going in to a railjack warehouse tomorrow night.

4 Cults are looking for muscle as they go to war over incorporating the Scarlet Bride into their cosmologies.

5 A burglary contract is on the market, a job to steal books on feral ghosts from the library of the Dimmer Sisters, located deep in their haunted manor stronghold.

6 A gang leader just got married and a few of his enemies are putting out a contract to kill them and pin it on the Scarlet Bride to avoid the Heat.

1 Whispers are vying for position in hopes of binding the Scarlet Bride to their will.

2 A cult has begun to desecrate local altars and churches, said to be followers of the Scarlet Bride, trying to somehow turn her from feral ghost to demon-goddess.

3 One overly ambitious Whisper is attempting to bind the Scarlet Bride by marrying her in a public ceremony in Charterhall's famous Javan Park.

4 Rogue Railjacks are hunting down the Bride for some side-cash while off work. Officials are displeased about this moonlighting with railway company equipment.

5 A pair of cults are attempting to draw the Bride out by marrying their deities and merging their cults. Rival cults are worried about this consolidation of power.

6 The Church of Ecstasy is sending in a team of ecclesiastic scholars who believe that the Bride is an example of an ascension gone wrong.

1 A high society black mask possession party is going to try to put the Scarlet Bride into an up-and-coming socialite.

2 City Council is cracking down on illegal funeral practices. The new laws will likely put many innocent poverty-stricken families into prison.

3 The Spirit Wardens are hunting down Lord Scurlock; many think that they blame him for the Scarlet Bride and some even gossip that she was killed at his wedding.

4 A wealthy family is looking for a cult to safeguard their coming wedding festivities.

5 The Red Lamp is dressing their sex workers in red, marketing them as Scarlet Grooms and Brides. Whispers say this will bring dreadful consequences.

6 The Imperial Army has offered no comment nor aide but their officers have made it illegal for their rank and file soldiers to marry.

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