The War Camp



It has been five years since the Barons' War, but the horns of battle and screams of the wounded still ring in the ears of those who fought. In these last few days, three camps of soldiers have gathered in Thamesly, creating an explosive mix. There are the local Thamesly fighters, whose Baroness tried to keep out of the war. There's the Gloucester camp, who fought on side of the Barons and the French Prince Louis, but have ended up with King John's son Henry as their king despite winning. Finally there are the Oxford men, who also fought for the Barons but changed to supporting King John when their lord's allegiance shifted. Many hold bitter grudges from the battles, despite all claiming to follow the same king now.

Accompanying the soldiers are their camp followers, the usual blend of entertainers, logistics, family, whores and ne'er-do-wells. They bring much-needed colour to the grim business of slaughter and make a fair penny in the process, although it's fair to say that their presence is also the source of a lot of drama amongst the men. This game focuses on the military life, those hardened by battle or traumatised by it, the nature of war and the contrast with the free-wheeling folk who make a living following the soldiers.

Name	Gender	Description	Camp
Benedict Cottingham	M	The captain of the Gloucester soldiers, leads from the front	Gloucester
Sergeant Roger Altard	M	Sergeant in the Gloucester soldiers, a bookish veteran of the Baron's War	Gloucester
Oliver of Loxley	M	A thinker who has fallen into hard times, getting by as a footsoldier	Gloucester
Pierre de Nancy	M	A fiery French mercenary, brother of Jacques and husband of Dominique	Gloucester
Jacques de Nancy	M	A careful French mercenary who enjoys life, brother of Pierre	Gloucester
Henry Octavia	M	Looks rather young to be a soldier, has seen things he wishes he hadn't	Gloucester
Arthur Folet	M	A hard and vengeful man, having supply problems	Gloucester
Malkyn Bonewits	F	Herbalist and wise-woman with an open mind, helps to tend wounded soldiers	Gloucester
Cristiana Whitstable	F	A rebellious, flirtatious young woman who seems to enjoy life as a prostitute	Gloucester
Peyton Lane	E	An idealistic poet with a fertile mind, ambitious to become a famous bard	Gloucester
Vivian Odell	E	A pawnbroker with many business connections, seeking to build a fortune	Gloucester
Zane Longsword	M	Bodyguard to the pawnbroker Vivian Odell, a man of action with a loyal heart	Gloucester
Dominique de Nancy	F	Entertainer and wife to Pierre, a shady French woman prone to fits of temper	Gloucester
Sir Walter Prime	M	The Oxford captain, knighted for bravery but rather disorganised	Oxford
Sergeant John Bulwick	M	Keeps the unit together like a family, father of Janet Bulwick	Oxford
Asher of Kent	M	A reluctant footsoldier but passionate gambler	Oxford
Rulf von Orange	M	A righteous Christian and driven man-at-arms	Oxford
Edmund Whiteasp	M	A pardoned murderer and ruthless fighting man, son of Winifred Whiteasp	Oxford
Francis Malet	M	Husband of Sybbl Malet, a resourceful quartermaster	Oxford
Peter Poorstock	M	A widower fighting as a footsoldier alongside the man who killed his wife	Oxford
Arabella Garter	F	A sober-minded whore, seeking redress for an ugly scar on her forehead	Oxford
Winifred Whiteasp	F	A busybody brewer who dotes over the whole camp, mother of Edmund Whiteasp	Oxford
Anna of Greystoke	F	A free-spirited collector of trinkets, makes a living through tinkering	Oxford
Janet Bulwick	F	The nervous messenger for the Oxford camp, daughter of Sargeant John Bulwick	Oxford
Leslie Avonside	E	A juggler and entertainer who enjoys playing the fool, friends with everyone	Oxford
Cassius Dover	M	A seasoned hunter seeking to prove his martial prowess	Oxford
Sybbyl Malet	F	An inquisitive fortune-teller, wife of quartermaster Francis Malet	Oxford
Simon Edbrooke	M	The Thamesly captain, an enthusiastic fighter, husband to Matilda Edbrooke	Thamesly
Sergeant William Ormond	M	An embittered crusader, uses his experience as a chirurgeon to tend his men	Thamesly
Rowan of Horsely	M	A boastful footsoldier with shifty ambitions	Thamesly
Fendral Kendrick	M	A fallen knight with a big heart, previously maintained by Baroness Thamesly	Thamesly
Gilbert Trowbridge	M	An adventurous young man who ran away from home and became a footsoldier	Thamesly
Ulric von Hammersmith	M	A pious armourer, recruits soldiers for Thamesly	Thamesly
Leofrick Vernon	M	The Thamesly quartermaster, a shrewd operator who lives large	Thamesly
Monica Bella	F	An adventerous Italian fortune-teller, the focus of much male attention	Thamesly
Juliana Octavia	F	A local girl with a gift for dealing with men, making a good living as a whore	Thamesly
Matilda Edbrooke	F	An earnest seamstress who doesn't like trouble, wife of Captain Simon Edbrooke	Thamesly
Helena Woodhouse	F	A quick-minded, gossipy chandler entertaining a number of juicy rumours	Thamesly
Cedany Harbour	F	A troubadour whom trouble seems to follow, works with Ellyn Ardew	Thamesly
Ellyn Ardew	E	A deft gambler and troubadour, met Cedany in London and has been training her	Thamesly