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Blackengorge - Into the Shadowhaunt - The Heroes Return - Chapter #01, Scene #06

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Synopsis

The 10th Day of Ches in the Year of the Sudden Journey

After accepting Blackengorge Town Council's request to find their two missing sons the party headed to the mausoleum on a hill to the north of town, where they found the entrance to an old crypt being used for some form of ritual by an elf and his guardians.

Tested to their limits in power the group prevailed, and now return to Blackengorge as victorious heroes with the two missing children in tow. But, on the road they are waylaid by a band of kobold and goblin brigands!

- [Celestia Gaia](#) - 2nd Level Female Elven Cleric of Melora
- [Khaliin Grundokri](#) - 2nd Level Male Dwarven Warlord
- [Kireth Majere](#) - 2nd Level Male Half-Elven Wizard
- [Tradden Aversward](#) - 2nd Level Male Human Fighter
- [Zero Uhliit](#) - 2nd Level Male Human Rogue

Scene Length

This scene starts on Thursday 21 October 2010 and is expected to be completed by the end of Friday 29 October 2010. Players are expected to be able to post at least once a day.

Me, Random and Matt:

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INITIATIVE BLOCK

Waiting for Tradden to take their turn...

01) [20] Kobold Minions - **1d20+3: 20**

Kobold Minion #1 - Dmg: 0=0
Kobold Minion #2 - Dmg: 4=4
Kobold Minion #3 - Dmg: 10=10
Kobold Minion #4 - Dmg: 5=5
Kobold Minion #5 - Dmg: 5=5

02) [20] Goblin Grunts - **1d20+4: 20**

Goblin Grunt #1 - Dmg: 5=5
Goblin Grunt #2 - Dmg: 5=5
Goblin Grunt #3 - Dmg: 12=12
Goblin Grunt #4 - Dmg: 9=9

03) [19] Kireth - **1d20+7+2: 19** - HP 25/27

04) [18] Khalin - **1d20+2+2: 18** - HP 18/31

05) [16] Kobold Slinger - **1d20+3: 16** Dmg: 14+9+7=30

06) [16] Goblin Warriors - **1d20+5: 16**

Goblin Warrior #1 - Dmg: 9+8+3+8+0=37
Goblin Warrior #2 - Dmg: 8+10+16=33

07) [15] Goblin Hexer - **1d20+3: 15** Dmg: 13+9+9+12+16=59

08) [11] Celestia - **1d20+2+2: 11** - HP 23/31

09) [10] Zero - **1d20+4+2: 10** - HP 30/30

10) [06] Tradden - **1d20+3+2: 6** - HP 28/32

11) [05] Kobold Dragonshields - **1d20+4: 5**

Kobold Dragonshield #1 - Dmg: 4+23+15=44
Kobold Dragonshield #2 - Dmg: 17+3+21+10=42

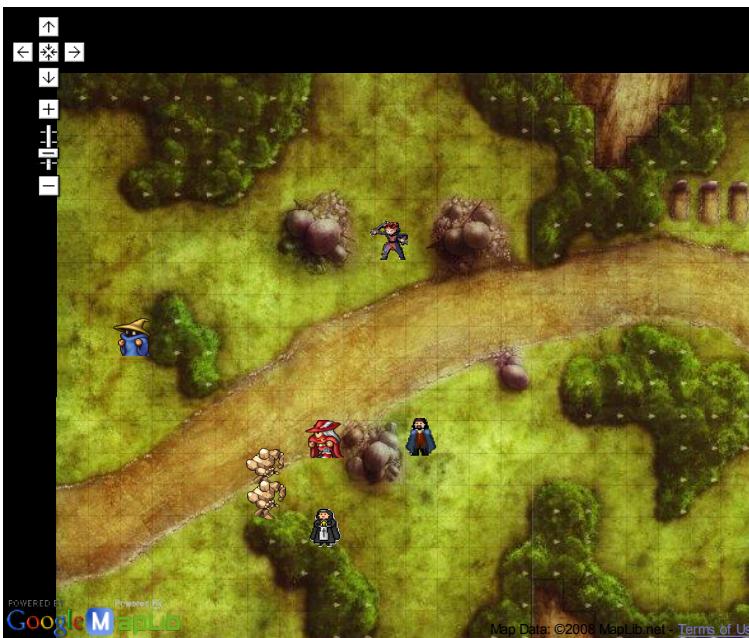
12) [01] Children

Offa - HP 10/27 (Bloodied)
Bailey - HP 10/27 (Bloodied)

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BATTLE MAP



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Me and Random: The small reptilian creatures rushed forwards with a shrill warcry and hurled sharp javelins at the party.

[Kobold Minion #1 Javelin: **1d20+4: 11** vs Khalin's AC(19) - misses!

[Kobold Minion #2 Javelin: **1d20+4: 21** vs Tradden's AC(17) - hits!

[Damage: **4**]

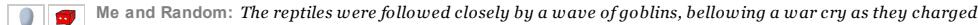
[Kobold Minion #3 Javelin: **1d20+4: 15** vs Khalin's AC(19) - misses!

[Kobold Minion #4 Javelin: **1d20+4: 14** vs Khalin's AC(19) - misses!

[Kobold Minion #5 Javelin: **1d20+4: 5** vs Tradden's AC(17) - misses!

Only one of the javelins hit home, scratching Tradden's shoulder.

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Me and Random: The reptiles were followed closely by a wave of goblins, bellowing a war cry as they charged!

[Goblin Grunt #1 Spear: **1d20+6: 13** vs Khalin's AC(19) - misses!

[Goblin Grunt #2 Spear: **1d20+6: 21** vs Tradden's AC(17) - hits!

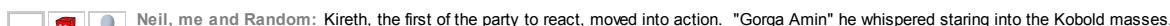
[Damage: **4**]

[Goblin Grunt #3 Spear: **1d20+6: 12** vs Tradden's AC(17) - misses!

[Goblin Grunt #4 Shortsword Charge: **1d20+7: 14** vs Tradden's AC(17) - misses!

Tradden bore the brunt of the attack, with a spear cutting across his leg.

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Neil, me and Random: Kireth, the first of the party to react, moved into action. "Gorga Amin" he whispered staring into the Kobold masses.

[Nightmare Eruption v Kobold Minion #3 Will: **1d20+5: 23** - hits!

A Kobold within the pack seemed to suddenly look up, terror in its face. "Gorga Amin" whispered the mage again with a cruel twisted smile.

The kobold dropped his blade and started scratching his face in terror. The scratching became a pulling and a tearing and within moments blood was pouring down its reptilian face and the kobold was screeching.

Those around it turned to see, and also began to claw at their faces in terror.

As the party looked on a whole host of the kobolds and goblins fell to the floor, scratching and wailing.

And then they were still.

[Kobold Minion #3 Damage: **1d8+5: 10** - Dead!

[Kobold Minion #4 Damage: **4+1** - Dead!

[Kobold Minion #5 Damage: **4+1** - Dead!

[Goblin Grunt #1 Damage: **4+1** - Dead!

[Goblin Grunt #2 Damage: **4+1** - Dead!

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Mark, me and Random: Khalin's enthusiasm for battle was now turning into irritation at the appearance of yet more goblinoids.

"Oi greenies! You're getting between a dwarf and his ale! Baaad move!"

And with that he angrily smote the nearest goblin with his trusty hammer.

[Warhammer attack vs Goblin Grunt #4: **1d20+6: 15** - hits!

[Damage: **1d10+5: 9** - Dead!

Before leaving the dead goblin's companion to the others and hurrying on to take on the nearest kobolds - a grin of manic glee creasing his face.

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Me and Random: The kobold slinger poked his head out from behind the rocks and twirled his sling around his head. The shot flew out straight towards Khalin.

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[Kobold Slinger Sling: **1d20+6-2: 15** vs Khalin's AC(19) - misses!

The shot rebounded off one of the slinger's comrades and bounced harmlessly onto the grass, igniting and burning a mark as it did so.

The kobold then shifted back behind the boulder.

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Me: The goblin warriors moved forward, keeping a low profile behind the boulders for cover.

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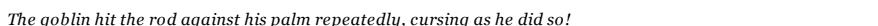
Me and Random: The goblin hexer moved out from behind the foliage and pointed his rod straight at Tradden.

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[Stinging Hex: **1d20+7: 8** vs Tradden's Will(14) - critical miss!

The goblin hit the rod against his palm repeatedly, cursing as he did so!

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Me and Random: Celestia moved to the fore of the line and hacked at the sole goblin with her morningstar.

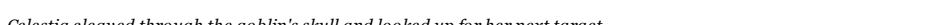
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[Morningstar vs Goblin Grunt #3: **1d20+6: 15** - hits!

[Damage: **1d10+3: 12** - Dead!

Celestia cleaved through the goblin's skull and looked up for her next target.

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Me and Random: Zero quickly raised his crossbow and looked across the gully. He was sure he could see some heads poking out from the rocks in front of him. He aimed for the goblin with the faulty rod - it looked like something magical to Zero, and with past experience that wasn't something he liked!

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[Crossbow vs Goblin Hexer: **1d20+6: 10** - misses!

Zero hissed to himself as the bolt went wide and dived for cover behind the nearest bushes whilst he reloaded.



Matt, me and Random: Tradden's initial thoughts had been that of fear and trepidation. Indeed he had voiced his opinion that the group should stand back and let the enemy come to them.

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However, Kireth had wiped out nearly half of their number, Khalin and Celestia had waded in and crushed some skulls and the young fighter was starting to feel left out. With a shrug of the shoulders he ran forward to where he felt his natural position was - at the vanguard, side by side with Khalin.

"Save some for me!" he said, somehow managing to snarl and chuckle at the same time.

He had been waiting for this moment ever since he had acquired his new sword. As he swept it at the first creature in front of him he visualised what he had seen when it was wielded by its former owner, and it glowed with a silver/white hue as it passed through the air.

[Cleave vs Kobold Minion #1: **1d20+9: 19** - hits!]

[Damage **1d8+7: 8**]

[Cleave to Kobold Minion #2: **4**]

The sword cleanly cut the two creatures in half, leaving a sparkling white icy residue in mock cauterisation of the wounds.

"Ha! Two to One in my favour Master Dwarf!" he bragged with a wink at Khalin.

Beaming, he turned back and waved at the boys. "Shoot whatever you can get a shot at!" he yelled, before turning back to assess where the next threat would come from.

Seeing the creature with the wand, and like Zero recognising that this was a major threat, Tradden met its gaze.

"You're next Greenskin!" he snarled again, pointing the now ice covered sword directly at it.

 Me and Random: Two kobolds, who had been hiding behind foliage, watching the battle intensely now charged out from their position, screaming as they ran with sword held out in front of them.

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[Kobold Dragonshield #1 Charge: **1d20+7+1+1: 23** vs Tradden's AC(17) - hits!]

[Damage: **1d6+3: 5** and [Marked]]

[Kobold Dragonshield #2 Charge: **1d20+7+1+1: 29** vs Khalin's AC(19) - critical hit!]

[Damage: **1d6+3: 9** and [Marked]]

Both kobolds hit home, challenging their opponents to face them!

 Me and Random: Both Offa and Bailey let fly at the goblin with the malfunctioning rod.

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[Offa Longbow vs Goblin Hexer: **1d20+1: 4** - misses!]

[Bailey Longbow vs Goblin Hexer: **1d20+1: 6** - misses!]

Both boys' arrows flew wildly wide of their target.

 Neil, me and Random: Melee combat, that was for the others to worry about. As usual Kireth focused on the wielders of Magik. He twisted his body slightly backwards as if trying to get extra thrust as he threw the orb of force forward. "Templa Koron". The crackling ball of pure energy sped towards the Hexer, charging the air as it passed.

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[Force Orb vs Goblin Hexer's Reflex: **1d20+5: 24** - hits!]

[Damage: **2d8+4: 13**]

The ball slammed into the Hexer's chest, its energy crashing outwards across him.

 Mark, me and Random: "Good work, Kireth!" shouted Khalin. "He looks to be the leader ...at least for now!" The warlord hollered another call over his shoulder: "Celestia, Zero, concentrate your fire on the stuntie with the stick!"

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Khalin's own hands were full with the Kobolds in front of him. He shaped to attack the nearest one, while raising his shield to give both himself and Tradden some cover.

[Shielded Assault vs Kobold Dragonshield #2: **1d20+6: 23** - hits!]

[Damage: **2d10+5: 17**]

[+2 AC to Khalin and Tradden till end of next turn]

 Me and Random: The kobold behind the rocks stepped out slightly and twirled his sling around his head.. At the right moment he let fly with an odd looking projectile towards Tradden.

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[Kobold Slinger Firepot: **1d20+6: 10** vs Tradden's AC(17+2) - misses!]

The little reptilian snarled as the pot flew wide of his target and exploded into a small ball of flame harmlessly on the road. [Shifty] He shifted back behind the rocks.

 Me and Random: Two goblins, better armed and protected than the others burst out from behind the trees and charged at Celestia and Kireth.

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[Goblin Warrior #1: **1d20+6: 10** vs Kireth's AC(13) - misses!]

[Goblin Warrior #2: **1d20+6: 26** vs Celestia's AC(17) - critical hit!]

[Damage: **1d8+2: 10**]

The first goblin missed with his swipe of a spear against Kireth, but the second connected forcefully with Celestia.

 Me and Random: The goblin with the rod, repeatedly banged it against his palm.

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[Stinging Hex Recharge: **1d6: 1** - failure!]

The goblin snarled, and pointed the rod at Tradden.

[Goblin Hexer Blinding Hex: **1d20+7-2: 25** vs Tradden's Fortitude(18) - critical hit!]

The goblin danced in a circle on his toes, squealing with delight.

[Damage: **2d6+1: 13** and [Blinded] (save ends)]

 Me and Random: Celestia whirled around, confronted by the two goblins and attacked the one between her and Kireth.

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[Morningstar vs Goblin Warrior #1: **1d20+6+2: 18** - hits!]

[Damage: **1d10+3: 9**]

She took opportunity of the goblin being unsure of which combatant to keep its eyes on [Flanked] to strike a good blow.

She then turned her attention to Tradden, who was losing blood fast.

[Healing Word (Minor Action): Tradden spends healing surge and regains **1d6+8+5: 18** hit points]

 Me and Random: Zero tried to use the goblin's uncertainty to his advantage, taking careful aim with his crossbow.

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[Confounding Attack vs Goblin Warrior #1: **1d20+6: 23** - hits!]

[Damage: **2d6+3: 8**]

The goblin whirled around in confusion and stuck his spear into his comrade.

[Goblin Warrior #1 vs Goblin Warrior #2: **1d20+6: 7**] - critical miss!

But only succeeded in clashing against the other's spear.

 Matt, me and Random: Reeling from the effects of the magical greenskin's attack, Tradden nevertheless kept his cool - something that the young fighter would likely not have been able to do even a few months ago.

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He knew that there was an enemy right in front of him, so using his best guess as to where its defences would and wouldn't be, he lashed out.

[Sure Strike with Longsword (frost) v KD#1: **1d20+11-5: 24**] - hits!

[Combat Challenge: **Marked**]

He was rewarded with a yelp of pain from the foul thing. However, despite hitting home, his lack of vision meant that the blow actually caused minimal damage.

[Damage: **1d8+3: 4**]

He shook his head, knowing that he was at a huge disadvantage, but everything stayed a blurry white.

[Save vs Blindness: **1d20: 9**] - failure!

 Me and Random: The kobold dragonshields continued the assault on the party's warriors.

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[Kobold Dragonshield #1 Shortsword: **1d20+7+1+2: 14** vs Tradden's AC(17+2)] - misses!

[**Marked**]

[Kobold Dragonshield #2 Shortsword: **1d20+7+1: 12** vs Khalin's AC(19+2)] - misses!

[**Marked**]

But both of the reptilian creatures couldn't make contact with their targets - Tradden, although blinded, kept skipping out of reach, ducking and diving, and Khalin just raised his shield against any blows.

 Me and Random: Both Offa and Bailey let fly at the goblin nearest them - the one attacking Kireth.

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[Offa Longbow vs Goblin Warrior #1: **1d20+1: 15**] - misses!

[Bailey Longbow vs Goblin Warrior #1: **1d20+1: 8**] - misses!

Both boys' arrows flew wildly wide of their target.

 Neil, me and Random: Fleet footed, Kireth jinked sideways then backwards, wrong footing the warriors, giving himself the opportunity safely avoid their blows... at least for the moment. [Shift]

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Pointing the tip of his staff at the first warrior he uttered "Rauko Ratha", flames immediately rushing forward to engulf their target.

[Hellish Rebuke vs Goblin Warrior #1 Reflex: **1d20+3: 15**] - hits!

[Damage: **1d6+2: 3**]

Flames engulfed the Goblin Warrior and his tortured screams could be heard echoing around the hollow.

 Mark, me and Random: The enemy was proving more troublesome than anticipated. Khalin had done his best to shield his comrade Tradden, and though dazzled, the boy had done a remarkable job of avoiding further injury ... for now at least. Celestia had fared less well.

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"Hold firm Mistress Celestia! 'Tis but a scratch my lady!"

[Minor Action: Inspiring Word - Target Celestia: **1d6+7: 11** hp recovered]

The warlord then renewed his attack on the pesky lizardman in front of him, impatient to get through to the other rascal and rid the blinded Tradden of danger.

[Warhammer attack vs Kobold Dragonshield #2: **1d20+6: 11**] - misses!

Khalin's impatience worked against him, as his hurried strike missed the kobold.

 Me and Random: The kobold behind the rocks stepped out once more and twirled his sling around his head.. At the right moment he let fly with an odd looking projectile towards Tradden.

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[Kobold Slinger Gluepot: **1d20+6: 19** vs Tradden's AC(17)] - hits!

[Damage: **1d6+3: 5**]

The little reptilian screamed with glee as the pot struck Tradden on the shoulder and a viscous goo spread across his upper body and dripped down to his legs. [**Immobilised** - save ends]. He shifted back behind the rocks. [Shift]

 Me and Random: The first goblin warrior snarled viciously at Kireth, the flames slowly dying over it's greenskin, and launched into a ferocious attack against the wizard.

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[Goblin Warrior #1 Spear Attack: **1d20+6: 9** vs Kireth's AC(16)] - misses!

The goblin's strike went past the lithe half-elf.

 Me and Random: The second goblin warrior circled the elf maiden, it's pointed tongue licking it's sharp, crooked teeth. As it circled it drew back it's spear, feinting this way and that, and then driving the point home.

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[Goblin Warrior #2 Spear Attack: **1d20+6: 14** vs Celestia's AC(17)] - misses!

The creature hissed, as Celestia knocked away the spear thrust with the edge of her morningstar.

 Me and Random: The goblin with the rod, still dancing and squealing on his toes, banged his rod against his palm once more.

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[Stinging Hex Recharge: **1d6: 5**] - success!

The goblin sprinted towards the cover of the bushes, still squealing with delight. It then pointed the rod at the dwarf, and a ray shot from the end towards Khalin.

[Goblin Hexer Stinging Hex: **1d20+7: 15** vs Khalin's Will (15)] - hits!

[Damage: **3d6+1: 12**]

Khalin felt an enormous itching over his body and thought it ill-advised to move. [Stinging Hex - save ends]

Once more the goblin pointed his rod towards the dwarf and a billowing vapour appeared over the area. [Vexing Cloud]

 Me and Random: Celestia burst out of the cloud, coughing as she did so [Shift]. As her vision cleared she saw the first goblin warrior pressing Kireth, Tradden immobile and blinded, and Khalin looking uncomfortable. She drew upon the strength of Melora to aid her friends.

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[Sacred Flame vs Goblin Warrior #1 Reflex: **1d20+6: 16**] - hits!

[Damage: **1d6+5: 8**]

[Tradden Save vs Blindness: **1d20: 10**] - success!

Tradden found his vision clearing a little, although obscured by clouds.

Celestia also found the energy within Melora to assist Khalin.

[Healing Word: Khalin regains **1d6+5+7: 18** hp]

 Me and Random: Zero looked suspiciously at the cloud billowing out from behind the bushes he was screening himself behind, and decided not to fire one of his precious bolts through the mist.

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Instead he aimed carefully at the goblin attacking Kireth, and let fly.

[Gloaming Cut vs Goblin Warrior #1: **1d20+6: 14**] - misses!

The bolt fizzed past the goblin to the annoyance of the rogue, who then tried move into the shadows.

[Stealth Check: **1d20+12: 14**] - failure!

 Matt, me and Random: Tradden sputtered as he was forced to inhale the noxious fog. It didn't seem to do anything nasty in itself, but once again his vision, always critical in battle, was impaired.

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Taking a second to flick his head from side to side he realised that the greeny fog must cover quite an area, and whilst leaving it was to be desired, the consequences of a tactical withdrawal now could be dire for both he and Khalin - the fight must go on!

Bellowing a mighty dwarven battle cry*, despite their ongoing melee, he looked to readjust his feet.

The young fighter would have fallen over was it not for the fact that the strange substance now rooting him in place actually kept him upright. He was disappointed because he felt the overall impact of his warcry had been spoiled by this.

Snarling he focused on the outline of the shape in front of him - he would still do his best to hit the foul thing anyway, and as he imagined his new sword slicing through scaly skin he felt it become even colder in his grasp...

[Sure Strike with Longsword (frost) v KD#1: **1d20+11-2-2: 27**] - critical hit! (Marked)

[Damage: **1d8+1d6+3: 15**] plus [Frost Sword Power additional cold damage: **1d8: 8**]

The sword cut straight into the kobold's scaly skin and left a deep slash. Blood had started to pour out, but became crystallised as ice as the kobold let out a howl of pain. [Bloodied]

[Save vs Immobility: **1d20: 19**] - success!

* - which translated as "Fiends! I am the Hammer, and she is the Anvil!", which was shouted with a nod towards Khalin, Tradden's Dwarven was good, but not perfect. He thought that this would make the Warlord next to him smile, but actually made the Dwarf raise his eyebrows to the heavens given the lad's poor use of gender specific pronouns in the ancient language of his people. Humans!

 Me and Random: *The first of the dragonshields, still reeling from Tradden's icy blow, cut back at Tradden with its short sword.*

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[Kobold Dragonshield Shortsword: **1d20+7+1: 23** vs Tradden's AC(17)] - hits!

[Damage: **1d6+3: 9**]

It flicked out a sliver of a tongue as the blade cut across Tradden's thigh.

 Me and Random: *The second dragonshield, buoyed by the sound of kobold sword finding man-flesh, kept his attack going on Khalin.*

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[Kobold Dragonshield #2 Shortsword: **1d20+7+1: 18** vs Khalin's AC(19)] - misses!

But his strike was not as sure as his partner's, Khalin easily brushing it off with his shield.

 Me and Random: *Offa and Bailey were positioned just behind Kireth, and the disgusting goblin nearest them looked bloodied and frail. They felt confident stood behind the wizard - he had single-handedly blasted the evil elf from the mausoleum into oblivion, caused goblins and kobolds to clutch their own faces in despair as they perished, and thrown fire and more around the battlefield. They were in the presence of a truly great wizard that would protect them.*

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Offa let fly at the nearest goblin.

[Offa Longbow vs Goblin Warrior #1: **1d20+1: 13**] - misses!

His friend also aimed at the nearest greenskin.

[Bailey Longbow vs Goblin Warrior #1: **1d20+1: 11**] - misses!

But neither of the two boys could connect. They were, however, sure that the wizard would continue to protect them, and easily dispatch the vile creature when he next acted.

As the arrow sped past the goblin, it ducked and shifted out of the way, getting closer to its ally. [Goblin Tactics]

 Neil and me: The additional surge of energy he had felt on that last spell intrigued him and he sought to test it further, to isolate its source.

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The Goblin seemed to be trying to hem him in but it was looking very tired now and was surely no match for Kireth's elven fleet footedness [Shift]. Deftly stepping to his right he raised his new found staff, it's weight and balance already feeling familiar. "Gurtha da Sinome", the words channeling down the length of the staff and erupting in a blue bolt.

[Magic Missile vs Goblin Warrior #1: Damage 2+4+1+2: **9**] - Automatic Hit!

The goblin took the full energy of the force bolt in his chest and the impact dropped him to floor, instantly dead.

Kireth looked at the staff with admiration as he lowered it. Power was useless unless you understood it and he was starting to understand.

 Mark, me and Random: Khalin was feeling very peculiar - to put it mildly. The warlord's skin was crawling, he felt apprehensive at moving from the spot, and the green haze around him made it difficult to see. Disoriented though he was, this was just a setback surely, and he was able to lash out with his hammer with all his might, taking a best guess at where the rascal in front of him was. Nov 6, 2010 ▾

[Furious Smash vs Kobold Dragonshield #2 Fortitude: **1d20+6-2-2: 17**] - hits!

[Damage: **3**]

[+3 modifier to Tradden's next attack by end of next turn against KD#2]

Khalin's assault would at least confound the kobold and give his comrade Tradden alongside him a better chance to strike.

[Save vs Stinging Hex: **1d20: 7**] - failure!

 Me and Random: The kobold slinger stepped out from behind his boulder once more and let fly at Tradden with his sling shot. Nov 6, 2010 ▾

[Kobold Slinger sling: **1d20+6: 9** vs Tradden's AC(17)] - misses!

After the attack the kobold shifted back behind the boulder. [Shifty]

 Me and Random: The remaining goblin warrior shifted into the billowing cloud and became a blur to the rest of the party. It then thrust its spear at Celestia. Nov 6, 2010 ▾

[Goblin Warrior #2 Spear: **1d20+6: 21** vs Celestia's AC(17)] - hits!

[Damage: **1d8+2: 5**]

The spear bit home, opening a small cut on Celestia's arm.

 Me and Random: The goblin hexer appeared to be enjoying himself, dancing on the spot and continuing to screech with glee. He waved his rod in the air in a figure of eight and the cloud moved to the southwest. [Sustain Minor: Vexing Cloud] Nov 6, 2010 ▾

The rod sparked and fizzed. [Stinging Hex Recharge: **1d6: 2**] - failure!

The goblin hissed and pointed his rod at the dwarf within the cloud.

[Blinding Hex: **1d20+7: 12** vs Khalin's Fortitude()] - misses!

The goblin stamped his feet and snarled at the sky.

 Me and Random: Celestia raised her symbol to Melora and thrust it in the face of the remaining Goblin Warrior. Nov 6, 2010 ▾

[Sacred Flame vs Goblin Warrior #2: **1d20+6-2-2: 3**] - critical miss!

[Elven Accuracy: Re-roll attack roll]

[Sacred Flame vs Goblin Warrior #2: **1d20+6-2-2: 3**] - critical miss!

Flames and shadow from the symbol sputtered and fizzed.

Celestia seemed unflinching and kept her symbol out, sparks and radiant light shooting out towards Tradden.

[Healing Word: Tradden regains **1d6+5+8: 18** hp]

 Me and Random: Zero wrapped his cloak around him and moved silently out of the cloud. Nov 6, 2010 ▾

[Fleeting Ghost - Stealth Check: **1d20+12: 17** vs Goblin Warrior #2 Perception: **1d20+1: 19**] - failure!

Cursing to himself, he aimed carefully at the goblin.

[Preparatory Shot vs Goblin Warrior #2: **1d20+6-2: 14**] - misses!

 Matt, me and Random: "Damn fog!" snarled Tradden, his vigour renewed due to the power of Melora. Nov 6, 2010 ▾

Khalin's superb battle tactics had opened up the other scaly creature's flank nicely, but Tradden was aware that his current opponent would equally have the drop on him if he turned away for one second.

Gritting his teeth he made the call to stay on his current foe - it was the more badly wounded, and the sooner it was dead the happier it he would be, and the quicker he would be able to turn on Khalin's opponent. He just hoped the Dwarf would understand.

[Surestrike vs Kobold Dragonshield #1: **1d20+11-2-2: 27**] - critical hit!

[Damage: **1d8+3: 11** plus **1d6: 4** frost]

The kobold slumped to the floor after Tradden's strike with a thin film of frost covering the body.

 Me and Random: The remaining Dragonshield shifted away from its fallen companion, a look of fear on its scaly face. As it rounded the other side of the hesitant dwarf it struck out with its sword. Nov 6, 2010 ▾

[Kobold Dragonshield #2 Shortsword: **1d20+7: 13** vs Khalin's AC(17)] - misses!

However, despite his uncertainty about moving from his spot, Khalin was vigilant enough to raise his shield.

 Me and Random: Offa and Bailey both tried to peer into the murk of the magical cloud, and seeing smaller shadowy forms they loosed their arrows. Nov 6, 2010 ▾

[Offa Longbow vs Goblin Warrior #2: **1d20+1-2: 19**] - critical hit!

[Damage: **1d8: 8**]

[Bailey Longbow vs Goblin Warrior #2: **1d20+1-2: 14**] - misses!

Bailey's arrow shot wide, but Offa sealed another great hit.

 Neil and me: Trusting or perhaps hoping the Celestia could handle the remaining warrior in this location, Kireth gathered his robes about him and quickly darted to the northern outer edge of the cloud. From there he could see the Hexer, hopping with glee at the mayhem he was causing. Nov 8, 2010 ▾

"Dance with this" sneered the mage as he pointed his staff at the irritant

[Magic Missile vs Goblin Hexer: Damage 2+4+1+2: **9**] - automatic hit!

The magical force bolt left a vapour trail through the swirling cloud and slammed into the torso of the goblin hexer. The goblin peered through the mists with a snarl!

 Mark, me and Random: Khalin lashed out at the remaining kobold before him again, hoping to catch his enemy despite the fog around him...

[Warhammer attack vs Kobold Dragonshield #2: **1d20+6-2-2: 21**] - hits!

[Damage: **1d10+5: 12**]

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[Bailey Longbow vs Kobold Dragonshield #2: **1d20+1: 15**] - missed!

The arrow bounced off the kobold's armour drawing a hiss and a flick of the tongue from the lizard creature.

  Neil and me: The Goblin mage, urgh how he loathed to think of such a creature skilled this way, was still a thorn in their sides. He had limited skill but was effective in using what he had. Nov 11, 2010 ▾
No matter, this would end soon.

"Gurtha da Sinome". Kireth's staff let fly another missile.

[Magic Missile vs Goblin Hexer: Damage 2+4+1+2: **9**] - automatic hit!

The goblin staggered back a yard or two, a great red weal blistering on its chest where the force bolt had struck him. It focused its eyes on Kireth and inspected its fizzing wand. [Bloodied]

  Mark, me and Random: Khalin was starting to get angry. The infernal itching had started again, and the warlord, while ready for seemingly any eventuality on a battlefield, was not used to this. It was clearly some sort of magic, and while Kireth and Celestia could fight fire with fire in that regard, Khalin would have to resort to smiting the source. But to have a chance to even consider moving and letting his hammer have a word with the stick-wielding greenie, he'd first have to finish off the increasingly stubborn lizardman before him. Nov 11, 2010 ▾

Trying his best to ignore the incessant itching, Khalin moved towards the kobold.

[Stinging Hex: **3d6+1: 14** damage]

Khalin sucked in a huge breath of wind as he tried to ignore the pain when he moved. In retaliation, the dwarf lashed out again, hoping the instinct guiding his hammer hand would again prove fruitful in finding the enemy...

[Warhammer attack vs Kobold Dragonshield #2: **1d20+6-2: 20**] - hits!

[Damage: **1d10+5: 10**]

As the creature finally breathed it's last Khalin gritted his teeth and steeled himself again.

[Minor action: Second Wind: 7hp regained. +2 bonus to all defences till start of next turn]

[Save vs Stinging Hex: **1d20: 18**] - success!

As the tingling and itching subsided, Khalin pointed his warhammer at the greenskin. "By Moradin, you're next greenie! I'll show you an itch!"

  Me and Random: The kobold with the sling, now being sorely pressed by Tradden, panicked somewhat, dropping his sling and pulling out a short blade. With a swift cut, it tried to slash at the young fighter. Nov 11, 2010 ▾

[Kobold Slinger Dagger: **1d20+5: 9** vs Tradden's AC(17)] - misses!

The panicky strike went quite wide of its target, though, and the kobolds eyes grew large with fear.

  Me and Random: Keeping its eyes on both the force-wielding wizard and the encroaching dwarf the goblin hexer slapped his fizzing rod against his palm with ever increasing speed. Nov 11, 2010 ▾

[Stinging Hex Recharge: **1d6: 2**] - failure!

The goblin looked around, trying to think of a way out of the situation. With all of the combatants before it, if they couldn't see it, they couldn't catch it. It smiled, flicking its tongue out between it's sharp teeth and waved the rod.

[Sustain Minor: Vexing Cloud]

The roiling fog moved towards the goblin.

It then aimed the rod at the dwarf and uttered a command word.

[Blinding Hex: **1d20+7: 11** vs Khalin's Fortitude()] - misses!

The rod fizzed and sputtered and the goblin screamed with displeasure.

  Me and Random: Celestia tore across the battlefield, her morningstar raised in ire at the goblin. She rounded the bushes and threw all her might against her enemy. Nov 11, 2010 ▾

[Righteous Brand vs Goblin Hexer: **1d20+6-2-2: 18**] - hits!

[Damage: **1d10+3: 12** and [Zero +3 to attack]

The morningstar slammed into the goblin, sending it reeling.

  Me and Random: Zero remained embroiled within his cloak watching events unfolding, unseen by the enemies. As Celestia smashed her morningstar into the goblin he took careful aim into the cloud. Nov 11, 2010 ▾

[Crossbow vs Goblin Hexer: **1d20+6-2+2+3: 25**] - hits!

[Damage: **1d6+2d8+3: 16**]

The bolt flew straight into the back of the neck of the goblin and jutted out through the front, almost surprising Celestia. With a smile and flourish, the fog disappearing as the goblin fell, Zero stepped forward wrapping the cloak around himself again and disappearing into the chaos of the battlefield.

[Fleeting Ghost - Hide and Sneak: **1d20+12: 22** vs Kobold Slinger's Perception: **1d20+1: 6**] - success!

   Matt, me and Random: Having easily evaded the greenskin's clumsy stab by simply stepping back a pace, Tradden now stepped forward again, his smaller blade held defensively, but his frosted longsword held high, the sun catching on its glistening edge, an image the fighter saw reflected in the eyes of his opponent. Nov 11, 2010 ▾

He kind of felt sorry for it. Kind of. For a second.

[Basic Melee Attack vs Slinger with Frost Longsword: **1d20+9+2: 14**] - hits!

[Damage: **1d8+7: 9**]

The Slinger took the sword thrust in his shoulder and reeled for a moment, tottering on the balls of its heels. However, it did not go down.

  Me and Random: Offa and Bailey sprinted forward, victory on their minds, hoping to finish off the kobold where the fighter could not, hoping to write their names in Blackengorge lore. Nov 11, 2010 ▾

[Offa Longbow vs Kobold Slinger: **1d20+1: 17**] - hits!

[Damage: **1d8: 7**]

Offa got his shot off first, catching the slinger in his midriff. The kobold looked down at the black-shafted arrow protruding from its belly, and then fell over silently at Tradden's feet.

 Me: [...Combat Encounter Completed...]

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 **Mark and Random:** Khalin had watched the final exchanges with growing mirth. And as the young cow herder prevailed in downing the goblin that Tradden had been unable to, his grin broke into hearty guffaws.

"Well played young lad!" the dwarf boomed at Offa with glee. He then turned and slapped Tradden amiably between the shoulder blades: "Now then Tradden my boy, stick by these young 'uns and you could learn a thing or two about taking down greenies!"

The dwarf was still chuckling as he began to search the nearest bodies.

[Perception check: **1d20+1: 15**]

 **Me:** After the clash and fervour of battle and the sounds of Khalin's mighty bellows the gully now seemed to grow quiet and the sun began to dip over the rise to the west. Nov 12, 2010 ▾

The group began to pick through debris of combat. **Tradden** seemed particularly keen to relieve the goblins and kobolds of their weaponry, maybe so that they couldn't be found and used by other vermin.

Khalin and **Celestia** looked carefully at the bodies to see if there were any clues or clan symbols they could find.

Kireth stood to one side, deep in his own thoughts, and somewhat reluctant to join in the manual labour of picking over corpses.

Zero moved quickly, inspecting pouches at belts and checking fingers and necks for anything of value. In a few short moments he seemed to have accumulated another stack of coins, similar to the silver ones he had gathered before. [34 silver coins]

The majority of weaponry had been thrown into a pile by **Tradden**, who was now trying to sort them into bundles to carry and instructing the two boys on how best to carry them without picking them up. As he passed them each weapon he would drop into a stance, showing the boys how to thrust and parry with a flourish. By the end the boys were laden with weapons, whilst **Tradden** merely held a spear, still thrusting, parrying, and twirling it about.

As **Khalin** investigated some of the goblin bodies he found markings on all of them - a singular stripe of white down their bodies, sometimes coming all the way up to their faces. Of most interest, however, was a small obsidian necklace around the goblin hexer's neck. **Khalin** snapped it off to take a closer look, passing it to **Celestia** when he'd finished.

He also checked for the rod that the goblin had been waving around that had given **Khalin** so much pain. The rod was below the goblin's body, cracked in half and inert.

 **Me and Random:** Upon the necklace that **Khalin** had found dangled a dragon figurine competently carved in obsidian. As he had turned it over to check the craftsmanship he had noticed an outline etched onto the base of a skull with ram's horns. Nov 12, 2010 ▾

Unsure of the meaning he had passed it to **Celestia**, who took a good look.

[Religion Check: **1d20+5: 14**] - failure!

Celestia shook her head - the meaning of the symbol was lost on her - and she passed the figurine back to **Khalin**.

 **Me:** **Zero** suggested that the corpses of the goblins and kobolds needed to be buried or at the very least moved from the trail. With the sun setting, there didn't seem to be enough time, so the bodies were piled behind some of the boulders to the side of the trail - the intention being to alert the guard back in Blackengorge, who could hopefully finish the job. Nov 12, 2010 ▾

The heroes then cautiously made their way back along the trail to Blackengorge, the keen senses of **Celestia** and **Khalin** searching out before them through the growing gloom.

 **Me:** [...]continued in [Scene #07...](#) Nov 12, 2010 ▾

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