

E153 - The Chosen Ones

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[00:05] Nar

The Clover Kingdom.

[00:07] Nar

In this kingdom where magic is everything,

[00:09] Nar

there is one boy who can't use magic.

[00:13] Nar

His name is Asta.

[00:16] Nar

*With guts and hard work,
he made it into the Magic Knights,*

[00:18] Nar

*and he never gave up,
despite how much he got hurt.*

[00:21] Nar

He continues to diligently aim for the top!

[00:26] Nar

Even if you are a peasant,

[00:27] Nar

or even if you're poor...

[00:30] Nar

Anyone in this world can still shine!

[00:32] Nar

He's working hard to prove that,

[00:35] Nar

and to become the Wizard King!

[00:42] Marx

*I've been informed that the recovery
efforts in even the hardest-hit*

[00:45] Marx

parts of the Forsaken Realm are now underway.

[00:47] Marx

Things are finally looking brighter as a whole.

[00:51] Julius

Yes. And to make this peace an eternal

one rather than a fleeting one,

[00:56] Julius

we must remain strong.

[01:00] Marx

It's nearly time.

[01:02] Marx

You have the captains' meeting as well as a special decoration ceremony.

[01:05] Marx

You're going to have a busy day.

[01:08] Julius

Indeed.

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[02:42] Marx

Our topic today is who will participate in the Heart Kingdom's training.

[02:47] Julius

Our promise with the Heart Kingdom's queen... In other words,

[02:50] Julius

the battle with the Spade Kingdom, is drawing nearer as we speak.

[02:54] Julius

I know that every squad is working hard to get stronger,

[02:57] Julius

but we just received word from the Heart Kingdom that

[03:00] Julius

preparations for training are done.

[03:02] Julius

Our training is finally in its final stage.

[03:04] Julius

There are five Spirit Guardians who will help us train,

[03:08] Julius

and there is a limited number that each of them can train.

[03:12] Julius

So I'd like all of you to nominate members of your squad.

[03:17] Julius

Now, who would like to get us started?

[03:21] Yami

From my squad, I'm choosing Asta and Nero,

[03:24] Yami

though they were already

chosen by the Heart Kingdom.

[03:27] Julius

Asta, who uses anti-magic,

[03:29] Julius

and Nero, who uses forbidden magic,
are already at the arcane stage.

[03:34] Julius

We know from our previous
battle that their powers will be

[03:38] Julius

our trump card in defeating the devil.

[03:40] Julius

I hope they can make those powers
their own even more through training.

[03:44] Yami

I'm also going to be sending Finral,
Luck, and Noelle from my squad.

[03:50] Dorothy

What's this? Are you worried?

[03:53] Dorothy

No matter how tough you act, you're such
a softie when it comes to your sister.

[03:56] Yami

Apparently Luck and Noelle both
pair well with their magic.

[04:01] Julius

Well, the Heart Kingdom does have a
Spirit Guardian who controls lightning,

[04:04] Julius

and their queen controls
the Water Spirit, Undine.

[04:07] Julius

Since Luck controls lightning magic
and Noelle controls water magic,

[04:10] Julius

it should be perfect.

[04:12] Yami

And I'm not surprised that Luck is super
excited, since he's always rarin' to go,

[04:16] Yami

but even Noelle's super motivated right now.

[04:19] Dorothy

*Well, they are up against Megicula,
who killed their mother.*

[04:24] Yami

And as for Finral...

[04:26] Yami

Well, he's handy to have around.

[04:28] Julius

If a reliable supporter
like him is able to level up,

[04:31] Julius

our strength as a whole should rise.

[04:33] Julius

He may also provide hints
to a new way of fighting.

[04:37] Yami

Yeah, that's what I'm talking about.

[04:39] Marx

So from the Black Bulls, we have

[04:41] Marx

Asta, Nero, Noelle Silva,
Luck Voltia, and Finral Roulacase,

[04:46] Marx

making five members.

[04:47] Marx

That's quite a few.

[04:49] Yami

Nothing wrong with having
so many guys with potential.

[04:52] Yami

They're who I'm gonna go with.

[04:54] William

I nominate Mimosa Vermillion
from the Golden Dawn.

[04:59] William

We're up against the devil-possessed.

[05:01] William

I'm sure we will face some
cruel, ruthless battles.

[05:05] William

The cornerstone of these battles
will be recovery mages.

[05:09] William

She is a royal who also possesses
substantial natural talent,

[05:13] William

and stretching her potential
is sure to benefit our kingdom.

[05:17] Julius

I see. Is Mimosa your only nominee?

[05:21] Julius

I hear that the Wind Spirit Guardian
will also be training our nominees.

[05:24] William

Yuno declined.

[05:27] William

I assume he has his reasons.

[05:31] Marx

Please nominate Magic Knights
from other squads, too.

[05:34] Fuegoleon

I nominate Leopold Vermillion
from the Crimson Lion Kings.

[05:38] Fuegoleon

Leo's ambition is high, and he
asked our older sister, Mereoleona,

[05:43] Fuegoleon

to train him at the volcano
in the strong magic region.

[05:47] Yami

I can clearly imagine what kind
of hell that must've been.

[05:50] Fuegoleon

No one can beat Leopold's hard
work and ambition in my squad,

[05:53] Fuegoleon

but there is hesitation in him.

[05:55] Fuegoleon

I am hoping he can light a new flame
by training in another kingdom

[05:58] Fuegoleon

and burn away his hesitation.

[06:01] Fuegoleon

Once he is able to do that,

[06:03] Fuegoleon

he will be essential in the
battle against the Spade Kingdom,

[06:07] Fuegoleon

but he will also become a true lion king
capable of protecting this kingdom!

[06:10] Julius

I see.

[06:12] Julius

I look forward to seeing how he grows.

[06:15] Marx

What about the other squads?

[06:19] Julius

Anyone from the Blue Rose Knights?

[06:23] Charlotte

I'd like to confirm something first.

[06:26] Charlotte

Is it possible for a captain to participate?

[06:29] Julius

I see no problem with it.

[06:31] Julius

I personally think someone who was possessed by an elf, such as yourself,

[06:35] Julius

could produce some interesting results.

[06:40] Charlotte

The feeling of the mana from when my body was possessed by an elf still remains.

[06:45] Charlotte

That red rose mana was far superior to mine.

[06:49] Charlotte

I cannot be picky in how I become stronger for the battle against the devil.

[06:54] Charlotte

I need to experience something similar again, no matter what!

[06:58] Charlotte

Wait, no! That's not what I meant by "experience"!

[07:01] ---

Hmm?

[07:02] Marx

So the only nominee from the Blue Rose Knights is the captain?

[07:07] Charlotte

Yes.

[07:08] Julius

Any others?

[07:10] Kaiser

This is a rather hard decision, but I believe younger candidates are favorable.

[07:15] Nozel

I agree. And I am very aware of how to train myself.

[07:19] Jack

I don't mind going if I can slice up the Heart Kingdom.

[07:24] Yami

Yeah, no. You're not going.

[07:25] Julius

This training will probably be grueling.

[07:28] Julius

But there will be knowledge and new discoveries they won't find here,

[07:32] Julius

and a new world may open up to those who go.

[07:35] Julius

I'd like you all to use that to your advantage.

[07:38] Ril

My... My own...

[07:41] (Flashback) Wolf

They're all my food!

[07:46] Julius

I'd like you to train hard every
day and grow ever vigilant.

[07:50] Ril

Training...

[07:52] Ril

Training means protein...

[07:54] (Flashback) Charmy

This is for the protein!

[07:56] Julius

You all have wonderful potential,
so I'd like to see you grow.

[08:01] Ril

Growing bigger...

[08:03] (Flashback) Charmy

This is for the fat!

[08:07] (Flashback) Charmy

La!

[08:08] (Flashback) Charmy

This is for the vitamins!

[08:09] (Flashback) Charmy

This is for the fiber!

[08:11] (Flashback) Charmy

This is for the collagen!

[08:14] Ril

Me, me, me, me, me, me, me!

[08:17] Julius

Goodness, aren't you full of energy?

[08:20] Yami

What got into you all of a sudden?

[08:22] Rill

I nominate myself from the Aqua Deer!

[08:26] Rill

I'm going to train, become stronger,

[08:28] Rill

and become a man that nice lady will notice!

[08:31] Julius

I think we actually have enough now,
but is there anyone else?

[08:37] Nozel

The Silver Eagles will do everything they can

[08:39] Nozel

to bolster their skills so that they
can face the Spade Kingdom.

[08:44] Kaiser

As will my squad.

[08:45] Jack

We're also doing things our own way!

[08:48] Marx

Then do we agree on the nominees mentioned?

[08:52] All

Aye.

[08:54] Julius

Good. I look forward to seeing
the fruits of your labor.

[08:57] All

Yes, sir.

[08:58] Marx

This concludes the Magic
Knights Squad Captains' meeting.

[09:03] Yami

Whew, we're finally done.

[09:06] Yami

See ya.

[09:10] Kaiser

And where do you think you're going?

[09:12] Kaiser

The special decoration ceremony
is just about to start.

[09:15] Yami

Seriously? I have to go to that?

[09:18] Yami

But I've got my wheels parked outside.

[09:21] Yami

It's not like anyone from
my squad got picked.

[09:24] Nozel

We were told that every captain should
be in attendance for this ceremony.

[09:28] Yami

What? Why?

[09:30] Marx

Well, you see...

[09:33] Marx

The king will be participating this time.

[09:36] Yami

Seriously?

[09:49] Sekke

Bah-ha... All the captains are here.

[09:52] Sekke

They're so intense-ha.

[09:54] King

*So they've made all the captains attend
because I am present. Excellent.*

[10:01] Owen

*Seriously, this is too close.
He's going to find out pretty soon.*

[10:07] Sekke

Captain Jack!

[10:11] Sekke

Please...

[10:12] Sekke

bring me back...

[10:14] Sekke

to the squad.

[10:17] Yami

The hell's his problem?

[10:19] Jack

Talk about annoying.

[10:21] Jack

How about I slice you open?!

[10:24] Marx

It looks like everyone's here.

[10:26] King

Let us begin.

[10:30] Marx

We will now begin our special decoration
ceremony for the Magic Knights

[10:36] Marx

who fought bravely against
the Eye of the Midnight Sun.

[10:40] Marx

Because the Wizard King's throat
is not completely healed,

[10:42] Marx

I will be conducting this ceremony.

[10:44] Marx

First...

[10:46] Marx

With 21 stars acquired, we have
Sol Marron from the Blue Rose Knights.

[10:51] Marx

You have been promoted to

5th Class Senior Magic Knight.

[10:54] Marx

Thanks to your calm and brave decisions,

[10:56] Marx

you got the gravely injured
Wizard King to a safe place.

[11:00] Marx

Please continue using that judgment
and drive in the battlefield.

[11:05] Kaiser

Oho! Impressive. She moved
up three ranks at once.

[11:09] Fuegoleon

She saved the Wizard King's life.
This promotion seems quite fitting.

[11:15] Sol

I wasn't actually calm at all back then.

[11:18] Sol

*Not to mention, the guy who saved Sis
was the Captain of the Black Bulls.*

[11:23] Sol

*Next time, I'm gonna protect Sis
without the help of any man!*

[11:29] Yami

Hey, uh... one of yours
seems to be glaring at me.

[11:34] Charlotte

Is that my problem?

[11:35] Charlotte

She's staring at Yami?

[11:38] Charlotte

*Wait, no, Sol! Don't tell
me you like Yami, too!*

[11:44] Sol

Sis is staring at me passionately!

[11:46] Sol

*I'll do my best to live
up to your expectations!*

[11:49] Marx

With 23 stars acquired,

[11:52] Marx

we have Mimosa Vermillion
from the Golden Dawn.

[11:55] Marx

You have been promoted to
2nd Class Intermediate Magic Knight.

[11:59] Marx

In the battle at the Shadow Palace,

[12:01] Marx

you showed humanity and effectively
did your job as a recovery mage.

[12:06] Marx

We look forward to you saving
many more lives in the future.

[12:11] Dorothy

I think people realize how important
recovery magic is because of Mimosa.

[12:17] Mimosa

*I will live up to this honor that
I just received and do my best*

[12:20] Mimosa

in the battle against the Spade Kingdom.

[12:23] Marx

With 18 stars acquired,

[12:25] Marx

we have Leopold Vermillion
from the Crimson Lion Kings.

[12:28] Marx

You have been promoted to
4th Class Senior Magic Knight.

[12:32] Marx

When the previous and
new captains were absent,

[12:34] Marx

you inspired the other squad members and
did everything in your power to stop

[12:37] Marx

your vice captain, who had
been possessed by an elf.

[12:39] Marx

Please continue to use your character to
raise everyone's morale on the battlefield

[12:42] Marx

and lead us to victory.

[12:46] Kaiser

So Leopold has also gone up three ranks.

[12:56] Leo

I would like to decline!

[13:01] Leo

Back then, if my brother hadn't shown up,

[13:05] Leo

my whole squad would have been annihilated.

[13:07] Leo

I did everything in my power,

but I was completely powerless.

[13:11] Leo

Everyone tried to protect me,
even if it cost them their lives.

[13:16] Leo

I'm just...

[13:18] Leo

I'm just a weakling, and I do
not deserve this recognition!

[13:24] Fuegoleon

You fool!

[13:27] Fuegoleon

Do you not understand why everyone
tried so hard to protect you?

[13:31] Fuegoleon

Is it not because they
were moved by your bravery,

[13:33] Fuegoleon

and because they saw hope
in your very existence?

[13:36] Fuegoleon

They entrusted you with the future
of the Crimson Lion Kings.

[13:40] Fuegoleon

This award includes

[13:42] Fuegoleon

the very determination, resolve,
and hope of the Crimson Lion Kings!

[13:46] Leo

Resolve and hope?

[13:56] Leo

I, Leopold Vermillion,
will live up to this recognition,

[13:59] Leo

do everything I can to protect
my squad from any enemy,

[14:01] Leo

and become a Lion King who
can lead everyone to victory!

[14:14] Marx

Yuno from the Golden Dawn.

[14:16] Yuno

Yes, sir.

[14:18] Marx

You have earned 77 stars.

[14:22] Rill

Holy wow!

[14:24] Rill

Wait, how many stars did the Aqua Deer have last time?

[14:30] Marx

Yuno of the Golden Dawn,

[14:33] Marx

you have been promoted to 1st Class Senior Magic Knight.

[14:37] King

What?!

[14:38] Sekke

Bah-ha?!

[14:39] King

*A 1st Class Senior Magic Knight?!
This peasant?!*

[14:44] Marx

With your tremendous amount of mana,

[14:46] Marx

you were able to deal a fatal blow to the devil, who was the root of all this evil.

[14:50] Marx

We look forward to great things from you.

[14:52] Yuno

Yes, sir.

[14:56] Mimosa

He's now the same rank as our vice captain, Langris.

[14:59] Mimosa

He suddenly jumped to the rank right under the Magic Knights Squad Captains.

[15:04] Bell

I don't really get it, but you did good, right?

[15:07] Bell

Way to go, Yuno!

[15:09] Bell

To celebrate, let's go on a dat—

[15:13] Yuno

1st Class Senior Magic Knight...

[15:16] Yuno

I guess I got a little closer.

[15:18] Marx

These four members...

[15:20] King

Hold it!

[15:24] Yami

Well, this definitely sounds like it's gonna be a pain in the ass.

[15:27] Charlotte

Silence, Yami. Despite how
he is, he's still our king.

[15:30] Dorothy

You just lowkey dragged said king.

[15:32] King

The one who shined the brightest in
this battle hasn't been recognized!

[15:38] King

The hero who protected the most
important person in this kingdom!

[15:44] King

Him! Sekke Bronzazza!

[15:47] Sekke

Bah-ha?!

[15:49] King

Not only did all of you leave me,
your king, unattended,

[15:54] King

but some of you fools had
the nerve to attack me!

[15:58] Jack

Really?

[16:00] Yami

Who knows?

[16:01] King

Sekke is the true hero!
The epitome of Magic Knights!

[16:06] King

During that fierce battle, he dodged
the enemy's attacks and came to me!

[16:13] King

There's no doubt that he deserves the
most recognition out of anyone here!

SIGN ° Some facts may have been skewed.

[16:22] Sekke

I-I just happened to show up-ha...

[16:26] King

With my authority as king, I give Sekke...

[16:31] King

the title of 1st Class Senior Magic Knight!

[16:37] Sekke

F-First Class Senior Magic Knight?!

[16:40] Sekke

What the bah-ha?!

[16:42] King

If that peasant gets to be a

1st Class Senior Magic Knight,

[16:45] King

*I'm going to promote Sekke
to that rank, too!*

[16:48] Sekke

Bah-ha... Bah-ha... Bah-ha?!

[16:52] Sekke

Th-This is, uh...

[16:54] Sekke

*Their disapproval is super obvious-ha!
I'm gonna get killed, bah-ha!*

[16:59] Sekke

*I-I have just been promoted to
1st Class Senior Magic Knight!*

[17:03] Sekke

*I, Sekke Bronzazza,
will fight any enemy, win,*

[17:08] Sekke

*and take pride in protecting
the Clover Kingdom, bah-ha!*

[17:13] Sekke

So please spare my life.

[17:18] Marx

W-Will that be all, Your Majesty?

[17:21] King

*Indeed! All of you should follow Sekke's
example and remember to prioritize me!*

[17:27] King

Do you understand?!

[17:29] Sekke

I-I've been saved.

[17:36] Marx

As I was saying,

[17:38] Marx

other than the present five,

[17:39] Marx

*we will be promoting everyone who
participated in this battle one rank.*

[17:46] Nozel

*I see. So that's why they
had all captains attend.*

[17:50] Dorothy

*They wouldn't usually have us all show
up just because the king is here.*

[17:55] William

*Such care for the squad members
coming from the Wizard King...*

[17:59] William

I thank you.

[18:00] Fuegoleon

All of the Magic Knights who risked their lives in this battle will be rewarded.

[18:04] Marx

If the current fuss over the Magic Parliament trial hadn't been going on,

[18:08] Marx

there were squads that would've seen many promotions.

[18:12] Marx

Though we will not be able to promote them at this time,

[18:15] Marx

we have decided to give them special recognition.

[18:18] Marx

Captain of the Black Bulls, Yami Sukehiro.

[18:21] Yami

What? I get something?

[18:26] Marx

Please keep the problems to a minimum,

[18:28] Marx

and continue to show results with your teamwork.

[18:34] Yami

What? I don't get money?

[18:36] Yami

Well, thanks anyway.

[18:38] Marx

This concludes the special decoration ceremony.

[18:43] Marx

Lastly, I would like to read a message from the Wizard King.

[18:48] Marx

"Our kingdom is slowly recovering from the attack by the Eye of the Midnight Sun,

[18:52] Marx

but the threat of the Spade Kingdom is just around the corner.

[18:56] Julius

I expect nothing but the best from those who have just been promoted.

[19:01] Julius

I hope that those who did not receive

new titles will continue to train hard,

[19:06] Julius

come together as Magic Knights,

[19:08] Julius

and protect this kingdom and its people."

[19:13] All

Yes, sir.

[19:16] Finral

We're back!

[19:25] Luck

Come and get me!

[19:26] Magna

Damn it! Quit running away!

[19:30] Luck

Looks like you can't keep up with me at all!

[19:34] Asta

Hey! Welcome back, Captain Yami and Finral!

[19:39] Yami

Damn, you're noisy.

[19:41] Yami

Go train outside.

[19:43] Yami

Hey, Luck!

[19:44] Luck

Huh?

[19:45] Magna

You're mine!

[19:47] Yami

You're going to the Heart Kingdom.

[19:49] Luck

Really?!

[19:51] Asta

So it's finally been decided?!

[19:54] Yami

From our squad, we've got you and Nero,

[19:56] Yami

then Finral, Luck, and Noelle.

[19:58] Asta

Finral, too?!

[20:00] Finral

Yeah...

[20:02] Luck

I get to go all-out in the Heart Kingdom!

[20:05] Yami

Sure. Go crazy, kid.

[20:08] Magna

Please...

[20:10] Magna

Please let me go, too!

[20:13] Magna

I can't just sit here if he's gonna go!

[20:17] Magna

I'll get even stronger than him!

[20:21] Yami

Look, this was already decided
at the captains' meeting.

[20:23] Yami

Sorry.

[20:27] Magna

Please! Let me go!

[20:31] Magna

He's always running ahead of me.

[20:33] Magna

But I'm a true man,
and I can't be left behind again!

[20:39] Magna

Even if you tell me not
to go, I'm going to go!

[20:43] Yami

With your mana, you're not gonna be able
to keep up unless you're prepared to die.

[20:48] Yami

You up to that?

[20:50] Magna

Yes, sir!

[20:52] Magna

Who the hell cares about
how much mana you have?!

[20:54] Magna

I'll surpass the limits of a peasant!

[20:58] Yami

Fine. I'll try asking Julius.

[21:04] Yami

Just remember this.

[21:05] Yami

What's important here isn't where you train.

[21:08] Yami

It's *how* you train.

[21:10] Yami

Got it?

[21:12] Magna

Yes, sir!

[21:14] Asta

You did it, Magna!

[21:16] Luck

Yeah, it wouldn't be fun if
I just kept getting stronger.

[21:18] Magna

Yeah! You bet your ass I'm gonna catch up!

[21:23] Asta

In that case, Finral, Magna, and Luck!

[21:28] Asta

Let's all do our best training
in the Heart Kingdom!

[21:31] All

Yeah!

[21:39] Bell

Look at you, climbing up
that ladder all at once.

[21:42] Bell

You're just so cool!

[21:45] Bell

I guess you'll become the
Wizard King in no time!

[21:50] Yuno

You can't be serious. It's not that easy.

[21:54] Yuno

But someday...

[21:59] Yuno

Someday, for sure...

[23:39] Yuno

I'm going to follow my own path
to become the Wizard King.

[23:44] Some

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[23:49] Yuno

If you're going to come at me,
you can't hold back, or you'll get hurt.

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