# CALENDAR AND DATING CONVENTIONS

The Great ReSynchronization was a 60 year long notation system that was established approximately 35 years ago by the Republic Measures & Standards Bureau to recalibrate the disparate dating systems used by the Galactic Republic. It was since used as a zero year for the dating system; thus, the Battle of Geonosis takes place in the year 13, the Great Jedi Purge in the year 16, and so on. The Seventh Battle of Ruusan occurred in the year 965 BrS.

Dates using the ReSynchronization were written in the following format:

[Year]:[Month]:[Day] ex. 13:5:21

Festival weeks, having no month to number, are abbreviated as NYF, FOL, and FOS, respectively.

ex: 13:FOL:3

Dates after ReSynchronization did not include trailing characters. Dates occurring before the ReSynchronization were followed by "BrS", for Before ReSynchonization:

ex. 4,965 BrS

The dating system introduced with the Great ReSynchronization was still used during the Imperial period, although some Imperials preferred to use the establishment of the Galactic Empire (16 GrS) as the starting point.

### Days of the Week

- 1. Primeday
- 2. Centaxday
- 3. Taungsday
- 4. Zhellday
- 5. Benduday

### **Important Dates**

13:5:21-16:5:23 – **The Clone Wars** – Beginning with the First Battle of Geonosis, and ending with the declaration of the First Galactic Empire, the Clone Wars were a series of conflicts between the Republic and the separatist Confederacy of Independent Systems.

16:5:23 – **Empire Day** - Empire Day was the day that Supreme Chancellor Palpatine declared himself Emperor of the First Galactic Empire, bringing an end to the Republic. From the following year on, Empire Day became a holiday marking the anniversary of the rise of the Empire. Festivities of the holiday included a parade on various Imperial-controlled planets, the playing of the Imperial anthem, "Glory of the Empire," as well as the airing of a portrait of the speech made by Emperor Palpatine that formed the Galactic Empire.

# OTHER HOLIDAYS

### Ewok Festival of Love

#### Second month, day 5 (2:5)

The Festival of Love was a celebration held once a year by the Ewoks on Endor, to honor the kinship and love between tribe members. During the festival, Ewoks would give gifts of camby berries to one another to demonstrate trust and acceptance. Tribe members would also prepare meals, sing, and dance. One popular beverage served during the celebration was Chak juice.

The holiday has been presented to the galaxy for commercial reasons as a date to honor the kinship and love, celebrate by having meals, exchanging gifts, singing and dancing.

## **Galactic Moon Festival**

#### Ninth month, day 15 (9:15)

The Galactic Moon Festival was created by Jabba the Hutt to gain more support from Tatooine and Naboo. He grew tired of festivals of love and life, so he aimed to create the scariest event of the year. He sent Aponte to advertise the event, while Z'ozpheratu was tasked with handing out costume holo-projectors in both cities.

These holo-projectors would allow spacers to "dress up" in a number of scary costumes, including Droidekas, Toydarians, and Hutts. These celebrants would attempt to scare others with their costumes, by exclaiming, "Trick or treat!" If they were genuinely scared or impressed by the costume, the participants would be given Galactic Moon Coins. These coins could be given to Z'ozpheratu in exchange for certain prizes.

## Life Day

#### Tenth month, day 30 (10:30)

Life Day was a Wookiee holiday celebrated by the inhabitants of Kashyyyk every three years. It was a celebration of the planet's diverse ecosystem and the many forms of life it encompassed. It also was a time to remember family members who had died, and the young ones who continued to bring new life to a family. Life Day was a sacred holiday, and many Wookiees considered it their duty to return to Kashyyyk in order to celebrate it. Life Day was held once every three local years for many generations, but during the Galactic Civil War, its importance to the Wookiees became more pronounced. Wookiees were spread across the galaxy, either because they had been enslaved by the Galactic Empire or for personal reasons, and they began celebrating Life Day each year as a way to remain in touch with their history. Over time, the holiday found its way into various other cultures. "Life day" was also used as a term to describe the anniversary of one's birth.

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