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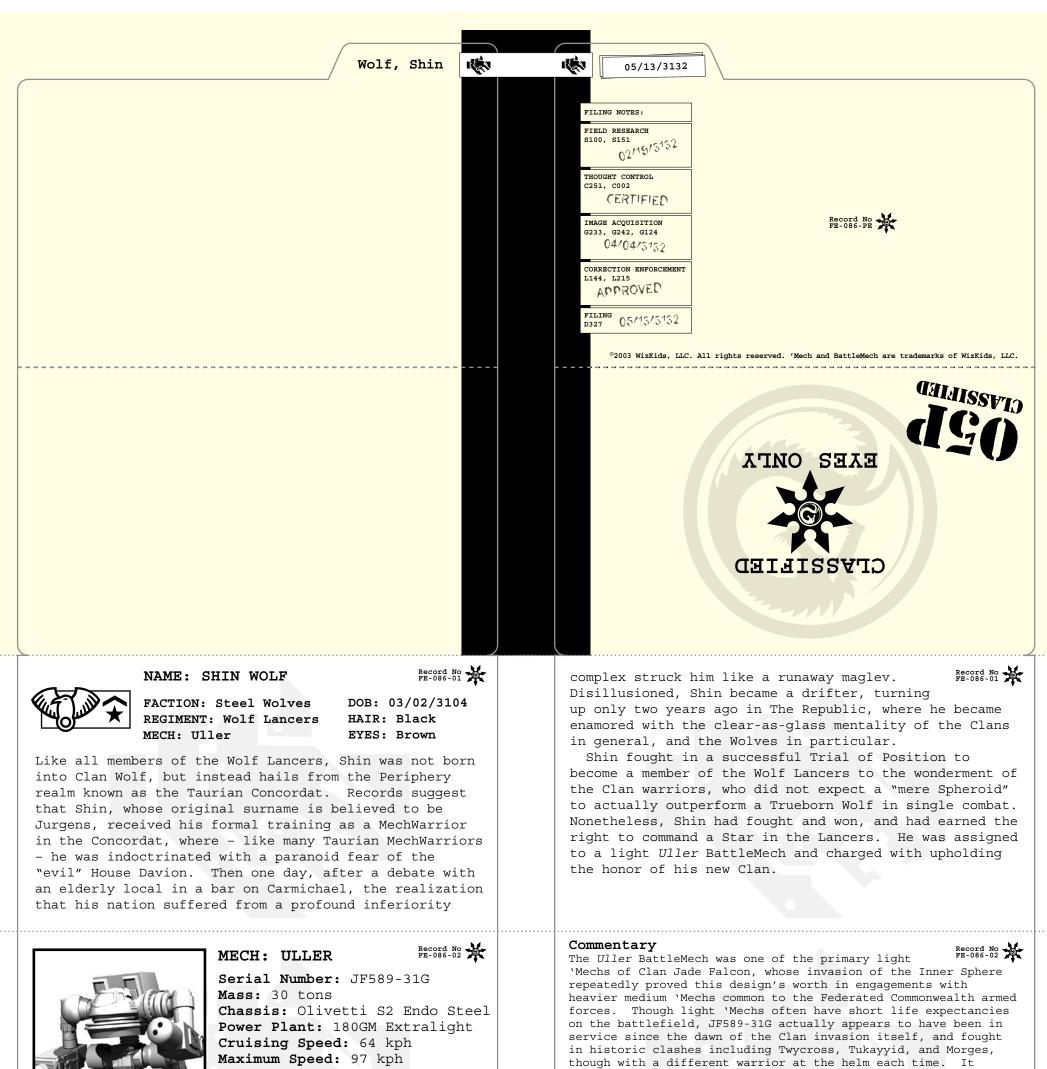
2 Series 6b Lg. Pulse Lasers

2 Mk.23 Type I LRM-10

Launchers

mixed Star of medium and light 'Mechs, this 'Mech was credited with five kills and six assists in four separate engagements with a Blakist assault group, including a massive, 100-ton Vanquisher BattleMech, but was felled near the end of that epic struggle. Kell's Wolves gifted WC132-22B, along with several dozen other of the more salvageable casualties in that conflict, to the newborn Republic of the Sphere.

Kym has named WC132-22B "Lucky Eight" to play on the old adage that cats have nine lives, and to acknowledge that this *Cougar* has already sacrificed one of its lives on Donegal.



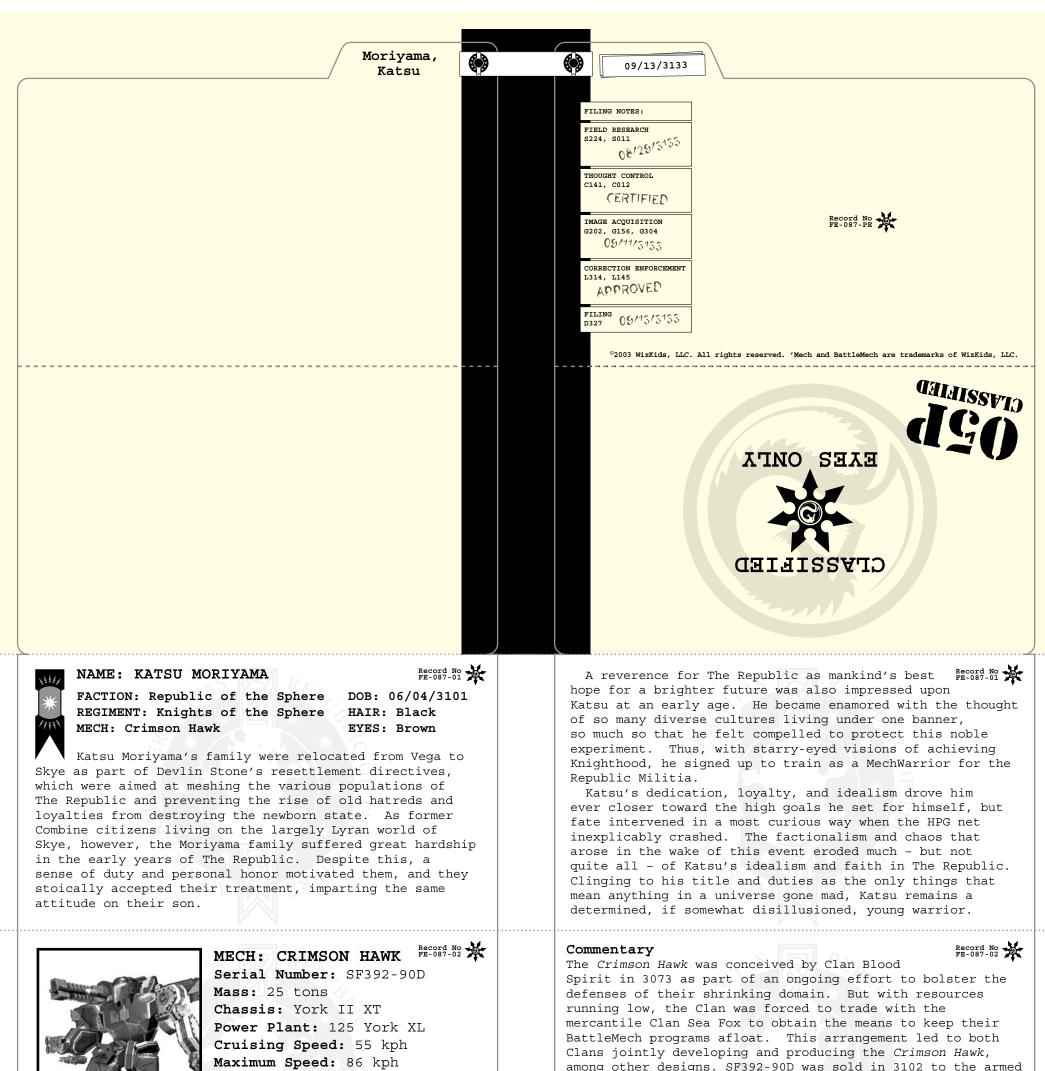


Jump Jets: None Armor: Compound Alpha Ferro-Fibrous

Armament:

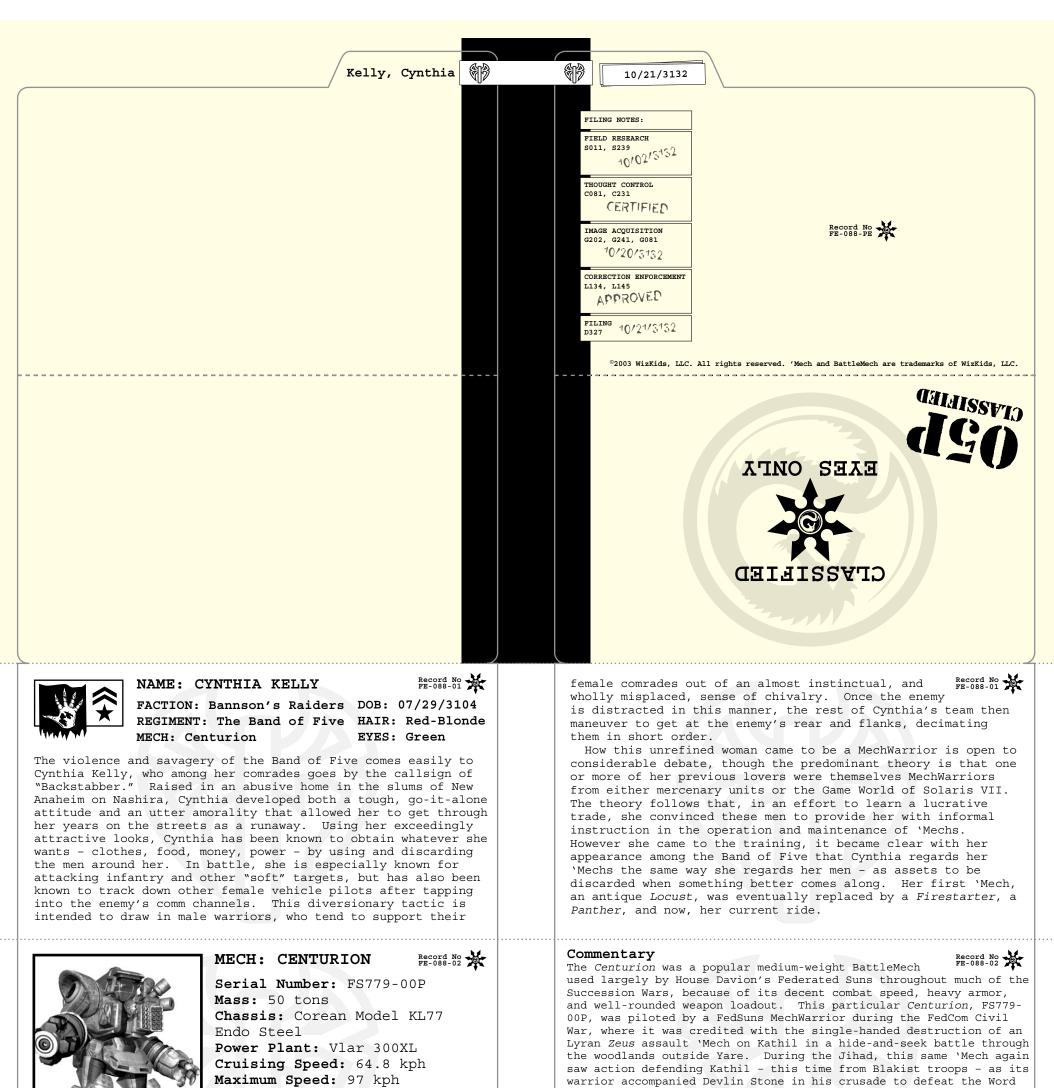
- 1 Poland Main Model A Gauss Cannon
- 2 Series 14a Medium Lasers

eventually fell during the FedCom Civil War, when Lyran forces, under the command of General Adam Steiner, led a courageous attack on the Falcons to secure the Lyran state's border with the Clan. Captured by Lyran troops, JF589-31G found its way into the regular forces of the LAAF, and was among many 'Mechs lost in the fight for Hesperus II during the Jihad. The Republic claimed the 'Mech from the scrapyard during its formation, and rebuilt it using a mix of Clan and Inner Sphere technology. Its current owner, Shin Wolf, has named it "Pride" to commemorate his acceptance into Clan Wolf.





Jump Jets: Clan Series Type 1 Light Armor: Compound 6A Armament: 2 Series 7K Extended Range Large Lasers forces of The Republic. Practically fresh from the factory, this Crimson Hawk was pressed into service, and fought in a handful of defensive engagements on the Capellan border. Though it was heavily damaged over the years, technicians have managed to keep SF392-90D fully operational. Its current pilot, Katsu Moriyama, has recently renamed the 'Mech "Revenant" in honor of what he feels is the current state of The Republic.





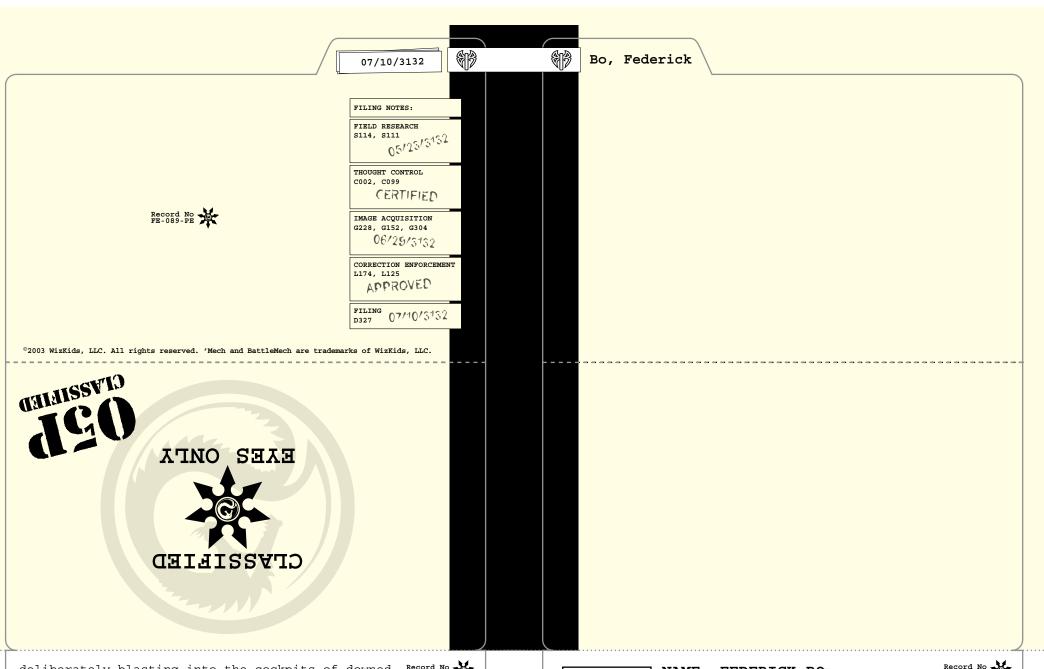
Maximum Speed: 97 kph Jump Jets: None Armor: StarGuard IV Ferro-Fibrous

Armament:

- 1 Mydron Excel Ultra Type 5 Autocannon
- 1 Luxor 3R LRM-10

warrior accompanied Devlin Stone in his crusade to defeat the Word of Blake and create The Republic of the Sphere.

Cynthia Kelly captured the *Centurion* she has named "Fury" when she discovered during a raid that the wife of the 'Mech's owner piloted a Saracen hovertank in the same combat force. After disabling the hovertank, she poised her *Panther* to deliver a gruesome death strike to its crew compartment, then stopped and challenged the *Centurion* pilot to surrender his ride. After the MechWarrior debarked, Cynthia promptly killed him, then turned her guns on the disabled tank, showing how well she deserves her callsign.



deliberately blasting into the cockpits of downed Record No the re-089-01 'Mechs, gunning down ejected MechWarriors, or blazing away into the back of mauled, retreating units, all the while virtually ignoring the rest of the battle to ensure each kill. Thus, while little may be known of his background, one thing is painfully clear: Anyone caught

within his sights who fails to disable the Headhunter will not live to see another sunrise. Fortunately, Federick confines this behavior to himself;

he does not impress it upon the rest of his command. All the other warriors he commonly leads into battle appear to follow their own particular styles, seemingly as oblivious to his activities as he is to theirs. Furthermore, it seems almost as if Federick has a "soft spot" for Cynthia Kelly, another of the Band of Five. In the only two documented cases in which Federick has allowed an enemy unit to survive after he has "locked onto it," Kelly's 'Mech was perilously close to destruction, and he moved to defend her.

Commentary

Record No FE-089-02

The original Shadow Cat was a fast-strike medium BattleMech developed by Clan Nova Cat. Wanting to capitalize on the growing success of designs such as the Mad Cat II and Ryoken II, Clan Jade Falcon introduced a heavy variant of the Shadow Cat. Maintaining the impressive speed of its predecessor despite its new heavy design, the Shadow Cat II quickly proved its punch in battle. This particular Cat, JF793-D, was used by Clan Jade Falcon during their drive against the Lyran Alliance during the FedCom Civil War, but was captured in battle and added to the ranks of the depleted LAAF. During the Jihad, it served in a Lyran garrison force along the border with the Free Worlds League.



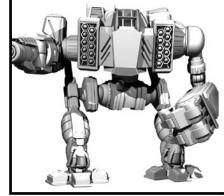
NAME: FEDERICK BO

Record No FE-089-01

FACTION: Bannson's Raiders DOB: 11/11/3109 REGIMENT: The Band of Five HAIR: None VEHICLE: Shadow Cat II EYES: Black

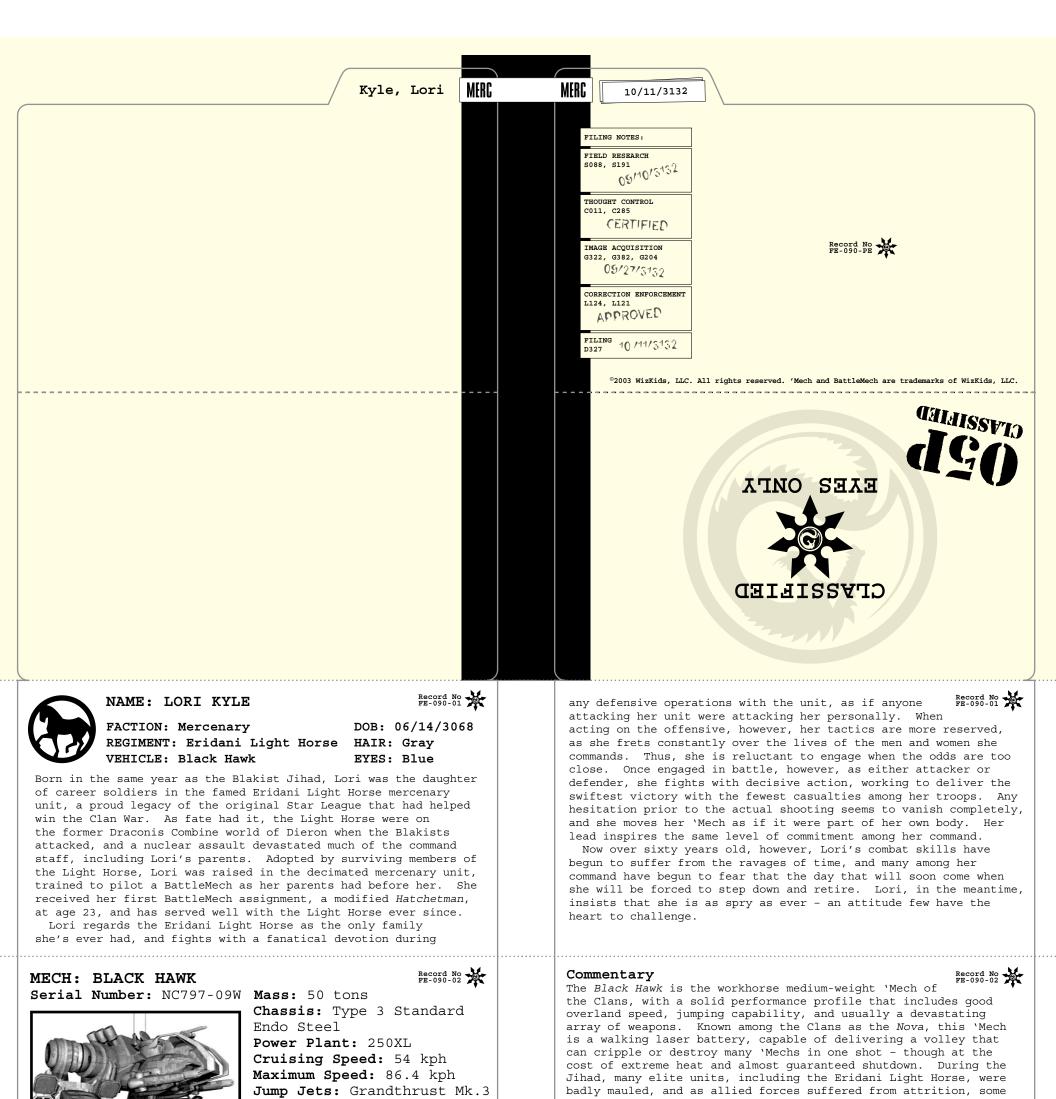
Federick "Headhunter" Bo is one of the most gruesome and mysterious of the Band of Five's officers. Little is known about his past, but it is believed that he either hails from the Clans or may have once served as a bodyguard/ hitman for one of the mafia families on Addicks, where he first joined the Raiders. What is known about Federick is his utter, dispassionate approach to combat - one that has earned him the alternative nickname of "The Machine." Unlike most of the other members of the Band of Five, Federick is known for his single-minded fighting style: He simply chooses a hostile target, then systematically dispatches it and its pilot. He has been observed

MECH: SHADOW CAT II Serial Number: JF793-21D



Record No FE-089-02 Mass: 60 tons Chassis: Olivetti Stage 3 Power Plant: 360 XL Cruising Speed: 65 kph Maximum Speed: 97 kph (130 kph with MASC) Jump Jets: Clan Standard Type A1 Armor: Raydient Series 3 Armament: 2 Type X "Long Bow" LRM-10 Launchers 1 EMRG "Captain" Series Gauss Rifle

Federick allegedly captured this machine after killing its pilot in battle, and willingly gave up his previous ride to pilot a Clan-built machine instead. He has named JF793-21D "Grim Reaper," likely in reference to his well-deserved reputation for pursuing pilots to their deaths.



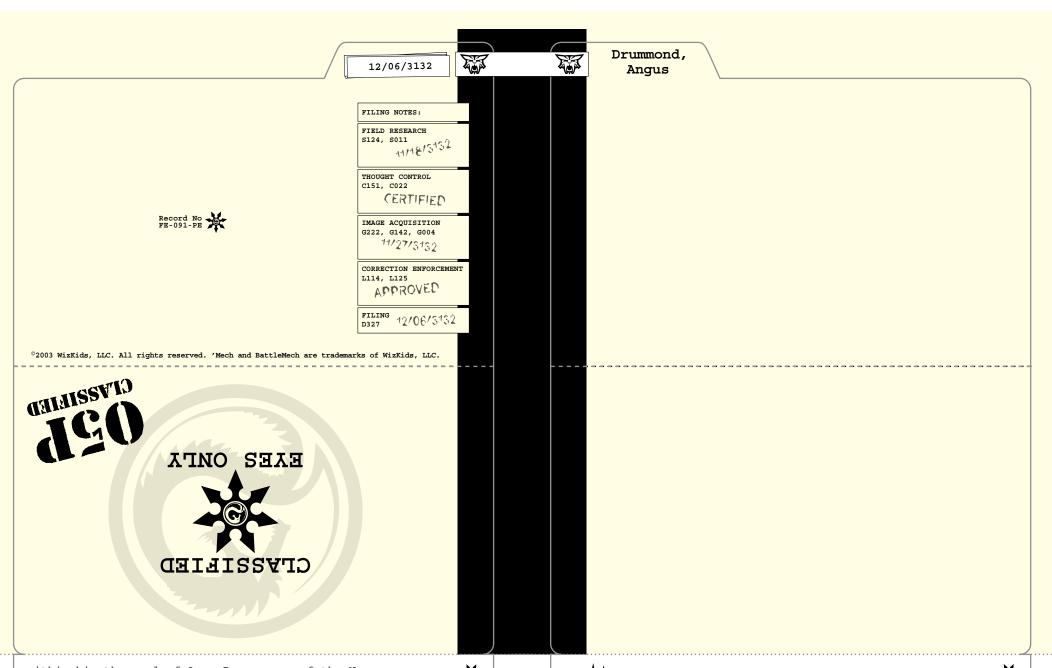


Armor: Standard YM17

Armament:

- 2 Series 1 Extended Range Large Lasers
- 4 Series 2 Extended Range Medium Lasers

were absorbed by those less damaged. In the case of NC797-09W, the Nova Cat force the 'Mech (and its warrior) had been attached to was virtually eradicated, leaving only a handful of survivors who were adopted by the Light Horse. Since joining the ELH's ranks, NC797-09W has received the utmost care, and has remained in near-mint condition. Lori Kyle, the sixth owner of the 'Mech since that day, has named it "Kitasha" after its previous owner, a friend of hers who fell in battle some years earlier.



within him the soul of Anna Rosse, one of the Nova Record No FE-091-01 Cat Clan's founders. He then racked up an incredible string of combat victories to ascend to the rank of Star Captain in charge of a mixed Supernova Trinary.

Angus, though he is somewhat unbalanced during battle, is astonishingly clear minded outside the cockpit, and is something of a strategic and logistical genius. His victories have often been attributed to this trait; he carefully plans each engagement beforehand, anticipating the needs of those under his command before they take the field. It is also known that Angus has not yet completed his own personal journey - one that he believes leads to the coveted post of Oathmaster for the Spirit Cats. In this he has been thus far thwarted by the chaotic Oathmaster Grand Melees, but his commitment to this goal has not diminished.

Compounding Angus' off-field troubles are the ambitions of his underlings, particularly those of Janis Nova Cat. So far, however, Angus' fanatical devotion to the Spirit Cats, and particularly Galaxy Commander Kev Rosse, have protected him from Janis' efforts to usurp his authority in the Purifiers.

Commentary



The Diamond Shark Clan (today known as Clan Sea Fox) conceived the Mad Cat Mk II as a produced-for-sale 'Mech to both Inner Sphere and Clan customers around the time of the Inner Sphere's final victory over the Crusader Clans. Basing the design on the original Mad Cat (known to the Clans as the Timber Wolf), the Sharks upgraded the size, firepower, and armor of the lethal 'Mech and fielded working models after a very brief development period. The Nova Cats became one of the biggest customers of the Diamond Sharks-Sea Foxes, and so it comes as little surprise that this particular Mk II, SF933-02S, originated with a sale to the Cats in the late 3060s. Assigned to the Cats' Delta Galaxy, SF933-02S served in several engagements when the Clan fought alongside Devlin Stone against the Word of Blake Jihad, including the Battle for Benjamin, in which its MechWarrior claimed seven 'Mech and vehicle kills in a single firefight with Blakist-backed mercenaries.



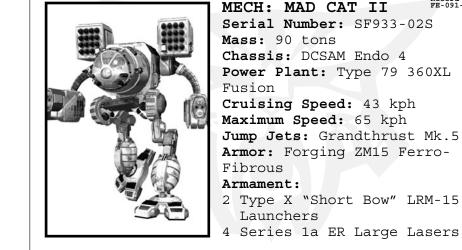
NAME: ANGUS DRUMMOND

Record No FE-091-01

FACTION: Spirit Cats **REGIMENT:** Purifiers VEHICLE: Mad Cat II DOB: 10/09/3100

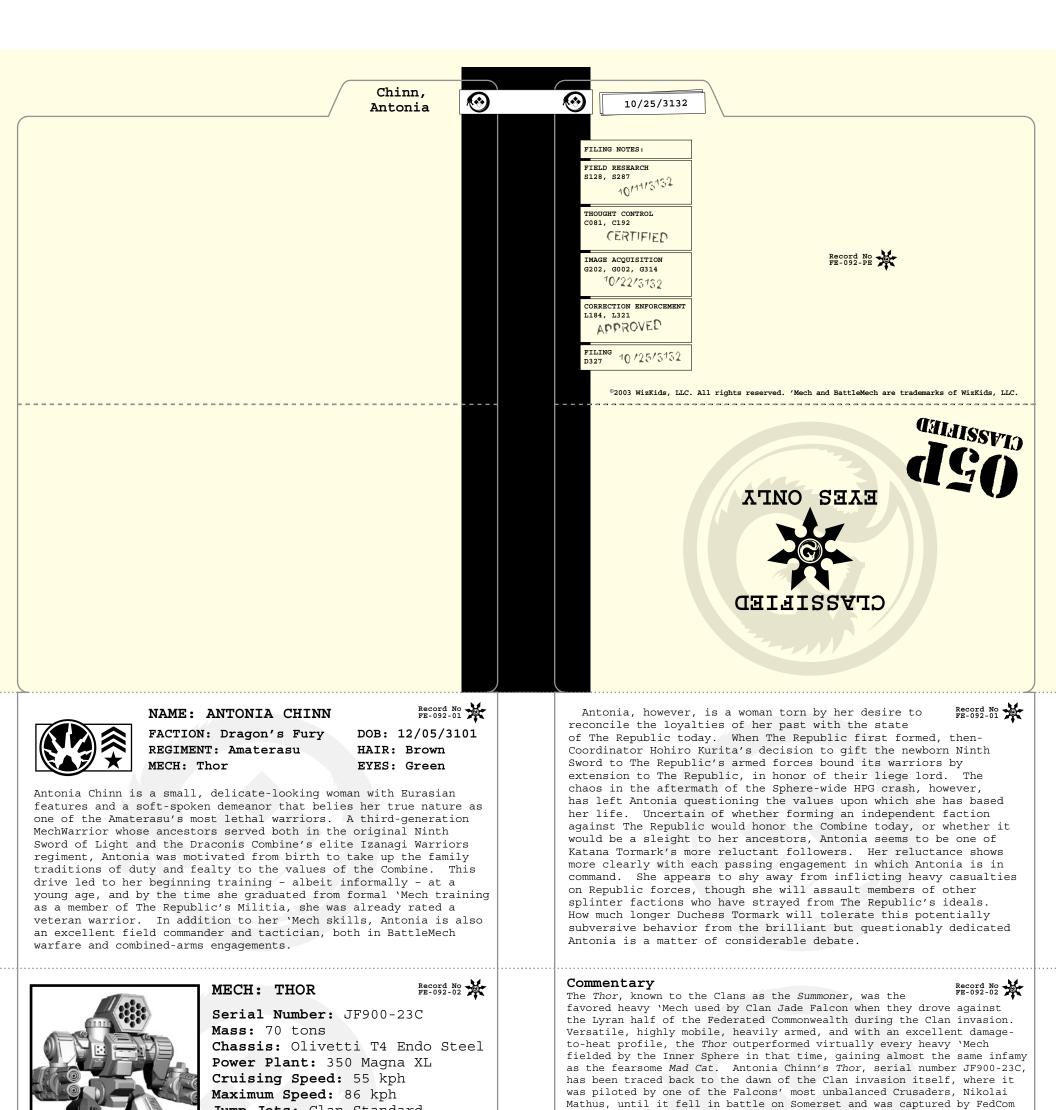
HAIR: Black, with a White Streak EYES: Gray

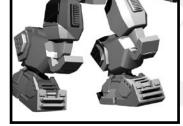
A fanatic warrior in the Spirit Cats' hypermystical Purifiers, Angus Drummond is the quintessential Nova Cat - young, aggressive, and single-mindedly driven by visions in the name of his spiritual purity. He is especially known for going on vision quests right before battle, and often enters the fray in a nearly delusional state. This state makes him an unpredictable warrior, even to those under his command, as he will fight one day with almost suicidal zeal and another day with cold detachment. Somehow, in spite of this erratic behavior, Angus has not only survived in the Spirit Cats - he has excelled. He won his Bloodname, it is said, in an unaugmented match in which he loudly declared that he carried



Record No FE-091-02 Power Plant: Type 79 360XL

Angus Drummond, the latest warrior to command this fearsome machine, has named it the "Cats' Shield" in reference to his self-perceived role as defender of the Spirit Cats' true destiny.



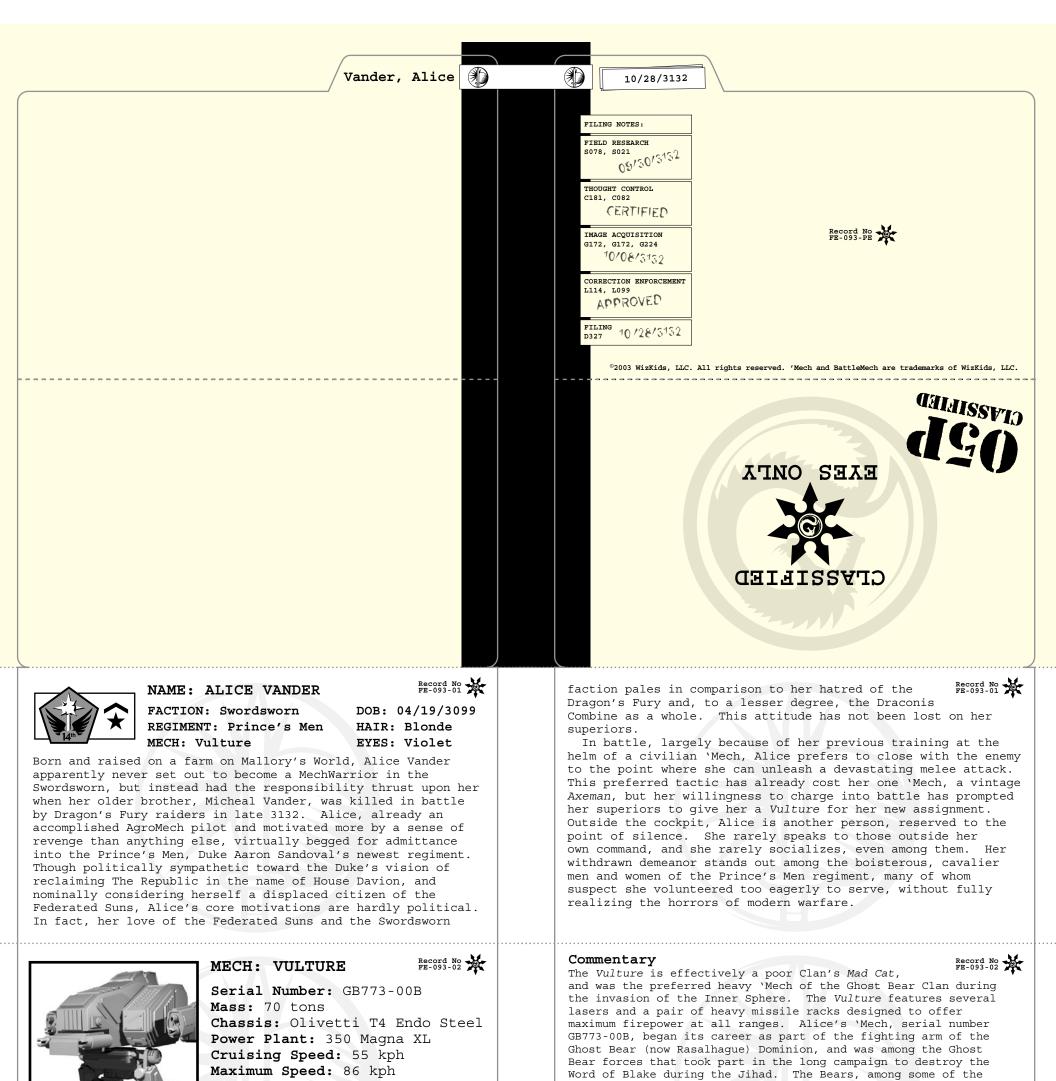


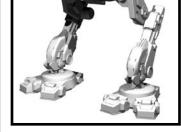
Jump Jets: Clan Standard Type A3 Armor: Compound Beta FF Armament: 2 Series 6b ER Large Lasers 2 Series 22 EB Medium Lager

2 Series 3a ER Medium Lasers

1 Type Z "Short Bow" LRM-15 Launcher troops. The Thor has passed through numerous owners since that time, and was actually in the hands of a mercenary unit that hid Combine peacekeepers on Yorii just before the outbreak of the FedCom Civil War. Captured by the Combine defenders, the Thor was fielded by the newly formed Ninth Sword of Light, when it was gifted to The Republic of the Sphere.

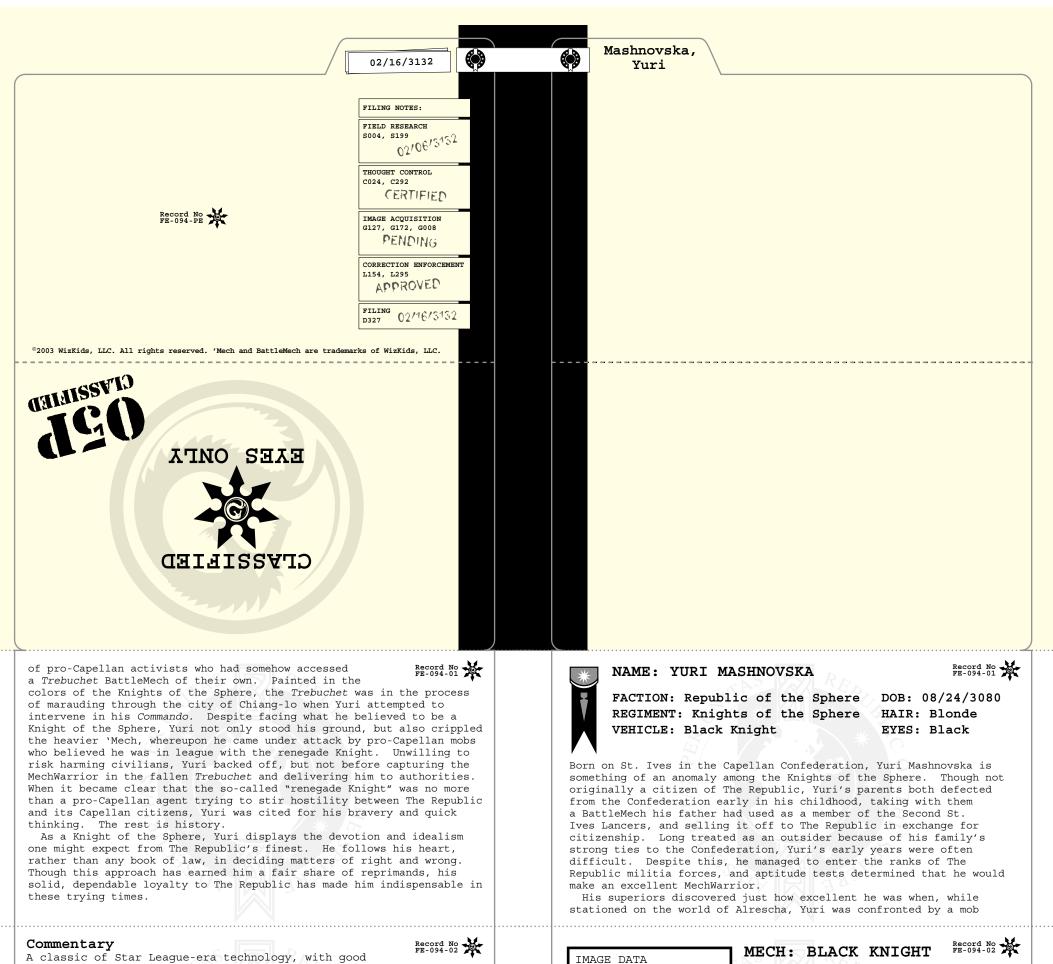
Antonia Chinn is the fourth pilot of this particular Thor since it became part of The Republic militia and later the Dragon's Fury. She has named the machine "Kanazuchi," a Japanese-flavored play on the hammer wielded by Thor, the Norse god of thunder.





Jump Jets: Clan Standard Type A3 Armor: Compound Beta FF Armament: 2 Series 6b ER Large Lasers 2 Series 3a ER Medium Lasers

2 Type XX "Long Bow" LRM-20 Launchers fiercest combatants in that campaign, drove as deep as the Terran system in their effort to liberate the worlds the Blakists had seized in their Jihad. GB773-00B was found among many Ghost Bear 'Mechs struck by Blakist neutron weapons during the liberation of Cebalrai, and was absorbed into Devlin Stone's growing army in the campaign to destroy the Blakists. Assigned to the militia forces in Prefecture IV, GB773-00B naturally was claimed by the Swordsworn faction after the collapse of the HPG network. Alice has named the 'Mech "Vendetta" as a reminder of who she is and why she's in its cockpit.



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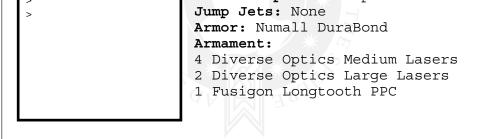
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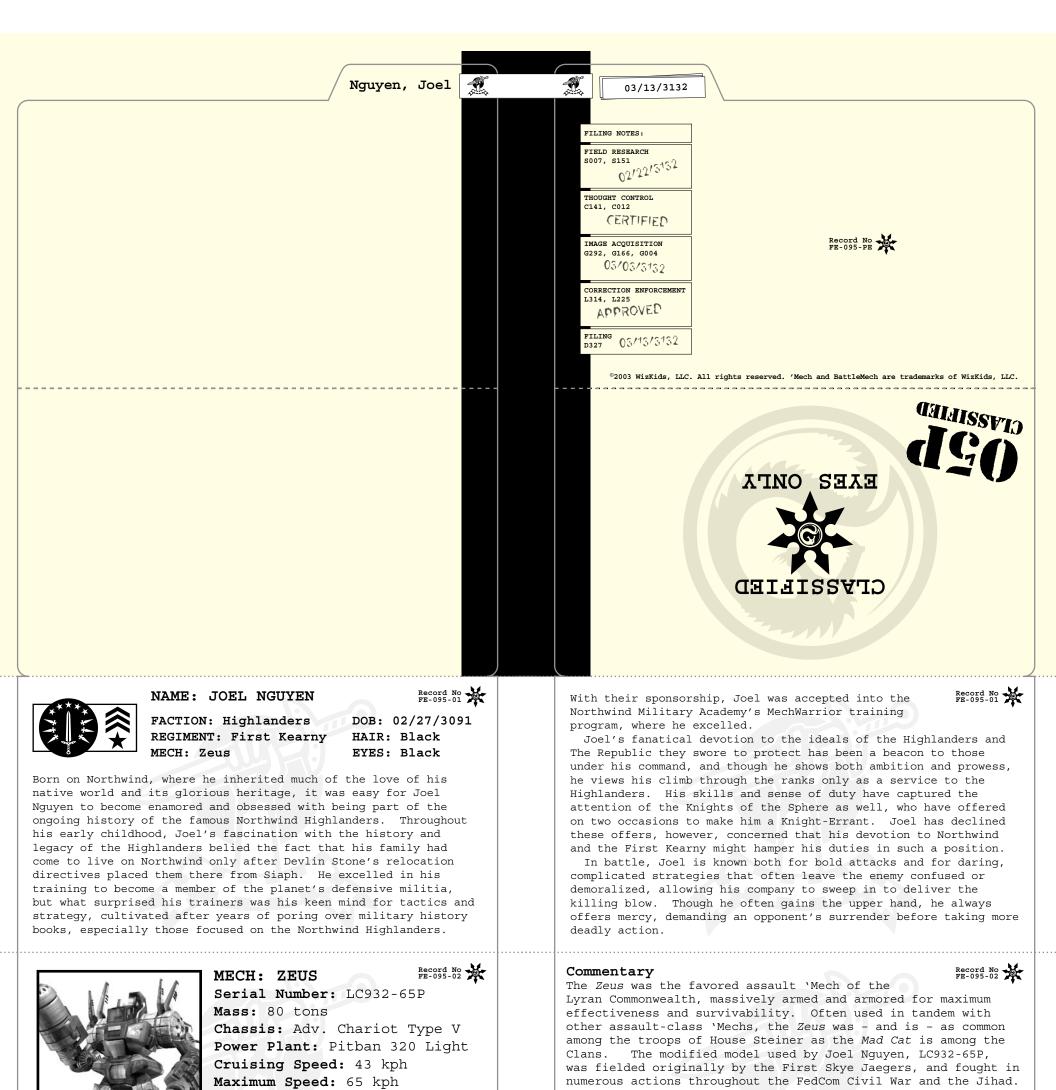
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A classic of Star League-era technology, with good overland speed, an array of all-energy weapons, and excellent armor protection, the Black Knight was often found as a command unit in combat formations. FW193-33D was originally assigned to the Free Worlds League's elite and ultra-honorable Knights of the Inner Sphere. Founded upon chivalric ideals that are today one of the cornerstones of The Republic's own Knights, these League units endeavored to bring honor and civility back to the Inner Sphere by example. Unfortunately, during the Blakist Jihad, the Knigh were attacked by a chemical nerve agent that left all of their number dead or crippled, rendering their mighty unit inert with a single, brutal strike. In the aftermath of the Jihad, most of the equipment from the fallen Knights was gifted to The Republic, encouraging Devlin Stone to "breathe life into the Knights again." It seems only fitting that one such 'Mech should find its way into the hands of a Knight whose sense of honor would bring pride to the fallen Knights of the fractured Free Worlds League. In honor of the original Knights' commanding officer, Paul Masters, Yuri Mashnovska has named his Black Knight "Sir Masters."

Serial Number: FW193-33D Mass: 75 tons Chassis: Technicron 2D Power Plant: Vlar 300XL Cruising Speed: 43 kph Maximum Speed: 64 kph



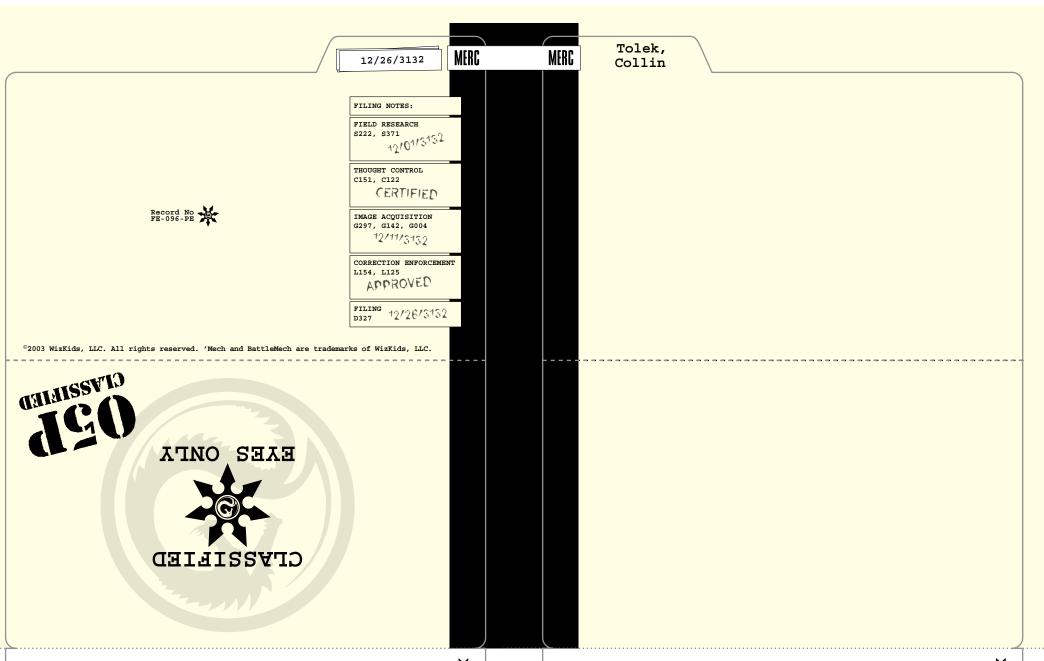




Jump Jets: None Armor: Glasgow Limited X Armament:

- 1 Doombud LRM-15 Launcher
- 1 Norse Extended Range PPC
- 2 Defiance P5M Pulse Lasers
- 1 Series 3 ER Large Lasers

When Devlin Stone announced the formation of The Republic of the Sphere, LC932-65P was among the defense forces on Skye when the Alliance formally ceded the territory to the newborn nation. As part of the materiel reserve built up by The Republic after many 'Mechs were decommissioned and scrapped, LC932-65P was eventually assigned to the First Kearny to infuse the venerable defense force with newer equipment. Joel has named his Zeus "Archangel."



tremendous loss that Blakists' razing of Outreach Record No re-096-01 inflicted on the Wolf's Dragoons, Collin does not share the often-brooding, still-in-mourning attitude held by the Dragoons' older warriors. For this reason, many of his superiors sneer at this "young pup," and hope that one day he realizes how lucky he is to have gotten as far as he has in life.

Collin Tolek fights the same way he approaches everything else in his life, and is often at the forefront of any attacking force. His arrogance and carelessness have separated him from his support troops on many occasions, and many times he has made a battle much more costly than it needed to be. Though he has received numerous reprimands and even a demotion from captain to lieutenant, Collin still seems unable to learn from his mistakes. But despite his many flaws, the men in Collin's lance all seem to regard this brash young hotshot as a friend and comrade for whom they would gladly give their lives.

Commentary



Clan Hell's Horses initially fielded the fearsome Cygnus in 3075 as part of their ongoing effort to revitalize their armed forces after their massive assault on Clan Wolf's Inner Sphere holdings. The new design called for simplicity, survivability, and above all, quick lethality. In the wake of the Jihad and the Horses' assault on Clan Wolf, the Horses and the exiled Clan Wolf forces operating on the Lyran front formed an uneasy alliance. Part of this alliance included the trade of equipment, including the new Cygnus, among which was HH992-19X. The Wolves-in-exile shared the fruits of this venture with their shattered allies in the Wolf's Dragoons, who continue to struggle even today to recover from the horrors of the Jihad. Collin Tolek has named this Cygnus "Hell's Angel" in an obvious reference to the 'Mech's origins.



NAME: COLLIN TOLEK

FACTION: Mercenary REGIMENT: Wolf's Dragoons VEHICLE: Cygnus Record No FE-096-01

DOB: 05/06/3105 HAIR: Brown EYES: Black

Recklessness, ill-timed bravery, and ill-conceived battle plans all epitomize the spirit of MechWarrior Collin Tolek, proving once more that simply being in a mercenary unit known across human-occupied space does not qualify a warrior as "elite." Collin is brash, self assured, and uninhibited, both inside the cockpit and out, and has a flair for overplaying his hand and overstepping his role. Were it not for the fact that he actually manages to get results at least half the time, there is little doubt that Collin would have been cashiered by the Dragoons long ago.

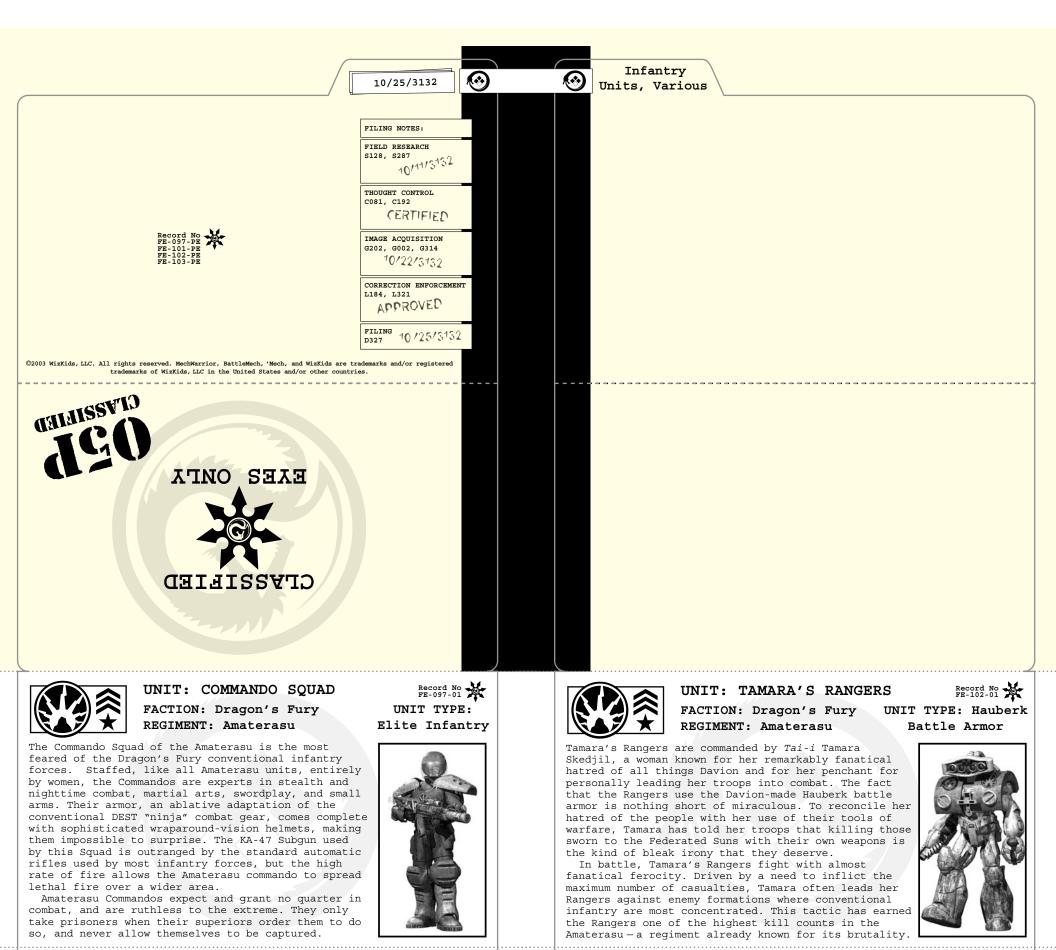
Too young to remember the horrors of the Jihad, or the



MECH: CYGNUS Serial Number: HH992-19X Mass: 95 tons Chassis: Type BMH-7 Endo Steel Power Plant: 380 GM Extra-light Cruising Speed: 43 kph Maximum Speed: 65 kph Jump Jets: None Armor: Forged Type HH34 Standard

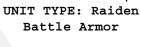
Armament:

- 2 Mydron Excel Ultra Type 10 Autocannon
- 4 Kolibri Omega Series Medium Pulse Lasers



UNIT: PILLAR ONE FACTION: Dragon's Fury **REGIMENT:** Order of the Five Pillars

Pillar One is the name given to the O5P's elite Raiden Battle Armor platoon, in recognition of the fact that the warriors, not the machines, are paramount to the strength of the Dragon's Fury. Pillar One is a finely honed team of battle troops, equipped with an improved variant of the standard Raiden battlesuit. Like the conventional Raiden armor, the suits used by Pillar One feature a reflective armor allowing them to advance using their jump jets and remain virtually undamaged by hostile energy-weapons fire.



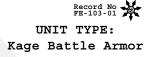
Record No FE-101-01



UNIT: KAGEMUSHA

FACTION: Dragon's Fury **REGIMENT:** Order of the Five Pillars

The Kagemusha specialize in commando-style operations against BattleMechs and conventional vehicle forces. These elite warriors use ECMenhanced Kage Battle Armor, making them fast and evasive in battle.

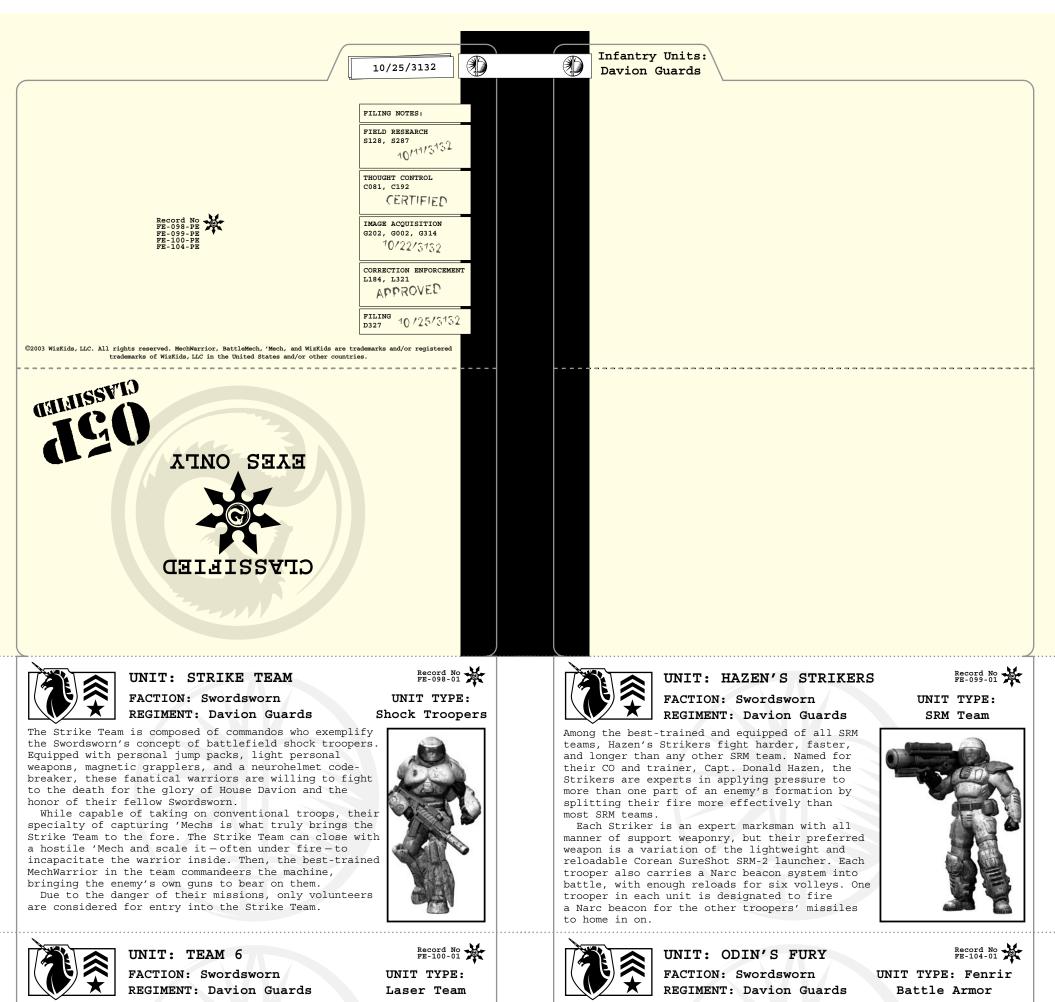




The members of Pillar One are experts in battlearmored combat - they wear their suits the way conventional troops wear fatigues. Pillar One moves faster, fights harder, and delivers more accurate fire than any other Raiden squad on the field today

The Kagemusha are commanded and trained by Tai-i Shiro Illyanovich, a master of the ninjitsu and kenjutsu forms of martial arts. The Kagemusha have absorbed some of his mastery of stealth techniques and evasive maneuvering to such a degree that these troops can avoid incoming fire far better than other elite Kage squads.

The Kagemusha's bravery and skills enable them to close with some of the most dangerous prey on the battlefield, making these warriors a valued addition to the Dragon's Fury.



Team 6 is an elite laser infantry sniper squad. Trained and equipped to deliver a concentrated assault that can decimate lightly armored vehicles in short order, Team 6's firepower can even pose a threat to unwary BattleMechs.

To ensure that Team 6 has e



battle armor. Taking full advantage of their semimodular battlesuits, the members of Odin's Fury employ dual-support pulse lasers in combat, rather than the standard laser or machine gun configurations. This loadout typically

contemporaries, Duke Sandoval has spared no expense for gear. Each member carries an extended-range version of the standard support laser and wears electronic-camouflage body armor that allows him or her to maneuver into position even under fire.

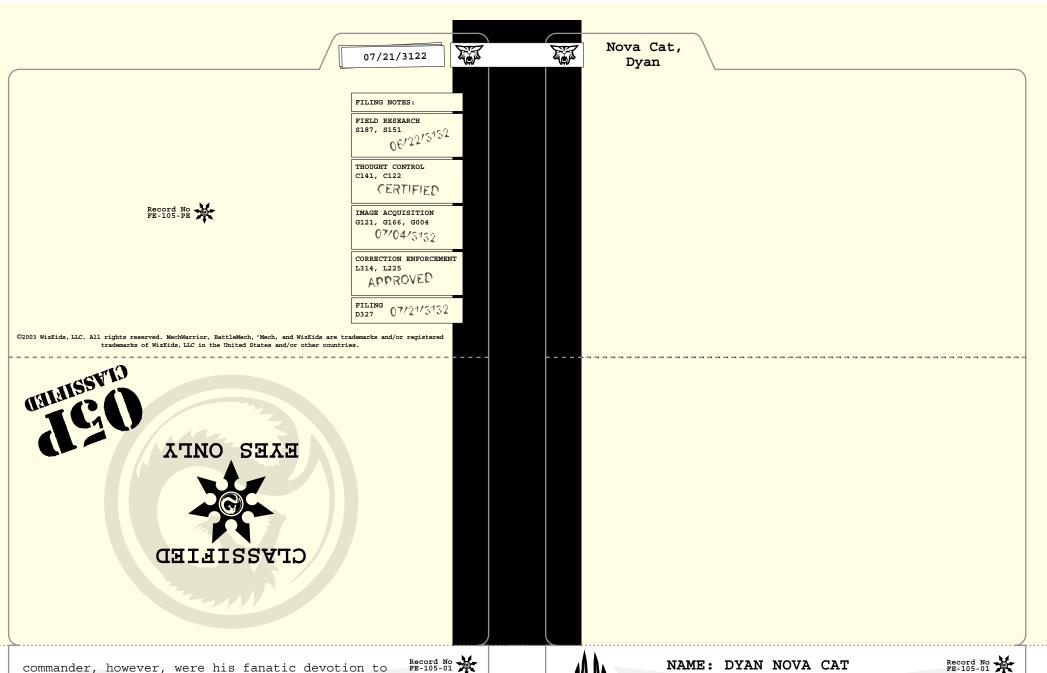
Although the identity and background of Team 6's commanding officer is unknown, we believe he actually hails from the ranks of the Federated Suns' infamous Fox 5 commando squads. This man has ensured that all his troops are crack shots who deserve their reputation as the Davion Guards' best snipers

es them slightly less mobile other Fenrir squads, but allows them to deliver far more damage.

Odin's Fury is made up of accomplished masters of the heavy Fenrir

These elite warriors can divide their fire effectively against more than one opponent, but they will usually focus their efforts on a single victim, hoping to make a quick kill. This platoon is notorious for pouring on the fire once they lock onto a target, believing that such overkill tactics will strike fear into the heart of the enemy.





commander, however, were his fanatic devotion to the mystical practices of the Spirit Cats and his uncanny skill at maneuvering his Saxon APC in the heat of battle. Witnesses to Dyan's battle driving-driving that can frustrate the targeting capabilities of even the most sophisticated BattleMechs - have suggested he is psychotic, drugged, or both.

The middle-aged Clan warrior, however, attributes this to both his skill, and to what he calls "micro-visions" that tell him when to take evasive action. Although the troopers that are his live cargo reach the field safely as a result, Dyan's style of "defensive maneuvering" garners less than their full measure of gratitude for the ride.

Commentary



The heavily armored, blindingly fast Saxon APC was first manufactured during the early Jihad years by Cyclops Incorporated, of Skye, for use by House Steiner's armed forces. Licensing eventually allowed this small hovercraft to find its way into the ranks of almost every standing army throughout the Inner Sphere, eclipsing the standard model Hover APC. Built to endure the heavier, improved weapons of the modern battlefield, the Saxon sacrifices firepower for armor, but still maintains

NAME: DYAN NOVA CAT

FACTION: Spirit Cats **REGIMENT:** Purifiers VEHICLE: Saxon APC

DOB: 07/24/3092 HAIR: Gray EYES: Blue

Though an exceptional warrior in his field, Dyan Nova Cat's origins are typical for a Clan vehicle commander. Freeborn, conceived and birthed outside the eugenics program, he nonetheless displayed sufficient aptitude for combat to earn a warrior's training.

His talents for infantry and conventional vehicular combat, especially martial arts, rifles, and hovercraft piloting, eventually led to Dyan's assignment as a conventional "tanker," where he often served his Clan as part of a routine police detachment during periods of urban unrest. What brought him into the Purifiers as an APC

VEHICLE: SAXON APC

Record No FE-105-02

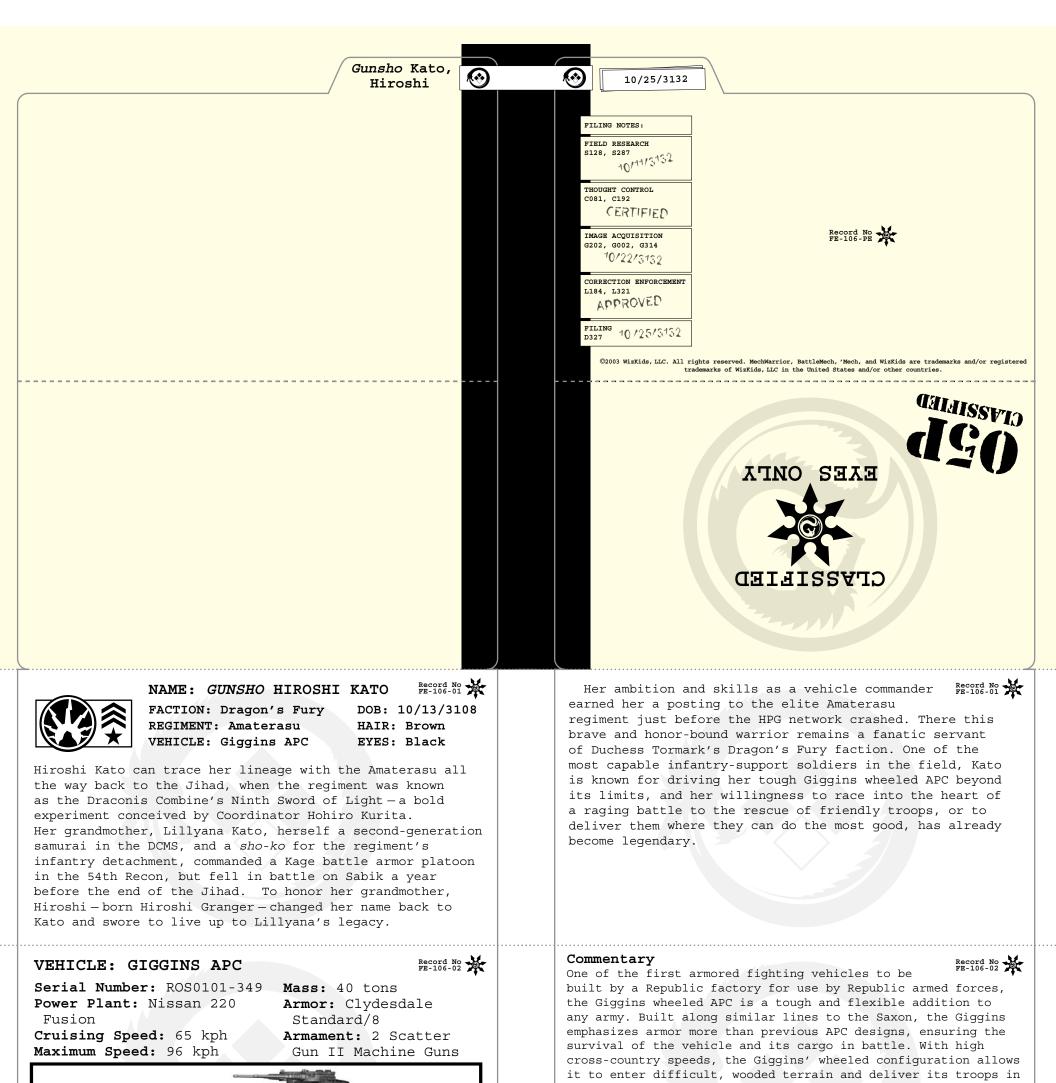
Serial Number: LAS671-033b Mass: 35 tons

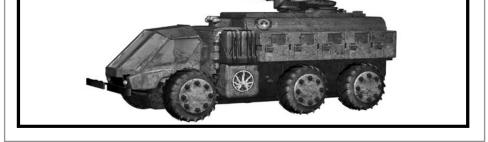
Movement Type: Hover Power Plant: GM 175 Fusion Cruising Speed:

enough interior cargo space to bring a fully equipped infantry squad to the field, with room to spare.

Dyan Nova Cat's Saxon, serial number LAS671-033b, was actually manufactured by Defiance Industries of Hesperus II, and was recovered late in the Jihad by Devlin Stone's troops on Ascella. Having piloted four such vehicles before this one, Dyan has dubbed his Saxon "Fate's Comet V," in reference to its blazing speed.

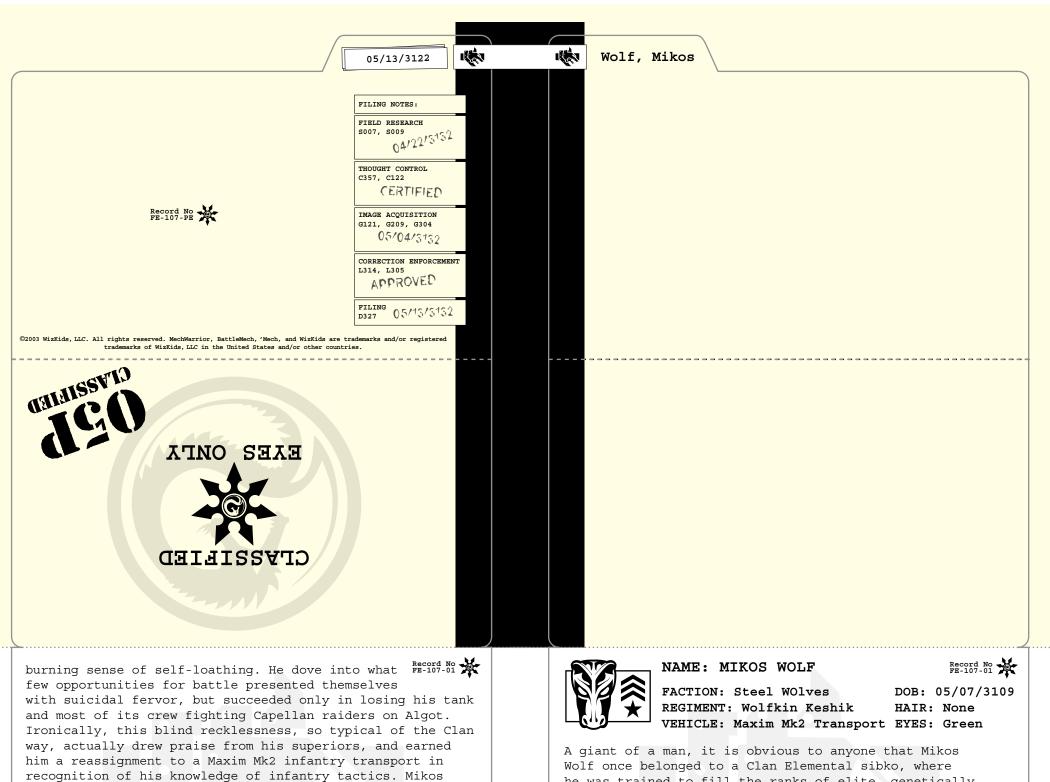






relative safety, while twin turret-mounted machine guns provide additional cover fire in a hot zone.

Hiroshi Kato's Giggins entered Republic service immediately after its manufacture in 3102. There it saw action in repelling several pirate raids over the years, before coming to serve in Prefecture III prior to the communications blackout. Known for coaxing more speed from her Giggins than any other combat driver in the regiment, Hiroshi has named her Giggins "The Dragon's Wing."



he was trained to fill the ranks of elite, genetically bred armored infantry. Unfortunately, Mikos' career was brutally cut short when a live-fire exercise left him nearly paralyzed for two years. A disappointing performance in the Trial to reclaim his warrior status relegated him to the ranks of the vehicular support detachment, in charge of an aging Condor battle tank.

The perceived death of his career and the emasculation of the Wolves under Republic ideals left Mikos with a

VEHICLE: MAXIM MK2 TRANSPORT

Record No FE-107-02

Serial Number: RSM0127-505 Mass: 50 tons

Movement Type: Hover Power Plant: PowerTech 165 HighLift Cruising Speed:

Commentary



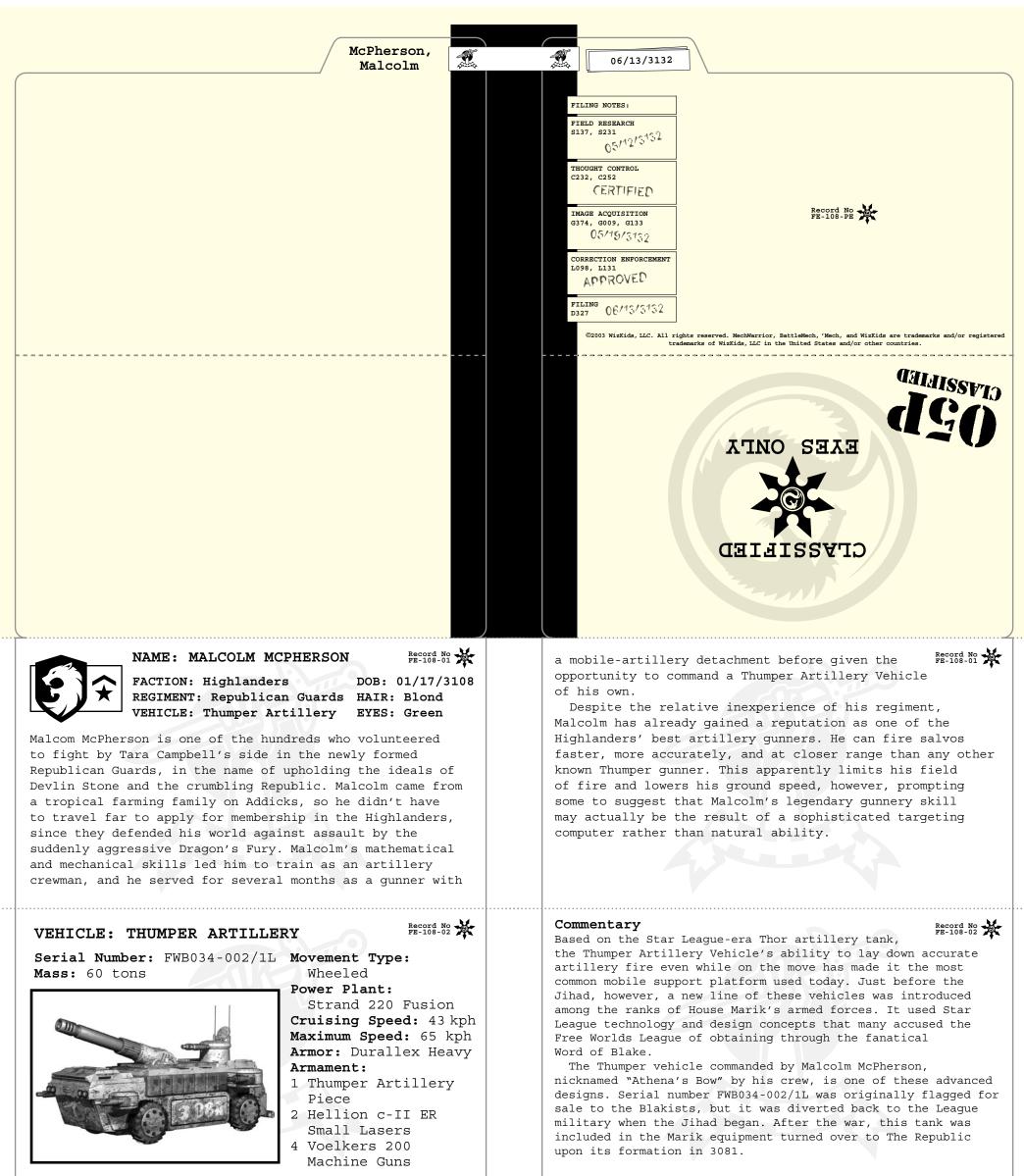
A heavy hover transport conceived for The Republic by Cyclops, Inc., of Skye, the upgraded Maxim Mk2 trades the armament of the original model for a thicker hide and a large enough cargo space to accommodate a platoon of battle armor or a full company of foot infantry. Detractors noted that this so-called "upgrade" stripped the Maxim of half its original value: providing heavy fire support that could even, in a pinch, assist heavier units on the battle lines. The designer however, argued that the lack of weapons was an incentive to keep Maxim commanders from taking unnecessary risks in the field, risks that had led to the deaths of many Maxim crews and their passengers in past wars.

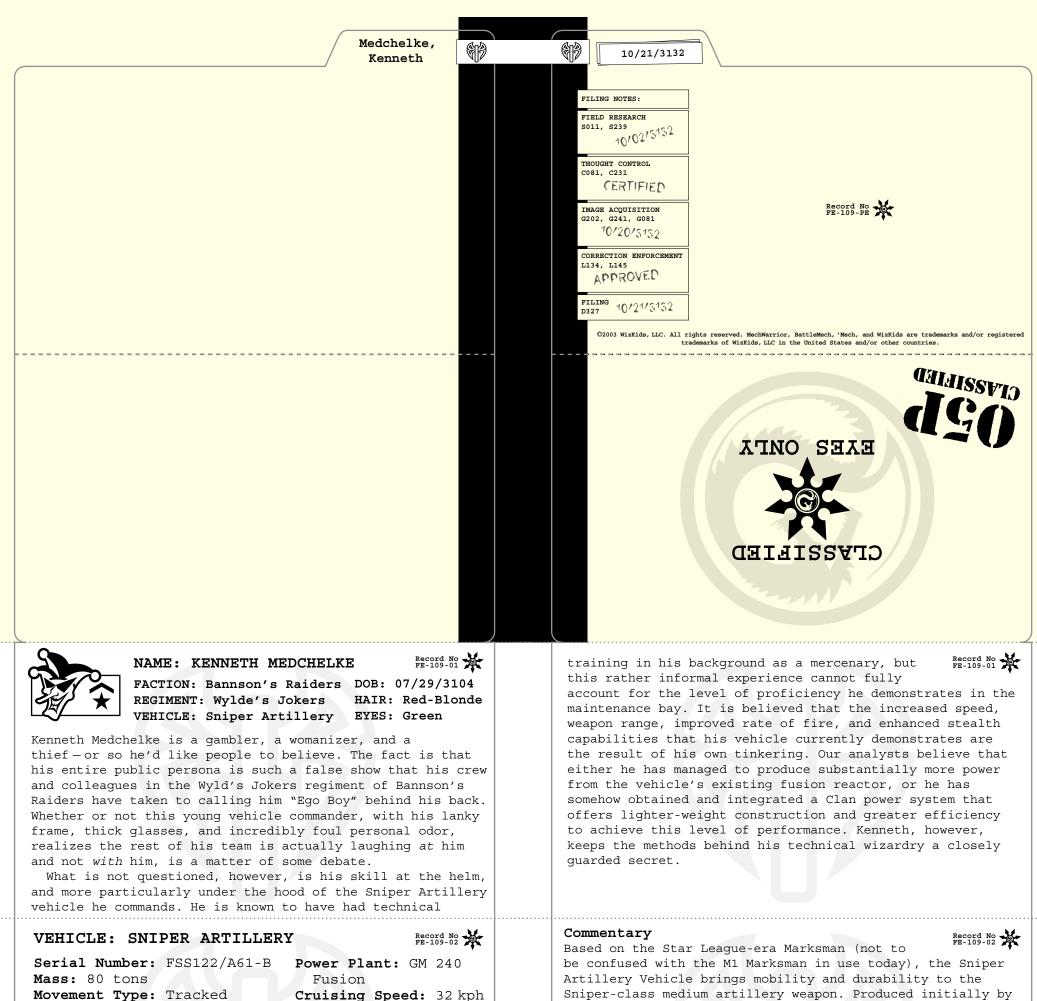
still considers himself a failure despite this promotion,

an attitude evident even on the field.

Mikos Wolf, commanding Maxim Mk2 RSM0127-505, is of the earlier camp, as evidenced by the lack of enthusiasm he shows in battle. Driving slowly, almost cautiously, this disgruntled Clan warrior only seems to come to life again when his vehicle starts taking fire.









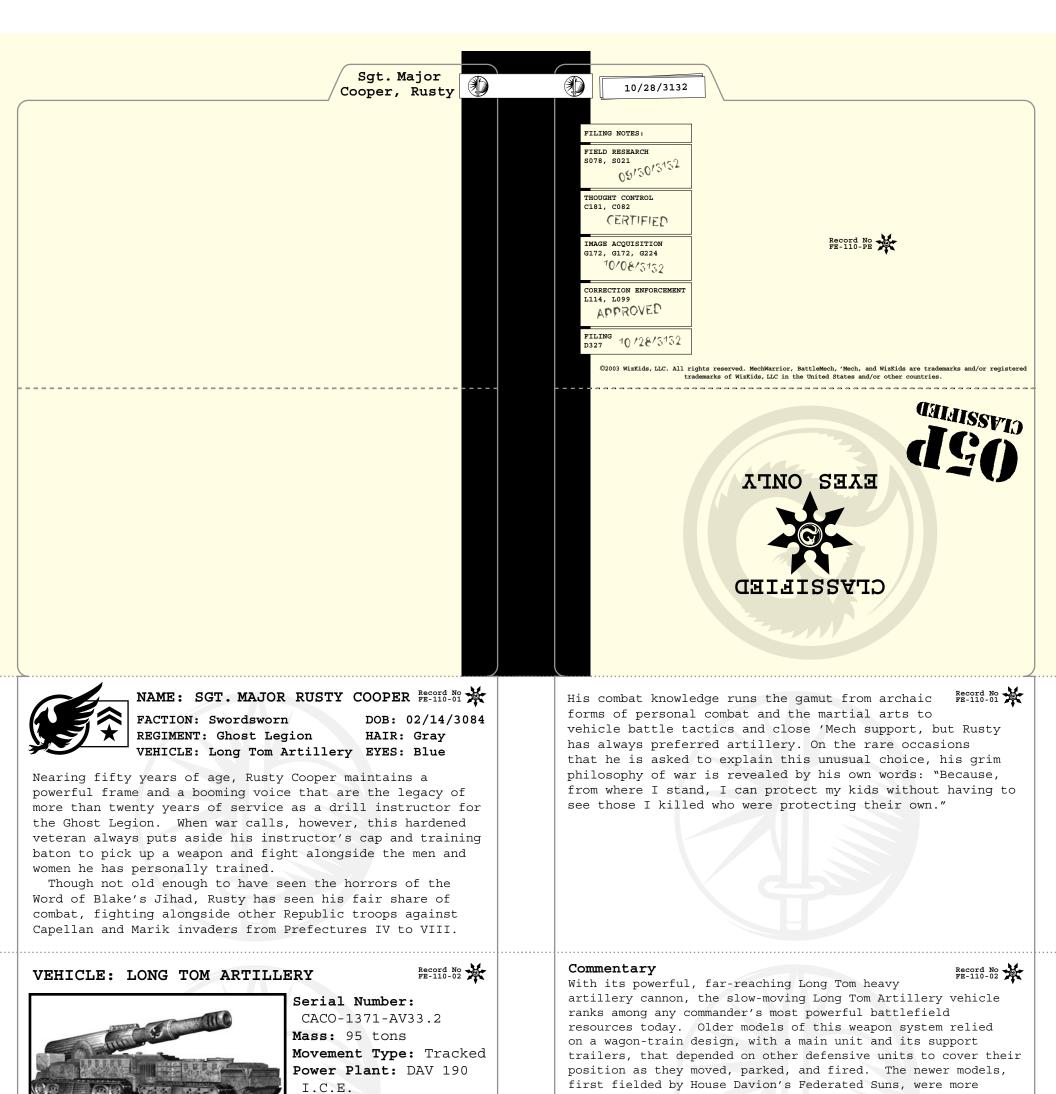
Fusion Cruising Speed: 32 kph Maximum Speed: 54 kph Armor: Kallon Royalstar

single Sniper artillery piece, backed up by a pair each of extended-range small lasers and machine guns. Kenneth's Sniper vehicle, identified by serial number FSS122/A61-B and nicknamed "Desperado," hails from one of the Suns' later production runs, which rolled off the lines after the formation of The Republic. Medchelke and his crew apparently brought it with them when they joined Wyld's Jokers last year.

House Davion's Federated Suns, this massive tank features a

Armament:

- 1 Sniper Medium
- Artillery Piece 2 BlazeFire Snapshot
- ER Small Lasers
- 2 Voelkers 200 Machine Guns





Cruising Speed: 21 kph Maximum Speed: 32 kph

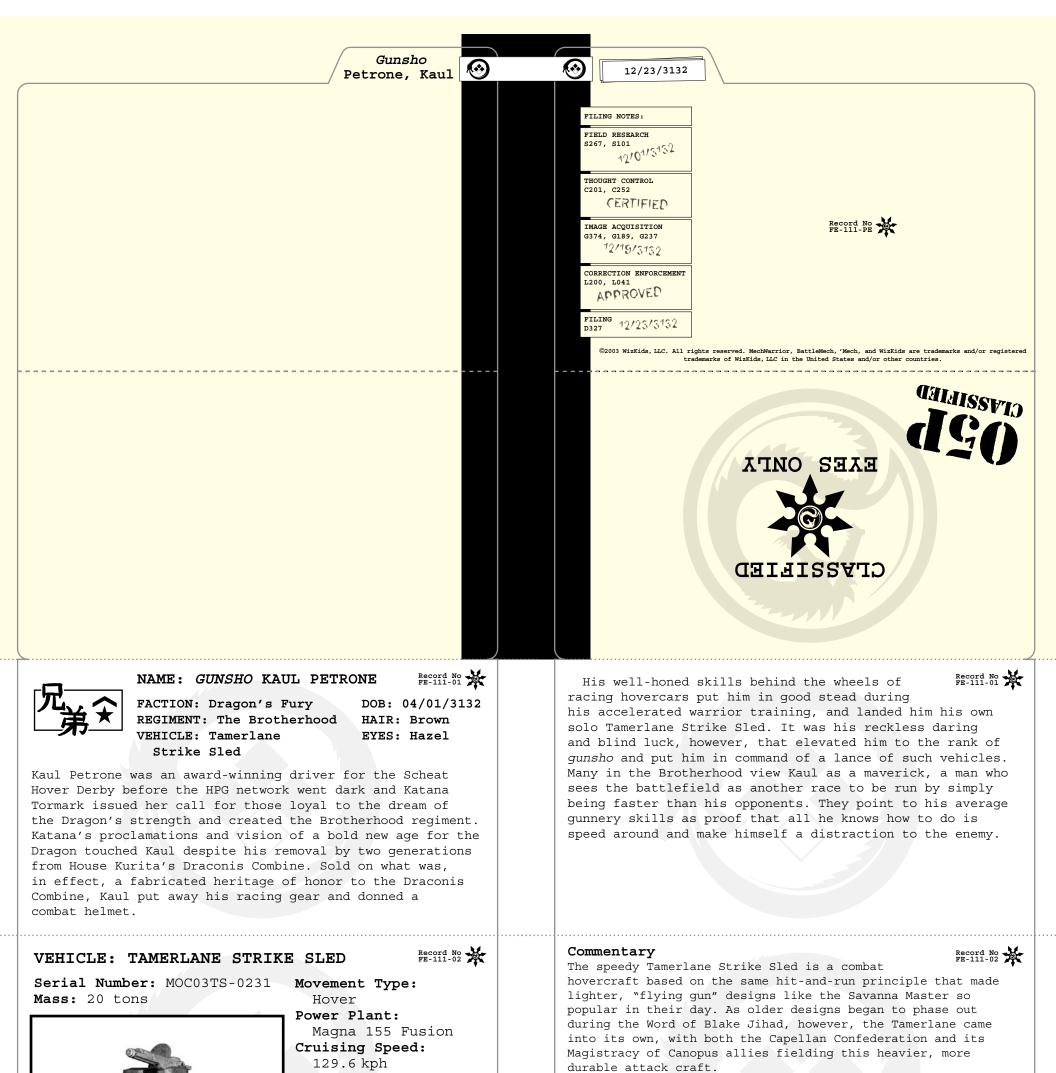
Armor: ArcShield Maxi II Armament:

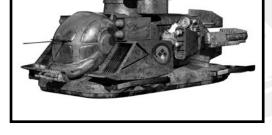
1 Johnston Industries Mobile Long Tom Artillery Sys.

4 Sperry-Browning Machine Guns

compact and mobile, though they required the same defensive cover, as their land speed remained a mere crawl.

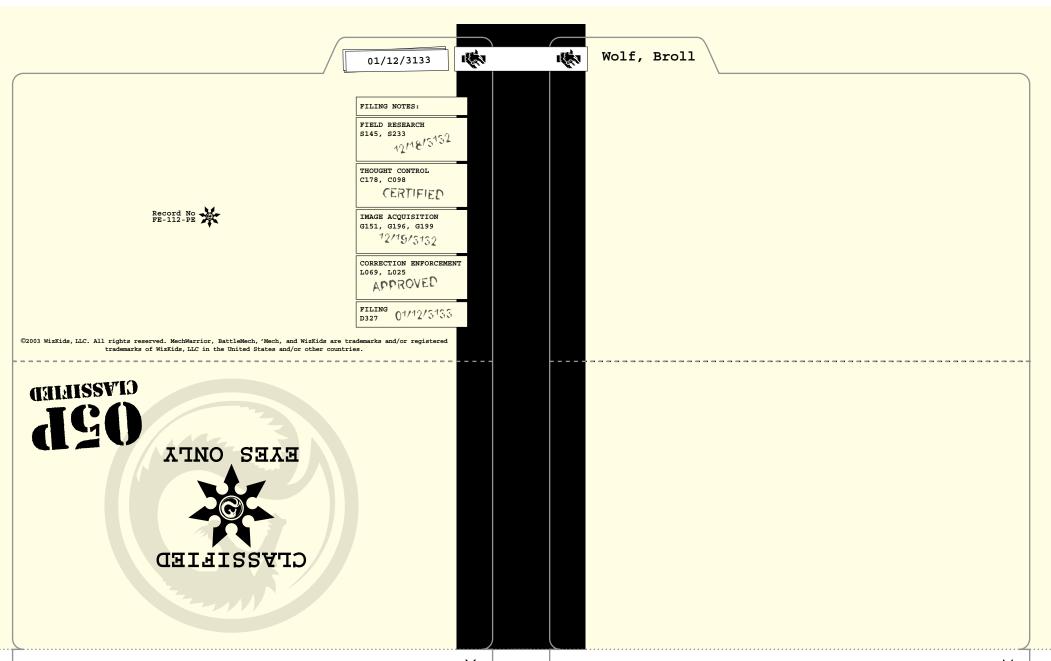
Serial number CACO-1371-AV33.2 was manufactured in the Capellan Confederation after the formation of The Republic, and was used during a Capellan raid on Yunnah in Prefecture VI. Rusty Cooper himself captured the weapon platform in a daring infantry action against the Capellans' rear guard, and he has named the vehicle "Chancellor's Folly" in reference to that battle.





Maximum Speed: 194.4 kph Armor: Maximillian 43 Armament: 1 Diverse Optics

Type 2 Medium Laser 1 Marklin Mini SRM 2-Pack The Tamerlane piloted by Kaul Petrone, serial number MOC03TS-0231, originated in a Canopian factory, and came with an extended-range medium laser. During one of his first engagements with the Brotherhood, Kaul sustained heavy damage to the Tamerlane's turret while trying to dodge fire from a Highlander Zeus. Difficulty in obtaining the necessary parts for repairs resulted in a downgrade to the standard model laser, so Kaul has now redoubled his efforts to perfect his expertise in fast, evasive maneuvering.



Record No FE-112-01 Evading pursuit himself, Broll managed to make planetfall on a world with a Wolf settlement on it, and appealed to the Wolves for admittance into their Clan. Like most such applicants, he lost in a Trial of Combat against a Wolf warrior, but his drive to win led the Wolf to accept him as a bondsman.

When the Wolf Lancers were formed, Broll's below-average testing prevented him from regaining the command of a 'Mech, but he earned a slot as a tank commander instead, and was assigned to one of the Steel Wolves' newly minted JES III Missile Carriers.

Commentary



The JES III Missile Carrier only began production recently, with a handful of production runs shipping out of the assembly plant on Zebebelgenubi for use by the Republic Army before the HPG network crashed. Designed to be the middle ground between the lighter JES and the heavier JES II, the JES III is slow, but well armored and better armed for its role as battlefield support.

Two qunners typically operate the vehicle's weapons

NAME: BROLL WOLF

Carrier

FACTION: Steel Wolves REGIMENT: Wolf Lancers VEHICLE: JES III Missile Record No FE-112-01

Record No FE-112-02

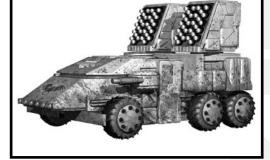
DOB: 10/11/3101 HAIR: Black EYES: Black

Like most other Wolf Lancers, Broll is abtakha, a warrior taken in from outside the Clan. Though Clan custom dictates a warrior adopted into a new Clan in such a fashion is released from his past and now owes loyalty only to the Clan adopting him, Broll's past as a Capellan renegade bears mention. Having gone AWOL from the CCAF, $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Broll}}\xspace - a$ MechWarrior in the Confederation - attempted to smuggle his 'Mech into The Republic, intending to trade it for citizenship and land, but his valuable cargo was reclaimed short of the border.

VEHICLE: JES III MISSILE CARRIER

Serial Number: ROS0011-412 Mass: 60 tons

Movement Type: Wheeled Power Plant: LTV 160 XL Fusion Cruising Speed: 32 kph Maximum Speed: 54 kph



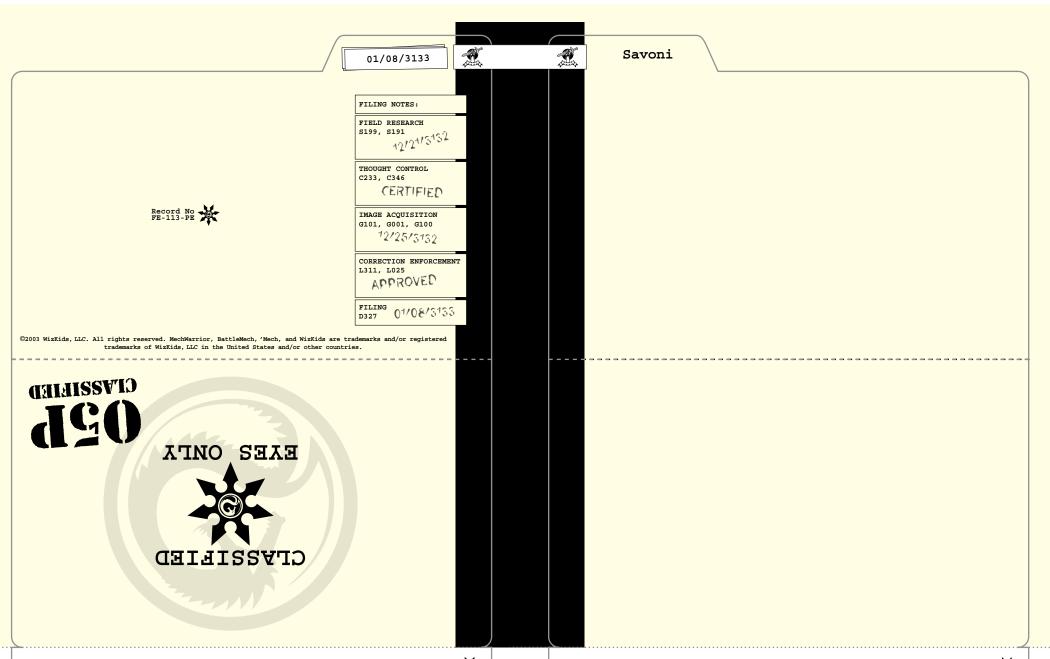
allowing for independent targeting and firing or concentrated, coordinated fire, but Broll Wolf, currently assigned to the JES III designated by serial number ROS0011-412, prefers his gunners to select the same target as often as possible for maximum effect. His JES, which bears the nickname of "MechBane," almost never takes to the field loaded with standard LRM munitions. Choosing to hunt heavier armored units, such as vehicles and 'Mechs, Broll keeps his JES III loaded with special armor-piercing munitions.

Armor:

Starshield III

Armament:

- 4 ExoStar B-series LRM-15 Launchers
- 2 GM MiniGun Machine Guns



Record No FE-113-01 die in a vicious gunfight right before her eyesvictims of a turf war she herself had instigated. Her world shattered, Savoni fled Outreach on the next DropShip and never looked back, turning up on Northwind just before the collapse of the HPG network.

Lost and disillusioned, she latched on to Tara Campbell's call for volunteers to help defend the crumbling Republic, but only after some effort by the local recruiter to convince her that fighting for something noble, and defending countless innocent lives, was better than giving in to the petty, ganglike rivalries of the past.

Commentary

Record No FE-113-02

Designed for 'Mechs, but equally capable of effecting repairs on damaged armor, the JI100 is the most common field-repair and salvage vehicle on the field today. Produced by Johnston Industries of New Syrtis, in the Federated Suns, the JI100 uses three sophisticated, fully articulated "arms," each complete with a variety of cutting and joining equipment, to allow its technical crew to perform fast repairs using generic parts carried into the field. Heavy, slow, and lightly armed, the JI100 is not meant for a direct combat role, and is often kept well behind friendly lines, but the changing face of war has increasingly forced commanders to risk these valuable machines in combat to salvage damaged 'Mechs and tanks. With this in mind, Wade Davolt modified his JI100, nicknamed "The Coffin," with heavier armor, at the expense of its meager firepower and some of its cargo capacity.



NAME: SAVONI

Record No FE-113-01

Record No FE-113-02

FACTION: Highlanders REGIMENT: Republican Guards HAIR: Brown VEHICLE: Bellona Tank

DOB: 03/11/3110

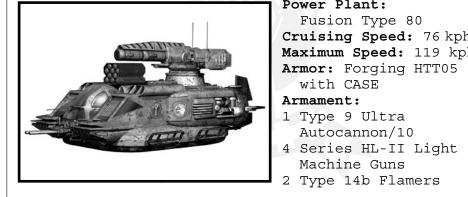
EYES: Blue

Savoni is the only name this petite, fiery tank commander of the Highlanders' Republican Guards will answer to, and for that reason-as well as her lack of social graces outside military life-many jump to the conclusion that she actually hails from Clan origins. In truth, Savoni is a native of Outreach, and was virtually raised by the violent street gangs that regularly roam the devastated wasteland that once was a prosperous center for the mercenary trade across the Inner Sphere.

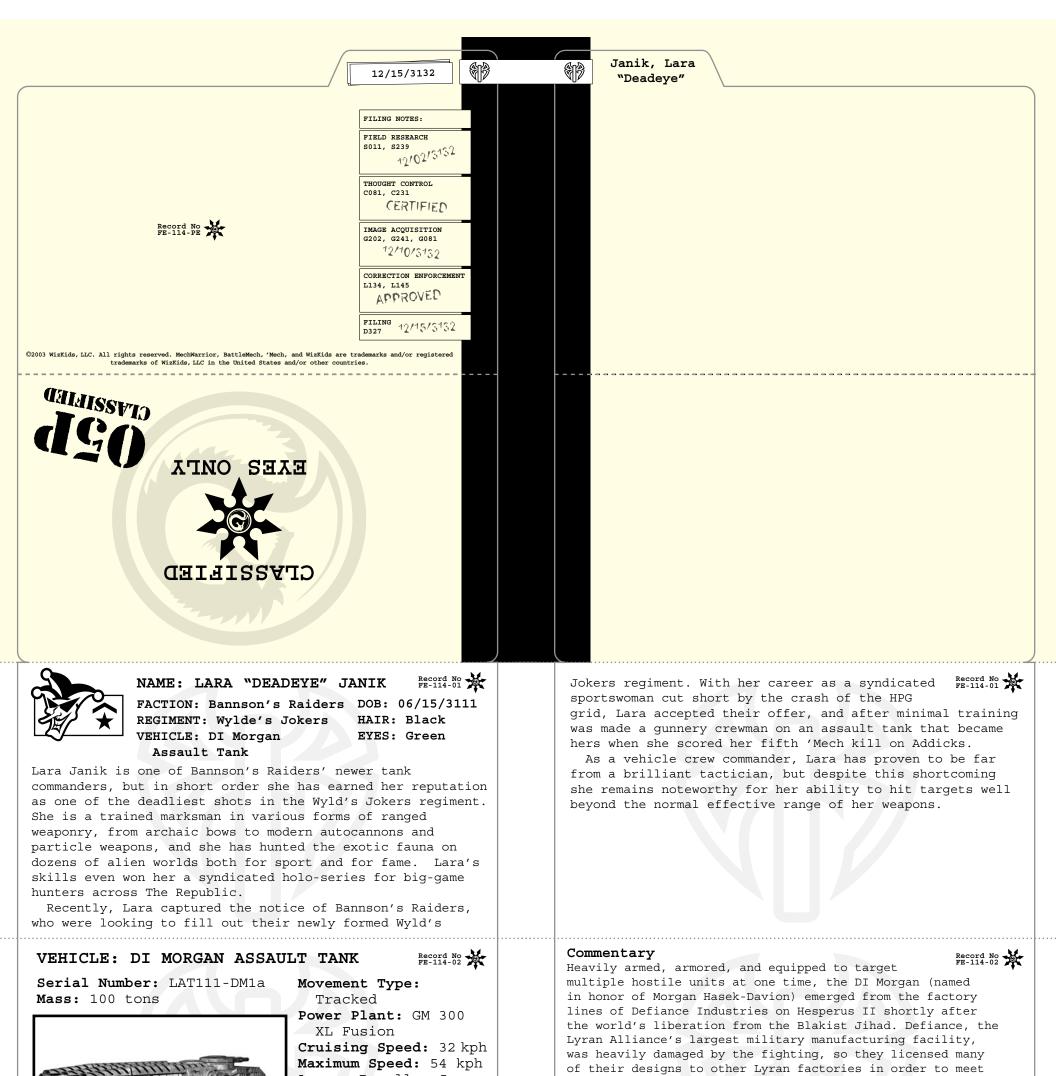
The cost of her brutal, fast-and-easy lifestyle became clear to Savoni when she watched her sister and best friend

VEHICLE: BELLONA TANK

Serial Number: HHB109-63218d Movement Type: Mass: 45 tons



Hover Power Plant: Cruising Speed: 76 kph Maximum Speed: 119 kph





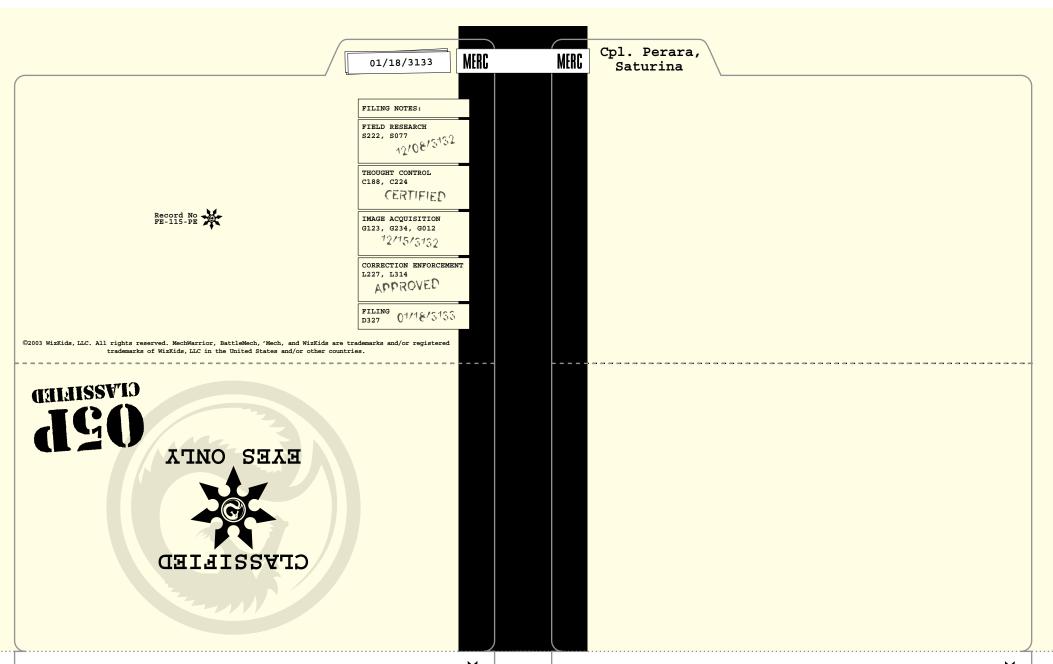
Armor: Durallex Super Ferro-Fibrous

Armament:

- 3 Defiance 1001
- Extended-Range PPCs
- 2 Coventry Light Autogun Machine Guns

the staggering demand for vehicles and 'Mechs needed to rearm House Steiner's battered army.

Upon the formation of The Republic, several of these vehicles were part of the Steiner units that declared their loyalty to Devlin Stone. Serial number LAT111-DM1a is one of the few Morgans that came directly from Defiance Industries' Hesperus plant, and has received the nickname of "Triple Bolt" from its current crew in reference to the three bolts of manmade lightning it can unleash in a single volley.



for the call to race across the battle lines in support of a wounded unit.

Record No FE-115-01

Yet, for all the enthusiasm she shows when rushing headlong through a blazing crossfire so her mixed team of technicians and medics can rescue a damaged vehicle or infantry trooper, Saturina actually abhors every aspect of combat. Not quite a pacifist, she nevertheless refuses to carry weapons of any kind on her person or in her vehicle during a battle, and has been known to render humanitarian assistance even to a wounded enemy soldier without blinking.

Commentary



Recognized as the archetypical MASH vehicle used across the Inner Sphere today, the MIT23 first emerged from ComStar factories before the Jihad, to replace older designs used by the Star League Defense Force. With expanded facilities, capable of rendering medical service to a full infantry squad at one time, this vehicle still maintains enough mobility to get close to a battlefield, perform critical operations, and get back out again in one piece. Many of these MASH trucks were enhanced later by Clan medical technology, capable of getting soldiers back into fighting shape even faster, or well enough for a final desperate push against enemy lines. Serial number NSL4077-8063MM, assigned to the MASH that Saturina Perara commands, lacks these facilities, however, replacing them with a small technicians' workstation and a cramped cargo bay for parts, allowing her partial crew of trained technicians to render quick, rudimentary repairs to damaged vehicles.



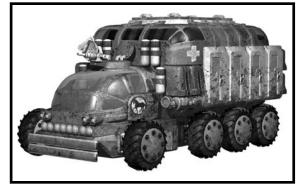
NAME: CORPORAL SATURINA PERARA Record No PE-115-01 FACTION: Mercenary DOB: 08/04/3101 REGIMENT: Eridani Light Horse HAIR: Red VEHICLE: MIT23 M.A.S.H. Vehicle EYES: Brown

Holding academic degrees in physics, mechanical engineering, and medicine, Saturina Perara is equally skilled in technological and biological repair and maintenance, and has become a model for the kind of flexibility that is so necessary to mercenary life. This broad base of knowledge has allowed her to do more than simply drive her small MASH unit into the field like a motorized Florence Nightingale, and her fellow Light Horsemen often call the rugged Perara a "Renaissance woman" in recognition of her talents. On the field, Perara keeps her vehicle in constant motion, waiting

VEHICLE: MIT23 M.A.S.H. VEHICLE

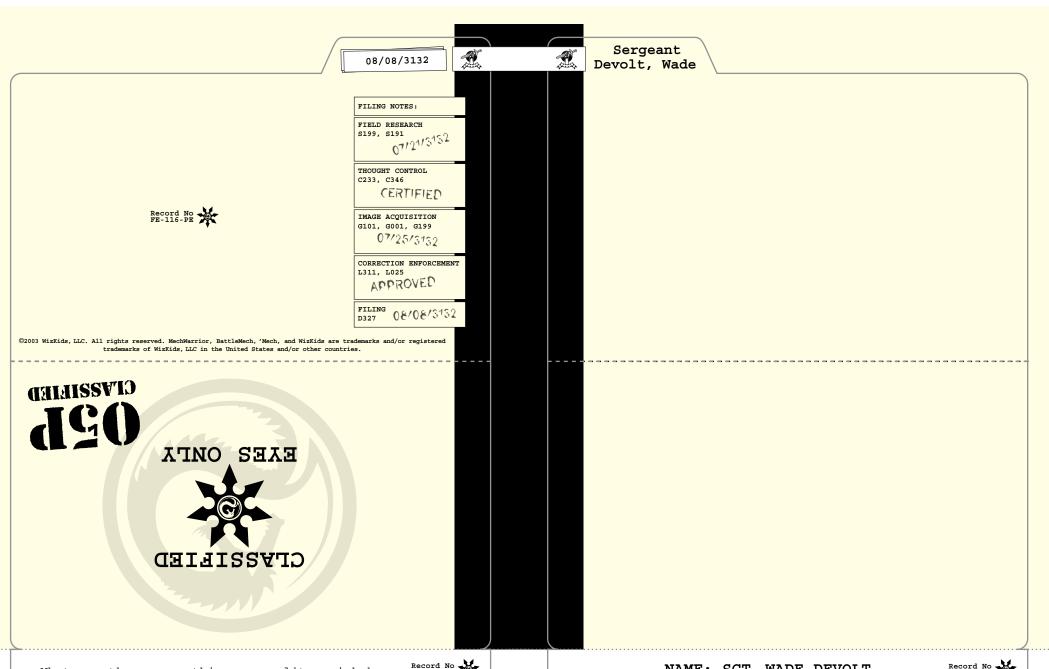
Record No FE-115-02

Serial Number: NSL4077-8063MM Mass: 20 tons



Movement Type: Wheeled Power Plant: Hermes 80 Fusion

Cruising Speed: 54 kph Maximum Speed: 86 kph Armor: StarSlab/Sheet Armament: None



Whatever the cause, this personality quirk has yet to seriously interfere with his skills at

Record No FE-116-01

rendering quick and effective battlefield repairs to those Highlander 'Mechs and vehicles that can fall back to his position during a firefight. Apparently able to so immerse himself in his work that everything else melts away, Davolt will not be rushed through a job, even if an enemy unit closes during such procedures; and though his gloomy offduty personality drives a wedge between him and his fellow Highlanders, most of his fellow Guards swear by the quality of his work.

Commentary

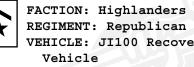
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NAME: SGT. WADE DEVOLT

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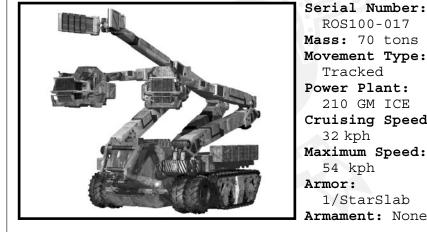


REGIMENT: Republican Guards HAIR: Brown VEHICLE: JI100 Recovery

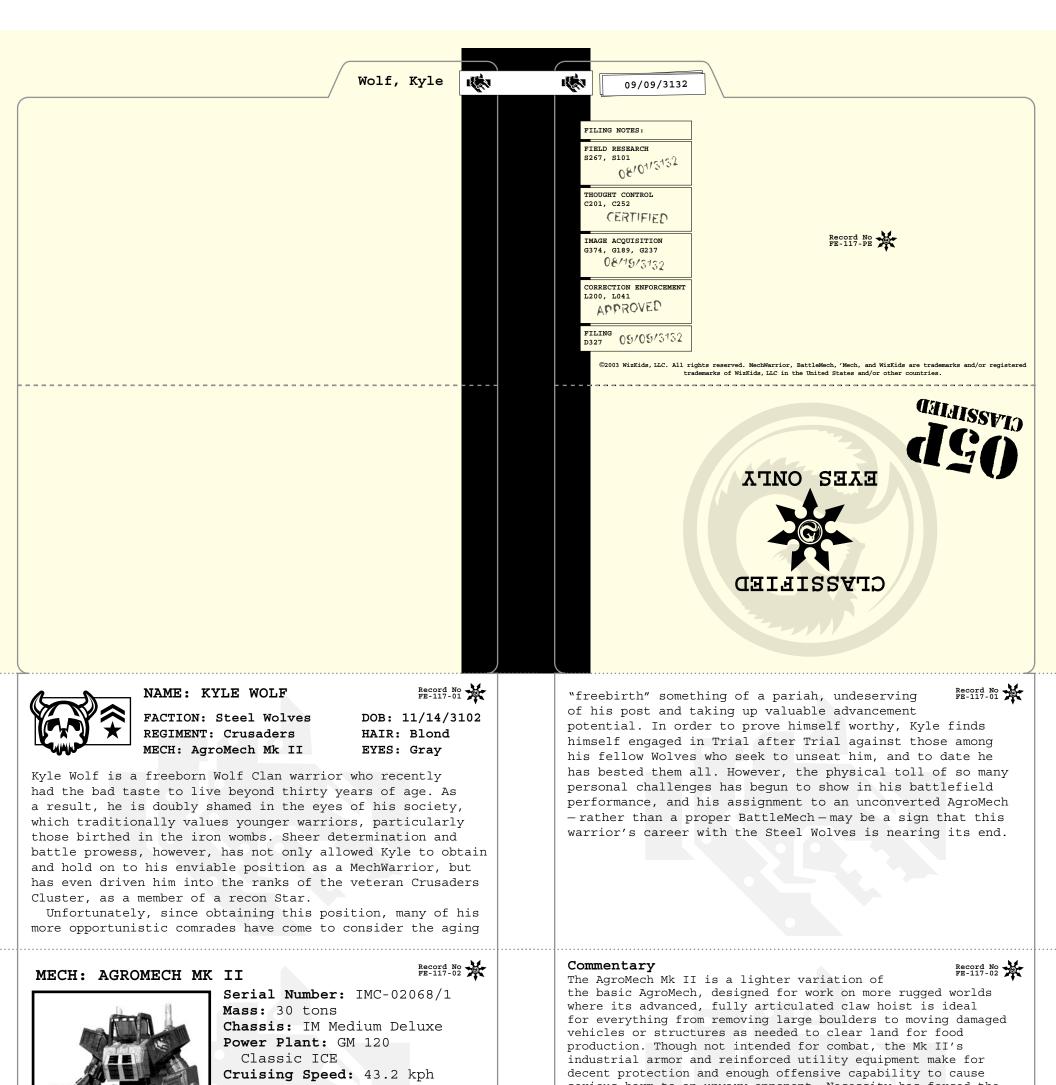
DOB: 06/06/3100 EYES: Brown

Though a brilliant technician, particularly under pressure, Sergeant Wade Davolt is a man obsessed by his own sense of mortality. How he came to volunteer for a posting with the battlefield recovery detachment of the Highlanders' Republican Guards, or, for that matter, rise to the rank of sergeant in command of his own recovery vehicle, is a matter of some debate. The best theory our profilers have gone so far as to suggest thus far is that a profound sense of guilt at letting others fight on his behalf actually overwhelms Davolt's increasing paranoid belief that Death itself stalks him every day.

VEHICLE: JI100 RECOVERY VEHICLE Record No FE-116-02



210 GM ICE Cruising Speed: Maximum Speed: 1/StarSlab Armament: None



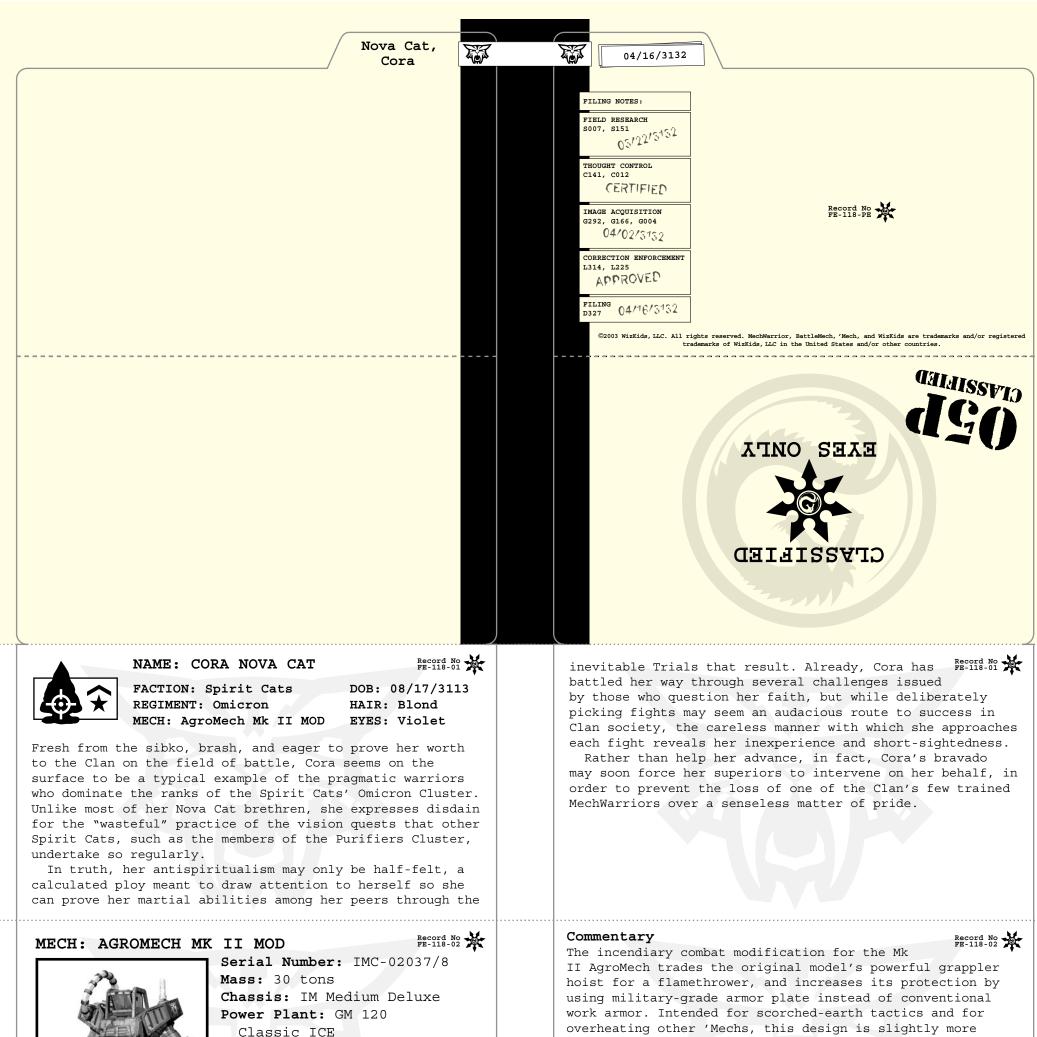


Maximum Speed: 64.8 kph Jump Jets: None Armor: LaborHeavy/1 Armament:

- 1 DiNapoli ST4 Heavy-Duty Thresher
- 1 Class IV Heavy-Duty Utility Claw

serious harm to an unwary opponent. Necessity has forced the Steel Wolves to field such machines despite the traditional Clan bias against them for their low technology and dependence on melee attacks, and these 'Mechs now appear in all regiments of the Clan's Touman.

Serial number IMC-02068/1, nicknamed "Vindicator," is assigned to Kyle Wolf, whose usually overcautious tactics give way to a berserker fury at point-blank range. Since such 'Mechs rank quite low on the repair priority list, this machine still bears many scars from past campaigns.

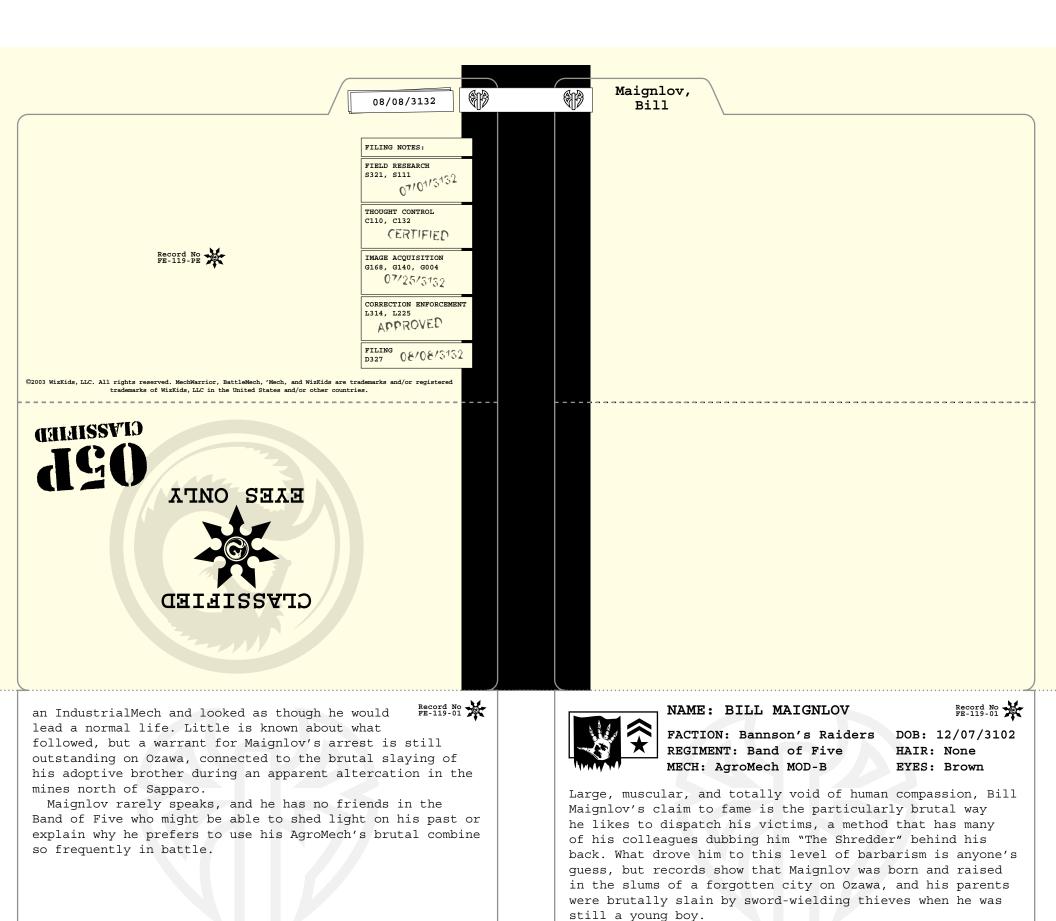


overheating other 'Mechs, this design is slightly more durable and battle worthy than the civilian model.



Cruising Speed: 43.2 kph Maximum Speed: 64.8 kph Jump Jets: None Armor: StarSlab/3 Armament: 1 Olympian Flamer 1 DiNapoli ST4 Heavy-Duty Thresher

Manufactured locally, the AgroMech Mk II MOD assigned to Cora Nova Cat, which she has nicknamed "Infidel" to underscore her own lack of faith in vision quests, is her first 'Mech. Though a capable MechWarrior with combat skills on par with veteran Inner Sphere pilots, Cora's lack of familiarity with the finer points of 'Mech warfare is evidenced by her preference for using the flamer instead of engaging in melee combat, and in the slow, almost plodding pace she uses when roaming the battlefield.



Placed in a foster home with a mining family outside the planetary capital of Sapporo, Bill learned how to pilot

Commentary

Record No FE-119-02

The AgroMech MOD-B takes the previous combat modification of the basic AgroMech to its next logical step, upgrading the armor and firepower for increased durability and battle effectiveness. Featuring an advanced, faster-cycling rotary autocannon system, and a reinforced combine intended for the rigors of melee combat, the MOD-B boasts a stronger punch and greater resistance to damage.

Bill Maignlov's MOD-B, nicknamed "Old Painless," has been his



MECH: AGROMECH MOD-B

Mass: 35 tons Chassis: IM Heavy Power Plant: ConLee 105 ICE Cruising Speed: 32 kph Maximum Speed: 54 kph

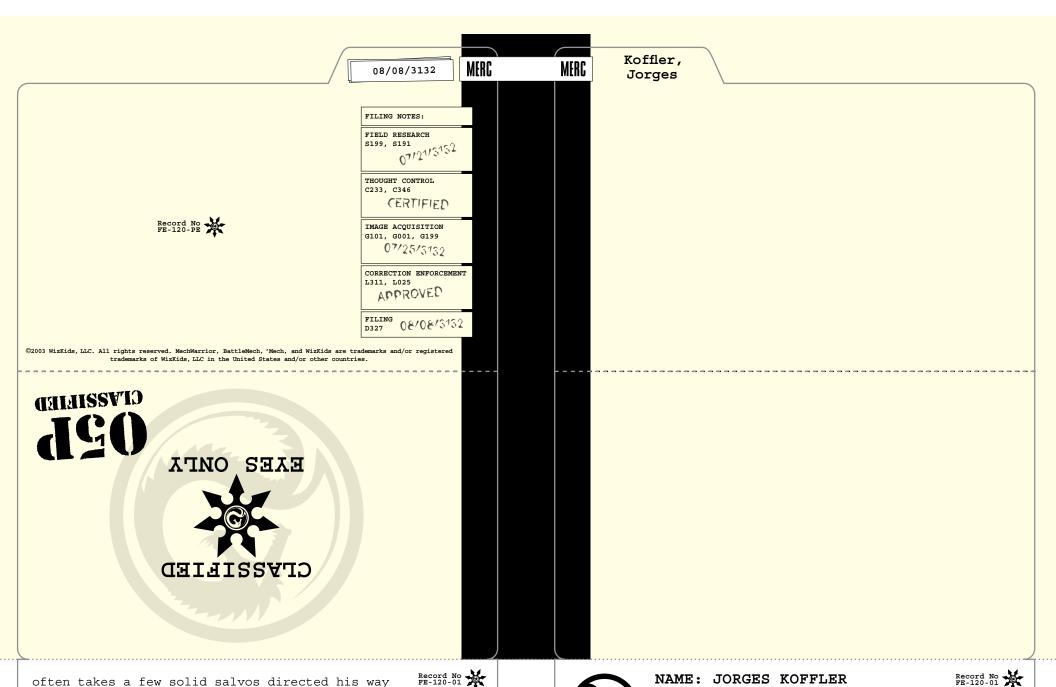
Record No FE-119-02

since he joined the Band of Five regiment. Eager to bring his preferred weapon, the combine, to bear quickly, Maignlov often rushes ahead of a friendly formation, ignoring orders to pull back in the hope that he can get a head start on closing with the enemy. Once battle is joined, he is known for firing his autocannon nonstop until he closes with an enemy unit, and then using his combine against the hapless foe until nothing even remotely salvageable remains.



Armor: StarSlab/3 Armament:

- 1 General Motors Supernova-2 Rotary Autocannon
- 1 DiNapoli "Groundhog" Reinforced Combine



Record No FE-120-01 often takes a few solid salvos directed his way to dispel the notion that he's invincible and that combat is just a game.

Once brought back down to earth, however, Jorges becomes all business, adding the potent fire support of his small but powerful MiningMech MOD-B with practiced accuracy and telling effect. Unfortunately for Koffler, because of his initial lack of focus, this usually means his ride has sustained damage, and for that reason many of his superiors seriously question whether he might be better suited to a less dangerous combat role.

Commentary

Record No FE-120-02

DeValt Industries' MiningMech MOD-B design is actually a ground-up refit of their own MiningMech model, rather than an upgrade to the original MOD fielded by Duratron. With its powerful yet hard-to-wield pile driver instead of the conventional rock cutter, the MOD-B delivers a more potent punch in close combat while carrying the same ranged firepower seen on the standard MOD, but its slow speed remains a handicap.

NAME: JORGES KOFFLER

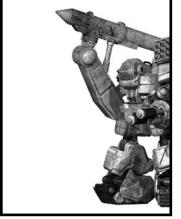
FACTION: Mercenary DOB: 05/06/3107 REGIMENT: Eridani Light Horse HAIR: Brown MECH: MiningMech MOD-B EYES: Gray

Charismatic, naïve, and always on the lookout for a good laugh, Jorges Koffler is the quintessential class clown, a man who refuses to grow up. Known among his comrades for practical jokes and glib one-liners both on and off the field, this good-natured MechWarrior has the uncanny ability to brighten just about anyone's day, even if the person in question is the butt of his latest harmless prank.

Unfortunately, while his mirth-making has done wonders for troop morale, Jorges has the bad habit of bringing too much of this cavalier attitude to the battlefield with him. Viewing his life like a kind of action-comedy holovid, it

MECH: MININGMECH MOD-B

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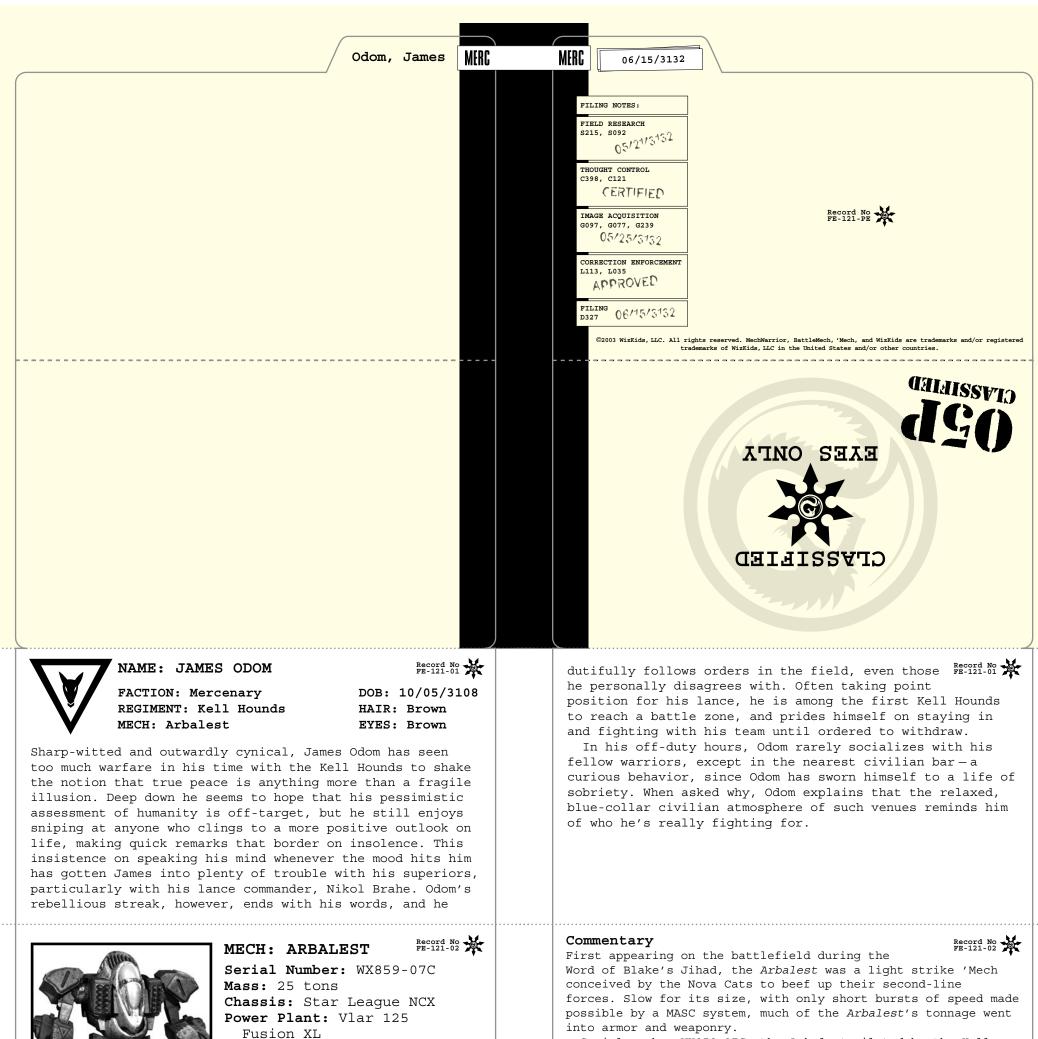


Serial Number: DVM-26C-13067 Mass: 35 tons Chassis: DeValt MM-2600.2 Power Plant: ConLee 105 ICE Cruising Speed: 31 kph Maximum Speed: 52 kph

DVM-26C-13067, the MiningMech MOD-B assigned to Jorges Koffler, has earned the nickname of "Hole Puncher" for his preferred tactics in combat. Using wooded terrain or hills to mask his approach, Koffler likes to maneuver as close as possible to an enemy position before even resorting to his ranged weapons, in hopes that, once battle is joined, his 'Mech will be ideally positioned to close in and finish the target off with a pile-driver coup de grace.

Jump Jets: None Armor: Valiant Lamellor Armament:

- 2 I/NCK "Thornbush" SRM-4s
- 2 Bulldog Machine Guns
- 1 DeValt Heavy-Duty Hydraulic Pile Driver



Serial number WX859-07C, the Arbalest piloted by the Kell Hounds' James Odom, has been heavily modified since the Hounds

Fusion XL Cruising Speed: 54 kph

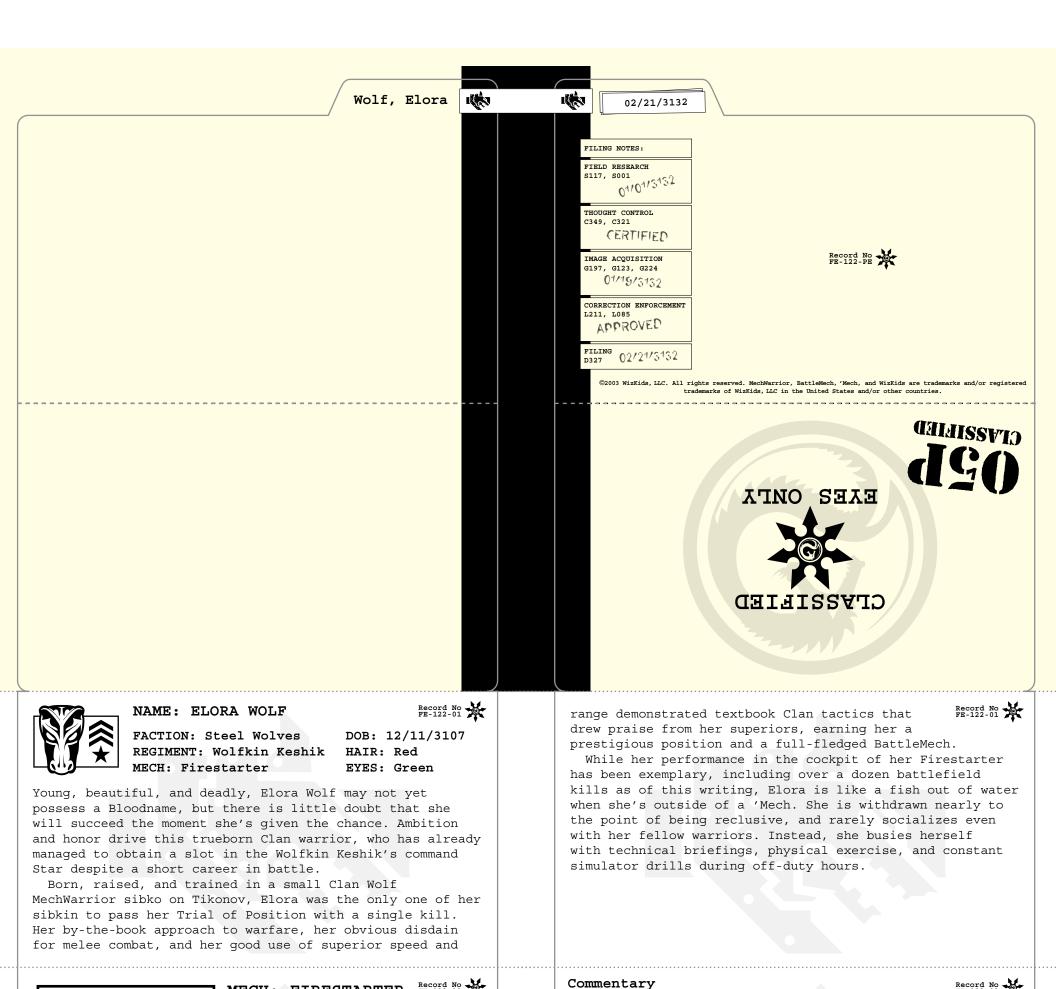


Maximum Speed: 86 kph Jump Jets: Leaper Model L5 Armor: Irece Standard Armament:

- 2 Series 1b Extended-Range Small Lasers
- 2 Pattern J6c Streak-6 SRM Launchers

captured it in a post-Jihad raid. Swapping out its heavy, standard engine and MASC system for an extra-light fusion plant and jump jets, this 'Mech has gained enough free tonnage to replace its normal missile launchers with smaller, more reliable Streak SRM systems and a little extra armor.

"Odom's Hammer," as its pilot has named it, thus possesses extra mobility, more accurate firepower, and greater durability, which often surprises enemies who think they're facing the standard model.



MECH: FIRESTARTER FE-122-02 Serial Number: FS961-78K Mass: 35 tons Chassis: Foundation

Ultralight Endo-Steel Power Plant: GM 210XL Cruising Speed: 64.8 kph Record No FE-122-02

The Firestarter is a classic 'Mech, used by nearly all the major powers of the Inner Sphere and particularly by House Steiner. It was developed mainly for incendiary, antiinfantry work and forward reconnaissance, but many and various refits arose to improve on these capabilities.

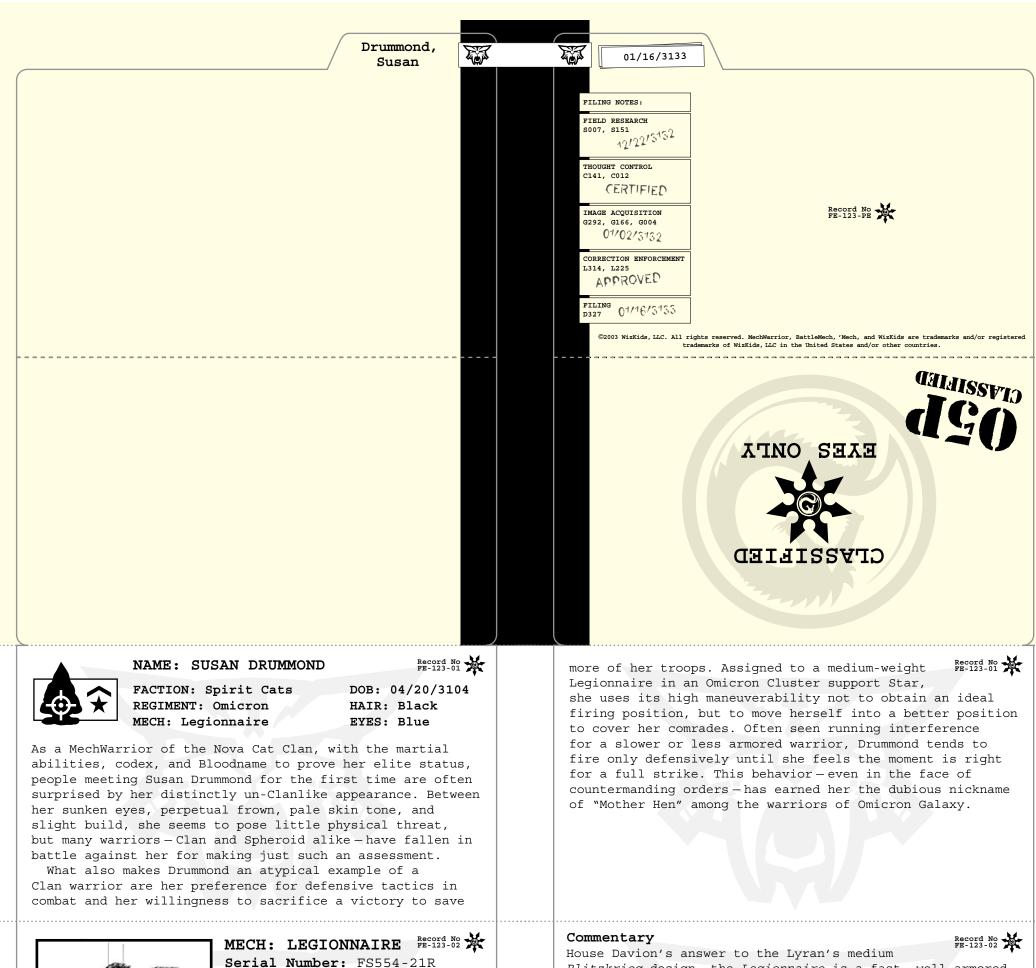
Elora Wolf's Firestarter is a House Davion variant, equipped with a light rotary autocannon that gives this 'Mech a long reach on the battlefield. Elora has nicknamed it "Firefox,"



Maximum Speed: 97.2 kph Jump Jets: Luxor Load Lifters Armor: Durralex Nova Standard Armament:

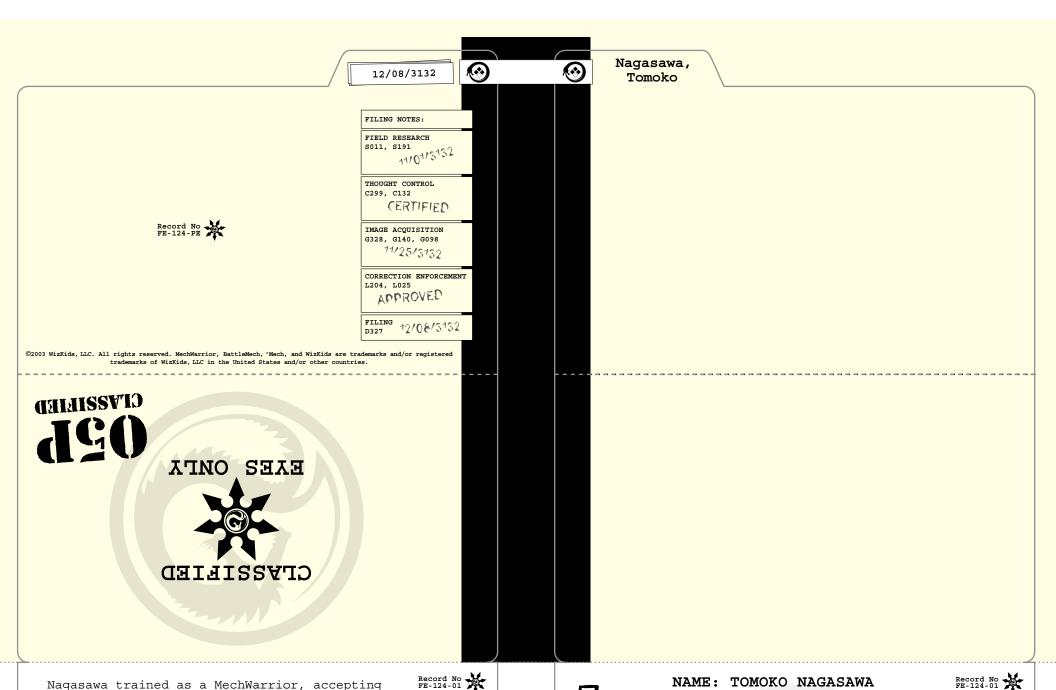
- 3 Hotshot Flamers
- 1 Mydron Model RA Rotary
 - Autocannon/2

as a canine play on its role, but, curiously enough, she does not like to employ its trio of flamethrowers in combat. The Clan preference for ranged combat is so ingrained in her that she instead prefers to strike at more distant prey using the autocannon, and has refined her marksmanship accordingly. This tactic gives her more room to maneuver and forces enemies foolish enough to close in to weather several volleys of autocannon shells in the process.



Serial Number: FS554-21R Mass: 50 tons Chassis: 2A Type 15 Endo-Steel Power Plant: Magna 350XL Cruising Speed: 76 kph Maximum Speed: 119 kph Jump Jets: None Armor: Starguard II Armament: 1 Mydron Model B Autocannon/10 Blitzkrieg design, the Legionnaire is a fast, well armored medium 'Mech built around a single weapon system. Originally designed with a single rotary autocannon slaved to a sophisticated targeting computer, the Legionnaire became known for its deadly accuracy after its production began during the Word of Blake Jihad. The export version, produced for sale to The Republic after the war, swaps the rotary cannon in favor of a less sophisticated variety, but retains the same targeting capabilities for increased accuracy. FS554-21R was one such export version, sold by the Federated Suns to The Republic just after its formation, and ended up in Spirit Cat hands shortly after the collapse of the HPG network. As if acknowledging her own preference for defensive tactics, Susan Drummond, its current pilot, has named this 'Mech "Shield of Omicron."





Nagasawa trained as a MechWarrior, accepting no other service to the Dragon's Fury in honor of his grandmother, and was rewarded for his hard work with an assignment to a BattleMech. Driven by family tradition, Tomoko has labored to be the model of a modern samurai, and even adheres to their strict code of honor in battle, refusing to target helpless prey and issuing personal challenges against opponents of his choosing. However, Nagasawa's enthusiasm masks his intense disappointment in the failure of The Republic of the Sphere and the swiftness with which its peoples turned to war.

Commentary

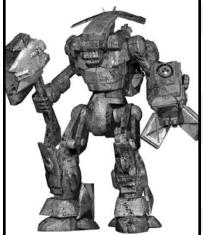


A hallmark of the Lyran armed forces before the Fourth Succession War, the Hatchetman is a dedicated in-fighter, built for close-quarters combat in urban or other confining terrain, using both heavy firepower and a devastating hatchet. Many different versions of this classic 'Mech are known to exist, but FC1049-11J, currently piloted by Tomoko Nagasawa of the Dragon's Fury's Brotherhood regiment, enhances overall speed and firepower at the expense of jump jets and reach. In battle, Nagasawa prefers to push his Hatchetman, which he has nicknamed "Wakizashi," to its limits, barely avoiding shutdown as he races across the battlefield, dodging enemy fire and closing in on his chosen targets. Even though brandishing a hatchet somewhat diminishes the traditional image of a samurai, Nagasawa is particularly fond of delivering his killing blows with the huge weapon, eschewing the lasers once he is close enough to swing.

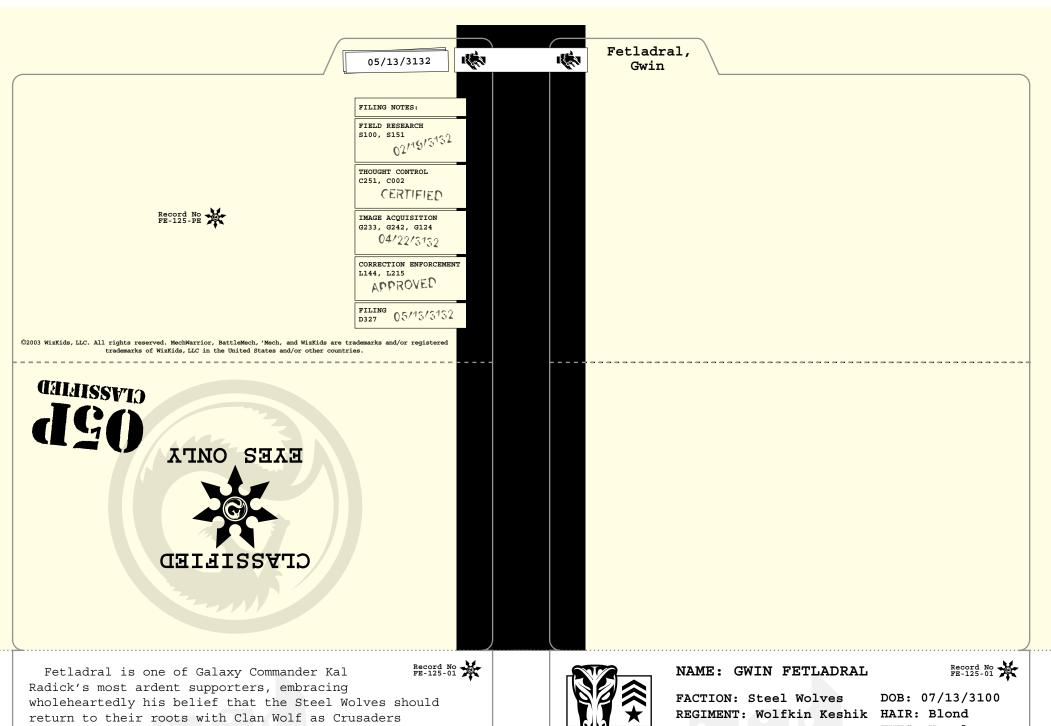
FACTION: Dragon's Fury

REGIMENT: The Brotherhood MECH: Hatchetman DOB: 06/16/3108 HAIR: Brown EYES: Black

Drawn, like so many, to Duchess Katana Tormark's newly forming Brotherhood and its fabricated legacy, Tomoko Nagasawa is unusual in that he truly does have a link to a glorious past. His maternal grandmother was none other than *Tai-sa* Laura Nelson, commander of the elite Second Genyosha regiment, a unit that was demolished while fighting Blakist forces on Benjamin during the Jihad. His knowledge of this piece of family history led him to join up with the Dragon's Fury after learning that the original "Brotherhood Legacy" included the battle for Benjamin.



MECH: HATCHETMAN FE-124-02 Serial Number: FC1049-11J Mass: 45 tons Chassis: Chariot Type II Power Plant: VOX 225 Cruising Speed: 43.2 kph Maximum Speed: 64.8 kph Jump Jets: None Armor: Durallex Medium Standard Armament: 4 Defiance 3BM ER Medium Lasers 1 Defiance Type G3 'Mech Hatchet



once more. Her support, however, is that of a devoted subordinate, rather than one who feels her way is the right way. Despite her admirable traits, Fetladral is remarkably simple minded in matters of strategy and politics, giving her loyalty to whoever is in charge. That person is presently Kal Radick, but it would be interesting to see where her loyalties would shift should Radick fall from grace.

Commentary



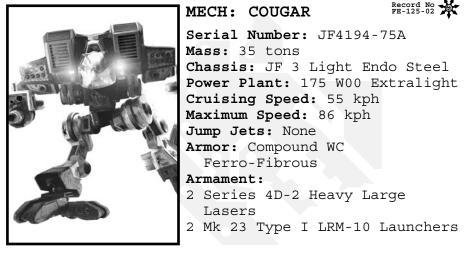
Clan Jade Falcon designed the Cougar as a weaponheavy alternative to their infamous Adder design (known among Inner Sphere warriors as the Puma). First revealed in the Battle of Coventry, Cougars soon began to appear in large number among the Falcons' front-line forces, and eventually proliferated through Trials against Inner Sphere and Clan opponents to appear in other armies.

Serial number JF4914-75A actually served with Jade Falcon

MECH: Cougar

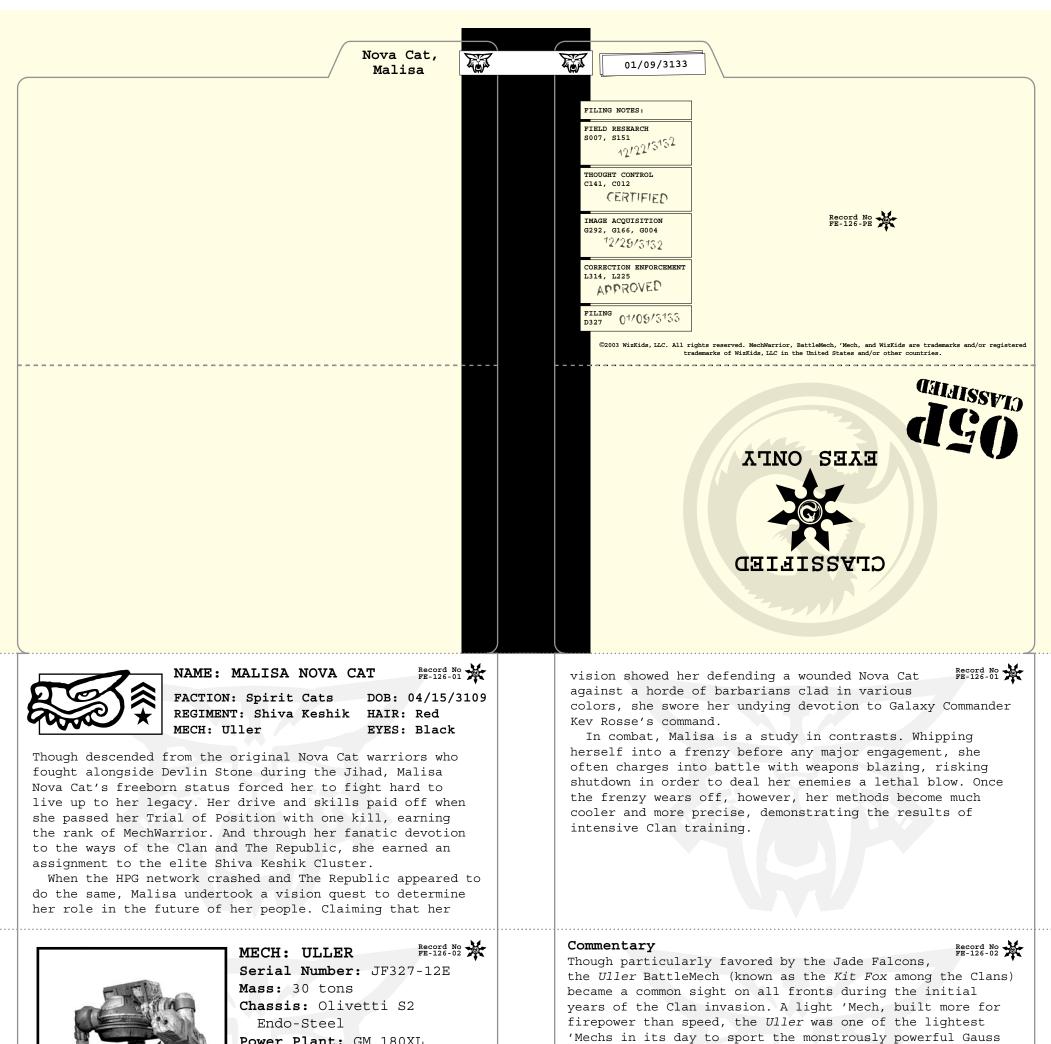
EYES: Hazel

A trueborn MechWarrior, bred and trained for her role, Gwin Fetladral possesses a keen tactical mind that has saved her and her pursuit Star time and again, and brought her victory in countless Circles of Equals. Her superb martial skills, both in and out of the cockpit, combined with enough drive to succeed, allowed her to win her Bloodname at the early age of 25. Yet it seems that as soon as she accomplished that feat-the life goal of any trueborn Clan warrior-any remaining ambition, aside from dying a glorious death in battle, seemed to melt away.





troops that assisted the liberation of Coventry from Blakist forces during the Jihad, then accompanied allied troops to liberate worlds closer to Terra. Devlin Stone's forces claimed this 'Mech after the brutal fighting for Rigil Kentarus, when it was discovered among other battlefield salvage near the city of Mesopita. In battle, Fetladral favors using this 'Mech's missile launchers instead of its inaccurate and ultrahot heavy lasers, keeping her heat levels low and hammering her opponents with well-aimed and dogged missile volleys.



Power Plant: GM 180XL **Cruising Speed:** 64 kph



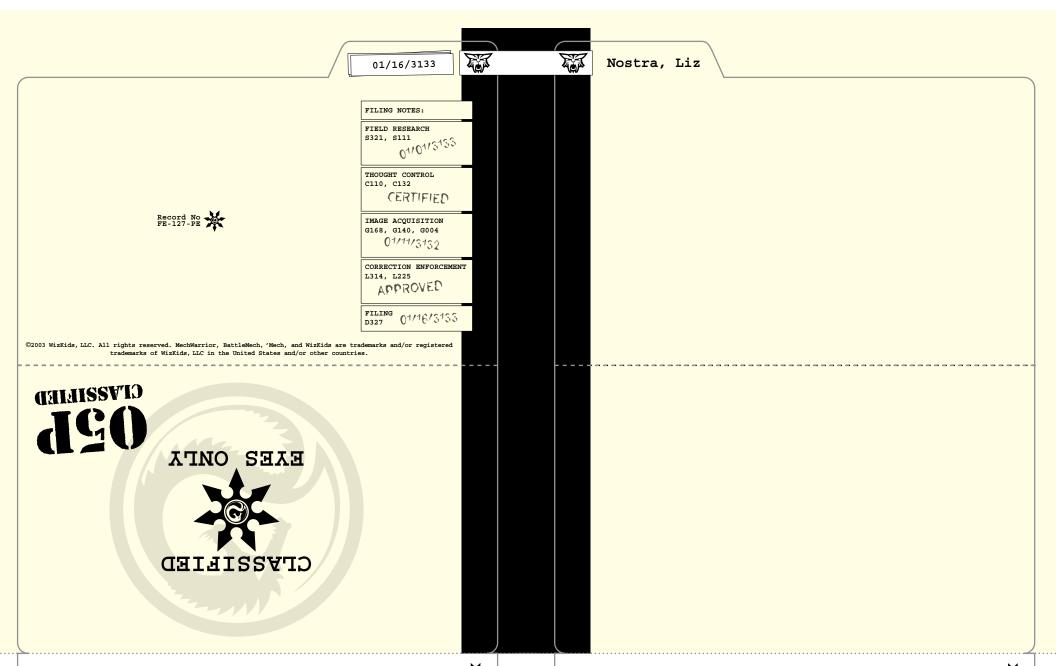
Maximum Speed: 97 kph Jump Jets: None Armor: Compound Alpha Ferro-Fibrous

Armament:

- 1 Type AA4 Gauss Rifle
- 2 Model V Heavy Med. Lasers

rifle, but its weak armor and comparatively slow overland speed made its life expectancy somewhat brief.

Serial number JF327-12E, nicknamed "Whirlwind" by Malisa Nova Cat, was originally manufactured for Clan Nova Cat's Delta Galaxy, and miraculously survived the fires of the Jihad to become part of those forces gifted to Devlin Stone's Republic. Since its assignment to Malisa, however, this Uller has logged more hours in repair bays than on the field, mostly to replace blown-out heat sinks that are the legacy of Malisa's battle-frenzy tactics.



Record No FE-127-01 uncertain future began to show in sagging battle performance, which ultimately resulted in a demotion from her previous command rank.

Although Liz has managed to stop what promised to be a long, hard fall from grace and retain her slot in the Shiva Keshik, her battlefield abilities remain diminished, and her loyalty to Galaxy Commander Rosse's vision for the Spirit Cats' future is rather questionable. Meanwhile, she desperately hopes that The Republic's crisis is only temporary, and she prays for the return of normalcy and order.

Commentary

Jointly developed between Clans Blood Spirit and Sea Fox, the lightweight Crimson Hawk was conceived as a light strike 'Mech, with much of its mass devoted to firepower and armor rather than speed. Intended for built-up terrain or swarm tactics, this 'Mech featured twin extended-range lasers as its main armament, allowing it to deliver serious damage at extreme distances. Some Blood Spirit variations were produced, however,



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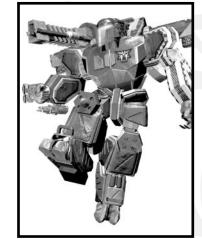
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FACTION: Spirit Cats REGIMENT: Shiva Keshik HAIR: Black MECH: Crimson Hawk

DOB: 12/09/3103 **EYES:** Gray

Trueborn and Bloodnamed, Liz Nostra of the Nova Cats was at the top of her career just before the HPG network crashed. Having built her entire career around service to the Nova Cat people and The Republic at large, this attractive and deadly dark-skinned warrior had racked up an impressive string of victories battling pirates and raiders from the neighboring Great Houses.

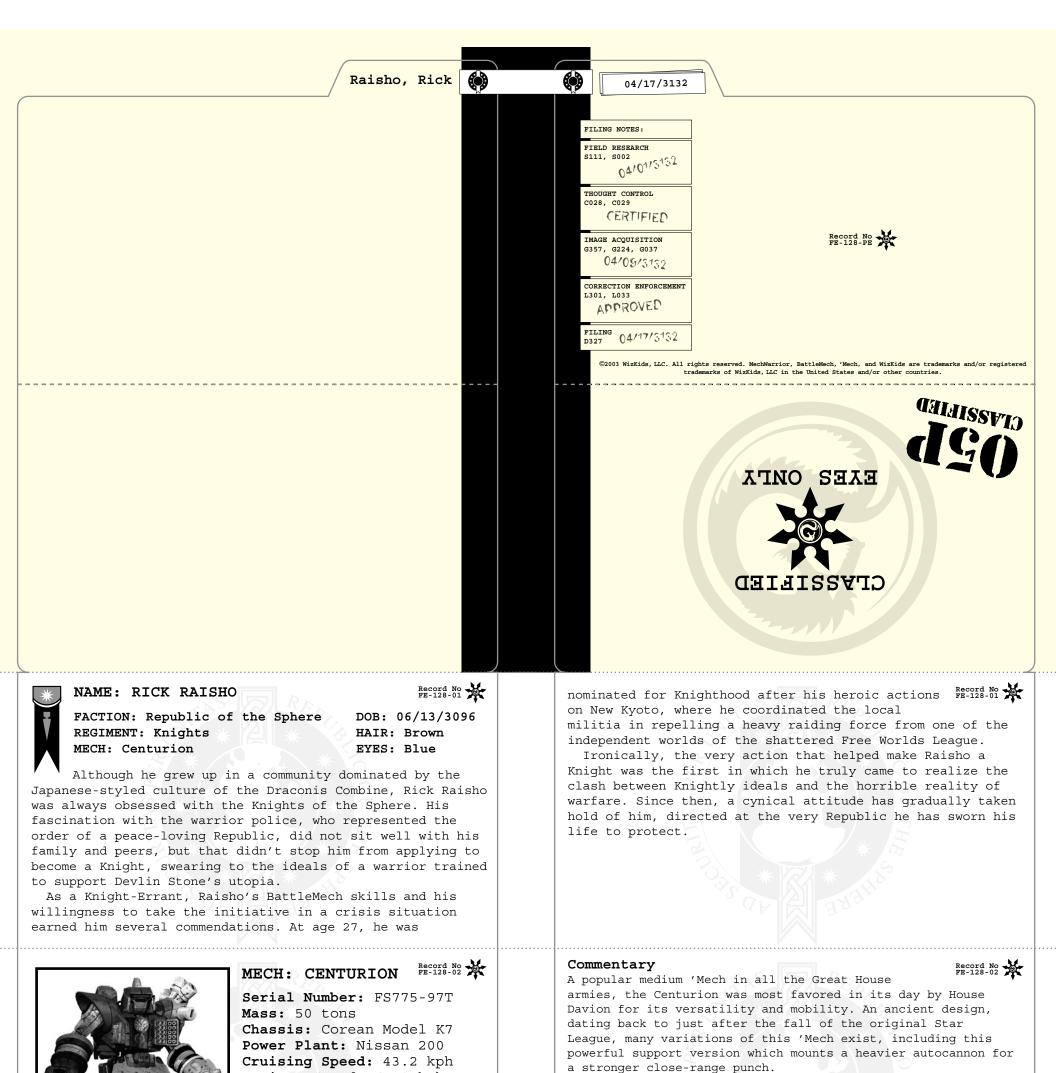
The crash of the interstellar communications grid, however, shattered Liz's view of the future, and her failure in seeking a vision to explain her future path left her dismayed and listless. Her concern for the



MECH: CRIMSON HAWK RE-127-02 Serial Number: BS571-08H Mass: 25 tons Chassis: York II XT Power Plant: 125 York XL Cruising Speed: 55 kph Maximum Speed: 86 kph Jump Jets: Clan Series Type 1 Light Armor: Compound 6A Armament: 2 Series 4D-2 Heavy Large Lasers

that mounted heavy large lasers for greater punch in exchange for reach and some degree of accuracy.

BS571-08H is one of the latter configurations, intended more for hitting power than sniping fire. Piloted by Liz Nostra of the Spirit Cats, this 'Mech is nicknamed "Wanderer" to reflect Nostra's uncertain future. Liz prefers to keep herself mobile, jumping into and out of covering terrain while sniping with her heavy lasers - a sound tactic for one piloting so light a 'Mech.



Serial number FS775-97T, nicknamed "Mal," originally served

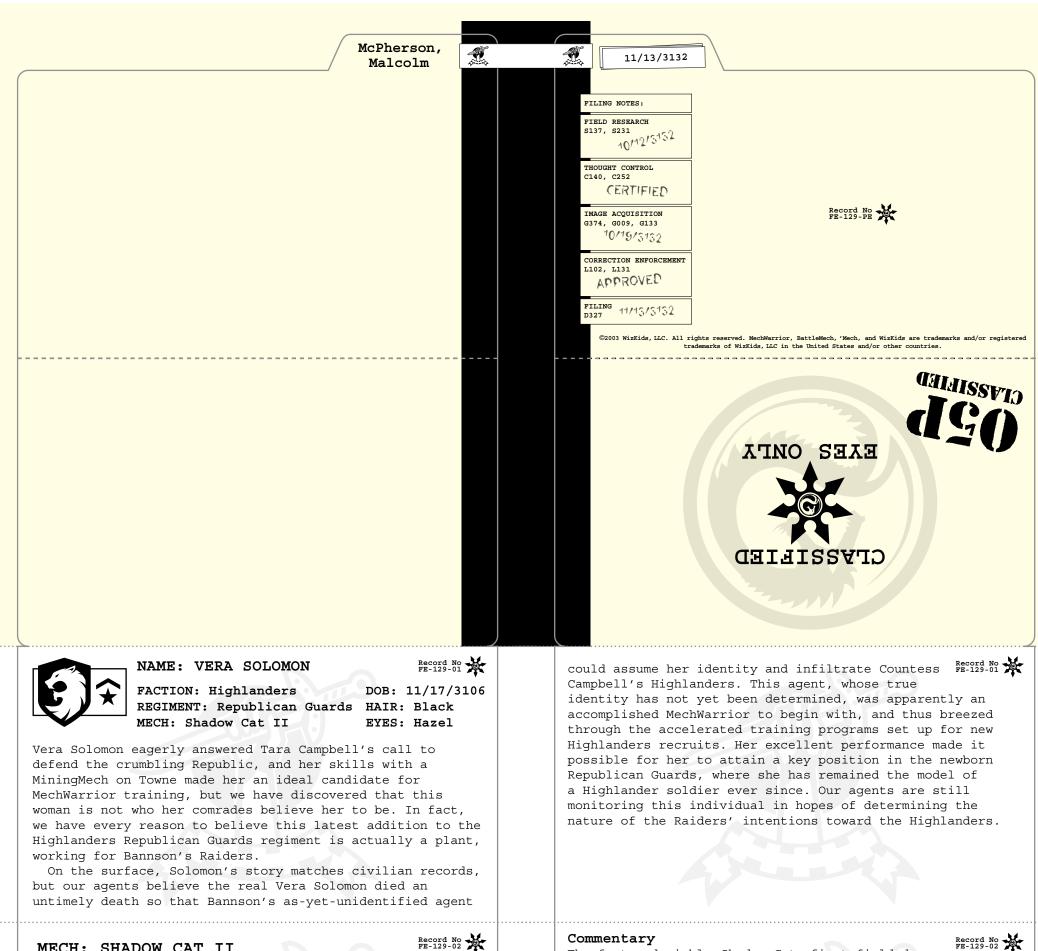


Jump Jets: None Armor: StarGuard III Armament:

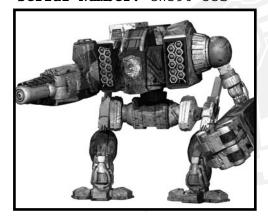
Maximum Speed: 64.8 kph

- 1 Luxor Devastator-20 Autocannon
- 1 Luxor 3R LRM-10

in House Davion's armed forces before the formation of the Federated Commonwealth. Its pilot, Malachai Hollensteiner, a MechWarrior of noble upbringing, took the 'Mech with him into retirement just before the FedCom Civil War. During the Jihad, Hollensteiner's son, Owen, used this same machine to help Devlin Stone fight the Blakist menace. When Owen died, he left the Centurion to Stone's Knights, but only on the condition that it continue to serve in his father's name.



MECH: SHADOW CAT II Serial Number: CW590-35S



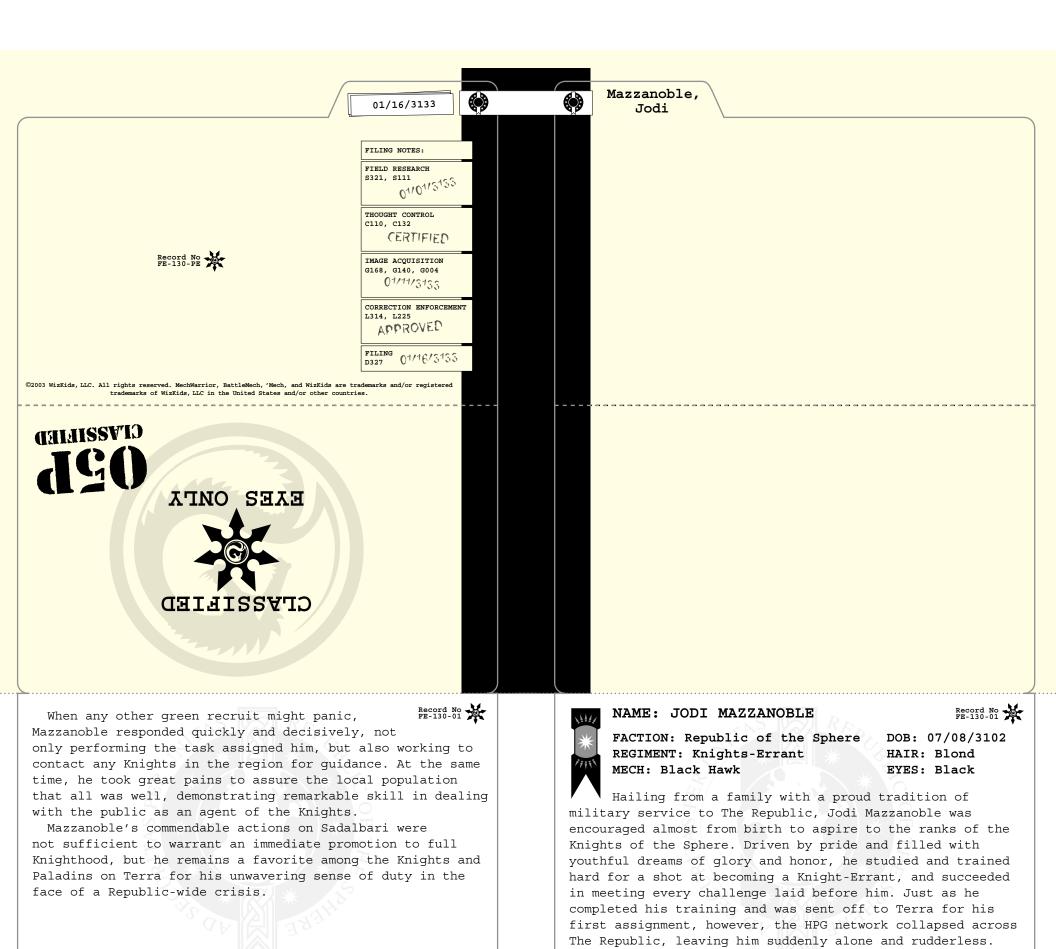
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Mass: 60 tons Chassis: Olivetti St3 Power Plant: GM 360XL Cruising Speed: 65 kph Maximum Speed: 97 kph (130 kph w/MASC) Jump Jets: Clan Standard Type A1 Armor: Raydient Ser.3 Armament:

by Clan Nova Cat, but ultimately appearing among the other invading Clans, often served as a recon unit or a fastattack 'Mech. Its bursts of speed, advanced sensors, and heavy-hitting firepower often sent many Inner Sphere MechWarriors to their doom during the Invasion. The Shadow Cat II, designed along similar lines, enhanced its combat effectiveness at the expense of speed, creating a slower but deadlier version that rolled off assembly lines just in time for the Word of Blake Jihad. Serial number CW590-35S actually served Clan Wolf when they assisted in the reclamation of worlds during the later years of the Jihad, and was gifted to The Republic in the aftermath of that terrible war. Perhaps due to some dark sense of irony, the warrior known to the Highlanders as Vera Solomon has nicknamed her 'Mech "Enigma."

The fast and nimble Shadow Cat, first fielded

- 2 Type X "Short Bow" LRM-10 Launchers
- 1 Thunderstroke Gauss Rifle MkII

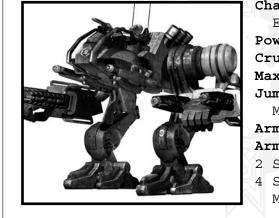


Commentary

Record No FE-130-02

A workhorse 'Mech of the Clans, with a solid performance profile that includes excellent mobility and a devastating array of weapons, the Black Hawk-known to the Clans as the Nova for its typical laser weaponry - is the most common Clan medium 'Mech seen today. The one piloted by Jodi Mazzanoble saw heavy action during the Word of Blake Jihad before Clan Ghost Bear, its original owner, gifted the 'Mech along with many others to Devlin Stone's newborn Republic of the Sphere. Mazzanoble nicknamed GB378-67L "Ever-Faithful" to affirm his devotion to the ways and ideals of the Knights. Though he is largely untested in battle, having taken part in only a few defensive actions to date, analysis of his performance has shown him to be an excellent marksman, even while using the chronically difficult Clan heavy lasers.

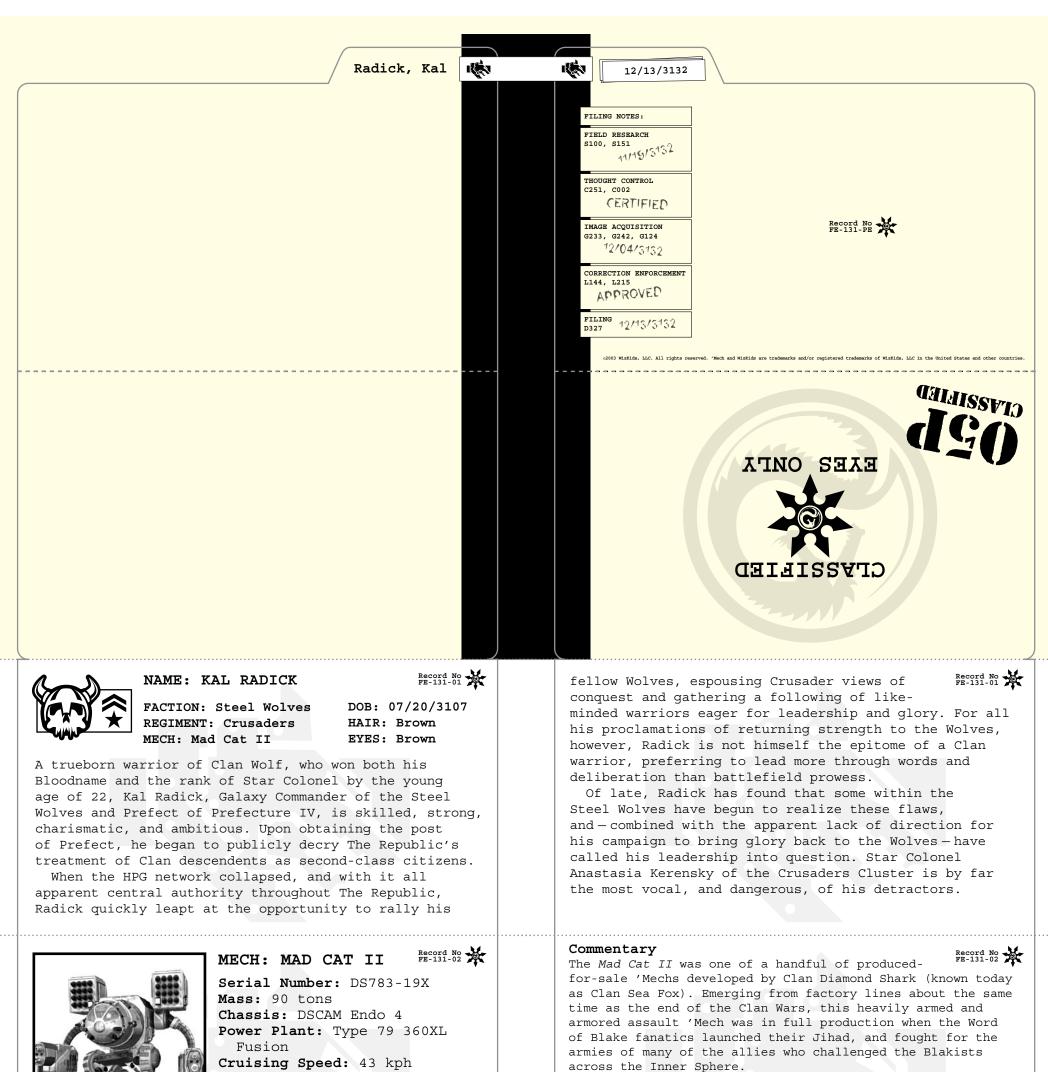
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MECH: BLACK HAWK

Serial Number: GB378-67L

Mass: 50 tons Chassis: Type 3 Standard Endo-Steel Power Plant: 250 XL Cruising Speed: 54 kph Maximum Speed: 86.4 kph Jump Jets: Grandthrust Mk 3 Armor: Standard YM17 Armament: 2 Series 7K ER Lg. Lasers 4 Series 22a Heavy Medium Lasers



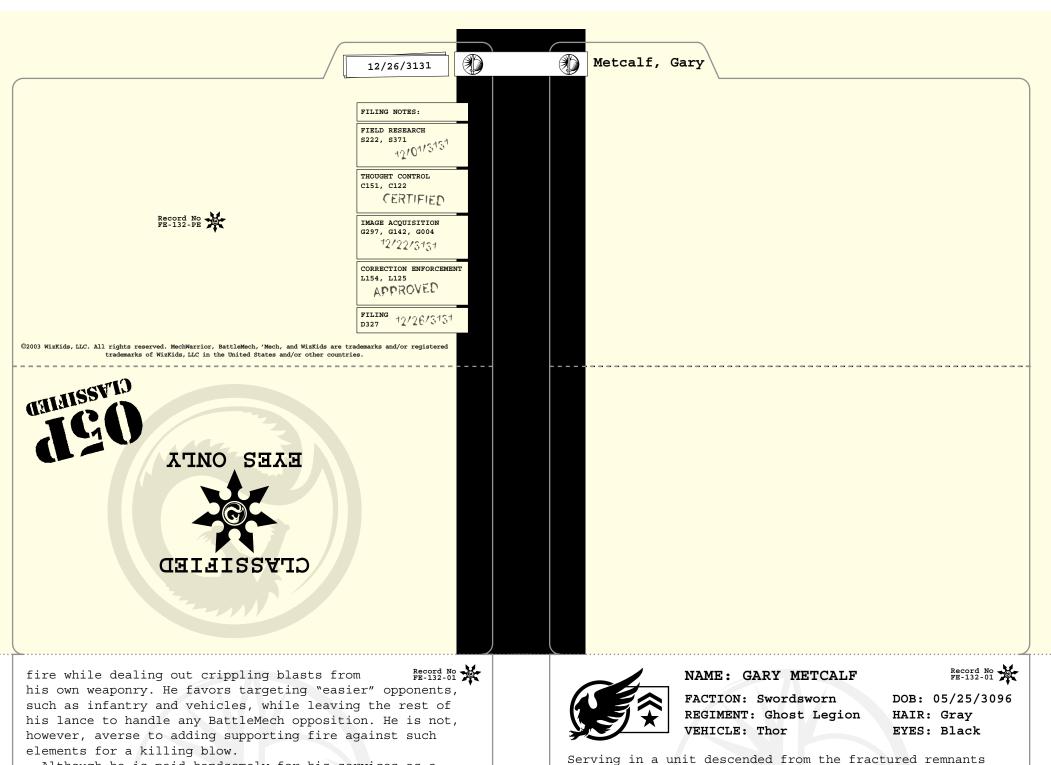


Maximum Speed: 65 kph Jump Jets: Grandthrust Mk 5 Armor: Forging ZM15 Ferro-Fibrous

Armament:

- 2 Type X "Short Bow" LRM-15 Launchers
- 4 Witherer Heavy Large Lasers

Kal Radick's upgraded *Mad Cat II* was sold to Clan Wolf before the Sharks changed their name back to Sea Fox, and fought in several engagements with the Clan's Delta Galaxy during the Jihad, including the battle for Hesperus II. When Delta Galaxy was gifted to The Republic, this 'Mech came with it. Kal inherited the machine upon rising to the post of Prefect, and has nicknamed it "Crusader's Might."



Although he is paid handsomely for his services as a warrior, Metcalf is known to enjoy gambling on the side, and has even been accused by his superiors of running a minor black market operation to separate his fellow Ghost Legion soldiers from their hard-earned cash.

Commentary



Known among the Clans as the Summoner, the Thor became the favored heavy 'Mech of Clan Jade Falcon when they drove into the Lyran half of the Federated Commonwealth during the Clan Invasion. Versatile, heavily armed and armored, and highly mobile, the Thor outperformed virtually every heavy 'Mech fielded by the Inner Sphere at that time, and remains a formidable design even today.

Serial Number: HH730-17H Mass: 70 tons Chassis: Olivetti T4 Endo Steel Power Plant: 350 Magna XL Cruising Speed: 55 kph Maximum Speed: 86 kph Jump Jets: Clan Standard Type A3 Armor: Compound Beta FF Armament: 1 Type 22 Extended-Range PPC 1 Type KOV LB 10-X Autocannon 2 Series 1 ER Small Lasers 1 Type XV "Long Bow" LRM-15 1 Type V "Long Bow" LRM-5

Record No FE-132-02

of a mercenary command, it seems only fitting that Gary

interstellar communications network in shambles and The

Republic's economy on the brink of collapse, this ne'er-

In battle, Metcalf pilots his 'Mech almost as though it were made of glass, fearing to weather even minor hostile

MECH: THOR

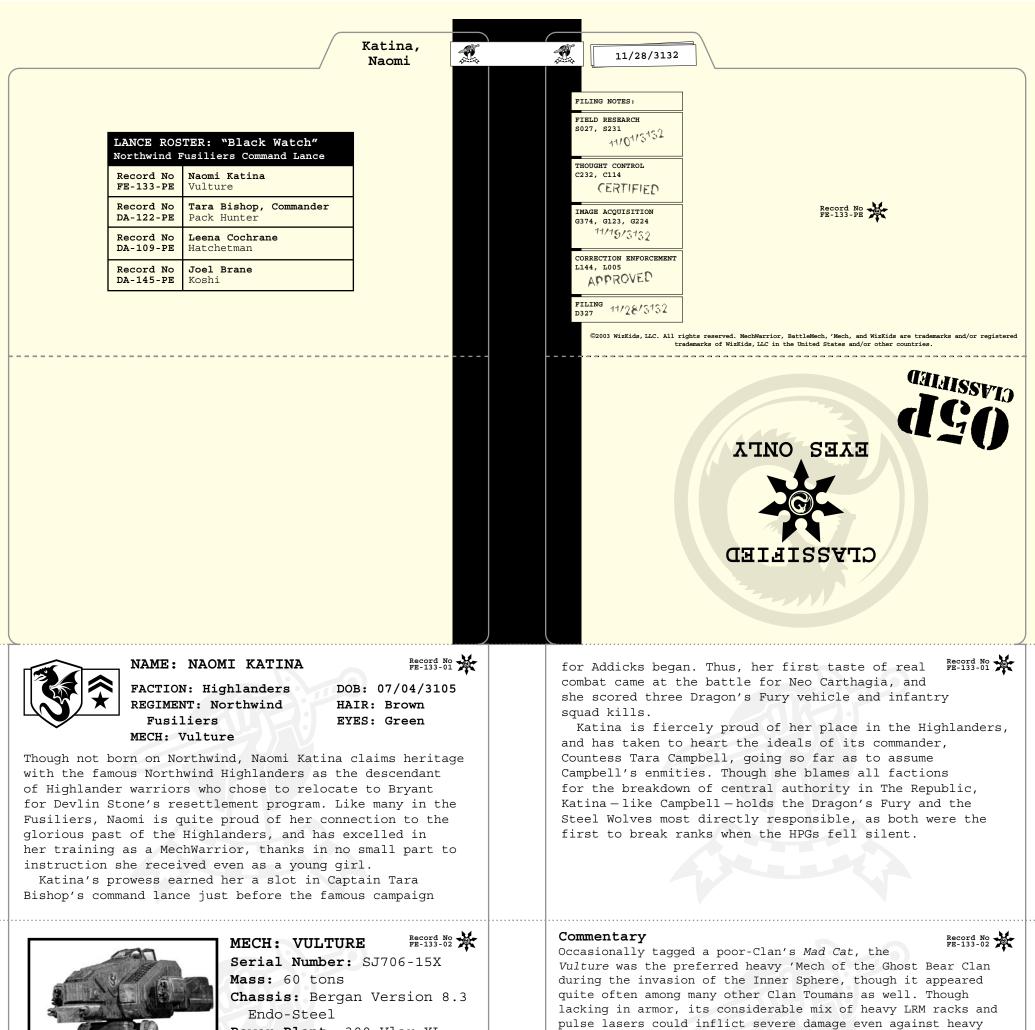
do-well 'Mech jock prizes money above all. It is even believed that he bartered for a lance command slot in the Legion by cashing in on his skills as a MechWarrior and his

possession of a pristine Clan Thor.

Metcalf is motivated purely by profit. Even with the

Gary Metcalf's upgraded Thor began its career in the arsenal of Clan Hell's Horses, one of the Clans that came to the Inner Sphere later. Captured by Clan Jade Falcon during a post-Jihad Trial, this 'Mech traded hands a number of times before Metcalf won its stripped-down chassis in a hand of poker. Though years of scrounging and repair work went into restoring this 'Mech, Metcalf has nicknamed it "Golden Goose" for the profits he believes it will garner him.





Power Plant: 300 Vlar XL **Cruising Speed:** 55 kph 'Mechs, making it a force to be reckoned with in the field. The unnamed Vulture piloted by Naomi Katina is a rare bird

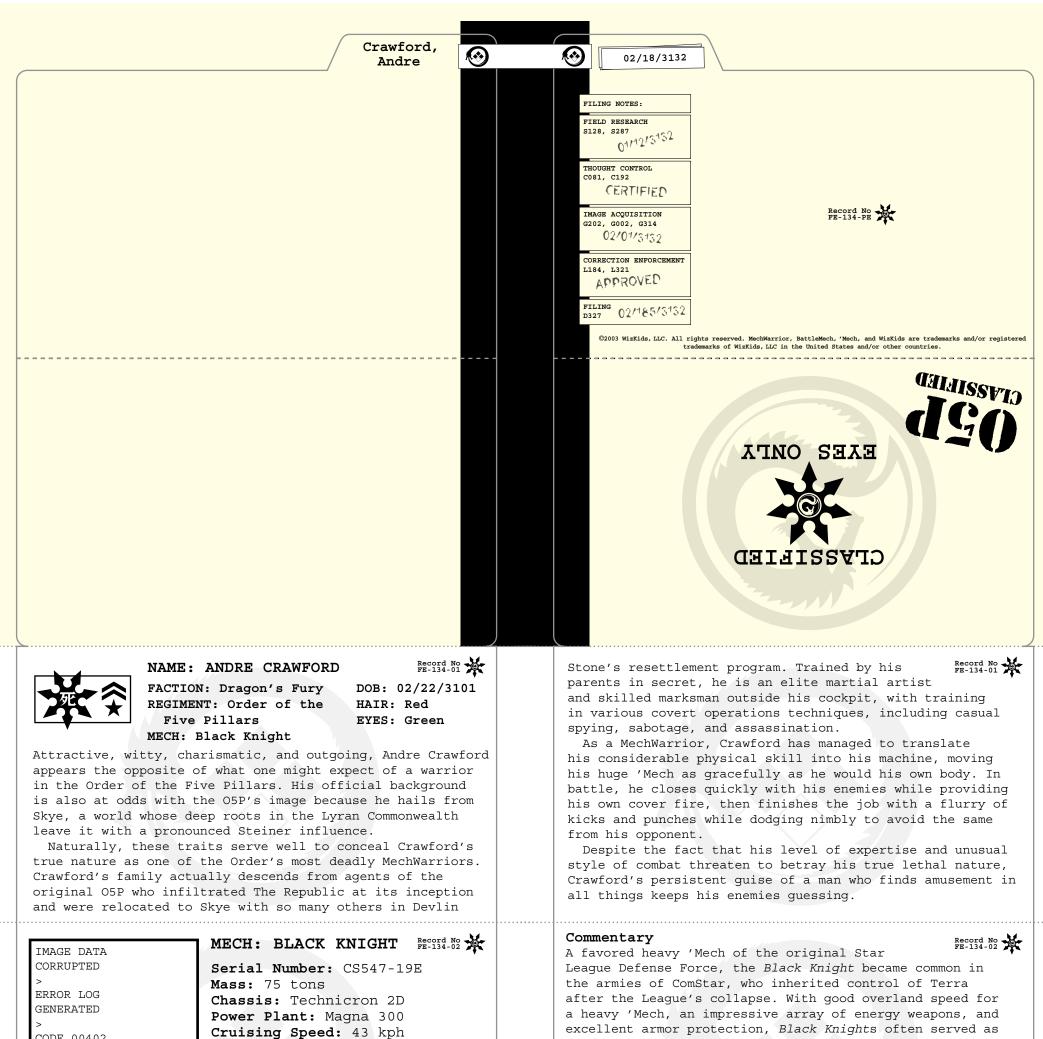


Maximum Speed: 86 kph Jump Jets: None Armor: Compound 24B2 FF Armament:

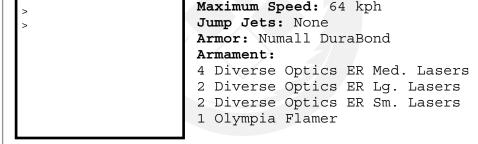
6 Series 7Ja ER Med. Lasers

- 4 Type XX "Great Bow"
 - LRM-20 Launchers

indeed, having originated with the Smoke Jaguar Clan before its Annihilation at the hands of the reborn Star League in 3060. It was fitted with twice its normal complement of missile racks in exchange for a battery of smaller laser weapons. Captured during the Inner Sphere's operation to liberate worlds captured from the Draconis Combine, the machine passed from House Kurita to The Republic after the Jihad.



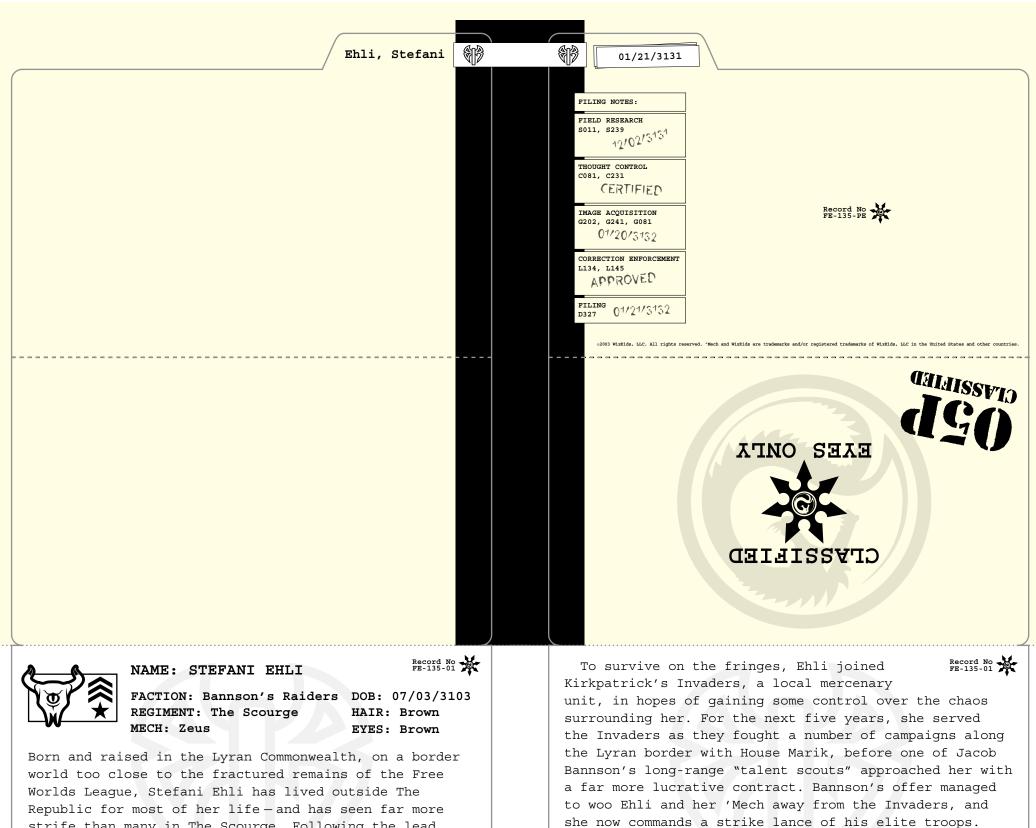
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the Black Knight should receive a major upgrade/refit during the Jihad that would further enhance these capabilities.

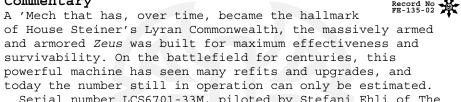
a commander's unit in battle. It was therefore logical that

This 'Mech, serial number CS547-19E, is currently in the posession of Andre Crawford, a MechWarrior in the Order of the Five Pillars, who has dubbed it "Phantom."



An unquestionable pragmatist, Ehli carefully picks her battles - whether they are fought with weapons or with words - and mentally weighs the odds of coming out on top of any given situation before taking any action.

Commentary



Serial number LCS6701-33M, piloted by Stefani Ehli of The Scourge, was actually produced in 3030, shortly after the

strife than many in The Scourge. Following the lead of The Republic after the Jihad, the Great Houses decommissioned parts of their militaries, but this did not prevent the constant raids and invasions launched by pirates, mercenaries, and even the Clans.

MECH: ZEUS

Serial Number: LCS6701-33M Mass: 80 tons Chassis: Advanced Chariot Type V Power Plant: Pitban 320 Light Cruising Speed: 43 kph Maximum Speed: 65 kph

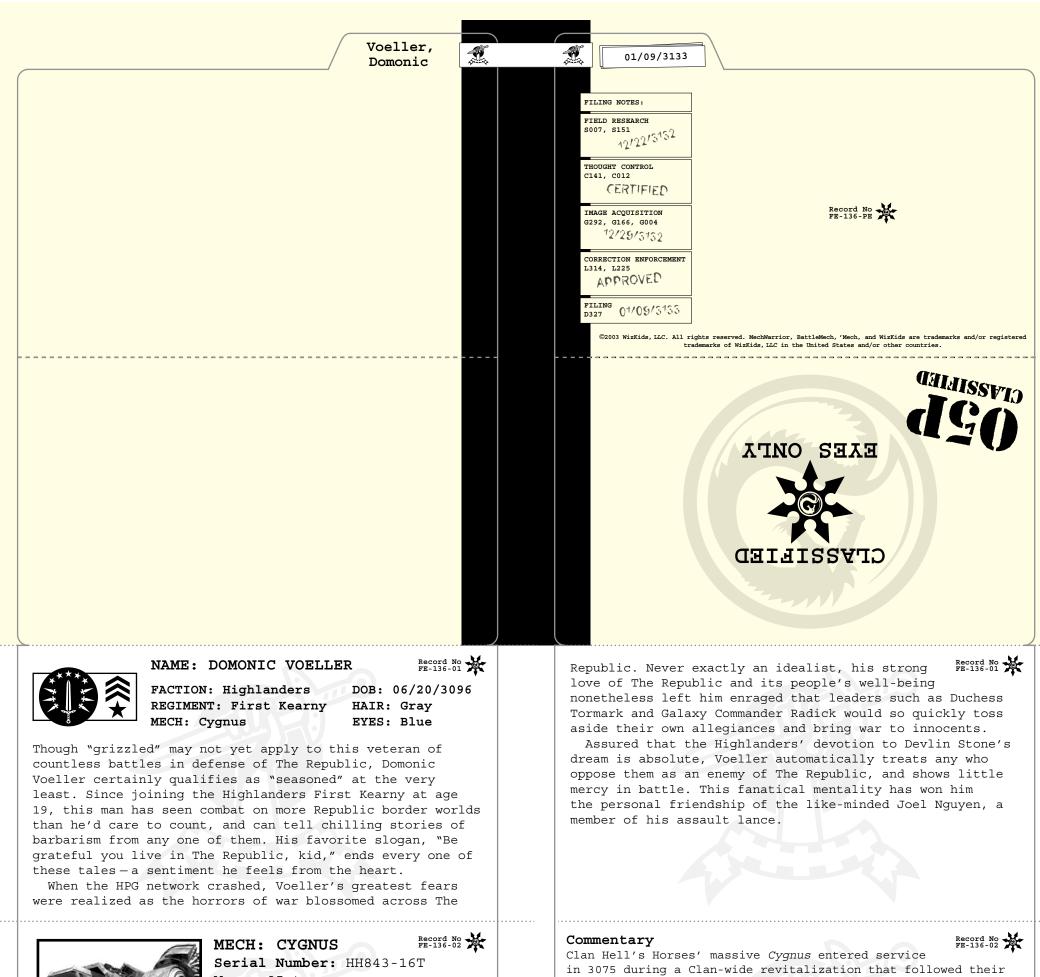
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Jump Jets: None Armor: Glasgow Limited X w/CASE Armament:

- 1 Doombud LRM-20 w/Artemis FCS
- 1 Norse Extended-Range PPC
- 1 Defiance P5M Med. Pulse Laser
- 1 Series 3 Extended-Range
 - Large Laser

formal merging of the Steiner and Davion realms into the Federated Commonwealth. Though later upgraded, this 'Mech served proudly in the Federated Commonwealth Armed Forces until its capture by the Kirkpatrick's Invaders mercenary unit during the FedCom Civil War. Ehli, who served with the Invaders earlier in her career, brought this 'Mech-which she has nicknamed "Bandit Killer" - with her upon joining Bannson's Scourge, though it remains unclear if she sought permission to do so.



Mass: 95 tons Chassis: Type BMH-7 Endo Steel Power Plant: GM 380XL Cruising Speed: 43 kph Maximum Speed: 65 kph

any Trial, often flattening the opposition with a powerful onetwo blast from its rapid-firing assault autocannons.

Built for simplicity, survivability, and lethality, the Cygnus delivers tremendous firepower for quick, brutal victories in

successful invasion of Clan Wolf's Inner Sphere holdings.



Jump Jets: None Armor: Forged Type HH34 Std. Armament:

- 2 Type MU-X Ultra-20 Autocannon
- Kolibri Omega Series Medium Pulse Lasers

HH843-16T stormed off the assembly line at the height Jihad, and was among the token force that Clan Hell's Horses eventually dispatched to help defeat the Blakist menace. After the war, the Horses gifted a portion of their troops to the newborn Republic in hopes of fostering Devlin Stone's vision of bringing an end to the horrors of war, keeping with their Warden views. Domonic Voeller, the current pilot of this machine, has nicknamed it "Blast Master" for its overwhelming firepower.