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Celebrating Six Years of Imperial Glory

Emperor's Hammer Strike Fleet

Aurora System, Outer Rim Territories



At long last, an updated uniform for the XO.
Image created by FL/CM Tom/Sword 2-1/Wing IX/ISD Relentless.

Thank you.

Edited/authored by Sector Admiral Jahn Compton
XO/SA Compton/CS-2/SSSD Sov

Emperor's Hammer Strike Fleet
SSSD Sovereign

3,083 members worldwide

office of the fleet commander

Grand Admiral Ronin has gathered articles and submissions regarding the development of the Emperor's Hammer. These include Fleet events, overall EH Plotlines, personal anecdotes, etc. The Fleet Commander wishes to emphasize that all development proposals for the Emperor's Hammer **MUST** be approved by the Fleet Commander prior to release to the rest of the Fleet.

IWCOM Resigns - VA Torres Named as Replacement: 12.21.00

As Emailed From: Former Infiltrator Wing Commander (AD Maverick)

Infiltrator Wing

Our thanks to Pappy for his assistance during the transition from AD Maverick to VA Torres as IWCOM..!

<Salute>

Gentlemen, this comes with an extremely heavy heart. I no longer have the time to perform the duties of my office. I have been casted in an upcoming production of South Pacific which will take a considerable amount of time, as well as the fact that I am growing paranoid about my grades. This is my senior year, and I do not want my grades to suffer. The reason I have not been around lately is because I've been at a library working on my papers and etc. work.

Ever since I joined the Emperor's Hammer 5 years ago this has been my dream. Now I am extremely upset that I have gotten it and not been able to do everything I promised to do. I wish to be placed on reserve status, at the first sign of free time that will allow me to become active again, I fully intend to become an active member again.

It is my recommendation that Vice Admiral Torres take over as Infiltrator Wing Commander. I have full confidence in him as a leader. Something that I have fallen short of being. Please understand that this decision has taken quite a while of thinking and that it truly is painful to let go. But at this moment I am not helping my real life studies, and I know I am not being helpful online to the organization.

Until I am able to rejoin the active ranks, I give my blessings on the Infiltrator Wing and my wishes that they will be able to grow.

(ret.) Admiral Maverick
Commander of the Infiltrator Wing

RA Hunter Stepping Down - New Morale Officer Sought: 12.03.00

As Emailed From: Former Morale Officer (RA Hunter)

Dear Sirs:

It would come as no surprise to you that there have been no reports from me for a couple weeks now. The fact is, RL gets in the way. It's the typical story; I'm in high school, and as midterms loom over the horizon, I simply haven't the time to fulfill my duties.

My loyalty remains in the Movie, however, and wish to continue on the project as Lead Animator and Assistant Director. I recommend LT KDOG, the Director, to be my replacement. He is very enthusiastic about the project and will make an excellent MOR.

Granted, the problems with the EH Movie aren't ALL my fault; lack of interest has led to a skeleton crew all with separate jobs; COL Callista, Mairin Astoris, MAJ Nebular...Both my MORAs left because of time constraints. We have no sound engineer, or video editor, or assistant animator...

I have truly cherished serving full-time in the EH. For almost two-and-a-half years now, I've seen them all come through: former FO Sarriss served under me when I was FL of Flight III/Alpha; Raith Sienar was probably the only good thing to come out of Aleth Squadron when it first reopened (I got plenty of pilots with bad mail addresses). I even outranked the retired COL Havoc at one time...

All good things must come to an end, however...I can be placed in the Reserves for my duties on the Movie unless you have any other suggestions. I await my demotion out of admiralty without any qualms.

I thank you, GA Ronin, for the opportunity to serve as your Morale Officer and hope to continue serving for years to come.

Respectfully,

-Hunter, Morale Officer

Fleet Commander's Note:

The new Morale Officer will head up the EH project to produce Emperor's Hammer and Imperial Star Wars - based "movies". These will consist of various AVIs, MPEGs, etc. using EH characters, Star Wars characters, whatever...be imaginative...:)

If you have serious skills in this area, the Fleet Commander (GA Ronin) needs to talk to you ASAP !

How are the TC Pilots Doing? A Statistical Review: 12.04.00

As Emailed From: Major Jedgar

TIE Fighter Corps

<SALUTE>

Greetings various officers of the Emperor's Hammer. I am Major Jedgar of Praetorian Squadron. One of the pilots in my squad did a little information gathering and told us how we were doing compared to the ISD Challenge and the Fleet, only FCHG Points and Citations were considered. I read this over and I was like..."Well...how is the Whole Fleet

doing?". So, further below in this mail I have compiled information concerning the TIE Corps, including # of pilots, FCHG Points, Citations, and Combat Ratings (For you MP People). =).

If you want to see how your Ship/Wing is doing this can be a helpful guide for determining what you wish, or you can just skim through it for the reason I wrote it...fun. Enjoy.

Respectfully,

-Major Jedgar, Praetorian

TIE Corps=

618 Pilots
793 Citations
98654 FCHG (Avg. 158.63 per Pilot)
4616 Combat Rating Points (Avg. 7.46 per Pilot)

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SSSD Sovereign= COM=149 FCHG/0 Combat Rating Points

Wing I= 40 pilots
19 citations
4188 FCHG (Avg. 104.7 per Pilot)
31 Combat Rating Points (Avg. .775 per Pilot)

Wing II= 41 pilots
24 citations
5561 FCHG (Avg. 135.6 per Pilot)
27 Combat Rating Points (Avg. .65 per Pilot)

Wing III= 40 pilots
21 citations
3259 FCHG (Avg. 81.4 per Pilot)
108 Combat Rating Points (Avg. 2.7 per Pilot)

Wing IV= 43 pilots
74 citations
9293 FCHG (Avg. 216.1 per Pilot)
113 Combat Rating Points (Avg. 2.62 per Pilot)

Wing V= 39 pilots
19 citations
6118 FCHG (Avg. 156.8 per Pilot)
65 Combat Rating Points (Avg. 1.6 per Pilot)

Wing VI= 23 pilots
1 citation
1809 FCHG (Avg. 78.6 per Pilot)
4 Combat Rating Points (Avg. .17 per Pilot)

Totals= 226 pilots
158 citations
30228 FCHG (Avg. 133.7 per Pilot)
348 Combat Rating Points (Avg. 1.53 per Pilot)

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TIE Corps Battlegroups= BGC0M= 73 FCHG/0 Combat Rating Points

157 Pilots

188 Citations

28170 FCHG Points (Avg. 179.42 per Pilot)

994 Combat Rating Points (Avg. 6.33 per Pilot)

ISD Colossus= COM= 39 FCHG Points/6 Combat Rating

Wing VIII= 35 pilots

62 citations

5974 FCHG (Avg. 171 per Pilot)

31 Combat Rating Points (Avg. .88 per Pilot)

ISD Relentless= COM= 14 FCHG/0 Combat Rating Points

Wing IX= 28 pilots

16 citations

3262 FCHG (Avg. 116.5 per Pilot)

118 Combat Rating Points (Avg. 4.21 per Pilot)

ISD Challenge= COM= 255 FCHG/0 Combat Rating Points

Wing X= 61 pilots

106 citations

11889 fchg (Avg. 195 per Pilot)

103 Combat Rating Points (Avg. 1.68 per Pilot)

ISD Immortal= COM= 777 FCHG/31 Combat Rating Points

Wing XI= 33 pilots

4 citations

7045 FCHG (Avg. 213.4 per Pilot)

742 Combat Rating Points (Avg. 22.48 per Pilot)

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Aggressor Strike Force= BGC0M= 107 FCHG/43 Combat Rating Points

129 Pilots

166 Citations

17218 FCHG (Avg. 133.47 per Pilot)

1959 Combat Rating Points (Avg. 15.18 per Pilot)

ISD Grey Wolf= COM= 218 FCHG/27 Combat Rating Points

Wing XIII= 55 pilots

140 citations

13174 FCHG (Avg 239.5 per Pilot)

1457 Combat Rating Points (Avg. 26.49 per Pilot)

ISD Intrepid= COM= 56 FCHG/3 Combat Rating Points

Wing XIV= 33 pilots

9 citations

1883 FCHG (Avg. 57 per Pilot)

57 Combat Rating Points (Avg. 1.72 per Pilot)

ISD Vanguard= COM= 57 FCHG/0 Combat Rating Points

Wing XV= 41 pilots

17 citations

2161 FCHG (Avg. 52.7 per Pilot)
445 Combat Rating Points (Avg. 10.85 per Pilot)

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SSD Avenger= COM= 5 FCHG/1 Combat Rating Point
Wing I= 37 pilots
7 citations
2915 FCHG (Avg. 78.7 per Pilot)
168 Combat Rating Points (Avg. 4.54 per Pilot)
Wing II= 28 pilots
9 citations
3098 FCHG (Avg. 110.6 per Pilot)
152 Combat Rating Points (5.42 per Pilot)
Totals= 65 pilots
16 citations
6013 FCHG (Avg. 92.5 per Pilot)
320 Combat Rating Points (Avg. 4.92 per Pilot)

Omega= 12 pilots
36 citations
3180 fchg (Avg 265 per Pilot)
22 Combat Rating Points (Avg. 1.83 per Pilot)

Avenger= 6 pilots
46 citations
2184 fchg (Avg 364 per Pilot)
469 Combat Rating Points (Avg. 78.16 per Pilot)

Tau= 11 pilots
0 citations
1440 fchg (Avg 131 per Pilot)
434 Combat Rating Points (Avg. 39.45 per Pilot)

Praetorian= 12 pilots
183 citations
10221 fchg (Avg. 851.75 per Pilot)
70 Combat Rating Points (Avg. 5.83 per Pilot)

Security Officer (AD Nightflyer) Promoted to Fleet Admiral: 12.04.00

As Recommended From: Supreme Director of the Ubiqtorate (FA Stalker) and Training Officer (HA Astatine)

Sir's...

I come before you today, to make a recommendation of promotion for AD Nightflyer to the rank of Fleet Admiral. I believe this because he has served with distinction in the position of SO over the last few months of my SDIRship. He has been the SO of the fleet for nearly the same time as I have been SDIR, the position of SO endures abuse on a daily basis and I believe that for taking the flak for every other command officer in this fleet he deserves this promotion.

Thank you for your time!

<SALUTE>

Fleet Admiral Samuel "Stalker5" Rothwell
Supreme Director of the Ubiqtorate
SDIR/FA Stalker5/UBIQ/DGN Lichtor V/[AoT-***TTDR***]
KP (Krath)/Acclivis Draco of Scholae Palatinae

I meant to do this earlier, but things get lost and all that.

I'd like to recommend AD Nightflyer for promotion to FA.

He's been AD for about 7 months now and has worked hard to try to improve the Security Office, not a hard task. He has shown consistant judgement on IRC as well as ensuring a smooth flow of processing from initial complaint to handing over to the HCI. He has also managed to setup a rather good page and will be soon expanding to offer extra services.

So, for these reasons I think he deserves this promotion. Thanks for your time.

TO-DEAN/HA Astatine/CS-6/SSSD Sovereign
MoH/IC/OoR/GOE/GS/SS/BSx2/PC/ISM/MoI-DC/CoS/CoE/OV-2E
{IWATS-IIC/1/2}

VA Firefox Awarded the Grand Order of the Emperor (GoE) Medal: 12.02.00

As Recommended From: Magedon42@aol.com

Dear Grand Admiral Ronin,

Officers of the Emperor's Hammer Strike Fleet are recognized for their excellence in service with promotions, medals, and praise from their superiors. I believe it is time for Vice Admiral Firefox, commodore of the Super Star Destroyer Avenger, to be brought into the Spotlight. Firefox has acted exemplary in his time of service with the Avenger. He has served over a year in the position as commodore, and has also seen to the opening of Wing II on the ship. The Avenger holds some of the greatest squadrons, commanders, and pilots the fleet has to offer and this would not be possible if VA Firefox had not acted so hard in trying to make his ship the best. I personally saw his magic at work when I served under him so many months ago. Also his work as Sith High Warrior and order leader in the Dark Brotherhood also warrants award. For these reasons and the fact he has excelled in service to his ship and crew I would like to reccomend he be awarded the Grand Order of the Emperor.

Thank you,

A-MO/MAJ Ramos Kanzco/M-TFC Last Hope/FMC

LCM Lord Linkan Awarded the Grand Order of the Emperor (GoE) Medal: 12.05.00

As Recommended From: WC-TOA/COL Mell/Wing XI/ISD Immortal

I hereby approach you officers today with a request that LCM Lord Linkan be awarded the GoE. This pilot is an outstanding character and an example to the EH in general.

Having only been with the TIE Corps for 7 months has worked extremely hard and has attained a position in Praetorian Squadron, an elite squad as you well know, to his credit currently has 1277 Fleet Commander Honour Guard Points. in 7 months this is an

Placed 2nd in October XvT WoW.
Participated in 8 XWA WoWs since January.
Directly responsible for EH placing #14 in November XvT WoW.

WC/LC Chrusos Ichthys/Wing XIII/ISD Grey Wolf
SSx3/BSx3/PCx6/ISMx9/MoI-BC/MoT-1rh1gh/LoC-PSx134/DFC/CoS/CoL/CoB [LGNR]
{IWATS-SM/2-M/1/2-IIC/1/2/3-XTT-XTM-GFX}
JH Chrusos Ichthys (Sith)/House Tridens of Clan Tarentum
<http://isdgreywolf.stardestroyer.org/>

office of the executive officer

Sector Admiral Compton has gathered submissions pertaining to all of the Emperor's Hammer Subgroups and the Grand Admiral's Advisors.

the dark brotherhood	db
the hammer's fist	hf
infiltrator wing	iw
corporate division	cd
the bounty hunters guild	bhg
intelligence division	id
eh directorate	dir
the fringe	eh rpg
the imperial senate	is
eh strategists	ehs
combat operations officer	coo
lord ambassador	la
special operations director	sod
fleet medical corps	fmc
fleet systems engineer	fse

Good little Imperials...

by SA Compton

In a recent interview for the TIE Corps magazine, the Battlecry, I stated that I was considering stepping down as Executive Officer, and would announce my decision in the pages of NewsLetter 70. Well, here's NL 70.

I hereby step down as Executive Officer of the Emperor's Hammer Strike Fleet.

That is the hardest sentence I've ever had to type in my life.

It's been a fun ride, but it's been a long one, and I simply don't have the time that this position needs anymore. I really wish I did, but it wouldn't be fair to you, the members of the Emperor's Hammer, if I were to remain as XO any longer; you deserve more than I can give. I can only hope that you feel the years I've devoted to the Fleet as XO have been good ones, and I sincerely hope the EH Territories are an even better place now than they were two years ago.

Replacing me will be SA Kawolski, one of the finest officers I've ever served with. I have been working with K since he was my Assistant during my time as Flight Officer, and I've seen him go from just another guy with an idea to one of the greatest resources this Fleet has had in it's six year history. I have every faith that he will be a better XO than I ever was, just as he was a better FO and TAC than I was. The EH will truly benefit from his guidance and abilities.

Unlike most retiring CS members, I will not be joining the Reserves or taking an advisory position. GN Devin has offered me a position in Omega, the Fleet Commander's Honor Squadron, and I've accepted. This will keep me in active service to the Hammer, behind the controls of a TIE, where I haven't regularly served as a Flight Member since I joined the Admiralty over four years ago. I will also be available, as I have been for as long as I can remember, to any member of the Fleet who needs advice or has a question about the EH.

It's going to be very odd to leave the position that I've held for the last two years. Not having ops on IRC, not outranking everyone I talk to :-P, not receiving Sub-Group reports, not getting 2,365 e-mails a day. I don't know if the EH is better off for my service these last couple of years, but I'm pretty sure it's not worse. This will be an interesting adjustment. I can't tell you how much the honor of holding this position has meant to me. The words simply cannot be found.

In fact, the only words I can think to type are these:

All hail Palpatine.

Death to the Rebellion.

For the last time...

XO/SA Compton/CS-2/SSSD Sov, Excr (ret.), (MoH)(IC)(OoR)(GoE)(PC)(GS-2)(SS)(BS-3)(ISM-3)(IS-2PR)(LoC-BS)(OV-5E)(MoI-dc)(LoC-CS-7)(MoT-gh-3rh)(MoC-PoC-6GoC-2SoC-2BoC), DA (Sith), (IWATS-IIC-SM2)

A special thanks to FL/CM Tom/Sword 2-1/Wing IX/ISD Relentless for taking the time to create the uniform I used as the front piece of this, my final NL. It looks marvelous.

the dark brotherhood

The DB Grand Master, Darth Zoraan, presents the section of the Newsletter for the Dark Brotherhood of the Jedi.

Greetings from the Iron Throne to all those that this reaches . . . In following with tradition, the [Dark Brotherhood of the Jedi's](#) submission to the Emperor's Hammer newsletter shall be a compilation of those Holocrons released since the prior issue . . .

Any who are interested in receiving the Holocron updates firsthand may "subscribe" themselves by sending a blank e-mail to theholocron-subscribe@egroups.com.

Without further ado . . .

The Holocron ~ Special Edition return of a father ~ 05/12/2000

Dark Jedi Brethren:

A recent event has occurred, which I felt warranted special Holocron announcement . . . Its news is to be carried throughout the ranks of the Brotherhood.

There are many who believe that one may not move forward, without knowing where one has been. Indeed, I choose to believe that the Brotherhood's sense of proud history remains unwavering, and that none could hope for a more regal lineage than that of the Iron Throne . . . As the generations have passed on, each Grand Master has taken their place in this magnificent order, supporting their successor and those that follow in spreading the word of Darkness farther throughout the universe. For many years, however, there has been a significant absence . . . until now.

Indeed, it was none other than Lord Kane Vader, Grand Master Emeritus and founder & father of the Dark Brotherhood himself whose public return among us I am pleased to announce! For the first time in ages, or perhaps in the history of the Brotherhood itself, the line of honourable Grand Masters stands completed.

Due to the suddenness of this, it -- as well as the last several years of his journey down the Dark Path -- remain in mystery. There will no doubt be much curiosity, however it is not the place of any Dark Brother to attempt to satisfy it through intrusion; what the Lord wishes known, he will make so.

Each new generation has brought many changes since his departure, one of which is our array of medals and awards with which to honour the acts of Dark Brethren . . . And it is with pleasure that I am herein able to present Lord Kane Vader with the Golden Lightsabre. Being the highest honour achievable by any Dark Jedi, it is awarded for personally and significantly improving the entire Brotherhood through one's direct actions. What we all must recognise, is that without a Brotherhood, there would have been no Golden Lightsabre -- just as without a beginning, there may be neither progress nor improvement. This is, perhaps, the only occasion there ever shall be upon which this award of awards may be called a small token -- one of our collective appreciation for founding what has grown to be the most powerful order of Dark Jedi in the modern galaxy.

Lord Kane Vader . . . Welcome home. :)

In Darkness,

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Grand Master; Fleet Admiral Darth Zoraan,
Grand Master of the Dark Jedi Brotherhood
Dark Lord of the Sith / Governor Plenipotentiary of Eos

The Holocron ~ Special Edition

great jedi war ~ 30/10/2000

** You gather within the magnificence that is the assembly chamber of the Dark Hall on Eos . . . It is a full assembly of the Dark Brotherhood; a modern day rarity with every last disciple above Acolyte in attendance. Your undivided attention turns towards the Iron Throne, as Grand Master Darth Zoraan rises, silencing the masses with a strike of ebony upon hard floor. **

**** Great Jedi War Address from the Grand Master ****

Greetings from the Iron Throne, my fellow Dark Brethren . . . I shall waste no time in addressing the reason for which you are here today.

The Great Jedi War has ended, and although the results are well-anticipated throughout this Hall, some ceremony is in order . . . After an exceptional performance in **all** Orders, the incontestable victorious Clan of the Great Jedi War is Clan Taldryan! Perhaps another shall ensure their defeat in a future struggle . . . But at **this** time, the grand prize of the Victory-class Star Destroyer Renascence is herein transferred to the control of Taldryan, and will be duly recognised by the Deputy Grand Master as an official Clan possession.

Courtesy of him, I also have overall statistics . . .

FIRST placing is Clan Taldryan, with 555.5 points and 68 entries . . .
SECOND placing is Clan Naga Sadow with 241.7 points and 34 entries . . .
THIRD placing is Arcona with 143.2 points and 15 entries . . .
FOURTH placing is Clan Scholae Palatinae with 119.6 points and 27 entries . . .
FIFTH placing is Clan Satal Keto with 84 points and 21 entries . . .
SIXTH placing is Clan Tarentum with 52 points and 26 entries . . .
SEVENTH placing is Clan Alvaak with 4 points and 3 entries.

Note that there are more "entries" than actual participants (due to persons participating in multiple events), but nonetheless, this single Vendetta has necessitated the awarding of nearly TWO HUNDRED Nova medals! I consider this a spectacular turnout.

I shall now transfer the proceedings to the Deputy Grand Master -- Dark Adept Torquemada -- for a time . . .

**** Great Jedi War Address from the Deputy Grand Master ****

Greetings, my Brothers and Sisters.

I would like to express my profound appreciation to all those who have so selflessly come forward to support the Dark Council. While Grand Master Zoraan has awarded Taldryan a Victory Star Destroyer for their collective efforts, I feel it is also appropriate to commemorate the individual effort put forward by its leaders; Taldryan not only received the highest point total of any Clan in the Great Jedi War, but each of its Houses individually took top honors in their respective Orders in both point totals AND overall participation.

With that in mind ... Proconsul Jac Ae-Sequera Cotelin of Taldryan and Quaestors Yacko S. Cantor of Archanis, Devin Bron of Dinaari, and Alanna of Ektrosis ... step forward, please.

For your leadership, both in word and in deed, I hereby grant each of you the Grand Cross of the Dark Side, an award intended to recognize contributions in areas meant to encourage activity, competition, and interaction between members. Thank you, and congratulations.

Consul Telaris "Mav" Cantor of Taldryan ... I assure you, we have not overlooked your own efforts. In addition to Taldryan's recent performance in the Great Jedi War (which speaks for itself), the members under your command have sent us many glowing endorsements and recommendations. This body of work demands recognition even beyond that which would be provided by a Grand Cross, and so instead, for your commendable leadership both during and prior to the Great Jedi War, I hereby present to you this Sapphire Blade.

Finally, I have a long list of medal recipients for participation. In the interest of keeping this meeting short I will not read it; I merely wish to note that over the course of the Great Jedi War nine Gold Novae, ten Silver Novae, and one hundred seventy-nine Bronze Novae have been awarded to individual participants.

Thank you for your attention.

**** Elevations & Awards Ceremony from the Grand Master ****

My thanks to you, Adept Torquemada . . .

In this third and final component to our ceremony, I will deviate from the Great Jedi War -- taking the opportunity to reward those who have yet to be recognised today, and whose excellence in their positions or growth in the Dark Side has been particularly noted.

Firstly and foremostly are those who DID work on the tedious planning and administration of our most recent Vendetta . . .

Out of he, myself, and the Order Leaders, no single individual is more responsible for the success and smooth running of the Great Jedi War than our Deputy Grand Master. I could not be more immensely pleased with having selected him. His performance here goes beyond proving proficiency in his duties, and thus Dark Adept Torquemada is herein proclaimed and elevated to his position's rightful rank of DARK JEDI MASTER.

Providing immense assistance in Vendetta elements dealing with the Sith Order was the Sith High Warrior. On behalf of Master Torquemada, I present Warlord Firefox with the GRAND CROSS OF THE DARK SIDE.

Providing immense assistance in Vendetta elements dealing with the Krath Order was the Krath High Priest. What I am about to confer does not address the Vendetta alone, but an entire history of exemplary service, of which assistance in the Great Jedi War was a *part*. Those who are Krath will be well aware of the long-standing and continued devotion in her leadership; and after receiving *numerous* recommendations from Primarch Faethor, Archpriest Caerick, and others, the Deputy Grand Master and I have come to the conclusion that she cannot grow further in Darkness at her current level . . . Thus, myself and Master Torquemada herein elevate Pontifex Arania to the rank of DARK ADEPT.

Providing immense assistance in Vendetta elements dealing with the Obelisk Order was the Obelisk High Commander. On behalf of Master Torquemada, I present Battlelord Dreadnaught with the GRAND CROSS OF THE DARK SIDE . . . Moreover, I herein elevate him to the rank of OBELISK WARLORD -- *not* specifically for his assistance with the Great Jedi War, but because it is the rightful rank for a position that he has long since proven his abilities in. A formal apology for the oversight, Warlord Dreadnaught. :)

My next and final series is in recognition of individual Dark Council members and Summit Leaders . . .

Despite having conferred the Sapphire Blade award unto him within these last months, recommendations in favour of our Chancellor continually find their way to me . . . Recommendations which I weighed with no small time or conscience. My ultimate conclusion is that after eighteen months of continued service on the Dark Council, he cannot learn any more of the Dark Side at his current rank . . . And thus Dark Adept Howlander is herein proclaimed and elevated to the coveted rank of DARK JEDI MASTER. Even though I was at first very critical of his performance, these last months of observation have proven to me that our Chancellor has employed -- and continues to use -- both efficiency and discretion in the maintenance & distribution of Brotherhood awards.

Our current Consuls of Clans Clan Scholae Palatinae and Naga Sadow have both now held their ranks & station for over six months of time, having consistently executed their duties, filed their reports, and served the Brotherhood . . . growing in Darkness all the while. In recognition, I herein elevate Sith Battlemaster Brad to the rank of SITH BATTLELORD, and Krath Archpriest Trevarus Caerick to the rank of KRATH EPIS.

Moreover, the latter of the two has constructed a tome of Dark Side lore entitled the "Chronicle of Dark Souls" (<http://www.angelfire.com/mi2/trevcaerick/cofds.html>). It is not a standard collection of stories, but rather, an attempt to integrate pieces of the puzzle that is the past, present, and future of the Dark Side of the Force. After studying its contents, it falls upon me to make a public statement . . . And I herein decree that the Brotherhood's official view of this work as a whole is one of neutrality. Due to its foundation, I will not state it to have historical or visionary accuracy; however this is by NO means a condemnation of the theories that it puts forth. In fact, I urge those with interest in the pure and mystical elements of the Dark Side to study the work, consider its concepts, and formulate opinions of their own.

Of course, the author is not to go un-credited. Writings "typically" do not draw the higher of awards, but this compilation is by no mean "typical", and I understand it was a project of well over half a year's time. Validity aside, its achievement has proven the mettle of its author in the Krath arts . . . Thus, I herein present Krath Epis Trevarus Caerick with a RUBY SCEPTRE, the sign of a scholar in the Dark Side and its lore. I have no doubt that he will choose its engraving wisely. :)

And that concludes the honours to be conferred.

In closing, I say that the Great Jedi War -- the first formal Vendetta seen by the Brotherhood in well over a year's time -- seems to have served its purpose well. For as I look out over you of our glorious order, I can feel that a great and dark thirst has been quenched, and that with the last remnants of the War having faded, you gather under one roof as Dark Brethren; again more interested in the higher goal of collectively forwarding the word of darkness than in warring one brother against the other. At least for now.

Take your leave as you please . . . but take it in nothing less than celebration of those things powerful and mystical that make the way of the Dark Jedi the path to true greatness.

IN DARKNESS!

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Grand Master; Fleet Admiral Darth Zoraan,
Grand Master of the Dark Jedi Brotherhood
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The Holocron ~ August 18, 2000

weekly news update for the week of august 13, 2000

"My own anger can unlock and unleash the power of the cosmos!"
--Darth Sidious

August 18, 2000 - 1145 Members as of Today!

Trivia/Meeting Info: <http://www.darkbrotherhood.com/comm/comm-irc.asp>

Trivia for the DB Meeting of August 12, 2000 . . .

1st Place: DJK Zekk Terrik (Krath)

2nd Place: OBL Tuojas (Obelisk)/P:CoG/CON/Clan Arcona

Trivia Creator: GRD Kir Katarn(Obelisk)/Galeres of Arcona

All are awarded a Legion of the Scholar, or add-on.

**** ADDRESS FROM THE IRON THRONE [From Grand Master Zoraan] ****

Dark Jedi of the Brotherhood and to all those whom this reaches . . . the Iron Throne bids you greetings. Since the time of my elevation to Grand Master, the Brotherhood has been without a full leadership; the most notable absences being those of Deputy Grand Master and Master At Arms. While I have personally been handling the duties of both positions in addition to my responsibilities as Grand Master, I have all the while been seeking out worthy candidates to fill the holes left in the unit that is the Dark Council. After opening the position of DGM to applications, I found many of them. My final deliberations after narrowing down the candidates for both positions were long, before finally settling on two. As a prelude to announcing them, I must thank all who applied. You did not make my task of decision easy. :)

For those also no doubt wondering of the "status" of these positions, roster updates should commence from the Master At Arms' office as of Monday, and yes, the new Deputy Grand Master *will* be heading the organisation and re-establishment of Vendetta events . . . something which I know the Brotherhood has been waiting to see for some time now, and soon enough, shall again.

Without further ado . . .

Succeeding Dark Adept Depriest as Master At Arms is Sith Battlelord; Vice Admiral Maverick (LBMaverick@aol.com), former Praetor to the Master At Arms.

Succeeding Dark Jedi Master Astatine as Deputy Grand Master is Krath Epis; Vice Admiral Pyrolius Torquemada (Torq@home.com), former Aedile of Gladius of Tarentum.

Both are herein elevated to the rank of Dark Side Adept. I welcome them to the Council, and look forward to working alongside them in building an even stronger Brotherhood . . .>:)

**** HEADMASTER UPDATE [From Dark Adept Shups]****

1. Graduates of the Shadow Academy 08.10.00 through 08.17.00
ACO Lansk Sedriss (Obelisk)/Primus Goluud of Naga Sadow
ACO Exar Force (Obelisk)/Kirlita of Satal Keto
ACO Morrigan L'Fey (Obelisk)/Kirlita of Satal Keto
ACO Taradoc (Krath)/Acclivus Draco of Scholae Palatinae
ACO Djo (Sith)/Caliburnus of Scholae Palatinae
ACO Distarch (Krath)/Gladius of Tarentum
ACO DarkApocalypse07 (Obelisk)/Primus Goluud of Naga Sadow
ACO Sidious (Obelisk)/Primus Goluud of Naga Sadow
ACO Death (Krath)/Gladius of Tarentum

Need the SA Core listed on your dossier (your DB profile)? Just send me an email including the date you have graduated the Shadow Academy, e-mail me at shups@bellatlantic.net :P Keep em coming!

**** HERALD UPDATE [From Dark Adept Kaine Mandaala]****

The office of the Herald asks that all members who request a GoA review the DSC so they'll include the proper information.

**** CHANCELLOR UPDATE [From Dark Adept Howlader] ****

1) Its been one of those relatively unexciting weeks. What's new in the CHAN Office you ask? Not much. Just some quick reminders about how people shouldn't abuse the Medal Suggest form :P For example: I've had a few suggestions come in about Golden Lightsabers...you know they don't

be approved, I mean, I may be old and senile, but not that senile :P

2) Updated the Medals Section of the Dark Side Compendium should be completed soon...specifically, the addition of the Dark Side Scroll

Medals for this week (and Last Week):

Medal: Bronze Scroll

Awarded To: APP Anison (ob13927@home.com)

Awarded By: DJK Jedi Jawa (jedijawa@hotmail.com)

Awarded On: 8/7/00

Reason: Winning house comp.

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: NOV War (merz08@hotmail.com)

Awarded By: DJK Jedi Jawa (jedijawa@hotmail.com)

Awarded On: 8/7/00

Reason: 2nd in house comp.

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: DJK William Flechette (I3AboveTheNight@aol.com)

Awarded By: OW Blade Cannabisia (blade_104@hotmail.com)

Awarded On: 8/6/00

Reason: Creation of the new House Primus Goluud banner for the new HPG website.

Medal: War Cross

Awarded To: DJK Janich (janich1@aol.com)

Awarded By: SBM Yacko (prigden@hotmail.com)

Awarded On: 8/7/00

Reason: Winning the first Dynamic Squadron System competition within House Archanis

Medal: War Cross

Awarded To: OW Blade Cannabisia (blade_104@hotmail.com)

Awarded By: KAP Trevarus Caerick (jedimaster155@yahoo.com)

Awarded On: 8/7/00

Reason: For getting a House Primus Goluud website up and running so fast, and of such good quality. Also for showing active interest in his new House so quickly

Medal: War Cross

Awarded To: DJK Gotham (RGOATHAM@aol.com)

Awarded By: SBM Kale (adamx@kda.attmil.ne.jp)

Awarded On: 8/10/00

Reason: For placing 2nd in the clan monthly quiz.

Medal: War Cross

Awarded To: JH Janos Silverwulf (silverwulf@ireland.com)

Awarded By: SBM Kale (adamx@kda.attmil.ne.jp)

Awarded On: 8/10/00

Reason: For placing 2nd in the Clan monthly Quiz!

Medal: War Cross

Awarded To: ACO Modo (jekara777@falcon.usask.ca)

Awarded By: SBM Kale (adamx@kda.attmil.ne.jp)

Awarded On: 8/10/00

Reason: For placing 2nd in the Clan monthly quiz.

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: NOV Talon Drear (wouterson@wanadoo.nl)

Awarded By: DA Howlader (danhowlader@hotmail.com)

Awarded On: 8/10/00

Reason: Winner of Caption Competition Two (From Arania)

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: GRD Dargon (Moxcody@Yahoo.com)

Awarded By: SW Flelm (flelm@yahoo.com)

Awarded On: 8/12/00

Reason: Winning 2nd place in the House Competition, TIE part

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: GRD Kou-Taiki (sensitiveinferno@hotmail.com)

Awarded By: SW Flelm (flelm@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 8/12/00
Reason: Winning 2nd place in the House Competition, XWA part

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: APP Slasher (mnsgrn@bigfoot.com)
Awarded By: SBM Yacko (prigden@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 8/12/00
Reason: Service to House Archanis before being removed from rosters

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: JH Dark Boba (darkboba@madasafish.com)
Awarded By: KP Arkane Maithal (maithal@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 8/12/00
Reason: For winning the House Acclivis Draco monthly writing competition. It was a good piece of work.

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: DJK William Flechette (I3AboveTheNight@aol.com)
Awarded By: SBM Yacko (prigden@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 8/12/00
Reason: Flech has repeatedly shown service above and beyond the call of duty, for a Flight Leader. This Medal is awarded for creating the House Archanis History, and creating automated House Archanis Multiplayer Ladders

Medal: War Cross
Awarded To: DJK Artyis (artyis@silvershark.com.pl)
Awarded By: SW Flelm (flelm@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 8/12/00
Reason: Winning all three parts of the House Competition

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: APP Halcohol (halcohol@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: SBM Yacko (prigden@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 8/12/00
Reason: Service to House Archanis before being removed.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: ACO Tom (eh_tom@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: SW Flelm (flelm@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 8/12/00
Reason: Winning 2nd place in the House Competition, XvT part

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: DJK Satana (lynn.darkstar@erols.com)
Awarded By: KAP Alex (alexchurch@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 8/1/00
Reason: Devotion to her Clan and House. This Dark Jedi Knight has done all that is asked of her with no thought of reward. So I feel it's time for me to get around to it.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: DJK Kahn (Wuan15@aol.com)
Awarded By: KAP Alex (alexchurch@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 8/1/00
Reason: Great Activity and intusiasm showed to the DB and his House in general. He's a hard worker and tries hard in everything he does.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: OW Brakiss (brakiss13@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: OBL Tuojas (jedi@thevortex.com)
Awarded On: 8/15/00
Reason: Outstanding job in creating and running house competitions.

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: GRD Kir Katarn (wings3496@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: OBL Tuojas (jedi@thevortex.com)
Awarded On: 8/15/00
Reason: Excellent job assisting the CON with a roster and template creation project.

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: OW Brakiss (brakiss13@hotmail.com)

Awarded By: OBL Tuojas (jedi@thevortex.com)
Awarded On: 8/15/00
Reason: Excellent job assisting the CON with a roster and template creation project.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: OBM Psyko (mutt48@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: OBL Tuojas (jedi@thevortex.com)
Awarded On: 8/15/00
Reason: Outstanding job in creating and running house competitions.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: DJK Chei-Ras (petr_cheine@mtu-net.ru)
Awarded By: SBM Yacko (prigden@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 8/14/00
Reason: Submitting a House Archanis Banner

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: KAP Alex (alexchurch@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: OBL Tuojas (jedi@thevortex.com)
Awarded On: 8/15/00
Reason: Excellent job assisting the CON with a roster and template creation project.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: GRD Crix Madine (crixmadine@aceplanet.net)
Awarded By: SBM Yacko (prigden@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 8/14/00
Reason: Submitting a Splash page image for House Archanis

Medal: Dark Cross
Intended For: DJK Crusader (akacrusader@hotmail.com)
Intended By: GRD Devon Thannier (hrdcatbert@angelfire.com)
Intended Reason: Working his butt off to make HDS the best

**** SITH & SSD AVENGER UPDATE [From Sith Warlord Firefox]****

- 1) Time is short for the few Clans who haven't sent in any names for the last Sith part of Operation Darkfall. They have until Sunday night. After that, it will no longer be possible for anyone to join in. I will set up a schedule with all the matches and will contact everyone during the week.
- 2) Avenger Wing II has a new WC. LC Jeff "Tiger" Lorus! He served with great dedication as commander of Butcher squadron for the past 9 months. I am sure he will contribute greatly to the Wing's future expansion.

**** KRATH UPDATE [From Krath Pontifex Arania] ****

- 1) Operation Darkfall Story results are out - I found at least one mail to me was lost and I by accident listed a story in the wrong category. This will be fixed as soon as db.com is back up.
- 2) New competition to start this weekend... stay tuned.
- 3) Those of you not yet at the rank of ACO, please proceed through the SA immediately so you can return to your Houses.

**** OBELISK UPDATE [From Obelisk Battlelord Dreadnaught] ****

1. I've made some changes in the lineup for the Obelisk portion of Darkfall. The current situation looks like this.
 - 1) Blade
vs.
2) Tuojas
 - 3) Edge
 2. I've been hard at work on a project for the Obelisk section of the Shadow Academy. This project should be online within the month.
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**** GRAND MASTER'S ROYAL GUARD UPDATE [From Battlelord Kelric] ****

1. I am finally back from my era of inactivity! I apologize for be out of communication for so long and will have the GMRG active once again in no time. Looks like Zor won't have to replace me. :) (Sorry to get your hopes up Tuo...) :(
2. Ok, I will soon get all the info I need about the squall from Tuo soon. We'll continue the matches as planned.
3. Before I left, my Magistrate Rizlib had resigned from office. Now, I am left without a webmaster. :(If any of you have some good HTML skills, contact me.
4. Finally, I plan on boosting up joining requirements a notch, so all you wannabe's better start training. Those who are already in don't have to worry.

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weekly news update for the week of august 20, 2000

"My own anger can unlock and unleash the power of the cosmos!"
--Darth Sidious

August 25, 2000 - 1161 Members as of Today!

Trivia/Meeting Info: <http://www.darkbrotherhood.com/comm/comm-irc.asp>

Trivia for the DB Meeting of August 19, 2000 . . .

1st Place: DJM Nighthawk Ciarus Arconae (Krath)/OCL
2nd Place: JH Aari Nikus(Krath)/Gladius of Tarentum
Trivia Creator: OBL Tuojas (Obelisk)/CON/Clan Arcona

All are awarded a Legion of the Scholar, or add-on.

**** ADDRESS FROM THE IRON THRONE [From Grand Master Zoraan] ****

1) "DA Shups awarded the Emerald Dagger" -- This will be the highest award that I have thus far made during my reign as Grand Master. Approximately three months ago, Dark Adept Shups was given a mandate to make wide-spread revisions to the Shadow Academy. A major phase of these revisions has been completed, making the modern two-phase mandatory training a reality, and replacing completely the old core of four phases.

I have also been witness to the *many* hours that he has put into maintaining the Shadow Academy these past months, having as of this writing five hundred and thirty-two Dark Jedi currently attending, any of which can (and do) approach him for assistance and guidance. Despite this, he continues to grade tests with a turnover rate of 48 hours, in addition to working on developing further courses and acting as a Wing Commander onboard our flagship, the SSD Avenger.

For his outstanding contributions of time and services as Headmaster of the Shadow Academy -- which have helped the Brotherhood to grow and prosper during an as-yet short but productive tenure -- Dark Adept Shups (shups@bellatlantic.net) is hereby awarded the Emerald Dagger! Congratulations. :)

2) "DA Howlader awarded the Sapphire Blade" . . .

As submitted by Krath Archpriest Alex, Quaestor of Qel-Droma of Arcona:

. . . "I wish to point out that DA Howlader works like a dog and deserves some recognition . . . He's worked hard as hell and still does. I'd like to ask that he be awarded something for his dedication and commitment to his job. An Emerald Dagger or Sapphire Dagger would do nicely. I have already sent in my suggestion . . . and he struck it down saying he couldn't award himself medals. Now I'm coming to you and asking that you award him something for his time. Something that even he, modest that he is, can't strike down." . . .

After receiving this and other similar recommendations, I took into consideration that our current Chancellor has, in fact, been overseeing the distribution of Brotherhood awards for well over a year and during the reigns of *four* Grand Masters. For this consistent service to the Brotherhood which certainly renders recognition as a whole, Dark Adept; Fleet Admiral Howlader (danhowlader@hotmail.com) is hereby awarded the Sapphire Blade! Congratulations. :)

3) "SWL Firefox awarded the Grand Cross of the Dark Side" -- Sith Warlord Firefox has been at his current rank for over seven months, and has yet to be awarded a single Brotherhood honour. During this time, he has continued to serve in the exceptional dual-capacity of Sith High Warrior and Commodore of the SSD Avenger, flagship of the Dark Jedi Brotherhood. This co-ordination is beneficial to the Sith order as a whole; and he has, in addition, shown consistent activity as Sith High Warrior, filing regular reports & actively contributing to competition efforts, such as the Sith segment of Operation Darkfall.

For his work as Sith High Warrior in encouraging competition and interaction between members of the Sith order, Sith Warlord; Vice Admiral Firefox (magius@quebectel.com) is hereby awarded the Grand Cross of the Dark Side! Congratulations. :)

4) My successor as Consul of Tarentum has been chosen & appointed. It is Krath Archpriest Kodiak Tonaloc (dryfusea@pilot.msu.edu), former longstanding Quaestor of House Gladius of Tarentum. Congratulations to him. :)

5) The Dark Side Compendium chapters 'Houses & Clans', 'Ranks', and 'Shadow Academy' were recently updated to reflect the changes put forth by the Shadow Academy's new mandatory CORE training... ALL members of the Brotherhood are asked to re-familiarise themselves with the information in those sections. The Dark Side Compendium URL may be found in the list of important links towards the end of this Holocron.

**** DEPUTY GRAND MASTER UPDATE [From Dark Adept Torquemada] ****

First, I'd like to thank the many people who have written to congratulate me on my new position. This a position of great responsibility, and I want to assure everyone that my involvement in both the Sith and Krath orders, as well as my service at various times as Aedile (of Tridens and Gladius), Quaestor (of House Tarentum prior to the Great Clanning), and Consul (of Clan Tarentum during and after the Great Clanning, until I stepped down from that position) during my three-plus year tenure in the Brotherhood, fills me with a deep respect for the office and the glorious tradition of combat between the Houses and Clans that it represents.

Very nearly my first action as DGM was to contact the Order Leaders; we're currently working on the next Vendetta event, which will be announced as soon as the plans can be finalized. I want to have as little downtime between the completion of Operation Darkfall and the beginning of the next event as possible... a feeling I'm sure is shared by most of you.

A few people has already asked if I'm seeking a Praetor or Magistrate. I want to evaluate the responsibilities of my office before I think about delegating some of them, so at present, the answer to that question is "No." When and if that situation changes, I will make a general announcement.

Clan leaders by now should have received a request to provide me with a listing of what THEY believe their current Clan holdings (capital ships, bases, and other sundry items) are. I want to resolve any discrepancies between the Dark Council's records and House/Clan records of such items.

Finally, I've established a Holonet Office located at

<http://www.geocities.com/~rbf12/dgm.html>

to act as a centralized repository of information related to my position. My plan is to eventually provide a complete listing there of all assets earned by Houses and Clans in Vendetta events, as well as a history of past Vendetta events (starting with Operation Darkfall at first, though if possible I'd like to eventually go back and fill in details on previous competitions).

In the Emperor's Service,
Dark Adept Torquemada

**** MASTER AT ARMS UPDATE [From Dark Adept Maverick]****

1) I'm very happy to have taken over the position of MAA. Please be patient as I get settled in and finish up all the backed up requests etc.

2) The current roster count stands at: 1157 members, this is down from the last time we had a MAA report since I cleared out some AWOL's that came through my office.

3) My congratz to Shups, Howlader, and Firefox

**** HEADMASTER UPDATE [From Dark Adept Shups]****

1. Graduates of the Shadow Academy 08.17.00 through 08.24.00
ACO Ackbar Jedi (Krath)/Acclivus Draco of Scholae Palatinae
ACO Archaia Darklighter (Krath)/Marka Ragnos of Naga Sadow
ACO Darclineieah (Krath)/Gladius of Tarentum
ACO Dirk Kotsees (Sith)/Ludo Kressh of Naga Sadow
ACO Drake Ven (Sith)/Galthain of Satal Keto
ACO Ender (Krath)/Qel Droma of Arcona
ACO Forceflow (Sith)/Galthain of Satal Keto
ACO Incandescence (Obelisk)/Primus Goluud of Naga Sadow

ACO Kry's Naeril (Krath)/Qel Droma of Arcona
ACO Lizardon (Krath)/Ektrosis of Taldryan
ACO Prophet (Sith)/Caliburnus of Scholae Palatinae
ACO Shawshank (Krath)/Aleema of Satal Keto
ACO War (Krath)/Aleema of Satal Keto
ACO XReeder (Sith)/Ludo Kressh of Naga Sadow

2. All SA tests are graded within 48 hours. Usually, much faster. If you or anyone you know says that they have been waiting longer than that, it simply means one thing: I did not receive it. Please resubmit the test and then let me know that you have done so. If a Novice has submitted a Dark Jedi Profile and has not yet chosen a house, I email them personally. Same thing with Apprentices, if they submit a written test, I email them and inform them I await their order specific phase before they can be promoted.

3. Several Dark Jedi are working on aspects of the Obelisk Academy, the advanced training for Jk'ers. OHC Dreadnaught is one who is doing some work and things are going well. However, I still need a JK level for both it and the SA. If you are interested in creating a level for either, please let me know ASAP.

4. If you need your dossier updated with your SA graduation, let me know. Only 1 this week. shups@bellatlantic.net

**** HERALD UPDATE [From Dark Adept Kaine Mandaala]****

1. Due to some RL time constraints, I have had to cut back on the time allocated to the GoA's. Fear not - I plan to put aside some time this week and crank out all that are in my backlog.

2. Confused about GoA's? Check the Dark Side Compendium for the guidelines - and if that doesn't help, mail me (HRLD@darkbrotherhood.com) directly with your query!

**** CHANCELLOR UPDATE [From Dark Adept Howlader]****

1) First, I'd like to thank GM Zoraan (and KAP Alex for being insane enough to recommend me :P) for the Sapphire Blade. I think it will look great on my fireplace mantle :P

2) Congratulations to the new Deputy Grand Master and Master At Arms...Dark Side Adepts Torq and Maverick!

3) Congratulations to Dark Adept Shups on his Emerald Dagger, and Warlord Firefox on his Grand Cross, you all deserve your awards.

Medals! Yay!

Medal: Grand Cross of the Dark Side
Awarded To: KAP Alex (alexchurch@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: OBL Tuojas (jedi@thevortex.com)
Awarded On: 8/19/00
Reason: Incredible in all aspects of duties as QUA

Medal: Grand Cross of the Dark Side
Awarded To: OBM Psyko (mutt48@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: OBL Tuojas (jedi@thevortex.com)
Awarded On: 8/19/00
Reason: Incredible in all aspects of duties as QUA.

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: OW Blade Cannabisia (blade_104@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: OBM AceOfDrkndHrts (aceohrts@bellsouth.net)
Awarded On: 8/22/00
Reason: Aid to the QUA

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: DJK Kircheis Tychsen (kircheis@home.net)
Awarded By: SBL Yacko (prigden@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 8/22/00
Reason: Howie... I'm still not listed as QUA on DB.com, so this is why I have a suggest medal form here :P Kirch won the House Archanis contest to create a splash page image.

Medal: War Cross
Awarded To: JH Den Darkhill (darkhill@squadron.org)
Awarded By: DJK Goatham (RGOATHAM@aol.com)
Awarded On: 8/19/00
Reason: For placing first in the House Competition "Eagle's Challenge" which consisted of mission design and then high scores on a battle.

Medal: War Cross
Awarded To: DJK Fel Bond (Commanderbond33@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: SBL Manesh (maneshp@columbia.aim-smart.com)
Awarded On: 8/19/00
Reason: Prolonged service as an ASAM for our house.

Medal: War Cross
Awarded To: JH Rowan (rowan_rob@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: SBL Manesh (maneshp@columbia.aim-smart.com)
Awarded On: 8/19/00
Reason: 1st place in HLK History competition.

Medal: War Cross
Awarded To: DJK Scithe (darth_scithe@email.com)
Awarded By: SBL Manesh (maneshp@columbia.aim-smart.com)
Awarded On: 8/19/00
Reason: Prolonged service as the Shadow Academy Motivator for our house.

Medal: War Cross
Awarded To: PRT Khaarandrass The Wolven (mr_cookie_wookie@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: OBM Mav (mav1234@home.com)
Awarded On: 8/21/00
Reason: Creation of Brigade website and messageboard

Medal: Bronze Scroll
Awarded To: JH Rogue Avatar (rogue_avatar@mailroom.com)
Awarded By: KAP Aseret (tpala@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 8/25/00
Reason: House Ektrosis Banner Competition Victory

Medal: Bronze Scroll
Awarded To: KP Mejas Doto (James@Yogle.freemove.co.uk)
Awarded By: KAP Aseret (tpala@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 8/25/00
Reason: House Ektrosis Banner Competition

Medal: Bronze Scroll
Awarded To: KP Mejas Doto (James@Yogle.freemove.co.uk)
Awarded By: KAP Aseret (tpala@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 8/25/00
Reason: House Ektrosis Pic Competition Victory

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: GRD Juve (b.nienhaus@gmx.de)
Awarded By: DJK Goatham (RGOATHAM@aol.com)
Awarded On: 8/19/00
Reason: For placing 1st in the faster time section of the "eagle's Challenge" battle flying portion.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: DJK Scithe (darth_scithe@email.com)
Awarded By: DJK Goatham (RGOATHAM@aol.com)
Awarded On: 8/19/00
Reason: For placing 2nd in the House competition "Eagle's Challenge" which consisted of mission design and high scores in the battle portion.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: PRT Khaarandrass The Wolven (mr_cookie_wookie@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: OBM Mav (mav1234@home.com)
Awarded On: 8/20/00
Reason: Participation in a Taldryan mini-comp

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: DJK Fel Bond (Commanderbond33@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: SBL Manesh (maneshp@columbia.aim-smart.com)
Awarded On: 8/19/00
Reason: 2nd place in HLK History competition.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: JH Bubbles (jen.ricketts@btinternet.com)
Awarded By: SBM Yacko (prigden@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 8/21/00
Reason: Being of Assistance to SBM Yacko in various activities.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: SW Rakhai (EHImp@total.net)
Awarded By: OBM Mav (mav1234@home.com)
Awarded On: 8/21/00
Reason: Participation in Taldryan mini-competition and submission of Clan Trivia

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: ACO Incandescence (coolguy@powersurfr.com)
Awarded By: OW Blade Cannabisia (blade_104@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 8/24/00
Reason: For creating the new House Primus Goluud Message Board.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: GRD Deathlord (TelonaMurrage@aol.com)
Awarded By: KAP Kodiak Tonaloc (dryfusea@pilot.msu.edu)
Awarded On: 8/23/00
Reason: One of the top 3 finishers of House Gladius Trivia Contest

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: DJK Ciara Tearnan (XCiaraTearnanX@aol.com)
Awarded By: KAP Kodiak Tonaloc (dryfusea@pilot.msu.edu)
Awarded On: 8/23/00
Reason: One of the top 3 finishers of House Gladius Trivia Contest

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: DJM Astatine (jpboyce@indigo.net.au)
Awarded By: KAP Mairin Astoris (mairin88@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 8/24/00
Reason: Services to his Quaestor

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: JH DarkArchon (XxDarkArchonX@juno.com)
Awarded By: KAP Aseret (tpala@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 8/25/00
Reason: House Ektrosis Banner Competition

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: ACO Shi'Lar (rkaine@incentre.net)
Awarded By: KAP Aseret (tpala@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 8/25/00
Reason: House Ektrosis Pic Competition

**** SITH & SSD AVENGER UPDATE [From Sith Warlord Firefox]****

1) I had serious problems with my email client this week, so I lost most of my mail. I had to ask the Sith Quaestors who sent in the names of the XvT and XWA pilots for their Houses to send them again. The exact match-ups and a brief overview of the rules will be made available to all tonight. Expect mails, MB messages, news post, the works!

2) I currently have about 2-3 major project pending approval by the GM. Hopefully, I will receive a go-ahead soon. In the meantime, I am in need of a skilled graphic designer for some of those projects. If you're good and you're interested in quick promotions and easy rewards, contact me at magius@quebectel.com

**** KRATH UPDATE [From Krath Pontifex Arania] ****

1) I already got submissions for the new Krath comp, and that's cool. continue like that, folks.. I want to see much more.

2) Operation Darkfall will hopefully come to a conclusion soon. Until then, there won't be any more crossorder comps with the Krath.

3) I know I have asked before, but got little response - I need a few dedicated writers who are able to work in a team. Please mail me if you think you fit this description and have enough time to put into a bigger project.

- 4) The usual reminder - if you do mail me, please include your ID line, especially if it is a submission...
- 5) Congrats to Shups, HowHow and Foxi - you really deserve those awards!

**** OBELISK UPDATE [From Obelisk Battlelord Dreadnaught] ****

- 1) Obelisk Academy proposal for the Shadow Academy is about 90% finished. I'm going to get someone to do the site for it, submit it to the GM for review, and it should be operational by the first of next month.
- 2) Final round of Obelisk Operation DarkFall portion is underway. Get those matches played ASAP.

**** GRAND MASTER'S ROYAL GUARD UPDATE [From Obelisk Battlelord Kelric] ****

1. Good news everyone, it turns out that I'm not fired! You can't imagine how glad I am to be your CoG again. :)
* Kelric gives himself a big 'welcome back!'
2. Next, I have decided on take OW Blade as my new magistrate, he has proven himself to be an adept web designer and a great JKer.
3. I have been discussing GMRG structure with Tuojas once again. The guardsmen have become stagnant due to my unexcused absence. Anyway, expect some BIG changes REALLY soon.
4. Finally, I want you all to practice up and sharpen your skills your continual enrollment with the guardsmen will depend on your JK skills.

The Holocron ~ September 1, 2000
weekly news update for the week of august 27, 2000

"My own anger can unlock and unleash the power of the cosmos!"
--Darth Sidious

September 1, 2000 - 1182 Members as of Today!

Trivia/Meeting Info: <http://www.darkbrotherhood.com/comm/comm-irc.asp>

Trivia for the DB Meeting of August 26, 2000 . . .

- 1st Place: JH Crix Madine(Sith)/Archanis of Taldryan
- 2nd Place: SW Demon Yoda(Sith)/Galthain of Satal Keto
- Trivia Creator: JH Enah(Krath)/RM/Gladius of Tarentum

All are awarded a Legion of the Scholar, or add-on.

**** ADDRESS FROM THE IRON THRONE [From Grand Master Zoraan] ****

1. Congratulations to Sith Warlord Shadow (ScubaJoeB@aol.com), whom I've selected as a Magistrate to the Grand Master. He will be assisting me in miscellaneous ways, and assuming some routine duties on behalf of the Iron Throne.

The remaining Magistrate and Praetor to the Grand Master positions are vacant but NOT open, thus please do not apply . . .)

2. For Clan Leader appointments from the past week, congratulations goes to Krath Pontifex Alastery (Alastery@brunnet.net), whom I've

appointed to the position of Proconsul of Clan Satal Keto upon recommendation from its Consul, Battlelord Armus.

3. The Grand Master's Throne Room (<http://members.aol.com/LordZoraan/>) has been updated with logs from the last three DB meetings, up to and including that of September 2nd, 2000.

4. While I thank those who have been doing an excellent job running some of the Dark Brotherhood IRC meetings in my absence, I saw a log of the general chatting that *preceded* the meeting announcements of 02 September 2000, and I wasn't impressed. This was not only due to the subject matter, but the fact that there were Dark Council members present who did not alter the flow of the conversation. We are a respectable organisation, so clean it up in this regard.

**** DEPUTY GRAND MASTER UPDATE [From Dark Adept Torquemada] ****

1) Because of some issues with Yahoo/Geocities policies, I've decided to move the DGM website to my own webspace on @Home. The new location is <http://members.home.com/torq/dgm/>

2) Consuls need to get in the info I requested on bases and house/clan holdings. I neglected to specify a date, but I had expected it before now. As of Thursday morning I have information from Tarentum, Scholae Palatinae, and Alvaak.

**** MASTER AT ARMS UPDATE [From Dark Adept Maverick]****

1) The following members have recieved elevations worth noting,

- Obelisk Warrior Brakiss to Obelisk Battlemaster
- Dark Jedi Knight Frost to Sith Warrior
- Dark Jedi Knight Drakal Morth to Obelisk Warrior
- Dark Jedi Knight Magus Lionheart to Obelisk Warrior
- Dark Jedi Knight Crusader to Obelisk Warrior
- Jedi Hunter Dafner Gelak to Dark Jedi Knight
- Jedi Hunter Arso Slyth to Dark Jedi Knight
- Jedi Hunter Rogue Avatar to Dark Jedi Knight
- Jedi Hunter Dev to Dark Jedi Knight
- Jedi Hunter Darkheart to Dark Jedi Knight

2) The current roster stands at 1182 this is up from 1157 which was last weeks count. I'm pleased to see that membership is on a rise even with a few major AWOL removals being taken care of.

3) I have received a few emails regarding whether or not I would need a Praetor. The bottom line is, my job has been simplified in such an amazing manner than I have no need for a Praetor at this time. Also the majority of my work involves me being logged into the dossier system at a high level and I'm sure Zoraan wants to limit the amount of people with that level of access. So to stop any questions, I have no need for a Praetor. While I'm happy to see active members want more work, they will not find any extra duties in the MAA office.

**** HEADMASTER UPDATE [From Dark Adept Shups]****

1. Graduates of the Shadow Academy 08.24.00 through 08.31.00

- ACO Angel'esdiablo (Krath)/Qel Droma of Arcona
- ACO Jay Urick (Krath)/Acclivus Draco of Scholae Palatinae
- ACO Kai'rus (Sith)/Galthain of Satal Keto
- ACO Masa (Krath)/Marka Ragnos of Naga Sadow
- ACO Neo (Krath)/Ektrosis of Taldryan
- ACO Shadonyx (Krath)/Marka Ragnos of Naga Sadow
- ACO Talon Drear (Obelisk)/Dinaari of Taldryan

2. The Sith Academy open to all orders for those of the rank of GRD and above is now up to 19 members. Several are on the verge of graduating.

**** HERALD UPDATE [From Dark Adept Kaine Mandaala]****

The Brotherhood Herald did not submit updates for this Holocron.

**** CHANCELLOR UPDATE [From Dark Adept Howlader] ****

1) Very little happening these past few weeks...I've started school, so I'm slightly bogged down with all this "High School" stuff.

2) Got an idea for the CHAN Office? Email me!

Medals

Medal: Grand Cross of the Dark Side

Awarded To: OBM Corran Force (corran_force@isdchallenge.org)
Awarded By: SBL Armus (armus@squadron.org)
Awarded On: 9/1/00
Reason: Acting CON for a week, as well as designing the new CSK website.

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: SBM Kale (adamx@kda.attmil.ne.jp)
Awarded By: KAP Trevarus Caerick (jedimaster155@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 8/28/00
Reason: For increasing activity within the Clan, with his weekly trivia competitions, and work on reformation of the battle teams

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: SW Rakhai (EHImp@total.net)
Awarded By: SBL Yacko (prigden@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 9/1/00
Reason: For being an extremely good leader in House Archanis, and consistent service to it.

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: KAP Mairin Astoris (mairin88@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: SBL Armus (armus@squadron.org)
Awarded On: 9/1/00
Reason: Being a very active Quaestor.

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: SBM Ricardo (bantha_34@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: SBL Armus (armus@squadron.org)
Awarded On: 9/1/00
Reason: Running the best Sith House in the DB very well for a long period of time

Medal: War Cross
Awarded To: JH Kermee (kermee@softhome.net)
Awarded By: SBL Yacko (prigden@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 9/1/00
Reason: Winning the X-Wing vs TIE Fighter portion of the House Archanis Single Player Competition.

Medal: War Cross
Awarded To: JH Kermee (kermee@softhome.net)
Awarded By: SBL Yacko (prigden@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 9/1/00
Reason: Winning the X-Wing Alliance portion of the House Archanis Single Player Competition.

Medal: War Cross
Awarded To: DJK Callista (muehj007@mail.uni-mainz.de)
Awarded By: SBL Yacko (prigden@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 9/1/00
Reason: Winning the TIE Fighter Portion of House Archanis' Single Player Competition.

Medal: Bronze Scroll
Awarded To: DJK Krail Darkblade (krail_darkblade@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: KP Arkane Maithal (maithal@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 8/26/00
Reason: The creation of an impressive House Acclivis Draco website, which has been lacking for a long time. I am pleased at his diligence and assiduous efforts.

Medal: Bronze Scroll
Awarded To: JH Rogue Avatar (rogue_avatar@mailroom.com)
Awarded By: KAP Aseret (tpala@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 8/28/00
Reason: House Ektrosis Banner Competition Victory

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: JH Troutrooper (troutrooper@yahoo.com)
Awarded By: SBM Ricardo (bantha_34@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 8/26/00
Reason: JH Troutrooper came up with the winning name for Ghostrider Squadron in a competition to.. come up with a squadron name :)

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: ACO Forceflow (dark_force_flow@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: SBM Ricardo (bantha_34@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 8/28/00
Reason: ACO Forceflow placed first in a squadron competition in which 3-4 members flew a FREE-TIE mission.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: ACO Gord Darkonian (darkwingvader@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: SBM Ricardo (bantha_34@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 8/28/00
Reason: ACO Gord Darkonian placed first in a squadron competition, in which 4 pilots flew FREE-TIE 77.

**** SITH & SSD AVENGER UPDATE [From Sith Warlord Firefox]****

1) Many XvT and XWA matches have been played. Remember that you don't have forever. I suggest you all play your first round matches before I get back. if you don't you better have a good reason. Otherwise the match might be cancelled. The match-ups for the cooperative XvT and XWA matches will be announced next Friday. Remember that the design category will be open until the the matches are all done.

2) I have to leave on a business trip from tomorrow until next Friday. Everything should be fine until I return. Contact my Praetor, Jeff Loruss (rogue0101@rocketmail.com) for anything urgent.

**** KRATH UPDATE [From Krath Pontifex Arania] ****

1) My Praetor Trev Caerick has, with my permission, turned the naming of the "Krath Bible/Krath Compendium" into a contest - please read the MB regarding this.

2) I am currently experiencing severe comp probs. However, until now, I didn't lose any mails, and I hope it stays that way. I have my usual emergency access and will be reading your mail at least twice a week (most likely I manage daily anyways). If I am a bit late in replying and can't do much else besides mailing and BBS posts right now - be patient...

**** OBELISK UPDATE [From Obelisk Battlelord Dreadnaught] ****

1) Obelisk Academy is progressing on schedule. The webpage is being constructed, and the plans are being reviewed.

2) Congratulations to Tuojas, winner of the Obelisk portion of Dark Fall. Edge came in second.

**** GRAND MASTER'S ROYAL GUARD UPDATE [From Obelisk Battlelord Kelric] ****

1. First off, I'll be off this entire long weekend. I will be going in for an operation on Tuesday. Until my return, Tuojas will be in charge.

2. We are still negotiating changes for the GMRG's structure. Listen for details in a week or so.

3. My new Magistrate Blade pledges to have the webpage up before the Sunday of the next. Bug him on IRC to get working... :P

The Holocron ~ September 8, 2000
weekly news update for the week of september 3, 2000

"My own anger can unlock and unleash the power of the cosmos!"
--Darth Sidious

September 8, 2000 - 1196 Members as of Today!

Trivia/Meeting Info: <http://www.darkbrotherhood.com/comm/comm-irc.asp>

Trivia for the DB Meeting of September 2, 2000 . . .

1st Place: SW William Flechette(Sith)/Archanis of Taldryan
2nd Place: SBL Yacko (Sith)/QUA/Archanis of Taldryan
Trivia Creator: JH Crix Madine (Sith)/Archanis of Taldryan

All are awarded a Legion of the Scholar, or add-on.

**** ADDRESS FROM THE IRON THRONE [From Grand Master Zoraan] ****

1. Thanks to the efforts of Sith Warlord Tron Sadow (Tron@techline.com), Dark Voice XXIII has been released to the membership and is available in both an on-line version (<http://www.techline.com/~hceline/DV23/>) and off-line version (<http://www.techline.com/~hceline/DV23/DV23.zip>).

For his acting as Editor of the Dark Voice for the past three issues, I have decided that the first two warrant the awards of the Steel Cross and the Star of Anger add-on, respectively . . . However, to conclude the series, Warlord Tron is awarded the Grand Cross of the Dark Side for his collective efforts in reviving the Dark Voice. Congratulations, and our thanks. :)

2. Dark Voice XXIV will *not* be released for this month, as I am locating a new Editor . . . Please hold any submissions for the time being, and watch the DB News page for updates on when (and to whom) they will be accepted again.

3. Something which has likely become widespread knowledge is the comment that I'm "dissolving the Chamber of Justice". That's not exactly true . . .

What *is* occurring is that the four Archon positions are being dissolved and will cease to exist no later than September 24th. This is a reduction in size for the Chamber, but not an elimination.

It should also be noted that it is solely the *positions* which I felt needed to be removed due to a lack of justification for their continued existence . . . The departure of the actual four individuals filling them is a completely honourable one, and in their possible pursuit of others, they apply with my full recommendation. :)

4. The Grand Master's Throne Room (<http://members.aol.com/LordZoraan/>) has been updated with a new Decree, titled "Rogue/Trainee Mass-Mailing" . . . It sets solid guidelines on what types of mailings to these rosters are and aren't acceptable, and is a must-read for Houses or Clans looking for a *legal* way to recruit more Dark Jedi into their ranks . . . :)

**** DEPUTY GRAND MASTER UPDATE [From Dark Adept Torquemada] ****

I have at least partial information from two more Clans (as of Thursday night): Naga Sadow and Satal Keto have sent me something, which leaves only Arcona and Taldryan unaccounted for. . and I'm expecting that they'll have it to me by the IRC meeting.

**** MASTER AT ARMS UPDATE [From Dark Adept Maverick]****

1) The following Dark Jedi have shown service worthy of noting:

- Sith Warrior Pel to Sith Battlemaster
- Obelisk Warrior Samael to Obelisk Battlemaster
- Dark Jedi Knight Arion Sunrider to Krath Priest
- Jedi Hunter Bubbles to Dark Jedi Knight
- Jedi Hunter Dark Archon to Dark Jedi Knight
- Jedi Hunter Enah to Dark Jedi Knight
- Jedi Hunter Kermee to Dark Jedi Knight

2) The current roster count is 1196 which is up from 1182. I'm very glad to see the roster on the rise even with the constant removal of AWOL members to keep the DB active.

3) I understand that sometimes the dossier system does not work for some transfer requests. If this problem comes up, log out, reload the page and try it again. If you still have problems then email me with the information. It's a lot easier on me to check the dossier for pending transfer requests than to go through my every growing inbox. Thank you.

4) I am currently working on a MAA Office website. Since I'm currently doing more than my share of after school activities my Senior year. I don't know when exactly this will be finished. Just be on the look out for it.

**** HEADMASTER UPDATE [From Dark Adept Shups]****

1. Graduates of the Shadow Academy 08.31.00 through 09.07.00

ACO Airchias (Krath)/Ektrosis of Taldryan
ACO Cirith Rogenshar (Krath)/Aleema of Satal Keto
ACO Dax Corrin (Sith)/Tridens of Tarentum
ACO Griffin "Grif" Alexander (Sith)/Archanis of Taldryan
ACO Roth Jalis (Sith)/Archanis of Taldryan
ACO Telonus Kel'rek (Krath)/Gladius of Tarentum
ACO Titus Andronicus (Krath)/Marka Ragnos of Naga Sadow
ACO Tobias Blackwood (Obelisk)/Galeres of Arcona
ACO ToxicFire (Obelisk)/Galeres of Arcona
ACO Zandor (Krath)/Gladius of Tarentum
ACO Zekk (Obelisk)Galeres of Arcona

2. Work has been progressing on the new DSC course, and I have been able to enlist the help of KAP Mairin and House Aleema. More on this to come.

3. As TIE fighter is still the most popular platform with the Sith, I have been approached by several Dark Jedi, most recently, GRD Vanik Rasten, about including a section in the Sith Academy course for TIE pilots. Depending on feedback, this may take place. E-mail me with your thoughts about it: HM@darkbrotherhood.com

4. As usual, if you do not have the SA:CORE listed on your dossier, please email me and I will take care of it. Subject should be SA CORE update. Be sure to include the date of when you graduated.

**** HERALD UPDATE [From Dark Adept Kaine Mandaala]****

1. Time seems to be endless now that I have released myself from a RL situation. GoA's are being processed as fast as I get them. Considering I have quite a backlog, that's not such a good thing. Keep sending them in, though!

2.. Those who wish to get a GoA are advised to READ THE DSC for guidelines. I have given up with sending messages on how they need to be corrected. All requests that are not filled out at least partially correct will be ignored and deleted.

3.. The Office of the HRLD will be up sometime soon... Really!

**** CHANCELLOR UPDATE [From Dark Adept Howlader] ****

1) School has been keeping me pretty busy...but I'm getting back into the swing of things.

2) Secondly...there have been a few excessive awards have been recommended lately...I'd like all House and Clan leaders to review the Dark Side Compendium, and to think about their awards before they award them.

Medals

Medal: Grand Cross of the Dark Side

Awarded To: GRD Indaro Gallia (indaro@isdchallenge.org)

Awarded By: SWL Tron Sadow (Tron@techline.com)

Awarded On: 9/6/00

Reason: For winning a Dark Council member sponsored competition - This award is made most often for service to the Brotherhood in areas meant to encourage competition and interaction between members

Medal: Steel Cross

Awarded To: SW Keiran Idanian (KeiranIdanian@aol.com)

Awarded By: SWL Tron Sadow (Tron@techline.com)

Awarded On: 9/6/00

Reason: For coming in 3rd place in a Dark Council member sponsored competition (the DV layout comp)

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: KAP Trevarus Caerick (jedimaster155@yahoo.com)
Awarded By: SWL Tron Sadow (Tron@techline.com)
Awarded On: 9/6/00
Reason: For coming in 2nd place in a Dark Council member sponsored competition (the DV layout comp)

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: OW Jordan (freakshow57@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: OBL Tuojas (jedi@thevortex.com)
Awarded On: 9/2/00
Reason: 1st Place in the Galeres JK Ladder.

Medal: War Cross
Awarded To: OW Drakal Morth (drnin@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: OBL Tuojas (jedi@thevortex.com)
Awarded On: 9/2/00
Reason: 2nd Place in the Galeres JK Ladder.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: JH Kir Katarn (wings3496@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: OBL Tuojas (jedi@thevortex.com)
Awarded On: 9/2/00
Reason: 3rd Place in the Galeres JK Ladder.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: GRD Nodred (nodred@yahoo.com)
Awarded By: OW Samael (jedimindtrick@mindless.com)
Awarded On: 9/3/00
Reason: Activity.

**** SITH & SSD AVENGER UPDATE [From Sith Warlord Firefox]****

- 1) I got back from my business trip and I took care of my backlog of emails. I am now back up to date on current events.
- 2) If the remaining first round XvT and XWA duels are not played in the near future, I will be forced to disqualify those participants. People have already had more than enough time to play already. Unfortunately this can't go on forever. I will contact those people and give them a 2 day period to play their matches.
- 3) The match-ups for the XvT and XWA cooperative events will be made public by this Monday. It will also include a clarification of the rules and which mission should be played.

**** KRATH UPDATE [From Krath Pontifex Arania] ****

- 1) I am currently unable to update the Operation Darkfall standings due to computer problems. I will see that it gets done this weekend though.
- 2) "Light Intrudes" competition ends today. Make sure you have your submission in.
- 3) Due to the above mentioned comp probs, I will be late in answering mails and with all the current projects (comics etc). This however doesn't mean I am not aware what's going on. I am trying to be on AIM as often as possible, if you need to talk to me.

**** OBELISK UPDATE [From Obelisk Battlelord Dreadnaught] ****

The Obelisk High Commander did not file an update for this Holocron.

**** GRAND MASTER'S ROYAL GUARD UPDATE [From Battlelord Kelric] ****

Sorry everybody, it's taken me a little longer than expected to recover from my operation. Not to mention the massive fever I had the night after. Things suck big time for me at the moment. I'll catch up with email and things this weekend. Until then, peace out.

Grand Master's Note: Obelisk Warrior Blade informed me at the DB Meeting of September 2nd that the "new GMRG page will be finished tonight and released pending Battlelord Kelric's approval".

The Holocron ~ September 22, 2000

weekly news update for the weeks of september 10 and september 17, 2000

"My own anger can unlock and unleash the power of the cosmos!"

--Darth Sidious

September 22, 2000 - 1220 Members as of Today!

Trivia/Meeting Info: <http://www.darkbrotherhood.com/comm/comm-irc.asp>

Trivia for the DB Meeting of September 9, 2000 . . .

1st Place: PRT Incandescence (Obelisk)/Primus Goluud of Naga Sadow

2nd Place: GRD Devon Thannier (Sith)/Caliburnus of Scholae

Trivia Creator: JH Crix Madine (Sith)/Archanis of Taldryan

Moderator of Trivia: JH Aari(Krath)/Gladius of Tarentum

Trivia for the DB Meeting of September 16, 2000 . . .

1st Place: PRT Incandescence (Obelisk)/Primus Goluud of Naga Sadow

2nd Place: OBL Tuojas (Obelisk)/P:CoG/CON/Arcona

Trivia Creator/Moderator: KAP Arkane Maithal(Krath)/QUA/Acclivis Draco of Scholae Palatinae

All are awarded a Legion of the Scholar, or add-on.

**** ADDRESS FROM THE IRON THRONE [From Grand Master Zoraan] ****

1. Greetings, Dark Brethren . . . This issue of the Holocron is somewhat more lengthy than is typical, as none was released for last week due to mail errors. As a reminder, the @darkbrotherhood.com e-mail forwarders are currently experiencing technical difficulties, and have been for approximately the past week. Please e-mail Dark Council members via their "real" e-mail addresses until restored functionality has been confirmed.

2. Battlelord Kelric (black281@hotmail.com) has recently announced his resignation from the position of Commander of the Guard. Until further notice, GMRG issues may be directed to the Praetor to the CoG, Battlelord Tuojas (jedi@thevortex.com). Applications are not being accepted at this time, however we thank Kelric for the time he spent in service to the Grand Master's Royal Guard . . .)

3. The intended dissolving of the Archon positions on the Dark Council was previously announced, but as of September 24th, has taken official effect. The "new" Chamber of Justice consists of the positions of Justicar and First Archon, currently Lord Paladin (FAPaladin@aol.com) and Primarch Faethor (faethor@gmx.net), respectively.

4. To eliminate the recurring confusion surrounding the issue of how to correctly appoint a Summit Leader, I have documented the official process in the form of a Decree titled "Summit Leader Appointments". At the very least, this newest Decree must be reviewed by all Summit Leaders, and is

available at the Grand Master's Throne Room (<http://members.aol.com/LordZoraan/>).

5. Lastly, as many of you already know, there is a current state of . . . unrest . . . amongst the Lesser Clans of the Brotherhood which myself and the Deputy Grand Master are watching with great concern. Further announcements from him on this matter are below, and thus I'll conclude mine. Go in Darkness. :)

**** DEPUTY GRAND MASTER UPDATE [From Dark Adept Torquemada] ****

The wait is over... At least, it is if you're Krath. If you're Sith or Obelisk, you've still got a week to get ready.

The Vendetta will begin with a one-week Krath "pre-event" (K1) ending Sept. 30th. As soon as that's complete, we'll announce events for ALL orders. There will be a total of three events for each order, and they'll be running concurrently.

Just in case it wasn't clear, the Krath event K1 is included in that three-event total, and the results WILL count towards the final standings.

For this competition, in addition to the usual points for winning an event, I have set aside a pool of points for each event that will be divided between all participants... Clans that have more entrants will receive more of these points.

Details on the Krath event can be found at
<http://members.home.com/torq/dgm/V200009/k1.html>

General information about the Vendetta (news, updates, background material, event winners once we get to that point, standings ditto, usw.) is at
<http://members.home.com/torq/dgm/V200009/>

Since the darkbrotherhood.com email addresses appear to either have significant delays or not be working at all, please send any questions, comments, concerns, disputes, etc. to my "real" address: torq@home.com ... and don't bother the Order Leaders, please, they're going to be busy enough as it is. Thank you.

**** MASTER AT ARMS UPDATE FOR 15/09/00 [From Dark Adept Maverick]****

1) The following members have received Elevations worth noting:

- Dark Jedi Knight Shae-Lynn Jade to Krath Priest
- Jedi Hunter Dark Boba to Dark Jedi Knight
- Jedi Hunter DeathDealer to Dark Jedi Knight
- Jedi Hunter Den Darkhill to Dark Jedi Knight
- Jedi Hunter Kir Katarn to Dark Jedi Knight

a) The following members have been appointed to Leadership positions.

- Krath ArchPriest Kartena to Quaestor of House Gladius of Tarentum
- Sith Warrior Priyum Patel to Aedile of House Oriens Obscurum of Arcona
- DJK DeathDealer to Aedile of House Dorimad Sol of Scholae Palatinae

2) The current count for the Roll of the Dark Jedi is 1200 this is up from 1196. I'm quite glad to see that the Brotherhood has maintained a rise in membership.

3) This is concerning any members who attended the Shadow Academy before it's revision. It would seem that during the transfer of the old SA system to the new one a number of elevations were lost. After having a discussion with HeadMaster Shups, we have decided to place a time limit for those who think their dossier is in question. Any member who passed the old SA system and did not receive their elevation have one week to email myself and the Headmaster (MAA@darkbrotherhood.com and HM@darkbrotherhood.com respectively) and request us to review their current status. While we have no seen people unjustly try and claim they were to be elevated, we don't want to have a trickle of people asking us about it months down the road.

**** MASTER AT ARMS UPDATE FOR 22/09/00 [From Dark Adept Maverick]****

1) This has been a slow week, no noteworthy elevations to report for this week.

a) Sith Warlord Shotgun has been appointed QUA of House Oriens Obscurum of Arcona.

2) The current count for the Rolls of the Dark Brotherhood is 1220 this is up from 1200. As you can see the Brotherhood is ever growing. My darkest thanks to all those who have helped spread the Darkness.

**** HEADMASTER UPDATE FOR 15/09/00 [From Dark Adept Shups]****

1. Graduates of the Shadow Academy 09.07.00 through 09.14.00

- ACO Brakka (Sith)/Tridens of Tarentum
- ACO Covybear (Krath)/Acclivis Draco of Scholae Palatinae
- ACO Gravius Excession (Krath)/Aleema of Satal Keto

ACO Saber (Obelisk)/Dinaari of Taldryan
ACO Vyacheslav Tiberius Slegr (Krath)/Marka Ragnos of Naga Sadow

2. Concerning the latest decree from the Iron Throne about e-mailing those in the SA of the rank of APP or non-aligned NOV's, please remember to CC or BCC me on the mail. The reasoning behind this is just to make sure everyone is on the same page, and so I can see if I can point the leaders to those who may have not been "recruited" recently.

**** HEADMASTER UPDATE FOR 22/09/00 [From Dark Adept Shups]****

1. Graduates of the Shadow Academy 09.14.00 through 09.21.00
ACO Slasher (Sith)/Archanis of Taldryan
2. One grad this week? That is odd. E-mail me (shups@bellatlantic.net) if you have submitted a test on or before 8pm EST Friday night.
3. Sith Academy roster is up to 21 students!!!

**** HERALD UPDATE FOR 15/09/00 [From Dark Adept Kaine Mandaala]****

1. Contrary to popular belief, GoA's are getting done. A large group of them will be uploaded by the end of the month.
2. Everyone - send congrats to KAP Arion Sunrider. He's been selected as my primary Magistrate. M:HRLD Arion Sunrider. I'm sure his folks are proud.
3. Web pages. Members want 'em, CON/QUA's should HAVE them. If you are a CON/PCON/QUA/AED and DON'T have a site for your Clan/House, get moving. I'll be cracking down on the list soon, and those without them will be in big trouble.

**** HERALD UPDATE FOR 22/09/00 [From Dark Adept Kaine Mandaala]****

Remember, websites are critical for member communication. The Office of the Herald will start checking and evaluating all DB sites in the near future. Get yours up, running, and maintained.

**** CHANCELLOR UPDATE [From Dark Adept Howlader] ****

1) For all the people asking about the EH Commendations of Loyalty...yes, they've now been added to the Database...and yes, everyone now does have their CoL. So check your profile before you bug me :P

2) Ya'll got your Vendetta... at least the Krath do. Get to it!

3) For all the members of the Brotherhood who missed the Awardee's of the Commendation of Loyalty, here they are again:

DJK Ace (Sith)/Alvaak
OBM AceOfDrkndHrts (Obelisk)/QUA/Primus Goluud of Naga Sadow
KE Alanna(Krath)/QUA/Ektrosis of Taldryan
KAP Alex (Krath)/QUA/Qel-Droma of Arcona
KPN Arania Lawakiro(Krath)/KHP
KPN Jarla(Krath)/Ektrosis of Taldryan
SW Keiran Idanian(Sith)/PCON/Alvaak
KAP Kodiak Tonaloc (Krath)/QUA/Gladius of Tarentum
SBL Manesh (Sith)/QUA/Ludo Kressh of Naga Sadow
SW Pel (Sith)/QUA/Tridens of Tarentum
OBM Psyko (Obelisk)/QUA/Galeres of Arcona
OW Samael (Obelisk)/QUA/Cestus of Tarentum
DA Shups(Sith)/HM
GM Thedek/LCH
KAP Trevarus Caerick (Krath)/P:KHP/CON/Naga Sadow
SBM Yacko(Sith)/AED/Archanis of Taldryan

Congratulations!

(Grand Master's Note: The recent DB.com mail issues have prevented a compilation of standard medals awarded during the past week.)

**** SITH & SSD AVENGER UPDATE [From Sith Warlord Firefox]****

1) The SHW website is undergoing some subtle changes. I found with better skills in that area that me, so more features will be added to the page. If you have any comments or

suggestions, feel free to mail them to me (magius@quebectel.com).

2) The Wing Commander of Avenger Wing I, GN Shups, has stepped down to take command of the Elite squadron Avenger. Some people have decided to follow him on this journey. I am not taking applications for those positions at the moment.

**** KRATH UPDATE [From Krath Pontifex Arania] ****

1) I'll get back to all of you who inquired about their writings in the Light Intrudes competition this weekend.

2) No, there won't be a new competition before the Vendetta. If, during the Vendetta, some of you still feel underworked, we can talk about that again, but I do not think that'll be the case...

3) The planned run on is on hold due to the upcoming Vendetta

4) As always - contact me with questions and comments

**** OBELISK UPDATE FOR 15/09/00 [From Obelisk Battlelord Dreadnaught] ****

1) It's been a very busy week for the OHC, and it's probably going to be a very busy month. However, although I may not be online as much, I'm still working on my current projects.

2) The Obelisk Academy proposal is still being reviewed, and I'm still waiting for someone to finish the webpage, but as soon as that's over with, the OA will be up and running.

3) I'm also thinking about bringing back the Obelisk Brigade League.. let me know what you think.

**** OBELISK UPDATE 22/09/00 [From Obelisk Battlelord Dreadnaught] ****

1) Well, I still haven't received an official green light to go ahead with the Obelisk Academy project, but the website is up at <http://www.isdchallenge.org/oa/>, go there, have a look and sign up for classes.

2) Got anything you want to see happening in the OHC's office? E-mail me at Dreadnaught9@Hotmail.com

The Holocron ~ September 29, 2000
weekly news update for the week of september 24, 2000

"My own anger can unlock and unleash the power of the cosmos!"

--Darth Sidious

September 29, 2000 - 1238 Members as of Today!

**** ADDRESS FROM THE IRON THRONE [From Grand Master Zoraan] ****

1. Recent circumstances have necessitated an official declaration of a state of WAR amongst the Lesser Clans of the Brotherhood... Indeed, a Great Jedi War -- and the first true Vendetta seen by the Brotherhood in over a year's time -- is now in full effect and under the iron-clad control of Dark Adept Torquemada, the Deputy Grand Master. Rewards shall be HIGH for the Clan which best proves its prowess in battle -- and loyalty to the Iron Throne through the exposure and annihilation of those that would attempt to do it harm. Full details are at <http://members.home.com/torq/dgm/V200009/>, and may the Darkness defend you all.

2. In seeking out a new Editor of the Dark Voice following the departure of Warlord Tron, Lord Khyron (darkjedi@datasync.com) has graciously volunteered to assume the role. Our thanks go to him. :)

3. The new Commander of the Guard, following the departure of Battlelord Kelric, is Obelisk Battlelord Tuojas (jedi@thevortex.com). Congratulations!

4. Mid-week Holocrons will be ceasing as of this weekend, and reverting to their regular schedule of release between the weekdays of Friday and Sunday.

**** DEPUTY GRAND MASTER UPDATE [From Dark Adept Torquemada] ****

1) The results of GJW Krath event K1 have been announced! The winning entry was by Aragorn, Ektrosis of Taldryan (Gold Nova or upgrade, 40 points). Second was by Dorja, Marka Ragnos of Naga Sadow (Silver Nova or upgrade, 20 points), and third was by Kryndath Del'chanar, Gladius of Tarentum (Bronze Nova or upgrade, 10 points). The complete list of participants, points, and Novae awarded is up at <http://members.home.com/torq/dgm/V200009/>.

2) Great Jedi War events for all orders began on Sunday, October 1st... Sith and Obelisk members who haven't signed up for the ladder events by sending email to their order leader and myself need to do that.

3) The current list of participants for the GJW ladder tournaments is up at <http://members.home.com/torq/dgm/V200009/>.

4) The schedule for the GJW tournament has all competitions finished in two weeks, by October 14th.

**** MASTER AT ARMS UPDATE [From Dark Adept Maverick]****

1) The following members have received outstanding elevations:

- Krath Priest Mejas Doto to Krath Archpriest
- Jedi Hunter Adrenaline to Dark Jedi Knight

2) The current count for the membership is 1238 this is up from 1220. The rolls of the Dark Brotherhood are ever growing and reaching farther into the galaxy. Keep spreading the Darkness.

3) Since we are currently in a state of pre-Vendetta/Vendetta all Krath Transfers have been put on hold. No transfers for the Krath order will be approved until the end of the Vendetta. Expect the same to begin affecting the Sith and Obelisk shortly.

**** HEADMASTER UPDATE [From Dark Adept Shups]****

1. Graduates of the Shadow Academy 09.21.00 through 09.29.00
None due to SA site problems

2. Unfortunately, due to the @darkbrotherhood.com addresses not working there are no Graduates from the SA this week. Until the new Shadow Academy is announced, I recommend not submitting any tests. I have had maybe 10 over the past week. I know I am not getting them all. I apologize to the DB for my lack of foresight in not having my own e-mail on the SA to directly receive submissions.

4. The Sith Academy is still functioning and gained another new member this week. The site will be updated on Sunday.

**** HERALD UPDATE [From Dark Adept Kaine Mandaala]****

The template for the Grant of Arms has been revised slightly, making assembly much easier. A copy has been sent to the Magistrate and Praetor so they may assist in filling the demand.

**** CHANCELLOR UPDATE [From Dark Adept Howlader] ****

The Chancellor did not submit announcements for this Holocron.

**** SITH & SSD AVENGER UPDATE [From Sith Warlord Firefox]****

1) Everyone has until Saturday the 30th at midnight EST to enlist for the XvT multiplayer competition. I encourage everyone to participate. Send a mail with your ID-Line at myself (magius@quebectel.com) and DGM Torquemada (torq@home.com).

2) What kind of Sith activities would you like to participate in? The current project I have in mind would allow Sith members to fly various custom single-player missions and compete in

an XvT, XWA ladder. Any comments?

3) Avenger Wing I lost a very important member of its crew this week, GN Shups. He was the driving force behind the wing ever since he became WC. He left us to command Avenger squadron and make it into a proud fighting force. I am sure he will succeed in this goal very quickly. To replace him, I have chosen the (self-appointed :-P) Queen of the Avenger, MAJ Shadowhawk. She has her work cut out for her, but I know she is more than capable of doing the basic duties required of a WC.

**** KRATH UPDATE [From Krath Pontifex Arania] ****

1) Over the next weeks, I'll assign every Krath house a special project. Quaestors, Aediles and everyone else, too.. if you have an idea what the Krath could do that could fall in the responsibility of your House, contact me...

2) It was found that krath.org was registered under my name but added to the wrong account! If they cannot fix that soon I'll use the chance to do some killing..

3) Please remember that ideas concerning changes/ideas for the whole DB or major changes for the Order do NOT go to me (though I'd like you to CC me if it is in any way Krath related) but to the GM and DGM. Also, remember that additional stuff for the Krath needs to be approved by the GM and DGM in any case, so please include them in your mails...

4) When the stories from the K1 event are evaluated, I will contact everyone who participated regarding their work...

5) A play-by-email RPG, either for the Krath or for all, will start as soon as I have the story done. You may send one in as well. For those who were wondering - there will be a different contact between DB and Fringe as soon as things are sorted out. This is not because I could not handle it, but to avoid any suspicions regarding conflict of interest.

6. Scholar of the month for September is: KP D'hak (Krath)/Qel-Droma of Arcona

**** OBELISK UPDATE [From Obelisk Battlelord Dreadnaught] ****

1) The Obelisk Academy is up <http://www.isdchallenge.org/oa/> and is not officially running just yet, but we're accepting sign ups so that we can move things along with haste when we get the green light.

2) If you wish to sign up for the Obelisk ladder in the vendetta, e-mail myself and the DGM with the subject of the mail being titled Vendetta Obelisk.

3) I've chosen a praetor, so congratulations go out to Corran Force. He has proven himself to be a valuable asset as of late.

**** GRAND MASTER'S ROYAL GUARD UPDATE [From Grand Master Zoraan] ****

With the appointment of Battlelord Tuojas to the position of Commander of the Guard (see Address from the Iron Throne), regular GMRG announcements will again be present as of the next Holocron.

The Holocron ~ October 13, 2000
weekly news update for the weeks of october 1 and october 8, 2000

"My own anger can unlock and unleash the power of the cosmos!"
--Darth Sidious

October 13, 2000 - 1271 Members as of Today!

Trivia/Meeting Info: <http://www.darkbrotherhood.com/comm/comm-irc.asp>

Trivia for the DB Meeting of September 30, 2000 . . .

1st Place: KAP Trevarus Caerick (Krath)/P:KHP/CON/Naga Sadow

2nd Place: KAP Arkane Maithal(Krath)/QUA/Acclivis Draco of Scholae Palatinae

Trivia Creator: JH Crix Madine (Sith)/Archanis of Taldryan

All are awarded a Legion of the Scholar, or add-on.

**** ADDRESS FROM THE IRON THRONE [From Grand Master Zoraan] ****

1. This Holocron was delayed due to my weekend-long leave . . . The largest news throughout the Brotherhood remains the ongoing Great Jedi War. All events have by this time concluded, and its official resolution will take place shortly in a special edition of the Holocron.

2. The following updates have been made to the Dark Side Compendium (<http://www.darkbrotherhood.com/dsc/>) . . .

a. I have updated the Dark Council chapter with the elimination of Archon positions, clarification of our "minimum rank" policy, and short explanatory notes for each section of the Council.

b. Myself and Dark Adept Howlader have updated the Awards chapter to feature the new Dark Side Scroll award, with the inclusion of an excellent graphic from Dark Adept Kaine Mandaala. Even though the DSS was previously being *tracked* on the domain, this update marks its official instatement as a Brotherhood Award, and it may now be displayed in idlines.

**** DEPUTY GRAND MASTER UPDATE [From Dark Adept Torquemada] ****

No announcements for this Holocron; Great Jedi War results will likely be announced in the next issue.

**** MASTER AT ARMS UPDATE FOR 06/10/2000 [From Dark Adept Maverick]****

1) The following are appointments worthy of notation.

- Obelisk Battlelord Tuojas to Commander of the Guard
- Obelisk Battlemaster Devin Bron to QUA of House Dinaari
- Sith Battlemaster Khan to QUA of House Caliburnus
- Krath Priest Shae-Lynn Jade to QUA of House Marka Ragnos
- Krath ArchPriest Nightflyer to Aedile of House Aleema.

2) The current count of Rolls of the Dark Jedi is 1267. This is up from 1238.

3) Due to a temporary server failure, I am behind on some work. My apologies for the delay this has caused.

**** MASTER AT ARMS UPDATE FOR 13/10/2000 [From Dark Adept Maverick]****

Due to the failure of the dossier system for the time being, I apologize that requests have been backed up. Also I'm afraid that this will be added to, since I will be gone Saturday till Monday evening for a college visit. As soon as the roster is back up I will be working on everything backed up and plan on everything to be taken care of within the week.

**** HEADMASTER UPDATE FOR 06/10/2000 [From Dark Adept Shups]****

1. Graduates of the Shadow Academy 09.29.00 through 10.05.00
- ACO Arduk the Blind (Krath)/Acclivis Draco of Scholae Palatinae
 - ACO DarkAlpha (Sith)/Tridens of Tarentum
 - ACO Dragoon (Obelisk)/Dinarri of Taldryan
 - ACO Smug_Git (Obelisk)/Kirleta of Satal Keto

3. The House Leadership course- I have around 6 of these to grade, however, I want to make sure the GM is satisfied with the course first. Don't worry, your tests will count. :P

4. The Sith Academy has 22 members enrolled. Remember you must be of the rank of GRD or above to enter and it IS open to all orders. DJK Tiger is doing a bang up job. However, I am badly in need of another couple of instructors to help with the work. Apply to me at shups@bellatlantic.net

5. If you have members in your houses who are ranked as NOV, point them to the SA! All they have to do is fill out the Dark Jedi Profile to be elevated to the rank of Acolyte!!

**** HEADMASTER UPDATE FOR 13/10/2000 [From Dark Adept Shups]****

1. Graduates of the Shadow Academy 10.05.00 through 10.12.00
ACO Carl Lost (Sith)/Ludo Kressh of Naga Sadow
ACO Cocarn (Obelisk)/Dinaari of Taldryan
ACO Dark Jedi Young (Krath)/Acclivus Draco of SP
ACO Talay (Sith)/Archanis of Taldryan

**** HERALD UPDATE FOR 06/10/2000 [From Dark Adept Kaine Mandaala]****

1. As some of you may have seen, I'm looking for someone to design an interface for the HRLD site. The few I did were not up to my expectations. See the Message Board for more info.
2. GoA's are in full swing. I'll start posting them on DB.COM soon. If you applied for one, check your record in the next week.

**** HERALD UPDATE FOR 13/10/2000 [From Dark Adept Kaine Mandaala]****

1. Send in your GoA requests, following proper procedure.
2. Make sure you do not abbreviate the medals. Since there are a lot of EH medals, and I'm not the Operations Officer, I have no idea what some of them are. I have better things to do than investigate an abbreviation! :)
3. With the rosters being down, GoA's can't be displayed/viewed. If you have sent in a GoA request in the past 2-3 months, have no fear. Yours is mostly likely done, and will hopefully be displayed within a week after the roster being fixed.

**** CHANCELLOR UPDATE FOR 06/10/2000 [From Dark Adept Howlader] ****

- The Bronze Novas for the First Preliminary Krath event will be added the morning/afternoon of the meeting (Saturday, October 7th)
- Please, stop making stupid requests for Medals; IE: Apprentices suggesting Golden Lightsabers for themselves. Next time I see it, I'll be not so nice..

Now..on with the medals!

Medal: Steel Cross
Proposed By: KP Shae-Lynn Jade [eviltyrant2000@yahoo.com]
Recipient: DJK Sabé [sabeccc@yahoo.com]
Reason: For her amazing work on HMR's new webpage.

Medal: Steel Cross
Proposed By: OBM AceOfDrkndHrts [aceohrts@bellsouth.net]
Recipient: GRD Jay [JayChaleng@aol.com]
Reason: 1st Place in the House Competition

Medal: War Cross
Proposed By: DA Torquemada [torq@home.com]
Recipient: GM Darth Zoraan [LordZoraan@aol.com]
Reason: TIE Fighter Mission Modifications for the Great Jedi War

Medal: War Cross
Proposed By: DA Torquemada [torq@home.com]
Recipient: DJK Jeff Loruss [rogue0101@rocketmail.com]
Reason: TIE Fighter Mission Creation

Medal: War Cross
Proposed By: OW Blade Cannabisia [blade_104@hotmail.com]
Recipient: ACO DarkApocalypse07 [mgamer07@yahoo.com]
Reason: Placing 2'nd in the House Primus Goluud Ladder Competition.

Medal: Bronze Scroll
Proposed By: KE Alanna [ladyalanna1@hotmail.com]
Recipient: DJK Bubbles [jen.ricketts@btinternet.com]
Reason: 2nd place in the recent house Ektrosis competition against some very good entries.

Medal: Bronze Scroll
Proposed By: KE Alanna [ladyalanna1@hotmail.com]
Recipient: GRD Betja jun [manicthelad@hotmail.com]
Reason: 1st place in the recent House Ektrosis competition against much some very good entries.

Medal: Bronze Scroll
Proposed By: KAP Kartena [KPKartena@aol.com]
Recipient: GRD Sith Bloodfyre [i_raistlin@hotmail.com]
Reason: Second Place in House Competition.

Medal: Bronze Scroll
Proposed By: KAP Kartena [KPKartena@aol.com]
Recipient: DJK Ciara Tearnan [XCiaraTearnanX@aol.com]
Reason: Winning House Competition

Medal: Bronze Scroll
Proposed By: KAP Kartena [KPKartena@aol.com]
Recipient: GRD Sith Bloodfyre [i_raistlin@hotmail.com]
Reason: Second Place in House Competition.

Medal: Dark Cross
Proposed By: SWL Shotgun [mtk143@psu.edu]
Recipient: GRD E. Tarkin [erik@e-sjop.nl]
Reason: Creation of a Battle Team web site.

Medal: Dark Cross
Proposed By: KE Alanna [ladyalanna1@hotmail.com]
Recipient: DJK DarkArchon [XxDarkArchonX@juno.com]
Reason: Joint 3rd place in the recent house Ektrosis competition against some very good entries.

Medal: Dark Cross
Proposed By: KE Alanna [ladyalanna1@hotmail.com]
Recipient: KAP Mejas Doto [James@Yogle.freereserve.co.uk]
Reason: Joint 3rd place in the recent house Ektrosis competition against some very good entries.

Medal: Dark Cross
Proposed By: KAP Kartena [KPKartena@aol.com]
Recipient: DJK Tom Gilbert [tom.gilbert@btinternet.com]
Reason: Getting third place in House competition

Medal: Dark Cross
Proposed By: KAP Kartena [KPKartena@aol.com]
Recipient: JH Deathlord [shadowwalker8015@aol.com]
Reason: Participation in house compition

Medal: Dark Cross
Proposed By: OW Blade Cannabisia [blade_104@hotmail.com]
Recipient: PRT Incandescence [coolguy@powersurfr.com]
Reason: Placing 3'rd in the House Primus Goluud Ladder Competition.

Medal: Dark Cross
Proposed By: SBM Pel [Palinathas@aol.com]
Recipient: GRD Kayle Bayron [kaiboecher@planetuniqa.at]
Reason: Winning Tridens House Competition.

Medal Suggest: Dark Cross
Proposed By: OBM Brakiss [brakiss13@hotmail.com]
Recipient: DJK Kir Katarn [wings3496@hotmail.com]
Reason: For creating a VERY good email template to be sent out to new members of Galeres without anyone asking him, as well as a long history of great ideas for the house.

Medal: Gold Nova
Proposed By: DA Torquemada [torq@home.com]
Recipient: KP Aragorn [ivanrad@beotel.yu]
Reason: First Place, Krath event K1 of the Great Jedi War

Medal: Silver Nova
Proposed By: DA Torquemada [torq@home.com]

Recipient: ACO Dorja [Titus@nocharge.zzn.com]
Reason: Second Place, Krath event K1 of the Great Jedi War

**** SITH & SSD AVENGER UPDATE FOR 06/10/2000 [From Sith Warlord Firefox]****

- 1) I got many submissions for the TIE part of the GJW. 30 so far and I expect to get more by the time this report is posted.
- 2) The XvT part is going well too. But Yacko is sitting smugly on top of the ladder. I suggest someone wipes that smile off his face while there is still time.

**** SITH & SSD AVENGER UPDATE FOR 13/10/2000 [From Sith Warlord Firefox]****

- 1) Participation in the TIE segment was better than expected. Very good job all. The DGM or I will post a complete list of participants and their scores soon. We'll keep you posted.
- 2) You still have some time to challenge some pilots for an XvT match. Remember that your Clan is counting on you (there are also some nice medals :P)
- 3) By the time you get this mail, the XWA segment will already be over. But a list of participants and their scores will be made public.

**** KRATH UPDATE [From Krath Pontifex Arania] ****

- 1) Krath.org is finally under my account as it should be. I expect it to be fully operational within a few days.
- 2) Good work on the Competition! I am happy to see that our Krath do not only keep the activity up, but also do their best to improve their writings.
- 3) K2 and K3 submissions will get comments from me as well... watch the Krath list for details :o)

**** OBELISK UPDATE FOR 06/10/2000 [From Obelisk Battlelord Dreadnaught] ****

- 1) O1 approaches the final week. You MUST CC my praetor, Corran Force, on all match reports. His e-mail address is corran_force@isdchallenge.org
- 2) Congratulations to the new CoG, Tuojas.

**** OBELISK UPDATE FOR 13/10/2000 [From Obelisk Battlelord Dreadnaught] ****

- 1) Not a whole lot to report this week. Still taking Obelisk Academy sign ups.
- 2) Hey, in case you guys havent heard, JK is capable of 16 bit graphics, so go over to www.massassi.net to learn more about! How about a hooray for Lucasarts, because they actually knew what they were doing when they created the engine.

**** ROYAL GUARD UPDATE FOR 06/10/2000 [From Obelisk Battlelord Tuojas] ****

1. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Grand Master Zoraan and Grand Admiral Ronin for putting their faith in me, and giving me the reins of the Grand Master's Royal Guard.
2. As usual, with new CoGs, there have been, and will be changes made. First of all, the roster has been cleaned out. If you were in the GMRG under CoG Kelric, please review the GMRG portion of the DB roster on DarkBrotherhood.com to see if you are still there. If you are not, and wish to rejoin, mail me (jedi@thevortex.com) or talk to me on IRC. Please do not demand readmission, the standards have changed, and it IS up to me who may join.

3. As for the future of the GMRG, there is much in store. The old format of Preceptors and circles will be reinstated. Also, we will begin formal inside training and competitions, as well as competitions with other parts of the online Jedi Knight community.

The Holocron ~ October 27, 2000

weekly news update for the weeks of october 15 and october 22, 2000

"My own anger can unlock and unleash the power of the cosmos!"
--Darth Sidious

October 27, 2000 - 1314 Members as of Today!

Trivia/Meeting Info: <http://www.darkbrotherhood.com/comm/comm-irc.asp>

Trivia for the DB Meeting of October 14, 2000 . . .

1st Place: PRT Incandescence (Obelisk)/RM/Primus Goluud of Naga Sadow
2nd Place: ACO Daisuke Airyu (Krath)/Acclivis Draco of Scholae Palatinae
Trivia Creator: KAP Kartena (Krath)/QUA/Gladius of Tarentum

Trivia for the DB Meeting of October 21, 2000 . . .

1st Place: PRT Incandescence (Obelisk)/Primus Goluud of Naga Sadow
2nd Place: KAP Nightflyer(Krath)/AED/Aleema of Satal Keto
Trivia Creator: DJK Kir Katarn(Obelisk)/Galeres of Arcona

All are awarded a Legion of the Scholar, or add-on.

**** ADDRESS FROM THE IRON THRONE [From Grand Master Zoraan] ****

1. Great Jedi War events and conflicts calmed and ended during the period of this Holocron . . . As I write this, the last remaining details of the aftermath are being attended to, and an imminent ceremony in the Dark Hall shall soon see to its official conclusion.

2. As many Dark Brethren are aware, former DJM Nighthawk has some weeks ago departed the position of Oracle, and the Brotherhood itself . . . Re-assuming the position is its original creator, Lord Khyron (darkjedi@datasync.com)! As a result of this appointment, the defined duty of the Oracle will be modified from Caretaker of the Dark Side Compendium to that of Editor of the Dark Voice, as we formally welcome Lord Khyron back to the Dark Council. :)

3. I have made a number of Clan and House leader appointments this past week . . . Congratulations go to the following Dark Brethren on achieving these positions:

- Sith Warrior; Admiral Havoc (Pellaeon2000@cs.com) to the position of Consul of Clan Arcona.
- Sith Warrior Priyum Patel (spellfire@btinternet.com) to the position of Proconsul of Clan Arcona.
- Obelisk Warrior Blade Cannabisia (blade_104@hotmail.com) to the position of Quaestor of House Primus Goluud of Clan Naga Sadow.
- Obelisk Battlemaster Brakiss (brakiss13@hotmail.com) and Obelisk Warrior Magus Lionheart (EricDJ@aol.com) to the positions of Quaestor and Aedile of House Galeres of Clan Arcona, respectively.

4. There are currently some issues in the office of the Master At Arms which may prevent e-mailed roster update requests from being replied to in a timely manner. I assure all Dark Brethren that this situation WILL be very temporary, but in the interim, feel free to submit requests that have went unhandled for four or more days directly to me -- LordZoraan@aol.com.

**** DEPUTY GRAND MASTER UPDATE [From Dark Adept Torquemada] ****

- 1) The Great Jedi War is now over; if the results from the last two events haven't been announced yet they will be soon.
- 2) As I write this, Taldryan is holding an insurmountable lead over the other Clans... even if the Clan currently in second takes ALL the remaining points it's impossible for them to catch up. So, while as of this writing this is still "unofficial", congratulations to Consul Mav and Proconsul Jac on their impending victory.
- 3) In order to improve the quality of future Vendetta events I'm going to be conducting a survey to find out what things from the Great Jedi War people liked or thought worked well and what things they didn't like so much or thought went less than optimally (I have my own ideas on this score, also, and I already know a few things we'll definitely be doing differently next time). You may want to begin thinking of what you want to say; however, I have a specific method in mind for doing this, so please wait for news from your Clan leaders on how to participate.
- 4) In conjunction with the Great Jedi War ending, the moratorium on ChangeClan requests has been lifted. However, raiding Taldryan is not allowed (and raiding, Taldryan, is not allowed).

**** MASTER AT ARMS UPDATE [From Dark Adept Maverick]****

- 1) All the backed up promotion requests (and I know there are quite a few) will be taken care of this weekend. Please be patient while I catch up with them.
- 2) The current count of the Rolls of the Dark Jedi is 1300. I believe this is up from 1230, but I might be mistaken since the last email with the count is lost in emails.
- 3) I would like to publicly apologize for the lateness in replies, I'm currently trying to get into a Theatre school which requires me being away for weeks plus a few days. I am trying my best to get caught up this weekend. If you've sent me an email I have it and I will get to it. My thanks for you all being understanding.

**** HEADMASTER UPDATE FOR 20/10/2000 [From Dark Adept Shups]****

1. Graduates of the Shadow Academy 10.12.00 through 10.19.00
ACO Anison (Krath)/Aleema of Satal Keto
ACO Kid (Krath)/Marka Ragnos of Naga Sadow
ACO Margorach (Obelisk)/Cestus of Tarentum
ACO Risca (Obelisk)/Dinaari of Taldryan
ACO Wa'ton Kindred (Krath)/Gladius of Tarentum
2. The SHW Firefox has been kind enough to allow me to host the SA on his server. I don't expect the site to be moving again for some time, esp since this is the first time I have had complete control over the SA site, including updates and uploading. I would again like to thank JH Saint and GM Zoraan for the updates. I think everyone will find the minor changes to the site to be a welcome addition. More changes will follow, now that I have complete control over it.
3. The HLC course is available as is the OB Academy. You can submit your tests but I am waiting for the final approval from the GM before I grade them.
4. The Sith Academy: Open to all orders, we had our first graduate this week! Congratulations to SW Gotham, the first one to graduate the Sith Academy since it was opened to the Brotherhood! A special mention to instructor DJK Jeff "Tiger" Loruss for his work in the academy! SW Gotham has been recd for a SC, a small award for such a feat, but deserving none the less. The Sith Academy now has 23 members signed up.
5. Finally, I am still taking requests to add the SA Core training to dossiers. If you graduated the SA and don't have it on your dossier, drop me a line, with the subject: SA CORE. Include your date of graduation and your ID line.

**** HEADMASTER UPDATE FOR 27/10/2000 [From Dark Adept Shups]****

1. Graduates of the Shadow Academy 10.19.00 through 10.26.00
ACO Alexandr III. Biges (Sith)/Tridens of Tarentum
ACO Ari (Sith)/Galthain of Satal Keto
ACO Carl Star(Sith)/Ludo Kressh of Naga Sadow
ACO Draken (Krath)/Aleema of Satal Keto
ACO Raim (Krath)/Qel Droma of Arcona
ACO Risca (Obelisk)//Dinaari of Taldryan
ACO Sid Vicious (Sith)/Tridens of Tarentum
ACO Tenkar (Krath)/Marka Ragnos of Naga Sadow
ACO Weasel (Krath)/Gladius of Tarentum
2. The Sith Academy: Open to all orders, we had our second graduate this week! Congratulations to DJK Scithe, the second one to graduate the Sith Academy since it was opened to the Brotherhood! Another special mention to instructor DJK Jeff "Tiger" Loruss for his work in the academy!

**** HERALD UPDATE [From Dark Adept Kaine Mandaala]****

1. Charge graphics are mandatory. Supply either an image or a link to an image when submitting GoA requests. Changes to the charge can be made, but a graphic must be supplied.
2. Some are coming in with textured field requests. This, like the medallion, is an option only for DC members and former DC members.
3. Make sure when sending a GoA request you give us all the info. Incomplete requests will be deleted.

**** CHANCELLOR UPDATE [From Dark Adept Howlader] ****

1) The Dark Side Scroll is now an official Award for the Brotherhood of Dark Jedi. They will continue to be awarded for Dark Voice submissions

2) I have added the Awards for the GJW events K1, K2, S1 and S3...I'll be compiling S2, and O1 and O2 tomorrow, because I'm too tired to do it now :P

Weekly Medal Awardings:

Medal: Steel Cross

Awarded To: KP Karva (msimon15@yahoo.com)

Awarded By: KAP Arkane Maithal (maithal@yahoo.com)

Awarded On: 10/7/00

Reason: For excelling duty as a Rollmaster. He maintains the phyles very well, and updates material appropriately and responsibly.

Medal: Steel Cross

Awarded To: DJK Chei-Ras (cheiras@bigfoot.com)

Awarded By: SBL Yacko S. Cantor (prigden@hotmail.com)

Awarded On: 10/7/00

Reason: Supplying Graphics for the House Archanis Page

Medal: Steel Cross

Awarded To: DJK Callista (muehj007@mail.uni-mainz.de)

Awarded By: SBL Yacko S. Cantor (prigden@hotmail.com)

Awarded On: 10/7/00

Reason: Consistent and Exempellary service to House Archanis

Medal: Steel Cross

Awarded To: GRD Griffin (grif8353@yahoo.com)

Awarded By: SBL Yacko S. Cantor (prigden@hotmail.com)

Awarded On: 10/7/00

Reason: Supplying Graphics for the House Archanis Page

Medal: War Cross

Awarded To: SW Priyum Patel (spellfire@btinternet.com)

Awarded By: SWL Shotgun (mtk143@psu.edu)

Awarded On: 10/14/00

Reason: Creation of a House Banner

Medal: War Cross

Awarded To: GRD Khaarandrass The Wolven (mr_cookie_wookie@hotmail.com)

Awarded By: OBM Devin Bron (DevinBron@hotmail.com)

Awarded On: 10/7/00

Reason: Completing the needed goals for a WC in Dinaari's Dark Crusades Comp.

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: JH Kahran Ramsus (judicator@ignmail.com)

Awarded By: KP Shae-Lynn Jade (evilyrant2000@yahoo.com)

Awarded On: 10/16/00

Reason: For his recent activity level in HMR

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: SW Sarok (lasnin00@student.umu.se)

Awarded By: SW Oldham (Oldie@isdchallenge.org)

Awarded On: 10/17/00

Reason: 3rd Place in House competition

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: ACO Dorja (Titus@nocharge.zzn.com)

Awarded By: KP Shae-Lynn Jade (evilyrant2000@yahoo.com)

Awarded On: 10/16/00

Reason: For his recent activity level in HMR

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: PRT Gord Darkonian (darkwingvader@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: SW Oldham (Oldie@isdchallenge.org)
Awarded On: 10/17/00
Reason: 2nd Place in House competition

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: SBL Striker (EH_striker@mail.com)
Awarded By: GM Darth Zoraan (LordZoraan@aol.com)
Awarded On: 10/16/00
Reason: Pilot file verification services rendered to the Great Jedi War

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: DJK Dark Boba (darkboba@madasafish.com)
Awarded By: KAP Arkane Maithal (maithal@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 10/14/00
Reason: For designing a detailed layout of our House facilities. It is most impressive and he deserves to be awarded for his voluntary extensive efforts.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: GRD Rexal Qel (ovflis@tin.it)
Awarded By: SBM Khan (darth.khan@inwind.it)
Awarded On: 10/14/00
Reason: For winning the XWA portion of the September House Competition

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: SW William Flechette (I3AboveTheNight@aol.com)
Awarded By: SBL Yacko S. Cantor (prigden@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 10/7/00
Reason: Supplying Graphics for the House Archanis Webpage

(Suggestion) Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: KAP Arkane Maithal (maithal@yahoo.com)
Awarded By: DJK Adam Anderson (bmarriott@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 10/14/00
Reason: His ability to lead his house, and ability to make sure that those in his house know what is going on and expected of them

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: SW Flelm (flelm@yahoo.com)
Awarded By: SBM Khan (darth.khan@inwind.it)
Awarded On: 10/20/00
Reason: For creating and maintaining the House web site.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: ACO Ryell (timfan01@yahoo.com)
Awarded By: OW Crusader (akacrusader@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 10/19/00
Reason: For completing 20 games of Jedi Knight on time, as requested.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: ACO Alex Foley (alexfoley@squadron.org)
Awarded By: SBM Khan (darth.khan@inwind.it)
Awarded On: 10/20/00
Reason: For helping in the creating of the House web site.

**** SITH & SSD AVENGER UPDATE [From Sith Warlord Firefox]****

- 1) My staff and I are working on monthly competitions for the Sith. They will span all 3 platforms and will include both single and multi-player activities. If all goes well, they should begin by the month of December.
- 2) I would like to remind everyone who loves to play multiplayer games of XvT and XWA that there are plenty of opportunities for it. It doesn't have to be a DB sponsored activity.

**** KRATH UPDATE [From Krath Pontifex Arania] ****

- 1) Good work in the GJW, people! As soon as the final results are out, there'll be a new competition... so no need to worry :o)
- 2) I'll do the K2 writing analysis as soon as I have less pains typing... cold time of the year = fibro getting worse. Same with K3 (what isn't out yet anyways :o)
- 3) Those planning to join in a Krath only RPG, mail me asap...

**** OBELISK UPDATE [From Obelisk Battlelord Dreadnaught] ****

- 1) Nothing much to report from the office of the OHC, right now. The O3 results have been completed.

**** ROYAL GUARD UPDATE [From Grand Master Zoraan] ****

The Commander of the Guard, Obelisk Battlelord Tuojas (jedi@thevortex.com), has not submitted a report these past two weeks, and his e-mail address is beginning to reject messages due to his mailbox being full. It is my hope that whatever is preventing him from handling it is temporary, and that his return to activity will be swift . . .

The Holocron ~ November 10, 2000
weekly news update for the weeks of october 29 and november 5, 2000

"My own anger can unlock and unleash the power of the cosmos!"
--Darth Sidious

November 10, 2000 - 1350 Members as of Today!

Trivia/Meeting Info: <http://www.darkbrotherhood.com/comm/comm-irc.asp>

Trivia for the DB Meeting of October 28, 2000 . . .

- 1st Place: DJK Kir Katarn(Obelisk)/Galeres of Arcona
- 2nd Place: SBL Keirdagh "Yacks" Cantor(Sith)/QUA/Archanis of Taldryan
- Trivia Creator: JH ShadowHawk(Sith)/Tridens of Tarentum

Trivia for the DB Meeting of November 4, 2000 . . .

- 1st Place: PRT Incandescence (Obelisk)/Primus Goluud of Naga Sadow
- 2nd Place: OW Blade Cannabisia (Obelisk)/QUA/Primus Goluud of Naga Sadow
- Trivia Creator: KP Zsinj (Krath)/Marka Ragnos of Naga Sadow

All are awarded a Legion of the Scholar, or add-on.

**** ADDRESS FROM THE IRON THRONE [From Grand Master Zoraan] ****

1. As I continue to personally act as Master At Arms during the position's vacancy (see MAA announcements), my news consists of notable appointments & elevations that have occurred during the past two weeks . . .

2. Recent notable appointments are as follows . . .

OW Magus Lionheart (Obelisk)/AED/Galeres of Arcona to the position of Quaestor of House Galeres of Arcona
DJK Ciara Tearnan (Krath)/M:KHP/Gladius of Tarentum to the position of Aedile of House Gladius of Tarentum.
JH Nodred (Obelisk)/Cestus of Tarentum to the position of Aedile of House Cestus of Tarentum
PRT Incandescence (Obelisk)/Primus Goluud of Naga Sadow to the position of Aedile of House Primus Goluud of Naga Sadow

3. Recent notable elevations are as follows . . .

SW Baron Fel (Sith)/Archanis of Taldryan to Sith Battlemaster
SW Havoc (Sith)/CON/Arcona to Sith Battlemaster
SW Priyum Patel (Sith)/PCON/Arcona to Sith Battlemaster
OW Blade Cannabisia (Obelisk)/QUA/Primus Goluud of Naga Sadow to Obelisk Battlemaster
OW Jordan (Obelisk)/Galeres of Arcona to Obelisk Battlemaster
DJK Callista (Sith)/Archanis of Taldryan to Sith Warrior
DJK Jeff Loruss (Sith)/P:SHW/AED/Archanis of Taldryan to Sith Warrior
DJK Adam Anderson (Krath)/Acclivis Draco of Scholae Palatinae to Krath Priest
DJK Rahj Tharen (Obelisk)/Dinaari of Taldryan to Obelisk Warrior
JH Ghost (Krath)/Ektrosis of Taldryan to Dark Jedi Knight
JH Mike (Krath)/Acclivis Draco of Scholae Palatinae to Dark Jedi Knight
JH Techno (Krath)/Ektrosis of Taldryan to Dark Jedi Knight
PRT Incandescence (Obelisk)/Primus Goluud of Naga Sadow to Dark Jedi Knight (due to Summit appointment)

Congratulations to all, and go in Darkness!

**** DEPUTY GRAND MASTER UPDATE [From Dark Jedi Master Torquemada] ****

1) Congratulations to all the winners in the Great Jedi War. Your medals are in process.

2) There was an error in the points listed in the GJW edition of the Holocron, caused by using incomplete results for O3. Taldryan actually finished with slightly over half the total points available in the competition (601.5 out of 1200). The totals on the website (<http://members.home.com/torq/dgm/V200009/>) are correct.

**** MASTER AT ARMS UPDATE [From Grand Master Zoraan]****

Dark Adept Maverick has been removed from the position of Master At Arms, with his rightful rank reduced to that of Sith Warlord. As such, the position is currently open to applications.

For more information, please see the news for 06/11/2000 DB News page (<http://www.darkbrotherhood.com/news.asp>), particularly *before* submitting an application. Please include references (if any) in the text of your application, and do *not* request that they send independent mailings to myself and the DGM.

**** HEADMASTER UPDATE FOR 03/11/2000 [From Dark Adept Shups]****

1. Graduates of the Shadow Academy 10.26.00 through 11.03.00
ACO Corde Aghasett (Krath)/Gladius of Tarentum
ACO Hades(Krath)/Gladius of Tarentum
ACO James Dragon (Krath)/Ektrosis of Taldryan
ACO Kaiann (Krath)/Qel-Droma of Arcona
ACO Ramsus Vanderkaum (Krath)/Ektrosis of Taldryan

2. Grand Master Zoraan has sent a reminder to all of the Novices in the SA concerning their training. Members of the SA who do not finish their training in 60 days, from the time they joined, will be removed. The first time this will happen is on Thursday, November 16th, most likely around 9pm EST. If you know any Novices, encourage them to finish their training! If they need help, e-mail me! HM@darkbrotherhood.com

3. The advanced courses for all DB members, like the Sith Academy, will be undergoing a name change and should be up and running by the end of the month. Yes, all 3!

**** HEADMASTER UPDATE FOR 10/11/2000 [From Dark Adept Shups]****

1. SA Grads 11.03.00 through 11.10.00
ACO Connor McLeod(Krath)/Marka Ragnos of Naga Sadow
ACO Ghost Dog (Krath)/Qel Droma of Arcona
ACO Myotis(Sith)/Archanis of Taldryan
ACO Rejili Holthaus (Sith)/Oriens Obscurum of Arcona

2. The Sith Academy is undergoing a few changes cosmetically. If you have emailed me to sign up, you should appear on its roster this week and get a confirmation email from me.

**** HERALD UPDATE [From Dark Adept Kaine Mandaala]****

The Herald did not submit announcements to this Holocron.

**** CHANCELLOR UPDATE FOR 03/11/2000 [From Dark Jedi Master Howlader] ****

1) Well, first of all, congratulations to EVERYONE who was awarded a Nova (or multiple Novae) for the Great Jedi War. You've all done some incredible work, and deserve a pat on the back and a cookie. Second of all, special congratulations to Consul Mav, and all the members of Clan Taldryan on winning the Great Jedi War.

2) Second, I'd like to thank all the insane people that decided to recommend me for the elevation to Dark Jedi Master...thanks folks :P

Medals!

Medal: Ruby Scepter

Awarded To: KE Trevarus Caerick (jedimaster155@yahoo.com)

Awarded By: GM Darth Zoraan (LordZoraan@aol.com)

Awarded On: 10/30/00

Reason: Proven mettle in the Krath arts through the authoring & compilation of the Chronicle of Dark Souls

Medal: Grand Cross of the Dark Side

Awarded To: DJK Jeff Loruss (rogue0101@rocketmail.com)

Awarded By: OBM Telaris "Mav" Cantor (mav1234@home.com)

Awarded On: 10/30/00

Reason: For exemplary service to House Archanis in his duties as Aedile.

Medal: Grand Cross of the Dark Side

Awarded To: DJK Fel Bond (Commanderbond33@hotmail.com)

Awarded By: KAP Trevarus Caerick (jedimaster155@yahoo.com)

Awarded On: 10/22/00

Reason: For longstanding (1 year) and dedicated service as Rollmaster of House Ludo Kressh

Medal: Grand Cross of the Dark Side

Awarded To: PRT Incandescence (coolguy@powersurfr.com)

Awarded By: OBM Telaris "Mav" Cantor (mav1234@home.com)

Awarded On: 10/30/00

Reason: For programming the automated Clan Taldryan XvT/JK/XWA Ladder

Medal: Grand Cross of the Dark Side

Awarded To: OBM AceOfDrkndHrts (aceohrts@bellsouth.net)

Awarded By: KAP Trevarus Caerick (jedimaster155@yahoo.com)

Awarded On: 10/22/00

Reason: Service to House Primus Goluud, and shaping thier Identity as a strong Obelisk House from beginnings of Clan Naga Sadow as a Sergeant, and ultimately as the most formidable Quaestor to-date, and later as Consul.

Medal: Steel Cross

Awarded To: KP Arion Sunrider (sithlord9@hotmail.com)

Awarded By: DA Kaine Mandaala (bthayer@nycap.rr.com)

Awarded On: 10/25/00

Reason: Supreme Loyalty and Excellent Service as Magistrate

Medal: Steel Cross

Awarded To: KP Arion Sunrider (sithlord9@hotmail.com)

Awarded By: SBL Yacko S. Cantor (prigden@hotmail.com)

Awarded On: 10/24/00

Reason: Extraordinary help on the Clan Taldryan Ladder's Creation

Medal: Steel Cross

Awarded To: KP Arion Sunrider (sithlord9@hotmail.com)

Awarded By: DA Kaine Mandaala (bthayer@nycap.rr.com)

Awarded On: 10/24/00

Reason: Supreme Loyalty and Excellent Service as Magistrate

Medal: Steel Cross

Awarded To: DJK Scithe (darth_scithe@email.com)

Awarded By: DA Shups (shups@bellatlantic.net)

Awarded On: 10/26/00

Reason: For passing each phase of the Sith Academy! The second to do so since it has been available DB wide!

(Suggest) Medal: Steel Cross

Awarded To: OW Blade Cannabisia (blade_104@hotmail.com)

Awarded By: OW Jordan (freakshow57@hotmail.com)

Awarded On: 10/30/00

Reason: He is doing a great job as QUA of House Primus Goluud. He is as active as anyone I know, and a great person to be around. He deserves a promotion but I can't give that to him sadly. I think he has earned this over his career

Medal: Steel Cross

Awarded To: GRD E. Tarkin (erik@e-sjop.nl)

Awarded By: SWL Shotgun (mtk143@psu.edu)

Awarded On: 10/29/00

Reason: Outstanding performance in a house inner competition

Medal: Steel Cross

Awarded To: KP Zsinj (slookabill@home.com)

Awarded By: KP Shae-Lynn Jade (eviltyrant2000@yahoo.com)

Awarded On: 11/3/00

Reason: For his work as TET of his phyle and for creating his phyle's webpage

Medal: War Cross

Awarded To: JH Reaper (paul@reeves110.freemove.co.uk)

Awarded By: SWL Shotgun (mtk143@psu.edu)

Awarded On: 10/23/00

Reason: Creation of Squadron Patches

Medal: War Cross

Awarded To: GRD Mordred Pendragon (mordredpendragon@letsgomets.net)

Awarded By: SWL Shotgun (mtk143@psu.edu)

Awarded On: 10/29/00

Reason: Second place in a house inner competition

Medal: Bronze Scroll

Awarded To: DJK Adam Anderson (bmarriott@hotmail.com)

Awarded By: KAP Arkane Maithal (maithal@yahoo.com)

Awarded On: 10/21/00

Reason: For persistently keeping the House message board alive by taking initiative with innovated writing (i.e. lively discussion, run-ons)

Medal: Bronze Scroll

Awarded To: JH Mike (darkjedi@otelo-online.de)

Awarded By: KAP Arkane Maithal (maithal@yahoo.com)

Awarded On: 10/21/00

Reason: For persistently keeping the House message board alive by taking initiative with innovated writing (i.e. lively discussion, run-ons)

Medal: Bronze Scroll

Awarded To: DJK Cuchulain (darkboba@madasafish.com)

Awarded By: KAP Arkane Maithal (maithal@yahoo.com)

Awarded On: 10/21/00

Reason: For persistently keeping the House message board alive by taking initiative with innovated writing (i.e. lively discussion, run-ons)

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: SW William Flechette (I3AboveTheNight@aol.com)

Awarded By: SBL Yacko S. Cantor (prigden@hotmail.com)

Awarded On: 10/24/00

Reason: Creating Graphics for the Clan Taldryan Ladder

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: DJK Kir Katarn (wings3496@hotmail.com)

Awarded By: KAP Alex (alexchurch@hotmail.com)

Awarded On: 10/24/00

Reason: Dearest Howie, Oh great and exhalted one. Oh Benevolent God of Medals. I have a request for you. Kir here, the one above has preformed many nitpicky duties and I believe I should reward him. After all, he shines my shoes, takes the lint from my cloaks, generally making me respectable, well at least presentable.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: GRD Mini Minkus (daz@mini-minkus.freemove.co.uk)
Awarded By: SBM Pel (Palinathas@aol.com)
Awarded On: 10/23/00
Reason: Winning Sub-Zero competition (since the CMDR was not allowed to award it)

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: JH Reaper (paul@reeves110.freemove.co.uk)
Awarded By: SWL Shotgun (mtk143@psu.edu)
Awarded On: 10/29/00
Reason: Third place in a house inner competition

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: DJK Chei-Ras (cheiras@bigfoot.com)
Awarded By: SBL Keirdagh "Yacks" Cantor (prigden@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 11/3/00
Reason: Winning House Archanis TIE Fighter Squadron Competition #2

**** CHANCELLOR UPDATE FOR 10/11/2000 [From Dark Jedi Master Howlader] ****

A message to all Canadians: It's November 11th (Remembrance Day), take some time to remember our Veterans

- 1) Darkbrotherhood.com stopped crashing my browser last night, that means I can get back to adding the few remaining GJW Awards.
- 2) About Medal Awards, whenever wishing to award your Quaestor, or Aedile a medal, its best to head for the Clan summit, rather than the medal suggest form. And please, stop suggesting Golden Lightsabers, its really getting tiresome.

3) Weekly Medal Awards:

Medal: Grand Cross of the Dark Side
Awarded To: KP Shae-Lynn Jade (eviltyrant2000@yahoo.com)
Awarded By: KE Trevarus Caerick (jedimaster155@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 11/4/00
Reason: Longstanding service to House Marka Ragnos, as a Tetrarch, Aedile, and Quaestor

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: SBL Manesh (maneshp@columbia.aim-smart.com)
Awarded By: KE Trevarus Caerick (jedimaster155@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 11/4/00
Reason: Excellent service as QUA of House Ludo Kressh

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: GRD Darkfenn (hawk291@juno.com)
Awarded By: SWL Firefox (magius@quebectel.com)
Awarded On: 11/2/00
Reason: Creation of a full DB Battle that has been approved by the TAC and the SHW

Medal: War Cross
Awarded To: GM Jac Ae-Sequera Cotelin (Coutinho.2@osu.edu)
Awarded By: KE Trevarus Caerick (jedimaster155@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 11/4/00
Reason: Excellent Submission to the Chronicle of Dark Souls

Medal: War Cross
Awarded To: SW William "MiSiFiT" Flechette (I3AboveTheNight@aol.com)
Awarded By: OW Blade Cannabisia (blade_104@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 11/3/00
Reason: SW William has done an excellent job with 3 quality, brand new kickass banners for my House, and another rockin banner for the new GMRG site. He's also a great guy to be around in general, and...he deserves the medal. :P

Medal: War Cross
Awarded To: GRD Darkfenn (hawk291@juno.com)
Awarded By: SWL Firefox (magius@quebectel.com)
Awarded On: 11/2/00
Reason: Once again, that's for the creation of a full DB Battle that has been approved by the TAC and the SHW (SC and WC for a

Battle, WC and DC for a free mission)

Medal: Bronze Scroll

Awarded To: GRD Deathscythe (Snoopdoob@yahoo.com)

Awarded By: KP Shae-Lynn Jade (eviltyrant2000@yahoo.com)

Awarded On: 11/8/00

Reason: For his recent increase in activity and for helping to keep the HMR MB alive (besides the run-on)

Medal: Bronze Scroll

Awarded To: DA Arania Lawakiro (lwaxanatroi@myokay.net)

Awarded By: KE Trevarus Caerick (jedimaster155@yahoo.com)

Awarded On: 11/4/00

Reason: Excellent work on the Chronicle of Dark Souls

Medal: Bronze Scroll

Awarded To: KP Tavf Ran-Kai Alithial (Scytale@aol.com)

Awarded By: KE Trevarus Caerick (jedimaster155@yahoo.com)

Awarded On: 11/4/00

Reason: Excellent Submission to the Chronicle of Dark Souls

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: GRD Betja jun (manicthelad@hotmail.com)

Awarded By: KE Alanna (ladyalanna1@hotmail.com)

Awarded On: 11/9/00

Reason: For winning monthly trivia (involves answering a set of questions every week)

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: JH Crix Madine (crix-madine@home.com)

Awarded By: SBL Keirdagh "Yacks" Cantor (prigden@hotmail.com)

Awarded On: 11/4/00

Reason: Creating a New House Archanis Motto - Sorry, Howie wouldn't let you have a BZ (Because the Bronze Scroll is only for Krathie, stupid Yackie :P - Howie)

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: DJK Kir Katarn (wings3496@hotmail.com)

Awarded By: OW Magus Lionheart (EricD@aol.com)

Awarded On: 11/4/00

Reason: Service to his house above and beyond the call of duty, and giving the QUA many bright and new ideas.

**** SITH & SSD AVENGER UPDATE FOR 03/11/2000 [From Sith Warlord Firefox]****

1) I have chosen my first mission builder for the monthly competitions, GRD Darkfenn from House Archanis of Clan Taldryan. 2 other mission builder's work are currently being evaluated.

2) GRD Darkfenn also created a new DB Battle and it was approved by both myself and the TAC, AD Striker. It should be included in the Battle Archive shortly. GRD Darkfenn will be rewarded for his work, including a Steel Cross.

3) Don't forget to tell me about the various intra and extra Clan competitions that you're running. I'd like to keep track of what is going on. I'd rather not start a major competition while most of the Clans are busy with their own competitions. This helps me prepare ahead.

**** SITH & SSD AVENGER UPDATE FOR 10/11/2000 [From Sith Warlord Firefox]****

1) I opened a new topic on the DB Message Board (<http://www.darkbrotherhood.com/mb/>). It's essentially about what works and what doesn't work in the DB. I'm asking for suggestions or comments. Please keep in mind that those might or might not be used. :)

2) GRD Darkfenn from House Archanis of Clan Taldryan recently received 2 medals for the creation of a new DB approved (TC approved too) TIE Battle. A Steel Cross and a War Cross.

3) A new squadron has been opened in Wing II of the SSD Avenger. LC Smitroc is now commanding Chaos squadron. He's assisted by MAJ RacerX and MAJ Black Revenge. They're all former member of the Avenger (one WC and 2 CMDRs!) and have decided to come back to us. Admission in that squadron is quite difficult as it uses all 3 flight sims as its official platform!

**** KRATH UPDATE FOR 03/11/2000 [From Dark Adept Arania] ****

- 1) The new run on has started... check out the MB. The contest was won by NOV Kaiann of Arcona, congratulations. The second place entry will be used as soon as this run on is over.
- 2) The RPG has started, too. Those of you who are in, check the MB regularly, too. Otherwise we cannot proceed at a sensible speed.
- 3) A new Phyle Competition and a playwrite contest (run by my former Praetor Voranyen) will start shortly. You will find the details on the MB and the Krath mailing list soon.

**** KRATH UPDATE FOR 10/11/2000 [From Dark Adept Arania] ****

- 1) Remember the playwrite competition Voranyen holds! This is something new and interesting, and I'd like to see a lot of participation.
- 2) I'd be nice if you'd hold back new promo request until the new MAA is appointed. I will not re-request any of the promos I asked for lately until the DC is complete again either...
- 3) You still have a day to register your Phyle in the Phyle competition! This can be the chance for your Phyle to stand out above all others!
- 4) I forgot something last month! Yes, that happens... :o) Scholar of the Month for October is DJK Mike (Krath)/Acclivis Draco of Scholae Palatinae (BTW, I do not mind if I get reminded of stuff I forget, on the contrary. I know I can be confused... :o)).

**** OBELISK UPDATE [From Obelisk Warlord Dreadnaught] ****

- 1) Nothing much happening in the OHC's office lately, everything is pretty much nominal. Expect to see some projects coming from me, soon, though.
- 2) For all those wondering about the Obelisk Academy-- The project is pretty much out of my hands right now, so try to be patient while the Academy comes online under the Head Master's command.

**** ROYAL GUARD UPDATE [From Grand Master Zoraan] ****

The Commander of the Guard continues his tenure of silence and will be REMOVED unless he gets in contact with me VERY soon . . .

The Holocron ~ November 17, 2000
weekly news update for the week of november 12, 2000

"My own anger can unlock and unleash the power of the cosmos!"
--Darth Sidious

November 17, 2000 - 771 Members as of Today!

**** ADDRESS FROM THE IRON THRONE [From Grand Master Zoraan] ****

1. No, that wasn't an error. The Dark Brotherhood of Jedi stands at 771 members as of today -- 579 Apprentices & Novices in total (primarily APPs) were flushed from the database. I estimate that well over 400 of these were members from long before the Shadow Academy re-structuring in July, and all were given generous amounts of time to complete their training.

Henceforth, the SA Roll of Trainees will be *consistently* up to date -- the domain enables the Headmaster to flush APPs and NOVs who have not completed their MANDATORY training within 60 days of joining.

An approximate eight-hundred may indeed be the first truly-accurate roster count the Brotherhood has seen in several years, as the last of the outlets allowing "bloating" of our roster have been stamped out. Even so, we continue to grow on a daily basis, and our goal should be to achieve & surpass a millennium of Dark Brethren once again. Let us continue to spread the word of Darkness, both to those friends & acquaintances in other SubGroups whose experience may be enriched by tutelage in the Dark Side of the Force, and unto the far corners of the galaxy.

2. High elevations for this week are as follows:

KP Aragorn (Krath)/M:KHP/Ektrosis of Taldryan to Krath Archpriest
JH Aari Nikus (Krath)/Gladius of Tarentum to Dark Jedi Knight
JH Rowan (Krath)/Marka Ragnos of Naga Sadow to Dark Jedi Knight

3. Summit Leader appointments for this week are as follows:

OBM Corran Force (Obelisk)/P:OHC/QUA/Kirleta of Satal Keto to Consul of Clan Satal Keto
SBM Pei(Sith)/QUA/Tridens of Tarentum to Proconsul of Clan Tarentum

4. The announcement that all of the Brotherhood has been anticipating: The appointment of a new Master At Arms. I will first say 'thank you' to all applicants, of which there were literally dozens, with dozens more letters of recommendation following. The list included some VERY highly qualified candidates, and the final competition was fierce.

With concurrence from the Deputy Grand Master, I herein appoint Sith Warlord; Fleet Admiral Shotgun (mtk143@psu.edu), to the Dark Council position of Master At Arms. Given his longstanding status as a Warlord, he is furthermore elevated to the rank of Dark Adept, consistent with his new position. We considered this appointment logical, given his elevated rank & experience (which includes holding a former Archon position on the Dark Council), and prior service as Praetor to four MAAs over the course of two years.

While he should immediately begin to be the recipient of all MAA matters (although please send to mtk143@psu.edu until MAA@darkbrotherhood.com is properly linked-up), please do NOT expect prompt responses from his office until Sunday of this week. It is a very involved position to assume, and I understand that many Houses will now be inundating him with elevation requests that they chose to spare me from processing. :)

Congratulations, Adept Shotgun!

**** DEPUTY GRAND MASTER UPDATE [From Dark Jedi Master Torquemada] ****

The Great Jedi War has been over for a while, and now that it's had a chance to settle in a bit I'm soliciting opinions about how things were run. I'm specifically interested in hearing about things you thought went really well (if a lot of people liked it, we'll probably do it again next time) or things you thought went really poorly (if a lot of people hated it, we'll at least consider not doing it again next time); if you have suggestions on changes that would have made an okay event into a great event I'd like to hear those also. I am specifically NOT interested in justifying, arguing about, or debating any decisions that were made, and even if the GM, the Order Leaders, and I agree completely with your suggestion there will be no retroactive modifications.

Email those to torq@home.com with the subject "GJW Feedback".

**** MASTER AT ARMS UPDATE [From Grand Master Zoraan]****

Adept Shotgun is in the process of assuming his new position. Announcements will be present in next week's Holocron.

**** HEADMASTER UPDATE [From Dark Adept Shups]****

1. SA Grads 11.10.00 through 11.17.00
ACO Epyon (Sith)/Ludo Kressh of Naga Sadow
ACO Hev Randrowan(Sith)/Tridens of Tarentum
ACO Mandrix Lar-kon(Krath)/Acclivis Draco of Scholae Palatinae
ACO Marius Darqueheart (Sith)/Archanis of Taldryan

2. The Sith Academy is now known as the Sith Studies course. The Obelisk and Krath orders also have a course, Obelisk Studies and Krath Studies. The following training ID line designations have been added to the database, which will be added to members of the DB who have passed the courses:

SA:Core..DfSS-DfKS-DfOS (Diploma for Sith Studies, Krath Studies, Obelisk Studies respectively)

Furthermore, promotions are available as follows:
ACO to PRT for one who completes one course
PRT to GRD for one who has completed two courses

I believe this will help to encourage members to take these courses.

3. The HLC course is still pending approval. Keep sending in your submissions.

**** HERALD UPDATE [From Dark Adept Kaine Mandaala]****

a. As stated in previous notices, unless GoA requests are filled out correctly they will be deleted.

b. Images are mandatory when filling out a GoA request. Either provide the charge image directly, or a link to one. A link to an idea image is acceptable, but a written description will no longer be accepted.

c. Though I have stated this various times in the past, field patterns are no longer accepted. Colors are acceptable, but a texture such as burlap, is not - unless you are a Dark Council member. Another aspect restricted to Dark Council is the multi-sided medallion. If your GoA has this and you are not, or have never been, in the DC, submit a rework order for your GoA.

**** CHANCELLOR UPDATE [From Dark Jedi Master Howlader] ****

1) DB.com is still not functioning very well. It functions without JavaScript...but all the menus are squished over to the left side, which makes manual awarding impossible, but form approval/denial still possible.

Medals!

Medal: Bronze Scroll

Awarded To: KP Aragorn (ivanrad@beotel.yu)
Awarded By: KE Alanna (ladyalanna1@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 11/15/00
Reason: Winning an inter-phyle house comp.

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: ACO Ramsus Vanderkaum (RAGEKANCER@AOL.COM)
Awarded By: KE Alanna (ladyalanna1@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 11/15/00
Reason: Joint third place in inter-phyle house comp

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: ACO imperial (julietskywalker@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: KP Shae-Lynn Jade (eviltyrant2000@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 11/17/00
Reason: For her long serve towards her house and phyle.

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: KAP Mejas Doto (James@Yogle.freemove.co.uk)
Awarded By: KE Alanna (ladyalanna1@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 11/15/00
Reason: Joint 3rd place in inter-phyle house comp

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: KP Arion Sunrider (sithlord9@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: KE Alanna (ladyalanna1@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 11/15/00
Reason: 2nd place in inter-phyle house comp

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: JH Troutrooper (troutrooper@yahoo.com)
Awarded By: SW Drako (Oldie@isdchallenge.org)
Awarded On: 11/13/00
Reason: 1st in a Squadron competition

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: DJK Adrenaline (adrenaline@stardestroyer.org)
Awarded By: SW Drako (Oldie@isdchallenge.org)
Awarded On: 11/13/00
Reason: 2nd highest score in a Squadron competition.

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: JH Reaper (paul@reeves110.freeseve.co.uk)
Awarded By: SWL Shotgun (mtk143@psu.edu)
Awarded On: 11/11/00
Reason: For winning a Pandragon Squadron Competition

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: JH Janos Silverwulf (silverwulf@ireland.com)
Awarded By: SBM Kale (adamx@kda.attmil.ne.jp)
Awarded On: 11/11/00
Reason: Placing First in the CNS Monthly Quiz.

**** SITH & SSD AVENGER UPDATE [From Sith Warlord Firefox]****

Sith Warlord Firefox did not submit announcements for this Holocron.

**** KRATH UPDATE [From Dark Adept Arania Lawakiro] ****

1) Phyle Competition has started with the run on competition. TET's please make sure you have your run on completed and sent in until December 1st if your Phyle is in.

2) Also remember the playwrite competition..

3) And I still need a funny pic for the next caption contest.. go look for one :o)

**** OBELISK UPDATE [From Obelisk Warlord Dreadnaught] ****

1) With the Holiday season approaching, I've been extremely busy as of late, and will only get busier. So I'm going to take some much needed leave, and then I'll return, refreshed and ready to go, on the first Monday of December. Until I return, my Praetor, Corran Force (corran_force@isdchallenge.org), should be able to handle all responsibilities of my office.

2) I'd like to bring back the Brigade League, but I'd like some feedback, first. So mail me at Dreadnaught9@Hotmail.com with suggestions/comments.

**** OBELISK UPDATE Cont...[From Acting OHC, Obelisk Battlemaster Corran Force] ****

1. The OA site is still getting some work done to it. The signup form has been changed so people must select the courses they want to enroll in.

2. I am working on getting a roster up that will have the kinda look of the TC fleet roster, ie Explosive Weapons [1]. I am working on getting some stuff layed out in HTML but will add the ASP code in later.

3. I am working on getting profiles done also. These will list the courses and some other stuff. I will list them online at the OA site to be looked at. I will make a feedback form.

**** ROYAL GUARD UPDATE [From Grand Master Zoraan] ****

Obelisk Battlelord Tuojas recently returned to us on the brink of removal, following technical catastrophe. I anticipate that he will now re-assume active leadership of the Grand Master's Royal Guard.

The Holocron ~ December 1, 2000
weekly news update for the weeks november 19 and 26, 2000

"My own anger can unlock and unleash the power of the cosmos!"
--Darth Sidious

December 1, 2000 - 787 Members as of Today!

Trivia/Meeting Info: <http://www.darkbrotherhood.com/comm/comm-irc.asp>

Trivia for the DB Meeting of November 18, 2000 . . .

- 1st Place: SBL Yacks (Sith)/QUA/Archanis of Taldryan
- 2nd Place: KE Trevarus Caerick (Krath)/P:KHP/CON/Naga Sadow
- Trivia Creator: DJK Kir Katarn(Obelisk)/Galeres of Arcona

Trivia for the DB Meeting of November 25, 2000 . . .

- 1st Place: SBL Yacks (Sith)/QUA/Archanis of Taldryan
- 2nd Place: KE Trevarus Caerick (Krath)/P:KHP/CON/Naga Sadow
- Trivia Creator: JH Crix Madine III (Sith)/Archanis of Taldryan

All are awarded a Legion of the Scholar, or add-on.

**** ADDRESS FROM THE IRON THRONE [From Grand Master Zoraan] ****

1. I am pleased to have a full Main Body of the Dark Council again, and am satisfied with Adept Shotgun's active performance as Master At Arms thus far . . . The duties of the Iron Throne are returning to a semi-sane state, and I am again becoming able to devote time to leading the Brotherhood *forward* in its reign of Darkness . . .
2. Following the resignation of Sith Battlemaster Havoc, the position of Consul of Clan Arcona is now available, and open for applications . . . Interested Dark Brethren should submit their application to Grand Master Zoraan (LordZoraan@aol.com), Master Torquemada (Torq@home.com) and Adept Shotgun (MAA@darkbrotherhood.com) by Thursday, December 7th. I also wish to emphasise that Arcona needs a dedicated Consul . . . Any who have achieved Knighthood or beyond may apply, but Arcona clansmen will be afforded preference.
3. Due to his going completely AWOL following a supposed return from technical problems, I must herein remove Obelisk Battlelord Tuojas from the position of Commander of the Guard . . . Consequently, this position is now open for applications. Any warriors wishing to ascend to commanding the Grand Master's Royal Guard should see the CoG Announcements section of this Holocron for detailed requirements.

**** DEPUTY GRAND MASTER UPDATE [From Dark Jedi Master Torquemada] ****

I don't have any announcements this week.

**** MASTER AT ARMS UPDATE FOR 24/11/2000 [From Dark Adept Shotgun]****

1. The Roster stands at 774. That's up from last week.
2. I would like to thank GM Zoraan and DGM Torq for my appointment. I would like to assure them that their faith has not been misplaced.
3. Just to let everyone know, I am currently NOT accepting applications for a praetor or a magistrate. So far, I am not in need of any help.
4. Elevations worth noting:
 - DJK Artyis (Sith)/Caliburnus of Scholae Palatinae elevated to Sith Warrior
 - JH Shadowhawk (Sith)/Archanis of Taldryan to Dark Jedi Knight

**** MASTER AT ARMS UPDATE 1/12/2000 [From Dark Adept Shotgun]****

1. The roster stands at 787. That's up from 774.
2. The following summit appointments were made this past week:
 - KP Arion Sunrider (Krath)/QUA/M:HRLD/Ektrosis of Taldryan
 - KAP Nightflyer (Krath)/QUA/Aleema of Satal Keto
 - OW Wet Willy (Obelisk)/QUA/Kirleta of Satal Keto
 - DJK Aari Nikus (Krath)/AED/Ektrosis of Taldryan

DJK Darkheart (Obelisk)/AED/Kirleta of Satal Keto
OBM Jordan (Obelisk)/AED/Dinaari of Taldryan

3. The following note worthy elevations were made this past week:
KAP Tavf Ran-Kai Alithial (Krath)/Marka Ragnos of Naga Sadow
SW Dharmy (Sith)/RM/Caliburnus of Scholae Palatinae
SW Plif (Sith)/AED/Caliburnus of Scholae Palatinae
DJK Mobiles (Sith)/Caliburnus of Scholae Palatinae
DJK StarLion (Sith)/Caliburnus of Scholae Palatinae

**** HEADMASTER UPDATE FOR 24/11/2000 [From Dark Adept Shups]****

1. SA Grads 11.17.00 thru 11.24.00
ACO Axis Rivkahson(Sith)/Galthain of Satal Keto
ACO Shay'la Dukhan Ludsarkim (Krath)/Gladius of Tarentum
2. 30 Apprentices were emailed today concerning the fact that they *had* submitted their written tests. However, 27 Apps were removed with the flush program.
3. The Shadow Academy was chosen as the EH site of the week, and although the URL is wrong on the EH page, the basic site is still there from several months ago. Not a small accomplishment in my eyes.

**** HEADMASTER UPDATE FOR 1/12/2000 [From Dark Adept Shups]****

1. SA Grads 11.24.00 thru 12.01.00
ACO Balrog(Sith)/Ludo Kressh of Naga Sadow
ACO Kel Depala(Krath)/Qel Droma of Arcona
ACO Mage(Sith)/Ludo Kressh of Naga Sadow
ACO Noirin Mahrr(Krath)/Ektrosis of Taldryan
ACO Odin Lionheart(Obelisk)/Galeres of Arcona
2. Another 28 APPs were removed as well as one Novice, due to not completing their training.

**** HERALD UPDATE [From Dark Adept Kaine Mandaala]****

Nothing to announce, but I'm going to start a bi-weekly (maybe weekly) poll related to Star Wars and the DB.
This week is on which title you feel is the worst of the BAD ones made by LucasArts. Go to the HRLD site and click the crude POLL link:
<http://www.illuzionstudios.com/bthayer/hrlid>

**** CHANCELLOR UPDATE FOR 24/11/2000 [From Dark Jedi Master Howlader] ****

1) Not much happening this week...just some people wasting my time with dumb medal requests, not mentioning any names or anything... :P

2) This week's medal awardings:

Medal: Grand Cross of the Dark Side
Awarded To: DA Shotgun (mtk143@psu.edu)
Awarded By: SBM Havoc (Pellaeon2000@cs.com)
Awarded On: 11/23/00
Reason: For his excellent service as QUA during his term

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: DJK Kahran Ramsus (judicator@ignmail.com)
Awarded By: KP Shae-Lynn Jade (eviltyrant2000@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 11/23/00
Reason: For his work as Aedile of House Marka Ragnos

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: DJK Incandescence (coolguy@powersurfr.com)
Awarded By: OBM Telaris "Mav" Cantor (mav1234@home.com)
Awarded On: 11/22/00
Reason: Incan managed to put together a PHP newsprint for the Taldryan page. He's also consistently helped Taldryan with scripts in the past.

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: OBM Rizlib (pricey_zone@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: OBM Corran Force (corran_force@isdchallenge.org)
Awarded On: 11/20/00

Reason: For creation of the new House Kirleta Nav Menu.
<http://www.isdchallenge.org/kirleta/news.asp>

Medal: Bronze Scroll
Awarded To: PRT Masa (Ayudanter@yahoo.com)
Awarded By: SBL Keirdagh "Yacks" Cantor (prigden@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 11/22/00
Reason: Excellent dedication to his phyle and house.

Medal: Bronze Scroll
Awarded To: DJK Rowan (rowan_rob@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: KP Shae-Lynn Jade (eviltyrant2000@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 11/23/00
Reason: HMR Member of the Week #3

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: ACO Asterius (asterius@powersurfr.com)
Awarded By: SBM Havoc (Pellaeon2000@cs.com)
Awarded On: 11/23/00
Reason: Won Arcona trivia

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: DJK Chei-Ras (cheiras@bigfoot.com)
Awarded By: SBL Keirdagh "Yacks" Cantor (prigden@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 11/19/00
Reason: Submitting many high quality pictures to the House Archanis Image Archives

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: SW William "MiSFiT" Flechette (I3AboveTheNight@aol.com)
Awarded By: SBL Keirdagh "Yacks" Cantor (prigden@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 11/19/00
Reason: Submitting many high quality pictures to the House Archanis Image Archives

**** CHANCELLOR UPDATE FOR 01/12/2000 [From Dark Jedi Master Howlader] ****

1. Medals:

Medal: Grand Cross of the Dark Side
Awarded To: KE Alanna (ladyalanna1@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: OBM Telaris "Mav" Cantor (mav1234@home.com)
Awarded On: 12/2/00
Reason: Service to her Clan

Medal: Grand Cross of the Dark Side
Awarded To: SW William "MiSFiT" Flechette (I3AboveTheNight@aol.com)
Awarded By: OBM Telaris "Mav" Cantor (mav1234@home.com)
Awarded On: 12/2/00
Reason: Flech has assisted his Quaestor and Consul immensely, participating in every competition, creating websites, graphics, and other such creations whenever asked. He has been an exemplary member.

Medal: Grand Cross of the Dark Side
Awarded To: GM Jac Ae-Sequera Cotelin (Coutinho.2@osu.edu)
Awarded By: OBM Telaris "Mav" Cantor (mav1234@home.com)
Awarded On: 12/2/00
Reason: Expert service to Clan Taldryan, through his work in the Clan Story Line, as well as promoting activity through a number of competitions that he has run since he got PCON.

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: SW Artyis (artyis@silvershark.com.pl)
Awarded By: SBM Khan (darth.khan@inwind.it)
Awarded On: 12/1/00
Reason: Winning the September House TIE comp.

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: SBM Priyum Patel (spellfire@btinternet.com)
Awarded By: SBM Havoc (Pellaeon2000@cs.com)
Awarded On: 11/26/00
Reason: Great job as PCON

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: JH Mordred Pendragon (mordredpendragon@letsgomets.net)
Awarded By: DA Shotgun (mtk143@psu.edu)
Awarded On: 11/26/00
Reason: First Place in a House Competition

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: KAP Aseret (tpala@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: OBM Telaris "Mav" Cantor (mav1234@home.com)
Awarded On: 12/2/00
Reason: Service to the Clan

Medal: Bronze Scroll
Awarded To: KP Enerum Shka (mschrad@tconl.com)
Awarded By: KP Shae-Lynn Jade (eviltyrant2000@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 11/28/00
Reason: Member of the Week #4

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: DJK Cuchulain (darkboba@madasafish.com)
Awarded By: KE Trevarus Caerick (jedimaster155@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 12/1/00
Reason: Using the corniest pick-up lines in Imperial Space.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: DJK Crix Madine III (crix-madine@home.com)
Awarded By: OBM Telaris "Mav" Cantor (mav1234@home.com)
Awarded On: 12/1/00
Reason: Submissions to Taldryan graphic competitions

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: SBM Baron Fel (Findolf1@aol.com)
Awarded By: OBM Telaris "Mav" Cantor (mav1234@home.com)
Awarded On: 12/1/00
Reason: Submissions to Taldryan graphic competitions

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: DJK Kermee (kermee@softhome.net)
Awarded By: OBM Telaris "Mav" Cantor (mav1234@home.com)
Awarded On: 12/1/00
Reason: Submissions to Taldryan graphic competitions

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: GRD Roth Jalis (r300678smith@cs.com)
Awarded By: OBM Telaris "Mav" Cantor (mav1234@home.com)
Awarded On: 12/1/00
Reason: Submissions to Taldryan graphic competitions

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: JH Janos Silverwulf (silverwulf@ireland.com)
Awarded By: SBM Kale (adamx@kda.attmil.ne.jp)
Awarded On: 11/29/00
Reason: For placing First in the November CNS Quiz Comp.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: DJK DarkArchon (XxDarkArchonX@juno.com)
Awarded By: OBM Telaris "Mav" Cantor (mav1234@home.com)
Awarded On: 12/2/00
Reason: Assisting the now-QUA Arion Sunrider with graphic creation and other such tasks.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: OW Rahj Tharen (rahjtharen@mindspring.com)
Awarded By: OBM Telaris "Mav" Cantor (mav1234@home.com)
Awarded On: 12/2/00
Reason: Activity in Dinaari through playing Jedi Knight often, participating in training sessions and helping his Quaestor

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: JH Dark (darktyco@traverse.net)
Awarded By: OBM Telaris "Mav" Cantor (mav1234@home.com)
Awarded On: 12/2/00

Reason: Activity in Dinaari through playing Jedi Knight often, participating in training sessions and other activities.

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: DJK DarkArchon (XxDarkArchonX@juno.com)

Awarded By: KE Alanna (ladyalanna1@hotmail.com)

Awarded On: 11/29/00

Reason: Creation and maintainance of a page for the house points system.

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: DJK Ciara Tearnan (XCiaraTearnanX@aol.com)

Awarded By: OBM Samael Bel-Shamoth (jedimindtrick@mindless.com)

Awarded On: 11/27/00

Reason: Highly outstanding submission in the Cestus Complex Description Comp. With thanks for supporting your Obelisk house!

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: JH korhall (nhkh@hotmail.com)

Awarded By: OBM Telaris "Mav" Cantor (mav1234@home.com)

Awarded On: 12/2/00

Reason: Activity in his House through playing Jedi Knight often in the Clan Ladder as well as assisting the leadership

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: DJK Werdna Elbee (werdna_elbee@hotmail.com)

Awarded By: KE Alanna (ladyalanna1@hotmail.com)

Awarded On: 11/29/00

Reason: Activity during GJW and beyond.

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: GRD Roth Jalis (r300678smith@cs.com)

Awarded By: SBL Keirdagh "Yacks" Cantor (prigden@hotmail.com)

Awarded On: 11/19/00

Reason: Submitting a story to the House Archanis Fiction Archives

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: JH E. Tarkin (erik@e-sjop.nl)

Awarded By: DA Shotgun (mtk143@psu.edu)

Awarded On: 11/26/00

Reason: Third place in a House Competition

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: SW Rakhai (EHImp@total.net)

Awarded By: SBL Keirdagh "Yacks" Cantor (prigden@hotmail.com)

Awarded On: 11/25/00

Reason: Naming the House Archanis Home Base (Base of Operations)

**** SITH & SSD AVENGER UPDATE FOR 24/11/2000 [From Sith Warlord Firefox]****

1. Things are pretty quiet once again.
2. The new monthly Sith competitions should start as scheduled at the beginning of December. Mail me for details.

**** SITH & SSD AVENGER UPDATE FOR 1/12/2000 [From Sith Warlord Firefox]****

- 1) The new Sith competition should start next week. The DB ladder is ready and the Single Player missions are undergoing final testing.
- 2) In other news, the Avenger keeps on growing and its 2 WCs were recently promoted. Congratulations to LC Shadowhawk and COL Tiger!

**** KRATH UPDATE FOR 24/11/2000 [From Dark Adept Arania Lawakiro] ****

1. The RPG is progressing well. At the request of the KHP, we are not advancing to any critical moments in the plot, or other chance events. This, I hope, is the first in a series of RPG's sponsored by the Krath Order, both within the Brotherhood, and the Lesser Clans.
2. In competitions between the Lesser Clans, the Phyle Competition is under way. The Run-On phase, should be completed by December 5th, contrary to what was said in earlier communications from the Office of the High Priestess. Future phases will be released as the previous ones are completed. It is my intent that this will spark some interest in Phyles, among the Krath, and increase activity.
3. The Playwrights Competition, being run by Voranyen, is something I know little about. I believe that all matters are being handled by Arania, and Voranyen.
4. Arania is still seeking a humorous picture for the next Caption Competition. I hope she finds one soon.
5. I believe that activity is slowly increasing in the Krath Order, and now that the Dark Council is again complete, I hope that it climbs more rapidly.

**** KRATH UPDATE FOR 1/12/2000 [From Dark Adept Arania Lawakiro] ****

- 1) Krath Fun comp still going on, and you also have until the 5th for the playwrite comp.
- 2) For the rest, I second the DGM's announcements...

**** OBELISK UPDATE FOR 24/11/2000 [From Obelisk Warlord Dreadnaught] ****

1. Dreadnaught is still on leave til the first Monday of Dec. I'll try to replace your drinks Dread ;-)
2. I plan on recoding the entire OA site early next week. When that is completed the OA should be ready to start teaching.
3. I will be going out of town til Saturday afternoon. I hope ya don't miss me that much =P
4. When Dread gets back from leave he will need to make new graphics for the OA site :-).

**** OBELISK UPDATE FOR 1/12/2000 [From Obelisk Warlord Dreadnaught] ****

- 1) The current stage for the OA site is current still in the designing parts. I will hopefully get finished and get the coding underway soon.
- 2) OWL Dreadnaught will be returning from leave on Monday. This will be my final announcement as A-OHC. :-{
- 3) I will be putting everyone that signed up for the OA course once I get the roster database and code up.

**** GRAND MASTER'S ROYAL GUARD UPDATE [From Grand Master Zoraan] ****

The Royal Guard is composed of nothing less than the Grand Master's most ruthless Obelisk warriors . . . and the position of its Commander is open. Recognised as 'champion of the Grand Master' throughout the Brotherhood, worthy skills in Jedi Knight are a MUST. The new Commander of the Guard will be additionally responsible for:

- Being a Dark Jedi of the Brotherhood in good standing, and displaying conduct befitting of a Dark Council member.
- Active communication, including prompt (48-72 hour) e-mail responses and submitting weekly Holocron announcements.
- Maintaining the GMRG roster on DarkBrotherhood.com, including awarding and removing the GMRG ranks of subordinate Guardsmen.
- Ensuring that the GMRG has an updated website.

. . . and above all, "rebuilding" the GRMG according to the tenets laid out in the Dark Side Compendium (<http://www.darkbrotherhood.com/dsc/>). With an active CoG, the GMRG will again start accepting Initiates and testing their worthiness. He and his appointed Preceptors shall also "train" the lower-ranked Guardsmen in JK via organising inner-competitions, in ladder or weekly-meeting format. The eventual aim (when the GMRG returns to activity) will be to seek out & engage various online "JK Clans", as a true test of our warriors' worthiness, and a demonstration of the Brotherhood's might.

The position itself constitutes Dark Council membership, with a minimum rank of Obelisk Battlelord. Any Dark Brethren ranked GUARDIAN or above who are interested should send applications to LordZoraan@aol.com and Torq@home.com. It is not necessary that applicants currently be a member of the Obelisk Order, so long as they are willing to re-align themselves with the Obelisk upon appointment. :)

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weekly news update for the week of december 3, 2000

"If you will not be turned . . . You will be destroyed!"
--Emperor Palpatine

December 8, 2000 - 784 Members as of Today!

**** ADDRESS FROM THE IRON THRONE [From Grand Master Zoraan] ****

1. After careful consideration of various qualified applicants with the Deputy Grand Master, I have appointed Obelisk Battlemaster Blade Cannabisia (blade_104@hotmail.com) to the Dark Council position of Commander of the Guard. He will be elevated to its minimum rank of Obelisk Battlelord pending a successful assumption of his duties, which I don't doubt will occur very shortly. Congratulations, Battlemaster Blade, and welcome to the Dark Council! . . . :)

2. After conference with the Deputy Grand Master and Master At Arms, I have appointed Obelisk Battlelord Kelric (black281@hotmail.com), former Commander of the Guard, to the position of Consul of Clan Arcona . . . This is highly un-orthodox, given that he was a clansman of Naga Sadow, however the Dark Council was presented with the equally unusual circumstance of recommendations from nearly the entire Arcona Summit. Congratulations, Battlelord Kelric . . . :)

3. After discussion with the Dark Council, it has been concluded that one of our existing Consuls will have a new rank conferred upon him today . . . And thus, I herein elevate Obelisk Battlemaster Telaris "Mav" Cantor, seven-month Consul of Taldryan, to the rank of Obelisk Battlelord. In doing so, we recognise the extreme dedication which he has shown to his Clan. Congratulations, Battlelord Mav.

**** DEPUTY GRAND MASTER UPDATE [From Dark Jedi Master Torquemada] ****

The amount of feedback I've received on the GJW since my request has been underwhelming. While there's no "deadline" per se, I do feel that in a couple of weeks I should be beginning to plan the next Vendetta event, so get your opinions to me (torq@home.com; there, I've even saved you the trouble of looking it up) if there's something you'd like to see changed next time (or conversely if there's something you definitely don't want changed).

**** MASTER AT ARMS UPDATE [From Dark Adept Shotgun]****

1. The roster stands at 784. That's down from 787.

2. The following summit appointments were made this past week:

DJK E. Tarkin (Sith)/QUA/Oriens Obscurum of Arcona
SW Proton (Sith)/QUA/Tridens of Tarentum
DJK Cuchulain (Krath)/AED/Acclivis Draco of Scholae Palatinae
DJK Gavin Dahl (Obelisk)/AED/Galeres of Arcona
DJK Lusankya (Sith)/AED/Oriens Obscurum of Arcona

3. The following noteworthy elevations were made this past week:

SBM Drako (Sith)/AED/Galthain of Satal Keto
SBM Sarok (Sith)/Galthain of Satal Keto
SBM Scoser (Sith)/Galthain of Satal Keto
SBM William (Sith)/Archanis of Taldryan
SW Proton (Sith)/QUA/Tridens of Tarentum
SW Chei-Ras (Sith)/Archanis of Taldryan
DJK E. Tarkin (Sith)/QUA/Oriens Obscurum of Arcona
DJK Slage (Sith)/RM/Galthain of Satal Keto
DJK Troutrooper (Sith)/Galthain of Satal Keto

**** HEADMASTER UPDATE [From Dark Adept Shups]****

1. SA Grads for 11.30 thru 12.15.00

ACO Andromeda (Krath)/Marka Ragnos of Naga Sadow
ACO Jared Higgins (Krath)/Qel Droma of Arcona
ACO Joseck (Krath)/Ektrosis of Taldryan
ACO Kaervek(Obelisk)/Dinaari of Taldryan
ACO Victor Stalwart(Obelisk)/Dorimad Sol of Scholae Palatinae

2. Stats from the new SA in use from around mid July

Total # of grads- 127

Total # of grads by Order--

Krath- 58

Sith- 36

Obelisk- 33

Total # of grads by Clans

Naga Sadow- 31

Taldryan- 27

Tarentum- 21

Satal Keto- 19

Arcona- 15

Scholae Palatinae- 14

I found this quite interesting. I didn't realize that the Krath had the most grads. :P Also, I really thought the total grads would be much higher. It sure seems like it is.

3. I am looking for a Praetor. I need someone good at either web design or graphics. Both is a plus. Furthermore, I am hoping for a Praetor who has hopes of being the HM some day. This way I could begin your training. I have no plans for leaving anytime soon. :P

E-mail HM@darkbrotherhood.com.

**** HERALD UPDATE [From Dark Adept Kaine Mandaala]****

I have not had much of anything to announce lately. In fact, no GoA requests came through this week. None. This is really the first week where I have had absolutely no messages regarding GoA's.

**** CHANCELLOR UPDATE [From Dark Jedi Master Howlader] ****

1) First off, my congratulations to Grand Master Kane on his return and his newly awarded Golden Lightsaber...!

2) Second of all, I'm in shock. There were no stupid medal requests this week. Although this was a missed opportunity for me, as I didn't have the chance to make any snide remarks :P

3) Song of the Week: Imagine - By John Lennon

4) Fourth. Medals!

Medal: Grand Cross of the Dark Side

Awarded To: SWL Firefox (magius@quebectel.com)

Awarded By: DJM Torquemada (torq@home.com)

Awarded On: 12/6/00

Reason: Immense assistance in Vendetta elements dealing with the Sith Order

Medal: Grand Cross of the Dark Side

Awarded To: OWL Dreadnaught (dreadnaught9@hotmail.com)

Awarded By: DJM Torquemada (torq@home.com)

Awarded On: 12/6/00

Reason: Immense assistance in Vendetta elements dealing with the Obelisk Order

Medal: Steel Cross

Awarded To: SW Brandon (alan.o@virgin.net)

Awarded By: SBL Keirdagh "Yacks" Cantor (prigden@hotmail.com)

Awarded On: 12/6/00

Reason: Winning an Archanis Dynamic System Challenge.

Medal: War Cross

Awarded To: DJK Adrenaline (adrenaline@stardestroyer.org)

Awarded By: SBM Drako (Oldie@isdchallenge.org)

Awarded On: 12/5/00

Reason: Participation and Leader of the best team in the Galthain Mega Competition

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: SBM William (I3AboveTheNight@aol.com)

Awarded By: OBM Telaris "Mav" Cantor (mav1234@home.com)

Awarded On: 12/6/00

Reason: Submissions to Taldryan graphic creation and

symbol construction contest

Medal: Dark Cross

Awarded To: DJK Betja jun (manicthelad@hotmail.com)

Awarded By: OBM Telaris "Mav" Cantor (mav1234@home.com)

Awarded On: 12/6/00

Reason: Submissions to Taldryan graphic creation and symbol construction contest

**** SITH & SSD AVENGER UPDATE [From Sith Warlord Firefox]****

- 1) The new monthly Sith competitions will start either tonight or tomorrow. There is only one little thing to settle with an XWA mission before I start. I prefer to start everything at once rather than delay one event. I will release all the details at that time.
- 2) I was told that a competition close to what the KHP is running (her lower decks competition) would be appreciated by some Sith. I'm currently looking into it.
- 3) Remember that if you want any activity, you should contact me.

**** KRATH UPDATE [From Dark Adept Arania Lawakiro] ****

- 1) The Lower Decks Competition has a few signups now and will start tomorrow. Anyone below the rank of DJK wanting to participate should mail me within the next 24 hrs.
- 2) I REALLY need a reliable place to host Krath.org on! My last try was on an somewhat instable server and I do not need a 18 hrs a day downtime. Anyone who can help, please contact me.
- 3) I am going to create new, inofficial positions within the Houses soon. Inofficial means those do not go in your ID line and are not mentioned anywhere else but in Krath context :o) But those holding those positions will only be active members who are reliable and not afraid to kick their fellow House member's behinds sometimes... Oh, and those positions will only be for the lower ranks, too... you get DJK, you'll have to hand it over.

**** OBELISK UPDATE [From Obelisk Warlord Dreadnaught] ****

- 1.) Well, obviously I've returned from my leave. Thanks goes to Corran Force on a job well done, as he ran the OHC office during my absence.
- 2.) All Obelisk should be brushing up on their skills, because I'm working on bringing the Brigade League back. More info to come, soon...

**** ROYAL GUARD UPDATE [From Obelisk Battlemaster Blade] ****

<BOW> Greetings!

I'd like to give my thanks to my colleagues and peers who supported me through-out the choosing of a new Commander. It's greatly appreciated, and I wish you all well in your future DB career's. For those that don't know me, I'm OBM Blade, former Quaestor of House Primus Golud. I'll do my best to make the Guard into the fun, enjoyable elite JK force it's always aimed to be. Enough introduction I suppose... :)

- 1.) The new GMRG Website is up and running! It can be located at: <http://gmg.ehnet.org> It's a pretty well done site, and I'd like to thank DJK Incandescence, SBL Yacko, and SBM William Flechette especially for their assistance. Everyone who helped out will have their nice shiny medals soon.
- 2.) If you take a look at the roster of the Royal Guard on Db.com, you'll notice that it's updated. The Guard now stands at 18 members (one guardsman couldn't be added to the roster at his Crusader rank for some odd reason). I'll try to keep the roster up-to-date at all times.
- 3.) The Preceptor/Neophyte (Master/Apprentice) system will be going back into effect as of now. Anyone from the rank of Crusader+ may be a Preceptor, but won't be FORCED to at the initial start. However, if a high number of Initiates aren't receiving any training, it may become a policy. The Preceptor will choose how many Neophyte's he takes on at once, but he cannot be lax in his duties.
- 4.) I've started jotting down Rules and possible dates/times for the weekly training/melee nights. Yes, we're going to meet up each week in #GMRG and...fight :P. I was thinking maybe we could even do this bi-weekly. I'll keep everyone updated.
- 5.) The GMRG mailing list will be up by tonight, as well as the incomplete links section of the site (that wasn't really a priority). I'll also begin talking to other Zone Clans/JK groups about possible competitions in the future, so practice those JK skills!

In short, I believe the Guard have a very bright future ahead of them, and I sincerely hope I can help turn it around. Thanks, and peace...

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--Emperor Palpatine

December 15, 2000 - 775 Members as of Today!

Trivia/Meeting Info: <http://www.darkbrotherhood.com/comm/comm-irc.asp>

Trivia for the DB Meeting of December 9, 2000 . . .

1st Place: DJK Incandescence (Obelisk)/AED/Primus Golud of Naga Sadow
2nd Place: KE Trevarus Caerick (Krath)/P:KHP/CON/Naga Sadow
Trivia Creator: DJK Crix Madine III (Sith)/Archanis of Taldryan

All are awarded a Legion of the Scholar, or add-on.

**** ADDRESS FROM THE IRON THRONE [From Grand Master Darth Zoraan] ****

1. The "re-vamping" of the society of the Envoys of the Grand Master has long been promised. I myself stated this as a goal at the beginning of my reign, and am now pleased to deliver the first step of the "rebuilding process", by which the Envoys will evolve from its current honorary titles to an active, useful part of the Dark Brotherhood. A necessary step, however, was the re-setting of the old Envoys roster.

The Dark Side Compendium (<http://www.darkbrotherhood.com/dsc/>) now contains a heavily revised Envoys chapter. I will refrain from over-extending my address with specifics here (the chapter is very detailed), although I will forewarn those who have been expecting something revolutionary that they won't find it. Favouring simplicity, I altered neither the envoy ranks nor their intentions, but expanded upon the existing system to make its communication bi-directional rather than only outward from the Iron Throne. In co-operation with the Knight Commander, I look forward to seeing this society gradually re-built to its intentions of representing the true 'elite' of the Dark Jedi, who shall more closely bind together the Grand Master and the Brotherhood's many disparate parts across the galaxy.

2. For his active service these past months as a Magistrate of mine, which includes representing my office by answering many message board queries on my behalf, I herein award Sith Warlord Shadow the Steel Cross. Congratulations!

3. The position of Knight Commander of the Brotherhood is herein changing hands . . . In light of the fact that I've recently dismissed two DC members, I feel I should say that the replacement of LONG-standing Dark Adept Kaerner is an entirely honourable one. He and I had previously discussed the possibility of his intensive real life responsibilities necessitating a new KCB to begin the revitalisation process.

Without further ado, I herein appoint Sith Warlord Shadow (ScubaJoeB@aol.com), my former Magistrate, to the position of Knight Commander . . . I look forward to beginning work with him on the Envoys immediately. Dark Adept Kaerner himself is also herein afforded an honorary life-long rank of Knight First Class in the society, as is now the published custom. Congratulations both, and go in Darkness . . .)

**** DEPUTY GRAND MASTER UPDATE [From Dark Jedi Master Torquemada] ****

There are no significant DGM announcements this week.

**** MASTER AT ARMS UPDATE [From Dark Adept Shotgun]****

1. The roster stands at 775. That's down from 784.
2. The following Summit appointments were made this past week:
OBL Kelric (Obelisk)/CON/Arcona
SW Xanos Goatham Zorrivor (Sith)/QUA/Ludo Kressh of Naga Sadow
KAP Mejias Doto (Krath)/M:HM/QUA/Qel-Droma of Arcona
3. The following noteworthy elevations were made this past week:
KAP Karva Dronaal (Krath)/RM/Acclivis Draco of Scholae Palatinae
SW Radiak Bond (Sith)/RM/Ludo Kressh of Naga Sadow
KP Ciara Tearnan (Krath)/M:KHP/AED/Gladius of Tarentum

**** HEADMASTER UPDATE [From Dark Adept Shups]****

1. SA Grads 12.08.00 thru 12.15.00
ACO Bishop (Krath)/Marka Ragnos of Naga Sadow
ACO Hawk Falcone (Sith)/Archanis of Taldryan
ACO Kain (Sith)/Archanis of Taldryan
ACO Kyle Katarn(Sith)/Oriens Obscurum of Arcona
2. Applications for praetor are still being accepted, I am testing those who applied and will make my decision by the end of the month.

**** HERALD UPDATE [From Dark Adept Kaine Mandaala]****

1. FINISHED GOAs (
A Finished GOA is assembled, but might not be posted yet.)
KP Tavf Ran-Kai Alithial
DJK Scithe
JH Jae K'Sunis
JH Mike
2. REQUESTED GOAs (A Requested GOA is being evaluated and assembled.)
KAP Jarak Maldon
KAP Tavf Ran-Kai Alithial
JH Jae K'Sunis
JH Rexal Qel

3.
NUMBER OF INCORRECT REQUESTS: 3
INCORRECT REQUESTS TO DATE: 90
An Incorrect Request is missing mandatory information, thus cannot be completed. See the DSC or HRLD Site for correct information requirements.

4. HRLD Site Spotlight

CLAN TARENTUM
URL: <http://tarentum.tsx.org/>

This site is very well laid out. Information is easily found thanks to the side-mounted, framed navigation bar. As expected from a CLAN site, it reflects a neutral tone - not favoring any of the three orders. The only down side is the background music - which there were no controls for. One should not be subjected to an aural assault without a choice to disable it.

The HRLD rating system is not in effect yet. Unofficially I give this site a 7 out of 10.

**** CHANCELLOR UPDATE [From Dark Jedi Master Howlader] ****

1) Besides House and Clan Summit Members remembering to start thinking about Commendations of Loyalty, there's nothing else

Medals

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: SBM Kale (adamx@kda.attmil.ne.jp)
Awarded By: KE Trevarus Caerick (jedimaster155@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 12/12/00
Reason: First Place in the Graphic Arts portion of the
CNS Artisan's Competition.

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: KP Shae-Lynn Jade (eviltyrant2000@yahoo.com)

Awarded By: KE Trevarus Caerick (jedimaster155@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 12/12/00
Reason: First Place in the Personal WebPage portion of the
CNS Artisan's Competition

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: DJK Mike (darkjedi@otelo-online.de)
Awarded By: KAP Arkane Maithal (maithal@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 12/10/00
Reason: Coming in FIRST place of Operation Liquid, winning the
decoding, searching, and written portion of the competition

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: DJK Rowan (rowan_rob@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: KE Trevarus Caerick (jedimaster155@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 12/12/00
Reason: First Place in the Literary Arts portion of the
CNS Artisan's Competition.

Medal: Steel Cross
Awarded To: DJK Incandescence (coolguy@powersurfr.com)
Awarded By: OBM Blade Cannabisia (blade_104@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 12/11/00
Reason: For the creation of the PHP script of the new GMRG site,
and for helping me get it hosted on ehnet.

Medal: War Cross
Awarded To: JH Sildrin Rys (SithSildrin@sithtower.de)
Awarded By: SW Xanos Gotham Zorrixor (RGOATHAM@aol.com)
Awarded On: 12/12/00
Reason: For upgrading the old java menu of the HLK website, to a
much more user friendly, and better displayed format.

Medal: War Cross
Awarded To: JH Sildrin Rys (SithSildrin@sithtower.de)
Awarded By: KE Trevarus Caerick (jedimaster155@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 12/12/00
Reason: Second Place in the Graphic Arts portion of the
CNS Artisan's Competition.

Medal: War Cross
Awarded To: JH Sildrin Rys (SithSildrin@sithtower.de)
Awarded By: KE Trevarus Caerick (jedimaster155@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 12/12/00
Reason: Second Place in the Personal Webpage portion of the
CNS Artisan's Competition

Medal: Bronze Scroll
Awarded To: KP Shae-Lynn Jade (evilyrant2000@yahoo.com)
Awarded By: KE Trevarus Caerick (jedimaster155@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 12/12/00
Reason: Second Place in the Literary Arts portion of the
CNS Artisan's Competition.

Medal: Bronze Scroll
Awarded To: DJK Cuchulain (darkboba@madasafish.com)
Awarded By: KAP Arkane Maithal (maithal@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 12/10/00
Reason: Winning Operation Liquid's decoding portion and
searching portion, coming up second place.

Medal: Bronze Scroll
Awarded To: KP Adam Anderson (bmarriott@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: KAP Arkane Maithal (maithal@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 12/10/00
Reason: Winning Operation Liquid's decoding portion and
searching portion, coming up second place.

Medal: Bronze Scroll
Awarded To: KP Karva Dronaal (msimon15@yahoo.com)
Awarded By: KAP Arkane Maithal (maithal@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 12/10/00
Reason: Winning Operation Liquid's decoding portion and

searching portion, coming up second place.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: OBM Rizlib (pricey_zone@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: OBM Corran Force (corran_force@isdchallenge.org)
Awarded On: 12/12/00
Reason: Creating the new CSK Banner.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: SBM William "MiSFiT" Flechette (I3AboveTheNight@aol.com)
Awarded By: OBM Blade Cannabisia (blade_104@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 12/11/00
Reason: For the creation of the new GMRG banner.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: DJK Rowan (rowan_rob@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: KE Trevarus Caerick (jedimaster155@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 12/12/00
Reason: Third Place in the Graphic Arts portion of the CNS Artisan's Competition.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: SBL Keirdagh (prigden@hotmail.com)
Awarded By: OBM Blade Cannabisia (blade_104@hotmail.com)
Awarded On: 12/11/00
Reason: Assistance with GMRG site updates.

Medal: Dark Cross
Awarded To: JH Jakar (jakar@telstra.com)
Awarded By: KAP Arkane Maithal (maithal@yahoo.com)
Awarded On: 12/10/00
Reason: Winning Operation Liquid's decoding portion, coming up third place

**** SITH & SSD AVENGER UPDATE [From Sith Warlord Firefox]****

- 1) The monthly competition is going well. I already got about 10 submissions so far. Apparently some people were very eager to participate. :)
- 2) It seems the DB ladder has suffered a little in the move of Absolutek's server. Please use <http://taldryan.emperorshammer.ca/dbladder/> instead of the other URL.
- 3) Remember! I can only make the competitions you guys want. If you don't tell me what you want, you won't get it! Mail me at magius@quebectel.com if you do have something.

**** KRATH UPDATE [From Dark Adept Arania Lawakiro] ****

- 1) It's alive! The Krath site is back up. Right now, the forwarding from Krath.org doesn't work, but that'll be fixed soon. until then, it can be found at <http://www.emperorshammer.ca/krath/> Of course, the archives aren't back up yet, but everything else works.
- 2) Remember the competitions. Infos about them are of course available on the news page. Be sure I'll kick each House /Phyle regarding those comps if you don't get active on your own, and would you really want that? :o)
- 3) Also remember, I need one Valedictorian in each House. You should apply to me and your House summit. If there are no applications from your House, that makes your House look bad :p
- 4) The first DB Story is in the works. Proceeding slowly due to me being occupied otherwise, but I am thinking of putting it up chapter by chapter on the Krath site.... if I do so, I'll welcome suggestions and even story parts from everyone (not only the Krath!)
- 5) Subscribe to the Krath mailing list! Info on the Krath site... (yes, members of other Orders can subscribe, too...)
- 6) Remember, the Krath Archives will not only be for the writings of Krath, but for all writings of the DB, including finished, compiled run-ons...
- 7) *does a happy dance for having the site back* Uhm.. that doesn't really belong in here, but who cares.. :o)

**** OBELISK UPDATE [From Obelisk Warlord Dreadnaught] ****

1) I have approval from the GM on the Brigade League, so as soon as the DGM grants permission, then it should begin.

2) The Obelisk Academy should be functional as soon as the website is finished. If you'd like the process to be completed with haste, bug Corran Force :)

**** ROYAL GUARD UPDATE [From Obelisk Battlemaster Blade] ****

1.) A new rank in the guard has been created, called the "Sentinel". The Sentinel is the personal advisor of the CoG, and is reserved for the greatest guardsman the GMRG have seen in it's time: Former CoG and GLP Dreadnaught! And there's also a couple rank changes this week, namely:

Gladiator Jordan has been elevated to the rank of Sovereign Protector for demonstrating esteemed skills in Jedi Knight. He can beat everyone from the rank of Gladiator on down, and is truly on the road to being one of the best.

Initiate Rizlib has been elevated to the rank of Crusader for...well, he was supposed to be one in the first place. ;)

2.) Many of you may have noticed gmrgh.net.org doesn't work. That's due to AbsoluteK's server change. I requested that the new account be setup, and it has. The website will be transferred to the new url soon with ALL updates and the final touches. This includes the training and melee night rules, a list of Preceptors and their respective Neophytes, information on the new GMRG plotline (coming soon), a screenshot page with Screenshots, a trophies page with no trophies (:P), and a links page. The bugs in the join form will also be sorted out.

3.) The GMRG will begin a "never-ending" story of sorts. In two weeks we'll see the prologue of the NEW GMRG, which I expect to be very well written as the writer I chose is simply...amazing. :P From then on, each online club we battle will be put into story form with the main characters being the top 3 guardsman who placed IN the battle. Even losses will be put into the story. There may also be "special" additions to the story, where ALL guardsman are featured (CRD+), or where all Initiate's are featured. The person I hired for the job is KPN Voranyen, who will receive a very nice medal after a period of time, for writing the story and for expected continuence of it in the future. Additional rewards WILL be given to him for later works.

4.) I've settled for a time on training and melee nights. Training nights will occur on Saturdays at 5:00 PM EST and will last for a period of one hour. Melee nights will occur on Sundays at 7:30 PM EST and will last for an hour as well. Rules and all relevant details will be posted to the site when I transfer it over to it's new server. The first Training night will occur next Saturday. The melee night will NOT occur next sunday, as that's Christmas Eve and I'll be with my family getting drunk :). The date for the training night couldn't have been sloppier, I know, but we need something to do. If any of the guardsman CANT make it, don't stress. =P

***** IMPORTANT ADDRESSES *****

Dark Brotherhood of the Jedi:

<http://www.darkbrotherhood.com/>

The Dark Side Compendium:

<http://www.darkbrotherhood.com/dsc/>

Grand Master's Throne Room:

<http://members.aol.com/LordZoraan/>

Office of the Deputy Grand Master:

<http://members.home.com/torq/dgm/>

The Shadow Academy:

<http://www.darkbrotherhood.com/shadowacademy.asp>

Brotherhood of the Dark Jedi Message Board:

<http://www.darkbrotherhood.com/mb/>

In Darkness,

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Grand Master; Fleet Admiral Darth Zoraan,

Grand Master of the Dark Jedi Brotherhood

Dark Lord of the Sith / Governor Plenipotentiary of Eos

GM/FA Zoraan/SSD Avenger - E/S "Firebird", GC/WR/DC/(BN),

IC/GoE/SS/BSx2/PC/ISM/MoT/LoC-CSx5/CoB /OV-3E [LANC]

the hammer's fist

The following Section of the Newsletter is for the Hammer's Fist Stormtroopers.

The Hammer's Fist did not submit anything for NL 70.

infiltrator wing

This Section of the Newsletter is dedicated to the Infiltrator Wing of the EH; a Wing of former Rebel Pilots that have returned to the Empire.

<SALUTE>

Well the last month or so have been busy for the Infiltrator Wing. First the appointment of Captain Kano to the IW Tactical Officer was met with praise and high hopes. Kano gained his promotion to Major following the production of the IW Pilot Manual and helping a few squadrons with their webpages.

Following Admiral Maverick's decision to retire, the Infiltrator Wing was thrown into chaos with accusations of incompetence and laziness against the Command Staff. This, as well as heated arguments among the pilots, was halted following the intervention of SOD Darkov and SA Pappy Renegade. With Pappy Renegade as Acting-IW Commander, the Command Staff were able to focus on the problems in the Command Staff structure and a couple of weeks later, a new Command Staff was announced. With this new staff in place, Pappy Renegade retired back to his estate and Grand Admiral Ronin formally appointed me as Infiltrator Wing Commander.

Rear Admiral Moreco was appointed Executive Officer as well as BattleGroup Commodore.

Colonel Mutilator was appointed Flight and Training Officer.

Major Kano retained the Tactical Officer while also gaining Operations and Communications Officer.

We also saw the re-activation of all squadrons with Captain Niksavel returning from retirement to take command of Knight Squadron. Another two veterans of the Infiltrator Wing, Atrus and DwX-jio, also returned to service.

Following a lot of recommendations from across the Infiltrator Wing, I awarded Rear Admiral Moreco the Black Cross of Infiltration, the highest award below that of the Medal of Honor.

Preparations on the 2nd Newsletter are almost complete. As part of his duties, I will be handing this responsibility over Rear Admiral Moreco after it has been posted.

Also we saw a return to active duty of Rebel Tactics Officer, Sector Admiral Pappy Renegade. With his return, we should see things improve more in the Infiltrator Wing.

Here are a list of current Infiltrator Wing URLs:

IW Executive Officer - <http://iwxo.tsx.org>
IW Flight and Training Officer - <http://iwto.emperorshammer.ca>
IW Tactical, Operations and Communication Officer - <http://iwtac.tsx.org>
IW Pilot Manual - <http://iwto.emperorshammer.ca>
IW Academy - No URL Supplied
IW Roster - <http://www.iwrost.com>
IW Message Board -
http://www.xwing.nu/jedit/forums/forum.asp?FORUM_ID=5&CAT_ID=2&Forum_Title=1%2E+Infiltrator+Wing+%28IW%29
MC-90 Warspite -
MC-90 Fear - <http://www.mc90fear.org>
Wing 1 -
Wing 2 - <http://www.mc90fear.org>
Ares Squadron - <http://www.swrebellion.net/ares/>
Black Squadron - <http://blacksquad.tsx.org>
Enforcer Squadron - <http://enforcersquad.tsx.org>
Knight Squadron - <http://xanthar.bizland.com/knight>
Panther Squadron - <http://hometown.aol.com/aswf/Panther.html>
Razor Squadron - <http://razorsquad.tsx.org>
Shadow Squadron - http://www.geocities.com/shadow_squadron
White Squadron - <http://whitesquad.tsx.org>

Infiltrator Wing Command Staff:

IWCOM - VA Torres (dunnwd@ozemail.com.au)
IW XO - RA Moreco (sebastian.hild@gmx.net)
IW FT - COL Mutilator (itsjimbo@aol.com)
IW TOC - MAJ Kano (FeeneyRP@Yahoo.com)
IW RTO - SA Pappy Renegade (gcavitt@charter.net)
MC-90 Fear COM - MAJ Figaro (Figaro@mc90fear.com)
MC-90 Warspite COM - (asterixchris@yahoo.com)

IWCOM/VA Torres/NC-1/IW/EH

LoM, SV, VC(ST), CBV(3 Stars), 1 MC(1st Class), 1 MC(2nd Class) x2, MoI, LSM

B-Wing 'Vorlon's Vulture'

"He bangs his fist against the post and still insists he sees the ghosts" -

IT, Stephen King

corporate division

The following Section of the Newsletter is to be accessed by the Emperor's Hammer Corporate Division.

The Corporate Division did not submit anything for NL 70.

the bounty hunters guild

This Section of the Newsletter is dedicated to the Bounty Hunters Guild.

The Bounty Hunters Guild did not submit anything for NL 70.

intelligence division

The Intelligence Division serves to organize our eyes and ears across the chaos that is now the Empire.

Greetings all

This period of Intelligence has gone well under my rule as SDIR. I look forward to the future and the expansion of Intelligence. We have recently re-introduced branches into our bureaus of the division. And currently have the following structure:

Intelligence Division (INTEL)/(ID)

Ubiqtorate (UBIQ)

Analysis Bureau (ANLY)
Media Branch (MDIA)
Psychology/Technology Branch (PSYT)

Bureau of Operations (BOO)
Infiltration Branch (INFIL)
Surveillance Branch (SURV)
Interogation Branch (INTR)

Internal Organisation (INTORG)
Internal Organisation (INTORG)

Diplomatic Services (DiploServ)
Intelligence Liason (IL)

We hope to expand DiploServ by one or two branches, however.. these are pending approval as they are part of the new bureau that has not been used

before in the ID. Also a difference with DiploServ is that it is a public bureau, and can be used for people who wish to assist the ID without the need for keeping their persona secret at all times.

Also of note is that in this period, we have bought a domain name for our website it is currently online at <http://www.ehintel.org>
A PHP database is being developed for the first time in the ID's history the rosters will be published online, however a secure database will be used to access these. We feel that this will bring the management of the ID's workload down significantly, so is a step forward in the development of a more efficient Intelligence Division.

RA Zoltar has resigned from his Ubiqtorate position, after years of service. He is staying on as a UTA, but will be sorely missed by the rest of the Ubiqtorate.

Several UBIQ have achieved the rank of Rear-Admiral (RA) since my last report, these include RA Knight (CNSDR) and RA Whitewind (BLDR), congratulations go out to them for making this great honour! :)

Thank you for your time, that is all!

Fleet Admiral Samuel "Stalker5" Rothwell
Supreme Director of the Ubiqtorate

SDIR/FA Stalker5/UBIQ/DGN Lichtor V/[AoT-***TTDR***]
KP (Krath)/Acclivis Draco of Scholae Palatinae

eh directorate

The EH Directorate maintains and governs the various star systems in the EH Territories and scours the known Galaxy for new Star Systems.

Sector Admiral Compton,

This is the first NL Report from the Grand Moff since his appointment on July 15th of 2000. If it is a bit long/short don't be too disappointed... :) Now onto the more juicy news.

The Emperors Hammer Directorate. What are we? We are the Governors, Moffs and political officers of the new Empire. Our job is to maintain authority throughout the Imperial Space. We have been doing this for more than 2 years, the time in which the Directorate has been around. I myself have only been around in the EH and Directorate for about 19 months. But since joining and making my way up to Grand Moff ... I've seen all the changes.

Today, however, I feel we are better off than we have ever been. Weekly we have a good flow of members joining. ~3 each week, which is more than enough to swell our numbers to what we need. Currently we a 100+ member Subgroup, which the Directorate has never seen before. Coming into Grand Moff, there was low morale and little activity ... now we have an active message board, a close Ministry Council, and order. I don't think you can find one Governor who can disagree with the fact that we are better off now than we were 6 months ago.

I can't dismiss the fact that things change, and change is inevitable. One I can say is that there is change coming, BIG change. Currently the Ministry Council is hard at work finishing up the new Operations Manual, which will detail the new structure and purpose of the Directorate. We will no longer be the servants of the Government, but lone Governors under the banner of the New Republic, Empire, or maybe Neutrality. You must use all your political wit to overcome the day to day managing of planet, and everyone will get his or her chance. No longer will you have to wait to be trained as a Regional Governor. You will be thrown right into the chaos of the political machine. Will you try to reclaim the Empire and declare yourself Emperor? Maybe you want to venture into the unknown regions and become the President of a Neutral Faction? It is up to you. Your actions will affect the lives of millions.

Too much information about our reform is rather hasty in this matter. I wouldn't want to spoil the fun for everyone when the reform does finally take place. All that can be said is that your political wit will truly be tested.

Before the end of this report, I have to pay tribute to a few excellent officers who have shaped the Directorate to what it is today. The first is former Minister of State/Prime Minister Malachdrim. While we no longer play his brilliant game of Diplomacy, he started the political revolution, which got us where we are today. The next two people are currently on the Ministry Council and are by most Important advisors, Minister of State Mordann Tal'Kyra and Prime Minister JediJawa. Both of them have done 10 times as much work as I have and they both deserve the utmost respect from all the members of the EH. Both appointed under my reign, they have single handedly improved the way of life in the Directorate. So today, in this report I hereby promote Minister of State Mordann to the coveted rank of Autarch! There can only be 3 Autarchs in the Directorate at any one time and he is the second, next to Prime Minister JediJawa. As for JJ, I wish I could promote him to Autarch or award him our highest honor, the Fist of Palpatine, but he already has both. A testament of his commitment to the Directorate.

And now the Report from the Grand Moff for the 70th News Letter of the Emperor's Hammer comes to an end. Good luck to you Sector Admiral Compton, I have always looked up to you, and respected your decisions.

Admiral Karva Dronaal, Grand Moff of the Directorate
[- <http://www.directorate.org> | gmf@emperorshammer.org -]
GMF/Grand Moff Karva/Gondor Base/[LoA] [SoDx2] [MoS-cm]

[OV] [GS] KAP (Krath)/RM, SC-SoA/BZ/DC-KC/(BNAg)/(DSS) {SA:CORE}, Viceroy to the Advanced Gaurd



Not much from us this time, except...

News from Star Wars Galaxies:

Those of you who might have wondered about the name "Galaxies" while the SW universe evolves around one Galaxy, the explanation was given now. Due to the fact that the game will be placed on different servers (of course) each server will, within a short time, hold different versions of the SW galaxy. So, actually, the name does make sense.

Here is the excerpt from the SW Galaxies news section:

"The Galaxy vs. Galaxies Debate: The decision to use multiple servers/galaxies (as opposed to attempting a game with one shared galaxy) was based on a number of factors, but it basically comes down to content. We simply can't generate enough content, to the level of detail we want and with the high quality the fans expect, for 500,000 players all sharing the same space. Doing so would take us several years, just for enough content to satisfy gamers for a few weeks.

*Galaxy Hopping: To prevent disruptive "invasions" from one galaxy to another (something Niloc describes), we probably won't allow characters to hop between servers. Hypothetically, if you're a Rebel and you've beaten back the Imperials on Galaxy A, the last thing you want to see is 2,000 Imperials jumping over from Galaxy B to suddenly (and unfairly) turn the tide of the battle. Or, if you're an ardent role-player who enjoys adventuring and chatting on server that has garnered a reputation for role-playing, you don't want to have your evening disturbed by the sudden invasion of 2,000 Dark Jedi bent on starting a PvP massacre (again, hypothetical situation folks). However, *players* can certainly switch servers whenever they want. Because power differentials aren't a focus of the game's advancement system, players who chose to move from one server to another hopefully won't feel the same sense of "starting over" that is sometimes experienced with other MMORPGs.*

Advantages to Multiple Galaxies: While this is a difficult issue, ultimately I view the multiple galaxy model as an advantage because, in the long run, it will offer the greatest possible variety in terms of interaction and overall experience. I'm hoping that, once the game goes live, players

will really take ownership of their respective galaxies and form strong communities on each server. Over time, some servers are likely to develop their own personalities (as has happened in other MMOs). Some factions and groups might become very powerful in some galaxies or disappear altogether in others. Servers might be further differentiated by the dominant gameplay styles or areas of interest of the players there (role-playing, combat, politics, etc.). This allows players to experiment and find a niche that they enjoy and a galaxy that suits their tastes. It also offers experienced players the thrill of discovering something "new" – you can simply switch servers to discover how each version of the galaxy differs."

This all looks very exciting, and I really can't wait to test it out...

That's it for now... if you want to stay more up to date, visit the [Star Wars Galaxy](#) website.

CGM Arania Lawakiro

the imperial senate

The following section of the Newsletter is for the Imperial Senate.

The Imperial Senate did not submit anything for NL 70.



EMPEROR'S HAMMER STRATEGISTS
CARD GAME SUBGROUP
"We came, saw and brought victory!"

Hello all,

this time I do not have any pictures, sorry for that :o)

The most interesting thing we had in the last few weeks was a do-it-in-one-day Young Jedi tournament. We had "only" four participants, but the fact that it actually worked will lead us to think up more of the kind in the future, and not only for Youg Jedi, so watch out...

In general, we believe that tournaments done on a weekend or at maximum two weekends will be more interesting and will have more sucess than a 6-months event.

[Decipher](#) is not quite ready yet to release the Jedi Knight CCG. When they do, however, this CCG will be incorporated into the Strategists. So, if you are interested in learning and playing this new game, contact us.

In most player's eyes, the Young Jedi CCG has significantly improved with the release of Duel of the Fates and the new duelling rules. If you weren't sure until now if to pick up the game or not - do it. It is still a relatively cheap game and you'll have a lot of fun.

If you didn't do so yet, please have a look at our revised promotion system. It is now a bit easier to advance in rank. We are currently in the process to create pictures for all our medals, so make sure you check back every once in a while.

As you might know, the Strategists are allied with Yoda's Hut, which in turn meant an alliance with Kedanya Station, the main place for Star Trek CCG online. However, lately there were some disagreements and troubles that lead to Yoda's Hut separating from Kedanya. Since Yoda's Hut and the Strategists share basically all resources and are also maintained by the same people, Yoda's Hut will be incorporated into the Strategists and thus into the Emperor's Hammer.

This raises the question what to do with players who do not want to be part of a detailed, rank based structure like the Emperor's Hammer. We are working on this and are very sure we can work something out that works for all players **and** goes along with Emperor's Hammer rules and regulations. It may take a few weeks to make the future setup work of course.

That's it for now...

In service of the Empire

ASST:COMM Arania Lawakiro

combat operations office

The Combat Operations Office oversees the EH online competitions.

The Combat Operations Office did not submit anything for NL 70.

office of the lord ambassador

The Lord Ambassador oversees and promotes relations with other online clubs.

The Advanced Guard did not submit anything for NL 70.

special operations director

This section of the NewsLetter is reserved for the Special Operations Director.

The Special Operations Director did not submit anything for NL 70.

"Honor, Dignity, Doing The Impossible"

FLEET MEDICAL CORPS REPORT, January,07

"Always remember: Incoming fire has the right of way." - Murphy's Laws of Combat

GENERAL

Welcome to a new FMC Report, this time the first for this millenium. Not a lot happened this week except planning for our anniversary, a full roster in the IW, and basically a couple of graduates from the FMC Academy. We had a couple of promotions and a couple of new doctors and nurses. Overall a productive regular week of the Medcorps. Onto the Reports....

XMO NEWS

Greetings members of the Medical Corps, I have a small report this week with a small update for the academy. However the biggest news is a list of possible events for the FMC Anniversary coming up very very soon. January 11th, 2001 I believe. Their will be a special edition newsletter for it coming up. Also today is the Emperor's Hammer Birthday. I would just like to say kudos to GA Ronin for having 6 years of great history with this club. Anyway Doc Wil Striker has passed the Doctors course and has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant.

The FMC Academy can be found at www.division-stormwind.org/fmc and that's all for that.

FMC Anniversary events:

Fiction - Topic: Open ended

Topic Description: The participant would write a fairly open ended fiction pertaining to the FMC. It could be just about anything, provided its not overly incredible. Grading would be originality, length/quality (Note: this is one story because it would be either or. This is because a 1-2 page fiction which is very descriptive obviously shouldn't beat out a monotonous ten pager), and preference of the judge(s)

Scenario (For more information on this event can be found in the BHG manual: KAG events):

Topic - Last Hope for the Last hope

Topic description: The M/TFC Last Hope is under attack and has been captured, with only the

participant still free. The participant would be given a list of items available to them, and would have to work with them to A) save the MO from the attacking force, B) rescue the XMO from the attacking force, and C) reach a transmitter to call for help from the rest of the fleet (Note: Objectives A and B could be completed in either order, but objective C would require keycards from the MO and XMO.) The grading would be based on completing the objectives, "realisticness" of the adventure, and how much the judge(s) like them.

Image Search: (Image to be determined) The participant would be given a Star Wars, Emperor's Hammer, or FMC related image (either of a person or item) and would have to identify it. The name of the game here is simply speed, with the winner being the first person to correctly ID the image.

Graphic Design: 2 contests

2D design: Topic - open ended

Topic Description: The participant would create a fairly open ended two dimensional graphic pertaining to the FMC.

3D design: Topic open ended

Topic Description: The participant would write a fairly open ended fiction pertaining to the FMC.

The reason for two contests is because some people might want to participate, but could only do two dimensional graphics, which would obviously be beaten by a three dimensional one, so fairness dictates that there be separate contests. The judging would be based on quality of the images and judge(s) preference.

URL Search: (site address to be determined)

Description: The participant would be given a fragmented Star Wars, EH, or FMC related web address (EX: h**p:*/w**.e*mpe*rors**me*r.o** [The Emperor's Hammer entrance page]. The participant would then fill in the blanks to find the site. The winner is whoever gets the correct answer the fastest.

REMINDERS

1. *Egroups unsubscribing*: If you are not part of the Fleet Medical Corps, and incorrectly receiving email from this group, please unsubscribe yourself by sending a blank message to medcorps-unsubscribe@egroups.com. Also all commanding officers are encouraged to ask their inferiors to subscribe to this egroup if they didn't do already. Subscribe by sending a blank mail to medcorps-susbscribe@egroups.com.

2. *FMC-manual*: If you have questions about the FMC or if you just want to have more information, try downloading the FMC-manual at <http://www.medcorps.de/manual.zip>.

3. *Message Board Reminder*: We have an official FMC-message board, located at <http://www.sitepowerup.com/mb/view.asp?BoardID=125376>. We once had even started a run-on there although it has run dry. Using this board is a good way to show your activity and will be rewarded.

ACADEMY

Academy Update :

Site relocated to : <http://division-stormwind.org/fmc/>

Graduates :
Doctor's Course :
SL Wil Striker

looks a tad bit sarcastic

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Elvaron 'SF' Starfire - Pin #4682
FL-TCT-TCS/LCM Elvaron Starfire/Yod 2-1/SSSD Sovereign
DOC-DEAN/LCM Elvaron Starfire/FMC/TC-Sov/SSSD Sovereign/Wing IV [DOC]
PCx2/ISMx7/CoB [GALL] {IWATS-GFX-IIC/1/2-M/1/2-SM/2}
(TIE Defender - Evagari)

TIE CORPS

<no report received>

IMPERIAL SENATE

PMO of the Senate Weekly Report - 4.1.01

News: None... we've been wrapping up SP elections (which I took a tough loss to the SMS).

Promotions: Senator Prime Crix to SMS.

New Members: Mage - Doc of *?* (special case)

Other: We're waiting to get a new CHS so that we can get our program up and running. I have tried to make 'even command' between Plif and I. I feel if I 'command', other's opinions may not be heard and I want to prevent that.

Thats all for this week,
Yours,

[L] KDOG

Principal Medical Officer (Imperial Senate)/Commander

INFILTRATOR WING

{Salute}

The first week of the IW with a complete roster!! Drinks on the house!!

(shhh, Torres doesn't know yet!! :P)

All is well on the IW front.. some things are being looked into, and some are taken care of. We welcomed SL Viper Axxemann, and SL Abel Malik to the roster in the Nurse positions. SL Axxemann made it clear he doesn't like the title, but joined anyway!!

><salute>

> I have no much to report this week, i have been trying to keep in >touch, and i got a report from the DOC's, which is great! Well done guys! The >doc's reports are included below.

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>SMS/LCM Jourdain/MC-90 Fear/Wing II/IW/EH

>I have nothing to report as of this date I have >received a similar report from my nurse. there jave >been no complaints sent to me thus far I guess thats >because I'me new here but hopefully that will change.

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>FL/SGM Mako Felth/Ares 1-3/Wing II/MC-90 Fear/IW/EH

>DCO/SL Mako Felth/MC-90 Fear/Wing II/IW/EH

><SALUTE>

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>Greetings and Salutations everyone!:)

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>Well, this is the first report for myself and my trusty nurse-I mean, >Corpsman:) Axxemann.

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>Nothing to report as of now. But, I will right an e-mail to both the myself,

>Doctor Felth, Nurse(sorry:P) Axxemann, and Nurse Malik to discuss ways to not

>only help with the Fear and Warspite battle, but to also PREVENT ways of >these unnecessary disputes. Expect it to be out by the end of the week, I >must get in contact with both Nurses and Doctor. Also, I must gather my >thoughts on how to do so.

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>Expect a report next Tuesday or even sooner on ways that WILL work on this >important matter. Thank you for your time.

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>Very Respectfully,

>CMDR/SLT Kyph Orvak/Shadow 1-1/Wing 1/MC-90 Warspite/IW/EH, MC1x3/MC2x2

>DOC/Warspite: SL Kyph Orvak

Have a great New Year, and best of luck to everyone!!

Thanks,

T. Rastyn

PMO/CM Trevor Rastyn/IW/EH

CMDR/LCM Trevor Rastyn/White 1-1/Wing I/MC90 Warspite/IW/EH
CBV (x2), MoI, VC, MC1, MC2 (x5), POTW (x2)
[IWATS] [IWATS SM/2, M/1, M/2] {IWTA SGK, SCC, SRW}

"...and with the coming of the night, in the morning we shall remember them."

BOUNTY HUNTER'S GUILD

Once again, I have very little to report. Culprit is on personal leave since his grandmother died, and I am VERY busy right now with RL issues. For this reason, I will not be able to attend Saturday.

PMO/LCM Lord Desmos/BHG/M/TFC Last Hope
{IWATS: Core, IIC/ 1, mIRC /1&2, GFX}

That's it again. I'm Spent!

<SALUTE>

XMO/MAJ Ramos Kanzco/M-TFC Last Hope



Sector Admiral Kawolski, Fleet Systems Engineer

<SALUTE>

I recently resigned my position as Tactical Officer to put it in the capable hands of Fleet Admiral Striker to allow myself to be more active in the fleet. I had accomplished what goals I had set out to do as TAC and wished to continue the betterment of the fleet by concentrating more work on the TC Database. In this report, I'll go over my past accomplishments and current and future projects that I have been working on in this position.

TIE Corps Message Board

After a few months of receiving no requests for message board hosting, several people at once suddenly wanted message boards there! There are new icons, several bug fixes, and an option for banning people off your board either by IP Address or PIN #.

#TIECorps and SureFire

Everyone's favorite bot is now capable of doing trivia every week. The problem with the bot remains that it doesn't know very many trivia questions. Question writers needed! Apply within!

Rank Promotion Request Form

TIE Corps officers can now recommend rank promotions online to help reduce the Flight Office's workload as this form checks promotion eligibility.

New BSF System

A new revolutionary improvement for squadron management! Now for TIE Fighter and X-Wing Alliance missions and battles, you only

have to upload the pilot file instead of looking at the pilot file with a viewer and entering in scores!

XvT and X-W isn't available yet, but they should be in the near future.

Uniforms on Personnel Profiles

Members are now able to upload uniforms to their personnel profiles. The limit on uniforms is under 50kb in size and 200 pixels in width.

IWATS Courses

A new IWATS Test system is in place that uses the TC Database to record your scores. It's being used with almost all of the available IWATS Courses except for those that require submitting a file in addition with the test (like the Graphics course). The new test system allows professors to grade tests online and record scores for TIE Corps members straight to their profile. It also makes grading a snap, auto-calculates the total score, and e-mails the appropriate people of the new score.

Platform Daedalus

Platform Daedalus has become almost completely automated. Cadets are now taught to use the TIE Corps database at the very beginning. The database also gives an online progress report for cadets to see what exactly they need to do to finish training. The Medal of Instruction system has changed slightly with this new system. Only one MoI can be awarded per pilot and it's no longer enough to just refer someone to the tiecorps.org page and abandon them to fare on their own. You have to help your newly recruited person (and make sure they know your PIN #) go through the training process and upon their assignment with full member status as a Sub-Lieutenant, you will receive your Medal of Instruction.

Imperial Senate

The old Imperial Senate database been reactivated with a new design and several new features. See the site on <http://www.imperialdb.com/senate/> for more information.

Command Officer Report System

Command Officers (or their CAs) and select Staff members now have the option of posting their CO reports online at tiecorps.org. You can view CO reports at:
<http://www.tiecorps.org/reports/>

Virtual Domains

Now we have virtual domains on tiecorps.org again, I've been able to add a few quick shortcuts. I'll be making a homepage listing various new shortcuts available. For example, now you can access the administration section by going to:
<http://admin.tiecorps.org/> or the roster at:
<http://rosters.tiecorps.org/>

A new addition is how to quickly access your personnel profile. My TC PIN # is 691, so if I want to look at my record, I can go to: <http://691.tiecorps.org/>

TIE Corps squadrons also have an added benefit as well. To see the Alpha Squadron roster, I can simply go to:
<http://alpha.squadron.tiecorps.org/>

Advanced Roster Search Engine

A new way to search rosters has been put up! Now you can search rosters by name, e-mail, rank, IGZone name, AIM, ICQ, or any combination of them. Check it out at <http://search.tiecorps.org/>

Flag Officer Report System

Flag Officers and Squadron Commanders can now put their reports online.

Fiction Compendium

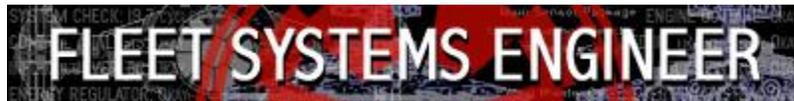
The Fiction Compendium is nearly complete with a few bug fixes needed and changes for it to work with the Executive Officer. The Fiction Compendium will hold all of the fictional works done by TC Members in one large database!

Skill Profiles

You can now show off what skills you possess on your personnel profiles! Simply log in to administration and edit your skills!

Future Projects

Online ATRs
Squadron Management III
New Pilot Viewer Interface
New Enlistment Form
High Score Listings
Iron Star medal system
Skill Search
Pilot Transfer Request Form
Pilot Removal Request Form
More stuff...



= Sector Admiral Kawolski, Fleet Systems Engineer =
- FSE/SA Kawolski/VSD Stalwart (#691) [ret.]
- MoH/ICx2/OoR/GOE/GSx4/SSx3/BSx2/PCx6/ISMx6 [EXCR]
- MoI-DC/MoT-7rh-1gh-89bh/LoCx3/MoC-1BoC
- CoSx3/CoE/CoL/CoB/LoAx3/OV-3E
- {IWATS-GFX-IIC/1/2/3-M/1/2-NS-SM/1/2-TM}
- <http://www.tiecorps.org> - <http://www.kawolski.com>

SQUADRON READY ROOM

NEWSLETTER REPORT FROM THE TACTICAL OFFICER - NL#70
TAC/FA Striker/CS-3/SSSD Sovereign (EH_Striker@mail.com)

TAC Office News

Long time since the last regular newsletter... here is a little review of the events of the past months.

The **Tactical Manual** has moved to <http://www.tiecorps.org/tac/tac-man>, and has been updated as well; you are only be able to skip only ONE mission, and filling a bug report form in this case is be compulsory. **Mission standards** are stricter as well, for example animated briefings are not be an option anymore.

A "**Phoenix Engineers Team**" has been set up, in order to review and update if needed all briefings of battles released under SA Kawolski. Due to the resignation of Vice Admiral Wlodek, this project is currently on hold.

The **Mac compatibility problem** with some TIE missions of the compendium has been identified thanks to VA Wlodek ! The Mac version of Tie Fighter does not support more radio

messages in custom misions than in the original ones they replace. Thus, all custom battles should be moved from the Battle 1 slot to the 13th one where all missions have 16 radio messages each. A little patch is available for Mac pilots in the Tactical Manual.

A **mission design competition** has been issued, in order to select some custom missions to represent the Emperor's Hammer to the 2001 Jedi Convention in Germany.. <http://www.tiecorps.org/tac/contest.html>

Finally, thanks to **SA Kawolski**, you can now upload pilot files instead of filling BSFs for TIE and XWA...XvT to come....

A last thing to notice for the past months, the **IWATS XWA Mission Design Course** has been released, and is available at <http://xam.tsx.org>. Really complete and well written... ;-)

To conclude, best wishes for the year to come, and good luck to the future new Tactical Officer...

Updated Battles

- **TC-TIE Battles 1, 2, 4, 7, 10, 11, 14, 23, 24, 28, 35, 48, 51, 56, 57, 60-62, 64, 66, 70, 73-77, 84, 87, 88, 92, 94, 102, 106, 107, 109, 113, 115, 117, 118, 121-123, 128-136, 138, 141, 142, 148-150, 155, 156**
- **TC-XvT Battles 1, 3, 4, 6**
- **TC-XWA Battles 1, 2**
- **FREE-TIE Free Missions 1, 3, 5, 16, 21, 26, 29, 40-47, 55, 75, 76, 84, 91, 94, 100, 116, 121, 122**
- **FREE-XWA Free Missions 1, 12**
- **DB-TIE Battles 1, 8, 13**
- **DB-XvT Battle 1**
- **IW Battles 10, 12, 23, 24**
- **BHG Battles 1, 2**
- **CAB Battles 2, 4, 5**

New Battles

- **TC-TIE Battles 160 to 165**
- **TC-XvT Battles 9 to 12**
- **TC-XWA Battle 9 and 10**
- **FREE-TIE Free Missions 125 to 141**
- **FREE-XvT Free Missions 23 to 35**
- **FREE-BoP Free Missions 3 to 6**
- **FREE-XWA Free Missions 16 to 24**
- **IW-XW Battles 25, 26**
- **IW-TIE Battles 25, 26**

- **IW-XvT Battles 25, 26 (27,28 to come)**
- **IW-XWA Battles 25, 26 (27 to come)**

Useful Links

- **Emperor's Hammer Battle Center**
- **Emperor's Hammer Tactical Manual**

- **Mission Creation Message Board**
- **IWATS TIE Mission Design Course**
- **IWATS XvT Mission Design Course**
- **IWATS XWA Mission Design Course**

Tactical Archives

- **Battle Board**
- **Battle Completed Records**

Tactical Office Roster

- **Fleet Admiral Striker**, Tactical Officer (TAC)
- **Vice Admiral StarLion**, Command Attaché to the Tactical Officer (CA:TAC)

- **Vice Admiral StarLion**, Tactical Head Coordinator (TCHC)
- **Admiral Zsinj**, Tactical Coordinator for TIE Fighter (TCC:TIE)
- **Commander The Z**, Tactical Coordinator for X-Wing vs. TIE Fighter (TCC:XvT)

...and the numerous Tacticians and Tactical Surveyors !

TAC/FA Striker/CS-3/SSSD Sovereign

OoR/GoE/GS/SS/BS/PC/ISMx5/MoI/MoT-11rh-2gh-85bh

LoC-ISx16/MoC/MoC-23B-13S-8G/CoS/CoL/CoB/LoAx5/OV-2E [CNTR]

{IWATS-SM/1/2-ICQ-RPG-XTT-XTM-TM-M/1/2-IIC/1/2/3}, SBL(Sith)
"Errare Humanum Est, Perseverare Diabolicum !"

the command staff

Herein are presented sections for the offices of each Command Staff Member. Please use the menu on the right to view each Office's report.

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the flight office

The Flight Officer herein reports updates related to personnel or changes in the operations of the Flight Office of the Emperor's Hammer Strike Fleet. The Online Roster URL is also posted herein.

From the Flight Office of Admiral Theodore

Because of the holidays and the many changes in this office over the last few months, there has been quite a lot which has been happening.

First and most importantly, the Fleet numbers have remained strong with little fluctuations, but overall solid performance in all aspects. The Daedalus is FAST approaching PIN six thousand (6,000) !!! Many of the new recruits are listing magazine articles or personal

recruitment for their reasons to join. This means the Fleet is doing a nice job of promoting itself and for that I am extremely happy...keep it up.

Our FSE continues to add features to the database to make the bureaucratic functions easier to administer and because of that, I am working on ideas to help the Fleet. First will be a search for a new Command attaché who will be responsible for scouring the Weekly reports of the Wings and will discuss with the COMs and Wing Commanders which Wings require special help or attention. I will avoid any general policies, but do want to bring the WCs closer to the Flight Office to maximize our efficiency. With regular discussion and input, my CA can then discuss issues with me and I will be better able to balance the administrative and development roles of the Flight Office.

The year is starting off busy, we'll see to where it leads.

FO-TCCOM-Legal/AD Theodore/CS-4/SSSD Sovereign
IC/GS/BSx4/PC/ISMx19/MoT-2gh/LoC-CSx8/
MoC-9BoC-1GoC/CoL/CoB/LoA/OV [CAVL]
{IWATS-M/1/2-SM/2-TM-TT}

"I will make it Legal"



Internet Office NL70 Report (2000-01-04)

<SALUTE>

Since replacing AD Turtle as the IO I've been fairly busy. My hosting service has moved servers since I'm no longer in a college residence with nice T1's to hook up my computer too. The new server brings with it many new changes, some I'd have rather avoided but that is not possible, so I'll go over them to make sure everybody is aware of them. One of the most important changes has to do with Email accounts. I can only offer email accounts off of my most recently purchased domain "emperorshammer.ca". This is because I'd have to pay a lot more money to host email accounts off my other 6 domains. I've noticed via a simple search on TIECorps.org that many people still have ehnet.org & squadron.org email addresses listed as their contact email. These people will need to get new email address. Anybody who wishes to get a new email address off of the domain "emperorshammer.ca", may email me at io@absolutek.com with the following information: "desired username", and "password". Or, they can go to the IO website at <http://www.ehnet.org> and fill out the online form located in the "Free Services" block on the left side of the page.

The other major issue is websites. A casual glance of homepages on TIECorps.org will reveal many websites off of my hosted domains (ehnet.org, ehsenate.org, ehintel.org, corporatedivision.com, squadron.org, thebhg.org, and krath.org). Before the time at which I switched servers, I was hosting over 300 websites. At the time of writing this report, I am only hosting ~80 websites on the new server. Some simple math with deduce that there are most

likely many broken links floating around the EH. Currently, anybody trying to visit a site that no longer exists on the new server will get an error message. It appears that even after extensive advertising around on all the major EH domains that my server was moving, and that everybody must re sign up again for an account, just couldn't penetrate through to some people to get their acts together. So, every couple of days I get an email from somebody that their site is down because they failed to sign up again. Up until now, I've been quite accommodating in getting these stragglers sites up again. Since I'm running close to the limits on my hosting account, I'm not accepting anymore web-hosting applications unless they are for very, VERY important websites.

Several people who run email lists based off of the new server, have notified me that they are having a problem with people posting to them. This error claims to be because of "Message has implicit destination". I've emailed tech support about it, but they will not fix it, they even claimed it is a feature for my protection. I'm sorry, but the best I can suggest other than getting an email list some where else, is to setup your list so that it does not email a list poster whenever their posts are held for admin approval.

Now, on to more positive stuff...

The Internet Office has a new banner graphic which can be seen at the top of this document, or downloaded from the EH Internet Office website

After sitting in the pile of IO projects, and languishing for months, the Emperor's Hammer: Greeting Card Centre (EH:GCC) has finally been completed. The EH:GCC is a website which has many uses. Some of which include sending holiday cheer, challenging other EH members to a multiplayer game of XvT/XWA, or trying to recruit your non-EH buddies. I need more graphics to use with cards. Especially ones that can be used during holiday seasons and EH purpose events. All graphic submissions for the EH:GCC should be sent to AD AbsoluteK at io@absolutek.com. The EH:GCC website is located at <http://www.emperorshammer.ca/gcc>. Special thanks to IOA/RA Quake for submitting a batch of code for the EH:GCC which I butchered and rewrote 90% of to complete this site.

Next on the heap of IO projects is a new site which will be a combination of the EH: Picture Archive (EH:PA), and the EH: Visual Arts Gallery (EH:VAG). The new site which as of yet is unnamed will replace both the EH:PA, and the EH:VAG. It will offer new features, and faster perfnance. Keep an eye on the IO website (<http://www.ehnet.org>) for announcements.

Also on the list of projects is the EH Links Database which will be a Yahoo! style categorized links database, only for EH stuff. This will likely accompany a rewrite of the Internet Office website to accommodate new features such as this, and the addition of some message boards to the IO site.

This months SOTW's Are as follows:

Senator Crix Madines Office (<http://crix.ehsenate.org>)

The Imperial Senate (<http://www.ehsenate.org>)

The Directorate (<http://www.directorate.org>)

The EH:GCC (<http://www.emperorshammer.ca/gcc>)

The Imperial Academy website (<http://www.imperialacademy.org>)

I hope everybody had fun and safe holidays this season. My condolences go out to all of those who have lost a loved one, or had an accident during the last month.

Respectfully Submitted,

IO/AD AbsoluteK/CS-5/SSSD Sovereign
IC/GS/SS/BS/PC/ISMx7/MoI/LoCx2/CoE/OV-[LANC]
{IWATS-GFX-IIC/1/2/3-M/1/2-PHP/1-VBS}
C code. C code run. Please run, PLEASE!!!

Training Office/IWATS

General Site News - Since my last NL report, the ImperialAcademy.org site has undergone a massive transformation. Key to this is an attempt to start bringing in a personalisation aspect to the site. This means visitors can pick between a Flash version or a plain text and graphics version of the site. They can also decide whether they want to get news updates from the site or not and if so, in what format (HTML or plain text). The site now also has a regular poll on the news page dealing with IWATS and Training site issues. Gradual updates and optimisations of code behind the site have gone on, including the competition approval/denial system and other parts of the site.

IWATS Updates - IWATS has had some changes. New courses have been added, such as a XWA Mission Design course, a course on the scripting language PHP and a course about computer basics. At the same time, there are a large number of open positions due to recent vacancies. As always, open positions can be found at <http://www.imperialacademy.org/jobs.htm>. Some staff changes have happened, including a new TIE Missions professor (COL Scoser) and Graphics professor (LCM Alex Foley). COL Mell has also taken the position of Training Office Assistant.

Projects - Several projects are currently in the works. These include:

- The EH Encyclopedia
- A new EH Ladder
- mIRC/3 course

Also there will be an attempt to revitalise the XvT/XWA Academy and all the IWATS courses in general, bringing them to a higher level of activity, providing a more rounded training experience for members.

Milestones - The total number of IWATS graduates is now over 6,000. This continues the nice trend and direction in the number of graduates since the IWATS Core was first unveiled and shows a consistent interest in IWATS courses on the part of the membership. The IWATS Core itself is just short of 2,000 graduates (currently 1,960). Other significant graduate totals at the time of writing are listed below:

- mIRC/1 - 871
- mIRC/2 - 540
- IIC/1 - 450
- IIC/2 - 300
- Squadron Management II - 450
- Graphics - 200

Current Staff

- HA Astatine - Training Officer/IWATS Dean
- COL Mell - Training Office Assistant
- COL Scoser - TIE Mission Design Professor
- LCM Alex Foley - Graphics Professor
- Ian Jackson - PHP Professor
- CPT Aylus Khan - Computer Basics Professor

Important URLs

<http://www.imperialacademy.org> - Imperial Academy

<http://www.imperialacademy.org/manual/> - Training Manual

<http://www.imperialacademy.org/courses.asp> - IWATS Courses

Respectfully submitted by,

TO-DEAN/HA Astatine/CS-6/SSSD Sovereign

MoH/IC/OoR/GOE/GS/SS/BSx2/PC/ISM/MoI-DC/MoC-1BoC-2SoC-2GoC-1PoC/CoS/CoE/OV-2E [GREN]

{IWATS-IIC/1/2}

the operations office

The Operations Officer is in charge of all medal and uniform-related events in the EH.

Operations Office Newsletter Report #70:

A great many things have happened since the last newsletter...

1. New Naval Corps uniform templates have been completed (all the way from Officer Commanding - Minor Warship, to Task Unit Commanders, and Naval Commander uniforms)

2. New Fleet Commander's Honor Guard stripes (for both male and female templates) have been completed.
(These include up to the ranks of Archon (1500 Points), Templar (2000 points), and Emperor (3000 points))

3. Special thanks to Colonel Manitsas (Manitsas@aol.com) for his invaluable assistance in the creation of these templates, and the new Fleet Commander's Honor Guard stripes.

4. The Operations Office Website can now be reached from two addresses:
1) <http://www.emperorshammer.ca/opsoffice/>
2) opsoffice.ehnet.org

5. The Commendation of Loyalty recommendation for the Fleet Anniversary awards are due ASAP. They should be included in with the next Newsletter

6. Included along with this file; is the Operations Office Backup Medal Board file ([backupmedalboard.asp](#))

Operations Officer
Fleet Admiral Howlader

Command Attaché to the the Operations Officer
Vice Admiral Wet Willy

the communications office

The Communications Officer herein presents recent events and current status of the Emperor's Hammer Strike Fleet Internet Relay Chat channels.

The Communications Office did not submit anything for NL 70.

the security office

The Security Officer herein presents the latest Fleetwide security, Bylaws and Code of Conduct issues.

The Security Office did not submit anything for NL 70.

the science office

The EH Science Officer presents the latest EH technical news and EH Fighter/ships designs.

Greetings,

Well its been nearly 5 months since I was appointed Fleet Science Officer and due to a lack of NLs only now am I making my first newsletter report. In that time a number of projects and ideas have come and gone, and several releases have been made. In an effort to keep this brief I will just be touching on the major items.

Firstly, there has been the new Science Office web page which much effort was put into to make it as user friendly and simple to navigate as possible, while still containing a hoard of information. The entire file archive has been overhauled and each item reviewed prior to posting to provide a board selection of the best possible tools available. Care has been taken to ensure the utilities provided are up to date and give the broadest possible coverage of tools available. Additionally, an effort has been made to provide information relevant to using patches in missions. Further updates to the Office are planned for the near future, along with a change to its look. The Science Office web page is located at <http://sco.ehnet.org>

Secondly, we have the Patch Archive. One of the major duties of the Science Office since its creation, maintaining the official patch archive is something directly in my line of interest and experience. Over the past few months we have continued to update patches to increase their quality and make them easier to use, along with creating new patches for craft that previously have had none. In particular, work has been undertaken on the X-Wing: Alliance patches to make them simpler to install and correct some bugs. I would invite you all to examine the TIE Guardian, TIE Praetor, SSSD & MC-90 patches for XWA as an example. Other updates are in the works, though work has slowed recently due to other projects and reconsiderations of technical approach.

The final, and most noticeable, major project to have been worked on is the revamping of the Fleet Manual and its update to version 5.0. This is a large scale project aiming to update almost every aspect of the manual over a period of several months and featuring several 'pre release' versions for testing & feedback purposes. When the project is completed, the Fleet Manual will contain a range of updated

and new information on ships, weapons & associated items, it will act as a vital technical reference for pilots and as a fiction resource for writers and mission designers.

The first phase, already completed, involved converting the manual from a plain HTML resource to a set of PHP scripts and a SQL database. This required careful planning and large amounts of scripting, however the end result is a manual which is easier to update in both the content side and the interface side. The Fleet Manual v4.0 information was successfully transferred into the data as a test of systems and has been made available at <http://sco.ehnet.org/fleet-man>. Also to be made available are downloadable versions of the same manual in HTML and Compiled HTML (windows help file) versions. [The Compiled HTML version of the Fleet Manual v5.0 pre-1](#) is submitted with this report.

Further updates are planned which will bring the Fleet Manual to a full v5.0 status. The first of these involves checking, updating and completing missing information on all craft currently featured in the manual, the second involves adding data on all craft used in officially supported games that are not already listed (eg. the new craft from XWA). Alongside these, work is being carried out on obtaining high quality pictures of all craft and adding information on items such as weapons and manufacturers.

Other highlights from the past few months include continued work on updating old slicing utilities such as TIE Patch for a 32 bit windows environment by CA:SCO/VA Den Darkhill and the beginnings of a EH IRC script for mIRC (to be taken over by COMMA Coolguy). Work on a slicing academy continues on occasion, however a lack of support from other parties has caused an effective halt for the time being.

To close, I'd like to remind everyone that my door is always open (as many of you appear to have noticed) if you have any problems or questions related to slicing or other technical topics. In the same way, I'd also like to remind you all that I'm always after comments or suggestions relating to slicing, science office projects or other technical topics. Lastly.. there are a lot of news sites and projects out there relating to slicing and such, if you have any news regarding new utilities, websites, projects or general slicing news that pertain to Star Wars games or total conversions, let me know!

<salute>

AD Kermee, Fleet Science Officer.

[<http://sco.ehnet.org> | sco@emperorshammer.org]

- SCO/AD Kermee/CS-10/SSSD Sovereign {Legionnaire}
- GOE/GS/SS/BS/PCx3/ISMx13/MoI/MoT-ghx2/LoC ISx10/MoC/OV
- DJK (Sith)/Archanis of Taldryan WR-PM w/1/DC-KC
- {IWATS-IIC/1/2/3-M/1/2-SM/1/2-XTT-TM-XTM-VBS-GFX-RT-RPG-PHP/1/2-CBX}

the logistics office

The Logistics Officer herein presents important Fleet Communiqués and other information presented since the posting of the last EH Newsletter.

The Logistics Office did not submit anything for NL 70.

the reconnaissance office

The latest events of the Emperor's Hammer on the Internet and World Wide Web (WWW)... Herein, the Recon Officer presents his reports on the frontiers of the Galactic Empire from the bridge of the M/CRV Domsday.

Greetings,

This is the Reconnaissance Office submission for NL 70. During this submission, I will be covering all of the things that the Reconnaissance Office has accomplished since NL 69.

First off, I would like to congratulate any new members to the Emperor's Hammer Command during this period of time, and also would like to thank any departing members for their service to this fleet.

Now, I'm sure many are curious as to the status of the Reconnaissance Office Domain (<http://www.reconoffice.com>). Right now, High Admiral Astatine is developing an entirely new database to replace the old design of Fleet Admiral Arcon Telf (ret.). As it may be, the new domain will include several features that were not in the old one, but will still hold the same purpose: To represent the Reconnaissance Office in a suitable manner. In addition, when the new domain is launched, I will certainly contact the Emperor's Hammer and let it's members know, but the URL will still be the same (<http://www.reconoffice.com>).

With that detail out of the way, I'll now address the issue of PC World, a leading magazine of Personal Computer software, hardware, and Internet-related sorts of things, all beneficial to the every-day PC user. Here's my e-mail to the Letters Editor of PC World, Stephen Compton:

I am writing to you on the behalf of the Emperor's Hammer Strike Fleet, an organization of Imperial Pilots, Politicians, Strategists, and others, who come together on the Internet to form the greatest Star Wars club in existence. In all, our total membership equals over 3,600 members, and if you do not believe me on this, please visit

<http://www.tiecorps.org/> and <http://www.darkbrotherhood.com>, two subgroup home pages which each have approximately 1,300 members each, and have membership profiles for each member, active or retired. With that explained, I would first like to inform you of the popularity PC World has in our organization. We recognize it as the top computer review magazine, and would like to thank the staff for doing such a wonderful job, and for giving the members of the Emperor's Hammer (EH) the benefit of reviews and updates, which our organization is based upon!

However, besides writing to you to congratulate PC World on its success, I would also like to ask of you to feature the Emperor's Hammer in an article. If this is too much to ask, please disregard the e-mail. We here only wish to interact with magazines as a fun and interesting way to get involved in a magazine, and we feel that by doing this, you can be the first to explain the phenomenon of several thousand people from all over the world coming together and forming one organization. Please, give this some consideration, and even visit the homepage (<http://www.emperorshammer.org>) and take a look!

One more final thing, I am not the leader of the Emperor's Hammer; Grand Admiral Ronin (GARonin@aol.com) is. This is simply a clarification to you if you are confused. (In the EH, I serve as a sort of "scout," looking for new avenues of expansion for the fleet.) If you have any questions, I encourage you to ask, and if this e-mail should have been sent to another staff member, I kindly ask of you to forward it to them. :)

I thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Admiral Slage Kal Fas
Emperor's Hammer Reconnaissance Officer

Consequentially, here's his reply:

Thank you for your kind words about PC World. I am forwarding your letter to our Webmaster, in case your proposal fits in with some of our plans for increasing the interactivity of our site. The print magazine, however, is pretty tightly focused on work-related products and services for end users, rather than on gaming or activities like online alternate-reality communities. Occasionally, though, we will look at games and gaming hardware, as in our December buying guide issue.

Again, thanks for letting us know you enjoy PC World.

Sincerely,
Stephen Compton
Letters Editor
PC World

Unfortunately, the webmaster has yet to contact me, but when he does, I will be sure to let everyone know on the status of PC World and Emperor's Hammer relations.

The final part of this submission includes a segment on the Reconnaissance Office Competition #1 (RO Comp. #1), which is being developed right now by my new ROA, Captain Aylus Khan. He has already designed most of the competition, and there will most likely be an award. Of course, when it begins [officially], everyone will be notified.

Until next time..

<SALUTE>

Respectfully yours,

=-[Admiral/Dark Jedi Knight Slage "Desdinova" Kal Fas]|-=
RO/AD Slage/CS-12/SSSD Sovereign - R-41 "Vigilante"
GS/SS/PC/ISMx2/LoC-ISx10/DFC/OV [GREN] {IWATS-CBX-IIC/1/2-M/1-SM/2}
DJK Slage (Sith)/RM/Galthain of Satal Keto
(LSS) {SA: CORE}

sovereign cantina

The Executive Officer herein presents fiction submitted by the Squadron Commanders, Flight Leaders and Flight Members of the Emperor's Hammer.

Be sure to read [Search for the Shriwen](#) and the unofficial [History of the Emperor's Hammer](#).

The Vindicator Incident

The control deck of the Imperial Star Destroyer Vindicator was quiet. Only a handful of officers worked the late watch, trusting the computers to monitor most major functions of the warship. Down in their cubicles, connected to the main deck by spiraling metal staircases that looked like black spiderwebs in the low lighting, technicians constantly watched their glowing red and green sensor displays. Electronic fingers probing the vast reaches of space around the large wedge-shaped ship. Other officers manned weapons and communications consoles, usually one per station instead of the two normally called for. They'd come out of hyperspace over two hours ago, and things were still quiet. With a soft hydraulic hiss lift doors sighed open and an officer stepped into the dim sanctuary. Sentries by the doors snapped to attention, only to be waved away. Seeing this reaction, the deck officer refrained from calling the staff to attention and simply saluted. "All quiet, captain," he reported in a voice that was as muted as the lighting. "Good." Captain Lerix Grissin turned away from the bright-eyed deck officer, recently sent to the Vindicator from the Academy. Normally one so young would not be serving in such a

position, but these days things were definitely not normal. Not since the Battle of Endor and the death of the Emperor.

Grissin and the Vindicator had been there. At the time he had not commanded her. Instead he had been a flight operations officer, recently moved from his beloved TIE Interceptor squadron to a bayside job. A very faint smile worked its way across his face. That squadron had been decimated in the dogfights around the new Death Star, and the Vindicator herself had taken tremendous damage in a fight with one of the Rebellion's Calamari cruisers. Much of the damage had been due to the ignorance of the ISD Vindicator's old commander, a fact that had figured prominently in Grissin's report. The useless old fool had died in the battle, saving the remnants of the Empire the trouble of a trial. As well as clearing the way for Grissin to move up to ISD command.

Looking down into one of the sensor display bays, Grissin grimaced. "Get on the com and instruct the Scimitar to close up to 7.5 kilometers. I want the corvettes to be within our defensive screen."

"Sir!" Without looking up, the pale lieutenant began pressing buttons and relaying the flagship's orders to one of the Corellian corvettes that made up the Vindicator's escort force. Waiting until his message had been sent, and the sensor officer indicated that the Scimitar had complied with his orders, Grissin resumed pacing the deck. He thought of returning to his quarters, but quickly discarded the notion. He'd not been sleeping well for days, anyhow. Not since they'd been given this mission. Granted, the Vindicator wasn't one of those old Victory-class heaps. It wasn't even the same ship he'd felt coming apart around him in the space above that miserable fly-speck of Endor. No, this Vindicator was one of the Imperial II class Star Destroyers. With more guns and better hull shielding. But still. . . Four standard days back they'd gotten their orders. Or, more correctly, he'd gotten his orders. In one of the many briefing rooms that dotted the mid-decks of the fleet admiral's Super Star Destroyer. It had just been the admiral, Grissin, and a quiet man dressed in a plain Navy uniform that he took to be from Imperial Intelligence. The admiral had been even more soft-spoken than usual, and kept glancing towards the silent man in the unmarked uniform. "Captain Grissin. I understand that the Vindicator has been cleared for space duty."

"Yes, sir," he'd replied, staying locked in a rigid position of attention. Forcing his eyes to stay away from the plain man. Of average height and with the trim, whipcord build favored by fighter pilots throughout the galaxy, Grissin didn't look much like the commander of a capital ship. Only in his light gray eyes could you begin to see the intelligence, the agile thinking that had allowed him to rise so quickly and beyond so many others. And around his thin lips the lines of ruthlessness could be detected – a quality prized by the Empire. "Good. No problems with the weapons or your crew? Stormtroopers come aboard with no problems?"

"No problems, sir. The weapons all check out, and the crew is top-notch. Our fighter and bomber squadrons all reported in last week. We have a full compliment of TIE Advanced, Defenders, Bombers, and a squadron each of those new Missile Boats and the Gunboats. I checked the pilots out myself, sir. They will serve the Empire well."

"The mission. . ."

It was the first time the silent man had spoken, and Grissin thought he saw the admiral flinch. "Of course. Grissin, your ship has been chosen to carry out a deep penetration raid into New Republic space. In this time of strife it is critical that we remind those Rebel bastards that the Empire is still a force to be feared. You will take the Vindicator in, along with an escorting force of four corvettes." As if touching something dirty, the admiral slid a small computer disk across the flat black table top. "This contains your full briefing and intelligence data. You are not to upload it until your force has come out of hyperspace. Jump coordinates are being relayed to your navigation officer as we speak." "I'll not disappoint either of you." For the first time, Grissin looked the other officer squarely in the eyes, and was pleased when those flat blue eyes finally slid away from his

gaze. "I serve the Emperor!"

And now it was almost time. Almost to the coordinates where he was to upload his briefing. Perhaps that was why sleep eluded him. But it still puzzled him. What could be out here? So far away from the center of New Republic space. Certainly it was close to systems disputed by the Emperor's Hammer and the New Republic. But not far enough into Rebel territory to do much damage.

Still, precautions had to be taken. Turning, his feet followed his memories to the station of the flight operations officer. Another former pilot, he looked up and saluted crisply. Remembering his commander's reputation. "Deploy our fighter screen. Two flights from Omega Squadron. The TIE Advanced. Hold a flight of Defenders ready from Iota Squadron just in case. Arm both with advanced missiles. And have an anti-ship flight of those Missile Boats from Beta Squadron loaded and ready. We don't need the pilots just yet, but have the ships armed with heavy rockets. Keep Kappa Squadron's bombers on standby. I don't think we'll be needing their services right away."

Waiting for a return salute and flurry of com activity, Grissin turned and made his way back to the lift doors. Now that his fighter screen was deployed, he felt comfortable enough to return to his cabin and upload that damned briefing. Maybe there would be something there that would make him feel better about this mission.

Two hours later, Grissin stood at the head of his own briefing table. The flat black surface glittered like dirty ice in the diffused lighting from recessed overhead fixtures. Along both sides of the rectangular table, his command staff sat waiting. Like scavengers gathered around a fresh corpse. They had just finished watching the short version of the briefing Grissin had been given. None of them looked happy.

"Well, gentlemen? Any comments? Don't be shy, now. Not like some Regulan virgin on her wedding night."

It was the commander of Vindicator's embarked Stormtrooper legion who finally spoke. Clearing his throat as if a bit of meat had lodged deep in the back and had to be shifted before any words would come out. "Frankly, sir, I don't see why my troopers were embarked for this operation. We're not assaulting any planets."

"I agree. But you forget, Colonel Deera, that boarding actions are always a possibility. If the opportunity arises to capture any New Republic vessels, I intend to take it. That's why we have assault transports in the hanger bay." Deera sank back in his chair with a smug smile, and Grissin had to bite his tongue to keep from saying more. He'd never cared for the self-assured Stormtrooper officer. It was rumored that the man had botched his command badly during one of the Endor land actions, and was saved only by his strong ties to COMPNOR. This lack of enthusiasm for boarding actions would look good in his end of mission report. Maybe even enough to rid his ship of the slug.

"Sir, was there any information about expected resistance?" Now that someone had broken the ice, the commander of Omega Squadron felt confident enough to speak. A fine pilot, but a weak administrator.

Grissin nodded. "Since we are to attack New Republic commerce in this area, we can expect to be hit with everything those Rebel dogs can put in space. Intelligence estimates that this sector is lightly defended. The Emperor's Hammer has never raided here before, so they'd have no reason to put in much strength. Especially since we know they don't have that many capital ships." He paused, looking around the table before continuing. Seeing the concern on the captains of his escort corvettes. Now he was glad he'd ordered them over for the briefing.

"Intelligence reports that the Rebel forces in this sector have a Nebulon-B frigate as their flagship. The Tibulon. Those of you who were at Endor might remember that ship. Intel reports that it's been modified to serve as a flagship, and that some of her weapons have been removed. In addition, they have a squadron of corvettes and six Corellian gunships. The gunships tend to be used for convoy escorts. As for fighter support, there are the squadrons on the Tibulon. There are also the normal Rebel system defense forces,

about another ten squadrons of hyperspace-capable starfighters. Nothing fancy, but it could cause problems if we don't plan accordingly. So I want to keep the corvettes in close to Vindicator. Our fighters will screen the perimeter. Any other questions?"

There were none, although Grissin knew that many of his officers shared his concerns. Why would an Imperial II-class Star Destroyer be sent on simple commerce raiding? The Emperor's Hammer had enough frigates and corvettes to handle that mission easily. Why send a force this big on a mission that could easily be handled by a couple of corvettes or a flight of missile boats? Something didn't add up.

Back in his quarters, Grissin tapped into his personal computer, accessing encrypted intelligence files he'd built up on his own. Information gained from talking to other captains, other officers who'd served in this area before. It had long been his practice to build up intelligence on areas that he might operate in, and the border regions between the New Republic and space claimed by the Emperor's Hammer were prime operational areas by his way of thinking. Now this system, frowned on by his superiors but tolerated for the most part because of his results, paid off yet again.

Letting out a low whistle, Grissin shut down the terminal and leaned back in his chair. His briefing hadn't said anything about long-range scans picking up Mon Calamari cruisers out here! Or that a recent gunboat reconnaissance had simply disappeared within easy range of his hyperspace jump point. It made sense now. His little task force was nothing more than bait. Something to lure those Mon Cal cruisers out into the open.

Pinching the bridge of his nose with two long fingers, Grissin closed his eyes, the words from his computer screen dancing in front of his mind's eye. There had to be a way he could turn this to his advantage. Could Vindicator deal with a Mon Cal cruiser? Two? Quickly he ran through his resources. An Imperial II carried more firepower than the old Imperial, and was much better at capital ship combat. Plus he had up-to-date fighter squadrons on board. Beta Squadron's missile boats in particular might prove to be the key to this. Thinking like a flight officer, Grissin turned his full attention to the problem of his fighters. Vindicator could take care of herself. His training had seen to that. But those fighters – they had to be played like a Coruscant symphony. Properly tuned, they were an instrument that could take down a Mon Cal by themselves.

How much should he let his officers know? Snorting, Grissin knew the answer. Nothing. He didn't know them all personally, and there was a good chance that at least one of them was working for Intel. No point in exposing his personal network. He'd have to bring the Flight Officer in, if only to coordinate the arming and launch patterns for his squadrons. Touching a key, he brought his computer back to life and called up the weapons inventories for his squadrons. It was time to find out what tools his falcons would have to work with.

As his eyes flicked over the information glowing softly on the screen, Grissin allowed himself to smile. It wasn't as bad as he'd thought. None of his fighters were equipped with those new jamming beams, but there were Mag Pulse torpedoes in the armory. Not as many as he'd like, but hopefully enough to do the job. His fingers danced across the keypad, making a note to look into who had cut his normal load of those weapons by a third. More than enough heavy rockets, and even some of those damned space bombs. All he had to do was balance the load of advanced torpedoes and heavy rockets. A flight or two of missile boats to use those Mag Pulses. And make sure there was enough fighter cover to allow his bombers to get in.

A soft beep interrupted his planning. "Yes?" His voice was harsh, more so than he'd intended.

"Sir. Lieutenant Harx. Our long-range scans have picked up some activity. Ships coming out of hyperspace. Still too early to get much information, but it looks to be about the size of a convoy."

"Excellent. Keep the scans passive for the time being. I want them to tell us as much about themselves as possible. And have Communications start listening in on their com

links. I'll be on the control deck directly."

The lighting was still dim, but there was a buzz of closely controlled activity filling the control deck when Grissin stepped off the lift. Again he waved off the salute of the sentries, intent on watching the movements of his deck officers. With long strides he found his way to Lieutenant Harx's console bay and looked down into the red and green tinted pit. "Anything new to report, Harx?"

The young officer glanced up, annoyance quickly washed into obedience. "No, sir. Nothing yet. Those Rebel bastards are scanning away as if they didn't have a care in the galaxy." He snorted deep in his chest. "Trusting to their precious Force to protect them." "No. Nothing like that." Perhaps Grissin's voice was harsher than he'd intended. "They're just seeing what they expect to see in their own backyard, Lieutenant. Things will change when they detect us."

"Of course, sir. I didn't mean. . ."

"No. But you must always be aware of how your enemy thinks, Hrax. Always." Turning on his heel, Grissin stepped across the deck to the fighter operations bay.

"The squadrons all report ready, sir." Snapping to attention, the flight operations officer saluted and gestured towards his screen. "We await your orders."

"Very good. Access the main armory databanks and you'll find my instructions for arming the squadrons. See that they're carried out. I want the lead flights at launch status in five minutes, with the rest ready within fifteen."

Looking up from the glowing screen, the officer's face twisted. "Beg your pardon, sir, but isn't this a bit heavy for a convoy?"

"If it's a convoy." Grissin stared down into the bay, his index finger tapping its own rhythm on the tailored seam of his uniform pants. "You have your orders, commander."

"Of course, sir."

Turning away from the sweating commander, Grissin walked back to his command console. At one time there had been a chair placed there for his comfort. It had been included in the first garbage dump before entering hyperspace. Grissin liked to keep moving on the control deck. It kept his mind active. Always planning two or three steps ahead. Even now, while around him the command staff was getting ready for a battle they didn't even know about yet, he was trying to figure out why the Vindicator would be sent on such a mission.

Or was it him that someone was after? Some sort of loyalty test? Such tests were all too common in the fragmenting Empire after the death of the Emperor. Officers spitting back and forth, pounding their chests and proclaiming their own loyalty while looking for ways to stab each other in the back. It was the kind of thing that had led to Endor. Men too concerned with themselves and not worried enough about the Emperor's vision. The Vindicator's old captain had been one of the chest-pounders. And it had cost him his ship, as well as his worthless life.

None of that mattered now, though. Grissin knew his greatest test was out there. In those ships that had just come out of hyperspace. Would they be a fat, lazy convoy? Or warships? Ravening and foaming for his blood as well as the Vindicator's.

His answer came as soft words spoken by the sensor officer. "Captain, I've got some feedback on the New Republic scans. They're consistent with the long-range sensors used on a Mon Calamari cruiser. Secondary readings indicate that there is a Nebulon B with them as well. Still too far out for any recognition scans."

"Good. Do they know we're here?"

"I don't think so, sir. They haven't launched their fighter screen yet." The officer chuckled, his face half green and half red from his display screens. "You know how those New Rep bastards like their fighters, sir."

"That they do." Grissin turned on his heel, striding back to his command chair. Barking orders as he went. Never a shouter, his voice grew ever softer as the action increased. It was a habit he'd cultivated, finding it was easier to control a battle from a quiet command

center. "Order the battlegroup to condition two. Keep our screening fighters within the inner defensive ring. I don't want our fist opened just yet. Keep them guessing as to how many fingers we have."

"All embarked squadrons reporting in, sir" It was flight ops now, his voice strained but under control. "Rearming is seventy-five percent completed, as per your orders. Only the backing squadrons need to be armed."

Had five minutes passed already? "Good, flight. Keep our basic screen intact, and have a flight from Omega Squadron ready to launch as soon as any incoming fighters are detected. Have Beta's missile boats on immediate status. I want them ready to launch instantly." Watching his command relay station, Grissin saw his orders converted to electronic bits and sent to the fighter squadrons. His mimic sensor screens continued to pulse and flicker as more data about those ships was collected and processed. Whatever they were, they were in a damned loose formation. Not expecting trouble. Or wanting someone to think they weren't expecting trouble.

"Sir! We have an IFF fix. It's the Tibulon!" One of the few officers remaining from the old Vindicator, the lieutenant commander in charge of EW was having a hard time keeping his voice low and level.

"What about the other big ship?"

"Nothing firm, sir. Only we know it's one of those Mon Cals." Shooting a quick glance at the Intel officer attached to the command staff, the EW veteran took a chance. "Didn't think any of those were supposed to be out here."

Puffing up like a threatened Filgar fish, the Intel commander glowered from his station. "I take exception to that remark! I'll have you. . ."

"You'll have nothing." Grissin's voice was flat and low, sliding across the control deck to slap the Intel officer in the face. "On Vindicator you'll keep your mouth shut. There was nothing in my briefing about any Mon Cal cruisers out here, and the Tibulon was said to be on the other side of the sector. That sounds like a failure to me. And I don't tolerate failures on my control deck." Leaning forward, his face vanishing into shadows, Grissin stared down at the furious officer. "Now I suggest you find something to do. Elsewhere. And be glad I haven't arrested you for dereliction of duty. But your failure is being noted for my report."

Once the Intel officer had stomped off, certainly to file his own report about Grissin's conduct, the captain of the Vindicator turned his attention to the coming battle. Once they detected his group, the New Rep bastards would start launching their fighters. He knew the fighter strength of every one of their capital ships like he remembered the lines in his mother's face, so there was no consulting of data banks. No sweating over glowing terminals. Grissin knew what he was up against. And he had a feel for the way the Rebels liked to fight. A simple name change wouldn't change their way of war. Not this quickly. "Be ready." His words echoed through the control deck, silent since the departure of the shamed Intel officer. "They'll be detecting us in a matter of moments now. Their commander will be wondering what the hell a Star Destroyer is doing in his backyard, and will send some A-Wings to look us over. Most likely they'll be followed by a flight or two of B-Wings to soften us up. The moment we detect any fighter launches other than their normal screening flights, I want Iota Squadron's A and B flights launched. They're to concentrate on any bombers. Omega can tend to any incoming fighters. Hold a flight from each squadron in reserve, to be committed only on my order. The same goes for Alpha Squadron's TIE Advanced fighters."

"Sir, my gunners can handle any Rebel scum that get close to the Vindicator."

"I know, Commander Ja'ran. I have the utmost confidence in the skill of your crews. But we may need you when we close with that Mon Cal and the Tibulon. I want our corvettes to stay just within the close defense perimeter. They will link with your gunners to cover us close-in. And order them to save their missiles for any incoming bombers. Let fighters deal with fighters. And bring us to condition one."

His fingers racing across his keypad, Grissin sent his operational concept to the displays of all his subordinates on the control deck as the condition one alarms filled his ears. From past experience, he knew that deckmen, troopers, pilots, and gunners would be racing for their battle stations. Most had already been summoned by his earlier condition two, but there were always some that weren't summoned until the last minute. "Now, this may be the difficult part. We're outnumbered, by a large margin if it turns out that there are two Mon Cals out there. Our dagger may well be Beta Squadron's missile boats. Next to Vindicator, they're our greatest offensive weapon. We all know how the New Rep pilots love to dogfight. Always mixing in with our fighters. We'll use that to our advantage."

"How, sir?" It was Colonel Deera, looking vacantly up from his display. Grissin shook his head slightly. The man may be a terror in a boarding action, but he knew nothing about any other form of combat.

"By luring them into a fight, Deera. But our kind of fight. The battlegroup will keep its distance from the New Rep main force, backing off if we have to. I want to draw at least 50% of their fighter strength into a melee. Once that's done, we send in Beta. Not in drips and drabs, but the whole squadron. Follow up with Kappa Squadron to take out their escorts. Beta will concentrate on that Mon Cal cruiser. Alpha Squadron will provide cover for this phase of the attack. I want to save the Tibulon for Commander Ja'ran's gunners."

"What about the corvettes?" This from the senior commander of the screening vessels, joining the briefing over a secure com link.

"I want your screen to form slightly above Vindicator, Captain Bessal. Concentrate your fires on any New Rep scout vessels or freighters. We'll use Vindicator to take out their main battle line."

"But what about our line?"

"Bessal, stop thinking like an Academy holo text. We don't have the numbers to use a line of battle. Even with Vindicator. There may be two Mon Cals out there. Two of them. And the Tibulon. A line would mean that your corvettes would have to take those ships on. And we both know what would happen then. No, we'll do the unexpected. Rebels have a weakness, Bessal. They expect Imperial captains to fight the same way every time we go into battle."

"Yes, sir." Bessal's voice was flat. "I'll instruct my captains accordingly."

"They should have the graphics already." Grissin smiled at the frustration in the corvette captain's voice. "Now get your gunners ready. We should be seeing our first visitors in about thirty seconds."

As if on cue, one of the sensor officers barked out a report. "Four fighters are leaving the New Rep formation, captain. Their signatures match those of A-Wings. They're escorting one of those Corellian gunships."

"Good. Bessal, have Scimitar engage the A-Wings when they come into missile range. Flight, hold our fighters back for the time being." Grissin's face stretched into a thin smile. "And Commander Ja'ran, have your gunners take out that gunship. It's time to let those bastards know who we are."

It was over in seconds. The New Rep scout flight had just enough time to get off a short message reporting a Star Destroyer before the fighters were blasted to bits by concussion missiles fired by Scimitar. And the gunship was just starting to turn away when Ja'ran's most forward heavy turbolaser battery locked on and fired. Designed to lock horns with starfighters, a Corellian gunship was never supposed to stray into the range of a Star Destroyer's main batteries. This one vanished in a concentrated blast of green energy, sending sparkling bits expanding out into the blackness of space. Grissin contented himself with "Nice shooting, Ja'ran" before turning his attention to the next wave.

"They're forming into a battle line, sir." The sensor officer's voice was high with tension. "And there are two Mon Cal cruisers out there. The Kellmar and Orion. In addition to the Tibulon, we are detecting four modified corvettes and what look to be repair ships. No fighters have been launched as yet."

Looking at his display, Grissin saw the same information. He also noticed that the Tibulon was hanging back, seeking some cover behind the heavy batteries of the two Mon Cals. Not a normal battle line. Maybe they were confused by his opening salvo. It wasn't normal Imperial procedure to use capital ships to take out scout formations. But that was fine with him. He wanted the bastards to be confused. It would make the killing blow all that easier. "We are detecting multiple small craft launches. From both cruisers and the frigate." Grissin knew that the New Rep ships would have a slight edge in the total number of fighters. Vindicator carried as many as the two Mon Cals combined, but the Tibulon's two squadrons would give them a slight quantitative edge. Knowing his pilots and their fighters, he wasn't worried about giving the Rebels an edge in numbers. It was the capital ships that worried him.

Coming up through the ranks as a pilot, Grissin had learned much about attacking the big ships. Their weaknesses as well as their strengths. But he'd had precious little time fighting in one. Endor had been his first real experience, and that at the limited view of a flight officer. There had been some small skirmishes, but nothing on this scale. Much of his command time had been spent overseeing the commissioning of the new Vindicator. So this would be his first real test in command.

Looking down at his displays, Grissin saw the fighters – green wedges against a shimmering black background – shaking out into their attack formations. As sensors probed the blackness, the wedges were identified. Each of the cruisers had launched a squadron of B-Wings, escorted by a squadron each of X-Wings. Now the red wedges of his fighters appeared, shooting out from Vindicator's launching bay and streaking to the attack. In his mind he could hear the com chatter of the Imperial pilots as they closed, following orders relayed by Vindicator's flight control officer. TIE Advanced making for the X-Wings while the heavier Defenders concentrated on the bombers. Soon they would be in missile range. "Weapons reporting in. All batteries report ready."

"Good. Have your gunners prepare firing plans for both the lead Mon Cal cruiser and the Tibulon. The missile boats will concentrate on the second Mon Cal. The Orion. Flight, copy and relay that order. If Beta Squadron has enough rockets left, they are to switch to the Kellmar." Grissin listened as his orders were acknowledged. Watching the display showing the progress of the fighter battle. "We will close with the New Rep formation. Proceed at two-thirds power. And keep the shields fully charged. We can expect missile attacks from those corvettes before we close to turbolaser range."

"Very good, sir. I'll relay your orders to the gun crews."

"Good."

"Sir! Our fighters report that they have engaged the first New Rep vessels! Three X-Wings already confirmed!"

"Good." A faint smile stretched the corners of Grissin's lips. His own display confirmed the information, and showed missiles targeted on the B-Wings as well. "What is the status of Beta Squadron?"

"All ships report ready, sir. They await your command to launch."

With a simple nod, Grissin continued watching his display. Watching his battle develop in glowing symbols and quiet numbers. So different from feeling turbolasers impacting on your ship's shields. Or the near-miss blast of a missile outside a TIE fighter.

There! He saw more pips leaving the New Rep capital ships. They'd launched more fighters. Typical, considering they'd taken losses. Of course, Grissin's squadrons were not unscathed. Ten percent of his fighters had been lost. Acceptable. One of the corvettes was also coming under fighter attack. Some of the B-Wings had been able to launch their weapons before falling to his TIE Defenders. His thin smile remained fixed as he keyed up the damaged vessel's reports. She wouldn't withstand another hit. "Order Defiant to pull back. Behind our screen. And at flank speed."

"Sir!" The com officer's response was a bark as he turned to his task.

It wouldn't be in time. Grissin knew that. But he had to try. But there was bigger game

afoot. "Fighter count for the New Rep ships. Quickly."

"Sir. We show that they have launched just over half their ships."

"Good. Give the launch order to Beta Squadron. And have Kappa Squadron get ready. They're to follow up." As he spoke, Grissin became aware that he was tapping his fingers rapidly on his command display. "Bring Vindicator to flank speed. I want to close with the Tibulon as soon as Beta Squadron attacks that first Mon Cal."

"Sir. Defiant has been destroyed."

"Yes. Order the others to engage any close fighters, but keep their eyes on those screening New Rep corvettes. They should be coming into range any second now."

"Sir!" It was the gunnery officer this time, his voice high with excitement. "One of the Corellian gunships is coming into range. They don't seem to be aware of our effective range, sir."

"Then have your gunners remind them, Ja'ran. Make it a good lesson."

Through the holo display, Grissin could see the New Rep ships now. Unmistakable behind the darting flashes of the fighters and bombers. Stretched out before him was the long superstructure of Vindicator. Like an avenging finger pointing at a murderer. Looking past it, he could see two slender Mon Cal cruisers, and just below them the distinctive stylus and pendant shape of a Nebulon B frigate. The Tibulon. A scattering of smaller ships, unmistakable with their narrow Corellian bodies, formed an extended fan in front of the big ships.

Suddenly, turbolasers glowed green and reached out from the very tip of Vindicator's finger to caress one of the Corellian gunboats. There was a brittle flash, sparking green-blue-red as shields buckled, followed by a quick yellow-orange explosion. Two volleys from the bow batteries of Vindicator, and the gunship was turned from a dangerous warship into an expanding cloud of metal, plastic, gasses, and bits of flesh and bone.

"Good work, commander. My compliments to your bow crews. Let's hope they're as good with the Tibulon." The opposing corvettes were engaging now, Grissin's escorts taking the worse of it as they maneuvered in close to the big Star Destroyer. Like pups seeking the shelter of their mother.

"Captain." It was one of the sensor pit crew, his voice high like the others. "Another of the corvettes is gone. Avengar."

"Yes. Deck, launch both Beta and Kappa Squadrons. Kappa is to attack the corvette screen, with two flights from Alpha Squadron as escort." Returning the harried officer's salute, Grissin watched as his orders were carried out. In his mind's eye he could see the waves of fighters pouring out from Vindicator's launching bay. Missile boats streaking away, followed by lumbering TIE Bombers. And agile TIE Advanced fighters darting in and out, watching their charges.

"Sir, Omega flight leader is requesting reinforcements. He says his losses are high."

Damn the man! "Very well. Launch the rest of Omega as soon as the rails are clear. I want this attack force to have total priority. Commander Ja'ran, have your gunners focus their fires on the escorting vessels until Kappa closes to torpedo range. Then switch to the Kellmar. These Rebels will try to fight in one of their precious battle lines. So we do the unexpected."

"Sir?"

"It's simple, Ja'ran. They won't expect a Star Destroyer to bother with corvettes. And they certainly won't be watching a gaggle of fighters. Not until Kappa and Beta punch through their fighter screen."

Energy sparked blue and red across the screen, and Grissin felt Vindicator lurch slightly. Turning, he glared at the systems officer who scrambled to report. "Sir. Three Rebel torpedoes hit our right forward shield. There were some power spikes, but actual damage was minimal. Combat systems remain unaffected."

"See that it stays that way. And order Iota to finish off those fighters."

The gravity generators compensated quickly for the shock of the torpedoes, but it still

brought back unhappy memories. Memories of the dark space above Endor. The near-death of Vindicator. And the death of the Emperor. All flooded back into Grissin's mind, and his voice reflected the strain. "Tell Iota to finish off those damned fighters and then help with the bombers!"

"Sir." The deck officer's voice shook from his position in a control pit. "Beta is in range and is initiating a rocket attack on the first Mon Cal cruiser. They're using their Mag Pulse warheads to cover their run as well as that of Kappa."

"Good. But keep an eye on those corvettes. Ours won't hold long against the combined weight of their fighters and gunships. I don't want any surprises."

"Sir, the corvettes are just coming into range now. My crews report total readiness."

"Then engage them, commander. Clear the way for our bombers. For the glory of the Emperor."

It was the old battle call, one that had echoed through the command deck over Endor. Those who were there stood up a bit straighter, and the call sounded once again throughout the control deck. It made its way onto the com links, and was echoed by the pilots as well as the command staff of the surviving corvettes. The Rebels will think we're mad, Grissin thought, listening to the cheers. And perhaps we are. But men fight better when fighting for something, and they need to know that we have our cause, too. Heavy glowing fingers reached out from the wedge bow of the Vindicator, touching one of the oncoming New Republic corvettes. The little ship shuddered, then came apart under the barrage. "Good shooting, Ja'ran. Now take the next one."

Striding along the catwalk above the control pits, Grissin looked from the wide viewports to the shimmering displays just below his polished black boots. He could feel Vindicator lurch as her shields absorbed more warhead hits. No doubt the last of the B-Wings expending their torpedoes. How they had leaked by Iota's TIE/Defenders was something that would be discovered in the after-action briefings. Assuming that Iota's squadron commander lived to make it to the briefing room. The New Republic corvettes were close enough now to begin targeting some of the fighters, and the Defenders were a favorite choice. For some reason they never seemed to understand the threat posed by the Missile Boats.

"Sir!" It was the Defense Systems Officer, calling up from his Pit station. "Shields are stabilizing at 70%. We can't divert more power without compromising the weapons systems."

"Fine. Do what you can to hold them above fifty." Grissin turned, looking out through the heavy glassteel viewports. Trying to see the cruisers out there. And the Tibulon.

Suddenly there came a blinding flash, only just filtered out by the electronic screening. Off behind the corvette screens. An expanding fireball lighting space around the capital ships and washing nearby fighters away in its wake. "Sir! Beta Squadron reports their first attack run was a total success. They have taken thirty percent losses, and report an average of ten rockets each remaining."

"Have them target the next cruiser. They are to fire their ordnance, along with that of Kappa Squadron, and then return to the hanger."

"Sir." It was the deck officer, his voice low. "Kappa Squadron reports only two bombers remaining."

"Have them return home at once. Dispatch a flight from Alpha Squadron to cover them."

"Tibulon is launching Y-Wings!" An unidentified voice from within the Pit, down near the main sensor displays.

"Vector fighters to intercept. And what's the status of our screen?"

"Falling back, sir. The remaining corvettes all report heavy damage."

"Fine." Grissin stopped, feet planted firmly apart. He could see red and green fingers darting in the blackness. Fighters seeking to kill each other. And back there, behind them all, he could just see the long tubular bulk of a Mon Cal cruiser, flickering now with multiple rocket hits. And behind that, waiting unseen, was Tibulon.

"Long range sensors are picking up some hyperdrive spikes, sir! Looks like Tibulon might

be getting ready to jump out."

"Not today. Navigation, I want an intercept course plotted at once. Full flank speed! That bastard's not getting away this time. Weapons! I want the best firing plan possible five minutes ago!"

"But sir, we'll have to pass in range of that Mon Cal."

"Not if Beta does its job. And if not, we'll just have to take our chances. Do you want to see Tibulon escape again?"

"No, sir!"

"Good. Then get us in range. Guns! You're to engage as soon as any of your batteries are in range. Drop their shields as quick as you can. Then go for the kill. The main batteries are to have all energy priority."

Displays spiked again as the starboard turbolasers engaged a fleeing New Republic corvette that wasn't quick enough to understand what was happening. Its explosion was lost in a sudden flare that almost shorted out the control deck's display filters. The remaining corvettes and gunships were getting desperate now. Trying to close to gun range with the big Star Destroyer. Understanding, perhaps for the first time, what was happening. Now that their second cruiser was gone. Buying time with their lives so that the frigate could escape.

A quick shout from one of the Pit crew. "Beta reports complete success, sir! The second Mon Cal's gone. Losses estimated at almost fifty percent."

"Acceptable. Have Beta return to the hanger. Keep Alpha and Omega after those Y-Wings and any other New Rep fighters that happen by. And launch Gamma to deal with the rest of their screening force. Our gunboats should be able to handle some crippled corvettes and a gunship or two." Grissin gripped the cool metal rail, his knuckles turning white around the edges. "How soon until we're in range of the Tibulon?"

"Less than a minute, sir." Ja'ras's voice was calm now. He was in his element. "And we estimate that she can't jump into hyperspace for at least three minutes." He looked up, thin face twisted into what passed for a smile. Even though the med droids had tried their best, scars from Endor still remained for all to see. "We've got her, sir."

"Outstanding word, commander. It will be reflected in my report." Not trusting himself to keep looking down at that eager face, Grissin turned back to the viewports. Seeking the long shape of the frigate in the glowing remains of two Mon Cal cruisers and an assortment of corvettes, gunships, and fighters.

"Sir!" One of the sensor officers raised his voice over the din of status reports. "We're showing something odd here. Tibulon is turning to face us! We're detecting warhead launches as well."

"Trying to take out our forward batteries and perhaps some fighters as well." Grissin nodded slightly. "A good tactic against another frigate, perhaps. But a waste of time against Vindicator." His voice fell. "Boost the forward shields by twenty percent, Defense. I don't care if you have to leave our backside open. Guns, don't use too many of your batteries to suppress those missiles. No more than ten percent."

"Sir, our forward batteries report Tibulon just coming into extreme range."

"Fire!" Ignoring the sudden flare and shudder as missiles impacted the forward shields, Grissin watched as red fingers reached out from the very tip of Vindicator's pointed bow. Bright bolts flashing through space to touch Tibulon. Watching, just at the edge of sight, as the frigate's shields flashed in pain at the impacts.

"Sensors indicate Tibulon's shields weakened by a third."

"Good. Continue firing. Each battery is to fire as it comes into range. I want that bastard!"

"Gamma reports good launch, sir. Engaging the remaining screening vessels."

"Good. Have them concentrate on the gunships first. They're a greater threat to our fighters than those corvettes." It was taking effort now for Grissin to focus on anything other than Tibulon. His ship continued to shudder under impacts from both missiles and the lasers of the New Republic screening vessels. But he didn't care. So long as those damned

shields held long enough for him to get close enough to the Tibulon for one good broadside. The Nebulon-B frigate had yet to be built that could survive a full broadside from a Star Destroyer.

"Sir! Our flank shields are weakening."

"No matter. Have Omega and Alpha help Gamma as soon as they've cleared the fighters. Guns, how long until broadside range?"

"No more than a minute."

"As soon as we're in optimum range, come about 90 degrees so that the port broadside bears on Tibulon. Then fire."

The frigate's turbolasers were coming into play now, lashing out with green light at the onrushing bulk of Vindicator. It was good, effective fire. Much like the kind that had punished the Star Destroyer at Endor. But Grissin wouldn't panic like his former commander. Unlike that old fool, he understood the power under his boots. Watching the display at his main command panel. Waiting for. . . "Now! Come about ninety degrees! Port batteries – fire!"

There was no change. No lurch or drag. But Vindicator, with an agility surprising for a ship her size, turned her left side towards the weakened frigate. There were no less than fifteen turbolaser batteries and ten turbolaser cannons arranged along the port side of the massive ship, and fire rippled from them like a red wave washing out towards the Tibulon. Each gun fired as it obtained a firing solution, and continued until out of range. The results were catastrophic.

"Tibulon's shields are at half, sir! Now fifteen percent! Now gone!" The sensor officer's voice shot through an entire range of octaves. "We're doing hull damage! Breach! There's a hull breach just below the control deck!"

"All weapons. Fire a single salvo. On my command. Target the control deck. For the glory of the Emperor."

Down in his station, Commander Ja'ras pounded his fist on his control panel. His voice cracked as he repeated the command. "All stations! Salvo fire on command! Target: control deck! For the glory of the Emperor!" Without realizing it, he'd keyed in the main intercom system as well as his direct com link to his batteries. The entire crew of Vindicator heard his order.

Grissin smiled, his first real smile of the mission, when he heard the old call taken up by the entire control deck crew. Knowing that it was being echoed throughout the Star Destroyer. He was still smiling when Ja'ras reported his crews were ready. "For the glory of the Emperor, commander. Fire!"

"I understand that your fighter squadrons took over sixty percent losses. And only one of your corvettes returned with you. And that one will be refitting for weeks." The admiral looked up from his display, killing Grissin's report with the touch of a finger. "It seems that Vindicator took some damage as well. At least a week's worth of work, or so I'm told by the Repair Officer."

"Correct, admiral." Grissin stood stiffly at attention, his gaze burning a hole in the dark metal wall behind the admiral's desk. Again, the man in the plain uniform was present. He had yet to utter a sound.

"And what do you have to show for it? For all this. . . loss."

"Two Mon Cal cruisers. Four modified corvettes. Ninety-six assorted fighters. Three repair ships. And their sector command ship. The Tibulon."

"Yes." The admiral shifted in his chair. Fingers drumming on the desktop. "But you were sent to engage convoys."

"We both know that's not the case. Sir." Grissin was through being the good captain. Like his predecessor had been. "There were no convoys in that area. There never have been. It's too close to our space, and too far from any New Republic settlements. My battlegroup was sent to draw out those capital ships."

"I understand you were quite harsh with one of my men." The Intel officer finally spoke, leaning forward in his chair. Sitting just to the right of the admiral, he was out of the cone of light thrown by the desk lamp.

"The man was an idiot. I don't tolerate idiots on my control deck." Grissin suppressed a smile as the Intel officer flinched as if struck. "I also don't tolerate officers who lie to their commander."

"What do you mean, lie? Now see here. . ."

"You know perfectly well what I mean. Scout gunboats have routinely come up missing in that sector. Random scans had indicated the presence of at least one Mon Cal cruiser. And you expect me to believe that your officer didn't know about that? So he's either the biggest fool in Intel, or the worst liar."

Clearing his throat, the admiral tried to regain control of the conversation. "Yes, Captain Grissin. But you know how intelligence can be so fleeting. So up to many interpretations."

"Admiral, my ship was sent out there as bait. I don't know if you expected me to return, but from your reactions I'd guess not." Grissin was leaning forward now, palms flat on the cool desk. "But we did. Both myself and Vindicator. I know the former commander was a comrade of yours. I also know what I saw on that control deck above Endor. The man was a fool. And a coward."

"We know." The Intel officer spoke again, waving the flustered admiral to silence. "Our information verified everything in your report, captain. It also helped confirm some other things. Other little bits of information."

Looking over, Grissin was surprised at the change that had come over the man from Intel. He was no longer quiet. Or hiding in the shadows. "I see."

"Most likely not." The man raised a hand. "That's no reflection on your intelligence, captain. Just statement of fact. We have access to things that you do not. Even with your personal network." With a slight motion, he touched a small stud on the cuff of his uniform jacket. "And you were wrong when you called 'my' intelligence officer an idiot. That creature wasn't one of my men. He was posted to Vindicator by the admiral here. The same man who had been sitting on reports about Mon Cal cruisers being detected in your area."

"Now you see here. . ."

"Sit down, old man. Your time for explaining is well past." Getting to his feet, the lean Intel officer was suddenly standing next to the admiral, pressing him back in his chair. "My men are already on their way, so don't cause a scene." With a slight smile he turned to Grissin. "Your instincts were right, captain. This was both a trap and a test. But not for you. Your loyalty to the Empire was never in question. Your report on the battle of Endor was read at the highest levels of Intelligence. That's why you were given command of Vindicator."

"I see."

"This time, I expect you do." The officer paused for a moment as the briefing room doors hissed open and four Stormtroopers entered, repeating blasters at the ready. "Take this traitor away. He's to be held until my shuttle leaves."

Once the abject admiral had been dragged away, the Intel officer seated himself behind the man's desk. With a sweeping gesture he waved Grissin to a chair. "Please, be seated captain. I think you deserve to know what just happened."

Nodding, Grissin sank back into the padded chair. He didn't want this Intel officer to see the shock that was sending his mind reeling. "So the admiral was a traitor."

"Not so much a traitor as a blundering fool looking for opportunity. You know he missed the whole Endor fiasco. That didn't stop him from writing a full report of the entire incident. Casting blame far and wide. Some even in the direction of Lord Vadar. Egotism is a sure sign of weakness. So I was directed to watch his movements carefully."

"I. . .I didn't know that about the admiral."

"No reason you should have. You were busy supervising the commissioning of the new

Vindicator. And then fighting a series of skirmishes with ships from that bastard New Republic. Building quite a name for yourself. And if there's one thing the good admiral resented, it was subordinates with ability."

"I was beginning to wonder. So much of the briefing information I received was worthless."

"Of course. And then he would blame Intel for the faulty product. But his ambitions went further than that. We have reason to believe that he was planning to take his entire fleet and set himself up as some sort of warlord. Once his loyal captains had been disposed of, of course. Hence the need for your mission."

"So. That was his idea?" Grissin didn't know what to think anymore. But he did detect an opportunity here. A chance for further advancement.

"Yes. He came to me asking about Intel reports for that sector, and requested that I sit in on your briefing. This, of course, fit in nicely with our plans. You know, Grissin, we had no doubt that you would return. Even with a woefully weak battlegroup."

"We did our duty. Especially those who we left in space."

"I know. No one is questioning the bravery of your crews, captain. Every one of those ships had a reputation of unshaken loyalty to the Empire and the memory of our Emperor. That's why they were sent by the good admiral."

"Now what?"

"A good question." The officer rose, walking over towards the blank wall with his back to Grissin. "The admiral's entire staff has already been arrested. Their replacements will be arriving with the next convoy. Many of his captains will also be replaced. In most cases, the ships' command staffs had no idea what their superiors were planning. Which means promotions all round. But these things take time. Grissin, can you defend this sector with Vindicator and a handful of corvettes?"

"Yes." The sound of his own voice surprised him. "With replacement fighters and good crews I can hold this space so long as you need."

"Very good. Tell your flight operations officer he'll have the pick of the fleet." The Intel officer turned, his eyes glowing with a light that Grissin hadn't seen for some time. "For the glory of the Emperor, captain."

"For the glory of the Emperor, Vice Admiral."

Now it was the Intel officer's turn to look puzzled. "So, you knew."

"Of course. I remember you from the Hoth excursion. I was just a TIE pilot then, and you a squadron-level briefing officer. But I kept track of your career. Much like you must have mine."

"You'll go far, Grissin. But I suspect you already know that."

"With your permission, sir, I'd like to get back to my ship. There's much work to be done before I can start taking on replacement fighters."

The Intel officer watched the erect figure walk out of the quiet briefing room. There goes a smart one, he thought, preparing to depart himself. One that bears much watching. But a worthy tool of the Empire. Tidying up the room, he left it as spotless as he'd found it.

FM/LCM Krax Tarnisar/Thunder 2-4/Wing X/ISD Challenge

KAP Kartena(Krath)/QUA/Gladius of Tarentum, ENV, (BNB)/(LSS)

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Apprentice Kartena

There are very few times that some people look back to their pasts. Kartena was one of the many who refrained from doing so. She believed in the philosophy, the past is the past and doesn't need to be relived. Thus, not once though her long leave did she think of her long time in Gladius. When she returned, she found herself thrown into the chaos of Tarentum. She had no time to reflect on the events of the past. Now, that she was the Quaestor of Tarentum again she found herself reflecting back to those days when she seemed to know the wisdom needed to run a house as complicated as Gladius. Did she still have what it takes?

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'Another day gone,' Kartena thought as she nodded to a passing Krath and dunked into her quarters. Oh what a day it had been.. It started off terribly, got worse. Just when she thought she was useless to Gladius and she shouldn't be here, Kartena received some wonderful news. "I can't believe it," she said aloud, "I'm Gladius's Quaestor again."

Laying down on her bed, she sighed and closed her eyes, All of a sudden a thought came to her that caused her to sit up in a fright. "What if I can't handle it? Its been so long since I was a leader in the Dark Brotherhood. What if I can't run a house efficiently?"

This caused Kartena to reflect back to a time almost three years ago. It was the scariest day in her Dark Brotherhood career. Back when no one thought she would make it..

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Apprentice Kartena walked down another endless corridor. 'Where am I?' she thought as she passed another door. She had lost count of the doors a while back. Scared to ask for direction, the Apprentice continued down the corridor, past another (of what seemed) endless stream of doors. Sighing, Kartena stopped and looked at her padd. She should be near the Quaestor's office . But where was it? Passing by a group of working Dark Jedis, she noted that one of them snared at her when she walked by. This caused her to go off in another train of thought. 'Why have I decided to become a Dark Jedi? Why would I, of all people, decided that I have what it takes to be powerful in the Dark Side?' This thought came at the entirely wrong time as she bumped into a passing Dark Jedi absorbed in his work.

"Im sorry sir," she managed to mumble, humiliated that she bumped into a high ranking. Did the robes denote a Sith Battle Master or a Sith Warrior?

"Apprentice, I assume you are new to this clan and that is why you are wandering around the corridors," The Sith said to her with a voice that denoted a certain superiority. Who was this? Kartena wondered. Out loud she said, "Yes sir. I can't seem to find the Quaestor's office.."

"That is because you are not in the right building. Come, I will show you to his office."

"Yes sir," Kartena mumbled and walked along beside him. For, what seemed to Kartena, hours he did not speak to her. When he did, he startled Kartena out of her thoughts. "Apprentice, you have come to a rather new clan. Even though we are new, we have a lot of good Krath. You will not be easily accepted into Gladius." Then he stopped and looked at her, there was something about this Apprentice that caused him to flash back to his early

days. He would have to keep a tag on her. Hopefully they did not lose her. After a minute contemplating his words he continued walking and speaking, "I hope you can stick in there until you are accepted. Here we are."

They stopped walking before a door. Looking around, Kartena saw that she was in some sort of lounge. People from all orders sat around talking. A few of them looked up and noted the new person. They mumbled amongst themselves and turned their attention back to their work. Before leaving, the Sith turned to her and said, "Good luck Apprentice. Remember, do not doubt yourself or your abilities." With that he left, leaving her to a room full of cold, distant people and a closed door. 'Who was that?' she wondered again to herself. After a few minutes, she turned back towards the door. She raised her hand to knock but she didn't have a chance to before the door opened.

"Who are you?" A man asked her in a commanding voice that sent shivers up and down Kartena's spine. There before her stood a man resembling the coal miners that the Apprentice remembered from one of her parents trips to the some of the mining colonies. Yet, this was no miner, he was a commanding officer. Most likely hers. Handing him her papers Kartena managed to whisper, "I am Apprentice Kartena."

He pushed the papers back, "You should check in with your Quaestor."

"But.. But.." Kartena started.

Laughing the man said, "I'm not your Quaestor. Thank goodness. He is in there." The man pointed into a dark office. Looking back into the office he said rather loudly, "Sir, another new one here. This one takes the top of the stupidity list.." Laughing at his own joke, the man walked off.

Stunned, Kartena could not bring herself to move from where she was standing. Then she heard a voice from within the darkness call out to her, "Apprentice, please come here and give me your papers." It took all her courage and mental coaxing to enter the dark room. Beyond the entrance, Kartena was surprised about the amount of light in the inner part of the office. It wasn't hard to find her way to the Quaestor's desk. Handing him her papers Kartena said, "I am Apprentice Kartena."

"Yes, I can read that. Tell me Apprentice, why do you think you will make a good Dark Jedi?" Stunned by the question Kartena just stood and stared at him.. "What sir?" she managed to ask. "I believe you heard me Appr.."

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Kartena's flashback was interrupted by a knock on her door. "Come."

"Ma'am, There were several messages coming though for you. Some where from Dark Council members. I thought you might like to read them."

"Yes, yes. Thank you Apprentice. You may go." she said after the Apprentice handed her the padds. Looking though them she noted that most were just the regular congratulations that came when you get promoted. One out of the bunch interested her, it was from GM Zoraan. Smiling, Kartena punched it up. It was a typical congratulations communication but she

could help but notice that the normally somber Zoraan seemed to be smiling. 'Well, at least I'm not the only one happy,' Kartena thought as she started responding to her letters.

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Corran Clones

(As submitted for the Immortal vs Grey Wolf Comp by CM Khadgar)

Corran Horn veered his X-Wing to the right. "Corsec, you've got a fighter on your tail!" was the last thing Corran heard before his X-Wing rocked violently; he heard an R2 beep in distress. "I'm going down!" he said in panic. He couldn't see anything for a few moments; then he saw panoramic view a grassy plane as his X-Wing steadily went down. He landed with a thud and was knocked out.

Corran woke up, not knowing how long he had been out. He opened the cockpit of the X-Wing and stepped out. He walked around for an hour but found nothing. He spotted a jungle and proceeded in. Suddenly he felt a presence; it was the Dark Side of the force. Suddenly, he spotted something in the distance; he kept walking until he was at the end of the jungle. He hid behind a tree and peered out, it was a sith temple lightly guarded by Stormtroopers.

Quietly, he crept up to the temple and hid behind a tree just outside of range of the Stormtroopers. He projected an image of Darth Vader and had it say "You are a disgrace to the Empire, now you shall pay for it..." with that, the Stormtroopers ran away, leaving the temple unguarded.

He walked up to the large door, which presumably was the entrance to the temple. He noticed a small datapad beside the door; he walked up to it, drew his lightsaber and sliced through the datapad, opening the door. He walked in and could barely see anything, only the light of his lightsaber kept him from being completely in the dark.

Steadily, he made his way through the tunnels of the temple, not finding anything. He kept moving, seeing ancient sith inscriptions, which lined the tunnels. Eventually he came upon a doorway; this led to a series of cliffs, with a large hole down the middle leading to lava below. Suddenly a tall man in a black cloak emerged from a cave on a high up ledge. "Who dares challenge Akkarb, Dark Jedi Master?" Corran spoke up "Corran Horn." There was a pause, after a few moments the sith laughed and drew a lightsaber, he pushed a button revealing a red blade. The sith warrior leaped into the air and landed beside Corran, quickly he drew his lightsaber and flicked it on to reveal a silver blade.

The sith swung his lightsaber hard at Corran, he narrowly ducked in time to dodge the incoming blade. Corran jumped and kicked the sith in the chest, knocking him off balance. Corran moved in for the kill, but the sith warrior quickly got up and stabbed Corran with his blade, he fell over the nearby ledge and plummeted towards the lava.

When Corran awoke, he found himself in a large glass tube. He looked in his holster to find out that his lightsaber was missing. Across from him, he saw numerous people, when he looked harder, he noticed that they all looked exactly like him in every way... he came to the conclusion that the sith master had cloned him. Suddenly, all of the tubes opened and the clones all ran towards a door, Corran followed. Red lights flashed throughout the cave, the cave shook every so often, testing Corran's balance. After a short distance, they made it to a docking bay filled with Transports, Shuttles and various other craft.

Corran made his way into one of the transports, the door whizzed shut as Corran entered. The transport lifted off and went towards a bright light at the top of the docking bay. Soon the transport had reached space; Corran recognized a familiar battle scene from where he had left off. The transport slowly drifted along, minutes away from the hyperspace beacon. Suddenly an Imperial Star Destroyer loomed over the transport, unable to control itself; the transport was taken into the docking bay of the Star Destroyer. Suddenly the com unit came on, "This is ISD Grey Wolf, you have two options, join the Empire, or meet the Stormtroopers from my boarding party." Simultaneously, the Corran's pledged to join the Empire.

The ISD Grey Wolf made its way to Aurora Prime, the heart of the Empire. Throughout Aurora, the various Corran Horn's joined the Emperor's Hammer. The Flight Office was swamped with Cadets, all wanting the name "Corran Horn". This drove several Flight Officers to insanity after the numerous questions "Why can't I take the name Corran Horn," and "What do you mean, I am Corran Horn!" To this day, Cadets plague the Flight Office with requests for the name Corran Horn.

FL/CM Khadgar/Valkyrie 2-1/Wing XIII/ISD Grey Wolf

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Here are ETA's fiction submissions:

CMDR/MAJ Troutrooper:

MAJ Troutrooper was in a good mood and had been so for quite some time, though no-one was really sure why. LCM Wap Eal figured it was due to his on-time XO report (TT was just a little shocked to see a report on his desk BEFORE the due date). CM Devin McCloud thought it had something to do with TT's promotion to major. Even VA Ari and MAJ Chei-Ras were puzzled by this strange occurrence, so much so that they called TT into Ari's ready room.

"TT, we've noticed that you've been...happy recently. As an Imperial officer, you should know that being happy is frowned upon, unless of course you've just returned from killing a squadron of A-wings. So tell us, why the smiles?"

"Well, COM sir, I don't know."

"Don't know...or don't want to tell us...! If you're hiding something from us, we'll find out sooner or later. We have ways of making you talk, fishboy!"

"Easy, Ras, easy. I'm sure the 'major' would have told us anything interesting or important, as we are his superior officers..."

"That's right. I would have. But I don't have anything to share. I'm just feeling good."

Ari slammed his fist on the table, "Damn it Captain Crustacean!! You are NOT leaving this room until you give us one good reason why you're so freaking happy!!!"

"You want a reason? Fine. I'm pregnant. Good enough?"

Ari leapt out of his seat, "Don't get funny with us, Cavier Commander!"

Why are you so happy?!"

TT noticed Ras fingering his lightsaber. He also noticed Ari's hand moving towards the button which alerted the stormies that he was in trouble. If Ari hit that button, TT would be the one in trouble.

"Look, I don't know why I'm happy. If you give me a couple of days, I'll probably get over this 'affliction' and lose my smiles. Please, sirs, I beg you. Don't do anything rash. It's my problem, I can figure something out."

"We'll be watching you..."

TT left the room and walked down the hall to the turbolift. Even after that scream session, he was happy all over. He knew what he had done could have gotten him court-martialed, but "they'll see. Everyone will. In the end, they will forget about my joy..." The lift stopped two levels above his, and an engineer got in the lift.

"Why are you so happy?" The engineer asked.

"Dunno. Just am."

"No-one is 'just happy' on this ship. Besides the internal problems, this baby probably couldn't stand a flight of pigbombers with torps."

"That may be so, but I'm still happy."

"You're odder than you look."

"Yeah, and your mot--" \*DING!\* "Lucky for you, this is my floor." TT got off before he sliced the engineer's head off with his saber. It was about 1600 hours, so he had some time before dinner. He decided to check in on his squadron.

"Hey CMDR! Still smilin'?"

"You betcha, doc. How's the needle-pricking today?"

"Okay. LCM Anthony Starr broke his finger in the simulator and LT Jorfar Danley got lost in the waste tanks somehow. You?"

"Happy as ever! Had a friendly chat with our flaggers a few minutes ago. Nothing special."

"Cool. Oh, you got some mail today. I left the package on your desk."

"Score. See ya at din-din." TT left Nic's office and went back to his own. He had been waiting for this package for quite some time. Imperial Parcel Service was more like Infinite Patience Somehow. It was a simple metal square with one indentation. It only opened when his flipper print was read by the box. TT flipped it open. Inside, there was a datapad, an astromap, and a remote control. He grabbed the datapad, which read:

"Congrats, the box opened. Inside should be this datapad, an astromap, and a remote control. The instructions are below. The map has the coordinates you specified. The remote will only work if you are within 2 clicks of the target. Any questions? Didn't think so. Signed, Troutrooper".

Now, most people wouldn't send packages to themselves. However, TT couldn't slip this stuff past the inspectors, so he had to arrange to have the equipment mailed to himself at a later date. "Good. Everything is in order. Now, I'll put the remote in my Rhino and get some food.

I'll need some energy to pull this one off."

Dinner was forgettable. Some strange beef-like substance and a soup that still moved. The menu said "Still-alive Soup". TT didn't eat as much as he wanted to, cause he was too nervous. But he kept on smiling, much to the chagrin of everyone around him. He headed back to his office to put the finishing touches on his plan.

"Sir? Got a minute?"

"Wha?! Oh, hi AD. Just let me clean up this desk a little...There, sit.

You caught me in the middle of my...report. Startled me. What's on your mind?"

"Well, sir, I know I've only been here for a couple of months, but your recent behavior has been...odd. Are you okay?"

"I'm fine. Just happy. How are you?"

"I'm...okay I guess. I've had some probl--"

"Good to hear. Now if you'll excuse me, I need to finish up." TT pushed AD out of his chair and towards the door.

"But sir! I just wan--"

"Bye AD! Come back...No, don't come back. I'm working." TT threw AD into the hallway and slammed the door. By now, his flippers were tapping. "Too much nervous energy. I've got to get this done." He sat back down and went to work.

"Man, TT is acting psycho. I know he's a fish and all, but he's acting strange for an alien even."

"Definitely Tyler. I heard he, Ras, and Ari had a little...how did he put it, 'meeting'. More like, ass-whoppin' session. I'm surprised Ari didn't hit his Save-Me button."

"Totally. Hey AD, why the long face?"

"TT threw me out of his office! I only asked how he was!"

"Calm down. As the XO, let me assure you that he is...yeah, he's lost it. I guess I'll be the A-CMDR in TT's stead. Now, onto tonight's squadron meeting. First order of busi--Hi TT!"

"I see you've started without me. Thank you, A-CMDR, soon-to-be ex-XO."

Now we start the meeting. First, we have new orders: at 1830 hours, ETA squadron is to maintain a picket defense of the ISD Colossus. All other squadrons will be off on another assignment. Command does not believe there will be trouble, but we get the assignment all the same. The COL will hyper out of the area at exactly 1845 hours. Questions?"

"Yeah, where is the COL going?"

"I do not have that information, Tyronne, and even if I did, do you think I would tell you? Okay, I would, but I don't know. Others? No, good. Get to your ships." As his squadron filed out of the room, TT smiled wider than before. He was beginning to believe he should have been an actor cause he had everyone fooled. He followed his squadron out of the room and headed to the hangar bay. It was 1827 hours and ETA was ready for action. Mu, Pi, and Omicron had already left, while Iota (with only A-CMDR Steve and LT Nashaa) was inactive this week. TT got into his TIE Defender "Rhino", fired up the engines, and lead his squad out into space.

VA Ari was lounging in his commodore's chair on the bridge. Nothing was going on and the ship sounded good. He brought up a little game he programmed into the chair's armrest and started playing. It wasn't anything great, just a computerized version of what his family called

"Spin the Driedle".

"Sir?"

"Huh?!"

"You were mumbling. Something like, '...I made you out of clay...'"

"Oh, it's nothing, LT. Carry on." Just then, the jump alarm sounded.

"SIR!! The ship is turning!! It says we are to jump into hyperspace in 15 seconds!!"

"WHAT?! STOP THIS THING!! FULL REVERSE!!"

"Can't sir! Computer won't respond!! We've been locked out!!"

"Look! On screen!!"

A vidclip of MAJ Troutrooper appeared on the bridge screen. It spoke:

"Hi! I'm sorry to do this to you, sir, but I've hijacked the ship. Why? Because I'm happy and I want to share that with the rest of the ship. I became happy when an informant of mine revealed to me the location of a rebel training facility not far from here. He said that the base had about 2000 recruits and 500 snubfighters. I wanted to tell you, sir, but I thought that you might enjoy this surprise attack on the rebels. I bypassed the computer's security systems and force this jump via remote in case you were wondering. Merry X-Mas, VA Ari and MAJ

Chei-Ras! Sincerely, TT."

"His ass is so mine wh--"

"Oh, forgot. Hold on!" At that, the ship jumped into hyperspace and stopped after only 10 seconds.

"SIR! I read 200, no 500 fighters! Most are parked!!"

"SIR! One PLT, D class, 3 clicks away! There's a lot of activity!!"

"Uhh...sir, what just happened?"

"I dunno, Ras, but if you want some easy kills, get into you ship."

C'mon, I need some kills. Tactical, you have the com. I'll be in my fighter." Ari led Ras to the hangar bay and both jumped into their fighters.

"WHOA!! Look at all the fighters! And they're not even moving!"

"Cut the chatter, boys. Just find a fighter and kill. Hope everyone is ready for some action."

"Mu incoming! Pi and Omi are, too!"

"Thanks, XO. Good, the gang's all here. Oh, and look! Steve, Nashaa, Ras, and even Ari himself are joining in the fun."

--ALL IMPERIAL PILOTS: PRIMARY GOALS ARE TO DESTROY THE PLATFORM AND KILL AS MANY REBEL FIGHTERS AS POSSIBLE. SECONDARY GOALS ARE TO WHOOP TT'S ASS WHEN WE GET BACK TO THE CANTINA. OVER--

"You heard the man! Let's get to work!"

Later that day, after the platform and every rebel in the area was dead, TT was summoned to Ari's ready room. "Two times in one day. Must be a record."

"No. You were once in here four times in one day. Remember?"

"Unfortunately..."

"Anyway, I am here to court-martial you for treason, theft of Imperial property, lying to a superior officer, impersonation of someone intelligent, and gross misconduct. All charges are hereby thrown out."

"That was quick."

"Yeah well, I didn't have the heart to prosecute you since you did lead us to a rebel installation. Plus, I got rid of my frustrations on those 6 rebs. Damn, I haven't flown in years."

"And it showed. Only 6? Bah, I picked up 6 in 10 minutes."

"Careful you."

"Sorry, couldn't help myself. Anyway, I hope you enjoyed your gift.

Don't expect anything near that cool next year, though."

"Trust me, I won't."

FL/LCM Wap Eal:

A pilot named Wap Eal once crash landed on the Earth, His tie fighter was a right off. He had to get in contact with his ship, the COLOSSUS asp but the only way was through an internet connection. He was in the country of Germany and went then to the next Telekom outlet to order a modem for an internet connection. NO PROBLEM, said the salesman and gave him one there and then in the outlet. Wap then contacted the Colossus and was sent a rescue ship.

FM/LCM Nic Rety:

After a long feast on Christmas day LCM Nic Rety had a bad hangover from double dropdowns. He stumbled into his quarters which turned out wasn't really his, they were a certain female officers who he didn't know. When he woke up with this woman on his chest he was shocked, he didn't remember going to bed with his wife. Suddenly a whole bunch of stormies stormed the room. Nic screamed and pulled out his illegally made assassain lightsaber. He pulled the saber and screamed an acient bakuran war cry. The stormies covered their ears, they couldn't bear it it was so shrill and left. Rety started running through the halls in his boxers. All of the other officers were staring at him and he knew it. All of a sudden he ran into a very, very drunk Chei-Ras who said "Let it all show" and took down his boxers. Nic ran as fast as he could back to his quarters where his wife was still sleeping. She woke up and didn't know anything happened. Merry Christmas!

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"The stars... their seemingly infinite luminescence stretching out to the far reaches of space. Brighter than the laser blasts, the seemingly never-ending sources of power we rely upon so heavily. This is the same weaponry that fuels our wars. Battles long gone, battles of the inevitable future," Commander Dan Malaktos stood at the far end of the Stardrifter Lounge, pilot country aboard the Emperor-II Class Star Destroyer Relentless staring out the view port, staring at the battles, the struggles, and the deaths that could not be seen with the naked eye.

"Commander Malaktos... don't you think you should be getting to the ceremony?"

A familiar voice. Dan turned half way with tired eyes to see his Wing Commander, Colonel Valtane Gavryn Ricaud. Dan ignored the question.

"Where will I die?" Dan asked instead.

"What?" Ricaud was quite puzzled at this. Dan frequented depression valleys, but he never asked questions like this before.

"Where will I die, Val?"

"An officer like you? You'll die serving the Empire."

Malaktos wasn't surprised at the answer. "Just like them."

"Who?" Dan was acting peculiar, indeed.

"During my stay on the Relentless I have killed seven hundred and twenty six people just like me."

"You do what you have to do, Dan."

"That's not even factoring the countless raids and strikes against capital-class ships I took part of in Sword Squadron. After every mission I come back here and drink. Not to victory of the mission, not to forget, but I pray for the souls I have slaughtered in cold blood. And I know I will die just like them, Val. Just like them. I don't want to face that. I'm not saying I don't find honor in what I do; I wouldn't give up my life on the Relentless for anything, but one day, I would like to live to settle down with a nice woman and start a family... but then I think of how many I have prevented of doing that themselves, and I know if there is a Hell, I'm damned well going to it, so there's no point now, is there, Val? I've just got to keep doing what I do, or I'll end up like them. Scattered across the reaches of space..." Malaktos let out a deep sigh. "Val, when I die, don't let my coffin drift out there. Please. I don't want to stay there..."

Ricaud didn't quite know what to make of this. "Come on, Dan, we're going to be late to the ceremony..."

Reluctantly, Malaktos peeled himself away from the viewport and walked down to the main briefing chamber.

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The main briefing chamber of the Relentless was elegant. It had an extremely high ceiling, and holovids across the room. It was a perfect place for the public promotion of Vice Admiral Jarak Maldon to Battlegroup Commander. After Admiral Theodore stepped down, the Battlegroups had been in somewhat of a disarray, left to be commanded personally by Admiral Sarriss. But, Theodore had chosen Maldon as a replacement before he stepped down.

Ricaud and Malaktos walked into the room just as the fanfare began, and took two empty seats along the inside of the middle rows.

"...and today, we honor Vice Admiral Jarak Maldon, who has been selected by Admiral Sarriss and Grand Admiral Ronin to be given the honor of the promotion from Commodore to Battlegroup Commander!" The announcer's voice was deep and rich. As soon as the word promotion was boomed over the loudspeaker, cheering commenced in a wave of voices throughout the ceremony room.

Jarak stepped across the floor and began to do the ritual salute and other customs.

"What about him?" Malaktos whispered.

"What about who?" Ventured Ricaud.

"Jarak."

"What about Jarak?"

"Where will he die?"

"Oh, give him twenty years, he'll be retired on Corellia, a couple kids, a wife..."

"What about you, Ric?"

"I'll probably settle down on Pakrik Minor... maybe a farm... I don't know, Dan."

"...and now, Vice Admiral, you are hereby promoted! Colonel Valtane Gavryn Ricaud will serve as acting Commodore until a Commodore is appointed." At this, everyone stood up in unison, saluted, and filed out of the briefing room.

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Malaktos awoke in a cold sweat. He stared at his chronometer and watched the countdown until his alarm went off. Dan stared at it angrily for a few seconds, then slapped it shut. He sat up straight, got out of bed, and quickly dressed and shaved.

Just as he finished putting his Commander Rank pin on his uniform, Malaktos' comm.. buzzed on. Dan flipped the switch pensively and stared at the chronometer. 0500.

"Commander Dan Malaktos."

"Morning, Commander. Rouse your Squadron. The Strike Cruiser Apollo needs an escort for some recon. Briefing at 0600. Colonel Ricaud out."

Dan flipped the comm. off, and proceeded out his quarters.

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The door hissed open. Captain Jon "Falcon" half awoke, mumbled, then fell asleep. Malaktos reached into his pocket, produced a small metal rod, and pulled it out all the way. After bracing himself, he scratched it across the side of the wall. The sound was unbearable.

"Get up sleeping beauties! Briefing at 0600!" Satisfied at having almost deafened Dagger Squadron, Malaktos trotted out the door and whistled his way to the mess hall.

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Malaktos picked up some thick, starchy white monstrosity and piled it into a bowl. After pouring a generous cup of coffeine, he plodded his way to the other end of the mess hall, where he found the Commander of Shield Squadron, Lieutenant Colonel Ace Pilot eating and reading up on proper Commander techniques.

"Morning, Ace."

"Hey, Dan."

"Why are you up so early? I don't think Shield has any missions today."

"Couldn't sleep. You?"

"Escort duty, for the Apollo."

"Jeez, what's better? Early morning recon or training simulators?"

"I'll take the recon any day, Ace. Keeps the squad awake. Especially since briefing is at 0600."

Dan took a bite of his slop. Ace cringed while Malaktos chewed. After swallowing, he cringed himself, and took a large swallow of coffeine. Dan glanced at his chronometer. 0535. He quickly finished his gruel and chugged the coffeine, just in time to see the rest of the squadron filter into the mess hall.

"Well, I'll be seeing you, I like to be early for my briefings."

"Mm. Ok... bye." Ace gave a half-hearted farewell; his mind was on his studies.

Dan walked over to his squadron to inspect them.

"You all have bags under your eyes. Do I need to set a curfew?" No response. "I said, DARKRIDER, DO I need to set a curfew? You look like you just crawled out from under a tauntaun.

"Erm, no, sir. Just tired."

"Well eat up, we have little time."

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Dagger Squadron plodded into the briefing room reluctantly, while Malaktos seemed to be driven by an unknown force. He walked up to Colonel Ricaud and received his map information.

Ricaud addressed the squadron. "Good morning, pilots. I trust you all got enough rest? This morning, you will be escorting the Strike Cruiser Apollo to the border of Aurora Prime, where some triangulations pinpoint some pirating activity. Commander?"

Dan loaded the data card into the slot on the holoivid and cleared his throat. "The Apollo has redirected its weapon power to its hyperdrive unit. Because of the speed increase, we will be transferring to the Apollo's hangar for this mission. We will be ready to launch one hour pre-real space entry. Flight three will launch and maintain a defensive perimeter. The Apollo will complete her scans, and then transmit hyperspace data to our navcomputers. Backup coordinates have been pre-loaded onto our systems in case of emergency. In any case, we will be covering the Apollo's hyperjump, so bring your data pads and some reading material, pilots. In the event that fighters are apparent, Flight one will launch. If capital-class ships appear, Flight two will be loaded with heavy rockets and launched to dispose of them. If any combat situation DOES arise... Spear Squadron will provide long-range support. We launch at 0800. Dismissed, pilots.

After the pilots filtered out, Ricaud pulled Malaktos aside.

"You'll be ok, right, nothing's bothering you?"

"I'm a pilot now, I'm not a person. Nothing can bother me. I have a mission to carry out, and a ship to protect."

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The Dagger hangar space of the Relentless was quite large. Being the Relentless' escort squadron, Dagger needed space to resupply quickly. The fighters were fairly spread out and special docking clamps were fitted on to the floor and the sides of the bay, instead of along the ceiling. After readying his fighter, Malaktos looked once more at his chronometer. 0745.

"OK YOU MYNOCKS, GET READY! IN YOUR FIGHTERS, NOW!" Everyone jumped in their fighters, and after the last pilot did, so did Malaktos.

The flipping of switches echoed the early morning hangar bay.

"This is Commander Dan Malaktos of Dagger Squadron requesting launch clearance for the squadron."

A voice spouted over his comm., "Clearance granted. Good luck out there, Dagger."

Malaktos closed his canopy, and watched the others do the same. He activated his repulsor lifts, which started to whine in unison with the other fighters in the bay. The clamps lowered them in order out the hangar bay, into the cold, dark reaches of space, only to find relief in the tiny specs of light in the distance which lit all the starsystems in the galaxy.

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Malaktos throttled up to escort speed and opened a comm. channel to the Apollo. "Strike Cruiser Apollo, this is Dagger Commander, requesting landing clearance."

"Dagger, this is the Apollo, clearance granted. Let's get this mission over with so you flyboys can get your beauty sleep."

Dagger Squadron assumed parade flight formation and landed one by one in the hangar bay of the Strike Cruiser Apollo.

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Upon leaving his TIE Defender, Malaktos was greeted by the Commodore of the ship. He was a short, stocky fellow, with dark wavy hair, and eyes set deep in his head. He spoke with a heavily accented tongue. "Wehlcomb to ze Strihk Croozer Ahpahlllo."

"Cozy," remarked one of the pilots.

"I am Captahn Ihrkov. Ze hyperjomp will be complete in foor ahwhers. Zis droid vill toor you of ze facilities you vill need to uuse." At that, the Commodore left.

"I am C9LO, protocol droid. I will show you to the areas you need to see. If you have any questions, please ask."

"Do you make toast? We just got up," remarked the same pilot from before.

"I-do-not... understand, sir."

Malaktos took out his durasteel dagger and made a cutting motion across his neck. "Can it."

"Ok, I will first show you to the bar..."

"Now you're talkin'!" Lieutenant Alun Tringad commented.

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"Do you think they can pull it off, Colonel?"

The bridge of the Relentless was a technical marvel. The Relentless used to be an Imperial Class Star Destroyer, but was later updated to Imperial-II class, or Imperator-II, which meant that the bridge wasn't as clean and efficient as the new Imperial Deuces. There were 7 bridge gunner consoles, along with the missile shielding and the laser shielding at separate ends of the bridge. As a result, the crew on the Relentless was extremely proud and skilled. People were bustling about at all times.

Colonel Valtane Gavryn Ricaud stared hard at the newly appointed Commander Quake. "I know Dan. He always sees the safety of his target. He has nothing left to live for, but nothing to die for. Have you seen how aggressively he flies? He'll stop at nothing to take out his enemy, that's partly why I had him transferred out of Sword. I was afraid on a strike or a raid one day he'd play chicken with a Corellian Transport or some other shuttle and ram it.

"Can he do it? I have no doubt of it, I'm not worried about him. I'm worried about the rest of the squadron."

"Why didn't you tell them about the danger? I mean Spear is going in for support. My Squadron, Colonel. I don't want any situation where I might lose ANY one of them."

"I understand that, Commander. Everything is under control."

"I hardly think that what's waiting for Dagger at--"

"Stand down, Commander. That's why you're going in with your squadron. Speaking of which... ready your squadron. You launch in 30 minutes."

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"...and last, but certainly not least, is the briefing room, sirs. The briefing will start shortly," spouted C9LO in his prissy protocol voice.

Upon entering the main briefing room on board the Strike Cruiser Apollo, the lights dimmed and Captain Ihrkov walked in through a nearby door that was impossible to notice upon first glance.

"I trust you had a goot toor of ze Ahpahlllo? Let us get doon to beesiness. Ze Ahpahlllo vill hyper oot here." The Captain's hand gently floated over a primitive holo-vid. A flat one. It looked to be the kind used pre-Empire. Malaktos had seen a similar holo-map on his command ship 14 years ago, the Victory Class Destroyer Juror.

A representation of the Strike Cruiser manifested itself at the apex of Ihrkov's swing.

"Yoo eleete Star Deestroyahr pilohts shoold be able to vacate ze hangar in 30 seconds, yes?"

Captain Falcon and the rest of flight three snorted.

"Ve believe zat zhere is a stolen Imperial Croozer in ze immediate drop point. You will have to distract its defenses while ze Ahpahlllo scans ze sheep. Ve vill zhen receive orders from ze Relentless. Get ready to lawnch."

The pilots filed out of the room with a little surprise on their faces. Malaktos made a signal as soon as the Captain was out of sight and walked off into the hangar. All the pilots followed him quietly.

Malaktos found a nice discreet spot behind a Delta Class Escort Shuttle. All of the pilots huddled up, twelve in all, including Dan. "There's something we're not being let on to. We were told that pirating activity was taking place, now we here it was the piracy of an Imperial Cruiser. This kind of mission isn't for us, it's for Sword or Shield. They told us Spear was standing by for support. My guess is that they're already in hyperspace. What does this tell you guys?"

Lieutenant Manticore was the first to get his little gears grinding in his head, "They don't want to risk losing a Strike Squadron."

Dan shook his head, "No, close, but no cigar."

Tringad had a revelation, "They don't want the cruiser back. There's got to be something on the cruiser, some kind of tracking device, or something."

"Which means, they LET the cruiser get captured. Ok, during the mission, keep one ear on our private transmission. My orders above all else, understood?"

After everyone nodded, Malaktos added, "Ok, get to your fighters, whether we're set up or not, we're escorting this hunk of Imperial credits."

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Dagger Squadron watched out their canopies as the mottled sky outside the hangar faded to starlines, and then to the normal dotted space.

"Flight three." Malaktos chirped over the comm.

Four TIE Advanced speeded out the hangar. Malaktos gave until the count of 15, then opened his comm., "Flight one, form on my wing, Echelon, extended right." At that, Malaktos and three other TIE Defenders lashed out the hangar like a stretched elastic band. Before he even viewed the scene, he gave the ok for flight two's Assault Gunboats to come onto the scene.

"Vaht are you dooing, Dagger?! Flight three is supposed-"

"Just a little insurance, Captain."

Malaktos looked up for the first time and surveyed the scene. A Modified Nebulon B-2 Class Frigate lay in dry dock at a platform, with many containers littered around the area. A couple freighters were flying in and out, and some R-41 Starchasers were flying escort. Dan did a quick count. Six. Twelve in dock at the platform, along with who knows what else standing by. Malaktos ran an IFF on the R-41s. Just as he thought... they were Rebels. Malaktos scanned the rest of the ships and noticed a TIE Defender... wait. It was Dagger 1-4! The fighters were masked as Charlie Squadron! The Apollo... as a Rebel strike cruiser... the Euripedes...

Dan opened a private channel to Dagger Squadron, "Ok, guys, it's starting to clear up. That tour was to distract us. Our IFF was changed. We are now Charlie Squadron. The Apollo is the Euripedes. That Modified Frigate, that's our Imperial Cruiser. They've re-christened it the Slashing Hawk. Those R-41s, they're rebels. And so are we. Do NOT fire..."

"Zees is Comondor Anton Slavik of ze Strike Croozer Euripedes. We have captooed zees Imperial Fighters and our fighters vere replaced by zhem. Zey are going to oversee ze operation."

"This is General Tanktoria of the Frigate Slashing Hawk. Acknowledged, Euripedes." Malaktos opened an Imperial comm. frequency, "Captain, WHAT is going on here?!"

"Vee are-"

Before he could finish his sentence, twelve Missile Boats exited hyperspace.

"All Rebel ships in the area, this is Spear Squadron of the Emperor's Hammer, stand down, or prepare to be obliterated!"

"Damn! What now?!"

"General, finish transferring ze cargo to ze platform! Send your fighters to aid Charlee Squadron!"

"Acknowledged, Captain, it will take 10 minutes to complete the operation."

Thirty seconds later, the remaining R-41s launched. Malaktos did some quick calculations in his head, then opened a frequency to Dagger, "Guys, look like you're going to engage Spear."

"But, sir...!"

" I SAID DO IT!"

Dan flipped a switch, "Spear Squadron, this is Commander Dan Malaktos. We'll cover your backs. Just knock out the communications on the platform. After the long range comms are out, they won't be able to get reinforcements. So, take out the frigate. It'd be better if it's gone."

"Commander, this is Commander Quake. Sounds like a plan!"

"Ok, Dagger. Follow my lead."

Dan watched Spear close and launch torpedoes at the comm. array on the platform. Dan gave them a count of ten and watched the distance between the R-41s and Spear close, then swerved around. He was 2 kilometers from the lead.

"Dagger, engage those R-41s NOW!"

"Now you're talkin', Commander!" crackled Falcon over the comm.

Dan let loose a volley of superhot laser blasts, and watch the point-flyer of the rebels eat space dust. Here we go again....

Malaktos looked out the port of his canopy and watched 4 more R-41s bite the dust. He followed the torpedoes with his eyes to the platform, and watched as the comm. satellite split in two different directions and disintegrate.

"Vaht are yoo dooing? Follow yoor orders!"

Dan swerved his fighter around lanced out green flames towards an R-41. Within seconds, it took all it could and blew up. His TIE flew through the cloud of debris and his fighter rocked. An Assault Gunboat nearly rammed him, rolled, and clipped an R-41's wing. "Thanks, Alun."

"No problem, oh, Dan... we're even now!"

Dan couldn't help but smile. Dan had saved Alun in exactly the same way a couple months back.

Soon, all the R-41s were history. Malaktos looked out his viewport, and found no contenders. He was quite surprised at the speed they were dispensed with. He moved his ship around to see an escaping shuttle. He scanned it and targeted it.

"Commahnder! Do NOT engage zaht shuttle! It has a tracking device!"

"Ok, flight two, launch your rockets at the frigate."

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The whine of repulsorlifts died down after a while and Dan Malaktos jumped out of his fighter onto the Relentless' hangar bay.

"Commander, what now? Are you going to ask the Colonel what was going on?" Lieutenant Manticore ventured while Malaktos stormed across the hangar floor.

"No. I need a drink."

"I'll second that!" Said an eager Lieutenant Arkette Darkrider.

For five minutes, there were twelve pilots parading in single file down the hallways of the Relentless. They were lead by an angry Commander, followed by an indifferent Captain, an eager Lieutenant, a concerned Commander, and basically just people who wanted a drink.

Dan entered the Stardrifter Lounge and poured himself a tall glass of Corellian whiskey. Other pilots poured themselves their respective favorites and scattered about the lounge.

Why couldn't they tell us? We're just a diversion now? What is happening? Too much corruption.

"Aren't you going to file your report?" Colonel Ricaud had a habit of popping up behind Malaktos.

"Aren't you going to tell me what happened out there, Sir?!"

"I knew you'd know what to do, but I couldn't tell you what would happen, for security's sake."

"Colonel, we're an escort squadron. Why didn't you send Hammer?!"

"Because I knew you'd be able to handle it best."

Malaktos said nothing to this. He simply gazed at the Stardrifter Lounge and took in his surroundings. Captain Daro was conversing with Commander Dudesrule over some whiskey by the competitive simulators. Lieutenant Darkrider was taking shots at the bar with Lieutenant Tringad, probably some kind of contest. Captain Falcon was arguing with Lieutenant Commander Hunter about the lifespan of vornskrs. Colonel Marenta was drinking some fine wine out of a bottle at a table alone. Lieutenant Manticore looked like he was trying to pick her up.

Malaktos downed the rest of his whiskey, and placed his glass on the bar on his way out. A couple heads turned. Marenta finished her wine, and Ricaud took a shot of whiskey himself.

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Malaktos stormed off into the hallway of the Relentless. The hallway of the Relentless was a bright place, even at 2300 hours. The hall was lit by many lights, and took the appearance of the outside of the ship. Pristine, peaceful, almost diplomatic, as the color put on. Star Destroyer White. It was a color you could purchase nowadays from your local shop. The complete opposite of what the ship was meant to convey. Fear, power, utter hopelessness. The model of the Star Destroyer was ingenious. It was shaped like a wedge to maximize firepower on all arcs, so that the Star Destroyer could act exactly how it looked. Like a dagger, able to pierce any foe's heart.

Malaktos keyed the door into his quarters and sat down at his desk. Dan extended his hand fully and a datadisk popped out neatly into his hand. He placed the disk into his datapad and opened the file.

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After playing back the recording of the mission on the edge of the Aurora Prime system, Dan Malaktos pulled out a piece of paper from his desk and a pencil. After scratching down a few numbers and playing certain segments out, the door slid open with a hiss.

"Forty-five minutes, Colonel, I was beginning to think you wouldn't show, sir." Malaktos knew who his visitor was. Only Colonel Ricaud would refuse to ring the tone.

"I'll save you the trouble of checking a starmap for the triangulation you just calculated. Bilbringi." Ricaud ignored Dan's statement.

"Didn't that belong to Grand Admiral Thrawn?"

"He lost it a month ago. Thrawn died. His personal bodyguard killed him. Stabbed him in the chest. The Rebels took Bilbringi. Lots of shipyards there."

"And you sent us to tell you where Bilbringi was, sir? With all due respect, you're gambling with my pilots' lives, here." Malaktos was pretty pissed, and decided to use a little sarcasm.

"No, Commander. They have a base somewhere in the system. They're jamming communications and preventing any assaults on the sector--"

At that moment, Captain Falcon, drunk as anything that ever was, passed the office, lopsided, came back, barged through the open door, fell flat on his face, and passed out.

"I think, Commander, that you need to start supervising your pilots in the Lounge," and at that, Colonel Ricaud left the office, leaving Malaktos to deal with the passed out Captain.

Dan looked at the figure. Falcon woke up for a second and said, "dAd! ThE ChIckEns aRE DyInG!!" Then dropped away to dream land.

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Commander Dan Malaktos looked at his chronometer. 0148. Much too early. After silently screaming at his chronometer, Dan got up and got dressed in his casual clothes, which constituted of some loose fitting black trousers, a black nondescript tunic and a long black trench coat. Dan walked out with a datapad and began the trek to the Stardrifter Lounge.

The ship was quiet at this time of the morning, except for the occasional technician. On the way, Dan looked through the files in the nearest computer terminal, and saw that in a couple days Dagger would have a mission. Dan changed direction and went to the Quartermaster.

"I wish to have a probe shell installed in my TIE Defender, with an eject switch."

"Why? Do you know what time it is, Commander? Can't this wait?" The Quartermaster was a bit pissed at being woken up this early in the morning.

"No. Dagger 1-1. Hand of the Apocalypse."

"Commander I hardly think that--"

Dan tossed him a bottle of illegal whiskey. That stuff was potent enough to knock a bantha out cold.

"I'll have it installed by noon."

"Thank you, good night."

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Dan sipped at his whiskey in the Stardrifter Lounge by the vidport and typed on his datapad.

"Little early for drinks, don't you think, Commander? It's 0323." How many times could Ricaud pop up behind Dan?!

"Never too late to correct a mistake. What are you doing up, sir?"

"Had to show the new Commodore, Rear Admiral Andronicus the ins and outs. Ending with the Lounge."

"So this is Commander Dan Malaktos. Commanding Officer, Dagger Squadron. Former uncontrollable heathen of Sword, unpredictable, and of course, sarcastic." Rear Admiral Andronicus was quite a down to earth guy, and seemed quite witty.

"And this would be Rear Admiral Andronicus, the Commodore I just heard about?"

"Haha, what are you writing there, Commander?"

"Last documents, you know, nothing better to do."

"Hrm, better get some rest. I hear your squad is going out in a couple days."

"Yes... so do I..."

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Commander Malaktos opened the beam weapon hatch in his TIE Defender, The Hand of the Apocalypse, and made sure the special cargo was attached. Malaktos placed his repulsorsled under the fighter, and flipped the repulsors on in the fighter, while checking the eject switch.

Malaktos jumped down and laid on the repulsor sled, looking at the special shell in the fighter.

Good, the Quartermaster took the initiative to wait before drinking the whiskey. Damned fool. So much corruption in the Empire. Ok, just put this in here and... There. Done. How did I end up like this anyway? I wonder who will take my place...

"Hey, didja hear? We're off for the next two days!" Colonel Marenta's voice was unmistakable. Quite possibly one of the only women on the Relentless.

"Social interaction, Colonel? You need something?"

"I'm bored," Marenta's voice was strained.

"I believe it is the hobby of my pilots to consume fermented wheat," Dan paused. "Or in your case, fermented grapes."

"Blech."

"It's a bit early in the month to be out of wine, isn't it?"

"Ok, ok, I want human interaction."

"Lieutenant Manticore seems to like you." Malaktos finished his work and slid out from under his fighter.

"Ugh. A Lieutenant."

"Let me get this straight. You want to interact with me and on my good side?"

"Erm..."

"Is something wrong, Marenta?"

Marenta began walking away from the hangar. Dan caught up with her and walked aside her.

"Nothing."

"No, I'm serious. Come on."

"I mean nothing."

"Come on, let's stop by my office, I have something you'll like." Dan knew just what to get.

After arriving in his office, Dan looked through some drawers and pulled out some '39 vintage Corellian wine. After handing it to Marenta he said, "Took me three years to find that, does that complete the collection?"

"Nope, I found this a while back."

"You're leaving me with very few options, here."

"It's nice of you though."

"Don't get too drunk, we have a mission in a couple days."

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"Hey Dan, what's the mission about?" Lieutenant Leonid DeBastide always had an inquisitive mind.

"Let's find out. Colonel Ricaud is in the briefing room."

The door hissed open. The map was already illuminated.

"You need to launch ASAP! You'll be escorting the ATR Omega on an assault vector with a modified bomb to take out the Rebels' security in Bilbringi! GO GO GO!"

That's not like Ricaud at all....

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"Ok, you rebels, get in your fighters, let's do this one!" Commander Dan Malaktos barked across the hangar. In response, eleven starfighter pilots jumped into their cockpits. Dan followed.

"Relentless, this is Commander Malaktos, commander of Dagger squadron. Requesting launch clearance."

"Clearance granted, good luck out there," The helm spit back at Malaktos.

After this was said, twelve starfighters raced out the hangar and formed on the wing of the Assault Transport designated Omega.

"Omega, this is Commander Malaktos of Dagger Squadron. We're all set. Waiting for signal."

"Acknowledged, Commander. This is Captain Ch'Uck'La of the ATR Omega. Hyper out in three... two... one... MARK!"

The jump signatures of twelve fighters and a midship zoomed into pseudomotion and hypered out.

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Malaktos ran a last check of his special cargo and felt satisfied.

Let's hope it doesn't come down to this...

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"Ok, Sword get ready to launch."

"Negative, Colonel, Hangar doors malfunctioning. We can't launch for another four hours, minimum," Colonel Dav Sauron answered Ricaud.

"WHAT?! Dagger's gonna DIE out there! They need assistance!"

"Sorry, Sir, it's impossible, unless you want us to blow the hangar to bits."

"Bloody crap..."

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Malaktos watched the countdown timer... three... two... one. After pulling on the lever, the mottled sky became starlines and then faded into stars. Malaktos opened his comm..

"Holy crap..." Dagger Squadron hypered out to find a heavily defended Golan II Class defense platform with a full minefield... but no fighters. "Ok, guys. Everyone, take the mines CLOSEST to the Omega first, make a corridor for it to go through, make sure to keep it alive, we NEED that bomb."

With that, Dagger Squadron split up to take out the mines. They performed it with relative ease, but after five minutes passed, the corridor was cleared, and Dagger's Gunboats began taking a beating.

"Ok, Omega, this is Commander Malaktos, we're hypering out, launch your ordinance, and get out of here."

"Acknowledged, Commander."

"Ok, Dagger, one-eighty turn. Let's get out. Flight one distract those mines, flight three, defend flight two from the front."

"Uhhh, Sir?" Lieutenant Leonid DeBastide was extremely anxious.

"Yes, Lieutenant?"

"Take a look at our hyper-vector. Were we briefed about any Rebel reinforcements?"

Malaktos swiveled his fighter and craned his neck to see five Mon Calamari Cruisers, and many other supporting craft. "&(%^!"

"Fighters launching! Quick count... fifteen dozen! And the other way is a minefield and that Golan! We're boxed in! It's a trap!" Lieutenant Manticore was very swift today.

"DAMN IT! Guys, we NEED to make sure that bomb gets to the Golan, otherwise, our lives will be lost for nothing. This is Dagger's last stand! Remember, our job is escort! Let's DO IT!" Malaktos realized his fears were confirmed. They were going to die out here.

"Yeah!!"

"Let's get some rebel scum!"

"YEEEEEEHAAAAWWWW!"

"Gonna getcha!"

")(^&\*) YOU!"

Malaktos swiveled his fighter and looked at the Omega, it was almost to launching time. Dan picked out an A-Wing and prepared to engage. Malaktos swiveled his fighter head on to the rebel, and swore as missile lock alarms flared to life. Dan turned his lasers to rapid fire and hosed the area, getting the missile, and the fighter. One down... too many to go. Next, he picked the A-Wing's wingman, and toasted his flight with some missiles. Dan craned his neck and saw his squadron was faring pretty well. Casualties on the rebel side were at eighteen, with zero on the Imperial side. They were, after all, the elite of the Empire, hand picked by the Emperor for Grand Admiral Ronin.

"YOU B\*STAR-----" Lieutenant Manticore was the first to be slaughtered.

"We have to keep going, the Omega is almost ready!"

"AAAAHHHHHH-----" Next was Colonel Marenta.

"Alun, take care of flight two, you're the new flight leader!" This was answered by Alun vapping an X-Wing and getting nailed by a missile from a Y-Wing.

"CRAP!" By this time, all of flight two was slaughtered.

Malaktos felt his ship rock and flicked his hand to the special switch, but Captain Falcon's TIE Advanced came to the rescue.

"Watch your back, Da—"

"NO!" Falcon's ship had been in an easy spot to shoot after saving Malaktos. He had sacrificed his life. Malaktos pulled his ship around to the offender and shot him in the engines, then sliced through his wingmates. Next, Dan charged his shields and rammed an unsuspecting A-Wing. Filled with rage, Malaktos destroyed the rest of the immediate A-Wings.

"F\*CK Y—" Commander Dudesrule bit the dust.

Malaktos looked around. All that was left was the Omega, and all of flight one. They did, in fact, have superior ships. Just after Dan surveyed the scene, he saw two more TIE Defenders blowup.

Commander Ric Gravin came in and sliced an X-Wing to shreds, but an A-Wing got him before he could evade. Now it was all up to Malaktos. He looked out his cockpit and saw the Omega launch its bomb and turn around.

That's it...

Dan watched the Golan blow, and the blast caught the Omega. They hadn't taken enough of the mines down.

")&\*^!" Malaktos cursed his stupidity. Because he turned to watch this, the rest of the fighters were on his tail. Dan watched his shields go down, he took a hit to the hull, then before he could get hit more, he loaded the tape of the scene into the probe casing, then hit the eject switch. Just as this happened, he felt another rattle, but couldn't tell if this was the probe leaving the fighter or a hit. It was a hit. The fighter started to rattle and electricity shot up it. Life support was failing.

"You were right, Ric. I die... in service to the Empi—" Before he could finish the sentence, the fighter exploded in a conglomeration of shards of transparisteel and durasteel. But, there was no pop of the ejection pod. Dan had chosen to be cremated than to float in the darkness of space, or to be taken prisoner.

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"Sir! Incoming probe bearing 2-3-42."

"Bring it aboard, Lieutenant Commander," Rear Admiral Andronicus stared at the profile of this probe.

"It's secured, sir! Tech teams are checking it out."

A long silence passed.

"Sir, incoming transmission from the tech teams."

"On screen."

"Good evening, Admiral. We have analyzed the probe. It bears Dagger Squadron's personal insignia. Request you check it out."

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Rear Admiral Andronicus and Colonel Ricaud were looking over the probe, trying to find the hatch release. Andronicus found it. A small computer panel was released which displayed:

Input Password>

Andronicus was the first to try his luck.

Input Password>Dagger

Password failed.

Input Password>Malaktos

Password failed.

Input Password>Relentless

Password failed.

Input Password>IX

Password failed.

"Hrm... may I give it a go, sir?" Colonel Ricaud seemed to have an idea...

Input Password>Steve

Password accepted. Good day, Colonel Ricaud.

Message from Commander Dan Malaktos, 4197:

If you're reading this, than my fears have been confirmed. Dagger Squadron has been slaughtered by some means or another. For the second time, our lives have been gambled with, and the stakes were too high. Hopefully we did not die in vain. Please find inside this probe the recording of the mission in Bilbringi and a projected tactical plan based on their presence in the sector. Oh and Val, you were right. But don't worry, I did not eject.

Respectfully,  
Commander Dan Malaktos

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## The Return of Mace

An Imperial Shuttle is about to land in the Grey Wolf hanger bay, CPT Brucmack and the rest of Vortex Squadron were waiting on the flight deck. The shuttle lands the cargo doors open and the steps extend to the floor. CPT Brucmack speaks to his pilots "Arrr finally I get to meet my Flight III Leader" The Vortex pilots lined behind their Commander stand waiting in the Salute position. A good minute passes and no one has exited the shuttle. The Shuttle Pilot spoke over the com "Errr Lt Mace we have arrived at the Grey Wolf" no answer "Lt Mace?" The Shuttle's Co-pilot got up and went to inspect the cargo hold. The door flashed open to find Mace fast sleep in his chair "O thank god, his just asleep" reported the Co-pilot. After a few shakes and few slaps across the face Lt Mace finally awoke.

"uuuummmmmmmuttermutterwhattthewherethewhothe? O we're here I take it."

"Yes mace your squadron awaits you" replied the Co-pilot

"Cheers Pilot" said Mace as he stumbled out of his chair and down the shuttles steps and gingerly walked over the CPT Brucmark and Vortex. Lt Mace saluted, Vortex saluted back

"Good to have you back Lt and in one piece" said Brucmark

"It's good to be back sir, it looked pretty touch and go there but I had great time after finishing my Imperial Schooling," said Lt Mace as he yawned and rubbed his eyes. "Looks like you need a visit to sick bay and a few more hours sleep pilot" replied Bruc

"That would be great Sir" "Well on your way, report to me in my office when your done" replied Bruc and he stepped back Saluted and walked away...

Lt Mace saluted and replied "Yes, Sir" Then collapsed on CM Achim shoulder "Geez Mace that must have been some great party" as he looked down on his shoulder to see Lt Mace face down sleeping. The rest of the Squadron just laughed "Better you than me" said Lt Tyken. "Yeah thanks a lot, Tyken" replied Achim as the whole squadron walked away chatting and laughing leaving Achim to carry a half dead Mace all the way to sick bay.

Mace laid on a table in the sick bay with a bacta drip. Maces eyes opened slowly to see LC Woobee fiddling with some instruments behind his head. "Arr Mace good to see you back with us, all you had was a lack of body fluids, mostly just dehydrated basically to much gog J you can return to your barracks now" said Woobee.

"Thanks Doc" replied Mace as he got up and half sleepily got back to his quarters for some overdue sleep. Finally Mace awoke ready for active duty, just then his personal com beeped "Lt Mace? Good your wake I have some news for you report to my office as soon as your dressed" Spoke Bruc over the comm. Mace got up and got dressed in his duty uniform. Then proceed to CPT Brucmark's office, Mace opened the door to find Bruc at his desk and the rest of Vortex sitting around him. "Welcome Lt Mace, have a seat now I've got you altogether to inform you that we have been named WC's Own for the month of November! Great work pilots" Said Bruc as everyone cheered and shook hands. "Also" said Bruc silencing everyone, Bruc started again "Also as we're proven ourselves as the best squadron

on the Grey Wolf for the last month, WC VitCarp has a special mission for us. The last few days we have been getting signals of Rebel convoys passing through at the edge of the system. When Cyric first spotted the Rebels he thought nothing of it. It was just a small convoy consisting of a few freighters nothing to worry about, it would just be a waste of resources going after them. But the small convoys have kept coming we've reported five passing through in the last four days. Now WC VitCarp and VA Cyric think the Rebels are up to something but they don't want to scare them off as we would if they send the Grey Wolf in. So for this mission we'll only have the VSD Monitor to back us up when we follow them in hyperspace. Now WC VitCarp is waiting for us in the ready room with our mission map and objectives, let's move" said Bruc as Vortex all stood up and saluted their Commander.

Then they all headed back to the Vortex barracks to change into their flight suits. Tyken spoke mace they were walking down the corridor "So Mace score any Coursant chicks while you were there?" Mace laughed "Yeah the last night I was there, virtually the whole of my class went out on the town and man Coursant has the best night life, I gotta take you out there some time. Anyways I did get pretty friendly with one but I crashed and burned to much alcohol I think."

"Hahaha bad luck mate" replied Tyken

"It was cool tho I had a great time all the same, so how's life on the Grey Wolf been the last few weeks" said Mace

"Not bad, just flying and hanging in the cantina as always J" Said Tyken. As Mace and Tyekn watched Bruc walk ahead and open the door to the barracks " OK men get into your flight suits you got five minutes" Said Bruc. As his pilots rushed passed him and quickly walked to their respective quarters. Five minutes have passed and everyone is assembled outside the barracks expect Mace. Bruc shouts at he top of his voice "MACE GET OUT HERE". As the door to the Vortex Barracks zips open out hops Mace on foot still putting his left boot on "Yes Sir" Mace replied as he made his way into the lineup "OK let's move" said Bruc as the walked to the ready room.

Vortex Squadron entered the ready room and sat down as WC VitCarp turned around from studying the mission map on the holonet. "Welcome Vortex, I'll get straight to the into it I want this done as quick as possible HQ has new orders for us and we're moving out in the next six hours. Here are the coordinates of the convoy that we have spotted, we're in luck there is one passing through right now. I want you to fly to these coordinates and chase that convoy, the VSD Monitor will track their hyper jump path and download the coordinates to you. The VSD Monitor will also be on standby if you run into too much trouble on the other side of the hyper jump. Now get to your fighters and Vortex good luck" finished VitCarp has he saluted. Vortex got up put their flight helmets on and ran down to the flight deck.

The flight deck doors opened and Vortex came running out in single file, they ran onto the flight deck one pilot dropping off once the reached their fighter. Once everyone was strapped in and their TIE Advanced online the deck officer spoke over the com. "Vortex your cleared for launch" As Vortex Squadron shot out of the hanger bay four T/A's at a time. Maces flight was the last to leave the hanger bay, as always. They had just caught up to the other two flights and shuffled into formation when Bruc spoke over the com. "All flights report in"

"Vortex 1-2, here"

"Vortex 1-3, ready"

"Vortex 1-4, reporting in"

"Vortex 2-1, standing by"

"Vortex 2-2, here"

"Vortex 2-3, ready for action"

"Vortex 2-4, ready"

"Vortex 3-1, I'm here"

"Vortex 3-2, present"

"Vortex 3-3, I'm ready Sir"

"Vortex 3-4, reporting in"

"Ok shift all power to engines we need to get closer to that convoy," said Bruc.

Suddenly the glow on all 12 T/A engines turned a bright red and like a shot the T/A's seem to cut space like a razor blade. Vortex was 2 clicks away from the convoy "Monitor are you in range?" asked Bruc. "Yes Captain, hold the com the freighters have fired up thier sublight engines, exit Vector.....143, 34, 90 downloading nav data now. Good luck Vortex remember we're on back up if you need us" said the Monitors Com Officer.

"Thanks Monitor, Vortex hyperspace on my mark 3-2-1" replied Bruc. The 12 T/A's went from just waddling in space to Sub-light speed.

After a good minute in hyperspace the sky turned from a blue swirl back to normal. Lt Mace looked up at his sensors "Captain Brucmark, I'm picking up a Calamari Cruiser and a squadron of X-wings but the X-wings look like their parked in space"

"Confirmed, those convoys must be outfitting that Cruiser, Ok Vortex I've just spotted several tugs exiting from the Cruiser those X-wing must be the only fighters they have. Quickly all power to engines arm advanced missiles and target those tugs," said Bruc.

Vortex was about 5 clicks away from the cruiser, they quickly shot passed the convoy and where in missile range of the tugs. "Ok we're in range break and attack" yelled Bruc over the com. Suddenly an array of missiles shot out of the T/A's hardpoints and were cruising towards the tugs, some tugs has just docked with an their X-wings. The others took evasive action but it was too late the missiles moved in destroyed the tugs one by one. Three of the tugs had just made it in time because out the fireball from the exploding Tugs shot three X-wings. "We got in bound 3 X-wings 2 clicks away stabilise shields and lasers and attack" Orders Bruc. Just then Brucmark's T/A shot to the front of the pack and fired off a shot of duel advanced missiles at one of the X-wings. The X-wing pulled out while Vortex and the rest of the X-wings went head on, a combined effort from flight two's lasers took out one of the X-wings before they broke formation. Meanwhile the X-wing with the 2 missiles on it's tail was dodging and wiving frantically to shake them. "I got you now rebel scum" said Tyken as he fired off a Qual laser blast knocking the X-wing off it's axis and then the two missiles crashed into the X-wings engines creating and instant burst of fire destroying the rebel. Flight three was hot on the tail of the remaining X-wing Mace had a green lock on the fighter and got in two good quad laser hits before the X-wing banked left to evade Mace only to turn right into the view of Alex Foley who finished him off with another Quad laser burst. Brucmark watched a green dot disappear from his rear sensor "Good work Vortex that's the fighters gone that was a pretty lucky break to catch them when we did or we could have had a lot more competition. Ok it's looks like the convoy has escaped and the cruiser is just sitting there I wonder why it's not leaving. Anyways we don't have the firepower to take out that cruiser so let's head home"

"What!? Captain Brucmark we have found a Calamari Cruiser with no fighters to protect it and we're not going to take it out?" asked Mace

"I know it sounds weird but the very fact that the Rebel would leave a Calamari Cruiser in the middle of nowhere with no fighter attachments makes me nervous I can't be sure but I reckon that Cruiser is not hypering out because it's trying to set a trap we go after that cruiser that looks like a sitting duck then I can see reinforcements coming in then we would find ourselves very outnumbered very fast. With only the VSD Monitor to back us up besides the Grey Wolf is hypering out in three hours we don't want to miss the boat."

answered Brucmark. "Good thinking BrucJ that cruiser does look dodgy but I hate to leave and not destroy every Rebel Scum I can see" said Mace

"Well Mace it looks like you're gonna have to this time, let's head home" said Brucmark as Vortex Squadron darted anyway from the cruisers turbo laser range and got back into formation and entered hyperspace. Vortex exited hyperspace Brucmark look at his sensors strangely something was wrong so he cycled through his CMD to find no Mace "Dammit!!!" yelled Bruc as he started to turn his craft to go back he picked up a new craft on his sensor he waited for a second then over the com he heard "HAHAHAHAHAHA got ya J....."

FL-TCT/LCM Mace/Vortex 3-1/Wing XIII/ISD Grey Wolf

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## Nebulon 4

Nebulon 4, the 4th largest Star Station in the Galaxy. Nebulon 4 was created by Grand Admiral Ronnin, the founder of the Emperor's Hammer, to give Tie Corp and Naval Corp personal a so called "Holiday". The Grand Admiral also owns Nebulon 3, but that is a Starship, it is used to help those in need during a war against the enemy. Although Nebulon 4 isn't a Starship, It is still able to defend itself against other Starships. Now, Nebulon 4 has 6 decks. The 1st in where the supplies are held and there is also a holding cell to hold any restless members aboard. The 2nd hold all escape pods, infact it holds 100 pods which can carry 5 personal in each. 3rd Deck is the sleeping area for all personal aboard. Although this deck is split into 4; 1st Class, Bussiness Class, Economy Class and Crew Class where all the Crew sleep. The 4th deck is where all the Entertainment is. There are Pools, Gaming Arcades, Disco Halls, Bars, Shops, indoor Tennis, football and Volleyball, and a Mini Golf Course. On the 5th deck is where 10 different Restaurants are, including McDonalds and KFC, And a 24hr sound-proof Bar. The final deck is what you would call a "Bridge". Where the Flight and Communication Crew are stationed, and the ships Captain. Becuase the ship is highly advanced, all the Flight Crew need to do is to programe the ships computer to fly a flight plan, and to watch out for any passing vessels or danger. And the Communication Crew are obviously there to radio for help, or for anything else. Now you know about Nebulon 4, here is the story of her first and final voyage.....

5 km outside of Planet Natari on Platform Hammer...

Grand Admiral Ronnin steps up to the Fleet wide Communicator, and says:

"Greetings to all, This is your Grand Admiral speaking. I would like to announce that a new Star Station has been completed to give all personal who go there a pleasent and relaxing time. It is open for Tie Corp and Naval Corp members whom need some time off from their duties. And by next week Nebulon 4 will be docking with us to take her first lot of personal. But there is a war going on, so we need every Tie Corp member to help and only one Naval Corp Task Force. So I have chosen a Task Force, and it is..... Task Force Monitor. Congratulations Monitor. For all those who would like to board Nebulon 4, from Task Force Monitor, please sign the personal form for Nebulon 4. And when she docks with us, those who sign the form, will board Nebulon 4 to go on a 4 month Flight plan to Planet Byrone where they need all the help they can get from those who go. And don't be worried about any pirates because 200 Imperial Guards are aboard the Nebulon 4, and she is also equiped with the best laser systems around. You will be given a briefing from Sector Admiral Spike. That is all."

The Grand Admiral Steps down, and exits the room heading for his sleeping quarters. 24hrs later....

Sector Admiral Spike steps up to the Briefing projector, and projects himself to the Task Force Monitor Briefing Room where those personal who signed up for the voyage await.



that he was sent to Byrone not because of the crime, but because he was infected by a Turidius", Rear Admiral Raven Explained to Spike.

Sector Admiral Spike stood up.

"If this is true we must stop the Task Force from going. If one of them gets infected, just one could evolve just by eating two humans. And with all the oxygen it needs, It can evolve into a Carcannis Mellocnius. Which probably attacked the Byrone people"

"Sit down Spike, and if it's true.... It won't hurt to lose a few pilots. We have enough already in the Tie Corps. And the Naval Corps is just a holding pen for Sub-Lieutenants anyway!", Rear Admiral Raven Tau said while trying to get Spike to sit down.

"You are sick! I will tell the others right away!", Sector Admiral Spike shouted, then headed for the door.

"Stop!"

"Or what, is Ronnin going to kill me?"

"Might as well, I was thinking of promoting someone else to Sector Admiral anyway", Ronnin said, then he pulled a gun out of his chair and shot Sector Admiral Spike 5 times, "Anyone else want to do the same thing?....."

A Guard entered the room and picked up the Sector Admiral and carried him out to rubbish pit.

"Well, I guess this meeting is over. You may all go now"

The Vice Admiral, High Admiral and Rear Admiral Exited the Office.

144hrs later.....

"All Personal who are to board Nebulon 4 please go to Docking Bay 3"

All 24 Task Force Monitor Crew member packed their bags and headed towards Docking Bay 3.

"Rear Admiral Raven Tau", The Grand Admiral Started, "I want you to go aboard Nebulon 4. And make sure that no Turidius get aboard. And if they do..... get the hell out of there as soon you find out there is one aboard! You already know that if one member is infected, it takes two weeks for the Turidius to hatch. So you have 4 moths and two weeks to enjoy your Flight.

Now go!"

"Yes sir!"

Rear Admiral Raven Tau left the Grand Admiral's office and headed for Docking Bay 3.

5 minutes later inside Nebulon 4....

"Welcome Aboard. My name is James Ohare, your Captain, and those boys in white are the Imperial Security Guards. They are located all over the ship, so don't try anything funny aboard Nebulon 4. Now, As you all know we have 6 deck. But only 4 are open to guests. Although the 1st deck is open to Guests, you only go down there if you've been very bad! Nebulon 4 will be leaving in 2 minutes. So please get settled in your cabins, 3 minutes after we leave the Platform you are welcome to go anywhere you like aboard the ship. And don't worry about cleaning your room because we have Maids who will do that. And if you need any special arrangements or surprises, just ring the Bell Boy. We also have Engineers to fix any problems, and Shop Assistants to help with the shopping. Enjoy your Flight....oh, looks who's here. Rear Admiral Raven Tau and Sherly Bassy. They would like to say a few words"

Rear Admiral Raven takes the Mic,

"Greetings fellow Monitor Crew, this is Rear Admiral Raven Tau. And I would just like to announce the 6 pilots who will fly the Gunner Pods on Planet Byrone..... They are:

LT Tom Gilbert

CPT Reaper

SL Tiger

LCM Curly

LC Akbin

MAJ Fel Bond

Congratulation to you all, now Sherly would like to say something"

Rear Admiral Sherly Bassy takes the Mic,

"I am Rear Admiral Sherly Bassy, and I don't have much to say. But as some of you know I sang the song "Diamonds are Forever" and for the last 1 1/2 minutes I will sing a song I wrote about Nebulon 4"

Rear Admiral Sherly started singing a song about Nebulon 4 while personal were heading for their cabins and waiting for Nebulon 4 to leave the Docking bay.

1 minutes and 30seconds later.....

The Nebulon 4 departs from the Platform and starts its thrusters.

Inside of Nebulon 4 everything starts to shake as the ship starts to power up to leave the Platform. All Crew and Guests await in their cabins and stations as Nebulon 4 departs from the Platform Hammer....

3 minutes later.....

"This is your Captain, we have now left the Platform. You are now welcome to explore this wonderful ship. Nebulon 4"

Captain James turns on some music, which goes through the whole ship, to tell everyone that Nebulon 4 is ready to rock and roll!

But there was one cabin that did not hear that music, instead that cabin had more romantic music. That was 1st Class Cabin number 5. In that Cabin was Rear Admiral Raven Tau and Sherly Bassy. Drinking Wine, Eating Straberries, and wearing very classy clothing. More likely silk. Laying on a Queen Size bed, talking.... no, flirting which each other. Soon they get drunk, the light will go down.... and something that shouldn't happen will happen.....

Up at the 24hr Bar General James Tike is flirting with Lieutenant Carren Hiles who likes the General, but her being drunk may have something to do with it.

The six chosen pilot are in the Pool haveing a good, relaxing swim. And also checking out Commander Amanda, Lieutenant Jess, Lieutenant Commander Erin Shore and Major Sarah in their swim suits. Seems to be that Nebulon 4 is really letting out the wild side of all the Task Force members. But soon it will do no good.....

3 months later.....

"Captain...."

"Yes Rear Admiral Raven?"

"I see you did a good job in spiking the drinks over these three months. It has made just about every male sleep with evey femal aboard. Except for myself.", Raven Tau answered while smiling to the Captain.

"I think we should stop now as we olny have one month, and it takes one month for the effect to wear off. So they need to be ready by then"

"Ok, I guess one month of confusion and fighting won't hurt!"

"I will put the Guards on alert", Captain James said while walking over the the Mic.

Rear Admiral Raven left the Bridge and headed for the bar.

The Rear Admiral entered the bar to find that all Task Force Monitor personal were all fighting!

"Raven, you slept with Sherly Bassy! Wait 'til I tell the Grand Admiral!", Commander Fel Bond Shouted out from accross the room.

"Come here and say it you prick!"

Commander Fel Bond run over and decked the Rear Admiral. The Rear Admiral got up and punched the Commander in jaw. Commander Fel Bond stepped back, then got a chair and wacked Raven over the head with it.

The Bar Room doors locked into place. And Sleeping Gas started to come out of vents. Everyone tried to breakout, but they fell asleep.

5hrs later.....

Everyone woke up in their cabins. They were all tied to their beds.

"This is your Captain, Now as a result of that bar fight, you are all tied to your beds and you now only have less than one month to put your act together! So if anyone ever fights again on this ship they will be put in a cell until we return home. I hope I make myself clear, and

you will be released in one hour. Thank you."

1hr later....

The locks on the beds released, and all Task Force personal got up out of their beds and headed for where ever they wanted to go.

696hrs later.....

"All Guest and Crew please return to your cabins and stations. We are entering Planet Byrone's Atmosphere. This will take two minutes", Captain James annouced over the loud speakers.

All Guest and Crew returned to their Cabins and stations, and waited quietly for Nebulon 4 to enter the atmosphere of Byrone.

3 minutes later.....

Nebulon 4 landed on the lush, green Byrone Grass. In the distance the Byrone people's city could be seen.

"The six pilots that were chosen to fly the Gunner Bikes please go to Hanger 2"

Lieutenant Tom Gilbert, Captain Reaper, Sub-Lieutenant Tiger, Lieutenant Commander Curly, Major Fel Bond, and Lieutenant Colonel Akbin headed for Hanger 2.

The six pilots reached the Hanger to find that Rear Admiral Raven Tau sitting in a Gunner Bike.

"Well boys, Get in your Bikes and you will be told what to do soon"

"Yes sir!", the six pilots replied.

Rear Admiral Raven got out of the Gunner Bike, then Major Fel Bond hopped in. The Rear Admiral walked over to a Microphone which was linked to every Bike.

"Close your hatched people", he started,"Now, All you need to do is check out the area. If any living Byrone people are found, bring them back. Once your check is complete, drop the Warheads, and when Nebulon 4 takes off, we will blow the Nukes. So have fun!"

Rear Admiral Raven walked out of the Hanger and locked the Air Seal Door. Then he hit a button which released the Hanger Door. The Gunner Bikes flew out of the hanger and headed for the City.

They reached the City and stoped in front a building with R.S.B.A.N.G written on it.

"Sir, this is Major Bond. We have come accross a building with R.S.B.A.N.G written above the door. I would just like to know what that stands for?"

"Sure Major Bond, It stands for Rebel Squadron Bar And Grill", Rear Admiral Raven Answered, "Move on men!"

The six moved further on, they entered the heart of the city to find small building crushed to dust, and vehicles turned to tin cans. But there were no Byrone people.....

"Drop the Warhead people! There's nothing here.", Captain Reaper ordered.

"Right!"

Lieutenant Tom Gilbert droped his Warhead next to a tin can vehicle. Captain Reaper droped his next to a pile of dust. Sub-Lieutenant Tiger droped his in small pond. Lieutenant Commander Curly droped his Warhead in a hole. Lieutenant Colonel Akbin droped his in a circular garden.

"Only one more to go"

Major Fel Bond pressed the release button..... The Warhead did not release.

"Um, Sir. I'm having trouble with my Warhead"

"Well go do it manually Major!", The Rear Admiral ordered, "And hurry!"

Major Fel Bond put on an oxygen mask and got out of his Bike. he sliped under his Bike and pulled the release lever. The Warhead dropped. Then the Major got back into his Bike and cleared the Mechanical Oxxygen out of his Bike, he took his mask off after that.

"Done Admiral", Major Bond said.

"All pilots return to Hanger 1"

The Six pilots started to head for the 1st Hanger of Nebulon 4 when Captain Reaper noticed a dark, large tentacle slide past him.

"Stop!"

"What Reaper?", Sub-Lieutenant Tiger Asked.

"I saw something.... It looked like a Tentacle! A very large one too", Captain Reaper Explained.

"Get out! Get out now!", Rear Admiral Raven ordered, " Get out!"

They all powered up their engines to full and headed for Nebulon 4.

A Blackish-Purple tentacle grabbed the side of Lieutenant Tom Gilbert's Bike.

"Ahhhh! Help! Help me! It's got me!", He screamed out.

The other five pilots turned around to see what was going on..... they saw a tentacle, a tentacle wrapping around the bike, then..... "Snap!" The bike was split into two, then the tentacle opened and sucked the Lieutenant in whole. Lieutenant Tom Gilbert went in screaming and shouting for help, but by the time he was half way in he had already died of shock and lack of oxygen.

"Fire!"

The remaining five pilots fired at the tentacle. After 40 shots the tentacle withdrew.

"What was that?", Sub-Lieutenant Tiger asked

"I have no idea, but if it can do that..... imagine what 10 of those could do.", Major Bond said.

"This is Captain James Ohare.... your signal is weak..... return immediately..... that is a direct order.....", The Captains voice faded away in the distance.

The five pilot started to head back to Nebulon 4.

They were only 100 meters away from the Hanger when three tentacles came out of nowhere. Captain Reaper noticed two of them.

"They're back!", Reaper shouted out.

Those two words were the last for Captain Reaper as two tentacles gripped onto the Captain's Gunner Bike. One tentacle swallowed one half, the other just sucked out the inside.... the inside of the other half held Captain Reaper. As the Captain was being swallowed the other four pilots could here him squeal through his microphone like a pig being killed.

Sub-Lieutenant Tiger panicked, he fire wildly at the two tentacles..... not realising that there was one more.

"Wack!"

A tentacle smacked the side of Sub-Lieutenant Tiger's Bike. The force of the smack ejected Tiger out of his Bike. The tentacle slid towards him and..... sucked him up like a vacuum.

Sub-Lieutenant Tiger died like a man..... he cried for his mother.

Three pilots were left. Major Bond and Lieutenant Commander Curly headed for Hanger 1.

While Lieutenant Colonel Akbin attacked the tentacles. He fired a missile which stunned the tentacles..... but soon enough five more came out.

"There are more!", he shouted into his mic.

Two tentacles slid in front of the Gunner Bike and one wrapped it from behind. Then the remaining three tentacles, which were stunned, went after the other two Gunner Bikes. Akbin's Bike was swallowed whole by one tentacle..... now seven tentacles were after Major Fel Bond and Lieutenant Commander Curly.

"Oh shit!", Major Bond said to himself, "Curly, put on your oxygen masks. If we get knocked out of our Bikes.... we can still try to get away!"

Curly and Bond put on their masks. Then the Hanger door opened.

"You first Curly"

"Ok Bond"

Lieutenant Commander Curly Sped into the hanger.

"Wack!"

Major Bond's Bike flipped over. And he flew out of the Gunner Bike. A tentacle swallowed Bond's Bike. Major Bond panicked and ran toward the hanger door. He was only one meter away when it started to close. And two tentacles grabbed him by the feet.

"Noooooooooooo!", He yelled

Major Bond kicked off the tentacles and latched onto the closing door. A tentacle grabbed him once more, but he managed to slip into the door and when the door shut it cut the tentacle off.

Nebulon 4 started its engines, and started to lift off. The thrusters burst away the eight tentacles that surrounded the Nebulon 4.

"Bond.... Major Fel Bond. This is Lieutenant Commander Curly. Wake up", Curly said, while shaking Major Bond.

Major Bond opened his eyes slowly, at first everything was a blur, then things became clear. He saw the face of Curly, then felt a slight pain in his foot.

"The medics will be here soon. Just stay tight"

"Curly..... Do you think I would have made it if the door had closed?", Bond asked.

Then the Paramedics arrived, and put Major Bond on a stretcher and carried him off to the sick bay. Major Bond passed out and became unconscious.

"Captain.... time for the explosion"

"As you wish Rear Admiral Raven"

Captain James flicked the destruct switch, a few seconds after the Warheads blew up. A 10km radius of radiation was released. And in a 2km radius everything got destroyed.

"Guess those things are all gone", The Captain started, "But they didn't lose without a fight!"

"Four of my best pilots eaten alive!..... well we still have another four months to enjoy this flight"

Rear Admiral Raven Tau exited the Bridge, and headed for his Cabin to have a nap.

312hrs later.....

Commander Fel Bond awakes to find himself in the sick bay. A nurse is seated next to him.

"Nurse"

"Yes Major?", She replies.

"I feel strange", Bond said, then he got out of his bed.

"Um..... Guards!"

Major Bond got the nurse and broke her neck. Two Imperial Guards entered the room to find a dead nurse and Major Fel Bond running towards them.

"Zap!"

An Imperial Guard shot Bond with a stunner. They carried him off to the 1st floor..... and chucked him into a cell.

5 minutes later....

"Your Major is in a lot of trouble Rear Admiral", Captain James told Raven.

"I have no idea why he would have done that"

"Of course you don't, you're just the Rear Admiral"

"I would hit you right now if I was allowed", Raven said glaring into the Captain's eyes.

The Rear Admiral left the bridge.

"Captain"

"Yes boy?"

"I have put two Guards to watch the Major, the Guards will be shifting every hour", An Imperial Guard said.

"Good, we don't want that freak to get out"

23hrs later....

Sub-Lieutenant ColdHeart, Commander Michael Ferin, and Captain Neo Tarrick were seated in the 24hr Bar. When Commander Michael Ferin said,

"We should see Bond. I think being in a cell for 24hrs would be tough"

"I agree", Said Captain Neo

"Let's go then", Sub-Lieutenant Coldheart said, then he got up and headed for the door.

The other two followed him.

They reached the entrance of the 1st level Cell, and an Imperial Guard was guarding the door.

"We would like to Major Fel Bond please"

"Ok, But if the other two down there say no. You must come back", The Guard explained.

"Sure"

The Guard opened the door, and the three men walked down the stairs.

they reached the bottom of the stairs. And Captain Neo Tarrick noticed some blood on the floor.

"Hello?", Commander Michael shouted out.

There was no answer.....

"No one is here?", Sub-Lieutenant Coldheart said, "Not even Bond?"

"Ssssss"

"What was that?"

"Bond? You can stop trying to scare us.... we don't get scared that easy!", Captain Neo shouted.

A Dark figure brushed pass Commander Michael Ferin. Michael jumped and run over to the cell..... he saw that a hole had been eaten or chewed through the Iron-Box cell.

"Um... Guys.", Michael started, "We aren't alone....."

Sub-Lieutenant Coldheart saw a figure.

"Is that you Bond?"

Coldheart step forward to the figure.

"No!", Commander Michael yelled.

The figure jumped on Sub-Lieutenant Coldheart and latched onto his head. Coldheart tried to scream, but the figure had already sucked out his eyes and tongue! Eventually the figure had sucked out the Sub-Lieutenant's Brains.

"Thump!"

Sub-Lieutenant Coldheart's body fell to the floor. His body was all there, but when you looked at his head... It was just a bloody, empty skull.

Captain Neo shined a torch on Coldheart's body.

"Coldheart get up!"

Then he got to the head.....

"Holy mother of god!", Neo Shouted out, "His head is....."

"His head is what?", Michael asked.

Michael walked over to have a look..... Michael screamed out for the Guard.

"Snap! Crack!"

"Captain.....", Michael called.

"Wack!"

Captain Neo Tarrick's bloody skeleton hit him. Michael fell back, then shone the torch on his chest..... He saw a blood coved skeleton laying on top of him. Michael got up and ran up the stairs and started banging on the door. The Guard opened the door and Commander Michael jumped out and shut the door behind him.

"Lock it! Lock it!", Michael ordered

The Guard locked the door, then asked what was going on. But Michael would not, he was just going crazy. The Guard told Michael to calm down, but he wouldn't. So the Guard zapped the Commander with a stunner.

1hr later in the sick bay.....

"Commander, do you know where you are?"

The Commander slowly woke up.

"The sick bay, I think"

"Good", A Nurse said, "Now, please tell us what happened."

Commander Michael ferin looked arround to see who else was in the room. He saw Rear Admiral Raven Tau and Sherly Bassy, General James Tike and Fleet Admiral Marcus Meridius, who secretly boarded Nebulon 4.

"Well.... I just saw a dark figure", Michael started, "All i know is that I killed Sub-Lieutenant Coldheart and Captain Neo Tarrick. And possibily Major Fel Bond."

"How did it kill?", General James Tike questioned

"First it sucked the brains out of Coldheart... then sucked every bit of skin, flesh and muscle off Neo's body. His bloody skeleton hit me.... That's when I ran up the stairs to get out."

"How do you know it was Captain Neo?", Fleet Admiral Marcus asked.

"His lucky pin was hooked on his ribcage"

"ok, so his lucky pin was on his ribcage. But why should we believe that?"

"Fleet Admiral Marcus.... go down there yourself and see!", Michael said, raising his voice.

"Well, since you seem to want to go back down.... lets go!", The Fleet Admiral answered back.

"No! Never!", The Commander protested.

"Look Michael. I, Fleet Admiral Marcus Meridius, Lieutenant Commander Curly, and General James Tike will go along too. While Rear Admiral Raven contacts Platform Hammer to tell them about our situation.", Sherly Said

"Never!"

"Ok, as your Task Force Commander I will let you stay here. I will get Captain Dilec to help", Rear Admiral Raven said to Michael.

The Rear Admiral told the other to get ready, as they were soon going down to the cell. And Raven headed towards the Communications room to tell Platform Hammer.

2 minutes later....

Rear Admiral Raven Tau steps up to the Mic. He starts to talk to Grand Admiral Ronnin.

Raven is alone....

"So, I guess Turidius got aboard"

"Ya, and Major Bond was the one carrier", Raven explained, "And on the Planet there was a Carcannis Mellocnius. And I believe we have one aboard too. Well the Turidius would have evolved into it."

"How many have you lost in the ship?"

"Three Sir"

"And how many altogether?"

"Seven", Raven replied.

"Lose seven more in the ship, then get out!"

"Why not now?"

"Because it will look very odd for a Rear Admiral to leave now, when only Seven personal have died and no one knows what is on the ship", The Grand Admiral explained.

"Right"

"Is that all Raven?"

"Ya"

"Well Goodnight", The Grand Admiral said, then turned off his Microphone.

Rear Admiral Raven turned off his Microphone. Then left the room.

1 minute later....

Fleet Admiral Marcus, Rear Admiral Sherly, General James, Captain Dilec, and Lieutenant Commander Curly are all suited up awaiting orders from Rear Admiral Raven to enter the 1st deck.

"Hey Sherly, Isn't there a supply hold down there?"

"I think so? why?", She answered.

"If that wants to grow.... it has all the food it needs to grow!"

All of their faces froze, like they were all thinking that whatever killed Captain Neo and Sub-Lieutenant Coldheart, plus the two Guards, has gotten bigger.

"This is Rear Admiral Raven Tau. You are ready to go down to the cell. I want you to destroy what ever took out two Imperial Guards, Neo Tarrick and Coldheart. Also ten Imperial Guards will help you. So there are still one hundred and eighty-eight guards left on this ship. So go kill whatever is down there!"

The door opened, and fourteen men and one woman walked down the stairs to the cell.

When they went down they saw blood all over the walls and floor. And a skeleton. Captain

Dilec stepped over to the cell door and opened it. When he opened the door, it triggered a lighting system. The whole lower deck lit up, and everyone could see the whole room now. Dilec stepped into the cell. And saw..... he saw Major Bond, but something was wrong. His Stomach and Chest has somehow blown open. Like something burst out of his stomach and chest. Or it was just one, but it took up all that space. Then Captain Dilec saw the hole, he stepped forward towards the hole. He looked through the hole.... something slid across his mask, leaving a slime trail on Dilec's mask. Dilec stayed still, and wiped off the slime.

"Ssssss"

"Guys..... There's something here!", Dilec shouted out through the hole.

Then a thing grabbed him by the feet, and dragged him up through another hole in the top of the cell. Captain Dilec Shouted out for help.... but by the time the other got in the cell, he had already gone.

"What the hell was that!?", General James said while looking around the room.

"Lets go to the Supply room, we might find it there"

The remaining thirteen followed Fleet Admiral Marcus to the Supply room....

They entered the supply room to find that all the food had been eaten. And a glass bottle marked L.O.V.E. It had been broken, but it was empty.

"Love?What was that?", Asked Rear Admiral Sherly, "Rear Admiral Raven. What is this bottle marked love?"

Back on the bridge.....

Raven and the Captain heard what Sherly said.

"You put it in the supply room!"

"Well I didn't think some thing would be on board!", The Captain Shouted back.

"I must contact the Platfor Hammer!", Raven said, then he walked off towards the Communication room.

The Supply Room....

"Excuse me, Raven are you there?"

"This is your Captain. That "Love" bottle was just a bottle of wine. I guess it's no use now"

"Ok", Sherly said, "Lets keep moving."

They headed for the end of the supply, checking every container and any place that this thing could hide. Shortly after they reached a dead end.

"Well thats it, nothing here. let turn back", Fleet Admiral Marcus said.

They all turned back.... then the realised that the ten Imperial Guards had gone. They called out for the Guards, and saying that it isn't funny. But soon they were to realise that the guards were really gone.

"Whatever it is, it took out ten guards without us knowing about!"

"I think it's time we left!", Lieutenant Commander Curly annouced.

They all slowly started headed back to the stairs when they heard a hissing noise. Then a sweet ladies voice.

"Please... Help me. Please."

Fleet Admiral Marucs went over to the sound. As he got closer and closer, the voice got louder and louder. Then it stoped.....

"Ssssss"

The Admiral Turned around, and in his eyes you could see a tentacle, a purple tentacle with green spots. And a head with a hundred teeth on the end. Curly saw the tentacle and screamed out,

"That's what attcked us at Byrone!... But it's a different color."

The tentacle spat slime at Marcus, then said in a sweet female voice,

"If you think hell is bad, wait 'til you see your friend!"

Then the tentacle spat out a skeleton, It was covered in blood. It had no Skin, Flesh or muscle at all! The Fleet Admiral Ran in terror, but the tentacle bit his legs. And sucked him right in. The others started shooting and running at the same time. Three more tentacles came out of the roof of the room. The Tentacles sucked up General James Tike and

Lieutenant Commander Curly like a vacuum cleaner! Rear Admiral was screaming to the Captain that there were tentacles down in the cell and supply rooms, and that they were from Byrone. And that they could talk! She kept on running, with four tentacles snapping and nipping at her feet. Then she made it to the stairs.

"Smash!"

A Tentacle smashed through the door at the top of the stairs. Sherly Bassy just stood there, and then.... five tentacle came and ripped her apart. Then sucked her in whole.

Communications Room....

Raven is talking to the Grand Admiral alone once again.

"I have just heard that this Carcannis Mellocnius is talking. I think it is due to the L.O.V.E bottle"

"Well, I told you not to take it on board!", The Grand Admiral shouted, "Now look what it has done. Just get your self and the crew out of there! The Maids, Bell Boys, Engineers, Shop Assistants and Flight Crew are more important than the personal of Task Force Monitor!"

"I shall do it right away!", Raven replied.

Raven Turned off the Microphone, then picked up the "All Crew" Microphone and said, "All Crew, there is a full scale alert! Please go to the Escape Pods now!"

Rear Admiral Raven Turned off the Mic, then headed for the escape pods.

1 minute later....

All crew members were trying to get to the escape pods. And Rear Admiral Raven had gotten all personal to go to the 24hr bar for a meeting so that they wouldn't know. The Door opened for the escape pod room, all one hundred and eighty-eight guards entered first. Then thirty Maids, seven Bell Boys and sixteen Shop Assistants followed.....

Screams started to come from the room. All fifteen Engineers went to have a look, then five ran back out screaming. Behind them were eight tentacles, snapping and nipping. Rear Admiral Raven Tau started running too.... but the tentacles had already got the engineers and then,

"Crunch!"

They all got the Rear Admiral at once, ripping, sucking and biting flesh, muscle and skin off his body. Only to leave a bloody, massacred skeleton to lay on the floor.....

2 minutes later in the bar....

"Hey bro, you know where Raven is?"

"No, I haven't seen him the whole trip", Lieutenant Commander Sticky answered, "And anyway Allman, why worry about Raven when we can get pissed and pass out on the floor!" Lieutenant Commander Allman smiled, then took a bottle of beer and drank it all in one go. Then he puked on the floor a few seconds after.

"This is your Captain speaking, I would just like to say that Rear Admiral Raven has told me that the meeting is canceled. And that your Grand Admiral tells him to stop here tonight, due to the war. So we will be stopping now."

The Engines came to a halt.....

"Now, some news that might inters..... ahhhhh! what is that? oh no! Ahhhhhhhh!....."

The Captain's voice faded away, leaving everyone confused about what that was all about. Lieutenant Commander Allman and Sticky exited the bar and headed for the bridge to see what was going on. While everyone else didn't really care what happened and kept on partying in the bar.

2 minutes later.....

Allman and Sticky reached the bridge. They entered the access code, then the door opened..... Every bit of the inside was covered in blood. Twenty-four skeletons lay piled on top of each other in a bloody heap, and the Captain.... the captain lay on his chair, just bone. A lifeless skeleton, marinated in a thick coat of blood. The two men were not feeling so well, they both ran out of the room. And threw up just outside the door.

"Come my Children", A Sweet femal voice said, "Come to me"

Allman looked around, but no one was there. Then he turned around, Sticky was not there! He saw something, but it was not Lieutenant Commander Sticky. Instead it was a tentacle.

"Snap!"

It wacked the Lieutenant Commander in the chest, his chest popped open. Spilling his heart, lungs and muscle out in front of him. For the last fifteen seconds of his life, he watched his heart beat and his lungs breathe. Then he got sucked up by the tentacle.

2 minutes later.....

Lieutenant Commander Sticky rushes into the bar.

"Everyone listen up!", He shouted, then got up on the bar, "There's some huge tentacle thing that just ate the whole Flight Crew and my brother!"

There was a moment of silence.... then everyone started throwing stuff at Sticky and shouting out,

"Get off the bar! You suck! Boo!"

They were all half drunk to take him seriously, so Sticky thought that if they wanted to die.... he might as well die too. Sticky headed over to a table where Lieutenant Carren Hiles was seated. He sat down next to her.

"I want to see these tentacle things pilot"

"No you don't Carren, unless you have a big gun!"

Carren pulled out a sixteen inch mini-missile gun.

"That big enough?"

"Let's go."

Sticky and Carren headed for the door.

They got out of bar and had a look around.

"Aren't there supposed to be guards here?"

"Like I tried to tell everyone, there are things out there eating the Crew!"

Sticky and Lieutenant Carren went to the Pool. When they got there they found a huge hole in the pool. And below was some sort of blob. A round fat, slimey blob. With about thirty or more tentacles coming off it. Then two holes opened on the top of the blob. They were eyes! Ten tentacles burst through the floors. Carren fired at them, but that did not hold them back.

"Go! I will hold them back", Carren said while shooting the tentacles.

Lieutenant Commander Sticky ran up to the bar, while Carren was behind him shooting the tentacles.

Carren ran out of missiles. The tentacles slowly slid towards her, then said,

"Why do you want to hurt us? We mean no harm. We just want to rule the galaxy like our fathers before us"

"Well you are a threat to us, as you want to rule the galaxy. And who was your father before you?", Carren replied.

"Our father before us were the ones known as Rebel. They are our fathers, and we will rule the galaxy. And we will not fail as they did!"

"Well hate to say it, but you won't have a chance!"

Lieutenant Carren Hiles pulled a mini-bomb out of her pocket and set it to go off in 1 minute. The tentacles did not like that, and all ten of them piled on top of her. Giving her a painful death, as the tentacles slowly sucked away at her.

1 minute later....

Lieutenant Sticky runs into the bar. And he shouts out that there is a huge monster with tentacles under the pool. And once again no one believes him, then.....

"Boom!"

"What was that?", Sub-Lieutenant Gunner and Stinchy say at the same time.

"That was Lieutenant Carren! She just blew up those tentacle things"

The Engines started up, and Nebulon 4 started to head back to Platform Hammer. And because the ship started its engines, everyone laughed as they thought Sticky thought the

engines starting up was Carren Hiles blowing herself up.

"Sticky, you shouldn't cry wolf", Colonel Kane Mel Dirkon said to Sticky.

"I'm not!", Sticky protested.

"Whatever"

1 minute later.....

"This is the Captain's second in command", A sweet female voice began, "And I would just like to say sorry for that explosion, I was just the engines starting up. And your Captain isn't feeling so well, so he is resting at the moment. Please enjoy your flight. Oh, And could Colonel Kane, Lieutenant Colonel Alias der Terkermilius, Commander Amanda, Lieutenant Commander Erin Shore and Lieutenant Drew please report to the Sick Bay. Commander Michael Ferin would like to see you"

The five chosen personal left the bar and headed for the Sick Bay.

2 minutes later....

The five chosen enter the Sick Bay. Only to find..... a skeleton covered in blood and Commander Michael tied to the Stretcher.

"What's going on?", Colonel Kane Asked.

The Sick Bay doors locked. Then two tentacles burst through the walls of the room.

They quickly sucked up everyone in that room, like a vacuum cleaner cleaning a room full of dust. Shortly after the tentacles spat the skeleton remains out of the floor, piled on top of each other. Red, not a spot of white visible on the skeletons.

2 minutes later.....

There are only five left in the bar. And they are all wondering why they are the only one left in the bar. Except for Sticky, who knows what is going on.

"I told you all, but you never listen!"

"Oh shut up Lieutenant Commander!", Major Sarah said, "And what did happen to the others?"

"Take a look outside everyone!", Sticky said, then he opened the bar Doors, "Look! No guards, no one!"

They all went outside of the bar, and had a good look around. And no one was there.

Lieutenant Commander Sticky told them to follow him to the bridge, so that they can warn Platform Hammer. They all started to follow Sticky.

1 minute later....

Lieutenant Jess felt something go under her, in the floor.

"Sticky, something just went under me... what was that?"

"Run! Just Run!", He said, then he started running.

The four others run after him, then.....

"Smash! Bang! Crack!"

Four tentacles burst through the floors. And two sucked up Sub-Lieutenant Gunner and Stinchy as soon as they came out. Gunner screamed out for help, while Stinchy was so drunk that he thought he was at a Water Park and was going down a water slide.

The other two tentacles mauled Lieutenant Jess, and Sticky and Major Sarah ran while hearing the screams of Jess as she was getting painfully mauled.

1 minute later....

"We made it...."

"Now, we just have to get to the Communication Room.", Major Sarah said while having a seat.

What she didn't realize was that she was going to fit on the head of a tentacle.

"What did I sit on?"

"Crunch!"

The head opened and sucked her in whole! Crushing all of her bones to make her fit.

Lieutenant Commander Sticky panicked, and he ran up to the bridge..... he opened the door, only to find a tentacle in front of a control panel.

"Welcome child, we will be home soon. Why not join us?", A sweet female voice said to

Sticky.

"Go to hell!"

Those were the last word Lieutenant Commander Sticky ever said before his life ended.

"Snap!"

3 months later....

Nebulon 4 enters Emperor Hammer territory.

"This is Platform Hammer. Nebulon 4, are you clear of the Carcannis Mellocnius?"

"This is Major Sarah, The Captain got eaten and so did Rear Admiral Raven Tau. But we are clear of the Carcannis Mellocnius. Please turn on your Tractor Beam as the controlls are stuffed!", A sweet femal voice says.

"Tractor Beam on, you are welcome to dock with Platform Hammer. Docking Bay 3 is open, the Grand Admiral will await to welcome you"

"Thank you, you are too kind....."

Written by

CDR/LT Carren/L/FRG 23-01/2nd Lancer Squadron/TU Demeter/TF Monitor

## file archives

The Executive Officer herein posts descriptions of files attached to this newsletter.

[hoverbot.jpg](#) - An image of a proposed droid from the upcoming EH Movie, by MOR/RA Hunter/SSSD Sovereign.

[banner.bmp](#) - A banner for the Fleet Medical Corps Training Academy submitted by XMO Ramos.

[bulloch autograph.jpg](#) - The second autographed picture of Jeremy Bulloch signed for the EH, presented by FL/CPT Kou Taiki /Tornado 2-1/Wing X/ISD Challenge.

[sssd.jpg](#), [gw.jpg](#) - Two images by CMDR/CM Arathar/Pe/Wing V/SSSD Sovereign.

[Ranger recruitingbanner2.jpg](#) - A banner for Ranger Squadron by CMDR/MAJ Toran Dan/Ranger 1-1/Wing XI/ISD Immortal.

[immbann2.jpg](#), [immortal2a.jpg](#) - Two images of the ISD Immortal by COL Mell.

[jakarbanner1.jpg](#), [jakarbanner3.jpg](#) - Two images by FL/CPT Jakar Strongbow/Slayer 2-1/Avenger Wing II/SSD Avenger.

[grads.xls](#) - the current list of IWATS graduates, presented by HA Astatine.

[advert.zip](#) - A Flash advertisement for the new XWA League III by WC/LC Badlands/Wing XI/ISD Immortal.

[emperor's hammer background.jpg](#), [sector admiral compton uniform.jpg](#) - two images by FL(A-CMDR)-SR/LCM Kyle Katarn/Cyclone 2-1/Wing X/ISD Challenge. Another great job on my uniform!

[NL70-Battles.zip](#) - the latest Battles and Free Missions for the Emperor's Hammer as presented by TAC/AD Striker/CS-3/SSSD Sovereign.

## fleet order of battle

## FLEET COMMANDER'S NOTES:

Herein are presented the Capital Ships of the Fleet as recognized by the Fleet Commander. Only those Capital Ships presented below in **boldface** are assigned Emperor's Hammer Members as crew, pilots, etc. (i.e. TIE Corps pilots). Other Capital Ships in the Fleet are assumed to have 'standard Imperial crews' (i.e. non-players).

The SubGroup vessels presented below are also manned with their respective SubGroup Members. Emperor's Hammer Members desiring more specific information on the capabilities of each of the Emperor's Hammer capital ships should review the EH Fleet Manual.

### **Core Forces**

#### **Flagship/Escort**

**SSSD Sovereign** **SSSD Sov**

#### **Aggressor Strike Force**

**ISD Grey Wolf** **ISD GWif**

**ISD Intrepid** **ISD Int**

**ISD Vanguard** **ISD Van**

VSD Aggressor VSD Agg

VSD Gilded Claw, M/FRG Implacable, M/FRG Rage, M/INT Vertex, ESC Corrupter, TFC Virulence, 4 Strike Cruisers, 12 Carrack Light Cruisers, 6 Corvettes, 22 Assault Transports, dozens of dedicated transports, tugs & freighters

#### **Battlegroup**

**ISD Colossus** **ISD Col**

**ISD Relentless** **ISD Rel**

**ISD Immortal** **ISD Imm**

**ISD Challenge** **ISD Chal**

VSD Formidable, VSD Monitor, M/FRG Imperator, M/FRG Ardent, M/FRG Onamo, ESC Iron Fist, 3 Strike Cruisers, 7 Carrack Light Cruisers, 10 Corvettes, 20 Assault Transports, dozens of dedicated transports, tugs & freighters, VSD Ravager, VSD Stalwart, M/FRG Invader, M/FRG Fogger, M/INT Harpax II, TFC Roxanna, M/CRV Phantom (Deep Recon), 4 Strike Cruisers, 12 Carrack Light Cruisers, 6 Corvettes 18 Assault Transports, dozens of dedicated transports, tugs & freighters, Torpedo Sphere, Empress Teta, ISD Hammer (ISD Hamr), ISD Warrior (ISD Warr), VSD Bombard, VSD Rapier, VSD Crusader, VSD Shield, M/INT Fairchild, 3 Modified Frigates (hospital/tender M/FRGs), 5 Strike Cruisers, 5 Escort Carriers (TIE Fighter shuttles), 5 Modular Taskforce Cruisers (one w/each module type), 8 Dreadnaught Cruisers, 13 Carrack Light Cruisers, 17 Corvettes, 25 System Patrol Craft, 60 Skipray Blastboats, 120 Assault Transports, hundreds of dedicated transports, tugs & freighters

### **Auxillary Vessels**

#### **Dark Brotherhood**

**SSD Avenger** (flagship) **SSD Avr**

**MC Tripidium** (Tau Squadron, aboard the SSD Avenger) **MC Trip**

ISD Subjugator ISD Sub

3 VSD-II, 3 FRG, 1 M/INT, 10 CRV, 2 A/FRG, 1 ESC, 2 STRCK, 10 Lancer Frigates, 30 Assault Transports, Dozens of dedicated transports, tugs and freighters

#### **Hammer's Fist**

**DREAD Retribution** **DREAD Ret**

LCF Excelsior  
LCF Friggia  
LCF Falcon's Eye

LCF Exc  
LCF Frig  
LCF Falc

## **Bounty Hunter's Guild**

**Star Galleon IvanHoe**

**SGAL Ivan**

## **Infiltrator Wing**

### **Task Force I**

#### **MC90 Bismarck**

Gunship Centurion, Gunship Scorpion, Corvette Bellum, Corvette Vanquish

### **Task Force II**

#### **MC80b Saratoga**

Gunship Repulse, Gunship Vindictive, Corvette Meteor, Corvette Daring

### **Task Force III**

M/FRG Ka'tal, M/FRG Krayt's Claw, Gunship Conquestor, Gunship Scimitar, Corvette Harlow, Corvette Rewind

### **Task Force IV (Stationary Defense)**

#### **M/PLT Destrier, MC90 Despot**

Corvette Scythe, Gunshi Falcon, Corvette Templar, Corvette Archon

## **Directorate BattleFleet**

M/ISD Tiger's Claw, INT\*2, VSD\*4, DREAD\*2, ESC\*2,  
M/VSD-II Firebat

### **Phare system**

VSD Rampart, FRG Raging Bull, FRG Hornet's Nest, 4  
Carrack Cruisers

### **Lyarna System**

VSD Concorde, FRG Veneerable, FRG Assault, 4 Carrack  
Cruisers

### **Carrida System**

VSD Hood, FRG Pompous, FRG Arrogant, 4 Carrack  
Cruisers

### **Heir System**

VSD Conquest, FRG Conquistador, FRG Cortes, 4 Carrack  
Cruisers

### **Karana System**

VSD Ronin, FRG Balboa, FRG Snake, 4 Carrack Cruisers

### **Setii System**

VSD Raptor, FRG Rex, FRG Galimimus, 4 Carrack Cruisers

### **Pirath System**

VSD Patriot, FRG Rebellion-Crusher, FRG PoliceMan, 4  
Carrack Cruisers

### **Minos Cluster Battle Fleet**

ISD Crimson Blade, ISD Crimson Dagger, VSD Crimson

Sword, VSD Crimson Knife ,VSD Crimson Knight, VSD  
Crimson Guard, 16 Carrack Cruisers

### **Intelligence Division**

**Imperial Dungeon Ship Lichtor V**

**DGN LichV**

**FRG Stormwind**

**FRG Storm**

**Corvette Grau**

**Heimlichkeit Strike Team**

**Corvette Guren**

**Nazgul Strike Team**

**Corvette Rune**

**Jaeger Strike Team**

**Corvette Ietra**

**Moerder Strike Team**

### **Corporate Division**

**VSD Rhadamanthus**

**Corporate Division Flagship**

### **EH Advanced Guard**

Core Galaxy Systems Dreadnaught Tranquility

### **Bases of Operations**

#### ***Aurora System***

The FAC Triad (Support PLTs for the SSSD Sovereign) Dark Hall on Eos (Dark Brotherhood HQ/Homeworld) PLT Stiletto (Headquarters of the Intelligence Division) PLT Dagger (Project Reno Central Command) PLT Destrier (IW Training Platform)

#### ***Phare System***

M/PLT Daedalus (Assault Platform/Pilot Training Center) M/PLT Haven (IW Command Platform/EH Recreation Center) PLT Revenge (Headquarters of the Corporate Division)

#### ***Lyarna System***

Lyarna Station - M/PLT (Guild Station/Outpost)

#### ***Heir System***

PLT Cerlun - M/PLT - FAC (Guild HQ)

#### ***Carrida System***

PLT Declaration (Hammer's Fist HQ)

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## **pilot manuals**

This document contains the current list of EH related files.

## **The Emperor's Hammer Training Manual**

version 4.0

By GA Ronin, HA Paladin and SA Havok (ret.) and HA Astatine

This is the most important manual for all the EH members. It contains all general information about the Emperor's Hammer ranks, positions, medals, ID lines, everything. It's a must for every EH member!

Sites:

<http://www.imperialacademy.org/manual>

## **The Emperor's Hammer Fleet Manual**

version 3.0

By GA Ronin and SA Havok (ret.) and FA Zoraan

Contains detailed descriptions of all the Emperor's Hammer's starships and starfighters. Also a good manual to read. Especially valuable information to the fiction writers.

Sites:

<http://www.pangea.ca/~zoraan/flt-man/>

## **The Emperor's Hammer Tactical Manual**

By HA Kawolski and VA Sauron

The Tactical Manual includes Battle Submission Procedures, Battle Review Procedures, Cheating Policy, How to play custom missions, Mission Compendium information, Scoring systems Game Platform updates and Battle Creation and Pilot Reviewing Utilities.

Site:

<http://tac-man.tiecorps.org/>

## **IWATS Help file**

Sites:

<ftp://narsissi.tky.hut.fi/hammer/other/iwats.hlp>

## **Uniform Template Help file**

Sites:

<ftp://narsissi.tky.hut.fi/hammer/other/uniform.hlp>

## **The Map of the Empire and Emperor's Hammer Territories**

Sites:

<ftp://narsissi.tky.hut.fi/hammer/other/eh-camp1.zip>

## **Emperor's Hammer AVI Logo**

Sites:

<ftp://narsissi.tky.hut.fi/hammer/other/emplogo.zip>

### **Emperor Palpatine & Lords of the Sith WAV files**

Sites:

<ftp://narsissi.tky.hut.fi/hammer/other/imp-sds.zip>

### **The Emperor's Hammer Operations Manual**

version 2.0

By FA Dev and FA Howlader

Another essential manual for everyone interested in uniforms (practically almost everyone). It also contains information about medals.

Sites:

<http://www.darkjedi.nu/howlader/ops/manual.htm>

### **The Emperor's Hammer Systems Manual**

version 3.0

By GA Ronin, SA Havok (ret.) and GMF Armus

The Systems Manual has very detailed information about all the Emperor's Hammer star systems. Very essential to the fiction writers.

Sites:

<http://directorate.webhostme.com/sysman/>

### **TIE Fighter CD Bonus Goal Help file**

By SA Compton

Sites:

<ftp://narsissi.tky.hut.fi/hammer/other/tiecd.hlp>

### **The Fleet Commander's Dark Brotherhood Grant of Arms**

Sites:

<ftp://narsissi.tky.hut.fi/hammer/other/ga-grant.zip>

### **Poster Art**

Sites:

<ftp://narsissi.tky.hut.fi/hammer/other/eh-postr.zip>

## **Tie Fighter Missing Man Formation AVI**

Sites:

<ftp://narsissi.tky.hut.fi/hammer/other/missing.zip>

## **The Emperor's Hammer Recruiting Manual**

by FA Darth Vader

Sites:

<http://members.aol.com/Clanofgunn/Rec-Man/main.htm>

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