The Giants are coming...

...and they'll fight for just anyone who can afford to pay them. The new Giant is one of the best Citadel miniatures ever. The kit has been designed so you can make one of four Giants: Orcs & Goblins, Dogs of War, Ogre Kingdoms and Chaos, but you can mix bits up as you please, and as the plastic frames are crammed full of extras, no two need look the same.

Besides appearing in four Army books, Giants are also available as Dogs of War for a wide range of Warhammer Armies. I expect to see plenty of these lumbering behemoths on the battlefield over the next few months. 205 points is not too high a price to pay for such a ferocious monster that causes Terror, has loads of Wounds and a bag full of special attacks that can turn an elite regiment into a pancake in short order. I think I'll add one to my Empire army with a Great Cannon club conversion!

For the Greater Good

Last month I talked about the new Tau Empire Citadel miniatures being released on April 1st. I forgot to mention the Battleforce and Tau Piranha Skimmer Team. With these great value kits, you can maximise the Greater Good of your Tau army - the Battleforce saves you a massive £20 on buying the models separately, and the Piranha Team £3!

Desert War

We've also got a special Tallarn and Imperial Armour IV feature, including Taros Campaign designer's notes, new scenario, Tallarn Combat Patrol showcase and desert fighting rules. The Taros Campaign pits Tau against Space Marines and Tallarn Imperial Guard. The background to this Easter's in-store activities centre on this mighty tome that's available to buy in our Hobby Centres, now.

This Summer a World Will Die

With the release of the new Warhammer 40,000 buildings, the Cities of Death book and a whole host of new models accompanying The Fall of Medusa V campaign (see this month's news pages), this year Warhammer 40,000 players are in for a real treat. Those of you who don't currently play may want to think seriously about starting... I know my T'au/Thunderboltians are reinforcing for the coming war making landfall at Sybilla Tertius Hoo.
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Medusa V is an industrial world whose proximity to the volatile warp phenomenon Van Grothe's Rapidity makes it of prime strategic importance. But the Rapidity is showing signs of erupting, a catastrophe that will consume the Medusa system in a corrosive storm of raw warp energy. Medusa V is about to die, but upon its surface armies gather, for each has something to gain from the coming storm...

You may have heard some of this before, but what you don't know is that we are releasing a whole slew of fantastic Citadel miniatures to coincide with the event. You can see some of these, and how to register, on page 56. You can also see the Vostroyans. Doubtless you have also seen our brilliant new Warhammer 40,000 buildings, and heard about Cities of Death, the rules supplement that allows you to engage in urban combat in the 41st Millennium, but that's not all...

TAU STEALTH SUITS
This plastic kit gives you enough pieces to build a Stealth Team of three and a Gun Drone. It includes all weapons and equipment options in the box.

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Chaos get lots of attention this Summer, with Lucius, the Slaveshi champion who cannot be killed, being chief amongst the Imperium's worries.

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The second plastic Scouts box set provides a unit of Scouts armed with sniper rifles. It also contains a missile launcher, meaning all Scout options are now available in plastic.

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Read all about the history of the benighted world of Medusa V and the forces that are assembling to fight there in our free 32-page booklet! Discover the shameful secret behind the Vostroyan Firstborn's noble history, learn why Ygethnor the Deceiver covets Medusa V, and plenty more besides.

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Add extra firepower to your Guardian squads with these heavy guns. Each box contains one platform, complete with ALL weapons available in the army list.
IMPERIAL CITY IN FLAMES!

This image of the forthcoming Imperial City set, including a staggering ten Imperial buildings with multiple variations, was so amazing we simply had to show it off.

What's more it's available to Advance Order very soon. See page 125 for details.

ADVANCE ORDER 1st APRIL!

RETURN TO FIRE WARRIOR

Remember Fire Warrior, released way back in 2003? Well now it's available on budget PC CD-ROM, so if you've never played the game before, here's your opportunity to sample it for a really good price.

Also re-released is Warhammer 40,000: Dawn of War, again at the RRP of just £9.99.

Fire Warrior and Dawn of War are available to buy now from all good software retailers and www.focusmm.co.uk for just £9.99.

WARHAMMER WORLD PRIVATE EVENT ANNOUNCEMENT

Sorry guys, thought we ought to let you know that between 28th-31st July 2006 Warhammer World gaming arena will be cleared of gaming tables for a private GW event. Gaming should be back to normal on the 1st August. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause and hope that this advance notice will give you the chance to make alternative arrangements.

Brian Aderson

BRISTOL CARNAGE

This tournament, outside of the UK Grand Tournament at Warhammer World, is the only other large-scale singles tournament being held by Games Workshop this year, with conflicts switching to doubles format.

It's a great way to get a taste of the fun of tournament play. There will also be the chance to buy pre-release products not yet in Hobby Centres, and a painting competition.

- Singles tournament, 100 Warhammer 40,000 tickets, 60 Warhammer tickets, 24 The Lord of The Rings tickets. All tickets £25 each.
- You need 1,500pts for Warhammer, 1,000pts for Warhammer 40,000 and a single force (Good or Evil) of 500pts for The Lord of The Rings.
- Tickets available as of Saturday April 1st 2006, from GW Bristol.
- Doors open 9am on Sunday, June 11th 2006.
- Held at the British Commonwealth Museum, Bristol.

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Last month we had some steamlins in our system and printed the wrong details for one of our new Independent Stockists. Here's the correct details with our apologies:

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Alongside the Black Library's major new Horus Heresy series comes a range of fine merchandise. With such iconic imagery, it seems only fair to share this glorious poster depicting Horus's Legion in action! Add to that the uber-cool Horus Rising t-shirt and the seeds of heresy are well and truly sown!

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ULTIMATE KNOWLEDGE

Fans are always keen to test their knowledge of the Warhammer 40,000 universe and to master the large amount of background information requires a very special person. Now you can test yourself with the Warhammer 40,000 Quiz Book from the Black Library.

• How many Great Companies are there in the Space Wolves?
• Who is the Eldar god of war?
• What is tactical dreadnought armour also known as?

Don't worry, they get harder (and if they're too hard, then the answers are in the back!)

ULTIMATE ULTRAMARINES

Also coming up from the Black Library is the great value Ultramarines Omnibus.

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ALAMO PREVIEW

Last month we told you about Warhammer Historical's upcoming The Alamo supplement. This month we've sneakily out the cover art to show you! This is a supplement to Legends of the Old West and you can find loads more info on the entire range over at the Warhammer Historical website.

www.warhammer-historical.com

STIRRINGS FROM THE SEWERS

The foul Slaver rats make their appearance in the latest Warhammer Fantasy Roleplay supplement, Children of the Horned Rat. Crammed with everything Slaven, this is the perfect sourcebook for players and GMs alike to explore the underworld. Just don't go into the sewers alone...

www.blackindustries.com
Giants are huge, stupid monsters who blunder about searching for flesh and beer. But it was not always so, for theirs is a tragic story...

Millennia ago, the Giants lived in castles hewn from the vast peaks of the Mountains of Mourn, their realm a peaceful archipelago of plateaus surrounded by a sea of white cloud. Civilisations rose and fell below, but these Sky-titans remained hidden from the eyes of the smaller races.

This world was shattered when the Ogre homelands were destroyed by the coming of the Great Maw, forcing the Ogres into the mountains. A war in the heavens ensued. Though the Sky-titans were mighty, the Ogres' numbers prevailed, and they held feast after feast in the castles of their victims before pulling down their fastnesses and hurling them into the valleys below.

The few surviving Sky-titans fled. Forced into small tribes, they became inbred, their intellect dwindling. Now the last remaining giants are nomads, terrorising the Old World as mercenaries or brutes.
Captured by Ogres and violently subdued, Slavegiants are chained and forced to fight.

Slavegiants wield chains in battle. The rules for them are thus slightly different to those of other Giants.

Crogg the Blind

Once the ruler of Mount Thug, Crogg was brought low by a Deathmaw Ogre raiding party, but not until he had ripped apart a dozen of his assailants. The Tyrant who captured him had Crogg’s single eye put out with a red hot spear to ensure his obedience. But Crogg is a cunning beast. His remaining senses become sharper each year, and he is no longer as helpless as his captors believe. He will soon have his bloody revenge upon the Deathmaw tribe.

Of all kinds of Giants, the Slavegiant is the most pitiful specimen. In the lands that once belonged to the Sky-titans, their bewildered descendants are fair game to the Ogres who now rule the area. The few Giants that remain in the Mountains of Mourn are solitary, hunted individuals, camping in the tumble-down halls of their ancestors, unaware of how far they have fallen. They hide from the Ogres who will, at best, beat them into submission and chain them to cave a floor. At worst, they will be eaten alive.

It is a mark of power for an Ogre Chieftain to have a captive giant in his tribe, for they are terrible weapons of war. Yet Slavegiants are not quite as dangerous as their free kin, having had their spirit beaten out of them. They are characterised by the signs of servitude – Ogres keep them in chains at all times, and many are collared and have heavy objects hung around their limbs to slow them down.

“‘At best, they will be beaten and chained, at worst, they will be eaten alive.’”

In the game they are not Stubborn, though the chains they wield in battle do give them a particularly nasty attack when fighting large opponents.
There are few things more belligerent than a Giant, but Greenskins certainly qualify.

The Orc and Goblin Giant's head is the most complicated to assemble.

Little Gork

When raiding a Dwarf brewery with his mates, the Giant formerly known as Big Lugg caught a stone from a Grudge Thrower right in the face. The projectile failed to smash his skull, but it did rob him of his wits. Big Lugg awoke convinced that he was in fact Gork. Before long he had smeared his hands and feet with green paint, and he now takes any opportunity to jump up and down on any non-greenskin he finds, shouting 'Waaagh!' at the top of his voice.

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This squashed Goblin is one of this great kit's finest touches.

This Giant was designed by Brian Nelson to look as if it had killed a dragon. The scales, skull, and jawbone have all been taken from one animal. "If you wanted to take it further," says Brian, "it would be very easy to model more scales onto the rest of the cloth."

The Giants who live alongside Orc and Goblin tribes are perhaps the happiest of their kind, for in the Greenskins they find kindred spirits who delight in breaking things almost as much as the Giants do. Although it costs a fortune in Goblins and captives to keep a Giant's massive appetite sated – even more than it would to keep a Troll quiet – for most Greenskin warlords the presence of a Giant is a welcome one. Not only do they scare the wits out of the enemy, but many Greensies revere Giants as living embodiments of Mork and Gork, the perpetually quarrelling Orc gods. They are very much part of the tribe, at one with the Orc spirit of carefree violence. In fact, so buoyed up are they by the Greenskins appreciation of them, that eventually many of these giants come to see themselves as nothing but enormous Orcs, and will daub themselves with tribal symbols, strap the jaws of enormous beasts to their own to emulate the classic Orc profile, and go into battle bellowing warcries in the few words of rough Orcish their feeble brains can remember.

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There are many Giants in the Chaos Wastes, not all of which may be regarded as entirely natural...

A lot of Giants protect themselves with scraps of armour and shields, in this case, a cast-off Chaos Warrior's.

Cloven hooves set this Giant apart from his less warped brethren.

**The Gourmet of Tilea**

There is a tale in Tilea of a gourmet who was a glutton of the first order. He imported food from all over the world, and became addicted to a delicacy from the north - a delicate white meat. Under investigation, he made a pact with the gods. Soon he hungered for raw human flesh, and had grown to three times his size. By the time the Knights of the Blazing Sun came for him he was a Giant, his mouth large enough to swallow a man whole.

**Chaos Giants**

Chaos Giants are the most variable of their kind, and can be found in a bizarre array of shapes, forms and hues that range from slightly sickening to outrageously offensive to the eyes. There are many large and lumbering beasts in the far north, and although the Giants of the Troll Country and Norsca are true - albeit warped - Giants, what those creatures are who live further toward the pole, in the Chaos Wastes, is debateable. Some are men or other smaller races swollen by untamed magic to massive size, others are less identifiable, huge quivering masses of random body parts that could well have been something else.

Because of this, Brian Nelson had a challenge when making the Chaos Giant. "He needed a slightly different body shape to reflect the warping power of Chaos," he says. "The plastic frame made it unfeasible to add to the actual torso, so the impression had to be conveyed with the horned head, hooves and the herdstone. Chaos is more difficult by its nature – it's more warped."
Sometimes the best way to stop a Giant eating all your livestock is to pay it to join your army.

Many Dogs of War Giants are first recruited when they wander into civilised lands from the mountains they inhabit. It is, after all, better to have a useful soldier than to have a 30-foot tall menace wandering around the countryside eating shepherds and being a nuisance. Not all Giants are evil creatures, and some of them still possess the peaceable natures of their Sky-titan forebears. They are just very thick, and often very hungry, two things which, when put together in the body of a Giant, do not make for the maintenance of the peace.

There are instances of towns or cities adopting Giants as defenders or mascots, and the travelling menageries that wander the Empire will also sometimes have a Giant on their books.

The Giants that make their living from war tend to be brighter than others, and will have scraps of equipment from all over the world. Most exotic of these mercenaries are the Giants of Albion, the boggy isle which boasts the world's largest population of Giants, who can sometimes be found in the armies of the Old World.

The Middenheim Giant

Amongst the defenders of Middenheim during the Storm of Chaos was a Giant nicknamed Thunderball, the loader for the colossal cannon known as Ulric's Thunder. Sadly, Skaven infiltrators saw Thunderball as an easy target. They used warpstone to mutate his body into a writhing mass of tentacles as he slept. He rampaged through the streets, eventually being felled by Count Valmir von Raukov's Dragon Bow.
### Building Your Giant

#### Heads
- 1. Slave giant head
- 2. Orcs & Goblins head
- 3. Chaos Giant head
- 4. Bearded head
- 5. Tongue

#### Dragon Jaw
- 6-7. Dragon jaw left & right

#### Torso
- 8. Front & back torso
- 10-11. Left leg front & back
- 12-13. Right leg front & back

#### Weapons
- 14. Masonry flail
- 15-16. Sword club shaft & head
- 17-18. Dragon skull club & head
- 19-20. Gravestone club & head
- 21. Herdstone

#### Arms
- 22. Left arm extended
- 23. Right arm extended
- 24. Left arm bent
- 25. Right arm bent
- 26. Shield vambrace

#### Feet
- 27-28. Cloven hooves
- 29-30. Four toed feet
- 31-32. Three toed feet

#### Hands
- 33. Four fingered left hand
- 34. Five fingered left hand
- 35. Clenched left hand
- 36. Left hand holding lunch

#### Lower Torso
- 37. Groin
- 38. Rump

#### Accessories
- 39-40. Dead cow left & right
- 41-42. Barrel front & back
- 43-44. Cage front & back
- 45. Captured Halflings
- 46. Fabric loin cloth
- 47. Dragon scales loin cloth
- 48. Millstone
- 49. Spiked collar
- 50. Running peasant
- 51. Vulture
- 52. Crow
- 53. Arrow x 11
- 54. Empire shield
- 55. Brelemonian shield
- 56. Goat water flask
- 57. Chaos shield
- 58. Skeleton in gibbet
- 59. Statue club
- 60. Skeleton sign post
- 61. Squashed Goblin
- 62. Top knot
- 63. Pitchfork
- 64. Sculpted base
The core of the Giant model is its torso and legs. Everything else that you attach is specific to the type of Giant or your own taste, but the basic model is always built the same way. It was designed to go together like this: first attach the groin to the front of the Giant’s body below the belly, then glue on the back. Finally glue on his rump. Whilst the body is drying, glue the legs together. Once these parts are dry, assemble them as shown below.

**TIP 1**
The Giant is such a huge kit that it’s worthwhile taking your time with it. Fit all the parts together before applying glue to make sure you see how they attach and carefully trim them if necessary.

**TIP 2**
Some parts of the model have noticeable joints. To remove them, apply plenty of glue and then press the two pieces together until a bead of melted plastic appears. Once dry, trim it away with a craft knife.

**TIP 3**
Although it is important to clean up any visible mould lines on the model, don’t trim away what appears to be a mould line on the Giant’s neck — it’s a guideline for where to place the head!!!

**TOOLS USED**
- Hobby knife
- Plastic glue
- Plastic Clippers
GIANTS FOR HIRE

RARE UNIT: DOGS OF WAR GIANT 205 points

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Unit size: 1
Equipment: Big club, rock, tree or similar
Special Rules: Large Target, Terror, Ignore Little 'un Panic, Stubborn, Fall Over, Move, Giant Attacks.

Special Rules
Large Target, Terror, Stubborn: These are exactly the same as the rules of the same names from the Warhammer rulebook.

Ignore Little 'un Panic: Units of cavalry-sized or smaller models do not cause panic in Giants.

Move: Giants move over normal sized obstacles such as walls and fences without breaking stride. Treat them as open ground when working out how far the Giant moves. However, when crossing such obstacles the player must test to see if the Giant falls over (see below).

Fall Over: Giants are ungainly and frequently befuddled, as a consequence of which they often trip, stumble or fall down. When a Giant falls over, it can easily squash anything it falls on. A Giant must test to see whether it falls over in any of these situations:

1) When it is beaten in close combat. Test once a day that the Giant fails, roll a Scatter dice - the arrow indicates the direction in which the Giant falls. Place a falling Giant template with its feet at the model's base and its head in the direction of the fall. Any models lying completely under the template are automatically hit. Any models partly covered are hit on a 4+.

The following armies may hire a Dogs of War Giant as a Rare choice:

- Empire
- Dark Elves
- Skaven
- Vampire Counts
- Tomb Kings
- Dogs of War

A model hit by a falling Giant automatically takes one Strength 6 hit which causes D3 wounds. If the unit is in contact and the Giant has fallen over whilst attempting to Jump Up and Down, wounds inflicted by a falling Giant count towards the combat result. In addition, a Giant that falls over automatically suffers 1 wound itself. If the Giant is in combat then this wound counts towards the combat result.

Once on the ground, a Giant may get up in his following Movement phase, but may not move that turn. Whilst on the ground, the Giant may not attack, but he can still defend himself after a fall, so the enemy must still roll to score hits on him. If forced to flee whilst on the ground, the Giant is slain - the enemy swarm over and cut him to pieces. If the Giant gets the opportunity to pursue foes whilst he's on the ground he stands up instead. A Giant may attack on the turn it stands up.

Giant Special Attacks: Giants do not attack in the same way as other creatures, though they select their targets as normal. To determine what happens, roll a D6 on one of the tables at the start of each combat phase. Which table you use depends on the size of the Giant's victim. When fighting characters riding monsters, decide whether to attack the rider or mount, as normal, and use the appropriate table for the size of the target.

Giant fighting big things (Ogres, Kroxigors, Minotaurs or similar size or larger creatures including chariots):

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Giant fighting anyone smaller than above:

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Giants are no longer the sole remit of a select few armies – below are rules for including Dogs of War Giants in your games!

**Giants**

- **Giant's Club**: The Giant picks one model as his target and brings down his club with a mighty stroke. The target may attempt to avoid the blow by passing an Initiative test (use the lowest if the enemy has several different values). If failed, the target is struck and takes 2D6 wounds with no armour save. If a double is rolled the Giant's club embeds itself in the ground and the Giant cannot attack in the following round while he frees it (this ceases to apply if the combat ends before the next round).

  - **Giant's Headbutt**: The Giant headbutts his enemy, automatically inflicting 1 wound with no armour save. If the victim is wounded but not slain then he is dazed and loses all of his remaining Attacks – if the target has not yet attacked in that combat round, he loses those Attacks; if he has already attacked, he loses the following round's Attacks.

  - **Jump Up and Down**: The Giant jumps up and down vigorously on top of one enemy unit in base contact. First, the Giant must test to determine if he falls over. If he falls over, work out where he falls and calculate damage as already described. Any wounds caused by the fall (on either side) count towards the combat result. Assuming that the Giant remains on his feet, the unit sustains 2D6 Strength 6 hits allocated as shooting hits. A Giant that starts to Jump Up and Down will do so in the next combat phase, and will continue to do so until he falls over (test every turn) or until the combat ends.

  - **Swing with Club**: The Giant swings his club across the enemy's ranks, inflicting D6 Strength 6 hits, allocated as shooting hits.

- **Stuff into Bag**: The Giant stuffs the victim into his bag along with sheep, cows and other plunder. The model is effectively a casualty and can do nothing whilst in the bag, but if the Giant should be slain any enemy trapped in his bag are freed unharmed at the end of the battle. Victory points are not awarded to the enemy for freed models.

  - **Eadbutt**: The Giant headbutts his enemy, automatically inflicting 1 wound with no armour save. If the victim is wounded but not slain then he is dazed and loses all of his remaining Attacks – if the target has not yet attacked in that combat round, he loses those Attacks; if he has already attacked, he loses the following round's Attacks.

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- **Squash**: This doesn't really bear thinking about, Suffice to say the model becomes a casualty and is removed from play.

- **Eat**: The Giant gobbles his victim up, swallowing him whole. The model is removed from the game.

- **Pick Another**: The Giant hurriedly stuffs the victim into his bag or under his shirt (or down his trousers if they're really unlucky) and attempts to pick up another victim. The second victim makes a single attack (as above) to avoid being picked up. Trapped models are effectively casualties, exactly as explained in the Stuff into Bag result described above.
The Giants are employed as spoilers in this army. Using Terror to disrupt the enemy and their speed to attack the flanks, they can force the Greenskins to alter their plans and allow the Empire troops to hit them where it hurts with relative impunity.
The Giants in this army fill the role of shock troops. Because they are Stubborn and have Ld 10, they are more than capable of holding up a nice big Empire unit whilst the rest of the Orc army manoeuvres into position to administer the coup de grâce.
EMPIRE

Nick: "On one flank, the Knights and my Giant, Burplap, closed with Phil's Giant - I was determined to take the brute down! On the other flank, and in the centre, my infantry blocks held firm and prayed to Sigmar that the war machines and crossbows would wreak havoc. Alas, they didn't - a measly three Night Goblins the sum of their efforts. My Wizard was spectacularly useless. Phil, on the other hand, had much more success - his Spear Chukka causing 3 Wounds on poor Burplap.

"Though wounded, Burplap started Turn 2 by charging Fuggli, although he received a nasty 'Eadbultt for his trouble. The Knights dithered, causing my flank attack to falter before it had begun. In the centre, Gungaduff charged the Black Orcs, and although he was badly wounded by Fanatics, he made the Black Orcs and the Warlord flee - hurrah! Meanwhile, my war machines blasted the Wolf Riders, but the little blighters stayed put - bah! The Crossbowmen also nailed a Fanatic - just five more to go."

TURN 2
All eyes were on the fight between the two Giants in Turn 2. Nick's Giant stormed in with a Thump with Club result, but Phil's managed to dodge it with a successful Initiative test and 'Eadbutt his foe in return! This not only caused a wound but also meant that Nick's Giant could not attack next turn. Phil's Giant then finished off the helpless Burplap with a Thump with Club that caused a staggering nine wounds! Nick's slain Giant then toppled bodily onto his killer, causing two wounds in his death throes. The irony...

**ORCS & GOBLINS**

Phil: "Mercifully free from Animosity, my greenskins belted forward towards the Empire lines. I set up one Giant on the left flank, making sure that the Knights could not charge past Nick's own Giant to get at him, and that I could counter-charge with my Boarboyz and Wolf Chariot next turn. The left flank saw my other Giant, Little Gork, supported by the Wolf Riders and the Wolf Chariot. I was hoping to force his artillery's attentions away from my Giants, whilst concentrating my own fire on Nick's lumbering twosome.

"The first part of the plan worked, with my Spear Chukkas doing sterling work, and even my Night Goblin Shaman wounding a Giant with a successful 'Eadbutt spell.

"In Turn 2, Fanatics were swirling everywhere, and I grinned evilly as one careened through the stalled Knights, killing four of them. The Fanatics on the right flank smashed through the Free Company detachment, sending them packing, and their Wolf Rider cousins on the right flank wreaked a bloody revenge for their fallen mates by killing two of the cannon crew and riding the last one down. The Mortar crew panicked as a result, which was a bonus. The only thing not going to plan was the failure of my Black Orcs to rally - I thought Black Orcs were supposed to be disciplined!"
EMPIRE
Nick: "The Grand Master hurled himself at Phil's Giant and killed him outright with the Sword of Fate! My Wizard was finally galvanised into action, turning a Fanatic to cinders with his Doomfire Ring. However, by the end of the Shooting phase there were still three left. My infantry advanced steadily – with all my artillery dead or fleeing, I had to take the fight to Phil. Finally, Gungaduff caused the Night Goblins to flee as he loped towards them, only to run them down. This was too much for a Wolf Chariot, which panicked and fled too, and not even a blow struck!"

ORCS & GOBLINS
Phil: "As planned, I counter-charged the Grand Master with a unit of angry Boarboyz. The ensuing challenge had a predictable result – my Boss was sliced in two, but Nick's Lord still lost the combat and fled, never to return. My Spear Chukkas sealed the deal with a cracking shot, sending the Knights running for their lives. See ya!

"The right side was looking less rosy – my Night Goblins had failed their animosity test, and my Wolf Chariot was destroyed by a revoltingly lucky stand and shoot reaction from Nick's crossbowmen. Still, my other Giant was holding the flank together."
Giants can cause one hell of an impact even before they get stuck in. Both Phil and Nick felt the effects of Terror in the first few turns, with Phil's Black Orcs running away as they were charged by Nick's Giant and failing to rally the next turn, taking them out of the game for a full three turns. On the right flank, Nick suffered a similar fate, with his big Halberdier unit turning tail and fleeing from Phil's Giant, leaving his flank in tatters.
EMPIRE
Nick: “No General, no Knights – eek! Don’t panic; I still had my infantry intact and Gungaduff the Giant. The big fella charged the rallied Black Orcs and got so excited he jumped up and down, turning six Black Orcs to jam. Sadly, the Warlord killed off the badly wounded Gungaduff, who then proceeded to fall on top of the Black Orcs, killing four more – Hoorah!

“The Night Goblins fled in the face of my charging Swordsmen, so I moved up the Greatswords ready to support them. I’d been very cautious with this unit so far, but I felt that holding them in reserve would pay dividends later. Rudius killed another Fanatic with a Fireball – one to go. Of all my troops, the Halberdiers were probably the most nervous – they were about to be charged by Phil’s Giant...”

ORCS & GOBLINS
Phil: “I finally got to charge the Halberdiers with my Giant, supporting him with the remainder of the Wolf Riders. My Boar Boyz about-faced to threaten the big Spearmen unit approaching Deff and his recently rallied Black Orcs.

“My Orc Shaman was ready to unleash havoc with a Brain Bursta when, somewhat ironically, his brain burst. Even the Shaman’s Dangly Wotnots couldn’t avert the miscast, as I’d rolled three 1s! To add insult to injury, he took a Black Orc to the Great Green with him. My Goblin Shaman made some amends by killing the Greatsword champion with an ‘Eadbutt spell.

“I cheered up fast when my Giant rolled a ‘Pick up and...’ result for his attack – always entertaining! Despite needing a 6 to hit from a failed Fear test, Nick’s Empire Captain managed to fend off the fumbling Giant and wound him into the bargain. Gaah! Even with the Wolfboys’ rear charge, the combat was a draw. The tide was turning fast.”
Even in death, Giants are deadly. Several tons of brutish beast falling on top of you is enough to ruin anyone's day. Both Nick's Giants were particularly vicious after being slain. One fell on top of Phil's Giant, causing the wounds that enabled the Grand Master to slay it in the following turn (he caused 5 wounds in total), while the other nailed four Black Orcs (almost as many as were killed by the Jump Up and Down). These casualties were crucial as the unit was reduced below 25% when it fled in the final turns, meaning it couldn't rally.
Nick: “My Halberdiers were holding their own against Phil’s Giant, who must have had sore fingers after my Captain thwarted his Pick Up attacks. In the combat that followed, the Giant tried a Yell and Bawl, but my troops held firm. The beast triumphed finally, picking up my Captain and throwing him across the battlefield to land squarely in my Greatsword unit. Bizarrely, he survived and filled in the incomplete back rank of the unit!

“The Swordsmen were facing off against the Black Orcs, and I was banking on their rank bonus being enough to send them packing. This heroic stand left me open to a flank charge from the Boar Boyz next turn - that was going to hurt. Meanwhile, the dogged Halberdiers, even without their Captain, slew the last Giant. The Greatswords got stuck into the Night Goblins but, due to the Netters, could only manage a draw. With units locked in combat, a seemingly doomed unit of Swordsmen and a hapless pantomime Wizard achieving very little, I had to hope I could hold out.”

Giants are bizarre creatures, fun to play and wonderfully unpredictable. Take Phil’s Giant throwing Nick’s Captain into a Greatsword unit. That turned out to be extremely fortunate as it enabled the Captain to join the unit and make up for the missing model in the last rank left by the dead champion. That piece of luck was crucial as it meant the unit got the extra +1 to combat resolved they needed to beat the Night Goblins, causing them and their Shas to flee in the last turn of the game!”
Phil: When the going gets tough, the tough get going, so I had charged my Black Orcs - all four of them - into the waiting swords of the Empire unit ahead. Suicide? Perhaps, but all I needed to do was hold them for a single turn and my Boar boyz would smash into the flank and run them down. I was confident in the abilities of Deff and his ladz. Too confident, as it turns out - the Swordsman champion skewered the Black Orc Boss, and though Deff and his ladz killed four humies in return I still lost the combat. I passed the break test, but it was merely a stay of execution. Next turn the beleaguered Black Orcs were not so lucky and fled, too depleted to rally. The Boar Boyz got their flank charge, skewering Spearmen left right and centre. They ran down the Empire troops, recapturing the Black Orc banner, but it was too late to save the hefty chunk of Victory Points represented by Deff's unit. The momentum of my attack had been halted by Nick's Giant and his suicidal heroics. The Kymester had turned what had looked like total defeat into a draw.
A FUNNY OLD GAME
Nick: Okay, it's corny but adequately describes this battle – what a laugh! Anarchy was the only master in a game more unpredictable than the path of your average Goblin Fanatic. My plan went to pot from the outset, having to send Gungaduff to do over the Greenskins on my left flank. Followed by the Knights' total failure to make an impact, I thought it might be curtains. However, the Giants came up trumps, doing crucial wounds even when they died and ultimately changing the course of the game. Hats off also to the brave Halberdiers, who staved off a Giant's assault and eventually killed it – it also treated us to the funniest moment of the game, the Captain joining the Greatsword by way of becoming a human lawn dart and helping to win the combat. What a game, shame about the Knights Panther – never did place much faith in horses...

MASS DESTRUCTION!
Phil: I can confidently say that the inclusion of four Giants in this battle report ensured that:

1) The game was total chaos from turn two onwards.

2) We had twice as much fun as a normal game.

I'll never forget the spectacle of my Giant ducking out of the way of his gigantic enemy's club, only to come back in with a headbutt that knocked his assailant senseless. Classic! Never before have I seen so many flying foreheads in a single battle. It was also highly entertaining to see the Giants tipping the balance of the game by belly-flopping their opponents as they were finally toppled. The tide of the game really swung round about Turn 4, and it's mainly due to the failure of the Black Orcs to deliver – Deff will have a phobia of Giants for some time to come!

Giant of the Match

Gungaduff

- Scared away Black Orcs
- Scared away Night Goblins
- Scared away Goblin Chariot
- Killed 10 Black Orcs (4 by falling onto them)
OK, so it’s an impressive miniature. But what can it achieve on the battlefield?

Counter-attack. A shooty army without much punch in close combat can really use a Giant as a fast counter-attack unit. Keep him in reserve, in case any enemy unit makes it through your storm of firepower – then let ’em have it with the big lad.

Double whammy. A pair of giants marching forward in concert is so intimidating for your opponent he will most likely break his battle plan wide open to try and counter the threat, leaving the rest of your force ready to turn the ensuing chaos into a massacre.

Flank anchors. Try protecting your flanks with Giants – as they cause Terror, your enemy’s flanking units will probably have to take that all-important test on their own Leadership, as they usually range beyond the General’s field of influence.

For those of you who can’t hire Giants, here’s how to get rid of the brutes!

Repeater Bolt Throwers
Giants are large targets, so missile fire is at +1 to hit them. Short range for a bolt thrower is 24”, so these Elf-crewed skewer launchers will usually be hitting Giants on a 2+. Combined with a high rate of fire, it is possible to turn a Giant into an enormous kebab in a mere two shooting phases.

Slayers
Dwarf armies can field a type of warrior called a Giant Slayer. Guess what? They are even better than your average Slayer at taking down Giants – they couldn’t care less about Terror, they hit and wound Giants on 3s, and never, ever run away!

Trebuchets
Bretonnian players know all about nailing Giants with a well-timed Grail Knight charge, but there is a much safer – albeit less chivalrous – way to take them down. Use Trebuchets to fling big rocks at the monstrosities, and if you’re lucky enough to get a direct hit, consider it dead!
In this month’s installment of Standard Bearer I thought I would take a closer look at the new plastic Giant we have released for Warhammer. I’m not planning to go on about what a great kit it is (even though it really is an awesome kit!), or how a Warhammer army that can include a Giant simply won’t be complete unless it has one (though the army really will be sadly lacking without at least one of the new Giants), or about the amazing opportunities the kit offers the expert modeller (though I do expect to see quite a few Giants appearing in Golden Demon competitions from now on). No, what I want to talk about is why the release of the new plastic Giant is something that’s important even if you don’t have an army that can include a Giant, and even if you don’t play Warhammer.

Plastic is the word
You see, the key word here is not Giant but plastic. For while the Giant is an awesome, ground-breaking Citadel miniature, that is bound to set the gold standard for Warhammer kits for years to come, it’s the fact that it’s one of the last plastic kits we will make the traditional way. The great lumbering brute is nothing less than the herald of a series of technological innovations that are going to redefine the way that Games Workshop makes plastic models.

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version of a physical object. Once again, I have to admit that I’m hazy on the tech being used, other than that it uses laser beams and computers. It’s all very Star Trek, though sadly without the lovely alien women in skin-tight costumes!

**What it all means**

The implications of these innovations are profound; it’s now possible for a sculptor to create a model on a computer. Alternatively, a sculptor can work traditionally and then have that model converted into a computer version. This means we’ll be able to make new plastic models much more quickly, which has to be a good thing for all concerned.

If this was all that was going on right now, then it would be exciting enough, but the fact of the matter is that the innovations I’ve been talking about aren’t confined just to the Studio. Equally ground-breaking new techniques are being developed by the unsung heroes that staff our plastics manufacturing plant.

These innovations will make it much more straightforward for us to make new plastic kits, and this in turn means we can start to conceive of a time where the bulk of the models that make up an army will be made in plastic. Up until now it’s really been just the regiments or popular troop choices that we made in plastic, with a couple of notable exceptions, but I predict that within the next decade players will be able to field ‘all-plastic’ armies for all of our games.

But that is not all, oh no, not by a long chalk. The new technologies being developed also mean that we can consider making things in plastic that we could never have dreamt about making before. We can consider making more terrain features, such as the plastic hills we included in the Battle Of Five Armies boxed game. Most excitingly of all, it has allowed us to think about making some really large plastic kits, even bigger than the Giant or the Mûmak; a siege tower for Warhammer, perhaps, or maybe a super-heavy tank for Warhammer 40,000? All of this is beside the other improvements that the new tech offers us. It really is all rather exciting...

After being made, the Carnifex was scanned into the computer, allowing us to do all kinds of funky things with it.

**Good things come...**

Having got you frothed up into a frenzy of anticipation (well hopefully, anyway), I’m going to have to bring things back down to earth again. Like all good things, it is going to take a little while for these techniques to really start to kick in, so don’t expect to see a slew of plastic kits being released tomorrow. When all is said and done, the Giant that inspired this article was mainly designed using the old-fashioned techniques we’ve developed over the years for the rest of the kits in the Citadel range. In fact it is only the base on which the Giant stands that was designed ‘virtually’. Even so, the Giant still qualifies as the forerunner of a host of innovative new designs, and you will soon begin to see more kits that have benefited from the cutting-edge work carried out by our sculptors, master mould-makers, and the guys in our plastics plant. A brave new world beckons!

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**THE NEW WAY**

This upcoming Eldar support platform was partially created virtually.

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War Machines of the Tau Empire

Assembling and painting sleek Tau tanks is different from building angular vehicles. Here's how to get the most from your kits, including some basic and advanced construction tips, how to paint Tau vehicles and a masterclass by painter Chad Mierzwa.

Assembly Tips

Tau tanks have smooth, curved armour plates so mould lines and blemishes from attachment points look obvious. There are plenty of unusual features too, such as whether the model is mounted on a flying base or stands on its landing gear.

- Parts can be damaged if you clip them off the sprue too closely.
- Leave plenty of sprue attached: trim it flat with a modelling knife.

Basing

There are a number of ways to base a Tau tank – it comes down to personal preference. If you have a model with its landing gear down, you can get the best of both worlds by mounting it on a removable flying stand.

- This Sky Ray has been glued to a flying base, which has been flocked.
- By drilling and pinning the model to its flying base, it can be removed at will.

Vehicle Accessorys

Additional parts such as stowage and crew make any tank appear more realistic and 'lived in'. Tau vehicles have a cleaner look than vehicles from Imperial or Ork armies, but the addition of a commander, and wargear such as sensor arrays, make them look more individual. Weapon options can also be dealt with in a practical way.

Mould Lines

Unfortunately, mould lines and flash are an inevitable part of the plastic casting process. These are generally very easy to remove, as they can be scraped off with a hobby knife.
Tank Commander

The commander is an optional detail that can be added during assembly. Alternatively, you may find it easier to assemble and paint the commander before gluing him into the cupola.

- Glue the commander's body into the cupola.
- Attach the arms to the torso.
- Position the commander's head.
- Use a Fire Warrior head for a simple conversion.

Wargear

We recommend specific places to attach the additional wargear that comes with the kit but feel free to put them where you like.

- Front wings/nose.
- Under the nose.
- Fit them instead of the Gun Drones.
- Specially designed recesses.

Weapons options

If you want the option to change weapons from game to game, why not assemble both the railgun and ion cannon, holding them in position on the turret with pins?

Movable Parts

Some parts on the kits, such as the Drones, are designed to be removed. Others, like the engines, can be movable. Make a note of which parts you want to be able to move, then take extra care not to glue them during assembly.
Painting your Piranha

The armour plates on Tau vehicles look best with extreme highlights painted onto the edges. Tau use camouflage patterns, but quite unlike those used by other races – it is much more geometric in style. However, you could take inspiration from other sources, such as animal hide (see Imperial Armour volume three).

Camouflage

1. Apply several thin coats of Vomit Brown over a black undercoat. Once dry, use a soft pencil to draw the pattern on the hull.
2. Start to fill in the camouflage pattern. Paint some of the shapes Bronzed Flesh.
3. Fill in the rest with a 1:1 mix of Vomit Brown and Vermin Fur.
4. Carefully paint in the panel lines with Bestial Brown thinned down with water.

Flat panel lines

1. Start by lining in the panel lines with thinned down Bestial Brown.
2. Apply extreme highlights to the edges using Bronzed Flesh.
3. Highlight the prominent edges of the panels with a 1:1 mix of Bronzed Flesh and Skull White.
4. Mix more Skull White into the highlight colour and apply to finish off.

Use these colours to paint Sept markings on your vehicles.

- Tau
- Mek'�\n- Dyranoi
- Krishan
- Vernik
- Verite
- Skull White
- Scorson Crus
- Ice Blue
- Golden Yellow
- Eldar Blue
Masterclass

Chad Mierzwa has given this Hammerhead a stunning paint job, featuring a fully painted crew compartment and a multi-layered camouflage scheme. Here's how he achieved these effects.

**Camouflage**

Stippling

Stippling is used to build up patches of colour such as camouflage. Use a large drybrush and wipe most of the paint off. Rather than drag the bristles across the surface of the model, dab the paint on, creating random patterns. With successive highlights, build up some areas to get a mottled effect.

**Crew Compartment**

A wash of Bleached Bone was applied over a Skull White undercoat. The seats were painted Catachan Green, and highlighted with Rotting Flesh. The doors were painted with a 1:1 mix of Codex Grey and Chaos Black, and highlighted with Fortress Grey.

The tank was painted with dark grey paint, then the tape was removed to reveal the camouflage.
The Vespid Stingwings are an alien race subservient to the Tau Empire, and they pose a threat even to the Imperium’s best armoured warriors.

The Vespid

The Stingwings hail from the storm-wracked, high-pressure gas giant of Vespid, where they evolved amidst drifting, lighter-than-air rock islands. Each island is an independent nation, with its own leadership and traits.

Vespid is fully integrated into the Tau Empire, lying as it does close to the Tau Sept world of D’yanol. Upon contact with the Tau, the Stingwings displayed no hesitation in joining the empire, and now fight in Tau armies, where they are afforded an uncommon respect by the warriors of the Fire Caste.

There are a number of characteristics that make the Stingwings extremely valuable to the Tau. The first factor is the Stingwings’ weaponry. Each Stingwing carries a neutron blaster fitted with a crystal harvested from the deepest reaches of Vespid’s cloud seas. The weapon was designed by the Tau Earth caste, and it is capable of emitting a short-ranged, but deadly stream of radiation. This blast will ignore all but the most sturdy of armour, reducing biological matter or delicate machine components to cinders.

The second advantage the aliens possess is their wings, upon which they are able to fly, weaving in and out of cover to close on their foe. Those few warriors who have survived Stingwing attack state that they appear from nowhere, darting out from concealment to unleash a devastating burst of neutron fire.

These two features combine to dictate the most common tactic used by Stingwings. The Tau frequently direct their allies to attack through dense terrain — the type of ground from which the enemy would scarcely expect the Tau themselves to approach. It often comes as an extremely unpleasant surprise to an enemy when he discovers the flank he thought anchored by dense terrain has in fact been infiltrated by fast moving aliens. The Tau, specialising as they do in combined arms warfare, launch mechanised and battlesuit attacks at key enemy points, timed to strike at the exact moment the Stingwings assault.

To date, the Tau Empire has fielded the Vespid Stingwings in a number of campaigns, where they have gained a terrifying reputation, and are already the subject of a number of battlefield myths. One early account that was believed by many held that the Vespid are prone to consume their own fallen. This tale was taken as canon by many in the Imperium’s upper command echelons, but is now believed to have been a simple case of misidentification between the Stingwings and the barbaric Kroot; another race subservient to the Tau.

The name ‘Stingwing’ is in fact an appellation coined by Imperial Guardsmen of the 15th/11th army group posted to defend the frontier worlds bordering the northern marches of the Tau Empire. The name is entirely appropriate to the aliens’ style of attack, which has made them feared by almost every race that has faced them on the field.
Commissar Nelam

The commissar later wore by these Naggarons (Arkite leaders) appears to facilitate communication between the Ten and their subjects, whose minds are very different without the strip leader to convey the True instructions. However, the remaining Naggarons are likely to be more disorganized and unable to coordinate their actions with those of their allies.

**See attached sub file**

"Xenos Field Precautions 228.XX.945**"
T'au
This Stingwing unit sports armour and markings indicating that it serves with the Fire Caste forces of the T'au Sept. The blue mottling on the warriors' chitin link them to the strain that served alongside the famous Commander Puretide at the Dal'yth counter attack, one of the first battles in which the Tau fought alongside the Vespid.

Sa'cea
The orange markings on the weapons here indicate this strain is serving with forces from the Sa'cea Sept. The colouration of the armour conforms to a pattern worn by Sa'cea Hunter Cadres when operating in urban warzones. This example was seen on Kee'an Prime, a settlement to the galactic south of Medusa V.

“Watch the flanks for these Xenos, my brothers, for death is heralded by the sound of their wings.”
Scout Sergeant Morphidius, Astartes Brazzo Claws
Vior’la
These Vespids bear the red markings of the Vior’la Sept, and their armour is of a pattern shared by Fire Warriors of that world. They demonstrate the fact that, although the blue colouration of the first example is the most common, many of the Vespids nations exhibit unique skin and chitin colours.

D’yanoi
D’yanoi is the Tau Sept world closest to Vespid, and its Hunter Cadres are frequently accompanied by Stingwing allies. These Stingwings bear the blue Sept markings of D’yanoi, but not the brown armour commonly worn by D’yanoi Fire Warriors. This may indicate that they are serving in an expeditionary force upon another world.
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New Releases
The Medusa V campaign will be supported by a range of new Citadel Miniatures. Some of these are detailed on the following pages, but this is only a taste of what is to come. White Dwarf will bring you the full details of these models as they are released.

Timeline
03.06.06 Website online
07.06.06 Website opens
21.06.06 Registration begins
05.07.06 Campaign starts
30.08.06 Campaign Ends
01.09.06 Results posted

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THE FALL OF MEDUSA

THIS SUMMER A WORLD WILL DIE
Regiments from across the Imperium flock to Medusa V, and the honour of leading them has fallen to Lord Marshal Graf Harazahn of Vostroya. Harazahn has vowed to secure complete control of the planet in the name of the Emperor, no matter the cost.

**Imperial Guard**

**Orks**

The hulk of the infamous Bad Moon Warlord Nazdreg Ug Urdgrub has crashed into the world of Medusa V. Nazdreg's Weirdboyz have warned him of the end of the planet, and the Warlord means to escape.

**The Tau Empire**

From their hidden facilities on Medusa V, the Earth caste strives to undo the last check on Tau power – their lack of Warp travel. Their Etheric Scanners, pointing at Van Grothe's Rapidity, are harvesting data, in a bid to unlock the unknown mysteries of the Warp.

**Eldar**

The webway was once the Eldar's key to power. Now shattered, it may prove to be their undoing – the portal on Medusa V is permanently open. The power of Chaos must be prevented from entering the webway, so swears Elarique Swiftblade of the Alaitoc Craftworld.
Slaves are the coin of the Dark Eldar realm, and slaves in war are easy to take. Archon No'akei, Daughter of Pain, plans to take as many as she can, so that she may return to Comorragh in triumph, and cast down her former master Asdrubael Vect.

Necrons

The minds of the Necrontyr are full of loathing for flesh, yet it is within flesh that reside the souls they crave. The storm offers them a rich opportunity – if tamed, it could seal off the world, allowing them to feed in peace forever...

Space Marines

Captain Sicarius of the Ultramarines, hero of the Medusa Schism, has returned to the Medusa system at the head of a crusading force drawn from dozens of chapters of the Adeptus Astartes. They know the power of Chaos, and that Ygethmor must be stopped.

Chaos

Abaddon has dispatched Ygethmor to Medusa V. This fearsome Chaos Sorcerer has forseen a planet scoured by the changing power of Chaos, transmuted into a Daemon World, himself as its master.
In the crucible of urban war, a new strain of Tyranid is evolving, a breed of Lictor that is all but invisible. Should it be reabsorbed by the hive-mind, it would further the cause of the Great Devourer across the galaxy.

**Tyranids**

The new Biovore provides long-range fire support for the Tyranid hordes, while the 'Death Leaper' Lictor species spreads terror in Medusa V's teeming hive cities.

*NEW! Biovore  NEW! Death Leaper*
Ordo Xenos
Message Decryption Simulation

Nemesis Tesseris
Telepathic Duct

Agent
Astartes

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New threat upon Medusa V

Great Emperor is not fond of Medusa V. Even if the Tyranids here do not last long, Medusa V has a matter of weeks left before the warp storms engulf it. The Tyranids have no problem for human Imperial soldiers do. It is nothing we have not done before. But Medusa V is a world that does not trust or welcome that they are not to understate or cannot hope to subdue them without serious setbacks. If the Tyranids

It is imperative that the new Tyranid adaptation sighted upon Medusa V, a strain of the Litor genii, does not return to the Hok Shi and allow them to reclaim its cultural role. Should that happen the Tyranids will reproduce the highly successful mutation on a galactic scale.

Every single Tyranid that reaches Medusa V has to be exterminated immediately. Emperor only knows if so have enough energy in system to hold an alien soldier fleet, and even if we succeed the planet is doomed by the encirclement of V in Goroth's Rapiditi. With this in mind I advise we consider the ultimate sanction of Extermination.

The Emperor Directs
Lord Inquisitor Kryptmann

Missions. 128.999/M41

The dark bay on Medusa V. This vile place they call a Hive city is plagued by constant rumors of murders, ghosts, and the corpse to prove it. The world security we are using is a well-known business as usual - the uprising is quite a feat on the upper spires of the Hive. Not so much a collection of poorly trained slaves or a crew of the poor soul's ransacked crew as a plot to get him to the grave - something had happened to his mouth and nostrils before he was killed. This is no ghost, but for the information we have about it, it may as

we even managed to salvage a Piet-capture from the servo-skull, though it cost the lives of three good men.

Raised to strike, a split second before its claws punched into Chavon's chest. Then, as we opened fire it disappeared completely. Some char-welcome ability... it burst out from a twisted limb, and we have checked there, second before. How can you fight something you cannot see?

Medusa V - Deceitful, and as with

Missions. 129.999/M41

The right - there's a Tyranid out there somewhere. If there is any hope of destroying this Hive city, it can only be through a more direct approach. TheNorbans and their allies have been

with the Imperium since their

War, and their assistance is invaluable. They can provide the necessary supplies and strategic advice to ensure our success in this campaign.

My orders are clear - prepare for battle and be ready to face the Tyranids head-on. Only through their direct action can we hope to bring about the destruction of Medusa V and avert a galactic catastrophe.
The Taros Campaign is the third book in the Forge World Imperial Armour series. It's available in our Hobby Centres right now and, to coincide, the Tallarn Desert Raiders are being re-released. The book also ties in nicely with the latest Warhammer 40,000 release, Codex: Tau Empire.

Imperial Armour 3: The Taros Campaign much like its predecessors is a lavish, glossy, hardback volume, literally rammed with background, rules and illustrations. Where it differs, however, is the campaign element to the book, which is described in comprehensive detail.

The book weighs in at a mighty 320 pages, comprising of the following sections:

- Detailed and immersive campaign background and story
  The campaign is broken down into seven chapters, starting with the background of Taros and the outbreak of hostilities, through the major conflicts of the war and the eventual conclusive battles and actions.
- Hundreds of lavish photographs
  Full-colour images and black and white pseudo-war photography litter the book throughout and include battle scenes, maps, sketches and more.
- Vignettes and forces background
  Exquisite, never-before-seen vignettes including The Raptors Space Marine Chapter, Tallarn Desert Raiders, Kroot Gnarloc Riders and Elysian Drop Troops.
- Hundreds of technical drawings
  In full colour, these precise drawings depict all of the vehicles involved in the conflict on both sides, encompassing exhaustively the Raptors, Tallarn Desert Raiders, Tau, Elysians and more.

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New vehicle rules
A host of new vehicles, all available from Forge World, are described with full rules and background.

Tau: New battlesuit variants, Tetra Scout Speeder (a smaller version of the new Piranha); drone sentry turrets, Tiger Shark, Barracuda, Orca, the awesome Mania and many more.

Imperial: Bombard, Drop Sentinels, Aquila Lander (a crashed version is available in the Battle For Macragge box game); Thunderhawk transporter and Warhound Titan.

New army lists
Three new army lists to use with the forces described in the book, the major protagonists of the conflict.
- 23rd Elysian Regiment: Drop Troops
- The Tallarn Imperial Guard
- Tau Auxiliaries

Scenarios
A near-exhaustive raft of scenarios, enabling you to re-enact the pivotal moments and battles of the campaign, from the ill-fated ‘Attack on the Governor’s Palace’ to the desperate ‘Mission Deathblow’.

Appendix
As if all that weren’t enough, there’s an Appendix section that includes updated and new rules for Super Heavy Vehicles, Flyers and a host of Taros inspired colour schemes.

DEATH IN THE DESERT
The storyline in The Taros Campaign is incredibly involved and compelling, reading like an authentic war journal. It’s exciting too – the accounts of the massive battles and tactical manoeuvrings are akin to some of the heroics ripped out of a Black Library novel.

Add to that tactics, maps and diagrams, the vast array of schematics, technical drawings and other imagery and you’ve got a comprehensive volume describing a conflict in such exhaustive detail, and in every possible theatre of war, as has never been described before.
Rough Riders - Carrying powerful hunting lances, Rough Riders pack a powerful punch in close combat and are a common sight in Tallarn armies.

The Desert Raiders
The Tallarn are mobile guerrilla fighters, evasive and opportunistic. They are especially well-known for their hard-fighting Sentinel squadrons and are masters of hit-and-run warfare. Tallarn are all accomplished riders; often they will use riding mounts to move from battle to battle, dismounting only when they are close to the enemy and wish to employ stealth. Once the enemy are sighted, the Tallarn will stalk them relying on their practiced marksmanship and lighting-quick curved knives to achieve victory.

Preferred special weapon:
Plasma gun

Preferred heavy weapon:
Missile launcher

- Priests
- Hardened Fighters
- Rough Rider squadrons
- Light Infantry
- Sharpshooters

Desert Raiders squad - These are the brave fighting men who make up your Platoons. The preferred weapons of a Tallarn squad are the plasma gun and missile launcher.

Captain Al’rahem
Captain Al’rahem is one of the legendary heroes of the Tallarn Desert Raiders. Although there are no rules for him as a special character, you can still represent him in your games using the profile of a Heroic Senior Officer and the wargear given below:

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Wargear: Master-crafted power weapon, master-crafted plasma pistol, Macharian Cross, Trademark Item (sunglasses) and refractor field. His command HQ can be upgraded as normal.

Points: 160

Captain Al’rahem has had an illustrious and decorated career. For the full background behind this character and his exploits follow the link below.

Imperial Armour 3: The Taros Campaign Available Now - £55
Pete Jarman has been with Games Workshop for over 5 years, the past year spent in Direct. He is currently working on too many projects to mention, but took time out to paint this ace Tallarn Combat Patrol.

Pete: I have done a few Imperial Guard armies in the past, so with the re-release of the Tallarns (My favourite metal Imperial Guard regiment since the plastic Cadians replaced all my metal ones!), this was the perfect opportunity to resurrect my passion for the Emperor's finest.

Army Selection

400 points isn't a lot to play around with for most armies but Guard are relatively inexpensive, man for man, so you can have your cake and eat it!

Doctrines: It's all too easy to make an Infantry squad cost over 100 points with all of the skills and wargear available - not very practical in such a small game - so I decided to stick with a standard Guard army and not use doctrines.

Troops: A standard Infantry platoon led by a Junior Officer was a solid base for my force - with lots of models to put on the table and an impressive amount of firepower as well.

Squad One, with both a grenade launcher and mortar, would deal with large units. The mortar could also suppress enemy fire with its pinning attack.

Squad Two, with an autocannon and plasma gun, would deal with light vehicles, and high Toughness/high armour save troops.

I gave the Junior Officer a bolt pistol and a lucky Guardsman got a melta gun, but otherwise I left them without upgrades - their role would be to plug any holes in my line or to boost the firing of another unit.

Elites: To support the Infantry, was a unit of seven Hardened Veterans with a missile launcher. The Sergeant got a boltgun (just because I really like the Lieutenant model, I couldn't bear to convert him). Their higher
BS allows me to deal with anything I may miss (literally - I have notorious bad luck!) with the rest of the army.

Fast Attack: The five Rough Riders give the force some edge in close combat. I can leave them back to counter-attack the enemy if they get too close to my front line. Alternatively, I can use them to get around the table quickly with their Fleet rule to take objectives or annoy my opponent. Their lances are a bit of a 'one trick pony' (oh dear - Ed), so I have to be careful when I commit them to combat.

Finally, I went for a Sentinel, giving me another weapon to deal with armoured transports before they (or the troops inside) became a threat.

Summary
All in all, this is a scouting force, both in composition and background (I prefer to make pretty armies for my games rather than practical) - something I aim to continue when I expand the army.

Expansion
Rather than using the Tallarn doctrines given in the back of Codex: Imperial Guard, I'll choose a few of my own to represent a different formation. I want them in Chimeras, so the Mechanised alternate Regimental Organisation is a must, and backed up by Ogryns (I want to try some ideas for converting from the Warhammer plastic Ogres). I'll also choose Rough Riders and may be tempted to take the Xeno Mounts specialist kit (see WD292 or the Chapter Approved section of the website for the rules) to beef them up in close combat (providing I can bring myself to pull the models off their horses!). Lastly, I'll take the Sharpshooter skills and drills, just so I can re-roll all those 1s when I shoot (trust me - there are loads of them!).

Painting
- Chaos Black undercoat
- Use a fairly brown and co-ordinated camouflage colour scheme to tie in with their desert raiding background.
- Basecoat Bestial Brown with patches done in Snakebite Leather and Bleached Bone.
- Pouches and accessories were either left black or painted Scorched Brown to keep the model simple.
- Headscarves and trousers were painted Fortress Grey. This helped the overall composition of the model whilst not making it look out of place or too bright.
Imperium all his life; he was still one, and he would not lie down until the Tau completed their ultimate victory. He planned to escape, or die in the attempt. Gathering a small group of Elysian prisoners about him, men who were still loyal to their former intentions (all commander, Syckava made a plan to escape. He did not wait long to act.

On the first ceasefire night at the mine, Syckava and five men he bloodshed and allow the overmatched three human guards, stole. The Tau would allow transport ships free access to Taros to evacuate their soldiers and personnel under the ceasefire agreement, as long as the largest war ships withdrew from the system.

In return for his assistance the General would be assured a new position commanding the human auxiliaries now under the Tau’s control on Taros. With the Emperor’s forces defeated the post of ‘Commander of the Taros Garrison’ would be his for life, an honoured position with all the attendant wealth and status human commanders seemed to crave— if he helped the Tau now.

General Syckava flatly refused the Ethereal’s offer. To act as an emissary and offer terms to his higher commanders would turn him into a traitor to his Emperor. He would not be a messenger and broker a ceasefire, even if it bought him a future life of luxury. If the Tau wanted the Emperor’s forces off Taros, they would have to eject them. He finished by assuring the Tau commanders, “We will fight you every step of the way.”

Rebutted, the Shas’o sent the General back to rejoin the other prisoners. There would be no swift end to the war. It was a lapse in security that would cost the Tau dearly. The other prisoners were divided up and sent as new labour to distant mines. Despite his severe wound, all the time he had been a prisoner General Syckava had been observing, taking in details. As a high-ranking officer he had had access to maps and secret information about Taros and the overall campaign plan that the other prisoners had not. He would put that knowledge to good use. From his observations he had a good estimate of the location of the Tau command post, and from his transport’s flight path a good idea of which mine he was en-route to. General Syckava had been a loyal servant of the Imperium all his life, he was still one, and he would not lie down whilst the Tau completed their ultimate victory. He planned to escape, or die in the attempt. Gathering a small group of Elysian prisoners about him, men who were still loyal to their former commander, Syckava made a plan to escape from the mine and strike out for the nearest Imperial Guard lines.

He did not wait long to act. On the first night at the mine Syckava and five men overwhelmed three human guards, stole weapons and water canteens and struck out into the desert. The escapees split up to disguise themselves with maps and secret information about Taros and the overall campaign plan that the other prisoners had not. He would put that knowledge to good use. From his observations he had a good estimate of the location of the Tau command post, and from his transport’s flight path a good idea of which mine he was en-route to. General Syckava had been a loyal servant of the Imperium all his life, he was still one, and he would not lie down whilst the Tau completed their ultimate victory. He planned to escape, or die in the attempt. Gathering a small group of Elysian prisoners about him, men who were still loyal to their former commander, Syckava made a plan to escape from the mine and strike out for the nearest Imperial Guard lines.

The guards did not bother to organise any pursuit. There was nowhere to run, and without supplies nobody could survive the deserts for long. The escapees were dead men.

They were almost right. After three days under the merciless sun Syckava was on his last legs. Stumbling westwards, down to the dregs of his water, face and hands blistered by the heat he finally collapsed. By a last desperate act of will power, rather than lie down and die he scraped a vague outline of a large Imperial eagle into the sand, and prayed to the Emperor that somehow somebody would see it.
Scenario: The Flight of General Syckava

General Syckava and a handful of Elysian survivors have escaped the Tau mines into the desert, desperate to return to Imperial lines. Crouching in a dune he discovers he is not alone in the arid landscape, a Tau reconnaissance operating in the area has picked them up on their radar.

Relieving they are doomed, Syckava resigns himself to labour in the mines, just when a patrol from the 331st Tallarns appears...

The Battle

General Syckava and his men are caught in a fairly open terrain between the Tau and Tallarn patrol forces. Armed with little but a stolen las pistol and some improvised weapons, Syckava and his men cannot contribute to the battle and must escape.

Set-up

The game is fought on a 4'x4' table. It is largely open terrain but high dunes and other natural terrain provide some cover for Syckava and his men. Alternatively, you could roll on the desert terrain generator on page 50 to determine the nature of the battlefield.

1. General Syckava and the other Elysians are placed in the centre of the table first, before either of the Tau or Tallarn forces arrive.

2. Before any units are placed, General Syckava and his men (controlled by the Imperial player) may make a single move.

3. Both sides roll a D6. The highest roll may decide whether to take the first turn. All units for both sides are in Reserve, although as Syckava effectively takes a turn before anyone arrives it is treated as turn two as soon as it is the first player's turn (ie, their units will arrive immediately on a roll of 4+). After this initial move, Syckava will then take his turn with the Imperial player.

4. The Imperial player comes on from the table edge Syckava is heading towards, and the Tau player the opposite edge.

Objective

The Imperial player must ensure that Syckava gets to safety by exiting (whilst not falling back) off the Imperial table edge.

The Tau player must destroy Syckava before this happens. If Syckava is killed before he exits the table edge he is considered destroyed (lost in the desert) and it is a victory for the Tau.

Special Rules

Reserves, Dusk and Dawn.

General Syckava and his men: General Syckava has the characteristics of an Imperial Heroic Officer but note that due to his weakened state he has 1 less Wound and 1 less point of WS, BS and I.

General Syckava is accompanied by four other Elysian prisoners. They have the characteristics of normal Imperial Guardsmen but have 1 point less of WS, BS and I.

Syckava is armed with a laspistol, whilst his men are armed with close combat weapons.

Combat Patrols: Both forces are up to 400 points each chosen within the Combat Patrol restrictions given in the Warhammer 40,000 rulebook.

Rough Riders: These desert veterans are constantly patrolling the dunes, ever ready for signs of trouble. If the Imperial Guard player chooses Rough Riders these will always arrive automatically from Reserve.

Taros is a fairly barren and desolate planet, encompassed largely by hostile desert terrain. It does, however, have one chief and salient virtue - it is a mining world and the ore it provides to the neighbouring Sygies VII forge world is vital in the production of Imperial tanks and other vehicles, hence its strategic value to the Imperium.
ROLL 2D6 FOR EFFECT

2 Desert Creatures; Roll a D6 to determine the nature of the creatures encountered. 1-3: Sun Worms. Players take it in turns to place D3 Sun Worms on the battlefield. They may not be placed within 12" of any table edge or within 12" of each other. Any model moving within 6" of a Sun Worm must take a dangerous terrain test. 4-6: Sand Worm. Roll a D6 at the start of each player's turn. On a 1, the opposing player must place the blast template anywhere on the table and then scatter it 2D6" (it always scatters, even if you roll a 'Hit') to represent where the Sand Worm attacks. Every model under the template is hit as per the normal rule for blast markers. A model affected must roll equal to or under its Initiative (a 6 always fails) or they will be sucked down into the sand by the creature and are removed as a casualty.

3 Sangar: See below
4 Deir: See below
5 Hammada: See below
6 Wadi: See below
7 Sand Dune: See below
8 Oasis: See below
9 Scrub: See below
10 Mesa: See below

11 Blinding Heat Haze: Designate an area of the battlefield 3D6" x 2D6" affected by the heat haze - any model in this area or shooting through it suffers a -1BS. Any unit inside this area suffers -2 to Initiative.

12 Sandstorm: The sandstorm covers an area equal to the ordnance template in size. Line of sight is blocked for models shooting through it. A model inside the sandstorm may move, but suffers a -2 to BS and -1LD. They also suffer D3 Strength 1 hits each turn at the start of their turn. Roll a D6 for the sandstorm at the start of each player's turn. On a 1 it dissipates and is removed, 2-5 nothing happens, 6 another sandstorm appears and is placed 6D6" from original as indicated by the scatter dice (this will always scatter, even if a Hit is rolled). Roll for all the sandstorms separately, at the start of each player's turn.

The harsh desert environs of desert worlds around the Imperium are a brutal and unforgiving theatre of war, very distinctive and different in comparison to more conventional battlefields.

Below are some terrain types that you can use in games fought on a desert battlefield and a desert terrain generator.

**TERRAIN GENERATOR**

Before you play any battle on a desert world or similar environment, roll 2D6 on the desert terrain generator below to determine the terrain type.

Players should roll a D6 to decide who gets to place the first piece of terrain, which will then alternate between them. Once both players are satisfied there's enough terrain on the board it's time for battle.

Alternatively, both players could simply choose the terrain they want to use and place it any mutually agreeable manner.

**DESSERT TERRAIN TYPES**

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<td>Hammada (3)</td>
<td>Open ground strewn with loose rocks.</td>
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<td>Wadi (5)</td>
<td>Deep gulley formed by flash flooding during infrequent rainy seasons</td>
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<td>Mesa (2)</td>
<td>Flat-topped, rocky outcrop formed by fast-flowing water of eons past.</td>
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<td>Oasis (7)</td>
<td>WYSIWYG, or Size 3 area terrain.</td>
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<td>Scrub (4)</td>
<td>Low, dry grass and bushes, Size 1 or 2 area terrain.</td>
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<td>Sand dune (6)</td>
<td>Hills.</td>
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<td>Sangar (1)</td>
<td>Loose rocks piled high, as the ground is unsuitable for trench digging.</td>
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Sun Worms are just one of the many deadly denizens of the desert. They are likened to small biological batteries that reside half in the sun and half in shade, capturing and utilising solar energy to survive. The danger inherent with Sun Worms is not overt like some of the foul and ferocious creatures of the 41st millennium, rather it is the energy conserved in their bodies that poses the most severe hazard. The solar energy stored by Sun Worms is released sporadically, as a defence mechanism, in the form of a powerful electrical charge. Such a blast can easily be fatal.

The army includes these great objective markers.

**TACTICA DESERT WARFARE**

Nick's asked me for a few words on the subject of fighting games of Warhammer 40,000 in desert terrain, so I'm looking over his terrain generator, these are my thoughts. Obviously, the defining feature of a desert table is the open ground. Open ground does not have to mean lack of cover, but it does mean the enemy will be able to draw a bead on your forces from almost anywhere else on the table. More crucially though, it means that movement will be far easier to coordinate across an army, so tanks and transport vehicles won't get bottle-necked like they would on a more conventional table.

This can be dealt with in two ways. One way is to dig in, but beware of forming long, defensive lines. These will be quickly outflanked and rolled-up, as fast moving enemy assault units will be able to move in on the extreme ends. Instead of forming a line, think about deploying in defensive strong points, with your heavy weapons arranged within, covering every angle of approach.

The opposite tactic is to utilise fast moving units, as these will come into their own in the open terrain, where they can move around without being slowed by terrain, bringing lots of force to bear exactly where and when you choose. A great example of this would be a Tau army heavy on Fire Warrior teams mounted in Devilfish troop carriers. The vehicles will have plenty of room to manoeuvre, and thus mass their attacks on enemy units of their choice, the Fire Warriors disembarking to Rapid Fire their foe into a sticky mess. Of course, the downside of taking lots of vehicles into open desert is the enemy's long range anti-tank weapons will be able to target them, so be sure to pick your targets carefully, coordinating your attacks to quickly reduce the enemy's ability to hit back at you.

Lastly, a famous general once described desert warfare as a "tactician's dream, but a logistician's nightmare". Once underway, you'll have an idea why!

**EFFECT**

6+ cover save.
Difficult terrain.

If very narrow, this might be dangerous terrain, as they are hard to spot. If wider, troops may pass down it unimpeded, but climbing into, out of, or over it in one move counts as difficult terrain.

WYSIWYG. Difficult terrain test required to scale, open terrain across top.

5+ cover save.
6+ cover save.
Hills
Fortifications.
TALLARN ARMY
By Matthew Toone

These are some of Matthew Toone’s Tallow models. Matthew hails from the Isle of Wight and bought the Talloars when they were first released, but has only recently got around to painting them!

The distinctive red turbans indicate officer status in the army. The more high-ranking miniatures also have a bluish tinge to their tunics and fatigues, unlike the yellow-brown of the standard troopers.

A throwback to his historical gaming, Matthew has modelled his own thin ‘bases’ for his models and flocked them appropriately.

Matthew was a historical war gamer originally and based his Tallow on a huge Sudanese Colonial collection. “You don’t see many warriors with dark skin in Warhammer 40,000 – but Tallowars fight in deserts, so it seemed like a good choice.”

TALLARN ROUGH RIDERS
By Rhys Knight

Rough riders are a very underused troop type, and I always like to have the ‘underdogs’ in an army. Also, I had just watched ‘The Mummy’ and all of those guys on horseback look cool.

TALLARN CAMO SCHEMES
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Dave: The novels and art books published by the Black Library are among the best places to gather ideas for building an entirely new army or adding some great flavour to an existing force. I've always been a fan of Dan Abnett's work, and *Gilead's Blood and Hammers of Ulric* have inspired a number of army themes for me. Also, Robert Earl's *Wild Kingdom* has me thinking about a new Rhinox conversion I'd like to work on.

*Blood on the Reik* is a great book that has provided me with a slew of modeling ideas. Filled with page after page of great sketches by Dave Gallagher, this book explores the darker, grittier side of life in the Empire. It's not all frilly shirts and fancy plumes, you know — sometimes, it's about mad women swinging cats!

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The peasants of this small hamlet are stirred to action by the "fire and brimstone" oratory of the Warrior Priest and his preacher.
BRINGING THE ARTWORK TO LIFE

**Warrior Priest**
This guy was a fairly simple conversion that combined a mix of pieces from my bits box: a Space Marine Sergeant torso, Chaos Marauder legs, Empire Militia arms, a Bretonnian head, and Karl Franz's hammer. He'll be a Warrior Priest in my Empire army.

**Lamplighter**
This lamplighter model is based on an Inquisitor's Henchman. The toughest part was fitting the puttyhead tank on his back. He'll serve as a standard bearer in a Free Company regiment.

**Executioner**
Everyone fears the executioner! I made this charmer with Free Company legs, a Marauder torso and arms, and a Bretonnian axe. I built up the hood with layers of Green Stuff and added a sheaf cut from a plastic rod. This model will become a Sergeant in a unit of Free Company soldiers.

**Amethyst Wizard**
The Amethyst Wizard was a pretty straightforward conversion. I cut the plasma pistol away from a Daemonslayer Acolyte, replaced it with a Zombie hand holding a skull, and added the scythe blade from Typhus. I used Green Stuff to form a simple hood over the bionic eye and wire that covered his head. To add a little more stature, I placed the Wizard on a few rocks made from Green Stuff. He will, of course, become a Wizard in my Empire army when I want to use the Lore of Death.

**Preacher**
This character was, by far, my favourite sketch in Blood on the Reik. This drawing was full of gritty humour and wild fanaticism – just perfect for a Prophet of Doom! Getting him right was really a matter of assembling the right parts: the Bretonnian manikin model as the blind strongman, a spare shield as the stand, and Zombie and Free Company parts for the regalia. The enormous book on his back is from the Inquisitor range, and the screaming head is from a Space Wolf. Converting Rule #1: NEVER throw anything away!
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Eorl was the first king of Rohan, a province gifted to him by the Steward of Gondor in gratitude for his aid at the Battle of Celebrant. He is depicted here wearing a stately white cloak and carrying a broad shield, artefacts of an earlier time.

Eorl's armour and the horse harding are painted in the same way, giving both horse and rider a coherent look on the battlefield.

Eorl's beard has been defined with shading to help the pale colour stand out against the flesh tones.

The shield carried by Eorl is larger than those borne by his descendants. The devices and boss have been painted gold, against a dark green background.

**PAINTING EORL THE YOUNG**

Pete Foley: "Eorl is painted in bright colours as he was a king, so he is bound to have been cleaner than everyone else at the time, also, unlike Théoden and the other members of the Royal House of Rohan we've done, he wasn't living during the War of the Ring, which were desperate times."

"Even though Eorl is very brightly coloured, we undercoated him black like we do all our models. We tend to layer our The Lord of the Rings models, as the different elements are a bit too small for blending. The cloak is the brightest element, and I painted that Fortress Grey to begin with, gradually layering it up to pure Skull White through a number of mid-tones, mixes of Skull White and Fortress Grey, adding more white each time. The trick with bright colours like this is to use thinned paint and a lot of coats to get a consistent finish."

"Horses can be quite difficult to paint, there's too much to go into here, but keep an eye out for The Two Towers supplement, out later this year, in which there will be a detailed guide to painting horses a variety of colours."

**TOP TIP: BASES**

1. Stick sand to the base with PVA
2. Wash the sand with Brown Ink
3. Drybrush it with Snakebite leather
4. Drybrush it with a 1:1 Snakebite Leather/Fortress Grey mix
5. Drybrush it with the same mix, with a little Skull White added
6. Paint the edge of the base Beial Brown
7. Glue patches of Citadel Static Grass and clump foliage to the base
Éomer, Marshall of the Riddermark

Éomer’s intricate armour is painted from the ‘inside out.’ Begin by painting all of the metallic areas, then re-undercoat the straps with Chaos Black before painting the red leather.

The brown tones are consistent all over the model, and the saddlecloth is painted in the distinctive Rohan green.

Théoden, King of Rohan

A Rohan motif is painted onto the back of Théoden’s armour. This is a great way to add extra detail to a model, requiring a fine brush and a steady hand.

Théoden’s shield is plated entirely with bronze, and his horse’s armour is a dark, patterned leather, reflecting his regal status.
**Gamling, Captain of Rohan**

Folded cloth on a model always provides a good opportunity to practice your shading and highlighting skills.

The Royal Standard of Rohan is the main focus of this model, and has been given special attention, particularly on the white horse motif.

**Éowyn, Shield Maiden of Rohan**

The helmet at Éowyn's side is painted in the same colours as that of a normal Warrior of Rohan's.

As Éowyn is disguised as a regular Rohirrim, her armour and clothing are quite drab. This makes her golden hair a focal point.

**Colours of Rohan**

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The Army of Minas Tirith

Full of well-armed, well-trained veterans, this army represents the might of Gondor before the War of The Ring. This particular army is primarily a garrison force, as it would defend the outposts of Gondor, like the Glamorganth or Amon Barad. As such, it is quite slow to move and manoeuvre, managing without cavalry and more lightly armoured scouts. In gaming terms, it's a durable force, relying on the high Fight and Defence of its heavily armoured warriors to preserve them from the worst a foe can muster.

746 points

Boromir, Captain of the White Tower

When you want the best, and aren’t afraid to pay the cost, Boromir is the Hero you need. With 6 Might Points and 3 each of Will and Fate, he's a veritable powerhouse. As if that were not enough, the Horn of Gondor further augments his fighting ability, whilst the Banner of Minas Tirith gives a marked boost to every friend in close proximity. There's nothing subtle about Boromir - get him stuck into the enemy as quickly as possible. While he can become a little vulnerable if there are a couple of Nazgûl flitting around the battlefield, you shouldn't worry for Gondor's first son. Even Mordor Trolls, which normally cause havoc with Good Heroes, can't guarantee taking him down whilst the banner flies aloft... a Fight 7 Boromir is not a foe to be taken lightly.
The Guardians of Ithilien

This force represents Gondor's defenders at the end of the War of The Ring: small bands of swift-moving veterans, seeking and destroying the servants of the Enemy. Such an army is often outnumbered, and relies on whittling down the foe from a distance before unleashing a devastating cavalry charge to shatter the remnants.

Gaming with a force of this kind requires an excellent grasp of timing, knowing when to abandon archery in favour of ferocious melee. If you've directed your fire correctly and well, your troops will sweep all before them. If not, it could be a very costly day for Gondor.

751 points

Damrod, Ranger of Ithilien

At just 20 points, Damrod is incredibly good value. As a Hero, he's invaluable for adding a little bit of resolve to a wobbly section of the battleline; not to mention his always-useful point of Might for when you have to get that vital charge.

Madril, Captain of Ithilien

Though Madril is not a first-string hero he is excellent value. He contributes 3 Might points, and has a Shoot value of 3+. Beyond that, he has an invaluable special rule that allows Good reinforcements to get to the battle more quickly.
The Army of Morgul Vale

The army that the Witch-king leads to the siege of Minas Tirith is drawn from the four corners of Mordor and beyond. It is an army of Orcs, Trolls and much worse.

Playing games with an army like this requires keeping a careful eye on how many of your minions you’re expending – too many, and you won’t have enough to complete your goals, too few, and Good Heroes are likely to survive round after round of combat. It’s generally a good idea to let your Trolls set the pace of the battle; if they’re wading through the enemy without much trouble, mass your Orcs to swarm an enemy Hero. If your Trolls are in trouble, back them up as soon as you can...

741 points

Gothmog, Lieutenant of Morgul

Gothmog is quite possibly one of the best Evil characters that can lead your army. Firstly, he’s an excellent fighter, with a profile that puts every other Orc (and quite a few Men) in the game to shame. With a moderate amount of backup, Gothmog is more than capable of making a mess of anyone foolish enough to cross his path.

His true worth, however, lies in his ‘Master of Battle’ special rule. With Gothmog lurking nearby, Good Heroes will be unwilling to commit themselves to Heroic actions, because Gothmog will be able to counter with one of his own for free. The only way for them to prevent him from doing this is to tie him down in combat and, as we’ve already discussed, that can be a very risky proposition indeed.
The Black Gate of Mordor

At the final battle of the War of The Ring, the cream of the free world comes face to face with the elite of Sauron’s armies. Threaded amongst the multitudinous Orcs there are hulking Trolls, and cruel-eyed Easterlings. More intimidating still, the Nazgûl swoop and dive overhead – a shadow that none can escape.

An elite army, this force can give and take damage with the best of them, the only problem is that it doesn’t have a horde of reinforcements to fall back on. Victory lies with making your Heroes count and careful use of the Transfix and Compel magical powers to swamp vulnerable Heroes.

748 points

The Mouth of Sauron

The Mouth of Sauron is often overlooked by Evil players when they’re picking Heroes, as they often choose to spend points on a second Troll or Nazgûl. That said, he’s worth a second glance. With a profile comparable to a Captain of Men, the Mouth of Sauron is a competent fighter and leader – a valuable thing in the coward-rich ranks of Mordor.

What makes him particularly valuable is his small, but focused, array of magical powers. Generally speaking, spellcasters aren’t fantastic in combat, they can Transfix a foe, but not capitalise upon it. This is not true of the Mouth of Sauron. With two Attacks and a Strength of 4, he’s more than capable of stunning an enemy Hero and then rushing in to finish them off.
The Imperium is under threat. Armies of Tyranids, Tau, Orks and Eldar, each with their own agendas, make ready to attack. It is a world beset by many enemies. A world plagued by war and suffering. A world preparing to die. The planet’s fate lies with you in this prelude to the Medusa V campaign.

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**Ogre Maneater**

by Chris Straw

I decided to see if I could make an Ogre Maneater from a plastic Bull. This is easier than it sounds, as there are plenty of extras in Citadel kits that can be used to represent a veteran Ogre's equipment. Additionally, I wanted to add a unique sense of movement to the model, so it is more extensively converted than strictly necessary. The most complicated part was the shoulder, which I remodelled with Green Stuff.

To finish the model off I added plenty of piercings, inspired by the artwork from the Ogre Kingdoms book.

1. **Iron Ring Piercings**
   - Roll up a small, pea-sized lump of green stuff.
   - Place the Green Stuff on the Ogre and make an indentation in the centre with a blunted cocktail stick. This will form the ring shape.
   - Chop off the pointed end of the cocktail stick so it is flat. Use this to smooth the centre of the ring and expand the circle.
   - Allow the ring to dry. Add a small bead of Green Stuff to the edge of the ring and smooth it on one side.
   - Drag the Green Stuff down to give the impression that the weight of the ring is pulling on the Ogre's skin. Neaten the Green Stuff 'skin' in the centre of the ring with the cocktail stick.

2. **Tooth Piercings**
   - These are made from small pieces of plastic rod sharpened with a modelling knife and then cut to size. Glue them in place and add Green Stuff as in step 5, above; but here smooth the putty out on both sides to make the tooth look like it has been pushed through the skin.
An ambition of almost every gamer is to own a "games room" where vast battles can be waged. The sad truth, however, is that most of us don't even have a wargames table, much less a room. Here's a few tips to help you build your own, practical gaming board.

Any wargame is more enjoyable when played across a well finished battlefield. The table below looks fantastic not because it has been crafted by experts or because a lot of difficult techniques were used, but because matching flock and static grass has been added to the table surface and all the terrain features. Although larger in scale, this process is no different than flocking a model's base.

The surface is a mix of Citadel modelling flock and static grass.

This wargames table has been made from a flat wooden board purchased at a DIY store.

No battlefield is complete without terrain. Though you can make your own, Citadel makes a range of basic scenery pieces designed specially for our games, so you can have your own warzone up and running in next to no time.
SIMPLE BOARDS

BLANKETS AND BOOKS

Old favourite
Newcomers to wargaming may scoff at this classic set-up, but draping a blanket over a table and some books is easy to do and looks surprisingly effective.

↑ Advantages
• The price varies, but it is usually quite cheap.
• Blankets are very easy to store.
• Very durable and machine washable.
• Quick to set up and put away.

↓ Disadvantages
• You will require a large, flat area to spread your blanket out on.
• Finding cloth in suitable colours for a battlefield is not always easy.

Blankets are great if you can find the right colour. We got this one from a craft store.
You can add rocks and pebbles from your garden to the blanket for easy scenery.
Stacked books or even rolled-up jumpers make good hills.
Heat blankets are great for games of Warhammer or The Lord of the Rings.
Grey blankets are perfect for games of Warhammer 40,000.
You can use a white blanket to represent a snow battlefield.

GRASS MATS

This grass mat is available from Games Workshop.
Much of our Citadel scenery matches the grass mat perfectly.

Grass mats can be glued to a board for a more permanent gaming fixture.
Grass mats are made specifically to look like realistic ground cover.

Easy option
A grass mat is a specially made scenery product that can be rolled out, instantly turning a table into a battlefield in much the same way as a blanket.

↑ Advantages
• Quite affordable. The Citadel Grass Mat is £15.
• Grass mats are easy to roll up and store.
• Quick to set up and put away.

↓ Disadvantages
• You will require a large, flat area to spread out your grass mat.
• Over time it may crease or tear.
POLYSTYRENE BOARDS

MODULAR BOARDS

**Advanced option**
Modular boards are made from several square or rectangular sections of polystyrene, resulting in a lightweight, portable gaming area in sections.

**Advantages**
- Easier to store and transport than its larger counterparts.
- Polystyrene is light and can be cut and shaped with a craft knife.

**Disadvantages**
- You will require a table to rest your sections on.
- If not edged with tape and stored properly, they can be easily damaged.
- Can be expensive, depending on the materials you use.

When not in use, these modular tiles can be stacked away neatly on a shelf in a closet.

Modular boards open up exciting possibilities, such as modelled-on scenery.

You can transport modular boards easily in a car.

High Density sheets are very strong and versatile and can even be sanded into shape.

Low Density sheets, while not as robust, are cheaper and more readily available.

FOLDING BOARDS

This 8'x4' gaming board has been constructed out of 2'x4' sheets of low density polystyrene that have been taped together and hinged with duct tape. Additionally, one side has been flocked green for games of Warhammer and The Lord of the Rings, while the other side has been painted grey for Warhammer 40,000.

This board is perfect for storing under a bed or on top of a wardrobe.
WOODEN BOARDS

FLAT BOARDS

This 6'x4' wargames table has been made from a flat wooden board that has simply been painted green.

You can base your scenery yourself to match your gaming board's finish.

- **Wood is good**
  Perhaps the most common type of battlefield is simply a flat, wooden board placed atop a strong base. The base may be something like a sturdy folding paste table or a dining room table.

  **Advantages**
  - A very cheap option.
  - Materials are easy to get hold of.
  - Can be purchased and painted the same day.

  **Disadvantages**
  - Not the easiest table to store, but it can be kept in a garage or stored under a double bed.
  - Good durability, but some types of wood may warp if stood on end or allowed to get damp.

MDF, or Medium Density Fibreboard, is extremely sturdy.

Chipboard is quite thick, but the corners can be easily damaged.

Hardboard is quite cheap and tough but can warp.

Plywood has many intersecting layers to prevent warping.

DIFFERENT FINISHES

Painting the board is the easiest way to complete it, but not necessarily the best looking. There are many options for finishing the board, only limited by how much time and effort you want to expend.

WHERE TO FIND IT ALL

If you have a Games Workshop store near you, you will find that it is a great place to start as quite a lot of hobby supplies, like flock, terrain and paint, are readily available. Most crucially, the staff there will be happy to direct you to local shops for items such as wood and polystyrene needed to construct your gaming table.
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Citadel produce a range of essential hobby items, each designed with specific modelling tasks in mind. A well-stocked modeller's toolbox should include a knife, a pair of clippers and a saw, each of which is best used for specific tasks. Here, we take a look at the intended uses of these items, and provide a few safety tips for them.

**Cutting Set**
- 1 knife
- 1 cutting mat
- 1 metal rule
- Spare blades

A good craft knife is essential for cleaning up miniatures prior to assembly and for removing small parts from plastic frames. Games Workshop sells a cutting set, which provides you with a knife and a cutting mat that will protect your work surface. The kit also comes with spare blades and a metal rule.

**Plastic Cutters**
- 1 pair of cutters

A pair of cutters is your first port of call when removing parts from a plastic frame. They can also be used to remove tags from metal castings. Games Workshop plastic cutters have been designed with this purpose in mind and have a fine point for reaching into plastic frames and a flat back to leave an even surface when cutting.

**Modelling Saw**
- 1 saw
- Spare blades

When converting miniatures or removing large tags you will need to use a saw. If you want to remove arms, legs or heads, don't be tempted to reach for the plastic cutters. The modelling saw offers greater control when cutting small parts.

**CUTTING TIPS**
Choosing which tool to use – knife, cutters or saw – should be a careful consideration before you attempt any cutting activity.

- When removing parts from a plastic frame, aim to cut the frame rather than the model.
- Use a knife to remove mould lines by scraping the miniature.
- Always cut on a cutting mat. Unlike your table, these are self-healing.
- When using a saw it is best to clamp the miniature or part in a vice to hold it steady and reduce the risk of the saw blade twisting and breaking.
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Screw your courage to the sticking post, brave traveller, as we journey to the City of the Damned for the last time. Our destination is the Temple of Morr and the final battle for the fate of the lost souls of Mordheim...

In this final instalment of the White Dwarf Mordheim campaign we reveal the final multi-player scenario, feature the remaining two warbands and discover who the victor of the campaign will be.

The Story So Far...
Solomon Vantor, High Priest of Morr has been changed by the chunks of altering wyrdstone buried deep in the earth of Mordheim. Crazed with power and seduced by delusions of godhood Soloman has constructed a device of evil - a Soul Engine, capable of trapping souls and using them to fuel his power and desires of ascension.

Solomon’s will does not go unchallenged however; six priests, the original acolytes of Vantor, have ventured back to the City of the Damned to prevent the ritual. Little do they realise they are being drawn slowly, inexorably into a trap. For only if Solomon can claim the souls of the six priests will his godhood be assured.

The priests and their followers, warbands of brave warriors and despicable villains, have battled each other to reach the Temple of Morr and the final confrontation with Vantor.

The outcome? In the balance...

“If Soloman can claim the souls of the six priests his godhood be assured”
At the time of Mordheim the Empire is fractured and as a player

**Andy:** My warband, Kliver’s Bows are one of those who disappear without trace in Mordheim. So, where did it all go wrong? In a word: Youngbloods.

Losing my Heroes early on against the Witch Hunters (my Champions died and Kliver suffered a deep wound), meant no income.

The next few games were little better, with the encounter against Owen a clinical killing exercise by his Vampire. At least with some Youngbloods hanging around, staying out of trouble, I could’ve generated some income and replenished my losses. Ah well...

**James:** I emerged from my first two games with one win, no deaths, few injuries, a good haul of gold, an extra attack for each Possessed and an evil grin on my face!

Game three was one of those rare occurrences when every dice I rolled was great and every dice my opponent rolled was terrible, resulting in me wiping out every last Dwarf in Rik’s warband and gaining much experience.

Against Nick’s Witch Hunters though, every dice I rolled was terrible and every dice he rolled was great; I lost the game and a Beastmen... permanently.

In my final game – The Gaol – things fell apart. I split my attack to try and take out Andy’s Highlanders and the Gaoler at once, but the Gaoler ripped through my warband and I lost the battle.
final scenario: the temple of morr

The warbands have fought long and hard to make it this far. Now, upon the blasted grounds of the Temple of Morr do they meet all of Vantor's banished Priest's together at last. Across the ruined structure of the great temple do they stare at each other, in its highest tower an eldritch light blazes. Here lies the Soul Engine - they can feel its very power draining the life out of them as they stand there - the culmination of the High Priest's madness. Vantor must be destroyed and his nefarious machine with him, for good or ill.

The warbands have fought their way to the grounds of the Temple of Morr and find their adversaries there too. There can only be one victor now - overthrow Vantor and defeat your enemies - to battle!

terrain
This scenario is staged over a 4'x6' area. The Temple of Morr should be placed in the middle of the table with the Soul Engine at its centre (use a counter or small coin to represent it if you don't have a suitable model) and is surrounded by various small ruins, gavés, mausoleums etc representing the temple grounds.

multiplayer game
The Temple of Morr scenario is a multiplayer game. For all the rules on how to set up and the order of play, download the Chaos on the Streets rules from: www.specialist-games.com/mordheim

And look for it in the Articles section. If you are fortunate enough to own a copy of the Mordheim Annual 2002, the rules can also be found there on page 26.

set up
See the Chaos on the Streets rules. Please note the Warband with the highest rating goes first and chooses which segment to set up in. Soloman Vantor is placed inside the Temple within 2" of the Soul Engine. His deranged disciples accompany Vantor, and they should be placed 10" away from the Soul Engine. There are eight disciples and two should face toward each of the table edges.

special rules
Morr's Blessing: Though it was Soloman Vantor's subterfuge that drew the Priests to Mordheim, it is Morr's will that they should stop him from the sacrilege he is trying to enact. If any of the Priests of Morr are injured and cannot take part in the final scenario they will be available for the game but suffer a -1 to Strength and Toughness.

Soul Engine: This evil device, wrought from the tainted iron littering Mordheim and bent into shape by dark magicks, throbs with malevolent sentience. Any warrior within 8" of the Soul Engine (barring Soloman Vantor) at the start of their turn must try to resist its evil effects by passing a Leadership test. If they fail they instantly suffer a wound with no Save for anything.

Any model that is taken out of action in this way adds +1 to Soloman Vantor's Wounds (this can take him above his starting level). If any of the Priests are taken out of action for any reason in the game, their souls will instantly be consumed by the Soul Engine and increase Soloman's power (see below).

The Soul Engine, whether its power is coveted by the Warbands or shunned by them, must be destroyed. It has the following profile:

Toughness 6 Wounds 4

The Soul Engine is tough and the only sure way to rid of it is to tear it apart in close combat, as such any wounds caused by missile fire or magic are ignored on a roll of 3, 4, 5 or 6.

The Disciples of Vantor: These foul wretches, who serve Vantor, count as Dogs armed with clubs.

Moving and Fighting with Vantor and his Disciples: Vantor and his disciples are effectively treated as an extra player each turn. They will move and fight after the last player takes their turn.

Vantor will always remain within 3" of the Soul Engine, but if a warrior is on the same level as him and within charge distance, he will charge them. If he takes the model out of action he will then move back to within 3" of the Soul Engine. He will never move off the level with the Soul Engine on for any reason.

The disciples move in groups of two. Each model in a group must remain within 3" of each other at all times. They will remain at 10" away from the Soul Engine unless a model approaches within charge distance, in which case they will charge them. After the combat is over they will move back to 10" away from the Soul Engine.

Both Soloman and the disciples are immune to psychology. All Alone tests and will not Rout.

ending the game
Unlike most games of Mordheim, the game ends as soon as the Soul Engine is destroyed. The warband that achieves this is deemed the winner and indeed the winner of the campaign!

However... if Soloman Vantor manages to survive and all the warbands are destroyed or routed then all the players
have failed and Vantor will go on reaping souls until another band of heroes can stop him...

**Experience**

+1 Survives. If a Hero or Henchman group survives the battle they gain +1 Experience.

+1 Winning Leader. The leader of the winning warband gains +1 Experience.

+1 Per Enemy Out of Action. A Hero gains +1 Experience for each enemy he puts out of action. This includes any of Vantor's disciples.

+2 Destroys Soul Engine. A Hero gains +2 Experience for destroying the Soul Engine.

+2 Slays Soloman Vantor. A Hero gains +2 Experience for taking Soloman Vantor out of action.

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**Soloman Vantor – High Priest of Morr**

Once the benevolent benefactor of Morthism's deceased, Soloman's quest began nobly enough but now he is a raging madman. Imbued by the wyrdstone saturating the damned city, Soloman has become a deadly creature.

Soloman has the following profile:

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Weapons/Armour: Vantor is armed with a staff and wears light armour.

**Skills and Mutations:** Fuelled by prolonged wyrdstone exposure and the power from the souls he has already gathered, Vantor has become more than just a mere mortal. He has the skills: Step Aside, Mighty Blow, Resilient, Lightning, Reflexes and Dodge. Vantor also bears the following mutations: Daemon Soul and Hideous (this is more a result of the dead energy surrounding him from the Soul Engine rather than any horrific physical abnormality).

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**special rules**

**Soul powers:** Soloman has already developed powers over the dead, seeking to become a version of Morr himself, albeit a dark and crazed one. He already has the power Portent. Each time a Priest of Morr is taken out of action during the battle Soloman may increase in power. The effects of which are detailed in the table below.

**Priests Power**

0 | Portent Vantor may re-roll all Step Aside and Dodge rolls. The second result stands.
1-2 | Dread Aura All hand-to-hand attacks against Vantor suffer a -1 hit. Warriors immune to psychology are unaffected.
3 | Resurrection At the end of his turn, Vantor can resurrect D3 of his disciples taken out of action of a roll of 5+
4-5 | Hand of Death Vantor now fights as unarmoured but suffers no penalties from it. If he rolls a 6 to hit, he automatically wounds and for any wounding hit he adds +1 to injury rolls and ignores Armour saves.
6 | Path to Godhood Vantor adds +1 to his Attacks, Strength and Toughness, and has the rules Skull of Iron and Staggered, but not down (see p34 of Chaos on the Streets in the Mordheim 2002 Annual or on the specialist games website).

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**And so it was revealed that the dream visions the Priests of Morr believed to have been sent by the Death God were a ruse by Vantor to gather them in one place so he could feast on their souls and attain dominion over all mortals. As the Priests and their accompanying warbands surrounded the ruined temple, all knew a reckoning was close but would they serve their own petty agendas or fight for the salvation of the war-torn world?**

West Lagus set his warband of foul chaos creatures on the Reiklander Mercenaries. A bloody fight ensued inside a ruined building; four mercenaries went down before they finally killed a corrupted Ogre. Reinhard Mortarian, the priest who had hired the Reiklanders, slew one of the foul Possessed with a vial of holy water.

Meanwhile, numerous warbands clashed at the stairs to the main entrance, each desperate to be the first to enter the great temple ruin. With the aid of his Dire Wolves it was Malachias von Carsten who took that honour, charging Vantor with preternatural fury. However, the Arch-Priest of Death was barely human and even the Vampire struggled as they traded blows.

As Malachias and Vantor fought, Beatrice flooded into the temple ante-chamber that was dominated by the soul engine; a gyroscopic mass of spinning metal rings, a large chunk of wyrdstone hung at its centre. As more creatures entered, the dread machine began to take its toll. Spirit forms were visibly ripped from their bodies and sucked into the glowing wyrdstone; the gyroscopic rings spun faster.

Laughing maniacally, Vantor launched himself at Malachias, just as Born Fratimus crashed through the stained-glass window.

Distracted, Malachias struck Vantor a fatal blow and the corrupted Priest fell, mortally wounded Vantor crawled towards his soul engine but Born prayed to Morr and his god severed Vantor from his mortal coil. The Arch-Priest would go and meet his betrayed master.

Born approached the soul engine, wary of the Vampire skulking close by. He immediately felt his power; maybe he could use the machine to good use? End the needless suffering of so many in this dark time? As it readied his thoughts the Vampire hissed, and threw his black blade into the wyrdstone core of the machine. The stone shattered and the large metal rings spun crazily and then broke apart, metal shards flying in all different directions.

The temple collapsed. The citizens of the Old World blissfully unaware that their meagre lives had been saved by a creature of pure evil...

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**Andreas Falstad, the battle of Morr's Temple**
Hired Swords

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The Temple of Morr

By Stu Morris from Games Workshop Sutton Coldfield
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Rik: Greetings citizens! For the last few years, these have been the opening words of the Inquisitor Online Newsletter, penned by none other than Yours Truly (aka Inquisitor Robespierre) – a righteous tome, charged with bringing you the latest news and articles of the Games Workshop website straight to your e-mail inbox.

DEATH OF AN INSTITUTION
Alas, these are Inquisitor Robespierre’s last words – having no doubt been charged by his peers for his prolonged use of unsanctioned psykers and subsequently dispatched.

All of which brings me to the following: I am saddened to announce that the Inquisitor Newsletter is no more. Having served us well for more than five years, the decision has been made to discontinue the newsletter under its current guise. But fear not, as I am delighted to announce that the decision has been made to begin work on the all new, White Dwarf Online Newsletter!

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HOBBY HOMECOMING

Nick: Nostalgic. That's a good word to describe how I felt when I revisited Games Workshop Hull, the store of my youth. It'd been a while, so had my rose-tinted glasses slipped or was Hull as lustrous as ever?

Of course, the latter was true and as I stepped through its doors, I was overcome with something akin to that feeling you get when you walk into a Games Workshop store for the first time. You see, back when I was a mere boy, Hull was the first GW store I ever went to. It was a special occasion, heading out across the Humber Bridge with my brother in his dinky VW hatchback.

 Obviously, things had changed but it still had that hobby magic I remembered so fondly ...

Dan Doughty, is the man at the helm for Hull these days. He's been at the store since March 2005, but like me, coming to Hull was something of a nostalgic return for him, too. "I used to work at the store fifteen years ago," says Dan. This was way back when it first opened in 1999 and since that day it's always been at Paragon Street – one of the real warhorses amongst GW stores.

"It was weird coming back," Dan explains, "strange, but familiar." I know how you feel.

Being a hobbyist for so many years, Dan has collected a few armies. He's currently working on his Emperor's Children Chaos Space Marines. He's also a big fan of Inquisitor, "I like working with large scale models," he tells us. This is evident in his 40K army, which has a large Daamon Prince based on the Necron Deceiver.

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Nick Langrick

To say Hull is the tournament capital of the north isn’t so far fetched if their results are anything to go by. Full-timer Nick Langrick gave me the skinny on their gaming exploits. "We won five out of eight tournaments we entered this year," Nick says, quite humbly, referring to the Hull tournament team. Nick also won his heat at the 40K GT this year and the guys have had success at the Doubles Tournament at the Gaming and Events Centre in Sheffield, the WP's GT, Conflicts and other independent gaming events. Considering Nick has only been going to tournaments for just over a year, that's quite an achievement!

So devastating are the Hull boys' performances that they've carved something of a reputation in tournament circles. "We're notorious on the Net," Nick explains, laughing, "the fear is coming," but adds, "It's not about winning though. It's good for me, really lifts me up and I've met a lot of friends too - it's social as well." Well, that's what it's all about, Nick - but the winning's nice too, I bet.

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Of the many chapters of the Adeptus Astartes, it's the Crimson Fists that float Dave Binnie's boat. A popular choice amongst hobbyists, owing to their appearance on the original Rogue Trader book (the very fist version of Warhammer 40,000), Dave has a different reason for choosing Rogal Dorn's brethren.

"I based them on a Black Library book from the Soul Drinker's Trilogy, Crimson Tears, he says.

Dave's Crimson Fists are part of the second company and are made distinctive by the prolific bionics in the army. "It was during an Ork invasion that the Crimson Fists were taken out by their own defences - I wanted to reflect the fact that the chapter is full of injured veterans," Dave explains.

The colour scheme Dave uses on his Space Marines is simple, effective and achieves a high gaming standard for any tabletop. It's a good lesson for anyone who struggles to get an army painted up quickly or if you have a lot of troops, like an Imperial Guard player for example.

Dave currently has around 1,000 points of Crimson Fists, including lots of tanks and transport vehicles as it's a mechanised force. Next, he plans to paint up a Command squad and some more transport vehicles. A particular conversion he has in mind is Captain Reinez, a character from Crimson Tears, who wields a thunder hammer.

Terminators
One of Dave's tactical plays involves his Terminators. "I gave them cyclone missile launchers."

"which most people don't rate that highly next to the assault cannon. However, if you give them the Tank Hunters skill they can cause some havoc."

"I based them on a Black Library book from the Soul Drinker's Trilogy; Crimson Tears."

Librarian
"The Librarian is my favourite model," says Dave. "I based it on the Tigrus special character and removed all the Ultramarines insignia. I'm really pleased with his Servo-skull too."

Tactical & Devastator Squads
Dave has modelled snow flock on his bases. "It sets off the dark blue colour scheme really well."

CRIMSON FIST COLOUR SCHEME

○ Undercoat Chaos Black.
○ Basecoat power armour with watered down Regal Blue and Chaos Black mix.
○ Wash this mix over the armour to 'stain' it.
○ Fine line the edges of the armour with Regal Blue.
○ Use a mix of Regal Blue and Skull White to pick out the very edges of the armour.
○ For the shoulder pads and any red areas use Red Gore as a basecoat.
○ Highlight Red Gore with Blood Red.
○ Use Red Ink to 'dilute' the effect.
DESERT ORKS

Blood Axes from GW Gloucester

These cool Ork conversions are part of staff member, Andy Vaughn’s, Blood Axe army. Andy works in our Gloucester Hobby Centre and describes his motivation for collecting the greenskins as, “They’re just fun – the Klans thing is really cool.”

Andy has plumped for one of the sneakiest, and arguably least Orky Klans going. He was inspired by the Orky character, Boss Snork – who leads the Red Skull Kommandos and is in Codex: Orks – and explains his penchant for using Imperial Guard vehicles in suitably Ork-like fashion, “I looked at the Guard list, then the Ork list... I’m thinking... then I’ve got a plan.”

“They fight as one disorganised mass,” says Andy of his tactics and his twenty-five Ork mobs in his army. “There’s nothing like rolling fifty dice and killing one Space Marine,” he laughs.

Andy has 1,500 points of Blood Axes and to the right is just a sample of his great converted models. If you want to chat to Andy about his army and indeed, see the rest of the army, why not take a trip to Gloucester.

BULL CHARGE!

These dynamically posed Ogres are currently rampaging in our Sutton Coldfield Hobby Centre. “They were a combined effort by all the staff,” says Adam Sharpes, the manager. “We wanted to do something a bit different,” he continues, “and at the time, we all collected Ogres.”

There are a variety of different poses, from extended postures and bull charging, to one of Adam’s favourites, the backhanding bellower.
Located in Lenton Nottingham, Warhammer World is the place to come for a great Games Workshop experience. Within its castle courtyard you will find a wide array of awesome gaming tables built by Warhammer World’s scenery team. All of Games Workshop’s current game systems are represented, from cathedral ruins for the Warhammer 40,000 universe, to the rolling plains of the Warmaster board. Whatever game you play, Warhammer World is the place to fight your war!

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Cyber Poker

There, Tony and Calvin try to outwit each other in the battle of the Amateurs.

This bar’s grandiloquent game before the midterms

Gun Move (Grandpa)

The game moves the entire table to right — maybe.

White Dwarf Visits the Chemisorb Bunker Gaming Club

In The Bunker

All the information you need about clubs, whether you want to participate or start one of your own.
The Lord of The Rings, says Ron, "and ran a big event for The War of The Ring campaign." They also have two of three campaign and tournament weekends a month.

Bring and Battle days
Tony explains, "We invite clubs to "bring and battle" days. This is basically to show them how to run their own clubs and tournaments. There is an elite group at the Chelmsford Bunker and their wealth of experience and expertise shows in the variety of games played. For example, a Woodham's campaign devised by club treasurer, Mike White, was in full flow when Owen and I visited, whereas Tony was playing club secretary, Gareth Williams at the Battle of Five Armies.

Want to know more?
And for further information about the club and how to get in touch with them see our GCN listings at the bottom of the page.

Owen and I thoroughly enjoyed our visit and urge anyone who can make it to Chelmsford to take a look – we’re sure you won’t be disappointed.

CONTACT GW CHELMSFORD ON: 01245 490048

A 41st millennium trench system board.

The winter-based Warhammer table, complete with frozen river.

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GW CHELMSFORD

The Chelmsford Bunker has strong links with their local GW Hobby Centre, where gamers can meet up before heading to the club. Below, we’ve provided a sample of the store. If you want to find out more give the guys a call.

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The Dice and Daggers Club
Remember the Dice and Daggers Club from WD314? Well Kurt Baker, President of the club, has devised a new club logo and launched a website with details about the club and upcoming events. For more information get in touch with our Community Team:

www.games-workshop.co.uk/community
### THE EVENTS DIARY

All the information you need about clubs, whether you want to participate or start one of your own.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

Are you running an event and are a Hobby Centre, Independent stockist, GCM or WPS club? If you want to advertise it for free in this fine publication simply drop us an e-mail at: christianb@games-workshop.co.uk

The closing dates for receiving details for publication in the following issues are:
- 1st April W0319 (July)
- 1st May W0320 (August)
- 1st June W0321 (September)

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**Events diary abbreviation guide**

- WH: Warhammer
- 40K: Warhammer 40,000
- BB: Blood Bowl
- WAB: Warhammer Ancient Battles
- WPS: Warhammer Players Society
- WGW: Warhammer English Civil War
- Epic: Epic Armageddon
- LOTR: The Lord of the Rings
- GW: Games Workshop
- BT: Grand Tournament

#### MARCH

**DAMOCLES GULF CAMPAIGN**

**Date:** 26th March, 2006

**Venue:** **GAMEWORKSHOP** Gaming Centre Sheffield

**Details:** The expansionist Tau empire has reached the edge of Imperial space inadvertently bringing war to the Eastern Fringe. Will the im persum of Men crush the fledgling Tau empire or will the superior technology of the Tau win the day?

Tickets cost £15 include lunch (you will need a 1500 pt army)

Contact: 0114 243 4633

Website: [www.games-workshop.co.uk/events](http://www.games-workshop.co.uk/events)

### TRAITOR

**Date:** 1st April - 15th April, 2006

**Venue:** **GAMEWORKSHOP** St Albans

**Details:** On a tranquil Imperial world, the governor, Baron Ashworth has stopped paying the planet’s Imperial titles. An intervention force led by the Black Templars Space Marine Chapter has been despatched to eliminate the rebel. Upon arrival, they are ambushed by a highly mobile Tau strike force. It appears treachery is about as full-scale warfare erupts over the planet’s surface.

**40K Campaign – STARTS with ‘Assault on Governor’s Palace’**

Contact: 01727 861 193

Website: [www.games-workshop.co.uk/events](http://www.games-workshop.co.uk/events)

#### APRIL

**1ST BIRTHDAY OPEN DAY**

**Date:** 1st April, 2006

**Venue:** **GAMEWORKSHOP** Gaming Centre Sheffield

**Details:** To celebrate being open for one year we are holding a huge birthday event featuring participation games, painting and gaming competitions, mini tournaments for 40K, LOTR and Warhammer and, best of all, its all FREE!

Contact: 0114 243 4633

Website: [www.games-workshop.co.uk/events](http://www.games-workshop.co.uk/events)

### NO JOKER - HOLD THE LINE

**Date:** 1st April, 2006

**Venue:** **GAMEWORKSHOP** Guildford

**Details:** Help the Imperial defenders of Medusa V fortify their positions and build some 40K defences. Do you have what it takes to spend a day in the trenches…?

Contact: 01483 451 793

Website: [www.games-workshop.co.uk/events](http://www.games-workshop.co.uk/events)

#### FANATIC DEN HAAG

**Date:** 2nd April, 2006

**Venue:** Bridge-Societeet Noordinde

**Details:** Speelihaus runs their first Fanatic in Den Haag. Open for newcomers to the hobby who can learn about gaming, painting and collecting here. The Fanatic also includes a tournament for Warhammer and Warhammer 40,000 (Age 12+).

Contact: Speelihaus - +31 70 364 47 82

Website: [www.games-workshop.co.uk/events](http://www.games-workshop.co.uk/events)

#### THE TAROS CONSPIRACY

**Date:** 1st April - 15th April, 2006

**Venue:** **GAMEWORKSHOP** Oxford

**Details:** On the planet of Taros, deep in Ultima Segmentum, valuable shipments of materials are going missing. Located so close to the Tau empire, two Inquisitors have been despatched to investigate these irregularities, along with a delegation from the Departmento Munitorium.

**40K Campaign – STARTS with ‘First Contact’**

Contact: 01865 242 182

Website: [www.games-workshop.co.uk/events](http://www.games-workshop.co.uk/events)

#### HERALD OF THE EMPEROR

**Date:** 1st - 2nd April, 2006

**Venue:** **WARHAMMER WORLD**

**Details:** Inquisitor campaign that follows an epic and mysterious story spanning the galaxy from the Eye of Terror to Holy Terra itself! Only one character decides your fate in these detailed narrative games.

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#### RETURN TO ARCHON III

**Date:** 3rd - 14th April, 2006

**Venue:** **GAMEWORKSHOP** Hemel Hempstead

**Details:** The Warp storms that plague the outer rim of the Medusa system have temporarily cleared. Imperial Astronauts have pinpointed the location of the legendary mineral planet of Archon III. Unfortunately, they have also detected xenos communications, obviously on route to the planet. Can you stake your claim to the resources of this deadly world?

Contact: 01442 249782

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A HEROES TALE
Date: 1st – 14th April, 2006
Venue: GAMES WORKSHOP High Wycombe
Details: Archaemons, Tyrions, Valkeries - all great heroes, from such humble origins. Are you such a being? Come and find out! Chart the rise of your champion from mere serf to great hero and general of legend!
Warhammer Campaign
Contact: GW High Wycombe – 01442 249 752
Website: www.games-workshop.co.uk/events

THE FATE OF MYENEUKOS
Date: 9th April, 2006
Venue: GAMES WORKSHOP Uxbridge
Details: The sept world of D'yarol has been caught in the tendrils of Hive Fleet Acheron. The only Fire Warrior Cards available is that of Myeneukos - can they turn the Tyrant tide before it consumes D'yarol?
40K Combat Patrol tournament
Contact: GW Uxbridge – 01895 232 800
Website: www.games-workshop.co.uk/events

ENEMY OF MY ENEMY
Date: 9th April, 2006
Venue: GAMES WORKSHOP Woking
Details: After weeks of conflict, the Tau Ethereal Aur’Shala has negotiated a temporary ceasefire. All communications from the north of the city have ceased. Both sides have agreed to send teams to investigate the strange structure uncovered near the centre of the market district. Can the peace hold...?
40K Kill-team event
Contact: GW Woking – 01427 771 675
Website: www.games-workshop.co.uk/events

THE LORD OF THE RINGS GRAND TOURNAMENT
GRAND FINAL
Date: 8th – 9th April, 2006
Venue: WARHAMMER WORLD
Details: The Grand Final is here! The best players from heats one to three face off to decide the champion. For this two-day event you will need two 500 point armies - one Good and one Evil. The event includes lunch on both days and dinner on the first day only. Details can be found on the Games Workshop website. Tickets cost £50.
Website: www.games-workshop.co.uk/events

DOUBLE CROSS
Date: 8th April, 2006
Venue: GAMES WORKSHOP Maidhead
Details: Inquisitor Nilmar Castor has held diplomatic talks with the Tau, persuading the Tau council to share their most advanced plasma technology as a gesture of peace. However, Castor is a true servant of the Emperor and will not abide the xenos to live... He plans to spring a trap on the Tau, seizing their technology whilst delivering a crippling blow to their forces. To make matters worse, other xenos races are also eager to get their hands on the technology which is said to be of Doomsday proportions! Bring 1,000 points.
Contact: GW Maidhead – 01462 831 747
Website: www.games-workshop.co.uk/events

LAUNCH THE GRUNDEMBURG
Date: 8th April, 2006
Venue: GAMES WORKSHOP Reading
Details: Join a Warhammer aerial spectacular! Eagles, Hawks and Gyrocopters & some larger things take to the skies as the Grundenburg airship prepares to launch...
Contact: GW Reading - 01189 508 603
Website: www.games-workshop.co.uk/events

OPEN WAR 5
Date of Event: 22nd April, 2006, 9am till 6.30pm.
Venue: WARHAMMER WORLD
Details: Warhammer 40K (1,500 points), WFB (2,000 points), Epic (3,000 points). £10 to enter, discount for club bookings.
Contact Details: Entry forms downloadable from website soon. e-mail: info@tscompanyveterans.net
Website: www.tscompanyveterans.net/events

HAMMERS OF CHAOS
Date of Event: Sunday 24th April, 2006
Venue: GAMES WORKSHOP Gaming Centre Sheffield
Details: In the wake of the Storm of Chaos the Middle Mountain range has become the home of Orks, Necromancers and Chaos warbands. They are trapped between the anvil of the mountains and the hammer of the Empire and its allies. If the Empire is to withstand another incursion, the mountains must be cleansed!
Tickets cost £15 (including lunch). You will also need a 1,500pts army.
Contact: 01142 454 633
Website: www.games-workshop.co.uk/events

40K DOUBLES TOURNAMENT
Date: 30th April, 2006
Venue: GAMES WORKSHOP Gaming Centre Sheffield
Details: Pair up with a friend to battle against others in this competition of deadly duels. To play you will need two Combat Patrol forces of 500 points and a friend to play with. Details of the rules will be sent with the event pack. Tickets cost £20 (including lunch on the day).
Contact: 01142 454 633
Website: www.games-workshop.co.uk/events

WATCH THE SKIES
Date: 27th April, 2006
Venue: GAMES WORKSHOP Swindon
Details: Tau forces control the skies and most of the capital city of Medusa V. Kill-teams of the Office Sabitarum may offer the only hope left to Governor Praxas. If these elite Imperial soldiers could penetrate the Tau battle lines and disrupt the power relays for the Tau communications array, there might still be a chance to call for aid and defeat the xenos filth.
40K Kill-team event.
Contact: GW Swindon – 01793 436 036
Website: www.games-workshop.co.uk/events

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Warhammer Doubles Tournament
Date: Sunday 7th May, 2006
Venue: GAMES WORKSHOP Gaming Centre Sheffield
Details: Pair up with a friend to battle against others in this competition of deadly duels. To play you will need two Border Patrol forces of 500 points and a friend to play with. Full details of the rules will be sent with the event pack. Tickets cost £20 (including lunch on the day).
Contact: 0114 243 4633 for more details.
Website: www.games-workshop.co.uk/events

GW Presents: Battle of the Clubs 2006
Date: 14th May, 2006
Venue: Sporthal UvT, Tilburg
Details: The annual Battle of the Clubs tournament returns at the usual location, including both a Warhammer 40K and Warhammer team tournament.
Contact: NEEvents@games-workshop.co.uk
Website: www.games-workshop.co.uk/events
**Hobby Store Opening Times**

Games Workshop Hobby Centres have recently changed their opening hours. The new opening times are as follows:

- **Monday - Friday:** 12pm - 6pm
- **Saturday:** 10am - 6pm
- **Sunday:** 11am - 5pm

There are, however, the following exceptions:

- Stores in shopping centres still open and close according to shopping centre times.
- Each Hobby Centre has one late club night. The specific night this is held on is dependent upon the store.
- Some stores are not open everyday, such as the Gaming and Events Centre in Sheffield. Please ring the relevant store for details.
- To find out more information, pay a visit to your local Hobby Centre or give the staff a call.

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If you’re still unsure as to where your nearest stockist is located, why not call Games Workshop Direct on **0115 916 4000**. Stores highlighted in yellow indicate new stores.

Stores in green are elite Northern European stores; stores in blue are Northern European partnership stores. To be sure they will have exactly what you want in stock, we recommend you give them a quick phone call before visiting.

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No matter what your level of painting or modelling skill, if you spend 20 minutes with one of our members of staff you will see those skills improved and might find out something you never knew!

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All of our staff are experienced gamers. (Let’s tell them what they do for a living!) They can give you sound tactical advice, help you build battle-winning armies and clear up most of your rules queries.

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Our special Beginners’ programme teaches you how to play and helps you take your first steps into the Games Workshop hobby. The programme runs on Sundays, or whether you want to learn how to charge your knights into your opponent’s battle line or lead a squad of Space Marines into battle, all you need to do is come along!

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All of our stores have a Games Workshop Direct In-store order point which you can use to get your hands on all of our Specialist Games products, plus many exclusive miniatures, components and classic models with which to customise your Warhammer, Warhammer 40,000 and The Lord of The Rings forces.

**HOBBY ACTIVITIES**

Games Workshop hobby centres provide support and expert advice on all aspects of the hobby. On Sunday evenings many stores run activities for graduates from the Beginners’ Programme, whilst one weekday night a week, there is a Games Night for players to indulge in even more hobby activity.
### AVON
- **Bristol**
  - **Telford Games & Models**
  - **Drumond Park Centre**
- **Cheltenham**
  - **Warhammer World & Games Workshop**
  - **Warhammer World & Games Workshop**
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GROMBRINDAL'S PICK OF THE MONTH

Please find enclosed a photograph from the Evening Standard boarding, on the corner of Oxford/Regent Street. Imagine our surprise when, at the height of the Storm of Chaos, it appeared the Evening Standard may have been running its own special reports.

Nigel Bye.

Missing Kill-Team?
I was reading through the Kill-Team Nemesis article in WD310, when I noticed that the nemesis weapon options didn't cover the Imperial Guard!

Greg Wass.

You can find the update on the UK WD message board online: www.games-workshop.co.uk/whitedwarf – Owen

WHISPERS FROM THE WARP.
Mr M Brewer... use that as a 'counts as'... just don't have the S-4. Invulnerable, Alec Horan... hope you liked the mag. Pippa Cooper... can you please get in touch. Jamie Gilmour... that's a lot of Tyranids and that poor Guardian! Philip Thorogood... thanks for all the scenario ideas. I've passed them on. Dominic Knight... 26mm Dan Mountain... all in good time.

Mark Patterson... not anytime soon. Will Colgate... use Steel Legion with painted skulls or modelled on skulls from Empire shield boxes. Luke Courtney... I would assume, yes. Raymond von den Hooek... some models can only be attacked by magical weapons.

Mac Vuurich... we are now on the Clubs and Community pages.

Robert Holloway... yes! Stephen Bailey... should be out now. Adam Calver... if we see a good one, we'll do it. Jon Younie... added to ideas list. Jack Walker... we don't do those. Ashley... hope you enjoyed the Dark Eldar battle in 311. Lord Malachi... see Index: Astartes articles. Patrick Nilson... shallow dream no, it's our website.

Dan Bradley... no, but Mandraim is just as good. Francis Bridge... hope you found a Gaming Club in Switzerland! Gazzmaster14... in WD314. Adam Watts... please call our Hobby Specialist: Axel Lindmark... hello there Sweden! Matthew Greene... Gory's ego has now been enlarged re: his Imperial Guard. Gregi Sturges... hopefully this has been re-addressed in 311 and online. Michael Dustbury... all in good time.

BRAZEN CLAWS

Chris Widenbar sent us some pictures of his Brazen Claws Space Marines which I thought were nice and worthy of display. Chris has provided multiple angles of his Sergeant (top left), Tactical Squad Trooper (top right) and Assault Marine (bottom right) – Owen.

A Grudge too far...
When I had just finished reading last month's White Dwarf (311) I put it down on the table and noticed the Dwarf runes on the back. Instead of counting down the hours until I got the new Dwarf Army boxed set (I can't wait), I thought I would decode it. To me it read "never forget a grudge". I was wondering whether it is me who had made the mistake, or is it you?

Robert Simpson.

It is most certainly us and you are not the only one to have written in about this! I'd like to say we did it on purpose to see how many true Dwarf fans out there noticed, but then I'd be lying – Owen

Cool Conversion
Do you like my conversion of a Tyranid Hunter with heavy bolter, loading a hellfire shell?

Yes! – Owen

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WHITE DWARF PAINT STATION

What the team are painting this month.

Owen: I am on the cusp of attending the Warhammer 40,000 Doubles event this month and hobbying feverishly to get my models painted on time.

Me, and Doubles partner Jonathan Carter, are defending our Best Army award which we won last year. We're taking the same forces, Witch Hunters and Sisters of Battle, but with new models added. I'll let you know how we got on next month, but for now here is the Inquisitorial Rhino I'll be taking along to the tournament.

Nick: Thanks to my victories in the Mordheim campaign and in light of the imminent final showdown game, I've been painting a whole host of Hired Swords this month. An Ogre, Trollslayer, Pit Fighter and Halfling Scout, even the infamous Johann the Knife, have all pledged their blades to the 'Mordheim Men' and it's been wholly satisfying to watch my warband grow.

I've been so inspired that I've painted a couple of extra hirelings, too. Even if I don't get to use them in Mordheim, they'll be a great addition to my Empire army or as Dogs of War. I guess that's a great strength of games like Mordheim; they compliment your existing big armies and add an extra dimension to them.

If you've never tried Mordheim, give it a go, you'll be surprised at the possibilities and versatility...

Christian: I am still plugging away at a variety of projects. The High Elf army is nearly completed (3,000 points now!), the final model will be the centrepiece, a Prince riding a Griffin. This project has required a lot of patience and Green Stuff. My Warhammer Chaos army is creeping slowly towards 4,000 points as extra models slowly bulk out existing units.

Last month I showed the first part of a squad of revamped Black Legion Chaos Space Marines. They are now joined by the second half. This project is coming along quickly (it should do, the models are pretty much painted already) and I hope to have the whole army redone by July. Until next month!

Meanwhile, Rik's Blood Ravens receive Inquisitorial support with these, the first members of his Daemonhunter's retinue.

As promised, even more Black Legionnaires from the Byrux stable.
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