



BREAKING NEWS

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WELCOME

This page is to explain what you will find inside this free supplement for Starship Scavengers.

These are the front pages of an in-universe data sheet (newspaper) that goes out across the sector.

Written in a slightly trashy journalistic style whether you can believe all you read it up to you.

You will also find that the important news often gets regulated to the margins to make way for the more crowd-pleasing articles - like sporting events or music concerts. (Just like in real life.)

The idea is to amuse you and give you some extra content for your scavenger games.

The advert at the bottom of each page should have enough game rule information in it that you can buy and use the equipment in-game for your character.

SINGLE PAGE

This is important!

Each release of the Frontier Times is only the front page of the in-universe paper.

That means that each page you see in this collected edition is the front page of a different edition of the data sheet.

Sorry, but when it says 'see more on pg 43' there is no page 43. I know, mean of us, but we don't have the time to write the whole fake newspaper!

The pages are numbered but not dated so read in number order and you will see news stories start, rise and ebb away.

Issues are listed most recent first.

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NEW SHIP GRAVEYARD FOUND? MORE DETAILS SOON!

ANNUAL RELIEF RUN

Classic ship enthusiasts have been waiting for this for ages, the **annual charity relief run** has happened and as is tradition it has been led by a cotton-tail ship.

For those of you who skipped their starship drive history class in school, so-called cotton-tail ships are an unofficial class of ships that use an ancient inner-system space drive that dates back to the Wars of Unreason.

Pseudo-jump capable, these drives, when they burn hard enough, can initiate a small inner-system jump, or hop, as it is usually called.

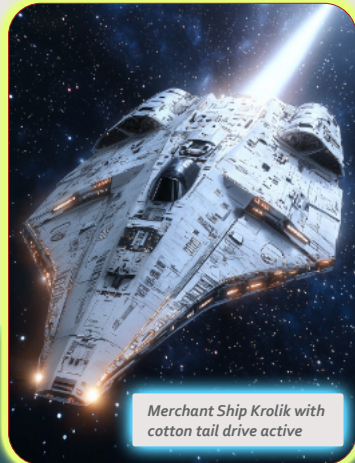
As everyone knows, regular jump engines cannot operate within a star system due to the gravitational forces from planetoids but the cotton-drive uses the gravitational waves and does some clever science stuff that makes the ship vanish, then reappear in a new location within the same system.

They get their name from a distinctive energy plume that is vented as the drive builds to the jump threshold.

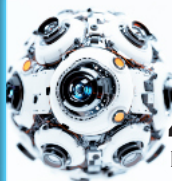
The use of these drives is heavily controlled and so the relief run, which sees a small armada of ships taking supplies from the capital planets to their neighbours is one of the few times that enthusiasts can gather to legally witness one of these ships in action.

Our science reporter Trixxie McBeal has talked with GA scientists and aside from interesting gossip about the local science director (see pictures page 3) she can confirm that the stories about the drives causing space-time anomalies or attracting wraith stalkers have no basis in science.

Of course, should something suitably horrible happen we will be the first to bring you the news!



Merchant Ship Krolik with cotton tail drive active



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BREAKING NEWS BIOSHIP VESSELS REPORTED ON THE EDGES OF THE SYSTEM

SMASHING TIME!

CyberDino is back!!! We make no apologies for the exclamation marks as it has been confirmed by BigBeasties Inc. that their infamous CyberDino Championship will return this year.

For those of you who live under a rock this sport sees giant robots smashing and shooting it out for victory in custom-built arenas – okay, usually abandoned towns but that’s pretty much the same thing.

Authorities declined to comment when we asked them but when pressed on it, a Galactic Alliance representative said, off the record, that ‘As long as the damned things don’t get out and eat people like last time, that will be fine.’



Billy Rex - Archive Picture

They are of course referring to the last championship, held on XX where a security wall was breached and twelve cyberdino’s went on a rampage through the capital city.

For archive footage from that event, see page 40 - not for sensitive viewers!

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NEW INFINITY PYRAMID RUMOURED TO HAVE BEEN LOCATED

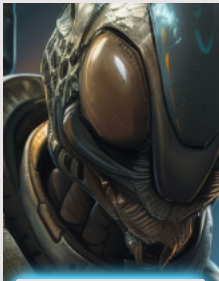
POLITICAL MELTDOWN

On the mantid homeworld of Tyx Prime, hive prime elections ended in turmoil in several districts when winning candidates were jumped upon by their rivals and eaten alive.

Perhaps most surprising of all is that after a re-ballot was called, the killers, despite being in custody, were each voted in for the position of Hive Prime in their respective districts.

A spokesman for one of the winning candidates pointed out that eating a rival within a day of their winning electoral office was allowed under mantid tradition. They also added several comments about human politics which are too rude for the front page (see inside editorial pg 42).

The spokesperson then ended with 'Sneckwits in glass pods shouldn't throw grixx'.



Hive Prime Tixx-Bixx reportedly eaten alive

We don't know what a grixx is but that also sounds pretty rude to us.

We hear the galactic alliance are speaking with the Tyx Prime world government to check the elections were by the book.

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AND, THE WINNER IS...

In a stunning climax to the 398th yacht race, Mondragol again proved why he is the racer to beat with a spectacular display of piloting that saw him gravity hop off a solar flare to beat the zuza Mora in a neck-and-neck race to the finish.

Race fans couldn't have asked for more with an assassination attempt on Star Marsh McQueen, disqualifications for not aiding ships in peril and a hair-raising finish.

Also, the Lucky Star passenger cruiser that was booked by avid race fans to watch the final leg has, at the time of writing, vanished without contact. We assume it is just a result of the unusual solar activity.



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NAVIGATION OUTAGES - QUANTUM TURBLENCE TO BLAME SAY SCIENTISTS

RACING LATEST

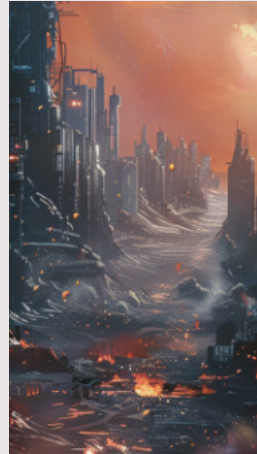
The solar yacht race rushes towards an epic climax with two pilots in close contention for a win after G'Rak was disqualified for 'actions unbecfitting a spacefarer' when he failed to stop and aid the Solar Queen, a civilian vessel. (As reported last issue.)

The solurian government has lodged a protest but sources close to Star Marshall McQueen say he is unlikely to rescind his decision.

This leaves this year's surprise star Mora (zuz) and Mondragol 'the shadow' (human) neck and neck. As per his usual racing style, Mondragol is shadowing Mora and refusing to take the lead.

Will that change when they enter the notorious solar chicane? Race fans will remember that last year, four vessels were destroyed by solar flares whilst trying to skim too close to the celestial giant. Naturally, if that happens we will bring you pictures and analysis!

Speaking of pictures, our social research bots have uncovered some very uncovered pictures of racing ace Mora in her private time. For more, see page 3 [age verification required]. [Legal Citation: 6996 Fair usage rights of private media apply.]



OMERTSON PRIME EXCLUSIVE!

We can share the first public picture from Omertson Prime since it went dark over a month ago.

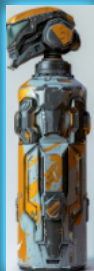
Our intrepid reporters paid good money to have someone else send this back so we could share it with you. A city on fire? a burning sky? Who, or what, could have done it? We discuss on page 47.

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CONTACT LOST WITH OMORTSON PRIME

RACE DISASTER AVERTED!

The solar yacht race nearly ended earlier today in disaster when the passenger liner Solar Queen lost power and drifted into the race lanes.

The salurian pilot G'Rak performed a last minute brake and burn manoeuvre to dodge the drifting vessel whilst the zuza pilot Mora who was in second place, abandoned her race to stay with the stricken liner, broadcasting a collision warning.

We understand that race officials are debating how to put her back into the race, potentially at the next transit point.

Questions are being asked why G'Rak's didn't stop and his team are yet to issue a statement.

For our analysis, see page 47.



Solar Queen on her maiden voyage six years ago



New T.Tay.T Concert

The highly popular, if controversial, cyborg singer T.Tay.T has announced new concert dates.

Tickets sold out in milli-seconds and authorities are warning against fake ticket scams and screening sessions.

Our arts and entertainment reporter Bitzy Bling profiles the singer on page 32.

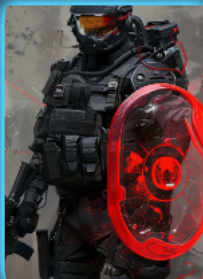
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PIRATE SIGHTINGS ON THE RISE - SECTOR WIDE WARNING IN PLACE

LAUNCHED!

After an unprecedented delay due to fears of pirate activity along the course and the mysterious assassination attempt on Star Marshal Johnny 'Comet' McQueen the 398th yacht race is finally underway!



Initial timing cams confirm that the ex-salurian-fighter-pilot-ace G'Rak is in the lead with the Zuza pilot Mora in surprise second place.

Fans will remember that Mora only just qualified with the lowest recorded trial time. We can only assume she's spent the last six cycles doing some serious training or engine tweaking for her to hold such a position.

All could change though as the race enters the Van Broom belt for the second leg.

And remember race fans, don't copy those sweet racing moves when flying over populated planets or you might get shot down by the orbital defence systems. Don't say we didn't warn you.

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MINISTER HARP RESIGNS CITING HEALTH REASONS

RACE FEVER!

Race fever is running high across the sector as the contestant list has finally been released for the 398th yacht race. With only two solar weeks to go before the start we have a full breakdown inside but the top news is that Star Marshal Johnny 'Comet' McQueen will be the official adjudicator this year.



Star Marshall McQueen is a local legend having been instrumental in brokering the peace deal with the Salurian Clans who held a historical

claim on the sector before the human empire moved in. We hope to bring you an exclusive interview with him just as soon as his people returns any of our many messages.

LUPRIZ STRIKES?

The theft of the Cabor Crystal has security forces baffled. Rumours

are that notorious thief Lupriz is behind it.

Read our editorial speculations on page 47.



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BREAKING NEWS VREET SEEN IN SYSTEM INWARD BOUND

GOOD NEWS FOR SCAVENGERS

Scanners are showing multiple wrecks detected. Registry scans are still being processed but initial indications are they are unassigned derelicts and suitable for salvage.

The corporate companies haven't shown an interest so either they know something we don't or they are too busy tracking the vreet spotted inward bound.

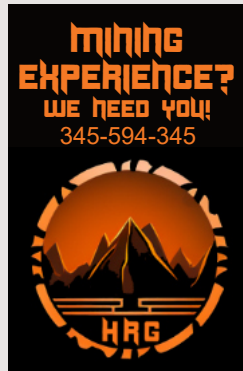
MINISTER IN TRADE BRIBERY SCANDAL

The question of the hour is - how did Trade Minister Harp afford that new shuttle on a government salary? We understand questions are being asked at the very top of the government on Meson IV.

The minister denies any wrong doing.

INNER PLANET YACHT RACE

The 39⁸th annual inner planet yacht race takes place in a solar month. Contestants have already been seen practising around the Von Bloom asteroid field. The contestant list has yet to be fully announced but we are expected to see several returning champions.



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