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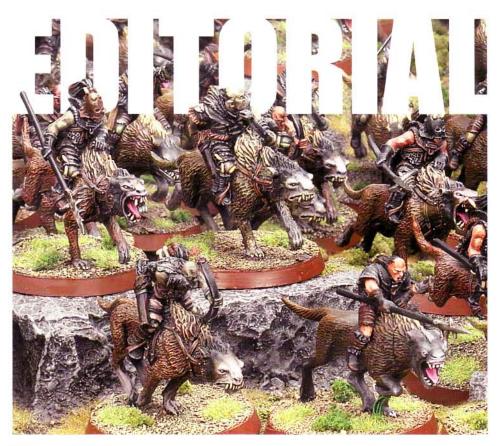
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lets you re-enact the tale of the book and film, with a whole host of new models to swell your forces. What this means is that you can build an impressive army and play competitive games like never before, but you can still use the new "Journey" supplement to settle down to some great scenarios and story-driven moments. With new models for just about every force in Middle-earth out in the next few months, it's never been a better time to play The Lord of the Rings!

Also this month, we have a battle report for the Fall of Medusa V campaign. Games guru Alessio Cavatore takes on our very own Old Grumbler, Matt Hutson, in what's set to be a real struggle for survival in the ruined city of Machavius.

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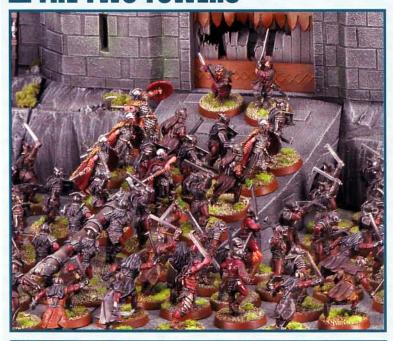
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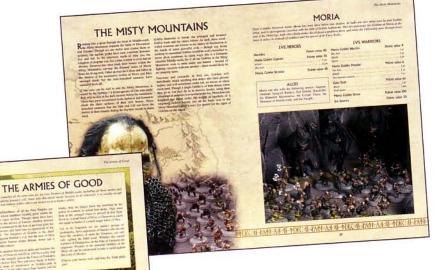


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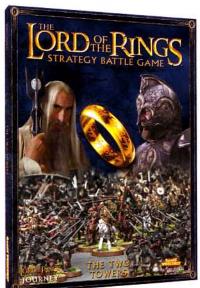
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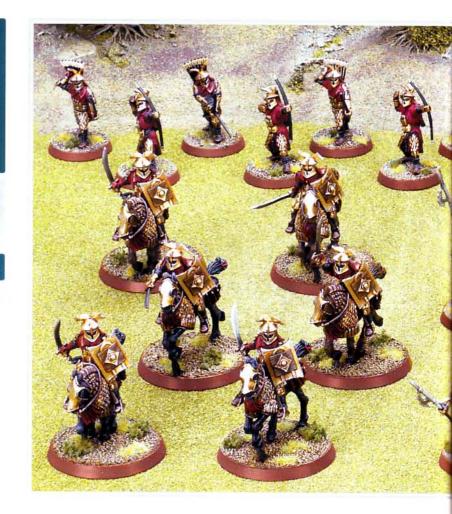
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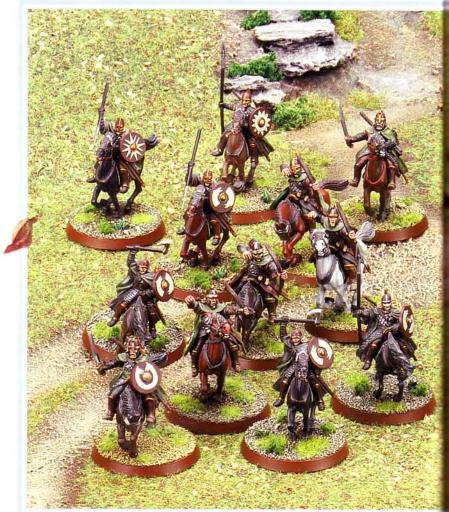
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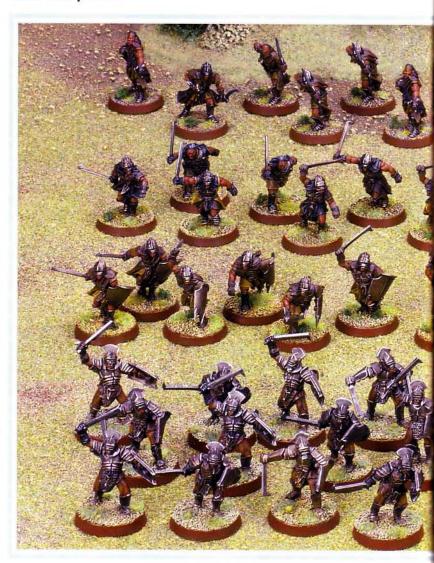
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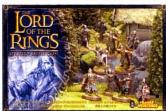
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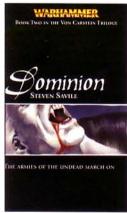


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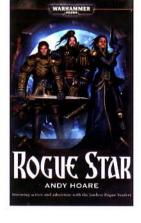


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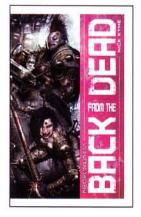
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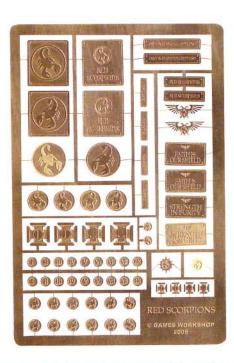
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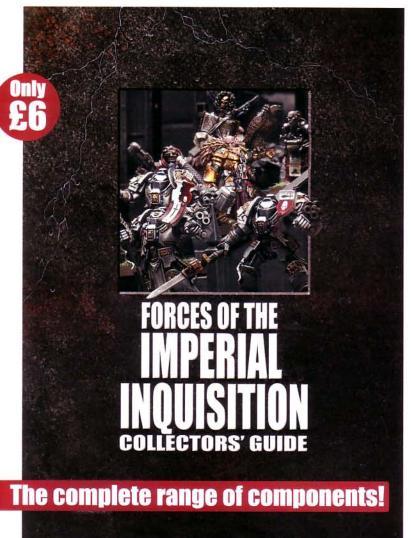
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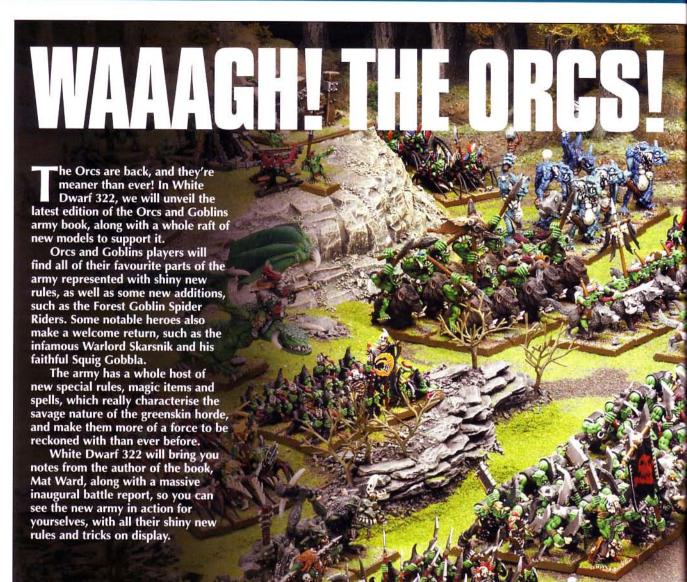


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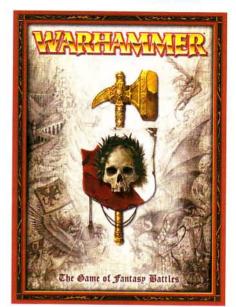
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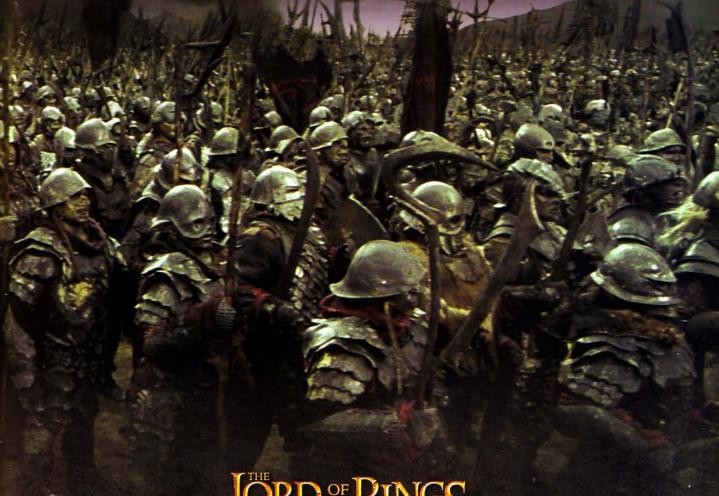
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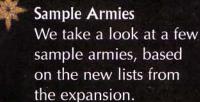


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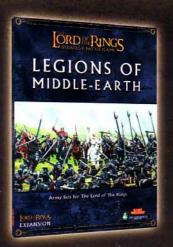
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Designer's Notes
Jervis Johnson reveals
what the publication of
Legions of Middle-earth
means for the game.



Battle Report
Alessio Cavatore and
Graham McNeill
commit to battle over
the ruins of Osgiliath.





Let slip the Wargs of war! With 49 army lists, the new Legions of Middle-earth expansion gives you all the information you need to fight battles with themed armies.

egions of Middle-earth is big news here at Games Workshop HQ. Drums roll out everywhere, from the pits of Isengard to the halls of the Dwarves, as armies of freshly painted miniatures march forth to do battle. Yet no doubt some of you are thinking "Battles? I thought the game allowed you to re-enact scenes from The Lord of the Rings?" Well, you'd be right. The fact is, it's both! We got Jervis Johnson, veteran Games Designer and the brains behind the project, to explain just what in Middle-earth is going on.

"We'd just finished the latest version of

the rules manual," he says, "and I began thinking about how people were actually playing The Lord of The Rings strategy battle game. We've always had a good idea of how people play our other games, but I can't say we were as confident with how gamers played The Lord of the Rings. It's skirmishy, yet there is a strong narrative element to it. I wanted to know how this worked out there."

See, Jervis' job is to cogitate on such matters. So he set out on a road trip, visiting numerous clubs and stores in search of the answers, sort of like a friendly Nazgûl seeking The One Ring.



"I went out to loads of clubs and stores. One thing that was immediately apparent was that gamers loved the game. They loved the miniatures range and they loved the background. As I expected, a lot of people were playing the scenarios that you get in the supplements and the rules manual, but there was this other group of people who were collecting themed armies and fighting pitched battles. And these gamers said that although the rules manual tells you how to play battles, they felt it was a little unstructured. The battle scenario in the rules manual lets you have all sorts of models on either side, just as long as they are either all Good or all Evil; there wasn't much direction in it to help players with theming armies. So this expansion was designed to address the needs of those people who like to play battles between two matched forces, those

who enjoy the satisfaction of going 'Ha ha! I won! I am the best general!" And who doesn't enjoy that?

Jervis is keen to point out that this is not the only way to play the game, and nor is it all about tournament style games.

"We are not being dictatorial. This is just one way of exploring the hobby; I actually discovered that a lot of gamers switch between the different kinds of The Lord of the Rings game, playing a battle one week and then saying 'Okay, next week we'll do the Weathertop scenario'. All these forms of gaming are equally valid, and we are going to continue releasing supplements like The Fellowship of The Ring and Shadow in the East. But while the other supplements focus on a specific journey through parts of the The Lord of the Rings story, here we try to give you a game that gives you even more options.

IN THE BOOK

- 49 Army lists
- 12 Points match battle scenarios
- 13 Answers to FAQs
- 7 Region-specific terrain generators

ALSO!

Sneaky peek - as we don't want to make our nice new army expansion obsolete as soon as it is released, some of the army lists include the names of miniatures we haven't made yet...

49 Army lists!

GOOD

The Fellowship of The Ring Arnor

The Grey Company

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Thranduil's Halls

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The Riders of Eorl

The Host of the

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Théoden's Host

The Tower of Ecthelion

Minas Tirith

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The Army of the High King

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The Dead of Dunharrow

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CHAMPIONS OF GOOD

The Wild Men of

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EVIL

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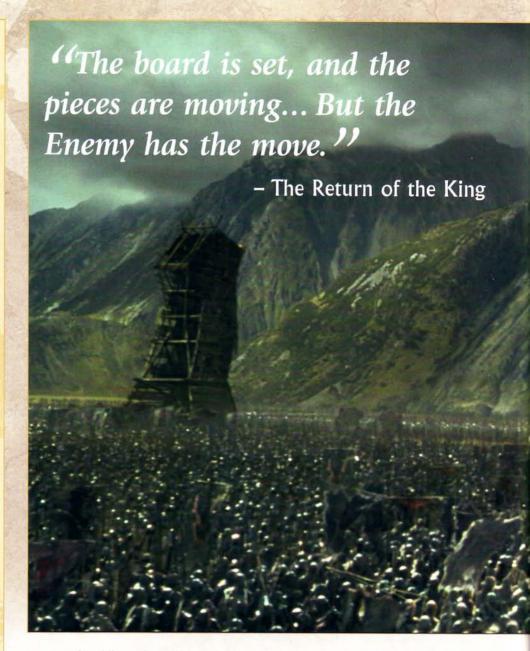
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Umbar

CHAMPIONS OF EVIL Monsters of Middle-earth The Nazgûl



Legions of Middle-earth is all about letting gamers choose how they want to play. You can decide who fights who."

Some of these new options are embodied in the scenarios, of which there are 12. These are all balanced game setups which make it easy for you to create a battle where you can pit your tactical abilities against an opponent and get a clear winner.

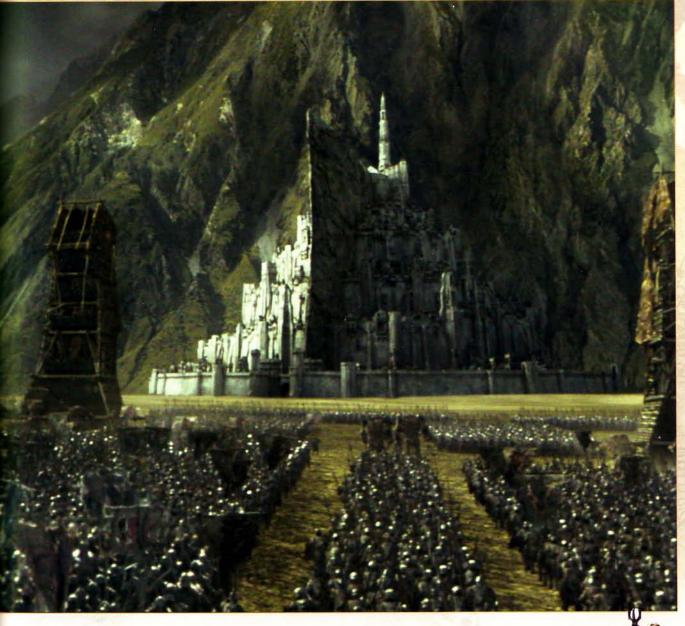
"They are all based on what I call mirroring, which means that the same victory conditions and set-up rules apply to both sides," Jervis explains. "They're also designed to work with whatever terrain people have. Players pointed out that if they wanted to play the journey-style scenarios that they'd often have to make a specific piece of scenery. Some people love that - I met one guy whose whole hobby was pretty much making beautiful

terrain for his club mates, but then not everyone has the time to do that, and then there is also the issue of what models you have painted up. It is a lot of fun getting scenery and models ready for a specific game, but sometimes you just want to turn up with an army and play."

Although players have themed their armies for a while anyway, this expansion gives clear guidelines on who and what can fight together. It is a pure gaming supplement. The characteristic profiles for all the models can be found elsewhere, and this has given us the chance to cram Legions of Middle-earth with loads of interesting army variants.

"The book is divided into Good and Evil forces, which are further broken down into several different sections based on specific regions or races," says Jervis, "for example, the Woodland Realms. For each





of these areas you have a variety of army lists. You might want a Wood Elf army, but do you want a Thranduil's Halls host or a Lothlórien army?"

Furthermore, certain Heroes are also restricted - Denethor can't be in an army with Aragorn, King Elessar, for example. This lets you pick up on themes within themes, and give your army a strong sense of time and place.

"Mat Ward, who wrote the book, can be thanked for that," says Jervis. "It needed someone like Mat, who has such a depth of knowledge about Middle-earth's background, to bring it all to life, and create variant armies that were interesting yet true to JRR Tolkien's work."

Another important aspect of the expansion is the allies system, as Middleearth's wars are often waged by coalitions of creatures.

"We wanted to give you the opportunity to recreate that, so half your points can be spent on allies from different army lists. The cool thing is that you can concentrate your theme on one army list, then expand that collection by adding extra bits to it if you fancy something different. Of course, most gamers will find themselves adding units here and there until they actually have enough Citadel miniatures for two armies."

The big thing about all this is that it's not a new direction for the game, nor is it a replacement for the established ways of playing. On the contrary, Legions of Middle-earth offers a deepening of The Lord of the Rings Strategy Battle Game hobby. If you want proof of that, check out our Two Towers feature elsewhere in this issue. Surely this is a good month to raise your flag over Middle-earth.



These powerful heroes make fantastic leaders for your legions.

Chéoden's Bost



Westfold Guards

Erkenbrand with Horse

Captain of Rohan with shield and

- **Riders of Rohan** with throwing spears 60 points
- 3 Rohan Royal Guard with horses and throwing spears

54 points

Warriors of Rohan with shields

56 points

- Warriors of Rohan with shields and throwing spears 72 points
- 2 Rohan Royal Guard with throwing spears 24 points

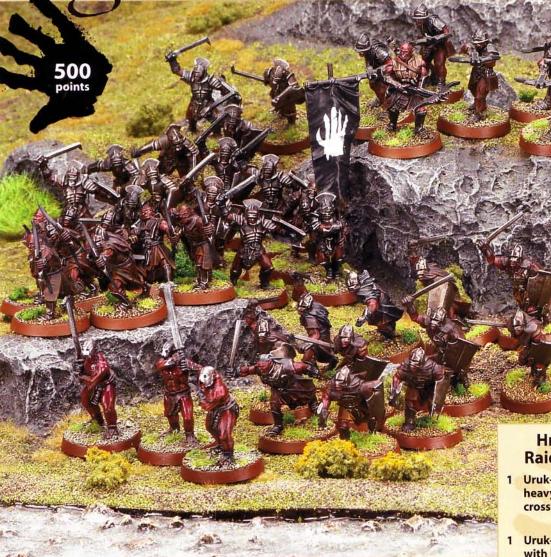
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don't know about you, but for me, the best scene in the entire The Lord of the Rings trilogy was the Ride of the Rohirrim. The sight of thousands of charging horsemen smashing into the Orcs outside Minas Tirith has to be one of the most spectacular pieces of cinema ever committed to celluloid. I defy anyone not to feel their heartbeat quicken as the music swells and King Théoden of Rohan rides along the line of warriors with his sword clattering against their spears. From that moment on, I knew that if I were to collect a force for The Lord of the Rings, it would have to be Rohan.

A good portion of my army was always going to be based around Riders of Rohan, so I started out with 12 of these guys. Cavalry are the best value for points in the game as far as I'm concerned; they're fast moving, can quickly react to enemy threats and anyone on foot has to walk warily when there's cavalry around that can knock them to the ground before trampling all over them! I chose Erkenbrand to lead the Riders of Rohan, since he's one tough customer and is loaded up with Might, Will and Fate. Since Heroes can often get ganged up on by lots of cheaper troops, I chose three Rohan Royal Guard on horseback to fight alongside him.

I also wanted a solid core of infantry, so chose 16 Warriors of Rohan with a Captain of Rohan to lead them, I then picked three Rohan Royal Guard on foot. since their Fight Value of 4 could make all the difference between winning and losing a fight if the dice results in a tie. Working together, there's not much this army can't handle and it has the speed and durability to succeed in almost any mission. Forth Éorlingas! Graham McNeill





Vith Uruk-hai, the trick is one of quantity, rather than quality -Saruman's finest are so expensive that the cost of elite troops quickly mounts up. Numbers really do count in The Lord of the Rings, and it's worth packing as many models into your army as you can. Therefore Uruk-hai Scouts are my main troops, mainly because they're cheaper than their comrades. Fortunately there is no such thing a weak Uruk-hai. With Fight and Strength 4, these chaps can happily clobber their way through anything other than Elves and, as the Firstborn are even more expensive than Uruk-hai, you can use superior numbers to deliver a beating.

I'll be aiming to win the fights - to increase my chances of this, I'll have the Uruk-hai Banner Bearer stay close to this group. The bow-armed Scouts will advance more slowly and give supporting fire to my

main attack wave. However, they're just as effective in close combat as my other warriors - if possible they'll pitch in!

The crossbow troops need to find a hill and start picking off dangerous-looking foes. The Warriors with shield stand at the front of my attack wave, using their Defence of 6 to shelter the more lightly armoured troops behind.

The Berserkers will be kept in the heart of my formation, safe from archery, until I've closed with the enemy. When the battle lines meet, they'll be unleashed on the biggest target I can find.

The Captain (I used the new Vraskû model to represent him) is best employed where the attack is stalling, but I'll choose my combats carefully. His Fight and Strength of 5 allow him to carve his way through Warriors and Captains, but Mat Ward Aragorn could ruin my day...

Hrashtâk's **Raiding Party**

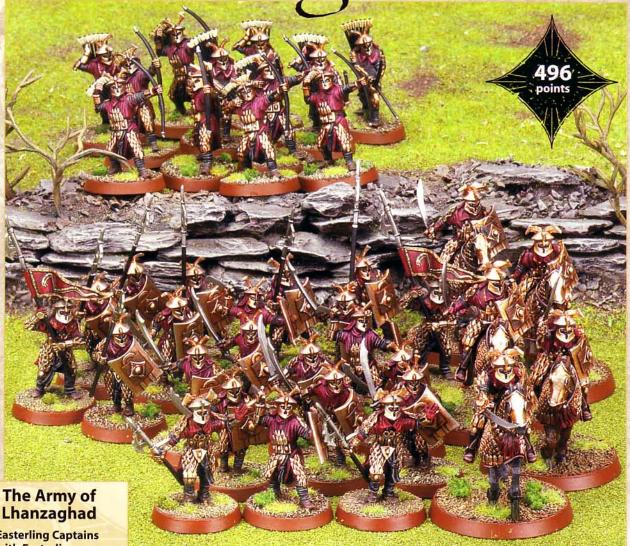
- **Uruk-hai Captain with** heavy armour and crossbow
 - 60 points

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- **Uruk-hai Warrior** with banner
 - 39 points
- 13 Uruk-hai Warriors with shields
 - 130 points
- **Uruk Hai Scouts** with bows
 - 72 points
- 11 Uruk Hai Scouts with shields
 - 99 points
- **Uruk-hai Berserkers** 45 points
- 5 Uruk-hai Warriors with crossbows
 - 55 points

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Che Easterlings



Easterling Captains with Easterling halberds

110 points

2 Easterling Warriors with banners

64 points

- **Easterling Warriors** with shields and spears 60 points
- 12 Easterling Warriors with shields

96 points

12 Easterling Warriors with bows

96 points

Easterling Kataphrakts 70 points

www.games-workshop.co.uk /store/thearmyoflhanzaghad Easterlings are a durable army. With good Courage and Defence values, they can take a beating that would break an Orc army to fragments. The weapon and troop options available to the Easterlings make their overall tactics simple yet effective: hold the foe with your infantry, pepper them with arrows and then unleash your gleaming Kataphrakts into the fray.

Easterling Warriors with shield and Easterling Warriors with shield and spear are reliable and solid troops, Defence 6 with a shield and a match for almost any Good troops. Divided into two groups of 12 (6 with shield and 6 with spear and shield) they create two small formations that can join together if necessary.

To prevent the enemy from flanking or disrupting your main infantry formations, direct the fire of your Easterling Warriors with bow carefully, targeting enemy

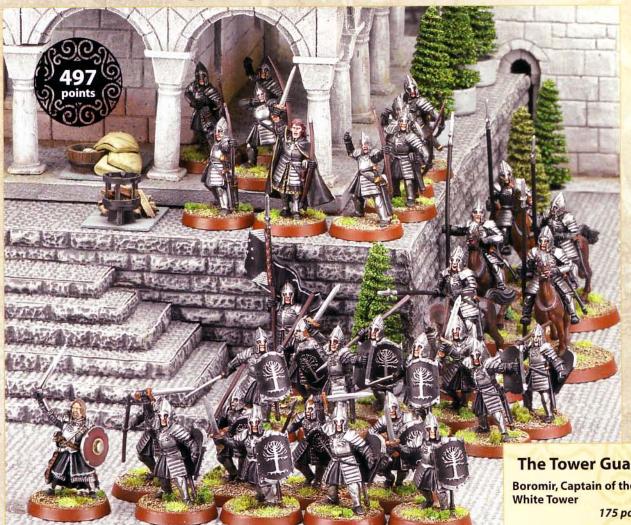
cavalry or Heroes. They are competent, rather than exceptional, archers, so they must concentrate their fire.

The Kataphrakts are shock troops, designed to break apart an enemy formation once it has been stopped by Warrior phalanxes. Whilst it is possible to perform a pre-emptive cavalry charge with these Kataphrakts, they are too few in number in this army to make a stand without support from infantry, instead they should crush the foe against a wall of unyielding shields and spears.

Lastly, one each of the Easterling Captains and Warriors with banner join each of the groups of Warriors. The fighting power of the group, augmented by the presence of a banner, whilst the Captain increases not only the hitting power of the unit but also the tactical flexibility, thanks Mat Ward

to Heroic actions.

Cower of Ecthelion



he noble Men of Gondor have had a tough time of it, with their constant battles against the Dark Lord. However, their might of arms makes them a great choice for Good players.

Taking most of the box set contents as the core of my force, I flicked through the pages of Legions of Middle-earth and decided on a Tower of Ecthelion army. There was really only one reason for this, and that reason is Boromir. In full armour and packing an astonishing 6 points of Might, Gondor's favourite son was the obvious choice for my general. Looking down the list for another Hero to swell my army, I made sure I could accommodate Beregond too. The inclusion of this Citadel Guard Hero makes the force historically viable as well as hard-hitting - Beregond was assigned to Boromir's personal guard, after all.

The basic Warriors of Minas Tirith are no pushovers, with their heavy armour providing protection against bowfire. A healthy smattering of spears and a banner bearer will ensure that the soldiery have some staying power in a prolonged fight. The Knights are among my favourite models, and with five of them in the box it seemed churlish not to take the lot.

In battle I use large blocks of infantry to hold vital areas of the board. In this case, the swordsmen and spearmen, led by Beregond. I keep Boromir nearby, but I like to keep powerful Heroes like this on their own, ready to nip in and help out where they're needed most. The archers move up slowly in support of the infantry block, loosing off some speculative volley fire shots early on. That leaves the Knights, who I'll use as a flanking force, threatening Mark Latham enemy infantry.

The Tower Guard

Boromir, Captain of the

175 points

gions of Middle-earth

Beregond of Gondor 25 points

1 Warrior of Minas Tirith **Banner Bearer** 32 points

- **Knights of Minas Tirith** 65 points
- 8 Warriors of Minas Tirith with spears and shields

72 points

8 Warriors of Minas **Tirith with swords** and shields

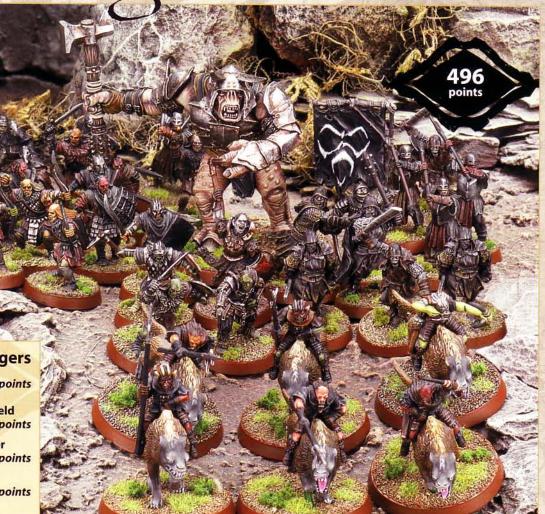
64 points

8 Warriors of Minas **Tirith with bows**

64 points

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Cirith Ungol



Gorbag's Ravagers

Gorbag

45 points

Orc Captain with shield 45 points

- **Orc Banner Bearer** 30 points
- Orcs with spears 48 points
- Orcs with shields 48 points
- Orcs with bows 24 points
- Orcs with two-handed

weapons

18 points

- Warg Riders with spears and shields 60 points
- Warg Riders with bows 26 points
- Mordor Uruk-hai 16 points
- Mordor Uruk-hai with two-handed weapons 36 points
- **Mordor Troll** 100 points

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he new Host of Cirith Ungol box set contains so much stuff that it makes picking a 500 point list very easy indeed.

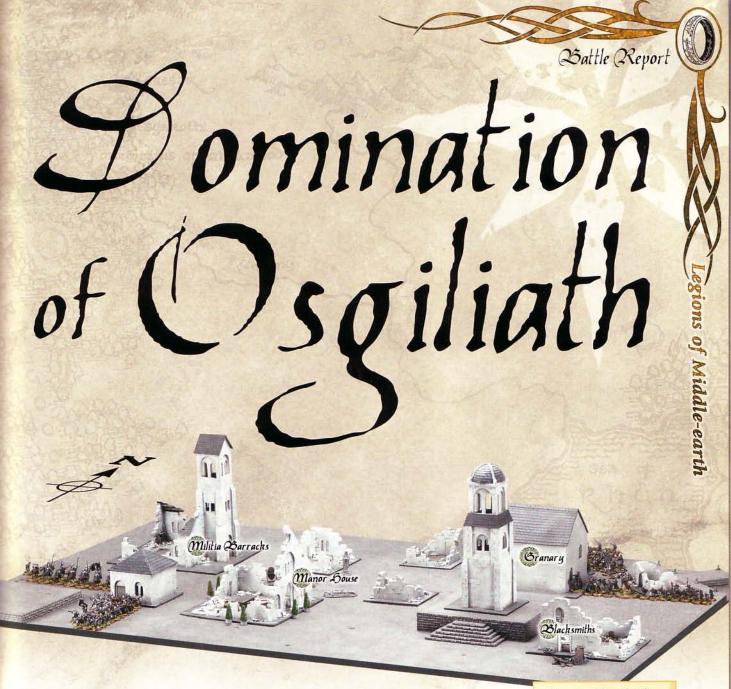
I really wanted Gorbag to lead the army, because having a named character from the book or the film at the head of your force makes it immediately more atmospheric. Once I added Gorbag to the box contents, my force was already 'overpointed', so I was left to strip it down to accommodate this deadly Hero.

The army has a good solid core of infantry, being nearly 40 models strong altogether. Although these are mostly Orcs, who are, let's admit it, hardly the best fighters in Middle-earth, the sheer weight of bodies on the field should mean that they will nearly always outnumber the opposition; very handy for trapping lone Heroes in fights. Six Warg Riders are nothing to be sniffed at either - these fast

troops are great for getting round behind the enemy or isolating small pockets of the opposing force.

Although Orcs are a cowardly rabble, this army does have a hard centre to it six Mordor Uruk-hai and a Mordor Troll. The Uruk-hai are easily the match of most other races' troops, while the Troll is just awesome. These monsters are so powerful that they can easily deal with the warriors of an opposing army, and will even give many of the less mighty Heroes pause for thought before engaging them.

A force of Cirith Ungol is a fantastic shock force for the budding Evil player. I think that, to expand this army in the future, I'd look to the allied lists - perhaps the Black Gate or Barad-dûr. However, I'd confidently state that this force would give any 500 points worth of Good guys a run for their money. Alessio Cavatore



Legions of Middle-earth Battle Report

Amidst the ruins of Osgiliath, something wicked stirs... the forces of Cirith Ungol have arrived across the Anduin, eager to feast on Man-flesh!

Scenario

The battlefield is dominated by four objectives - in this case a militia barracks, ruined manor house, granary and blacksmith's forge. Each of these buildings contains either vital supplies for the ongoing struggle for Osgiliath, or are strategically important positions.

Winning the Game

The game may end as soon as one force has been broken. At the end of each turn after this condition has been met, roll a

dice. On the score of a 1 or 2, the game ends. At this point, the player who has the most models within each objective building has claimed it.

Major Victory

You have captured all four buildings.

Minor Victory

You have captured three buildings.

You have captured two buildings or less.

Game Statistics

Scenario

Domination

Forces

Cirith Ungol and The Black Gate

The Tower of Ecthelion and Rangers of Ithilien

Players

Graham McNeill Alessio Cavatore

Points 750

> Location Osgiliath

Timeline

The War of The Ring

Faramir's Guard



Alessio Cavatore

Alessio Cavatore has written several books for Warhammer and The Lord of the Rings strategy battle game. He is responsible for the rules content of Games Workshop's three main game systems. Alessio: I wanted my force to represent the defenders of Osgiliath. In particular I was thinking of the tragic scene when Faramir rides out at the head of the knights of Minas Tirith to try and re-capture the lost city. Using the contents of the Host box, I formed the core of my army from a solid group of Warriors of Minas Tirith and Citadel Guard, always very difficult to kill on account of their heavy armour. The box also contains a Captain and Banner Bearer – perfect to lead my infantry.

Since I already had some knights in my basic force, I expanded their numbers considerably (and gave them a banner as well!) and then bought Faramir in his knightly garb to lead them. Together they form a mighty strike force, though I hoped they'd do better than getting themselves shot to pieces like in the film!

I completed my force by buying a group of Rangers of Gondor to offer me some nice extra firepower. As Faramir was riding out with his knights, I put Madril in charge of these brave bowmen.

My force was picked from two different army lists. The first was chosen from the Tower of Ecthelion list, and included Faramir, the knights and the bow-armed Warriors of Minas Tirith, plus the Citadel Guard and a couple of warriors to make sure I kept to the army's bow-limit.

The second (allied) contingent was picked from the Defenders of Osgiliath list and was led by Madril. It included the Rangers and enough Warriors of Minas Tirith without bows to make this allied contingent legal as well.

We were ready to do battle with the forces of Mordor.

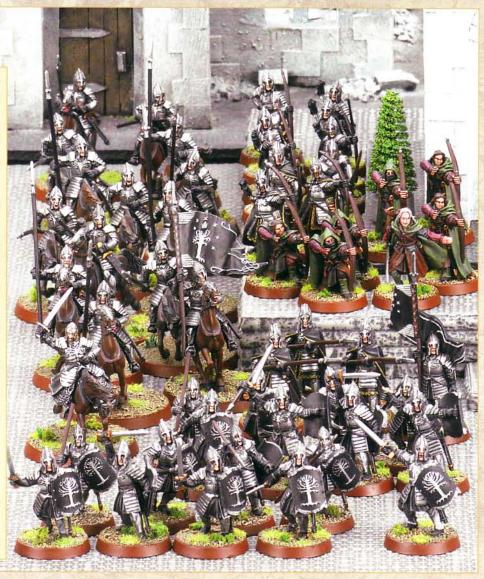
Faramir with heavy armour and horse 85 points

Beren, Captain of Minas Tirith with shield 55 points

Madril

55 points

- 6 Rangers of Gondor 48 points
- 13 Knights of Minas Tirith 169 points
- 1 Knight of Minas Tirith with banner 38 points
- 3 Citadel Guard with longbows 30 points
- 3 Citadel Guard with spears 27 points
- 8 Warriors of Minas Tirith with shields and spears 72 points
- 8 Warriors of Minas Tirith with shields 64 points
- 8 Warriors of Minas Tirith with bows 64 points
- 1 Warrior of Minas Tirith with banner 32 points



Cake the City!

Graham: I've got 750 points of Evil to storm the ruins of Osgiliath and capture it for the Dark Lord. No problem, right? I decided to use the Host of Cirith Ungol largely because I wanted to use Shelob to psyche out Alessio. My opponent has an amusing (well, to me at least) phobia of spiders and, since the model of Shelob is so gruesomely icky, I hoped it might keep him a little off balance. Well, it could work. I started by choosing a solid cadre of Heroes, since I didn't want to be 'out-Mighted' in this scenario. I've always liked the Mouth of Sauron and hoped to use his Transfix power in conjunction with Shelob to give her a better chance of killing any heroes that went up against her. An Orc Captain and Shagrat gave me more Might to play with and the Orc Shaman's Fury power would keep me in the game when

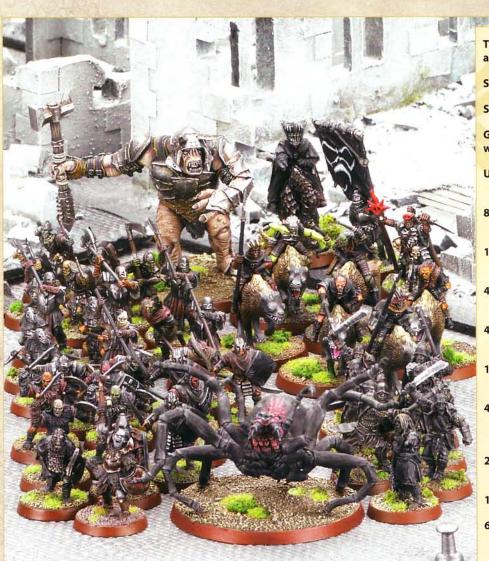
casualties became heavy (and you never know, I thought I might roll a few sixes to save the odd Orc here and there).

My Warriors were a much simpler choice; I took the Mordor Troll because there's not much that stands a chance of killing one of these monsters. I surrounded him with a collection of Orcs armed with a variety of weapons. I planned to throw the Uruk-hai and the Orcs with two-handed weapons in first, with the Orcs armed with spears behind them to give them an extra attack. The Warg Riders would provide a mobile force that could strike at any enemy Warriors on foot that strayed too far from the protection of the Knights of Minas Tirith. Though my force wasn't as numerous as I'd like, it had more than enough hard-hitting nasties to crush all before me. The time of Men is over!



Graham McNeill

By day, Graham McNeill works as a mild mannered Games Developer. By night, he doesn't fight crime, nor does he stalk the streets as an avenging superhero. Honest. He doesn't.



The Mouth of Sauron with 75 points armoured horse

Shelob 90 points

Shagrat 55 points

Gharukh, Orc Captain with shield 45 points

Uldhaur, Orc Shaman 50 points

8 Orcs with spears 48 points

11 Orcs with shields 66 points

Orcs with two-handed weapons 24 points

Orcs with bows

24 points

Orc with banner

30 points

Warg Riders with shields and throwing spears 60 points

Warg Riders with bows 26 points

Mordor Troll 100 points

Mordor Uruk-hai with two-handed weapons 54 points

Let Battle Commence curns 1-5

As dawn breaks over the desolate ruins of Osgiliath, Faramir's loyal warriors are filled with dread - Orcs of Cirith Ungol infest this once-proud city.

n the opening phases of the game, Graham's forces scurried forwards towards the objectives. A lone Orc archer clambered into the granary that lay nearest the Evil deployment zone, taking up a firing position by a window and claiming the building in the name of the Dark Lord. Meanwhile the bulk of the army, including the Mouth of Sauron, Shagrat and the Mordor Troll, headed south to claim the blacksmith's forge. Shelob scuttled westwards with the Warg Riders in tow, hoping to reach the militia barracks.

In contrast, there was little movement from the forces of Good. Faramir and his knights cantered north, intent on instigating a cavalry battle with the loathsome Wolves of Cirith Ungol. As Graham stood puzzled at Alessio's lack of movement, it wasn't long before all became clear. Having bunched up all of his bow-armed warriors behind the ruined manor house, Alessio had no fewer than 18 shots per turn in volley fire barrages! One arrow found its mark on Shelob, forcing the monstrous Spider to spend a Will point in order to pass her Courage test.

Volley Fire!

Alessio's force contains the absolute maximum number of bow-armed troops available to an army in The Lord of the Rings. By bunching them together as he did in the early turns of the game, he was able to make great use of volley fire. While it's not the most accurate way to take down the enemy, Alessio rolled an inordinate amount of sixes to hit, making Graham think twice about breaking cover with many of his more valuable models.



"I will not yield the river and Pelennor unfought. Osgiliath must be retaken."

- Denethor, The Return of the King

Objective Cracker









Legions of Middle-earth

Concerned by the amount of missile fire that his forces were already attracting, Graham began Turn 3 by casting Fury with his Orc Shaman. The large force he was accompanying moved up to the ruins of the forge, consolidating their position. The Wargs began to take pot-shots at the Knights of Minas Tirith - neither set of mounted warriors seemed keen to get into a charging position, as Graham was wary of Alessio's numbers, while Alessio in turn feared Shelob's monstrous charge!

Alessio split up his mass of archers, moving the Rangers and bow-armed Warriors of Minas Tirith into the ruins of the manor house, with the remainder skirting around the edge to get into a more direct shooting position. This group contained 3 Citadel Guard, whose pinpoint accuracy accounted

for another wound on Shelob. This time the Spider passed her Courage test without the aid of a Will point. In the fifth turn, the volley fire continued, with the Rangers claiming a Warg. The Warriors of Minas Tirith began to lend supporting fire to Beren and his warriors, who were bearing down on the forge, but could not yet find their range.

Seeing the threat of a mass of Warriors of Minas Tirith advancing towards his forces, Graham sent a detachment to intercept them. With Shagrat, an Orc Shaman and a Banner Bearer amongst them, Graham felt confident they could hold their own. Finally, he sent his Troll storming off to the north of the board to join the Warg Riders in the hope of breaking the deadlock between the two cavalry forces.

Keeping in Formation

When Alessio's spearmen and swordarmed warriors reached the tower near the forge, he arranged his models in a defensively sound formation. Using the tower to shield his flank, Alessio placed the Citadel Guard and the Warriors of Minas Tirith with swords to the front of his lines, with a row of spearmen in support. With a Banner Bearer and a Captain nearby, this phalanx was to prove near impregnable...

Orc Banner Bearer

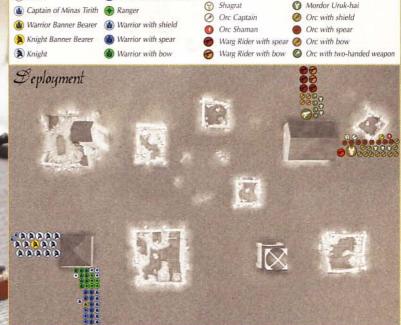
Mordor Troll



Faramir

Madril





Mouth of Sauron

Shelob

Citadel Guard with bow

Citadel Guard with spear



Curns b - 9

The bold Men of Gondor advance warily towards the Orc horde, as Shagrat's brutish forces prepare to smash them asunder!

n turn 6, the tense stand-off between the cavalry continued. while Graham's Orcs clattered into the carefully arranged phalanx of Gondorian warriors next to the tower. The rest of the turn proved largely uneventful, with Alessio's shooting proving highly inaccurate. However, this was merely the calm before the storm.

In the seventh turn, Shagrat called a Heroic Move to ensure that the Orc horde could bring their numbers to bear against the Gondorian phalanx. To the north,

> Alessio decided that the cavalry stalemate had gone on long enough and sped his knights away, hoping they could prove more decisive elsewhere. The bow-armed Gondorians

in the manor house sought out better shooting positions, which was just as well, as Graham decided that he was tired of Alessio trying to turn his warriors into pincushions, and so redeployed his Troll to take care of the Rangers.

In the Shoot phase the Warg Riders, buoyed by the perceived cowardice of the Knights of Gondor, sent a volley towards their cavalry foes and felled one of them. Madril and the rest of Alessio's missile troops turned their attentions to the hulking Troll, wounding the beast twice. Graham hadn't expected that...

As the vicious melee by the bell tower got underway, the Gondorians gained the upper hand. However, the Fury spell that was earlier cast by the Shaman proved pivotal, saving the Orc Captain from certain death.



While the cavalry battle was turning into a waiting game, the Warg Riders had some success with their bows, taking down a Knight of Minas Tirith.

Militia Barracks

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Rangers of Gondor

Throughout the game the Rangers of Gondor and their Captain, Madril, had continued to impress. Their impressive shooting values started to come into their own in turn 7, with the Troll falling victim to their deadly arrows. Graham had left them to their own devices for much of the game, and was already starting to regret that decision.











egions of Middle-earth



Fury!

The Orc Shaman had so far performed quite poorly, both in the fighting and spell-casting stakes. However, Graham's early success in casting the Fury spell turned out to be priceless -Graham seemed to have an uncanny ability to make crucial Fury saves, keeping his Orcs in the fight when by rights they should have fallen.

Graham gained priority in turn 8, and charged all of his models back into combat to the south. The Troll sped towards the Rangers, while the Warg Riders separated into two groups - the main bulk of them staying put, ready to shoot at the knights again, while four broke away to join up with the Mouth of Sauron. Alessio. meanwhile, had other ideas for Faramir's Knights, moving further away from the Wargs and Shelob, leaving Graham's cavalry out on a limb.

In the Shoot phase the Warriors of Minas Tirith with bows opened fire at the advancing Troll, and Graham could only look on in horror as the brute was shot down! In the Fight phase, the Evil side cut into the wall of spears that lay before them and began to gain the upper hand.

By the start of turn 9 both players realised that they had been far too cautious so far, and made a serious play to get into close combat. The Mouth of Sauron called a Heroic Move and cast Terrifying Aura on himself. Graham's Warg Riders made their move, hurtling into the Knights of Minas Tirith, throwing spears into the mass of horsemen as they charged. One Knight fell before the battle lines met in a frenzy of tooth against steel! Shooting became a risky business, with few archers being able to pick out a distinct target.



The Fight phase heralded a real turn of luck for Graham, as Shagrat cut down Beren, while his own Captain, Garukh, survived the combat only due to the Shaman's Fury power. Meanwhile Faramir fought two Warg Riders to a standstill, but Shelob was bearing down on him...

"Graham looked on in horror as the Troll was shot down. "

Dictory or Seath Curns 10-14

Saddened at the death of Beren, yet buoyed by the felling of the Troll, the Gondorians steeled themselves to reclaim Osgiliath, building by building...

hree of Faramir's Knights charged into the main combat by the bell tower, while the rest battled on relentlessly against the Warg Riders.
Faramir took a Courage test, passed it, and crashed into Shelob. The young Captain of Gondor was determined to defeat the beast that dared defile his city! Alessio realised that he was neglecting the objectives, and sent a lone Minas Tirith swordsman north to the barracks to claim it.

Things began to get messy, especially when Graham tried some risky shots into the midst of the combat. Four Orcs unleashed a volley, only to kill the Mouth of Sauron's horse, forcing him to face a charging Knight at a major disadvantage. Alessio's archers stayed in a tight formation, waiting for their chance.

In the large combat carnage ensued – the Knights of Minas Tirith cleaved three Orcs, while the Evil Heroes claimed the Minas Tirith Banner Bearer, a spearman and a Knight in reply. Yet again, Graham passed a Fury save, this time sparing an Uruk-hai its fate. As the turn drew to a close, both generals surveyed the

battlefield. With two buildings apiece under their control, and both forces looking rather depleted, there was still all to play for.

Turn 11 began with Heroic Moves being called by both Faramir and the Mouth of Sauron. Crucially, Faramir won the roll-off and charged into Shelob yet again, although he had to expend 2 points of Will to do so. Faramir's Knights intercepted the Mouth of Sauron and the remaining Warg Riders, not only nullifying the Evil Heroic Move, but also ensuring that Faramir and Shelob would fight on equal terms. Finally, Alessio sent the last two knights galloping off towards the tower, where they could either help out in the main fight, or try to take the forge themselves.

The Shoot phase saw Madril and one of his Rangers kill the Orc in the granary, bringing the Good side closer to victory. In some brutal close-quarter fighting, the Good side escaped without taking any wounds. Graham had so far had it mostly his own way, but Alessio seemed to be staging a dramatic comeback.





Faramir and the Mouth of Sauron are two very different kinds of Hero, yet both used their Heroic actions to keep their men in the game when the going got tough.

"Graham had so far had it mostly his own way, but Alessio seemed to be staging a dramatic comeback."





Objective Cracker











End Game

Alessio managed to sneak two Knights of Minas Tirith straight past the whirling melee that had gone on for so long near the bell tower. Graham simply did not pay these models heed, and as a result they walked into an undefended objective. The moral of the tale is to never underestimate the **Knights of Minas** Tirith - when the glory of Gondor is at stake, they won't let you down!

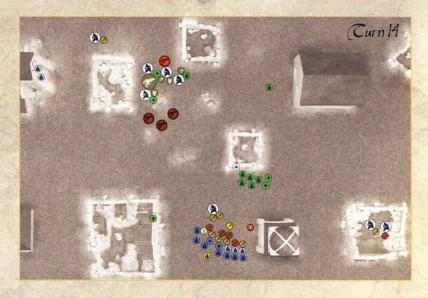
At the start of turn 12, Evil took priority, although Faramir called a Heroic Move to usurp the order. Both players had one thing on their minds at this point - throw bodies into the fight. Faramir again charged Shelob, but this time the Spider was aided by two Orcs with two-handed weapons. Graham's bow-armed Orcs also joined the fray, charging into the nearby Knights. Realising the large combat that had raged for most of the game in the centre would probably decide the battle's outcome, Alessio charged Madril and two Rangers into the mass of Orcs, while the two Knights who had previously headed south decided to make for the forge.

In the fighting in the north of the board, it was the Good side that suffered. Faramir took a wound and was forced to expend 2 Fate points to resist it. By the tower the Warriors of Minas Tirith were falling beneath the Orc onslaught, with Madril failing to tip the balance.

Turn 13 saw nearly every model getting into the fight, with the Orc Shaman being forced to call a Heroic Move to keep the advantage with the Evil side, while keeping himself out of harm's way. However, the tenacity of the Men of Gondor finally shone through, with enough Uruk-hai falling to the lances of Faramir's Knights to signal the breaking of the Evil force. Over at the forge, the two Knights of Minas Tirith dismounted and burst into the building, ready to face the two Orcs within. Graham was ready to concede the draw, but Alessio prayed for another turn. The dice was rolled and came up a 4 - play would continue on.

With the Evil force broken, several Orcs fled the field, including the two who were holding the forge. The Shaman spent his remaining Will points to stay in the game, while Shagrat called a Heroic Move to try to keep hold of the objective, but there was no Evil model quite within range of the forge to contest it. With their way unopposed, the two Knights of Minas Tirith consolidated within the building, securing the fate of Osgiliath.

End Result Good Dictor 4



Conclusions

For the glory of Gondor!

Alessio: At the start of this game, I was really worried that Graham was going to overrun me. He had a whole lot of Orcs and two big, scary monsters on his side. However, my plan seemed to work, and I think I proved that there is indeed strength left in Men. The game was very close much closer than the final score would suggest. However, in retrospect I think I could have broken the deadlock much earlier by being bolder with the Knights. I was far too wary of that Spider...

Luckily I managed to break the Orc army before Shelob could make too much of a mess of Faramir and his Knights. As usual, when an Orc army breaks they tend to dissolve rather quickly, especially if you manage to get rid of those vital Shamans and their Fury. The only real mistake I can find in Graham's tactics was that he needlessly exposed the Orcs guarding one of his buildings to my bowfire, allowing me to clear this particular objective relatively easily. Other than that I think he did rather well and he was unlucky, because if the game lasted one more turn his Orcs, led by the unstoppable Shagrat, would have probably made it inside one of my buildings, and then the result would have been very different.

Men of the Match

I don't think I can pinpoint a single model as the best of the game, as none of them shone particularly during the battle. I will therefore assign this title collectively to my bowmen and rangers, because I'm quite convinced that taking out the Troll before it could make it into combat was an absolutely decisive moment. And they made it just in the nick of time, with their very last arrow!



"I could have broken the deadlock much earlier by being bolder with the Knights."

Orcs of the Match

My Orc Heroes and Shaman get my nomination for best fighters. They did sterling work in holding the combat around the bell tower together with their combination of Heroic moves and the Fury power.



(The mean old Spider didn't have much luck against Faramir."

Think of the Trolls

Graham: Well that didn't work out too well, did it? Though the critters of Cirith Ungol were booted back to the mountains from whence they came, they gave a good account of themselves before they went. Or at least until the last few turns they did. I think my biggest mistake was wavering on what I wanted the Troll to do. With hindsight I should have stuck to my plan of having him trudge forward with the Orcs in support, but I ended up reacting to Alessio and moved him off on his own. And even then I didn't stay on target and ended up moving the Troll in a different direction again! This meant that he got shot to pieces before he had a chance to have an effect on the game.

Alessio played cagily with his force until the right time to strike arrived, unleashing the Knights of Minas Tirith upon my depleted Orcs and Shelob. The mean old spider didn't have much luck against Faramir, though when the Orcs finally managed to help her, she almost accounted for the Hero. I'd also hoped I could break through Alessio's army to reach his objective buildings, so only left a token force behind to guard mine. What a mistake that turned out to be ...

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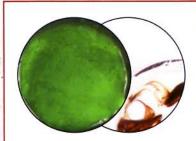
Recently we've been experimenting with Water Effects fluid. Here we take a look at mixing this useful liquid with Citadel paints and inks, to achieve some unusual and realistic aquatic effects.





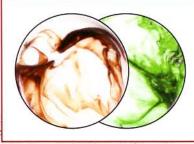
Base painting

The simplest way to add colour to your Water Effects is to paint the surface you are going to apply it to. If you graduate the colour from dark shades in the middle to lighter shades on the outer edges, you get the impression of varying depths of water.



Coloured Water

When you want a strong pigmentation to your Water Effects, you can add ink into the fluid before you pour it. The mix dries translucent and glossy. When adding ink to your Water Effects you need to remember that, when wet, the fluid has a milky appearance but dries clear. Mix the colour paler than you anticipate, as the colour will become richer when it dries.



Swirl effects

Instead of mixing the ink with the Water Effects before application, apply the fluid and then add some ink, stirring it with a brush or cocktail stick but without mixing it completely. When dry, the swirls of ink give an interesting effect, like some foreign substance has leaked into the water.



Waste pipes

A set of waste pipes is a quick and easy terrain feature for your games of Warhammer 40,000. To make the waste-pipes scenery piece shown here, we first poured Water Effects onto the base. Next, we mixed some Sunburst Yellow with more Water Effects fluid, before using a brush to apply it to the pipe and pool – the mix dispersed naturally into the pool as it dried.

TESTING METHOD

When mixing Water Effects with paints and inks for the first time, it's well worth testing the effects to ensure you get the right ratio of fluid to pigment. Try painting the underside of some slotta bases with Skull White and use these as test palettes. One other benefit of testing is that it makes you aware of potential problems. In this case, we discovered that adding paint and ink to Water Effects increases the drying time - useful to know when embarking on a large modelling project.



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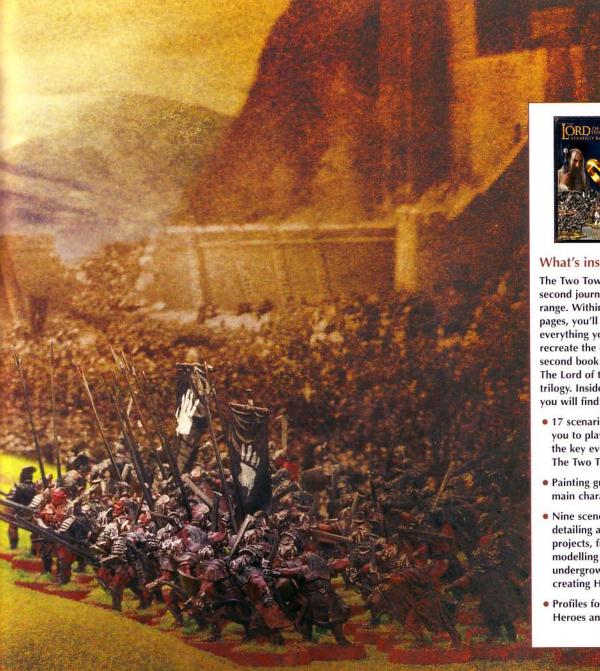


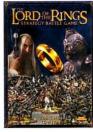
Designer's Notes

Adam Troke takes us on a brand new journey for The Lord of the Rings strategy battle game.

SO IT BEGINS...







What's inside...

The Two Towers is the second journey in this range. Within its 96 pages, you'll find everything you need to recreate the events of the second book and film in The Lord of the Rings trilogy. Inside this tome you will find:

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The latest Journey for The Lord of the Rings Strategy Battle Game is here, allowing you to recreate the events of the books and film through a series of new story-driven scenarios.

he Two Towers journey continues where The Fellowship of The Ring left off. Through seventeen scenarios, it allows players to re-enact the middle part of The Lord of the Rings trilogy, tracing the story as told in the books with a few nods to some of the spectacular film moments. We caught up with Games Developer Adam Troke, co-author of the new supplement, to tell us all about it.

"In The Two Towers you see three stories unravelling together," Adam says. "Frodo and Sam are bound for Mordor with Gollum in tow, and all the dangers that presents. Aragorn, Legolas and Gimli start off trying to rescue Merry and Pippin, as you know - and end up battling for the fate of Rohan! Then, of course, there's Merry and Pippin. They get caught up with Treebeard and the other Ents and get involved in the destruction of Isengard."

Each of the 'journey supplements was planned not only to chart the story of The Lord of the Rings, but also to expand the breadth of involvement of new gamers in the hobby. Adam explains.

"In The Fellowship of The Ring journey supplement, Mat Ward and the team that helped him work on it started a three-part journey - collecting, modelling and gaming. We continue that in this supplement by improving on the standard



Háma, Doorward of Théoden, is just one of the great releases to coincide with The Two Towers journey.

Let's Hunt Some Orc

The Two Towers begins with Aragorn, Legolas and Gimli tracking the Uruk-hai that have imprisoned Merry and Pippin.





The remnants of The Fellowship track their captured friends.

We must follow the Orcs if there is hope that any of our Company are living prisoners.

- Gimli, The Two Towers



No release of The Two Towers would be complete without the intrepid defenders of Rohan, such as Éomer.

of the painting and modelling projects. The hope is that the hobbyists will have developed their skills with The Fellowship journey, so The Two Towers will really begin to stretch them."

Of course, that doesn't mean the journey supplements are aimed purely at beginners. There's plenty for veteran gamers to get from the scenarios and rules within, and the hobby projects let you have a go at some ambitious pieces, most notably Helm's Deep itself!

It's when talking about the new characters presented in The Two Towers that Adam's enthusiasm boils over.

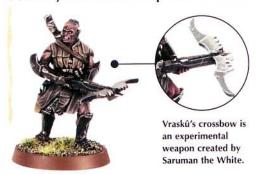
"This project provided the chance to make more great models. Some of them are obvious, and we've wanted to make them for a while now, like Erkenbrand, Théodred and Háma. Others are just cool ideas, that present great opportunities to add to a force's theme – like the Isengard Troll or the Morgul Stalkers – things that allow us to explore some of the possibilities in Tolkien's wonderful world in a little more depth."

The forces of the White Hand are also reinforced by new releases for The Two Towers. Every army needs leaders, and there are some new Hero choices for Saruman's horde in this supplement. "Uglúk is one of those characters that we never covered the first time we visited The Two Towers," says Adam. "Yet for me, one of the most entertaining bits of the whole film is the scene where the miscreant Orcs, led by Grishnákh, attempt to snack on the Hobbits, and Uglúk faces them down. He's a tough, powerful Uruk-hai, comparable to Lurtz, I suppose. What's exciting about Uglúk is his special rule, which reflects a little of the character he displays in the

The Fords of Isen

There have been two battles at the Fords of Isen, and now the forces of Saruman are swelled for these scenarios





Uglúk, Uruk-hai Captain





We were driven back... over the Isen with great loss; many perished..."

- The Two Towers

film and books. He's not a nice character, and he's quite willing to break heads to get his job done!

Vraskû is another Uruk-hai character, who leads a contingent of scouting Urukhai at the Battle of the Fords of Isen. He's a powerful, dependable Uruk-hai Captain, and carries a remarkable crossbow that bears all the hallmarks of Saruman's mechanical tamperings.

With this project we see the release of the new plastic Uruk-hai Scouts. "It's about time we made these," says Adam. "They're not just useful for The Two Towers games, but also for gamers who want to collect an Uruk-hai army, or recreate The Fellowship of The Ring scenarios."

"The Feral Uruk-hai are another new addition to Isengard, and they nicely complement the existing Isengard range. Embodying the cannibalistic and savage

nature of all Orcs, the Feral Uruk-hai are lethal on the battlefield. They don't fight with organised precision, ranked up with pikes and shields like Saruman's siege specialists - these brutes hurl themselves with untamed fury at the enemy."

The new Isengard models aren't the only troops to bolster the armies of Evil in this journey book.

"Perhaps the thing that most excited me about this project were the new Dunlendings," Adam says. "These warriors have poorer wargear than the Rohirrim, but they're still fierce and proud, desperate to reclaim their ancestral lands. The models really capture the barbarity and savagery which Tolkien implies."

The sculptors have produced a set of models that really convey this vision of Dunland, where powerful warriors and desperate Wild Men live side-by-side.



The Dunlending Captain wears armour and carries weapons that are typical of Dunland's elite warriors.

Forth, Éorlingas!

The Horse-lords are bolstered by the arrival of some truly legendary heroes for The Two Towers.

as befits the son of the King of Rohan.





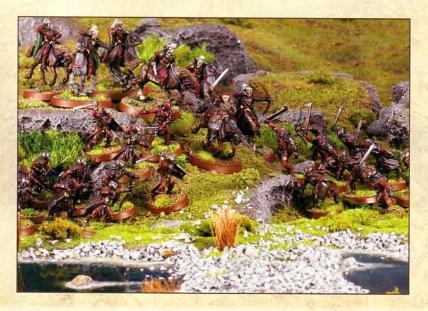
Erkenbrand





Rohan Outriders





Rohan is one of the big winners from this supplement, as you'd expect, since so much of the action from The Two Towers takes place in the lands of the Horse-lords.

"Take Erkenbrand for example," says Adam, "he's a stalwart and bold hero of Rohan. Now, he's there in all his fearsome glory. We see him at the battles of Isen, desperately fighting to hold back a tide of Orcs. Later, he rides to Helm's Deep (though Éomer did this in the movie) and breaks the back of Saruman's army.

"Then you've got **Théodred** – the illfated son of Théoden – who is now represented in miniature form, both on foot and mounted. He's cut from the same cloth as his father and cousin, so he's a good, solid Hero. Of course, as we know from the books, he gets slain by Saruman's armies. Don't worry, though, he won't go down without a fight!"

The Ring Goes South

Frodo and Sam now run into even more peril on the road to Mordor, but thankfully find new allies.



Another forthcoming release are the mysterious Morgul Stalkers. Adam spills the beans on these frightening monsters.

"We thought that some of the Orcs of Minas Morgul, who serve the Witch-king, would be more sinister than other Orcs, as if the dark power of the Witch-king had corrupted them further. We envisaged them as almost vampiric in nature."

The figure designers then created models of these baleful guardians of the Witch King's city. Orcs like no other, they

are deadly agents of Evil.

As if that weren't enough for Frodo and Sam to contend with, the new Spectres make the Dead Marshes a very dangerous place too.

With so much new stuff accompanying The Two Towers, you'd be forgiven for thinking that there was no more to come. You'd be wrong! Gondor gets a small nod,

thanks to Faramir's part in capturing Frodo and Sam in Ithilien.

'The new addition for Gondor is the Osgiliath Veterans," says Adam. "They feature in the first fateful defence of Osgiliath, pushing out the Orcs and

66 Morgul Stalkers are baleful guardians of Minas Morgul and deadly agents of Evil. 99

retaking the city, if only for a short time. They're hardy, tough, and have absolute faith in their Captains. The models really look like soldiers that have been in the front line for a long time, resonating with the feel of hardened veterans, weary and worn, but unbowed and undaunted."

March of the Ents

With the release of the new Ents box set, Saruman has even more reason to hide behind the walls of Orthanc...





"The **Ents** are one of the key players in The Two Towers, despite their relatively short camera time and page space," says Adam. "Without their help, Isengard would have proven a far harder nut to crack, if Rohan had even possessed the power to do so. Fortunately Treebeard and his happy gang decided to level the White Wizard's fortress, reinforcing why deforestation is a bad thing."

In the game, the Ents are lethal. "Only stuff like Trolls or Sauron have a really good chance of beating them in a fight," Adam explains. "Then there's the fact that they are Woodland Creatures – that's a real advantage, since they can swiftly move through areas of woodland terrain, while other creatures, like Orcs and Uruk-hai, have to halve their movement rate. They can throw stones, smash fortress walls and, frankly, do it all."

A New Power is Rising!

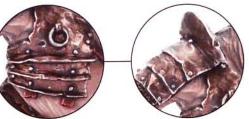
Saruman has one more surprise up his sleeve - one that will be particularly nasty for the defenders of Helm's Deep...

Isengard Troll

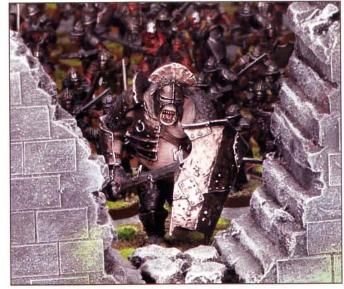


How shall any tower withstand such numbers and such reckless hate?"

- Théoden



Not content with having Trolls in his service, Saruman has constructed heavy armour and deadly weapons for them, too!

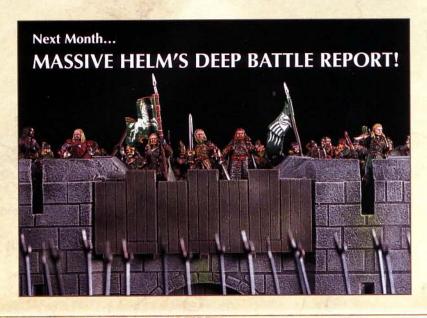


An Isengard Troll bolsters the attack on the Deeping Wall.

Adam is clearly excited by one model in particular...

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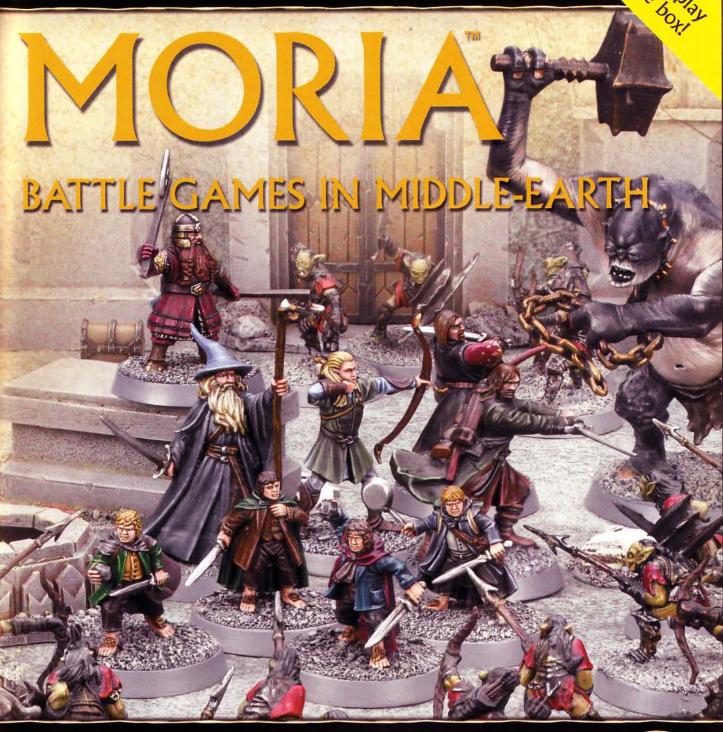
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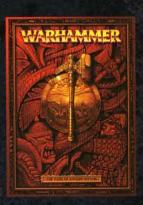
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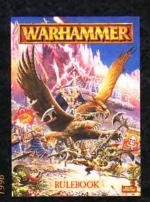


STANDARD BHA

Veteran games designer Jervis Johnson gets to the core of Warhammer.







here is fevered activity in the Design Studio at the moment, mainly because next month sees the release of the new edition of Warhammer, Lead developer Alessio Cavatore has worked himself into a frazzle trying to make sure it's the best edition yet, and is now reduced to a quivering wreck staring blankly at his computer screen, occasionally muttering things like "Four in a rank or five?", or "How many models can fit in a building?", and similarly arcane things. Meanwhile, the miniatures designers have been slaving away in an attempt to get as many Citadel Miniatures in the new boxed edition of the game as possible. Every now and then one will come bounding through the Studio yelling "Look, we can fit a Troll on the plastic frame - and a captured Dwarf too!" It really is all very exciting indeed.

I would love to be able to tell you all about the new edition of Warhammer right now, but unfortunately the fearsome techno-magi that run our marketing department have said they will do all kinds of nasty and unpleasant things to me if I blab too much too soon. So, sadly, most of the stuff I know about the new edition of Warhammer will have to remain secret for a few more weeks yet. However, I have been given special dispensation to talk a little bit about why the new edition focuses pretty much exclusively on what we consider to be the 'core' version of the Warhammer game. Trust me, you'll find out more - much more - about the new edition of Warhammer in next month's White Dwarf.

The core Warhammer game

When we started on the new edition of Warhammer one of the things we talked endlessly about was the 'core game' of Warhammer. We were worried that we sometimes spend so much time talking excitedly about all of the myriad different things that make up the Warhammer hobby, that the we don't address properly the simple question "How do I play the game?" This means more than just how to move and fight; in order to play Warhammer you also need to know how to set up the gaming table, how to pick an army, and how to win the game.

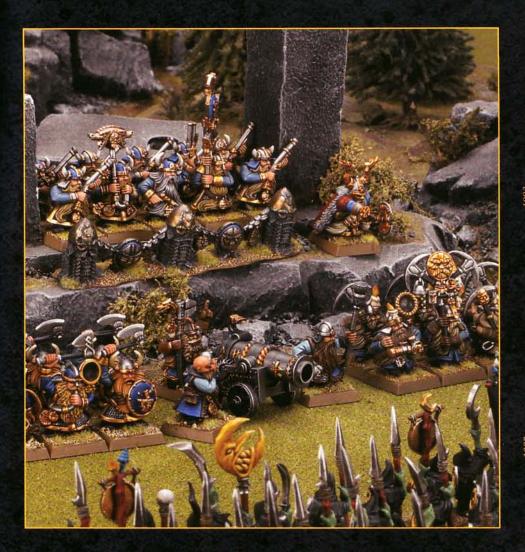
Because of this, we decided that the first thing the new Warhammer rulebook needed to do was to explain, in simple terms, how a player went about setting up and fighting a battle. The rulebook then needed to explain how to go about collecting an army, and what the different armies were you could choose from. This, we decided, is what lies at the centre of the Warhammer hobby: you collect and paint an army and then fight battles with it. I'm happy to say that the Warhammer team took these ideas on board and set to achieving them with considerable gusto.

Probably the best example of how this changed the format of the book is what happened to the rules for setting up a game of Warhammer. In the last edition this was tucked away at the back of the book along with a selection of different scenarios. In the new edition, how to set up the battlefield and your troops is explained first of all, before we explain how to move and fight with your troops. This means that the rules section explains everything you need to know in order to fight a Warhammer battle, right from setting up the table and deploying your army, through moving, fighting and magic to how you decide the winner of the game.

Warhammer in full splendour

By now some you will be saying "Hold on Johnson, does that mean that there is only one way to play Warhammer now?", or words to that effect anyway. The answer is, of course, a resounding "no". There are still just as many ways to explore the Warhammer hobby as there ever were. The difference is that the Warhammer rulebook now provides the foundation upon which that larger hobby is built. And while we know that the majority of players will be happy just collecting an army and fighting battles with it, we're going to make sure that we show the wider aspects of the hobby here in White Dwarf, on our website and in future published expansions to the core Warhammer rules. The Warhammer hobby is a broad church, and we want to show all aspects of it!

All in all, then, the new edition of Warhammer will be the most focussed and well-balanced version of the game so far.







66 The new edition is the start of something really big... There's never been a better time to try Warhammer!

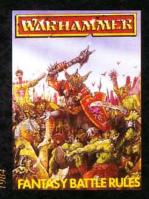
What's more, we're going to build on the really solid foundation the new rulebook provides by making the Army Books equally strongly focussed, and by bringing out a range of expansions that will allow you to explore different ways of playing Warhammer, but in a way that doesn't interfere with or change the 'core' game.

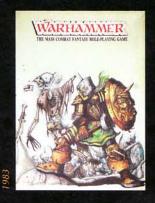
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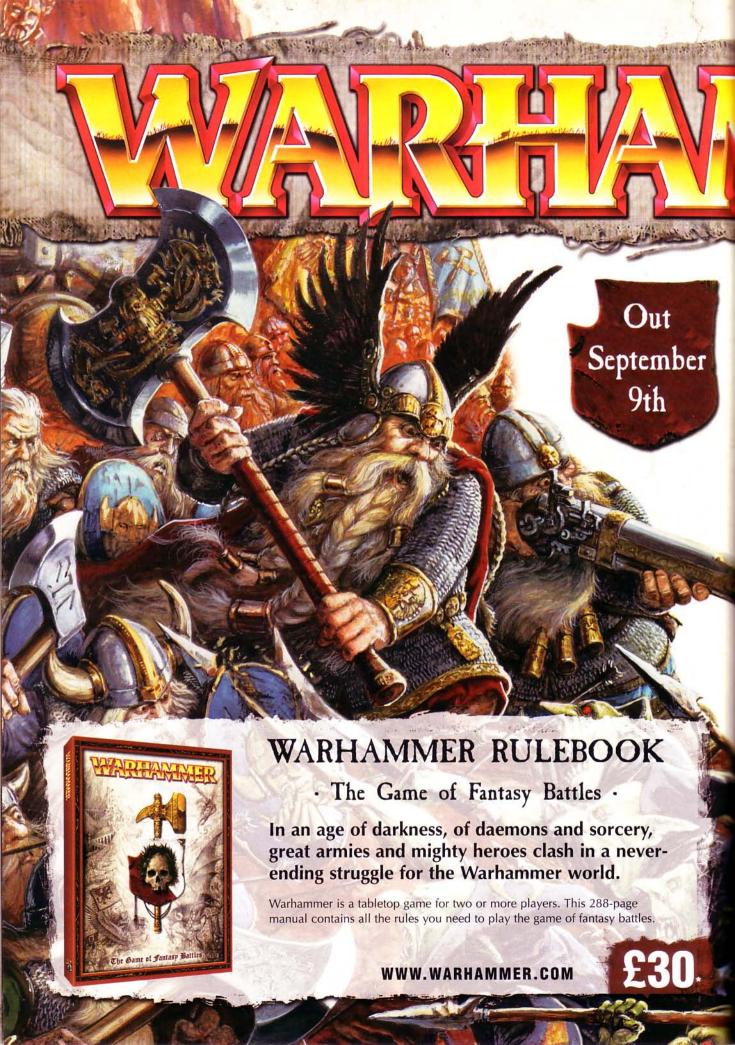
I think the new edition is going to be the start of something really big for Warhammer, and I can say with confidence that there really was never a better time to try the game out if you haven't done so already. On the other hand, if like me you already know and love Warhammer, then I think you're going to be over the moon with this edition of our premier game; I really think it is the best version yet.

And it's not just me that thinks that everyone at the Studio and throughout Games Workshop is just as excited about the new edition of Warhammer. So excited in fact that we've decided to turn the release day of 9th September into a worldwide celebration of the Warhammer hobby. Games Workshop stores and stockists across the globe will be running special events and generally doing everything they can to ensure that the launch of the new edition of Warhammer is a really special and unique occasion. Trust me, you don't want to miss out on the fun, so ask at your local store what they have planned and how you can join in.

Just think, by the time you are reading the next edition of this column in a month's time, Warhammer will be out -I can hardly wait!











The Lizardmen are the servants of long-extinct creatures, whose power still affects all who dwell in the Warhammer world. With the release of the new edition of Warhammer looming, we take a look at this ever-popular force.









Skinks

Most numerous of the Lizardmen, the Skinks are skirmishers extraordinaire. They move with stealth and speed through even the most difficult terrain, harassing the enemy with poisoned attacks from their deadly blowpipes.



Chameleon Skinks

Some Skink spawnings bear the powers of the chameleon, allowing them to blend in with their surroundings and strike without warning!



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RMIES OF THE ANCIEN' TWO APPROACHES TO COLLECTING A LIZARDMEN ARMY





Army List

Skink Priest 150 points Level 2; 2 dispel scrolls Skink Priest 135 points Level 2; mark of the Old Ones Skink Priest 100 points Level 2

Skink Priest 100 points Level 2 10 Skinks 60 points

10 Skinks 60 points 10 Skinks 60 points 10 Skinks 60 points

10 Skink scouts 70 points

2 Jungle Swarms 120 points 3 Kroxigor 194 points Kroxigor Ancien

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3 Terradons 115 points Skink Brave

10 Chameleon Skinks 150 points 3 Salamanders 195 points Stegadon 235 points

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avy Metal painter and renowned Lizardmen player Pete Foley put together this army list, which contains lots of Skink skirmishers and big, scary monsters! This type of army can be incredibly frustrating for an opponent, so using it frequently in friendly games could make those decidedly unfriendly! However, as a tournament army it is surprisingly effective. The army contains four Level 2 Skink Shamans, one of whom has the Mark of the Old Ones to counter any miscasts he may roll. Though none of the magic users are individually powerful, this army is no pushover in the Magic phase. Also, with 50 Skink skirmishers and 10 Chameleon Skinks, you'll pose some serious problems to shooty armies - who simply can't hit the sprightly lizards - and to combat armies, who can't get to grips with them. In fact, the only solid opponents the latter foe can usually charge are the very creatures they want to avoid -Kroxigors and a Stegadon.

A key feature of this army is its poisoned attacks, coming from the Skinks (including the Terradon riders and Stegadon crew) and Jungle Swarms - a massive bonus when fighting against highToughness foes.

The most common tactic for this army is to use the horde of Skinks and the Terradons, to outflank, outshoot and generally annoy the enemy. If they're charged, they can flee merrily away across the nearest river or swamp where the opposition cannot follow. Their primary aim is to pepper the foe with poisoned attacks, with a potential 60 shots a turn!



A deadly Kroxigor.



his list was drawn up by Mark Havener, who's a strong advocate of hitting the enemy hard. Mark began his selection with a Fourth Generation Slann Mage-Priest, and armed this centrepiece model to the teeth. As he is the General, best Wizard in the army, and the Battle Standard Bearer all rolled into one, it is vital this model is protected. To make the Slann even safer, Mark put it in a unit of Temple Guard with a War Banner. These mighty warriors are going nowhere in a hurry, cause Fear due to the Totem of Prophecy, and can take on the best your opponent can offer.

The Saurus Scar-Veterans provide serious hitting power. Mark uses the one with the Charm of the Jaguar Warrior in a unit of Saurus Warriors, which can be ferried about the battlefield as long as the Slann has the Steed of Shadows spell. At a moment's notice, the Scar-Veteran can charge from his unit up to 18", to take out vulnerable enemy characters or even chariots! The other Scar-Veteran works very well in the Temple Guard unit, but this really does put all your proverbial eggs in one basket. Still, it's very handy having such a powerful hero around to accept

challenges and present yet another deterrent to potential chargers.

The Skinks provide skirmish screens for the Kroxigors, and work closely with these big hitters. Kroxigors come with great weapons, meaning that chariots are swiftly reduced to so much kindling, while their Fear-causing presence works well in tandem with the Temple Guard. The Skink Priest is there mainly to allow the Slann Mage-Priest to cast spells remotely though his extra casting dice comes in handy too.



Skink Priests add some extra magical zing!

Army List

Slann Mage-Priest 515 points 4th Generation; Plaque of Tepok, Totem of Prophecy, Diadem of Power

Scar-Veteran 137 points Light Armour, Quetzl, Enchanted Shield, Burning Blade of Chotec

148 points Tepok spawning, Quetzl spawning, Charm of the Jaguar Warrior, Great Weapon, Light Armour, Shield.

Skink Priest 65 points Magic Level 1

14 Temple Guard 315 points Halberds, Shields, Standard with War Banner, Musician, Revered Guardian

3 Kroxigors 174 points Great weapon

3 Kroxigors 174 points

10 Skinks 60 points lavelins, shields 11 Skinks 66 points

Javelins, shields 70 points 10 Skink Scouts

Javelins, shields 19 Saurus Warriors 258 points Standard, Spawning Champion, Musician





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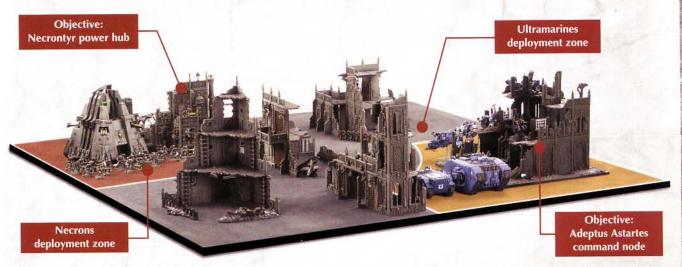
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IMER DEATH STALKS



The ruined settlements on the outskirts of Machavius Hive are desolate wastes, scarred by the battles between the Necrons and the Ultramarines. However, in the ruins something stirs - the Necrons rise again!



GAME STATISTICS

Scenario

Urban Assault (Cities of Death, Gamma-level scenario)

Location

Machavius Minoris

Forces

Ultramarines vs. Necrons

Points

1500

Players

Alessio Cavatore and Matt Hutson

Timeline

The closing years of the 41st millennium

achavius Hive has been hotly contested since Van Grothe's Rapidity first stirred the sleeping Necrons into action. Having seemingly scoured the surrounding cities of any Necron presence, the combined force of Ultramarines and Vostroyans pulled out of the area, leaving only a skeleton defence and a series of command posts to continue surveillance. Now, it seems that the Necrons have returned, or perhaps never left. These deathly automata seem unstoppable – whenever they appear to

have been defeated, they return to their terrifying half-life, a menace that can never truly be stopped.

The Necrons have infested several structures in the subsidiary city of Machavius Minoris, their dark machinery generating massive amounts of power for unknown ends, and are marching upon the nearest Ultramarines command node. As the alarms sound, a small strike force of the Emperor's finest answers the call to arms, but can even they put down this ancient, unkillable evil?

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FROM: Astartes Command **Node Adornus**

TO: Strike Force Morpheus

++ MACHAUIUS MINORIS PERIMETER BREACH ++ SECURITY LEVEL GAMMA + MASSIVE POWER SURGE DETECTED IN NORTHERN **QUADRAIT OF CITY ++ THE XENOS APPEAR TO BE** CONSTRUCTING SOME KIND OF **ENERGY BEACON OF UNKNOWN** DESIGNATION ++ REQUEST **URGENT FIRE SUPPORT** IMMEDIATELY ++ THE **NECRONTYR XENOS MUST BE** PURGED FROM MACHAVIUS ++

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ULTRAMARINES



Models 40%, Land Raider 35%

storm bolter, extra armour and smoke launchers.



Alessio Cavatore is the custodian of our rules systems. The only thing this tabletop general likes better than playing Warhammer 40,000 is winning games of Warhammer 40,000!

Crush the xenos!

Starting with my Troops and HQ, I first picked a tactical squad and a Rhino, together with a Captain. This Rhino-borne close-attack team contained one meltagun and two power fists - all weapons that are perfectly suited to dropping Necrons and to convince most of them to stay down (unless, of course, there is a Resurrection Orb nearby). My other Troops choice was designed to defend my command node. They probably wouldn't need to move much, so I gave them a missile launcher, but with a meltagun and power fist for 'close encounters'.

I then concentrated on the attack. For a start I bought a Master of Sanctity on bike. My plan revolved around his teleport homer, and a Terminator squad. The plan was for the Chaplain to turbo-boost his way as far forward as possible, making the

teleportation of the Terminator squad very precise. A plan fraught with ifs and buts, I know, but a very nice one if it worked...

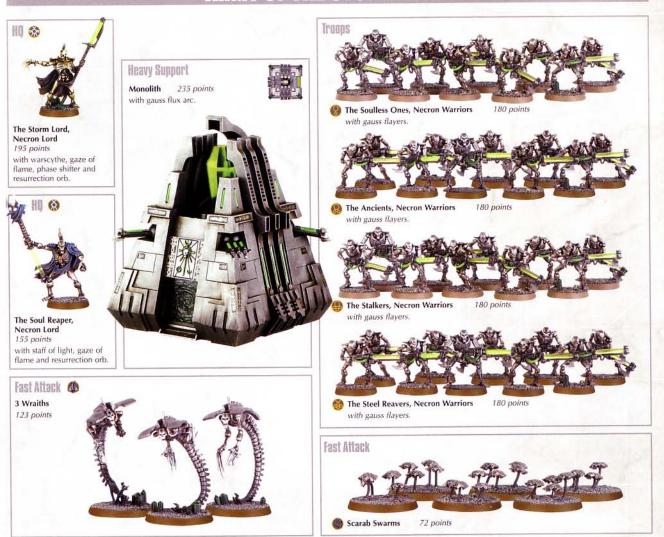
I then wanted something that could take on the inevitable Monolith, and I opted for a Land Raider. Once the Monolith had been disabled, the plan was for the Land Raider to charge forward and disgorge my second squad of Terminators into the objective. The image of a Terminator Assault squad charging out of a Land Raider was just too appealing!

I spent what few points I had left on a Dreadnought sporting an assault cannon and, more importantly, a Strength 10 close combat weapon.

Finally, I picked a Tornado to bolster my anti-personnel firepower and give me a fast reserve that I could quickly redeploy if the enemy managed to outflank me with their dirty teleporting tricks.

THE NECRONTYR





Models 40% Monolith 30%

The flesh is weak

I've been using a Necron force in the Studio Cities of Death campaign, and it's become apparent to me that large infantrybased armies that have plenty of pointscoring units are very effective at taking objectives in the rubble-strewn streets.

This force is based around four units of 10 Necrons, which pack a huge amount of firepower, perfectly capable of taking down anything from swathes of infantry to Land Raiders thanks to their gauss weapons.

To increase their survivability I've chosen two Necron Lords, each armed with a Resurrection Orb. For me, this piece of kit is a must, allowing Necrons to use their 'We'll be back' rule, even against Instant Death and power weapon attacks. I equipped each with the gaze of flame this denies your opponent their attack bonus when assaulting the Necron Lord .

With the core force picked, it was time to add some spice! First up was the Monolith. This ominous vehicle is a steal at 235 points – it's near-impervious to all but the most concentrated heavy weapons fire, while it can redeploy a unit of Necrons that are within 18" of it using its portal. I was sure that Alessio would take a lot of assault troops, so the portal would allow me to pluck a Necron unit out of close combat, leaving their opponents stranded while I unleashed those 40 rapid-firing gauss flavers on them.

Next on the list were three Wraiths. These flying Necrons move like jetbikes, ignore all difficult terrain, and are pretty nifty in an assault. I also took six Scarab Swarms to tie up fast moving enemies. Lastly, my stratagems - Power Generator and Booby Traps - would further help intensify my firepower.



Matt has worked on more issues of White Dwarf than any man alive - that's scientific fact. He's one of the clever guys responsible for laving out much of the magazine.

CLEANSE AND BUR



he battle began with the gunning of Space Marine engines as the Chaplain turbo-boosted forwards, determined to carry the teleport homer to the best possible position. The Rhino and Land Raider also surged ahead - the Ultramarines were taking the fight to the enemy! Realising the Chaplain's intent, the

66 The Chaplain's crozius arcanum cleaved one of the metallic monstrosities into so much scrap. ??

> Wraiths moved to intercept him, while the four squads of Necron Warriors took up firing positions ready to unleash a deadly fusillade of gauss-fire at the first enemy that presented itself. The Shooting phase saw

four Necrons fall to assault-cannon fire, while the Chaplain took a wound thanks to the Necrons' Power Generator stratagem. The Wraiths charged into the Chaplain, wounding him but failing to deliver the crushing blow, while the Chaplain's crozius arcanum cleaved one of the metallic monstrosities into so much scrap.

In turn 2, four Necrons clambered back to their feet, but this only increased the Ultramarines' resolve. The Chaplain activated the teleport homer, and five Terminators stepped forth from the ether next to the Necrons' defences. Alessio disembarked his Captain and Tactical Squad nearby, and sent the Land Raider into a position from which the Terminator Assault squad could charge into combat. The Space Marines' shooting phase saw seven Necron Warriors fall to bolter rounds, causing The Steel Reavers to fall



back, before the Terminator Assault squad moved into combat, and the Dreadnought charged the Wraiths to support the beleaguered Chaplain. The Assault phase saw another Wraith fall to the Chaplain's crozius, though he was cut down in return, leaving the Dreadnought to fend for itself. The Assault Terminators forced The Stalkers to fall back but, at the start of the Necron turn, six Warriors reanimated!

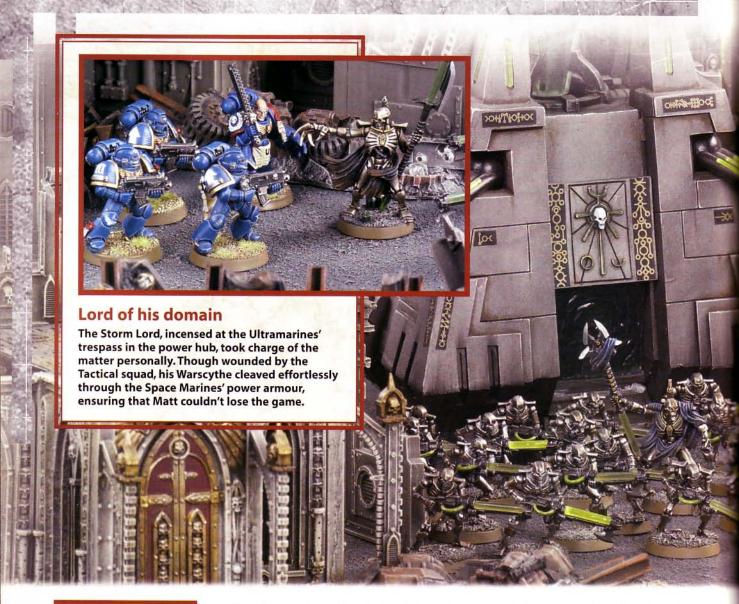
Three of The Stalkers who had got back to their feet joined the nearest squad, as their own unit had fled, and took up firing positions against the Land Raider. The remaining Stalkers promptly rallied and consolidated into rapid fire range, levelling their guns at the Ultramarines. The Scarabs turbo-boosted towards the Space Marine command node, with Matt hoping that they could dislodge the Adeptus Astartes guarding it. The Stalkers, Steel Reavers and

Monolith wiped out the Terminator Assault squad in spectacular fashion. The Soulless Ones and Ancients poured twenty shots into the Land Raider, blowing off both sidesponsons and immobilising the vehicle. In all, Matt fired over forty gauss shots this turn, sowing destruction amongst the Ultramarines' ranks.

Turn 3 opened with Terminator Squad **Ouiescor and Tactical Squad Lectus** charging into the objective building, while the Captain hot-footed it back to help the Dreadnought. Five Necrons fell, but at the start of Matt's turn, four stood up again! Matt used the Monolith to teleport the Ancients away from the combat. They opened fire on the surprised Marines, supported by the Monolith, felling three of Squad Cubilis and two Terminators. However, the Ultramarines stood firm and the objective was theirs, for now.

Big Moment

Matt: The coolest part of the opening turns for me was in turn 2. The rapid-firing gauss flayers, combined with a devastating six-hit volley from the Monolith's flux arc, dispatched the **Terminator Assault** squad in short order. Alessio failed four armour saves, sealing the fate of the expensive unit.



Big Moment

Alessio: With only one Terminator remaining from Squad Quiescor, I threw caution to the wind. The bold veteran cut through the objective building and charged into the Ancients, power fist swinging! Though he was ultimately doomed, he managed to see off this squad of **Necron Warriors** single-handed.

he last remaining Terminator of Squad Quiescor charged into The Ancients alone. The Tactical Squad pulled away from the main thrust of the fighting and ran to the rear of the building – Alessio realised that with only four models left, he needed them all to claim the objective, so running out of range of those gauss guns seemed like the best plan. In the Assault phase, the Terminator got the better of the Necron Warrior squad, while Captain Morpheus and the Dreadnought finally wiped out the Wraiths.

In Matt's turn, the Monolith stirred again, and the lone Terminator was left punching thin air as the metal warriors phased out. The Ancients, plus the Monolith opened up on the Terminator, yet his tactical dreadnought armour protected him and he emerged unscathed. The Storm Lord ordered his warriors back into the

assault, before personally cutting down the last member of Terminator Squad Quiescor and consolidating into the objective building, determined to take it back from the Space Marines.

Seeing the Necron Lord alone in the objective building, Tactical Squad Lectus charged into him, hoping to take his Orb of Resurrection out of the equation. Throwing caution to the wind, the Captain and Dreadnought each charged a unit of Necron Warriors, killing one each. The Squad Lectus caused 2 Wounds on the Lord, but failed to put him down. In Matt's turn 5, the Stalkers, who were fighting Captain Morpheus, teleported away, before rapid firing their gauss guns at the Space Marine leader. With so many shots brought to bear, the Captain was shot to ribbons! In the same Shooting phase, the Land Raider was destroyed by a withering hail of gauss

To the wire... Almost

The Scarabs had done little during the battle, largely due to Matt's indecisiveness. However, in the final turn Matt tried a desperate gambit with these tiny metal constructs. Alessio had rolled unnaturally poor dice for the entire game - and he almost failed to score the one wound he needed to beat the Scarabs, despite being armed with a power fist. Luckily for him, however, he caused the wound by the narrowest of margins. However, the result was irrelevant - Swarms cannot hold objectives, something Matt forgot!









shots. Elsewhere, the Scarabs, who had so far been out of the game, skimmed into cover near to the Ultramarines' defences, ready for a spiteful last assault on the Space Marines' objective.

The final turn began with the tide of Necrons advancing grimly towards the Ultramarines' command node. The Scarabs swooped into the building and assaulted Tactical Squad Cubilis, whose missile launcher had been a constant threat throughout the battle. The outcome of the game would be decided by two assaults one in each objective building.

Over in the command node, the Scarabs and Marines fought to a standstill, the Ultramarines had held their building. Victory would be decided in the Necron power hub, the remaining Tactical Marines battled bravely, but the Necron Lord was simply too powerful. With his Warscythe

crackling with energy, he won the assault and reduced the squad to below quarter strength - they could no longer contest the objective. The Necrons too had held their Power Generator, and their nefarious plans could progress unhindered...

The result

By the slimmest of margins, and thanks to some outrageous fortune on both sides, the game was a draw, with both sides failing to take the other's building. For the few remaining Ultramarines looking out at a city full of Necrons, this was small comfort. The order was given to fall back, and under heavy fire, the Emperor's warriors retreated...

DEFENDED OBJECTIVE

IMPERIUM DEFENDED OBJECTIVE

TALEMA



MAN OF THE MATCH:

I think the last man of my Terminators performed admirably. For a while it looked like he could singlehandedly hold back the Necron tide that was trying to recapture the objective, but alas! He eventually fell to the Necron Lord.

Fought to a standstill

Alessio: I hate Resurrection Orbs, especially when combined with a player like Matt who simply cannot roll bad dice (seriously, the man consistently rolled above average for the entire game, making a mockery of statistics). At the end of several turns I thought I had done a good job of killing Necrons, but then so many simply stood back up again that killing them always felt like wasted effort! I have to admit that I

made quite a few mistakes, and my Ammo Dump and Fortifications stratagems played little part. I think I should have kept the Land Monolith, out of range of the deadly gauss flayers of the Necron Warriors (or perhaps I should not have taken any vehicles against Necrons - their gauss weapons deadly against them, my Land

Speeder, for example, was quickly stripped of its guns). I charged the Necrons building too soon. Being inside the building made me

visible to the entire enemy army, allowing

them to rapid fire at my squads. I should

have sheltered behind the building and then rushed in at the end of the game. Matt played the Necrons very well, as the combination of a lot of Warriors with two (two!) Resurrection Orbs makes it very difficult to get the army to phase out.

The Monolith was vital to Matt's tactics, allowing his Warriors to teleport out of combat and riddle my squads with gauss fire. The only weakness I could perceive in Matt's army was its lack of mobility, as my

66 Their gauss weapons are great against anything with Raider back, bombarding the an armour value. 99

building never felt under serious threat. What I would have done is omit the Scarabs and Wraiths, bought more Warriors, and given one of my Lords a Veil of Darkness. This would have allowed me to Deep Strike with the Warriors, giving me a more aggressive army. Oh, and I would have kept both Resurrection Orbs, even though I really, really hate them (did I mention that already?).



ANCIENT WAR ENGINE OF THE MATCH:

Without it I would never had been able to hold off the assaulting Ultramarines and the game would have been over on turn 2. My whole tactic revolved around it... Maybe next time I'll take two.

Victory denied!

Matt: Blimey! Necrons can really take some punishment. Their high Toughness, 3+ Armour Save and 'We'll be back' rule makes them very hard to kill. This makes them ideal at winning fire-fights, which is especially useful in this mission.

Overall I think I played too defensively. I concentrated too much on defending my own building than attacking Alessio's, and wasted my most mobile units by getting them killed quite

early in the game. I should never have used the Wraiths to attack the Chaplain, instead using them to threaten Alessio's building. I didn't exploit their ability to ignore difficult terrain at all. It would have been far better holding off with them and attacking in the later stages of the game. Likewise, I got the Scarabs shot up far too early, losing their nuisance potential.

What worked well for me was the tactic of combining the Necrons' vast amount of firepower with the Monolith's ability to teleport units out of close combat, which came as a shock to Alessio. The Terminators fell quickly to this tactic, which stalled his attack. 40 Necrons with gauss flayers pack a mighty punch!

Overall, Alessio's plan was sound. His assault-heavy army and aggressive plan kept me in my table quarter, making it very hard for me to achieve my objective.

66 The Terminators fell very quickly to my tactics, which stalled Alessio's attack. 99

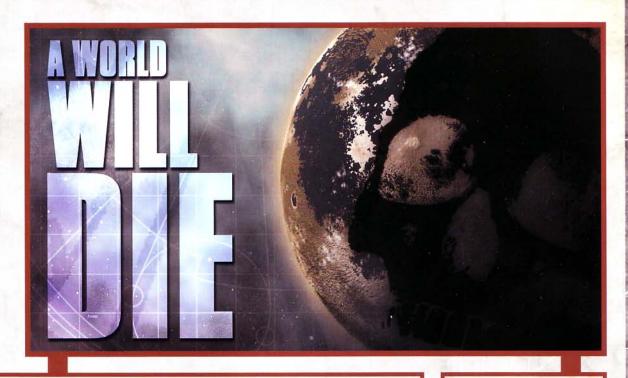
Although I eventually managed to overwhelm his force, it was too late in the game for me to cover the ground to his building with anything that could hold it.

If I had been the Ultramarines, I'd have dropped the Land Raider in favour of a Devastator squad to take out the Monolith. If I had lost this awesome vehicle I wouldn't have been able to deal with Alessio's assault, and the outcome of the game would have been very different.

A draw, but a great game – the Medusa V setting really helps tell a cool story. Now it's time to post the result on the website!

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EANY METAL

The 'Eavy Metal team is the most talented group of professional miniatures painters in the world. This month, we look at their work on High Elves.

Tyrion, Defender of Ulthuan

The High Elf prince Tyrion is one of the greatest warriors in all the world, and it is said by some that he is Aenarion come again. Mounted upon the steed Malhandir, Tyrion makes a fine general for a High Elf army. Painting such a magnificent Citadel miniature is a reward in itself – save him as a treat for when you've finished 30 Spearmen!



Tyrion's gold armour was painted Shining Gold over a basecoat of Dwarf Bronze. Mithril Silver was added to the gold for the highlights.



Dark red and grey contrast well with High Elf blues and whites.



Teclis, High Loremaster of the White Tower

Teclis is the twin of Tyrion, and although frail in body he is the greatest living practitioner of the magic arts. Rules for both brothers can be found in the High Elf army book.



There is a reference list of runes, like those above, in the High Elf army book.



The Teclis model is covered with fine detail.



Eltharion, Warden of Yvresse

Blinded by Malekith the Witch King, Eltharion is nonetheless still a ferocious warrior and expert swordsman.



Fine lines are a good way of adding extra detail to otherwise plain areas of cloth.



High Elves tend to be blond. Start with a light brown and highlight up to Skull White.



High Elf Lord

The Lords of the High Elves are noble, if arrogant, creatures, inheritors of a martial tradition going back thousands of years. These are fine models, as each High Elf Lord is possessed of the best wargear Elven craft can create. A Citadel Fine Detail Brush is a must here.



The gold phoenix on the Shield was shaded with Chestnut Ink.



Purple is another good contrast to the mainly white robes worn by most High Elves.

Painting Gems

High Elf models are decorated with precious gems and jewels. This is the painting method that the 'Eavy Metal team use.



From a Chaos Black undercoat, paint 3/4 of the gem Red Gore.



Paint half the gemstone Blood Red



Paint a crescent moon of Fiery Orange in the bottom corner of the gemstone.



Paint a small stripe of Skull White at the top of the black area to create the illusion of light catching the gem.



A simple alternative for painting gems is to apply several coats of Red Ink over a white basecoat.



Another alternative is to paint the gem red and add a white spot to the top as a highlight.

High Elf Lord

Many of the metal Lords come in several parts. Care must be taken when cleaning them prior to assembly, as the pieces, such as this Lord's axe, can be slender.



Our Elves wear Mithril Silver armour that has been carefully shaded with Blue Ink

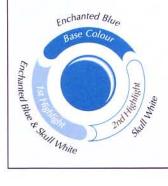


The lion pelts worn by Elves are pale cream. Snakebite Leather forms the basecoat.



Colours of Ulthuan

The Elves of Ulthuan dress, as a rule, in white and blue. Other colours may be used to offset this (the red below is given as an example), with strong, darker shades being especially good contrasts. Other details, such as wood, skin and hair, should be pale tones that complement white.









Imrik, Dragon Prince of Caledor









Fine Detail Brush.

Banner Designs

Like High Elf clothes, banners are usually white, and can be either simple (left) or relatively complicated (right). Animals and monsters that the Elves have a particular affinity with, such as Unicorns, Dragons and horses; and icons from Elven mythology, such as the Phoenix, the heart and sword, the horned moon and the crossed swords; feature prominently. For more examples of Elven heraldry see Games Workshop Online and the High Elf Army book.



Shield Designs

The shields of the High Elves are tall and kite shaped, providing cover to much of a warrior's body. Their curved steel surfaces offer plenty of space for Elven artisans (and human Hobbyists) to create bold designs. Despite the long and bitter enmity between the two races, the common roots of High Elf and Dark Elf culture can be glimpsed in the similarity in symbols both Elven kindreds apply to their wargear.



- to represent Isha and Asuryan respectively.
- The sword and heart are associated with Khaine.
- Emblems such as this are used by the horse clans of Ellyrion.
- Sea Dragons feature prominently on the arms of Lothern.
- The Elves of Caledor favour Dragons.

Right: A wide selection of model High Elf shields and banners, painted by the 'Eavy Metal Team.





DOK BUTCHA'S CONVERSHUN KLINIC

is munf we've got a lizzard for youse lot to look at, all big and bitey. I'd like to get hold of a head like dat for some eksperimunts, I could stick it on Gitfang's neck. I bet dat'd make him dead killy. Course, I'd 'ave to wait until he woz asleep — he likes da head he's got.

HIGH ELF MERWYRM

Contributed by gamer Eric van den Broek

No model exists for the Merwyrm from the Elf Sea Patrol list, so I had the perfect opportunity to make a cool centerpiece for my army based

on Imrik's Dragon.

I changed the foot to make it look like it is grasping the base (1) by cutting it in half and sticking it to the rock, filling the gap with Greenstuff. It's longer than the other now, but you don't really notice. I also filled in the gaps between the spikes on the spine with Greenstuff to create a fin (2) to make the dragon look aquatic. Thankfully you can't see my fingerprints under the paint!

The other thing I did was to gently bend the tail (3), and add a fin to it.









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Eldar Rangers

From the lectures of Lord Inquisitor Eusebius Nomandes, Ordo Xenos.

Eldar Rangers are a shadowy sect of covert warriors, outcasts, pathfinders and expert marksmen. Rarely seen by their enemies, these Eldar represent a silent and deadly threat.

ife for an Eldar is strict and disciplined, and the confinement of their Craftworld homes can become oppressive. There have been many over the millennia that have tired of this existence and left their Craftworld seeking excitement, but even for these discontented souls, the Eldar Path offers forms of release. Some may follow the path of the starfarer for several human lifetimes, joining the crews of Craftworld or pirate fleets in search of adventure. Others are lonely figures, travellers who leave Eldar society altogether and wander amongst the worlds of men, treading the dangerous Path of the Outcast. A few survive to exorcise their wanderlust, rejoin their Craftworld and settle down to gentler ways, but most do not return. Many are killed, others abandon the Eldar Path entirely, falling from grace and becoming consumed by their dark passions. These tormented beings die far from home, alone with their secret anguish, their spirit stones drifting forever in the darkness of space, or lying buried on farflung, forgotten worlds.

These adventurers are the only Eldar likely to be encountered by men except on the battlefield. They are haunted figures, torn between the love of their Craftworld homes and the glories of the forbidden universe. Their instincts lead them to lives of danger, rooting out the hidden threat of Chaos, and visiting the ancient Exodite clans on the far rim of the galaxy.

Eldar Rangers are resilient, worldweary, independent warriors, used to looking after themselves. When a Craftworld is threatened, its Rangers may hear its call, taking up their weapons and going to war once more.

Though by no means the most overtly destructive of Eldar units, Rangers are quite capable of inflicting serious losses on any force fighting them. They are armed with powerful sniper rifles, with which they can pick out weak points in their enemy's armour. It has been known for a single band of Eldar Rangers to hold up an entire column of Imperial Guard, Standard Imperial procedure is therefore to fall back and call for heavy artillery support.

Clearance Alpha Subject:007/a2-b8 'Eldar' / Outcast ++Genotype:

Class 2 proto anthropoid

++Primary features: superior psionic

potential; metaphrenic technology base

++Capture date:

0937993.M41 ++Date of Interrogation:

0005994.M41

++Autopsy Date: 0173994.M41

++Date of Psychic

Interrogation: NECROLOGUE UNSUCCESSFUL

++Attending Explicator: Nillo Deaaris

Standing Order 2830/x/Wa - for dissemination to all front line units.

++ ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN WHEN CONFRONTED BY ELDAR SNIPERS. ++

Upon attack from an enemy sniper of the xenotype 'Eldar', all units are ordered to perform a Reconnaissance by Fire. No further actions are sanctioned, by pain of administrative punishment or death, as determined by the Commissariat or duly appointed Regimental Provost.

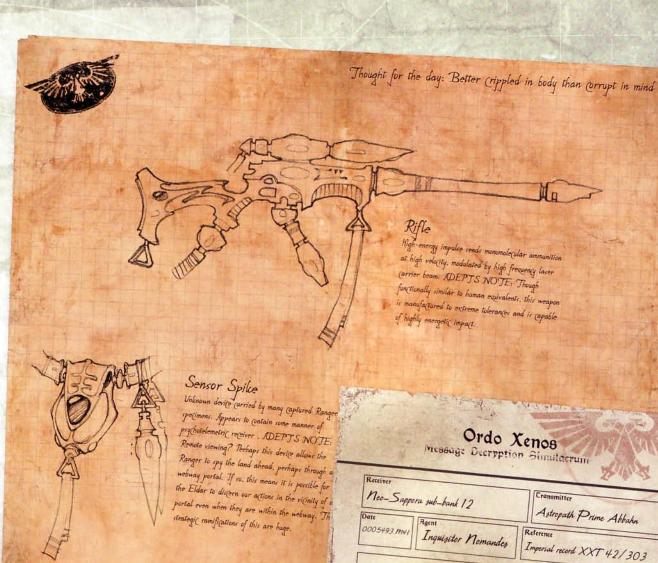
Orbital bombardment: A single, well-placed orbit-to-surface munition will destroy any enemy sniper. In addition, any surviving xenos will be cowed sufficiently that further aggressive acts are likely to be forestalled. Furthermore, much of the cover from which any further attacks might be launched will

Superheavy ordnance: Titans and superheavy tanks make ideal counter-sniping units. Upon receiving fire, notify the masters of any such vehicles within range and let them rain the Emperor's vengeance upon your foes!

Battlecannon: A single round from a Leman Russ is capable of levelling any cover, and of destroying most enemies no matter their skill at fieldcraft.

Heavy weapons: Squad support weapons such as heavy bolters and missile launchers, as . well as higher-level mortars and other indirect firing weapons are ideal for engaging cowardly enemy snipers. Use them to direct holy fury at any location in which the pernicious xenos may lurk.

Small arms: Squad leaders should identify all possible locations in which the enemy may be hiding, and communicate these to his warriors. Upon his word, all troopers should shoot at their designated target, deluging the enemy with fire and scouring him from his hide. By the power of the las-gun might all foes be defeated!



ABSTRACT: There follows a summary of pertinent data regarding the xeno sub-type Eldar Ranger. These data to be cross-checked with your subject and any deviation whatseever to be reported through my staff as a matter of highest priority. Eldar Ranger activity has increased exponentially in the Medusa system in recent weeks, and collating intelligence on their actions is vital



++ Pict-capture of Eldar Ranger Xenos, Hive Sybilla Tertius ++

· Psychoplastic engineered armour, containing advanced sensor suite. communications and life support systems.

• Eldar carapace plates over flexible mesh inner body suit. Provides limited protection against ballistic and energy attack ADEPTS NOTE: This puny armour offers no protection against the blessed weapons of the Astartes.

· Adaptive camcuflage weave refracts light around weaver, resulting in a blending effect with surroundings. ADEPTS NOTE: Camouflage effect substantially increased in low light conditions.





Biel-tan

Thanks to the dazzling array of Aspect Warriors found in a Biel-tan army, its Ranger squads are often foolishly overlooked by ignorant foes. A key component in a Biel-tn attack force, Eldar Rangers direct the fury of the Swordwind against the enemy, silently scouting out enemy positions in preparation for the main assault. The Rangers shown here wear a dark woodland camouflage scheme of the type described by the survivors of the Twyfed Gorge Massacre.

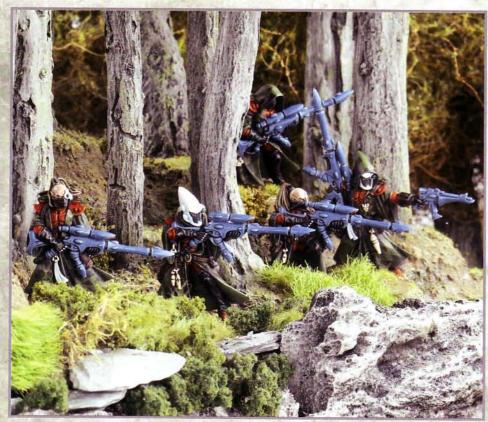


Saim-hann

Saim-hann is famed for its mighty Wild Rider Hosts, composed of scores of sleek and deadly jetbikes and skimmers. Unlike the other members of their Craftworld, the Eldar Rangers of Saim-hann do not ride headlong into battle, instead utilising stealth and cunning to approach the enemy unseen. When a Wild Rider Host goes to war its Eldar Rangers scout ahead, ascertaining the lie of the land and neutralising immediate threats.

"When the Eldar make their attack, the enemy will already be half-defeated, having spent days or even weeks chasing the shadows of the Rangers."

- Inquisitor Nomandes



Alaitoc

Of all the Eldar Craftworlds, Alaitoc adheres most stringently to the Path of the Eldar. This zealous attitude has caused many of the Alaitoc Eldar to live the life of outcasts and become Rangers. As a result of this, when Alaitoc goes to war it falls to the Rangers to return to protect their Craftworld. Currently an Alaitoc Ranger force of unequalled size operates on Medusa V, severing enemy communications and preparing the way for larger Eldar armies to attack.



Telennar

The cordial relations between Alaitoc and Telennar have brought the forces of this small Craftworld to Medusa V, where its warriors battle to protect the Webway from the coming Warp storm. These Rangers wear the livery of those sited to the north of Battlezone Tisiphone. Small bands of Telennar Rangers have staged devastating ambushes against the Ork buggy gangs patrolling around Nazdreg's ruined space hulk, hampering the greenskin scavenging efforts at every turn.





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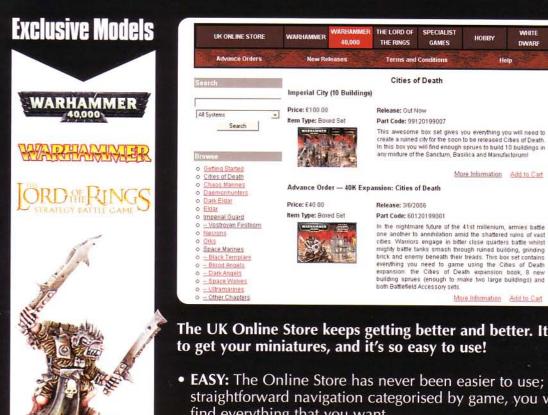
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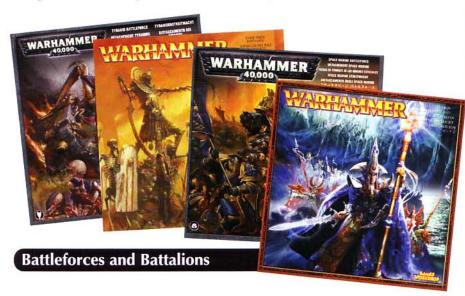
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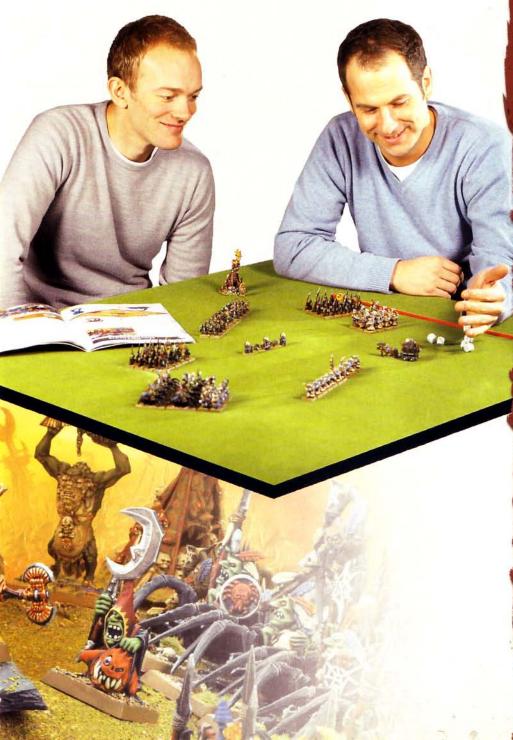
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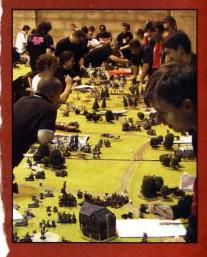






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The Art of Games Workshop



conversation along the lines of: "Wouldn't it be great if..."

owever, in this case, not only would it be great, but it IS going to be fantastic! This summer from the 15th July to the 24th September, Nottingham Castle will be hosting a unique exhibition entitled "Warhammer - The Art of Games Workshop."

For almost thirty years, Games Workshop has been creating, sculpting and illustrating the imaginary worlds of Warhammer and Warhammer 40,000 to the delight of hundreds of thousands of gamers, model makers and fantasy enthusiasts from around the world. Now, for the first time, the original artwork, miniatures, sculptures and drawings will be brought together to showcase the creative arts of Games Workshop.

What's most exciting about this event is that, with one or two exceptions, none of this art has ever been seen in its original form. We're all very used to seeing fantastical images illustrating our game boxes and books and the pages of White

Dwarf are always filled with artwork and illustrations created by the Studio's hugely talented team of in-house artists and freelancers. However, despite this familiarity, very few people outside of the Design Studio have ever seen the original works.

Until recently the same principle also applied to the thousands of beautifully painted models and miniatures created by the 'Eavy Metal team. However, last year, with the opening of the Citadel Miniatures Hall we took our entire collection and put it on public display to a phenomenal reaction from fans and visitors. Since opening the miniatures gallery at Lenton just over a year ago we've had more than 50,000 visitors come to Warhammer World to gaze at and enjoy these models

Inspired by this response, we wondered whether we could do something similar with our art collection. Since the advent of digital scanning, once a piece of artwork or

- 1. Pegasus Knights: Paul Dainton.
- 2. Inquisitor: Dave Gallagher.
- 3. Space Marines: Karl Kopinski.



illustration has been scanned, it is catalogued and then safely stored in plan chests in our art archive. Sometimes, one of the artists might ask if they can have a particular piece to hang on the wall at home, and on occasion, staff members have been given a piece of original art, but on the whole the collection has largely remained unseen.

Part of the problem lay in the fact that we simply didn't have any space at Lenton where these pieces of art could be put on display in anything close to a gallery setting. It was at this point in the story that Nottingham Castle stepped in. Sharon Cooke, the woman responsible for archiving and storing our artwork had a friend, Jim Waters, who was the Exhibition Officer at Nottingham Castle. She and Jim were talking about their respective jobs and he asked whether we'd ever thought of mounting an exhibition. Well, one thing led to another and the idea for "Warhammer - the Art of Games Workshop" was born.

One of the remarkable things about this collection and exhibition is how coherent the artwork and images are. Although they represent work by many different artists drawn from more than twenty years' worth of artwork and illustration, there is a freshness and vitality about these images that initially makes them appear to be the work of only one or two painters and artists.

Early on in the history of the company, Games Workshop succeeded in establishing a very strong 'house' style, that has influenced our artwork ever since. In no small part this style was inspired by the personal work and approach of Nottingham painter and illustrator John Blanche who, for the last fifteen years, has worked as Games Workshop's Art Director. Back in 1989, John gave the following list

of influences: "My favourite artists are many and varied; a full list would fill a page and I am still discovering more, but Grunwald, Dürer, Albrecht Altdorfer, Friedrich, the pre-Raphaelites, Casper, Géricault and Gerome immediately spring to mind."

John continued: "I did my first illustration job for White Dwarf magazine in about 1978, I think, which grew steadily from a part-time position to a full-time one. We then developed what became the single most important facet of Games Workshop's take on fantasy art, the application of the Northern European art heritage against the dominant, clean, classical version of fantasy imagery that existed at the time. The first big publication we tackled in this way was Warhammer 40,000 where nearly all the art was commissioned by me from freelance artists. During the next twenty years, as we built our in-house illustration department, the art developed into a body of work that stands alongside any other, but the vision never changed."

It's this focus on Northern European mediaeval, romantic, neo-classical and heroic art that has allowed Games Workshop to develop its own distinctive style which John now calls Games Workshop Gothic!

John again: "Gothic means lots of things. You have the architectural style from the Early Middle Ages, which was then re-invented by the Victorians. They applied it to all sorts of stuff, and we now



- 4. Storm of Chaos: Alex Boyd. 5. Space Marines: Dave Gallagher.
- 6. Witchhunters: Paul Dainton.

(John: my favourite artists are many and varied; a full list would fill a page and I am still discovering more))

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- 7. Sigmar on his throne: Karl Kopinski.
- 8. Emperor versus Horus: Adrian Smith.
- 9. Dark Mechanicus Lord: John Blanche.



(John: we wanted to capture all of the creative energy of Games Workshop, within a single exhibition.))

have modern gothic, which is inspired by yet is none of these things. Its internal Games Workshop meaning is typified by the robust, bellicose, often archaic and bleak view of the fantasy and science fiction genres you can see in our artwork and images."

What is clear, is that visitors to the exhibition will be astounded not only by the range of artwork, imagery and artefacts on show, but by the juxtaposition of concept sketches and other preliminary work with the two and three-dimensional artworks they finally become.

As John explains: "We wanted to capture all of the creative energy of Games Workshop within a single exhibition, from concepts and sketchbooks through to fully painted miniatures and models. This was never really going to happen and selecting

the individual pieces and models that would make it into the exhibition was a difficult task. However, at the end of the day, we are pretty pleased and we hope that visitors will leave the exhibition both excited and inspired."

In addition to the artworks, throughout the exhibition, Nottingham Castle will be hosting a range of special events, from miniature painting demonstrations by some of the top 'Eavy Metal painters, through to one-off guided tours of the show by some of Games Workshop's top artists and designers. These events will be strictly limited and places can be booked through Nottingham Castle on: 0115 915 3651.

The show runs at Nottingham Castle from the 15th July until the 24th September.









ARMING FOR MEDUSA

Part 3: Waaagh! Paul Evans from our Manchester Hobby Centre show us his immense Ork Speed Freek army and how he, and his store, are prepared for the Medusa V campaign! ames-workshop.com



ORK SPEED FREEKS



Kult of Speed Rules

- . Mount Up! All infantry in transports.
- Fast Response Reserves from turn 1.
- · Mobbing Up Squads mob up on transports.

aul: Mad Mek Git Stix is one of Warlord Nazdreg's most notorious Meks. He caught Nazdreg's eye when, while working with the teleport maintenance crews, he somehow got the equipment to "beam up" half an enemy platoon the top half. His fixation for building things, bigger, shootier, faster or louder, was evident even then, but back in these early days his designs were often ridiculed by conventional Mek Boyz. Eventually, he obtained the rank of Big Mek, a promotion gained quickly after the rest of his crew were accidentally teleported into the molten core of a nearby planet.

His first construction was a massive "Kustom Job" Cybork Body, commissioned by one of Nazdreg's Warbosses. However, in an unfortunate case of mistaken identity, the Mad Dok performing the operation attached the Cybork Body to Git Stix instead, unintentionally boosting his physical stature to match that of the most powerful Warbosses. Furthermore, before the mistake could be rectified, the unlucky Warboss was tragically sucked out of a malfunctioning air lock. Since then Git Stix has thrived at the head of his own warband and is never short of a volunteer or two for his latest project.

Shortly after their arrival on Medusa V, Nazdreg tasked Git Stix with a mission of his own. While the Orks gather the materials they need to



Warboss: Cybork body, bionik bonce, 'eavy armour, power claw, attack Squig, kombi weapon: shoota/rokkit launcha, ustom job: more dakka, shootier, blasta

5 Nobz: Mega armour, kustom job: more dakka, shootier, blasta

Battlewagon: 2x Twin-linked rokkit launcha, zzap gun, armour plates, Grot riggers, armoured top, krusher

.600pts



Mekboy 2: Bionik arm, burna, mekboy's tools, waaagh banner (carried by Grot) Mekboy 3: Super stikkbomz, burna, bionik arm, mekboy's tools

Mekboy 4: Sustom mega-blasta, mekboy's tools

Battlewagon: 2x Twin-linked rokkit launcha, zzap gun, armour plates, Grot riggers, force field



9 Skarboyz: slugga and choppa, 3 burnas, frag stikkbombz, Nob with power claw. Wartrukk: Grot riggers, armour plates, rokkit launcha, red paint job

211pts



10 Skarboyz: slugga and choppa, 3 burnas, frag stikkbombz, Nob with power claw. Wartrukk: Grot riggers, armour plates, bolt-on shoota, red paint job.

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Warbuggy: Grot riggers, Twin-linked rokkit launcha Warbuggy: Grot riggers, Twin-linked rokkit launcha Warbuggy: Grot riggers, Twin-linked rokkit launcha 42pts .42pts .42pts



10 Trukk Boyz: shootas, 1 burna, Nob with power claw, Wartrukk: Grot riggers, big shoota, bolt on big Shoota, Armour plates . .181pts





4 Warbikes: Nob with choppa and power claw... .167pts



Looted Leman Russ Demolisher: Lascannon, red paint job, armour plates, spikes n blades



Ork Bomma: 2 Grot bombs, 2 rokkits 2 bombs, 3 twin-linked big shootas

TOTAL: 2537 pts

..228pts

PAINTING SPEED FREEKS

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- O Tin Bitz
- Boltgun Metal
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- Dark Angels Green
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- Chestnut Ink
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Yellow Armour Plates

- Desert Yellow
- Bubonic Brown
- Sunburst Yellow

Military Greens and Greys

- Catachan Green Shadow Grey Chaos Black
- Kommando Khaki







Booby trap stratagem markers





Paul uses the new Ork Kommandos as Skarboyz

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rebuild their Hulk, Git Stix must secure a energy source large enough to power it.

His plan is a typically ambitious one that involves breaching the Hives defences, placing teleport beacons around the primary reactor, launching "Da Killa-Tun Mega-Rokkit" at the Greater Sybilla Gate and destroying a Warlord Titan to boot.

Arming for Cities of Death

As I thought about the best way to use my Speed Freek army in Cities of Death, it was apparent that I had a bit of a problem. A round peg (my current army) and a square hole (the Cityfighting missions).

My thoughts turned towards the idea of building a Footslogging Ork army, it would allow me to replace my fast vehicles with walkers and take the more tactically sound units without the need for all of the vehicles. So armed with my trusty Codex Orks, I began to plan the foundations for my new army. I started to write but began to notice that the niggling uneasy feeling that had originated in the pit of my stomach, was now climbing it's way up my spine and wrestling for my attention. It resolved itself as a mental picture of an Ork Warboss, faced with the challenge of a round peg and a square hole. Would an Ork Warboss look around for a more suitable peg? No, I didn't think so either. The Ork would make the peg fit, regardless of it's size or shape, and the only thing the Ork would look for is something big and heavy to whack it in with! So Speed Freeks it was. Though that did leave me with just one last little dilemma, as Speed Freeks can't take Kommandos, what was I going to use these fantastic new models as?

Now, if like me, you feel the need to drive your Ork army, full throttle, into an urban war zone, there are one or two pearls, (or at least, shiny trinkets) of wisdom I can pass on.

First: Deth Koptas

The compact terrain doesn't slow them down and when armed with a Burna, they make the perfect weapon for incinerating enemy sniper teams, melting through the rear armour of an unsuspecting tank or performing that last minute Turbo boost onto the mission objective. Next on my list of must-haves is the looted Demolisher. With its strength 10 Ordnance weapon, the tank was designed for this style of warfare and any general passing up the opportunity to field one needs his "'ead lookin' at". Other recent additions to my army include the Mega Armoured Nobz and a second unit of Skarbovz, for which I am using the new Kommando models.

Second: tank and trap

Just two, small, innocent looking words, harmless really. Do not be fooled! If your opponent is switched on enough to choose the Tank Traps Stratagem, (which of course, after reading this article, all of mine now will be!) you will come to hate them. But do not despair, you may not be able to get rid of the Tank Traps, but arm your Demolisher with the specialist Siege shells and you can just blast a path through the buildings instead! Use in conjunction with the Demolition Stratagem, both to minimise the effectiveness of the Tank Traps and make the biggest bang!

THERE IS MORE IN-STORE

For those who like converting miniatures, we've got Paul's Speed Freeks as bundles on the Online Store.

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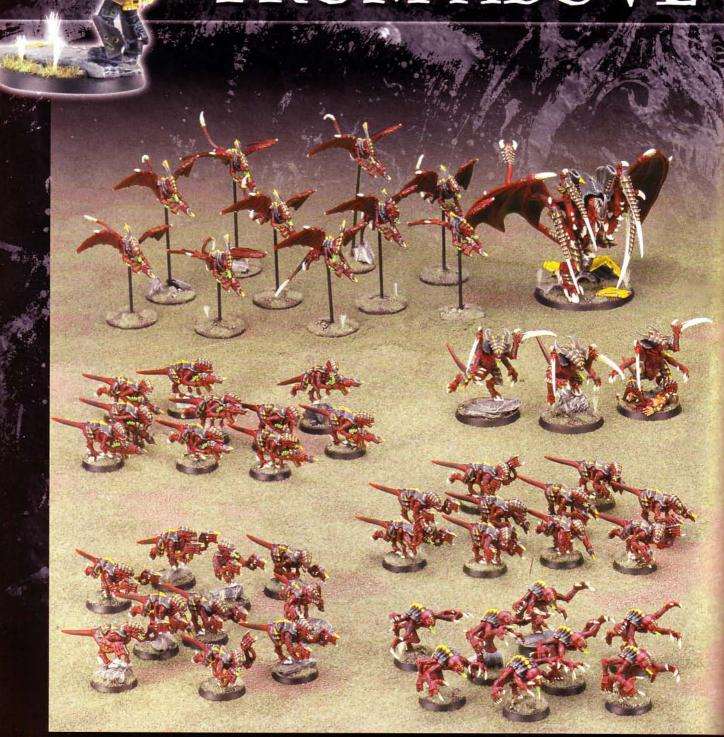
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GRAND TOURNAMENT ARMY SHOWCASE

TOTALITY FROM ABOVE



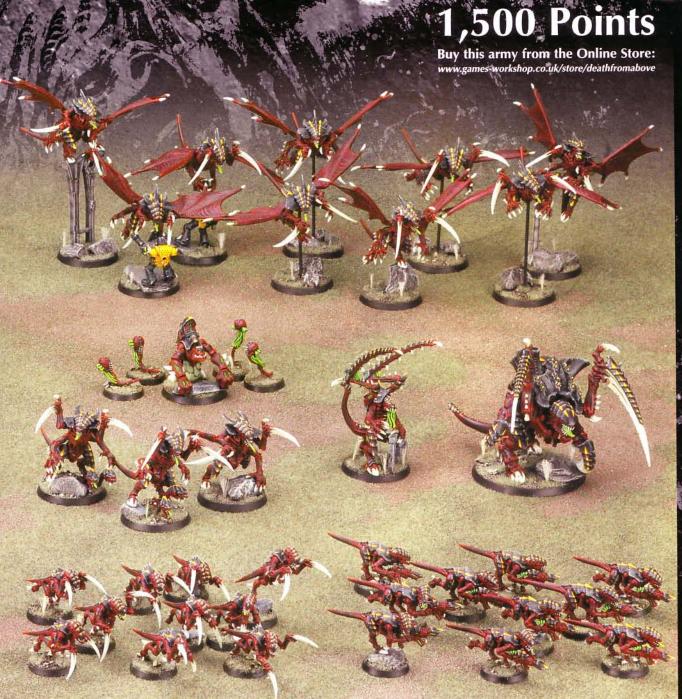
Winner of Best Painted Army at Heat Three of the Warhammer 40,000 Grand Tournament, Nicola Taylor's Tyranid army, Hive Fleet Apophis, gets the White Dwarf treatment, for all those who didn't get to see it at the event.

his isn't the first time Nicola has collected Tyranids, in fact her first army was the gribblies from outer space, so she's no stranger to all those mandibles and scything talons.

"I'm a big fan of non-Human armies and these guys aren't even Humanoid," she says of her motivation for the creatures of the Great Devourer.

"The models are so interesting and there are so many ways that I could personalise them." With all the conversions and winged beasties in the army, Nicola has certainly achieved that. It's a good lesson for anyone who has aspirations to win a similar award - well-painted, strongly themed and distinctive armies tend to get the prizes.





GRAND TOURNAMENT ARMY SHOWCASE



WINGED WARRIORS

"I used the Morathi Dark Pegasus wings from the Warhammer Dark Elf range for the Winged Warriors. The ones in flight are mounted on lengths of brass rod to get them at different heights."



Fast and Deadly

Nicola's army is one meant for a tournament and as such it's an effective gaming force as well as an aesthetic treat.

"My force is very fast and heavily close combat based – once it hits the enemy front line it's very difficult to dislodge."

Her tactics revolve around the outnumbering potential inherent in the army, "The sheer weight of numbers means I can distract dangerous enemy units with the little guys, until the slightly slower big-hitters can get there." This is made possible by Nicola's stringent policy of 'no upgrades' for most of the

army, "I use the points to get more bodies on the table, as I find that upgraded, expensive Gaunts die just as easily to a boltgun as cheaper ones!"

Another feature of the Hive Fleet Apophis is its disdain for armoured elites, "I have so much rending capability in my army that power armour isn't really a problem." And in summary, "My force is a hybrid of speed, close combat power and numbers – so it's flexible and adaptive."

Alien Markings

With this heftily sized army to paint, Nicola, like all good army painters, had a strategy to completing it. "I painted it in Brood blocks, seeing one through to completion and then starting over with the next one."

As for the scheme she used, it harked back to her original Tyranid army, "It's an evolution of the older force, which had red carapace and purple skin." Though for this incarnation, Nicola has gone for a slightly darker scheme to make it more 'sinister'. "I also added hive fleet markings. Yellow and black are nature's danger colours, so it seemed a fitting choice."

The Invasion deepens

Now she's played some games with the force, Nicola has plans to iron out the last few rough edges and make Hive Fleet *Apophis* even deadlier... "I'll drop the Lictor – he is rarely effective in this army – and add a couple of Raveners, instead," she says, "A Zoanthrope could provide some valuable anti-tank shooting power (Nicola struggles against armoured companies) but I've discovered these tend to catch the attention of too many heavy weapons and are rather slow. Most of my army can move over 6" a turn, and a floating brain just doesn't fit! That said, a Carnifex with the ability to actually shoot something, other than spinebanks, might be useful..."



GRAND TOURNAMENT 2006

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Requirements

- 1,500 point Warhammer 40,000 force using the standard force organisation chart.
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GANTES DAY COLDEN DEWON 2016

September is around the corner and that means Games Day will once again take over the Birmingham NEC, so we decided to have a preview of all the day's action.

t was over six months ago that the first whisperings of Games Day 2006 started to filter around the office and slowly the ideas started coming together that will culminate in Games Day 2006 at the Birmingham NEC on September 24th. Most of you will have your tickets by now, and will be anticipating the activities, personalities and cool stuff you'll see within the three halls at the NEC this year.

THE FORUM

Pre-release Miniatures

The sales stands will be here for you to get

your hands on a variety of pre-release miniatures from the new Orcs & Goblins (you can see the fantastic cover art for the new army book on the next page). There will also be miniatures from our current ranges for you to add to your armies.

Hobby Area

Want to win the coveted Scrap Demon in the conversion competition by trying your hand at making a plastic conversion? Want to see just how easy it is to make a piece of scatter scenery? Or maybe you just want to put together your new miniatures bought

10am to 4pm on Sunday 24th September 2006. Birmingham National Exhibition Centre (NEC). Ticket price £25.

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from the sales stands? All of this is possible in the Hobby Area at Games Day.

Art Competition

Also in the Forum will be the Artwork competition. Budding artists are challenged to bring along a piece of A4 drawn or painted art to put on display and be judged by one of our Studio artists. Entries will be sorted into two age categories with category winners receiving an award at the end of the day.

Bring & Battle

This area was introduced last year and became a resounding success. Not wanting to disappoint, it returns again this year providing the perfect opportunity to meet and play against other gamers from all over the UK. Bring dice and a tape measure, along with a small force of Border Patrol, Combat Patrol or War Party size, and you can get gaming. Once again, there will be tables for Warhammer, Warhammer 40,000 and The Lord of The Rings, so no matter what you play, you should get a game.

THE ARENA

Participation Games and Mega Battles

The whole Arena floor will be covered with participation games this year. Games Workshop Hobby Centres and Independent Clubs from across the UK have made some excellent themed tables and painted miniatures. You could join massed forces of Dwarfs to fight off an Orc & Goblin horde, or deal with the machine menace of the Necrons using the armies of the Imperium; all you need to do is turn up & play.

Stage & Screen

Once again the stage and screen will be in the Arena Hall giving us a grandstand finish to the event with the awards ceremony. Make sure you take your seats in plenty of time to see the big screen display images of the winning Golden Demon entries as the awards are declared.

THE PAVILION

Golden Demon

Golden Demon entrants can register here. The Pavilion is also where all the entries for the painting competition will be displayed. As well as viewing the miniatures 'in the flesh' you can admire some of the best entries close up with the help of the plasma screens at each end of the Golden Demon stand. Good luck to all the competitors vying for the coveted Golden Demon Slayer Sword!

The Gaming Club Network (GCN)

This network of independent gaming clubs grows from strength to strength with members all across the UK. They are supporting Games Day this year with a number of participation games in the Arena Hall. In addition they have an assembly area in the Pavilion where they are on hand to discuss the benefits of starting a club in your area and joining the GCN. They have also thrown down a challenge to anyone who wants to bring an army along for a game.

Design Studio

This year the Design Studio is pulling out all the stops to provide you with a snapshot of the design process. This will include the presence of around 40 members of the Design Studio as well as representatives from our Preproduction Studio and GW Tooling. If you ever wondered how we get from concept art sketches to 'Eavy Metal painted miniatures to boxed sets in our stores, now's your chance to find out. You'll also have the chance to meet artists, games

- ▲ The Scrap Demon, prize for the best conversion.
- ▼ The cover art from the Orcs & Goblins Army book, the unique prize for the art competition.





▲ The Hobby Area is a flurry of conversions.

developers, miniatures sculptors, 'Eavy Metal painters and scenery makers, so if there's any question about our games and miniatures that you want to ask, this is where to do it!

The Archive

Each year we like to remind you about some of the bygone products that Games Workshop has developed. Come and see how the Warhammer Fantasy Battle game has developed over the years.

White Dwarf

White Dwarf will be around again this year, taking pictures, conducting interviews and generally wandering about the event. In addition, we have given them their own area so you can approach them to ask questions about past articles, future issues or anything White Dwarf related. We're also hoping to persuade previous White

Dwarf Editors to make an appearance to autograph your favourite issues.

NOT TO BE MISSED...

Games Day is the showcase event in our event calendar. It encompasses painting, gaming and modelling in a vast, one-day event. However, the day would be nothing without the participation of the thousands of hobbyists who come to share in the enjoyment of the hobby. So join us to make this year's Games Day special.

If you like the sound of all the activities going on at this year's Games Day, then get yourself a ticket. Most Games Workshop Hobby Centres will be providing a coach for the day, (make enquiries at your local Hobby Centre for details of this) but there is on-site parking and access from the station and airport as well.

Tickets are available right now. Make sure you don't miss out.





◆ Only available at Games Day or through buying a ticket, the Troll Slaver on Golden Demon head is a truly unique and amazing model. The Troll Slaver is detachable so can be put on a 25mm base for use in your Warhammer armies.

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Black Library Merchandise

Earlier this year Warp Artefacts came to an end, but only to be replaced by Black Library Merchandise! Black Library Merchandise is the place you will now find all your iconic jewellery and clothing from the worlds of Warhammer and Warhammer 40K plus lots more!

Games Day 2006 for BL merchandise will be big! Exclusively this year you will find badges, t-shirts and posters complimenting the rerelease of Warhammer! Remember you'll not find these particular items anywhere else!

Along with these exclusive items you'll find all the classic, high quality merchandise items ranging from Black Templars to High Elves!

Black Library
The return of Gotrek & Felix! The Old World's most notorious duo are back in the action-packed novel Orcslayer, and what's more, author Nathan Long will be there signing copies!

Galaxy in Flames is the third book in the Black Library's hot new Horus Heresy series. Ben Counter takes up the reigns and turns the action dial up to 100!

Dan Abnett will be on hand to sign copies of the latest Gaunt's Ghosts novel The Armour of Contempt. It's high-octane adventure all the way as Gaunt and his men attempt to liberate a Chaos held planet!

Warhammer Historical

Warhammer Historical will have participation games including Legends of the Old West and Warhammer Ancient Battles. There's sure to be some Warmaster Ancients gaming going on too, showcasing the forthcoming Warmaster Ancient Armies supplement release.

Make sure you head over to the Warhammer Historical retail stand and check out the full range of games and dioramas. You can pick up the latest releases including the new Warhammer Ancient Battles supplement "The Art of War" which lets you bring the mighty Terracotta army to the table top as you strive to match the feats of the First Emperor of China.

LAST YEAR'S GAMES DAY

Wondering what you missed out at last year's Games Day? WD asked Ionathan Carter to tell us all about it ...

onathan: As another English summer approaches, strawberries and cream make their appearance once again, the playing fields of England echo to the sounds of leather on willow, and it once again falls to me to take a nostalgic look at last year's Games Day.

Anyone who has had the misfortune to read one of my previous reviews of Games Day (your mug shot alone is scary - Grombrindal) will know that I am on a 15 year guest to obtain a little statue, the Golden Demon. Last year's event wasn't the first time I had tried to get my hands on one of these (but I won't bore you with that again). However, it was the first time I had helped White Dwarf as a volunteer photographer and, more importantly, a first for Games Day itself. To everyone's delight, the event got a whole lot bigger and a whole lot easier to get to just off the M42!

The larger venue meant that the participation games could be expanded, with the different Hobby Centres from around the country and the Gaming Club Network producing some great tables to play on. Games Workshop also expanded the gaming element of the event by beginning the 'Bring and Battle' games (I feel a Blue Peter badge coming on). These were warmly welcomed as it allowed players to play against other hobbyists from around the country, which added to the spirit of the event. Inevitably though, just like there weren't enough hours in the day for Dan Abnett to sign all the books thrust in front of him, so there weren't enough tables to go round for all the eager players!

If you tired of all the gaming stuff, you could take a break and survey the latest in Games Workshop inspired games in the computer area. Although playing the newly revealed Dawn of War expansion, Winter Assault, is still 'gaming', it could be argued it's a totally different experience to the tabletop version. Alas, it's not how my wife views it!

The Golden Demons were easier to access owing to the fact that they were located in the centre of a large hall called the Pavilion. This allowed everyone a better view of the models and ended the long queues that were plagued previous years.

More space meant more room for new models to buy, which included loads of pre-release Wood Elves and Close Combat Terminators - seems like old news now, doesn't it! Forge World brought their designers and were showing off their massive Tau Manta which certainly turned a few



▲ Jon will need his cat to stop drinking his paint water if he has any hope of completing his models for Golden Demon 2006.



heads! They also managed to bring along the Anphelion Base from the then-unreleased Imperial Armour 4, including a custom-built board which was later photographed for the book.

For the Black Library, all this extra space to spread out was quickly taken up with people trying to get their hands on the special pre-release books, such as His Last Command, and then to join the ever-growing line of people patiently waiting to get their new purchases signed by the author. This year these queues will be much greater, I am sure; with the release of the great new Horus Heresy series, Dan Abnett, Graham McNeill and Ben Counter's pens will definitely be smoking after signing all of the requested autographs!

One of the parts of the weekend which is of interest to all hobbyists is the chance to have a sneak-peak at the plans and proposed new release models. Last year it was Black Templars and Dwarfs, two and three months before release. It is always interesting to meet the designers and have a chat with them about their designs.

I'll leave you now, as I skulk off to my painting room and contemplate trying to produce a model to enter this year. I've already been busy and have managed to finish one entry, a Venerable Dreadnought. I do have lots of other ideas but I'm afraid they're not publishable at the moment. I can't have anyone pinching my ideas now can I? It is 16th time lucky after all! If I can stop the cat drinking my paint water I might actually have a chance; if not, perhaps it might be time for me to have a crack at winning one of the Scrap Demons in the Hobby Area - these are awarded to the best converted model produced at the competition on one of the special tables neatly (!) arranged with a plethora of parts, materials and tools for us all to play with. For anyone attending next year's event, I'll probably see you around and about - look for me under a pile of sprues in the construction area.

But, make sure you grab your tickets fast or you won't be seeing anything at Games Day 2006!

Want to know more?

You can read about Jon's Golden Demon experiences at Games Day 2005 online, at:

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Five new clubs ioin the GCN

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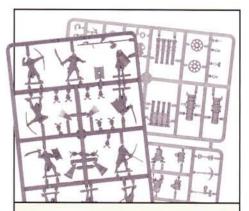
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GOBSTYKS CORRECTION

Apologies to Gobstyks for a few incorrect details in WD317 on their club. Their Bloodbowl trophy is called the Gobstykup not the Gobstyka, gold membership is awarded after five years not three, and the Presidents are Mike Purvis and Tony Burgess not Will Platten. Summary execution of the reading Gnoblars has been performed.

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Two Towers Masterclass

Find out expert ways to paint some of the key characters from the Two Towers journey who were at Helm's Deep, including the defenders of the fortress and the some of the key Uruk-hai characters attacking them.



Uruk-hai Army Building

With the new plastic Uruk-hai Scouts, Legion of the White Host battlehost, Feral Uruk-hai and Legions of the White Hand army list in the Legions of Middle-earth expansion, we thought it would be a great chance to look at collecting, modelling, painting and a splash of gaming with a force of Uruk-hai.



Space Wolves Venerable Dreadnought

In this month's Games Day article, volunteer reporter Jonathan Carter shows us his latest entry for Golden Demon – a Space Wolves Venerable Dreadnought. We show you how he painted and modelled his mighty miniature, from concept to varnish, online.

See the model on page 111.

HOBBY ARTICLES

...and everything else to fuel your hobby.

Eastern Empire

The Eastern Fringe is home to the emerging Tau Empire. Australian hobbyist Sebastian Stuart has collected a unique Tau army over the last few years. Here we ask Sebastian to take us on a tour of his Tau Cadre and give us a few pointers on how he painted them.

Ollie Gray's Dark Elves

You'd think Ollie Gray was preparing an invasion of Ulthuan, such is the size of his Dark Elf army. He regularly takes to the field with it at Games Workshop Lincoln, where he is the manager, although in smaller, more game-sized, chunks. He also has many interesting conversions which this article takes a



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- 1st OctoberWD325 (Jan)

Please note all dates and details are correct at the time of going to print but are subject to change.

Events diary abbreviation guide

WHWarhammer
40KWarhammer 40,000
BBBlood Bowl
WAB Warhammer Ancient Battles
WPSWarhammer Players' Society
WECW Warhammer English Civil War
EpicEpic Armageddon
LOTRThe Lord of The Rings
GWGames Workshop
GTGrand Tournament



HEAT 1

•7th-8th October 2006

HEAT 2

•4th-5th November 2006

HEAT 3

•18th-19th November 2006

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presents:

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Date: Saturday 5th August, 2006 Venue: Manchester Hobby Centre

Details: The "Fighta-Tunullas" are deployed to place Tellyporta beacons onto the Hive's Reactor. This summer the Manchester Store's Gaming events will follow the trail of Git Stix as he attempts to steal the fusion reactor that currently supplies power to the Sybilla Tertius Hive. 10am start.

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Date: Sunday 6th August, 2006 Venue: Gaming Workshop Wakefield Details: The thawing snows in the Black Mountains have opened the passes and the trade routes to the East. Can you protect the passes from the hordes of Orcs, Skaven and Ogres that live high in the mountains? You will need a 2,000 points army and a 500 points Combat Patrol force to take part. Tickets cost £15 including lunch on the day.

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Date: Saturday 12th August, 2006 Venue: Manchester Hobby Centre Details: Your chance to be a part of this 250,000 point Mega Battle! This summer the Manchester Store's Gaming events will follow the trail of Git Stix as he attempts to steal the fusion reactor that currently supplies power to the Sybilla Tertius Hive. Starts 8pm.

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DEUSCIDE

Date: Saturday 19th August, 2006 Venue: Manchester Hobby Centre Details: Da Stelf-Bommas" spearhead an assault against the Warlord Titan. This summer the Manchester Store's Gaming events will follow the trail of Git Stix as he attempts to

steal the fusion reactor that currently supplies power to the Sybilla Tertius Hive. 10am start.

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presents:

THE BATTLE FOR **NORDEN'S BUNKER**

Date: Saturday 26th August, 2006 Venue: Manchester Hobby Centre

Details: Will the Orks get their reactor? This is the one were we find out! This summer the Manchester Store's Gaming events will follow the trail of Git Stix as he attempts to steal the fusion reactor that currently supplies power to the Sybilla Tertius Hive. Starts 10am.

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FALL OF THE NECROMANCER

Date: Sunday 20th August, 2006 Venue: Gaming Workshop Wakefield Details: Deep in Mirkwood lies the stronghold of the Necromancer. His shadow is growing over the Elven realm. Can the forces of Good rid the woods of this evil menace or will the Necromancer's power continue to expand? To take part in this The Lord of The Rings campaign you will need a 500 point force.

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Date: 19th - 20th August 2006 Venue: Warhammer World, Nottingham Ticket Price: £45. This covers seven games across two days, lunch on both days, and an evening meal on Saturday. There will only be 14 tickets available for each race (Chaos, Orks, Necrons, Tyranids, Tau, Eldar or Dark Eldar) and 28 Imperial tickets, so book early to avoid disappointment!

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Contact: Steve Nolan on 07793 198516

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SEPTEMBER

presents:

The Lord of The Rings **DOUBLES TOURNAMENT**

Date: Sunday 17th September, 2006 Venue: Gaming Workshop Wakefield Details: Pair up with a friend to battle against others in this competition of deadly duos. To play you will need two warbands of 300 points and a friend to play with. Full details sent with the event pack. Tickets cost £20, including lunch.

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Date: Sunday 24th September 2006

Venue: Birmingham NEC Details: Tickets cost £25.

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Date: 7th - 8th October, 2006 Venue: Warhammer World

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Date: 21st - 22nd October. 2006 Venue: Warhammer World

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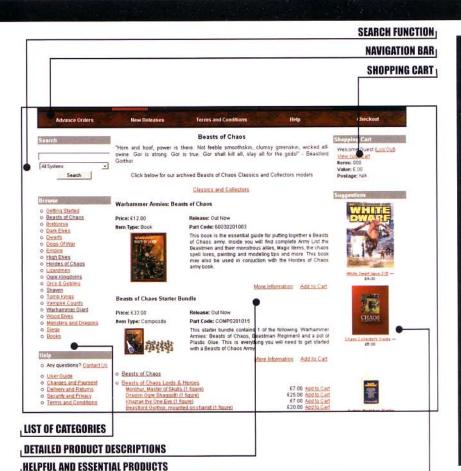
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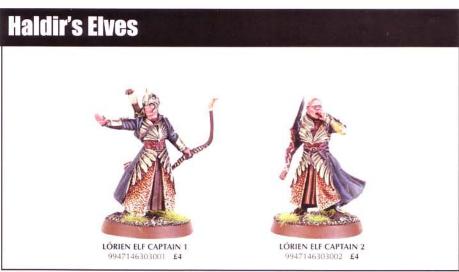






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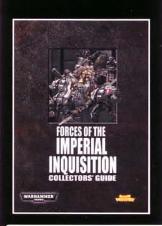
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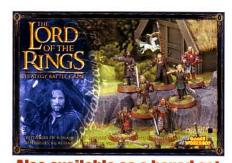
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