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On Saturday 21st September the Assembly Rooms in Derby played host to the most spectacular Games Workshop gaming convention ever – The National Gaming League Finals for Warhammer Fantasy Battle, Warhammer 40,000, Space Marine, Space Hulk and Blood Bowl. From 10am the halls were packed with thousands of enthusiastic gamers, all enjoying the various Games Day events.

In the main halls the armies of the best gamers in the country battled each other across the superb specially constructed terrain to decide this year’s National champions of Warhammer Fantasy Battle, Warhammer 40,000, Space Marine, Space Hulk and Blood Bowl. Heroic armies of Space Marines battled to the death on distant planets, Titans and Land Raiders crashed through futuristic cities and vast armies of Undead, Dwarfs and Elves advanced relentlessly under the watchful eye of their Generals.

In addition to the Gaming League Championships, Games Day was the venue for a host of tournament games, participation games, speed painting competitions and special events. It also offered gamers the opportunity to talk to all the Games Workshop writers, miniature designers, miniature painters and artists.

On the gaming tables, Andy McCormack led gullible adventurers up dark passageways in his splendid three-dimensional Advanced Heroquest dungeon. On the fringes of the galaxy budding Admirals manoeuvred vast fleets of ships, as the Imperium clashed with the Eldar in the Space Fleet tournament. All over the Assembly Rooms, hundreds of enthusiastic gamers, experts and novices alike, joined in participation games of Warhammer Fantasy Battle, Warhammer 40,000, Space Marine, Space Hulk, Blood Bowl, Advanced Space Crusade, Mighty Empires and the forthcoming Warhammer Naval Game.

All the Games Workshop Design Studio staff were at hand to answer questions on Games Workshop products, explain rules, offer tips on painting miniatures and generally chat about the Games Workshop hobby. The Games Workshop, Citadel Miniatures and Marauder retail stands were busy all day with gamers eager to see all the latest releases.

As the day drew to a close the victorious Champions received their trophies in the packed main hall and everyone reflected on what had surely been the most spectacular gaming event of the year.

1991 LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

**Warhammer Fantasy Battle**
National Champion – Tony Evans: Middlesborough

**Warhammer 40,000**
National Champion – Lee Sinclair: Glasgow

**Space Marine**
National Champion – Stephen Gregory: Middlesborough

**Space Hulk**
National Champion – Paul Kieman: Coventry

**Blood Bowl**
National Champion – Steve Cunningham: Luton
GOLDEN DEMON 1992

If you missed Games Day - fear not! Games Workshop's next gaming convention, the Golden Demon Miniature Painting Championships, will be held in April next year at the Birmingham NEC! We can promise you that this will be far bigger and better than anything you've ever seen before. Watch out for more details in future editions of White Dwarf.
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This is our biggest competition ever, so make sure you return your completed Readers' Survey straight away for a chance to win the prize of a lifetime.

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ARMIES OF THE IMPERIUM

The first Space Marine supplement is currently being worked on at the studio, so look out for it hitting the shops soon. There will be more news and selected extracts in the next White Dwarf.

Armies of the Imperium covers Space Marine and Imperial Guard armies with new rules for all the vehicles and troop types available to these forces, plus army list cards to allow you to build combined armies.

GAMES WORKSHOP US

Games Workshop made a major splash at two of the US’s biggest games conventions this summer – Origins held in Baltimore Maryland and GenCon held in Milwaukee Wisconsin. The full range of Games Workshop games and Citadel Miniatures were on display at both events and all of the Games Workshop US staff were at hand to talk to the participants and to answer any questions about the hobby.

The showpiece of both events was an amazing Warhammer 40,000 participation game called ‘Storm over Voltarius’ created by Chris Alvord of our Baltimore staff. Chris had modelled the ruins of the Luminous City and the underground research laboratories became a battlefield where armies from across the galaxy fought to claim the ancient artifacts hidden in the ruins.

There was a great deal of carnage and everyone had a wonderful time. The turnout for the scenario games was tremendous and our apologies must go to all of you who couldn’t get into one.

The scenario winners at Origins were:

Charles Morris – Space Marines
Heath Culp – Space Marines
William Van Ripper III – Black Legion
Best Painted Army:
Mike Naylor – (Squats)

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STOMPERS!
by Rick Priestley

With the release of the new Stompers epic plastic boxed set we thought this would be the ideal opportunity to publish Space Marine rules to cover all the models in the new set. We've also included new rules for a few extra models too, such as the Wraithguard from the Eldar War Host set, Grey Knights and Terminators.

STOMPERS

Because of their small size Stompas are more like vehicles than Titans, and the game rules for them reflect this. They are treated as vehicles for purposes of travelling over different sorts of terrain and they have vehicle type game data rather than Titan data sheets.

Stompas operate in Stompa Mobs and usually accompany a Warboss – one who hasn't quite managed to get his Mekboyz to build bigger Gargants. Sometimes Stompas will be built in addition to Gargants, and the lucky Warboss can include both types in his Waaagh!

As Stompa Mobs embody the spirit of the Waaagh, they do not have to take morale checks and cannot be routed.

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<td>Ork Stompa</td>
<td>10cm</td>
<td>1+</td>
<td>+8</td>
<td>Battlecannon</td>
<td>50cm</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>3+</td>
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<td>Stompa Mobs ignore morale checks.</td>
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When the Orks are in the throes of a mighty Waagh-Ork all the Mekboyz band together and work like crazy to build Gargants. Some Mekboyz manage to construct huge Great Gargants, others proudly build the smaller Slasher Gargant, but many can't find the labour or materials for such large projects and have to be content with a Stompa. Stompas don't really count as Gargants because they're too small, but they embody all the virtues of a Great Gargant in miniature. Whereas a Gargant's crew might number several dozen Orks and Gretchin (plus innumerable Snotlings) a Stompa has a small crew consisting of a few brave Orks and enthusiastic Gretchin.
ORK DREADNOUGHTS

Orks know a good idea when they see one and the sight and sound of Space Marine Dreadnoughts striding across the battlefield with guns blazing created a lasting impression on the Ork mind. Inspired by the success of Space Marine Dreadnoughts, Ork Mekboyz set to work making their own. Though the Orks have captured the resemblance of the human Dreadnoughts, the mechanics of their machines are typically Orky.

The Ork Dreadnought is piloted by a Gretchin which has been surgically implanted into the machine by the combined efforts of a Painboy and Mekboy. Ork and Gretchin bodies are fortunately very resilient so the Gretchin usually survives the operation and wakes up to find himself with a huge metal body that's even more Orky than Orks! This is very cheering to the Gretchin who has suffered years of being beaten around the head by his superiors. Not surprisingly his newfound power tends to go to his head, so Ork Dreadnoughts are often very hard to control.

Dreadnoughts are mobile troops and move through terrain like infantry stands. See the Terrain Chart in the Space Marine rules summary sheet for details.

Unfortunately, Ork Dreadnoughts don't always do what they're told. The Gretchin inside often gets carried away with excitement or goes crazy with power, sometimes even to the extent of bossing the Orks about. To represent this, Ork Dreadnoughts are subject to the normal Ork Command Rule which says they have to remain within 10cm of a command unit in order to receive orders. If they receive no orders then they behave erratically. Roll a D6 for the Dreadnought unit in the orders phase: on a 1-2 it has first fire orders, on a 3-4 it has advance orders, and on a 5-6 it has charge orders.

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<td>Ork Dreadnought</td>
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<td>6+</td>
<td>+3</td>
<td>Autocannon</td>
<td>50cm</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>5+</td>
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CHAOS ANDROIDS

The Chaos Android is a shining skeleton of hardened plasteeel. Its cunning construction is a secret known only to certain tainted Squat fabricators working in league with Chaos Renegades. Each android contains a tiny bound daemon, an animating spirit imprisoned within its plasteeel shell by the conjurations of a Chaos Sorcerer. The contained daemon hates being trapped in this way and will do anything to escape, but it is bound to obey any direct order it is given.

The daemon will always try to interpret any command in as perverse a way as possible in order to avoid doing what it is supposed to.

Chaos Androids are just as much daemons as robots and are therefore considered to be daemons for rules purposes, for example if attacked by a Librarian's *destroy daemon* ability. They fight as troop stands, five models to a stand, in units of four stands. To represent their determination to deliberately misinterpret orders wherever possible order counters are placed in a slightly unusual way. Once all other order counters have been placed, including Eldar orders from a Warlock, both players roll a D6 for each Chaos Android unit on the table. The player with the highest score may place whatever order counter he wishes, so the Chaos Androids are still moved and fight under the control of their own side but must do so with the orders they have been given. This means that sometimes their orders will be inappropriate because the bound daemons have perverted the command they would normally have been given.

Daemons are horrific creatures for mortals to behold and are therefore difficult to fight in close combat. Any living enemy fighting against Chaos Androids suffers a -1 CAF penalty. This penalty does apply to vehicles whose crews are affected, but not to robots, Eldar Wraithguard and Dreadnoughts, or other daemonic troops. It does apply to Space Marine Dreadnoughts whose occupants are technically alive, if only just. Note that Grey Knights are not affected by this rule as they are resistant to daemonic influence.

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<td>Chaos Android</td>
<td>10cm</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>+4</td>
<td>Lasgun</td>
<td>50cm</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>5+</td>
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<td>Roll off to place orders. Enemy -1 CAF.</td>
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ELDAR WRAITHGUARD

To the Eldar the prospect of death represents a final horror unthinkable to a human and unimaginable to an Ork. When an Eldar dies his consciousness passes into the warp where The Enemy, Slaanesh the Bane of the Eldar and Great Power of Chaos, awaits to consume it. Every Eldar wears around his neck a small gem called a waystone, the purpose of which is to absorb its owner’s consciousness should he be killed, thereby cheating Slaanesh of his quarry and saving the Eldar from a fate that is literally worse than death. Waystones are implanted into the Wraithbone skeleton of the Eldar Craftworlds, releasing the spirit of the dead Eldar into the fabric of the Eldar Craftworld itself. Waystones can also be implanted into machines, and the consciousness they contain becomes the controlling element of the machine, allowing the Eldar to live again in a new form.

The Wraithguard are robotic bodies with Eldar waystones implanted inside them. They can move and act much like living creatures, motivated by consciousness of the dead Eldar they contain. This consciousness is not quite the same as that of a living person, but more like a dream-state, perceiving things around about in a shadowy and disconnected way. When the Eldar go to war they are frequently accompanied by the dead in the form of Wraithguards and Eldar Dreadnoughts.

Wraithguard units perceive the world in a shadowy, insubstantial way, absorbing the emotions of living Eldar around them as much as anything else. To represent this an Eldar Wraithguard unit will always remain within 10cm of a living Eldar unit where possible to do so. If they find themselves beyond this range at the start of the movement phase, perhaps because casualties or some other unforeseen event has caused them to become separated, they automatically receive charge orders and move towards the nearest living Eldar until they are within 10cm. This will prevent the Wraithguard firing that turn, and they can only enter close combat if the Eldar unit they are moving towards is engaged in close combat. Assuming the Wraithguard begin their turn within 10cm of living Eldar they automatically receive the same orders as the closest living Eldar unit. If the closest unit is a Warlock any order can be placed. This represents the Wraithguard responding to the psychic needs of the living.

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<td>Eldar Wraithguard</td>
<td>10cm</td>
<td>6+</td>
<td>+4</td>
<td>Wraithcannon</td>
<td>50cm</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>5+</td>
<td>-1</td>
<td>Takes orders from nearest Eldar.</td>
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ELDAR DREADNOUGHT

The Eldar Dreadnought is really a larger and more powerful form of Wraithguard, and is controlled by a waystone in the same way. Like the smaller Wraithguard the Dreadnought perceives its surroundings in a shadowy and disconnected way, responding to the emotional emanations of living Eldar about it. To represent this an Eldar Dreadnought unit will always stay within 10cm of a living Eldar unit where possible to do so. If they find themselves beyond this range at the start of the movement phase, perhaps because casualties or some other unforeseen event has caused them to become separated, they automatically receive charge orders and move towards the nearest living Eldar until they are within 10cm. This will prevent the Dreadnoughts firing that turn, and they can only enter close combat if the Eldar unit they are moving towards is itself engaged in close combat.

Assuming the Dreadnoughts begin their turn within 10cm of living Eldar they automatically receive the same orders as the closest living Eldar unit. If the closest unit is a Warlock, any order can be placed. This represents the Dreadnoughts responding to the psychic needs of the living.

Eldar Dreadnoughts are mobile machines and so obey the same movement restrictions and penalties as infantry. See the Terrain Chart on the Space Marine summary sheet for details of these restrictions. Eldar Dreadnoughts can be armed with a variety of weapons but usually carry lascannons and a power fist, a combination which gives them good close combat abilities and excellent long range firepower.

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<td>Eldar Dreadnought</td>
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<td>5+</td>
<td>+2</td>
<td>Lascannon</td>
<td>75cm</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>5+</td>
<td>-2</td>
<td>Takes orders from nearest Eldar.</td>
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Eldar forces including Wraithguard and Eldar Dreadnoughts
The Shokk Attack Gun is a marvellous Orky invention. Its exact workings remain a mystery even to the Mekboyz who build them, but it works none-the-less and in a particularly effective and spectacular manner. The whirling warp-spheres at the front spin round churning up the bit of space in front of the gun to create a sort of warp tunnel. The exit to the tunnel depends on where the Ork points the Shokk Attack Gun - it might be in the middle of an enemy unit, inside a tank, deep within a building, or even inside some unfortunate Terminator's armour!

You can't really be sure where the tunnel comes out until you send something down it, which is where the infamous Snotling Attack teams come in. Snotlings, the smallest and most docile of the Ork-Gretchin race, are specially trained to jump into dark holes in return for food. Their ultimate fate is to be sent enthusiastically into a warp tunnel generated by the Shokk Attack Gun, reappearing over or even inside the target.

Though Snotlings are not aggressive by nature, the journey through the warp tunnel turns them into gibbering maniacs. Half-mad with terror they suddenly appear at their target clawing and biting everything within reach, defecating uncontrollably, and screaming like frightened alley cats. This is quite disconcerting for the poor victim, especially if the deanged Snotlings suddenly appear inside an enclosed vehicle like a tank or (worst of all) down the left leg of your Terminator suit! A vehicle attacked in this way may be rendered useless while the crew disentangle themselves from frantic Snotlings, or the engines and weapons might be clogged by Snotlings caught up in the works. Exposed troops may be clawed to death, and a Terminator can suffer a terrible fate as several explosively flatulent creatures materialise inside his helmet.

The Shokk Attack Gun takes a while to generate its warp tunnel so it can only be fired if the stand has first fire orders. The weapon has an unlimited range and can be used against any target in sight. Nominate your target and roll the scatter dice and 2D6 to determine distance scattered just like a barrage.

If you roll a direct hit on the scatter dice and a double on the 2D6 then the Snotlings have not only landed on their target but many have materialised inside it as well. If this happens the target is destroyed automatically without an armour saving throw. Titans and other large fighting machines which use the Titan-style to hit diagrams and damage charts are hit once in a randomly determined location. Work out the effect by rolling on the appropriate damage chart as normal. Shields are bypassed automatically and no armour save is allowed for Titans which have been invaded by Snotlings in this way.

If you roll a direct hit on the scatter dice and any number other than a double on the 2D6 then you have hit the target area. Snotlings pop out of the air and surround the target, clinging to arms and legs, scratching, clawing and lashing out at everything close by. The number of Snotlings that make it through the warp tunnel is somewhat uncertain, and many of those who do are reduced to a helpless catatonic state. This means their effectiveness varies a great deal - from all out frenzied attack to mere inconvenience.

The effect of the attack is worked out as a round of close combat fought immediately against the target. The 2D6 roll already rolled stands for the Snotlings' close combat score. Because doubles count as immediate destruction as described above, this score varies from 3 to 11. The target makes its normal close combat roll (2D6 + its CAF). As with all close combat, void and power shields are ineffective and armour saving throws are ignored. If the target survives the Snotling attack it cannot shoot for the remainder of that combat phase and if engaged in close combat by other enemy it counts as having fought one round already. This means that any other close combat opponent rolls an extra D6 as described in the close combat rules. If attacked by more than one Shokk Attack Gun then each subsequent Snotling attack adds +1D6 exactly like any other close combat attack.

If you roll an arrow on the scatter dice the shot has scattered in the direction shown by the distance indicated by the 2D6 roll. The Snotlings will automatically materialise around the closest target within 5cm of the indicated point and attack it as described above. The new target may be friend or foe - the Snotlings are too terrified to tell the difference any more! If there are no potential targets within 5cm then the Snotlings have nothing to attack, and take the opportunity to scurry away, crawling off to hide under rocks or in the undergrowth.

Whatever the result, Snotlings only attack for one turn and then lapse into petrified silence, run off, hide, or otherwise make themselves scarce.

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MOLE MORTAR

The Mole Mortar was developed by the Squats whose homeworlds are rocky and barren and where most habitations are built underground. It has a crew of two operators who can also dismantle and move the weapon if needed. The Mole Mortar fires a burrowing subterranean shell called a tunnel torpedo. This travels rapidly underground before burrowing to the surface and exploding underneath its target. This causes the ground to collapse beneath the target engulfing infantry or tanks, and sometimes trapping large heavy tanks or Titans.

Mole Mortars fire barrages, although these are underground barrages rather than conventional air-borne barrages from artillery pieces. Work out hits exactly like a normal barrage. If the target is a super-heavy tank or a Titan work out damage as normal and then (assuming the target survives) roll a further D6 to see if the target falls into the resulting crater. If you roll a 6 the target falls into the crater and is trapped. A super-heavy tank or Titan cannot move while trapped but it is able to shoot normally. It is possible to climb out of the crater by using a charge order and then rolling a 3 or more on a D6 - the tank or Titan is then free but does not move that turn. If you wish craters can be represented using plastiscene or some other suitable modelling material.

Mole Mortars can easily be moved from place to place, and they count as infantry stands for moving over difficult terrain. They may be moved into buildings and even fired from inside if required.

Orks advance upon buildings held by Imperial forces including Mole Mortars

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<td>Mole Mortar</td>
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<td>Mole Mortar</td>
<td>150cm</td>
<td>1 Digger</td>
<td>0</td>
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SPACE MARINE DREADNOUGHTS

Dreadnoughts are huge fighting machines almost three times the height of a man. Although they could be mistaken for robots or even extra-ordinarily large armoured fighting suits in fact they are quite unique. The Dreadnought’s operator is not an ordinary Space Marine but one of the Old Ones - a Space Marine mortally wounded in battle many years ago. Rather than being allowed to die he has been implanted inside the Dreadnought, his nervous system connected to the machine itself. The Space Marine survives only as a tightly curled and shrivelled organic component deep inside the Dreadnought which is at once his reborn body and his tomb. Once installed, the Space Marine can never leave the Dreadnought. He loses all sensation from his body and relies completely upon the artificial senses of the machine.

Dreadnoughts are often very ancient, sometimes many thousands of years old, with memories which stretch back to the early days of the Chapter’s history. They are revered by the other Space Marines not just as potent warriors but also as ageless forebears and as the living embodiments of battles fought long ago. Dreadnoughts are difficult to build and many of the secrets of their construction were lost after the Horus Heresy. There are therefore relatively few of them in each Chapter and those that survive are carefully maintained and repaired when necessary. If a Dreadnought’s occupant is killed in action then the Dreadnought is refurbished and prepared for another Space Marine.

Dreadnoughts are mobile troops and move through terrain like infantry stands. See the Terrain Chart in the Space Marine rules summary sheet for details. Dreadnoughts can be armed with a variety of weapons such as auto-cannons, chainsaws, heavy bolters, and many more. They are especially powerful hand-to-hand fighters.

Space Marine Dreadnoughts and Grey Knights spearhead the attack

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<td>5+</td>
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<td>Autocannon</td>
<td>75cm</td>
<td>1</td>
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The Grey Knights are the most extraordinary Space Marine Chapter of all. Their secret headquarters is believed to be situated on an outer planet of the solar system, possibly Titan, but only the Inquisition knows its whereabouts for certain. The Grey Knights are daemon-hunters, recruited because of their latent psychic talents or extreme psychic resistance, and their role is to provide the Inquisition with a potent fighting arm anywhere in the galaxy.

The very existence of daemons and the Chaos Powers is not widely acknowledged outside the Inquisition, as to do so could cause universal fear and terror that would serve the purposes of Chaos only too well. Combat troops are generally kept away from daemonic forces, as few men who encounter these horrors face-to-face survive with their sanity intact. Ordinary Space Marines are too valuable to expose to such horror, although for those unfortunate enough to do so there is the prospect of selective memory removing surgery to ease the pain. Grey Knights are made of tougher stuff; men whose natural resistance protects them from daemonic presence or whose own psychic powers enable them to fight back.

Grey Knights are only deployed against daemonic forces as they are too valuable to throw away against conventional foes. They wear Terminator armour and carry a variety of close combat and distance weapons including psychic weapons such as force swords and the nemesis weapon. The Grey Knights have a fleet of fast warp ships and the best astro-navigators that the Inquisition can supply. When they arrive at the battle zone they use teleporters to transport down onto the surface or into the heart of enemy spacecraft.

A Grey Knight stand consists of five Terminators, and four stands make up a detachment. A Grey Knight detachment may be deployed as normal at the start of the battle or it can be teleported down during any subsequent movement phase. To teleport the detachment nominate a landing point and roll the scatter dice. If the dice shows the teleporter is on target place one stand on the nominated point and the remaining three stands within 6cm of it. If the scatter dice indicates a scatter move the landing point 2D6cm in the direction shown and position the first stand in the place indicated, then place the remaining three stands within 6cm as before.

Grey Knights are not affected by the normal morale roll taken when daemons attack, though they are affected by other morale rolls as normal.

Grey Knights do not suffer close combat penalties for fighting against daemons. If attacked by a psychic power, such as an Eldar Warlock’s psychic attack, a Weirdboy psychic bolt, or a spell from a Greater Daemon, then a Grey Knight stand has a psychic saving throw to represent its psychic resilience. Roll a D6, and on the score of a 4, 5 or 6 the stand is unaffected.

Grey Knights wear Terminator armour which is incredibly thick as well as affording a reasonable degree of mobility. This combines the two advantages of infantry and vehicles, and makes Terminators relatively difficult targets. At long range they are quite small and easily concealed behind localised cover or folds in the ground, while at short range their thick armour protects them from all but the more powerful weapons. To represent this Terminators have an armour saving throw of 6 on a D6 – almost all other infantry stands have no saving throw. Furthermore, because part of their save represents their small size and ability to move quickly, the save never drops below 6 - even if hit by a Volcano Cannon, Tempest Laser or other powerful weapon.

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<td>10cm</td>
<td>6+</td>
<td>+6</td>
<td>Various</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>4+</td>
<td>-1</td>
<td>Psychic save of 4+.</td>
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### CHAOS DREADNOUGHTS

A great Chaos Space Marine Champion may be fortunate enough to find himself implanted into a Dreadnought rather than die of his wounds. Just as Space Marine Dreadnoughts combine the barely alive remnants of a Space Marine with a complex metal fighting machine, so the Chaos Dreadnought uses sophisticated technology to prolong the lives of Chaos Champions in machine form.

The Chaos Dreadnoughts derive from the ancient time before the Horus Heresy, but since then have been rebuilt, often to mimic the form of some daemonic creature. Relatively few survive and they are carefully maintained and repaired when necessary. If a Dreadnought’s occupant is killed in action then the Dreadnought is refurbished and prepared for another occupant.

Chaos Dreadnoughts are mobile machines and have the same movement restrictions and penalties as infantry stands. See the Terrain Chart on the Space Marine summary sheet for details of these restrictions. Dreadnoughts can be armed with a variety of heavy weapons such as auto-cannons, chainsaws, heavy bolters, and many more.

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To accompany the new rules for the Stompers we’ve designed the following Epic Army cards. They are based on the ones we are using in our own games, but we haven’t finalised all the details yet, so why not try them and see how they work out. All comments are welcome: do you find the points values too high or too low, are the units too powerful or too weak? Why not write to us and tell us what you think. Although we can’t reply to your letters individually, we do read and appreciate them none the less.

To make up your data cards, first photocopy the cards on this page. Fold each card along the dotted line and glue the two halves together on the inside. You can then use these cards as normal in your Space Marine games.

**SPECIAL CARD**

**ORK WARBOSS AND STOMPERS**

The Ork Warboss is a mighty leader of the Clans – a Boss Ork commanding many warriors and machines. The Warboss and his bodyguard are represented by a single unit consisting of a Warboss and 5 Nobz with 2 Battlewagon. The Warboss also has three Stompers to prove his might and dismay his enemies.

Warboss

Nobz

POINTS VALUE 500

**ORK WARBOSS AND STOMPERS**

The Warboss and his Nobz form a single command unit and never check morale if broken. Ork units can only be given orders if there is a command unit within 10cm. The Warboss is therefore an especially valuable unit as he can move wherever he is needed to shout orders to the troops. The Stompers form a separate Mob of 3 models. They do not require morale tests and cannot be routed. The Stomper Mob is not a command unit.

BREAK POINT 6: The Warboss and Stompers are broken once they have lost 6 models, either the Warboss, Nobz, Battlewagon or Stompers. As a command unit the Warboss does not take a morale check.

VICTORY POINTS 5

Your opponent gains 5 VP when the Warboss is broken.

**ORK DREADNOUGHT MOB**

The Ork Dreadnought Mob consists of four Ork Dreadnoughts.

POINTS VALUE 100

VICTORY POINTS ADDS +1

The Dreadnought Mob fights as a separate Mob within an Ork Clan in a similar way to the Snakebite Boarboyz. It can be added to any Clan to increase its fighting strength. You may add up to 2 Mobs into a Bad Moon Clan but only 1 into any other Clan. For each Dreadnought Mob added the Clan’s break point goes up by +2 and the VP awarded to your opponent for breaking the Clan goes up by +1.
STOMPERS

**CHAOS ANDROID SQUAD**

A Chaos Android Squad consists of four Chaos Androids.

POINTS VALUE 100

**CHAOS ANDROID SQUAD**

BREAK POINT 2: The Squad is broken once it has lost 2 models. When it is broken, it must take a morale check.

MORALE VALUE 2: Chaos Androids must roll 2 or more on a D6 to pass their morale check.

VICTORY POINTS 1

Your opponent gains 1 VP when the Squad is broken.

**ELDAR WRAITHGUARD HOST**

An Eldar Wraithguard Host consists of four Wraithguard stands.

POINTS VALUE 100

**ELDAR WRAITHGUARD HOST**

Wraithguard cannot be broken and don't need to take morale checks. Victory points are awarded when the Host is destroyed.

VICTORY POINTS 1

Your opponent gains 1 VP when the Host is destroyed.

**ELDAR DREADNOUGHT HOST**

An Eldar Dreadnought Host consists of four Eldar Dreadnoughts.

POINTS VALUE 150

**ELDAR DREADNOUGHT HOST**

Eldar Dreadnoughts cannot be broken and don't need to take a morale check. Victory points are awarded when the Host is destroyed.

VICTORY POINTS 2

Your opponent gains 2 VPs when the Host is destroyed.

**ORK SHOKK ATTACK GUN TEAM**

An Ork Shokk Attack Gun Team consists of four Ork Shokk Attack Guns.

POINTS VALUE 100

**ORK SHOKK ATTACK GUN TEAM**

The plan is to fit these in as support cards, for the "coming soon" Mekboy models. Meanwhile, we suggest you add them as new units to your Clans.

BREAK POINT +2: Adds 2 to the Clan's Break Point.

VICTORY POINTS +1: Adds 1 to VP when the Clan is broken.

VICTORY POINTS ADDS +1

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### Mole Mortar Battery

**An Imperial Guard Mole Mortar Battery consists of three Mole Mortars.**

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**Break Point 2:** The Battery is broken once it has lost 2 models. Once broken, it must take a morale check.

**Morale Value:** Imperial Guard must roll 4 or more on a D6 to pass their morale check.

**Your opponent gains 1 VP when the Battery is broken.**

### Space Marine Dreadnought Squadron

**A Space Marine Dreadnought Squadron consists of four Dreadnoughts.**

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**Break Point 2:** The Squadron is broken once it has lost 2 models. Once broken, it must take a morale check.

**Morale Value:** Space Marine Dreadnoughts must roll 1 or more on a D6 to pass their morale check.

**Your opponent gains 2 VPs when the Squadron is broken.**

### Space Marine Grey Knight Detachment

**A Space Marine Grey Knight Detachment consists of four Grey Knight stands.**

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**Break Point 2:** The Detachment is broken once it has lost 2 models. Once broken, it must take a morale check.

**Morale Value:** Grey Knights must roll 1 or more on a D6 to pass their morale check.

**Your opponent gains 4 VPs when this detachment is broken.**

### Chaos Dreadnought Squadron

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**Break Point 2:** The squadron is broken once it has lost 2 models. Once broken, it must take a morale check.

**Morale Value:** Chaos Dreadnoughts must roll 2 or more on a D6 to pass their morale check.

**Your opponent gains 2 VPs when the squadron is broken.**

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Terror in the Dark is the first adventure supplement for Advanced Heroquest. Inside the box you'll find a host of new treasures, spells and magic items as well as rules for four new types of henchmen for your heroes. For the Games Master player, there are a whole set of new and terrifying monsters, with which to ambush the heroes and drive them from your lair. In addition, the new Quest Generation System allows you to create scores of exciting adventures for both Game Masters and players alike, while the special Lichemaster Quest provides the hardest challenge any player of Advanced Heroquest will have yet had to face. The Quest for the Lichemaster involves the players in a series of linked adventures to recover four ancient weapons and comes complete with six sheets of new card floorplans, player handouts and a host of new hazard counters.
Over the last few months, we’ve been adding lots of new models to the Studio armies. Now that we’ve finished painting the rank and file (at least for the moment!) we’ve decided to add some special character models and equipment. Here you can see the Medic, Librarian, Chaplain and Land Speeder for our Blood Angels army shown in White Dwarf 139 plus a Striking Scorpion Eldar Aspect Warrior squad for our Alaitoc army (of issue 138).

As you can see, a great deal of time and attention to detail has been put into these special miniatures. As a starting point, the new character models for our Blood Angels Army were all painted in basic colour schemes so we could use them straight away in our battles at the Studio. When we had a little more time, we added fully detailed shading, highlighting and banners to make these characters really stand out.
Land Speeder with Techmarine and Space Marine Lieutenant

The Space Marine Lieutenant’s rank is shown by his yellow shoulder pads. The Techmarine displays his symbol on his right shoulder pad as well as yellow and black stripes on his leg (out of shot). The Land Speeder itself has a blue campaign badge on the near side and a white blood drop on the opposite side to show that it is from the Third Company.

Blood Angels Medic

The Medic has been painted in a combination of Skull White and Blood Angel Orange. The white armour was shaded by mixing in a tiny amount of Chaos Black and blending it into the recessed areas. We wanted to put a black keyline around a red blood drop on the medic’s leg to make it really stand out against the white background. To do this, we first painted a solid black blood drop. The centre of this was then painted Skull White, leaving a thin black line around the outside and finally, the white was painted over with Blood Red. The coat of Skull White makes the Blood Red much brighter than if it had been painted straight onto Chaos Black.

Blood Angels Marine Librarian

Blue is strongly associated with Marine Librarians, so we painted the top half of the miniature Moody Blue, highlighted with Enchanted blue and repeated this colour scheme on the banner. We wanted to add parchment scrolls to the purity seals on the leg. These were made of thin strips of paper and glued into place, before being painted Orc brown.

Blood Angels Chaplain

The Chaplain’s armour was first painted Chaos Black and then highlighted by mixing together Skull White to Chaos Black and applying this carefully to the edges of the armour plates. The piping details around the edge of the armour were first painted Skull White and then given a coat of Blood Red. All of the bone areas on the Chaplain were given a base coat of Bleached Bone and were then highlighted with Skull White. The skull on the top of the standard is plastic, taken from the Skeleton Army box set.

The winged blood drop on the top of the Librarian and Medic banner poles were converted using the Imperial Eagle Standard (from the Space Marine backpack sprue) by cutting off the heads and tails and painting the centre section red.

Striking Scorpions

The squad of Striking Scorpions is the most recent addition to our Eldar Alaitoc Craftworld army, first shown in White Dwarf 138. These all have a relatively simple paint scheme but look outstanding as a squad because of the banner each one has been given. A mix of Yellow Ink and Sunburst Yellow was applied fairly thinly over the entire surface of the banner so that the aspect rune shows through.

Bretonnian Knights

On the back cover, you’ll see our latest unit of Bretonnian Mounted Spearmen, painted by Neil McIntosh from Games Workshop Liverpool and Matthew Fletcher from Games Workshop Nottingham on their visits to the Studio. The horses were all painted different colours, but the techniques for the shading and highlighting were the same. After the base coat was dry, the highlights were gently drybrushed on in lighter shades of the base colour. To smooth out any roughness in the highlights, a thin wash of ink was applied before the reins were painted in Chaos Black. When the black was dry the reins were painted Skull White, leaving a thin line of black on the edges of the reins to make them stand out against the horse, using the same technique as we did with the Librarians blood drop. Finally, the white coat was painted over with Blood Red.
BUILDING A COACHING INN AND STABLES
FOR WARHAMMER FANTASY BATTLE

By Rob Hooper

Over the past months we’ve shown you how to make a variety of scenery and buildings for your Warhammer Fantasy Battle and Warhammer 40,000 games. Judging by the positive response we’ve had many of you have discovered how easy and rewarding modelling is.

Rob Hooper is the Manager at Games Workshop Torquay and a keen Warhammer Fantasy Battle gamer and model maker. In this article Rob takes us step-by-step through the construction of his impressive Coaching Inn and Stables. At first glance the building may appear complex, just work through the instructions and you’ll find the model straightforward and rewarding to make.

If you want to have a go at adapting this model or designing your own, you can find lots of ideas for buildings together with illustrations, plans and elevations in the Warhammer Fantasy Roleplay rulebook.
EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS

The main parts of the buildings are made from 5mm foam card, and the timber effect is achieved with various thicknesses of balsa wood: 1mm for the planks and 3mm for the timber supports. Roof tiles and other details are made from thin card, such as cereal packets, and the chimneys on the inn and the forge are made from self hardening modelling clay. The whole building is assembled with white PVA glue.

Foam card is available from most art shops or graphic suppliers and is not expensive. If you cannot obtain foam card, you can use thick card such as artist’s board or even the corrugated card from cardboard boxes. However if you do use card you will need to put some reinforcement strips inside the building to make it stronger. Balsa wood is very cheap and can be found at any good model shop. If you have problems finding any of these items contact your nearest Games Workshop who will be happy to help you.

To construct the buildings you will need a sharp modelling knife, a steel ruler, some ordinary pins and a couple of cocktail sticks or sharpened matches and an area to work on. Remember to protect your working surface with a cutting mat or piece of hardboard.

CONSTRUCTING THE INN

The inn complex is designed to fit within an area 30cm square and is easiest to build in two separate sections. The first section is the inn itself and the second is the courtyard with the stable and forge.

For the base of first section, the inn, cut a rectangular piece of thick card or hardboard 11cm x 30cm. If you use thick card you may find it warps slightly when you put the paint and the glue onto it. This isn’t a real problem as it can be gently bent back into the correct shape. Hardboard will not warp but is more difficult to cut in the first place. I used card for my buildings but you can use whatever you find most convenient.

Mark one long edge of the base as the front as it will become important later when trying to match the two sections together. At the same time cut a second rectangle of card or hardboard 18cm x 30cm and put this to one side to use later for the base of the courtyard.

If you look at the templates for the inn you will see that there are two high end walls, two high side walls, two low end walls and two low side walls. The shape of the inn is such that the high walls make one section of the building and the low walls another. There are then two other low walls which make the middle section. The building itself is made from these three sections.

To get materials, don’t hesitate to drop in or give them a call - all Games Workshop stores are involved with terrain especially if you’re a young modeller. If you’re unsure of what you’re doing, then ask for some help, they’re all easy to buy and fairly cheap. If you have a problem finding any of these items, ask the staff at your Games Workshop store for the best place to find them locally.

Card. We used foam card for the walls. This is a foam sandwich with thin card on the outside. It’s available in different thicknesses but we find that the 5mm (1/4”) is the most useful and works well in almost all modelling situations. Foam card is available from art shops or graphic suppliers at around £6.00 for a sheet that’s approximately 800mm x 1000mm – enough to make several buildings.

In place of foam card, you can use any stiff thickish cardboard. Thin card, like cereal packet card, is a bit too flimsy for a building like this, but if it’s all you’ve got you could try gluing two sheets of card together to make a stiffer, thicker card.

Mounting board or thick card for the base can be bought at most art shops for around £1.50.

Balsa wood is readily available from most model shops. We used strips of approximately 1.5mm (1/16”) thick balsa wood for the planking on the barn.

All-purpose glue suitable for card, plastic, balsa wood, etc.

Modelling knife with replaceable blades (remember to always work with new sharp blades, because they’re much safer than blunt blades).

 Packs of modelling clay can be bought in most art suppliers. Make sure you get the self-hardening variety which sets without being heated.

Steel ruler (a plastic or wooden ruler would be ruined very quickly).

Sand or flocking is easily available from DIY stores or model shops for texturing the base.

PVA glue, This is the white glue used for woodworking, available from DIY stores and hardware shops.

Masking tape or sellotape.

Emery board, fine grade sandpaper or a nail file.

Scrap pieces of balsa wood, cardboard and wheels and crates etc from your bits box.

SAFETY FIRST

It’s worth reminding you that modelling tools can be dangerous if they’re carelessly used. Remember that they’re very sharp and they cut – and it’s so much easier to make this model if you’ve still got fingers.

The most important safety rule is to make all cuts away from your fingers. It’s much safer to cut through a sheet of card with several light strokes than with one heavy stroke. You’re far more likely to slip when pressing too hard so you’ll find that you actually get a much straighter cut with light strokes.

Always use a new blade. Sharp blades are a lot less dangerous than old blunt ones which you have to press very hard to cut through anything.

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MODELLING WORKSHOP – COACHING INN

You now need to transfer these template designs to the foam cardboard in preparation for cutting out. Photocopy the templates and stick them onto the foam cardboard with masking tape or small pieces of sticky tape. Take a pin and make a series of holes through the corners and angles of the templates into the foam cardboard beneath. When you’ve marked all the angles, carefully remove the template to reveal a dot-to-dot copy of the building parts on the foam cardboard. Using a pen or pencil and ruler join the dots to make an exact copy of the templates. You may find it helpful to refer back to the templates to make sure you’ve joined the right dots, or not accidentally missed any out. If you are not using foam cardboard and the card you are using is thinner than 5mm, then your building will end up very slightly smaller. This is not a problem and you do not need to change the templates.

Now you can cut out the shapes using the steel ruler to make sure you get a straight line. It is important not to use a wooden or plastic ruler because you will cut into it and the cut won’t be straight. Always make all cuts away from yourself. It is easier and safer to make two or three gentle cuts rather than trying to cut right through the card in one go.

Having cut the wall sections out you are now ready to start building the basic shape of the inn.

THE WALLS OF THE INN

Take the two tall side walls and the two tall end walls and glue them together using PVA glue, remembering to join them so that the side walls fit inside the end walls. Then take the two low end walls and the two low side walls and glue them together, again making sure the side walls fit inside the end walls. When this is done you will have two small buildings.

Take the shorter of these two buildings and glue it to the base so that it is about 5 or 6mm from the front and the same distance from the left edge. This is why you needed to know which was the front of the base. Note that the roof of this section runs from the front to the back of the building. When this has dried take the two extra low walls and glue them onto the base so that one of them lines up with the back wall of the small building and the other one joins onto the side of the small building about 30mm from its front edge. You may find it useful to refer to the plan drawing of the inn to make sure everything’s in the right place.

Finally, when these are dry, glue the tall building onto the base so that it joins up against the two walls. Make sure that the back wall of this building lines up with the other back walls. Note that the roof for this building runs from side to side rather than from front to back as with the other section. The basic shape of the inn is now complete.

TIMBERING THE INN

The timber effect on the building is made by gluing strips of balsa wood onto the model. Balsa is by far the best thing to use for this and you should try to get some if at all possible. It is possible to use card but because it has no grain the end result will not be as effective. When cutting balsa wood to make the various timber supports and planks you will need for these buildings it is important to remember to cut along the grain of the wood, not across it, or the wood may split and break up.

The templates for the basic wall shapes have all the positions of the timbers marked onto them for you to refer to. The first timber to fix is the 3mm square strip which runs around the entire building at ground level, allowing a gap for the large double doors to the coach house. Then fix the upper 3mm square strip which also runs around the entire building and forms the divide between the plaster and the timber areas of the building. It is a good idea to let these two strips dry thoroughly before continuing as this will make fitting the vertical timbers much easier.

The best way to fix the vertical timbers is to start at the back wall then do the two sides before attempting the front, which is the most complex part of the building. The back is the simplest because there are no doors and only one window. It consists of two end timbers with eight others evenly spaced between them. Leave the window bars and the diagonal timbers for now and move on to the side of the high building. This wall has a side door and one ground floor window on it and is formed from two end timbers with three others in between them. Note that the gap to the left of the door-frame is narrower than the one to the right. Again, leave out the door and window frame for the moment. Move now to the opposite end of the building which has the two end timbers and three others evenly spaced between them.
Applying the half timbering.

The front of the inn is the most complex to timber because of the doors and the shape of the front wall. First fix the vertical timbers on the front of the high building - two end timbers with two others spaced evenly between them. Then do the front of the low building which has two end timbers with three others evenly spaced between them. Leave the door and window frame for the moment.

Next fix the vertical timbers which mark the inside corners of the central section and the frames of the large double doors. When the vertical timbers have all been glued on you can go back over the building and fix in all the diagonal support timbers and the horizontal timbers which form the bottom of the window frames, the supports for the double doors to the coach house, and the tops of the door-frames for the two small doors.

The window frames can also be fixed in now by trimming the 3mm thick balsa to about half its thickness and vertically dividing the front window into three sections and the side and rear windows into two sections.

All the doors for the building are made from thin strips of 1mm balsa cut and stuck on in a slightly haphazard way. This is more appropriate to the style of building than having them all completely straight. The diagonal support strips on the double doors are added after the other strips are completed.

The timbering on the upper stories of the building is made in the same manner as the doors, again cutting the planks slightly haphazardly rather than all the exact same width. When timbering the end walls which form the points it is easiest to stick all the planks on first and then trim them to match the slope when they have dried.

You will notice that the front wall of the low side of the building and the side wall of the tall building both have windows. These are very simple to make by leaving a gap of the correct size in the timbering as you stick it on. When you have finished this you will have completed the walls of the inn and can begin working on the three roof sections.

THE INN ROOF

Like the building itself, the inn roof is made in three sections, two of which join together and the other is separate. Before you begin construction it is important to decide if you want the roof of the building to lift off or not. I always construct buildings so that the roofs can be taken off, which allows me to put models inside to show the defenders. You do not have to do this but the extra effort is well worthwhile.

The roof sections are very easy to build. Mark the templates onto thick card using pins and draw the shapes in with pen and ruler. Cut them out; again remembering to cut away from your fingers! When you cut out the roof section for the low part of the building mark the lines which show where the middle section of the roof joins onto it.

Fixing in the roof supports.

Glue the two parts of the roof for the tall section of the building together and after checking they fit properly onto the walls put them to one side. You will find it helpful to stick two brackets inside the roof to hold it together while the glue dries. This also helps make the roof stronger and ensures a better fit when it is all finished. You can make these very simply out of scraps of the foam card by copying the top 2 or 3cm of the template for the end walls. Position these brackets about 3cm from the edges. Next make the roof for the low section of the building, again putting brackets inside to strengthen it. Then make up the middle part of the roof and glue it to the position marked on the low section roof.

To finish the roof you need to stick on all the roof tiles. This is a long and time consuming task but when completed looks superb. You have to cut out individual roof tiles about 8mm x 10mm and stick them onto the roof individually. The simplest
way to make the tiles is to slice thin card into strips about 7 or 8mm wide and then chop these into 10mm or so lengths. The exact size is not too important as some variation actually suits the building better than if all the tiles were exactly the same size. Stick the tiles on starting at the bottom and working up to the ridge of the roof overlapping the tiles slightly as you work upwards. The bottom of the 2nd row of tiles should overlap the top of the 1st row, the bottom of the 3rd row should overlap the top of the 2nd row and so on up to the top of the roof.

The same procedure is used for all the roofs, though it is a little more complicated where the middle section joins the other roof as here you will need a few tiles cut into a triangle shape to match the join.

When all the tiles have been stuck on a long ridge tile can be fixed over the area where the tiles on both sides of the roofs meet so that the join is covered. Now you can check the final fit of the roof to make sure that the vertical timbering on the walls doesn’t get in the way. If it does, it is easy to trim these a little so the roof sits on top neatly. If you want to glue the roof on this is the time to do it. The building is now ready for the final details prior to painting.

FINAL DETAILS

The chimney is made by cutting out and gluing together the two chimney templates. When they are dry they can be stuck onto the roof of the lower section of the building. Roll out a 1mm-thick sheet of modelling clay and wrap it around the chimney so that it is totally covered. Try not to get too much clay onto the roof if you can help it. If you find the clay does not stick a little PVA glue will help.

For the chimney pot make a small cylinder of clay about the thickness of a pencil. When the clay is nearly dry you can carve a stone pattern into it by using a cocktail stick or a sharpened match. When it is totally dry cut a length of about 6 or 7mm and glue it to the top of the chimney.

To complete the walls paint a thin coat of Tetrion or Polyfilla onto the panels to give a textured finish which can be used to hide any slight errors you may have made and to disguise where the ends of foam card shows through. This textured finish is very similar to that found on old plaster which is what we are trying to copy. Use an old size 3 or 4 brush and try not to get too much filler onto the timbers. Then texture the edges of the base by painting PVA glue around the edge of the building and while it is still wet sprinkle fine sand onto it. This will eventually be painted to represent grass or the interior of the courtyard. When this is dry the building is ready for painting.

You can now go straight onto building the courtyard if you want, or you can paint the inn so that you can use it straight away. One of the main reasons for building the model in two sections is so they can be used together or apart as you wish.
PAINTING THE INN

The inn building has a lot of wood on it which I wanted to paint in a natural brown finish, so that it looked like old weatherbeaten oak. Because of this I decided to undercoat the model in black which I think makes the shading easier. You could use slightly thinned Citadel Chaos or Salamander Black paint for this and apply it with a large brush, but it is quicker to use a black car primer spray such as you can buy from a car accessory shop. If you do use a spray remember to use it out of doors, ideally in the garden, and on a sheet of newspaper to catch any overspray. However you decide to paint the undercoat it is important to allow it to dry completely before continuing the painting.

I started by painting all the timberwork with a technique called drybrushing. This involves taking a fairly large brush, about size 3 or 4, and dipping it into the chosen paint colour so that the bottom half of the brush head picks up some paint. This is then wiped off on a tissue until the brush is nearly dry, hence the term drybrushing. Gently flick the paintbrush across the timbering so the trace of paint on the brush picks out and highlights the details of the wood grain. It is necessary to repeat this process several times using progressively lighter shades of colour until you achieve the desired effect.

I drybrushed Bestial Brown over the black undercoat to give me a brown base for the timber, which left the black showing through as the darkest grain pattern. When the brown had dried I mixed half and half Bestial Brown and Bronzed Flesh and repeated the drybrushing to give me more highlights. When this was dry I used Bronzed Flesh straight from the pot and drybrushed with that before finishing with a mix of half and half Bronzed Flesh and Skull White. When dried this gave me the old weatherbeaten colour I was looking for.

The next thing to paint is the panels on the walls themselves. It’s best to drybrush the timbers first, in case you accidentally get paint on the panels. I chose a white finish for my inn although it would have looked just as good in grey or cream. To paint the panels I gave them a coat of Elf Grey first as the darkest shade. I then stippled over this with Skull White, putting more paint in the centre of the panel and fading away towards the edge to give an impression of shade.

To stipple you need a fat brush with very short hairs. Take an old size 3 or 4 brush and cut the hairs so that they are only about 6 or 7mm long. Dip the brush into the paint so that the hairs are covered and wipe off the excess paint, though it shouldn’t be as dry as when drybrushing. Dab the brush against the surface so the hairs spread out around in a circle. To shade with this technique use more stiples in the centre of the panel than towards the outside edges. It is a good idea to practice this first on a scrap of card until you get the correct finish.

When the stippling is finished the basic walls of the inn are completed. Add details with a small paintbrush, repaint the inside window areas black and then draw on fine white cross lines to simulate the lead strips seen in old windows. On my inn I decided to paint in a small poster next to the door. After painting this directly on the wall I realised it would have been much easier to have drawn it on a scrap of paper, then glued it on the wall. It would also look much more like a real poster.

The roof tiles are painted a red/orange colour which is also drybrushed over a black base coat. I began by drybrushing the whole roof area with Terracotta. To save time it is best to use a very large brush, a 1/2" or 3/4" is ideal. These brushes can be bought from any decorators or DIY shop, Games Workshop shops also sell terrain painting brushes which are very good for this. If you drybrush upwards from the bottom of the roof towards the top you will get an excellent weathered effect.

After the Terracotta the next drybrushing is with Blood Angel Orange and finally with a mix of Blood Angel Orange and a little Skull White.

The chimney is touched up with black if needed before being drybrushed with a mix of Chaos Black and Skull White to make a dark grey, then finished off with a drybrush of Elf Grey. The chimney pot is painted in exactly the same way as the roof sections.

The textured areas on the edges of the base can now be painted with Woodland Green paint and drybrushed with a mix of Goblin Green and Sunburst Yellow. This applies to the rear of the inn and both sides. The front will be part of the courtyard so it should be painted with a mixture of Bestial Brown and Brown Ink and drybrushed with a mixture of Snakebite Leather and Sunburst Yellow.

The inn can now be used on your gaming table just as it is, however I included a few extra details to my model to really finish it off. If you look at the photograph of the finished inn you will notice that I have added an inn sign above the front door and some ivy plants growing up the walls alongside the large double doors.

The inn sign is very simple to make: cut a rectangle of paper about 15mm x 30mm and fold it in half to form a square. Glue the blunt end of a sharpened match into the fold of the paper so that it forms a sign. This can then be painted any colours or design you choose. I decided to use Sunburst Yellow with a Red Gore stripe to make a bright coloured detail. The black eagle could have been painted on but I chose to use one of the new Warhammer transfers which are ideal for this sort of detail. You get around 200 individual transfers in many different designs and colours in each pack.

The climbing ivy is made from long rolls of modelling clay which is pressed onto the walls, particularly around the corners and along the cross timbers where it would grow naturally. Be careful when sticking the clay on that you do not make it difficult to get the roof on and off. Just before the clay is dry you can then jab it with a cocktail stick or sharp match to make it look like vegetation. When it has dried paint it with Woodland Green and carefully drybrush over this with Goblin Green and a little Sunburst Yellow.

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THE COURTYARD AND STABLE BLOCK

The second part of this modelling workshop deals with building the enclosed courtyard to complement and complete the coaching inn. There are two buildings within the courtyard: a stable block and a small open sided forge/smithy, both of which are straightforward to build.

CONSTRUCTING THE BUILDINGS

The courtyard is built on the 18cm x 30cm card or hardboard base which was cut out and put to one side when we began building the inn. Take this base and place it up against the front of the base of your inn so that the long edges match up. Mark an area about 8cm x 7cm in the front right corner of the base, which is where the forge will fit. Then mark a rectangle about 9cm x 14cm back from the front left corner of the base to show the position of the stables building. If you look at the photograph of the finished courtyard you will see the remaining areas are plain courtyard within a surrounding wall.

The back of the base is not walled off because this is where the inn will be placed.

As with the inn building the first step in the construction is to mark the template plans for the courtyard walls and the stable building onto foam card and cut them out. Using PVA glue stick the outside end of the stable building to the base so that it is about 1 or 2mm back from the front edge and 1 or 2mm in from the left side - the extension wall has to point towards the area where the forge will be located. Next glue the outside wall on the stable so that it fits inside the end wall already stuck on. Followed this by the stable end wall and the inside wall, again making sure that the side wall fits inside the end wall.

Bricking the sides of the courtyard.

TIMBERING THE COURTYARD AND BUILDINGS

The forge building is constructed as a simple framework which stands in the front corner of the courtyard. It is made from three uprights and four cross beams all cut from 5mm balsa wood strip. Templates are provided for these so it is easiest to hold the strip against the template and cut off the required length. PVA glue is sufficient to stick these together but I also carefully pushed pins through each join to make them really strong so that there is no chance of them breaking in the heat of battle.

With the frame and the basic stable now completed you can begin to put the timber supports onto the walls. The positions are marked as a guide which you can alter if you wish but note that the timbering is on the inside of the walls only; the outside of the walls are bricked over to increase their strength. The long strips of 5mm square balsa which are shown running along the tops of the walls are there to allow you to fix the capping tiles to the walls later on.

As with the inn itself the timber supports are cut from 3mm thick balsa wood and the doors from strips of 1mm thick balsa and you should fix the strips at the top and bottom of the walls.
Assembling the forge

before starting the vertical pieces. You will notice from the photographs of the finished courtyard that I put small strips of balsa around the base of the vertical posts of the forge frame. This is something you can do if you have some spare scraps of balsa but which is not really important and can just as well be left off. Also at this stage I cut out four small lengths of 3mm thick balsa wood and stuck them onto the upper level of the front wall of the stable to form the window.

THE STABLE AND FORGE ROOFS

The stable roof is a straightforward construction similar to the tall section of the inn roof, though the roof of the forge is slightly more difficult due to its four-sided shape. The best way to build this is to use sticky tape to hold the four parts together while the glue dries. Make sure that you stick the four sections of the roof together so that the two narrower pieces fit over the ends of the others.

The hole in the centre is where the chimney will be positioned. While these two roofs are drying check they fit on the buildings and trim the timbers on the walls if necessary. While you are checking the fit of the forge roof mark the position where the roof meets the balsa strip running along the top of the wall. This marks the point where the capping tiles need to be placed.

As before, the roof tiles are cut out of thin card about 8mm x 10mm and stuck on individually starting at the bottom of the roof and working upwards so that each row overlaps the top of the row below it. The wall capping tiles are cut from the same card and are the same size as those used for the roofs. When fixing these on it is easiest to trim the balsa strip running along the top of the wall so that it comes to a point at the top, and the tiles can then be stuck on just as if it were the top of a roof.

THE FORGE FIREPLACE, CHIMNEY AND MAIN DOORS

The fireplace is made in the same way as the chimney of the inn: a base of foam card covered with modelling clay and the brick pattern carved in with a cocktail stick. The fire in the centre is also made from clay into which a cocktail stick or sharpened match has been repeatedly jabbed so that a result similar to hot coals has been produced. When the completed fireplace has dried it can be glued to the base in the centre of the forge using PVA glue.

The chimney is also made from modelling clay which has been shaped into small blocks about 6mm x 3mm x 3mm which are then arranged like a small wall leaving the centre hollow. You get the best result if you can build the chimney while the clay is still wet, but if you find this too fiddly you can leave all the individual blocks to dry and glue them together afterwards. However you build the chimney you should end up with a hollow about 1cm high. When this has dried it can be glued to the forge roof over the hole.

The double doors into the courtyard are made from two thicknesses of the 3mm balsa wood stuck together. The extra thickness makes the doors look heavier and stronger. Templates for these shapes are provided although you could just as well make the doors flat across the top. I built the doors on my model so that they swing open and closed. This is purely optional although it is rewarding to do it. If you do not want the doors to open simply make the door as per the templates and glue it into the gap in the front wall.

If you do want to build the doors so that they open you will need to do a little preparation work. Glue the two thicknesses of balsa together and leave to dry. Then trim about 2mm off both outside edges of the door and cut down the centre of the door so that you have two halves. Take two pieces of 15 amp fuse wire or other wire of similar thickness 5cm long, then, using pliers, carefully bend the top 10mm of each over to a right angle to make the door hangers. Then take four pieces of 10 amp fuse wire about 5cm long and using pliers form a small loop at one end to make the hinges. The loop must be large enough to allow the 15 amp fuse wire to slide through. When you have got the four loops the correct size trim off the spare 10 amp fuse wire so that each loop has a shaft about 1cm coming off it. Two of these loops are then glued into the sides of the doors which will be nearest the frame, one near the top of the door and one near the bottom. The loop must remain clear of the door so that the door will open smoothly. The wire hanger then slides through the two loops so that the bent over section is at the top. This bent over section is then carefully glued into the foam card at the top of the wall and the bottom end is carefully glued to the base card. When the glue has dried you will be able to open and close the doors.
MODELLING WORKSHOP - COACHING INN

STABLE ROOF X2

FORGE UPRIGHT BEAMS TEMPLATES

STABLE WALL INSIDE RIGHT

FORGE ROOF FRONT AND REAR

STABLE REAR WALL

FORGE ROOF X2 OF EACH

FORGE ROOF LEFT AND RIGHT
TWO STOREY LEFT END WALL

TWO STOREY RIGHT END WALL

TWO STOREY FRONT AND REAR SIDE WALL X2

TWO STOREY ROOF X2
Like the walls of the inn, the courtyard walls should be given a thin coat of Tetrion or Polyfilla to create a plaster effect. I mixed some fine sand with the Tetrion to give the impression of much thicker and tougher walls. To do this make up the Tetrion so that it is fairly thin then add enough fine sand to make the mixture into a thick soup. Paint this mix onto the walls with an old paintbrush, and when it is dry it will look like old rough plaster.

When the plaster has dried the courtyard can be undercoated in black. I used a black car primer spray paint but you could just as easily use slightly thinned Chaos or Salamander Black paint and apply it with an old brush.

When the undercoat has dried you can begin painting the courtyard. All the timbers except the outside of the large main gates are painted with the same drybrush technique used for the inn. The inside of the gates can be painted like the rest of the timberwork. First drybrush with Bestial Brown paint leaving the black shading showing through, then drybrush with successively lighter coats of Bestial Brown, Bronzed Flesh and finally Skull White paint until you have the same weathered colour as the timbers of the inn. The walls are then painted to match those of the main building: Elf Grey stippled over with Skull White. If you chose to paint your inn grey or cream then paint the courtyard the same colours. Because the outside of the walls was a much larger area than the small panels it’s better to paint it with a drybrush technique rather than by stippling. This will save time and give a better looking finish, particularly if you chose to mix some sand in with your plaster.

The roofs of the forge and stables are painted in exactly the same way as those of the inn building. Starting with a black undercoat, build up layers of drybrushing starting with Terracotta working through successively lighter shades of Blood Angel Orange and a mix of orange and Skull White. Remember to drybrush from the bottom of the roof towards the top until you have a finish which matches the inn.

The chimney and the fireplace are drybrushed with a dark grey colour and then lightly drybrushed again with Elf Grey to give the final highlights. When you have done this it is a good idea to repaint the inside of the forge chimney black to represent the soot which gathers there. The fire in the pit can be painted in Red Gore and highlighted with Blood Angel Orange and Sunburst Yellow to show the hot burning coals.

The only thing left to paint now is the outside of the main gates, which I chose to paint to match the inn sign. The Sunburst Yellow doors and the stripe of Red Gore were painted and left to dry. Painting the eagle onto the doors would be possible but I decided to cheat a little and used the transfers again. There were no transfers in the pack large enough to fill the two doors as I wanted so I enlarged the transfer I used for the inn sign on a photocopier. I then carefully cut out the design with a sharp craft knife and cut down the centre to make the two halves, then stuck them to the doors with PVA glue. When this was dry I painted over the picture with Chaos Black paint.

With all the painting now completed you only need texture the base to represent the ground inside the courtyard and the grass outside it. Carefully paint over the whole base with PVA glue and sprinkle the fine sand over it. Leave this to dry and shake off the excess. The grass areas are painted Woodland Green drybrushed with Goblin Green and a little Sunburst Yellow while the courtyard is Bestial Brown mixed with Brown Ink drybrushed over with a mixture of Snakebite Leather and Sunburst Yellow.

The whole complex can now be detailed as you wish with cart wheels, ladders, tools and such like. Try not to put too much in the main courtyard area as this would make it difficult to move models around. I added some cracks to the plasterwork of the inn and the courtyard walls by painting thin lines of Chaos Black from the corners of some of the panels and on areas of the outside wall. Don’t overdo this effect as the building is supposed to be realistically weathered, not just about to fall down around the landlord’s ears!

The model is now finished and I am sure it will become the centre-piece of many hard fought games of Warhammer Fantasy Battle.

![Image of the completed model](image-url)
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When Jervis and I started putting together armies for Space Marine, it seemed a natural progression to take the forces we'd already painted in 28mm and create Epic armies using the same colour schemes. These armies would also provide the opportunity for us to continue our bitter battles between the forces of the Alaitoc Craftworld and the Blood Angels Space Marines. For those of you who missed it, our last battle report in WD 141 detailed the narrow defeat of Jervis' Alaitoc forces by the Blood Angels under my command.

With the arrival of the new, improved Space Marine rules, Jervis and I both jumped at the chance to escalate our struggles on the Warhammer 40,000 battlefield up to the maximum mayhem quotient of Epic scale!

We wanted to make this a truly apocalyptic struggle so we decided to play the game with 6000 points a side. This comprised the entirety of Jervis' Alaitoc force and almost all of the Blood Angels. Under the new rules, Space Marine games are played until one player gains a preset number of points and achieves victory. Points are awarded for controlling objectives and breaking enemy units. In this game we would be playing to 55 victory points.

Once again we played the game here at the studio on one of our 8' x 4' tables, setting up the terrain using the random system included in Space Marine. The game itself took a full day to play to its conclusion and was a challenging one for both us, if only because of the mammoth forces we had to control.

In the battle Jervis used several of the new and exciting models that have been developed for the Eldar. Over the last few weeks, we've both been feverishly working on rules for these and we were eager to try them out. These new models consisted of an Eldar Avatar, the living embodiment of the shattered Eldar war god Kaela Menasha Khaine; two Warp Hunters, large grav-tanks built around huge distortion cannon and able to tear a gaping hole in the fabric of reality; a pair of Wave Serpents, special Eldar assault carriers which create a rippling bow-wave of energy that can be used both for protection or as a weapon and finally two Prism Cannon, which concentrate and intensify the power of several smaller units such as lascannon into a single, devastating blast.

As in previous battle reports, we used a polaroid camera to take pictures throughout the game and kept notes on the moves and casualties for later reference. I then used these to re-shoot the photos for this article with proper lighting and cameras. Unlike previous battle reports, we've written up the events of the battle from a neutral standpoint, confining our own commentaries to the sections on planning, deployment and our post-battle conclusions.
THE ELDAR PLAN

(JERVIS JOHNSON)

As we were playing a 6,000 point game my choice of which units to take was simple – I've only got a 6,000 point Eldar army so I took the lot! Now all I had to do was come up with my master plan...

After winning the deployment dice roll, I was presented with my first tactical decision: which table edge should I choose for my set-up? The most obvious edge to take was the top one. This half of the table contained five objectives and had plenty of cover. However, a large proportion of my force (the Jet Bikes, Vypers and Aspect Warriors) are at their best in close combat. My favourite tactic for these troops is to move them into dense terrain in the opponent's half of the table, from where they can employ their ‘hit and run’ close combat attacks without being gunned down as they move about.

With this in mind, I wanted to try and move them into the top-right quarter of the table, where the thick woods and large buildings would provide them with excellent cover. This would also block off most of Andy's lines of sight, cutting down the amount of incoming fire they would take. Therefore I plumped for the bottom edge of the table as my set-up zone. For the reasons described above, I planned to use the Jet Bikes and Aspect Warriors on the right flank while the rest of my army would go in on my left where the more open terrain would suit their style of fighting.

When formulating your plan, it is vitally important to pick out which objectives you want to try and capture. Doing this in advance makes it easier to decide how best use your forces to achieve your ends. In order to win the game you really need to capture at least five objectives and probably six. Don't go for all eight – you'll just stretch yourself too thin and get gunned down early in the game. I usually pick five ‘primary’ objectives that I'll attempt to capture and hold at all costs, plus one or two ‘secondary’ objectives that I’ll have go at if the circumstances are right.

I decided to place the Phantom and Wraithguard on the extreme left, where they could advance and capture objective 8. The War Host would capture objective 5 and then dismount to occupy the nearby buildings and woods. These forces would be supported by the bulk of my other ‘long range’ specialists – Tempests, Prism Cannon Guardians and Warp Hunters – plus the Harlequins, mounted in the new Wave Serpents. Most of these troops would be used to enter a firefight with whatever forces Andy had in the area, hopefully blowing enough of them away so that my Harlequins would easily capture objective 6 once they reached it.

I placed my Vypers towards the centre of my line. From here they could charge quickly into the woods on Andy's side of the table (capturing objective 3 in the process), or be redirected to my right or left flanks if needed. I also placed a Warlock and some Lascannon here, to provide a bit of long range firepower in the centre of the table.

The Aspect Warriors were placed behind the buildings on the right, along with all my Vibro-cannon and a small group of dismounted Guardians. The Guardians would be used to hold objective 1, while the Vibro-cannon would provide supporting fire and make Andy think twice about occupying any of the buildings around objective 2. I then planned to use the Aspect Warriors to work their way forwards through the woods and capture objective 2. Once this was safely in my hands, the Aspect Warriors would swing left and try to capture objective 3 if the Jet Bikes had not already done so.

My plan was now complete. I had five “primary” objectives (counters 8, 6, 5, 1, 2) and one secondary objective (counter 3). I would quickly seize the objectives on my half of the table, use the Harlequins to capture objective 6 supported by the bulk of my Guardians. The Aspect Warriors were set to capture objective 2 and the Jet Bikes, if the circumstances were right, to take objective 3. I hoped that this the plan would also allow me to use each troop type to their best advantage, emphasising their strong points and minimising their weaknesses.

ARMY STRENGTHS & WEAKNESSES

It's important in Space Marine to keep in mind the strengths and weaknesses of all the units in your army. The Eldar are particularly interesting in this regard because each type of unit is quite specialised. However, it is possible to split the units into three broad categories; ‘fast attack’ units (Jet Bikes and Vypers), Aspect Warriors (including the Avatar, Exarchs and Harlequins) and Guardians (War Hosts, Tempests, Phantom Titans, Vibro-Cannon and other supporting units).

The Jet Bikes and Vypers make excellent ‘fast attack’ units. They are highly mobile and can be on top of your opponent before he knows what’s hit him. Their close assault factor of +3 also makes them extremely good in close combat. On the other hand, they are very vulnerable to enemy fire and next to useless sent against infantry that are in woods or buildings.

The Aspect Warriors are awesome close assault troops, a match for even the dreaded Terminators. However, they are also very vulnerable to enemy fire and because they are not as fast as the Jet Bikes you must take care to move them up under cover. This means that they are very poor at fighting in open terrain.

The rest of the Eldar units are just about the opposite of the Jet Bikes, Vypers and Aspect Warriors. They excel in long range fire-fights, but suffer badly if the enemy manages to close in. For this reason you should get them into a good firing position as early as possible and then stick them on first fire orders so that they can blast away at the enemy to best effect.
SPACE MARINE PLAN

(ANDY CHAMBERS)

Having six thousand points meant I would be able to field nearly the entire Blood Angels army. I therefore set about picking my force safe in the knowledge that for once I wouldn't have to compromise my choices due to lack of points.

I started by selecting my company cards. I always prefer to field as many full companies as possible. The higher break point of these larger formations means they can survive casualties for much longer before having to check morale or give away any precious victory points to the opposition.

Of course when a company breaks, all of its detachments have to check their morale (not all of its stands like it says on the playsheet) and your opponent gets a whole bunch of victory points, something which could swing a whole battle. But the principle is that by the time your own companies are close to breaking, your opponent's formations should already be in little pieces on the floor.

The first two companies I chose were a Space Marine Tactical company and a Battle company. The Tactical company is reasonably cheap and supplies plenty of excellent Space Marine Tactical squads. The Battle company's mix of Tactical, Assault and Devastator Space Marines makes it an ideal formation for all occasions.

As I would be up against Eldar and their plethora of skimmers, I wanted plenty of Devastator stands to threaten the Falcon Grav-tanks when they started to make pop-up attacks. (Skimmers on first fire orders can make a special pop-up attack, rising up from behind cover to shoot in the first fire phase and then dropping out of sight again before the advance fire phase.) Hence the third company I selected was a Devastator company. Although expensive, the firepower of eighteen Devastator squads is quite phenomenal.

The fourth and final company I chose was a Land Raider company. Though the Land Raider company is rather brittle, with a break point of only five, Land Raiders are actually very tough tanks, with good firepower, armour and speed. These attributes, combined with the fact that they are relatively cheap at 600 points for a company of ten, makes them a very good buy. I knew that the Eldar would be using a Titan and the Land Raiders would be one of the few things in my army that could hope to penetrate a Phantom Titan's tough armour.

I now turned my attention to the support cards. Each full company in my force entitled me to use five support cards, so with four companies I could potentially purchase up to twenty cards! Obviously I didn't have anywhere near enough points to obtain all of these, but I could try and cover some types of units I didn't have at company strength.

First of all I wanted some Whirlwinds. The indirect barrage support they can provide would come in very handy wherever I deployed them. Vindicators are a personal favourite of mine, so I took a squadron of them for old times' sake, though their monstrously potent gun demands the respect of any opponent. I also took an extra detachment of Space Marine Assault troops as their high close assault factor and jet-packs make them extremely good at storming objectives. Naturally, I couldn't fight such a major battle without taking some elements of the veteran no. 1 company along so I also bought a Terminator detachment.

In an attempt to stop some of the inevitably numerous Eldar Jet Bikes swarming all over me, I took a single squadron of Land Speeders. In a similar vein I also took two squadrons of Bikes, slightly less mobile than Land Speeders but cheaper. It is incredibly easy to get both Bikes and Land Speeders killed quickly by charging rashly into the heart of the enemy. On the other hand, if used well, they can be devastating. In another of my recent battles, a squadron of five Land Speeders single-handedly destroyed a Reaver Titan by just outmanoeuvring the Titan and hitting it repeatedly with their potent Multi-Meltas. Two rounds of combat and the Reaver was a bubbling pool of plasma!

Another personal favourite of mine are Dreadnoughts and robots. I find them really handy for close support of infantry both in attack and defence. Though walkers aren't as tough as tanks, they are cheap, fairly numerous and tough enough to bolster up infantry. Although their limited programming can be frustrating, robots also have the advantage of only breaking once they've been completely wiped out. I therefore took a single Dreadnought detachment and two detachments of robots.

The total points value of my company and support cards so far was five thousand points, leaving me one thousand points to spend on up to four special cards (one per company). I already knew exactly what I wanted from the special cards: a Warlord Titan plus the Blood Angels' Chaplain and Medic. Total cost exactly one thousand points!

There's no way I would fight a battle this large without taking at least one Titan. All that yummy firepower, concentrated in one place and protected by void shields and hefty armour is just too useful too ignore. The Chaplain and Medic are relatively cheap and supplement the troops they accompany with a handy +1 close assault factor or 5+ saving throw respectively. So, with my forces all selected it was time to come up with a plan.

After examining the terrain and the positions of the objectives my initial thought was to mass my forces exclusively in the more open terrain on my right flank. The thing that made me
uncomfortable about the centre and left was the relatively
close terrain. The assortment of highly potent Eldar assault
troops in Jervis’ army – Striking Scorpions, Howling
Banshees, Harlequins and Exarchs – are all virtually
untouchable in close combat and would have plenty of cover
to advance through. On top of this, his Jet Bikes would
doubtless be dogging my every move and making the woods
in the centre a very dangerous place to be.

Massing on my right would prevent me having to play hide-
and-seek with Jet Bikes and Vypers amongst the woods in the
centre and probably give me enough forces to overrun
objectives 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 relatively easily. The problem with
this plan was that it would leave my left flank open to attack
from whatever Eldar forces were left unchallenged on the rest
of the table. I could leave a portion of my forces to guard the
left, but that would reduce the amount of troops I had to attack
objectives 5 and 8, potentially pushing my casualties up to an
unacceptable level. The other problem with massing my
forces exclusively on the right was the simple fact that it
would be physically hard just to deploy them all efficiently in
such a limited area.

So, after scrapping my first idea I decided to try a slightly
more conservative deployment which stretched across the
whole table, but still massed a significant portion of my forces
on the right. The idea was to try and ‘pin’ the Eldar to prevent
them redeploying forces against my main attack up the right
flank. I would launch this attack as soon as I had weakened the
Eldar defenders enough to move forward without taking
horrendous casualties as I crossed the open ground.

It was still important for me to place a strong force on the right
as three objectives lay easily within my reach and a fourth,
objective 8, would be a relatively easy acquisition. Even if I
decided not to attack objective 5 it would be essential to keep
a strong grip on the area and deny these objectives to the
Eldar.

The holding forces in the centre and left would advance and
grab objectives 2 and 3 and then push forward to grab
objective 1 if resistance turned out to be weak. If the holding
forces came under too much pressure they would withdraw
and try to inflict maximum casualties and slow the Eldar down
while I put in a counterattack elsewhere.

The main advantage of this plan was that if the Eldar
deployment proved to be completely incompatible with my
fiendish plans I would be able redeploy troops fairly easily.
This would allow me to exploit weaknesses and cover gaps,
instead of tying my fate inextricably to the action on the right
flank.

You can see my overall position on the deployment map and a
few points are worth noting. First of these is the placement of
the robots in the centre. These robots were programmed with
capture orders so they would advance up the hill and then go
onto first fire orders and guard the objective. In this way, they
would form a strong ‘hinge’ for my advance on the right and
protect the objective at the same time.

The second is the placement of the assault troops in the centre.
This was done for two reasons: to have them in a position to
move and reinforce either flank and to make use of their jump
packs to overcome the difficulties of moving through the
heavily wooded area. Finally, I tried to place my devastators
in areas where they could not only get into cover in the first
turn, but also have reasonable fields of fire, thus allowing
them to stay on first fire orders throughout the rest of the
game.

**ARMY STRENGTHS & WEAKNESSES**

The Space Marine army definitely benefits from having
quality infantry. Even tactical squads have a close assault
factor of +2 and a morale value good enough to turn
opponents green with envy. In addition, these splendid troops
come complete with Rhinos, whose high speed makes them
invaluable for advancing forces onto objectives early in the
game. Excellent specialised types of infantry also abound,
with Assault troops, Devastators, Veterans and the much-
feared Terminators available to fulfil any required task. The
Space Marines have some excellent battle tanks in the Land
Raider and Vindicator, both of which have a reasonable speed,
solid armour and good firepower.

The Space Marines also have some good light equipment.
Land Speeders and bikes are useful for their high speed and
close combat ability, though they can be a little fragile.
Barrage support is furnished by Whirlwinds, Mole Mortars
and Thudd Guns.

Nonetheless the Space Marines’ biggest strength is its infantry
and consequently they are best used in terrain which affords
plenty of cover.

The greatest failings of the Space Marines are their lack of
heavy artillery and powerful, super heavy tanks, such as those
used by the Imperial Guard. The nature of the Space Marines
as a rapid deployment force makes it impossible for them to
lug such hefty pieces of kit around the galaxy. Inevitably they
can sometimes run into heavily armoured opponents, like
Titans, which they have great difficulty dealing with. Hence
it’s always wise to include a Titan or two with a Space Marine
force to handle the big stuff.
BATTLE REPORT

ALAITOC ELDAR CRAFTWORLD ARMY

1 Avatar
1 Harlequin Troupe
(4 Harlequin stands)
2 Warlocks
(each with 1 Warlock & 1 Falcon Grav-Tank)
1 Striking Scorpion Aspect Warriors
(4 stands)
1 Dark Reaper Aspect Warriors
(4 stands)
1 Howling Banshee Aspect Warriors
(4 stands)
1 Swooping Hawk Aspect Warriors
(4 stands)
1 Dire Avenger Aspect Warrios
(4 stands)
1 Fire Dragon Aspect Warriors
(4 stands)
1 Tempest Squadron
(3 Tempests)
1 Warp Hunter Squadron
(2 Warp Hunters)
1 Wave Serpent Squadron
(2 Wave Serpents)
1 Wraithguard detachment
(4 Wraithguard stands)
2 Dreadnought detachments
(each with 4 Dreadnoughts)
1 Anti-Grav Lascannon Battery
(3 Lascannon stands)
2 Prism Cannon Batteries
(each with 1 Prism Cannon and 3 Lascannon stands)
3 Vibro-Cannon Batteries
(each with 3 Vibro-Cannon stands)
1 Guardian Shieldbearer detachment
6 Guardian stands)
2 Vyper Jet Bike Squadrons
(each with Vyper 5 stands)
3 Jetbike Squadrons
(each with 5 Jet Bike stands)
4 Guardian detachments
(each with 6 Guardian stands and 3 Falcons Grav-Tanks)
1 Eldar Phantom Titan

Total Points: 5950
BATTLE REPORT

BLOOD ANGELS SPACE MARINE ARMY

1 Chaplain
(1 Chaplin stand and 1 Rhino)

1 Medic
(1 Medic stand and 1 Rhino)

1 HQ Land Raider

3 HQ Units
(each with 1 Command stand and 1 Rhino)

1 Terminator detachment
(4 Terminator stands and 2 Land Raiders)

2 Assault detachments
(each with 6 Assault stands and 3 Rhinos)

4 Tactical detachments
(each with 6 Tactical stands and 3 Rhinos)

4 Devastator detachments
(each with 6 Devestator stands and 3 Rhinos)

1 Dreadnought detachment
(4 Dreadnoughts)

2 Robot Detachments
(each with 5 Robots)

1 Vindicator Squadron
(3 Vindicators)

1 Whirlwind Squadron
(3 Whirlwinds)

3 Land Raider Squadrons
(each with 3 Land Raiders)

1 Land Speeder Squadron
(5 Land Speeder stands)

2 Bike Squadrons
(each with 5 Bike stands)

1 Warlord class Titan

Total Points: 6000
The Eldar won the initiative and forced the Space Marines to move first. The Blood Angels rumbled into the buildings and ruins on their left and advanced into firing positions according to plan. The forces in the woods and the buildings on the right deployed poorly, some impeded by the need to manoeuvre around the dense terrain and some slowed to a crawl by only having advance orders.

The only exception to this confusion was the Blood Angels Assault troops who quickly negotiated the woods with the aid of their jump packs and seized objective 3. The Devastators on the right advanced to objective 2 but only managed to deploy two squads onto the objective, the rest dismounting into the building behind. The Space Marine Bike squadrons wheeled away further to the right, deviating from their intended route to avoid the massed Eldar firepower ahead of them.

The Eldar moved decisively against the Blood Angels weakly deployed forces. On the right Exarchs pounced on the Space Marine bikes while Vyper Jet Bikes swept into the woods to attack the Space Marine Vindicators and Rhinos. On the left and right Eldar Guardians moved forward to occupy both towns. The Wraithguard with the Eldar Phantom in their midst strode forward along the left bank of the river towards the ford and objective 8.

During the combat phase a sharp exchange of fire on the left resulted in the destruction of one of the Terminators’ Land Raiders by an Eldar Tempest and the demise of three Eldar Dreadnoughts, smashed by the Devastators’ missile launchers. On the right the Exarchs demonstrated their crushing superiority in close combat and easily swept away four of the Space Marine bike squads. They then exhibited the one failing of such superlative troops by losing one of their squads to fire from the Land Raiders which had advanced behind the bikes, waiting for just such an opportunity.

The Space Marines’ Titan and Devastators rained fire upon the approaching Eldar, wrecking three Vibro-cannon and killing a squad of Dark Reapers. One of the Devastator squads on objective 2 was destroyed by return fire. Close assaults by the two squadrons of Eldar Vypers in the woods destroyed the entire Vindicator squadron without a casualty as well as two of the Assault troops’ Rhinos for the cost of one Vyper.
The Space Marines lost quite a lot of squads and vehicles in close combat on the first turn. This is because close combat in Space Marine is particularly deadly. Close combat occurs when squads or vehicles on charge orders end their movement in contact with enemy units. Both players roll dice and add their unit’s close assault factor to the roll. The player with the lowest total loses the combat and is destroyed — no saving throw! As you can see, assault troops with jet packs, Bikes, Jet Bikes and Rough Riders — which all have high close assault factors and move fast, can be tremendously effective if they’re used in the right way.

Many people throw their specialist close combat troops into a fight without much thought about the consequences. This usually results in the troops being gunned down by enemy fire in a number of ways. Vehicles or squads on first fire can shoot at close combat opponents before the combat is resolved and this can account for a lot of would-be attackers. If they manage to survive this fire and the subsequent close combat, they can still be attacked. Nearby enemy units on advance orders (or units which have first fire orders but have waited until the advance segment) can fire on enemy close combat troops after they’ve killed their opponents and should always do so unless they want to be next!

One way to avoid having your close combat troops shot at in this way is to use them to ‘ambush’ enemy units. This means that you pick out and attack small groups of enemy troops who are on their own, unsupported by other forces and preferably on advance or charge orders so they can’t shoot back! The attack by the Eldar Vyper squadron on the Space Marines’ Vindicators in turn one is an excellent example of a close combat ‘ambush’ attack.

**TURN 1 VICTORY POINT TOTALS**

- Alaitoc Craftworld: 15 VP
- Blood Angels: 26 VP
EPIC BATTLE REPORT

TURN TWO

The Space Marines won the initiative and forced the Eldar to move first. On the left the Wraithguard continued to advance and started to cross the ford. Meanwhile the Wave Serpents pushed forward along the right-hand bank, their distortion fields rippling like a bow-wave before them. On the right two squadrons of Jet Bikes which had transferred across from the Eldar centre engaged the surviving Space Marine Bikes while the Exarchs pushed on to attack the Land Raiders. The Swooping Hawks charged the handful of Devastators holding objective 2, but in the heat of battle Jervis forgot to give orders to the Vypers deployed in the woods, so they were unable to move and wouldn’t be able to fire until the advance segment!

Taking advantage of this oversight, vengeful Space Marine Assault troops, led by the Chaplain, leapt on the milling Vypers and engaged them in close combat. Further to the right, Blood Angel reinforcements advanced to support the beleaguered Devastators while the Titan and the Dreadnoughts manoeuvred through the woods to the left of the contested buildings and the Battle company’s HQ charged into the combat at objective 2. On the left the Space Marine forces halted to engage the Eldar on first fire, with the exception of two detachments of Land Raiders which advanced out of the town and onto the hill on the extreme left in an attempt to engage the approaching Wraithguard and avoid the oncoming Wave Serpents.

In the combat phase a ferocious firefight broke out on the left. The Space Marine Land Raiders fired on the Eldar Phantom but were defeated by its holo fields, only a single strand of the criss-cross web of lascannon fire struck home to damage one of the Phantom’s wing-mounted weapons. Eldar Falcons and Tempests executed their special ‘pop-up’ attacks, rising above cover to lash at the Space Marines’ Land Raiders, almost wiping out one squadron and badly damaging another.

The Blood Angels’ Devastators replied by downing a squadron of Falcons, a Warp Hunter and two of the Tempests before the remainder sank out of sight again. The Terminators mowed down four squads of Spirit Warriors as they splashed through the ford and the Eldar Guardian squad around objective 5 punished a Space Marine Tactical detachment for remaining positioned on the hill without cover.

In a roiling melee in the centre the Vypers were almost wiped out, though not without cost to the Assault squads attacking them. On the right the Exarchs lost another stand to the Land Raider’s fire before they ripped one of the Land Raiders to pieces in close combat. At objective 2 the combined fire of the Devastator squad and the Company HQ succeeded in killing only a single Swooping Hawk squad and the Blood Angels were destroyed in the subsequent close combat, leaving the objective firmly in Eldar hands. The Eldar Warlock on the right succeeded in paralysing the Space Marines’ Titan with a Psychic Lock and the remaining Eldar troops started pouring fire into the helpless Titan, downing most of its void shields.

ELDAR ALAITOC CRAFTWORLD

- Avatar
- Harlequins
- Warlock
- Aspect Warriors
- Tempests
- Warp Hunters
- Wave Serpents
- Wraithguard
- Dreadnoughts

BLOOD ANGELS SPACE MARINES

- Chaplain
- Medic
- HQ Land Raider
- HQ Units
- Terminators
- Assault Det
- Tactical Det
- Devastator Det
- Dreadnoughts
- Robots
- Vindicators
- Whirlwinds
- Land Raiders
- Land Speeders
- Bike Squadrons
- Warlord Titan
Eldar Wraithguard storm across the river into the teeth of Blood Angels' fire – and die!

**TURN 2 TACTICAL NOTES**

**FIGHTING IN BUILDINGS**

Fighting close combats in buildings poses special problems. A clever opponent will move into the building to use its 'to hit' modifier to minimise the effects of defensive first fire. The easiest way to avoid this is to space the defending stands throughout the building to prevent attackers moving inside.

In the attack by the Swooping Hawks on objective 2 the Devastator squad and the HQ stands only killed one of the Swooping Hawk squads in spite of rolling a total of four attack dice (the HQ stand could also shoot in the first fire segment because it didn’t move at more than its normal rate of 10cm). This was because Jervis sensibly moved inside the building increasing the score the Blood Angels needed from a 5 or 6 to a 7 (a roll of 6 rerolled and scoring 4, 5 or 6).

**TURN 2 VICTORY POINTS TOTAL**

Alaitoc Craftworld: 29 VP
Blood Angels: 29 VP
The Eldar won the initiative and forced the Blood Angels to move first. The Space Marine Devastators on the right withdrew from the buildings into the woods, abandoning objective 2 completely. One detachment of Assault troops moved up to support the weakened Blood Angel right flank and a squadron of Land Speeders also arrived having transferred from the left. The remaining Space Marine Assault troops moved in to tackle the two surviving Vypers. On the left a Space Marine Tactical company launched an attack against the Eldar Guardians in the buildings, supported by the Devastators and the robots, which had finally reached the crest of the hill and objective 4.

The Eldar Jet Bike squadrons on the right swooped on to attack the Land Raider squadron while the Exarchs moved in to secure objective 2. The Striking Scorpions then charged in to finish off the handful of surviving Marine Bikes. A third squadron of Jet Bikes careened in to extricate the beleaguered Vypers and grab objective 3, left unattended by the Space Marine Assault troops. The surviving Eldar Prism Cannon swept out of the firefight on the left and moved across to try and reach the Space Marines' now vulnerable Warlord. On the right, the Eldar Phantom Titan waded to the midpoint of the ford establishing tight control of objective 8.

On the right, the Jet Bikes attacking the Land Raiders suffered sufficient casualties from the Land Raiders' first fire to finally break the entire company. They then failed their morale check and were subsequently hammered by the Land Raiders in close combat. In the centre only one of the Vyper units broke, and although the remaining Jet Bikes and Vypers were badly battered by the Blood Angels' Assault troops, they inflicted sufficient casualties to break the Space Marine's Battle company. Fortunately for the Blood Angels only the Assault detachment failed its morale check.

On the left the Guardians switched their attention to picking off the Tactical squads which were storming towards them, but with only limited success. The Devastators surrounding objective 6 supplied some lethal supporting fire to their tactical brethren, downing four more Falcons and another Warp Hunter. A Land Raider was destroyed by the surviving Falcons, breaking the Land Raider company and causing the Land Raiders on the extreme right to go onto fall back orders when they failed their morale check.

Both the Phantom and the Warlord Titans fared badly on this turn. The Space Marine Warlord had its shields knocked down again and the Avatar hurled his Suin Daelle damaging the Warlord's mind impulse unit. The Titan was then caught in a hail of fire as numerous shots from the Dark Reapers and Guardians gathered around objective 1, splattered off its heavy armour. The Phantom tried to dodge and weave through the combined fire of Terminators, Devastators and Land Raiders, but the pattern was too complex and inevitably the Phantom was hit. The Terminators struck first and damaged...
Blood Angels No 6 Tactical Company push forward to assault the town

the Phantom’s holofields allowing the other Space Marine units to attack it more easily. The Phantom then suffered a crippling leg hit and its Power Fist was blown off in a gout of flame.

In the end phase the Space Marine Titan succeeded in repairing its damaged mind impulse unit but was still unable to shake off the Warlock’s psychic lock.

**TURN 3 TACTICAL NOTES**

**DESIGNATING TARGETS**

When rolling attack dice you’re supposed to designate the targets for all your dice before you measure range or roll. In particularly big games things can bog down with endless pondering about how to split up attack dice. To save time Jervis and I usually just indicate one or more target detachments and assume that each dice is being rolled against a separate target. In cases where there are more dice than targets, we specify where the extra dice are going to attack before we roll. When the Devastators fired on the Falcons in turn three, I picked the Falcons and the Warp Hunter as targets and specified two dice against each. I was lucky enough to score at least one hit on each and Jervis was good enough to have his usual misfortune and fail all his saving throws, destroying all four Falcons and the Warp Hunter!

**CONCENTRATION OF FORCE**

Concentration of force means exactly what it says - concentrate your troops so that you can apply the maximum amount of firepower against only a part of the enemy line. Let’s take a hypothetical example. Two players have 10 Space Marines each. One spreads out in a long line right across the table. The other concentrates his men on one flank. Only 3 of the opponent’s Marines are in range and can fire causing, say, 1 casualty. All 10 of the second players Marines can shoot, and they cause 3 casualties, wiping out their opponents. By concentrating his force the second player has overwhelmed part of the enemy line and caused a 3-1 kill ratio!

Of course, concentration of force will be affected by other factors.

Sticking your troops shoulder to shoulder can be dangerous if your opponent has area effect weapons, for example, or you may have to spread out in order to capture widely separated objectives. However, you should aim to concentrate your force as much as you possibly can.

**TURN 3 VICTORY POINTS TOTAL**

Alaitoc Craftworld: 49 VP
Blood Angels: 32 VP
The Space Marines won the initiative and made the Eldar move first. To the Blood Angels’ horror the hitherto-ignored Wave Serpents lunged forward and disgorged four troupes of brightly patterned Harlequins, who leapt forward to attack objective 6. The Devastator detachment was caught badly off balance, unable to defend itself, as it had been preparing to advance in support of the Space Marines’ own attack.

In the centre the remaining Eldar Jet Bikes pulled back to surround objective 3 in an attempt to hold it for another turn, while the Swooping Hawks leapt across to aid the Jet Bikes by engaging part of the surviving Blood Angels Assault detachment. On the right the Howling Banshees and Striking Scorpions followed the Exarchs through the cover of the buildings towards the woods. The Fire Dragons also moved up into the buildings, trying to work their way round the immobilised Warlord Titan.

The Blood Angels pressed on with their attack against objective 5 on the left, storming in and engaging some of the defenders in close combat. On the right the Devastators provided covering fire as the Tactical detachment withdrew deeper into the woods. The Land Speeder squadron which had been moving across to reinforce the faltering right, was diverted to strafe the Eldar Jet Bikes surrounding objective 3. The Blood Angels also threw in the Chaplain and the single Assault squad which could extricate itself from the Hawks to engage the Jet Bikes in close combat.

The Elder Guardians and Dark Reapers lashed the Warlord with fire again, scoring several hits. Although all the shots were aimed at the Titan’s plasma reactor most were deflected by the reactor’s armoured housing or flew wide, smashing into the Warlord’s arms and destroying both its Gatling Blaster and Power Fist. A flashback from the Gatling Blaster then caused a temporary reactor shutdown to the Warlord and to add insult to injury the wreckage of the Power Fist span off and landed squarely on one of the Dreads of the nearby.

The Space Marines slackened their fire against the crippled Phantom as they lent more supporting fire to the attack on the town. Even so, the Phantom had its Pulse Laser blown off by the Terminators, who had narrowly avoided being fried by it on the two previous turns. The Blood Angels assaulting the town got off remarkably light casualties, although the Tactical company’s HQ was gunned down by Elder first fire as it close assaulted a building. On the right the Devastators picked off some of the Aspect Warriors gathering in the buildings, but the Eldar still refused to be distracted and concentrated most of their fire on the hapless Warlord. The Space Marines retook objective 3 with a combination of Assault troops and the Land Speeders’ lethal meltas, wiping out the Jet Bikes and most of the Swooping Hawks in the process. But, in their moment of success, a distant battery of Elder grav-mount lascannon blasted the surviving assault squads and killed the Chaplain.

ELDAR ALAITOC CRAFTWORLD

- Avatar
- Harlequins
- Warlock
- Aspect Warriors
- Tempests
- Warp Hunters
- Wave Serpents
- Wraithguard
- Dreadnoughts
- Lascannon
- Prism Cannon
- Warlock
- Tempest
- Vyper Jet Bikes
- Guardians
- Phantom Titan

BLOOD ANGELS SPACE MARINES

- Chaplain
- Medic
- HQ Land Raider
- HQ Units
- Terminators
- Assault Det
- Tactical Det
- Devastator Det
- Dreadnoughts
- Robots
- Vindicators
- Whirlwinds
- Land Raiders
- Land Speeders
- Bike Squadrons
- Warlord Titan

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A Blood Angels’ Devastator Detachment from No 9 Company moves up in support of No 6 Tactical Company

On the left the Harlequins easily took objective 6 and killed the Medic and Devastator company HQ, though two Harlequin troops were subsequently killed by fire from the remaining Devastators. The robots’ autocannon finally found their mark and killed the Eldar Warlock who was rather foolishly standing closest in the building opposite. The Space Marines assaulting the town around objective 5 broke one detachment of Eldar Guardians and captured two of the buildings. The Space Marines Rhinos also overran a battery of lascannon in the streets and destroyed it.

In the end phase the Warlord finally shook off the psychic lock which had stopped it moving or firing for the past three turns. Unfortunately it failed to repair its reactor damage and remained helpless!

TURN 4 TACTICAL NOTES
MOVING INTO CLOSE COMBAT

When the Blood Angels made their desperate counter-attack against objective 3 the Assault squad could theoretically have simply jumped past the Jet Bikes and got closer to the objective. Why didn’t they?

Close combat is one of the most complicated things you will do in a game of Space Marine, and it calls for a certain amount of common sense on your part when you interpret the rules.

Returning to our example, we say that when you enter close combat you should move straight into close combat by the shortest route. After all, this is only logical. The only exceptions to this are when your prospective opponent has already been engaged by another model or when you attack squads in a building. We also rule that models have to be able to actually physically touch their opponent - stacking models on top of each other is not allowed!

TURN 4 VICTORY POINTS TOTAL
Alaitoc Craftworld: 54 VP
Blood Angels: 41 VP
The Eldar player won the initiative and opted to move first. On the right the Aspect Warriors held back and stayed amongst the buildings until the Warlord had been safely dealt with. On the left flank, part of the Guardian War Host charged back to defend objective 5, the remaining Guardians going onto first fire. The handful of remaining Eldar Dreadnoughts crossed the river.

The Blood Angels threw all they could muster into the town, with the handful of surviving tactical squads charging objective 5. The Land Speeders sped up the centre, the Devastators which had advanced out of the woods on the previous turn, charged into the town and even the Whirlwinds moved onto the hill to give direct barrage support. On the right the Tactical detachment moved into the woods surrounding objective 3, with the Devastators once again covering their retreat.

The combat phase opened with the Eldar Dark Reapers hammering at the Warlord again. Their missiles scored four hits, three of which struck the reactor. The Warlord’s battered armour finally collapsed under this weight of fire, the reactor split open and the mighty Titan was vapourised in an all-consuming plasma meltdown. To everyone’s horror the ball of white fire expanded to engulf a massive area; scouring clean the nearby buildings and woods of both Eldar Aspect Warriors and Blood Angels Devastators!

The Terminators cut down the last of the Eldar Dreadnoughts on the river bank. The Space Marine Land Speeders ran across the surviving Eldar Tempest and two of them were blown apart by its lasers. The Robots turned on the Harlequins and sprayed them with autocannon fire but to no effect. The Devastators ignored the Harlequins and gave deadly accurate supporting fire to the assault on the town. One of the few surviving Land Raiders succeeded in punching a shot into the Phantom’s reactor housing, but only caused it to temporarily shut down.

The Space Marine Tactical squads attacking objective 5 did all they could and killed everything they could reach. However, a single Eldar Guardian squad eluded their grasp and by denying them the objective made the final victory point total for this turn – Alaitoc Craftworld: 71, Blood Angels Space Marines: 61.

In the event of both players exceeding the required number of victory points in the same turn the game is a draw, with both sides armies considered too shattered to continue the battle.
The Space Marines’ Warlord Titan is destroyed in a spectacular reactor meltdown.

TURN 5 TACTICAL NOTES

SUPPORTED ATTACKS

As we mentioned earlier, close assaults can often be costly unless you resort to ‘ambushing’ lone enemy units. But often you have to conduct close assaults in the middle of the enemy lines in order to capture objectives. So how do you do it?

By using supporting units on first fire to shoot up any enemy units near the close combat, you can try to destroy enough of the enemy to cut down your casualties. Even if you fail, you might annoy your opponent enough to force him to fire back. A further refinement is the use of a second wave of advancing troops to mop up survivors of the close combat and give support fire. The Space Marines assault on objective 5 is an example of a supported attack (just not a very successful one).

MAINTENANCE OF AIM

So why did the Space Marines continue their attack on objective 5 right to the end of the game? The answer is maintenance of aim. Maintenance of aim means ‘make a plan and then stick to it’. If you are going to win any games at all you must have a plan. Keep it simple, and make sure that you have it clear in your mind before the game starts. Then, barring an absolute major disaster, stick to your plan through thick and thin. If you don’t you’ll find yourself simply reacting to your opponent’s moves, which means that you have started playing for a draw rather than going for a win!

THE RIGHT TOOLS FOR THE JOB

In Space Marine, certain kinds of troops are usually good at one kind of job, but almost useless at another. To win battles, one of the most important skills you must learn is how to deploy the right units, in the right place, at the right time, in order to accomplish the task in hand. In other words – make sure that you have the right tools for the job.

An example of how important this is, can be seen in Jervis’s poor use of his Prism Cannons. The Prism Cannon is the Eldar equivalent of the Imperial Volcano Cannon – one hit can destroy almost anything, even a Titan. At the start of the game Jervis had his Prism Cannons positioned on his left flank. What he should have done, was transfer them straight away to the right where they could have joined in the attack on the Warlord. His failure to do so, meant that the Titan survived for five turns under a hail of fire, when a single hit from a Prism Cannon could have finished it off. Destroying the Warlord on turn four would have won the game for the Eldar, and so this proved to be a very costly mistake indeed.

TURN 5 VICTORY POINTS TOTAL

Alaitoc Craftworld: 71 VP
Blood Angels: 61 VP
CONCLUSION

So a draw, with laurels going to Alaitoc for being furthest past the finishing line. We’d wanted an apocalyptic battle and we certainly got one. Losses on both sides were horrendous and each of us had only a handful of unbroken forces left by the end of the game. When it was all over, Jervis and I both sat down, and prepared a commentary on our performances, with the lessons learned and future plans.

1) Not thinking at the start of the game and randomlystuffing your troops into battle in a big long line is not a good idea.

In the early stages of the game I made the mistake of only moving up at advance rate on a few occasions. The few extra shots I actually got for this didn’t really pay off: I would have been better off using charge orders to get my troops into the right positions from the word go. This tendency to use advance orders too much also delayed my attack on objective 5, a delay which increased casualties and caused the attack to run out of time on the very threshold of success.

2) Decisive action, even if it isn’t the right action, is preferable to inaction. Bimbling around too much is not a good idea.

Another thing I did was fail to use the Space Marine Rhinos. I always stick to a golden rule of never, never keeping troops inside Rhinos after the first turn’s movement, because any opponent that’s awake will snap at a chance of wiping out a Rhino and two infantry squads with one shot. But in this game I think the risks would have paid off, several units spent quite some time tramping towards the enemy when I could have safely kept them mounted in Rhinos for a much swifter deployment. The devastator and tactical detachments in the woods in the centre would definitely have been better off charging forward in their Rhinos for a couple of turns before leaping out.

3) Though it’s good to use guidelines about good tactics every game is different and should be viewed as such, not as an exercise followed through by rote. Mindlessly sticking to ‘Golden Rules’ is not a good idea.

I felt overall that I fought reasonably well but my poor deployment led to me constantly fighting an uphill battle against Jervis’ better positioned Eldar. I was surprised just how far the ragtag assortment of tactical squads I threw in to attack objective 5 got, though I must say I was lucky. My Titan? Well I think the less said about him the better, though I do think that even if he had escaped the Warlock’s tricks earlier he probably would have copped it from something else - it was just one of those days. Still, I’ll be back.

BLOOD ANGELS DEBRIEFING
(ANDY CHAMBERS)

Hmmm. So, where did I go wrong? I’ve spent a long time in the Reclusiam chastising my unworthy self and contemplating the reasons for my lack of success. So that you can learn by my follies, I’ve summarised my reasoning for each one and the lesson it taught me.

Given Jervis’ actual deployment on the day I think I would have been better off with the plan that involved piling everyone up my right flank. This would have left all those Aspect Warriors plodding down the table to try come to grips with me, while I concentrated my entire force on wiping out the Wraithguard and the Guardians. Of course, I would have been ‘bounced’ by the Jet Bikes from the centre, but it seems to me that Jet Bikes are pretty fragile and get used up quite quickly, so I think they would have caused limited damage. So much for what might have been, what about what was?

Given a lack of hindsight for a moment I think dismissing the idea of going up one flank exclusively was wise. My huge mistake was not thinking about the deployment of my units enough. For example the Terminators ended up pinned down by the Wraithguard in a small settlement on an extreme flank position - they should have been centrally placed either to lead the attack on objective 5 or to plug gaps and bolster up the line. Their short ranged lethality and high close assault factor should have been put to good use in close terrain not stuck out in the most open area of the table!

The Vindicators which were ‘ambushed’ by Jet Bikes before they got anywhere should have headed into the Terminators’ position, ready to blast away at objective 5 and not been left stuck in the middle of a wood!

Things like these are minor details of course, but a plan is only ever as good as it’s execution. Throughout the game I continually found myself struggling to redeploy troops into different areas to fend off the Eldar and stabilise my line. This forced me into a position where I was meeting the Eldar on their terms and responding to threats as they occurred instead of moving decisively and making ground. Its worth noting that I didn’t capture any objectives after the first turn, I only just managed to recapture objective 3 and prevent myself losing entirely on turn 4.

So what did I learn?

ALAITOC DEBRIEFING
(JERVIS JOHNSON)

Curses! Victory was in my grasp, but I let it slip away. If I had just paid a little bit more attention to what I was doing I could well have pulled off a win on turn 4.

So where did I go wrong?

Well, I still think that my plan was sound and I wouldn’t change that at all. My deployment was perfectly acceptable, though knowing what I do now I would have placed the Eldar’s very long range weapons (such as the Tempests and new Prism Cannon) closer to the centre of the table where they could have covered both flanks rather than just one.
One point that was driven home to me was the need to keep Windriders operating as a large group which can overwhelm an isolated part of the enemy line and then move on. In this game I once again succumbed to the temptation to scatter them all over the battlefield, with the result that they were wiped out in penny packets. The one and only game in which I remembered to use them 'en masse' they charged across the table, caught a Space Marine detachment and some Vindicators in the process of deploying, wiped them out in close combat, all on the first turn, and then proceeded to rampage around my opponent's rear areas causing panic and destruction wherever they went. Now that's the way to use Windriders.

However, my real failure was allowing my concentration to slip about half way through the game. It's easy to do this, especially in a large game, especially if you are doing well. The most notable examples of this lapse was my failure to give orders to the Vypers on turn 2 and the Harlequins (Wave Serpents) on turn 3. This spelt the doom of the Vypers as it allowed Andy's Assault detachment to catch them, and it also meant that I ended up diverting my reserve Jet Bikes to the centre rather than the flanks they might have been of more use. In the case of the Harlequins it slowed down their assault on objective 6 which in turn allowed the Space Marines around that objective an extra turn's fire against my Falcons, with suitably devastating results (no pun intended). Other foolish mistakes that could have been avoided were moving my Phantom Titan too close to Andy's Terminators so they were able to shoot it up, and failing to get my Prism Cannon and lascannon into a position where they could attack Andy's Titan.

On a more positive note I learnt valuable lessons about the new Eldar Wave Serpent, Prism Cannon and Warp Hunter.

The Wave Serpent is an excellent assault vehicle, and this is what you should use it for. It is easy to get side-tracked into thinking of interesting ways of firing off its distortion fields; try to remember that their primary function is to protect the Wave Serpent, not kill the enemy! The Prism Cannon fills the niche occupied by the Shadow Sword in the Imperial army: it is an awesome anti-Titan weapon. If you include any in your army you should manoeuvre them so that you can use them to blow away enemy Titans first, use them against enemy vehicles second, and enemy infantry last of all. The Warp Hunter has to be used against large concentrations of targets due to its inherent inaccuracy but it is not affected by the targets cover, which makes it an excellent choice for winking out infantry massed in buildings or woods. I can't wait to try out the Warp Hunter against an Imperial Guard or Ork army!

Turning my attention to the other side of the table, I was surprised at how cautious Andy's moves were. On the whole I got the impression that he was reacting to my plan rather than following one of his own, and he certainly seemed to act very defensively throughout the game, which is not like Andy at all. The only exception was his sudden charge towards my War Host and objective 5 which I must admit caught me completely by surprise, but which I doubt would have made much difference even if he had captured the objective as it occurred too late in the game. Where Andy excelled, as ever, was in his concentration and attention to detail, the area where I really blew it. This probably doesn't show up all that well in the broad sweep of a battle report, but I've been on the receiving end enough times now to know that Andy very, very rarely makes foolish mistakes like forgetting to give a unit its orders for the turn! In this game, as in so many others, Andy's thoroughness made all the difference between victory and defeat.
In the Space Marine battle report featured elsewhere in this issue, several new Eldar vehicles and weapons are used in battle for the first time. Tim Prow explains the techniques he used to achieve the brilliant results seen in the photographs below.

The Wave Serpent, Prism Cannon and Warp Hunter are all specialised Eldar attack vehicles which make deadly additions to an Eldar force.

The main bodies were first painted with a mix of Sunburst Yellow and Blood Angel Orange, then highlighted with Sunburst Yellow Mid Skull White. To draw even more attention to these specialist vehicles, I concentrated most of my efforts on the focal point of each model.

**THE WAVE HUNTERS**

In the case of the Warp Hunter, the most important part is the cannon, so I gave this a base coat of Chainmail and then highlighted it with Mithril Silver to produce a bright, shining metallic effect.

**THE PRISM CANNON**

The rear part of the Prism Cannon was painted to represent blue crystal. To begin with I painted on a base coat of Enchanted Blue mixed with Chaos Black and then highlighted it with Skull White to produce a bright, shining metallic effect.

The Wave Serpent was give a base coat of Moody Blue mixed with Chaos Black and then highlighted with Skull White added to Moody Blue. The focal point of this model is definitely the prow, so I painted a wave design onto this area to emphasise it. The stylised waves fitted perfectly and were very easy to produce. Using a fine brush and some Skull White (thinned down slightly with a drop of water), I painted a line of wave shapes down the side of the prow to form the crests of the waves. If you look at the painted models you’ll see that the waves get smaller in size towards the rear of the vehicle, leaving the crests the same distance from the top edge of the prow. Varying the size of the waves in this way gives an effect of movement. The rest of the wave is then filled in with Skull White and finally, a touch of Electric Blue is added at the base of the waves.

The new Eldar decals are perfect for adding decoration and symbols to all parts of your Epic army. Each pack contains several different sizes of decals for each Craftworld symbol, so you’ll be able to fit them onto any of your vehicles. They also come in several different colours, so you’ll always be able to find one that shows up well against the main colour.

To show which Craftworld they belonged to, I added an Alaitoc rune to the Wave Serpent and the Prism Cannon. First I carefully cut round the rune, making sure to leave a few millimetres clear around the edges. It was then soaked in water for a couple of minutes until the decal moved freely on the backing paper. To apply the transfer onto the model I held the backing paper next to the area where I wanted the design to go and carefully slid it off using the tip of a brush. It’s a good idea to make sure that the area that’s receiving the transfer is slightly wet as this allows for re-positioning. When it’s in the correct place, carefully remove any excess water with a piece of tissue.
THE AVATAR

The Avatar model allows you to have the Eldar God of War, Kaela Meltasha Khaine, leading your forces into battle.

I then painted the inside of the cloak a deep purple colour so that the body would really stand out. For this I used a mix of Fire Dragon Crimson and Chaos Black.

THE ELDAR DREADNOUGHTS

The Eldar Dreadnoughts are from the new Epic Stompers plastic box set. I painted the bodies in Enchanted Blue, highlighted with Skull White and finally yellow runes were added to the legs. Then I painted the heads Sunburst Yellow and the tiger stripes were painted in Chaos Black, using a fine brush.

MIKE McVEY’S ELDAR TITAN

The new transfers were also used on the Eldar Titan. Mike painted a white circle onto the back of the Power Fist before the yin-yang decal was applied. This makes the clear half of the transfer appear white. The Titan infinity rune was applied to the forehead and the Alaitoc horned sword was added to the leg. Mike then shaded and highlighted the transfers to give them a little more depth.

The whole of the Titan was given a base coat of Bleached Bone, mixed with a little Snakebite Leather to deepen the colour. When this was painted over a clean white undercoat, the resulting colour becomes deep bone, so all you have to do is add the highlights. These were created with a mix of Bleached Bone and Skull White. More Skull White is added to the mix at the final highlights are applied so that the very last highlights are pure white. All of the edging around the bone areas were first painted Chaos Black and then the raised surfaces were painted white. This gives the bone colour a black surround to make it stand out. When the white was dry it was given a coat of Go Fasta Red and highlighted with Blood Angel Orange mixed with Skull White.

All of the metallic areas on the Titan were painted with some paint samples that Mike is trying out at the moment, and if we like them we could be bringing out a Metallic Paint Set in the near future. From the few models that Mike has painted with them so far, they seem to be really good and should prove to be an invaluable addition to any pallet.
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ARMIES OF THE IMPERIUM

IMPERIAL GUARD COLOUR SCHEMES

Following the dark days of the Horus Heresy, when Space Marines fought fellow Space Marines and the whole Imperium was torn apart by conflict, the victorious commanders of the Emperor sat down together to draw up a new galactic order, laying the foundations upon which the Imperium of the 41st millennium is built. In particular, and after a great deal of discussion, they produced the great tome of ancient military wisdom known as the Codex Astartes.

THE CODEX ASTARTES

Many of the most brilliant minds of the age contributed to the Codex Astartes. It describes not only methods of fighting wars, but also deals with such diverse elements as organising troops, establishing supply lines, clothing and feeding troops, subterfuge and espionage, and of course, countless tactics and ploys to confound the opposing commander. With such brilliant minds as the Space Marine Primarchs Leman Russ and El' Jonson offering sagely advice, as well as the practical wisdom of the great Imperial Guard commander General Tybour, the Codex Astartes has always been regarded as an essential part of every young officer's education. Every Imperial officer is familiar with its contents, and its many precepts and ideas form the basis for much lively debate. Because it is presented as a series of discussions and ideas by the most advanced military thinkers of its day, not as a strict code of practice soon to become out of date, the book remains fresh and valid ten thousand years after it was written. Much of its content is contradictory or inconclusive, representing different aspects of military practice, and this is what makes the volume an eternal source of inspiration to military commanders whatever their personal inclinations.

The Imperial Guard is a vast fighting force, and its leaders vary in ability from the most talented genius to the dullest functionary. The teachings of the Codex Astartes provide a minimum standard, enabling the least able to command in an effective, if uninspired way. Of course, an able commander may rise above this level, and the best commander knows exactly when to apply the ancient wisdom of the Codex and when to literally throw the book away. Such commanders are rare, but over such a vast span of time there have been many names to brighten the annals of Imperial history: Foch, Born Tahal, Castrokali, and many other heroes of the Imperium.

The Codex Astartes has much to say on the subjects of troop organisation, uniforms, colour schemes, and camouflage. Such things are important because only a well ordered and enthusiastic force can fight at its best. Naturally there are practical details to consider, such as the best type of camouflage to provide the best chance of avoiding enemy fire, unit markings to enable commanders to see where troops are, and banners for leaders so that troops under their command can identify their officers.

The following sections illustrate organisational and other markings used by the Imperial Guard and are taken from examples described in the Codex Astartes. The colour schemes and camouflage details provide sufficient combinations of colour and pattern to afford protection in almost any fighting environment. Although these are the most common colours and schemes, they are not the only ones by any means, as it is up to the commander to decide on the overall schemes for the force.

In practice of course, troops often have to make do with vehicles hastily painted, or even equipment transferred from another warzone and already painted a certain way. Some Guard regiments have traditional, famous and immediately recognisable schemes of their own which are completely different to those shown. This variety enables the ambitious painter free rein to invent new schemes, just as confident battlefield commanders do.
ARMS OF THE IMPERIUM

THE REGIMENT

The regiment is the largest formation in the Imperial Guard. It consists of a number of companies, and as a rule the entire regiment is recruited from one world. The following pages illustrate some of the colour schemes and markings used by tank and artillery companies.

PAINTING DETAILS

All of the tanks and vehicles shown were painted using the same technique. After undercoating, the models were given a base coat of the chosen colour, making sure that this covered properly without any patchiness. Once properly dry they were lightly drybrushed with either a mixture of Skull White and the base colour, or a special colour as explained in the description below. All of the tracks and guns were painted Chaos Black and then drybrushed with Boltgun Metal and Mithril Silver.

CODEX COLOURS

The 12 colours shown over the next page were all mixed from Citadel paints and the chart below describes how we achieved the final results. The exact shades do vary as you might expect in a warzone, with paint applied over different surfaces and allowed to fade or dull to various degrees before repainting.

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<td>BATTLE GREEN</td>
<td>This neutral green colour makes ideal camouflage in rural zones with temperate climates where the light is soft and the terrain either wooded or consists of pasture or prairie. Battle Green is mixed from Ghoul Grey, Goblin Green and Chaos Black.</td>
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<td>FORGE BRONZE</td>
<td>This is a highly reflective finish designed to protect the vehicle against excessive solar radiation or other harmful atmospheric effects. It is a common finish amongst Titan Legion ground forces, hence it is named after the Forge Worlds of the Adeptus Mechanicus. To make it mix Shining Gold, Bolt Gun Metal and Brown Ink. Highlight with Shining Gold.</td>
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<td>FIRE ORANGE</td>
<td>Fire Orange is excellent camouflage on desert worlds which have a strong orange mineral oxide base. It is quite a bright colour but blends in well in hot, sunny, fiery coloured terrain. Use Blood Angel Orange with a touch of Red Gore – a spot is enough. Highlight with Sunburst Yellow.</td>
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<td>ASH WASTE</td>
<td>The light grey/green colour blends well against drifts of mineral waste found in ash deserts as well as other light-saturated desert environments. To make Ash Waste mix Rotting Flesh and Skull White.</td>
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<td>NIGHTWORLD</td>
<td>This is a favoured colour in poorly lit worlds as it reflects little light and blends well against caverns and rocks. To make Nightworld Blue mix Moody Blue and Chaos Black. Highlight with Enchanted Blue.</td>
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<td>JUNGLE GREEN</td>
<td>As its name implies this is a colour designed to blend in with lush jungle scenery, although it also merges into darker forests too. It is also used on desert worlds with a strong green copper oxide sand. Mix the colour from Woodland Green and Chaos Black. Highlight with Goblin Green.</td>
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<td>CODEX GREY</td>
<td>This colour is suitable for most environments and is especially effective in urban runs, rubble and dust. We've used Codex Grey for our Leman Russ Company. To make Codex Grey use Elf Grey and mix in a little Chaos Black.</td>
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<td>SULPHUR DESERT</td>
<td>This dark yellow colour provides excellent camouflage against sand, yellow oxide, and sulphurous terrain. To make it, add a spot of Orc Brown to Sunburst Yellow.</td>
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<td>APOCALYPSE RED</td>
<td>Red is a very strong colour, but it works well on worlds with dark red iron oxide soils, red skies, and spectacular volcanic features which bathe the terrain with ruddy light. To make Apocalypse Red, mix Blood Red and Blood Angel Orange. Highlight with Bad Moon Yellow.</td>
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<td>POLAR WHITE</td>
<td>This is a scheme designed to blend into frozen wastes such as ice and snow. It can also be used on some very light coloured mineral deserts, especially salt flats. Make Polar White by mixing Elf Grey and Skull White. Highlight with Skull White.</td>
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<td>STRIKE GREEN</td>
<td>This is a light shade of yellow/green which is favoured on sun-drenched worlds with open vegetation. It is also the colour used for most artillery pieces. Strike Green is mixed from Striking Scorpion Green and Snakebite Leather.</td>
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<td>HORIZON BLUE</td>
<td>This is a pale blue-grey colour which reflects the background colour of the sky and is therefore known as Horizon Blue. It is surprising how effectively this works across open territory. Mix this colour from Space Wolf Grey and Enchanted Blue. Highlight with Space Wolf Grey.</td>
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CAMOUFLAGE

The Codex Astartes discusses the effects of different patterns and how stripes or patches of various contrasting colours can be used to break up the shape of a vehicle and effectively disguise it. Not only does this make a vehicle harder to see at a distance, but even at short range it means the vehicle becomes a harder target to hit because it is difficult to judge its distance and the direction it is moving in. Although the Codex illustrates some specific patterns, it is the principle of using shapes to disguise the underlying vehicle which is important.

The examples shown over the page are particularly favoured patterns. They have been reproduced in a combination of two or more colours, but you can combine any colours to produce a suitable effect - it is the pattern itself which is important not the colours. The patterns can also be varied. For example you can twist any of the patterns round to fit the vehicle’s shape, and you can add more stripes or patches if the vehicle is larger or longer. Another variation is to add edging colours to the stripes and patches. These edging colours can form complete borders along one or both sides of a stripe, or they can be broken, as shown on the jagged example overleaf.

Even though each of the patterns shown is different, the technique for painting them is basically the same. The underlying light colour is applied first to the whole tank and then the overlying colour is applied in the chosen pattern. It is important to paint the pattern so that it looks attractive and that the areas are visually balanced. If the basic scheme is a striped camouflage, the first stripe is painted on from one of the vehicle's rear corners to the opposite front corner, then the other stripes are applied evenly spaced to either side of this so that they look balanced. Don’t try and paint on too many stripes or the shape of the tank will be too well hidden and the model will look less attractive. The schemes shown in the examples use two or at the most three colours. You can add more, but on the whole it is best to avoid this as the result often looks messy and confused.

MARKINGS

The painted examples have company, squadron and other markings painted on. This requires considerable patience, especially for the more complex shapes. Of course you don’t have to include all these markings if you prefer not to - they are often obliterated from vehicles in the field, so there is no reason why you should feel obliged to include them. Citadel will shortly be producing a new transfer sheet based on these designs. On the larger tanks there is plenty of room to apply transfers, but on some of the smaller vehicles it may be necessary to file a small area flat to accommodate the design. We found this helped when painting some of the markings too, and doesn’t detract from the appearance of the model at all.

FLAGS AND CONVERSIONS

The flags were made from paper with the designs painted on. The completed flags were wrapped around a flag pole made from wire (we used a pin, but any rigid wire will do fine). To fix the flags in place we used superglue to fasten the poles to a suitable anchorage point. In some cases we drilled a hole to fasten the pins more securely.

Attaching a flag is simplest conversion there is, but there is no need to stop there if you feel confident enough to try something more ambitious. Opening hatches and putting in commanders is an obvious and attractive conversion. We used a fine saw to slice off the turret hatch on our Leman Russ Company HQ tank. If you’re careful, the same hatch can be re-glued in an open position - otherwise use a circle of card or plastic. The model is simply an Imperial Guard model cut at the waist and glued into position. You don’t have to do this to your HQ tanks, but it does help to make them that bit more special.
# COLOURS

The 12 core vehicle colours recommended by the Codex Astartes are shown below on Leman Russ battle tanks. Commanders in the field often devise their own schemes, but the ancient wisdom of the Codex Astartes is highly respected and most commanders rely heavily upon the sound words of its authors.

- **Battle Green**
- **Forge Bronze**
- **Fire Orange**
- **Ash Waste**
- **Nighthworld**
- **Jungle Green**
- **Codex Grey**
- **Sulphur Desert**
- **Apocalypse Red**
- **Polar White**
- **Strike Green**
- **Horizon Blue**

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# CAMOUFLAGE

The Codex Astartes contains a whole section devoted to the art of camouflage and illustrates many vehicle camouflage patterns of which the 8 most effective are shown below. The camouflage schemes are patterns only, the colours may vary.

- **Zig-Zag**
- **Y-Stripes**
- **Patches**
- **Stripes**
- **Wavy Stripes**
- **Bands**

The vehicles illustrated are examples of camouflage patterns applied over various standard colours. In practice the combinations of colours differ and the patterns themselves inevitably vary as they are applied. The patterns may be twisted round so that stripes run the opposite way for example, and the number of stripes or patches are sometimes varied to suit the local terrain or the shape of the vehicle. It has been known for commanders or crews to superimpose two camouflage schemes together, or to add smaller patches, stripes, or other features.
COMPANY MARKINGS

Each Imperial Guard Regiment is made up of many individual companies. Tank and mobile artillery companies are distinguished by coloured bands consisting of a light broad band with darker inner band as shown on the examples below. This identifying banding is painted in a convenient position to aid recognition in combat. The side armour is often treated in this way and the design may also be repeated on the turret and frontal plate.

SQUADRON MARKINGS

Every company has its own distinctive badge which is carried by every tank in the company. Every tank squadron - usually three tanks - carries its company badge but in a distinctive colour - for example red for the first squadron, blue for the second, yellow for the third. The actual colours are up to the individual company leaders and are likely to be changed if a new colour scheme is adopted for a fresh campaign. The important thing is that the colours show up well enabling the squadrons to be identified by the company commander. Company commanders have their own tank which is always readily recognisable by one or more means. It is usual to paint the turret red and also to carry a flag displaying the banded companies marking on one side and the badge on the reverse.

A selection of Imperial Guard squadron markings plus identification numbers sometimes used to identify individual vehicles in a company.

III III IV V VI VII VIII IX X XI XII 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
**LEMAN RUSS COMPANY**

This company consists of three squadrons plus a commander and demonstrates the use of the colour schemes and various company markings. The tanks are codex grey with red over white company markings producing a distinctive banding along the side armour.

The company badge is a star over a square patch and in this case the star colour changes to indicate the three different squadrons. Within each squadron every tank has distinctive barrel markings - this enables the squadron HQ tank to be recognised from the other two tanks. Another method of distinguishing the squadron HQ is to add numbers to the tanks, or to affix a pennant. There is no mandatory system for identifying individual tanks, but 1, 2 and 3 barrel stripes is practical and effective.

The Company Commander is a special conversion. Apart from the red turret and flag, we decided to add an open hatch and commander using the top half of one of the Imperial Guard models. The reverse of the flag has the company banding.

**CAMPAIGN BADGES**

When the armies of the Imperium go to fight in a new campaign it is usual to adopt a symbol or insignia to be worn by all the troops and marked on all the vehicles. This campaign badge is worn on the uniform of every trooper, it is painted onto the armour of every Space Marine, and naturally it appears on tanks, artillery pieces, and other vehicles and equipment too. Campaign badges always take the form of simple geometric shapes or icons that can be easily painted or stencilled onto flat surfaces. In this way an entire force can be identified by one marking even though it includes Imperial Guard Regiments, Titan Legions, Space Marines from different Chapters and maybe even Squat allies. Some typical examples are shown here. The campaign badge is always chosen by the Imperial Commander in charge of all the forces, and it is used only for the duration of the campaign. Once the campaign is over the forces are dispersed and campaign markings painted over or replaced with new ones. Various examples of these campaign badges can be seen on the fully painted Baneblade models shown below.
**SUPER HEAVY BATTLETANKS**

Each vehicle is equivalent to a squadron of smaller tanks. The examples shown above and on the previous page demonstrate how the colour schemes, camouflage patterns, company markings, and campaign badges may be brought together. In the case of these especially large tanks each tank in the company can carry a flag if desired. The examples show only one flag, but it is not uncommon for flamboyant commanders to use two or more, sometimes putting the company banded badge on one flag and the company emblem on the other. The HQ tank in each company can be distinguished in any way which makes the vehicle easily identifiable. A red turret or red guns, as in the Storm Hammer shown above, is one method. Another variation is to stripe the barrels with 1, 2 or 3 stripes to indicate each vehicle, or to add numbers to conspicuous areas of armour. In the case of these large vehicles it is easier to apply numbers as the areas are larger. You can, of course, combine any or all of these distinguishing features; there are no formal rules and the idea is to make the HQ tanks easy to recognise on the battlefield.

Notice how the different markings have been applied on the examples above. There is no formal position for any of the markings except the company banding, and even this is only a convenience that happens to suit these tanks very well. Different campaign markings have been used to demonstrate variety, but every force will have its own. A player with Space Marines and Imperial Guard troops will want to apply the same marking throughout, for example. The company badge is positioned wherever it readily fits - which in some cases is the side and in others the front track guards. On many tanks the turrets also have suitable areas for insignia or numbers.

**ARTILLERY**

The term artillery covers not only large self-propelled guns which fire explosive shells but also missile launchers and other weapons designed to launch barrages against massed enemy troops or buildings. The Imperium employs a great variety of these weapons including the Manticore missile launcher and Basilisk self-propelled gun, shown below. It is a common convention in the Imperial Guard to paint artillery in the colour known as Artillery Green although this colour is used for other vehicles too. This is not a strict rule, but it is felt that these weapons are generally placed behind the front lines in areas where they are unlikely to meet enemy face to face, and that the concept of camouflage is therefore less important than with other tanks. Using a standard colour therefore saves repainting the weapons when they are moved from warzone to warzone. In practice it is often necessary to adopt a different colour depending on the battlefield, in which case a suitable colour from the Codex Astartes is likely to be used, unless the commander feels a totally different scheme is called for.

Artillery company badges usually consist of a coloured square with a contrasting coloured circle painted on top - the colour indicating separate batteries.

Artillery Companies generally have three batteries each of three vehicles. As with tank squadrons it is necessary to mark the Battery HQ vehicle in some way to identify it easily, and this can be done either with a number, barrel stripes, by painting the weaponry in a distinctive colour, or adding a pennant. In the examples shown here the individual markings are on the other side of the vehicle although the company badge can be seen on the front plates of the Basilisks. On the whole a small pennant is the most effective method as this enables the piece to be identified most easily.
**SHADOW SWORD SUPER-HEAVY BATTLE TANK**

The Shadow Sword super-heavy battle tank is a massive fighting machine which looks more like a mobile fortress than a tank. It carries a crew of 12 men to operate its fearsome battery of armaments, control its mighty engines and direct its ponderous movements. The Shadow Sword is enormous: as big as a building, and weighing upwards of a thousand tons.

It takes a long time to move Shadow Swords from one warzone to another and position them at the battlefront. They are hardly fast – it is rather difficult to move something that weighs a thousand tons and which is wider than most streets!

Once the Shadow Swords have reached the fighting zone they are used to provide anchor points in the battle lines - mobile fortresses which break the force of enemy attack. Shadow Swords also play an essential role in the attack, slowly rolling forward to present an irresistible force which few foes can withstand. They are used by the super-heavy tank formations of the Imperial Guard.

The Shadow Sword is so huge and heavy that its speed is inevitably very slow - 10cm. If your force contains Shadow Swords their speed will determine the rate of your advance. Because of this, it is vital to get them into a good position very early in the battle or you may find the action over before they have fired a shot!

Because of its extra-ordinary armour the Shadow Sword has an armour saving throw of 1 or more on a D6. This means that hits automatically bounce off harmlessly unless the weapon has a save modifier of at least -1. For example, if hit by a weapon with a -2 modifier the Shadow Sword would still save on a D6 roll of 3 or more (as 3 - 2 is still 1, which is sufficient to save). The Shadow Sword is therefore immune to bolter fire from most vehicles, Ork Boyz stands, and other troops without a save modifier.

The super-heavy Shadow Sword is almost unstoppable in close combat, crushing infantry and lighter vehicles as it advances! To represent this the Shadow Sword can’t be brought to a halt by lighter troops who engage it in close combat, it can only be pinned by Titans or by another super-heavy tank. If infantry or lighter tanks engage the Shadow Sword in close combat it can simply move past them in the next movement phase, scattering them out of the way as it does so.

The Shadow Sword is festooned with bolters to gun down infantry who come too near. Each individual bolter has only a limited arc of fire and a restricted range, but in combination the weapons are ideal for fighting off troops in close combat. The close assault factor of 6 reflects this, and also represents the super-heavy tank running down its opponents and crushing them beneath its broad tracks.

The Shadow Sword’s main armament is a huge laser cannon called the Volcano Cannon, a weapon so powerful that others like it are used to defend planets against attack from space, firing through the atmosphere against drop ships and low-orbiting space ships. If the Volcano Cannon hits a Titan the player adds +3 to the damage roll to determine the effect.

The Shadow Sword also carries two lascannons in its auxiliary turrets, and many bolters which fire from restricted fire slits. The bolters are only intended as a last minute defence against infantry opponents at short range. Ideally the Shadow Sword will be protected by friendly infantry, as it is far too valuable to lose to a surprise attack by fast moving opponents.

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<td>1+</td>
<td>+6</td>
<td>Volcano cannon</td>
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**BANEBLADE SUPER HEAVY TANK**

The Baneblade is based on the same huge building-sized armoured body shell as the Shadow Sword with various modifications incorporating further hull armament and a separate turret. The Baneblade super-heavy tank does not carry any weapon as powerful as the Shadow Sword’s Volcano Cannon, but it does carry more weapons and is better able to take on hordes of opponents thanks to its varied armament and many bolter positions.

The Baneblade is just as slow and ponderous as the Shadow Sword, and has the same thick armour and saving roll. The same special close combat rules apply as described for the Shadow Sword - it can only pinned by Titans or other super-heavy tanks. The Baneblade is armed with a battlecannon which fires powerful explosive shells and a lascannon which shoots blasts of energy. It is also mounted with many bolt guns to protect the vehicle from infantry and other short range attack.

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<td>1+</td>
<td>+8</td>
<td>Battlecannon</td>
<td>75cm</td>
<td>2</td>
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STORM HAMMER SUPER HEAVY TANK

The Storm Hammer is one of the three types of Imperial super heavy tank and is just as well armoured as the Shadow Sword and the Baneblade. It is built for a close assault role and carries mostly short ranged weaponry. The Storm Hammer has two main turrets each carrying deadly cannons and four smaller turrets equipped with lighter bolters.

The Storm Hammer is designed to bring its armament to bear all round – as a close assault super heavy tank it would otherwise be vulnerable to attack from the sides and rear. As it is the Storm Hammer can wade in amongst enemy troops without suddenly finding itself unable to attack opponents who have closed in behind or round the sides. To further protect it against attack it has specially thickened side and rear armour.

To represent its wide arc of fire and many rotating turrets the Storm Hammer can shoot all round, not just to its front like most vehicles. Because of its extra thick side and rear armour its saving throw is not reduced for shots to the side and is only reduced by -1 for shots to the rear – most other vehicle saves are reduced by -1 and -2 for side and rear armour of course. The same close combat rules apply as described for the Shadow Sword and Baneblade; it can only be pinned by other super heavy tanks.

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<td>10cm</td>
<td>1+</td>
<td>10+</td>
<td>Cannon, Bolters</td>
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<td>4</td>
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GORGON CLOSE ASSAULT VEHICLE

The Gorgon is a large, slab-sided vehicle with thick armour and monstrous tracks. It is used to carry infantry under heavy fire, such as in a siege or when attacking an enemy defence line. In many ways it is like a mechanical version of a heavily protected medieval siege tower full of combat troops and bristling with weapons!

In front the Gorgon has a very substantial bulldozer blade which it can use to push its way through obstructing terrain, and therefore ignores all penalties normally applied to vehicles for moving through some terrain. As a Gorgon moves through woods or over rocky ground it leaves a corridor behind it which is passable to other tanks. You can represent this by removing scenery as the Gorgon passes over it.

The bulldozer blade also forms a further layer of armour, so the Gorgon is allowed two saving throws for its armour if shot at from the front. Make your normal saving throw and if this fails roll again: the Gorgon is unharmed if either save is successful.

The Gorgon's high sides protect the infantry inside. The player can release the infantry in any turn, the Gorgon's blade is raised and the infantry pour out of the vehicle. The Gorgon can carry up to 5 stands (25 men) and they disembark in the same way as troops leaving any other vehicle. The Gorgon is armed with short ranged mine launchers which lob large barrel-shaped charges a short distance ahead of its advance to clear out enemy troops.

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<td>4+</td>
<td>Bolters, Mire Thrower</td>
<td>15cm</td>
<td>4</td>
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<td>May carry 5 troop stands.</td>
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GORGON ASSAULT COMPANY

An Imperial Guard Gorgon Assault Company consists of 1 company HQ unit plus 3 assault platoons, each with a Gorgon assault carrier. The Gorgon carries up to 5 stands.

1st Platoon
Section HQ

2nd Platoon
Section HQ

3rd Platoon
Section HQ

Company HQ

POINTS VALUE 500

GORGON ASSAULT COMPANY

BREAK POINT 1: The unit is broken once it has lost 11 models, either troop stands or Gorgons. Once the company is broken, each platoon must take a morale test.

MORALE VALUE 4: Imperial Guard have a morale value of 4, and must roll 4 or more on a D6 to pass their morale check.

For a platoon to receive orders its section HQ stand must be within 25cm of the company HQ at the start of the orders phase. The same also applies to any support units allocated to the company. If troops are unable to receive orders they cannot move but may fire in the advancing fire segment of the combat phase in the same way as other troops with no orders.

The company HQ unit is a command unit. It does not therefore need orders and there is no need for the unit to check morale.

VICTORY POINTS 5
Your opponent gains 5 VP when this company is broken.

ASSAULT COMPANY

Imperial Guard

Assault Stand

Gorgon Assault Carrier

IMPERIAL GUARD SHADOW SWORD COMPANY

An Imperial Guard Shadow Sword Company consists of 3 Shadow Swords. No. 1 Shadow Sword is also the company HQ tank.

No. 1
HQ Tank

No. 2

No. 3

POINTS VALUE 500

IMPERIAL GUARD SHADOW SWORD COMPANY

BREAK POINT 2: The company is broken once it has lost 2 models. When the company is broken, the remaining Shadow Sword must take a morale check.

MORALE VALUE 4: Imperial Guard have a morale value of 4, and must roll 4 or more on a D6 to pass their morale check.

No. 1 Shadow Sword is the company HQ and so does not need orders and does not need to test morale. Shadow Swords nos 2 & 3 are each treated as if they were individual platoons and so must remain within 25cm of the no. 1 Shadow Sword to receive orders. If units are unable to receive orders they cannot move but may fire in the advancing fire segment of the combat phase in the same way as other troops with no orders.

The company HQ Shadow Sword is a command unit. It does not therefore need orders and there is no need for it to check morale. If additional support units are added to the company then their section or squadron HQs must remain within 25cm of the company HQ to receive orders.

VICTORY POINTS 5
Your opponent gains 5 VP when this company is broken.

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**STOMPERS**

**IMPERIAL GUARD**

**STORM HAMMER COMPANY**

An Imperial Guard Storm Hammer Company consists of 3 Storm Hammers. No. 1 Storm Hammer is also the company HQ tank.

Points Value: 500

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**BANEBLADE COMPANY**

An Imperial Guard Baneblade Company consists of 3 Baneblades. No. 1 Baneblade is also the company HQ tank.

Points Value: 500

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**IMPERIAL GUARD**

**STORM HAMMER COMPANY**

**BREAK POINT 2:** The company is broken once it has lost 2 models. When the company is broken, the remaining Storm Hammer must take a morale check.

**MORALE VALUE 4:** Imperial Guard have a morale value of 4, and must roll 4 or more on a D6 to pass their morale check.

No. 1 Storm Hammer is the company HQ and so does not need orders and does not need to test morale. Storm Hammers no. 2 & 3 are each treated as if they were individual squadrons and so must remain within 25cm of the no. 1 Storm Hammer to receive orders. If tanks are unable to receive orders they cannot move but may fire in the advancing fire segment of the combat phase in the same way as other troops with no orders.

The company HQ Storm Hammer is a command unit. It does not therefore need orders and there is no need for it to check morale. If additional support units are added to the company then their section or squadron HQs must remain within 25cm of the company HQ to receive orders.

**VICTORY POINTS 5**
Your opponent gains 5 VPs when this company is broken.

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**BANEBLADE COMPANY**

**BREAK POINT 2:** The company is broken once it has lost 2 models. When the company is broken, the remaining Baneblade must take a morale check.

**MORALE VALUE 4:** Imperial Guard have a morale value of 4, and must roll 4 or more on a D6 to pass their morale check.

No. 1 Baneblade is the company HQ and so does not need orders nor to test morale. Baneblades no. 2 & 3 are each treated as if they were individual platoons and so must be within 25cm of no. 1 Baneblade to receive orders. If tank are unable to receive orders they cannot move but may fire in the advancing fire segment of the combat phase in the same way as other troops with no orders.

The company HQ Baneblade is a command unit. It does not therefore need orders and there is no need for it to check morale. If additional support units are added to the company then their section or squadron HQs must remain within 25cm of the company HQ to receive orders.

**VICTORY POINTS 5**
Your opponent gains 5 VPs when this company is broken.
GORGON ASSAULT SQUADRON
A Gorgon Assault Squadron consists of 1 Gorgon plus 1 assault platoon. An assault platoon is comprised of 5 Imperial Guard assault stands.

Section HQ

POINTS VALUE 150

The section HQ stand must remain within 25cm of its company HQ unit to receive orders. Place this card with its company HQ card to show its chain of command.

BREAK POINT: The squadron is broken once it has lost 3 models (stands or Gorgon). Once broken the squadron must take a morale check.

MORALE VALUE: Imperial Guard must roll 4 or more on a D6 to pass their morale check.

VICTORY POINTS 2
Your opponent gains 2 VPs when the squadron is broken.

SHADOW SWORD
This consists of one Shadow Sword

POINTS VALUE 200

The Shadow Sword must remain within 25cm of its company HQ unit to receive orders. Place this card with its company HQ card to show its chain of command.

BREAK POINT: As a single vehicle the Shadow Sword has no break point. Victory points are only awarded once the vehicle is destroyed.

MORALE VALUE: Imperial Guard must roll 4 or more on a D6 to pass their morale check.

VICTORY POINTS 2
Your opponent gains 2 VPs when the vehicle is destroyed.

BANEBLADE
This consists of one Baneblade.

POINTS VALUE 200

The Baneblade must remain within 25cm of its company HQ unit to receive orders. Place this card with its company HQ card to show its chain of command.

BREAK POINT: As a single vehicle the Baneblade has no break point. Victory points are only awarded once the vehicle is destroyed.

MORALE VALUE: Imperial Guard must roll 4 or more on a D6 to pass their morale check.

VICTORY POINTS 2
Your opponent gains 2 VPs when the vehicle is destroyed.

STORM HAMMER
This consists of one Storm Hammer.

POINTS VALUE 200

The Storm Hammer must remain within 25cm of its company HQ unit to receive orders. Place this card with its company HQ card to show its chain of command.

BREAK POINT: As a single vehicle the Storm Hammer has no break point. Victory points are only awarded once the vehicle is destroyed.

MORALE VALUE: Imperial Guard must roll 4 or more on a D6 to pass their morale check.

VICTORY POINTS 2
Your opponent gains 2 VPs when the vehicle is destroyed.
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BANEBLADE
SUPER HEAVY BATTLETANK

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- 1x VOLCANO CANNON
- 1x SPONSON TURRETS 2

SHADOWSWORD
SUPER HEAVY TANK DESTROYER

THE COMPLETE LEMAN RUSS CONSISTS OF:
- 1x LEMAN RUSS CHASSIS
- 1x LEMAN RUSS TURRET

LEMAN RUSS
BATTLE TANK

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2 x SPONSON TURRETS

STORM HAMMER CHASSIS
STORM HAMMER TURRET
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MANTICORE TYPE 2
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BASILISK TYPE 1
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MANTICORE MULTI-LAUNCHER

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