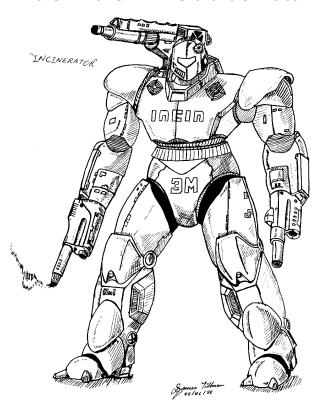


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GAME NEWS

Arena #375: Turn #9 saw Side #4 scoring very poorly allowing all of their opponents the opportunity to catch up. However Side #4 has such a HUGE lead, even with this turn's gains, that their opponents have a long way to go. This turn saw the game's third Bot casualty as Cadet E.C. Vileslayer was slain after her Hornet suffered a fatal Battle Fist blow to the Right Rear Torso from Lieutenant General Blood Shredder's Athena. [Note: Despite Blood Shredder's fearsome name this is his first ever Bot Kill in ten completed contests.] Cadet E.C. Vileslayer was a rookie Pilot in her first ever match and was well on her way to a glorious career with one CP Kill and a Victory Rating of 6.05 when she met with an untimely demise. A tragic loss to all and especially her LION'S MAW teammates. The Best Bot Victory Rating is 6.40!

T#7: S#1: 2.31 S#2: 1.77 S#3: 2.87 S#4: 3.35 T#8: S#1: 2.73 S#2: 2.03 S#3: 3.21 S#4: 3.89 T#9: S#1: 2.92 S#2: 2.14 S#3: 3.43 S#4: 3.96



Arena #376 [2x4, LEGION OF WAR vs. KZINTI FITHP/THE LINE]: Turn #9 saw Side #2 expanding their lead slightly as the casualty rate nearly doubled! The first to go was Command Post #3, destroyed after suffering a deadly Mega Missile strike from Major Marco Saligari's Ranger (his first ever CP Kill after six completed contests). Almost immediately thereafter in another blow for Side #2, Lieutenant Grey Mauser ejected from his Raptor (VR=2.95, DR=3.08). Side #2 helped to even the score when Colonel America destroyed Cadet Betty's Cobra with a Mega Missile strike to the vulnerable Right Rear Torso. Cadet Betty was a veteran of one completed contest that ended with a Team Victory. Next turn could see another slew of casualties as all but four of the remaining Bots are close to destruction! The Best Bot Victory Rating is

Turn #7: Side #1: 2.32 Side #2: 2.54 Turn #8: Side #1: 2.59 Side #2: 2.90 Turn #9: Side #1: 2.73 Side #2: 3.15

Arena #377: Turn #2 saw a tremendous scoring drive by Side #4 which allowed them to rapidly expand their lead. Naturally much of this high scoring came from attacks on various Command Posts. Currently three of the four CPs are under assault and the first is likely to fall next turn.

Turn #3 saw Side #4 continue to outpace their opponents as we saw the game's first CP Kill. Lieutenant Flaxen Fury took the honors by destroying Command Post #3 with a Mega Missile strike from her Legionaire — her third CP Kill with only two completed contests! The Best Bot Victory Rating is 2.54!

T#1: S#1: 0.13 S#2: 0.40 S#3: 0.13 S#4: 0.44 T#2: S#1: 0.41 S#2: 0.75 S#3: 0.31 S#4: 1.16 T#3: S#1: 1.17 S#2: 1.27 S#3: 0.53 S#4: 2.01

Coming Up: We are now taking applications for Arena #378 and are close to starting another 2-Sided and 4-Sided contest.

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HALL OF FAME

Ratings are only for those Pilots who have completed games and do not include games in progress. Kills, however, do include games in progress.

Top Light Bot Ratings Lt. Colonel Wan Tyn Sol Jr. — 8.30! Major General Slanter Jax — 7.92 General Madmartigan — 7.82

Top Medium Bot Ratings Lieutenant Findem And Fryem — 6.99 Lt. General Slime Sledge Hammer — 6.37 Major Roger Dawkins — 6.20

Top Heavy Bot Ratings Captain Mack Ross — 5.60 Captain Achilles — 5.21 Major Embo Slamboa — 5.01

Top Light Bot Pilots (3+ Game Average) Major Odysseus — 6.07 Lieutenant Bad Karma — 5.67 Colonel Larry Underwood — 5.40

Top Medium Bot Pilots (3+ Game Average) Major General Hawkeye — 4.34 Cadet Bili the Axe — 4.02 Colonel Draka Deathdealer — 3.69

Top Heavy Bot Pilots (3+ Game Average) Captain Hagen — 3.65 Lt. Colonel Augustus — 3.57 Lt. General Blood Shredder — 3.48

Pilots With The Most Individual Victories General Solo McIntres — 7

Pilots With The Most Team Victories General Anthony Stark — 16

Pilots With The Most Bot Kills Lieutenant Grim Reaper — 7

Pilot With The Most CP Kills Lt. General Blood Shredder — 10

Top 2-Sided Team Ratings A#363 Side #2 (un-named) — 3.22! A#326 Side #2 (un-named) — 2.89 A#186 Side #2 (Centurions) — 2.87

Top 4-Sided Team Ratings
A#359 Side #3 (Bot Busters) — 5.11
A#302 Side #2 (B'Hood of Thunder) — 5.07
A#339 Side #3 (Intrepid Enterprises) — 4.48

Top 2x4 Team Ratings A#368 Side #1 (Legion of War) — 3.01 A#333 Side #1 (Berserkers) — 2.96

FALLEN HEROES

CTF Arena #375 Turn #9 Cadet E.C. Vileslayer VR= 6.05! DR= 2.82

CTF Arena #376 Turn #9 Cadet Betty VR= 3.68 DR= 4.10!

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Player Notice Arena #376

To: Whiplash [PN497] From: Neven [PN225]

You and your team have been excellent foes and have fought fearlessly and with courage. Because of that and the fact that you survived the first nine brutal rounds we did not target you on Turn #10 for fear of killing a worthy opponent. We will look forward to a rematch some day....

NEW BOT STATUS REPORT

The following Bots are currently in limited production and are available to Test Pilots only (Test Pilots are expected to present a Bot Evaluation Report at the end of the testing period). Detailed information on any new Bot is available to a Test Pilot at the time of his or her assignment or to any Pilot by ordering the Bot Tech Spec Manual (\$3.00).

GUNFIGHTER (60-ton Medium) Test Period 12/02 to 6/03

PATRIOT II (70-ton Medium) Test Period 1/03 to 7/03

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Coming in July, our THIRTEENTH annual Championship Tournament! Sign up now! The first four signups get the coveted "pole" positions (ie. are set up in the corners of the Arena near the poles that hold the shields that protect the audiences from harm. Being in the corner your flanks and rear are better protected during the opening salvos!).

SPREAD THE WORD

Do you know someone who might be interested in Play-By-Mail? Better yet, how about someone who might be interested in playing one of the games run by AGE (CTF, COD I, COD II)? If so, send us their name and address and we will send them our massive information package along with a special free gift. It's a great way to recruit a friend into the hobby.