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FROM THE EDITOR



Greetings Vode!

Wow, is it hot out there!

Well, the summer is in full force and the heat has landed on most of us like a bantha wool blanket. Here in the mountain west, where I live, half the Rockies are on fire, and the other half is just waiting its turn. Please be careful out there. When trooping, listen to your body, drink lots of water, and take cooling breaks whenever you need to keep yourself healthy. Nobody wants to have to call for a medic. Otherwise, have fun out there!

Diz

Editor, BattleCry Magazine



***ON THE SET
WITH SPECTROZ MA'AR***

By: Mike “Diz Ge’tal” Porter

As many of us know, just prior to the release of *Mandalorian & Grogu*, Mandalore sent out a message to the club stating that he and 5 deleted members would be able to tour the set. Since so many of us were not able to go, I was able to send a few questions to one of the lucky vods who were able to go and to find out what it was like to see it for themselves.

BATTLECRY: What clan are you in? Do you have any positions in the MMCC?

SPEC'TROZ MA'AR: I'm in Raquor'daan Clan of New Jersey. I'm currently serving as the Northeast Regional Vice-Commander and I also serve as a social media harvester on the PR team.

BATTLECRY: When you found out that you would have the opportunity to visit the *Mandalorian* set, what were your expectations?

SPEC'TROZ MA'AR: If I can backtrack a little, when the post came out on the forums asking for people to submit in writing why they thought they should be chosen to join in the opportunity, I never thought I would be picked. I knew I had a compelling reason and a life-long tie to *Star Wars*, but I figured that every single OM has a story like that. I was actually out of town on a work trip when the news broke that I got picked and let's just say, my entire afternoon in the office got nuked. Unfortunately for my work colleagues, my focus shifted from work to this trip in the blink of an eye. Luckily for me, my coworkers and my boss all know how important this club and

the work that we do are to me.

To answer your question though, I had seen some of the videos that had been posted by social media influencers in the weeks leading up to the announcement. Based on the wording of the post on the forums, I was expecting our experience would be similar to what I had seen online, but at the same time, I was going into the experience without really knowing what to expect at all.

And to take it a step further, once I saw that several other vods that I've met before would also be attending, as well as several others I've interacted with online, I knew the trip was going to be special. Outside of the Lucasfilm events of that week, the camaraderie with our other MMCC members, just hanging out in Hollywood for a couple of days, truly made it feel like a family trip. It's something I will never forget.

I also walked into the tour with the expectation of capturing as much as possible, as a part of the PR team. Prior to the trip, I picked up a gimbal for my phone so that any video I shot would be higher quality and less shaky than shooting by hand. During the tour, I was able to capture 103 photos and almost 30 minutes of video footage.





BATTLECRY: Did the actual visit meet those expectations?

SPEC'TROZ MA'AR: I could try to play it cool and say that yes, the visit met my expectations, but the truth of it is that the entire trip vastly exceeded anything I could have imagined. By now, I'm sure our BattleCry readers have seen a ton of the footage that our Oms have posted. To have that level of close-up access to all these wonderful props was truly incredible.

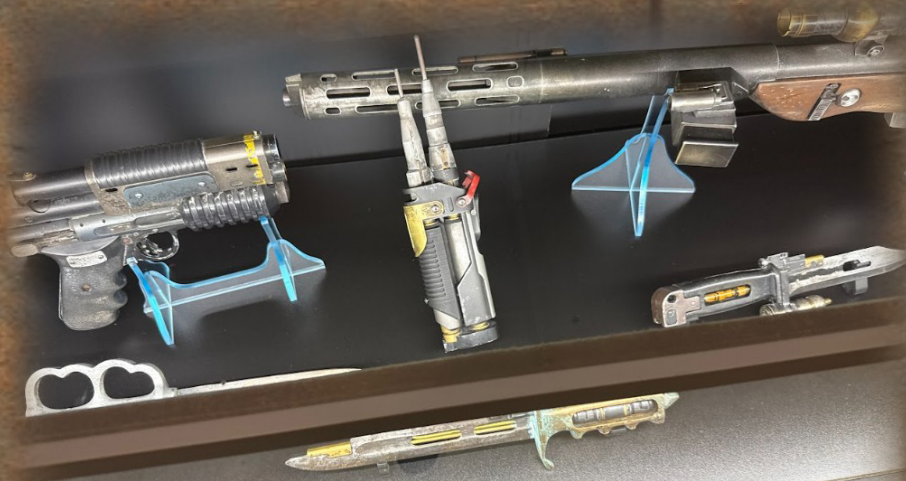
On top of the access to props and the Adelphi Base interior set, we were treated so spectacularly by Disney throughout the couple of hours we were on location. Their hospitality was phenomenal. They fed us and provided beverages, and they also brought in folks from Lucasfilm to do a Q&A with us. Joining us, we had production designers Doug Chiang and Andrew Jones, visual effects supervisor John Knoll, composer Ludwig Goransson, and the prop master Josh Roth. It was absolutely unreal the level of access we had during the entire tour.

BATTLECRY: Can you describe what it was like to step onto the building? What is all contained in a single building or through several buildings?

SPEC'TROZ MA'AR: To start things off, Disney kept the location very secretive. With the exception of Mandalore, we were all staying at the same Hollywood hotel. We got into two vehicles and made our way across the city, where we all met the Disney spokespeople. They had us meet at a parking garage, and then they provided buses to take us to the location. We had very strict rules to not take any photos of the building exteriors and we had to turn off the geo-location on our phones.

The location itself was in three separate buildings, with courtyards in between each building. When we first entered the main courtyard, the building to our right had two large screens with backgrounds of Nevarro. These appeared to be similar to The Volume. They were probably around 8 feet tall and 25 feet wide. To the left of that courtyard was the main prop house, with Din's N1 starfighter and the cockpit of the second Razorcrest, along with various droids, prop weapons, animal heads,





person. I can almost guarantee that a lot of the items we saw that day will be making their way onto our members' kits in the future. I certainly know there was a pair of vibro-machetes that I'd love to add to a future kit.

costumes and production design artwork. Most of the props were from the movie, but there were also items there from *The Mandalorian* seasons 2 and 3.

From there, we crossed another small courtyard and entered the Adelphi Base set interior, complete with all the prop beverage containers, tables, and of course, the bar in all its glory. Behind the bar there was a restricted access special backroom where we were not allowed to take photos or video. In that room, there was a special demonstration with a fully animated Grogu displaying his force powers.

BATTLECRY: What surprised you the most? Was there anything that you saw that was most memorable?

SPECTROZ MA'AR: Quite literally... all of it! I would definitely say the Grogu demonstration was by far the most technologically amazing and memorable thing we got to see, but by saying that, I feel like a parent who had to pick their favorite child. A lot of the props and weaponry were absolutely beautiful to see in

Even with all of the props we got to see, I will forever say that the most surprising thing was simply getting picked to attend this once-in-a-lifetime event. I cannot begin to thank Tom and the selection committee enough. I will be forever grateful for the opportunity that I had to represent the MMCC in front of LFL and Disney.



395 INVASIONS

THE MERC WHO HIT THE MILESTONE

By: Ben "Midge" Egloff

As the May the Fourth Awards got handed out this year, I became aware of the fact that one member among the MMCC had officially hit the 350 invasion mark for their MMCC career. That is a staggering number of events to attend and I had to reach out to that member and figure out where they were coming from and what drove them to participate on such an epic level.

Turning my sights to the State of Illinois, US, I found myself in Nexu territory and my target, the Nexu Alor'ad, BLUERAM. With that many invasions to his name and the length of service he has provided to the MMCC, I knew that he would have some words of wisdom for the membership at large. He was kind enough to sit down with me and answer a few questions about his journey with the MMCC and where he sees his Mando career taking him in the future. At the time of this article, BLUERAM has completed a staggering total of 395 Invasions. A feat that I can only hope to replicate in my time with the MMCC.

BATTLECRY: Tell us a little bit about yourself and your history with the MMCC?

BLUERAM: By trade I am an Electrician with twenty plus years of experience. About four



years ago I started down a new path that my electrical experience opened the door for. I am currently a Facilities Engineer at a 2500-acre site with 1 million sqft under roof. We are tasked with coordinating maintenance, construction, and upgrading all buildings, concrete, overall site and systems. I have always loved Star Wars and Boba Fett. Boba was my first SW costume I made



St Jude Runners Washington 8/2/25 Din Djarin is 501st only, raised \$7045 this year

around 1998-99. I joined the 501st in 2005 with an upgraded Boba kit. My wife and I met a few days before EP3 came out. Our first official date was me trooping and her handling for a midnight showing. I later joined the MMCC in July 2011 as a member of Yustipir (IL/MO). October 2012 Nexu(IL) was founded. I was the first Ver'alor, becoming Alor'ad August 2015 until present.

BATTLECRY: What drew you to the MMCC and what keeps you so involved with the club?

BLUERAM: My first real experience with MMCC was in 2009 at Kansas City Planet Comicon. I had seen random Mandos and a couple small groups here and there. I always thought they were cool, but this was the first time I saw a LARGE group of high-quality MMCC Mandos! I have been in support of the MMCC since that day. I was pushing for MMCC to be welcomed/invited to events with the 501st Midwest Garrison. Eventually I decided the best way to show support was to join.

BATTLECRY: With 395 invasions under your belt, you have to have a favorite type of event to attend. What is it and why is it your favorite?

BLUERAM: I prefer charity events or Children's Hospital visits over cons and high-profile special events. While I have many great memories and moments from every event, my overall favorite



08/11/19 Springfield Comic Expo, this is one of my favorite pictures of my kit. Unfortunately, I don't have the name of the photographer for this one



*St Jude Runners Washington 8/5/23 Very wet outing,
raised \$6351 this year*

event has been a local event tied to the Memphis to Peoria St. Jude Runs. We collect money on the town square in Washington, IL the day the

“...BEING A PART OF THE MMCC HAS DRIVEN HOME THE MATRA: ALIIT ORI'SHYA TAL'DIN”

runners make the final push to Peoria. All the clubs have jointly participated in the fundraising since 2012 and have raised over \$56,800 in that time. Seeing this total shows we are making a difference

BATTLECRY: What advice would you have for newer members or perspective members that will help them in their MMCC career to remain engaged and active?

BLUERAM: #1 Goal is to have fun within the rules of the club. Participate in forum discussions, armor parties, invasions and family events. For

me being part of the MMCC has driven home the mantra “Aliit ori'shya tal'din” (Family is more than blood). This is a big plus to staying active.

BATTLECRY: Do you have a goal number of invasions you would like to hit?

BLUERAM: No, I plan to keep running up my invasion count as long as I'm able and still having fun.

BATTLECRY: What does it mean to you to be one of the very few Mercs who have hit the 350 invasions milestone?

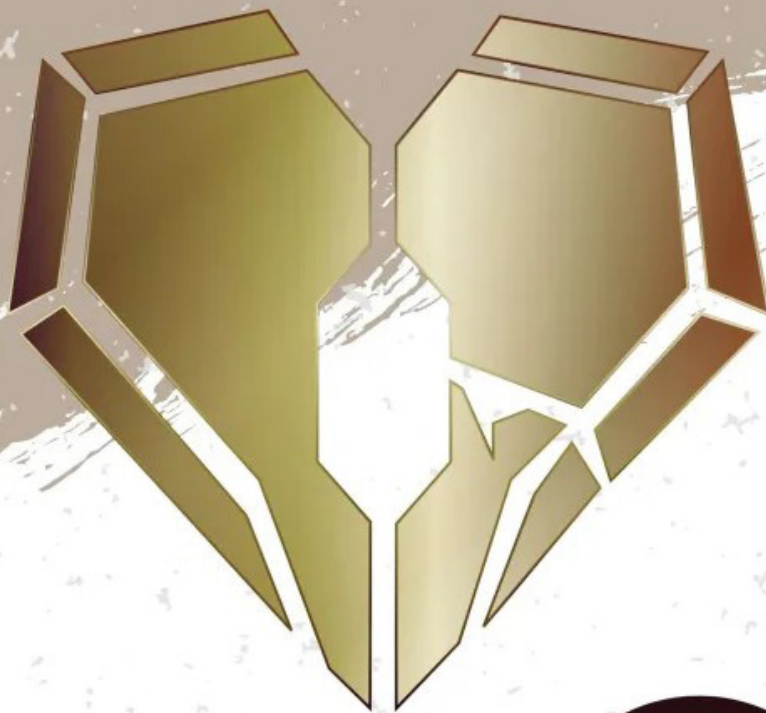
BLUERAM: It's kind of fun to have the bragging right of the first to reach 350 but in the grand scheme of things is just a number. I have been very lucky to live in an area with a lot of event opportunities, have the ability to attend many of these and that all the clubs work together as one. 99.9% of the time an event invite for one is shared with all. Between all the clubs we average over 400 event requests a year in Illinois.

I know that BLUERAM insists that 395 is just a number, but for me, and I would think for the rest of the club, that is a testament to his leadership and his dedication to the MMCC and its mission. I invite everyone in the club to congratulate BLUERAM on hitting this milestone, and I know that I for one am going to increase my efforts due to his example.

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FOUNDLING FIRST...

MEMBER YOU ARE!

By: Nik & Nina

As fans of life in a galaxy far, far away we have fantastic imaginations, so imagine this. You are sitting at home on a quiet night in the middle of the week. You are cuddled up on your couch firmly committed to a night of TV entertainment when an ad pops up, "The Mandalorian and Grogu, in theaters now" booms from the speaker. Just as you've done many times before, you quickly jump into a conversation about the movie and your love of all things Star Wars.

Fast-forward to an hour later, you do a quick glance at your phone to see what's new in the vast depths of social media and notice an increased presence of Star Wars related ads. Your smart little phone was just listening in and heard you talking about Star Wars, so it increased the presence of this subject for a bit. But what it really heard was the word "Mandalorian," so you keep seeing Builder Groups and pages for the Mando Mercs Costume Club (MMCC). You quickly learn all these incredible Mandalorian costumes you see were designed and built by people just like you. Well now you have to find out more!

**"LOVE THE INCLUSIVE LANGUAGE OF
FOUNDLING MEMBER! YOU'RE ONE OF US."**

- ADAM, REGIONAL VICE COMMANDER

Ultimately you find your way to mandalorianmercs.org where you are prompted to create a free account that will give you access to a great many resources available to anyone who is interested in building a Mandalorian costume. You start looking around on the website homepage and find a link called "Join The Mercs," with information about the four tiers of

membership you can achieve. What you find is information about how to join with Foundling, Supporting, Auxiliary, and/or Official Membership.

For as long as this writer team has been involved with the MMCC, the most common title for a person who is not yet an Official Member is "Unofficial Member." We see it said all the time in the various Builder Groups online, on various



Foundlings, The Gary's assisted as Handlers during a Clan photoshoot

Clan pages, and hear it said in episodes of Keldabe Talk Radio. For those of us who have been around for some time, this title is logical.

If you aren't Official, then you are Unofficial; right? It certainly makes sense when you put it like that, direct opposites.

But a couple months ago the Officers of Arizona's Shonare Vhekadla Clan (SVC) found themselves evaluating the use of this term to address those building their own costume to become a Mando Merc. This happened because over the course of several weeks they kept seeing the same Foundling constantly chatting with people in the

various Build Groups, always saying the same thing. He didn't know what Clan he belonged to.

It was baffling because this Foundling had been in regular communication with the Clans Ruus'alor Sol'yc and other members for a couple of years.

How could he not know which Clan he belonged to? Arizona only has one Clan

spanning the entire state and this person lives in Arizona. For the Clan Officers, it was a huge discussion that ended in one very firm conclusion; being called an Unofficial Member was the interpreted equivalent of saying "you are not a member."

Whoa!!! Hit the breaks right there! That is definitely not how we want our Foundlings to feel!

If you've been paying attention you may have noticed that we have been calling Unofficial Members by another name, Foundlings. Any fan of The Mandalorian TV series is familiar with this name as it is the basis of the relationship between



Foundling, Aly assisted as Handler during the Death March at Phoenix Fan Fusion – Photo by Big Click Energy

Din Djarin and Grogu. If you thought we were going to say that cutesy baby name, you are most definitely mistaken. Yoda and Grogu are two very different, loveable characters.

When this big discussion was happening about the use of "Unofficial Member," we went diving deep into the Governing Documents of the MMCC. What did we find? Nothing. There is no use of this term, that we could find, anywhere within these documents which cover all the operating rules of the Club. But we did find something.

A consistent use of the term "Foundling Member" or "Foundlings." Immediate action was taken; the SVC Officers posted a message to their Official Members informing all that a collective decision was made to retire the use of the term "Unofficial Member" or UM, in favor of "Foundling Member" or FM. The Clan went a step further by making a public post on social media addressing this as well. The response from the public was immensely supportive. Everyone was in favor of the more appropriate and inclusive verbiage. Now, several weeks into this change, SVC has seen increased positivity and engagement. Perhaps some of the positivity is the increased vitamin D as summer descends on the Desert Southwest but feeling included sure does help too.

So, let's get into the nitty gritty. It is a great idea for everyone interested and invested in the MMCC to be aware of the four tiers of membership. You are either seeking to join us, or you are encouraging anyone who displays interest in joining us to do so. The best way we can accurately portray each of these tiers is to share the information exactly as it is found in the Member Policy and Procedure Handbook (page 10, section 5.1.1 Membership Tiers). Note: Only Official Members are eligible to vote in any level of governance within the MMCC, additional information is available at mandalorianmercs.org.



Shonare Vhekadla Clan (AZ Mando Mercs)

May 1 · 🌐

These days it's all the rage to be a Foundling. Why be an "unofficial member" when it is so much better being a Foundling Member?

So as we move forward, you can expect to see us speaking of FM's or Foundling Members because we are thrilled to have you joining us in this adventure.

Because the MMCC is a tax-exempt Civic Organization, our levels of membership are determined by your personal investment as a member. To accommodate this, we work on a "Membership Tier" system.

Tier 0 (Forum [Foundling]): Free basic membership which gives limited access to MMCC website/forums and MMCC merchandise.

Tier 1 (Supporter): Membership acquired through support donation (money) to the MMCC. Opens



Retired OM, Kenny assisted as Handler for a charity event

more website/forum areas, and increased access to MMCC merchandise.

Tier 2 (Auxiliary): Membership acquired through annual subscription to the MMCC website/forum. Opens all non-Tier 3 website/forum areas, access to special MMCC Auxiliary merchandise, and access to special offers/programs/benefits within the MMCC.

Tier 3 (Official Member): Membership acquired



Foundling, Bailey assisted as Handler during a May the 4th event

through costume application/approval. Opens all non-staff areas of MMCC website/forum. Confers rights to represent, vote, and hold office within MMCC. Grants access to all MMCC merchandise. Gives access to all offers/programs/benefits within the MMCC.

Of course, we want all of our Foundling Members to ultimately become full-fledged Official Members; but we do understand that it's a marathon, not a sprint. It takes time. Sometimes only a few

months, sometimes several years! At the end of the day there is one very big factor that is always dependable; the MMCC has been designed as a family from the very beginning, and we want all of our Foundling Members to know that they are indeed a part of our family. We hope this story will encourage all to embrace the term Foundling Members, or FM, moving forward to fully embrace our members at all levels.



Arizona's current Alor'ad serving as a Handler when he was a Foundling

As always, be sure to check out the Jadd Halls of Knowledge to access the MMCC Governing Document Master List. There you will be able to see even more information about these membership tiers and how they are managed within the Club. You can also simply start clicking around on mandalorianmercs.org and digging into all that it has to offer. You never know what you might find.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

BattleCry would like to welcome our newest members from the month of June (OM#, Character Name, Forum Name, Clan). Please help us in making these new Vode feel welcome! Oya!

3428, Typh'n Ree Draven, Imamiller2, Batuu Clan
3429, Bren Atiniir, The Third Of Eight, Krayt Clan
3430, Ragnar Kaal, Ragnar Kaal, Yustapir Clan
3431, caburardean, CaburArdean, Haaranovor
Clan
3432, Vexia, Vexia, Talon Clan
3433, Star Cadera, TK87665!, Falco Clan
3434, Dan'Kyr, eMeJota, Dxun Wraithguard Clan
3435, Sefin Bakar, stephrk31, Taakure Clan



STRONGER TOGETHER: THE WOLFPACK OF THE MMCC

By: Ben "Midge" Egloff

When I started this endeavor to highlight the social societies of the MMCC, even though I was a member of several of them, I really didn't understand how expansive they were. So many interests and life related things are represented that it would be impossible not to find a niche to fall into. One of the other things that has really pulled on the old heart strings is the community that these societies can turn into. Sometimes, a society is started over a simple concept such as a motif, color scheme, or weathering style, and that society blossoms and grows and turns into a community of people, all over the world, that has each others backs, rides with one another when things get tough, and shares life events, both good and bad, with one another over the years. It becomes far deeper than just a shared love of a color scheme or hobby interest, turning into a support system that stretched across the globe.

The Aran Wolves Oyula Ori'tsad is one of those societies. Affectionately dubbed A.W.O.O by its members, started as a shared love of wolf iconography and a pack like ideological approach to life, and it turned into a group of people who have been drawn together as a family. It's ranks mimic the ideals of the larger MMCC, living the creed that Mandalorians are stronger together. I was able to speak with Talyc_Cabur, the founder and Keeper of A.W.O.O., who provided an in-depth look at the society and its purpose.

BATTLECRY: Introduce yourself and give us a little bit of your history with the Mando Mercs?



TALYC_CABUR: My name is Talyc Cabur (the Bloodstained Guardian) and I joined the MMCC in 2021, during the dark days of the covid pandemic. I cleared my kit and was quickly invited into the Ruus'alor team. In 2022, I became the Ruus'alor Solyc for Vok'Chi Clan and remained in office until May this year, when I decided to step down and continue as a Ruus'alor, while another, more talented, Ruus'alor took the well earned title.

My time in the MMCC has been one filled with lessons, connections and laughs. While many may know me online as an outspoken opponent of changes, in reality, my passion comes from a place of love and loyalty to the club, my clan, and the Wolfpack. Regrettably, I often stay quiet on positive matters, but stick my snout in when a change occurs, which I feel the need to publicly address and apologize for. Negative emotions are more powerful in the moment than the day to day positivity that we experience as members of these clubs. But without my place here, I would not be the person I am today. I would not have met people who changed my life for the better, or had the opportunity to say goodbye to those who left this world a better place than when they entered it.

Becoming a Mandalorian is more than creating a costume. Through the safety of your helmet, and the anonymity of a character, you can "try on" personality traits, which can increase your confidence in real life. You spend time with people



who's paths you would never have crossed, and find connections in places you would never have expected.

I would like to mention a sort of "turning point" in my experience as a Mandalorian, because I feel it was an important landmark in my MMCC journey. It was my first experience in dealing with childhood cancer as a Mandalorian. As I was kitting-up, I began to weep,

and question my actions. "Who do you think you are?" I remember saying to myself. When faced with the impossible reality that such a young child, will not get to see the age my children are now. A stranger, masquerading in a plastic costume, taking precious time away from those who need it so much more than I do. I began to doubt myself, I couldn't bring myself to do.

But then, a dear vod stepped in, and spoke with me. They gave me a perspective which forever changed the way I feel about this hobby, and



cemented a mission in me.

"We are not here to fix anything, we are here to bring back magic to those who need it most, those who had it taken from them."

If our costumes can bring just one smile to someone, in a time of great sadness. A mere moment of colour, in a time of grey, then that is our duty. Quite literally everything else is irrelevant. Just as these costumes allow us to escape from our own "self", they allow others to escape through us. And that is the true purpose of what we do.

To bring magic back, to those who had it taken from them.

BATTLECRY: We know that you founded Aran Wolves Oyula Ori'tsad, but what prompted you to do so?

TALYC_CABUR: If I remember correctly, I created the society while I was still a foundling. After crossing paths with two other Vok'chi foundlings who had also decided also to use a wolf sigil. We joked about creating a Mandalorian wolfpack, and from there it grew into what we see today, a 50+ strong society with members all over the globe

BATTLECRY: Tell us a little about the society and what its overall mission and purpose is?

TALYC_CABUR: The wolfpack society has one simple concept at its core. "Aliit". Whether you call it family, aliit, or the pack, the essence is the same. Nothing is more important than the family. We support each other through thick and thin, we laugh at each others mishaps, we help each other up when we fall, and we are a listening ear, or a shoulder to cry on for any one who needs it.

Its mission, simply put, is to bring people together. Over the years we have seen the entire

spectrum of life unfold inside our little society. Marriages, funerals, job losses, successes, medical issues and medical victories, from the mundane to the magnificent, and everything in between.

When someone has something going on, sometimes of great importance, to see them turn to the pack, to rejoice in their victories, or to reach out in their time of need, nothing makes me more proud. Seeing the outpouring of love and support, often times for people who, in real life, have never actually met, is what makes it all worthwhile.

I would like to close this out with a few quotes from our membership.

"The Wolfpack is a place where I was welcomed like nowhere else. My family. Awooo! The members are often joking around but always ready to fight and very supportive of each other" - A.W.O.O #34 - Stella Dralne

"We support each other through good times and bad - We are Aliit." - A.W.O.O #16 - Tak'ur

"The AWOO society has brought people together across the vast expanse of the world, a place where it doesn't matter your background or problems, there are people from all walks of life coming together sharing a passion for the MMCC and its mission and offering support to each other. I am happy to count each of its members as friend, and know that each of us is just accepted for being. No matter the concern, Aran Wolf ears are always listening and there is always someone there to lend a helping hand, ear to listen, voice to talk, friend to count on. We are stronger together." - A.W.O.O #19 - Markonnen



"The Wolfpack is my home away from home. A secondary layer of vod'e that I know will have my back, as I will have theirs." - A.W.O.O #13 - Straka Zulu

"The AWOO Society, my new family. Everyone is very welcoming and supportive no matter what is happening in their life, good or bad the clan is here for each other" - A.W.O.O #46 - Andyc

"I joined the MMCC & AWOO In late 2023, looking for a lifeline—just "something" to rescue my mind from my battle with stage 3B cancer. After my diagnosis early that year, my world shrank down to 10 months of chemotherapy and radiotherapy. The treatments destroyed my immune system, forcing me into isolation at

home for the duration of the treatment. My Vode in the Wolfpack changed everything; it gave me a reason to look forward to tomorrow instead of just staring at the walls. I have made friends for life, in this society." - A.W.O.O #35 - Tal'onidir.

"When I designed the AWOO symbols & logos, I wanted to embody the spirit of family, friendship and perseverance. I knew Talyc was onto something, it is an honour & privilege to be surrounded with what has become an incredible group of geographically spread individuals.

Within AWOO I feel like my skills have been challenged, and consequently grown in brilliant ways. I have love & support in my brothers & sisters should dark times appear, which steels me." - A.W.O.O #2 - Da'an

Our motto reflects this "We fight to protect, we stick together. Nothing is more important than the pack"

BATTLECRY: Who can join and in what capacity?

TALYC_CABUR: The wolfpack is open to anyone who feels the connection to wolves. It doesn't have to be your sigil. "Sometimes the wolf is under the armour, rather than on it."



BATTLECRY: Why do you feel that it is important to have a dedicated space for your membership?

TALYC_CABUR: The A.W.O.O society largely operates out of a discord group that was set up by one of our members. This space is of great importance to many members there, who share things they may not want left recorded on the forum. Daily woes or major life occasions, addresses passed over for our yearly secret santa etc. Mostly, its just banter and laughs, but it's also an open space for those to reach out for genuine support and care.

The dedication of this societies membership has blown me away. Members will be up until 3am to help a vod in a different time zone, and several members have even gone so far as to tattooing our "solidarity mark" on their body's.

For a place created simply to bring together those

who have wolf sigils, to impact peoples lives to such a degree that they would honor it in this way is remarkable. Seeing our mark represented on kits, or bodies, around the world fills me with immense pride. And yet, I cannot take the credit for it. I had no intention of the society being this meaningful, and I did not create the Discord which has allowed it reach lives in the way it has. That process was organic, a natural gravitational pull that brought together such wonderful people. All the credit goes to them.

BATTLECRY: As the society grows, what do you hope to be able to do in the future as a society?

TALYC_CABUR: A shared dream of the wolfpack is to have a big meet up somewhere, most likely in mainland Europe, where we can meet as many wolves as possible, and share an evening or 2 of good food, good company and some long overdue hugs. We would also like to see societal merchandise come into fruition, preferably with a charitable cause.

BATTLECRY: What does the Way of the Wolf mean to you and how does it apply to Mandalorian culture and how does it guide you and the society in their interactions with the club as a whole?

TALYC_CABUR: The "Way of the Wolf" is something of profound importance to myself personally. This phrase is why my sigil is a wolf, why my character is named Talyc Cabur, and why i am who I am today. My obsession with wolves comes from a time before the MMCC.

At the time, I was suffering a great deal with my mental health for years. I was had been finishing up my education, and left home on bad terms, narrowly avoiding homelessness. My (now) wife was suffering immensely with her health, and would take many years to be diagnosed with a



rare and severe genetic condition. At this time we had, sadly, lost 3 pregnancies (shout out to the Buire be Kar'ade society). I was experiencing what is known as "depersonalization", a type of depression that seems to remove you from your own body. I didn't recognize myself, my life existed beneath me, as if I were watching it unfold, but couldn't do anything to effect it, and it didn't feel like it was my life i was watching. I decided to seek out an extreme form of therapy, which altered the trajectory of my life in ways I could never imagine.



During the session, I became acutely aware of the presence of a wolf, yet i could not see it. The same phrase, "Be More Wolf" kept repeating itself over and over in my head. In an instant, I was no longer above my body, as I had been for so many years, but back inside it. Armed with a single phrase, and a deep understanding of what it meant, despite having no way of articulating it.

Over the course of the next year, I began implementing steps to take back control of my life. I became self employed and started my own business, I joined a band and travelled for 7 years playing festivals around Europe, I learned to speak up, and speak my truth. Where before I was timid, I tried, and still try, to step up. I severed ties, created new ones, and broke a mold which i had been so thoroughly forced into from a young age.

And the best thing of all, we had 2 beautiful

children, and got married.

The "Way of the wolf" is not simply a phrase. Its a lifestyle. A choice, to do what is necessary, not what is easy. Whether that's for yourself, or your pack. This process is ongoing, and is not flawless. We make mistakes, we hurt people, we must destroy in order to rebuild, we get things wrong. This is a difficult journey, as you meander from one direction to another, searching for a clue to stay on a path that you have not yet realized you are making yourself.

Its not about being right at all times, its about doing what is true to you, and facing the consequences of that with humility, honesty, and honor. Whether you need to put the mask on yourself, before you put it on others, or put yourself in harms way in order to protect others. (A Bloodstained Guardian) Knowing when to step forward, but more importantly, when to step back. This is the way, the way of the wolf.

An individual wolf, much like a Mandalorian, is a formidable, battle-hardened warrior. But much like wolves, Mandalorians are stronger together.

Loyalty, dedication, self sacrifice, and humility. These are all lessons we can learn from the wolf, but also lessons we can learn from the MMCC. I think that's why the society has filled with the people it has. Because those in the MMCC, who give up their own time and energy for the betterment of others, at the expense of their own wellbeing at times, recognize and identify with many aspects of Wolfpack culture. Many of these people give countless hours to their clan or club, many are officers of all levels. People who would give themselves without second thought, yet rarely get a thank you in return. As part of a pack, they find a way to receive the love they give out so readily, as does each individual member.

If I can leave this write up with only one remark, its a thank-you. Thank you to all those members



of the MMCC who work in any capacity for the cause of the club. Whether you're an officer, a trooping member, a supporter, a handler, a foundling. Without each and every one of you, my life, the life of my family, my clan, my pack, would be immensely different, and infinitely less rewarding.

And a final thank you to the man himself.

Mandalore, for all of this, is his vision, his drive and his dedication. The true "Alpha" wolf.

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As much time as I spend playing with words, I have had a very hard time finding something poignant and worthy of the information Talyc_Cabur has provided as a conclusion for this article. I think the attitude of the wolf pack is one that we all set as a goal in this club. Those truly in touch with the mission of the MMCC strive to put other's before self, to prop up those who need it, and strengthen every member through community. A.W.O.O. pushes that mantra every day. If you are looking for a pack, go check out A.W.O.O.'s boards, it is very clear that you will find it there.



LEGENDS OF MANDALORE

ARTICIUS VULPES RAWR - THE SNOW WOLF OF HOTH

By: Ru'stor Rawr

EPISODE 4

Articus Rawr was only ten years old when Scarif burned.

When the homestead fell and the skies split open with fire, the youngest of the Rawr brothers ran not with a plan, but with instinct. He remembered shouting for Ru'stor. He remembered Vhekad's

on a broken jump, dropping him far from any safe or familiar world. When the ramp finally opened, the cold nearly killed him before anything else could.

Hoth.

A frozen wasteland of endless white, screaming winds, and silence so deep it felt alive. Articus survived the first weeks by hiding in wreckage and scavenging what little he could find. He learned quickly that noise meant death, and stillness meant survival. He watched patrols from



voice somewhere in the chaos. Then the noise swallowed everything, and the galaxy tore them apart.

Articus fled alone.

He survived the evacuation of Scarif by accident more than design—slipping into a damaged cargo skiff as alarms screamed and blaster fire echoed behind him. The ship limped through hyperspace

afar. He followed the shadows cast by ice ridges. When hunger drove him to risk movement, he moved like an animal—low, fast, unseen.

That was when the locals began to whisper. They spoke of a ghost.

A small shape moving through blizzards untouched.

Tracks that appeared and vanished without

pattern.

Something watching from the snow.

Years passed, and the boy became something else.

Articus found remnants of old Mandalorian armor in forgotten places—cracked plates, scorched beskar fragments traded away long ago. He repaired them piece by piece, reforging what he could, adapting what he could not. He learned to fight not with strength, but with patience. Not with rage, but with inevitability.

He trained himself in the Mandalorian way the only way left to him—alone.

He recited his father's lessons from memory.

Strength is nothing without discipline.

Armor is more than metal—it is purpose.

Survival is victory.

On Hoth, those words became law.

Articus became a hunter of necessity. He learned to stalk prey through whiteout storms, to read wind patterns, to wait hours—sometimes days—without moving. He built his armor white not for honor or display, but for survival. In snow, white meant invisible. White meant death arrived without warning.

They began calling him the Snow Wolf.

By the time Articus reached adulthood, smugglers and mercenaries passing through the Outer Rim spoke of him with caution. A Mandalorian in white armor who appeared during blizzards and vanished just as quickly. Contracts failed when he was near. Patrols went missing. No one ever saw his face.

Despite the isolation, Articus never stopped searching.

He left Hoth more than once, following rumors of Mandalorians seen across the Outer Rim. One name surfaced again and again—a fierce warrior operating out of desert worlds. Clever. Ruthless. Always one step ahead.

The armor described was desert tan, marked with blue accents. Scarred by sun and sand. Built for heat and survival under twin suns.

Articus knew without asking.

That was Vhekad.

He followed the trail across systems and starports, always arriving moments too late. A cantina burned. A bounty already claimed. A ship already gone. Each near-miss sharpened his resolve, not dulled it.

He never found his brother.

Still, he continues to look.

Now, stories speak of three Mandalorians moving through the galaxy—one forged in jungle and honor, one shaped by sand and cunning, and one whispered about only in hushed tones.

A white shadow. A silent hunter. A ghost in the snow.

This is the story of House Rawr. A story of loss, survival, and unbroken bonds.

Redemption came easily. Reunion remains unfinished.

THE BESKAR CHEF

COOKING WITH ~~MANDALORE~~ DIZ

By: ~~Mandalore~~ the ~~Uniter~~ Diz

Mandalore has been busy with the affairs of the club this month, so I figured that I would take over the Beskar Chef for the month.

What? Me taking over? Power! Unlimited Power!
Oh wait... it's just a recipe.

POG SOUP

"You've never eaten pog soup? No? Can you appreciate the irony? Any Mandalorian worth their armor was raised on this since they were his size."

-Bo Katan

The Mandalorian

Season 2, Episode 18, "The Mines of Mandalore."

Ingredients

- 1 Yellow Bell Pepper
- 1 Red Bell Pepper
- 1-1/2 tablespoon Extra Virgin Olive Oil
- 1 cup Sweet Onion (Diced)
- 1 Carrot (Diced)
- 1 Shallot, (Diced)
- 2 Cloved Garlic (Minced)
- 1 teaspoon Ginger (Minced) I actually like to use ground ginger from a bottle... don't judge
- 1-1/2 tablespoon Curry Powder





2 teaspoons Turmeric
 1 teaspoon Coriander
 1 teaspoon Salt (I like Kosher Salt)
 2 cups Vegetable Broth
 1 (14oz) Can Unsweetened Coconut Milk
 Chipotle Powder to taste (optional)

Directions



Step 1:
 Place peppers on a baking sheet. You should place the baking sheet on the stovetop or some other flameproof surface. Use a kitchen torch to blister and blacken the skin

of the peppers. Use tongs to flip the peppers and continue to flame until all outside surfaces of the peppers are blistered. Then place the peppers in a bowl and cover with plastic wrap. Let them sit for 15 minutes (while you prep the other ingredients), then rub off the blackened skins



and discard. Remove the stem and seeds and then dice. Set aside.



Step 2
 In a large pot on the stove top over medium heat. Add Olive Oil, Onion, Carrot, and Shallot. Cook for 5 minutes or until softened. Stir frequently.



Step 3:
 Stir in Garlic, Ginger, Curry Powder, Turmeric, Coriander, and Salt. Continue cooking for 1 minute or until fragrant.

Step 4:
 Add the diced peppers and vegetable broth. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat to low and simmer (covered) for 30 minutes

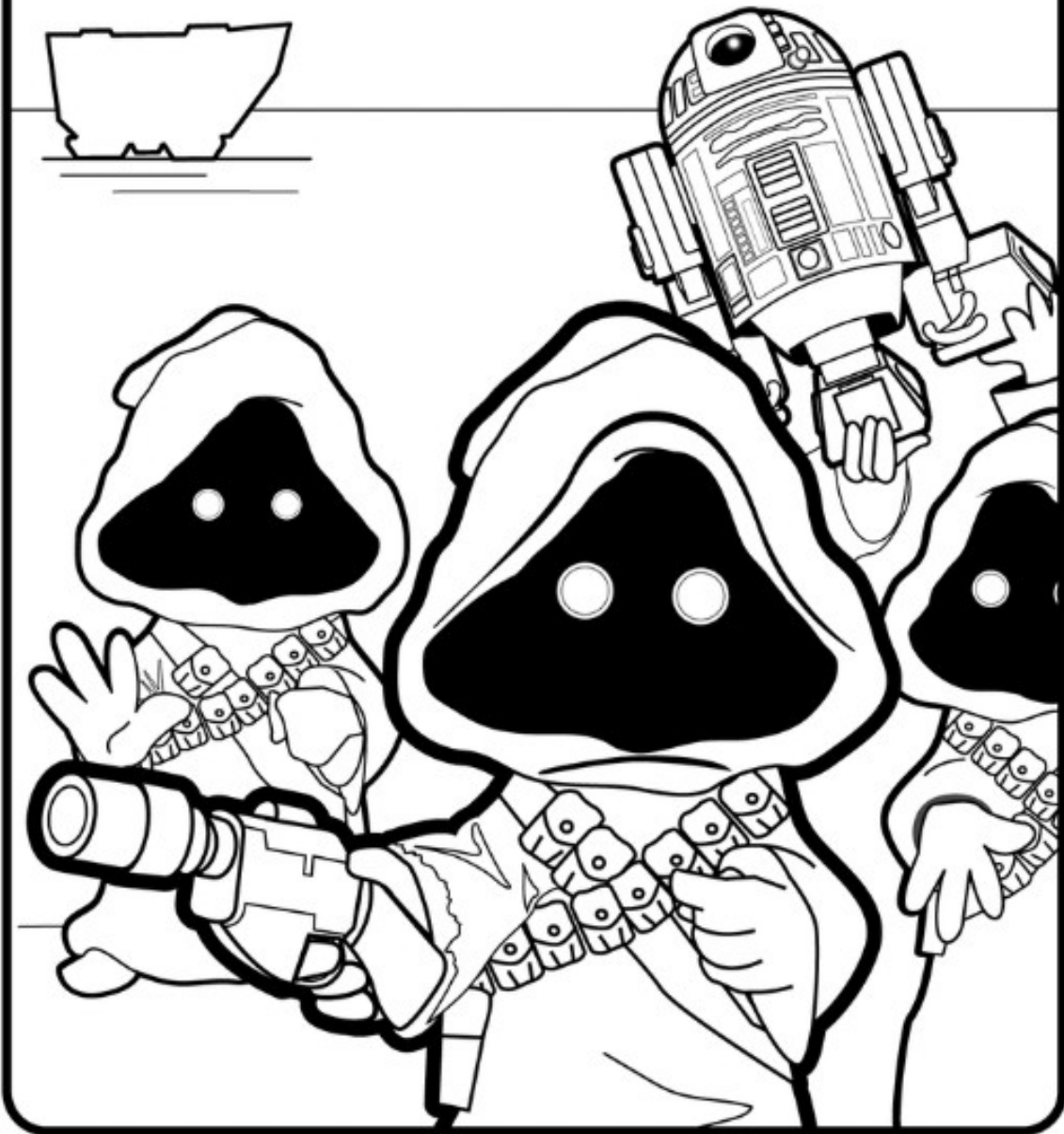
Step 5:
 Turn off the heat and stir in the Coconut Milk. Use a blender or immersion blender to puree until smooth.

Traditionally, the soup is served in a metal cup, but in a pinch, any mug will do. And while it is not traditional, I like to serve it with french fried onions on top.

Enjoy, This is the Way

THE VERD'IKA PAGES

IN YOUR TRAVELS YOU WILL RUN INTO MANY CREATURES. BE MINDFUL OF JAWAS; THEY WILL SCAVENGE ANYTHING NOT LOCKED DOWN.



Cook Out!

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Polystarch Puff Bread

One Quarter Portion

Fiery Fornax Rings Thala Siren Milk

Cream of Womprat

Rootleaf Stew

Dantooine Flapjack

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Glowing Treat

Gorg on a Stick

Bone Broth

Blue Milk

Nutrient Pack

Roasted Porg

Tip Yip

Pog Soup

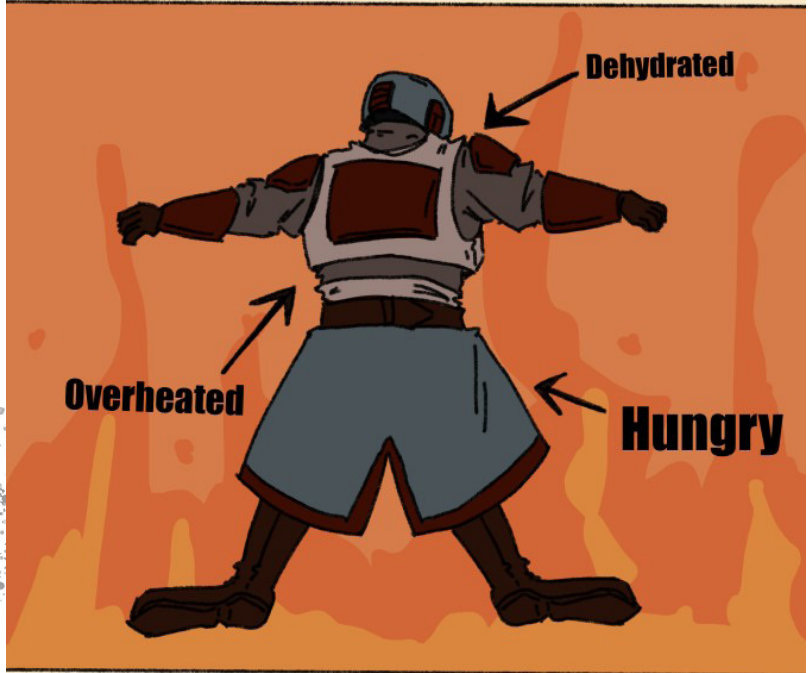
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Flat Meat Fry

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WORDSEARCH ANSWERS

Mandos in the Heat by: TeaGo



Mando tip: take breaks in kit.. no one wants to bring you in cold...

BATTLECRY NEEDS YOU!

- Do you have an idea for an article?
- Is there something that you would like to know about?
- Do you have a story to tell the rest of the MMCC?
- Is there something that you think that we need to do better?

We want to know about it!

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