



NAME: MIKEL NOVA CAT

DOB: 05/05/3110 FACTION: Spirit Cats REGIMENT: Omicron HAIR: Dk. Blonde

VEHICLE: SM1 Tank Destroyer EYES: Blue

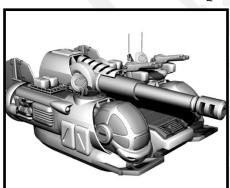
Mikel Nova Cat is one of a new generation of Spirit Cats that is not a Trueborn — born in an iron womb as part of the Clan's genetic breeding program — and is proud of it.

For generations, since the Clans first introduced their genetic-bred Trueborns, their Freeborn (naturally born) brethren have been second-class citizens, derided for not being 'pure.' Regardless of a Freeborn's capabilities, this has always held them back. However, with the Clans' invasion of the Inner Sphere and

VEHICLE: SM1 TANK DESTROYER

Record No DA-120-02

Serial Number: NC339-18QX Mass: 50 tons



Mvt. Type: Hover Power Plant: 165 Standard Cruising Speed: 86 kph Maximum Speed: 130 kph Armor: Advanced Compound Beta

Armament:

4 Series 2c Light Machine Guns 1 Type 10 Ultra Autocannon 20

their close proximity to Sphere society and ideals over the last half century - especially for those Clan enclaves found in the Republic - the slow perversion of pure Clan culture was inevitable. Now, a new generation of Freeborn Spirit Cats has actually begun to gain some prominence and power, which horrifies their more traditional brethren.

What is more, like several others, Mikel Nova Cat is content to protect his Clan while piloting a vehicle. He does not hold with the past, where most Clansmen disdained vehicles as un-warrior-like, with 'Mechs the only worthy combat unit for a Clansman. Whether this attitude will further the cause of Freeborns or see him dead on the battlefield is unknown, but with his exceptional abilities, Mikel Nova Cat will be a force to be reckoned with.

Commentary:

For centuries the Clans generally disdained vehicles, considering BattleMechs the only true weapon for a warrior to take into battle. However, with the invasion of the Inner Sphere, the Clans found that combined-arms tactics (using infantry and vehicles alongside 'Mechs) were generally superior to their own type of combat. This led directly to several new Clan vehicle designs.

Following the success of the Shoden Assault Vehicle, Clan Nova Cat began to build a vehicle specifically designed to attack and destroy other vehicles. It mounts one of the most powerful weapons on the battlefield, which it can quickly bring to bear with its impressive speed.

NC339-18QX has one of the highest kill ratios of any vehicle fielded by any faction currently involved in conflicts. In a recent battle on the world Ozawa, this vehicle was responsible for dispatching five vehicles in as many minutes. As such, Mikel Nova Cat has named the vehicle "Soulreaver.'