

commander, however, were his fanatic devotion to the mystical practices of the Spirit Cats and his uncanny skill at maneuvering his Saxon APC in the heat of battle. Witnesses to Dyan's battle driving - driving that can frustrate the targeting capabilities of even the most sophisticated BattleMechs - have suggested he is psychotic, drugged, or both.

The middle-aged Clan warrior, however, attributes this to both his skill, and to what he calls "micro-visions" that tell him when to take evasive action. Although the troopers that are his live cargo reach the field safely as a result, Dyan's style of "defensive maneuvering" garners less than their full measure of gratitude for the ride.

The heavily armored, blindingly fast Saxon APC was

first manufactured during the early Jihad years by Cyclops Incorporated, of Skye, for use by House Steiner's armed forces. Licensing eventually allowed this small hovercraft to find its way into the ranks of almost every standing army throughout the Inner Sphere, eclipsing the standard model Hover APC. Built to endure the heavier, improved weapons of the modern battlefield, the Saxon sacrifices firepower for armor, but still maintains enough interior cargo space to bring a fully equipped infantry squad to the field, with room to spare.

Dyan Nova Cat's Saxon, serial number LAS671-033b, was actually manufactured by Defiance Industries of Hesperus II, and was recovered late in the Jihad by Devlin Stone's troops on Ascella. Having piloted four such vehicles before this one, Dyan has dubbed his Saxon "Fate's Comet V," in reference to its blazing speed.



NAME: DYAN NOVA CAT

FACTION: Spirit Cats REGIMENT: Purifiers VEHICLE: Saxon APC

DOB: 07/24/3092 HAIR: Gray EYES: Blue

Record No FE-105-01

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Though an exceptional warrior in his field, Dyan Nova Cat's origins are typical for a Clan vehicle commander. Freeborn, conceived and birthed outside the eugenics program, he nonetheless displayed sufficient aptitude for combat to earn a warrior's training.

His talents for infantry and conventional vehicular combat, especially martial arts, rifles, and hovercraft piloting, eventually led to Dyan's assignment as a conventional "tanker," where he often served his Clan as part of a routine police detachment during periods of urban unrest. What brought him into the Purifiers as an APC

VEHICLE: SAXON APC

Serial Number: LAS671-033b

Mass: 35 tons



Movement Type: Hover Power Plant:

GM 175 Fusion Cruising Speed: 108 kph

Maximum Speed: 162 kph

Armor:

ArcShield Heavy II Armament:

1 Kicker 2 Machine Gun