## While Nobody's Watching—Wrapup

The compendium can be found at web.mit.edu/kenclary/Public/Nobody/compendium-sheets.pdf. It contains all the character sheets, bluesheets, and greensheets. That directory also contains the rules, the scenario, the playerlist, the character list, and this document.

This document mostly covers information not readily available in the compendium. In the interest of keeping wrapup short, we request that players save questions for the end, and that we all save stories for dinner.

## The Artifact

The Aeray (GM nickname: "Race A") were a ancient race who, in addition to visiting the Rakeb ("Race B"), explored much of the galaxy. No one (even the GMs) knows their true motives or what happened to them.

When they came in contact with the Rakeb, they quickly realized the damage their influence on primitive races could have. So, when they discovered Earth a few thousands years ago, they decided to not make contact. Rather they built some sort of observation base (the GMs don't know why either) in the system on planetoid in what is now the Asteroid belt. This base at some point had a catastrophic destruction (due to accident, malice, or good intentions, the GMs can't say) which destroyed the base.

About a year ago, one of the only bits of the base that's any more recognizable than "twisted metal", a hollow asteroid, collided with another asteroid and was cracked open, spilling a number of loose items into space. A few months later, Keisha Saunders and Ned Staples, out on a rock hunting expedition, picked up one of those artifacts. Over the next eight months, they found ten more – of which the last was taken off of Ned's dead body by Jeff Labonte of NWFusion.

And then Anabelle Trenton-Hobbes (GM nickname: "Asteroid Jones") found the hollow asteroid itself, the only substantial piece that remains of the original base, and dragged it in. Thus setting off a media frenzy on its way from Earth, thus creating an excuse for this 10-day to occur — all these spies and other sketchy types, who know that their business and their stories will not hold up to the light of mass media attention, need to finish up their business get out of the spotlight. While Nobody's Watching.

The artifacts found in the belt, big and small, are only interesting in that some have interesting material properties that could be exploited for technological gain. And they have Aeray poetry written on them.

## **Pre-Game Deaths and Cryofreeze Victims**

- Jacob Canning: While investigating a serious of mysterious disappearances, he got a bit too close to the truth that people were being kidnapped by NWFusion for Jeff Labonte's comfort, so Jeff forcibly took him off the case.
- Ned Staples: When he came in from the mining run on which he found the last Aeray artifact that was brought to Gaspra, Keisha Saunders was busy in lab and missed his message which was intercepted by Jeff Labonte. Jeff made the meeting with Ned and wound up killing him and taking the artifact back to NWFusion.
- Leander Stephanopolous: UECI (United European Community Intelligence) agent on a mission with Jack Fiedler to retrieve experimental ice nanites stolen by the Blue Flame, a hardcore splinter of the Night Angels. His cover was blown, along with Jack's. Jack barely escaped; Leander was captured and frozen in a cryotube by Blue Flame. Leander knows quite a lot about UECI agents on Luna, and is considered valuable by both UECI and Luna. Jack Fiedler was redirected to Gaspra undercover as Blake Nielson, a researcher for Megatronics Heavy Industries Ltd.. NWFusion bought Leander from Joseph Birnbaulm by way of Ned Staples by way of Chernabog from Blue Flame to trade for a stolen device of theirs in case Justine Stewart didn't successfully recover it.
- Justine Stewart: Security Contractor who worked for NWFusion Incorporated; also an occasional informant for Luna. Dis-

covered the UECI had acquired (by stealing it from China, but she didn't know that) NWFusion's research device, and came up with a plan to convince Luna to help her steal it from the UECI. Told Jeff Labonte to acquire Leander Stephanopolous's frozen body through smuggler contacts, and had a fake device built. Told Luna she could get them the frozen spy in exchange for the device, which was in Paris. She then went to Paris, met Lael Suzuki, a UECI technical analyst trying to figure out what the device does. She gets him to let her into the lab early, pays him off, swaps the real device for the fake device, kills Abid Jackson in the process, and leaves. Marcus Lestraad, an agent of the Luna Security Department, shows up at her hotel room. Having already gotten the device without the requested help from Luna, she tries to kill him. He outdraws her and kills her. He then take the device, and finds out from LSD she was planning to trade it to someone on Gaspra.

- Abid Jackson: UECI technical analyst in Paris. Killed by Justine Stewart for walking in on her stealing (through bribery) of the device.
- Mike Smith: He was selling data from Lieselcorp's Martian Satellite Network to, well, everyone. Free Mars needed that data to *not* go out for a couple of weeks so that they could get their secret base built and camouflaged without being seen. They dispatched one of their agents on Gaspra, Amalinda Camert, to bribe Mike appropriately. He couldn't afford to take that bribe all the rest of his customers would be after him and she wound up killing him and taking his access card and that week's data.
- Deng Zou: Everyone's least favorite PLFG (People's Liberation Front of Ganymede) contact, he was busy retrieving the crate of Gormansium Alexi Auger had been smuggling on the *Lady's Choice* when Li Tsing disembarked from his shuttle and walked past where he was working. Instinctively recognizing an elite Chinese agent (or something), Deng launched himself at Li, who reflexively shot him several times in self defense, only to discover that he didn't have a med kit on him with which to wake up his attacker and find out what the hell that was all about. This made life annoying for the PLFG, as Deng was supposed to have collected two of the three paintings they needed pre-game (which were subsequently found by Anabelle Trenton-Hobbes and Marlene Kilgore, who sold hers to Priscilla Spencer), and he was also the designated negotiator with Daud Kutaiba for the plasma cannons they wanted to get from Milton Salt. It also threw a wrench in Chandra Moore's plans to sell what she knew on the PLFG to get things of actual use to Luna.
- Kyrk Velour: "Disaster Zone," while on Vircus, stole a prototype Selenium alloying and tempering device (in two parts) and smuggled it home in their luggage. Half of it (and the antique amp that goes to eleven) was stolen by Dolores Aramia on the return trip. Kyrk realized the device was sufficiently valuable that he could retire and hide from Australian Intelligence on the proceeds if he could get all of it and sell it. He figured out that Dolores had gone to Gaspra with the other half, and set up a deal to sell the whole thing to Arthur Winslow of Milton Salt there. On Gaspra he managed to contact Dolores, offering to sell her his half but actually planning to kill her and take her half. But the rest of the band caught up with him first and killed him, unfortunately without extracting the identity of either the person who had the other half or the buyer from him first.
- Curt Hunter: An American military engineer (and an old buddy of Randolf Burgess's) who was working on the first planned FTL capable space battleship. The Rakeb (the Cross-Collective Alliance of Rational Politicians, in particular) got wind of this, kidnapped him, put him in a cryotube, and planned to ship him to Vircus to find out who he knew and to help them convince Vircus to unite. Unfortunately, their smuggling route went through Ganymede, where he was intercepted by the Chinese, who had no idea what he was but really wanted to know why the Rakeb wanted him.