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'In the grim darkness of the far future there is only war' ...

Your Hobby Place and Away Games<sup>™</sup> have teamed up to host their inaugural event. Together we have constructed a battlefield in which players from novice to grandmaster have a chance to fight to the death for eternal glory...along with awards and prizes, along the Road to Nova! No matter the faction, our competitive format will appeal to competitors of all levels throughout the event and the team looks forward to hosting you.

As you enjoy competing in the wonderful **Your Hobby Place** store, **Away Games™** will be attending to every detail, allowing competitors to relax and have their best tournament experience. We have created custom, beautiful immersive, and standardized terrain for you to battle and triumph on!

Players can expect **EVERY** table to have standardized "GW style" 10th Ed terrain, along with dice boxes and chess clocks. (No need to bring your own.)

In this packet you will find an overview of what to expect and how to get the most out of your tournament experience:

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## Event Essentials

#### **Important Dates and Times**

Tournament Dates: Saturday June 15-16. 2024 Location: Your Hobby Place, 4264 Plank Rd. Fredericksburg, VA 22407 Battle Size: Strike Force (2000 points) Board Size: 60" x 44" Format Size: 64 Players Missions: TBD (Leviathan 10<sup>th</sup> Ed) Terrain: GW Standardized Terrain (Away Games 2024) Rule Set: WTC Rules and FAQ Number of Games: Five Rounds, Win/Loss Path Round Length: 3 Hours Ticket Fee: \$70.00 Prizes: Placing, Painting, Best in Faction and More! Check In: 9:00 am, First Round Starts at 10:00 am

**Late Arrival:** Understandably issues arise, but please inform the Tournament Organizer if you're going to be late. Late check in for the first round will result in a drop or ceding the spot to a present waitlist attendee. If a player arrives late to Round Two and beyond, their game time will begin running on the clock. After 20 minutes the round will be forfeited, and your opponent will receive a win.

**Missions:** Warhammer 40,000 10th Ed., from Chapter Approved Mission Pack: Leviathan: Grand Tournament. **Army Selection:** Follow Muster Armies guidance in Chapter Approved Mission Pack: Leviathan: Grand Tournament.

Tools of War: Players are expected to bring their army, dice, tape measure, and all relevant rules publications (Away Games<sup>™</sup> provides dice trays and chess clocks.) If you are using any electronic devices to carry your official rules references, please ensure they are charged and available for reference at all times.

Rules cutoff: New rules and materials will not be permitted after Monday, June 10, 2024. List submissions: List will be due by Wednesday, June 12, 2024 at 11:59 EST. Any list submitted afterwards MAY be subject to a possible 10 points deduction in round one and a yellow card for the event, pending circumstances.

**Scoring:** At the end of each game, please record your results and post them digitally or present them to the Tournament Organizer for posting.

Please know we use the WTC FAQ which can be found <u>HERE</u> for any rulings or clarifications. If a question remains, please submit them with subject line **Your Hobby Place 40K Event** to <u>contact@theawaygames.com</u>

#### **Army Construction and Painting Guide**

All armies in the event must be Battle-forged and follow guidance according to the Warhammer 40,000 Core Rule Book (10<sup>th</sup> Ed). Armies should utilize the most up to date rules provided in Games Workshop publications.

Players will post their lists in an easy-to-read format (such as the format found on the GW Warhammer 40K app) with all relevant war gear and unit upgrades. Please DO NOT use a different faction under player details from the one utilized you are playing in the Best Coast Pairing app.

Part of the experience includes showing off and playing against beautifully constructed and painted armies. Away Games<sup>™</sup> recommends that all armies be at least Battle Ready standard, as described in the Warhammer 40,000 Core Rule Book (10<sup>th</sup> Ed). (Armies that are not completely Battle Ready standard will not receive points awarded for painted armies on each scoresheet.) A Paint Judging matrix will also be used for the Best Overall/Renaissance Award, along with Best Painted. Below are some examples of models painted to a Battle Ready standard.



**Note:** Each model should attempt to accurately represent its entry on each player's army list represented by WYSIWYG (What You See Is What You Get).

Conversions are great and are encouraged, though for fairness, all conversions should be comparable in size to the most current version of the model they represent. Players should not gain a benefit from converted models and will be subject to penalties for doing so. Any converted or scratch-built models, need to be approved prior to the list submission cutoff date. If players do not receive approval for conversions before this date, they run the risk of the model being removed from play, or possibly incurring score penalties or worse. For approval, please contact **Away Games™** at <u>contact@theawaygames.com</u> with **Your Hobby Place 40K Event** as the subject line and provide photos and a brief explanation of the model and what it represents.

**Note:** Models should be based according to their current box kit.

#### **Tournament Organizers and Policies**

Away Games<sup>™</sup> will provide a Tournament Organizer (Head Judge) and other Judges throughout the event. Organizers will be in distinctive attire during the event to ensure they are visibly seen. Prior to a Judge being called over for rulings, players should attempt to resolve their questions or issues beforehand. If a Judge is needed, please call out "judge" and hold up your hand for visibility. Please be prepared to provide any relevant rules for the particular situation. Judges' rulings will always be based on correct rules interpretations rather than adhering to previous precedent. If a player is unhappy with a call, they can request the Head Judge for final ruling, however this is the final say on all game rules and issues.

Judges will be "active judges" and will actively stop instances of illegal play, with or without a player's specific request for intervention. Understandably there will not be Judges at every table, and all instances of foul play cannot be prevented. The goal of **Away Games™** is to do the best we can to ensure all the games are as enjoyable as possible for all players.

Players should know that behavior such as bullying, rules abuse, moving models illegally, picking up dice before your opponent has the chance to see the results, lying to tournament organizers or opponents, or any other form of unethical or inappropriate conduct can result in substantial in-game penalties, an automatic loss assessment, permanent removal of parts of your army for the duration of the event, removal from the event itself or any future **Away Games™** events. Accidental errors will always occur, however, a "foul is a foul," and Judges will treat them as penalties. The Tournament Organizer is empowered to apply both in game and scoring penalties equivalent to the level of the foul.

#### **Rounds and Timing**

First round opponents will be randomly determined. Subsequent rounds will use "Win-Path" to pair opponents in each round thereafter. By doing this, players will pair against someone with the same record and who won and lost their games in the same rounds. Examples of this are players losing round one, versus round two will have different algorithms when paired. Pairings are conducted in this way to ensure players with a similar strength of schedule pair off and to ensure an increasing level of skill parity and sportsmanship with each subsequent round.

During each round, tournament organizers will announce the time remaining in the round, throughout the round. These announcements are used to help keep the flow of play moving and afford players a "pace of play."

If a player wishes to utilize a clock, both players at the table will use the clock. Both players will be afforded the same amount of time on the clock and should sync the time with the amount of time in the round. Also, if a player wishes to use a clock after a round has started, the remaining time will be split evenly, and the clock will be used.

Players are encouraged to finish their games. If there is under 10 minutes remaining in a round, players will not start another battle round. There is a hard "dice down" policy for games once the round time is complete. Additionally, players attending should feel comfortable playing a complete game within the allotted time with the army they are utilizing. (Intentionally leveraging the clock to disadvantage your opponent should never happen.



#### Event Area: Your Hobby Place

Day One: Saturday June 15, 2024

Rounds	Start Time	End Time
Check In	9:00 am	10:00 am
Round One; Mission TBD	10:00 am	1:00 pm
Lunch	1:00 pm	2:00 pm
Round Two; Mission TBD	2:00 pm	5:00 pm
Break	5:00 pm	5:15 pm
Round Three; Mission TBD	5:15 pm	8:15 pm

#### Day Two: Sunday June 16, 2024

Rounds	Start Time	End Time
Check In	9:00 am	9:30 am
Round Four; Mission TBD	9:30 am	12:30 pm
Lunch	12:30 pm	1:30 pm
Round Five; Mission TBD	1:30 pm	4:30 pm
Awards and Prizes	5:00 pm	

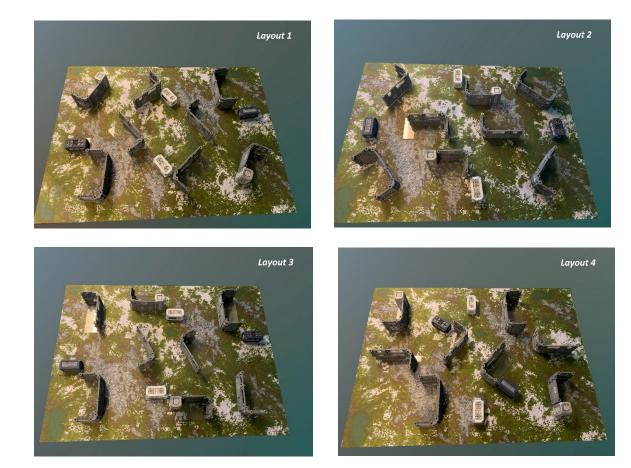


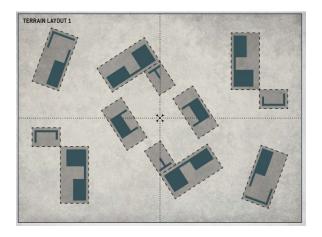
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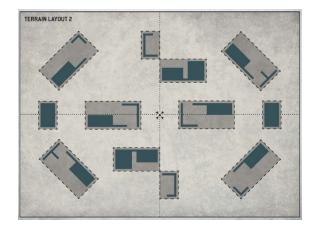
While each table may have a different custom created **Away Games™** aesthetic or theme, every table will use the same layout in any given round of the event. However, these standard layouts could change depending on the round of the event. The layout chosen for a given round will be determined based upon the Tournament Mission Pool from the Leviathan Tournament Companion (10<sup>th</sup> Ed).

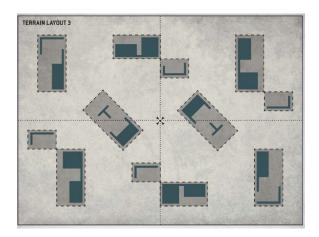
There are two main reasons that layouts change during the event; to provide players with a varied experience during the event and to ensure the placement, orientation, and function of each terrain piece is balanced for a wide variety of army types during each particular mission.

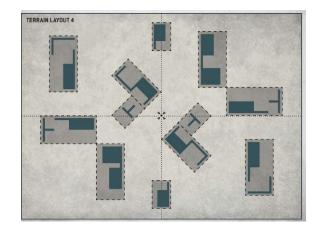
**Note:** Upon reaching your table, if the layout does not closely match one of these four layouts, please adjust the terrain appropriately. Please note that its on the players to discuss and ensure all the terrain is fair and equal. If uncertain whether the layout is precisely correct, please call a Judge over for assistance.



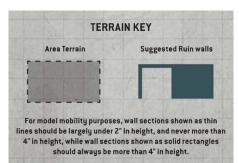








**NO FIXED MEASUREMENTS** Precisely locked terrain layouts with fixed measurements are not recommended. As well as limiting the variety of terrain organizers may feel permitted to field, such strictures can encourage army construction that plans for guaranteed measurements for the purposes of line of sight, objective control and so on. Furthermore, it can create problematic mid-game situations should players notice their terrain does not meet prescribed limits. When using these layouts, players should ensure they are as close to the illustrated positions as possible, but organizers should avoid mandating precise locations for each piece. In general, however, there should be at least 4" between the physical edges of each terrain feature. This is primarily to avoid situations where certain factions (e.g. Imperial Knights) are unable to interact with areas of the battlefield due to Ruins and other impediments being too close together.



**OBJECTIVE MARKERS** Objective markers can and sometimes will be either hidden within terrain or placed in the open, but the markers themselves should never intersect a wall or similar element.

#### **Paint Judging**

For paint scoring, if your army is fully Battle Ready painted you will receive 10 points towards your round score. If your army is **NOT** fully painted, you will receive 0 points towards your round score. There is no minimum painting for this event, so bring what you like.

Armies that go above and beyond the requirements will be in the running for the "Best Painted" award.

Examples of exceptional armies are quality highlights, layering, basing, conversions and even a display board.

#### Painting Matrix

Competitors will be notified that their army is eligible for additional judging before the conclusion of the first round/day.

#### **Round Bye and Ringer Participation**

In the event there is an odd number of players in a round, a "ringer" army will be utilized to ensure all players are afforded the opportunity to play all of their games. The "ringer" army will be a simplified army designed to facilitate a fun and multifaceted experience. The "ringer" will always be paired as having lost all their games. Even if they lose, the player will still receive a win. The opponent of the "ringer" can also elect not to play the game, taking a win.

#### **Prize Support**

After the fight to the death for eternal glory, prizes will be awarded to the top qualifying placers.

Awards will also be given for Placings, Best Overall and Best Painted, so make sure you are bringing your creative masterpieces to the tournament.

**Note:** Awards and prize support will be based on attendance.

#### **Ticket Policy and Refunds**

Tickets can be purchased at <u>Best Coast Pairing App</u>. Tickets can be refunded up to the Rules cutoff date, minus fees. If a refund is desired, please understand that refunds can take up to a week to process.

#### **Media Policy**

By purchasing a ticket for the event, I hereby grant the **Away Games™** permission to use my likeness in a photograph, video, or other digital media ("photo") in all of its publications, including web-based publications, without payment or other consideration.

I understand and agree that all photos will become the property of Away Games<sup>™</sup> and will not be returned.

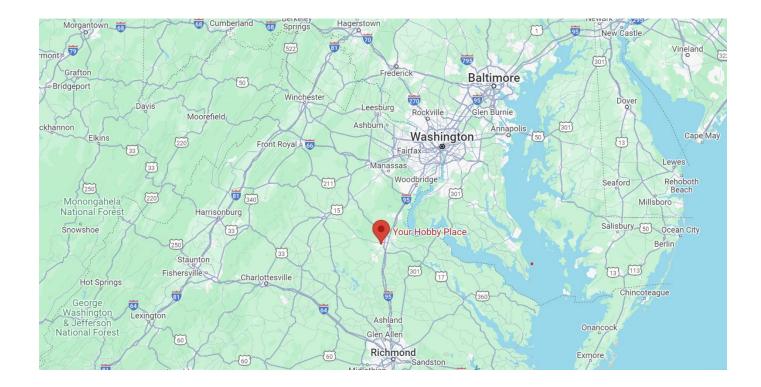
Accommodations

Rooms can be booked at a discounted rate at <u>Econo Lodge Spotsylvania Town Center</u>

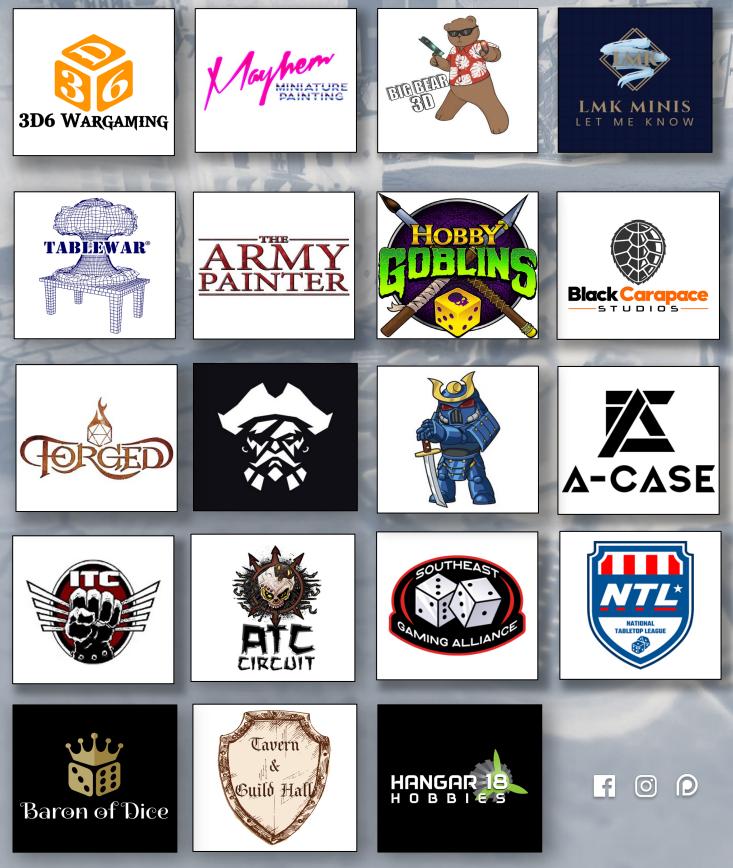
WoodSpring Suites Fredericksburg

Quality Inn Fredericksburg, Central Park Area

For food there is an abundant amount of choices in fast food and sit down restaurants.







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# Away Games Charties

Our team is honored to be able to give back to charities we believe make an impact in our communities. We have thoughtfully chosen charities that are related and important to our team. We humbly invite you to learn about each charity and partner, in addition if possible to make a meaningful contribution while you enjoy the game and friendship the 40K community provides us all.



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