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**CITIZENCON**  
—2948—



# DEFENDING FREEDOM



RIDE OF THE  
VALKYRIE

AVIATOR'S DISPATCH'S  
BEST NEW VEHICLES

GOING FORWARD  
WITH THE UEE

DRAKE GETS SERIOUS  
ABOUT SECURITY

# POETIC JUSTICE

## F55 LIGHT MACHINE GUN



### PERSONAL DEFENSE HAS NEVER LOOKED SO GOOD

The brand new F55 Light Machine Gun is graceful and efficient, designed with acute attention to form. Featuring a molded, contoured design that maximizes firing stability, it's destruction made artform.



# WELCOME TO CITIZENCON 2948

C&D Events and all of this year's exhibitors are delighted to welcome you to the biggest CitizenCon yet.

Alongside presentations by some of the universe's most respected professionals, you'll enjoy the latest from the Empire's leading brands and manufacturers in our exhibition area. From Drake Interplanetary's most recent aerospace innovations to Big Benny's tastiest recipes yet, we have something for every Citizen to sink their teeth into.

Remember, keep an eye on your schedule for the times and locations of panels and presentations throughout the day. Stay sharp between presentations too, as we have a few surprises planned to keep you on your toes.

With that, we welcome you to this year's CitizenCon and hope you enjoy your experience.

**Maria Del'Orologio**  
C&D Events Manager

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# LET US GO FORWARD TOGETHER



## SECURITY.

ONE OF THE HALLMARKS THAT A GOVERNMENT MUST PROVIDE TO ITS POPULACE, FROM BEING ABLE TO VISIT YOUR LOCAL CDN STORE FOR ICE CREAM, TO EXPLORING THE DISTANT CORNERS OF A FRINGE SYSTEM, ONE SHOULD TRAVEL WITH THE EXPECTATION THAT THEY WILL ARRIVE AT THEIR DESTINATION SAFELY AND SECURELY.

TO THAT END, I AM PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT SECURITY HAS BEEN SELECTED AS THE THEME OF THIS YEAR'S CITIZENCON EVENT. IT'S BEEN A TUMULTUOUS FEW YEARS FOR ALL OF US, IN THE WAKE OF THE DEVASTATING ATTACK ON VEGA II, THE PATH OF HUMAN HISTORY HAS SHIFTED. ON ONE END, OUR ONGOING MILITARY CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE VANDUUL HAS CREATED OPPORTUNITIES FOR THOSE OF LOW MORAL CHARACTER TO VICTIMIZE THE HONEST, HARD-WORKING PEOPLE OF THE EMPIRE. ON THE OTHER, THE HUMAN/XI'AN TRADE INITIATIVE HAS ELEVATED OUR ECONOMIC RELATIONS TO ENTIRELY NEW LEVELS. BOTH ENDS OF THE SPECTRUM REQUIRE SECURITY.

THIS IS A QUESTION THAT EVERY MEMBER OF OUR EMPIRE MUST ANSWER, NO MATTER THEIR STATION: WHAT AM I DOING TO MAKE THIS A MORE SECURE UNIVERSE?

FOR THIS YEAR'S EVENT, WE HAVE INVITED REPRESENTATIVES FROM SOME OF THE EMPIRE'S MOST PRESTIGIOUS COMPANIES, FROM SHIP MANUFACTURERS TO PERSONAL DEFENSE CONTRACTORS, TO TALK ABOUT THE STATE OF SECURITY TODAY AND HOW THEY'RE LOOKING FORWARD AND SECURING A SAFER TOMORROW. WE HAVE ALSO ORGANIZED PANELS AND DISCUSSIONS WITH TECHNICIANS, ARTISTS AND EXPERTS FROM AROUND THE UNIVERSE TO PROVIDE AN INSIDE LOOK AT THE LATEST TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENTS THAT ARE SHAPING OUR WORLDS.

THE GOAL WITH THIS CITIZENCON, AS WITH ALL CITIZENCONS BEFORE, IS TO EDUCATE. TO RALLY THOSE WHO WANT TO CREATE A BETTER UNIVERSE AND PROVIDE THEM WITH CUTTING EDGE STRATEGY AND INNOVATION, EMPOWERING THEM TO GO OUT AND ACT ON IT.

SO AS YOU ENJOY THIS DAY'S FESTIVITIES, I ASK YOU TO KEEP PONDERING THAT QUESTION I POSITED EARLIER: SEEING WHAT YOU SEE HERE, WHAT WILL YOU DO TO MAKE THIS A MORE SECURE UNIVERSE?

HERE'S TO ANOTHER WONDERFUL EVENT,

Kelos Costigan  
Imperator  
UNITED EMPIRE OF EARTH



# PROTECTING THE PEOPLE, PROTECTING THE FUTURE

*"We all have something worth fighting for, whether it's family, business, property, hell, even pride. Regardless, security should be on everyone's mind."*

Anden Arden, Drake Interplanetary's newly installed CEO, has wasted no time in steering the company towards his bold new vision. As we tour his personal Caterpillar, a lean juggernaut outfitted to compete in what he describes as 'Whale Racing', Arden explains how he envisions moving away from the controversy that has mired Drake in the past and towards a new future. One that he sees Drake playing a big role in helping to protect.

*"We all know Drake's history. It started as a pure venture, building ships for everyone: the hardworking men and women that pulled humanity from the gutters of an overcrowded earth and engineered their way to prosperity in the stars. Unfortunately, everyone is an all-inclusive concept, and the brand became synonymous with less-than-reputable characters who tend to take the wealth and dignity from those that worked hard to earn it. There's a very old adage that says 'there's no such thing as bad publicity', but I'm guessing whoever first said that never had to tangle with pirates. When I stepped in to right the Drake ship, I made it my mission to get back to the company's roots. To what Drake Interplanetary really, truly stood for. To recapture that lost essence."*

According to Arden, one of the first things he did as CEO was turn to the people who helped make the company great in the first place — the legions of

loyal pilots who swear by the ships Drake produces. Months of market research and interviews were used to determine what it was that people were looking for in the next generation of vehicles. The results came back loud and clear: affordable, reliable ships that provide the means to make an honest living.

But that was just one piece of the puzzle. It turns out that the other thing people across the Empire are concerned with is having a way to protect that honest living. That's where the Kraken comes in.

As a mobile armored fortress, Drake's new Kraken is the epitome of self-sufficiency. As described by Arden, it's a turn-key solution for militia and private security forces throughout the universe.

*"With this instrument of empowerment, I want to change what you think of when you think of Drake. I want a Drake ship on your scanner to elicit a sigh of relief. I want you to know landing next to one means you're in friendly company. I want you to choose to pilot one with the confidence that you're investing in a business that will continue to look after you and always have your back."*

No matter what the future holds, Arden promises that Drake will continue to develop ships that empower individuals to work together and take humanity further; to reach beyond the stars and impact the universe in countless meaningful ways, big and small.

Or to quote the passionate CEO, *"to build a future worth fighting for"*.







## HIT THE GROUND RUNNING

Anvil Aerospace ups the ante on troop transport with the 2948 Valkyrie Dropship. Available to fly now at all registered Anvil dealerships.

## HEAVY DROP

Designed to safely deliver and extract up to twenty fully-outfitted soldiers, as well as vehicles, from the most hostile locations, this conflict-ready military-spec craft is dependable to the end.

Alongside twenty jump seats, the spacious hold accommodates one combat-ready ground vehicle to support your troops in any situation.

Protecting your crew are two integrated door guns and four turrets, capable of laying down cover-fire, suppressing assailants, and ensuring successful landings anywhere. In transit, this significant firepower is bolstered by a nose gimbal for precise gunning from the cockpit.

Heavy armor all around and built-in countermeasures complete the Valkyrie's formidable offensive and defensive package.

## THE FACTS

TRANSPORTS TWENTY ARMED TROOPS

SPACE FOR ONE SMALL VEHICLE

HEAVY ARMED OVERWATCH

ESCORT FOR CAPITAL SHIPS AND FLEETS





## SPECIFICATIONS

Anvil designers built this ship with military, militia, and private defense contractors in mind, creating the most efficient and effective troop personnel transport in its class.

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| COMPUTERS          | 1X MEDIUM   | ARMOR            | HEAVY   |
| COOLERS            | 2X MEDIUM   | SHIELD GENERATOR | 2X MEDIUM   |
| COUNTERMEASURES    | 2X AEGS CML | THRUSTERS        | ENGINES: 2X LARGE, 2X MEDIUM<br>THRUSTER: 12X MANOEUVRING, 2X RETRO   |
| FUEL TANKS         | 4X MEDIUM   | MOUNTS           | 1X NOSE TURRET GIMBAL WITH 2X SIZE 2<br>2X REMOTE TURRET WITH 1X SIZE 3<br>2X MANNED TURRET WITH 2X SIZE 3<br>2X SIZE 1 DOOR GUNS |
| FUEL INTAKES       | 2X MEDIUM   | SEATS            | 1X PILOT<br>2X REMOTE TURRET<br>2X MANNED TURRET<br>20X PASSENGER   |
| GRAVITY GENERATOR  | 1X MEDIUM   |                  |   |
| JUMP DRIVE         | 1X MEDIUM   |                  |   |
| LIFE SUPPORT       | 1X MEDIUM   |                  |   |
| QUANTUM DRIVE      | 1X MEDIUM   |                  |   |
| QUANTUM FUEL TANKS | 1X MEDIUM   |                  |   |
| POWER PLANT        | 2X MEDIUM   |                  |   |
| RADAR              | 1X MEDIUM   |                  |   |





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# RELEASE THE KRAKEN

Drake's first capital ship is here.  
You're welcome.

We threw out the rulebook to redefine private-use capital-class ships, attack carriers, and the very nature of personal freedom. With comfortable hubs for a full crew, mammoth cargo capacity, and enough armament to blow even the most daunting frigate out of the sky, this self-sustaining flying fortress is the most ambitious project Drake has ever undertaken, and a testament to the empowerment of the people.

#### POWER TO THE PEOPLE

Our designers tapped into the same intensive consumer outreach practices that conceived the Vulture and pulled forth the unyielding spirit of protection. The Kraken is the result.

We got to the heart of what the hardworking folks of the UEE want from a capital ship. Inspired by these people, the Kraken's adaptability mirrors the diversity of the Empire.

#### Attack Carrier

First and foremost, the Kraken is a protector and a beacon of freedom in a too-often cruel universe. For those tasked with safekeeping Citizens unable to protect themselves, the Kraken is both a sanctuary and self-contained war machine ready to take on the most daunting adversaries.

#### Heavy Lifter

With the Kraken able to provide ample protection, precious cargo has no problem reaching its final destination intact. It's the ideal base of operations for a fleet of data-running Heralds or a mobile warehouse

to load up a trusty Cutlass. Did we mention the storage capacity is through the roof? Whatever your business, you'll find the Kraken a functional, comfortable, and secure base of operations.

#### Juggernaut of Industry

You might've started with a single Vulture, but now business is booming. Why waste time, fuel, and credits on endless planetside drops when you can bring your HQ with you? With space for an armada of salvage and security ships, along with a mini-fleet of Dragonflies, you can keep working longer and safer. That's just good business.





## LANDING PADS

The Kraken has six versatile landing pads to support a varying fleet of ships. Four smaller pads suit fighter-sized ships, such as the Buccaneer, while the two upper pads support larger vessels like the Cutlass. The ship's varied functionality means the Kraken can support ships for the duration of almost any journey.

To the pilots in your fleet, the Kraken will become a welcome home away from home.

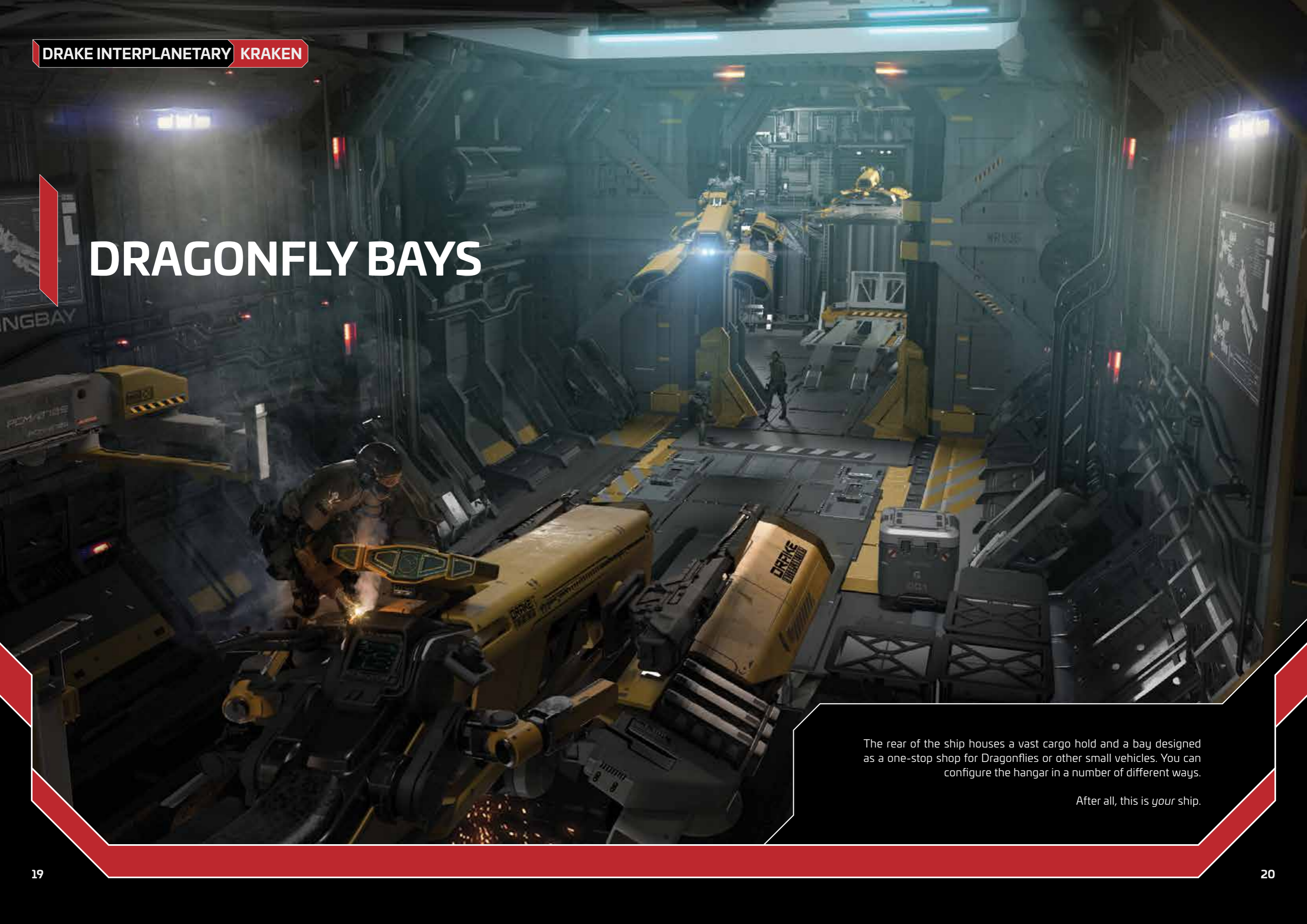


# HANGARS

Deep in the belly of the Kraken lies a spacious multi-purpose hangar. Keep your org topped off with fuel and supplies, spring serious firepower on unsuspecting interlopers, and keep your fleet ready to roll at any moment. You're not limited to a specific type of ship either; if it fits, it sits.



# DRAGONFLY BAYS

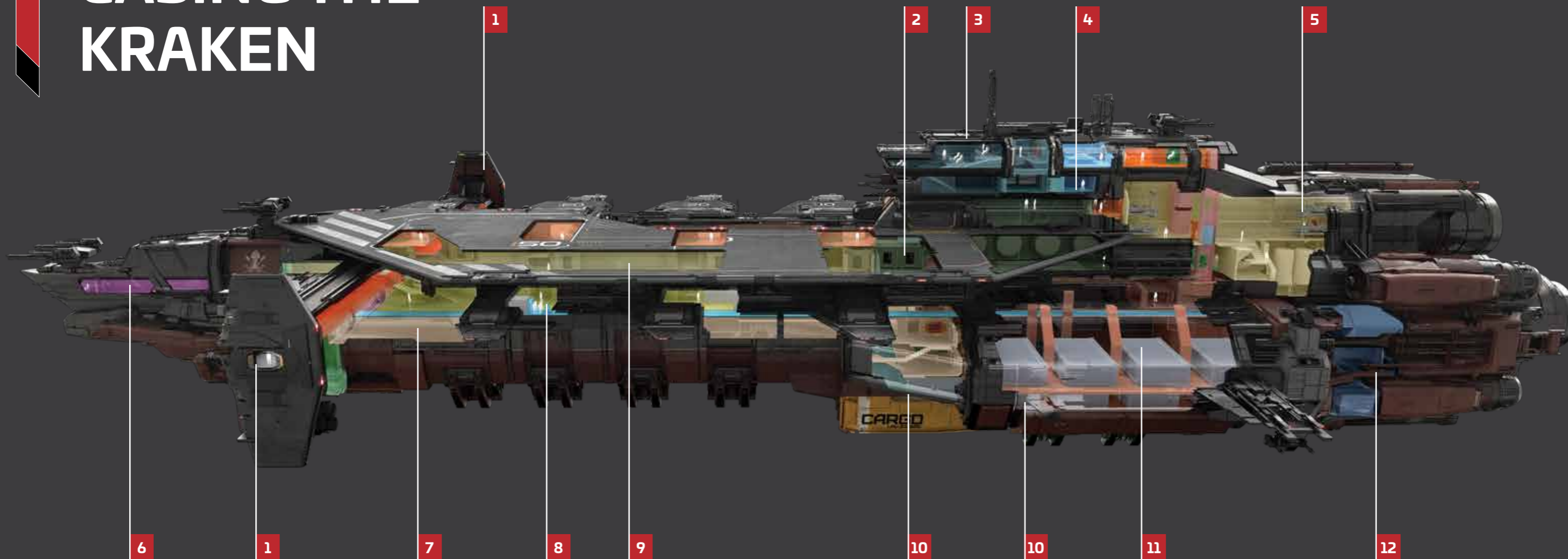


The rear of the ship houses a vast cargo hold and a bay designed as a one-stop shop for Dragonflies or other small vehicles. You can configure the hangar in a number of different ways.

After all, this is *your* ship.



# CASING THE KRAKEN



Thanks to a logical layout, the Kraken's vast interior is easy to navigate. Two upper-level entry docks feed directly into the helm, with access to the bridge, hangars, cargo hold, engineering, and personnel quarters. Manned turrets are located throughout the ship, although only permitted crew may enter thanks to bespoke security protocol.

Two docking collars on both the port and starboard-sides of the ship grant access via airlock into the upper public corridor. Entry to the main public corridor is also possible from the three lifts that connect to the landing pads above. Towards the rear of the ship public accommodations can be found for visitors and associates.

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| <b>1</b> Docking Collar     | <b>5</b> Dragonfly Bays             | <b>9</b> Upper Public Corridor |
| <b>2</b> Accommodations     | <b>6</b> Front Manned Turret Access | <b>10</b> Cargo Hold One       |
| <b>3</b> Bridge             | <b>7</b> Lower Public Corridor      | <b>11</b> Cargo Hold Two       |
| <b>4</b> Captain's Quarters | <b>8</b> Internal Tram              | <b>12</b> Engineering          |



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HAMMERHEAD

# WATCH DOG

## THE AVIATORS DISPATCH:

*CitizenCon 2948 Ship Preview*

In partnership with C&D, the Aviator's Dispatch is honored to be here at CitizenCon for a first-hand look at this quarter's hottest new ships.



### OUTGUN THE COMPETITION

Packed to the gills with cutting-edge firepower, the Hammerhead is a more-than-effective peacekeeper and one of the most exciting ships of its class to hit showrooms this quarter. From local sentry duty to full sector patrols, the gnashing teeth of this 4000-ton sentinel are enough to keep even the most committed assailants at bay.

Despite hitting near-capital dimensions, it's deceptively fast and evasive. Not that it matters much when your offensive capabilities are of this calibre and abundance. Wherever you are and whatever you're protecting, the Aegis Hammerhead looks to be a fearsome guardian.





# ROUGH & TUMBRIL



### THE FACTS

- High-performance racing for fast planetside fun
- Mobile ground assault for militia
- Discreet recon when stealth is key
- Anti-air capabilities for private security forces

## FUN, FUNCTIONAL, FAST, FEROCIOUS

Conquer the open frontier with Tumbri's hot new Cyclone models. Simple to drive and ever-dependable, all four new variants leave the everyday strife of planetside life in the proverbial dust.

The beastly base model's new playmates all feature the latest X-TEC tires and four-wheel drive for

supreme grip and response, with chassis and engine configurations to suit each application.

No matter where your personal adventures take you, the Cyclone will get you there:



### RC: RACING



Speed, handling, and... more speed! The racing configuration features boosted power and a chassis expertly-tuned by Tumbri Sport engineers for enhanced feedback and agility.

### TR: COMBAT



Protect your planetside interests. With mounts for the significant firepower of a class one turret, we'd think twice before crossing its path.

### RN: RECON



Get in and out discreetly. When a ship is too conspicuous or the terrain too dangerous, the Cyclone RN fits the bill for offroad intelligence.

### AA: ANTI-AIRCRAFT



Get the edge in ground-to-air conflict. Who needs a tank? The Cyclone AA is enough to convince unwelcome pilots that they've just entered a no-fly zone.



# //AN ICON REBORN

## //The Facts

- Updated chassis from RSI's top designers
- Reimagined interior for maximum comfort
- Ample firepower for safe exploration



## //Practical Luxury

A familiar, reliable face with added touches of opulence, RSI's ubiquitous Constellation receives a facelift (and a piano) for 2948. The iconic freighter/fighter has been redesigned with a deeper focus on luxury in an attempt to appeal to both the Origin crowd and the usual Connie roughnecks. Guess what? It worked.

Command a fleet from your hot tub? Sign us up. The Constellation Phoenix screams good taste. And who are we to tell it to quiet down?



# THE DREAM REDEFINED



## BACK AND BETTER THAN EVER.

Everyone needs to start somewhere, but why settle for less than the infamous Mustang? Capable of everything from racing to pathfinding to fighting, there's no need to compromise on performance or style when you take your first steps into the skies.

All five variants of everyone's favorite first ship have been tweaked with next-generation looks and improved performance in their respective arenas for 2948. Consolidated Outland managed to expand the interior of these ships (which, let's be honest, were always a little cramped) without sacrificing an ounce of their iconic style.

- **Alpha** Fast, fun, and the only Mustang with the option for additional cargo space.
- **Beta** GT spec for long-haul flights, including living quarters to make it a home away from home.
- **Delta** Extra armor and scanner deflection for discrete exploration and flying under the radar.
- **Gamma** Faster, freer, and the only Mustang built with pure speed in mind.
- **Omega** limited-edition version of the 'Gamma'. Back and bigger as well.

### THE FACTS

- Fresh take on the classic Mustang design looks the part in any spaceport
- Five variants to fit every lifestyle and flight style
- Refined handling and performance to compete in any field





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Karna Plasma Rifle from Kastak Arms.

# BIG BENNY'S

**You're defending freedom, Big Benny's fighting cravings!**

Try out newest, biggest, benniest flavors yet! CitizenCon dishes made just for you!

## GRAB EAT GO

Crispy dumplings have a secret! Tofu, mushrooms, and veggies inside! Sweet Honeyaki sauce and scallions make it taste so good! Snack is three dumplings! Meal is five dumplings and rice!

## SO YUM PORK

Thin rice noodles! Pork belly! Zesty hamloaf! Spoon Cabbage! Bremen onions! Topped off with big flavor scallions, fried shallots, and Benny's Smashed Chili sauce (opt.)!

## SO WOW SHRIMP

Get ready shrimp! Benny's Smashed Chili sauce blasted with honey, butter, and sherry wine is all over you! Is there more? Yes! Fragrant rice and coriander leaves!

# GRAB EAT!





# SQUADRON 42

*Needs Your Help!*



**WILL YOU  
DO YOUR  
PART?**