



WELCOME TO THE
GALACTIC WILD WEST!



DISCOVER THE ORIGINS OF A UNIVERSE
YOU WILL LEARN TO LOVE AND THE
CHARACTERS WHO SHAPED IT. IF
YOU'RE READY FOR A PULSE-POUNDING
SPACE SAGA OF BRAVERY, BETRAYAL,
AND BADASSERY, THIS PREQUEL IS
YOUR GATEWAY TO THE WILD FRONTIER!


JOIN THE BATTLE AND STEP INTO
THE WILD FRONTIER!



SO I GUESS I SHOULD TELL YOU ABOUT MYSELF. NAME'S "RYDER, RANGER RYDER." I WAS BORN ON PANTERIA, A SMALL PLANET IN THE AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT.

I COME FROM A LONG LINE OF RANGERS MY GREAT GREAT GREAT GRANDMOTHER BEHIND ME WAS THE FIRST RANGER RYDER.

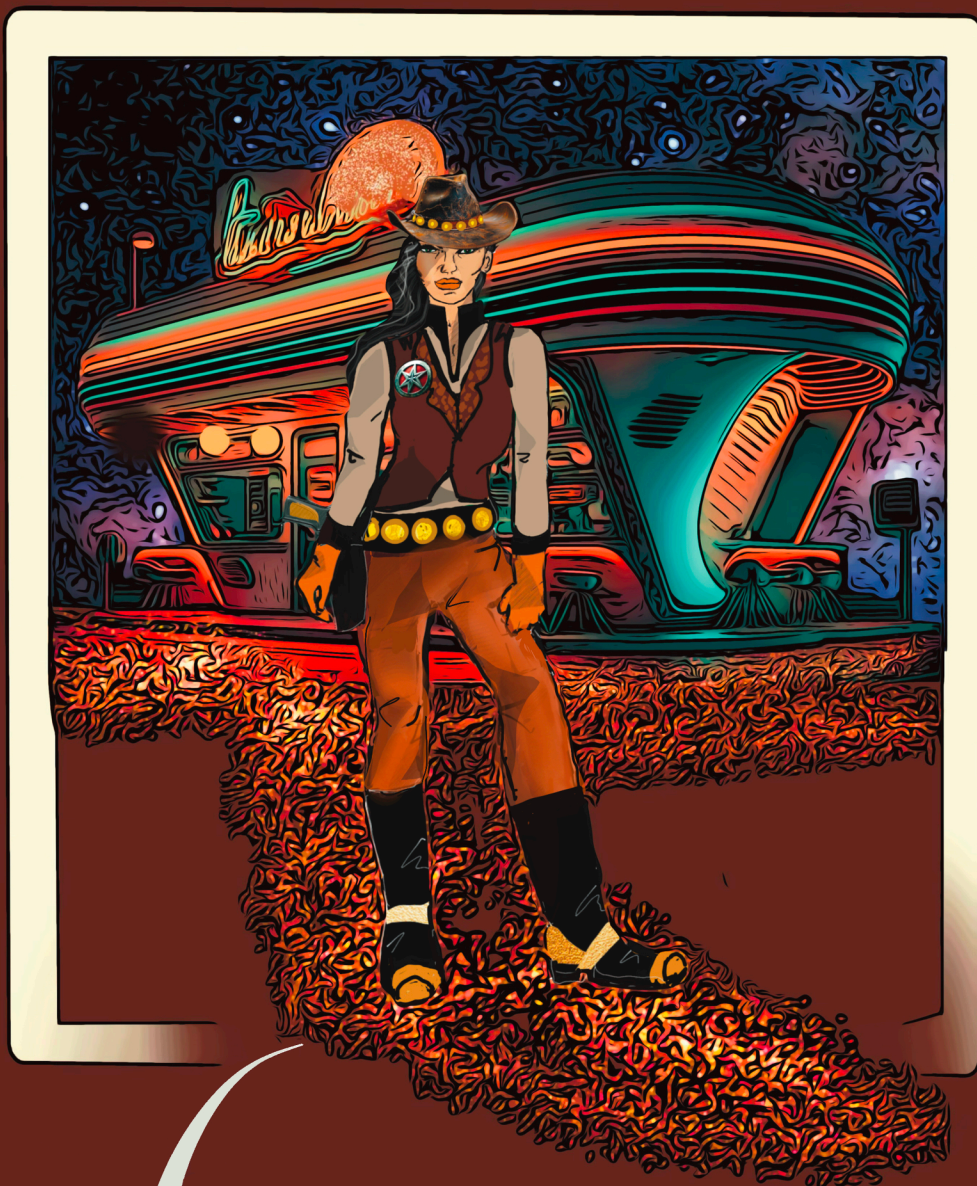
I WANTED TO BECOME A RANGER SINCE AS LONG AS I CAN REMEMBER. I'D LOOK UP AT THE STARS AND DREAM ABOUT BEING OUT THERE.



AS YOU CAN SEE IT WAS
SOMETHING OF A FAMILY
TRADITION

I INTEND TO CARY IT ON. WHAT'S
NOT TO LIKE ABOUT BEING A
SPACE RANGER?

OF COURSE IT'S AN EVOLUTION, THERE'S
ALWAYS ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT, AND I
DO LOVE MY TOYS!



RANGER RYDER HERE, HAILING YOU FROM DELTA QUADRANT SPACE HEADQUARTERS, BASICALLY A GALACTIC TRUCKSTOP WITH A RETRO DINER, BUT WE HAVE CHRISTENED IT HEADQUARTERS.



BELIEVE IT OR NOT, A LOT OF THE BEST INTEL COMES FROM KICKING BACK WITH A CUP OF JOE AND TALKING SMACK WITH THE LOCALS, THEY ARE A HUB OF INFORMATION. US RANGERS ARE OUT ON THE COSMIC HIGHWAY MOST OF THE TIME.



I'VE BEEN DOING OVERTIME THESE DAYS CHASING DOWN THIS CRAZY ROUGHNECK. CENTRAL COMMAND'S GOT A KNOT IN THEIR TAIL, SOME HIGH-TECH WIDGET WENT MISSING. THEY THINK THE ROUGHNECKS TOOK IT. I'VE GOT TO ADMIT THIS ONE DOES SOME FANCY FLYING, BUT I'M REALLY CLOSE!

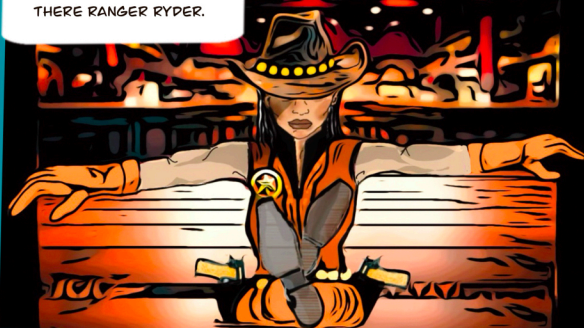


SO, THESE ARE MY WORK DUDS,
CENTRAL COMMAND LIKES TO
MAKE SURE EVERYBODY KNOWS
I'M THEIR REPRESENTATIVE WHEN
I'M TRACKING DOWN FUGITIVES. AT
LEAST THIS ONE SEEMS TO FAVOR
A PLANET WITH GOOD EATS.

HAVEN'T BEEN UP AGAINST ROUGHNECK
TECHNOLOGY BEFORE, THEY HAVE SOME KIND
OF ADVANCED FORM OF TURBO
EXCELLERATION...AND A FEW NEW MOVES

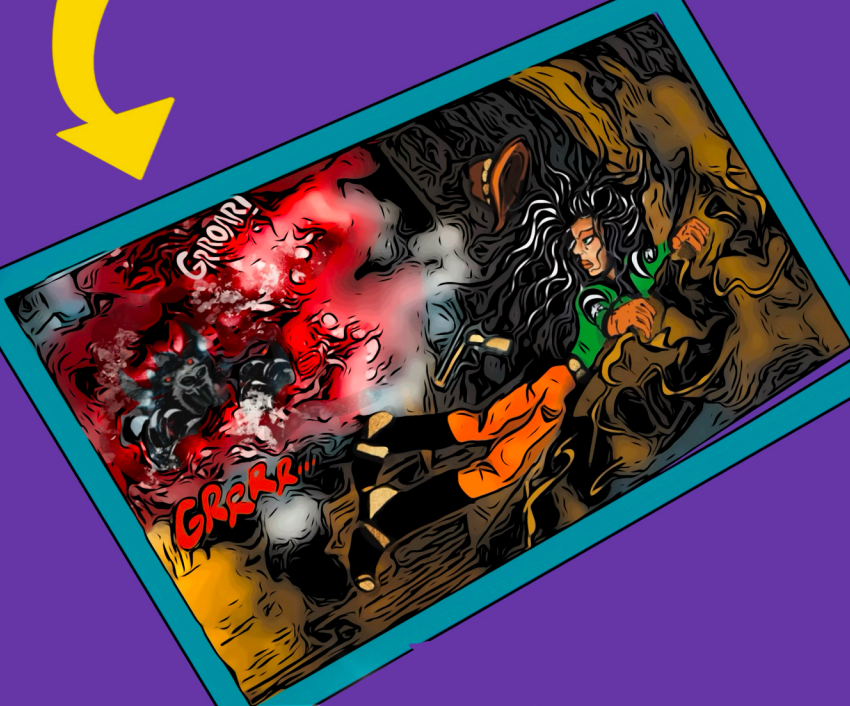



YEP, THAT'S ME DOWN
THERE RANGER RYDER.



SO, YOU'RE PROBABLY WONDERING
HOW THE HECK DID RANGER RYDER
END UP HERE?

YOU AND ME BOTH! BUT DON'T WORRY THE RED
EYED MONSTER WILL ALL BE EXPLAINED IN
VOLUME ONE "EPIPHANY" HOPE TO SEE YOU
THERE.





SPACE BUDDY HERE. YOU'LL BE
SEEING MORE OF ME. THEY NEED A
STRONG PAW AT THE HELM.!



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