

# Notes From Planet Cray

April 2023





# April's "IMAGE":

## Flowers



Definitely not a typical issue this month. First off, we have... 2x the usual amount of art pages! And they all follow a sort of shared template, with each unit being drawn with a carefully selected matching flower! There are also 2 parts of this series which will not be released in this zine.....

Barrel is returning again as a guest to write another ~~premium deck list~~ gardening guide. It's pretty wack. I was made into mulch...

Some thoughts of what to do with the former "schedule" page. This month It's a trivia quiz. What do you guys think? Any ideas? Share them with me on twitter!

- Tempest  
@dragonblade



HELLO READERS! WELCOME BACK TO

# GARDENING WITH BARREL

TODAY WE'LL LEARN HOW TO PLANT THORN LILIES. BUT THESE AREN'T YOUR ORDINARY LILIES; THEY'RE OF THE GACHA VARIETY.

- 🌱🌱🌱🌱 THORN LILY MUSKETEER, CECILIA "REVERSE"
- 🌱🌱 ROTTING USURP DRAGON
- 🌱🌱🌱 CORNFLOWER FLOWER MAIDEN, INES (V)
- 🌱🌱🌱 CHERRY BLOSSOM MUSKETEER, AUGUSTO (V)
- 🌱🌱🌱🌱 PANSY MUSKETEER, SYLVIA (V)
- 🌱🌱🌱🌱 LYCORIS MUSKETEER, SAUL (V)
- 🌱🌱🌱 MAIDEN OF SWEET BERRY (V)
- 🌱🌱🌱🌱 WATER LILY MUSKETEER, RUTH (V)
- 🌱🌱🌱🌱 VALKYRIE OF RECLAMATION, PADMINI (V)
- 🌱 ANEMONE MUSKETEER, SUSANNA
- 🌱 BROCCOLINI MUSKETEER, KIRAH (V)

- 🌱 SOURCE DRAGON DEITY OF BLESSINGS, BLESSFAVOR →OVER←
- 🌱🌱🌱 PURE-HEARTED FLOWER MAIDEN, FIORENZA →HEAL←
- 🌱🌱🌱 HAPPY LUCKY →CRITICAL←
- 🌱🌱🌱🌱 MAIDEN OF POLYANTHA →CRITICAL←
- 🌱🌱🌱🌱 MAIDEN OF BLOSSOM RAIN (V) →DRAW←

- 🌱🌱🌱 UNTAINTED HOLY DAMSEL, GREEN KATRINA
- 🌱🌱🌱 STORM ELEMENT, CYCLONED
- 🌱🌱 MIDSUMMER FLOWER PRINCESS, LIETA
- 🌱 FLOWER PRINCESS OF COMPASSION, LADISLAVA
- 🌱 PROGENITOR DRAGON OF REGAL BIRTH, MEGALOMA
- 🌱🌱 FLOWER PRINCESS OF DEDICATION, ROBERTINA
- 🌱🌱 BOND PROTECTOR MUSKETEER, ANTERO
- 🌱🌱 SACRED TREE DRAGON, RAIN BREATH DRAGON

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@ATELIERBARREL



LET'S QUICKLY SUMMARIZE WHAT'S GREAT ABOUT THORN LILY MUSKETEER, CECILIA "REVERSE".

- YOU HAVE A RE-RIDING VANGUARD
- THE 1/TURN RESTRICTION ONLY APPLIES TO EACH COPY OF CECILIA
- YOU CAN SUPERIOR CALL ANOTHER CECILIA WHEN SHE ATTACKS FROM THE VANGUARD CIRCLE

WE WILL OVERCOME THE CHALLENGE OF NEEDING ENOUGH REARGUARDS TO SATISFY BOTH OF HER COSTS.

## TIP #1: VERMICOMPOST

GRAB SOME ROTTING USURP DRAGONS FROM YOUR NEAREST STOICHEIA COMPOST BIN. THIS FERTILIZER IS THE KEY TO THE SELF-SEEDING PROCESS.

WHEN YOU RE-RIDE CECILIA YOU CAN SUPERIOR CALL ROTTING USURP DRAGON. NOW YOU HAVE AN EXTRA ATTACKER AND FREE UNITS TO RETIRE AS COST FOR CECILIA'S SKILL.



## TIP #2: SOIL AERATION

PLANT TOKENS ARE YOUR BEST FRIEND FOR SOLVING REARGUARD COMPACTION.



HERE IS A PAIR OF TOKEN GENERATORS TO HELP GROW THE REARGUARDS WE NEED TO LOCK FOR CECILIA'S SKILL. SINCE LOCKED TOKENS DISAPPEAR, THEY OPEN UP SPACE FOR ROTTING USURP DRAGON TO COME BACK.



## TIP #3: S RANK COMPANION PLANTING

REJOICE!  
 IMPORT RESTRICTIONS  
 FOR UNTAINTED HOLY  
 DAMSEL, GREEN KATRINA  
 HAVE BEEN LIFTED.



INSTANT ACCESS TO CECILIA ALONG WITH ALL THE PIECES YOU'LL  
 NEED TO FACILITATE THE COMBO.

REMEMBER TO GERMINATE AFTER RESOLVING ALL OTHER SKILLS.



FUN FACT:  
 PLANTS DON'T HAVE CONT,  
 OR AUTO ABILITIES.

## CONSIDERATIONS

GARDENING IS FREEDOM! ARRANGE IT HOWEVER YOU WANT.



GROW THE  
TALLEST HEDGE!



MORE LILIES!



UNLOCK YOUR  
UNIT!



COMMIT WAR  
CRIMES!

HOW MANY VANGUARD ATTACKS WILL YOU PULL OFF?  
YOU'VE DONE ALL YOU CAN, NOW IT'S UP TO THE RNG GODS.  
HOPEFULLY YOU GO THROUGH ALL YOUR CECILIAS.





Lobelia Cardinalis



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Lilium Parvum



@dragon's blade

Agoseris Apargioides



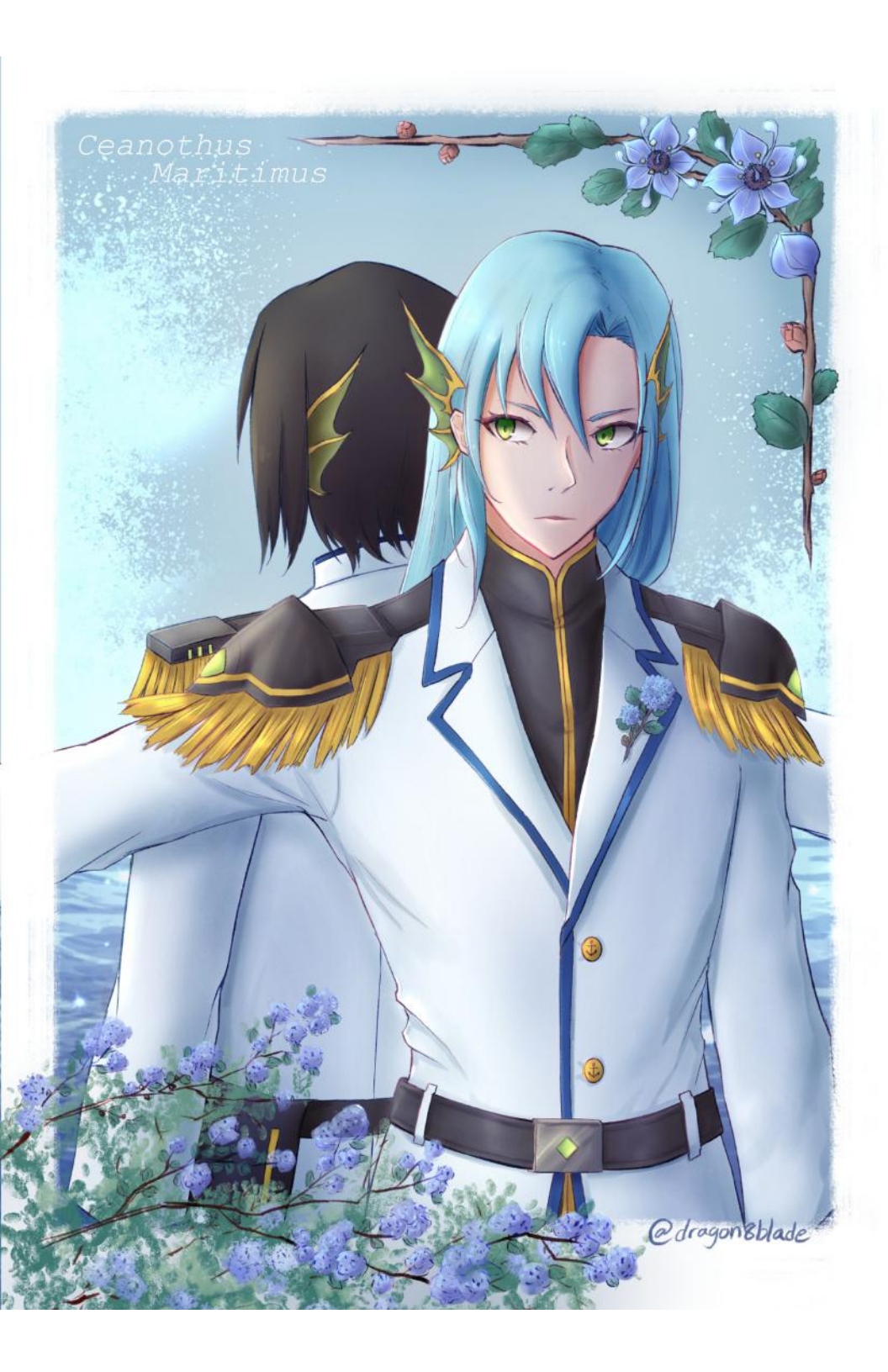
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Calochortus  
Albus



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Ceanothus  
Maritimus



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Lupinus' Albifrons

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Cosmos /Bipinnatus  
/Sulphureus



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# Thoughts of Planet Cray - Geography and Architecture

Lately I've been thinking a lot about what various settings in Planet Cray look like. Since *Overdress* lore began, we've gotten a whole bunch of visual setting info, from scenery to maps (the most we've gotten since the EOS of Cray Wars, I dare say).



For the first time in a while, outside of some anime BGs, we're seeing the buildings, mountains, and cities in Cray. It makes sense, with a 3000 year time skip,

a lot has changed, geographically (the Gyze End Bay + radiating cracks) and politically (the merging of Magallanica and Zoo, Keter Sanctuary going 'fuck the poor, idols in the sky...')

But it also makes me wonder about all the G-era places that we arguably have the least visual information of...



↳ Port Town of Trans...



Bioroids reproduce via a process similar to cloning, (the details of which are not elaborated on) and their 'seeds' are nurtured by growth magic. The creation/birth of new bioroids was formerly overseen by high-ranked dryads (who have a similar birth process) and is now carried out by other bioroids.

There seem to be loose 'generations' of bioroids of similar age, although they do not appear to be strictly numbered like aquaroids. Bioroids born of the same season and flower often behave as and treat one another as siblings of sorts.

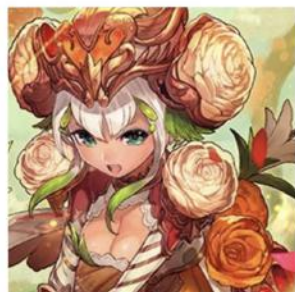
Among bioroids, the amount of plant factor each individual possesses varies. Those with a higher amount of plant factor will often display more plant-like features and have the ability to transform completely into trees/vines.

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## 'Heart Flower' :

Analogous to the human heart and aquaroid core, bioroids have an organ in their chests which sustains their life and form. If a bioroid's heart flower is destroyed, they will crumble into dirt. They are able to separate and entrust parts/petals of this flower to others (Musketees dedicate their heart flowers to their lord, Arboros).

It seems that a heart flower can mutate in response to certain stimuli/emotions, although the occurrence is rare. Even rarer is the occurrence of a 'hybrid' resulting from part of one's heart flower being fused to another individual (only seen in Ahsha).



# Combat/Capabilities:

Bioroids can attack by forming vines/ivy as extensions of their bodies. This can come with a cost of mana to them, draining their lifeforce. Some bioroids can produce/summon flowers. As an interesting note, the innate power of a bioroid does not always affect their lifespan in the same way. Cecilia, whose strength was noted by the guardian since birth, has lived for 1000+ years. Myra, who has reflexes 40x faster than the average bioroid, in contrast, is noted to have a severely reduced lifespan.



## Nourishment?:



As beings similar to plants, bioroids require sunlight and water to live. Besides that...

Long standing questions of what constitutes 'cannibalism' aside, yes, bioroids do eat food. And it appears to be a largely plant based diet, if Hendrina's ration biscuits and sap drink are anything to go by. She also comments that bioroids "do not generally eat seafood".

Trickstar  
Omamori

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2" Charm,  
cherry wood  
gloss print

Expected arrival:  
early June!

# Pop Quiz (garden variety):

Q1: Entrancing Flower Princess, Sandrine a neo nectar G4; What is the cost to use her 'main phase stride' skill?

Q2: Thorn Lily Musketeer, Cecilia Reverse has red eyes. What color were they before the black rings came for her?

Q3: In Chapter 1, Episode 3 of Cray Cross Epic, we learn that Midsummer Flower Princess, Lieta's '3 sizes' are 90, 58, and 84. Who tells us this very specific information???

Q4: How many Neo Nectar G-guardians are there (as of 5/1/2023, EN)?





@NoGrapCenation  
(character art)

