Horatio Hej

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Overview

Jedi General Horatio Hej is a well-known and battle-hardened figure within the Galactic Republic. A veteran leader of many battles and as Deputy Chief Peacekeeper, Horatio himself was an embodiment of the new times the Jedi find themselves in, as both leaders of war and keepers of peace. After his sudden promotion to Jedi General, Horatio was forced to resign from the Peacekeepers.

Much of Horatio's early life is a mystery, with only a few painful memories remaining. He believes that he must have been born in Coruscant's underworld and knows that at some point, he got into a fight in which he lost his left eye. His first real memories are with the Jedi Order, where he was raised at the temple on Dantooine, the planet he considers his real home. His childhood was a time of strife for the Order due to the revived threat of Darth Vynn, and he was at the temple on the day it was attacked, but was powerless to defend it as a mere Youngling.

After being evacuated to Tython, he was finally able to complete his Crystal Gathering on Ilum, connecting with a green crystal. During the Padawan ceremony, Horatio chose not to speak to any of the Masters but instead spoke with Master Ray Ruun about the Jedi Service Corps and resolved to join it, becoming one of the few to do so by choice. During his JSC training, he joined the Jedi section dispatched to Carida Space to man the Venator Concord, his first taste of battle. He then joined the Jedi Assault Team as an intern and was placed under Traigh Batmin, from whom he learned skills that he would later use on the frontlines. Horatio was attached to the 41st very briefly under the watch of Arligan Zey, where he would take part in the defence of the Queen of Naboo during an IRC raid. After returning from Naboo, he was then assigned to take part in the "Wall of Light" ritual in a team with Knight Corijin and Padawan Nuru'kai'vas, though it did not have the intended effect.

With his internship complete and his bravery proven, Horatio takes his Knight Trial and passes the first time, being dubbed a Knight of the Jedi Order. His first mission was to Dantooine with the Jedi Peacekeepers, where he leads the PKs in speaking with local villagers, beginning the slow process of healing the scars left from the attack on the Temple. Before he can complete that mission, he was assigned to the 91st Battalion, where he participated in the opening space battle and the first assault. Due to pilot error, he and his squad, Nexu, become pinned down just outside the CIS headquarters. The decimation of his squad and the number of deaths he witnessed that day traumatise him, he was lucky to be carrying wounded before the arrival of Count Dooku, sparing him the fate of his one-time classmate Varyn Kestis. When Horatio next returns to the ground with his battalion, he does so as part of the efforts to save the captured Jedi, among them his friend

Sylen, but he was knocked unconscious during the assault and does not recover in time to participate in any further battles of the campaign.

He was appointed Deputy Peacekeeper, acting effectively as Chief Peacekeeper, upon his return to Tython, which resulted in him going on numerous missions and cooperating closely with the Red Crest. Horatio once again joins the 91st for the Ryloth campaign. During a respite from this, he begins the Crusader trials under Master Lyria, and during the second trial comes face to face with Mrs Risi alongside Master Paul on Dantooine.

Military Career

The Christophsis Campaign

Horatio was present for the first space battle above Christophsis, which resulted in a swift victory for the Republic. He joined Nexu Company for the landing operations, but due to a miscommunication they were deployed in the middle of a road outside the CIS headquarters. Fighting for their lives, Horatio eventually left the battlefield carrying the clone trooper Diren on his back in critical condition. While treating Diren and meeting the captured Gunray and Tambor, his company was slaughtered by Dooku. Diren would later serve as his Senior Warrant Officer in the 442nd. After learning of the capture of his friend Sylen and other JAT members, Horatio resolved to help recover them. Unfortunately, he was badly injured and knocked unconscious for the duration of the battle. Devastated by the conflict, the 91st was withdrawn from Christophsis shortly afterwards.

Jedi Peacekeeper and Rest Crest

Hoping to rebuild trust between the Jedi and the locals of his adopted homeworld, Horatio led a peacekeeping mission to nearby villages, though it ended in failure. He later led the Peacekeepers to war-ravaged Carida, where he witnessed the scars left by the war. A subsequent peacekeeping mission to Alderaan proved far more successful, with the locals agreeing to work with the Order in the future. Horatio later returned to Carida with the Red Crest and the Peacekeepers, but darkness prevented them from achieving much. Following this, he departed from the Peacekeepers to focus on his GAR duties.

The Ryloth Campaign

Horatio rejoined the 91st as they began their campaign on Ryloth. During this campaign he fought far more aggressively than he had on Christophsis, leading the left flank through the canyon. He later mourned the losses incurred at a funeral held shortly afterwards, and for his efforts he was awarded a medal by Colonel Serce. Horatio also took part in two defences of the barricades and provided overwatch during the CIS–Republic prisoner exchange with his company, Convor.

Jedi Adventures

Wishing to walk the path of a crusader, Horatio returned to Ilum to undertake another crystal gathering. He later travelled with other trial crusaders to Dantooine to hear Jedi Master Lyria speak about what it meant to be a crusader and what would be required of them. As part of the trial, he handed his lightsaber to Lyria and, alongside Master Paul Lunedancer, set out on his journey. The two travelled to the old Dantooine temple, only to discover it had been taken over by an unknown group. They were escorted to meet the group's leader, Mrs Risi, who was hostile towards both the Jedi and the Order in general, describing them as little better than the Sith. She demanded that the Jedi leave Dantooine for good and end the oppression of her people. Despite Horatio and Paul attempting to negotiate with her, all efforts failed. They discovered that Risi possessed a white lightsaber and was Force-sensitive before being thrown out of her chambers. Even so, they continued to help her people wherever possible.

After passing the trial, Horatio and Paul parted ways. Horatio's final trial required him to act as a shield and save those in danger, which he completed while serving with the 91st on Ryloth. Later, Horatio, Zon Ruun, and Lucard Echo returned to Tython in hopes of attuning their kyber crystals to their shields. Together they shared a vision of the Force in which they were asked to explain themselves. Zon and Lucard were allowed to pass freely, but Horatio was stopped by two guardians who sensed conflict within him and feared he would betray the Jedi and his oath. With a lightsaber held to his neck, Horatio calmly responded and was ultimately declared a true guardian, allowing him to leave with his newly attuned crystal. With this final trial complete, Horatio finally became a true crusader.

Meanwhile, events on Dantooine had escalated, leading to a mass deployment of Jedi guardians. Despite the goodwill built by Horatio and Paul, and the early success achieved by Master Jorus, the two sides quickly found themselves at odds and fighting broke out. After the conflict ended and most of the Jedi had departed, Horatio accompanied Master Jorus and the Consulars to observe how they managed to calm the planet. However, needing to return to his duties elsewhere, Horatio departed before witnessing the conclusion of these most interesting chain of events.

Liberation of Corellia

Horatio was later deployed to the Vreni Islands as the newly assigned Jedi Captain of Horn Company. He attempted to convince the locals of the Republic's good intentions and organise supplies, but the locals remained wary. A gunfight broke out despite Horatio's efforts to defuse the situation, and afterwards he was confronted by a Trandoshan who declared that he would either hunt Horatio or harm the locals. Wanting to protect them, Horatio agreed to the terms and the hunt began, only for the Trandoshan to fall into a sinkhole. Horatio later deployed to Golden Beaches, where the Trandoshan reappeared during the second battle but quickly fell into quicksand. While extracting the anti-air device from Golden Beaches, the Trandoshan appeared yet again, though Horatio had already boarded the Venator before he could strike. At a funeral for those killed on Golden Beaches, the Trandoshan returned once more, having latched onto an ARC-170, but Taris Kenetos used the Force to push him into the void.

During a short skirmish in space, the Trandoshan was spotted again after sneaking aboard the wrong Venator and attempting to take a hostage. Forced to flee using an escape pod, he survived

even after SFC destroyed the pod, floating instead toward Horatio's ship until Seban Kenetos used the Force to push him back into the void. Around this time, Horatio witnessed clone trooper Goliath II's attempts to court a Corellian local, though he sensed something familiar as a shooting star passed overhead. During the major space battle above Corellia, the Trandoshan appeared again and was referred to by the CIS as "the hunter." He floated towards Horatio's ship, the VSD Prophet, but Horatio once again cast him back into the void. Although the Prophet was destroyed during the battle, Horatio escaped alongside his squad and reached the flagship safely.

Horatio later took part in the raid on the Vreni Islands, demonstrating his prowess with the Force by holding down a shuttle full of criminals. Following the death of General Seban Kenetos in an off-duty incident related to his drinking problem, Horatio assumed the role of Jedi General. He then led the 442nd's invasion of the Eastern Crashsite, surviving a fall into the main hangar of the downed Venator despite the huge number of droids inside. He later led a separate assault on nearby emplacements and accompanied SOB on a secret raid on the CIS headquarters for the Eastern Crashsite, where he learned of Director Veyss' midi-chlorian extraction experiments. Horatio eventually led the 442nd in the defence of the downed Venator, nicknamed "Sina", before commanding the counterattack against the CIS and discovering a secret base, now known as "Rose", which they occupied. After the battle, he discovered that his Senior Warrant Officer, Diren, had been killed defending the base, bringing an end to the friendship that had begun on Christophsis.



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