

Name: Huoba Neva

Type: Sullustan Navy Commander

Died: 10 ABY, Coruscant system

Species: Sullustan

Gender: Female

Hair color: Brown

Eye color: Black



DEXTERITY 3D

Blaster 5D

Blaster Artillery 4D+1

Dodge 5D

Melee Combat 6D

Melee Parry 5D

KNOWLEDGE 2D+2

Alien species 6D

Bureaucracy 7D

Cultures 4D+1

Planetary Systems 6D+1

Tactics: Fleets 5D

PERCEPTION 3D

Bargain 6D

Command 7D

Con 5D+2

Gambling 4D+1

STRENGTH 2D+2

Climbing/jumping 5D

Lifting 4D+1

Stamina 5D+2

Swimming 5D

MECHANICAL 4D+1

Astrogation 5D+2

Capital Ship Gunnery 5D+2

Capital Ship Piloting 7D+1

Capital Ship Shields 5D

Repulsorlift Operation: 4D+2

Space Transports 5D

Starship Gunnery 6D

Starship Shields 5D+2

TECHNICAL 2D+1

Computer Programming/Repair 4D+2

Droid Programming 4D+1

Security 6D

Special Abilities:

Enhanced Senses: +2D to Search and Perception in low-light conditions.

Location Sense: + 1D to Astrogration when jumping to a location the Sullustan has visited before. A Sullustan can always remember how to get back to someplace she has visited.

Force Sensitive: N

Force Points: 2

Dark Side Points: 0

Character Points: 8

Move: 10

Equipment:

Comlink, Rebel Alliance uniform, hold-out blaster (3D+2 damage), holocrystal of her family

Description: Huoba Neva was a female Sullustan, and the daughter of a SoroSuub Corporation Executive Board member. Neva attended the Imperial Academy, graduating fourth in her class. However, her status as a female non-Human severely stunted her progression through the ranks. After several years of being passed over for promotion, and growing dissatisfied with the Galactic Empire's treatment of non-Human species, she was contacted by Sian Tevv. A political agitator and member of the Sullustan resistance movement, Tevv convinced Neva to defect to the Rebel Alliance.

Neva found acceptance within the Alliance's ranks, and served both it and its successor state, the New Republic, with dedication. The elimination of an Imperial-backed insurgency in the Illoud system earned her commendations and the command of the EF76 Nebulon-B escort frigate Rebel Star, making her the youngest Sullustan warship commander in the New Republic Navy. Captain Neva died during a mission to rescue the crew of the Imperial I-class Star Destroyer Liberator from Coruscant in 10 ABY, which had been damaged by Imperial forces while on a scouting mission to the galactic capital. As the Rebel Star emerged from hyperspace, it collided with battle debris in orbit around the planet with the loss of all hands.

Biography

An Imperial career

Huoba Neva was the daughter of a member of the Executive Board of the SoroSuub Corporation. She excelled in team games and sports, and her academic qualificationsâ€”along with her parent's prominent position within SoroSuubâ€”earned her a place at the Imperial Academy. Although accepting of SoroSuub's support, she wanted to get by on her own merits, seeing the Academy as a challenge and an opportunity to test her skills and capabilities. Being both non-Human and female, she knew that she would have a difficult time climbing the ranks of the Imperial Navy, which was dominated by Human males. However, Nevaâ€”like all Sullustansâ€”had been taught that if one worked hard enough at achieving a goal, and deserved it, then that individual would be rewarded for their work. Neva was

confident that if she applied herself, then she would attain her career targets.

At the Academy, Neva majored in command school and weapons systems, studying with a fierce determination. She graduated fourth in her class, and was commissioned as an officer in the Navy. However, other officers regarded her as a "token non-Human" within their ranks, disregarding her aptitude, skill, and training. Despite a spotless record and political reliability, Neva never attained her goal—the command of a starship. Initially, she had set her sights on commanding a scout ship or other combat vessel, but as the years passed, she watched lesser officers promoted over her. Eventually, after a period of three years without a promotion, she realized that she had had enough. The Empire was not a meritocracy. Her experience with the Imperial Navy showed her that not all beings and organizations subscribed to the theory that her and her fellow Sullustans followed, and she began to wonder whether her—and SoroSuub's—commitment to the Empire was misplaced.

Defection and acceptance

Neva's dissatisfaction with her career had not gone unnoticed; Sian Tevv, a leading Sullustan diplomat and high-ranking member of the Sullustan resistance movement, had been watching her career with great interest. When it became apparent that her commitment to the Empire was faltering, he ordered his aides to approach Neva. They offered Neva the chance to defect and join the Rebel Alliance. Neva was unsure at the beginning; she was not a revolutionary, and she had no real interest in politics. However, she was a soldier, and she believed that if the Empire would not give her the chance to use her training and abilities to the fullest, then the Alliance would. She defected to the Alliance at the height of the Galactic Civil War, at a time when SoroSuub was still a pro-Imperial company.

Neva served the Alliance, and later, its successor state, the New Republic, which was formed following the Alliance victory at Endor in 4 ABY and the death of Emperor Palpatine. She proved to be a capable naval commander, as well as an accomplished special forces operative and ground forces commander. At some point, she led a mission to counter an Imperial-backed insurgency in the Illoud system, an assignment that earned her several commendations and made her feel as if the transition from Empire to Republic had been truly worth it. She was subsequently promoted to command the EF76 Nebulon-B escort frigate *Rebel Star*, becoming the youngest Sullustan warship captain in the New Republic fleet.

Final mission

In 10 ABY, a resurgent Galactic Empire, led by Emperor Palpatine—who had been resurrected through the combination of the dark side of the Force and cloning technology—took the New Republic's capital of Coruscant, forcing the Republic into retreat. One of the Republic's Imperial I-class Star Destroyers, the *Liberator*—commanded by General Lando Calrissian and Jedi Knight Luke Skywalker—was assigned to spy on Imperial movements in the Coruscant system. During the mission, the vessel was caught in the middle of a battle between two Imperial forces, who had descended into civil war following their conquest of Coruscant. The *Liberator* was badly damaged, and crashed onto the surface of the planet.

A rescue mission was assembled to extract the surviving crew; the *Millennium Falcon* captained by Han Solo, and Captain Syub Snunb's *Antares Six* joined Captain Neva's *Rebel Star* in attempting the mission. As the small force sped through hyperspace, the Falcon's navicomputer registered spatial turbulence at their re-entry coordinates, which was caused by a large amount of wrecked ships and battle debris from

the recent conquest of Coruscant, and warned Neva and Snunb appropriately. Decamping from hyperspace, Solo realized that the density of wreckage would be too much for the frigates following him to handle; his wife, Leia Organa Solo, subsequently ordered the ships to change vector and go through a larger gap in the debris. Neva believed that the Rebel Star could make it through the wreckage behind the Falcon, and stuck to her course. However, she had miscalculated. The Rebel Star collided with the wreckage of a Star Destroyer, vanishing in a ball of flame. Neva was killed in the collision. Despite the loss of the Rebel Star, the Falcon and Antares Six were able to complete their mission and rescue the surviving crew of the Liberator.

Personality and traits

Houba Neva was a perfectionist, and was determined to excel at whatever she chose to do. She firmly believed in the Sullustan view that if individuals worked hard enough, wanted something hard enough, and deserved to have it, then they would attain it. Despite being politically well-connected, Neva wanted to succeed—or even fail—based on her own merits and never relied on the favors of others. She had a strong connection to her family, and kept a holocrystal of them with her at all times.

Neva entered the Imperial Academy, viewing the military as a challenge, and aspired to become a distinguished officer with a command of her own. However, due to her status as a female non-Human, she was constantly passed over for promotion in favor of less-talented officers. The situation vexed her, calling into doubt her belief in her Sullustan outlook, until she joined the Rebel Alliance, and subsequently, the New Republic, despite having no prior taste for rebellion or politics. She reasoned that if the Empire refused to use her talents as a soldier, then the Alliance would. Neva's decision to defect was justified by her experiences within an organization that recognized and rewarded her skills and talents with a command of her own.

A capable soldier, Neva was comfortable in command of both naval and ground units, and had experience as a special forces operative in addition to her training in starship command systems. She was trained with both blasters and blaster artillery, and in melee combat. Neva specialized in fleet tactics, and was able to pilot both space transports and capital ships, and was trained in the use of their weapons and shield systems. Her technical training included the programming and repair of computers, the programming of droids, and the use of security systems. Neva was known to gamble, and she had knowledge of alien species, other cultures, planetary systems and the workings of a bureaucracy.

Equipment

Despite being an officer in the New Republic Defense Fleet, Houba Neva wore a Rebel Alliance uniform while on duty. She carried a hold-out blaster and a comlink.

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