

August Sanford

August Sanford is a [player character](#) played by [Luno](#).

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Species & Gender:	Neplesian Male
Date of Birth:	YE 21
Organization:	Neplesian Space Marine Corps
Occupation:	Space Marine
Rank:	Private
Current Placement:	

Preferred Plots:

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Physical Description

At first glance, the first thing somebody will notice about August is his short height. Reaching only 5 feet and 3 inches, August tries to compensate with a stocky, muscular body. He has a defined yet bulky body weighing in at 137 pounds. The other marines often tease him, calling him “short and stout.” August has light skin, not too pale, but not close to tan either. His dirty blond hair is trimmed into a crew cut, which helps bolden his young and boyish features. Along with his blue eyes and slightly rosy cheeks, his face

epitomizes stubborn youth. In addition to his head hair, August's lower legs and forearms sport visible hair. One long, standalone scar can be seen running down his back, along his spine.

Personality

Many would liken August to a "little brother." At times he can be joyful and lighthearted, where he can typically be seen with a big stupid grin. When he's angry August tends to be untalkative and irritable. Although he can be a bit childish, nobody can deny how hard working he is. In his past, August was deemed to be incredibly average in anything he did by his peers. This experience led him to try his damndest to even be slightly better than the rest, despite usually amounting to little. With his perseverance comes inherent stubbornness, though it has been toned down by his marine training. Others might see him as a bit naive, but he is a genuine person.

August is quite friendly, accustomed to having various different friends. Although he can be independent, he usually follows those who excel. He would rather be in the company of individuals who he can look up to, as opposed to delinquents. Sticking up for the little guy is also a trait he keeps close to heart, due to being picked on early in his life. August hates assholes and bullies. He has the skin to deal with a little bit of mocking and horseplay, but anything beyond ticks him off. If pissed off, he has the gall to call people out for what they did, and isn't hesitant to fist fight.

Though he does have a curious side, August isn't particularly brilliant or insightful. He's just about as intelligent and perceptive as anyone else. Evidently, he prefers to act first, ask questions later.

History

August Sanford was born in [YE 21](#) in [Roger Wilco City](#). Born into the Workers social class, he grew up sheltered from the violence on Nepleslia. His mother Maya is a real estate agent, and his father Gregory an office worker. Youngest of three sons, he was the runt of the family. His short height only emphasized this. Despite being born into a healthy family, August's childhood would be plagued with spinal problems. Unwilling to let their child grow up suffering, his parents let him undergo various surgeries to replace most of his spine with cybernetics. The cost was hefty, but his family survived financially. And so, the remainder of his childhood played out peacefully.

Growing up into his preteens, August's brothers outperformed him in every aspect. In sports and athletics his brother March was always 2 steps faster and stronger. August liked watching sports, but never picked up playing as easy as his brother. In academics his oldest brother July performed well in school, topping the grades in his class. August on the other hand just fell into the normal grade range. Playing a game of catch up became the norm. Even among his classmates, nothing about him was outstanding. There was a stigma about his short height and previous spine problems that made him seem weak, even though nothing was wrong with him at all. Tired of the misconceptions, he worked harder in his game of catch up with his brothers. August started working out to be fit like March, and studied diligently to try and match July's grades. Alas, as hard as he tried, he couldn't surpass his brothers. Both would graduate and receive scholarships, but years later when August's graduation came around, none were offered to him.

Ultimately, his graduation took a mental toll on him. Even though he worked tirelessly to be superior to the rest of his graduating class, he still felt painfully mediocre compared to his brothers. August spent a few months unsure of what to do with the rest of his life, not certain if he wanted to continue to follow the shadows of his brothers. His uneasiness soon vanished when he received a NSMC recruitment ad in the mail. It was just an advertisement, but to August, it was new inspiration. While his brothers went to school, he would become a marine. A hero.

Social Connections

August Sanford is connected to:

- Maya Sanford (Mother)
- Gregory Sanford (Father)
- March Sanford (Brother - 2nd oldest)
- July Sanford (Brother - oldest)

Skills Learned

Communication

August is familiar with basic radio operation and procedures and can make transmissions to and receive transmissions from other characters through headsets, ships, ground vehicles, power armor, and shuttles in both combat and non-combat conditions. He is fluent in Nepleslian. He can speak and write it correctly and efficiently and can write reports, fill forms, issue orders under fire, etc. He is skilled in field communications and is proficient in all rudimentary forms of communication (hand signals, flashing lights, etc).

Fighting

August received intensive hand-to-hand combat training (primarily focused on disabling and/or killing opponents) and has followed up that knowledge with a rigorous training program. Weapons he is trained in include pistols of all types, knives, grenades (and other forms of explosive weaponry) and rifles of all kinds. He is in excellent physical shape and has considerable endurance. He is also able to pilot land-based power armors, but must rely on the suit's A.I. to do anything advanced.

Survival

August knows how to survive in hostile environments. He can build shelters, hunt and forage for food, build a fire, etc. August can camouflage himself and is familiar with guerrilla warfare tactics.

Strategy (Tactics/discipline)

August can understand and give out tactical commands and work with his troop to follow those commands efficiently. He knows the importance of teamwork on the battlefield, has been intensively trained in discipline and morale, and is able to recognize the command structure even while under extreme pressure (combat, etc). August is able to recognize ambush points. He knows basic math in order to calculate distances, etc, and can use a tactical map.

Inventory & Finance

August Sanford has the following items:

Clothing

Uniform

- 2 Pullover shirt, green, with rank patches on shoulder pads and name plate
- 4 [T-Shirts](#), white
- 4 underwear, white
- 2 Khaki cargo pants
- 1 [Beret, green, with flash patch](#)
- 1 [NSMC Field Cap, Type 33](#)
- 1 pair gloves, leather, brown
- 1 pair boots, brown
- 6 pair boot [Socks](#), white
- 1 Belt, dark brown
- 1 [Nepleslian Dress Uniform \(YE 33\)](#) (full outfit with white pistol belt, gloves, pants, and boots)

Bunkwear

- 2 Tank tops, green, with fleet number on the right chest
- 2 Pairs of ankle length pajama pants, khaki
- 1 Pair of slip-on flexi-shoes, black

Workout/Swim

- 2 Short-sleeved mocks with fleet number on the right chest, Green
- 2 Work-out shorts, black
- 4 pairs green ankle [Socks](#)
- 1 pair green low-top sneaker shoes
- 1 Pair of trunks, green, fleet number on right leg

- 1 Speedo, green, fleet number on right cheek

Weapons and Weapon Accessories

- 1 [M3 Assault Rifle](#)
- 1 [Utility Combat Knife M01A](#)
- 1 [Marine Combat Axe Model 01c](#)
- 1 Pistol, [Styrling Silver Special .45 Caliber](#), with 2 extra magazines

Accessories

- 1 pair identification tags, metal, with name and hometown
- 1 [Canteen](#), 1 quart
- 1 [AwesomeCorp DataJockey](#)
- 1 Wallet with the Marine Corps Insignia plated on it.
- Starting pay of: 6000 DA

OOO Notes

August is homosexual. He doesn't really bother to put it out there because it's nobody's business. He will admit it if asked though.

In the case [Luno](#) becomes inactive:

- Can this character be used as an NPC by a GM or FM? YES
- Can this character be [adopted](#) after I am gone for a year? YES

Character Data	
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