Welcome back to JackPoint, chummer; your last connection was severed:
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Today’s Heads Up
* The older rigs are still on the road. Here is the critical performance data on a few in case you steal Grandma’s. –FastJack

Incoming
* In the Awakened world even the flowers have enough power to be reckoned with. [Tag: Parabotany]
* The wars of yesterday leave us the museum pieces of today. [Tag: Eurowar Antiques]
* There are groups that only the Awakened seem to keep track of, but now you can too. [Tag: Magical Societies]
* When are rocks not just rocks? [Tag: Parageology]

Top News Items
* The Metroplex Guard has locked down Seattle’s northeast border after destroying a number of unidentified drone patrols. Link
* The FBI has opened an investigation in Seattle’s Green Party and the release of personal information. Investigators have stated that individuals who were identified as donors will not be investigated beyond retention-of-SIN investigations consistent with their unemployed status. Link
* Renraku has refused to answer inquiries regarding their seizure of current and former members of the CAS legislature. Link
* Havana, Cuba – Government officials have requested extradition of three Najima Securities executives as persons of interest in a fraud investigation. Link

"Fix or Repair Daily" doesn’t just apply to Fords, ya know.”
How many of you remember your first car? The clean smell of the hidden air freshener always runs out in a week but haunts us for years. I asked our resident grease monkey, Turbo Bunny, to assemble the specs of a bunch of different vehicles that are old but still found on the road. Hopefully these are just fond memories for most of us, but for the newer members of our profession, these oldies might be their only means of transportation.

- Fuck the noobs. The only thing they are good for is blowing up good plans and giving Knight Errant target practice.
- Clockwork

- Really, nobody helped you when you first started out? I find that unlikely.
- Hannibelle

- This is supposed to be about the biz: where to go to get paid, who might be gunning for you, and when it might be best to lay low. Hand-holding only leads to problems when you get to this level of the profession. Hence the freak baby.
- Clockwork

Turbo Bunny also included a selection of European vehicles in this updated download after Fianchetto reminded her there are manufacturing plants outside of North America. I added them in the section labeled “From Across the Pond.”

- It really was only gentle chiding. I did not intend to upset the young lady.
- Fianchetto

- Lady!? That’s the funniest thing posted here in ages. How many unladylike things do you think she did to support her habit? If you want to know, some trids are available on the Matrix.
- Riser

- Habits can get the best of anyone. Addiction is a killer.
- Butch

VEHICLE TRAITS IN THIS BOOK

The Sixth World contains many different levels of development, and not all of them are bleeding edge or state of the art. The upgrades listed below are intended to simulate the challenges of utilizing older technology in Shadowrun.

VEHICLE TRAIT (UPGRADE):

Obsolescent: The vehicle uses an older generation of software, hardware or a combination of the two, resulting in less-sophisticated computing capabilities. The vehicle’s device rating (p. 222, SR4A) is one less than what a comparable modern device’s rating would be (to a minimum of 1); e.g., a drone with the obsolescent trait would have a rating of 2 rather than 3.

Obsolete: The vehicle uses a very old version of control software (or maybe even none at all), rendering it incompatible with current remote control rigs and AR technology. It may be considered a traffic hazard or be illegal to operate in certain jurisdictions. The vehicle does not possess the Rigger Adaptation Trait as standard. The vehicle’s device rating (p. 222, SR4A) is three less than a comparable modern device’s would be (to a minimum of 1), e.g., an M1A2 tank would have a device rating of 2, rather than the normal rating of 5 for military equipment.

Reduced Economy: The vehicle’s operation time (p.103, Arsenal) is reduced to half normal. This can be due to a variety of factors: poor fuel-injection systems, weak batteries, or some other reason. This means most vehicles can only operate for three hours before a stop at a refilling station of some sort.
A cross-country bike extraordinaire, the Pinto is capable of traversing nearly any terrain, and can even get across some spots their owners would be better off avoiding. The balloon tires provide excellent traction and are capable of ensuring the bike can cross wet terrain when required. The Pinto is still available new from dealers in the Pueblo Corporate Council, and its rugged construction has ensured that one production line remains in limited use, although it is rarely exported as a complete vehicle. The optional riding canopy is still available through reputable parts suppliers throughout the Native American Nations.

**Std. Upgrades/Accessories:** Amphibious Operation (level 1), Obsolescent, Off-road Suspension

**THUNDERCLOUD PINTO (OFF-ROAD BIKE)**

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- It’s a complete pig on the blacktop, but I saw a few gangers outside of San Fran trying to look intimidating while driving them down the city streets. A local security contractor showed them why you don’t ride one when you have to run.
- Sunshine
- The PCC’s Border Patrol uses them to track smugglers. They might not catch up to a t-bird, but the radio outruns everything.
- Traveler Jones
- They’re really popular up north; the ability to handle nearly any terrain makes them a must-have for some of the Inuit.
- Clockwork

**PINTO CANOPY**

The canopy was developed for riders who intended to use the Pinto as their year-round cross-country transportation. The canopy is made from fiberglass with an aluminum alloy frame and roll protection. Users are advised to follow the installation instructions precisely or retain the services of a professional installer.

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- Hell, just pay a fourteen-year-old fifteen nuyen and a soyburger. It’s not that hard to put on.
- Clockwork
The Blitzen is the collector’s combat bike. Made popular by nearly a decade of spectacular performance, the 2050 model has been relegated to the streets as newer models replace it. The enlarged wind-screen is intended to provide increased protection to the rider while the original groundbreaking metallo-ceramic alloys provide adequate levels of impact resistance compared to modern polymer compounds. The Blitzen 2050 is no longer manufactured, although decent custom shops can locate spare parts to keep existing bikes running.

**Std. Upgrades/Accessories:** Obsolescent

### BMW BLITZEN 2050 (COMBAT BIKE)

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- The bike that screams, “I’m going to kill something” like no other. The ability to attach a machine gun to it really brings out its character.
- Clockwork

- I doubt most owners keep military-grade weapons in their garage for trips to biker rallies. I also doubt the group that posts here would be considered balanced enough to be invited to said rally.
- DangerSensei

- Balanced people at a biker rally? Have you ever heard of the kettle and pot? Most go-gangers are so disturbed it makes Riser look normal.
- Turbo Bunny

- Whatever. The point is this is one tough bike and if you can afford it; it might just keep you alive, even without “modern polymers.”
- Bull
The Viking was one of the first vehicles designed exclusively for large meta-humans. It enjoyed commercial success through the early to mid 2060s, but with the gentrification of certain segments of its target audience, the bike's rebel image became diluted, and eventually Honda shifted production to a small factory in the Carib League. The bike is rarely offered by dealers, though custom orders are possible. The factory primarily provides spare parts to interested parties as Honda provides more politically correct options to its clientele.

**Std. Upgrades/Accessories:** Metahuman Customization

**Honda Viking (Motorcycle)**

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- The custom orders are a pain in the hoop. The dealers claim it takes three months to get a bike shipped, where Matrix sites can promise five-week delivery.
- Riser
- Let's just say the Matrix site has a better supplier and stop your whining.
- Kane
- I think this is one of the best bikes available for those of us with larger frames. Too bad the little people make the decisions about what we can buy.
- Mihoshi Oni
- I'd be careful about which shops you have work on one of these. Some of the nano-fax parts they try to use can't handle the stress as well as the real thing.
- Clockwork
The Papoose has been the choice of the environmentally conscious since its release. The Papoose offers options for both pedal power and electric propulsion for those who want versatility in their transportation. The electric drive can be charged through a variety of external means, with a home charger provided at the time of purchase. Unfortunately the battery cannot be charged though the muscle-powered drive, limiting most Papooses to a ninety-kilometer radius of the owner’s home.

**Std. Upgrades/Accessories:** Obsolete, Reduced Economy

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**Entertainment Systems Papoose (Scooter)**

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- The classic moped. It’s fun to ride, until your friends see you doing it.
- Clockwork
- In that case, you’ll be fine. You don’ have any friends.
- Netcat
- In certain cites they’re fairly ubiquitous. You can ride one and not attract any attention while you’re scoping out a target. There are benefits to on-the-ground recon before an extraction.
- Hard Exit
- Actually, the Dodge Scoot has largely replaced this in wage-slave fashion trends. Some independent workers still use them, but they’re barely a step up from public transport, and you’re exposed to any acid rain that might be falling while you ride.
- Dr. Spin