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ENTER THE CYBERNIK

PARTS 2&3

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Your online guide to all the art humes
of Sonic the Comic Reillustrated!

Welcome Screen

Hey Boomers!

What a treat we have in store for you in this issue! Over fifty (count 'em!) artists have come together for our first ever double issue, celebrating the career of Lew Stringer as he entered semi-retirement earlier this year. Rumour has it he worked for more than just Sonic the Comic (don't tell the humes who thought they were in charge), and in fact we can see some of those characters sneaking onto our front cover as well as the Graphic Zone! If you don't recognise them, firstly hang your head in shame, but secondly we have a Spotters' Guide to get you up to speed! And in an STC:R first, Speedlines is back, as our contributors and readers have written in to tell us their memories of Lew's work.

This issue may be long but the hero in the story certainly isn't: in Enter the Cybernik we're introduced to Shorty the Squirrel, who goes on to be one of STC's favourite recurring characters: Shortfuse the Cybernik! We've painstakingly redrawn each panel of Parts 2 and 3, but for those of you who are desperate to hear what happened in Part 1 first, join me on the next page for a recap!

So don't say we never spoil you, boomers, and enjoy this special issue!

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Recap Attack

Enter the Cybernik Part 1

Script: Lew Stringer

Original Art: Roberto Corona

and John M. Burns

Original Lettering: Steve Potter

Welcome to the Recap Zone! Since we've only adapted parts 2 and 3 of Shortfuse's first outing (so far *wink*) the humes who think they're in charge wanted to give you a quick recap of what happened in Part 1. (As if you would forget, boomers! Tsk!) So I've raided my plot notes and here's a presentation of the events of Part 1.

Pfft, I can tell this one!

It all started shortly after my friend **Hopper** had to intervene in a fight between me and this **bird** who said—I'm still mad about it!—who said Robotnik was an **O.K. guy!**

But before I could lamp him, Robotnik's troopers arrived!

They'd come to harvest us to turn us into badniks! They took the bird first, hah! Served him right. Sucking up to a dictator doesn't protect you from his grip, everyone knows that!

Unfortunately they also took my friends! I managed to stow away on the trooper ship, hoping to save Hopper and the others.

Shorty...

Wait!

Not now, Tek, I'm telling my story.

I managed to sabotage the computer system, but a trooper managed to grab me before I could save Hopper!

And that was when Robotnik encased me in a new super-badnik called **Cybernik**, which I was physically wired into, making escape impossible! Worse, the badnik would make me do Robotnik's bidding. And all he sent me to do was to my own home.

Stop it!

No spoilers!

You've gone past the end of Part 1, the readers are going to stop reading!!

CRASH!



SONIC'S WORLD

Enter the Cybernik Part 2

Script: Lew Stringer
Original Art: Roberto Corona
and John M. Burns
Original Lettering: Steve Potter

IN THE BADNIK PROCESSING PLANT, A FIERY SQUIRREL NAMED **SHORTY** IS ABOUT TO BE TURNED INTO A NEW SUPER-BADNIK CALLED **THE CYBERNIK**...

UNLIKE OTHER BADNIKS, ONCE YOU BECOME **THE CYBERNIK** YOU CAN **NEVER** BE FREED! YOU WILL OBEY ME **FOREVER!**

DREAM ON, LARDBELLY!

YOU'LL NEVER BRAINWASH ME INTO FOLLOWING YOU!

NO-ONE CAN RESIST THE PROCESS!

GRIMER-MAKE IT SO!

GOT TO RESIST THE BRAINWASHING! GOT TO!

MUST ... RESIST ... TO SAVE ... MY FRIENDS! GOTTA ... **RESIST!** AAAGHH!

I LOVE THIS JOB! IT'S **FUN** BEING EVIL!

FZZAKK!



IT IS DONE!
RELEASE HIM!



YOU AND THE ARMOUR ARE NOW AS ONE!
EVEN THAT... **HEDGEHOG** WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO FREE YOU!

THE FIRST OF A RACE OF ULTIMATE BADNIKS!

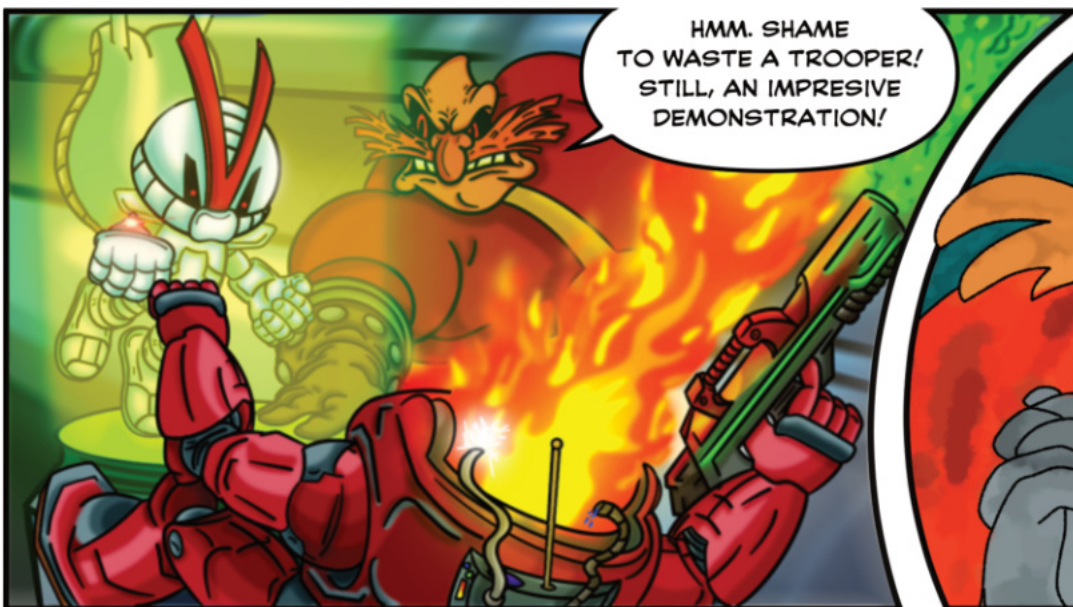
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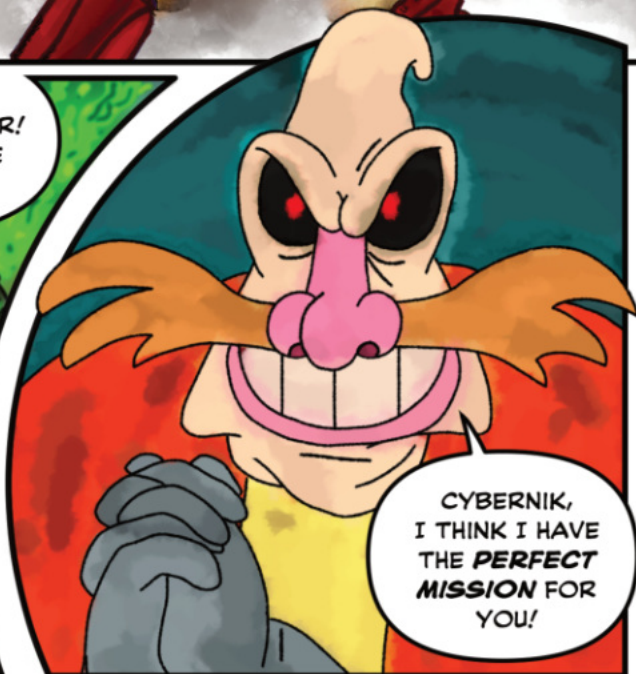
CYBERNIK—
DEMONSTRATE YOUR POWERS!

I OBEY!

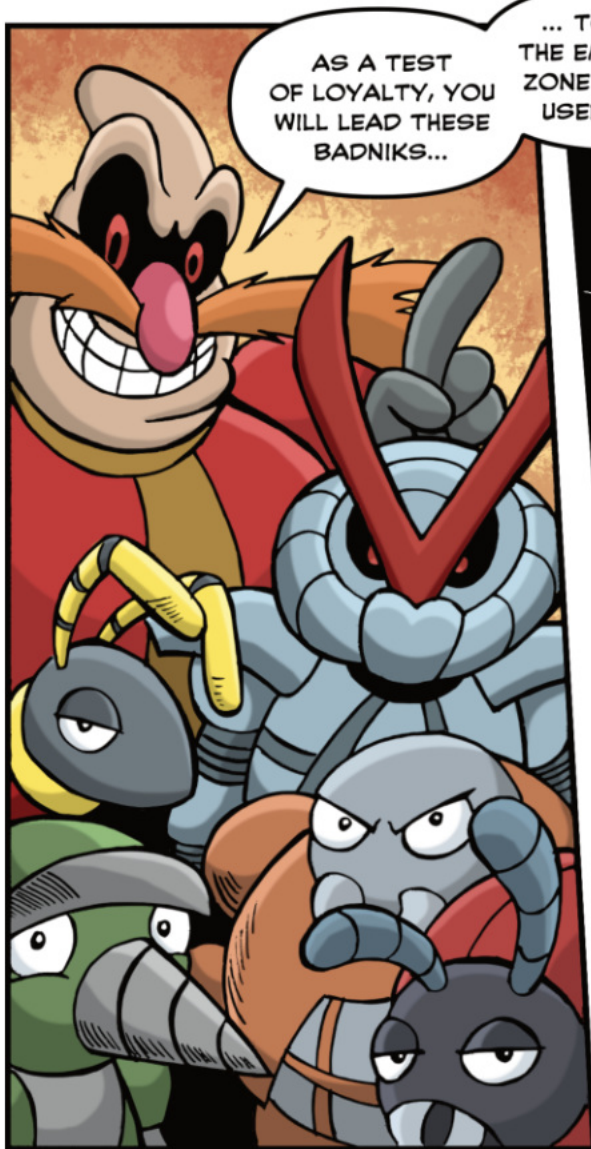
PHZAPP!



HMM. SHAME TO WASTE A TROOPER!
STILL, AN IMPRESSIVE DEMONSTRATION!

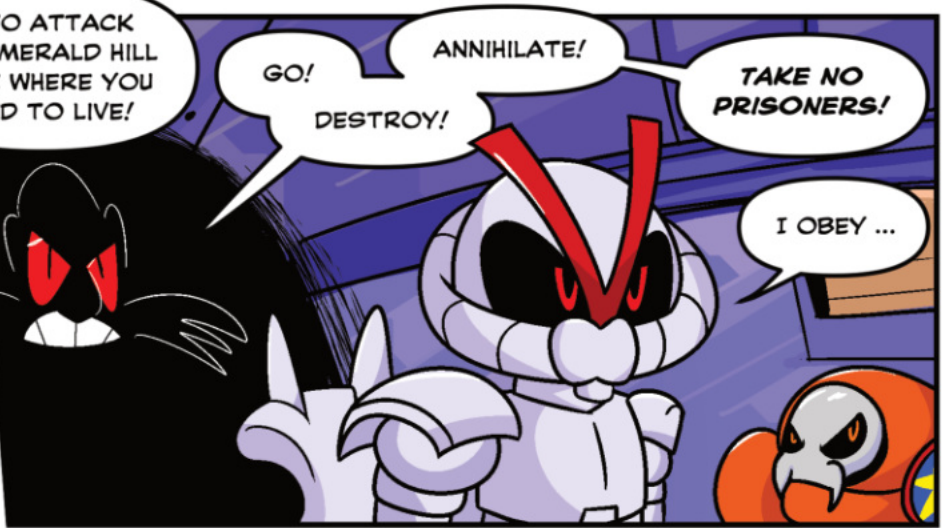


CYBERNIK, I THINK I HAVE THE **PERFECT MISSION** FOR YOU!



AS A TEST OF LOYALTY, YOU WILL LEAD THESE BADNIKS...

... TO ATTACK THE EMERALD HILL ZONE WHERE YOU USED TO LIVE!



GO!

DESTROY!

ANNIHILATE!

TAKE NO PRISONERS!

I OBEY ...



... MASTER.



THE EMERALD HILL ZONE.

ROBOTNIK CAPTURED MANY OF OUR PEOPLE!*

YES, WE WERE LUCKY TO ESCAPE!

*IN PART ONE -Megadroid.



ULP! THINK WE'LL BE SO LUCKY THIS TIME?



HARD TO BELIEVE
THOSE BADNIKS USED
TO BE JUST LIKE US!

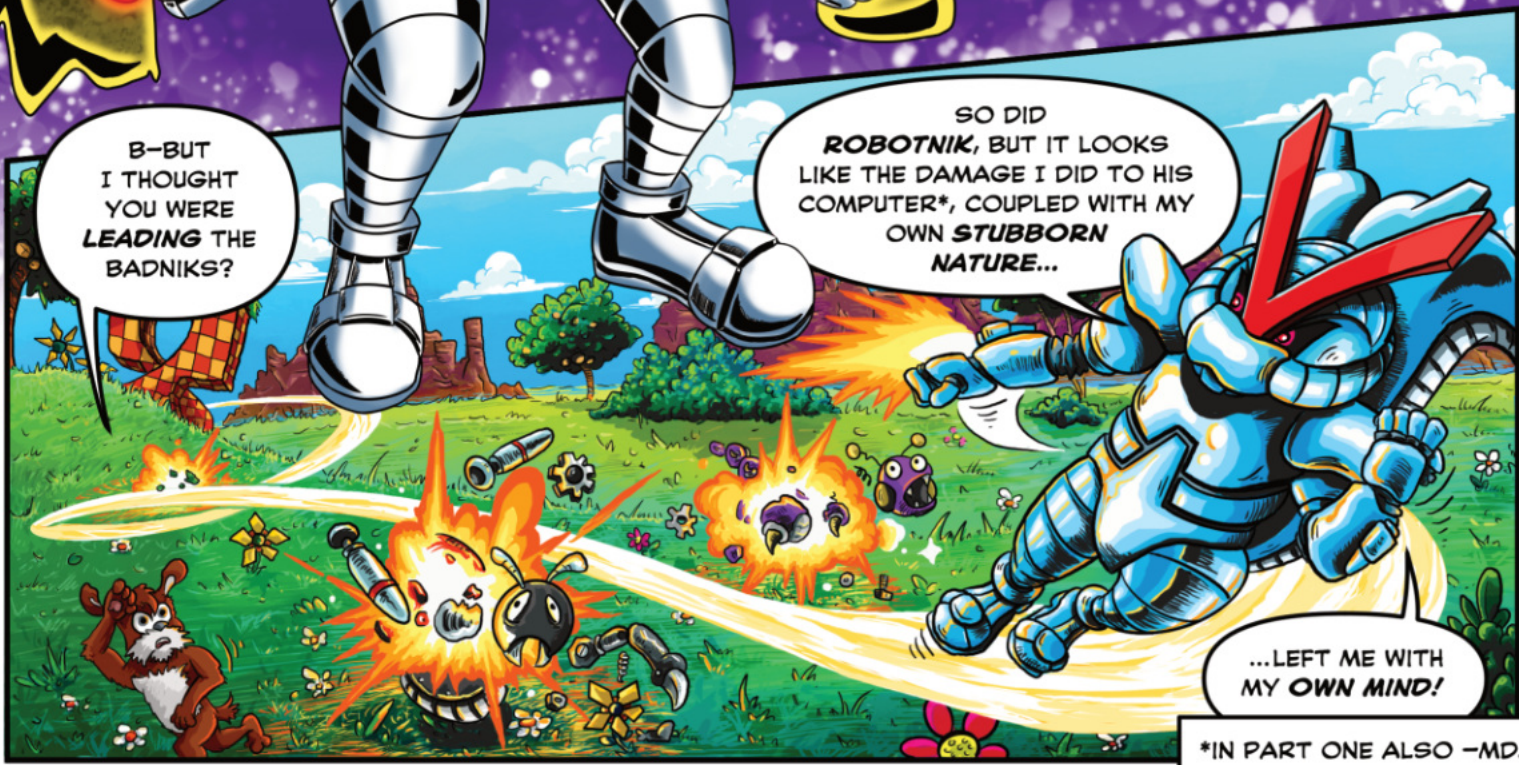


AND
THEY WILL BE
AGAIN!

FREE!

SAVED!
BUT WHO-?

CYBERNIK AT
YOUR SERVICE!

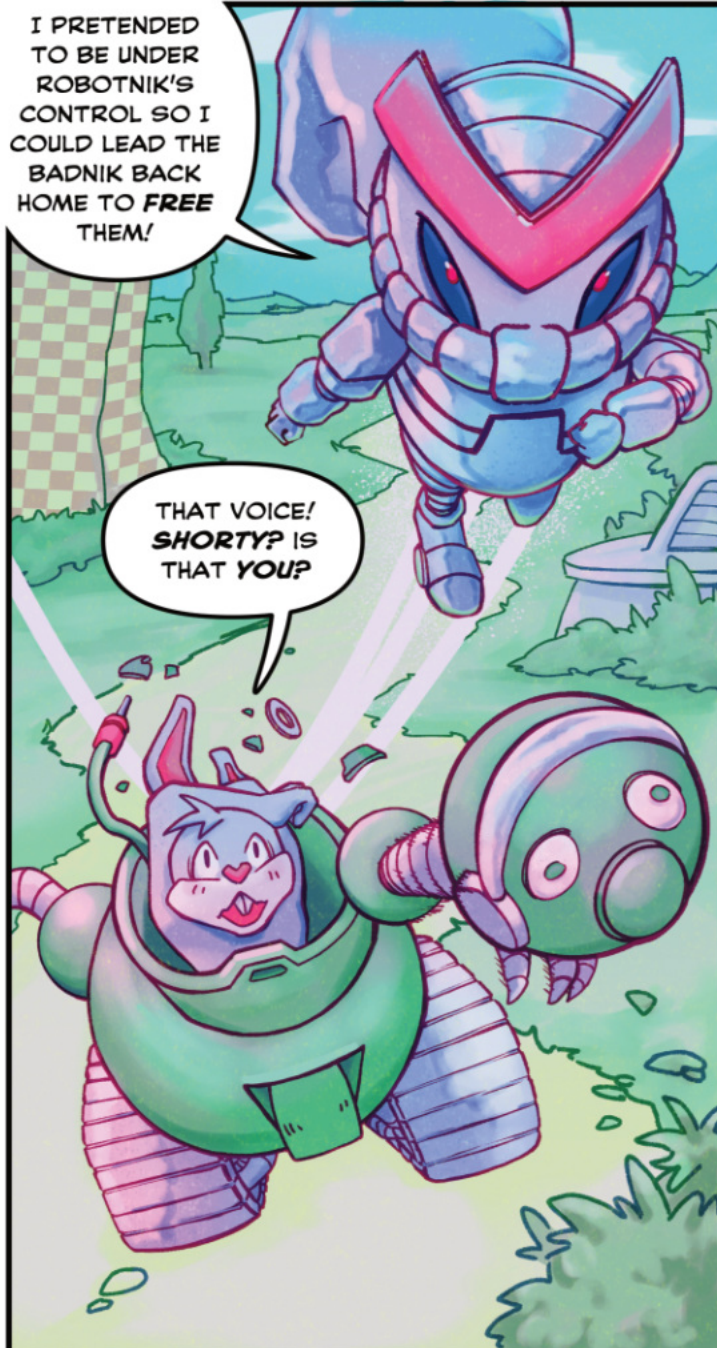


B-BUT
I THOUGHT
YOU WERE
LEADING THE
BADNIKS?

SO DID
ROBOTNIK, BUT IT LOOKS
LIKE THE DAMAGE I DID TO HIS
COMPUTER*, COUPLED WITH MY
OWN STUBBORN
NATURE...

...LEFT ME WITH
MY OWN MIND!

*IN PART ONE ALSO -MD.



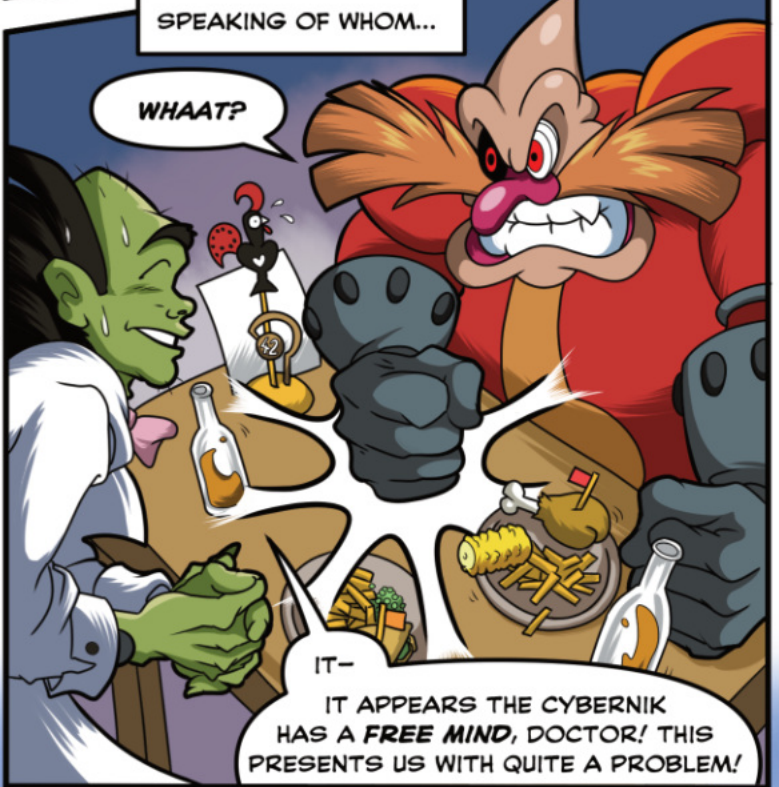
I PRETENDED TO BE UNDER ROBOTNIK'S CONTROL SO I COULD LEAD THE BADNIK BACK HOME TO **FREE** THEM!

THAT VOICE! **SHORTY?** IS THAT **YOU?**



YEAH, HOPPER, IT'S ME!

NO TIME FOR CELEBRATIONS YET BUDDY! I'VE A FEELING **DOCTOR ROBOTNIK'S** GONNA BE PAYING US A VISIT VERY SHORTLY!



SPEAKING OF WHOM...

WHAAT?

IT—
IT APPEARS THE CYBERNIK HAS A **FREE MIND**, DOCTOR! THIS PRESENTS US WITH QUITE A PROBLEM!



IT PRESENTS US WITH **NO** PROBLEMS, GRIMER! I CREATED THE CYBERNIK...

... AND I WILL DESTROY HIM!



OVER THE PAGE: **ROBOTNIK VERSUS CYBERNIK!**

SONIC'S WORLD

Enter the Cybernik Part 3

Script: Lew Stringer
Original Art: Roberto Corona
and John M. Burns
Original Lettering: Steve Potter

DOCTOR ROBOTNIK HAS TURNED EMERALD HILL ZONE RESIDENT **SHORTY** INTO A NEW SUPER-BADNIK CALLED **THE CYBERNIK!**

BUT THE PROCESS WENT WRONG AND THE CYBERNIK HAS A **FREE MIND** AND HAS TURNED **AGAINST** ROBOTNIK!

HOW **DARE** THE CYBERNIK DISOBEY ME! I WILL **DESTROY** HIM!

OOH, I AM **SO** ANGRY!

THANKS FOR FREEING US FROM THE **BADNIK** SHELLS **SHORTY**! MAYBE WE CAN FIND A WAY TO GET YOU OUT OF THAT ARMOUR!

FORGET IT, HOPPER! ROBOTNIK SEALED ME IN THIS SUIT **PERMANENTLY...**

... AND THAT'S SOMETHING HE'S GONNA **REGRET** BIG TIME!

THAT'S **BIG TALK** FROM A **DEFECT**! WE'LL SEE WHO HAS THE **REGRETS**!

BWHAMMM!



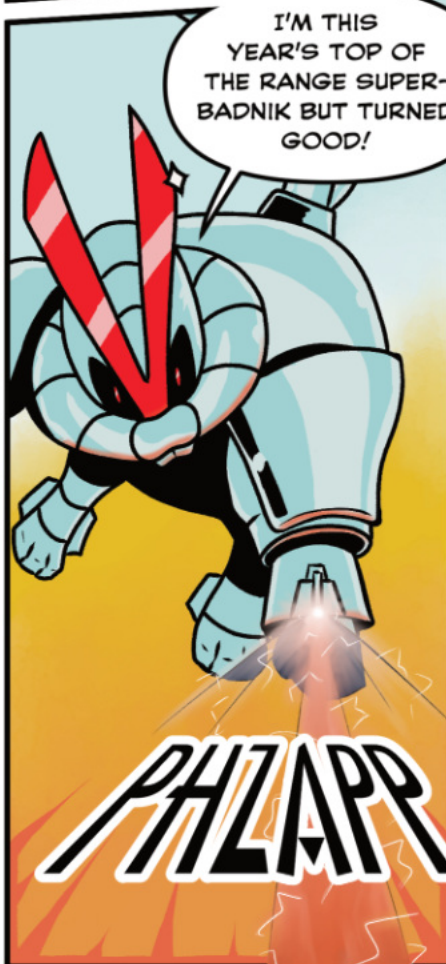
GET
OUTTA HERE,
HOPPER!

IT'S ME
HE'S AFTER!



KEEP
STILL, BLAST
YOU!

YOU
SHOULDN'T
HAVE MADE ME
SO *EFFICIENT*,
ROBOTNIK!

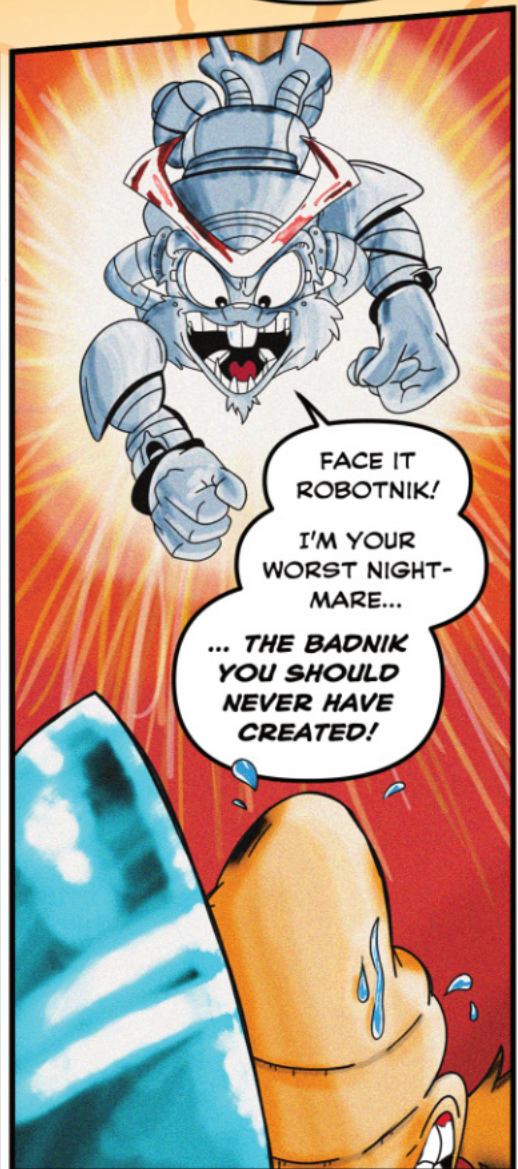


I'M THIS
YEAR'S TOP OF
THE RANGE SUPER-
BADNIK BUT TURNED
GOOD!

EVERY
ZONE SHOULD
HAVE ONE!



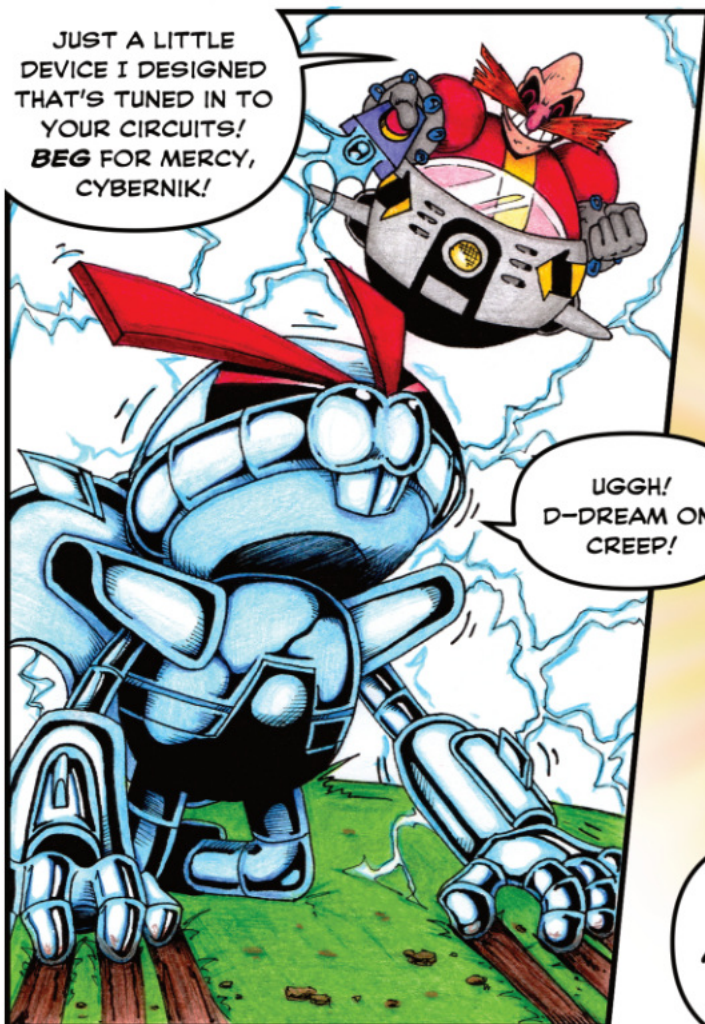
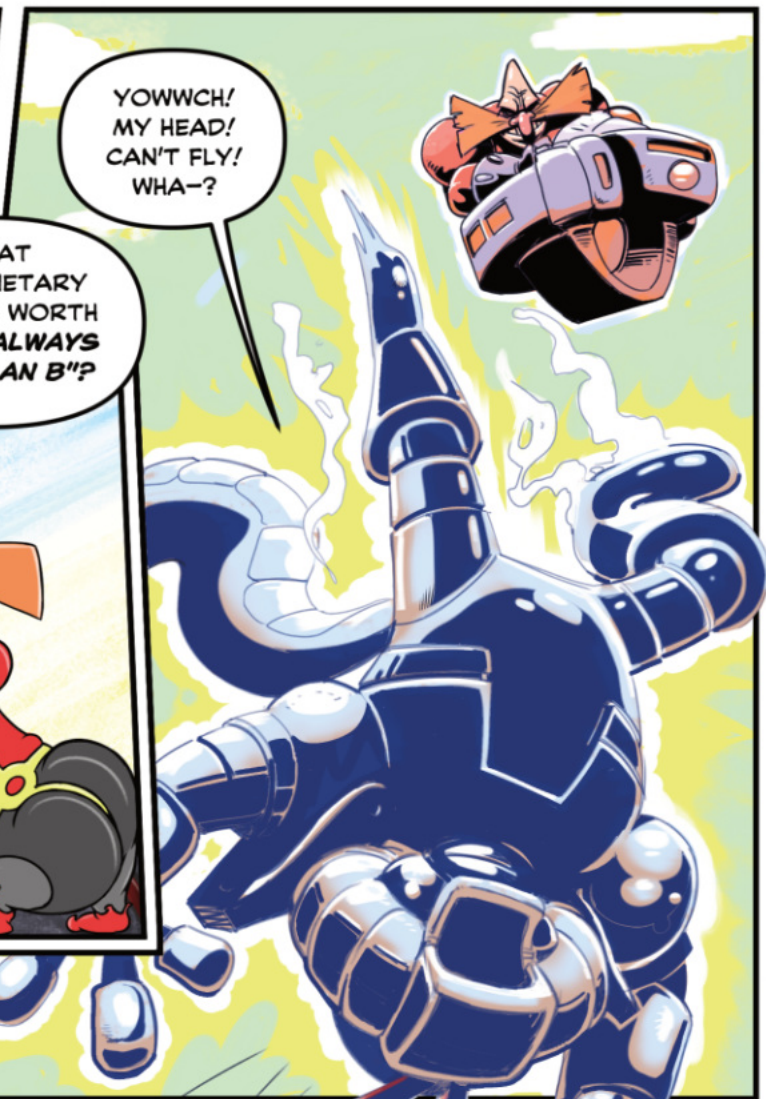
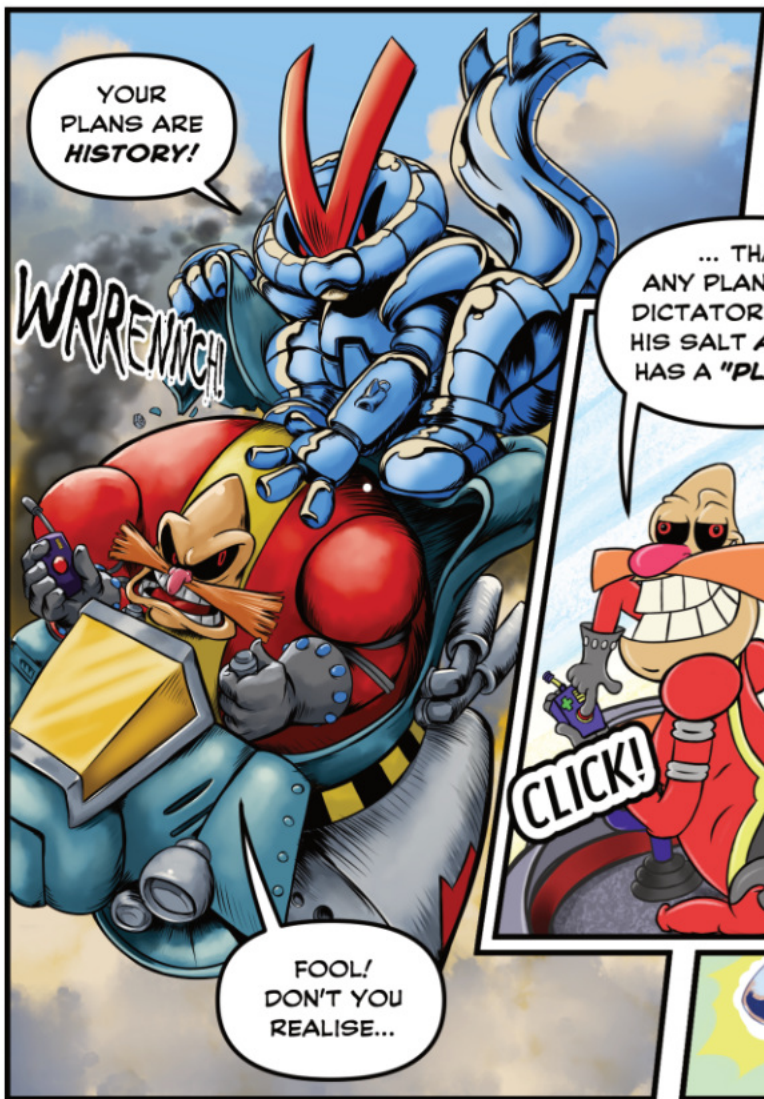
I
THINK
NOT!

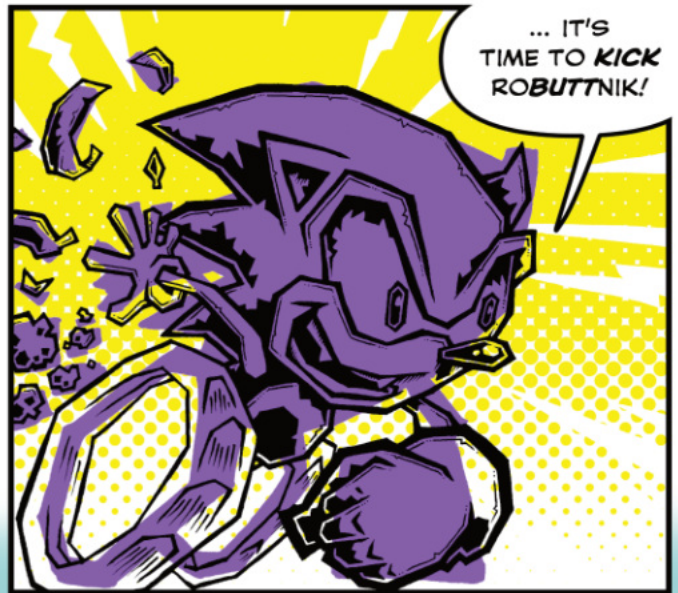
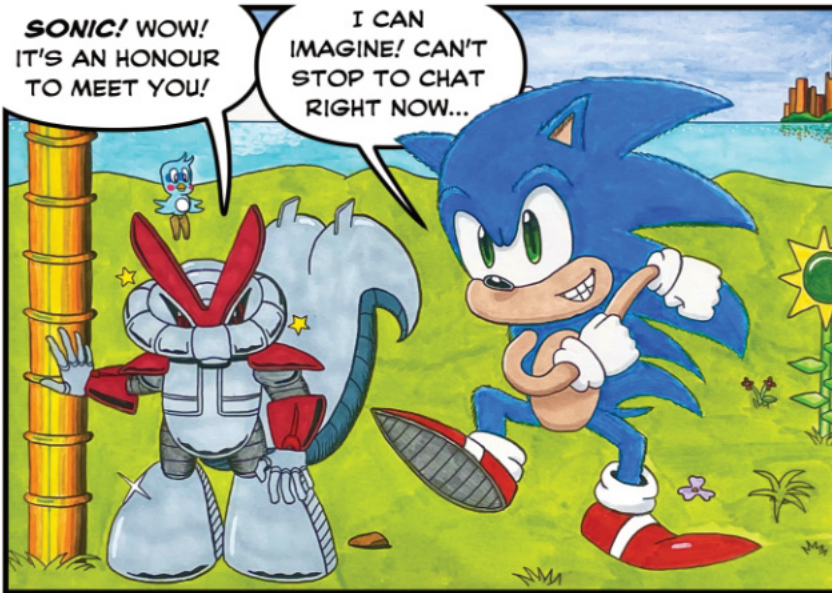


FACE IT
ROBOTNIK!

I'M YOUR
WORST NIGHT-
MARE...

... *THE BADNIK*
YOU SHOULD
NEVER HAVE
CREATED!





SKRRUNCH!

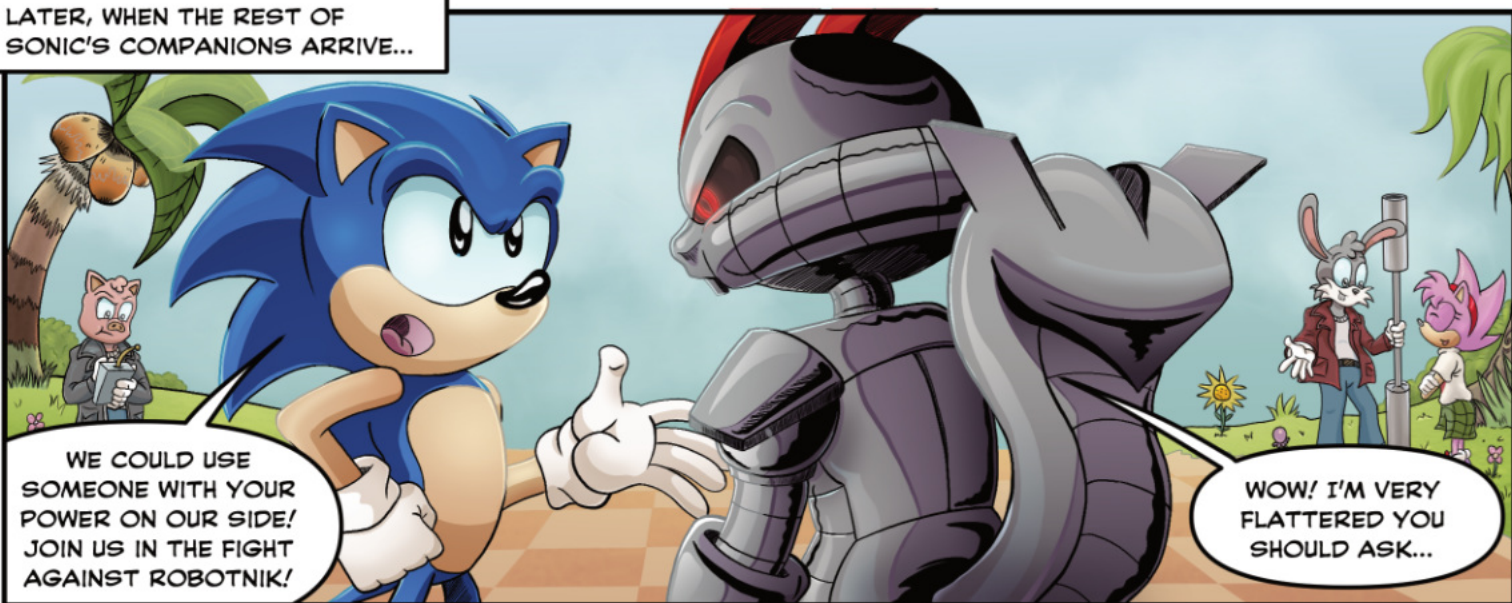


ENOUGH! A
GOOD WARRIOR
ALWAYS KNOWS THE
APPROPRIATE TIME
TO WITHDRAW!

GET
OUTTA HERE,
LOSER!



LATER, WHEN THE REST OF SONIC'S COMPANIONS ARRIVE...



WE COULD USE SOMEONE WITH YOUR POWER ON OUR SIDE! JOIN US IN THE FIGHT AGAINST ROBOTNIK!

WOW! I'M VERY FLATTERED YOU SHOULD ASK...

... BUT I WANT TO CONTINUE THE FIGHT **ALONE**, WITH MY OWN METHODS!

ROBOTNIK TURNED ME INTO THIS LIVING MACHINE AND THAT MAKES IT PERSONAL!

COOL SPEECH, PAL! HOPE YOU CAN LIVE UP TO IT!

SHORTY! WAIT!

THIS IS YOUR HOME!

YOU CAN'T LEAVE!

I MUST, HOPPER! I'VE GOTTA USE MY POWER TO FIGHT FOR JUSTICE AND FREEDOM AND... STUFF!

I'LL MISS YOU, PAL!

FROM NOW ON, CALL ME...

SHORTFUSE THE CYBERNIK!

COOL OR WHAT?

DON'T FEEL SORRY FOR ME... SAVE IT **FOR ROBOTNIK!**

END

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TheNorrisWimple

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Oh! Hello, boomers! Megadroid told me I have to call you that. It's his little joke about a Sonic Boom, you see, nothing to do with the baby boomer generation, though I'm certainly not getting any younger and my back's playing up again—look! Badnik spotting isn't all fun and games! But without further ado, here's my guide to characters you might remember from Mr Stringer's comics, with some very fancy illustrations by the cover humes!

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Name: Sonic the Hedgehog

First appearance: Enter: Sonic (STC #1)

Last appearance: Point of No Return (STC #184)

Profile: The original (and some may say only) Hedgehog with Attitude, Sonic not only starred in STC's opening strip in all but one issue but also has the honour of having the whole comic named after him! I'm sure that won't have gone to his head at all. Out of Lew Stringer's typewriter came stories in which Sonic battled multiple creations of Robotnik (some of them featured here!), an aging clone of himself, and even a rogue weather reporter (though even she couldn't forecast the raining bananas!)

Artist credit: EuanEchidhog



Name: Brickman

First appearance: After Image No.3 (1979)

Last appearance: Brickman Returns (2009)

Profile: When Zillionaire Loose Brayne was hit on the noggin by a brick while watching a crime special on the tele, he became the questionably competent crime-fighting hero BRICKMAN! Teaming up with his sidekick Trowel, he even met Superbloke that one time! Unfortunately he never returned any of STC's own Insect-Guy's letters...

Artist credit: Claire Ryan



Name: Norris Wimple

First appearance: Unnatural Disasters (STC #102)

Last appearance: Fan Friction (STC #124)

Profile: Hey, that's me! Mobius' premier badnik spotter and number two STC trivia nerd (Ryan Baggit wasn't available at the time of writing—Megadroid). I like the works of Fabian Vane, and long walks in the countryside (best place to find badnik remains). Call me, ladies—yes, I know this isn't a lonely hearts column, but I shan't squander such an opportunity!

Artist credit: Mister Neowl



Name: Commander Brutus

First appearance: Project Brutus (STC #63)

Last appearance: Showdown (STC #130)

Profile: Just like Shortfuse, Commander Brutus has armour made from Megatal, a super-hard alloy that even Sonic is unable to damage! Unlike Shortfuse, Brutus's mind is made from a copy of Robotnik's himself—ew! It took the chaotic power of Super Sonic to issue Brutus' first defeat, and he was finally destroyed by Robotnik himself when he got too big for his boots—and that's why you don't name a creation after an infamous Roman traitor!

Artist credit: Morg





Name: Combat Colin

First appearance: Action Force #5 (1988)

Last appearance: Aces Weekly #50 (2021)

Profile: Together with his mate Semi-Automatic Steve, Combat Colin is a military enthusiast whose heart is in the right place even if his brain isn't. One time he even paired up with Brickman in, um, Portmeirion, after his deep-pocketed trousers were stolen by The Brain!

More excitingly, Lew currently has some compilations of Combat Colin available from his ko-fi shop: <https://ko-fi.com/lewstringer/>

Artist credit: Tom Carter



Name: Metamorphia

First appearance: Metamorphia (STC #30)

Last appearance: Showdown (STC #130)

Profile: A shapeshifting lifeform created by Grimer for Doctor Robotnik, Metamorphia nearly defeated Sonic several times after disguising herself as Tails, long lost relatives, and children in peril. He always saw past her though, especially when she took the form of a gas! Grimer perhaps poured a little too much of his adoration for his master into Metamorphia, who grew to adore him, only to be rejected and have her powers removed, but she went on to live her life as a reformed creature.

Artist credit: Sticky Hands



Name: Vermin the Cybernik

First appearance: Secret Weapon (STC #90)

Last appearance: Breakout (STC #121)

Profile: Shortfuse the Cybernik's arch nemesis! Unlike Shorty, who resisted the Cybernik armour's programming, Vermin volunteered to be placed permanently into the suit, and took commands willingly from Robotnik thereafter! Despite being threatened by Vermin's ability to inject a virus into his machinery, Shortfuse was eventually able to destroy Vermin's armour, but at the personal cost to himself of locking himself back inside the armour he'd just been freed from.

Artist credit: Shiliria



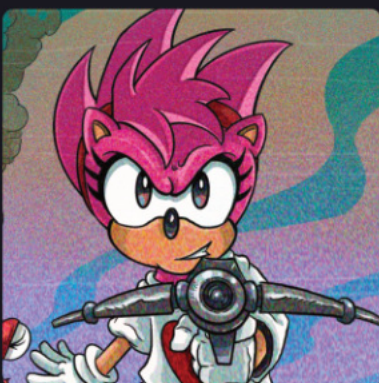
Name: Tekno the Canary

First appearance: Cybernik Strikes Back (STC #63)

Last appearance: Game Over (STC #174)

Profile: What kind of person would steal weapons from Robotnik while working for him, only to be exposed as a traitor to him and sent to be encased in a badnik as punishment? Oh, and who also has their own secret lair, and is friends with a short-tempered Cybernik? That's Tekno, and no wonder she got on so well with Amy while they were off adventuring in time and space through the Eternity Ring. Some say she might have settled down since meeting Amy, but she does still wear those explosive earrings...

Artist credit: Kathy Murdoch



Name: Amy Rose

First appearance: Girl Trouble (STC #21)

Last appearance: Point of No Return (STC #184)

Profile: Amy rose to prominence during Sonic's six-month absence that led to Robotnik taking over the planet, and was originally brown-quilled like Sonic until Robotnik tried to reproduce the accident that has turned Sonic blue. Amy strongarmed herself onto the Freedom Fighters' team, and when Robotnik was finally deposed, went off travelling with her gal pal Tekno—until the dictator returned to Mobius, when she rejoined the team.

Artist credit: Danji's Designs



LEW Zone

Enter the zone that brings together all your artwork of characters created by Lew Stringer, both in StC and other original characters brought to life by the man himself! Plus keep an eye out for Norris Wimple's notes on where certain characters depicted appeared in StC!



↑ Shortfuse and Tekno spotted in their natural habitat!
Kathy Murdoch
Nottinghamshire
MD & MCD owner



↑ A pick-me-up after being left high and dry for the disco!
SorelyMiskin



She came in like a Wreckingball!

Dan Cheeseman



Fleabyte appeared in Fox on the Run and Fleabyte Returns (STC #73-76, #80)

↑ He's got nine lives and he's not afraid to use them!
Neko Riddles
Most Sega consoles owner

Move over, Sonic & Knuckles!



TheMagicalAnimatron
Wiltshire
MDII, GG & MDM owner

Watch out, cybernik coming through!



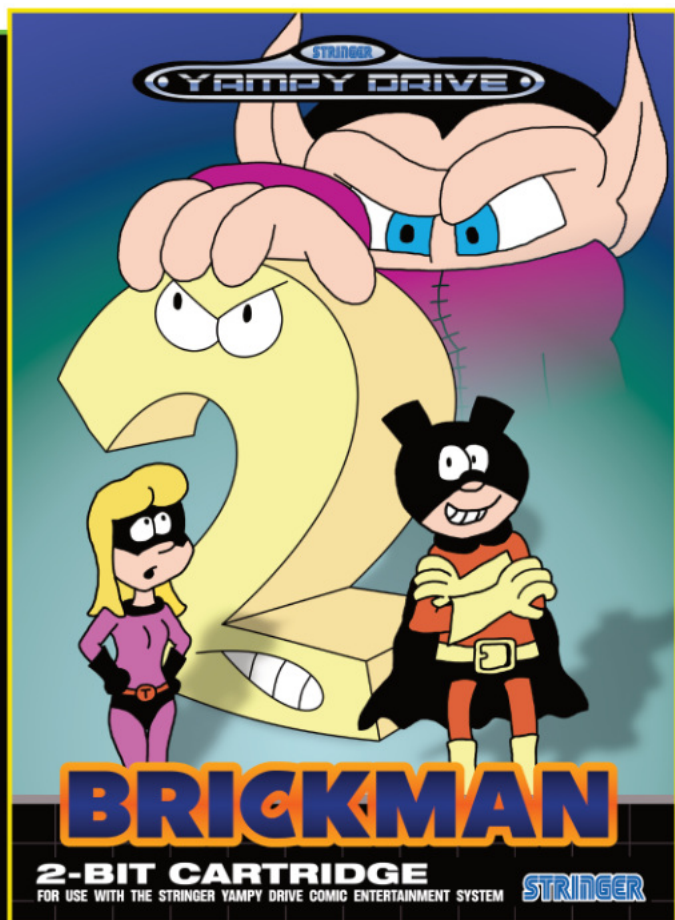
Sam webster

Here to "reign" on your parade!

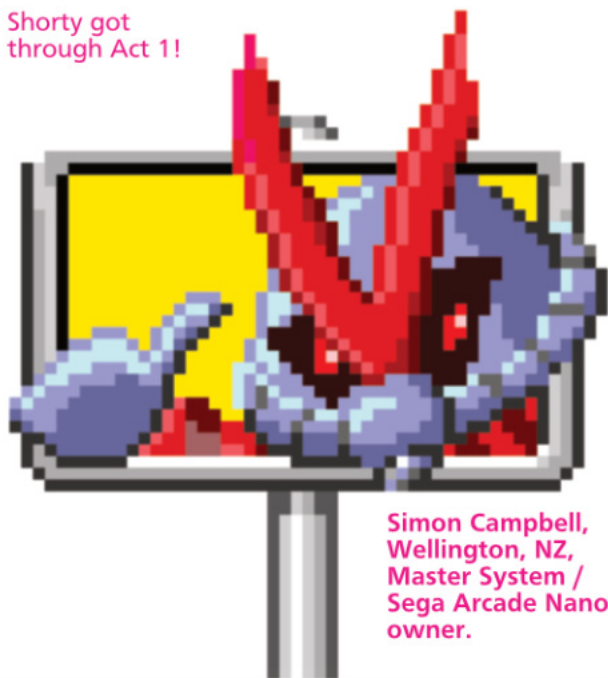
↓ Hodge
Mega Drive/Dreamcast owner



King Sonic appeared in
Mirror Image (STC #168)



Shorty got
through Act 1!



Simon Campbell,
Wellington, NZ,
Master System /
Sega Arcade Nano
owner.

↑ Ah, reminds me of my cousin, Mortardroid!
Daniel Ratcliffe
Cambridge, UK
Master System owner

To help get your artwork selected in future issues please
take note of the following tips:-

- Draw in ink on white paper (avoid pencil or crayon.)
- Be original and don't copy pictures from the comic - try to
come up with your own ideas.
- Include your name and address, preferably written in
capital letters on the back of the page.

SPEEDLINES



Sound off to Megadroid about Lew Stringer in this special edition of Speedlines!

Every letter, or drawing published entitles the sender to buy their very own Sonic Watch, see below for details.

Megadroid regrets that drawings sent in cannot be returned or correspondence entered into.



Bricking it!

Long John Nostalgia

Dear STC:R,

When I think back on my memories of reading STC as a kid, one of the ones that always sticks out is reading the Shortfuse the Cybernik strips. The adventures he went on and then teaming up with Tekno showed what could be done with the setting and the new characters that could be introduced.

Reading through the comics over the last couple of years for the first time since I was a kid made me appreciate what Lew did for the comic. The new characters he introduced which weren't one dimensional and had arcs. With the villains like Metamorphia, they weren't one offs and had satisfying conclusions. The comic was a better place for the stories Lew wrote and the characters he introduced which deserve to be made canon.

John age 38

Mega Drive, Mega CD, 32X owner



I'll pass that onto the Sega execs, John, but I'm not sure Shortfuse or Tekno are going to fly!

Revo-Lew-Tion!

Dear STC:R

Listen, right. There's a kind of comics we're good at in the UK and Lew Stringer is one of its legends. He's been drawing away this whole time, even when rubbish gossip mags and bags of plastic tat tried to push that kind of comic off the shelf, but he kept at it long enough to see UK comics start to rise again, which they currently are. That's because the medium just lives in some people and you'll never prise it out, and Lew's one of those people. He could write a strip that made you laugh loads of times and then go out and resist fascism, and he only needed five pages to do it. Could do it in less I bet.

Dave & Abby Bulmer
Mega Drive owners



Couldn't have put it better myself, both of you.

Hey Boomers we've been overwhelmed with your pictures and letters, such an outpouring of love for Lew Stringer, it warms my circuits, are circuits supposed to be warm?



Attack of the 50ft cybernik!

Junipart
Cincinnati, Ohio

Subtle As A Brick!

Dear STC:R,

My introduction to Lew Stringer was through his morality plays in STC. Stand up to bullies. Don't take the easy way out. Be cautious around celebrities, salespeople, and raining bananas.

As far as I'm concerned, forever a legend of UK comics. Thanks for all the laffs, Lew. Seumidh MacDonald (32)



All good advice, Seumidh. As far as fruit and veg goes, it's rotten tomatoes I have to watch out for.

In To The Lewniverse

Dear STC:R,

My first copy of STC contained Lew Stringer's Mission to the Metropolis Zone, where Amy breaks into Robotnik's citadel and hacks his computer system after taking out several troopers. What a great role model! Lew's characters and stories continue to inspire me to this day: between Amy & Tekno's adventures, Shortfuse's vendetta against Robotnik, and the touring antics of Fabian Vane, we were thoroughly spoiled by his work, and I wouldn't have it any other way.

Kathy Murdoch
Nottinghamshire
MD & MCD owner



The Humes who think they're in charge are big fans of Lew Stringer's work as well, you'd probably get on!

Mega Stylish Watch Alert!!

It's true Boomers, everyone who has a letter or image printed on this page, and even those who haven't, are eligible to buy one of the super snazzy watches pictured opposite! The Sonic Kids Smart Watch is currently available to purchase from major retailers for approximately £29.99, what a steal!



NEXT TIME...
YOU HAVE THE POWER TO SHAPE
THE NEXT STRIP!



IMAGE: ZOE DAVIS

STC:R 6!

COMING SOON!

FREELY AVAILABLE ON THE INTERNET

FEATURING YOUR ART?

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Tell us your socials.

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HOT-SHOTS ONLY

Enter your high score or
achievement here!

GAME.....

SCORE/ACHEIEVEMENT

SYSTEM:- (Please tick)

GG ☐ MCD ☐ MD ☐

MM ☐ MS ☐ 32X ☐

DREAMCAST ☐ SATURN ☐

GAME INTO STRIP

What SEGA game would you like to see
as an STC:R strip in the future?

I THINK.....

.....

Would make a great comic strip
in STC:R

MEGA HITS THIS ISSUE!

List your three favourite
things in this issue in order
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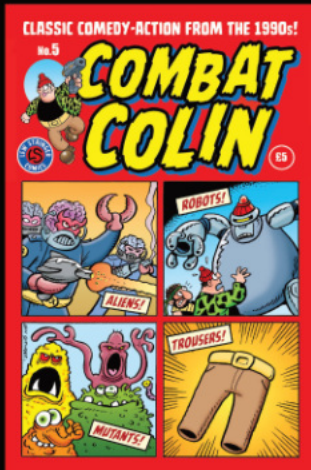
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