

CRIES FROM THE ATTIC™

MORE FROM THE SKETCH PAD...



Happy New Year everyone!! Here's hoping all your hits are crits in 2007. Readers seemed to enjoy seeing the rough sketches last issue on Bob's dad. So I thought I'd dig in my file cabinet and present some more never before seen notes from KODT's past.

I love to doodle while turning over story ideas in my head or brainstorming with the rest of the D-Team. I rarely draw anything by hand that goes directly in the comic. Typically I scan a piece I think has promise and then finish it up on the computer using a drawing pad.

For example, compare the rough sketch of Gary Jackson on the morgue table in the far bottom left with the 'finished' sketch to the right.

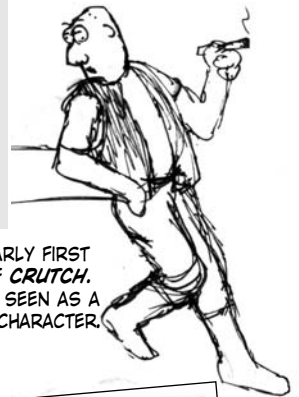
I've always meant to finish up the sketch of Crutch to the right and use it in a strip (We've never seen the other side of Hawg's bar). But that would mean showing Hawg's face.

Hope you enjoy this further peek behind the scenes. Enjoy the current issue!!

Game on!

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RIGHT: EARLY FIRST SKETCH OF CRUTCH. ORIGINALLY SEEN AS A ONE-OFF CHARACTER.

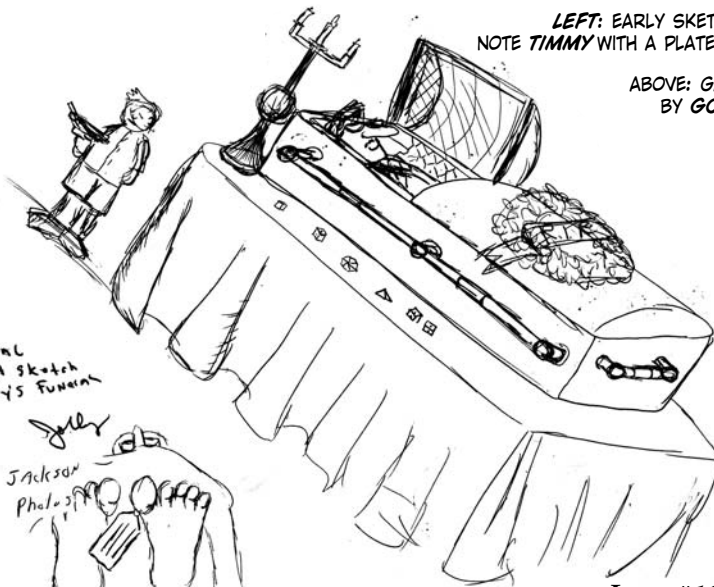


LEFT: EARLY SKETCH OF GARY JACKSON'S FUNERAL. NOTE TIMMY WITH A PLATE OF FOOD AND DICE LEFT NEAR THE COFFIN.

ABOVE: GARY JACKSON MORGUE PHOTO MENTIONED BY GORDO IN A STRIP. IT WAS NEVER USED.

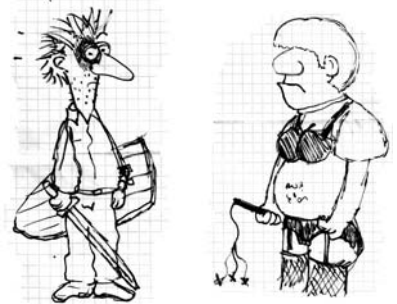


ABOVE: FIRST SKETCH OF HAWGWALLER'S BAR -- CIRCA 1995. NOTICE THAT HAWG ISN'T "PACKING".



Original concept sketch of Gary's funeral

Gary Jackson
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Photos



ABOVE LEFT: B.A.'S WORST LARP EXPERIENCE. ABOVE RIGHT: BRIAN'S WORST LARP EXPERIENCE.