

## **HU: The HaasVoel Underground**

### **Humble Beginnings:**

Back in 1999 a punk kid stood on a balcony smoking a cigarette on his coffee break while chatting to a friend about some party they attended. The party was insane, the alcohol was cheap and the ladies were hot.

'So I heard Frank was there,'

'Yep, he was spinning the decks,'

'I hear he's back in town for good,'

'Here to stay.'

And that ladies and gentlemen is how a legend is born.

### **The Meaning of Haas – PAST:**

Since its official launch in January 2007 The HaasVoel Underground has raised many things (eyebrows, skirts and towns namely) but mostly questions. We've walked a long and interwoven path from a series of bad language puns and tactful word play to an ever expanding industry. What started off as a ratty underground newsletter voicing opinions of social commentary on frivolous things transformed into the mammoth machine of social salvation through the rediscovery of personal choice and freedom of thought?

HU has become the spirit of fun for the free minds of the world. We pride ourselves in showing people a broader side to living through our valiant efforts and constant involvement. We get behind things from community outreach and charity causes to good old fashion parties. Our passion for the world knows no bounds and we're happy to get out there and get involved. March 2012 HU decided to go on hiatus, putting an end to the ever popular monthly online mail circulation in favour of social media platforms. Members of HU have pursued side projects and personal ambitions without mixed success. Future ambitions of reunion were suspended due to conflicting schedules as key members are still attending to personal commitments at this time. Future dates for a HU second coming are still in discussion. Statement release March 03 2012:

*It hasn't been an easy decision to make but that point has been reached for us, for now at least, to expand into the deeper unknowns from the reaping of all that we have achieved thus far. HU has said a lot of things and shared the greatest up until this time and as an entity wanting to grow the time for a rather large change is upon us. We are taking a hiatus with our newsletter in order to better commit our interests elsewhere and to pursue new ambitions. This is by no means the death and end of our monthly issues as they'll come around again when there are things and stuff to share again (probably not for the remainder of 2012 but here's hoping.) A furthering of the creative genius that forms HU in an entirety leads us further into the arts and music and so requires greater commitment of time and resource than what can already be spared. Our experiences will be shared and updated through all of our online channels and media as HU grows upon the mammoth standing recent years have achieved. By making this shift we are allowing the creative freedoms of those who make up HU to explore in a more personal capacity, after all these are the ambitions HU is set to follow. We shall update and share as we go so don't spam us just yet. HU still remains and our readers are not forgotten.*

### **The Meaning of Haas – PRESENT:**

HU is an organization that doesn't exist and is operated by people who are not real and our purpose is to do nothing but get you thinking about life both real and cyber. It's up to you to decide what is the truth, conspiracies, lies, phenomena or inexplicable rubbish. There are two worlds all humans live in - the real world we are all a part of and the fake world we have created for ourselves.

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#### **The Meaning of Haas – FUTURE:**

The future may bring immortality, not even we can say for sure. It is an unwritten story - your story, our story, history.

#### **The Place HU calls HOME:**

As a rule HU dwells deep within the darkest bowels of the earth beneath the modern world we live in. The never-ending interconnecting networks of tunnels allow full unrestricted movement beneath the very feet of the human race walking around in the sunshine above. Contrary to popular belief and though man mines deep into the ground his efforts are small by comparison, indeed the tunnels are as old as time and make for many interesting historical finds but the truth the modern world isn't even aware of their existence. HU initially set up shop under the Hex River Valley and subsequently released a series of natural disasters upon the towns and cities above. Steve then researched the historical origins to the names and through short but vicious negotiations the historical society international commissioned a historical rewrite. History may not have changed however all copyright and trademarks to the name Hex and the use thereof now belong to HU and all infringes and offenders will be burned at the stake for their crimes. The announcement was run in our relevant newsletter issue at the time.

#### **MEET THE CREW:**

The HaasVoel Underground is riddled with creatures vast and innumerable. Some have left deep marks and other just haven't left but in the midst of carnage, chaos, mayhem, madness and the occasional wrestling match HU felt it prevalent to introduce the crew. These weird have committed their entire existence to ensuring the HU machine keeps running. They're extremely passionate about their work and live to serve. Without further hesitation HU would like to introduce:

The Permanent Residents:

Master Hex - A wicked genius whose creative ideals and passion for the living gave rise to all that is HU when he decided to spread the word of Haas across the planet. He is the father, creator and sparring partner of HU. Having separated from the core of the Underground for personal reasons and to separate the idea of Frank and M.H. as being one and the same the reunion came about and all is well again in the land of Haas.

Frank Niemand - The Embodiment of HU. Frank is a poster child for social awareness and the life of every damn party he attends. Although his origins are well documented many still know very little about him and though his family genealogy is convoluted at best it can be said without contest 'Everyone knows Frank.' He is without question the reason for people asking "WTF?"

Steve - A voice of conscience and reason, in a suit. Steve is our resident lawyer and accountant. A recluse he may be but we don't employ him for the conversation.

The gnomes - The vast innumerable work force driving the great machine of HU. These little, stinky drunkards do the brunt work of keeping HU in operation and at times can be a handful but we appreciate their craftsmanship all the same. Labour brokerage was suggested but we thought it best not to encourage trade unionism within the large semi skilled work force of under paid and illegally employed gnomes; HU gave them a legion instead. The Legion of Gnome - The unseen work force of HU are tiny disgruntled garden gnomes. Though the misrepresentation of gnomish folk is rife these days

these dirty beer soaked laborers are a fundamental keystone keeping the HU machine turning. Ironically these little fellas inspired HU to start an initiative called HU Cares. While the legion hold no real significance it has kept peace over the years whenever a dispute arose, and there were a great many. Lady Bat - Our feminine touch and nuptial betrothed to Master Hex since 2011 and official business partner from 2016.

#### **The Gimmicks:**

Vigilantes and The DTA - Paintball team gimmicks that promoted the competitive spirit of the game instead of the childish bullshit modern sports encounter that lead to the inevitable cock measure / pissing contest and nobody has any fun.

HUW - A representation of all those adrenaline driven moments in life when all forms of logic are overridden in a quantum moment of time, HUW is the metaphorical hand of Karma waiting smack something upside it's tiny narrow head. When HU needs to get things done - it's HUW time! Sadly the league was abandoned in 2010 after citations were issued for health and safety violations in terms of the public exhibition act. The financial losses could no longer be carried by HU and HUW closed with a title defense of the HUW Tag Team title in a no holds barred tables match. Fat Charlie and Frankie - A duo of misfit gnomish outcasts that make up the crux of our HUW project. Fighters they may be but they're loyal to say the least.

Rentacrowd - There are many poor unfortunate souls in this world that lack the personality and/or fortitude to take over and become the life of a party. Whether its a quiet social gathering or a mass scale mosh fest HU understands what is required and through a relatively small team we become the party. Sadly parties too are feeling the economic pressure so people can't afford to replace the wrecked furniture these days (Frank is an animal, party or not)

Benny! The stone faced Killa - Our very own mascot, having moved on to mystical forests in the south lands in the autumn of 2010 this elusive beast became the resident lesser clearly photographed Bigfoot in the area. Local wildlife is safe as he only eats the homeless. Some say in the dead of night you can hear the bones of homeless folk being chewed and the local vicar talk of free beer every other Sunday. All we know is he's NOT called the Stig.

The Dragon Tamer - HU's feminine touch. Having acquired our own in house Cloud Dragon we needed to train the little beast from a hatch-ling Her skills as a creature handler are unmatched and though she is on a freelance contract with HU, the underground is always glad to see a pretty face every so often.

Ballrack - Our troll like friend was accidentally unearthed during a tunnel expansion operation. Standing shy of 20 ft Ballrack is more useful than he's credited for, and extremely quick and agile.

Frank Dong - The phallic beast tamed everything upon entry, literally. It was such a monster the pornographic society rejected our proposal to mass manufacture these latex love toys citing safety concerns for anyone attempting to use it. Frank was sorely disappointed.

#### **Side Projects:**

Spatchcock - Every army needs a marching band, though that seems obscure to us because one cannot mosh while marching unless you are a descendant of Nelly the Elephant (who by historical count was the only mammal to achieve a mosh/march en route to the circus) nevertheless we have our own band.

HU Cares - Giving something back through the HU Cares initiative encouraged many people to get involved with various charity programs. Sometimes in the most unorthodox ways but then charity is about helping and not about free hand outs. HU is a troll on the outside but deep within beats a lion heart so when the world doesn't want to care anymore rest assured HU still does. We support animal shelters and have been avid supporters of the SPCA.

So what happened to HU?

2020 we dropped off the map, completely off the frigten grid without explanation. Our sudden social passing was necessary as #culture was poisoning the internet and we didn't want any part of that. That's not to say we're dead and gone, not in the physical worlds at least. As it turns out the real world has real problems that requires really boring things doing other things to make even more things and then you have a bit of a coin...

Our leaders remain human and stepped away from all of it for reasons of life, the universe and everything else. HU is not dead, we're archived. A modest archive that humans of the future will uncover when they resurrect Google from extinction and bring back to life the server farms of Silicon Valley; digital content has its own universal energy, that is what it posted online remains in the vast emptiness of cyber space. Listen carefully – we are here.