

MONSTER OF THE WEEK

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Keep Calm and Carry On | Nathan Shields

Concept	
A pair of mating thrillclaws have taken up residence in the sewers of Lawrence, IL. A local farmer has been noticing his animals disappearing, and now the thrillclaws have started killing and abducting humans. They are capturing live humans to feed to their offspring which are hatching in a few days. To make things worse, Lawrence is hosting a horror movie festival this weekend. Human adrenaline is both a delicacy and drug to the thrillclaws, so the festival is a perfect buffet for them.	
Hook	
The town of Lawrence has been on the hunter's radar for a while, due to the strange attacks on farm animals. Then, on Saturday night, the first human victim, one Eric Zhang, was abducted right in front of his girlfriend eyes.. She reported seeing something definitely not human. As the hunters enter town Sunday morning, they notice a billboard saying "4th Annual Lawrence Horror Movie Festival! Begins this Friday."	
Countdown	
DAY	Sunday Night: Two men are drunk, yelling at each other outside Wolfie's Pub, and are attacked by the female thrillclaw. One is immediately killed and has kidneys eaten. The thrillclaw is heavily affected by the alcohol in the man's bloodstream, and retreats without attacking the second man, Daniel Page.
SHADOWS	Tuesday Morning: Hunting party of 4, including Hanna Thompson, goes after the thrillclaws. 2 killed, one abducted. Only Hanna survives.
DUSK	Wednesday Midday: The Mayor gathers the townsfolk and announces that the horror movie festival will not be cancelled. She promises that Sheriff Patrick Moore will handle everything.
SUNSET	Wednesday Night: Linda Matterson goes into the sewers alone, looking for Eric. She is captured by the thrillclaws.
NIGHTFALL	Thursday Night: Thrillclaw eggs hatch and the captured victims are devoured. (Activate Youngling thrillclaw Pack minion)
MIDNIGHT	Friday Night - Sunday Night: The thrillclaws sense the adrenaline in the crowd and attack the Horror Movie Festival, slaughtering dozens. This is bad news.
Notes, Custom Moves, Etc.	
When thrillclaws kill, they eat the kidneys of their victims, because that's where the adrenal glands are.	

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Threats: Monsters & Minions					
	NAME	Female Thrillclaw		NAME	Male Thrillclaw
	TYPE	Monster	Devourer	TYPE	Monster Breeder
	MOTIVATION	To consume people		MOTIVATION	To give birth to evil
	POWERS	Adrenaline Addict: Craves adrenaline, and can sense it from far away. Hunters must roll +Cool to stay calm in the presence of a thrillclaw. They can choose to fail the roll but do not mark experience. On a 10+, the thrillclaw does not sense the hunter, or if it notices them, it ignores them completely unless attacked. On a 7-9, the thrillclaw knows the general location of the hunter and is aggressive. On a 6-, the thrillclaw knows exactly where the hunter is and will attack. Hearty Exoskeleton: The thrillclaw's heart is protected by a bony exoskeleton on it's chest, but not back. Tranquilizer Venom: Causes extreme lethargy and may induce sleep for up to 24 hours or until treated. Thrillclaws will not try to kill anyone under the influence of the venom, only capture them and bring them back to their lair. Injected by the Bite attack if not quickly shaken off. Hunters take -1 ongoing while effected. Can be cured by hard drugs, magic, or waiting 24 hours.		POWERS	Same as Female Thrillclaw
	WEAKNESSES	Ingested/injected sedatives or alcohol. Destroy or remove the heart.		WEAKNESSES	Same as Female Thrillclaw
	ATTACKS	Claws: 3-harm, hand Bite: 2-harm, intimate		ATTACKS	Same as Female Thrillclaw
	ARMOUR	1		ARMOUR	1
	HARM CAP.	□□□□ □□□□		HARM CAP.	□□□□ □□□□
	NAME	Youngling Thrillclaw Pack (3, cap 2-harm each)		NAME	
	TYPE	Minion	Assassin	TYPE	
	MOTIVATION	To kill the hunters		MOTIVATION	
	POWERS	Wired: If the pack has recently consumed human adrenaline, +1 harm to their attacks		POWERS	

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WEAKNESSES	""	WEAKNESSES	
ATTACKS	Bite and Scratch Individual: 1-harm hand Group: 2 -harm hand area	ATTACKS	
ARMOUR	1	ARMOUR	
HARM CAP.	□□□□ □	HARM CAP.	□□□□ □□□□ □□□□ □□□□

Threats: Bystanders & Locations					
NAME TYPE MOTIVATION NOTES	Linda Matterson		NAME TYPE MOTIVATION NOTES	Daniel Page	
	Bystander	Witness		Bystander	Witness
	To reveal information			To reveal information	
	Her boyfriend Eric Zhang was the first abducted (hook). She was half passed out on the couch, having taken valium post surgery. Wants the hunters to save her boyfriend.			Watched the thrillclaw kill his friend in the Day phase. Notes that alcohol may have had an effect on it. Wants the hunters to kill the thrillclaws.	
NAME TYPE MOTIVATION NOTES	Sheriff Patrick Moore		NAME TYPE MOTIVATION NOTES	Wolfie’s Pub	
	Bystander	Official		Location	Hub
	To be suspicious			To reveal information	
	Doesn’t think the animal disappearances have anything to do with the attacks on humans. Suspects the hunters may have something to do with it. Wants the hunters out of town.			The main bar in the down. Music and dancing at night, decent American fare during the day. Location of the Day phase attack.	
NAME TYPE MOTIVATION NOTES	Mayor Susie Cortez		NAME TYPE MOTIVATION NOTES	Horror Movie Festival	
	Bystander	Skeptic		Location	Deathtrap
	To deny supernatural explanation			To harm intruders	
	Pretty much refuses to consider a supernatural explanation. The festival is too important to the town of Lawrence to be cancelled. Believes Sheriff Moore will take care of the issue, whatever it is. Wants the hunters to NOT get in the way of			The Horror Movie Festival starts Friday night, and creates the perfect meal for the thrillclaws: dozens of already terrified humans.	

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	the festival this weekend.			
NAME	Miss Hanna Thompson		NAME	Sewers
TYPE	<i>Bystander</i>	Witness	TYPE	<i>Location</i> Den
MOTIVATION	To reveal information		MOTIVATION	To harbour monsters
NOTES	Farmer whose livestock were being eaten by the thrillclaws. Was in hunting party. Stayed cool, wasn't attacked and hit a thirlclaw with a tranq dart. Noticed it was effective. Wants the hunters to kill the thrillclaws.		NOTES	The thrillclaws have nested and laid their eggs in the sewers. They also keep the humans they've captured down here, sedated by the tranq venom.