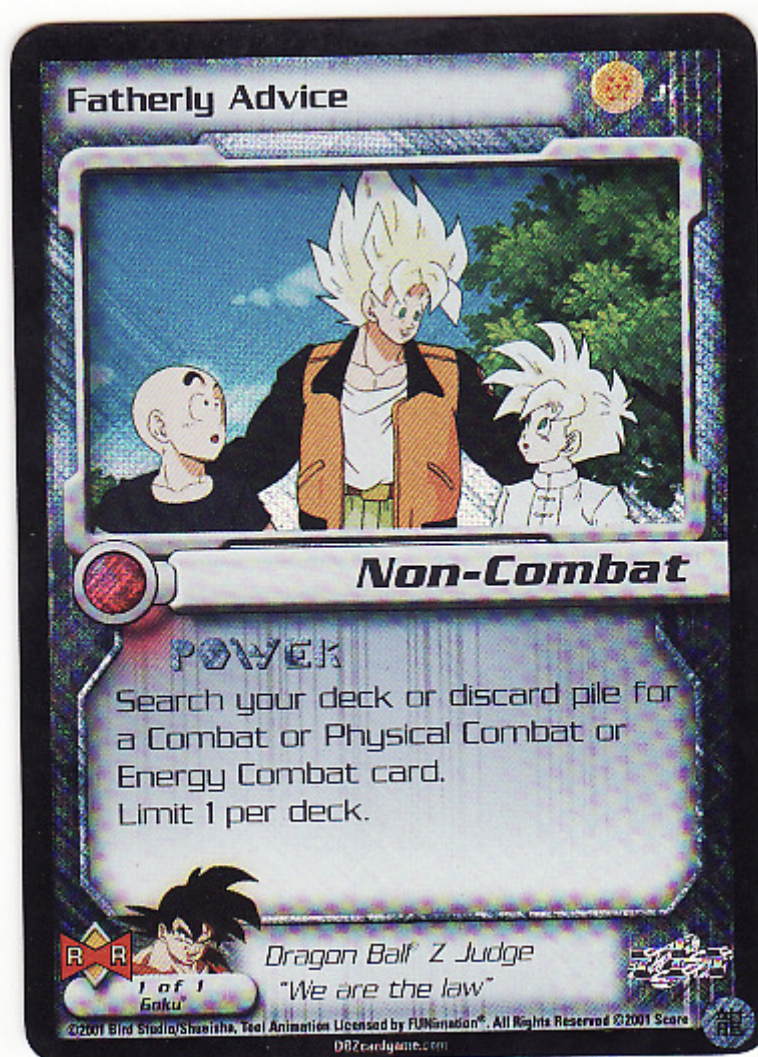


Hercule's TrickBusters: J2 – Gohan's Super Kamehameha!

This entry into the TrickBusters is one that hasn't surfaced in a while, but is one of the more interesting stories in the history of the TCG. It actually has more to do with the Dragon Ball GT TCG, but has some roots in the Z game as well.



The Trick: Was there ever a card numbered J2 called Gohan's Super Kamehameha in Dragon Ball GT TCG?



The Judge promos in the Dragon Ball Z TCG are **some of the rarest cards in the game**, so it's no wonder there's a little bit of mystery about some of the entries into this subset. The DBZ Judge cards are fairly well documented, but the issue arises in Dragon Ball GT where there's a well-known J1, the previously pictured **Broly's Legendary Ki Explosion**, and a somewhat lesser known but documented J3, **Judging the Landscape** (pictured below). So what happened to J2? Where is it? What is it?



The matter really didn't get much attention except from a few collectors, with most just assuming it was either an unreleased card or merely an error in numbering. There was no comment from Score or really any speculation on what the card could be at all. And then all of a sudden, rumors started picking up that the missing J2 was a card called Gohan's Super Kamehameha and that there were actually copies leaked out of Score. But where did these rumors start? Would you believe all the way in Germany?

A well known German collector named **Mirko Jaros** was contacted by someone in the United States claiming to be Score Game Designer **Aik Tongtharadol**. FAik, as we'll now call him, told Mirko that Score wanted to recognize him as the World Champion of Collecting, since he had collected all the World Champion cards permanently released so far, though FAik specifically called out **OP35 The Almighty Light Cage**, the 2004 Expanded Worlds Champion card. FAik

informed Mirko that he would receive a hefty backstock of cards and a copy of the previously confiscated **OP 31 Super Dragon Fist** and the mysterious J2. All Mirko had to do was send FAik high resolution photos of the rarer OP cards in his collection.



Here is where J2 is first named as **Gohan's Super Kamehameha**. FAik goes on to explain that it was mistakenly not printed in the Shadow Dragon Saga expansion so Score went back and reprinted it in the Shadow Dragon style of foiling with the intention of distributing it to the "most passionate collectors of the game" worldwide. The card is described as a "flashback" card featuring **Gohan destroying Cell** way back in the Cell Games. It was also supposed to be the "strongest energy attack in the DBGTT TCG." A representative from Score was supposed to fly to Germany to deliver the cards personally to Mirko, but no one ever showed. Finally, the real Aik was contacted, who confirmed that none of the communications came from him or Score.

Meanwhile someone on Top Tier Gaming started claiming to have the mysterious J2, and even started calling it **Gohan's Super Kamehameha**. Since, up to this point, Mirko had not told anyone about the FAik and his J2, suspicions started to arise as to whether this person and FAik might be one in the same. This time though, the community was involved and the TopTierFAik refused to answer any questions about the card and would not post a picture claiming others would "make counterfeits" (this being before fan made fakes reached the level of near perfection they have now). TopTierFAik eventually got so bold as to propose a trade of his J2 for Mirko's **SZ9 Ultimate Champion**, yet still refused to give proof of the **Gohan's Super Kamehameha**.

At this point the jig (if there ever was any) was up and the community was now in on it. TopTierFAik went away in a tantrum saying he "did not want to waste his time any longer with childish stuff" (despite this actually involving several thousands of dollars worth of cards). Email FAik sent one last email, apologizing for his actions but never really stating why he did

any of it. He was never heard from again. The community mockingly made a fan card of **Gohan's Super Kamehameha** to commemorate the whole bizarre incident.



The fallout from this incident was that there was now a name to the mysterious J2. The card still had never been seen, and every once in a while you would see collectors and players asking for **Gohan's Super Kamehameha**. The saga eventually came to an end and died down on the final day of Score Entertainment. An **unknown Score Employee** took the DBG TCG Master List and released it to the fan community. The list contained gems like the unfinished and unreleased **Dragon Ball GT Anthologies Saga**, but it also listed all the promo cards for the game as well. Here it listed J2 as... **BROLY'S LEGENDARY KI EXPLOSION!** There was no listing for J1.

Bottom Line: The missing J2 was most likely the result of a numbering error, since **Broly's Legendary Ki Explosion** was released as J1 but appears in the master list as J2. There is no evidence that a card called **Gohan's Super Kamehameha** ever existed, and every Score Employee with knowledge of that has confirmed it.

Trick: Busted

Later Broz!

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Mirko Jaros contributed to this article. He is currently looking for **Inuyasha TCG** Rumiko Takahashi signed cards, please contact him if you have one or know someone who does.