

# PALATINE AREA ADVANCED SQUAD LEADER'S NEWSLETTER #35

Sessions 114 -116, Games 268 - 277, March, 2010

## SESSION 114

### NEWCOMER VICTORIOUS

Scenario SP170 Half Hearted Hiwi's (game 268), saw newcomer John Pire's Germans defeat Schatz's Brit/Canadian forces by taking the buildings needed. Ron's set up left a path open through a woods and that opening was exploited by John who ran up a kill stack early in the game. A last minute counter attack by Schatz was too little, too late. We welcome John who has won a tournament before he took a 7 year leave from ASL. Welcome back and welcome to the club!

### STARTER KIT HEDGEROWS

Yes, you heard right. The starter kits now have hedgerow rules since the release of the new SK pack. Tim's Germans held off Mike Lembke's Yanks. They attacked aggressively and lost 2 full squads to "3" rolls on the IFT in turn one. At the end too many Yanks were broken to win the game. The Scenario was One More Hedgerow S42 (game 269).

### LONG GAME

Holmstrom played a late one against Gries. Doug is new to armor and learned a few lessons from Bob. The good Russian armor for Doug came on too late as Bob just fled (run away, run away) to preserve the VP's since he already had enough buildings to win. Romanian More was the scenario and it is FtF 41.

## SESSION 115

### ANOTHER LONG GAME

Into Vienna Woods AP 52 (game 271) Went late into the night. Doug Gries' Russians won in the last turn on the last roll. John Pires troops lost the hill area but we must credit John with giving Doug the balance (extra vehicle with a gun), and that vehicle caused John much misery later in the game.

### INCOMPLETE GAME/NEW PLAYER

Scenario S32 (game 272) was not completed, but we were able to welcome **Josh Stein** to the club. His Germans attacked Mike Lembke's Russians. Both players were learning and experimenting with the Gun rules.

### ANOTHER NEW PLAYER

Purple Heart Lane (game 270). Kleinschmidt defeated new comer but long time friend, **Tom Barkalow** in Tom's first ASL game ever. The Germans Dave played kept "skulking" and Tom fell one house short of reaching the number required for victory.

### FRERES D'ARME - 2

Klepaczky and Schatz got in a game of "The Story of Easy Company" scenarios that are available on line. This one, was a scenario called Freres d'Arme 2 Scenario SK. On a turn 4 prep, the German 50L rated 7 times reducing 3 7-4-7's and a 9-1 to just a pinned 9-1. BRUTAL BABY!! Tim's Americans gained 3 of the 4 victory hexes in spite of such brutality.

## SESSION 116

### CARENTAN TIMES TWO!

This nice little gem is called Clearing Carentan S? (games 275 and 276), and it is from the Normandy Starter Kit expansion. Lembke's Germans could not stop Kleinschmidt's Americans as they assaulted quickly to exploit openings in the enemy line and capture the required buildings. Dave and Mike switched sides and set them up again. This time Kleinschmidt's Germans held off the Americans with some timely OBA hits and by covering all the approach routes. This one is a great one to play in one evening.

### CLOSE CALL!

Here is another tight scenario and it is War of the Rats S2 (game 277). Schatz took the Germans and

succeeded in taking the 3 victory buildings from Barkalow. There was an exciting counter attack from the Soviets in Stalingrad that fell short by one failed MC of retaking a victory building in the last turn.

*Greatest ROF Award*– Ron Schatz

*Best Sportsmanship Award*- John Pires

And here are the standings for what they are worth....

86%	<b>Bob Holmstrom</b>
78%	<b>Dave Kleinschmidt</b>
60%	<b>Doug Gries</b>
55%	<b>Mike Stubits</b>
50%	<b>Dave Timonen</b>
50%	<b>John Pires</b>
46%	<b>Tim Klepaczky</b>
37%	<b>Ron Schatz</b>
28%	<b>Mike Lembke</b>
26%	<b>Jeff Hallett</b>
0%	<b>Tom Barkalow</b>
0%	<b>Will Marrero</b>
0%	<b>Josh Stein</b>

I am glad you all can make it so often and hope you have fun and these meetings. Remember to select a scenario that can be finished in 3 hours and have a defense ready if I manage to get your opponent assigned early enough.

Thanks all,

Roll Low and may the dice be with you.  
**David Kleinschmidt**

Tip of the Day – *Having fun and camaraderie is more important than winning.*