

The Lone Star Dispatch

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"Officers Mess - a note from the LSHM Board"

By Mark Leroux (MillenniumCon Director)

Greetings Fellow Gamers!

MillenniumCon is here – see you in Round Rock TX on November 6th!!!

Here are the last **important dates** you need to know about.

Nov 3rd 11:59pm - online registration and game signup will close. You can still buy a pass, buy a flea market table and signup for games at the convention, but some games may fill up early.

Nov 6th at 10am - Convention doors will open! First game session starts at noon!

Nov 8th at 1:30pm - Convention will close!

For general information about the convention and the hotel, start by going to <http://www.millenniumcon.info>

You can get updates on the convention on our MillenniumCon Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/millenniumcon>

If you have questions, please email me (Mark Leroux) at mlerouxtx@gmail.com or Charlie at torokc@hotmail.com.

Looking forward to a great event! Hope to see you there!

Mark Leroux

The Lone Star Historical Miniatures (LSHM). We promote miniatures wargaming in primarily historical periods but also fantasy/sci-fi. We are not dedicated to one rule set or scale. We promote miniatures wargaming by running events, helping local conventions, and assisting with tournaments, financial backing and run demo games. We will also run gaming classes at schools. We encourage all gamers to be a part of our group to help support our common hobby.



Hello Gamers!

MillenniumCon is Here!!!!

MillenniumCon is finally here, we look forward to seeing you at the convention. MillenniumCon will be held on Nov 6th-8th at the Wingate Hotel and Convention Center in Round Rock. Let us know if you have any questions.



Volunteers Needed

- Game Masters
- Front Desk – Hospitality
- Concessions
- Table setup and teardown
- Prize donations

We are looking for individuals or groups to work 1 hour shifts during the convention. Contact Charlie Torok: torokc@hotmail.com for more information.

Important dates

Nov 3rd 12:00am - online registration and game signup will close. You can still buy a pass and signup for games at the convention, but some games may fill up early.

Alcohol Policy

Alcoholic beverages are allowed at the convention during the Friday Evening and Saturday Evening sessions. All alcoholic beverages MUST be purchased from the hotel bar and carried into the convention center. Drinks purchased from liquor stores, convenience stores, grocery stores or brought from home ARE NOT ALLOWED! Anyone found with drinks from outside vendors will be asked to pack up their games and will be escorted off the convention site without refund. Hotel employees and convention staff will be watching.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

--Mark Leroux

Grind House Games is coming to MillenniumCon18

WELCOME TO THE GRINDHOUSE.



We are looking forward to welcoming GRINDHOUSE Games again this year to MillenniumCon. GrindHouse is our Gold Sponsor as they are every year. Thanks and stop by their booth when at Millennium this year!!!

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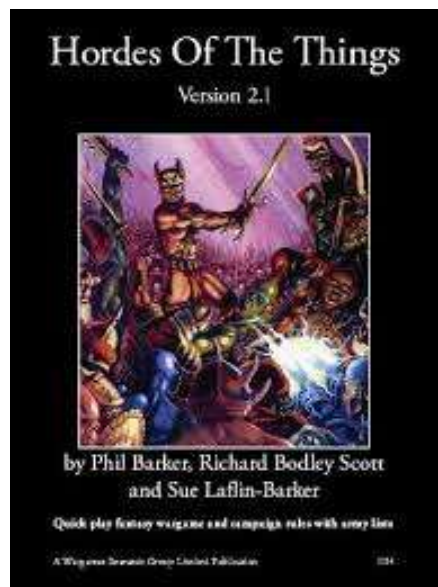
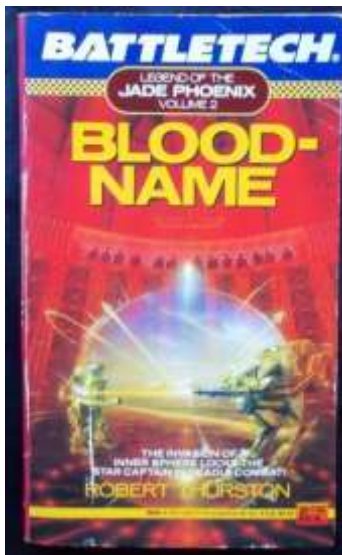
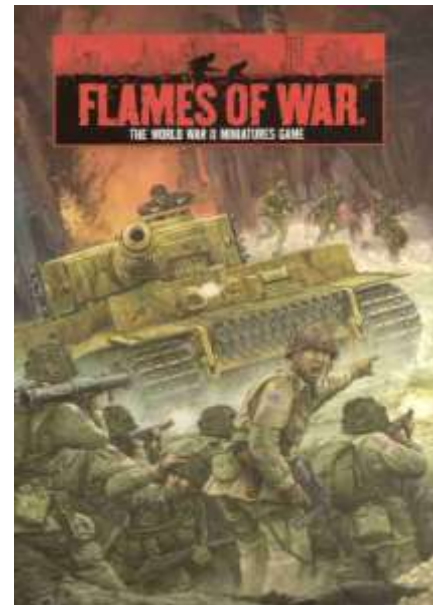
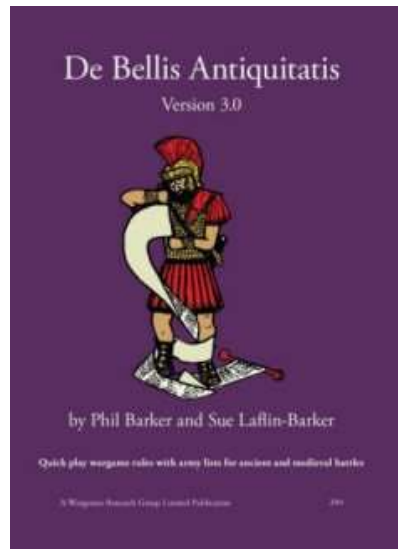
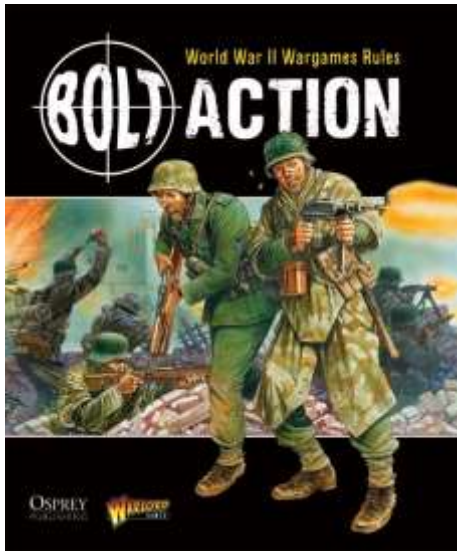
INCURSION is set in the world of Secrets of the Third Reich and is the ultimate combination of board game and miniatures game. Armored troopers of the US "Lucky Seventh" and stalwart commandos of the United Kingdom's MI-13 hurtle through underground bunkers and combat the monstrous forces of the German SWD in a furious race against time. The Doomsday Device is ticking and neither the Allies nor the Axis can fail. This two player game features a tight storyline campaign that culminates in an epic and desperate climax. The game mechanics are simple to grasp allowing players to instantly focus on their tactical options. Game play is incredibly fast-paced and tense and players choose their forces through a card-based Requisition Point system. The game is played on a board with a special card deck and highly detailed 30mm metal miniatures.



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Pivotal Battles of History - 200th Anniversary of Waterloo

MC18 Tournaments



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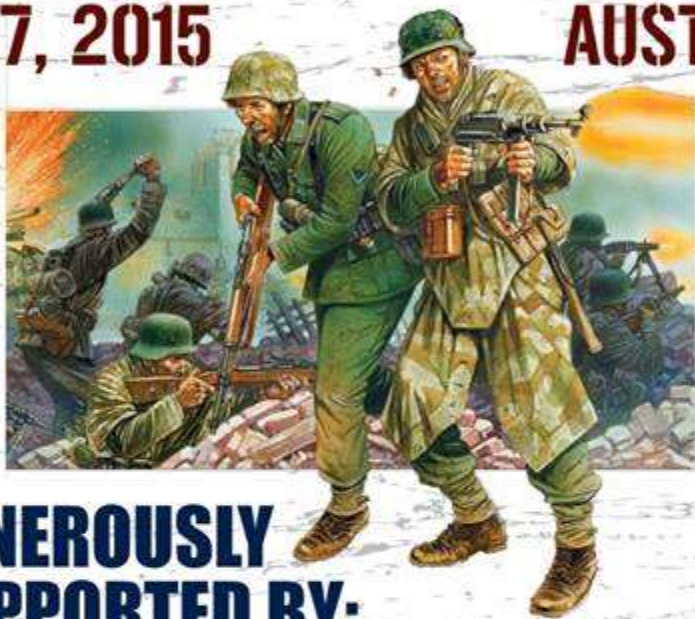
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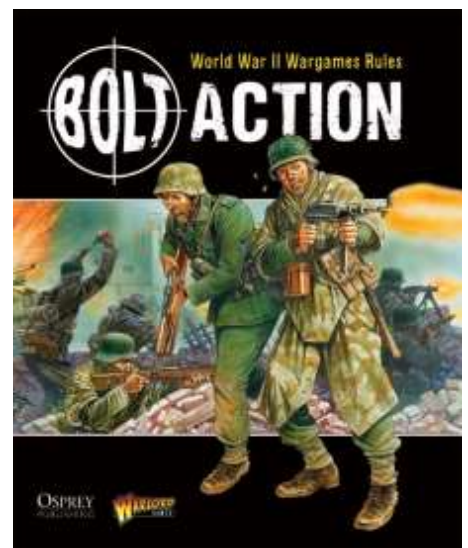
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Past Events

Bolt Action STALINGRAD Tournament – 10 October



BATTLE REPORT: We had 15 players fighting on 7 tables. The two main tables featured the Germans (Art) attacking into Stalingrad (Oct 1942) attempting to dislodge the Russians (Nathanael) from the ruins of the city. and The Russians (Nathan) attacking (Dec. 1942) into the surrounded 6th Army (Casey) defenses.

San Antonio Bolt Action Group (BAG)

The other 4 tables acted as supporting attacks, with objectives that would influence the main battle on tables #1 and #2. Chris (USA) attempted to cut off t...he Axis air supply (Dec 1942) by battling the Hungarins (Tyler) on table #3. On Table #4 a German armored recon unit (Carl) attempted to destroy the allied (Roman's Greeks) defending the supply dump.



Table #5 had the Italian 8th Army (Eli) attempting to capture (Oct 1942) a key observation point from the Russian partisans (Michael) in order to call in artillery or air support for the main table #1. Table #6 had the allies (Donnovan) attempting to capture a key hill from the Germans (Brandon).



Bolt Action STALINGRAD

Past Events

Tournament – 10 October - Continued



The last table #7 featured Oscar and Marcelino fighting a battle that introduced Marcelino to Bolt Action (his first game).

The main focus of the battle was on tables #1 and #2, the other tables provided support. The Germans captured and held 7 objective points and the Russians held 3 objective points. This is the 3rd straight Axis victory in the Bolt Action Group (BAG) featured battle tournament. All players had a great time and thanks much to DRAGONS LAIR for their continued support of our group. More pictures and battle reports to follow.

Rob Gravener provided some excellent terrain, his Stalingrad model (although still not completed) was magnificent!!!

We hope all of you are able to participate in the Texas Bolt Action Championship at MillenniumCon in November!!



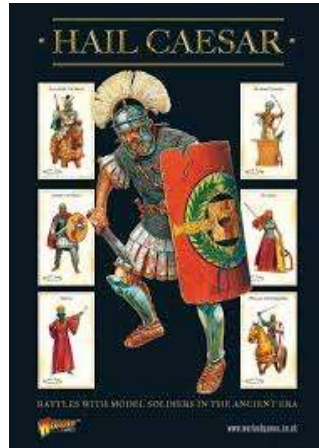
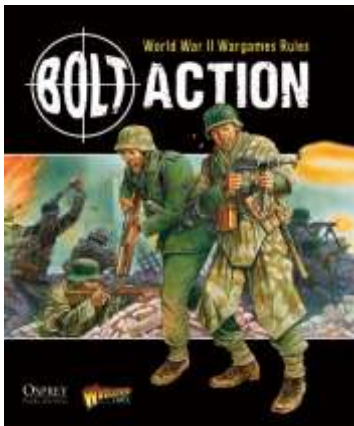
Warlords is coming to MillenniumCon18

Come join the Warlords team for a Bolt Action Demo game. They will also feature their new game system: Antares!!

Some other items ...hush hush....will be featured at MillenniumCon.....more to follow!

.....and we might have a few SURPRISES for the day of the con...we can leak some juicy gossip if you like...at the appropriate times of course!!

Cheers – Jon Russell



— BEYOND THE —
GATES OF ANTARES

What the hell is Weird WWII anyway?

That's a great question because Weird WWII is often unique to those who game it. One gamer might play with **super-soldiers** wearing their nation's flag into battle alongside regular dog-faced Joes fighting against **reanimated corpses controlled by the followers of the crooked cross**, where as another gamer might pit their **Texas State Guard** against marauding **Fallschirmjäger** in the rolling hills of Texas or **beleaguered police** and **civilians** fighting wave after wave of **Banzai charges** in the streets of LA! Weird WWII can also be as subtle as a simple slight historical change like that of the Panzers being released earlier to the beaches of Normandy or with a ready and waiting US on 12/7/41 at Pearl Harbor. In other words, Weird WWII is anything you, the gamer, wants it to be and in this golden age of miniature war gaming you have a huge selection to pick from for your battles.



If you want a structured system with a detailed weird war timeline and world then check out **Dust Tactics** or **Warfare**, **Secrets of the Third Reich**, **AE-WWII**, **Gear Krieg** or **Incursion**. All these games have detailed rules, timelines, stories and miniature lines to help with your gaming. If you want a more flexible set of rules where you make up your own timeline then check out **NUTS!: War Without End**, **Verdammnis**, **Geheimkrieg**, and my very own **Battleground WWII** modified system **Battleground: Weird WWII**. These rule sets give you just about everything you need to deploy those **Tesla Guns** and **X7 ATGMs** or to field undead troops or vile monstrosities from beyond the stars in your games.

But lets not forget the best part of our hobby, the **MINIS** and **MODELS!!!** Weird WWII is easy to field because you can field any of your "straight" WWII stuff along with special minis from just about any minis line you want to use! So all those **zombies** you got laying around from your fantasy days can be used against your opponent's massed waves of Russian infantry or that **super hero mini** from back in the day can be used to take out that den of Nazi 5th Columnists in DC! There are numerous WWII minis lines out there too, so check out the lines from the games listed above as well as from **What The?! Miniatures**, **Pulp Figures**, **Victory Force Miniatures**, **Brigade Games**, **Graven Images** and so many more! Another cool aspect of Weird WWII is that you can field all those Korean War era vehicles and all those great sci-fi models on the model market. You will have a plethora to choose from and with a little Google-Fu your off playing with those **M26s** vs. some **Panther Fs** or deploying the 82nd Airborne via their **H-12 Dragonfly choppers**! So go out there and mix WWII up as much as you think you can take and have a great time on the weird war tabletop battlefield!!



Whatever and however you play, play it **WEIRD!!!**

Brian

More Future Events



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BANE OF WAR

Welcome to the BANE OF WAR 6 tournament January 16th – 17th 2016

This year we will be playing Mid War, at *1675 points*, in all theaters (all lists in the Mid War books and applicable pdfs, no MWM at all).

50 players - Players will pre-pay and pre-register to be guaranteed a spot
(WE WILL NOT BE GOING OVER 50 PLAYERS!!)

Where: Texas Military forces museum, 2200 West 35th Street. Camp Mabry
BoW participants play in a WWII museum, surrounded by Sherman's, halftracks and much more!
We will be moving many more of our tables out onto the floor this year.

What does this mean to you?

First, pre-register @ register@baneofwar.com in paypal @ \$25.00- Allowing 25 allied and 25 axis armies, so sign up soon! Armies should only be chosen from the MidWar War books, or PDF's that are applicable to that period.

More Future Events



SAGA – Houston Texas

When: 5 December 2015

Where: Fat Ogre, Houston TX

The Houston Area SAGA Players can be found on Facebook (under the same name). Currently we have a recurring SAGA tourney/event on the first Saturday of every even numbered month at Fat Ogre in The Woodlands.

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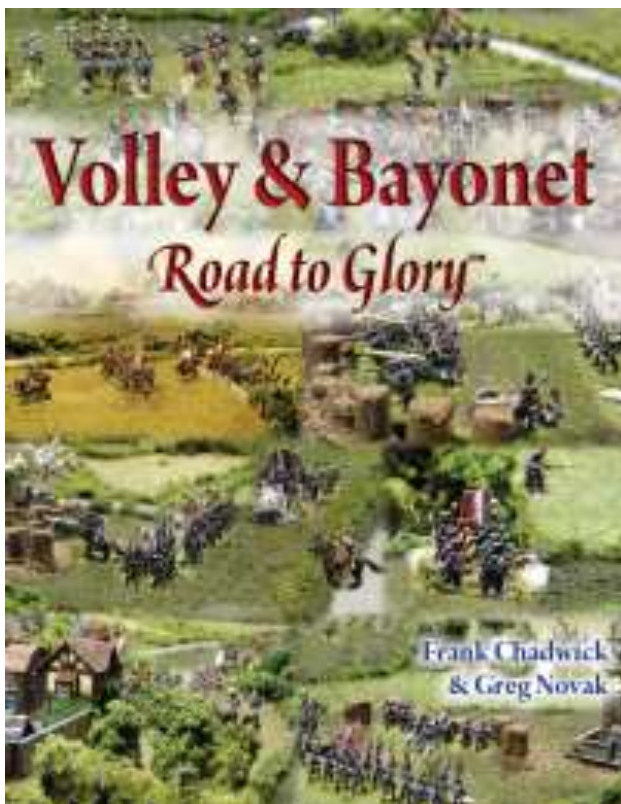
We need your gaming event or tournament listed here!!

Waterloo 1815 comes to MillenniumCon18

By Lloyd Eaker

"Volley & Bayonet" version of Waterloo using 28mm figures"

Join Lloyd as he puts on two massive games at MillenniumCon this year. Saturday morning session (0830 – 1230) will be **Waterloo: Hougoumont & D'Erlon's attack** and then in the afternoon (2pm – 6pm) will be **Waterloo - the Revenge of the Prussians**. These should be excellent games to both play and watch. They will be showcased in the main ballroom for all to enjoy. Stop by and say hi to Lloyd and watch the battle unfold.



Past Events



Texas Broadsides – Houston Texas

Texas Broadside took place on the weekend of October 9-11.

In Cooperation with the Battleship Texas Foundation

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Houston Beer and Pretzel Wargaming



Texas BROADSIDE! is done for this year. Texas BROADSIDE! 2016 will be October 7-9, 2016. So mark your calendars now!!



Texas Championship at MC18

The logo for the SAGA (Star Wars Armies) gaming community, featuring the word "SAGA" in a stylized, metallic, serif font.

7 November Tournament

Join the Texas SAGA players for a Texas size Championship tournament at MillenniumCon18. Contact Pete Atack for more info: pntack@sbcglobal.net

Arm yourselves and rally your warband and prepare for 4 rounds of battling your opponents! Warbands must come from official SAGA books; 6-point scenarios with a 7th point allowed for swapping between games. Swiss pairing will determine opponents. Minis must be painted to a 3-color standard. Loaner warbands available. Each round will be 75-minutes with scenarios picked from new and old rulebooks. Crescent and Cross rulebook + current FAQ will govern play. Play starts at 1pm and should be over by 6pm, but may run slightly over, for your planning purposes.



News from the Master Hobbyist: All Things Wargaming! Dallas TX,

[Mr. Steve Miller](#)

[13 point Saracen SAGA force](#)

I started putting this force on the table to take a couple of photos. Didn't know I had this large a force. Oh well...I'll never have to worry about woulda', coulda', shoulda' had something for a game right?





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Join LSHM

MillenniumCon is the perfect time to join!!!

Welcome and we look forward to lots of gaming this next year!!!

The cost of membership is \$5 and this goes towards promotion and prizes for our many events state-wide. This low cost membership helps us to promote the hobby through running tournaments and events in order to get gamers out gaming!! Please consider joining the group and helping promote our hobby.



Membership Matters!

Gaming around Texas
(we need your pictures here)



Oscar's beautifully painted French



SAGA tournament at Fat Ogre, Houston

Product Review

Gaming & Product Review

by Charlie Torok

Andy and Darren of Gripping Beast are great supporters of Lone Star Historical Miniatures gaming group and MillenniumCon. They provide a great game system – SAGA. This year MillenniumCon will host the Texas Championship Tournament. Pete Atack and crew will run the event on Saturday 7 November. They will also be running a SAGA Learn-To-Play clinic all day Friday. Additionally they will have some loaner armies available for those who want to play.

Gripping Beast has volunteered to provide some prize support for the event – thanks much to Andy and Darren of “The Beast” – Gripping Beast Games.

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Gripping Beast produce high quality 28mm Plastic Miniatures for painting and playing



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Gripping Beast support for MillenniumCon SAGA tournament



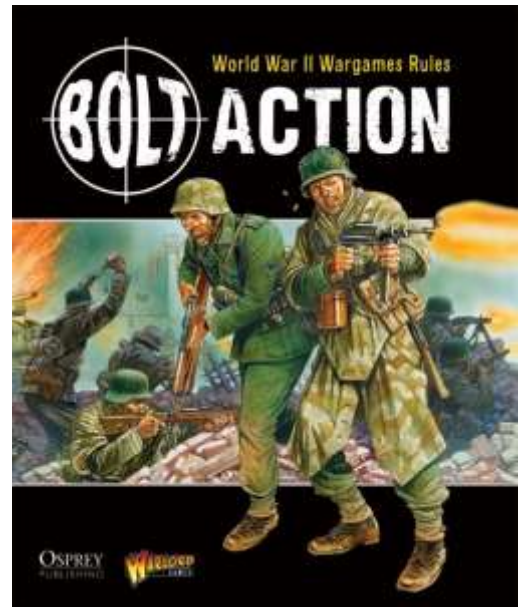
Future Events



SAGA every 3rd Friday at
Dragon's Lair San Antonio

Friday Night is Bolt Action Night At Dragon's Lair San Antonio!!

Come out to Dragon's Lair just about every Friday
Night for some Bolt Action – both regulars and new
Players welcome! We usually start around 5/6pm



Gamers Workbench

[By Kim Allman](#)

And now some Knights and other Medieval scoundrels! The first set of photos I posted were old Citadel/Games Workshop Bretonnians. Even though those were first generation GW figures they still proved to be too big when set beside Crusader and Fireforge figures. So I had to start over and get the Crusader Late Crusade Knights you see painted below which put me a bit behind my painting schedule to be done in time for Millennium Con. Anyway what you see here is the majority of the first Retinue for the game. Not pictured are another unit of spearmen and crossbowmen that are almost finished. Then it is off to work on the second opposing retinue for the games I am running at the convention. Hope you like them.



Gamers Workbench

[By Oscar Barela](#)

Oscar has been busy working on his French Bolt Action army. Oscar is not known for going mainstream when it comes to building the forces of World War II. Look for these on the tabletop at MillenniumCon!!



[By Steve Miller](#)

Steve gets his 54mm AWI figures ready for MillenniumCon. Look for him and his beautiful figures and terrain in an All the Kings Men 54mm game.

Gamers Workbench



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Warlord Games

