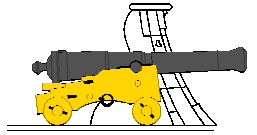


The Kommandeur



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From the President

The new By-Laws

We have written, rewritten and done the back and forth until we have become blue in the face. I think we have hammered out as fine a compromise and *functional* document (if a little wordy) that reflects how the Society functions, as can be expected. I anticipate it will survive as is for at least another decade until further changes need to be made. Maybe two. It's been a bit like herding cats, but I think enough of them are in the barn that we can safely close the door.

Please make your voices heard and vote AYE or NAY.

Your Buddy, *Chester*

PUBLICATION DEADLINES

Articles will be accepted at any time though submission of an article does not guarantee its publication. News items will be accepted if received in sufficient time to allow production schedules to be met. **Deadline for next issue: January 31, 2007.**

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Kommandeur (K) is the official newsletter of AHIKS, an international society of mature adults who play historical simulation games by mail. AHIKS is an organization of amateurs, staffed by volunteers, and is not affiliated with any game company or publisher. Society dues are yearly. Additional information about current rates is available from the Treasurer or the European Regional Director. Subscriptions to *The Kommandeur* are available to non-members at \$2 per issue. We do not accept advertising. We do accept "ad trades" on an issue-for-issue basis with other publications and organizations. Direct inquiries to the Editor or the European Regional Director.

Game News

This is a compilation of information gleaned chiefly from Consimworld (<http://www.consimworld.com>) and Web-Grognards (<http://www.grognard.com>). The material was correct at time of writing: 3 December 2006

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Awards

Silent War from designer Brien J. Miller has been selected as Games Magazine's Best Historical Simulation Game 2007.

<http://www.gamesmagazine-online.com/gameslinks/gameofyear.html> and <http://www.compassgames.com/>

GMT's **Twilight Struggle** has won yet another award, this time the BoardGameGeek's Golden Geek Award, taking first place in both the Best Wargame and Best Two-Player Game categories. This award is a bit different though as the others were all in wargame categories. Making **Twilight Struggle** the Best Two-Player Game makes it the first wargame ever to win such an award, a good sign for the hobby.

<http://www.boardgamegeek.com/thread/134999>

NEW BOARD WARGAMES

Avalanche Press

Great War at Sea: U.S. Navy Plan Gold is the latest game in the **Great War at Sea** series, and covers a hypothetical naval war between the USA and France. **Panzer Grenadier: Blue Division** is a new supplement for the **Panzer Grenadier** series and contains scenarios and units for Span-

ish fascist troops who fought on the Eastern Front in the Second World War. Finally, **Bitter Victory**, covering the invasion of Sicily in 1943, uses the game system from **America Triumphant**, **Alsace 1945** and **Red God of War**. Scenarios cover various attack and defence plans. <http://www.avalanchepress.com/index.php>

Columbia Games

New from Columbia Games is **EuroFront II** which links the earlier **EastFront II** and **WestFront II** together into a complete game on the Second World War in Europe from 1936 (starting with the Spanish Civil War) to 1945.

<http://www.columbiagames.com>

Decision Games

<http://www.decisiongames.com>

Europa Simulazioni

This new company has released its first game, **All Is Lost Save Honour**, an operational game on the campaigns of the Italian Wars 1494-1530. http://www.geocities.com/Italian_wars

GMT

Two "second instalment games" are new from GMT. **Clash of Giants II** is a sequel to designer Ted Raicer's **Clash of Giants** on the Tannenberg and the Marne campaigns of 1914. The new game covers campaigns in Galicia and First Ypres. **Prussia's Glory II** covers four more battles from the Seven Years War: Prague, Kolin, Krefeld, and Kunersdorf, 1759. Also new is **Greece vs. The Eastern Kingdoms**, the first expansion set for **Commands & Colors:**

2007 dues are payable now

Ancients. It contains more than 20 scenarios and 300 new unit blocks covering the battles of Philip of Macedonia, Alexander the Great, and the Successors in the East.

<http://www.gmtgames.com/>

Hasbro

By the time you read this, the latest in the **Axis and Allies** line of games will be out: **Axis & Allies: Battle of the Bulge**.

<http://www.hasbro.com>

Lost Battalion Games

Galactic Expanse: Starship Battles is a space fleet warfare card game for 2 to 4 players.

<http://www.lostbattalion.com/>

MMP

Guadalajara is the eleventh game in the **Standard Combat series** (SCS) and covers Italian attempts to capture Madrid in 1937. A **Victory Lost** (formerly known as **Struggle of Army Group Manstein** and originally published in *Game Journal* #4) is another game by Tet-suya Nakamura, who also designed **Fire in the Sky**, and covers campaigns on the Eastern Front following Manstein's "backhand blow" offensive. **Strike Them a Blow** is the fifteenth game in the **The Civil War Brigade Series** and covers Lee vs. Meade in 1864 in Virginia.

<http://www.multimanpublishing.com>

Phalanx Games

Using the **Britannia** game system, **Italia** covers almost 1500 years of Italian history, from 330 BC to 1100 AD.

<http://www.phalanxgames.nl/>

Pratzen Editions

The second game from Pratzen Editions is **Le Combat de l'Aigle** (The Eagle Fights) and is a tactical game system covering Napoleonic battles at the battalion level.

http://www.pratzen.com/index_en.php

War Storm

New from War Storm is **A las Barricadas!**, a tactical platoon-level game set in the Spanish Civil War (1936-39). English rules are provided. <http://www.warstormseries.es/>

NEW MAGAZINE WARGAMES

Against the Odds #17 contains **Imperial Sunset**, on the naval battle at Leyte Gulf in 1944. Designer is Mark Stille. <http://www.atomagazine.com/>

Vae Victis #71 contains **Jena 1806**, the latest in the Napoleonic **Jours de Gloire** series.

<http://www.vaevictis.com/>

Note that *Vae Victis* magazine and games are in French but rules translations are made available via: <http://grogard.com/vaevict.html>

NEW DTP WARGAMES

BSO and Canons en Carton

Designed by Richard Berg, **Cinco de Mayo** covers the Battle of Puebla, 1862, between French troops in the army of Emperor Maximilian and those of the Republican forces of Mexico. It uses the same game system as **Line of Fire** and **East-West**. *Important:* If you live in Europe or Quebec, the game *must* be bought through Canons et Carton (http://fredbey.club.fr/CeC_US.htm). Obtainable from Richard Berg at:

bergrog@comcast.net

New from Canons en Carton are **Maïda 1806** and **Castel Nuovo 1806** which are the 14th and 15th battles of the **Jours de Gloire** game series. http://perso.club-internet.fr/fredbey/CeC_US.htm

DK Games

Vietnam Solitaire is a downloadable PDF print-and-play game on the struggle for South Vietnam 1963-1975. It is available from: <http://www.wargamedownloads.com>

Firefight Games

Resistance Is Not Futile covers the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising, 1943, and **Nanawa** covers a battle in the Chaco War between Bolivia and Paraguay. **Critical Point: Fallujah 1941** covers the only counterattack made by the Iraqi 6th Brigade/3rd Division, with Luftwaffe support, upon two British companies holding the town. <http://firefight-games.com/>

Home Grown Designs

Huzzah! features two games in the new **Rebel Yell Lite System** cov-

ering the battles of Iuka and Newbern in the American Civil War. This signed edition is limited to 75 copies. It is obtainable from designer Richard A. Dengel at:

dengelwood@verizon.net

NEW WEB RESOURCES

Free Games

A Master Stroke: The Battle for Meiktila, March 5-14, 1944 (Paul Rohrbaugh)

<http://www.wargamer.com/hosted/lineofdeparture/masterstroke.asp>

Official Rules

Age of Napoleon (Phalanx Games) (2nd ed.) <http://www.thewargamer.com/grogard/aonv2rules.pdf>

Commands and Colors: Ancients (GMT) (2nd ed.) http://www.gmtgames.com/living_rules/CC2ndEditionRules_1_.pdf

The Conquerors: Alexander the Great (GMT) http://www.gmtgames.com/living_rules/conq_alex_Rules.pdf

Errata

Chennault's First Fight (ATO) <http://grogard.com/errata1/cff.pdf>
Huzzah! (Home Grown Designs) <http://grogard.com/errata1/huzzah.doc>

A Master Stroke: The Battle for Meiktila, March 5-14, 1945 (Paul Rohrbaugh) <http://grogard.com/errata1/masterstroke.txt>

Triumph of Chaos (Clash of Arms) <http://grogard.com/errata1/triumphchaos.pdf>

War in the Pacific (SPI/DG) <http://grogard.com/errata1/witp.rtf>

Rules Translations

Camerone (*Vae Victis* #68) <http://grogard.com/info1/camerone.doc>

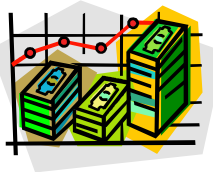
Féodalité (*Vae Victis* #69) http://ludipopina.free.fr/F%E9odalit%E9/Fichiers/GB/Feudalism_rules.pdf

Frederick II (*Vae Victis* #65) <http://grogard.com/info1/frederickII.doc>

Jena (*Vae Victis*) <http://grogard.com/info1/jenavv.txt>

Jours de Gloire series rules (HC) <http://grogard.com/info1/jdgenrules.doc>

Treasury Notes



It's that time of year!

As if it wasn't bad enough that you have to endure wading through the new By-Laws this issue, it's also time to cough up a few bucks for your annual dues. Because our effort to maintain slow growth to support future programs appears to be working, the Executive Committee has elected to maintain the existing dues structure for 2007. Standard dues will be \$10 if you want the e-K, or \$16 for the print version. But, if you renew prior to February 1, 2007, you may renew for the discounted prices of \$7 and \$13, respectively. Still a great deal!

I have to tell you that many late or non-renewals seem to be due to forgetfulness. Occasionally I will get a note from a member as to why they have not received any K's recently, only to find out they didn't renew some two years ago! C'mon guys, it just isn't that hard! You can pay by check, money order, or cash. In addition, I will accept payments through Paypal. Payments can be made to the e-mail address of bstretcher@earthlink.net. If you elect to pay through Paypal, however, please add an additional \$1.00 to cover the rather unpredictable transaction fee.

No excuses this year! Get payin' and keep playin'!

Where's the *Third Reich* battle report?

I have nothing to report from the Soviet people's ongoing struggle against the tide of fascist tyranny this time, as the Axis player seems to have disappeared! We are struggling to re-establish contact. Such is sometimes the price of playing with non-AHIKS members.

Coming up next time

Because of the expanded Treasurer's Report and the dues information, in the interest of keeping this issue to a manageable size and maintaining a level of personal sanity this busy time of year, I am going to save my usual wit and witticisms for next

time. Look for a discussion on the luck factor in wargames, how players manage it during play, and how design decisions and house rules impact game play, both for better and worse.

Treasurer's Report

Even *less* activity this time:

Starting Checking Balance (9-29-06):	\$ 4065.65
Income:	
Dues and contributions	\$ 6.00
Expenses:	
K Printing	\$ 132.06
Checking Account Balance as of 11-30-06:	\$ 3939.59

Perpetual Fund Balance: \$ 1954.99

Interest Income: \$ 0.00

Contributions from checking: \$ 0

Perpetual Fund Balance 11-30-06
\$ 1954.99

Total Balance in Perpetual Fund CD 11-30-06: \$ 4930.99

Additional contributions to the Perpetual Fund since the CD was renewed will be carried over in the checking account until the CD matures again in March, 2007. So, the amount in the Fund is not the same as the amount in the CD at this time. Although the Fund CD earns interest each month, the interest is reported only at the end of the year. Interest will be posted in the first K after it is available.

Annual Report:

Checking Balance 1-1-06: \$ 6522.26

Income:
Dues and contributions \$ 1933.68

Expenses:
K printing \$ 834.96
WBC ad \$ 100.00
Transfer of contributions to Perpetual Fund \$ 581.39
Transfer of checking funds to PF CD \$ 3,000.00

Checking Balance 11-30-06

\$3939.59

Total actual operating funds:

\$ 6939.59

Net gain in operating funds for

2006: \$ 417.33

Looking at the annual numbers, for 2005 we had a net increase of approximately \$250 in our operating funds, compared to almost \$420 for this year. Anticipating an addition

\$130.00 for the printing of this issue, the actual realized growth will probably be only about \$290.00, so comparable to last year. But it would appear that our effort to maintain slow growth is succeeding. Our expenses were about \$400 less than they were in 2005 (\$934 compared to \$1,360), so that accounts for some of the growth. But, if you recall, our expenses for 2005 were somewhat unusual in that many from 2004 were carried over into 2005 because of the transfer of the Treasury to me and the time it took to set up the new accounts. I believe this year's growth reflects a more typical year. Note also that this year there will be some additional income from the interest generated from the money in the CD. Financially, we are healthy, but clearly we don't yet have the resources to support any sort of sustained advertising or recruiting campaign.

The membership continues to be generous with contributions to the Perpetual Fund. When I took over as Treasurer at the end of 2004, the Perpetual Fund had a balance of about \$1230. In less than two years, the membership has contributed over \$750 to the fund, on a purely voluntary basis. The Perpetual Fund currently serves as our rainy day fund, with the idea that eventually it will be large enough to be invested in something besides a CD so that it can earn some real interest. Please continue to be generous to your society!

Until next time, [Brian Stretcher](#)

The web version of this issue (in color) is available at our website (www.AHIKS.com).

User name = "AHIKS"

Password = "Zipper" (Both are case sensitive; do not include the quote marks. If you use the Caps Lock to write AHIKS, be sure to take it off for Zipper.)

If you are not successful with the above address, try:

www.angelfire.com/ny4/gmtom/ahiks.htm

If you still have trouble accessing the web version, contact Tom Thornsen at the address on page 11.

From the Editor

Obviously the big deal in this issue is the updating of the By Laws. Read them over. If you have any suggestions for change, write them on your renewal form; otherwise, just check the OK box. The officers will check over any change suggestions received by Dec. 31, and the results will be noted in the next *Kommandeur*.

Tom Thorsen, our hard-working web man, has given us a new web address. Our site can be accessed through "www.AHIKS.com". He has contributed his expense to the Perpetual Fund. Many thanks, Tom.

The long-running article from Tom Hanover on his game of **Pea Ridge** will continue in the next issue.

Your esteemed Editor has published a book of his travels around the world for the last 40-odd years. The title is "The 23-Hour Day." The cost is \$14.95 for the paperback and \$7.95 for the e-book, and these can be purchased through the web sites at "<http://23hourday.com>". Is this a gross exaggeration of the Editor's province? Probably, but if you write a travel book and mention **Salamanca** on page 14, I'll give you a free ad, too.

Upcoming Events

March 3-4, 2007 Kenosha, WI
MIDWEST OPEN
Glenn E. L. Petroski
E-mail: GELP@Core.com

July 31-Aug 5, 2007, Lancaster, PA
WORLD BOARDGAMING CHAMPIONSHIPS
Don Greenwood: doncon99@toad.net
or <http://www.boardgamers.org>

A good source for information on all kinds of conventions is the Steve Jackson game site:
<http://sjgames.com/con>

The VP's Corner

It is with considerable enthusiasm that I write to share with you the announcement of our new AHIKS Unit Counter Pool (UCP) Officer, Mr. Brian Laskey. Although I am sure Brian will provide his own introduction, please allow me to expound upon it. I have known Brian since 1992 and consider him a good friend. Brian is not only a gamer, but a game collector. I believe his collection is probably one of the best I have ever seen. It covers the entire gamut of companies and includes collections of both obscure and popular titles. I am particularly pleased to admit that Brian volunteered for the job when he discovered it was available. He is already in the process of cataloging the UCP. In the Navy, we called that a "can do" attitude. Even better, I can say with confidence that Brian has "hit the deck running" with this position.

For those of you who are unaware of the UCP, allow me to take a moment to describe its purpose. The UCP was established approximately 18 years ago, by yours truly. The purpose is to provide a source of replacement unit counters for AHIKS members. It has been sometime since I last had personal access to the contents, but I estimate that there are replacement counters for approximately 50 games. Many of these games are no longer in print, which makes the UCP all the more valuable. Some of the titles include: **Sturm Nach Osten**, **Lawrence of Arabia**, **Objective Schmidt**, **To the Green Fields Beyond**, and **Blue & Gray**. That's pretty darned obscure in my book. A great point about having Brian at the helm is that he is an avid game collector. That means opportunities will arise allowing Brian to further contribute to the UCP as he wheels and deals on eBay.

Are there opportunities to utilize the UCP outside of AHIKS? I think so. In this age when recruiting seems to be the ultimate challenge, the UCP could be a terrific recruiting tool. On sites such as Consimworld, we regularly see gamers asking for a unit counter scan of a game or asking for a missing replacement counter. It

could be costly to have to buy an extra player's copy to replace missing game pieces. Keep in mind that the UCP is for the benefit of AHIKS members only. So why not join AHIKS to access the UCP? Sounds like a reasonable expectation to me. Instead of searching eBay or Consimworld for an obscure game piece, join AHIKS for full membership benefits, including access to the UCP.

If any AHIKS members can find the time to e-mail Brian and welcome him aboard, I'm sure he would appreciate the greetings. Do you have some loose counters to an unused game or spare counters perhaps that could be eventually used by another member? The AHIKS Unit Counter Pool would be a welcome place to store them.

Randy Heller

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Malvinas 1982 (Alea #17) <http://grogard.com/info1/alea17.pdf>

Nordkapp (Alea #29) <http://grogard.com/info1/nordkapp.doc>

Operation Pedestal (Vae Victis #69) [http://ludipopina.free.fr/Operation%20Pedestal/Fichiers/Regles/Operation Pedestal EN.pdf](http://ludipopina.free.fr/Operation%20Pedestal/Fichiers/Regles/Operation%20Pedestal%20EN.pdf)

Optimus Princeps (Vae Victis) <http://p.receveur.free.fr/princeps.htm>

Tonkin (Vae Victis #70) <http://grogard.com/info1/tonkinrules.pdf>

Where the Sun Never Set: The Tercios, 1490-1690 (Alea #3) <http://grogard.com/info1/wheresun.doc>

Vietnam 1967 (Alea #15) <http://www.thewargamer.com/grogard/alea15.pdf>

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Back issues available on CD

Back issues of *The Kommandeur* edited by the current editor are available on one CD in PDF format. That includes Vol. 37 No. 2 through the current issue. These are available at cost: \$2 to US addresses, \$3 to other addresses. Send money and requests to me at the address on page 11. Make checks out to Omar DeWitt.

AHIKS Unit Counter Pool

The UCP contains counters from all the games listed. That is not to say there are complete sets for all the games but at least some counters for each of them. There are numerous UNP counter sheets while the punched counters are mostly in small labeled ziplocks. Whether these are fully complete or not, I can't say for certain, nor do I know what was given out over the years to people requesting them. In some cases there may be, for example, only the Soviet counters for a particular game. However, this was noted in the list (Soviet) or (No markers), etc.

There are a few game parts other than counters, but being a Unit Counter Pool there are primarily counters. The games that have other parts available are noted in the list (also map, rules).

Regards, [Brian Laskey](#)

AVALON HILL

Afrika Korps
Air Assault on Crete
Bulge '81
Bulge '91
Bull Run (also map, charts, rules)
Civil War (Victory Games)
Flat Top (no markers)
Fortress Europa
France 1940
Hells Highway (German)
Panzer Blitz (also map boards)
Panzerkrieg (Soviet)
Panzer Leader (also map boards)
Russian Campaign
Stalingrad
Squad Leader (also rules, charts)
Submarine
Tactics II
Third Reich
Tobruk
Turning Point Stalingrad

General Counter Insert 25-2:

Bulge '81
Empires in Arms
1776
Tac Air

General Counter Insert 26-3

Flight Leader
Firepower
Merchant of Venus

General Counter Insert 28-5

Midway/Guadalcanal Expansion

SPI

Battles for the Ardennes (some Allied)
Fall of Rome
Fighting Sail
Kharkov (also map, rules)
Panzergruppe Guderian (+map, rules)

Raid

Tito
To The Green Fields Beyond
Operation Typhoon (Soviet)

MISC

Ardennes (Gamers)
Blank counters (various)
Blitzkrieg '41 (XTR)
Barbarossa (TSR)
Case White (GDW:Polish-Soviet)
Colonies in Revolt (TSR)
Desert Rats (Simulation Games), also Cover Sheet fair
Desert Storm Expansion (Victory)
Dresden (3W) Krieg! (Decision)
Lawrence of Arabia (3W)
Moscow '41 (TSR)
1944 (3W: German Only)
Objective Schmidt (Gamers)
Proud Monster (XTR)
Race for Tunis (3W)
Sturm Nach Osten (3W)

Gamers Repl/Variant Counters 92 & 94:

1992	1994:
Ardennes	Barren Victory
Enemy at the Gates	Bloody 110
GD '40	Bloody Roads South
Guderian's Blitzkrieg	Force E's War
M'Kau	Guderian's Blitzkrieg
	Omaha
	Stalingrad
	Pocket

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Brian Laskey

Hi All,

I just wanted to let you know that the Unit Counter Pool (UCP) is still up and running and to introduce myself as your new UCP Officer. I've been a gamer for thirty years, and a member of AHIKS for thirteen; I very much look forward to serving in this position. I'm a native of, and still live in, Southern New England and like many of us I try to balance the time to pursue my gaming interests with the ever increasing demands of the job, family, other hobbies, and everything else that requires that precious bit of spare time. As for my personal gaming claims to fame, so to speak, I've had the honor of being involved in the play testing of four published games, three on the Bulge and one on Guadalcanal. Two of those Bulge games by the way were done by noted game designers and fellow AHIKS members Chester Hendrix and Randy Heller. Well, enough about myself, though I do hope it sheds a little more light on me rather than just a name.

Now to the important stuff like the Unit Counter Pool. The UCP is a *free* service available to members of AHIKS to replace lost or damaged counters and currently consists of counters for over 40 games. If one is in need of a counter and the game is one of those listed, all you have to do is drop me an e-mail (or snail mail) describing exactly what counter you need, and I will see if it is there. If so, I will promptly mail it off to you *at no charge*. If it is not there, I will keep your request on hand just in case it does become available in the near future. By near future I mean a reasonable amount of time so if you haven't heard from me within a year,

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AHIKS By Laws

I. NAME:

The name of this organization is AHIKS. When founded in March of 1966, the organization was named "The Avalon Hill Intercontinental Kriegspiel Society" to recognize the pioneering efforts of The Avalon Hill Game Company in the field of war gaming. Today, the organization is known simply as AHIKS. The terms "AHIKS" and "Society" are used interchangeably throughout this document.

II. PURPOSE:

The purpose of AHIKS is to facilitate the playing of games between mature individuals. Traditionally, the majority of the games played by members have been historical conflict simulations (war games) played by mail (PBM). While the focus of the Society has been and will continue to be primarily war games, the type of game played is not restricted. Any game that member opponents can agree to is acceptable. Similarly, the game medium is not limited to mail. Alternative media, such as face to face (FTF), on-line computer, electronic mail (PBEM), telephone, and exchange of computer disks, are accepted and encouraged.

III. SERVICES:

AHIKS provides a variety of game-related services to its members free of any additional charge beyond membership dues. These services are limited to members in good standing and cannot be furnished to non-members without the prior approval of the Executive Committee. Some of the services we offer include:

- A. Game assignments. Either a pre-arranged match with another member or an open match request seeking an opponent for a specific game. Play as many as you think you can handle.
- B. Combat Resolution Keys (CRKs pronounced "cricks"). A computer-generated series of random die rolls designed to speed PBM gaming. Each player is issued an individual CRK completely different from his opponent's by a neutral third party, the Match Coordinator (MC). Thus, each player has a way to resolve combat

without having to concern himself with his opponent cheating or modifying the CRK sheet. CRKs are exchanged at the end of the match for verification if desired. After which the top portion is submitted to the Rating Officer for rating purposes.

C. Order of Battle forms (OOBs). These are pre-printed listings of all combat units for each combatant in the game. Official OOBs are available from the AHIKS MC when available. Many of the OOBs are made available by the members themselves, who are encouraged to submit them to the MC for pre-printing purposes. Some OOBs are also available in electronic format, usually in a text document or spreadsheet.

D. An impartial rules arbiter, the AHIKS Judge. When interpretation of game rules and procedures becomes a question, members may submit the issue to the Judge for resolution. The Judge maintains a reference file of past rulings to guide his decisions. In addition, the Judge can call upon a number of appointed Specialists, experts in a particular game, to consult in unfamiliar situations.

E. A Society newsletter, the "Kommandeur" or "K" for short. The K covers a wide variety of subject matter, ranging from AHIKS and hobby news, strategy articles, PBM/PBEM tips and tricks, and game replays. Members are invited and encouraged to contribute. Due to copyright restrictions, the K does not publish articles which have been submitted for publication elsewhere.

IV. MEMBERSHIP:

A. Membership in the Society is open to mature adults, eighteen years of age or older, and sons and daughters of AHIKS members who are interested in gaming. The minimum age requirement will be waived for active members serving in the armed forces of any country who are at least seventeen years of age.

B. Acceptance of members into the Society is the responsibility of the Secretary. The Secretary will follow the guidelines set forth in these By Laws and those established by the Executive Committee as policy.

1. Upon receipt of a valid (i.e., all

membership requirements are met) application and payment of dues, the applicant will become a member of AHIKS, unless the applicant has been previously expelled from the Society. The re-admittance procedure for a previously expelled member is outlined in Section IV.B.4 below.

2. The Secretary shall forward the name and any brief biographical description provided by the new member to the Editor of the Society newsletter for publication. The Secretary will forward the Match Data sheet to the MC for matching purposes..

3. Previous members of AHIKS who left the Society in good standing and who apply for re-admittance will be re-admitted as a member upon receipt of a valid application and payment of dues. This is in accordance with B. 2 above. A member who was dropped from the Society rolls solely for failure to forward renewal dues or resigned (without prejudice) is considered to have left in good standing.

4. Any previous member who has been expelled for any reason except nonpayment of dues must apply in writing for reinstatement directly to an officer member of the Executive Committee, who shall then bring the matter to the attention of the entire Executive Committee for further action.

- a. A time period of at least two calendar years must have elapsed from the date of expulsion before an expelled member may apply for readmission.

- b. If a majority of the Executive Committee approves, the expelled member will be re-admitted as a probationary member.

- c. This probationary period will last one calendar year from the date of the Executive Committee action authorizing re-admittance.

- d. During this probationary period, any complaints lodged against the probationary member will be cause for the probationary member's immediate expulsion from the Society, provided that the Judge determines that he is at fault in the complaint in accordance with the complaint procedures listed in these By Laws.

- e. If the probationary period passes without such a complaint, the

re-admitted member is upgraded from probationary status to full member of AHIKS.

V. TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP:

A. Membership privileges will be terminated for the following reasons:

1. Non-payment of dues by the date specified in the renewal notice issued by the Treasurer (without prejudice).
2. Extreme discourtesies during match play. Such behavior includes, but is not limited to:
 - a. Non-responses to a game move or match assignment within normal AHIKS guidelines or those agreed to by the members at the inception of the match.
 - b. Cheating by any means or manner.
 - c. Failure to abide by the terms of an official complaint resolution by the Executive Committee or failure to abide by a match ruling by the Judge.
 - d. Disrespectful or abusive commentary directed towards an opponent or any officer of the Society.
 - e. Whining, moral turpitude, or just plain orneriness.

B. Complaint Procedure:

When a member experiences what he/she feels to be any kind of discourteous behavior, he/she should contact the Judge, forwarding any evidence of this behavior to the Judge along with an explanation of why he/she feels such behavior is cause for disciplinary action and what actions the member has undertaken to resolve the situation.

1. The Judge shall examine the documents forwarded by the complaining member and shall contact in writing the member who is the subject of the complaint
2. The Judge shall consider both sides of the complaint and attempt to reach a compromise solution between the members involved. At this stage, the Judge should attempt to mediate rather than adjudicate the dispute. If a compromise solution is reached, the Judge shall document the terms of that resolution for future reference. The Judge is to send to the Secretary a copy of the resolution for file.
3. If a compromise solution is not

attainable, the Judge should adjudicate the dispute by the fairest means possible. The Judge should consult with the President whenever resolution of the complaint is not clear cut. Once the Judge has determined a resolution, he should notify the involved parties at the earliest opportunity.

4. A member may appeal a decision adjudicated by the Judge by requesting that the Judge submit the matter before the Executive Committee.

a. The Judge shall forward all relevant information to the Executive Committee at the earliest opportunity.

b. The Executive Committee shall have the option to reverse or change altogether the resolution adjudicated by the Judge. A majority vote is required to change or reverse the resolution. A letter of reason for reversal or change will be sent to the Judge and Editor for possible publication. A copy of the letter will be sent to the Secretary for the file.

c. Once the Executive Committee has considered the issue, the matter is considered permanently resolved. No further appeal is allowed.

C. Expulsion Procedure: The following expulsion procedure will be followed in all cases except nonpayment of dues or formal resignation from the Society for personal reasons. Nonpayment of dues issues can be resolved by forwarding to the Treasurer payment of all applicable dues

1. Expulsion proceedings may be initiated only by a member of the Executive Committee. Proceedings may not be initiated by individual members other than by following the Complaint Procedures outlined in Section V.B. above.

2. The initiating officer shall contact the involved member directly, informing the member in writing of the charges and particulars and that expulsion proceedings have begun, and allow the involved member the opportunity to forward a statement of defense. This contact shall contain a deadline for receipt of the defense statement, which should not be shorter than 30 days after receipt of the contact.

3. The initiating officer shall for-

ward all relevant documents together with the defense statement, if any, and the officer's appraisal of the situation to the Executive Committee (except to a committee member who may be the object of the expulsion proceedings).

4. The Executive Committee, after consideration of the situation, may expel the involved member by a majority vote. There is no appeal from expulsion except to re-apply for membership after the designated interval has elapsed in accordance with Section IV.B. above.

VI. OFFICER CORPS

The Officer Corps shall consist of all Elected Officers, the Vice President, and any Appointed Officers:

A. Elected Officers

1. President
2. Secretary
3. Treasurer
4. Editor
5. Judge
6. Match Coordinator
7. Ratings Officer
8. Special: Europe

Due to geographic constraints and efficiency considerations, the European Region was granted special powers not applicable to the non-European (North American) regions. Those European powers included the ability to elect a regional officer corps, to offer its own game matching services, to publish its own newsletter, to collect its own dues, and to be responsible for its own expenses. In reality, the European Region has functioned as an autonomous branch from AHIKS. AHIKS European Region is now a fully separate and independent entity no longer responsible to [US] AHIKS. Members of AHIKS Europe shall have the same access as AHIKS [US] members to the game matching services (only) of AHIKS [US] and AHIKS [US] members shall have the same access as AHIKS Europe members to the AHIKS Europe game matching services (only). Articles published in the AHIKS Europe newsletter (Despatch) may be freely published in the AHIKS [US] newsletter (Kommandeur) and those published in the AHIKS [US] newsletter may be freely published in the AHIKS

Europe newsletter, provided that proper credit of both the source newsletter and the author is cited: i.e. "This article by Joe Wargamer is reprinted from the Despatch (or "Kommandeur")".

B. Appointed Offices: From time to time, various positions may be created to better serve the activities of the Society. These positions may be created by a Presidential appointment, with concurrence of a majority of the Executive Committee members. Except for the Vice President, appointed positions may be discontinued by a majority vote of the Executive Committee. Except for the Vice President these are non-voting positions; appointed officers are allowed and encouraged to offer advice and to participate in policy discussions. At present these appointed positions include:

1. Vice President (Presidential appointee requiring approval of the exec.)
2. Multi-player Coordinator
3. Recruiting Coordinator
4. PBEM Coordinator
5. Chit Holding Custodian
6. Kommandeur Publishing Officer (Assistant to the Editor)
7. Unit Counter Pool Custodian
8. Archive Custodian
9. Web Site Manager

VII. DUTIES OF OFFICERS:

A. President shall:

1. Act as the official spokesperson for AHIKS.
2. Provide leadership and direction for items and issues of interest to the Society.
3. Oversee the day to day activities of the Society by regular communication with the Officer Corps.
 - a. A formal communication covering the general state of AHIKS and issues of interest to the Society must be sent by the President to the Officer Corps at least every six months; a bimonthly communication or sooner is strongly recommended. This communication may be in the form of a Presidential Newsletter (PNL) or other official medium established by the President and/or the Executive Committee. At present [2006] an e-mail to the exec. labeled "PNL" shall suffice.

- b. A State of the Society Address should be submitted to the Editor each year in time for the first issue of the new year of the Kommandeur. This Address may take the place of VII.A.3.a. above.

4. Govern by consensus, seeking advice and input from both the Officer Corps and membership at large.

5. Notify the membership of vacancies within the Officer Corps by publication in next issue of the Kommandeur after vacancy is established or by any means at hand as soon as possible (especially by e-mail).

- a. In the event of an Elected Officer vacancy, the procedures under IX. D. 2. below will be followed.

- b. For non-elected Officer vacancies, the procedures under IX D.1 below will be followed.

6. Issue a call for elections at times specified in these By Laws by submitting for publication to the Editor of the Kommandeur a statement of particulars.

7. Shall insure that the By Laws of the Society are followed to the best of his abilities.

8. In circumstances where the President and Vice President both are unable to fulfill their duties for any reason, the Exec shall fill in as a body to make decisions collectively until a new President can be appointed.

B. Vice President shall:

1. Be prepared to assume the Presidency in the event of a vacancy by the President.

2. Be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the President.

3. Vote as a member of the exec.

4. While VP, temporarily assume the duties of one other vacant officer position as directed by the President or Executive Committee until a replacement is found, or serve as interim President if he has been incapacitated for more than 60 days or upon his removal from office.

C. Secretary shall:

1. Process new member applications promptly and efficiently, forwarding the application form to the prospective member, or directing him to the website where the prospective member can download it.

2. Forward any monies received for AHIKS to the Treasurer and re-

cord same in a report to be filed annually on December 31 to the Treasurer and the President.

3. Maintain stock application forms and new member guides (or print them out from this website as well as Society informational bulletins) and forward those when requested by the newly received applicants.

4. Work closely with the Match Coordinator, and Match Rating/Roster, and Editor to process changes of address or any other vital data pertaining to any member.

5. Receive and keep the official tally of ballots for Society wide elections. Destroy such ballots 30 days after the results have been published.

6. As soon as practical after the cutoff date for a Society-wide election, send notification of vote results and count to the President for reporting to the Officer Corps and Editor for announcement to the general membership.

7. Be available as an additional secondary signature for Society check cashing purposes when required.

8. Create and maintain files on subjects pertaining to the Society.

9. Receive and retain on file any files forwarded by elected or appointed officers.

10. Maintain an active and up-to-date roster of the Society membership. This is the only authorized active AHIKS membership roster,

- a. Prepare and submit to the Editor a complete updated active roster for publication in the Kommandeur by February 15 every year, to be published in the issue nearest March of that year. The updated roster should also be submitted to the Web Site Manager for posting on the Official Society website. Information to be published shall be limited to first initial, last name and member number.

- b. Prepare and submit to the Executive Committee by February 15 of each year or when requested a complete updated active roster. This roster shall be clearly marked Confidential and is for the use of the Officers only. Under no circumstances shall the full roster be made available to anyone not an officer. Disclosure by any officer of this roster shall be

grounds for lifetime removal from the Society.

c. Create and maintain an official backup active roster and inactive roster members of the entire Society of AHIKS for historical purposes. Submit copies of such historical rosters to the Archivist upon request. Historical rosters shall be limited to first name, last name, date of entry, date of resignation, and membership ID number. A Special Request voted on by the Exec shall include all information available to the Secretary. Only these historical rosters shall be dated upon receipt by the archivist and may not be released without prior approval of the exec.

D. Treasurer shall:

1. Have been a member in good standing of AHIKS for a minimum of five (5) continuous and uninterrupted years prior to becoming a candidate for, or assuming the office of, Treasurer. If the Treasurer's position is vacant and no candidates meeting this condition have presented themselves, this requirement may be waived by a two thirds vote of the Executive Committee.

2. Act as the official collector for all AHIKS dues.

3. The Treasurer regularly (never to exceed a six-month period) reports about the state of the Society's funds to the President and Executive Committee. These reports are expected to be published regularly in the Society newsletter.

4. Be responsible for all Society funds in his possession.

5. Funds permitting, issue reimbursement checks to the officers for regular and proper expenditures incurred as a direct result of executing their official Society duties according to the expense guidelines listed in Section XII of these By Laws.

6. Any member in good standing may request accountability of an announced expenditure, to include a brief explanation of the expense and a copy of the associated financial receipt(s). This request must be directed to any member of the Exec (except the Treasurer), who will then facilitate a response from the Treasurer.

E. Editor shall:

1. Insure that every effort is made to publish and distribute the Society newsletter to the membership at regular intervals, funds permitting. The current bimonthly schedule should be followed.

2. Solicit Society and hobby related news from the membership and Officer Corps for inclusion in the Kommandeur.

3. Publish such announcements and bulletins as the Executive Committee directs.

4. Promptly report to the Treasurer, both the amount of and purpose for, the expenditure of Society funds advanced to him in performance of his official duties.

5. Accept advice and guidance from the Executive Committee and General membership as to the content and format of the Kommandeur. When such advice is unclear or contradictory, the Editor shall use his best judgment as to the content and format of the Kommandeur.

6. The Editor shall have the sole discretion as to what is considered acceptable (within the policies of these By Laws) for publication and to the size of material to be accepted.

7. The Editor is responsible (if desired) for the appointment of his publishing assistant to be known as the Kommandeur Publishing Officer (KPO).

8. Create and maintain a file on all AHIKS publication Kommandeur volumes.

F. Judge shall:

1. Act as an impartial arbiter of game-related rules and procedural questions submitted to him by members in good standing.

2. Create and maintain a reference file of previous rulings by the Judge, including any clarifications/errata issued by the various game publishers in his possession, and distribute such rulings and information to the members upon request. To insure that such information of changes and newly published errata/clarifications are published in the Kommandeur.

3. Attempt to issue rulings consistent with prior rulings whenever fair and possible.

4. Appoint or replace various Specialists as needed to assist in the in-

terpretation of specific game rules.

a. A Specialist is not an officer of AHIKS, although officers are eligible to become Specialists; he is merely a volunteer aiding and offering advice to the Judge or to any other officer or member of AHIKS.

b. While a Specialist may offer a resolution for a particular situation, the Specialist's resolution is not binding upon the Judge. The Judge may adopt, alter, or ignore altogether the advice of a Specialist. There is no appeal by the Specialist. Only the Judge is responsible for issuing the final resolution.

5. Maintain up-to-date lists of web sources for errata to use for reference in disputes, and also to have available for members.

6. The Judge's ruling on a rules or procedural question is final. No appeal to his judgment is acceptable.

7. Expeditiously resolve any complaints filed by members against other members.

G. Match Coordinator (MC) shall:

1. Create and maintain a file on all matters pertaining to the matching of opponents.

2. Keep an up-to-date reference file of open match requests submitted by the membership.

3. Attempt to find opponents for those members submitting match requests. A match request should be filled from the open match requests.

a. If no match request exists for that specific game, the MC is authorized to fill the match request by direct contact (phone or e-mail) with the membership if he so desires.

b. A higher priority in matching should go to newly admitted members seeking their first match within AHIKS, when ever possible.

4. Prepare and maintain a stock of CRKs, OOBs (pre-printed sheets), and Combat sheets, promptly forwarding these to members who have been successfully matched or to members in good standing for continuation of matches in progress.

5. Forward a current listing of unfilled open match requests to the Editor for inclusion in the Kommandeur and Despatch.

6. To control and maintain the AHIKS Sons and Daughters Divi-

sion, providing them with all necessary services as provided by these By Laws, with the exception of the Kommandeur.

7. Prepare and submit to the Treasurer a monthly reimbursement expenses report for any incurred expenses for that particular month.

H. Ratings Officer:

1. Receive and record all results on completed matches by the membership. Forward all complete rated information to the AREA rating person for further rating update.

2. Update the rankings of each member based upon official notification of match completion. Forward results to AREA rating person.

3. Furnish the Editor with an updated ranking list of members for inclusion in the Kommandeur on a regular basis.

a. Such rankings may not be published outside the Society without specific approval of the Executive Committee.

b. Individual members shall have the option (in writing) not to have their ranking published, either within or without the Society.

4. Furnish the Match Coordinator a listing of all match completed CRKs code numbers for accountability purposes by year's end.

5. Furnish the Archivist a listing of ratings report for Historical purposes by years end.

VIII. COMMITTEES:

A. Executive Committee:

1. The purpose of this eight-member Committee is to oversee the day to day functions of the Society as well as act as a policy making body. When appropriate the Executive Committee may refer issues to the Membership at large for consultation and/or approval.

2. The Executive Committee is limited to eight (8) members only.

3. The Executive Committee is only comprised of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Editor, Judge, Match Coordinator, and Match Rating Officer.

B. Membership at Large:

The Membership at Large is comprised of all active members in good standing. While not a committee in

the formal sense, the Membership at Large must give final approval to any amendments to these By Laws, situations as required by these laws, or any other matter the Executive Committee may deem necessary.

C. Committee Votes:

1. Any Officer of the exec may present a matter to the entire Executive Committee for consideration and approval/disapproval. Any member in good standing may submit proposals to the Executive Committee by forwarding the proposal to any member of the Exec Committee, who shall then submit the matter to the Exec Committee.

2. The Executive Committee must place before the membership at large any and all matters that these By Laws indicate must have said approval.

3. Unless specifically stated otherwise, the words "approval" or "as directed by" in these By Laws shall mean approval by a majority vote of all the members on that committee, not merely those casting ballots. Thus, four affirmative votes are required for approval by the seven-member Executive Committee even if only six votes are actually cast.

4. Votes may be taken by regular mail, e-mail, telephone, or by any other means the committee feels appropriate.

5. The Officer who proposes a vote of the Executive Committee shall act as the collector of votes, unless the Committee directs otherwise, and is responsible for reporting to the Executive Committee the results as soon as possible.

6. The outcome of all Executive Committee votes are promptly forwarded to the entire Officer Corps and, if the Membership at Large is affected, to the Editor for publication in the Kommandeur by no later than the next scheduled publication.

7. All Executive Committee votes are open roll call votes with the vote of each Committee member made available to the entire Officer Corps and the Membership at Large as requested. No secret ballots by the Executive Committee are permitted or authorized under any condition.

8. All votes by the Membership at Large are by secret ballot. Further,

the final totals of Membership at Large votes will be disclosed. Disclosure of individual votes is unauthorized and prohibited.

9. All votes by the Membership at Large are sent to the Secretary for counting and disclosure, who then forwards it to the Editor for publication of the final results of votes.

IX. ELECTIONS:

A. Elections for all elected officer positions are held in every calendar year during which a U.S. presidential election is held (every 4 years on the even year). All members in good standing are eligible to run for office and/or cast a vote in the election of officers. (Exceptions: a member may not run for Treasurer unless he has been a member for five (5) or more consecutive uninterrupted years. Members running for any other office of the exec must have been a member for two (2) or more consecutive uninterrupted years.)

1. During the first quarter of the calendar year of the election, the President shall issue a call for elections and an invitation of candidates to run for office through publication in the Society newsletter.

2. Candidates for election shall indicate a desire to run for office by forwarding a notice of their candidacy to the President and to the Editor for publication in the K. The President shall promptly report such notification to the Officer Corps.

3. Candidates are encouraged to submit a formal statement of their candidacy to the Editor for publication in a pre-election issue of the K. Follow-up statements are permitted, space and time allowing, prior to the vote.

4. In the second half of the calendar year of the election, the Editor shall prepare and distribute an election ballot to all members in good standing, to be published in the Kommandeur, and to be mailed to the secretary. Those members receiving the e-K must print out and mail a physical ballot to the secretary.

a. The ballot shall list the names of all candidates for office, the Secretary's mailing address, and the final date ballots must have postmarks to be valid. Exception: a posi-

tion for which there is only one candidate may be left off the ballot unless the Executive Committee directs otherwise.

b. The ballot shall list a deadline for receipt of ballots by the Secretary. The deadline must be a minimum of thirty days after posting of ballots.

c. Proper control procedures shall be implemented to insure that no member will cast more than one ballot.

d. The ballot shall instruct members to return their ballots to the Secretary for counting.

B. If no member challenges an incumbent by the deadline for receipt of candidate's announcements, the incumbent office holder shall remain in office by default until the next scheduled election.

C. In the event of a tie vote for an elected officer position, a majority vote of the Exec shall break the tie. Any member of the Exec Committee who is involved in such a tie may not cast a ballot in the tie breaking vote.

D. Procedure for filling vacancies in the Officer Corps:

1. The President may fill a vacancy in any elected or Appointed Officer position by designating another member who is willing to fill the position as the new Appointed Officer. If the President declines to appoint another member, the Executive Committee may designate the new Appointed Officer from members willing to fill the position.

2. For any vacancy in an Officer position, the following procedure will be used:

a. Notice of the position's vacancy along with a brief description of the duties of the office is published in the Society newsletter or by e-mail, inviting members who meet the qualifications of the office to apply for the open position. The deadline for receipts of applications is a minimum of thirty days after the posting of the announcement.

b. Members who are interested in filling the remainder of that position's term of office shall send a notice to that effect to the President, who shall inform the Executive Committee and Editor of all candidates for any vacant position.

c. If more than one member applies to fill the open position by the specified deadline, the Executive Committee shall choose the replacement from the applicants by a majority vote. A tie vote shall require a second vote. In the event of a second tie, the candidate will be considered rejected, and a new candidate must be selected. If only one qualified member applies, that person does not become the replacement by default but must still be voted upon by the appropriate Committee.

E. The Executive Committee is responsible for seeing that the above procedures are carried out in accordance with these By Laws.

X. DUES INCREASES:

A. Any proposal for a dues increase must first be approved by a majority vote of the Executive Committee.

B. The Secretary shall receive, count and forward to Editor for publication to the membership the final disposition of the vote.

XI. REMOVAL OF OFFICERS:

A. An Elected officer may be removed from office for the following reasons:

1. Non-performance of duties.
2. Misuse of Society funds or property.
3. Gross violation of these By Laws, either as they apply specifically to that particular office or as they apply to all officers in general.
4. By normal Election votes.
5. Being expelled for any reason.
6. Forced or voluntary resignation.

B. Except for the Vice President, appointed officers may be removed by a majority vote of the Executive Committee. The Vice President is appointed by the President and may be removed from office by Presidential request or by the procedure for removal of Elected Officer listed under Section XI. C. below.

C. Procedure for removal of the President:

1. Only a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Executive Committee is required for removal.

2. All members of the Exec must be informed of any action in order to substantiate any charges and deliberate a course of action for the society.

3. The President during this inquiry shall remain in office until final voting of the Executive committee is submitted. Results will be published in the next scheduled issue of the Kommandeur to the Membership at Large for their information.

4. The Vice President shall serve as interim President to the Exec and shall submit to the Executive Committee a report of findings and suggest a consensus for a vote. This action must be completed within 60 days, or another member of the Exec must be designated to start the process.

5. Upon removal of the President due to vote or resignation, the Vice President will assume the duties of the President until the next scheduled election, or until a new President can be appointed by 2/3 vote of the Exec.

6. Certain procedural comments listed in Section XI. D. below which conflict with those of Section XI C. 1 above, then information in Section XI C. 1 shall prevail where appropriate.

D. Procedure for removal of other Elected Officers:

1. An officer who is a member of the Executive Committee must place a motion for removal of any officers before the Executive Committee.

2. The Executive Committee officer initiating the removal motion (the Initiator) must notify in writing the officer whom the motion seeks to remove (the Defendant) about the motion, the reasons for its presentation, and include any other relevant information. The Initiator shall send the same notice to all members of the Executive Committee.

3. The Defendant is given sufficient opportunity (not less than 30 days after receipt of the notice) to reply in writing to the motion for removal. The Defendant shall send a copy of the response to the Initiator and all other members of the Executive Committee.

4. After consideration of all relevant factors, the Executive Committee must vote on whether to end removal proceedings or remove the officer in question. Neither the Initiator nor Defendant may participate in this vote. This vote must be approved by a majority of the Executive Committee members remaining after ex-

clusion of the Initiator and Defendant. If the vote fails to gain approval by a majority, if the Executive Committee declines to vote on the matter, or if the vote ends in a tie, the removal process is ended. Ballots (phone calls or e-mail should the Executive Committee use that format) are forwarded to the Secretary for official tallying, unless the Secretary is the Initiator or Defendant or is vacant in the removal proceedings, in which case the Judge will be the ballot recipient and official tally keeper.

5. As soon as practical after the deadline for receipt of ballots, the Secretary or Judge shall tally the votes.

6. If the removal vote is approved, the Initiator will notify the Defendant in writing of the results of the vote. Both the Initiator and Defendant are allowed to add one further written statement to the documentation.

Again, a minimum of 30 days after the Defendant received notice of the continuation vote must be allowed for the Defendant to reply.

7. After determining the final vote count, the Secretary or Judge shall forward the removal vote results and final count to the President. The President shall then inform the Officer Corps and the Editor of the results, and count. The Editor shall then publish the information to the membership at large in the Kommandeur.

XII. SOCIETY FINANCES AND EXPENSES:

A. All officers and members shall promptly forward to the Treasurer any funds collected by or on behalf of AHIKS by no later than the end of the month collected.

B. Budget.

1. The Executive Committee may change the following procedure by majority vote for the purpose of updating as required.

2. Before the beginning of the calendar year, or as requested by the Treasurer and/or Executive Committee; each Officer, whether Elected or Appointed, shall submit in writing to the Treasurer an estimate of Society related expenditures required by his office for the upcoming calendar year, if any, and whether he is requesting distribution of one addi-

tional paper issue of the Society newsletter.

3. The Treasurer shall forward these Budgets to the Executive Committee which shall have the option to change and/or adjust/amend the amounts and priorities by majority vote. Once the Treasurer submits the budget to the Executive Committee, that budget is considered the official budget unless the Executive Committee does, in fact, elect to change it.

4. If actual income differs significantly from projected income, the Treasurer shall have the option to adjust the budget amounts either upwards or downwards to reflect the actual income. The Treasurer shall forward the adjusted categories and amounts to the affected officers and to the Executive Committee, which shall have the option of modifying the Treasurer's budget changes by majority vote.

5. Once an officer has incurred expenses equal to the budgeted amount for his office, that officer may not be reimbursed for any further Society expenses for that calendar year without the approval of the Executive Committee by majority vote.

6. Except for the Editor (in the case of production and distribution costs of the Society newsletter) and the Match Coordinator (in the case of expenses connected with matching services and other activities), no other officer or member of the Society shall obligate or enter into any agreement which obligates AHIKS without the prior approval of the Executive Committee.

7. No non-officer may incur a Society expense nor be reimbursed without prior approval of the Executive Committee and/or General Committee when required.

8. All AHIKS checks disbursed from Society funds must be signed by two (2) officers to be valid. One of the signatures must be that of the Treasurer; the other signature must be that of the Secretary, President, or Editor. All authorized signatures must be placed on the Bank signature card to be valid.

9. Once adopted and approved, the official budgets will be published in the Society newsletter or other offi-

cial publication if at all practical or as directed by the Executive Committee.

C. Expense Reimbursement:

1. Except for the Editor in the case of production and distribution of the Society newsletter or in cases where the Executive Committee has granted prior approval, the procedure of reimbursement for Society related expenses is as follows:

a. The officer incurs the expense, pays the expense out of pocket, and then submits a receipt for the expense to the Treasurer for reimbursement.

b. The officer may submit the expense proposal, wait for the Exec to discuss and vote on it, and then wait for the check. Receipt for purchase or service must be submitted to the Treasurer within 30 days, to be accompanied by a short report of the results. If reimbursement of an expense claim may be questionable, obtain prior approval from the Executive Committee in writing before incurring the expense. Otherwise the reimbursement may be disallowed.

2. The reimbursement procedure is subject to these restrictions:

a. The reimbursement request must accompany a receipt clearly stating the exact amount of the expenditure and its purpose. Exception: For postage expenses totaling \$50.00 or less, the Treasurer may elect to accept a written and signed expense report or log from the officer involved, in lieu of receipts.

b. The expense must directly relate to the expected duties of the officer. If the expense claim is questionable, the Treasurer should forward the details to the Executive Committee for approval. If the questionable expense claim pertains to any member of the Executive Committee, that officer must excuse himself from voting on the measure.

3. With the exception of production and distribution costs of the Society newsletter by the Editor and activities by the Match Coordinator, no funds will be distributed in advance of the expense without prior approval of the Executive Committee under Section rules above.

4. With the exception of production and distribution costs of the Society newsletter, no expense of \$50

dollars or more will be reimbursed without prior approval. The approval procedure is as follows:

a. If the expense is between \$50 and \$499.99 U.S., reimbursement requires a Majority vote of the Executive Committee.

b. If the expense is between \$500.00 and \$999.99 U.S., approval by a majority vote of the Executive Committee is required before submission to the membership at large.

c. If the expense is over \$1,000.00 U.S., approval is required by the Membership at Large. A Majority vote of over 50% is required in all three of these cases.

XIII AMENDMENTS:

A. These By Laws may be amended by the following procedure:

1. Any member in good standing may propose an amendment to these By Laws.

a. This proposal shall detail in specific terms which section of the By Laws is to be changed and the precise wording to be changed or substituted.

b. It will contain an explanation of why the submitter feels the amendment is needed and what effect its adoption will have on the Society.

2. The proposed amendment is submitted to any member of the Executive Committee who must place the proposal before the entire Executive Committee, unless the proposal is being submitted/offered by a member of the Executive Committee (it will then be submitted/offered directly to the Executive Committee by that Officer).

3. If a two thirds (2/3) majority of the Executive Committee approves, then the proposed amendment is placed before the Membership at Large for their consideration and vote of approval/disapproval.

B. Procedures for amendment balloting:

1. Only members in good standing may vote on the amendment(s).

2. Ballots are returned to the Secretary for official tallying. If the Secretary position is vacant, then the Judge shall tally the count and abide by the Secretary duties for its disposition as outlined in Secretary Duties.

3. The deadline for receipt of bal-

lots is a minimum of thirty days after posting of the amendment ballots.

4. If a majority of the Membership at Large returning ballots by the specified deadline approves, then the proposed amendment becomes part of these By Laws upon certification by the Secretary or assigned tallying officer.

a. As soon as is practical after the deadline for receipt of ballots, the Secretary or tallying officer, shall tally the votes.

b. After determining the final vote count, the Secretary shall forward the vote result and final count to both the President, who shall inform the Officer Corps of the result, and the Editor who shall inform the Membership at Large of the final result and count.

XIV. INTERPRETATION:

A. When a question arises about how a particular section of these By Laws is to be interpreted, a majority vote of the Executive Committee shall decide the matter.

1. The interpretation question must be placed before the Executive Committee by a member of the Executive Committee.

2. As for procedure: the interpretation question is handled in the same manner as any other matter placed before the Executive Committee. This will be done by majority vote on any resolution.

XV. EMERGENCY PROVISIONS:

A. These By Laws cannot anticipate every conceivable situation which might occur in the future. Occasionally, situations may arise not covered by these By Laws or where strict adherence to these By Laws would have a damaging effect on the Society as a whole. In such situations, the Executive Committee by a two thirds (2/3) majority vote may waive a specific provision of these By Laws, subject to the following restrictions:

1. The situation in question should be temporary in duration and non-recurring.

2. No portion of the complaint resolution procedure, dues increase procedure, amendment procedure, nor removal of officers procedure may be changed without an amend-

ment to these By Laws.

XVI. EFFECTS OF THESE BY LAWS:

A. Upon approval by a majority of members returning votes by the specified deadline, these By Laws will supersede and render void any and all previous By Laws or Constitutions of AHIKS.

B. If approved, these By Laws will become effective upon certification of the vote by the Secretary. The President shall inform the Officer Corps of their approval, and to the Editor, who shall publish the information to the membership at large in the Kommandeur and Despatch.

C. The date of these amended By Laws will be the date the Secretary declares certification of approval after a vote count and will be reported as such in the earliest available Kommandeur.

D. These By Laws amend and replace the By Laws of March 30, 1995.

Vote on these new By Laws on page 15.

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Can you identify these three battlefields?

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Grastald

Norm+y

1. Ardennes, 2. Stalingrad, 3. Normandy; Zipper was the codename for the invasion of Malaya in 1945.

Open Match Requests from Roger Eastep

In requesting matches, it's helpful if you use the Match Request Form available in each issue of *The Kommandeur* or on the AHIKS website <http://ahiks.com/>. Mail the request to me at the above or at 16456 Tomahawk Dr., Gaithersburg, MD 20878, or e-mail the equivalent information (including your e-mail address) to me at: ahiks291@verizon.net. When a match is set up, only one of the players should request ICRKs for all players.

If you plan to change or have changed your address, phone number, or e-mail address, please let Secretary Bill Watkins know as soon as possible to avoid delay in the receipt of your *Kommandeur*, ICRKs, and other valuable AHIKS information.

Please send top portion of completed ICRKs to Match Rating Officer Andy Johnson.

Note: this list is updated periodically between issues of *The Kommandeur* at <http://ahiks.com/>.

1776 (AH)	(1572) Graves EM
1904-5 (Avalanche)	(0916) Dandy E
Adv. Squad Leader (AH)	(1382) Massey E
Afrika Korps (AH)	(1572) Graves EM
Agincourt (GDW)	(0200) Bowie M
Anzio (AH)	(1269) Schneider E
Anzio (AH)	(1572) Graves EM
Anzio (AH)	(0111) Oleson
Attack Sub (AH)	(1382) Massey E
Austerlitz (2nd Ed)	(0036) Yarwood
Battle of Bulge '65 (AH)	(1269) Schneider E
Battle of Bulge '81 (AH)	(0011) Betros EM
Bitter Woods	(0036) Yarwood
Blitzkrieg '75 (AH)	(1269) Schneider E
Blitzkrieg (AH)	(1000) McPherson
Blitzkrieg (AH)	(1572) Graves EM
Blitzkrieg (AH)	(0011) Betros EM
Blue & Gray II (SPI)	(0036) Yarwood
Breakout Normandy (AH)	(1413) Longest
Breitenfeld (SPI)	(0200) Bowie M
Bull Run (AH)	(1252) Brooker M
Bull Run (AH)	(1051) Heiser M
Caesar's Legions	(1269) Schneider E
Cruiser Warfare (Avalanche)	(0916) Dandy E
Defiant Russia (AP)	(0470) Thorsen M
Diplomacy (AH)	(1210) Fasio M
Diplomacy (AH)	(1252) Brooker M
EastFront (Columbia)	(0044) DeWitt E
Fifth Frontier War (GDW)	(1315) Reid
Flattop (AH)	(1430) Warnick E
Fortress Europa (AH)	(1051) Heiser M
Gettysburg '88 (AH)	(0711) Leonard E
Gettysburg '88 (AH)	(1527) Brooks M
Grant Takes Command (AH)	(1075) Morley E
Great War at Sea (Avalanche)	(0916) Dandy E
Guadalcanal (AH)	(1555) Scott E/M
Guadalcanal (AH)	(1051) Heiser M

Invasion Sicily (GMT)	(0225) Segarra E
Kasserine (GMT)	(0225) Segarra E
Kasserine (GMT)	(1382) Massey E
Luftwaffe (AH)	(1269) Schneider E
Monty's Gamble (MMP)	(1382) Massey E
Musket & Pike (SPI)	(0200) Bowie M
Napoleon at War	(0036) Yarwood M
NATO (VG)	(1315) Reid
On to Richmond (AH)	(1075) Morley E
PanzerBlitz (AH)	(1269) Schneider E
Panzer Leader (AH)	(1382) Massey E
Panzer Leader (AH)	(1551) Dohrman Cyberb
Panzer Leader (AH)	(0711) Leonard E
Panzergruppe Guderian (SPI)	(0275) Scanlon M/E
Pre-Stags (SPI)	(0817) Riley E
Raphia (GDW)	(0200) Bowie M
Richthofen's War (AH)	(1554) Trosky
Road to Gettysburg (AH)	(1075) Morley E
Rocroi (SPI)	(0200) Bowie M
Russian Campaign (L2)	(1566) Leonard E
Russian Campaign (L2)	(1466) Svensson
Russian Campaign (AH or L2)	(1243) O'Connor
Russian Campaign (AH)	(1345) Scarborough M
Russian Campaign (AH)	(1252) Brooker
Russian Campaign (AH 77)	(0011) Betros EM
Russian Front (AH)	(0036) Yarwood M
Stalingrad (AH)	(0011) Betros EM
Stalingrad Pocket II (Gamers)	(1553) Evenson E
Submarine (AH)	(1468) Thomas M
Thirty Years Quad (SPI)	(0044) DeWitt E
Vietnam	(1315) Reid
Victory in the Pacific (AH)	(1382) Massey E
War and Peace (AH)	(1554) Trosky
War at Sea (AH)	(1382) Massey E
Waterloo (AH)	(1382) Massey E

E (member requests e-mail only) **M** (member requests mail only) **E/M** (either OK)

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History of World—Jeff Miller 1303

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please just check in with a reminder to keep your name active on the want list. Conversely, should you have a request already in and no longer need it, please drop me a courtesy note so I can remove it from the list. Again, if requesting a counter(s), please describe the counter(s) as best as possible and be sure to include your AHIKS # along with your mailing address.

On the other side of the coin, the UCP is more than glad to accept donations of counters. So, if anyone has that incomplete game or extra set of counters, and they are not sure what to do with them, why not donate them to the UCP and perhaps benefit some fellow member who has been losing sleep over that missing counter. I can speak from personal experience that the UCP has helped me in the past, so it does work. With regards to the issue of incomplete games please feel free to send the entire game along if you so desire. Though the UCP is primarily a counter replacement service, it does currently contain a few assorted other game parts and one never knows if a map or rules or chart may be needed by someone. We all know the danger of spills, kids, pets, too many beers, bad die rolls, desper-

ate opponents, angry spouses, and the whole gamut of those unfortunate happenings that can befall one of our games. And though we may not all want to admit it, I'm sure we've all experienced at least one of those situations at some point during our gaming years. I know I have, but I'll leave it at that...

And of course, should you contribute something, please be sure to include your name and AHIKS # so I can make mention of your donation in *The K*.

As for the actual list of games currently available in the UCP, I plan on posting a complete list in *The K* twice a year and will post any new additions as they are received. However, should anyone need a copy of the list in the meantime, please just send me an e-mail (or snail mail), and I will send one along. And above all, I'd like to again remind everyone that this service is *absolutely free* to all AHIKS members.

And last, but certainly not least, I'd like to extend a word of thanks to my predecessor in the UCP Office, Clyde Longest Jr., for his time and efforts during his tenure.

Best Wishes to you all for a Happy New Year.

Regards, [Brian Laskey](#)

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The By-Laws

- The By-Laws are OK as written.
- The By-Laws should be changed as shown.

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Welcome our new UCP officer, Brian Laskey

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Name: _____ Member # _____ Date _____.

Address: _____.

Phone: _____ E-Mail _____ @ _____.

PLEASE USE **ALL APPLICABLE** CODES FOR EACH GAME LISTED

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Game titles (please list in order of preference, **and be sure to include publisher's name and any dates, e.g. Anzio '69 (AH)**)

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#3 _____ Codes _____.

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