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Happy New Year



Wings of War Campaign Game in Action

CMH Winter News

*Message from CMH Secretary
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The New Year is upon and with it comes a new year of responsibility and possibilities. Membership dues for 2013 are due this month. The dues rate is the same as last year - \$35 for adults, \$20 for students or \$35

for a family. Please send your dues to the Treasurer (Larry Irons) or any Board member. Paid members will receive the 2013 schwag of 4 green CMH dice, available at the February meeting.

We have submitted our schedule for 2013 to Hyland Hills and are awaiting the final contract. Tentatively we have 12 Sundays, 12 Fridays and 2 Saturdays this year. It has also been proposed for non-Baker Friday nights to officially host games at various local game stores. If you are interested in hosting a game, please contact Doug Wilfong.

John Mumby has noted that the club has several veterans within its ranks. If you are interested in speaking about your experience at a monthly meeting or writing a short article, please contact me to schedule a time or submit your article.

February will have Ghengis Con, hosted by DGA (www.denvergamers.org). Please support our local conventions to keep the hobby alive and well.



Battle of Flodden – Renaissance: Principles of War

Wings of War Campaign News

(10 December 2012)

By CMH Member Dan Gurule

We flew two missions today to kick off our small WWI campaign. The first was a bombing mission for a lone Gotha Bomber with two (2) Dr. 1's as escort (John and Gary). On the Allied side they had a flight of one (1) Sopwith Camel (Nate) and four (3) Sopwith Snipes (Andrew, Anthony and Aaron). Some of the Pilots were new to WoW but they caught on quickly. The battle lasted until the Gotha (me) made a run at the target and then back over their own lines. My escort fighters did an excellent job of keeping those pesky Brits off my back while I flew through and lined up my bomb run. About midway to the target they did get a lucky shot and killed my nose gunner so was a bit defenseless up front. Other damage I

sustained was my tail gunner getting jammed at the wrong moment (of course) and we took some a rudder hit going in and another coming back out while I was “running” for it. I managed to damage the target but didn’t destroy it. I missed the target “red dot” by millimeters! I totally miscalculated my turns before my run and took some extra moves to get lined up.

So the Gotha suffered some damage but not as much as the Fighters in the Dogfight around me. Many took over half damage but not enough to get them extra survivor points as laid out in the campaign rules and we did not have any kills. But one or more turns that could have been a different story. We used the two original Wings of War Battle mats for this mission.

So using the Campaign rules I found at the Aerodrome we scored as follows:

Mission 1 – Bomb Run

Gary S./German Dr. 1/Battle Survival = 1 pt

John O./German Dr. 1/Battle Survival = 1 pt

Dan G./German Gotha/Battle survival and damaging target = 2 pts

Nate F./British Sopwith Camel/Battle Survival = 1 pt

Aaron V./British Sopwith Snipe/Battle Survival = 1 pt

Anthony R./British Sopwith Snipe/Battle Survival = 1 pt

Andrew G./British Sopwith Snipe/Battle Survival = 1 pt

Fighter Scramble

We then moved on to the Fighter Scramble. This was fought with three (3) Sopwith Snipes Piloted by Andrew G., Anthony R. and Aaron V. We were joined this time by John W. who jumped into a Dr. 1, John O. stayed with his Dr. 1 from the previous Battle and I took an Albatross. There was some vengeance to be dealt out from the British after our successful German Bombing run. Besides the usual trash talk across the table the fighting was tenacious. There was a lot of damage being dealt but again no Kills. We fought on as long as we could before our players had to start packing up to get home. So we called the battle after an hour of some good fighting. I did notice that the players were getting smart. The ones that were taking damage would get out away from the center of the battle to come back in with a better advantage. And some made the rookie mistakes of not visualizing the turn before selecting the Turn card. It was evident with one of the German Players was in a tailing position and for some reason turned completely away from the Brit he was chasing (Nice one John W.). But for this being the 2nd mission we had a lot of fun and all are looking forward to the next set of missions. So the points were dished out as follows:

Mission 2 – Fighter Scramble

John W./German Dr. 1/Battle Survival = 1 pt

John O./German Dr. 1/2 Battle Survival = 1 pts

Dan G./German Gotha/2 Battle Survival = 1 pts

Aaron V./British Sopwith Snipe/Battle Survival = 2 pts

Anthony R./British Sopwith Snipe/Battle Survival = 2 pts

Andrew G./British Sopwith Snipe/2 Battle Survival = 2 pts

These players as points are accumulated will be able to purchase certain skills from the list provided in the Campaign rules. This should make them more dangerous. We will see.

Campaign Total Points

Pilot	Country	Aircraft	Mission 1 Bomb Run	Mission 2 Scramble	Total
Gary S.	German	Dr. 1	1		1
John W.	German	Dr. 1		1	1
John O.	German	Dr. 1	1	1	2
Dan G.	German	Gotha/Albatross	2	1	3
Nate F.	British	Camel	1		1
Andrew G.	British	Snipe	1	1	2
Anthony R.	British	Snipe	1	1	2
Aaron V.	British	Snipe	1	1	2



Wings of War – Gotha Bomb Run

December Monthly Meeting Unit of the Month

Each month CMH members bring their latest painted figures and models to the meeting to display their latest efforts and compete for Unit of the Month.

CMH Member	Scale	Manufacturer	Era	Unit
Larry Irons	15mm	Table Top	Ancients	Sarmatian Heavy Cavalry
John Wharrier	28mm	Pass of the North	Wild West	Gunfighters

Unit of the Month Winner is highlighted in **RED**.



Unit of the Month entries – PzKpfw III's and WWI aircraft

December Monthly Meeting Game of the Month

Each month CMH members host games at the monthly meeting. This award is for the effort put out by the host.

CMH Member	Scale	Era	Rules	Description
John Brown/Larry Irons	15mm	Ancients	DBMM 2.0	Fall of Rome Medley
Gurule/Gurule	1/144	WWI	Wings of War	German Bomber Hunt
Eric Elder	15mm	Renaissance	Principles of War	Battle of Flodden

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Games at the Monthly meeting – DBMM Medley and Wings of War

CMH January Scheduled Events

This table shows what scheduled CMH events are coming up. Next months Friday Night Fights (FNF) and the monthly meeting (MM) are listed. It is recommended to schedule your game for future meetings and will appear on this page.

Date	Meeting	Location	Start Time
January 13	Monthly Meeting	Baker	Noon
January 18	FNF	Baker	7:00 pm
February 10	Monthly Meeting	Baker	Noon
February 14-17	Genghis Con	Red Lion Hotel Aurora, CO	All Day
February 22	FNF	Baker	7:00 pm

FNF (TBD) may or may not occur this month due to a lack of a scheduled host.



Colorado Military Historians, Inc.

Colorado Military Historians (CMH) is a non-profit organization whose purpose is to promote historical wargaming and the study of military history. Founded in 1965, CMH meets monthly on the second Sunday of the month, except in May when the meeting is deferred to the third Sunday. The meeting starts at noon at the Baker Recreation Center, 6751 Irving Street (just a few blocks west of Federal Blvd), Denver, Colorado. The club also hosts gaming at least one Friday night a month, called “Friday Night Fights” (FNF) at 7:00 p.m. One Friday of the month will be held at the Baker Community Center. The other Friday meetings will be held at a future determined location. See website for latest information.

CMH maintains ties with numerous local, regional and national groups to help promote the hobby. CMH is governed by member-elected officers serving on the Board of Directors (executive board). Terms of office are one year, with elections held at the May meeting. New members are accepted after attending three CMH functions and a vote of the membership. Dues are \$35.00 per year, payable in January. Members wishing to receive a snail-mailed newsletter subscription must pay an additional fee of \$15.00 per year. Authors retain ownership of articles and graphics published. CMH reserves the right to edit or reject submissions to the newsletter.

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(For NEW members who join after June 30)

Family Membership: \$35.00 (one Adult and any number of offspring)

Student Membership: \$20.00 (16 to 22 years old)

Children: free (younger than 16 accompanied by member)

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