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Members of the CMH!! This is YOUR newsletter. It will be only as good as YOU make it. Wargame reports are fine but are of interest mainly to those who directly participated in the game. How many books have you read this month? It's probably safe to say a total of 15 to 20 by all members combined, yet our book section is void. Some other things we should have but don't, include information on uniforms, flags, military organization, unit histories, vehicles, planes, artillery and other ordnance, etc., etc., etc., I'm certain the bull sessions before and after our October meeting will be filled with literally hundreds of such interesting items. The problem is that only two or three people will hear your gems of wisdom. Let everyone in on it. Put these things on paper and submit them for inclusion in this letter. This is also your opportunity to express your opinions about club policy and make comments or additions to programs of previous meetings or articles appearing in the newsletters. This letter should be your best and most permanent means of communication to ALL your fellow members. Get with it!

Your Editor & Staff.

News and Views

*Message from CMH Secretary
Eric Elder*

Congratulations on reaching volume 50 of our newsletter. I would say an impressive feat. I'd like to thank all the past Editors who volunteered. Past Editors who's names I have seen are:

- Richard Moore
- Michael Kuhls
- Dan Jones
- David Minor
- Greg Skelly
- Jeff Lambert
- Brent Oman
- Chris Caudill
- Ray Trochim
- Larry Irons
- Tony Fryer
- Terry Shockey

I'm sure I'm missing additional Editor names from the 1970s and 1980s. In the early days there was an Editor, Assistant Editor, and Art Editor.

There are no articles this month. I think everyone has been focused on the holidays. I hope everyone had a good Christmas and Happy New Year to you all. I look forward to our club meetings and conventions this year.

Do you have any hobby New Years resolutions? I probably should. Certainly paint more and read more.



A festive pewter scene at a taffy store in Estes Park.

December

Unit of the Month

Sponsored by Hobbytown Westminster

Each month, at the monthly meeting, CMH members bring their latest painted figures and models to the meeting to display their latest efforts.

CMH Member	Scale	Manufacturer	Era	Unit
Larry Irons	25mm	Old Glory	Ancient	Ancient German Cavalry
JIM RAIRDON	28mm	Essex	Medieval	Light Cavalry, Archers
Jim Rairdon	28mm	Essex	Napoleonic	Blucher & Staff
Dave Manley	28mm	Footsore	FIW	Indians on snowshoes
Dave Manley	28mm	Bolt Action	WWII	Marine Dog Teams & Others
Dave Manley	28mm	Bolt Action	WWII	Japanese Anti-Tank Team
Jeff McCarron	15mm	Minifigs	AWI	Black Watch

Winner in **RED**



December

Game of the Month

Sponsored by Hobbytown Westminster

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

CMH Member	Scale	Rules	Description
LARRY IRONS	25mm	ADLG	Battle of the Catalaunion Fields
Eric Elder	1:3000	Halsey	Battle of the Coral Sea
Scott Holder	10mm	Circus Maximum	Chariot Race
Matt Vigil	Blocks	Commands and Colors	Samurai Battles

Winner in **RED**



Historic Location of the Month

Pra River, Ghana

January 21, 1824, the British lost the Battle of Nsamankow during the First Anglo-Ashanti War. The battle was fought on a tributary of the Pra River. The British and Allies lost due to low ammunition supplies.



Wargame Conventions

www.partizan.org.uk



JANUARY - JUNE 2023
Competition events are in italics

January		
7th January	<u>Spartacon</u>	Dewitt, MI
7th January	<u>Tundracon</u>	Appleton, WI
12th - 15th January	<u>Midwinter Gaming Convention</u>	Milwaukee, WI
13th - 15th January	<u>Siege of Augusta</u>	Augusta, GA
<i>14th - 15th January</i>	<i><u>Shifting Sands FoW Tournament</u></i>	<i>Maricopa, AZ</i>
26th - 29th January	<u>Las Vegas Open</u>	Las Vegas, NV
28th - 29th January	<i><u>Walt's Winter Wrassle</u></i>	<i>Covington, LA</i>
28th - 29th January	<i><u>Flames of War West Coast Nationals</u></i>	<i>Las Vegas, NV (at LVO)</i>
29th January	<i><u>Torneo Blitz 600 Bolt Action</u></i>	<i>Caracas, Venezuela</i>
February		
3rd - 5th February	<u>Winter War</u>	Champaign, IL
4th February	<u>New Jersey Games Day</u>	Manchester, NJ
4th February	<u>Flintcon</u>	Flint, MI
17th - 19th February	<u>Williamsburg Muster</u>	Williamsburg, VA
17th - 19th February	<u>Radcon</u>	Pasco, WA
17th - 19th February	<u>Con of the North</u>	Plymouth, MN
17th - 19th February	<u>Atlanta Military Figure Society Show</u>	Atlanta, GA
17th - 20th February	<u>Dundracon</u>	Santa Clara, CA
17th - 20th February	<u>Orccon</u>	Los Angeles, CA
19th February	<u>Battle at the Crossroads</u>	Cambridge, OH
20th - 26th February	<u>Prezcon</u>	Charlottesville, VA
23rd - 26th February	<u>Ghengiscon</u>	Aurora, CO
23rd - 26th February	<u>Totalcon</u>	Marlborough, MA
<i>25th - 26th February</i>	<i><u>Cold Iron VII FoG Tournament</u></i>	<i>Fultondale, AL</i>

Full list available here:

[Americas Wargames Calendar](#)

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. 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 \$60.00 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.

One year Adult Membership: \$60.00

Half year Adult Membership: \$30.00

(For NEW members who join after June 30)

Family Membership: \$60.00 (one Adult and any number of offspring)

Student Membership: \$30.00 (16 to 22 years old)

Children: free (younger than 16 accompanied by member)

Club Links:

Web Site: <https://cmhweb.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/cmhgamers/>

Groups.io Group: <https://groups.io/g/cmhweb>

Discord: <https://discord.gg/DAP2Gn>

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