

HULL BUSTERS

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07/28/00 Jeff Poindexter

Battle Announcement.

By Steve Reichenback

"There will be a battle in Mesquite, Texas on August 19th. Everyone is welcome, and this battle is unsanctioned. Go east on I-30 from I635, and exit south on Northwest drive. Go a few blocks to Palos Verdes park. We will battle axis vs allies. RSVP to Steve (email wtpat2@yahoo.com)."

Hello, my name is D.W. Fluegel, and I will be captaining you through the wild world of BB warship combat. This flight will preserve for history the 2nd annual MWC nationals. Enjoy your flight, and thank you for flying Hull Busters.

I would first like to thank the authors: Finisher, Reichenback, Poindexter, Wade, Larrs, Eliassen, Marty, and Asman. All the authors sent me their battle reports without me having to hound them, thanks guys.

The month of July was so much fun! I attended both clubs' nationals (three if you count Jeff's club), and put 3,588 miles on the mini van (4,288 miles if you count Jeff's club).

The best thing about MWC Nats was that it was pure Axis vs. Allied. Also, it was big, lots of captains. Another cool thing was the motel, lake, and the short distance between them! Oh, I also liked the valley ship retrieval by Lee Roy, the SCUBA man. He could find your ship fast and was gentle with it. The worst thing was the gnats, yes gnats, they kept us distracted. Oh, this Nats had the best restrooms in the history of the hobby! I had 10 urinals at my disposal right at the pit area (plus several British ships, and that's not including the motel swimming pool). My room mate was David Asmon, and he had a goal of converting me to "good beer." How did I luck into that situation? Fancy beer was always there. And by the end of the week, my cheap beer started tasting skankie. Still, one week was not enough and the cheap beer is once again pretty tasty. Back to the bad of the Nats, well, we didn't have very quick score updates, and we had to be in the presence of the looser allies, man they were everywhere. Did I mention we also had ten toilets.

The most fun I had was serving on the patch crew of the convoy ship Bremen. We had two "patches" per side, and a "patch tearer" on each side. We goose stepped when ever possible and had such a spirit of "team" that some sort of mystic bond graced our presence. All of us will remember the honor of Bremen duty.

Talk about spiritual, Reichenback led a devotion, complete with communion on the Sunday prior to battle. I still feel a bond with my brothers in Jesus! Thanks Reichenback! I am so glad you're in the water, the van, the club, and our lives, you make them all better.

The Axis captain's meeting was a surprize, we thought we would loose! What had I missed on the internet chat thing? Did we not route the Allies a short year ago? What could have changed that much? Had I turned gay and British (same thing)? No! We would win, by 13%. My roommate predicted by 15%. Still, despite our personal confidence, we looked at each other and said, "One of us will sink tomorrow." We had a confident opponent that way outnumbered us, and we were on the scared team. How could that have happened? (Confession: Wade looks really snappy in his Natz outfit).

Well, as I have all of the MWC battle reports, and none of the IRCWCC reports (their nats were just last week) this issue will be

the MWC Nats issue. Buckle up you seat belt, this could be a bumpy ride, and again, thank you for flying Hull Busters.S

JEFF'S CLUB

By Jeff.

As of July 27th, 2000 there are now 8 club members in the fastest growing R/C Warship Combat Club. This is known to all as Jeff's Club. As the first order of business of the club I audited the books and confirmed that I have no idea what I am doing. So in the true "warship combatant" spirit I am presenting I do. The following is a list of the current members and their permanent club number... 1. Jeff Poindexter #1

2. D. W. Fluegel #2
3. Stan Watkins #3
4. Lief Goodson #4
5. David Lawrence #5
6. Matt Moury #6
7. Steve Andrews #7
8. Tom Tanner #11



THE PEOPLE AND THEIR SHIPS

Allied Captain	Ship
AU, CHRIS	WISCONSIN
BECKETT, TIM	NORTH CAROLINA
BROGDEN, TED	VALIANT
BRORING, PAUL	MICHIGAN
COLE, DON	IOWA
DAHL, LARRY	BELLEROPHON
DUSEK, JAMES	CHICAGO
EAKIN, BOB	IOWA
ELIASSEN, BRIAN	SOUTH DAKOTA
FOSTER, JAMES	INVINCIBLE
FRIEND, BUDDY	OREGON CITY
GRAHAM, DANA	PRINCE OF WALES
JASS, TOM	SUMATRA
KEELS, AUSTIN	INVINCIBLE
MILHOLLAND, STEVE	SOUTH CAROLINA
PURVIS, BART	SOUTH CAROLINA
PURVIS, MATT	NORTH CAROLINA
RUCKER, ROBERT	NORTH CAROLINA
STOESON, CHRIS	MICHIGAN
THIBAUT, ADAM	INVINCIBLE
THIBAUT, MATT	WHICITA
THIBAUT, RON	WHICITA
WATKINS, STAN	WASHINGTON
WHITSELL, JOHN	INVINCIBLE
WHITSELL, RICK	NORTH CAROLINA
ZINAT, ALI	ESPANA
KEELS, MATT	NORTH CAROLINA
FOSTER, JAMES	DR. VICTORIA
GRAHAM, DANA	INVINCIBLE

Axis

Captain	Ship
ASMAN, DAVID	NASSAU
AU, DAVE	VON DER TANN
AVALLONE, RANDY	ROMA
BRAY, KEVIN	MOLTKE
COOK, NOEL	DEUTSCHLAND
FINSTER, BRYAN	YAMATO
FLUEGEL, D.W.	BADEN
GOFF, GEORGE	TRE KRONER
GOODSON, LIEF	BADEN
KING, RICK	ADMIRAL SCHEER
KOEHN, WADE	LUTZOW
KRAKOWSKI, TIM	ADMIRAL HIPPER
MAXWELL, MIKE	LUTZOW
MESZAROS, LOUIS	VITTORIO VINETTO
PATE, JIM	SCHARNHORST
PEARCE, CHRIS	NAGATO
RAY, ANDY	NAGATO
REICHENBACH, STEVE	SCHARNHORST
STEVENS, CHARLEY	FUSO
COOK, DAN	LUTZOW
GOFF, GEORGE	LUTZOW
STEVENS, CHARLEY	Z-BOAT
KRAKOWSKI, TIM	Z-BOAT

MWC NATS

Monday Battles

By: Steve Reichenbach

The 2nd annual nationals began with a lot of speculation and discussion about the composition of allied and axis fleets (necessary because of frequency conflicts). The axis admiral, Jim Pate, decided to split his fleet into "veteran" and "screening" fleets, while the allied admiral, Don Cole, went with "balanced" fleets. The axis "veteran" fleet included Chris Pearce, Andy Ray, Dave Au, D.W. Fluegel, Lief Goodson, Jim Pate, and a half dozen other veterans. The "screening"

Au, accompanied by the North Carolinas of Robert Rucker, Tim Beckett, Matt Purvis, Rick Whitsell, and Matt Keels.

Most of the axis were excited about the upcoming battle, and were looking forward to the challenge of facing the Iowas. We were confident that our "A" fleet would win a decisive victory, breaking the spirit of the enemy. What actually happened, though, surprised us all. After the first sortie, the axis had not sunk very many allied ships, and the allies were licking their chops, anticipating a feeding frenzy on the new axis battlers. It was the "B" fleet battle that had everyone on the edge of the bank looking.

The test, with the bathroom's behind the tent. The lake just to the right and behind the photographer.

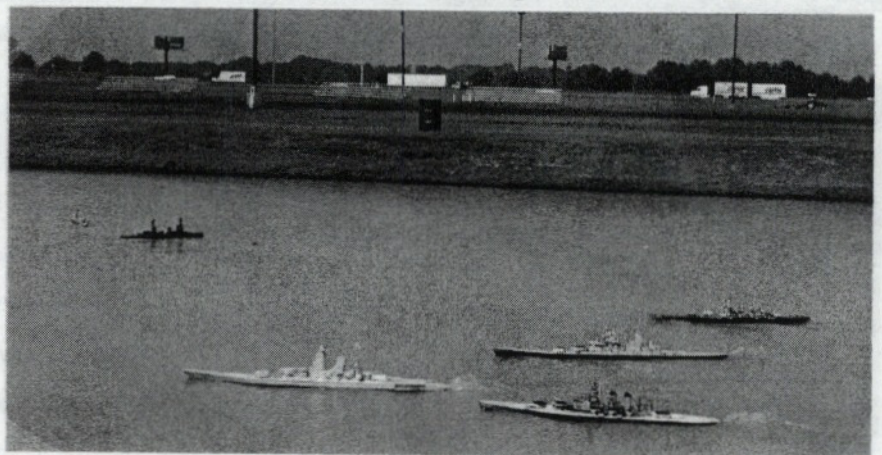


fleet (jokingly referred to as the "screaming" fleet) included mostly new battlers with fast ships, including Steve Reichenbach, Bryan Finster, Lou Meszaros, Tim Krakowski, Noel Cook, and led by vice-admiral Wade Koehn.

The allied fleets included three pairs of Iowas and North Carolinas. The Iowas were brought by Don Cole, Bob Eakin, and Chris

The axis "B" fleet were the heroes of Monday morning, playing a classic "run and gun" strategy that meant the allies would have to chase the axis, while the axis shot holes into their bows. The "B" fleet didn't have any sinks on Monday, but their ability to hold their own against 2 Iowas, several North Carolinas, and a numerically superior enemy, was the biggest disappointment of the day for

Run and Gun, Bryon's Yamato followed by three big bad fast Allied ships.



the allies, and the biggest surprise for the axis. Following the successful sortie of the axis "B" fleet, the axis "A" fleet went on to crush their foes, sinking 70 percent of the enemy ships, giving the axis a 6000 point lead on Monday morning.

The afternoon was much closer, with more "knife fighting" and less "run and gun", but still left many of the allies disappointed that the "B" fleet did not use the hug and slug tactics they preferred. Chris Au and Tim Beckett, of the allied "A" fleet, kicked the snot out of the axis "B" fleet

who failed to sink a single enemy ship on Monday. Bryan Finster's Yamato did not sink, but did absorb over 6000 points in damage. During the fight, Bryan remarked "they've got to run out of bbs eventually". Several hours and several tubes of ambroid later, the Yamato was patched, and battlers returned to the hotel (the allies telling the axis "B" fleet captains they would have more fun if they would slug it out on Tuesday, and the axis captains celebrating a good first day of battle).

Allied		Fleet 1 A & B MONDAY MORNING										
Captain	Ship	:S	:S	Above	On	Below	Sink	Sink	Pen	Damage	Points	Average
AU, CHRIS	WISCONSIN		8	27	2	8				720	1063	531.3
BECKETT, TIM	NORTH CAROLINA		6	9	0	4				290	1063	531.3
BROGDEN, TED	VALIANT		5	8	0	1				130	956.3	478.2
BRORING, PAUL	MICHIGAN		4	6	1	0				85	850.1	425
COLE, DON	IOWA	8		134	8	33				3190	1149	574.7
DAHL, LARRY	BELLEROPHON	4		64	9	15		Y		2415	919.5	459.7
DUSEK, JAMES	CHICAGO										0	0
EAKIN, BOB	IOWA	8		106	8	14		Y		3160	1149	574.7
ELIASSEN, BRIAN	SOUTH DAKOTA		6	8	1	0				105	1063	531.3
FOSTER, JAMES	INVINCIBLE	4		19	0	10		Y		1490	919.5	459.7
FRIEND, BUDDY	OREGON CITY		3	3	0	0				30	743.8	371.9
GRAHAM, DANA	PRINCE OF WALES	6		12	2	13	Y			1820	574.7	287.3
KEELS, AUSTIN	INVINCIBLE	4		66	6	18	Y			2510	459.7	229.9
MILHOLLAND, STEVE	SOUTH CAROLINA	4		8	0	4				280	919.5	459.7
PURVIS, BART	SOUTH CAROLINA	4		33	1	10	Y			1655	459.7	229.9
PURVIS, MATT	NORTH CAROLINA	6		26	0	4		Y		1460	1149	574.7
RUCKER, ROBERT	NORTH CAROLINA	6		61	6	13				1410	1149	574.7
THIBAUT, ADAM	INVINCIBLE		4	0	0	0				0	850.1	425
THIBAUT, MATT	WHICITA		3	0	0	0				0	743.8	371.9
WATKINS, STAN	WASHINGTON		6	4	0	0				40	1063	531.3
WHITSELL, JOHN	INVINCIBLE		4	1	0	0				10	850.1	425
WHITSELL, RICK	NORTH CAROLINA		6	9	0	2				190	1063	531.3
ZINAT, ALI	ESPANA		4	0	0	3				150	850.1	425
KEELS, MATT	NORTH CAROLINA		6	25	1	3				425	1063	531.3
Totals			54	65	629	45	155			0	21565	21070
Axis												
Captain	Ship	:S	:S	Above	On	Below	S1?	S2?	Pen	Damage	Points	Average
ASMAN, DAVID	NASSAU	4		4	1	2				165	1714	857
AU, DAVE	VON DER TANN	4		32	9	4			100	745	1614	807
BRAY, KEVIN	MOLTKE	4		3	1	0				55	1714	857
COOK, NOEL	DEUTCSHLAND		3	34	0	4	yes			540	143.6	71.82
FINSTER, BRYAN	YAMATO		8	158	31	73				6005	410.4	205.2
FLUEGEL, D.W.	BADEN	5		21	5	11			200	885	1728	864.1
GOFF, GEORGE	TRE KRONER		2	34	3	6	Dec			715	123.1	61.56
GOODSON, LIEF	BADEN	5		28	6	7			800	780	1128	564.1
KING, RICK	ADMIRAL SCHEER	3		12	0	1	D			1220	749.9	374.9
KOEHN, WADE	LUTZOW		4	55	10	11		Y		2150	328.3	164.2
KRAKOWSKI, TIM	ADMIRAL HIPPER		3	7	0	0				70	287.3	143.6
MAXWELL, MIKE	LUTZOW		3	2	0	1				70	287.3	143.6
MESZAROS, LOUIS	VITTORIO VINETTO		6	28	2	1				380	410.4	205.2
PATE, JIM	SCHARNHORST	5		38	9	17				1455	1928	964.1
PEARCE, CHRIS	NAGATO	6		45	6	11				1150	2143	1071
RAY, ANDY	NAGATO	6		34	5	14				1165	2143	1071
REICHENBACH, STEVE	SCHARNHORST		5	44	10	14	Y			2290	184.7	92.33
STEVENS, CHARLEY	FUSO	5		41	1	13				1085	1928	964.1
COOK, DAN	LUTZOW	3		7	3	0				145	1500	749.9
Totals			50	34	627	102	190			1100	21070	20465

Allied		Fleet #2									
Captain	Ship	Above	On	Below	S1?	S2?	Pen	Damage	Points	Average	
AU, CHRIS	WISCONSIN	38	7	23				1705	779.4	389.7	
BECKETT, TIM	NORTH CAROLINA	29	1	7				665	779.4	389.7	
BROGDEN, TED	VALIANT	15	2	2			200	300	501.4	250.7	
BRORING, PAUL	MICHIGAN	59	2	14		Y	400	2140	223.5	111.7	
COLE, DON	IOWA	12	0	1				170	357.9	178.9	
DAHL, LARRY	BELLEROPHON	2	0	0				20	286.3	143.2	
DUSEK, JAMES	CHICAGO	0	0	0				0	250.5	125.3	
EAKIN, BOB	IOWA	26	1	0				285	357.9	178.9	
ELIASSEN, BRIAN	SOUTH DAKOTA	34	6	2				590	779.4	389.7	
FOSTER, JAMES	INVINCIBLE	10	0	6				400	286.3	143.2	
FRIEND, BUDDY	OREGON CITY	71	2	3	Y			1610	272.8	136.4	
GRAHAM, DANA	PRINCE OF WALES	3	0	2				130	357.9	178.9	
JASS, TOM	SUMATRA	7	0	0				70	214.7	107.4	
KEELS, AUSTIN	INVINCIBLE	10	0	0				100	286.3	143.2	
MILHOLLAND, STEV	SOUTH CAROLINA	0	0	0				0	286.3	143.2	
PURVIS, MATT	NORTH CAROLINA	27	0	3				420	357.9	178.9	
RUCKER, ROBERT	NORTH CAROLINA	8	1	4				305	357.9	178.9	
THIBAULT, ADAM	INVINCIBLE	10	1	2				225	623.5	311.7	
THIBAULT, MATT	WHICITA	8	7	6				555	545.6	272.8	
WATKINS, STAN	WASHINGTON	30	6	9		Y		1900	779.4	389.7	
WHITSELL, JOHN	INVINCIBLE	19	0	1				240	623.5	311.7	
WHITSELL, RICK	NORTH CAROLINA	36	3	25				1685	779.4	389.7	
ZINAT, ALI	ESPANA	8	5	10				705	623.5	311.7	
KEELS, MATT	NORTH CAROLINA	103	7	7				1555	779.4	389.7	
Totals		565	51	127			600	15,775	12,090		
Axis											
Captain	Ship	Above	On	Below	S1?	S2?	Pen	Damage	Points	Average	
ASMAN, DAVID	NASSAU	35	7	13				1175	1291	645.3	
AU, DAVE	VON DER TANN	30	6	10				950	1291	645.3	
BRAY, KEVIN	MOLTKE	15	1	6				475	1291	645.3	
COOK, NOEL	DEUTCSHLAND	16	3	6				535	246.3	123.1	
FINSTER, BRYAN	YAMATO	53	6	18			200	1580	151.9	75.93	
FLUEGEL, D.W.	BADEN	12	2	12				770	1452	726	
GOFF, GEORGE	TRE KRONER	8	0	0				80	211.1	105.6	
GOODSON, LIEF	BADEN	26	2	0				310	726	363	
KING, RICK	ADMIRAL SCHEER	4	0	1				90	1129	564.7	
KOEHN, WADE	LUTZOW	1	0	4				210	281.5	140.7	
KRAKOWSKI, TIM	ADMIRAL HIPPER	8	0	1				130	246.3	123.1	
MAXWELL, MIKE	LUTZOW	0	0	0				0	246.3	123.1	
PATE, JIM	SCHARNHORST	43	3	6				805	1452	726	
PEARCE, CHRIS	NAGATO	63	4	14				1430	1613	806.7	
RAY, ANDY	NAGATO	23	4	2				430	1613	806.7	
REICHENBACH, STE	SCHARNHORST	39	5	7				865	316.7	158.3	
STEVENS, CHARLEY	FUSO	54	3	23			200	1765	1252	626	
COOK, DAN	LUTZOW	24	2	4				490	564.7	282.3	
Totals		454	48	127			400	12,090	15,775		

Bee Bees at Nats 2000, MWC

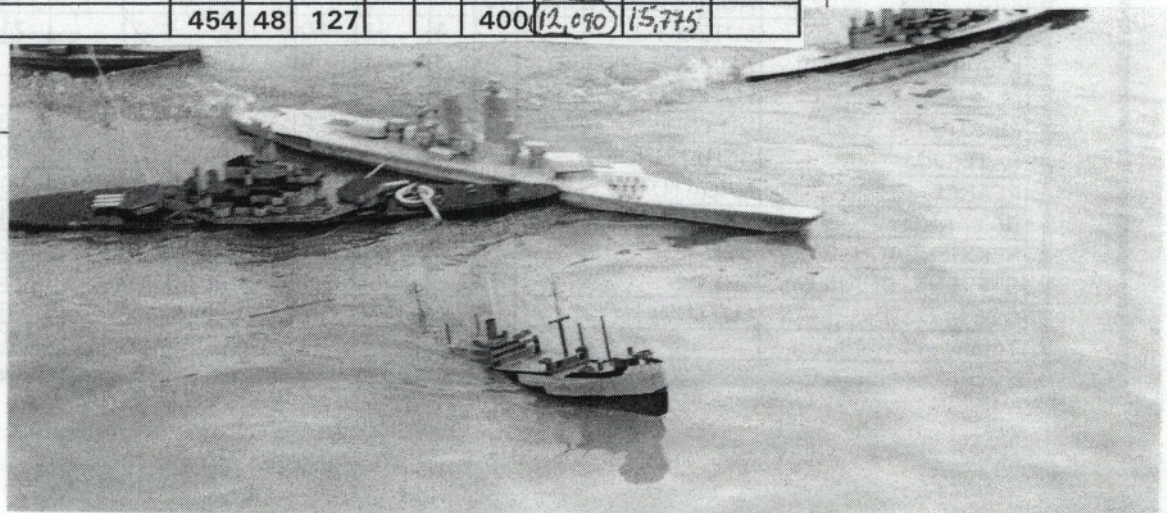
By Fluegel

For the first time in the hobby, new forms of BBs appeared at lake side. It seems that good old Copper Head (daisy, 10 for one cent) BBs are not so good, like, not so round. Quality control seems to occur in our gun barrels, bad BBs jam, good ones pass through. About 6 captains purchased Olympic grade BBs (5 for one cent). One captain even purchased small ball bearings (1 for five cents?).

The Olympic grade BBs were a bit larger, and had their own set of jamming problems. The ball bearings were too expensive, and methods other than throwing money at the problem were soon in vogue. Pearce poured his BBs in a pie pan and rolled them about, discarding the bad ones. One captain was trying to borrow a micrometer, I'm uncertain where that method ended up. I used BBs that I had shot through a tube into a coffee can, still, three of these jammed in 11 days of battling.

This topic is new and unresolved, but Olympic BBs do not seem to be the answer.

No Supplies
this run.



Nats Tuesday

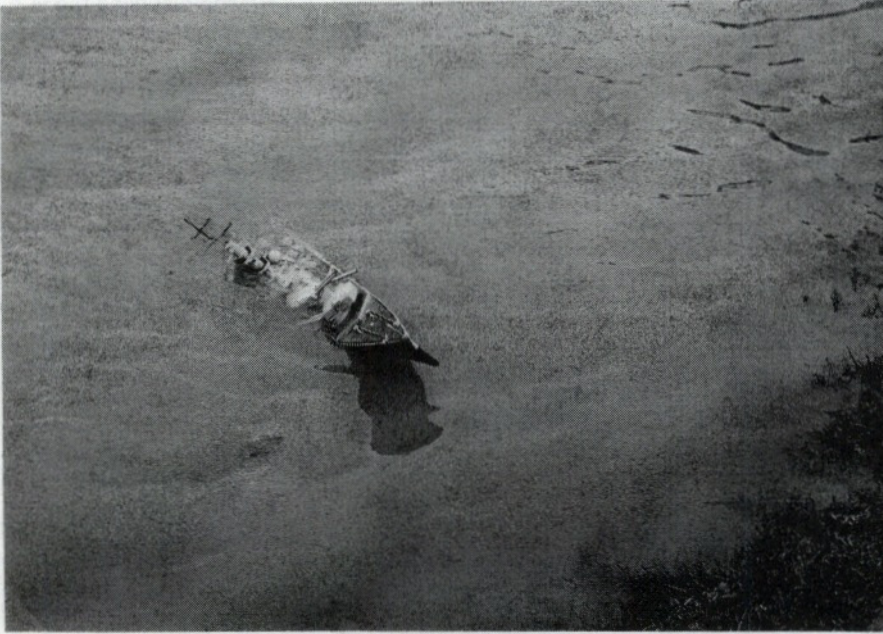
By Bryon Finster

Tuesday morning found the Axis fleet in high spirits. Monday had been declared a victory by Axis High Command (though no scores were known), and it was decided that Tuesday would be

and pounded by several Axis ships. The Axis, however, are 1641 gentlemen and decided to let him live until the next sortie. Buddy Friend's Oregon City also felt the brunt of Axis firepower and sank with Yamato type damage.

The Allies held a grudge against Charley Steven's Fuso and decided to put her down. Charley, seeing the amount of firepower arranged against him, gallantly opened his sea cocks and let his Fuso slide beneath the waves with much less damage than the Allies wanted to give.

One in a number of Reichenback sinks.



The Axis B fleet now went out to fight the Allied A fleet. Prior to battle being called, the Axis admiral assented to the B fleet request to "sink us some Allies". The B fleet organized itself with it three battleships screened by three Lutzow class cruisers and the Tre Kroner light cruiser. Arrayed against this force was two Iowas, three North Carolinas, an Invincible, Chicago, and Sumatra. In this target rich environment, the Axis B fleet went into a feeding frenzy. The first target was Dana Graham's Prince of Wales. However, it soon became apparent that the Allies valued this ship and would defend her to the last. After several attempts to cut her out, The Axis grew weary of quadruple stern guns and double side mounts from Iowas and decided to go after targets of opportunity. No Allied ships were sunk in the first sortie, but the Axis lost Tre Kroner and Gneisenau.

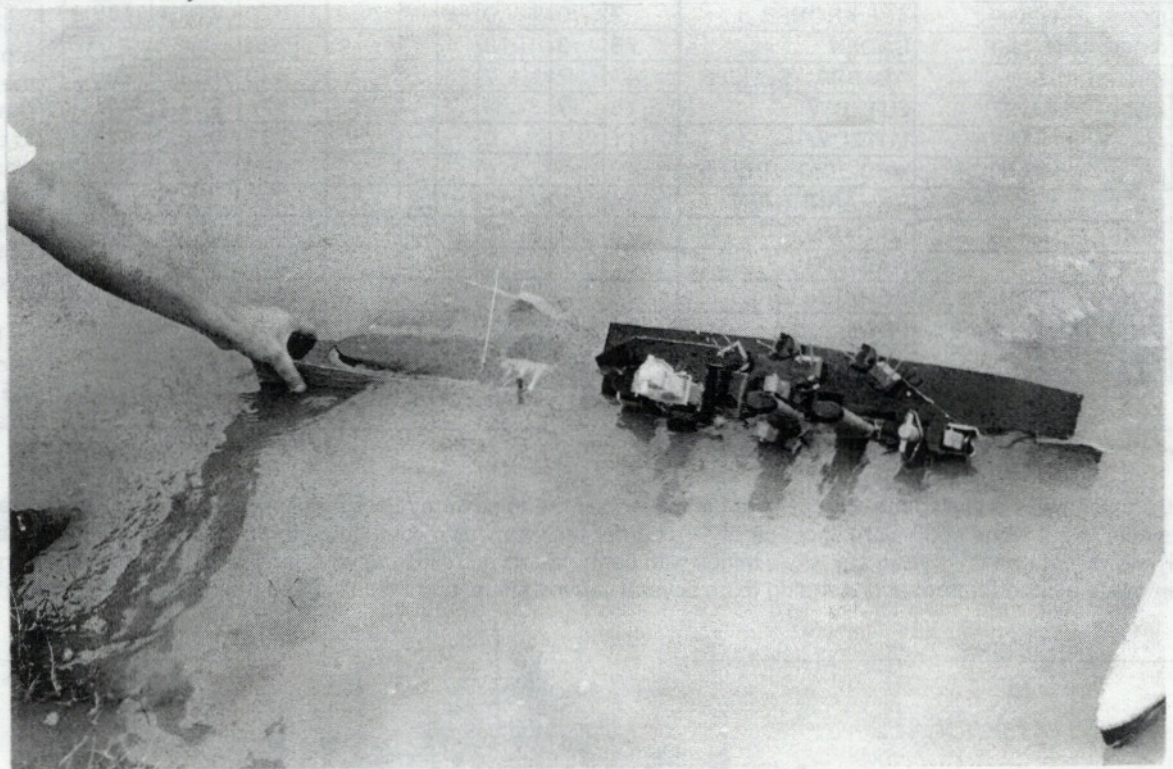
more of the same.

The second sortie of the Axis A fleet started off with an effort to finish off the wounded Valiant. Valiant was

Tuesday's morning battle pitted the Axis A fleet against the Allied B fleet. While the Axis B fleet was (erroneously) considered to be weak in the attack, the Allied B fleet contained fierce combatants who preferred close combat to sniping from afar. Battle ensued and the Axis A fleet once again went to work trying to sink Allies.

Matt Purvis shows his ship is legal and will indeed sink. This test was conducted frequently, and Matt's ship always passed the sinkability test.

In the first sortie, Tim Beckett's North Carolina found her way to the bottom. This came as a bit of a surprise, and a great cheer went up among the Axis ranks. Later, Ted Brogden's Valiant ran aground and was surrounded



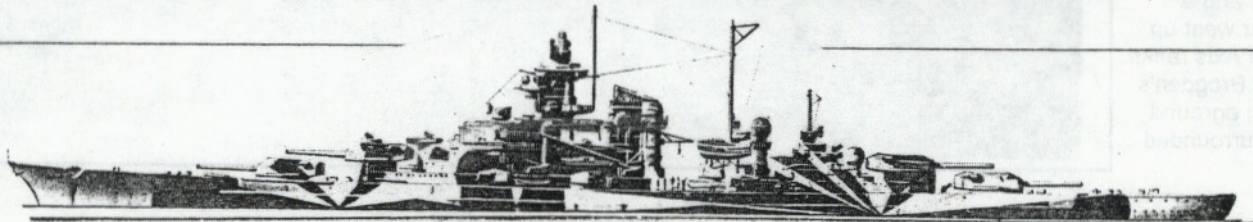
Allied		Fleet #3									
Captain	Ship	Above	On	Below	S1	2	Pen	Damage	Points	Average	
AU, CHRIS	WISCONSIN	77	9	25				2245	1210	605.2	
BECKETT, TIM	NORTH CAROLINA	5	1	8	Y			1475	605.2	302.6	
BROGDEN, TED	VALIANT	107	9	22		Y		3295	1089	544.7	
BRORING, PAUL	MICHIGAN	55	8	11				1300	968.4	484.2	
COLE, DON	IOWA	34	0	0				340	1098	548.9	
DAHL, LARRY	BELLEROPHON	29	10	7				890	484.2	242.1	
DUSEK, JAMES	CHICAGO	64	5	5		Y		1715	768.5	384.3	
EAKIN, BOB	IOWA	15	3	12				825	1098	548.9	
ELIASSEN, BRIAN	SOUTH DAKOTA	78	14	22				2230	1210	605.2	
FRIEND, BUDDY	OREGON CITY	103	4	12	Y			2430	423.7	211.8	
GRAHAM, DANA	PRINCE OF WALES	25	6	24				1600	1098	548.9	
JASS, TOM	SUMATRA	12	0	0				120	658.7	329.4	
KEELS, AUSTIN	INVINCIBLE	10	0	1				150	878.3	439.2	
PURVIS, MATT	NORTH CAROLINA	68	7	8				1255	1098	548.9	
RUCKER, ROBERT	NORTH CAROLINA	40	3	4				675	1098	548.9	
THIBAUT, ADAM	INVINCIBLE	6	0	1				110	968.4	484.2	
THIBAUT, MATT	WHICITA	40	5	17				1375	847.3	423.7	
WATKINS, STAN	WASHINGTON	7	1	6				395	1210	605.2	
WHITSELL, JOHN	INVINCIBLE	36	3	28				1835	968.4	484.2	
WHITSELL, RICK	NORTH CAROLINA	2	0	0				20	605.2	302.6	
ZINAT, ALI	ESPANA	35	5	11				1025	968.4	484.2	
Totals		848	93	224				023305	19,355		
Axis											
Captain	Ship	Above	On	Below	S1	2	Pen	Damage	Points	Average	
ASMAN, DAVID	NASSAU	14	4	8				640	1806	903	
AU, DAVE	VON DER TANN	25	5	7				725	1806	903	
BRAY, KEVIN	MOLTKE	20	2	5				500	1806	903	
COOK, NOEL	DEUTCSHLAND	1	0	0				10	882.3	441.1	
FINSTER, BRYAN	YAMATO	107	10	22				2420	1260	630.2	
FLUEGEL, D.W.	BADEN	35	5	12				1075	2032	1016	
GOFF, GEORGE	TRE KRONER	7	0	0	Y			670	378.1	189.1	
GOODSON, LIEF	BADEN	75	3	18				1725	2032	1016	
KING, RICK	ADMIRAL SCHEER	47	2	7				870	1580	790.2	
KOEHN, WADE	LUTZOW	15	7	4			200	525	682.3	341.1	
MAXWELL, MIKE	LUTZOW	11	1	0				135	882.3	441.1	
MESZAROS, LOUIS	VITTORIO VINETTO	45	4	6				850	1260	630.2	
PATE, JIM	SCHARNHORST	14	2	12				790	2032	1016	
PEARCE, CHRIS	NAGATO	78	11	23				2205	2258	1129	
RAY, ANDY	NAGATO	32	4	10				920	2258	1129	
REICHENBACH, STEV	SCHARNHORST	76	7	45				3185	1134	567.2	
STEVENS, CHARLEY	FUSO	71	4	8	Y			2110	1016	508	
Totals		673	71	187			200	19,355	23,305		

lightly defended by her teammates but put up a fight worthy of her name. Alas, it was not enough and she soon fell victim to Axis gunnery. The remainder of the sortie was fought without incident, and the fleets returned to port.

Having dispelled the vicious rumors that the Axis B fleet was all run and no gun, they set sail to avenge the deaths of their comrades. Having lost the Gneisenau, Vittorio Veneto, Yamato, and the three Lutzows found themselves in an environment even richer in targets. It was decided that the best defense was to attack and spread confusion. Yamato proceeded to chase the Prince of Wales again, but peeled off when a wounded cruiser was spotted. Yamato circled the cruiser to bring her side-mounts to bear on the exposed underbelly of the listing Chicago and fired into the cruiser until she paid a visit to Davey Jones. Yamato then went looking for other targets of opportunity and soon found herself the only Axis ship on the water, a very uncomfortable position to be in. Yamato emptied her guns into the Allied fleet and went on "five". The Allies attempted to corner Yamato, but she was able to power her way through the road blocks and went off "five" with the lightest damage of the week.

The end of fleet battle one added 5,750 points to the Axis lead and demonstrated that even outnumbered, the Axis should still be considered a threat.

Campaign was a blur to me. Fluegel and Lief cautioned me to save my BB's and I spent an hour trying to make every shot count. I was able to get some good stern shots off at Ali's carrier and may have contributed to the sink. The rest of my time was taken up with, "OK, now what do I do?" I can say a few things with certainty: some Allied convoy ships were launched and some of them sank, Bremen made a good attempt at pretending to be several convoy ships, and I didn't spend too much time patching afterward. Two thumbs up.



Night.

By Nobody.

I had no authors for Wednesday, and I visited Andersonville, site of Union prisoner of war situations. I will make a few points about night battle. Enough captains decided that night battle was something they could pass up, so we were not "A" and "B" fleets. The Axis cheered as they were reunited, not "A" and "B" but "We." A vote was held on whether we should have a campaign or a fleet battle on Thursday evening. The Axis voted for campaign as a number of captains (almost all allied) had gone to the cost and effort of building convoy ships, so they should be given a chance to use them. I remember a sense of pride as the Axis were badly outnumbered in convoy ships and at a disadvantage, yet we voted for what was right, not for what would help or hurt our team. It's like I say, the word "Axis" is just another way of saying "goodness."

Stan told me the Allies strategy was to fire their stern guns and call five. "Allied night battle" is just another way of saying "desperate!"

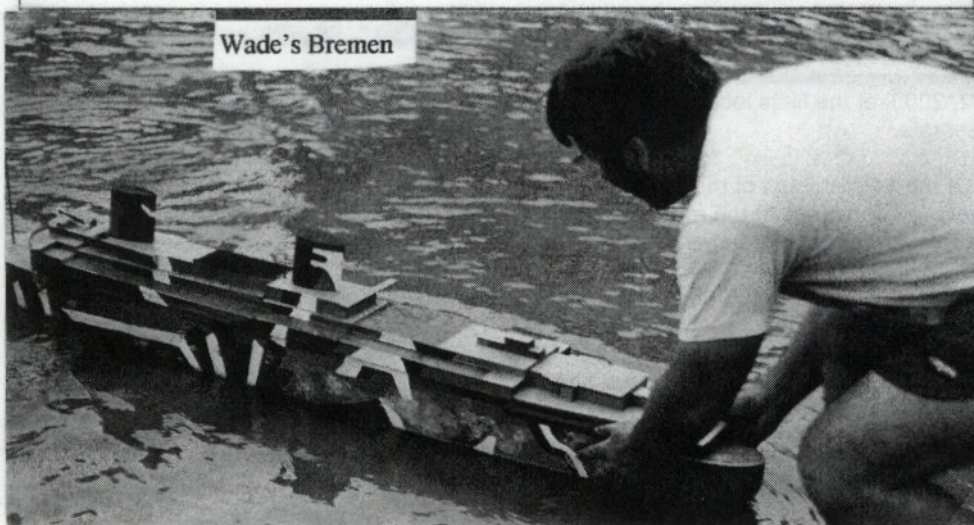
Every night battle somebody has a trick. This time it was Matt Purvis. He had two red blinking lights that were mounted on 2" circles. He tossed them into the lake where they blinked just below the surface of the water. I saw him deploy them and then I watched the captains sail by the first one on their way to battle. Some wondered who sank, and reaffirmed where their own ships were. It was kind of cute.

A problem for most night battlers is enemy identification. Lars' ship engaged us, and we did not necessarily know who's ship was whom's, but we did know Lars' was the only target around. Kevin Bray became the human radar and constantly described the location and direction of Lars' ship (his ship's name is something like Harry Bellephonte, but no Harry). This reconnaissance was very helpful, and a few of us decided that we had only one mission, sink Lars.

Lars' ship started pumping early on and it was like sharks smelling blood, a kill was occurring! Lars declared his five and like a dying elephant returning to the bone pile to die, Lars' ship dragged itself into a corner of the lake to sink. Blasted into consciousness by our guns, she turned and sailed into the wind, waves slipped over her bow, then over the ship. I think he had only 19 seconds remaining in his five. Where there was once a ship, a hope, only the dark waters of night battle remained. No ship, no hope.

Once again, night battle belonged to the Axis. I think it's because we are "the light" of BB warship combat.

Allied		CAMPAING #1				
Captain	Ship	S1?	Pen	Damage	Points	Average
AU, CHRIS	WISCONSIN			0	645.4	322.7
BECKETT, TIM	NORTH CAROLINA			0	645.4	322.7
BROGDEN, TED	VALIANT			0	580.9	290.4
BRORING, PAUL	MICHIGAN			0	516.3	258.2
COLE, DON	IOWA		800	0	-146	-72.8
DAHL, LARRY	BELLEROPHON			0	516.3	258.2
DUSEK, JAMES	CHICAGO			0	451.8	225.9
ELIASSEN, BRIAN	SOUTH DAKOTA			0	645.4	322.7
FRIEND, BUDDY	OREGON CITY			0	458.1	229
GRAHAM, DANA	PRINCE OF WALES			0	654.4	327.2
JASS, TOM	SUMATRA			0	392.6	196.3
PURVIS, MATT	NORTH CAROLINA	Y		1000	654.4	327.2
RUCKER, ROBERT	NORTH CAROLINA			0	654.4	327.2
THIBAULT, ADAM	INVINCIBLE			0	523.5	261.8
THIBAULT, MATT	WHICITA			0	458.1	229
WATKINS, STAN	WASHINGTON			0	645.4	322.7
WHITSELL, JOHN	INVINCIBLE			0	516.3	258.2
WHITSELL, RICK	NORTH CAROLINA			0	645.4	322.7
ZINAT, ALI	ESPANA			0	516.3	258.2
CAMPAIGN				10500	0	0
Totals			800	11500	9975	
Axis						
Captain	Ship	S1?	Pen	Damage	Points	Average
ASMAN, DAVID	NASSAU		200	0	696	348
AU, DAVE	VON DER TANN		400	0	496	248
BRAY, KEVIN	MOLTKE			0	896	448
FINSTER, BRYAN	YAMATO		150	0	509.6	254.8
FLUEGEL, D.W.	BADEN			0	1008	504
GOODSON, LIEF	BADEN			0	1008	504
KING, RICK	ADMIRAL SCHEER			0	461.7	230.9
MESZAROS, LOUIS	VITTORIO VINETTO			0	659.6	329.8
PATE, JIM	SCHARNHORST	Y		900	1008	504
PEARCE, CHRIS	NAGATO			0	1120	560
RAY, ANDY	NAGATO		200	0	920	460
REICHENBACH, STE	SCHARNHORST			0	593.6	296.8
GOFF, GEORGE	LUTZOW			0	461.7	230.9
STEVENS, CHARLEY	Z-BOAT			0	448	224
KRAKOWSKI, TIM	Z-BOAT	Y		400	263.8	131.9
CAMPAIGN				7225	0	0
Totals			950	8525	10550	



Wade's Bremen

Allied		<i>Night</i>									
Captain	Ship	Above	On	elo	S1?	Pen	Damage	Points	Average		
AU, CHRIS	WISCONSIN	0	1	0			25	219.8	109.9		
BECKETT, TIM	NORTH CAROLINA	12	1	5			395	219.8	109.9		
DAHL, LARRY	BELLEROPHON	31	4	9	Y		1660	175.9	87.93		
PURVIS, MATT	NORTH CAROLINA	25	0	8			650	219.8	109.9		
WATKINS, STAN	WASHINGTON	14	2	7			540	219.8	109.9		
WHITSELL, RICK	NORTH CAROLINA	9	1	2			215	219.8	109.9		
Totals		91	9	31			0 3485	1275			

Axis											
Captain	Ship	Above	On	elo	S1?	Pen	Damage	Points	Average		
AU, DAVE	VON DER TANN	7	1	3			245	293.5	146.7		
BRAY, KEVIN	MOLTKE	0	0	0			0	293.5	146.7		
FLUEGEL, D.W.	BADEN	6	0	0			60	330.2	165.1		
GOODSON, LIEF	BADEN	9	0	1		200	140	130.2	65.08		
KOEHN, WADE	LUTZOW	1	0	0			10	256.8	128.4		
KRAKOWSKI, TIM	ADMIRAL HIPPER	1	1	0			35	256.8	128.4		
PATE, JIM	SCHARNHORST	9	0	0			90	330.2	165.1		
PEARCE, CHRIS	NAGATO	21	0	3			360	366.8	183.4		
RAY, ANDY	NAGATO	4	0	0		200	40	166.8	83.42		
REICHENBACH, STE	SCHARNHORST	17	1	2			295	330.2	165.1		
STEVENS, CHARLEY	FUSO	0	0	0			0	330.2	165.1		
Totals		75	3	9			400 1275	3085			

close Nationals that was enjoyable for all. Back at the hotel, Risk games, conversations, and eating (not to mention boat repair, charging of batteries, etc.) brought the group additional enjoyment.

'Tis the beginning of another year for the eboard and the following people were selected: President: Marty Hayes Vice President: Frank Pittelli Treasurer: Don Fisher Sectary: Mike Blattau Contest Director: Steve Andrews. Please feel free to contact any of us via email with regards to anything within the organization. The location for Nationals next year will be Boston, Mass. (dependant upon the local organization being able to make the needed arrangements). A backup of Hagerstown, Md. is provided in case the New

England Dreadnoughts have problems with the facilities.

PRECEDENCE COULOMB The IRCWCC and you

By Marty Hayes

We have just completed our Nationals and all had a good time! Twenty-four captains representing the IRCWCC competed at Bel Air, Md. Since the Allied fleet was represented by only a small number of ships, it was decided at the captains meeting that the Austria/Hungary fleet was fed up with that "Paper Hanging Nazi" and would fight on the Allied side. The resulting fleet, the "United Fleet", won the early battles of the week but choked on Night battle. The Axis then surged forward for a while but could not cut back the lead that United fleet had built up. All and all, a

The rules and legal news: The outgoing Eboard voted to extend the membership for a additional year of all current members because of the screwups in the rules mailing, etc. So.. That means that if you were a member last year (as of the date of Nationals), you are already a member for next year (no additional action on your part is necessary). Only a few rule proposals were brought forth and those for only minor changes. The rules ballot should be out soon, but remember that you must have fought at a sanctioned IRCWCC battle within the last two years to vote! The Eboard is going to give yet another look at the campaign rules to try and streamline them and make them more playable. Remember you can respond to the ballot by email as well as snail mail.

Hullbusters said in the June issue that the editor is thinking of closing the doors on December of this year. I think that if the membership would support Hullbusters more, we can convince him to continue. So.. Its up to you the membership to submit articles about battles, how-tos, etc. or Hullbusters will be no more.

MWC Boad Of Directors minuts.

By Lars

Here are the results of the MWC BOD Annual meeting, held on Wednesday, July

12, 2000, at the Nats location in Perry, Georgia.

Of the 11 members of the MWC BOD, 10 were in attendance at the meeting. In addition, a number of MWC members also attended.

On the issue of chapter or site insurance, it was decided to make a minor bylaw change and have the site host become re-

sponsible for obtaining site insurance for sanctioned events on public property. The BOD will assist the site host in contacting J.A. Price to get the site registered.

In setting up the regions for the upcoming BOD elections, it was decided to go with five regions for the present. The following regions were approved:

Region 1 (19 members): Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota, North Dakota.

Region 2 (16 members): Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky, Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, New York, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Maine

Region 3 (31 members): North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida.

Region 4 (28 members): Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Alabama.

Region 5 (16 members): Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, California, Nevada, Utah, Colorado, Arizona, New Mexico.

It was decided to add members from outside the United States to the region closest to them.

A random procedure was used to determine the length of terms for the initial election, after this year only 1/3 of the board will be up for election each year. It was decided that for this initial election, the largest vote getter in each region would be awarded the longest term, and the runner up would serve the shorter term.

The BOD then discussed and voted in a procedure for replacing a BOD member who cannot complete his term. The BOD will appoint a person from the region to serve until the next election when the region can vote for a replacement.

It was decided to allow Nats attendees who are leaving Nats early but do have voting rights, to register their votes on the rule proposals before they leave.

On the subject of Nats 2001, two sites

were being offered. Houston is a well-known site that has much to offer. The new proposed Missouri site is being tried out in a Regionals early in September. It was decided to await the reports back on the use of this site after this Regional before making the final decision.

On the subject of the changes made to the Ship List for 2000, and the proper procedure for updating in the future, it was decided to allow the BOD (and thus the Ship List Committee) to place Ship List Issues directly on the ballot for the members to approve. This allows the committee to continue their work of updating and documenting the ship list right up to the time that the ballot is sent, while still giving the membership the final vote. It was decided to have the items which were changed without approval for the 2000 Ship List to be placed on the final ballot for the year 2000.

The subject of the twelve month waiting period for voting rights was next on the agenda, and a motion to drop the period was made and passed. Much discussion ensued, and a vote taken. The motion failed to pass, and the waiting period will remain in effect.

The subject of the number of votes needed to change the CBS rules was next on table. After much discussion of possible methods, a motion was made and passed that a CBS rule change would pass with a 2/3 vote of the returned ballots.

It was decided that the regional frequency lists served little purpose, and to drop them. Instead, the frequency list for sanctioned events is to be handled by the site host. It was thought that a list of available frequencies available to each captain and maintained by the MWC on their website would be of more use to a site host trying to solve

frequency conflicts. The MWC Vice President will still maintain the frequency list for Nats attendees.

In the case where a new application for membership and a Nats attendance fee are received but cannot be processed in time to allow attendance at the upcoming Nats, it was decided that it was the responsibility of the MWC BOD screening committee to inform the applicant that the problem existed. No deadline for sending in a membership application would be set.

It was also decided to record BOD rule interpretations, decisions, and policies on the MWC website, at a location available only to MWC members. It was also suggested to include these in the rules packet.

Next were some requests for rule interpretations. A member had asked if the ships moved from the light cruiser categories to the heavy cruiser categories in the 2000 ship list should now get 23 second speed. The board ruled that the movement was not authorized and that the ships should still be considered to be at their 1999 location and values for the present time. It was also noted that the issue was also to be on the final rules ballot for the members to approve or disapprove.

The next rules question came from James Foster and involved an the question over when is a casement gun a casement gun, and when is it superstructure? The issue as presented (in a multipage booklet) contained enough variables that the Board requested that a committee be formed of members knowledgeable in the subject, to either make an interpretation or a rule proposal to clarify the issue.

Lars
MWC Secretary

MWC Fleet Battle #4

Thursday

By Dave Asman

The week's battling moved into Thursday and a Final Victory was still in sight for both fleets. Both fleets were also operating at near full-strength as a result of effective battle damage repair or the use of back-up ships coming off the shelf. Weather was not a factor, with no more than light breezes at any one time.

Tactics for both fleets were following familiar patterns: The Allies again fielded a balanced A and B fleet composition, whereas the Axis A and B fleets were, simply put, either gorillas or greyhounds in flavor. Fleet battle sortie #1A pitted the Axis gorillas (Bad moniker? You decide.) against the Allied A fleet. New arrival Chris

Stossen's USS Michigan was first to be tested by Axis gunnery, and went under at the 10 minute mark. Judging by pump stream activity alone at sortie's end, both fleets exchange of fire was telling, but with no ships showing excessive damage. Fleet battle sortie #1B featured the Axis greyhounds and a balanced Allied squadron. The Axis greyhounds performed well, peppering the 24 second Allied ships in close pursuit and ever-widening the gap from the slower Allies. Notable events: Steve Reichenback's Sharnhorst going 5 out of control (surviving), a well-executed Allied stern gun sandwich on a passing (Brian Finster's) Yamato, and Lou Meszaro's Vittorio surviving a determined chase by Chris Au's Wisconsin and Tim Beckett's North Carolina, both of whom still cashed in for well-aimed shots in the pursuit. Sortie #2A was now good to go. Fleets collided and up went the pump streams. Dana Graham's slick-looking Prince of Whales now caught the attention of an Axis squadron. PoW gave as good as she got (gotta love those quad sterns) but was sent to the bottom by sheer weight of

Axis shell and numbers. Lief Goodson's Bayern suffered a similar demise by Allied hands. This writer also breathed a sigh of relief as his timer chimed on. Sortie #2B put the Axis greyhounds to the test again. Steve Reichenback's Sharnhorst gets sandwiched while making a turn, yet manages to break free, only to sink some ten yards later from fatal wounds. Pretty roll and sink. Film at 11. But the carnage continued. Dave Au's VDT was ramsunk by sibling Chris' Iowa, but the tough little Von Der Tann was recovered with no damage and was sent out again to finish the battle. Axis and Allied timers soon began to click off to zero and ships began coming (thankfully) off the water. Official scoring for Fleet Battle #4 shows: Axis (damage/points awarded)20365/23045. Allied 23645/19565. It was yet another 'squeaker' between the two fleets.

Fleet Campaign #2

Allied fleet A vs. Axis fleet B kicked off the afternoon's battling. The first thing that was observed by this writer was, 'where *is* everybody?' A close (well, not very close) inspection of the nearby men's room revealed several Allied captains resolutely seated and enjoying the facility's sumptuous comforts. With the opposition thus occupied, the Axis launched their convoy ship Bremen in hopes of snagging a few easy convoy runs. Regardless of their temporarily depleted numbers, the Allies began pouring fire into Bremen with great gusto. To the Axis' dismay, the pre-recorded speeches of the Fuhrer emitting from the Bremen's audio system had little effect in diminishing the volume of Allied fire. So much for psych warfare. The Allied convoy ships were also coming out in a near flood, with some very pretty looking cargo ships and

CVEs. Survival rates were a rough 50/50 for the Allied convoy runners, but they were still scoring points. With the Axis only having one convoy ship, Bremen enjoyed a well coordinated patching crew between runs, with as many as five Axis at a time administering repairs to the big ship. Thus attended to, Bremen made one full run and four half-trips, one trip of which was done with the ship in reverse (loss of forward power) with Jim Pate and Brian Finster providing tug-boat service. Bremen's charmed life ended at the close of Campaign 2A, however. It was challenged for hull hardness and it failed 3/3. The points it earned previously would stand, but this meant that the Axis had no convoy ship for Campaign 2B.

Campaign 2B had an unusually relaxed feel to it. With no convoy ships to look after, the Axis ships lolled about the Allied home base, waiting for targets to appear, or tried to prevent Allied sharpshooters from striking shore targets at the Axis home base. Fleet Thibault and John Whitsell earn mention in eliminating the Axis shore targets. With one half hour's time remaining, the Allied ships patrolling their home base waters began a concentrated effort of provoking Axis ships to battle by making firing passes at them. Also, since the campaign had begun not one Allied convoy ship had hit the water. So, a chess

Allied		Fleet # 4									
Captain	Ship	Above	On	Below	S1?	S2?	Pen	Damage	Points	Average	
AU, CHRIS	WISCONSIN	83	17	19			800	2205	776.5	388.3	
BECKETT, TIM	NORTH CAROLINA	51	9	22				1835	1577	788.3	
BROGDEN, TED	VALIANT	33	5	9				905	1419	709.4	
BRORING, PAUL	MICHIGAN	36	6	2				610	1261	630.6	
COLE, DON	IOWA	109	7	17				2115	582	291	
DAHL, LARRY	BELLEROPHON	31	3	7				735	1261	630.6	
DUSEK, JAMES	CHICAGO	2	0	0				20	407.4	203.7	
EAKIN, BOB	IOWA	56	8	18				1660	582	291	
GRAHAM, DANA	PRINCE OF WALES	35	6	24		Y		2700	582	291	
JASS, TOM	SUMATRA	10	0	0				100	349.2	174.6	
KEELS, AUSTIN	INVINCIBLE	48	7	6				955	465.6	232.8	
MILHOLLAND, STEV	SOUTH CAROLINA	66	22	23				2360	465.6	232.8	
PURVIS, MATT	NORTH CAROLINA	98	4	27		Y		3430	582	291	
RUCKER, ROBERT	NORTH CAROLINA	14	5	8				665	582	291	
STOESON, CHRIS	MICHIGAN	34	6	13	Y			1940	232.8	116.4	
THIBAUT, RON	WHICITA	7	0	0				70	407.4	203.7	
WATKINS, STAN	WASHINGTON	13	0	2				230	1577	788.3	
WHITSELL, JOHN	INVINCIBLE	3	0	0				30	1261	630.6	
WHITSELL, RICK	NORTH CAROLINA	13	0	0				130	1577	788.3	
ZINAT, ALI	ESPANA	20	0	11				750	1261	630.6	
FOSTER, JAMES	DR. VICTORIA	5	2	2				200	407.4	203.7	
Totals		767	##	210			800	23,645	18,415		
Axis											
Captain	Ship	Above	On	Below	S1?	S2?	Pen	Damage	Points	Average	
ASMAN, DAVID	NASSAU	31	9	13				1185	2127	1063	
AU, DAVE	VON DER TANN	18	2	8			400	630	500.6	250.3	
BRAY, KEVIN	MOLTKE	4	0	0				40	2127	1063	
FINSTER, BRYAN	YAMATO	197	31	52				5345	1126	562.9	
FLUEGEL, D.W.	BADEN	32	0	2			200	420	2192	1096	
GOFF, GEORGE	TRE KRONER	0	0	0				0	675.5	337.7	
GOODSON, LIEF	BADEN	56	13	19		Y		2735	2392	1196	
KING, RICK	ADMIRAL SCHEER	11	0	0				110	1861	930.4	
KOEHN, WADE	LUTZOW	28	2	3				480	788	394	
KRAKOWSKI, TIM	ADMIRAL HIPPER	18	0	3				330	788	394	
MESZAROS, LOUIS	VITTORIO VINETTO	19	1	2				315	1126	562.9	
PATE, JIM	SCHARNHORST	33	11	6				905	1013	506.6	
PEARCE, CHRIS	NAGATO	34	0	3				490	2658	1329	
RAY, ANDY	NAGATO	34	5	4				665	2658	1329	
REICHENBACH, STE	SCHARNHORST	139	15	60				4765	1013	506.6	
Totals		654	89	175			600	18,415	23,645		

Allied	CAMPAIGN #2	S1?	Pen	Damage	Points	Average
Captain	Ship					
AU, CHRIS	WISCONSIN			0	61.32	30.66
BECKETT, TIM	NORTH CAROLINA			0	61.32	30.66
BROGDEN, TED	VALIANT	Y		900	55.19	27.59
BRORING, PAUL	MICHIGAN			0	49.06	24.53
COLE, DON	IOWA		200	0	258.3	129.2
DAHL, LARRY	BELLEROPHON			0	49.06	24.53
DUSEK, JAMES	CHICAGO			0	320.8	160.4
EAKIN, BOB	IOWA			0	458.3	229.2
ELIASSEN, BRIAN	SOUTH DAKOTA			0	61.32	30.66
JASS, TOM	SUMATRA			0	275	137.5
KEELS, AUSTIN	INVINCIBLE			0	366.7	183.3
PURVIS, MATT	NORTH CAROLINA	Y		1000	458.3	229.2
RUCKER, ROBERT	NORTH CAROLINA			0	458.3	229.2
THIBAUT, ADAM	INVINCIBLE			0	366.7	183.3
THIBAUT, RON	WHICITA			0	42.92	21.46
WATKINS, STAN	WASHINGTON			0	61.32	30.66
WHITSELL, JOHN	INVINCIBLE			0	49.06	24.53
WHITSELL, RICK	NORTH CAROLINA			0	61.32	30.66
ZINAT, ALI	ESPANA			0	49.06	24.53
FOSTER, JAMES	DR. VICTORIA		350	0	-29.2	-14.6
GRAHAM, DANA	INVINCIBLE			0	366.7	183.3
CAMPAIGN				3950	0	0
Totals			550	5850	3901	
Axis						
Captain	Ship	S1?	Pen	Damage	Points	Average
ASMAN, DAVID	NASSAU			0	110.8	55.38
AU, DAVE	VON DER TANN			0	618.8	309.4
BRAY, KEVIN	MOLTKE			0	110.8	55.38
FINSTER, BRYAN	YAMATO		200	0	573.4	286.7
FLUEGEL, D.W.	BADEN		200	0	-75.4	-37.7
GOFF, GEORGE	TRE KRONER	Y		600	464.1	232
GOODSON, LIEF	BADEN			0	124.6	62.31
KING, RICK	ADMIRAL SCHEER			0	96.92	48.46
KRAKOWSKI, TIM	ADMIRAL HIPPER			0	541.4	270.7
MESZAROS, LOUIS	VITTORIO VINETTO			0	773.4	386.7
PATE, JIM	SCHARNHORST		200	0	573.4	286.7
PEARCE, CHRIS	NAGATO			0	138.5	69.23
RAY, ANDY	NAGATO			0	138.5	69.23
REICHENBACH, STE	SCHARNHORST			0	696.1	348
STEVENS, CHARLE	Z-BOAT	Y		400	55.38	27.69
KRAKOWSKI, TIM	Z-BOAT			0	309.4	154.7
CAMPAIGN				3500	0	0
Totals			600	4500	5250	

game, of sorts, developed between the Axis ships defending themselves and conserving ammo for convoy targets and the Allied Home Fleet blasting away at the Axis with any barrel that could be brought to bear. With about eight minutes remaining, one Allied cargo ship appeared ready to launch...and waited in the docks. Two Axis Nagatos and one Nassau still reported good ammo stocks and battery power, which was apparently good enough to prevent an Allied convoy run before the campaign time ran down. Campaign ended with an Axis assault on the few remaining Allied shore targets, but the expiration of time and some Allied tugboating of Axis shooters prevented all the targets from going down. Official scoring for Campaign #2 shows: Axis (damage/ points awarded) 4500/5250. Allied 5850/3901.

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Matt Purvis's girl friend, Brandi recived some best of scale votes.



JEFF'S CLUB NATS

By Jeff

On Monday, July 3rd. the first ever Nats of "Jeff's Club" was held in Amarillo, Texas at Thompson Park. After I got off work my wife, one of our daughters and her family and myself met Fluegel and his family for an event that proved that Fluegel will go anywhere to be at a 'Nationals'. A total of at least 13 people were fed during this "Two Sortie" Nationals. (...hey its my club and I can have as many sorties as I want to.) There were two or three other families there, who cared less what we were doing...and one water snake that did!

As the first sortie got underway, Fluegel not realizing were he was, opened fire on the "Texas." The "Baden" started battle with 5 holes infected by Jeff Lide in Dallas a week earlier. The "Texas"

and the "Baden" scored a few hits on each other before the sortie ended. This was the first battle for "Texas" in a little more than 11 months.

At that point "Nats" was half over and we decided that that was a good time to eat. You ever notice how much Fluegel eats when he doesn't have to pay for it?

After the break the second began. Battle was hot and heavy as the pump on the "Texas" was beginning to slow down as the rudder jammed hard to port as the ship started in reverse. Like the Lady she is the "Texas" stopped as her bow sank beneath the waves. She stuck her fantail in the air and slid out of sight.

Fluegel, still not fully aware of his folly, was rejoicing and passing out cigars when he was informed of the penalty for sinking "Jeff". A 1500 point penalty was levied on the "Baden." The "Texas" had 50 above the walerline hits, 11 on and 16 below for a total on 1575 points of damage. The "Baden" had 3 above and 2 below (not counting the 5 from Jeff Lide) for 120 points. With the 1500 point penalty the score was "Texas" with a score of 120 and "Baden" 45. Fluegel, finally waking up and viewing the problem made the offer to retrieve the "Texas" from its 4 foot deep grave. This gave him 75 points of 'kiss up' credit. So the official score for the first ever "Jeff's Club Nats" was a tie.

I found out recently that there was a rule proposal for "Jeff's Club." Hey Its my club...I could care less about rule proposals...however I did like part of the rule "...that all captains mast wear caps." So I have made a new rule..."All Captains, at a Jeff's Club event, which includes but not limited to picnics, bar-b-ques, and ballroom dancing, must wear a straw hat...and supenders." Thanks Lief. Well until the next event, this is Jeff Poindexter signing off.

Pool time is a given at every Nats. Bryon shows how he prays for a reasonable ship!



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