## The Palatine Area Advanced Squad Leaders (PAASL) Newsletter #23 (sessions #87-89) Our 200th GAME!!! Whoo Hoo!

Greetings fellow Squid Leader Fanatics (or semi-fanatics),

During our 87th session only three people showed up so Hallett, Kleinschmidt, and Pellam started but did not finish **Dogs of War** the 3 player game where Kleinschmidt played the partisans defending the main building. While Halletts Germans and Pellams communist Romanians tried to take the building for themselves.

The 88th session on 6/19/07, saw Kleinschmidt's partisans move to the safety of the upper floors to win **Dogs of War**. Holmstrom defeated Burkhout in a Schwerepunkt scenario. Stubits defeated Haas in **Gavin's Take** 

On 7/17/07 we welcomed a new member who found the club on the MMP website, Mark Fischer. This 89th meeting saw 8, count 'em 8 players in attendance. We also played our 200<sup>th</sup> game!!! Kleinschmidt defeated Stubits in <u>Baking Bread</u> S18 a scenario that came out in the MMP magazine Operations. It's designed to go with the starter kits. Kleinschmidt saw 9 ROF from his AT gun (he only got a half squad out of all of it but it was fun Two of those shots were dudes.). That gun and the MG Iso had several ROF's of 4 or 5. Two of those shots were duds. Berkhout 's 10-2 made a last stand on the 1<sup>st</sup> level of the victory area but Halletts Americans lived though the fire and rolled a 4 on advancing fire that broke the 10-2 and squad. They played the classic <u>Aachens Pall</u>. Fischer lost to Timonen's scattered Germans in another Operations Magazine scenario S17 <u>A Ridge Too Far</u>. His Brits threw lots of smoke but moved a turn too slowly. Holmstrom defeated Pellam in <u>Makin Takin</u> as his Americans defeated the Japanese. They may have found a flaw in the scenario, that if the Japanese set up next to the US entrance area the US player would be forced to rout off board if he breaks and thereby give the Japanese a bunch of easy points.

We will meet twice next month and both days will be Wednesdays.

What are your thoughts on having a "mandatory" attendance day to celebrate my 1,000 game of ASL? We could plan it well in advance if you guys could "commit" to a good evening that works for at least 10 of the 13 of us.

And now for the awards....

Most Rate of Fire - Dave Kleinschmidt

Best Sportsman- Mark Fisher

The standings so far....

- 100% **Bob Holmstrom** (can anybody defeat this guy?)
- 78% **Dave Kleinschmidt** (better get used to 2<sup>nd</sup> place)
- 62% **Doug Bennett** (hope to see you in the fall)
- 56% **Dave Timonen** (climbing nicely)
- 45% **Dan Sullivan** (missing you)
- 45% **Rick Hollander** (hope to see you next month)
- 40% Jon Fujiu (will Wednesdays work better for you?)
- 39% Joe Pellam (Taking a fall by volunteering to play Holmstrom)
- 36% Greg Haas (needs to overtake Pellam)
- 33% **Keith Berkout** (could go for a match with either Haas or Stubits to make a move)
- 33% Mike Stubits (fallen but studying hard)
- 30% **Jeff Hallett** (learning well from repeated play, attack Stubits)
- 0% Mark Fischer (rookie taking the bottom spot from Hallett while he learns the game).