

Troy Goes West To Conquest SF

September 1 to September 5, 2005 you will be able to see Troy and play **Homeric Hack**, at Con Quest, San Francisco 2005. In addition to Homeric Hack Games I will be hosting a seminar focusing on The Social and Military Institutions in the Time of Homer's Trojan War.

In addition to this if you attend Con Quest you will be able to find a multitude of other games systems like G.A.S.L.I.G.H.T. (an **LMW Works** Publication). This is an annual event so stay tuned for information on this and the other coming California Events as well as those here on the east coast.

Help Wanted

Seeking people who wish to put on *Classical Hack* games at conventions and at local stores. Free rules to any who can do this. When possible we will assist with the loan of figures, terrain and Q.R.S. sheets.

We are also seeking articles for the *Classical Hack Web Site* as well as for the *Classical Hack News Letter*. Interested, please contact us at addresses to the right in Publication Information.

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Well Wishing

The London War Room was hit by Katrina and we wish them all the best in their recovery and hope for better days in the coming years. I am sure an order would be much appreciated in their efforts.

Of Interest . . .

Fall In! HMGS' fall event, held in Gettysburg, Pa, on line at:
<http://www.avalongame.com>.

Strategicon LA, California <http://www.strategicon.net/>

More Information on Troy at Conquest SF can be found at the Classical Hack Web Site: <http://www.classicalhack.com>.

In coming issues expect to see Historicon 2005 and Conquest SF **Hack** events as well as other upcoming Conventions.

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High Point for La Pointe

From Jessica La Point, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

This year I was very fortunate to be one of the many attendees at Historicon and it proved to be a truly exciting event. There were so many different genres of games to explore that a weekend hardly seemed long enough.



I wandered in awe every time I made my way from room to room. All the figures were amazing, from the historicals to the sci-fi, aviation models to aliens.

The Vendors really took my breath away, too. I was swept away by the lovely Egyptian pieces and found the coolest Dover Celtic Box Book. The best part was

seeing so many new faces and revisiting many I haven't seen in far too long. Aside from the inspiring and intricate battle at the Convention, the beautiful and calming scenery of Lancaster certainly made the perfect contrast. If I wasn't at the Vendors or gaming, I was definitely checking out the best sales at the local malls. Leaving was heartbreaking.

I would also like to say Thank You to all those who helped make this, my first convention such a success throughout the years and for every one who came to participate. Especially Mike, Norbert and Mark. Until we meet again, Battle On!

{Jessica was a big help with assisting me and Frank in setting up our games. Many thanks Jessica for helping out!}

Another Favorite

For sometime I have been researching the First World War period and was delighted to see a fine set up next to Valencia.



Friends at Historicon Meet!

Below is a photograph of one of the hobby's ironies. I have been somewhat lax in meeting with area friends. As chance would have it Gary Rich, Bob Sillars and Paul Forgette came to Historicon and played in my Valencia games. Gary and Bob live a couple of miles from me and we met up in Lancaster. Shame on me! At least Paul has an excuse as he lives in Virginia now.



Bob, Gary and Paul made these events happen as did the other players. In one the Cid had to advance on the Moors to the ringing the city's bells. The Cid defeated the Moors although they did break into the city. At one point, the bells if rung would activate knight units in the City. For whom did the bells ring Paul?

Other Events

Norbert and Mike put on a scifi-event which was well attended and beautifully done.

Sadly I seem to have miss filed my photos of Mark and Frank Sciuli's *Classical Hack* game. When I find these valuable photos I will give them a belated story line.





Above Gary Rich pushes the Spanish army forward to glory and Valencia. The Cid was killed in this action and the Moors rejoiced.



Left the Moors advance out of Valencia to defend the town's suburbs.. The actual suburbs would have encircled the city . These were shaped like a pork chop and had gates and walls.

Frank watches as the raiding men of the Cid advance through the suburbs. This scenario covered events before the Cid took the city.



Trojan War Raid

My first scenario game at Historicon was an Achaean raid on Troy's Allies. The Achaeans had to land in Trojan territory and successfully destroy a Trojan citadel. The Trojans had to defend their camp & citadel. To do this they set up ambushes as a relief force from Troy came to their aid. The Trojans managed to heroically defend their camp and citadel.



Above Jessica La Point views the overall setup having helped with the set up.



Above Greg Kildare examines figures in my Trojan War game. The citadel is to the right and a close up below. Beside the citadel was a small encampment of Trojan Allies. The objective of the Achaeans was to rob the camp and to destroy the citadel. Of the 10 or so raiding Achaean vessels only two managed to get to the camp to fulfill their true modus operandi , rape, pillage and burn anything Trojan. The remainder were driven off or killed.





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News Letter

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Hacking Points

The *Classical Hack News Letter* will have a couple of changes as you can see. Nothing big but changes nonetheless. First I will use Hacking Points for my monthly points of view. There will be more pictures and fewer words which as Von Loon (author of the Story of Mankind) once commented, "What is a book without pictures." The same must certainly go for News Letters. Other than that the only other change will be getting caught up with months and issues. My goal is to get back on track time wise.

Since the last News Letter we have been many places and put on a number of demonstration games from Pennsylvania to San Francisco. Last month I high lighted the events at Origins and this month's New Letter will focus on Historicon 2005.

Historicon was especially fun this year. First I had completely recovered from my back problems. These really screwed up my normal activities at Cold Wars where I had to cancel all my games. Fortunately, at Historicon I was able to have my daughter Jessica come along. It wasn't cheap but it was fun. Many attendees and readers got to meet her. Jess hopes to start putting Hack Games on in Toronto, Canada; where she lives. Jess was a big help especially in setting up.

Other important Historicon events included Mark's massive Roman games as well as those of Frank Sculi and Jim Boyle (Celts and Romans). All three traveled many miles to do *Classical Hack* games and there are few words I could use to express my appreciation. I hope to have more on these in another issue.

Gary Rich and Bob Sillars drove down from Buffalo to Lancaster to play in my Valencia games. Paul and Dee Forgette made a surprise visit and Paul in his usual good form managed to kill off the Cid to the ringing of Valencia's bells. Historicon proved to be a wonderful time with some of our closest friends attending. Special thanks to Don Perrin and Michael Cosentino of the Historical *Miniature Game Magazine* for providing space in their gaming room.

Inside: Tyre!

We were happy to get some really good coverage in *The Historical Miniature Gamer Magazine*. A really nice 7 page spread on the *Siege of Tyre* (page 56). I never tire of Tyre.

This is a great addition to the gaming community and for \$7.00 a good buy. It is a typical magazine with atypical quality. It is full color photographs which will knock you out. There is something for everyone from ancients to moderns. Here we have used the cover of Issue 2. Articles in this edition included feature articles on *Those Fightin' Fifty-Fours*, *Ancient Campaign for DBA*, *Tactics in the Age of Rifles* and did I mention *The Siege of Tyre*.

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