



## PHOENIX GAMING CLUB

*From the fire, comes life.*

### Club Newsletter November 2008

#### Oops that long ago?

Ok so there has been a little difficulty with finding time to actually do the letter with any consistency in time. So here goes...

#### Our New Venue

Everybody has been very supportive with our move to the Scouts Hut. We must say a special thank you to the Rushden Scouts in giving us this opportunity and being so welcoming. As we know things are getting a little cramped upstairs so we have had a ballot vote to try and change the evening.

#### Result of ballot:

For Tuesday night : 14 votes  
For Wed night : 1 votes  
Abstained: 2 votes

So there will be a definite move for a Tuesday evening. When? Well that may be up to the discretion of the committee at the moment, but initially we thought the start of Jan 2009.

#### Member Scouting

As ever always seek out new people and spread the word! We have gained some new members over the last couple of months but the committee will just say a warm welcome to you all without going through the names – least someone is forgotten. We hope that you will have a long lasting association with the club!

#### Kelmarsh 2008 (Boxed Ticked) but 2009?

Ok Kelmarsh went down a storm this year!! It was so successful (see pictures on the Flickr website), that we even got a great spread in Wargames Illustrated magazine and have been asked back for next year! Big thanks to Carl King who got the ball rolling on this!

So roll on 2009 - we have got the dates for this now! It will be on the 25<sup>th</sup> and the 26<sup>th</sup> of July 2009 – which is generally the beginning of the school summer holidays.

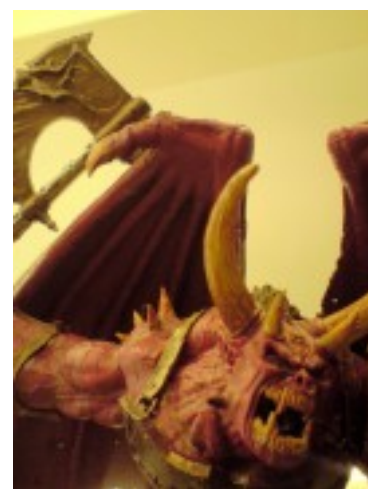
We have some good ideas for next year and a number have been approved by the committee and Carl King the Kelmarsh organiser. Liam Thompson will add something new with World War 1 “Wings of War” aerial battles. A good Flames of War game will be on as well as a “300” type Battle of Thermopylae Ancients game. However, Perry Brothers miniatures have been excellent and have supplied us with the ACW models to do a large battle. Also Warlord Games will be sorting us out with cool Roman and British Celt models for the table; in so gaining interest with so many punters around.

To top this there is a distinct possibility of camping over night in the marquee on the Saturday!

#### Gamesday 2008 NEC

Thanks to everybody who came and manned tables this year – The Fantasy Gobbo bash “Motherlode of Waaaaugh!” table went down very well giving opportunities for one person to control an army against three others.

The 40K looked impressive and beset by lots of little snotlings throwing dice – and that’s just the team! Many thanks to David Bettison who proposed the scenario and did most of the scenery etc...



Anybody that has any ideas about Gamesday for the next year will need to draft a proposal.

**Tip** – try and use models that we have as otherwise it can be time consuming.

There is also talk of a Slayeresque type day but these are just twinkles in our eyes at the mo!

### **Wings of War League**

If you are at all interested in entering this league please see Andy Miller or Liam Thompson for details. Have a look on the forum for rules etc under the historical section.

### **40K Apocalypse Day**

Back in August Liam organised an Apocalypse mega battle for an all dayer. It was successful and tempting enough to stop two members from attending another function tut! tut! Well done Liam!

He is thinking of perhaps organising a huge fantasy battle which should be good. Although no date has been set as yet. I will be looking forward to it!

### **Xmas Meal and Night Out!**

Organised for Friday 12<sup>th</sup> of December at the Chinese Buffet on the High street Rushden.

I will need £5 deposits to assure places and table as quickly as possible.

Usually those without sprogs go on for a drink later on

### **Raffle Tickets**

We still have to sell a lot more tickets... even if you have bought some – buy some more!! This really does help the club out financially. There are some fantastic prizes all listed here <http://phoenixgamingrushden.proboards105.com/index.cgi?board=clubevents&action=display&thread=133>

I hope that there is something there to take your fancy and entice a few more tickets to be shredded off their perforations.

### **Simon Freshwater-Sturgess Memorial Shield.**

The two leagues were started in September and are going great guns – although inevitably there will be some people that will have finished all their games while others have only completed one. If we can make these a priority to get them done as quickly as possible.

As of 31<sup>st</sup> October 2008 Darrell Lee heads League A and Paul Redburn heads League B.

**Best Marker** has been decided on by the junior members and myself and will be revealed at the AGM. A small prize awaits you.

### **Doubles Tournament 2008**

Ok this year saw Paul Redburn getting to third place with his partner in this year's tournament which was an improvement on last year's fifth. Carl and I came 24<sup>th</sup> last year we were 9<sup>th</sup>. There's always next year!

### **Pen ultimately...**



A funny caption for the above please.

Leave it on the club forum the title "funny caption."

### **Finally...**

I have noticed a lot of people taking photographs at all functions and game evenings that we have. Yet we still only have about three people willing to post up onto the Flickr site. Please join our Club site and get the posts up otherwise some bad ones at the Christmas meal may just wind up onto the Penultimately caption section!!