



Middle Earth
 War of the Ring
 August 2nd - 3rd
 Noon start

Omens
 Hannibal
 August 3rd - 4th
 2 PM start

Rising Sun
 Victory In Pacific
 August 3rd - 5th
 9 AM start

Guns of August
 Paths of Glory
 August 4th - 6th
 9 AM start



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[] WBC: I enclose check or money order made payable to BPA to register for WBC 2008. Registration fee is based on date of arrival. Badges dispensed before order date are subject to a \$10 surcharge per day. Payment accompanying registration must be received no later than July 25th, 2008. Thereafter, higher at-the-door fees apply. There will be a \$2 badge holder fee for those who do not bring their WBC badge holder from prior years.

[] Tribune membership \$100 - Includes Yearbook, 2008 Patron listing and free admission to all of WBC 2008, including all six Pre-Cons.

- [] WBC 2007/08 full color Yearbook: \$10
- [] Tues-Sun \$70
- [] Wed-Sun \$60
- [] Thur-Sun \$50
- [] Fri-Sun \$40
- [] Sat-Sun \$30
- [] Daily \$20
- [] Middle Earth Pre-Con: \$20 - Three rounds plus SE playoffs [Saturday 8/02 Noon with 10 AM demonstration]
- [] Rising Sun Pre-Con: \$30 - 7 rounds [Sunday 9 AM - Tuesday; 8/03 - 8/05]
- [] Omens Pre-Con: \$20 - 5 rounds [Sunday 2 PM - Monday; 8/03 - 8/04]
- [] Guns of August Pre-Con: \$30 - 3 rounds plus three-round SE playoffs [Monday 9 AM] - Wednesday; 8/04 - 8/06]
- [] Grognardcon Pre-Con: \$30 - 3 days of Preliminaries for 10 hex wargames [Saturday 2 PM - Tuesday; 8/02 - 8/05]
- [] Sampler Showcase Pre-Con: \$20 - 10 demonstrations and four tournaments [Sunday 5 PM - Tuesday; 8/03-8/05]

specify day: _____ For more details on the various Pre-Cons, visit boardgamers.org

[] 2008 WBC silk-screened Souvenir T-Shirts on base color light blue: \$12 each; add \$4 for sizes XXL, XXXL _____ T-Shirt Total
 _____ Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____ Xtra Large _____ XXL _____ XXXL
 Lady T sizes (Small to XL only; available only in white): _____ Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____ Xtra Large

PAYPAL: Payment by Paypal must be approved in advance by e-mail at doncon99@toad.net and requires payment of a 10% surcharge.

SUMMARY: By submitting this form, I understand that neither the BPA nor any of its directors, officers, members, employees or agents are responsible for any personal injury of any kind or any lost or misplaced items while I attend WBC.

Name _____ Signature _____

Address _____ Email _____@_____

City _____ State _____ ZIP/Postal Code _____ Total Enclosed: _____

Send no cash. Make your check or money order payable to BPA and mail to 1541 Redfield Rd, Bel Air, MD 21015-5739.

[] Team Tournament: Register my four-person team in the Team Tournament at no extra charge. I realize that all the members of my team must be pre-registered and that we must each play a different event. Substitutions of team participants or game selections can be made only by mail or Email to Doncon99@toad.net by July 25th, 2008. No substitutions are allowed on site. In case of conflicting entries, the last version received will be official.

TEAM NAME: _____ maximum 21 characters

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| 1. _____
Team member #1 (Captain) | 2. _____
Team member #2 | 3. _____
Team member #3 | 4. _____
Team member #4 |
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Game to be played by this team member: | 2. _____
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MORE PRE-CONS FOR EARLY ARRIVALS IN 2008



Grognardcon

10 Classic Wargames: Aug 2nd - 5th, 2 PM Start

Get your fill of classic hex wargames 1776, Afrika Korps, Anzio, Bulge '81, Gettysburg, Panzerblitz, Panzergruppe Guderian, Russian Campaign, Waterloo and Wooden

Ships & Iron Men. Free Form scheduling allows leisurely qualification for single elimination play for four skilled finalists later in the week in each event. Up to nine days of gaming ... Valhalla on Earth ... are you Grognard enough? If not, you can still advance during WBC proper by starting on Tuesday or even later with a minimum of three matches before the Semis begin at week's end.



Sampler Showcase

10 new game Demos • 4 Tournaments
 Aug 3rd - 5th, 5 PM Start

Start 5 PM Sunday with a Demo of Through the Ages and a Mulligan Round. Late? Round 1 of 3 starts 2 PM Monday after four Swiss rounds of San Juan at 11 AM and the first of ten Sampler demos. If you don't make the Elim rounds, there's always Die Macher in the evening or more new game demos with Through the Ages, Age of Empires III, Kingsburg, Agricola, Race for the Galaxy, Brass, Container, Year of the Dragon and Cuba. Or try Manoeuvre - the first tournament on Tuesday morning.

NEW FOR 2008:

- It's not a flea market ... it's better. Opening earlier at 9:30 Tuesday, the expanded WBC Auction Store allows you to sell items efficiently without being present. Watch the Auction or game while your items sell themselves. Or, shop within earshot of the Auction with two scheduled price drops at 12 PM and 2 PM to bring the shoppers back for more bargains. Note: Due to increased volume, all Auction Store AND Auction items must be pre-registered before the convention. Check out the details on our website at boardgamers.org/wbc/auctionstore.htm.

- A nightly teen event concludes each evening with a safe and focused social opportunity for the younger set from 9 to 11 PM.

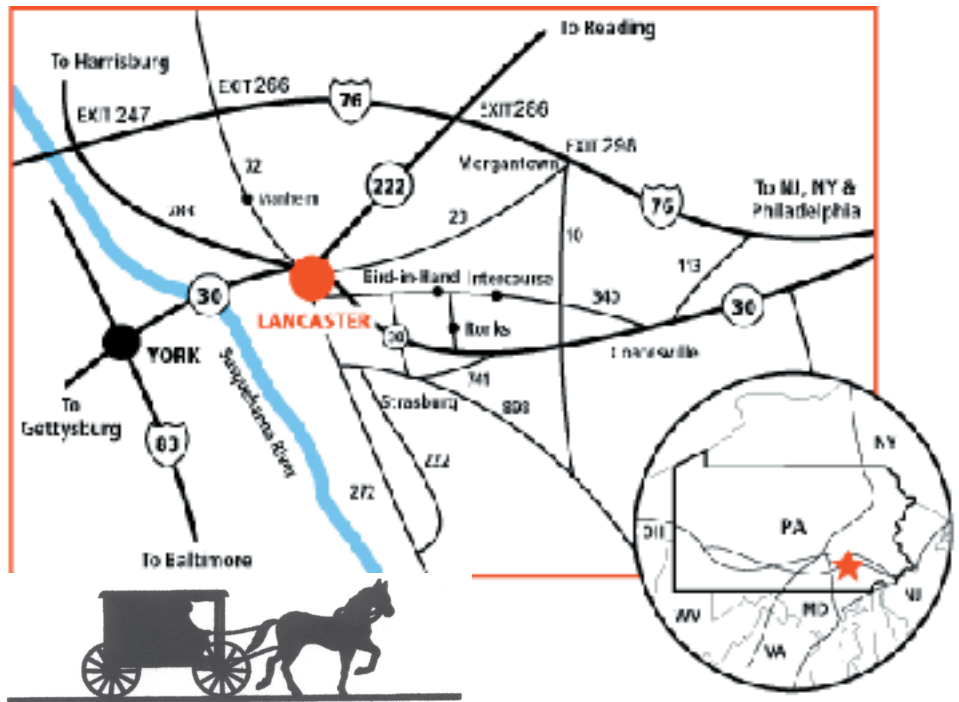
- Seminars are back after an impressive debut in 2007. WBC offers a full slate of talks in the Hopewell room hosted by a wide variety of hobby experts including Nicky Palmer, a genuine member of the British Parliament.

- Open Gaming space has been expanded in 2008 with separate rooms for two-player and multi-player Open Gaming opportunities. In addition, a separate room has been added for the use of "monster" multi-map simulation games which can remain setup overnight without being disturbed. Use of this space is by reservation only, first-come, first served, but is free to members. For details, inquire at doncon99@toad.net.

- WBC is now six full days of round-the-clock gaming from 9 AM Tuesday thru 6 PM Sunday with the addition of Open Gaming starting Tuesday morning in Ballroom A.

WBC GAME AUCTION: On Tuesday, from 10 AM to 5 PM, WBC will host its 5th annual Game Auction for the sale of board and card games, and accessories pertaining to same. Pre-registration of items for sale is required by July 25th. Pre-registered items with lot slips may be delivered between 8 & 10 PM, Monday, August 4th and 8 AM till noon on Tuesday, August 5th. Full details pertaining to the Auction are available at boardgamers.org/wbc/auction.htm. It will be updated weekly with a list of pre-registered items for sale. Plan to come early to enjoy the auction, content in the knowledge that you won't be missing any other events, while you look for that long out-of-print classic that has been eluding you for years.

ADMISSION: BPA membership is included in the price of admission unless using a one-day guest pass. Spectators are admitted free to patronize vendors, but Open Gaming and all events are limited to BPA members or guests with a valid WBC badge. Children 12 and under accompanied by a member may participate in free "Juniors-only" tournaments by signing parental consent forms in the Heritage room. There are no event fees. Pre-cons require separate admission. Tribune membership includes all Pre-Cons. Flea markets, product displays and the selling or promotion of any item on the premises is prohibited to all except authorized vendors.



EVENTS: There is no pre-registration for events. You may participate in as many as you like, but only one at a time. To guarantee inclusion, bring the game (to ensure sufficient copies) and be present at the start. Wear your badge at all times. To confirm your registration status for WBC and the Pre-Cons, or to seek carpool, roommates, Open Gaming matches or teammates, check boardgamers.org/wbc/prereg.htm. See our detailed website for schedule, prize and format details pertaining to each event.

PRIZES: Century event prizes include a Century shirt and two to six BPA plaques, depending on prior year event player hours. Trial and Junior events receive one plaque. Some events also award merchandise credits from the publisher or items donated by the GM. See each event's detailed web preview at boardgamers.org/yearbkex for details.

CLASS: All WBC events are color coded throughout our website and event kiosk presentations for required experience levels. **A (Red): Advanced players only. Rules are not explained.** **B (Yellow):** Beginners welcome. Rules are taught only at the scheduled teaching demonstration in Paradise Terrace – the GM does not teach during the event. **C (Green): Coached. Beginners will be taught during play of the event.**

JUNIORS EVENTS: Children who are 12 and under, able to read and accompanied by an adult member may participate for free in 20 Juniors events and Open Gaming. See boardgamers.org/yearbkex/jnrpg.htm.

LANCASTER HOST: There are many amenities at the newly refurbished Lancaster Host. Among the enjoyable features are • being within one mile of 200 outlet stores • a weekend comedy club • practically "next door" to Dutch Wonderland • within one hour of Hershey Park & Gettysburg • indoor and outdoor pools, jacuzzi & kiddie pool • 18-hole golf course • driving range • mini-golf • putting green • 1.9 mile jogging

trail • game room • stables • tour cart rentals • ping pong & pool tables • tennis courts • bicycle rental • shuffle board • children's playground • numerous local attractions and fine restaurants. Lancaster Host is already sold out for WBC week, but because cancellations do occur, you may wish to check with them anyway. The WBC Room rate at the Host is \$94 per day for one to four guests per room. Applicable state taxes bring that to \$104.34. A check or money order covering the first night's stay or submission of the entire number of your major credit card including expiration date and signature is required to make a reservation. Reservations must be secured in this manner. Guests who cancel reservations within 30 days of the reserved arrival date forfeit the room deposit. Specify any other guests with whom you will share the room at the time of your reservation. Contact: Lancaster Host, 2300 Lincoln Highway East, Lancaster, PA 17602 or call the hotel at 717-299-5500 weekdays between 8 AM and 7 PM EST.

RECOMMENDED HOTELS: Fortunately, there are many hotels within easy walking distance, although sellouts are common this time of year so make your reservations as early as possible. We recommend both the Continental and Red Roof Inns as the best combination of quality, convenience, and value. We have roomblocks at both hotels with discounted rates for those attending WBC, but only if you book early and correctly identify your attendance at WBC. These hotels are already sold out unless you identify your affiliation with our roomblock. The good news is that the cancellation policies are much more lenient than those at the Host and the values are better. The bad news is that while the walk to the Host is short, it does cross a busy highway. In both cases, be sure to identify yourself as with the BPA's World Boardgaming Championships both to get our special group rate and credit us with your stay (thereby reducing your costs).

• **Continental Inn:** The Continental Inn is directly across the street from the Host. The amenities include indoor and outdoor pools and jacuzzi, cable tv, free wireless internet, refrigerators, coffee makers, and more. A complete, complimentary hot breakfast is included to start your day. The special WBC rate is \$89 per day plus 11% tax per single thru quad occupancy with one King or two Double Beds. Rollaway beds, if requested, are \$7 additional.

Deposit: A three-night minimum stay is required for this special group rate. One night's deposit will be required upon booking. Deposit is refundable up until 48 hours prior to arrival. Phone 717-299-0421 to make your reservation or email info@continentalinn.com for a call-back by the reservationist. Alternatively, you may book on line at continentalinn.com at the regular rates and identify yourself in the comments as claiming the WBC rate providing you are booking the three-night minimum stay. This offer is valid until July 11th, 2008, or our room block sells out, whichever occurs first.

• **Red Roof Inn:** The recently renovated Red Roof Inn is across the street and a short walk away from the Host, next to some excellent restaurants. The amenities include an outdoor pool, a free Deluxe Continental breakfast, complimentary USA Today newspaper, free local phone calls, wireless internet, and voicemail, Cable TV with HBO, microwave and mini-fridge in every room, and discounts at the aforementioned restaurants. The special WBC rate is \$84.95 per night plus 11% tax per single thru quad occupancy with one King or two Double Beds.

Deposit: There is no deposit required but the reservation must be confirmed with a valid credit card. Any reservation which is not canceled by 3pm on the date of arrival will automatically be charged for one night's stay. Call 866-225-2066 toll free to make your reservation. This offer is valid until June 17th, 2008, or our room block sells out, whichever occurs first.

To check other local vacancies, call 866-220-8985 and inquire for lodging near Lancaster Host.

DIRECTIONS: The Host is located on Route 30 east of Lancaster, PA. See map on the preceding page. For more detailed travel directions, including air connections, see boardgamers.org/hotellan.htm.

TOURNAMENTS: WBC features competition in 105 Century tournaments with varying formats, prizes and starting times. Details on each event are listed at boardgamers.org/yearbkex and a very helpful personal scheduling tool is located at boardgamers.org/wbc/sviewer/. Supplementing these old favorites are 50 additional events selected by the membership or sponsored by various publishers or sponsors. Descriptions of these events can be found on the web also. New events for 2008 include 1960: Making of the President, Yspahan, Vegas Showdown, Agricola, Waterloo; Fate of France, Notre Dame, Cuba, Race For the Galaxy, Flying Colors, Conquest of Paradise, Fast Action Battles: The Bulge, Hamburg, Year of the Dragon, Downfall of Pom-

peii, Athens & Sparta, Amazing Space Adventure, Manoeuvre, Age of Empires III, Winds of Plunder, Red Star Rising, Through the Ages and Nuclear War. You can

WBC 2008 SOUVENIR T-SHIRTS: What's old is new again as WBC returns to its roots with the original silk screen shirts featuring the BPA logo. We will no longer be offering the customizable shirts of the last few years which proved too costly and time consuming to produce. By returning to silk screen technology we can offer a longer wearing product at a reduced price. The downside of that arrangement is that they must be ordered in advance in order to be on hand for distribution at WBC. Shirts ordered at WBC will have to be delivered afterwards by mail with a \$5.00 surcharge. Look for ordering information on the front page of this folder.

2007/08 YEARBOOKS: The WBC full color Yearbooks will not be available to all attendees this year. Instead, attendees will receive a smaller, simpler program at registration dealing only with the schedule. The Yearbook which will deal with the 2007 results will be mailed with this pre-reg form to all members of Sustaining level or higher as of January 1st, 2008 (one per family) with this pre-reg form. Also receiving Yearbooks with this mailing will be current Tribune members and those paying the extra \$10 cost by the date of this mailing. All others entitled to Yearbooks (paid family members by the required deadline) and those purchasing them after this mailing will be able to pick them up at WBC registration in the New Holland room during WBC while supplies last. Consult the on-line schedule for 2008 event information.

BPA Board of Directors 2008 Ballot

Mail this signed ballot or a facsimile to BPA, 1541 Redfield Rd., Bel Air, MD 21015-5739 or email your votes to election@boardgamers.org for delivery no later than July 15, 2008. An electronic ballot is posted at boardgamers.org/forms/boardballot.shtml. You may vote for up to three candidates, but no more than once per candidate. Votes will be recorded in accordance with membership level. A member whose membership status is entitled to multiple votes should submit only one ballot - the votes thereon will be weighted appropriately by election officials. Note that any multi-day attendee at WBC is considered a BPA member and is entitled to vote.



Kaarin Engelmann, VA: As Assistant Convention Director, I've come to understand and appreciate what makes WBC different from other conventions. I will work to preserve our traditions, while ensuring that we incorporate the best of the best ideas from our members and our community. Further, I have a strong appreciation for the importance of nurturing our hobby by attracting new gamers and raising up the next generation to have as much passion for these games as we do. This is why I will continue to spread the word face-to-face and via the media and act as coordinator for our Juniors and Teen programs.



Joshua Githens, SC: WBC is many things to many people. This is what I hope to perpetuate for the years to come. Representation for the growing young adult segment is something that the Board needs. Some of my objectives include, streamlining the registration process, scheduling efficiency, and growing the youth/young adult segment of the convention. I have 5 years of Toys R Us Management/HR experience. I currently work for Hasbro toys. I have been a GM for both Air Baron and Formula De. I look forward to serving the WBC and gaming community for many years to come.



Ken Gutermuth, NC: My goal in seeking re-election is to continue to build upon the success of the BPA and the WBC. My business background will allow me to continue to contribute in making the BPA a strong organization in the future. As for the WBC, I intend to continue to support the cross-genre gaming while trying to enhance the experience for the next generation of gamers to participate in and enjoy the WBC experience. As demonstrated over my last nine years on the Board, I will continue to work with the Board in making the WBC the best week of the year for all attendees.



Bruce Monnin, OH: I am running for re-election because I want to help preserve the World Boardgaming Championships as the pre-eminent convention for the competitive play of boardgames. I also wish to have the BPA continue to support other events which promote increased and improved play of these games, such as the BPA mini-cons and the BPA play-by-email tournaments. I also want to ensure that the fun remains in the WBC, through such ideas as the auction, the Team Tournament, the Caesar award, juniors' and late night events.

Date _____ Printed Name _____ Signature _____