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Greetings fellow Gettysburg '88 players:

Here are most of the initial pairings for Rounds 1 & 2 of BPA PBEM Championship III. I say most because I am still chasing down a couple of outstanding Boardgame Players Association dues payments. I'm not going to hold everybody up any more, though. I'm expecting everybody to eventually pay; if not, there may be a forfeit or 2. We shattered all previous participation marks with 36 entrants. That's more than any Gettysburg '88 tourney, FTF, PBM, or PBEM, on record.

The defending champion gets seed #1 and everybody else is seeded by AREA rating. If you didn't have an AREA rating yet, you got a 5000 rating. The 5000-rated players are seeded in the order in which they entered the tournament. 36 players means that there are 4 games in round 1 and seeds 1-28 get byes. Seeds 5-28 proceed directly to Round 2 and can begin their games now. Seeds 1-4 must await the results of Round 1 before they can begin their 2nd round games.

By the way, although I use AREA-ratings as an objective way to seed the matches, be advised that in past tourneys, seedings have proven to be a poor predictor of outcomes.

Here are a few reminders.

- 1) The complete format is on the tournament website:  
<http://www.wargameacademy.org/G88/2009-PBEM/index.html>  
Thanks again to **Bill Thomson** for creating and maintaining it.
- 2) Please take a minute to read the Format, the Rules Clarifications, and Terrain Clarifications on that site. No e-mails complaining that you didn't realize zones of control don't lock!
- 3) Sides are selected by the lower seeded player announcing his or her side preference to the higher seeded player. The higher-seeded player can either accept the other side or make a bid for the preferred side, per the Format.
- 4) Rounds will last 4 months.
- 5) Please send me the sides you are playing and the bid, if any.

### ROUND 1 PAIRINGS

**Seed Player**

**AREA Rating**

**E-mail**

Game #1

29 **Matt Looby**

4911 vmi1983@westelcom.com

36	<b>Erica Snarski</b>	4558	MsEricaE@aol.com
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Game #2

30	<b>Ron Gregory</b>	4900	r_gregory@yahoo.com
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GAME TEMPORARILY DELAYED

Game #3

31	<b>John Ohlin</b>	4846	johnohlin5@comcast.net
34	<b>Bob Jamelli</b>	4650	JakeTKE@ptd.net

Game #4

32	<b>Jeff Lange</b>	4816	jeff.lange@mac.com
33	<b>Mark Gutfreund</b>	4785	gutfreund15@yahoo.com

1	<b>Vince Meconi</b>	BYE
2	<b>Ed Menzel</b>	BYE
3	<b>Allen Kaplan</b>	BYE
4	<b>Barry Shoults</b>	BYE
5	<b>Jim Tracy</b>	BYE
6	<b>Bill Thomson</b>	BYE
7	<b>Greg Smith</b>	BYE
8	<b>Mike Pacheco</b>	BYE
9	<b>Ted Drozd</b>	BYE
10	<b>Bill Place</b>	BYE
11	<b>Chuck Stapp</b>	BYE
12	<b>Joe Brooks</b>	BYE
13	<b>Doug Porterfield</b>	BYE
14	<b>Terry Coleman</b>	BYE
15	<b>Doug Pratto</b>	BYE
16	<b>Tom Grode</b>	BYE
17	<b>Dennis Nicholson</b>	BYE
18	<b>Joel Ferich</b>	BYE
19	<b>Tom Gregorio</b>	BYE
20	<b>Daniel Overland</b>	BYE
21	<b>Pawel Jarosz</b>	BYE
22	<b>Chris Valk</b>	BYE
23	<b>Bill Severn</b>	BYE
24	<b>John Malaska</b>	BYE
25	<b>Jonathan Lockwood</b>	BYE
26	<b>Joe Harkins</b>	BYE
27	<b>Willie Voll</b>	BYE
28	<b>Jeff Miller</b>	BYE

**ROUND 2 PAIRINGS**

<b>Seed</b>	<b>Player</b>	<b>AREA</b>	<b>Rating</b>	<b>E-mail</b>
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Game #5

5	<b>Jim Tracy</b>	5609	jimtracyii@verizon.net
28	<b>Jeff Miller</b>	4913	10-3HMG468@comcast.net

Game #6

6	<b>Bill Thomson</b>	5512	bill@wargameacademy.org
27	<b>Willie Voll</b>	4953	jagerwill@aol.com

Game #7

7	<b>Greg Smith</b>	5396	docsmith@choiceonemail.com
26	<b>Joe Harkins</b>	5000	joeh1@cox.net

Game #8

8	<b>Mike Pacheco</b>	5333	pachecohq@yahoo.com
25	<b>Jonathan Lockwood</b>	5000	jl121@online.apus.edu

Game #9

9	<b>Ted Drozd</b>	5321	ted.drozd@gmail.com
24	<b>John Malaska</b>	5000	john.malaska@verizon.net

Game #10

10	<b>Bill Place</b>	5284	place584@msn.com
23	<b>Bill Severn</b>	5000	severn8212@comcast.net

Game #11

11	<b>Chuck Stapp</b>	5213	CKStapp@aol.com
22	<b>Chris Valk</b>	5000	chrisv233@yahoo.com

Game #12

12	<b>Joe Brooks</b>	5170	jvbrooks@yahoo.com
21	<b>Pawel Jarosz</b>	5000	pjarosz@wp.pl

Game #13

13	<b>Doug Porterfield</b>	5130	doug.porterfield@auatac.com
20	<b>Daniel Overland</b>	5000	daniel_overland@att.net

Game #14

14	<b>Terry Coleman</b>	5088	terryleecoleman@hotmail.com
19	<b>Tom Gregorio</b>	5000	gregorit@yahoo.com

Game #15

15	<b>Doug Pratto</b>	5063	dt.pratto@verizon.net
18	<b>Joel Ferich</b>	5018	jferich@comcast.net

Game #16

16	<b>Tom Grode</b>	5032	tmge7@aol.com
17	<b>Dennis Nicholson</b>	5024	dan.ddn@comcast.net

If you have any questions about format or rules, let me know. Any rules questions about any games I play in will be handled by Assistant GMs **Ed Menzel** and **Ted Drozd**.

Good luck to you all and enjoy your games!

Always,

*Vince Meconi*