HISTORICAL MINIATURES GAMING SOCIETY - PACIFIC SOUTH WEST CHAPTER



Are you a history bu? Are you interested in military history throughout the ages? Have you ever wondered if you could have been a great general, or led troops in battle with the skill of Julius Caesar, King Henry V, Napoleon, or George S. Patton? Ever dreamed of leading a desperate defense or dueling with the Red Baron? Historical miniatures gaming can be your ticket to all this and more!

What is historical miniatures gaming?

Often referred to as "wargaming", historical miniature gaming is the re-creation of historical battles and "what-if" situations using miniatures to represent the troops, weapons, and tactics of the period. It's a three-dimensional form of board gaming, utilizing historical research and many of the building and painting techniques of model makers and model railroad hobbyists. A social hobby, it both teaches and rewards planning, critical thinking, and attention to detail. A set of rules for the period governs the way your forces can move, act, and react; the decisions you make combine with the luck of the dice to determine victory or defeat on the tabletop.

Even in defeat there is victory however, for whether it's the research, the modeling, or the game itself that appeals most to you the end result is a good time with friends!

Is it a big investment?

Small skirmish type games can require as few as a dozen miniatures, minimizing cost and the time needed to paint them. Nobody starts o in this hobby by recreating the entire battle of Waterloo; your investment in terms of both time and money to get started is very small (smaller than most other hobbies) and it can remain that way for as long as you want.

Never played historical miniatures, but you play Warhammer 40K. Can you do that with HMGS-PSW?

Absolutely! Many of our members play multiple genres, including historical, sci-fi, and fantasy. Our philosophy is that if it has miniatures or it is historical we welcome it. Our spring and fall conventions have gaming in Battletech, Lord of the Rings, and Warhammer 40K. Our charter as a club is to educate people about history. Our main focus is to have fun.

How do I get into this?

The rst step is reading this ier and talking to some of our members. Go to our website (www.hmgspsw.org) and look at the calendar for some local events.



Why should I join HMGS-PSW?

HMGS-PSW is a collection of individuals and clubs dedicated to the expansion and improvement of our wonderful hobby and the study of history. We bring historical gamers together to meet and have fun while working to keep the hobby alive and growing in the southwestern United States. Our members possess a wealth of historical knowledge as well as all of the tips, tricks, miniatures, and gaming experience to help anyone get started in this hobby. Your \$20 yearly dues get you into our own local conventions at a reduced rate and discounts at many of the area's hobby shops and gaming conventions.

We are a non-profit, non-political group of gamers striving to ensure that history is not forgotten. We play games with history! To join, check our website or email one of the HMGS-PSW club officers. See all the information below.

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See and read more about us!

website: www.hmgspsw.org Come visit us at one of our monthly meetings.

Monthly Events: Second Saturday of the Month: Hobby Day– 1127 North Anaheim Blvd. Anaheim, CA 92801

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A small sample of stores which support our Hobby:

Odyssey Games 1795 E. Colorado Blvd. Pasadena, CA 91106 - (626) 817-9522

Game Empire 5037 Shawline St San Diego, CA 92111 - (858) 576-1525

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