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he next item to be released will be the 2009 ATO Annual. This year's large game is Roger Nord's Verdun: A Generation Lost. The game has a 22" x 34" map, 352 counters, approximately 24 pages of rules and scenarios, and a set of player aid charts. This game is based on the popular system that was first presented in ATO #11's game The Big Push. Will you as the Germans be able to capture and hold Verdun, or as the French commander hold back the German forces? As our theme for the Annual this year is "grinding sieges," also included is a second bonus mini-game on the Siege of An Loc which occurred during the later stages of the Vietnam War. As the NVA player you are trying to capture and hold An Loc while as the ARVN player you use your ground forces with US air to stop the NVA.



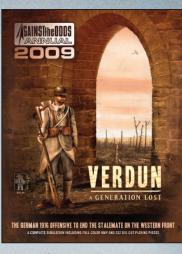
"Tarleton's Quarter!" simulates the British attempt to win the American Revolution by invading the Southern colonies-Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia-after almost four years of uninterrupted Continental control.

The game highlights salient aspects of this campaign. Both sides had difficulty finding leaders who were bold without being rash. Water, in the form of rivers and swamps, is the dominant feature, particularly in the Carolinas.

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ssue #29 takes to the skies over Finland during WWII with J.D. Webster's Buffalo Wings. There are 10 scenarios covering actions from both the Winter War and the Continuation War with the Russians. The rules are the new quick play introductory rules for JD's Fighting



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Wings series and will hopefully show non-aerial enthusiasts this great aerial combat system. The game will have a 22" x 34" map, 12 pages of rules and charts, data cards for the aircraft involved, a plane turn information record sheet master and, of course, numerous aircraft counters.

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