



Consul is the title awarded to the player who scores the most laurels during WBC while excluding email tournaments, mini-cons and pre-cons. Consul is not awarded every year since the Caesar and Consul winners are often one and the same. So, in years when one player doesn't dominate both, there are two players recognized as the BPA's best, just as the Roman Republic was led by two Consuls every year unless circumstances dictated otherwise.

This year's Consul left little doubt about the outcome—scoring a record 151 laurels at WBC while winning just about everything he played and taking home four titles while placing in four others. WBC's plaque king added to his prodigious collection—now some 44 strong—while besting Jeff Cornett's 2006 previous WBC record total by 17 laurels and that of his closest competitor in 2010 by 35 laurels. While Mudville may be joyous, It is a sad day in Donville for the mighty Bruce has homered with wins in *Battleline*, *Football Strategy*, *March Madness* and *Union Pacific* while finishing second in



*Win, Place & Show* and *San Juan*, and 4th in *Auction* and *Battle Cry*.

Winning is no stranger to mighty Bruce whose plaque collection has felled many a tree. His wood stockpile of 44 leads runner-up James Pei by 12. Consequently, it is little surprise that he leads in opponents defeated (1443) and most different events won (18), while 5th in most championships in one event (9: *Football Strategy*), 3rd in current championship streak (4: *Battleline*) and 3rd in total laurels (1201).

The scary thing is not just that the Plaque King became only the fifth person to homer at WBC but how close he came to totally destroying the baseball analogy by winning a fifth, sixth, seventh or, heaven forbid, eighth title. Obviously, I need to recruit more talented Reiff bashers since my own efforts to stop his reign of terror have failed miserably.

The other top contenders included Athur Field, Luke Koleszar, Nick Henning, Bert Schoose and Robert Kircher in that order. Richard Beyma would have been the runner-up but for the pre-con status of his *Axis & Allies* win which cost him 50 laurels. As a group, his competition's laurels tended to come in larger bunches than Reiff's but they were unable to match the diversity of his mastery of no less than eight, albeit smaller, events. Nick Henning and Robert Kircher came closest—scoring in six events while the remainder did their damage in three or four tournaments.

**Past Consuls**

2004	Devin Flawd, PA	111
2005	None	-
2006	Jeff Cornett, FL	134
2007	None	-
2008	Andy Latto, CT	129
2009	Rich Moyer, MN	100
2010	Bruce Reiff, OH	151

Arthur Field, SC	Luke Koleszar, VA	Nick Henning, CT	Bert Schoose, IL	Robert Kircher, RI
116	114	107	104	100
- The 2011 Consul Line of Succession -				



We are pleased to award the Best GM honor for 2010 to Stuart Tucker who bested Ed Beach, by seven points, leaving Ed in the bridesmaid position for the second year in a row. Stuart's winning score of 76 was based on a nearly unanimous judgment—faring no worse than fifth on seven of the eight ballots—including two top scores. Stuart will receive free lodging at WBC 2011 in gratitude for his service.

Stuart's recognition as GM of the Year probably has more to do with persistence rather than anything he did differently in 2010. This was his ninth straight year at the helm of the *Hannibal* pre-con—an event he continues to run despite work and family commitments which cause him to miss most of the remainder of WBC week. His annual After Action Reports are always among the most entertaining and informative, while serving as a reminder of why *The General* was never in better hands than under his editorship.

In addition to running *Hannibal*, Stuart didn't hurt his case with the voters with his past services to WAMGMing and his ongoing stint as the Happy Handicapper in the WBC Team Tournament. Despite its age, *Hannibal* remains a top draw with 50 players answering the role call in 2010—an unprecedented number for a two-player wargame of its vintage and length. The grueling five-

round swiss event is my pick for the best WBC tournament in terms of combination of skill, commitment, and number of legitimate contenders. Although Stuart is lured to do battle in his own

event, he has never finished higher than this year's sixth place laurels. Here's hoping this award tops that high-water mark and makes it a red letter year for one of WBC's best GMs.

Overall, scores ranged from Stuart's 76 to a low of 17. The Board's eight first-place votes were split among six nominees. Finishing second in the voting to take his fourth Top Six nomination with one of those first place votes was Ed Beach, who garnered a score of 69 for hosting *Here I Stand*, with extra consider-

ation for his work in the Juniors room and the *Great Campaigns* event. Marc Houde garnered his first Top Six honors to finish third with 63 points for hosting *Robo Rally*. Rounding out the remainder of our Top Six GMs were John Weber (*Puerto Rico*) and Claire Brosius (*Ticket to Ride*) with identical scores of 57, and Larry Lingle whose transformation of the Marietta Room into a veritable *Pirates of the Caribbean* ride was good enough for a score of 56, as Cap'n Larry drew 100

cutthroats to *Pirate's Cove*. Well done all. Our sincere thanks to you and all others like you who try to make WBC a little more special every year.



### Past Winners

- 1991 – Russ Gifford, NE – ASL
- 1992 – Jim Burnett, TN – WPS
- 1993 – Glenn Petroski, WI – VIP
- 1994 – John Ellmann, MD – MMS
- 1995 – Ken Lee, PA – GCA
- 1996 – David Terry, MD – B-17
- 1997 – Will Wible, VA – ROR
- 1998 – Bruce Monnin, OH – WAS
- 1999 – Bruno Wolff, WI – TTN
- 2000 – Vince Meconi, DE – WAS
- 2001 – David Terry, MD – B17
- 2002 – John Jacoby, VA – CMS
- 2003 – Chuck Foster, TX – EPB
- 2004 – John Coussis, IL – ACS
- 2005 – John Sharp, FL – VIP
- 2006 – Don Chappell, TX – WTP
- 2007 – Ivan Lawson, MD – LST
- 2008 – Tom McCorry, VA – CAR
- 2009 – Jim Jordan, MD – BRI
- 2010 – Stuart Tucker, MD – HRC



The Sportsmanship Award is our most prized honor since it is something we can all aspire to and is within our reach regardless of how many hours we spend honing our skills. It reminds us that there is no fun to be had with these games without an affable opponent with which to cross vicarious swords. Who among us has not had a moment when we were too caught up in the quest for “wood”? Our Sportsman of the Year always subscribes to a higher standard and offers a shining example of sportsmanship that we should all do our best to emulate.

Our winner was selected from among many nominees put forth by GMs and other interested commentators

whose recommendations were considered and reduced to a field of 21 worthies included on our annual Membership Drive ballot for selection by the membership at large. You don't have to be a GM or Board member to nominate someone. Anyone who takes the time to email the Convention Director in the weeks following WBC can make a “citizen's arrest” and report an act of sportsmanship with their critique of the convention; good or bad. The members' choice is rewarded for their sportsmanship with a free room at the next WBC.

The old adage of “every vote counts” was never truer than in this election where no dominant favorite emerged, and the lead changed hands several times before voting was over. I grew ever more fearful of having to cast the deciding vote to break a tie. When the last bal-

lot was tabulated, the matter was decided by a single vote's difference among not the top two, but the top three, contenders.

Winning with slightly less than 10% of the 261 votes cast was **John Emery**. The dean of the Greenville Mafia and a major dasher of *Up Front* title aspirations, John has long been known as one of WBC's classiest gentlemen in the top contender ranks. This year, he backed into not only his sixth *Up Front* title but a Sportsmanship nomination, as well, when it was discovered after the fact that he had played the Final with the wrong OB for that scenario. Duly embarrassed, John quickly offered his forfeiture of the title just won. Fortunately for all concerned, his opponent, Ray Stakenas Sr matched one act of sportsmanship with another, by declining and the two set about replaying the match with the correct OBs.

Susan Cornett and Ed Menzel tied for second, just one vote behind. Also prominent in the tightly grouped leader pack were Joanna Melton, in fourth, followed by Ray Freeman and Jason Levine at 8%, 7% and 6% of the vote respectively.



### Past Winners

Chuck Stapp, NJ – 1992  
 Tiger Von Pagel, FL – 1993  
 Rob Kilroy, PA – 1994  
 Ian Lange, AE – 1995  
 Jim Matt, MI – 1996  
 Ed Connery, NJ – 1997  
 Frank Sinigaglio, NJ – 1999  
 Robert Sacks, NY – 2000  
 Bret Hildebran, OH – 2001  
 Kaarin Engelmann, VA – 2002  
 James Jordan, MD – 2003  
 Steve Okonski, MD – 2004  
 Bruno Sinigaglio, AK – 2005  
 Phil Barcafer, PA – 2006  
 Rebecca Hebner, CO – 2007  
 Kaarin Engelmann, VA – 2008  
 Mark Yoshikawa, CA – 2009  
 John Emery, SC – 2010





**B**PA exists solely on the basis of its members' willingness to give of themselves for the greater good and their voluntary efforts to support the boardgaming hobby. Consequently, we honor that spirit of volunteerism by singling out those who have done the most to improve the World Boardgaming Championships.

In all, 12 nominees are selected each year by the Conference Director for the Board of Directors' consideration. Although service as a GM is the most common qualifier, it is not the only factor with consideration given to other behind-the-scenes volunteer tasks. The Board

votes by secret ballot, weighing their votes according to their own particular values as to what constitutes the greatest contribution, by ranking each nominee from 12 (strongest) to 1 (weakest). The result is a good cross section of the nominees with none usually receiving more than two first or two last place votes — although it is often hard to single out anyone as least deserving. We repeat the process each year, adding one new volunteer to our Honor Roll, and dropping the bottom third of the nominees to make room for new candidates.

In 2010, the award went to someone on the list for the first time. With a record tying 73 points (out of a possible 96), he polled no lower than 7th place support from the Board while being named in the top three slots by half the BoD. Those of you who frequent Consimworld or Boardgamegeek will recognize him as one of WBC's most vocal supporters — augmenting his praise with enter-



### Past Winners

2005

Stuart Tucker  
Kathy Stroh  
Steve Okonski  
Vince Meconi  
Mark McLaughlin  
Ken Whitesell

2006

Keith Wixson

2007

Bruno Sinigaglio

2008

Debbie Gutermuth

2009

Alan Applebaum

2010

David Dockter



taining statistical analyses of events to support his tireless proselytizing. He was one of the original founders of the Winter Activation Meeting mini-con for Card Driven Wargames.

A shark in his own right, this competitor currently ranked #24, has few peers among his fellow sharks when it comes to doing more than just competing. His enthusiasm is infectious and just a

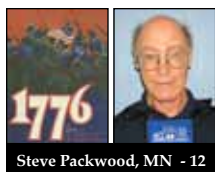
tad zany — witness this year's Sandman Salute celebrated beneath a fez cap at the Good Spirits Bar on Thursday night to commemorate those with sixth place WBC sand plaques. We

now owe him for the creation of yet another WBC tradition. His support of the Team Tournament with humorous team logos for all comers has kept us amused and whetted our appetites for the upcoming festivities each summer. Above all else, **Dave Dockter** is just one of those guys who makes you want to come back to WBC each summer to share some vicarious boardgame adventures with a guy you wish you could play every weekend. His penchant for zany headware, "Pei-free

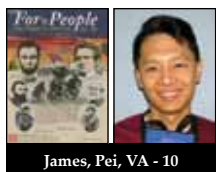
Kill Zones", and bare-chested Ranger cheers, identifies this top competitor as the antithesis of those who think WBC's "elite" gamers take themselves too seriously.



## Most Championships in One Event



Steve Packwood, MN - 12



James, Pei, VA - 10



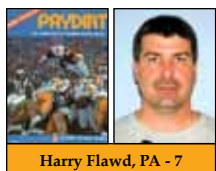
Mike Sincavage, VA - 9



Bruce Reiff, OH - 9



Chris Withers, CA - 9



Harry Flawd, PA - 7



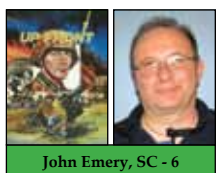
Bruce Beard, MD - 6



Brad Johnson, MI - 6



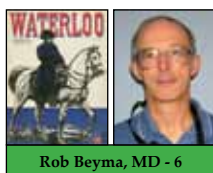
Doug James, NC - 6



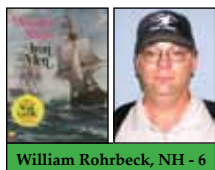
John Emery, SC - 6



Dave Metzger, NY - 6



Rob Beyma, MD - 6



William Rohrbeck, NH - 6



Paul Risner, FL - 5



Steve Likevich, OH - 5



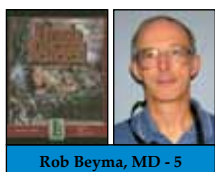
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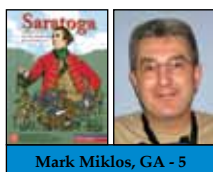
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Devin Flawd, PA - 5



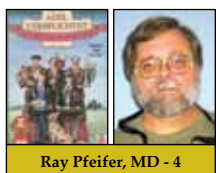
Rob Beyma, MD - 5



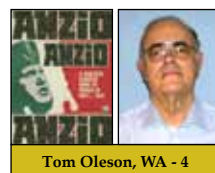
Mark Miklos, GA - 5



Doug Smith - PA - 5



Ray Pfeifer, MD - 4



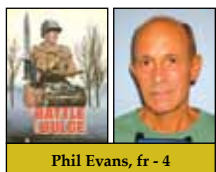
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Bruce Reiff, OH - 4



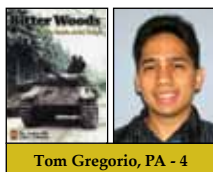
Bruce Reiff, OH - 4



Phil Evans, fr - 4



Bruno Sinigaglio, AK - 4



Tom Gregorio, PA - 4



## Most Championships in One Event



Jim Doughan, PA - 4



Nels Thompson, NY - 4



Ewan McNay, NY - 4



Jason Levine, NY - 4



Kevin McCarthy, OH - 4



Ed Menzel, CA - 4



George Seary, NY - 4



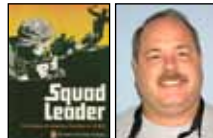
Dave Metzger, NY - 4



Terry Coleman, CA - 4



Alex Bove, PA - 4



Peter Pollard, TN - 4



Stefan Mecay, TX - 4



Tom DeMarco, NJ - 4



Bruce Reiff, OH - 4



John Pack, CO - 3



Doug Galullo, FL - 3



Vince Meconi, DE - 3



Ewan McNay, NY - 3



Martin Sasseville, qu - 3



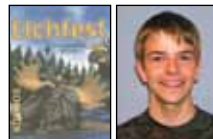
Bill Edwards, VA - 3



Scott Pfeiffer, SC - 3



Mike Stanley, OH - 3



Dave Meyaard, CT - 3



Dennis Culhane, PA - 3



Alex Bove, PA - 3



Lyman Moquin - 3



Justin Thompson, VA - 3



Steve Cuccaro, MD - 3



## Most Championships in One Event



Pete Stein, OH - 3



Marvin Birnbaum, NY - 3



Nicholas Henning - 3



James Fleckenstein, VA - 3



Stefan Mecay, TX - 3



Jim Castonguay, PA - 3



Robert Renaud, NY - 3



Gary Dickson, CA - 3



Tom Gregorio, PA - 3



Larry Lingle, PA - 3



Rob Seulowitz, NY - 3



Richard Moyer, MN - 3



Andy Latto, MD - 3



Aaron Fuegi, MA - 3



David Finberg, MA - 3



Brian Sutton, MD - 3



Aaron Fuegi, MA - 3



David desjardins, CA - 3



Bruce Young, SC - 3



Andy Gardner, VA - 3



Dan Henry, IL - 3



Ray Freeman, CA - 3



Bruce Monnin, OH - 3



Marvin Birnbaum, NY - 3



Brian Mountford, NY - 3



Paul Gaberson, PA - 3



James, Pei, VA - 3



John Welage, OH - 3



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- **General status** is extended to those who will not be attending the full week of WBC but would like to have membership in the Association. This level of membership includes WBC admission for only those days purchased and grants 1 vote. It is only available on the WBC Pre-Registration Form.
- **Charter status** is applied to anyone who supported the BPA via a membership at the Charter, Team or Sponsor membership levels during the critical start up year of 1999. Such early supporters can maintain their Charter status by continuing their BPA membership at the Sustaining or higher level. Charter status is listed on the BPA Patrons page in the Yearbook. This level grants 3 votes.
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- **Sponsor members** receive all Tribune-level benefits. In addition, a Sponsor may introduce a new Trial event, provided a Game Master volunteers to run that event by the deadline. This level grants 3 votes.
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All Boardgame Players Association (BPA) members of record as of June 1, 2011, are hereby notified of their right to vote for up to three members to serve on the BPA Board of Directors. Any BPA member may run for election as a Director. These individuals give their time without recompense to ensure that WBC continues on an even keel, representing all interests fairly. Candidates for the Board in 2011 include Bruce Monnin, Ken Gutermuth, Kaarin Engelmann and Jonathan Lockwood.










All members have a vested interest in the operation of BPA which can be exercised through their vote for members to serve on the Board in rotating three-year terms. When contemplating their vote, members are urged to consider that the BPA conducts most of its business by email and needs Board members who are able and willing to offer their time and skills to the organization in a timely manner. Board members should be considered more for their ability to contribute to the running of a successful company than for their interest in any particular game or group.

You may vote for up to three candidates, but only once per candidate. No votes will be taken during the convention. This election will be completed by mail and e-mail by July 15, so that the newly-elected Board may con-

vene to conduct business during WBC. The three candidates receiving the most votes will be elected. All members are urged to vote. Failure to generate sufficient votes will invalidate the election and force the organization to hold another with consequent expenses which will be borne by the membership.

Note that all paying attendees of WBC—other than one-day guests—are BPA members with voting rights. Ballots will be available only on the BPA website. The ballot includes a brief statement by each nominee. Alternately, members may e-mail their vote(s) to [election@boardgamers.org](mailto:election@boardgamers.org) from an e-mail address on file with BPA as their official e-mail address. An electronic ballot is available at [boardgamers.org/forms/boardballot.shtml](http://boardgamers.org/forms/boardballot.shtml).

All members are invited to attend the Annual Meeting of the BPA at 3 pm on Tues., Aug. 2, 2011, in the Lancaster Showroom at the Lancaster Host Resort in Lancaster, Pa. **NOTE: This meeting will take place during a break in the auction.** At that meeting, members will meet the new Board and may make inquiries and suggestions regarding the activities of the association. This is your chance to influence the decision-making process that drives WBC.

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