TAKE HENDERSON FIELD!
"Wild Bill's Raiders"

August 21, 1942, The Ilu River, near Henderson Field, Guadalcanal - The first major Japanese offensive to retake the island was designated as Operation KA. Commander Ichiki had carefully assembled his men in the jungle facing American positions. After a short artillery and machine gun barrage, the Japanese fiercely charged across the sandbar at the mouth of the river. Henderson Field must be taken!

VICTORY CONDITIONS
If the Japanese player has 6 unbroken units on the West side of the river and there are no unbroken American units in hexes N1, Q3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 he wins. If not, it is an American victory.

TURN RECORD CHART
U.S. Sets up first
Japanese Moves first

JAPANESE: Ichiki Attack Force, anywhere East of the River (excluding East riverbank hexes)
4-4-7 4-3-6 2-3-7 7-0 5-4 9-2 LMG MMG HMG 50mGL Rad. 75IG
x12 x10 x8 1 x2 1 x4 x2 x2 x4 x1 x2

Turn 2 - Enter from East edge
4-4-7 4-3-6 9-1 10-2 LMG ATR
x4 x6 1 1 x3 x2

Note: All Japanese units should be rated "fanatical" (See SL rule 26) with an ELR of 4.

AMERICAN: Second Bn., 1st Marine Regiment, anywhere West of river (Including West riverbank hexes)
6-6-7 6-6-6 7-4-7 (Eng.) 2-3-7 8-0 9-1 9-2 MMG HMG 60mMtr(M-2) Trench
x6 x5 x2 x4 x1 x2 x1 x2 x2 x2

37mATG Radio Wire
x2 x2 x3

(c10) Note: U.S. units have an ELR of 5
M2A4 (c10) 9-1 Armor Ldr.

SPECIAL RULES
P-3.1 The Ilu river (mistakenly thought to be the Tenaru) was more a stream than a river. Use Squad Leader rules #157. The river is considered shallow, except for hex rows 1-5, which are considered dry (due to the sandbar). The river overlay is to coordinate with the numbers on board #4. The riverbank hexes are considered to be ground level; the river, -1 level. Wheatfields are brush hexes. All other terrain is unchanged.

P-3.2 The American player has one module of fighters available (FP=8) at anytime. He only must roll for the amount of fighters and for how long they may remain on the board.

P-3.3 After all setup is complete, the Japanese may call in two modules of 80mm (harrassing fire) prior to beginning turn one. Radio contact is established, and the Japanese player must only roll for accuracy and extent of error. It may not be corrected.

Aftermath: The attackers were slaughtered as they attempted to cross the river. Machine gun and rifle fire mowed them down. Fighters from Henderson field mercilessly strafed them. Finally tanks rolled on the scene and finished the carnage. It was a severe defeat for the Japanese, and Ichiki, in despair, burned his regimental colors and committed "hara kiri."