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to *Against the Odds*' 2008 Annual. As usual, we've prepared a larger than usual issue to surround our massive *Operation Cartwheel* game. Detailed articles on Cartwheel, the Japanese Navy's futile search for the decisive battle, damage modeling in tactical naval games for both world wars and a bonus article on national will and wargaming can be found inside, all geared for the serious historian and gamer. Make history as the greatest military forces in the Pacific theater clash in one of the decisive campaigns of World War Two, and as always, thanks for picking up our annual, and we hope that if you are not a subscriber, you will take advantage of the special pricing deals and perks that only subscribers get. **Andy Nunez, Editor**

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