



Spring to Autumn 1942

Australia and the Philippines hold out, though not before Sydney is raided by Japanese paratroopers. A massive Japanese invasion of India gets to the gates of Bombay. Dramatic see-saw fighting rolls back and forth across China and Burma.

In the aftermath of Pearl, the Americans initially keep their distance as both sides spy one another across the glassy expanses of the Pacific.





This allows the Japanese the freedom to concentrate their power against India and the reeling British Empire forces in late spring.



One last look ...



... Banzai!

The invasion succeeded. The only comfort for the Brits: destroying two Jap tank divisions in our fortified line in Bengal!

Stillwell marches on Rangoon to cut the Japanese supply lines. He recaptures the port by the end of summer in the hopes of weakening the Japanese invasion of India ...



Instead Takashita partially withdraws and then re-invades in the autumn, launching a lightning war. By the start of winter the Anglo-Indian forces are penned up in Bombay. But at least the Yanks are arriving!



After a failed MacArthur effort to clear New Guinea and a terrifying Japanese airborne raid on Sydney, Allied naval strength masses for a carrier raid on the over-exposed submarine base in the New Hebrides. Result: Three subs destroyed! As ever, John is the ultimate sportsman.



Madness



The Allies have had a good amount of luck at sea, but on land they have taken their licks. A well-planned Japanese offensive cracked the all-important second Chinese factory area in autumn '42. Now the massive Chinese force is out of supply and can't build.

The one silver lining; those sneaky Communists smashed their way back into Chunking ...

Despite being in mountains, the Chinese failed to score one hit and were completely wiped out in three rounds! Banzai!

