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The Megagame of Power Politics in Old Japan

TEAM BRIEFING - SUE CLAN

Sue Harukata is the leader of the Sue Clan, a relatively new clan with no illustrious ancestors.

The clan controls the following provinces:

IWAMI	2 points
SUO	2 points
CHIKUZEN	11 points
AKI	8 points

total	23 points all in rice tax.

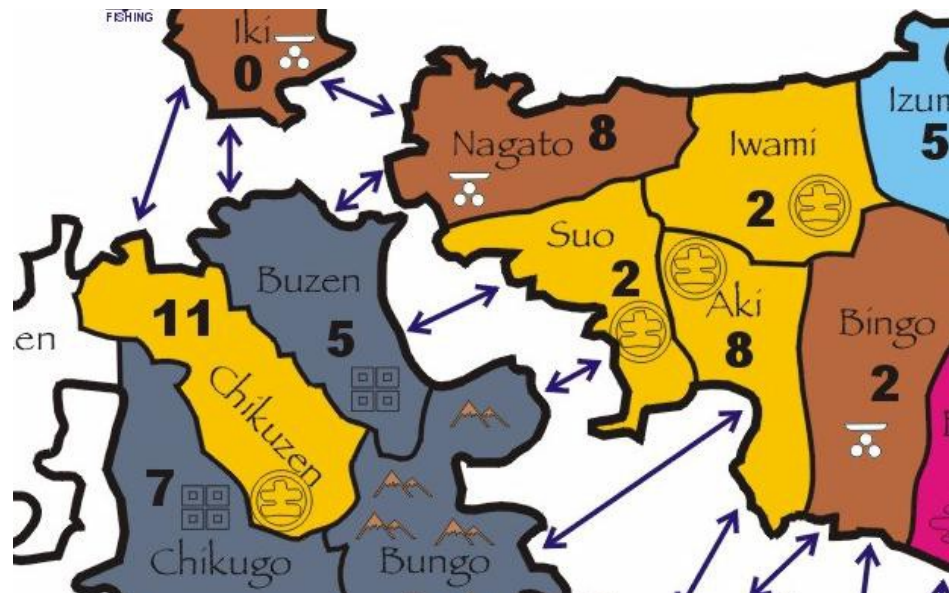


Recent Events

Until very recently Harukata was a vassal of a greater lord, Ouchi Yoshitaka. Unfortunately Lord Ouchi was a weakling and died as a result of a disagreement with Harukata over foreign policy. The Sue clan has taken control of the old lord's lands, and at present the other major Ouchi subordinate Lord Mori Motonari of Nagato agreed with you over your lord's weaknesses and has accepted this coup; he can be regarded as an ally - but probably not as a subordinate.

TEAM PLAYERS

- SUE HARUKATA (31) - Clan leader
- OTOMO SORIN (42) - senior vassal of leader
- SUE AKIYOSHI (35) - Clan chamberlain and cousin of leader
- HACHIKAWA AKI (29) - Clan general
- WATANABE ATSUSHI (34) - loyal clan samurai





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Personal Briefing : Daimyo Sue Harukata



Having staged a very successful coup against Ouchi, you now need to ensure that no possible counter-coup develops.

Your aim is therefore to hold on to what you have gained - and then to expand your power, if possible.



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Personal Briefing : Otomo Sorin



You are a monk (of samurai class), and a major supporter of Harukata.

You believe that now is the time of greatness for the clan. the Shogun is a snivelling weakling, and the various other Daimyo are disorganised and fight for only local advantage. You could see your Lord as Shogun, if only he will pursue the cause and defeat his enemies.

Your personal objectives are therefore:

- a. encourage and support your Lord in a bid to become Shogun.
- b. To increase the standing of your clan substantially.
- c. To ensure that your clan is the strongest and most respected in Japan.
- d. To never, never, stand for insults from your inferiors (which is just about anyone from another clan).



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Personal Briefing : Chamberlain Sue Akiyoshi



You know that now is a time of great danger to the clan. The lack of strong central control from the Shogun has meant that powerful and aggressive Daimyo are constantly fighting amongst themselves, often to extinction. You do not want this to happen to your clan - the destruction of your clan by one or more of these rapacious warlords would not only be a bitter thing, but would disgrace the names of your ancestors. You do not wish this.

Your personal objectives are therefore:

- a. To ensure that the clan survives at all costs.
- b. To encourage your Lord to avoid all adventures that might put the clan and its current holdings at risk.
- c. To ensure that the clan does nothing that would disgrace the names of its ancestors.
- d. You would like to increase your standing in the clan also - but obviously this should not be at the expense of the greater good of the clan itself.



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Personal Briefing : General Hachikawa Aki



Despite what is said about the hard and sombre life of the samurai, you have always fought hard and played hard. You feel that it is up to the samurai class to outshine the old and decadent nobility in terms of patronage of the arts, plays and buildings, so that the legacy of the samurai will last for thousands of years - and you will have a good time in the here and now also.

Your personal objectives are therefore:

- a. To ensure that your clan becomes famed for its lavish patronage of the arts, if not the most famous clan in the land.
- b. to make sure that you yourself patronise the arts to the greatest possible extent.
- c. To improve your personal standing within the clan.



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Personal Briefing : Watanabe Atsushi



Times are hard for the samurai class, and this clan in particular.

Merchants and peasants seem to grow fat while the honest warrior risks his life defending them and their homes in the many wars.

The common folk do not understand the privations of the warrior - they think that because you have a mansion and servants and horses and followers that you are a rich man - but what are riches? Only fleeting things that pass only too quickly (especially when you have a mansion, servants, horses etc. to maintain). You feel that the commoners are getting rich on these wars, and that you should join in on this general atmosphere of wealth creation. Your personal objectives are therefore:

- a. To ensure that your clan becomes and remains very wealthy.
- b. To ensure that you personally become very wealthy.
- c. That samurai from other clans become poorer (preferably in meeting objective b. above).