

The Battle of Takakura Castle

This scenario is loosely based on an historical “what if?”

The more powerful Hatakeyama clan was preparing to deal a heavy blow to the Date clan, but intervening events preventing this. Here we assume that the Hatakeyama were not thwarted in their plan.

Victory conditions

The side that controls the most victory points at the end of the game wins.

Victory Points

Arai Village = 1

Hitotori Bridge = 1

Mount Kannondo Road Pass = 2

Takakura Castle = 2

Setogawa Mansion = 3

Rules, Terrain, and Deployment

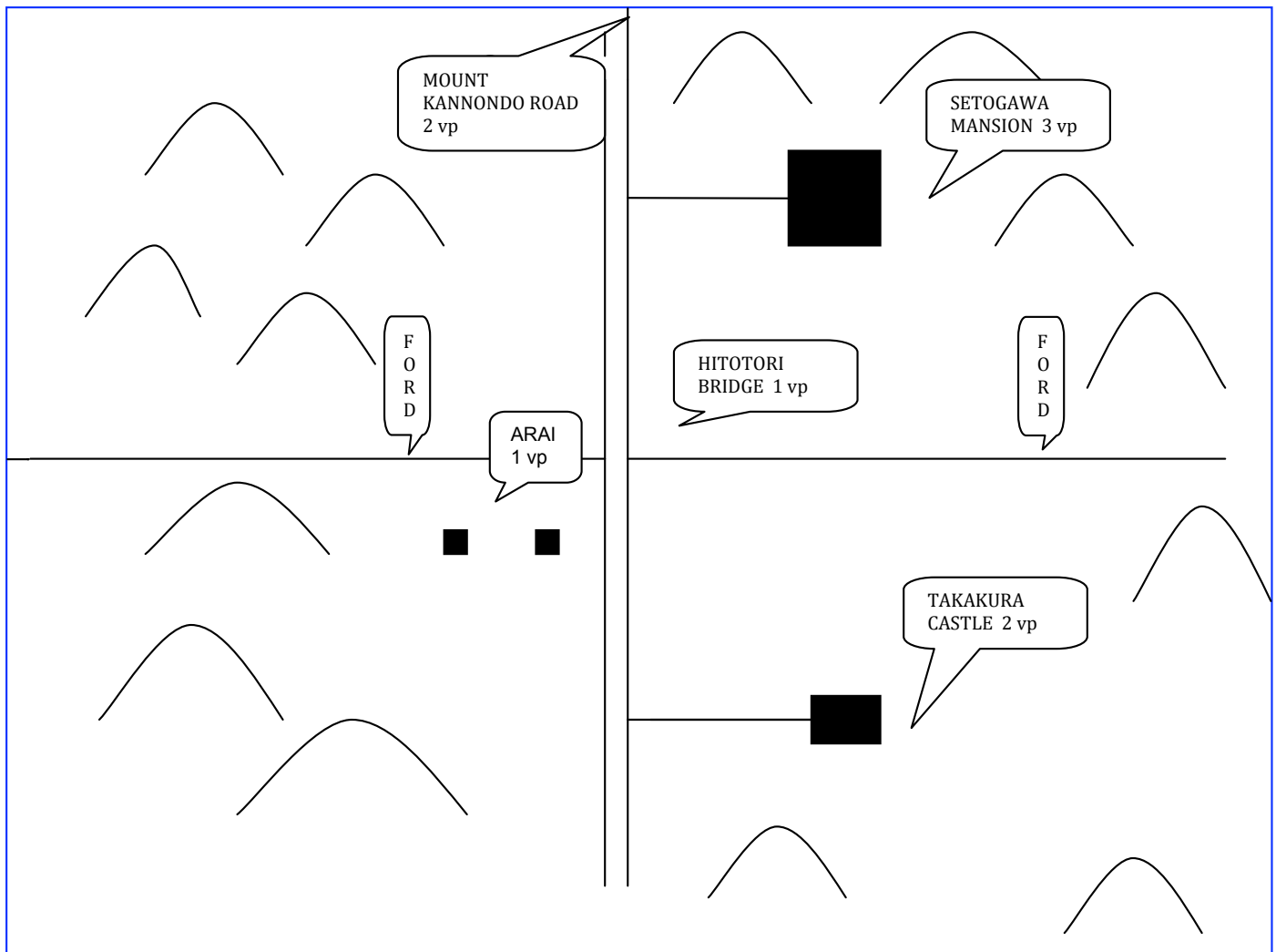
We used Samurai Fury, our homebrew modification of Fire & Fury and Age of Eagles.

Most of the terrain is obvious (see photos); the river is unpassable except at the two fords.

For purposes of defense, the village gives a bonus of 1, the castle a bonus of 2, and the mansion a bonus of 3.

The Date army may setup anywhere on the table, with the guidance of the referee.

The Map



HATEKEYAMA ARMY Order of Battle

Hatekeyama Army cmdr
 Kikkawa Hatamoto
 Bito Messenger

HATANO Tai cmdr **NANBU E** Sub cmdr
 Oda Ash/blade 8/6/04 sk
 Chubu Militia 9/8/05
 Ashoka Ash/arq 13/10/7 sk
 Satome yumi 6/5/03 sk
ADACHI Sub cmdr
 Mouri Samurai **E** 7/5/03
 Yamana Yumi 6/4/03 sk
 Tanzawa Militia 7/6/04
 Kato Ash/arq 10/8/05 Sk

UESUGI Tai cmdr **TAKEMATA** Sub cmdr
 Akiyama Ash/blade 9/7/05 Sk
 Arakawa Ash/blade 8/6/05 Sk
 Nakajo Ash/missile 8/6/05 Sk
 Fukuda Peasant 14/11/09
MATSUDA Sub cmdr
 Jojo Ash/blade 9/7/05 Sk
 Taida Ash/blade 9/7/05 Sk
 Naoe Ash/missile **E** 7/5/4 Sk
 Sambonji Ash/missile 7/5/04 Sk

ASHINO Tai cmdr **UZAMASA** Sub cmdr
 Hidari Samurai 8/6/04
 Hidari Ash/arq 9/7/05 sk
 Hori Yumi 7/5/03 sk
 Hamada Peasant 11/9/07
YAMAURA Sub cmdr
 Honjo Ash/blade 8/6/05 Sk
 Irobe Ash/blade **E** 8/6/05 Sk
 Saito Ash/missile 6/5/03 Sk
 Enzan Peasant 8/7/06

TADA Tai cmdr **ENOMOTO** Cav sub cmdr
 Obata Hvy cav **HC** 5/4/02
 Torii Med cav 4-/02

TAIRA	Cav sub cmdr	
Kyogokyu	Med cav	6/4/03
Gonzuma	Med cav	5/4/02
THE ABBOT	Sub cmdr E	
Shaka	Samurai	9/7/04
Tonna	Samurai	7/5/03
Dengyo	Samurai	8/6/04
Kobo	Med cav	4/-/02
Jichen	Med cav	3/-/02

Hatekeyama Clan Briefing:

I, Hatakeyama Kuniohmaru, have decided to crush the Date once and for all. They will not expect such an attack at this time of the year. However, the Gohyaku River is low and Hitotori Bridge is not the only crossing point. It is reported that two fords have appeared; one to the west and the other to the east of the Mount Kannondo Road, use them. Our objectives are the capture of Takakura Castle and Setogawa Mansion itself. Our future as a clan and that of the Date will surely be decided here. This is a battle to the death, casualties are of no importance. Crush the Date.

DATE ARMY Order of Battle

Date	Army cmdr	
Akumatsu	Hatamoto E	
Saba	Samurai	7/5/03
Mojo	Samurai/arc	E 8/5/03
Takigawa	Messenger	
Isho	Battery	
Niwa	Med cav	5/4/02
Atagi	Med cav	5/4/02

KITSUNE	Tai cmdr	MAEDA E	Sub cmdr	
		Date	Ash/arc	8/6/05 Sk
		Date	Ash/pike	8/6/05 (non-Sk)
		Toyama	Militia	7/6/04
		MIKUMO	Sub cmdr	
		Wakisaka	Samurai	8/6/04
		Honda	Ash/pike	E 11/8/2006 (non-Sk)
		Tokugawa	Ash/arc	8/6/05 Sk

AKITA	Tai cmdr	ANDO E	Sub cmdr	
		So	Ash/arc	E 9/7/05 Sk
		So	Samurai	E 7/5/03
		Hojyo	Ash/pike	8/6/05 (non-Sk)
		BENKO	Sub cmdr	
		Kutsuki	Samurai	7/5/03
		Ujiwara	Ash/arc	9/7/05 Sk
		Gomyo	Yumi	8/6/04 Sk

KISAWA	Tai cmdr	SATAKE E	Sub cmdr	
		Konishi	Samurai	E 7/5/03
		Mano	Ash/arc	9/7/05 sk
		Yamanote	Peasant	12/10/08
		KURODA	Sub cmdr	
		Akita	Miitia	7/6/4
		Kino	Ash/arc	E 8/6/2005 Sk
		Ozima	Yumi	6/5/03 Sk

Date Clan Briefing:

The Hatakeyama have left their winter quarters and are moving. I believe that their objective is nothing less than the capture of Takakura Castle and Arai town, in preparation of a spring offensive against Setogawa Mansion itself. The Castle and town must be held at all cost. Our future as a clan will surely be decided here.

Winter freeze has reduced the size of the Gohyaku River and the Hitotori Bridge is now not the only crossing point; there are now two fording points, one large ford to the west and a smaller one to the east of the Mount Kannondo Road.