

THIS PLACE SUSSEX

BB 29.1

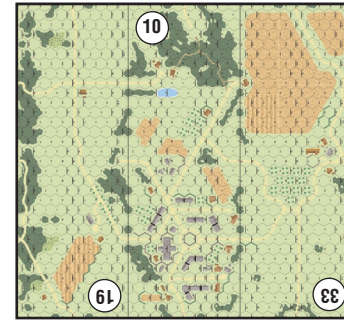
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VICTORY CONDITIONS: Germans win at game end if they control a clear majority of the stone locations on board 10. The British may reduce the number controlled by one for every 10 CVP inflicted on the Germans.

QUEVAUILLERS, FRANCE, 20 MAY 1940:

The Seventh Royal Sussex Battalion, like most of the British Expeditionary Force in France, was an under-supplied, poorly trained formation. On the morning of 20 May the allied command was in utter chaos, leaving the Seventh exposed to the enemy on both flanks. Intelligence reports varied from total hopelessness to reports that the German Panzer divisions had reached the end of their leash and that the worst was over. Amiens (a dozen miles or so from Quevaulliers) was left undefended so Guderian stopped there to see the cathedral hours after the first panzers entered the city. The Germans then drove across the Somme and advanced along the undefended Poi road (which leads to Paris). As the German right flank brushed Quevaulliers, finding the Royal Sussex without heavy anti-tank support, the Germans decided to take the town.



BRITISH SET UP FIRST	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
GERMANS MOVE FIRST											

7th Royal Sussex Battalion [ELR:3] set Up in Rows GG-Q on Bd 10 (inclusive) {SAN:5}:

BRITISH

4 ² 5-7	4-4-7	4-3-6	2-2-6	9-2	9-1	8-0	6+1	ATR 1-12	LMG 2-7
4	14	4						5	5

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Advance Elements of the First Panzer Division [ELR:4] enter on north or east edge of bd 33 north of Hexrow Q inclusive {SAN:4}:

GERMAN

Turn 1		Turn 3	
15	35	4 ² 6-8	4 ¹ 6-7
37L	20L [4]	9-1	8-1
2	2	2	2
Turn 4			
2-2-8	75*	18	16PP
2	2	2	2

AFTERMATH:

Yet another British force was needlessly lost in the face of crushing German forces. Of the 700 members of the 7th Royal Sussex which saw the day dawn at Quevaulliers, only 70 were left to surrender at the day's end. The sacrifice was useless. Only a handful of miles to the east, other elements of the British 36th Brigade did not know that the Sussex was being destroyed. The Germans would reach the English Channel the next day.

Source: Michael Glover, "The Fight for the Channel Ports", pp. 56-57

SSR:

1. EC are moderate with no wind at start.
2. German receives one module 80mm OBA with smoke and HE
3. British ATRs are short on ammo. Consider Depleted on 9. When regular ammo is depleted practice rounds are available. Practice rounds have a TK # 1 less than normal.