

# FOUR LOST BATTLES

UPDATE

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## COUNTERS

- Russian IC/Pahlen should have a 2 Vedette number.
- On the French Leader Reynier, the color of the VII Corps stripe should be red, not orange.
- All Baggage Trains should have a Movement Allowance of 4.
- All Vedettes should have a Combat Strength of 0.
- Russian cavalry unit Manteuffel should have an MA of 6.

## CARDS

- Card No. 7, Consolidate Position. Friendly units may not move closer to any enemy units.
- Arrival Card No. 24: The Commander may enter at any friendly supply source.

## MAPS

If at least 1/3 of a hex contains a terrain feature, consider the hex to be that type of terrain.

## STUDY FOLDER

### GROSSBEEREN

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**21.21** IV/24/2 HA is to appear with BERTRAND.

**21.22** (*Observation*) Some or all of IV Corps that set up on the map may be out of Supply.

**21.23** Baggage Trains are not always specified (*see 19.24 and 14.41*). IV Corps Württembergers—5 units (not 8). The 6th unit is with Bertrand, above. French unit XII, 29<sup>th</sup> Lt., Beaumont should arrive at 13.00 with Oudinot.

**21.25** Bernadotte is part of the Swedish Corps alternate reinforcements group.

### 21.32 Bülow Semi-Active (*new Special Rule*)

*Bülow's at start force begins in Semi-Active status, and remains so until released (see Card 19 for effects). Roll at the start of each Friendly Player Turn to try and release him. He is released on a die-roll of 1. He is automatically In Command for the turn he is released.*

*MODIFIER: At 10.00 hrs, subtract 1 from the die, at 11.00, subtract 2, at 12.00, -3, etc. For each group of French Alternate Reinforcements that have arrived, subtract 1. Bülow is also released if the enemy are within his personal Line of Sight.*

**21.33 Historical Note:** *On hearing the cannon at Blankenfelde (somewhere around 10.00), Bülow left a small force at Grossbeeren and, on his own initiative, marched for Lichtenrade to support Tauenzien. On Bernadotte's orders, Bülow returned to his old camp at Heinersdorf at approx. 13.00 in the pouring rain. Friederich says they marched 12 km (e.g., the round-trip distance from Heinersdorf to Lichtenrade and back).—Jack Gill*

**21.41 Control** (*change*) The controlling player receives, at the end of *each* game turn:

- 1 VP for control of Blankenfeld (hex 1704)
- 1 VP for control of Grossbeeren (hex 1117)

**Grossbeeren Casualty Record Track** The demoralization levels for the Swedish corps and the Russian XIV Corps are the same as for the Dennewitz track (11 and 17 respectively).

### KATZBACH

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**22.11 Duration** (*change*) 10.00–20.00 hrs.

(May continue on Second Day of Battle, ending on 20.00 hrs., 27th Aug.)

**22.13 Card Deck, French** (*change*) – **do not remove** 2x “Second Day of Battle.”

### 22.14 Card Deck, Coalition

(*change*) remove 2x “Delay—March confusion;” **do not remove** 2x “Commander Enters the map” and 2x “Second Day of Battle.”

**22.21** (*change*) MACDONALD, XI (less 31st Div.) within 4 hexes of (0518).

### 22.23 French Reinforcements

(*change*): Move-up the arrival of the balance of IIC to 14.00 [not 16.00].

14.00 turn (*correction*) The note with the 39th Division should refer to 22.24 (not 22.25).

(*change*): 8th Division (Brayer, Charriere, and 2nd-9th arty.) enters at Rothkirch (0902) at 10.00.

*I am convinced that the 8th division was already near the battlefield on the night of August 25th, and that it never left on the march for Haynau like the other divisions in III Corps. Souham had just been promoted to Corps Officer of III Corps and knew that his division would be crossing the Katzbach. Reports of Prussian scouts confirm the division occupied Rothkirch that night. By allowing the 8th division reinforcement status it gets an automatic move on the first turn (because Souham knew the plan for the coming battle).*

**22.31** (*correction*) The burnt bridge is at 2701 (not 3101).

### 22.34 Lauriston's Command (*addition*)

Lauriston may command Dermoncourt's brigade.

### 22.35 Optional Rule: Forging a River Hexside

An attempt to ford a River hexside (as well as the Katzbach in flood, 22.31) may take place if neither hex contiguous to the hexside is a slope hex. EXAMPLE: Crossing from 1318 to 1417, or from 1521 to 1620 would not be permitted. The unit must begin the Player turn unstacked, adjacent to the hexside to be forded. This fording attempt is successful on a die roll of “1” or “2” (after the Thunderstorm card is played, on a “1” only). If successful the unit may cross the hexside and then end its move for the turn. On a “3” through “6” the unit may not move. Only infantry and cavalry may attempt to ford. Supply may not be traced through a River hexside.

*COMMENT:* Though the attempted crossing at Schmokwitz served merely to take 2 divisions of Souham's Corps out of the fight, you may wish to have these troops try and cross the flooded Katzbach.

### 22.36 Russian Artillery (*addition*)

*Because of the importance of artillery to the Tsar, Langeron started the battle without part of his artillery guns, which he*

*held well back.*

All but 5 SPs worth of Langeron's and Korff's artillery and horse artillery units are regarded as Group #1 of Coalition Alternate Reinforcements and they enter at 1734. Add one more "Alternate Reinforcement" card to the Coalition deck to account for this. Grekow becomes the new second Allied alternative reinforcement; St. Priest becomes the third Allied alternative reinforcement.

### **22.37 Optional Rule: Gérard**

*To increase his operational flexibility, Macdonald assigned XI Corps provisionally to his divisional officer Gérard.*

The French Player may at any time "create" the Leader Gérard, placing his counter in the same stack as Senecal (35<sup>th</sup> Div). *The Coming Storm contains a counter for Gérard.*

### **22.41 Victory Conditions (clarification)**

It's the town of Weinberg (1316, 1317, and 1417) that's worth VPs, not the hill of the same name.

### **22.5 Katzbach 2 PM Scenario (new)**

Here's the situation at 14.00. French Move first. Cards, Victory, etc., as per regular scenario rules. (*No* Mode Cards at Start.)

### **22.51 French Set Up:**

4 Heavy Cav Div (0614)  
2 HCD (1116)  
19 Inf Div (1023)  
16 ID (1123)  
35 ID (1122)  
8 ID (1617)  
4 Lt Cav Div (1614)  
36 ID (1714)  
2LC (2012)  
Vedettes (1615,1616)  
Souham, III Corps stacked on road (0413—0915)

### **22.52 Coalition Set Up:**

**RUSSIANS:**

Langeron, VI, IX, X (1224, 1223, 1323)  
LC (1125, 1321)  
Korff (1326)  
Karpov Cav Bde (2213)  
XI (2015)  
Arty (2116)  
Wassilchikov's Cav Corps (2017)

**PRUSSIANS:**

8 Inf Brigade (1718)  
2 IB (1818)  
7 IB (1817)  
1 IB (1919)  
Jurgass' Prus. Res. Cav (2019)  
Katzeler, Henkel, Bieber, and Yorck (1917)  
**UNSPECIFIED UNITS:** place somewhere adjacent to friendly units of their formation.

**Source:** Nafziger, "Napoleon at Dresden," The Battle at the Weinberg Defile, p. 60; map, p. 54

## **KULM**

**23.25** (3) ST. CYR has 13 units (not 12).

(4) LATOUR has 9 units (not 8).

**23.34** (*new*): The two Coalition March Orders are not free but apply only to Bianchi and Colloredo and their respective Austrian Corps. Both Forces must march to the Coalition Supply Source at 0726.

*Historical Commentary:* In the chaos of the retreat nobody knew exactly where these troops were, and they certainly were unaware of the coming battle at Kulm. They were not about to turn around and march across the plateau; they were in retreat mode and knew that the pursuing French XIV Corps was behind them.

## **DENNEWITZ**

**24.21** (*clarification*) Zoltowski was part of the VIII (Polish) Corps, attached to IV Corps at the time of Dennewitz.

**24.22** Danna (0934).

**24.23 Coalition Reinforcements**, 1500 turn, AvG = 3 units, 21st = 1 unit, total 4 units.

1700 turn, Prussian III/Holtzendorf Art should be excluded as per the note at the end.

1600 turn, STEDINGK, Baggage Train appears with Woronzow.

## **CAMPAIGN GAME**

**25.24** (*change*) Units in the UAR box at the end of Grossbeeren will return to play at full strength for Dennewitz.