

ATS Tac19 Christmas Fields – ATS Conversion 10/22/2007



CHAMPS, BELGIUM, December 25, 1944: In spite of the risks Bastogne represented behind 5th Panzer Army, their orders stood to push west. 47th Panzerkorps could only engage one kampfguppe to take the city. Two simultaneous attacks were envisaged. The first, carried out by 77th Panzergrenadier Regiment, of the 26th Volksgrenadier Division, had to take the village of Champs held by A Company of the 502nd Parachute Regiment. The second operation's goal, to open the front held 2km to the south by the 327th Glider Regiment, was assigned to kampfguppe Maucke, made up of 115th Panzergrenadier Regiment and the armored tanks of 115th Panzer Battalion. After an artillery barrage, the attack began. Quickly, the men of 77th Panzergrenadier Regiment attacked. As the positions of A Company were threatened to be overrun, its commander, Captain Wallace A. Swanson, asked for help from HQ. Companies B and C were sent in reinforcement toward Champs. This detachment was confronted by elements of kampfguppe Maucke, which was also moving toward Champs. 5 tanks of 115th Panzer Battalion were soon destroyed by bazooka shots and soon two M18s of the 705th TD Battalion entered the fight. A Pz IV succeeded in spite of this and penetrated into Champs,

where the Volksgrenadiers had already been driven out. The Panzer was soon knocked out and Champs was firmly reoccupied by the paratroops. A new attempt to take Bastogne had failed. ASL design by Jean-Luc Béchenne



Elements of Co. A of the 502nd Parachute Reg. set up first on board 3 within 5 hexes of 3Q5

7 6 7	1 1 7	MMG .50 cal	MMG 1917	LMG 1919	LMtr	LAT Baz
8	2	1	2	3	2	2

Elements of Co. B and C, 502nd Parachute Reg. & B Co., 705th TD Battalion enter on turn 5 along the east edge of board 4 on/between Hexrows Q and GG:12

7 6 7	1 1 7	MMG 1917	LMG 1917	LMtr	LAT Baz	M18 TD
9	3	1	3	1	2	2



Elements of 77th Grenadier Regiment (26th Volksgrenadier Division) set up second on board 2.

6 5 7	1 1 7	MMG MG42	MMG MG34	LMG MG34	LAT Psk	LAT Pf	1 1 8 FO
15	4	1	1	3	2	4	1

Surviving elements of Battalion I/115 and of 115th Panzer Battalion (15th Panzergrenadier Division) enter on turn 5 along the southern edge on/between hexrows 2GG6 and 3GG5.

7 5 8	1 1 7	MMG MG34	LMG MG34	LAT Psk	Pz IVH	Stug III (L)
6	2	1	2	2	2	1

VICTORY CONDITIONS

The Germans win if they control all of the masonry buildings of board 3 at the end of the scenario.

SPECIAL SCENARIO RULES

- Spotting Conditions are average. Ground Snow is in effect. Vehicles – Fully tracked and all other vehicles: MIN hex entry cost is 1MP, ie road 1MP. Halftrack non road movement costs 1+COT, Wheeled non road movement costs are 2xCOT. Personnel - movement to higher terrain is additional +1 MP cost.
- The German infantry and AFVs have winter camouflage. Add +1/L to all direct fire attacks made against a German unit in a non-building location. The Panzers have Schuerzen, apply +2 AF on all flank hits.
- The German FO has access to one Battery of 80mm OBA.
- Hills 534 and 522 do not exist. Use ATS overlays OG522, OG534. Place ATS Overlay WH1 3I10 and ATS Overlay W3 U8,U7.

TURN RECORD MARKER

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BALANCE

- ☆ Add an M18 TD to the US reinforcements
- ✚ Add a Pz IVH to the German reinforcements

MAP LAYOUT

