

ATS TAC 6 Counterattack at Villers-Bocage – ATS Conversion 05/22/2006



VILLERS-BOCAGE, FRANCE, 13 June 13, 1944: Six days after the landing, in the sector reserved for the 2nd British Army, the 12th SS Pz Division and 21st Pz Divisions held the bastion of Caen too firmly to be taken frontally by the 1st British Corps. The decision was made to attack Caen from both sides, known as operation Perch. A little before 0900 hrs squadron B of the 4th County of London Yeomanry arrived, as a point element, at Villers-Bocage with a section of the motorized infantry 1st Rifle Brigade (called Green Jackets) and took up a position in the village. Squadron A continued to a position on the western slope of hill 213. The Germans decided to halt the encirclement. At 0915 hrs, a detachment of tanks from Schwere SS-Panzer-Abteilung 101 controlled by SS-Obersturmführer Michael Wittman and supported by Panzergrenadiers, attacked the British at Villers-Bocage. Benefitting from surprise, and after having destroyed a column of light vehicles on hill 213, Wittmann led the attack of 5 Tigers. Tanks and Grenadiers erupted into the village where a confused fight followed. The British tanks were destroyed one after the other. Overrun, the Green Jackets resisted as well as they could until the arrival of reinforcements of the Queens. But the very aggressive Germans were also reinforced by tanks of Panzer-Lehr. The fighting was house-to-house, and by the end of the day the pressure from the Germans forced the British to withdraw from Villers-Bocage. That evening, Bomber Command of the RAF crushed the village, which the Germans partially evacuated. The British attack to widen their bridgehead was stopped. They would make a new attempt two weeks later with operation Epsom. ASL Design: Jean-Luc Béchéneec '90

Detachment of A Company,
1st Rifle Brigade and B Co.
of County of London
Yeomanry set up first
according to SSR 4

6 5 8	1 1 7	MMG Vickers	LMG Bren	LAT Piat	LMtr	Sherman VC	Cromwell IV	Cromwell VI
8	3	1	3	2	1	1	3	1



Queens Detachment enter on turn 4 along the western edge:

HAT 6 pdr	Car A	5 5 7	1 1 7	LMG Bren	LMtr	LAT Piat
2	2	7	2	2	1	1

Detachment of Schwere SS-Panzer 101: Enter along the eastern side of boards 10 and 18 and the south of board 18 between hexes U and GG inclusive on turn 1.

Pz VIe	Sd 251	7 5 8	1 1 8	1 1 7	MMG MG34	LMG MG34	LAT Pf	LAT Psk
3	2	15	1	4	2	3	5	2

Detachment of the Panzer-Lehr Division: Enter along the eastern side of boards 10 and 18 and the south of board 18 between hexes U and GG inclusive on turn 6.



Pz IVH

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VICTORY CONDITIONS

The Germans win if, at the end of the game, they control all the multi-hex buildings located on board 10 without losing more than 2 AFVs.

SPECIAL SCENARIO RULES

- Spotting conditions are Optimal.
- All hedges are considered bocage.
- Two British squads may use Hidden setup plus any leader, L or M weapon that sets up with them
- The British set up on board 10 between lines Q and GG inclusive, including half hexes between the boards. The British vehicles cannot be placed in a building and must be placed adjacent to or on a road hex.
- The Germans receive an elite tank commander with their turn 1 units.

BALANCE

- Add an elite tank commander to the German turn 1 units.
- Queens reinforcements enter on turn 3.

TURN RECORD MARKER

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9					

MAP LAYOUT



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18	