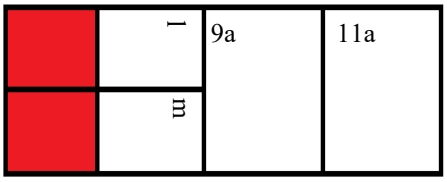
“Recon Rescue”

Haage, Estonia — August 26th, 1944

Following the fall of Narva, the 3rd Baltic Front of Ivan Maslennikov would swing around Lake Peipus as part of the Tartu Offensive, whose primary objective was the destruction of the German 18th Army. German resistance would consist of scattered strongpoints, which were often encircled by the hard marching Soviet forces of the 42nd Army. On August 26th, an isolated, mixed force of Germans with a pair of howitzers and mounted AA guns would be encircled near Haage, to the southwest of Tartu (Dorpat). A frantic call for help would be answered by elements of SS Panzer Aufklaerungs Abteilung 11 “Nordland”. This veteran recon formation would find itself called to act as a mobile fire brigade throughout August as the Russians stormed into Estonia.

VICTORY CONDITIONS: The side which accumulates the most VP’s by game end is the winner. CVP are recorded as normal and VP are awarded as follows: Control of the following hexes at game end are each worth 2 VP: Board 11a, Hexes B8, B9, B10, C10 and D10. Prisoners are tripled. The German 105’s are worth 3 points each to whichever side controls them at game end.

Board Configuration: (l, m, 9a, 11a



German Player Sets up first	**1**	**2**	**3**	**4**	**5**	**6**	**7**
Russian Player moves first							

Remnants 18th Army (ELR 2) (SAN 4) (Set up: within 5 hexes of Hex B10 on Board 11a)

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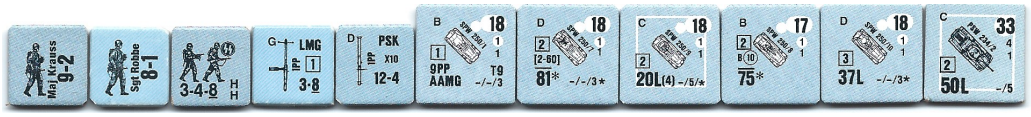
Company B, 11th SS Panzer Aufklaerungs-Abteilung 11 “Nordland” (ELR 5) (Set up: enter Turn 1 on the west edge)



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Elements Soviet 42nd Army (ELR 5) (SAN 3) (Setup: as indicated below)

Setup: within 4 hexes off Hex I5 on Board 9a

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Setup: within 4 hexes off Hex K6 on Board 11a

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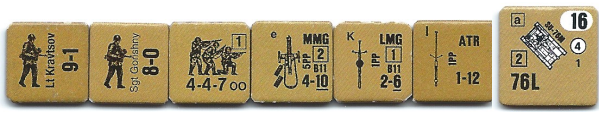
Setup: within 4 hexes off Hex I6 on Board 11a



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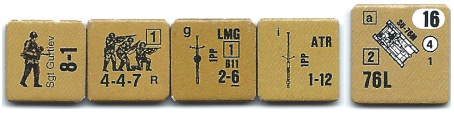
Setup: within 4 hexes off Hex U6 on Board 9a



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Special Rules/Notes:

1. EC are moderate with no wind. All Kindling is N/A. All Victory Locations start the scenario in German Control.
2. German 4-4-7’s are LAX.
3. SS 3-3-8’s retain full firepower when firing from inside their 250 Half-Tracks.
4. No Quarter is NA for Soviet Units vs. Wehrmacht Units. No Quarter is in effect for SS Units vs. Soviet Units.

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Aftermath: SS Standartenoberjunker Schwarck gathered his SDKFZ 250 Half-tracks and headed to the assistance of the encircled Wehrmacht unit. As the 5th Company reached the edge of Haage, they could see Soviet infantry emerging from multiple locations around the perimeter of the surrounded Germans. Schwarck also noted a platoon of SU-76’s supporting the Soviet Infantry. Schwarck deployed for the attack and had his cannon SPW’s focus on the SU-76’s, while the remainder of his force moved quickly into Haage and scattering Soviet Infantry as they crossed the open ground west of Haage. As the Soviets reeled from the surprise attack, the surrounded Germans would effect a successful withdrawal to the west.