Au Fil de l'Epée Specific Battles Rules for VaeVictis modules

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VAEVICTIS #26: POITIERS 1356 AND FORMIGNY 1450

In each of the two battles one of the players controls the French army and the other the English army.

A. POITIERS 1356

Set Up Positions

Units are given by banner.

Where several hexes are given for number of units of the same type the player may position the counters as he wishes.

The counters may be faced in any direction desired the French Player places is counters first.

The army of King John The Good has no remount or mount markers available, units rout off the northern edge of the map.

The army of Edward the Black Prince, Prince of Wales: four dismount markers and two mount markers are available, units rout of the southern edge of the map.

Reinforcements

There are no reinforcements.

Victory Conditions

The battle is fought over 10 turns. It begins at 08:30 hours and ends at 13:30.

Automatic victory

- If the English player captures or kills the King of France he wins the battle which ends immediately.
- If in the course of the battle 1 of the 2 players has scored 30 victory points more than has his opponent the game ends immediately with his victory.

Victory at the end of the game

The French Player scores

- 3 points for each enemy unit of Ha or Ch eliminated
- 2 points for each enemy unit of Ar eliminated
- 1 point for each enemy unit, whatever the type, in rout on the map at the end of the game
- 3 points for each enemy leader killed except the Black Prince
- 5 points for each enemy leader captured except the Black Prince
- 7 points if the Black Prince is killed
- 10 points if the Black Prince is captured
- 10 points if a French unit is in hex 1210 or 1211 at the end of the game (10 points per hex for a maximum of 20). See objective markers are available to record who controls the each of the 2 hexes (that is was the last to pass through them)

The English Player scores

- 4 points for each enemy unit of Ch eliminated
- 3 points for each enemy unit of Ha eliminated

- 1 point for each enemy unit of Ab eliminated
- 1 point for each enemy unit, whatever the type, in rout on the map at the end of the game
- 3 points for each enemy leader killed except the Dauphin
- 5 points for each enemy leader captured except the Dauphin
- 10 points if the Dauphin is killed
- 20 points if the Dauphin is captured

One totals the points scored by each side and compares them. The player who scored at least 7 points more than his opponent has won. To neither side as 1 of the game is a draw.

Special Rules

Removal of the Dauphin

John the Good, when the battle began to turn against him, decided to send away all his sons, except the youngest Philip the Bold, from the battle. To represent of this decision, which protected the royal line of the Valois, the French player may decide in any turn of the game during phase A to replace the Dauphin Charles counter with that of the Duke of Bourbon. In doing this he gives 5 victory points to his opponent.

French crossbows

Once routed the French crossbows may not be rallied and will retreat towards the board edge until they are eliminated (by leaving the map or by suffering a further rout).

Replacement of the Black Prince

The Captal de Buch (who was a Gascon) may not replace the Black Prince. In the case of the capture or death of the latter his place is taken by the English leader with the highest rating who is still in the game (choose freely amongst equal ratings).

Optional Rules

John the Good chooses to fight with his knights mounted: what would have happened if the French king had not chosen to fight on foot? All the French Ch and Ha units are considered mounted with 6 movement points (5 movement points if fatigued) and may charge. The victory conditions remain unchanged.

B. FORMIGNY 1450

Set Up Positions

Units are given by banner.

Where several hexes are given for a number of units of the same type the player may position the counters as he wishes.

The counters may be faced in any direction desired, the French Player places his counters first.

The French army of Jean de Clermont: four dismount markers are available, units rout off the western edge of the map towards Carentan.

The English army of Thomas Kyriel: no mount or dismount markers are available, units rout of the eastern edge of the map towards Formigny and Bayeux.

Reinforcements

The banner of Arthur de Richemont enters the game in phase C of turn two. On their activation, these units enter in column (in the order chosen by the player) on the road (hex 2422). The first unit has a 6 movement points a second has 5, and the fifth and last has 2 movement points. Units of the banner of Richemont rout off the southern edge of the map (towards St Lo).

Victory Conditions

The battle is fought over 9 turns. It begins at 10:00 hours and ends at 14:30.

Automatic victory

• If in the course of the battle 1 of the 2 players has scored 25 victory points more than has his opponent the game ends immediately with his victory.

Victory at the end of the game

The French Player scores

- 3 points for each enemy unit of Ha or Ch eliminated
- 2 points for each enemy unit of Ar eliminated
- 1 point for each enemy unit, whatever the type, in rout on the map at the end of the game
- 3 points for each enemy leader killed
- 5 points for each enemy leader captured

The English Player scores

- 3 points for each enemy unit of Ha or Ch eliminated
- 2 points for each enemy unit of Ar or At eliminated
- 1 point for each enemy unit, whatever the type, in rout on the map at the end of the game
- 3 points for each enemy leader killed
- 5 points for each enemy leader captured

One totals the points scored by each side and compares them. The player who scored at least 5 points more than his opponent has won. To neither side as 1 of the game is a draw.

Special Rules

English defences

The English had established entrenchments in the course of the morning. The line of hexes 0724 to 1421 consists of a small ditch with stakes that inflicts a -1 to the melee dice (-2 for charges) of French units which attack across this line.

Optional Rules

Delayed arrival of Arthur de Richemont: what if Richemont did not arrive? To add spice to the scenario the French Player throws a 1d10 each turn to (starting turn 2). On an even score Richemont enters the game, on an odd score Richemont is delayed. It may be

necessary to the throw again in subsequent turns. If a zero is scored Richemont never enters the game (no further test is made).

Dawn attack by the English

Kyriel preferred to entrench in the course of the morning rather than engage in combat. To simulate what might have happened otherwise it is necessary to play two further game turns and start the battle at 09:00 (Richemont will not arrive before the fourth turn). The English entrenchments to do not exist in the game.

These two optional rules may be played together.

VAEVICTIS #45: BY THE EDGE OF THE SWORD

A. MURET, 12 September 1213 (by Philippe Germain)

Set-up

The units are listed by banner.

Where several hexes are listed, for several units, the player is free to decide the allocation of units in the hexes (except for any stated limitations). The counters are faced freely (except for any stated limitations). The Southern Player sets up first.

Army of the Southerners, Pierre II d'Aragon - defenders

Arrive on the West edge of the map. A unit of the besiegers may appear on the east of the map, to the north of the line 07xx.

1st Body: 0607, 0706; 0807, 0906

Raymond-Roger de Foix, Ha 3-5-6 (1 counter), Ha Aragon 5-5-6 (1 counter), Ch Aragon (2 counters)

Raymond-Roger de Foix must be stacked with his knights in 0607 or 0906 at his choice.

2nd Body: 0606, 0705; 0806, 0905

Pierre II d'Aragon, Ch Aragon (1 counter), Ha Aragon (3 counters, of which 2 on foot)

Pierre II d'Aragon must be stacked with his knights in 0705 or 0806.

3rd Body (1): 0502, 0503; 0603, 0604, 0702, 0703

Bernard IV de Comminges, Ha mounted (1 counter), Ha (1 counter), Mi (2 counters), Ab (1 counter)

Bernard IV de Comminges must be stacked with his knights.

3rd Body (2): 0802, 0803; 0902, 0903, 1003, 1004

Raymond VI de Toulouse, Ha mounted (1 counter), Ha (1 counter), Mi (2 counters) and Ab (1 counter)

Raymond VI de Toulouse must be stacked with his knights.

Besiegers (Militia from Toulouse): 0209, 0308, 0409, 0410, 0411

Consuls, Mi (5 counters)

The Militia counters must be faced towards Muret: the front central hex must be a Muret hex

No « remonte » or « démonte » markers are available.

Crusaders, Simon de Montfort – attackers

Arrive in hexes 0111 (if outside Muret, via hexes 0412, 0311 and 0310 or 0409, 0309 and 0310 or 0109, 0210 and 0310). One unit may halt its march in Muret (to not move if already in Muret).

1st Battle: 0709 and 0810

Guillaume des Barres, Ch (2 counters)

2nd Battle: 0710 and 0811

Bouchard de Marly. Ch (2 counters)

3rd Battle: 0612 and 0712

Simon de Monfort, Ch (2 counters)

Muret Garrison: 0210, 0309, 0310, 0311

Chef Muret, Ab (1 counter) and Ha (2 counters)

No « remonte » or « démonte » markers are available.

Reinforcements

No reinforcements in this Battle

Duration and Victory Conditions

The Battle lasts 6 turns.

Victory point breakdown

The crusader player scores:

- 3 points per unit de Ch or Ha eliminated;
- 2 points per enemy unit of Ab eliminated;
- 1 point per enemy unit of Mi eliminated or per enemy unit (whatever type) in rout on the map.
- 3 points per enemy leader killed.
- 5 points per enemy leader captured.

The southern player scores:

- 8 points per unit de Ch eliminated;
- 4 points per enemy unit of Ha or Ab eliminated;
- 2 points per enemy unit (of whatever type) in rout on the map.
- 5 points per enemy leader killed or captured (except Simon de Monfort).
- 10 points for the death of Simon de Monfort.
- 20 points for the capture de Simon de Monfort.

Add the points scored by each side and compare them.

Automatic Victory

If during the Battle, one of the two players score 30 victory points more than his opponent, the game ends immediately in his victory.

Victory at the end of the game

The player who scores 10 points more than the other has won.

If neither side scores 10 points more than the other, the Battle ends in a draw.

Special rules

Specific Terrain

- Muret Hexes: Treat these as village hexes.
- Wall: It is not possible to melee across a wall of a gate. A unit may only enter Muret into an unoccupied hex using a gate.
- Treat the camp hexes as woods. Treat the hexes containing a siege-engine as Farm/Mill/Abbey hexes.

Charge of the Crusaders

A unit of Ch receives a bonus of +1 on its first charge.

Movements of the Southerners

- The Southerners cannot make a reaction charge.
- The First Body cannot move (*) before the 2nd turn, unless one of its units is attacked in melee.
- The Second Body cannot move (*) before the 3rd turn, unless one of its units is attacked in melee.
- The Third Body cannot move (*) before the 4th turn, unless one of its units is attacked in melee.
- The besiegers cannot move (*)before the 4th turn (except to enter Muret) unless one of its units is attacked in melee.
- (*): changing facing is considered to be movement. Pierre II d'Aragon

The Southerners immediately suffer a (cumulative) malus if:

- Pierre II moves (voluntarily) towards the western edge: -1 in melee (attack only) each time that the distance to the west edge of the board diminishes.
- Pierre II is wounded, killed or captured: -1 in melee (attack) +1 in melee (defence); -1 in quality.
- Additionally when Pierre II is wounded, killed or captured, make the following test for Bernard IV, Raymond VI and the Consuls: throw a dice, if the result is less than or equal to the command rating: No Result; if it is greater, all the units of that leader suffer a discouragement; and will rout if the dice score is 5 or more.

B. BOUVINES, 27 July 1214 (by Frédéric Bey)

<u>Notes for the map</u>: The same map is used for Bouvines and Benevento. For the Battle of Bouvines, ignore the hill (Level 1 clear terrain hexes) and treat all the hexes as being level 0. All the other types of terrain (marsh, stream, abbey, village and road), and the blue text, are treated normally.

Set-up

The units are listed by banner.

Where several hexes are listed for several units of the same type (for example Ha), the player may place them as he wishes in these. The counters are faced freely by each player, starting with the French player.

Army of the King of France Philippe II – attackers

Philippe II,1212

Ch (2 counters), 1012 and 1212 (1 counter in each hex)

Mi (6 counters), 1011, 1110, and 1211 (2 counters in each hex)

Pierre de Courtenay, comte d'Auxerre, 0812

Ch (1 counter), 0812

Mi (5 counters), 0710 (2 counters), 0811 (1 counter), 0910 (2 counters)

Eudes, duc de Bourgogne, 1412

Ch (1 counter), 1412

Mi (5 counters), 1310 (2 counters), 1411 (1 counter) and 1510 (2 counters)

Frère Guérin, 1911

Ch (1 counter), 1911

Ab (2 counters), 1810 and 2010

Ha (3 counters), 1710, 1910 and 2110

Robert de Dreux, comte de Beauvais, 0411

Ch (1 counter), 0411

Ha (2 counters), 0310 and 0510 (1 counter in each hex)

Ab (2 counters), 0311 and 0511 (1 counter in each hex)

No « remonte » or « démonte » markers are available.

Army of the Holy Roman Emperor, Otton IV – defenders

Otton IV, 1405

Ch (2 counters), 1404 and 1405 (1 counter in each hex)

Ha (2 counters),1205 and 1605 (1 counter in each hex)

Mi allemandes (12 counters), 1606, 1505, 1406, 1305, 1206 and 1105 (2 counters in each hex)

Guillaume Longue-Epée, comte de Salisbury, 0304

Ch (1 counter), 0304

Ha (2 counters), 0406 and 0206

Ar (2 counters), 0505 and 0305

Ferrand de Portugal, comte des Flandres, 1904

Ch (2 counters),1904 and 1804 (1 counter in each hex)

Ha (1 counter), 2104

Mi de Gand, de Bruges and des Flandres (3 counters), 2105, 2006 and 1806 (1 counter in each hex)

Ar (1 counter), 1905

Renaud de Dammartin, comte de Boulogne, 0705

Ch (1 counter), 0705

Mi d'Audenarde (2 counters), 0806 and 0606

Hugues de Boves, 0905

Ha brabançons (2 counters), 0904 and 0905

No « remonte » or « démonte » markers are available.

Reinforcements

No reinforcements during the Battle.

Duration and Victory Conditions

The Battle lasts 8 turns.

Victory point breakdown

Automatic Victory

If the King of France Philippe II or the emperor Otton IV are killed or captured, the enemy player wins the Battle, which halts immediately.

If during the Battle (check at the end of each turn), one of the two players has scored 30 victory points more than his opponent, the game ends immediately in his victory.

Victory at the end of the game

The players score:

• 5 points per enemy unit of Ch eliminated;

- 4 points per enemy unit of Ha eliminated;
- 3 points per enemy unit of Ab eliminated;
- 2 points per enemy unit of Ar eliminated;
- 1 points per enemy unit of Mi eliminated;
- 1 point per enemy unit (of whatever type, except Mi) in rout on the map at the end of the game;
- 3 points per enemy leader killed (except Philippe II and Otton IV, see Automatic Victory);
- 5 points per enemy leader captured (except Philippe II and Otton IV, see Automatic Victory and except for Hugues de Boves, who lacks any « market value »);

Add up the points scored by each side and compare them:

- The player who scores at least 7 points more (7 or more) that his opponent has won;
- If neither side scores 7 points more than the other, the Battle ends as a draw;
- If Philippe II and Otton IV are killed or captured simultaneously in the course of the same combat, the Battle finishes as a draw.

Special rules

Commune militias

To represent the very deep and close formation adopted militia units at Bouvines, it is possible to stack **two Mi counters of the same banner** per hex. The stacked militias total their PF for combat and use the poorest quality of the two units. Whenever they are stacked, two units of militia are treated as a single counter for the effects of combat, attempts at reorganisation etc. In the case of retreat or advance after combat two stack militia units must advance or retreat together (except where there are limits on stacking in the case of retreat. For example, you can retreat only one of the two militia into a hex already occupied by another militia unit and leave the remaining militia unit in place to suffer an extra level of disorganisation). For movement, the unit may stack with another unit of militia or one unit may leave the stack but must pay 1 extra PM to do so. Once stacked, two militia units move together without extra cost, as a single counter, but only as long as they do move together (same start hexes, same route, same destination hexes).

Archers. All the Ar units used in Bouvines suffers a modifier of -1 to the fire dice, cumulative with all other modifiers. Their bow was not as efficient as the longbow of the Hundred Years War.

Rout

During the Rally Phase, the obligatory rout movement is limited to half (rounding <u>up</u>) of the units' Movement Allowance (rather than the total, as in Rule 12.2)

B.5 Optional Rules

Struggle to the death

The battle goes through to Turn 10, if at the end of Turn 8, the result is a draw. Use of this rule must be agreed by both players before the start of the game.

Free deployment

What would have happened if the two leader had chosen another deployment? Due to the totally flat terrain, a deployment that the enemy could not observe would not be conceivable. As a result, The two players throw a 1d10. The one with the lower score (if scores are equal, the Imperial Player), sets-up on the map one banner and its leader. The other player does the same with one of his banners and they alternate until all banners

have been placed on the map. The only limits are the following: the French Player can only set-up his units and leaders in the hex ranges XX10 to XX14. The Imperial Player can only set up his units and leaders in the hex ranges XX01 to XX06. The victory conditions are unchanged.

C. LAKE PEÏPOUS, 5 April 1242 (by Denis Sauvage)

Set-up

The units are listed by banner (blason). The counters are faced freely by each player, starting with the Russian player.

Russian Army of Alexandre Nevski - attackers

Arriving on the edge of the map.

Alexandre Nevski, 0807

Ha, 0807

Mi (5PF), 0806 and 0705

Mi (4PF), 0605

Kerbet, 0609

Mi, 0408, 0508, 0609, 0708

Andrey Nevski, 0406

Ha, 0406

Ar, 0305 and 0205

No « remonte » or « démonte » markers are available.

Crusader Army of Hermann Von Buxhoeved - defenders

Arriving on the west edge of the map

Buxhoeved, 0612

Ch, 0612

Ha. 0512

Mi, 0413 and 0513

Kassel. 0511

Ch, 0511

Danois (chef), 0411

Ch, 0411

Ha, 0412

No « remonte » or « démonte » markers are available.

Reinforcements

No reinforcements during the Battle.

Duration and Victory Conditions

The Battle lasts 5 turns. It starts at 9h and ends at 11h30.

Victory at the end of the game

- 4 points per enemy unit of Ch eliminated;
- 3 points per enemy unit of Ha or Ar eliminated;
- 1 point per enemy unit of Mi eliminated;
- 1 point per enemy unit in rout (of whatever type) on the map;

• 3 points per enemy leader captured or dead.

In addition, if Alexandre Nevski is killed, the Crusader Player scores 20 points. However, if Alexandre Nevski is still on the map at the end of the game, the Russian Player scores an additional 5 points.

Add up the points scored by each side and compare them. The player who has scored at least 5 points more (5 or more) than his opponent has won. If neither side score 5 points more than the other does, the Battle is a draw.

Special rules

Terrain

Frozen lake and plain are treated as clear terrain. An attack only from the lake to the shore gives a malus of 1 to attacker and vice versa (difference of level).

Broken ice

If a unit of Knights moves on a Frozen Lake hex adjacent to the plain, the ice is broken. At the moment a unit leaves this hex (as the result of a melee, rout movement or movement), place a *Glace Brisée* marker on the hex which become prohibited terrain for all kinds of unit (even for an obligatory advance after melee).

Crusader militias

If one the Crusader player's militia units suffers any form of negative result (retreat, fatigue, discouraged, routed), the two units automatically enter rout, even if the second did not participate in the combat.

Russian militias

The Russian Militia units have a fire capability as follows: They fire at two hexes as a maximum, just as Ab, and with the following values: 1 hex (8), 2 hexes (9). The result of their fire will never cause rout.

Russian horse archers

The Russian horse archers units, with a fire factor, have the following characteristics: they fire two hexes maximum, like an Ar and with the ratings following: 1 hex (6/8), 2 hexes (7/9). They may fire while mounted.

Alexandre Nevski

If the Alexandre Nevski counter is not adjacent to a Crusader unit, all the Russian units suffer a malus of 1 in quality at any stage of the game. Alexandre Nevski can never be captured. If he is captured, treat him as dead.

Optional Rules

These rules allow the simulation of some possibilities from the Battle.

The Crusader Army has not decided that the death of Alexandre Nevski is it main objective for the Battle:

The Crusaders are no longer obliged to rush forward to attack the Russian forces. To simulate this eventuality, do not count the 4 victory points at the end of the game for the Russian Player if Alexandre Nevski is alive. Also do not use the 20 victory points for the Crusader Player if he is killed.

Alexandre Nevski is treated as just another leader. His capture or death scores 3 victory points for the Crusader Player. This overrules the Alexandre Nevski Special Rule above.

D. BENEVENTO, 26 February 1266 (by Frédéric Bey and Nicolas Stratigos)

Notes on map: The same map is used for Bouvines and Benevento. For the Battle of Benevento, ignore the following terrain types: marsh, stream, abbey and village. These should be treated as clear hexes. The only types to be considered are the hill (Clear terrain hexes of level one) and the road, as well as the green text.

Set-up

The units are listed by banner. Where several hexes are listed for several units of the same type (for example Ha), the player may place them as he wishes in these. The counters are faced freely by each player, starting with the French player.

French Army of Charles d'Anjou - defenders

Charles d'Anjou, 1103

Ch français (1 counter), 1103

Ha mounted (1 counter), 1204

Ha on foot (2 counters), 1105 and 1305

Ab (2 counters), 1006 and 1206

Hugues de Mirepoix, maréchal de France, 1702

Ch provençaux (1 counter), 1702

Ha (1 counter), 1803

Ab (1 counter), 1902

Philippe de Monfort, 1502

Ch provençaux (1 counter), 1502

Ha (1 counter), 1604

Ab (1 counter), 1703

Guy Guerra de Florence, 1404

Ha florentins mounted (1 counter), 1404

Ha florentins on foot (2 counters), 1406 and 1505

Guy le Brun, connétable, 0903

Ch français (1 counter), 0903

Ha (1 counter), 0805

Ab (1 counter), 0905

Robert, comte des Flandres, 0803

Ch flamands (1 counter), 0803

Ha (1 counter), 0604

Ab (1 counter), 0704

No « remonte » or « démonte » markers are available.

Army of the King of Sicily, Manfred Hohenstaufen – attackers

Giordano Lancia, 1513

Ha allemands (2 counters), 1512 and 1513

Sarrazins, 1310

Ar (6 counters), 0710, 0910, 1110, 1310, 1510 and 1710

Mercenaires, 1211

Ha (5 counters), 0811, 1011, 1211, 1411 and 1611

No « remonte » or « démonte » markers are available.

Reinforcements

The reinforcement banners enter the game during phase C of the turn noted.

During their activation, the units enter in column (in the order chosen by the player): the first unit has all its PM, the second all of its PM less one etc.

<u>Tour 3</u>: Manfred Hohenstaufen, *Ch siciliens (2 counters) and Cl sarrazins (3 counters), in hexes 1614*

<u>Tour 4</u>: Galvano Lancia, prince de Salerno, Ha toscans, Ha lombards and Cl sarrazins, in hexes 1614

Duration and Victory Conditions

The Battle lasts 10 turns.

Victory point breakdown

Automatic Victory

If Charles d'Anjou of King Manfred Hohenstaufen are killed or captured, the enemy player has won the Battle, which halts immediately.

If during the Battle, one of the two players scores 25 victory points more than his opponent (check at the end of each turn), the game ends immediately in his victory.

Victory at the end of the game

The players score:

- 3 points per enemy unit of Ha (mounted) or of Ch eliminated;
- 2 points per enemy unit of Cl or of Ha (on foot) eliminated;
- 1 point per enemy unit of Ar or Ab eliminated;
- 1 point per enemy unit (of whatever type, except Ar or Ab) in route on the map at the end of the game;
- 3 points per enemy leader killed;
- 5 points per enemy leader captured (except chef Mercenaires and Sarrazins, 0 point). Add up the points scored by each side and compare them:
- The player who has scored at least 5 points more (5 or more) than his opponent has won.
- If neither side score 5 points more than the other, the Battle is a draw.
- If Charles d'Anjou and Manfred Hohenstaufen are killed or captured simultaneously in the course of the same combat, the Battle finishes as a draw.

Special rules

Army Leader

The Army Leader of the King of Sicily's army is the *chef des mercenaires*, until the arrival of Manfred on the field of battle.

Archers

All the Ar units in play at Benevento suffer a modifier de –1 to the fire dice, accumulated with all other modifiers. The modifiers of +1 (for 4PF) and +2 (for 8PF and more) only

apply in this scenario to the Sarrazins Ar and to them alone. Their bow was not as efficient as the longbow of the Hundred Years War

Reinforcements

The reinforcements may not leave the road during their first movement. If they are activated a second time (by the army leader) in the same turn, they may leave the road.

Obligatory combat

During the first two turns of play, the two banners of the King of Sicily's army already deployed on the map on the map (Mercenaires and Sarrazins) must engage in at least 2 melees (per turn).

Rout

During the Rally Phase, the obligatory rout movement is limited to half (rounding <u>up</u>) of the units' Movement Allowance (rather than the total, as in Rule 12.2)

D.5 Optional Rules

Manfred controls his army

Contrary to historical events, Manfred prevents his infantry engaging in Battle in a precipitate manner. To simulate this situation: Manfred is deployed in 1512 at the beginning of the game and obligatory combat rule is not used.

VAEVICTIS#62: THE CROSS AND THE SWORD

LAS NAVAS DE TOLOSA, July 16, 1212 / 15 Safar, 609

<u>Note on the map</u>: all hexes are clear terrain. Aside from the entrenchments and the two levels of elevation, all other graphic elements are purely decorative.

<u>Note on the Christian monastic orders</u>: Unlike the other banners, the units of Ucero's banner are identified by their black background. The blazons on their counters represent the different monastic orders (Calatrava, Santiago, Templars, and Hospitallers) which belong to the banner. Their blazons are different from that of their leader.

Note on the French: the two French units have a second blazon of fleurs de lys which is purely decorative.

Starting Positions

Units are listed by banner.

The players may stack counters freely in compliance with rule **5.2**. The front of each unit must face the enemy's rout direction unless otherwise indicated.

Christian Army of Alfonso VIII, King of Castile (attacking side)

Rout direction: toward the map edge at hex rows xx19 / xx20.

De Rada: hex 1417 Ruy Diaz: hex 1516

Alfonso VII of Castile, army leader: Castilian Reserve

Alfonso VIII: hex 1718

The 10 units of his banner are deployed within 6 hexes of their leader (counting the hex which he is in), in the hex rows xx18 or xx19.

Example: a unit may be deployed in 2218, but not in 2318 (since that is one hex too far).

Diego Lopez de Haro: Christian Advance Guard

De Haro: hex 1714

The 19 units of his banner are deployed within 8 hexes of their leader, in the hex rows xx14 or xx15.

Gonzalo Nunez de Lara: Castilian Corps

De Lara: hex 2216

The 8 units of his banner are deployed within 5 hexes of their leader, in the hex rows xx16 or xx17.

Juan Gonzalez de Ucero: Monastic Orders

De Ucero: hex 1216

The 9 units of his banner are deployed within 4 hexes of their leader, in the hex rows xx16 or xx17.

Pedro II of Aragon: Army of Aragon (Left Wing)

Pedro II: hex 1415

The 12 units of his banner are deployed within 6 hexes of their leader, in the hex rows xx15 or xx16.

Sancho VII of Navarre: Army of Navarre (Right Wing)

Sancho VII: hex 2815

The 12 units of his banner are deployed within 5 hexes of their leader, in the hex rows xx15 or xx16.

No "remonte" ("remount") or "demonte" ("dismount") markers are available.

Moslem Army of Mohamed Al-Nasir, Almohade Caliph (defending side)

Rout direction: toward the map edge at hex row xx01.

Mohamed Al-Nasir, army leader and Almohade Caliph: Reserve

Al-Nasir and the Almohade standard: hex 1702

Pikemen (Pi): hexes 1502, 1702, 1604, 1804, 1903 (may be faced as desired)

Light cavalry (Cl): hexes 1404, 1605, 1805 Archers (Ar): hexes 1504, 1704, 1904

Abu Said Ben Djami, Almohade Grand Vizir: Almohade Corps

Ben Djami: hex 1706

The 18 units of his banner are deployed within 6 hexes of their leader, in the hex rows xx06 or xx07.

Al-Andalus: Al-Andalus Corps Al-Andalus leader: hex 1708

The 14 units of this banner are deployed within 6 hexes of their leader, in the hex rows xx08 or xx09.

Muhajids: Religious Volunteers

Muhajid leader: hex 1710

The 12 units of this banner are deployed within 5 hexes of their leader, in the hex rows xx10 or xx11.

Al-Maysara: Left Wing Al-Maysara: hex 2706

The 14 units of his banner are deployed within 5 hexes of their leader, in the hex rows xx06 or xx07.

Al-Maymanah: Right Wing Al-Maymanah: hex 0506

The 14 units of his banner are deployed within 5 hexes of their leader, in the hex rows

xx06 or xx07.

No "remonte" (remount) or "demonte" (dismount) markers are available.

Reinforcements: none

Game length and victory conditions:

The battle continues until one player attains victory.

Victory point breakdown

Automatic victory

- If the hex in which the Almohade standard is located (1702) is occupied by any unit of the Christian army, the game ends immediately with a victory for the Christian player.
- If during the battle (check at the end of each turn) one player has 50 more victory points than the other, the game ends immediately with a victory for that player.
- If Alfonso VIII is killed or captured, the Moslem player wins immediately.
- If Al-Nasir is killed or captured, the Christian player wins immediately.

The players gain the following victory points (add to their totals at the end of each turn):

- 5 points per enemy unit of Ch eliminated
- 4 points per enemy unit of Ha or Cl eliminated
- 3 points per enemy unit of Pi or Ab eliminated
- 2 points per enemy unit of Ar or Mi eliminated
- 1 point per enemy unit of Il eliminated
- 1 point per routed enemy unit (of any type) on the map
- 3 points per enemy leader killed (except Alphonso VIII and Al-Nasir)
- 5 points per enemy leader captured (except Alphonso VIII and Al-Nasir)

The Christian player adds:

• 15 additional points if no units of the Al-Andalus banner remain on the map

The Moslem player adds:

- 10 points if the Christian player has not gained an automatic victory by the end of turn 12.
- 10 points for the elimination of the De Rada counter
- 5 points for the elimination of the Ruy Diaz counter

Special Rules

Archers

All **Ar** units in *Las Navas de Tolosa* suffer a -1 dieroll modifier, cumulative with all other modifiers. The bow did not yet have the effectiveness of the longbow used in the Hundred Years' War.

Rout

During the Rally Phase, the required rout movement of cavalry units is limited to half (rounded up) of their movement allowance. (It is no longer necessary for them to move their full movement allowance as required by the standard rule 12.2.)

Jimenez de Rada

The archbishop of Toledo (the highest ranked ecclesiastic in Spain) has an important psychological impact on the Christian army's morale. He is represented by a marker with a movement allowance of 6 PM. This marker can move once per turn (turn it over to indicate that it has already moved). It may move during the activation of any banner in the Christian army. It does not count against stacking limits. Every unit stacked with the Jimenez de Rada marker during Phase E of each turn is automatically rallied and/or returned to "fresh" condition, even if it had not been marked with an "au repos" marker. Every unit adjacent to the Jimenez de Rada marker benefits from a -1 dieroll modifier when attempting to rally. The Jimenez de Rada marker can be eliminated only if the unit with which it is stacked is also eliminated. If it is alone in a hex, it cannot be eliminated, and is automatically placed on the nearest Christian unit if an enemy unit enters its hex. But if it is completely surrounded by enemy units, it is eliminated.

Ruy Diaz

Ruy Diaz is an especially valiant knight of the order of Calatrava. He is represented by a marker with a movement allowance of 6 PM. This marker can move once per turn (turn it over to indicate that it has already moved). It may move during the activation of any Christian banner. It does not count against stacking limits. Every unit with which it is stacked receives a +1 dieroll modifier during combat resolution (but not for fire). The Ruy Diaz marker can be eliminated only if the unit with which it is stacked is also eliminated. If it is alone in a hex, it cannot be eliminated, and is automatically placed on the nearest Christian unit if an enemy unit enters its hex. But if it is completely surrounded by enemy units, it is eliminated.

Almohade standard

The standard of the Almohade army (the great standard of the emir Al-Moumen) is represented by an immobile marker. If a Christian unit enters the hex it is in, the Christian army has won the battle, which ends immediately (turn the marker over to signify this). Every unit adjacent to or stacked with the Almohade standard receives a dieroll modifier of -1 for rally attempts.

Mohamed Al-Nasir

The units of Mohamed Al-Nasir as well as Mohamed Al-Nasir himself (caliph and leader of the Moslem army) can neither move nor engage in combat until a unit of the banner has been attacked or has been the target of fire by the Christian army. However, they are free to fire or change facing during their leader's activation.

Al-Andalus

The Spanish Moslems were not as highly motivated as the strict Almohades. The units of the Al-Andalus banner (Spanish Moslems) along with their leader are retired from the

game as soon as 7 of their units have been eliminated or are currently routed. They are simply removed from the map. Only those units which had actually been eliminated by this time are counted for victory points, but the Christian player also adds 15 extra victory points to his total. In addition, all units of the Al-Andalus formation suffer a +1 dieroll modifier when attempting to rally.

Al-Mujahids

The units of the Al-Mujahids banner represent religious volunteers of little military value but of extreme fanaticism. These units are not allowed to make a move to the rear (during the movement phase) which would place them closer to the Almohade standard than their starting hexes.

Optional Rules

Victory with a time limit:

Total the victory points scored by each side at the end of turn 12 and compare them:

- If a player has scored at least 7 more points than his opponent, he has won.
- If neither player has 7 more points than the other, the battle ends in a draw.

Note: The 10 points awarded to the Moslem player if the Christian player has not won an automatic victory by turn 12 are not counted.

VAE VICTIS #81: Swords and Halberds

Swords and Halberds is a new module for the series Au fil de l'épée (By the Edge of the Sword). It contains three battles from Swiss medieval history.

« The Eidgenossenchaft (consolidation) of the Helvetic cantons was realized in 1291 under pressure from war and a pledge of mutual assistance (Eid), and doubtless would never have come into being without common enemies to fight; during the course of the three centuries which followed, these mountaineers acquired a warlike reputation such that all heads of state—including the Pope—made use of their services. » Martin Van Creveld, La transformation de la guerre (The Transformation of War).

Thanks to Alain Borel (of Lausanne) for historical documentation of the three battles. Now, as my Swiss friends would say, « ça joue! »

Frédéric Bey (translated in English by Stephen Neuville)

Specific rules for Swords and Halberds

Melee Table—other modifiers

For the scenarios of **Epées et hallebardes**, use the following special effects as *other modifiers* when the defender is a Swiss (Su) unit:

Defender = Su (only*)	Morgarten	Sempach	Grandson
Defender attacked from a rear hex	+1	0	0
Charge into a frontal hex	+2	+1	0
Charge into a rear hex	+3	+1	0
Multiple Charge (front and rear)	+4	+2	+1

^{* :} when there are multiple defenders, if not all defending units are Su, use the standard modifiers on the **Melee Table**.

Design note: The Swiss (Su units) were distinguished historically by their square formation, protecting their flanks and rear, and by their ability to resist cavalry charges effectively (thanks to their halberds and especially their pikes). These abilities increased with time, especially as their use of pikes became universal. At Morgarten, the Swiss made use of an ambush, and they were armed with halberds (though not in a standard combat formation). At Sempach the Swiss were formed in squares and were mostly equipped with halberds. Finally, at Grandson, the pike became the main weapon of the Swiss squares. This evolution is also reflected in the designs on the Swiss counters: halberdiers at Morgarten and Sempach, two-thirds pikes and one-third harberdiers at Grandson (random distribution, independent of the name on each counter).

A. MORGARTEN, 15 November 1315

« Tremble before the slave when he breaks his chain ». Johann Cristoph von Schiller

Starting positions

Units are listed by banner.

Units are faced freely by each player, starting with the defending player. The player places units of the same type (example: Su), but with different values, as he desires. No « remonte» (« remount ») or «démonte» (« dismount ») markers are available for either side.

Army of the Duke of Austria—attackers

Rout toward the north edge of the map (hexrow xx01).

Duc Léopold d'Autriche (Duke Leopold of Austria), army commander, knights and men at arms. 0309

Ch, 0409

Ha, 0309

Ha. 0408

Comte de Kybourg (Count of Kybourg), allied infantry of Lucerne and Zoug, 0607

Mi Lucerne (2 counters), 0706

Ab Lucerne, 0607

Mi Zoug (2 counters), 0806

Comte de Montfort (Count of Montfort), allied infantry of Zurich, 0704

Mi Zurich (2 counters), 0703

Ab Zurich, 0704

Army of the League of the three cantons—defenders

Rout toward the south edge of the map (hexrow xx14)

Werner of Stauffacher, Landammann of Schwytz, army commander, contingent of Schwytz, 0610

Su, 0411

Su, 0510

Su, 0610

Su, 0609

Su, 0708

Ab, 0709

Ab, 0514 – Fatigued (this unit was initially deployed in concealment at Buechwäldli; it has retreated after being repulsed by the Austrians)

Werner of Aetinghaufen, Landammann of Uri, contingent of Uri, 0908

(Note: Guillaume [William] Tell appears to have been the second d'Aetinghaufen at Morgarten.)

Su, 0809

Su, 0908

Su, 1008

Locholth, Landammann of Schwytz, Schwytzish garrison of the entrenchments at Arth, 0710 (note: the blason applied to him is that of the city of Arth).
Su, 0710

Game length and victory conditions

The battle lasts **5 turns**.

Calculating victory points

Automatic victory

If, in the course of the battle, Duke Léopold is killed, the game ends immediately in a victory for the player in charge of the League of the three cantons.

Victory at the end of the game

Players score:

- 3 points per enemy Ch or Ha unit eliminated;
- 2 points per enemy Su, Mi or Ab unit eliminated;
- 1 point per routed enemy unit (of any type) on the map at the end of the game;
- 2 points per enemy leader killed;
- 5 points for capturing Léopold;
- 3 points for capturing Kybourg or Montfort;
- 1 point for every other enemy leader captured;

The Austrian player scores:

- 3 points per « valiant » unit (see **2.3.2**) which exits the map via hex 0514 *Add up the points scored by each side and compare them*:
 - If one player scores at least 7 points more than his opponent, he has won;
 - If neither side scores at least 7 points more than the other, the battle ends in a draw

Specific rules

6.C Initiative and activation of leaders

To reflect the ambush situation and the Austrians' surprise, there is no initiative dieroll on Turn 1. The two players automatically apply case **C.4** If the difference is 8 or more, with the benefit going to the player controlling the League of the three cantons.

5. Stacking

Two Mi counters of the same banner may stack together in a single hex (see 5.2).

12.2 Rout

During the Rally Phase, the required rout movement for cavalry units is limited to half (rounded up) of the units' MP (i.e., the unit is no longer required to move its full movement allowance, as in standard rule 12.2).

Alternate scenarios

The infantry of Winterthur was marching behind the army of Léopold and had not rejoined the main body of troops on the day of battle. It is, moreover, very likely that the contingent of the two half-cantons of Unterwald, guarding the passes of the Brünig, had not yet rejoined the army of the Waldstätten reunited at Morgarten.

What might have occurred if these troops had been present on the field of battle?

To evaluate this situation, the players may decide to add the extra units of the army of the Duke of Austria or those of the League of the three cantons or even both (i.e., there are 3

possible alternative situations, all different). The victory conditions are identical to those of the historical scenario.

Extra units

Army of the Duke of Austria

Comte de Montfort (Count of Montfort), allied infantry of Zurich and Winterthur, 0702 Mi Winterthur (2 counters), 0702

Army of the League of the three cantons

Gautier of Wolfenchiefs, Landammann of Nidwald, contingent of Nidwald, 0412 Su, 0412

Arnold of Melchtahl, Landammann of Obwald, contingent of Obwald, 0611 Su, 0611

B. SEMPACH, 9 July 1386

« Unworthy is the nation which does not accept every sacrifice with joy for the sake of honor ».

Johann Cristoph von Schiller

Starting positions

Units are listed by banner. Units are faced freely by each player, starting with the defending player. The player places units of the same type (example: Su), but with different values, as he desires.

No « remonte» (« remount ») or «démonte» (« dismount ») markers are available for either side.

Army of the Duke of Austria—defenders

Rout toward the south edge of the map (hexrow xx14)

Duke Léopold III of Austria, army commander, center, 1006 Ch. 0905 Ch, 1006 Ha, 0805 Ha, 1106 Ha, 0906 Comte de Wurtemberg (Count of Wurtemberg), left wing, 1207

Ch. 0704

Ch, 0705

Ha, 0604

Ha, 0504

Ab. 0603

Margrave of Hochberg, right wing, 0704

Ch, 1207

Ch, 1107

Ha, 1307

Ha, 1308

Ab, 1407

Army of the Confederation of the eight cantons—attackers

Rout toward the north edge of the map (hexrow xx01)

Petermann of Gundoldingen, Landammann of Lucerne, army commander, contingent of Lucerne, 1502

Su, 1301

Su, 1402

Su, 1502

Su, 1603

Su, 1703

Engiberg of Gilg, Landammann of Schwytz, contingent of Schwytz, 2004

Su, 1903

Su, 2004

Su, 2104

Conrad of Fracsen, Landammann of Uri, contingent of Uri, 2302

Su, 2202

Su, 2302

Su, 2403

Arnold of Winkelried, Landammann of Nidwald, contingents of Unterwald (Nidwald and Obwald / note : the blason of Nidwald has been applied to him), 1901

Su, 1801

Su, 1901

Su, 2002

Su, 2102

Reinforcements

Turn 2: Henri of Tschudi, Landammann of Glaris, contingents of Glaris, Zoug and Gersau, and the 5 units of his banner in 2402

*Turn 4: H*enri du Muos, Landammann of Lucerne, garrison of Sempach, and the 4 units of his banner in 0914 (note: the blason of the city of Sempach has been applied to him) *Turn 5:* Comte of Zolleren (Count of Zolleren), Austrian rear-guard, and the 2 Ch units of his banner in 0114

Game length and victory conditions

The battle lasts 8 turns.

Automatic victory

If, in the course of the battle, Duke Léopold is killed, the game ends immediately in a victory for the player in charge of the Confederation of the eight cantons.

If, in the course of the battle (check each turn at the end of Phase E, before advancing the Turn marker), one player has 15 more victory points than his opponent, the game ends immediately in a victory for him.

Victory at the end of the game

Players score:

- 3 points per enemy Ch or Ha unit eliminated;
- 2 points per enemy Su, Pi, Mi or Ab eliminated;

- 1 point per routed enemy unit (of any type) on the map at the end of the game;
- 2 points per enemy leader killed;
- 5 points for capturing Léopold III;
- 3 points for capturing Hochberg, Wurtemberg or Zolleren;
- 2 point for every other enemy leader captured.

Add up the points scored by each side and compare them:

- If one player scores at least 7 points more than his opponent, he has won;
- If neither side scores at least 7 points more than the other, the battle ends in a draw.

Specific rules

6.C Initiative and activation of leaders

There is no initiative dieroll on Turn 1. The two players automatically apply case C.3 If the difference is between 4 and 7, to the benefit of the Confederation of the eight cantons.

Initial attack of the contingent of Lucerne

The banners of the army of the eight cantons, except for that of Gundoldingen, can only engage in combat (as attackers) on the turn following the first attack (offensive) initiated by the banner of Gundoldingen. *Example*: if the units of Gundoldingen initiate at least one combat on Turn 2, the other banners of the army of the eight cantons will be able to initiate offensive combat freely starting on Turn 3.

Note: This limitation affects only combat, not movement, which is unrestricted for all banners at the start of the game.

Winkelried

During the first combat involving a unit of the banner of Winkelried (i.e., when proceeding through the steps of that combat's resolution), the player in charge of the army of the eight cantons benefits from an additional modifier of +3 to the dieroll (for that combat only).

Alternate scenario

Duke Léopold did not wait for the arrival of the infantry of the Count of Zolleren before beginning the battle. What would have happened if these troops had been present on the field of battle?

To evaluate this situation, the players may decide to place the extra units of the army of the Duke of Austria on the map. The victory conditions are identical to those of the historical scenario.

Extra units:

Army of the Duke of Austria

Comte of Zolleren (Count of Zolleren), rear-guard, 0410

Ch. 0410

Ch, 0509

Pi, 0610

Pi, 0710

Pi, 0510

Pi, 0611

Ab, 0609

C. GRANDSON, 2 March 1476

« *The history of the world is the judgement of the world* ». Johann Cristoph von Schiller

Starting positions

Pi, 0308

Units are listed by banner. Units are faced freely by each player, starting with the defending player. The player places units of the same type (example: Su), but with different values, as he desires.

No « remonte» (« remount ») or «démonte» (« dismount ») markers are available for either side.

Army of the Duke of Bourgogne (Burgundy) Charles the Bold—defenders

Rout toward the southwest edge of the map (hexrow 01xx)

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Charles le téméraire (Charles the Bold), army commander, elite cavalry, 1007
Ch, 1007
Ch, 0907
Château-Guyon, sire d'Orbe (Lord of Orbe), advance-guard, 1207
Ch, 1207
Ha, 1206
Ha, 1208
Ha, 1308
Ha, 1409
Comte of Campobasso (Count of Campobasso), Italians, reserve, 0606
Pi, 0605
Pi, 0705
Pi, 0806
Pi, 0505
Pi. 0606
Aq, 0807
Ar, 0706
Margrave Philippe of Hochberg, infantry and artillery, 1309
Pi, 1109
Pi, 1312
Pi, 1111
Aq, 1108
Ar, 1009
Ar, 1213
At. 1209
At, 1309
At, 1310
At, 1311
Philippe of Crèvecœur, reserve, 0308
Pi, 0306
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Pi, 0309
Aq, 0307
Ar, 0407
Ar, 0408
Ar, 0409
Guillaume of Chalon-Arlay, Prince of Orange, reserve, 0610
Pi, 0609
Pi, 0610
Pi, 0611

Aq, 0708 Ar, 0709 Ar, 0710

Ar, 0711

Army of the Confederation of the eight cantons—attackers

Rout toward the north-east edge of the map (hexrow 24xx)

Nicolas, baron of Scharnachtal, Avoyer of Berne, army commander, contingent of Berne, 1903

At, 1904

Il, 1704

Su, 1805

Su, 1804

Su, 1903

Su, 2003

Su, 2103

Su, 2204

Reinforcements

Turn 2: Raoul Reding, Landammann of Schwytz, contingents of Schwytz, Uri, Unterwald, Glaris and Zoug, and the 7 units of his banner in 2403.

Turn 3: Henri Godli, bourgmestre of Zurich, contingents of Zurich, Bâle and Lucerne, and the 4 units of his banner in 2403.

Pierre of Faucigny, Landammann of Fribourg, contingents of Fribourg, Berne and Soleure, and the 8 units of his banner in 2408.

Turn 4: Hermann of Eptingen, contingents of the vassals of Archduke Sigismond, the communes of Strasbourg, Saint-Gall, Schaffhouse and Appenzell (note: the blason of the city of Strasbourg has been applied to him), and his 8 units in 2408.

Game length and victory conditions

The battle starts at 16h (4 p.m.) and lasts **10 tours**.

Automatic victory

If, in the course of the battle, Duke Charles the Bold is killed, the game ends immediately in a victory for the player in charge of the Confederation of the eight cantons.

If, in the course of the battle (check each turn at the end of Phase E, before advancing the Turn marker), one player has 20 more victory points than his opponent, the game ends immediately in a victory for him.

Victory at the end of the game

Players score:

- 3 points per enemy Ch, Ha or At unit eliminated;
- 2 points per enemy Su, Il, Pi, Aq or Ar unit eliminated;
- 1 point per routed enemy unit (of any type) on the map at the end of the game;
- 2 points per enemy leader killed;
- 5 points for capturing Charles the Bold;
- 3 points for capturing Château-Guyon, Hochberg, Crèvecœur or Orange;
- 2 point for capturing any other enemy leader.

The Burgundian player scores:

• 5 points for control of hex 1007 at the end of the game (by control is meant the last to occupy the hex—if it is empty—or occupation by a unit).

The Confederation of the eight cantons player scores:

• 1 point per game-turn in which no units of the banners of Château-Chalon or Charles the Bold engage in combat (in attack or in defense), to a maximum of 5 total points in a game.

Add up the points scored by each side and compare them:

- If one player scores at least 7 points more than his opponent, he has won;
- If neither side scores at least 7 points more than the other, the battle ends in a draw.

Specific rules

6.C Initiative and activation of leaders

There is no initiative dieroll on Turn 1. The two players automatically apply case C.2 If the difference is between 1 and 3, to the benefit of the Confederation of the eight cantons

Activation of Burgundian reserves

The banners of Campobasso, Crèvecœur and Orange form the infantry reserves of the army of Charles the Bold, who counted on winning the battle solely with his knights and his artillery. These three banners can be activated only under the following conditions:

- So long as less than two units of the banner of Château-Chalon have been routed or eliminated, the units of the 3 banners of the reserve can neither move, fire, nor attack (the Burgundian player must « pass » when their leaders' activations occur);
- Whenever at least two units of the banner of Château-Chalon have been routed or eliminated, the Burgundian player may use the three banners of the reserve normally, when their activations occur.

Premature rout of the Burgundian army

When a unit belonging to the banner of Charles the Bold is routed or eliminated, the Burgundian player must immediately remove from the map all units of one of the three reserve banners, along with their leader (the player may choose which banner to remove). The chosen banner must have been still on the map at the time he selects it. There is no victory point penalty. This « premature rout » is limited to a total of 2 banners during a

game (even if one unit of Charles the Bold rallies and then is routed again, which would otherwise have permitted 3 banners to rout).

12.2 Rout

Routed units in the banners of Charles the Bold, Château-Chalon and Hochberg are allowed, during movement in the Rally Phase, to sidestep one or more hexrows so as to avoid passing through units belonging to the reserve banners, so long as the latter have not left their initial deployment hexes (i.e.: so long as these banners have not been activated via the rule Activation of Burgundian reserves, or so long as they have not moved).

Alternate scenarios

The rout of the knights of the Duke of Burgundy provoked the premature retreat of his army. What would have happened if the Burgundian reserves had not taken to their heels after the defeat of Charles the Bold's cavalry?

Three options are presented for creating alternate scenarios:

- 1/ Eliminate the automatic victory rule by which one player wins through accumulating 20 more victory points than his opponent;
- 2/ Eliminate the rule limiting **Activation of Burgundian reserves**;
- 3/ Eliminate the rule **Premature rout of the Burgundian army**.

The players may use these three options in any combination desired (7 combinations are possible).

The victory conditions remain the same (except as modified by option 1/).