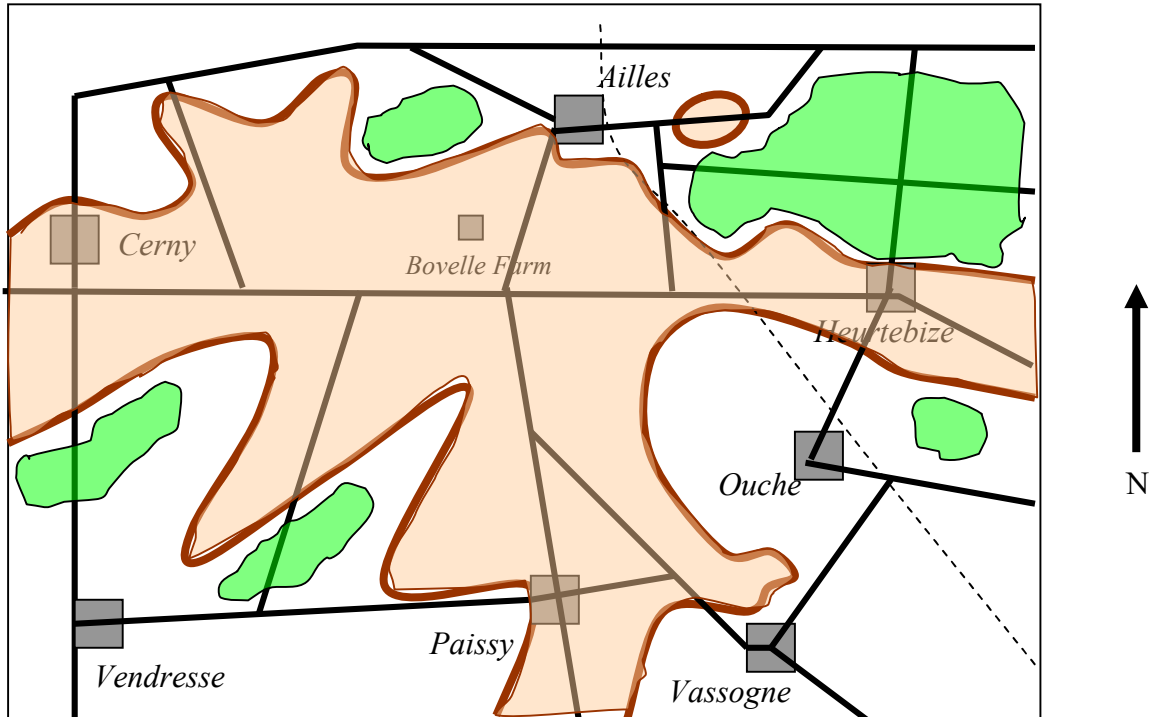


THE BATTLE OF CRAONNE - MARCH 1814

On a cold, wet and muddy spring day, a strong and well placed Russian rear guard of Bluchers Allied Army was attacked by the advanced Guard formations of Napoleons French Army. In this battle Napoleon and his Guard attack from the east, through difficult terrain and must take Cerny by the end of the day to win, the Russians must stop him.



The battle is fought on a 3' x 2'6" table.

All ground below the High Ground including the Contour is classed as 'Marsh' (see 5.5.1.4) except when on the road or inside a Fortification. Artillery cannot Fire from the lower ground.

Any unit on a road through the Marsh is classed as 'in Marsh' if in Close Combat.

The High Ground is a flat plateau and the Contour is 100paces deep.

FRENCH GUARD ARMY:

CinC *Napoleon* (+2 CAP)

Sub Commander *Mortier*

2 x Ms(OG) (Old and Middle Guard)

2 x Ms/LI(E) (Veteran Young Guard and Flankers & Velites)

6 x Ms/LI (Young Guard)

2 x HC(E) (Guard)

2 x LC(E) (Guard)

3 x LC (*Grouchy's* Line Cavalry Corps, move as HC)

1 x FA(E) (Guard)

1 x HA(E) (Guard)

RUSSIAN ARMY:

CinC *Sacken*

Sub Commander *Vorontzov*

6 x Ms

3 x LI

3 x LC

3 x IC (Cossacks)

3 x NA(2 Foot, 1 Horse)

DEPLOYMENT

The Russians deploy first, deploying their whole army up to and to the west of the Deployment Line.

The French deploy the following anywhere to the east of the Russian Deployment Line :
1 x *Napoleon*, 1 x Ms/LI (E) (Vet Young Guard), 3 x Ms/LI and 2 x LC(E) all no closer than 400paces from any Russian unit.

Russians move first, **the battle lasts 16 Turns.**

FRENCH ARRIVALS

French arrivals appear at any point on the eastern table edge in the following sequence:

Turn 3 : 1 x *Mortier*, 1 x Ms(OG) (Old Guard), 1 x HC(E), 1 x FA(E), 1 x LC.

Turn 6 : 2 x Ms/LI, 1 x HC(E), 1 x HA(E), 1 x LC.

Turn 9 : 1 x Ms(OG) (Middle Guard), 1 x Ms/LI(E) (Flankers & Velites), 1 x Ms/LI, 1 x LC

VICTORY CONDITIONS

The French win if they Destroy 8 Russian units (Cossacks don't count) or capture Cerney.

The Russians win if they hold Cerney, or kill Napoleon or Destroy 8 French units.

The French Ms(OG) (Old Guard) counts as 4 casualties the Ms(OG) (Middle Guard) count as 2 casualties.