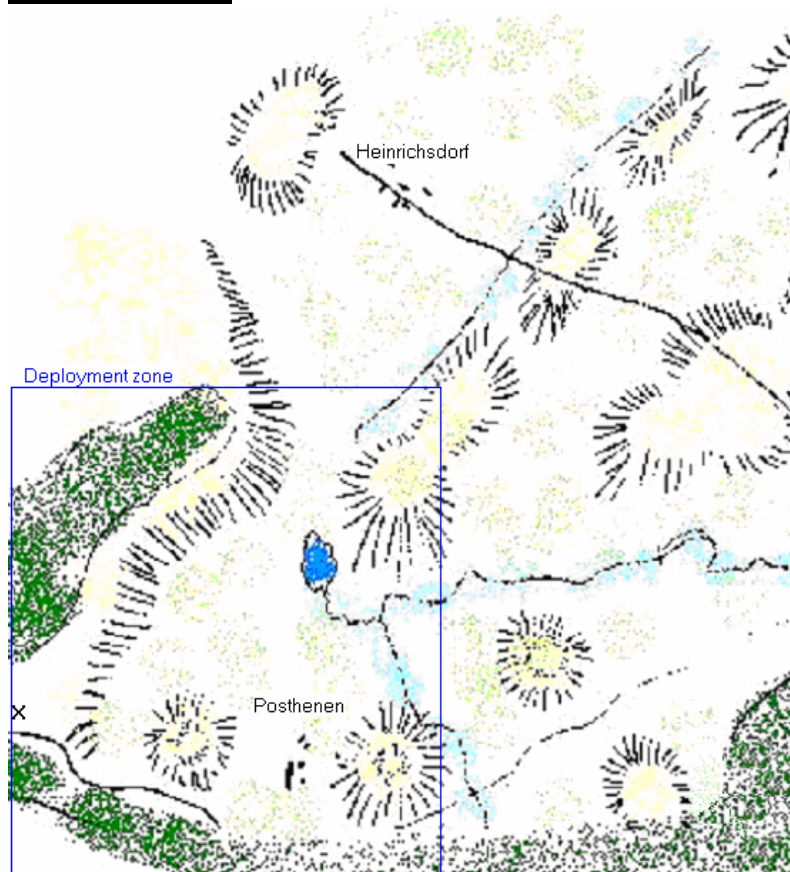


The Battle of Friedland, 14th June 1807. Part 1.

Introduction

The Russians are on the retreat again, but it is proving hard to pin them to battle. At both Hof and Heilsburg the Russians have proved to be doughty fighters, to be respected, but they have then slipped away to continue their retreat. Moreover, you do not know in which direction they have gone, although realistically there are only two options for them- north west towards Konigsberg, their base, or eastwards back to Russia. To get to Konigsberg, they have to cross the Alle river, with the most likely crossing point at the town of Friedland. Your troops have been sent forward to the town in order to prevent such a crossing, and last night your cavalry occupied the town. They were quickly evicted, however, by superior Russian forces. In the early hours of this morning, it became clear that you faced a significant attack by overwhelming numbers of the enemy. You have sent word to the Emperor, and he has promised to bring the Grande Armee to your aid. An hour or so ago, Grouchy arrived with the Reserve Cavalry. This will be no Pultusk! None the less, there will be a lot of hard fighting to be done if you are not to be over run before the Emperor can reach you.

The Battlefield



The battlefield is split by the Millstream. South of the stream the ground is broken, hilly with many woods. North of the stream is gently rolling terrain, good cavalry country. Neither Posthenen nor Heinrichsdorf are particularly strong built up areas.

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CinC	Lannes (Bold/Able)			
Reserve Corps	(Lannes)			
Division d'Elite	Oudinot (Solid)			
<i>1st Brigade</i>				
Line infantry elites	6 btns	B class	SK2	
<i>2nd Brigade</i>				
Light infantry elites	4 btns	B class	SK3	
<i>Artillery</i>				
Foot Battery	8x8lb guns	B class		
Foot Battery	8x12lb guns	B class		
2 nd Division	Verdier (Solid)			
<i>1st Brigade</i>				
12 th Legere	2 btns	C class	SK2	
72 nd Ligne	2 btns	B class	SK2	
<i>2nd Brigade</i>				
Saxon von Larisch Grenadiers	1 btn	C class	SK0	
Saxon Cerrini Grenadiers	1 btn	C class	SK0	
Saxon IR von Bevilaqua	1 btn	D class	SK0	
<i>Artillery</i>				
Saxon Foot battery	8x6lb guns	C class		
<i>Cavalry Brigade von Besser (Solid; detached)</i>				
Saxon Cuirassiers Konig		B class	Heavy Cavalry	
Saxon Chevaulegers von Polenz		C class	Light Cavalry	
8th Corps	Mortier (Solid)			
<i>1st Brigade</i>				
10 th Polish Infantry	2 btns	D class	SK1	
11 th Polish Infantry	2 btns	D class	SK1	
Polish Foot Battery	6x6lb guns	C class		
<i>2nd Brigade</i>				
4 th Legere	2 btns	C class	SK2	
15 th Ligne	2 btns	C class	SK1	
Garde de Paris	2 btns	C class	SK1	
Polish Foot Battery	6x6lb guns	C class		
<i>Cavalry Brigade Fresia (Solid; detached)</i>				
2 nd Dutch Hussars		B class	Light Cavalry	
6 th Polish Lancers		C class	Lancers	
Polish Horse Battery	6x6lb guns	C class	Horse Artillery	
6 th Corps Light Cavalry	Colbert (Bold/Able; detached)			
3 rd Hussars		B class	Light Cavalry	
10 th Chasseurs a Chaval		C class	Light Cavalry	

1st Corps Light Cavalry	Beaumont (Solid; detached)		
2 nd Hussars		C class	Light Cavalry
5 th Chasseurs a Chaval		C class	Light Cavalry

Reserve Cavalry	Grouchy (Bold/Able)		
1st Cuirassier Division	Nansouty (Cautious/Able)		
<i>1st Brigade Defrance</i>			
1 st Carabiniers		B class	Heavy Cavalry
2 nd Carabiniers		B class	Heavy Cavalry
<i>2nd Brigade Doumerc</i>			
2 nd Cuirassiers		C class	Heavy Cavalry
3 rd Cuirassiers		C class	Heavy Cavalry
<i>3rd Brigade Saint-Germain</i>			
9 th Cuirassiers		C class	Heavy cavalry
12 th Cuirassiers		C class	Heavy Cavalry
<i>Artillery</i>			
Horse Battery	6x4lb guns	B class	Horse Artillery
2nd Dragoon Division	(Grouchy)		
<i>1st Brigade Milet</i>			
3 rd Dragoons		C class	Line Cavalry
6 th Dragoons		C class	Line Cavalry
<i>2nd Brigade de Boissy</i>			
10 th Dragoons		C class	Line Cavalry
11 th Dragoons		C class	Line Cavalry

Initial Deployment

At 5am, the following forces are available:

Lannes himself
 Outdinot's Division
 Von Besser's Saxon cavalry
 Grouchy's Dragoons
 Nansouty's Cuirassiers

These forces may be deployed anyway in the Deployment Zone, may be on any type of blind and may have any orders. You have one additional dummy blind.

The rest of Lannes' corps, Mortier's 8th Corps and further cavalry reinforcements have been despatched by the Emperor and you hope they arrive soon! If and when they do, they will arrive at point X.

Victory Conditions

Major victory

Deny Posthenen and Heinrichsdorf to the Russians at all times, whilst inflicting more casualties than you receive

Minor victory

Deny Posthenen and Heinrichsdorf to the Russians at all times