


# SECOND SARATOGA



In the aftermath of Freeman's Farm, both the British and American armies remain on the field, but simmering resentments and turmoil plague both camps throughout September. Horatio Gates and Benedict Arnold fall out badly, and over in the British camp, John Burgoyne learns that no aid is being sent to him as originally promised. Running low on supplies and with winter approaching, Burgoyne ignores the advice of his lieutenants and cautiously probes the American right wing at what will be the Battle of Bemis Heights.

LIVE FREE OR DIE SCENARIO

OCTOBER 7, 1777

## SCENARIO SET UP

Bemis Heights or "Second Saratoga" is a large scenario, suitable for 2-5 players on a 6'x4' tabletop. One base of figures in this scenario is scaled to represent 50 men. To play the scenario, players will require a British force with 2 commanders, 68 bases of infantry, and 2 artillery bases. The Americans field 1 commander, 93 bases of infantry, and 1 artillery base.

## OBJECTIVES

The game begins at 2pm and lasts 10 turns, representing the American counter-attack against the British advance. The Americans earn a victory if they turn the British flank by capturing Breymann Redoubt. Any other result is a British victory.

## GAME NOTES

This scenario zooms out to focus on a slightly larger area of the battlefield than the First Saratoga engagement. This scenario represents the American effort to turn the British flank, with Gates not present on the tabletop. The British deploy first and an increasing number of regiments arrive for both sides as the battle escalates in the afternoon. Quality ratings in the British OOB are downgraded to reflect the poor state of Burgoyne's army with illness and poor supply.

## BRITISH ARMY

The British army includes one Leader, Lt. Col. John Burgoyne, commanding three brigades with one Lieutenant and three independent units. From Turn 6 onward, Burgoyne may bring on Hamilton's Brigade at Entry Y if he chooses to spend 3 CP for this purpose at the start of turn.

## AMERICAN ARMY

The American army includes one Leader, Gen. Benedict Arnold, commanding five brigades. Horatio Gates is not present but offers 3(d6) at the start of each turn for possible bonus CP. Morgan enters from X on Turn 1. Poor enters from Z on Turn 1 with Arnold. Learned enters from Z on Turn 2, and Ten Broeck from Z on Turn 4.

## HISTORICAL OUTCOME

The brief British advance was met by a major counter-attack. At the sound of the firing, Benedict Arnold rode out to take command, against the wishes of Gates. He carried the British field works by dusk. Burgoyne lost about 400 men (8 bases) to fewer than 200 American casualties (4 bases). His 5,000 survivors were weary, hungry, and isolated. 10 days after the battle, Burgoyne did the unthinkable and surrendered. Arnold was officially restored to command but suffered a serious leg wound and would ultimately reconsider his loyalty to the rebellion.

FREE SCENARIO

# SECOND SARATOGA ORDERS OF BATTLE



Lt. Gen. John Burgoyne

(1 Leader)

Brig. Gen. Simon Fraser

(1 Lieutenant)

## FRASER'S BRIGADE

Grenadiers.....	2 <sup>nd</sup> Class	(5 bases)
Light Infantry.....	2 <sup>nd</sup> Class	(6 bases)
24 <sup>th</sup> Foot.....	3 <sup>rd</sup> Class	(7 bases)
Mohawk Scouts.....	4 <sup>th</sup> Class	(3 bases, <i>Skirmish</i> )
3-lber.....	2 <sup>nd</sup> Class	(1 light gun)



## RIEDEL'S BRIGADE

Rhetz.....	3 <sup>rd</sup> Class	(4 Hessian bases)
Specht.....	3 <sup>rd</sup> Class	(5 Hessian bases)
Riedesel.....	3 <sup>rd</sup> Class	(6 Hessian bases)
Canadians.....	4 <sup>th</sup> Class	(3 bases, <i>Skirmish, Rifles</i> )

## HAMILTON'S BRIGADE

9 <sup>th</sup> Foot.....	3 <sup>rd</sup> Class	(4 bases)
20 <sup>th</sup> Foot.....	3 <sup>rd</sup> Class	(6 bases)
21 <sup>st</sup> Foot.....	3 <sup>rd</sup> Class	(4 bases)
62 <sup>nd</sup> Foot.....	3 <sup>rd</sup> Class	(4 bases)
Canadians .....	4 <sup>th</sup> Class	(3 bases, <i>Skirmish, Rifles</i> )

Breymann.....	3 <sup>rd</sup> Class	(5 Hessian bases)
Jägers.....	2 <sup>nd</sup> Class	(3 Hessian bases, <i>Skirmish</i> )
6-lber.....	3 <sup>rd</sup> Class	(1 Hessian field gun)

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Maj. Gen. Benedict Arnold

(1 Leader)

## MORGAN'S BRIGADE

Morgan's Rifles..... 1<sup>st</sup> Class (6 bases, *Skirmish, Rifles*)  
 Dearborn's Light Infantry..... 2<sup>nd</sup> Class (6 bases, *Skirmish optional*)

## POOR'S BRIGADE

1<sup>st</sup> NH..... 2<sup>nd</sup> Class (6 bases)  
 2<sup>nd</sup> NH..... 2<sup>nd</sup> Class (6 bases)  
 2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> NY..... 3<sup>rd</sup> Class (7 bases)  
 CT Militia..... 4<sup>th</sup> Class (6 bases)  
 3-lber..... 2<sup>nd</sup> Class (1 light gun)

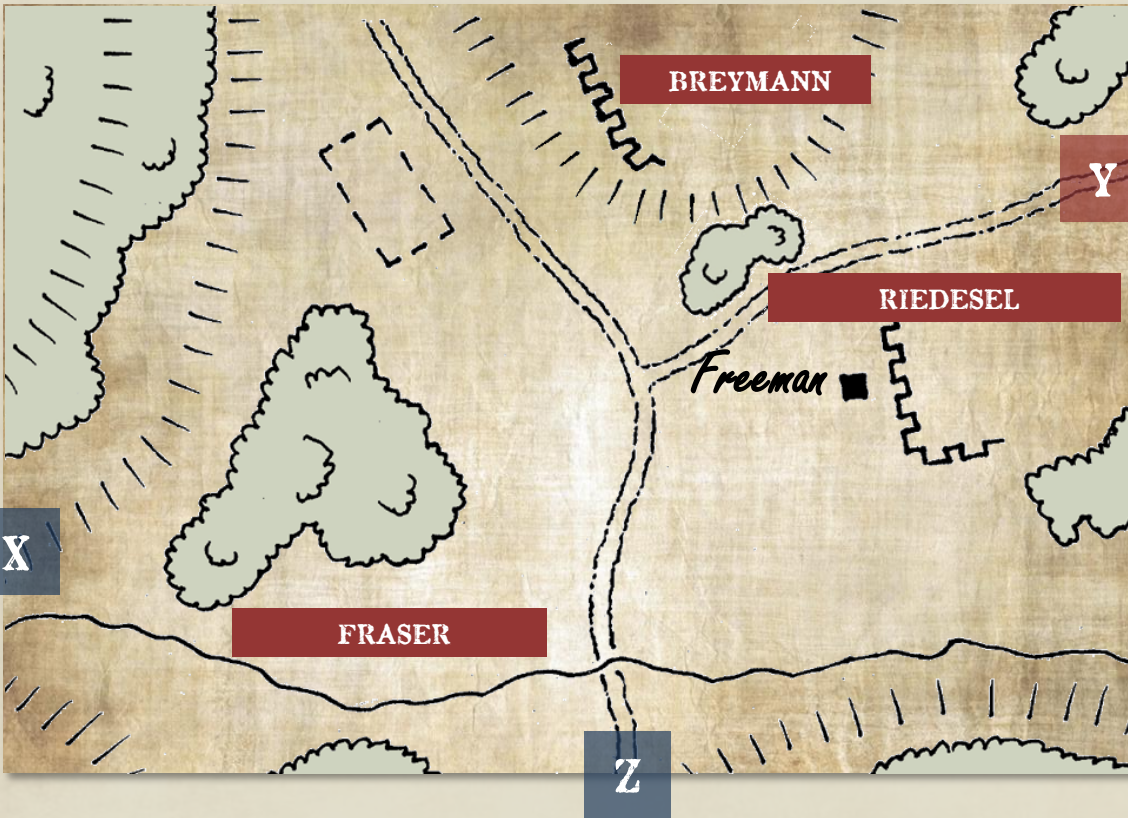
## LEARNED'S BRIGADE

2<sup>nd</sup> MA ..... 2<sup>nd</sup> Class (6 bases)  
 8<sup>th</sup> MA..... 2<sup>nd</sup> Class (5 bases)  
 9<sup>th</sup> MA ..... 3<sup>rd</sup> Class (5 bases)  
 1<sup>st</sup> Canadian..... 3<sup>rd</sup> Class (5 bases)  
 NH Militia..... 4<sup>th</sup> Class (5 bases)

## TEN BROECK'S BRIGADE

1 / 2<sup>nd</sup> NY Militia..... 4<sup>th</sup> Class (8 bases)  
 3 / 4 / 5<sup>th</sup> NY Militia..... 4<sup>th</sup> Class (8 bases)  
 6 / 7/ 8<sup>th</sup> NY Militia..... 4<sup>th</sup> Class (8 bases)  
 9 / 10<sup>th</sup> NY Militia..... 4<sup>th</sup> Class (6 bases)

# SECOND SARATOGA MAP & UNIT LABELS



## TERRAIN NOTES

The creek is rough ground but fordable. Woods are rough ground and do provide cover.

Fences not reduce movement, but do cost 1 DMZ to cross and provide a defender the "minor obstacle" bonus in melee.

The earthworks count as cover and are +2d6 field works in melee. They may each be manned by up to one regiment plus a battery.

Grenadier 2	Light Inf. 2	24 <sup>th</sup> Foot 3	Mohawks 4	3-lber 2	Rhetz 3	Specht 3	Riedesel 3
Canadians 4	9 <sup>th</sup> Foot 3	20 <sup>th</sup> Foot 3	21 <sup>st</sup> Foot 3	62 <sup>nd</sup> Foot 3	Loyalists 4	Breymann 3	Jagers 2
6-lber 3							

Morgan 1	Dearborn 2	1 <sup>st</sup> NH 2	2 <sup>nd</sup> NH 2	2 <sup>nd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> NY 3	CT Militia 4	3-lber 2	2 <sup>nd</sup> MA 2
8 <sup>th</sup> MA 2	9 <sup>th</sup> MA 3	1 <sup>st</sup> Canada 3	NH Militia 4	1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> NY 4	3/4/5 <sup>th</sup> NY 4	6/7/8 <sup>th</sup> NY 4	9 <sup>th</sup> /10 <sup>th</sup> NY 4