

The Siege of Petersburg

An advanced scenario for Snowdonia for 2 or 4 experienced Snowdonia players. This scenario has no solitaire, 3 or 5 player versions.

The American Civil War has been raging for more than 3 years, and the fighting front in the East has almost reached the gates of Richmond, the Confederate capital in Virginia. General Robert E Lee's Confederate forces oppose the advance of Union General Ulysses S Grant by manoeuvring between Richmond and the city of Petersburg to the south. Petersburg's railroad connections form a lifeline for the routing of Confederate supplies from the other parts of the Confederate States to Richmond. Grant's army is supplied via the James River, and the Union needs to build a railroad of its own (the Union Military Rail Road) from the river to the Petersburg lines, while at the same time cutting the Confederate railroads.

You're not particularly interested in the military situation. Your business is to build the railroads, and your employers aren't especially concerned about which side or sides you help, as long as you complete the work. Unfortunately, military action does tend to get in the way, and some of your careful constructions may be destroyed, albeit temporarily. You win by providing the most assistance to one or both sides before the final battle that will decide the siege.

In this scenario, Stone is used to construct sites for Supplies and Garrisons at key Stations. The non-excavation Building sites are replaced with Supplies sites and Garrison sites. Ownership of these sites will, at the end of the game, gain you Contract bonuses, but the bonuses are paid by the Union or Confederate armies, so you must make sure your sites are on the right side of the lines once the siege is over. You also have a limited ability to influence the fighting and may have a particular interest in who wins.

Additional Components

30 new cards:

- 15 replacement Contract cards
- 4 new Train cards
- 9 new Station cards
- 1 replacement Action Area 🖪 card
- 1 replacement Weather Effects chart card
- 1 Union General piece
- 1 Confederate General piece



Setup

Railroad route: Place the Petersburg card face up on top of Llanberis. Place Globe Tavern (4) next to Petersburg with its arrow pointing anti-clockwise. Place the remaining Station cards numerically round the board, so that the route runs from Jarrett's Station (1. the Confederate end) through to Globe Tavern (4) then on to Appomattox Manor (8, the Union end). Jarrett's Station and Appomattox Manor count as two ends of the railroad, and each player can construct the railroad from either or both ends, as desired.



Track cards: Shuffle the Track cards and place them as indicated by the Station cards, except that the 4 Track cards between Jarrett's Station and Ream's Station are face up *(already built)*. Other Track cards and all the Stations receive rubble as in the base game.

Surveyors: There are spaces for Surveyors on Jarrett's Station and Appomattox Manor, one for each player. The Start Player is player 1, the next player clockwise is player 2, and so on. Starting with player 1, each player places their Surveyor on the appropriately numbered space on these Stations. This means there will be either 1 player at each end for a 2 player game,



or 2 players at each end for a 4 player game. The position of a player's Surveyor does not restrict them. from taking actions from the opposite end of the railroad, if desired. You can work for the Union, the Confederacy or both. though there are some Contract cards that give more victory points dependent on the fortunes of one side or the other.

Action space cards: Use the appropriate action space cards for the number of players, either 2 or 4. There is a replacement card for action Area **G**. This introduces action Area **H**, "Blue and Gray" (see below).

Trains: Use all 4 of the new Train cards, plus No 2 Enid and No 5 Moel Siabod to form the Engine Shed.

Game markers: Put a Game Marker on Excavation Work Rate 3 and another on Track Work Rate 1. These rates are fixed for this game *(there is no variation for weather)*.





Weather effects chart: Put the new

Weather effects chart card over the chart on the board. This is now a "Moving the Generals" chart.

Contract cards: Replace the following 15 Contract cards with The Siege of Petersburg cards: 6, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18, 20, 22, 23, 25, 27, 28, 29.

Stock yard and supply bag: as in the base game.

Place the Union General at Appomattox Manor and the Confederate General at Jarrett's Station.

Actions

Excavation – As in the base game, except that players can excavate from either end of the railroad. Note that, although the track already exists at the Confederate end, players must still excavate the Station spaces in order from the end of the line.

Local quarries: If there are no more Rubble cubes to excavate from any Track and Station cards, do not replace the Excavate Action space card. Labourers carrying out an Excavate action take up to 3 Rubble cubes from stock if there are insufficient or no Rubble cubes on the board. This represents local quarries, and there are no Building sites for them. Local quarries cannot be excavated if there are Rubble cubes in play on the route or Stations.

c Works - As in the base game.

D Lay Track - As in the base game, except that Track is laid from the uncompleted Track card closest to Jarrett's Station or Appomattox Manor (player's choice), regardless of where your Surveyor starts. Completed Track cards can be destroyed by military events (see below).

Build - There are no normal non-excavation Building sites in the scenario. Instead, there are Supplies sites and Garrison sites.

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Garrison sites cost 2 Stone, are marked with 'G' and give 5 VPs at the end of

Supplies site Garrison site

the game. Supplies sites cost a number of Stone cubes and 2 rubble cubes, and give a range of VPs at the end of the game. Garrisons and Supplies can be built only after an excavation site on the Station card has been excavated. Where there are multiple Supplies sites, these must be constructed in sequence. We've indicated this sequence with arrows on the Station cards. As in the base game, all Track cards leading up to a Station card must have been excavated before these Building sites can be built.

H Blue and Gray (new Action area)

If the next Weather disc is blue, you may replace it with a grey disc or vice versa. You cannot replace a yellow disc.



Check the weather — Moving the generals

There are no weather effects in The Siege of Petersburg. The Excavation Work Rate is permanently set at 3, and the Lay Track Work Rate is permanently set at 1. However, the weather mechanism is used in determining the movement of the armies. The Blue and the Gray discs indicate a pro-Union and pro-Confederate movement respectively.

In the Check the Weather phase, if the current weather disc is

: the Union General moves one Station forward (towards Jarrett's Station)



: the Confederate General moves one Station forward (towards Appomattox Manor)



: nothing happens.

End of game

The game end is triggered when both General pieces are on the same Station card, which represents the final battle to decide the siege. Play one more final round (except for restocking Contract Cards and checking the weather), then score. During this final round neither General can move.

Scoring

The Union wins the siege, if the final battle is on Jarrett's Station, Stony Creek Station or Ream's Station. The Confederates win the siege, if the final battle is on Meade Station, City Point or Appomattox Manor. Otherwise the campaign is drawn.

Completed Track: Building sites with the Track icon score against Track requirements, not Building site requirements.

Completed Garrisons: Add the victory points on each Garrison site space on which the player has an Ownership marker. Don't remove the Ownership markers yet; these are used for scoring Garrison bonuses on Contract cards.

Garrison bonuses: Garrisons are Union garrisons if they are between Appomattox Manor and the Union General at the end of the game; they are Confederate garrisons if they are between Jarrett's Station and the Confederate General at the end of the game. A garrison on the Station with the final battle can be used for either side at the player's choice

Move the indicated number of the player's Ownership markers from completed Garrison sites **from the correct side** and gain the victory points on the Contract card. If the player cannot remove

enough markers, leave them where they are, and the card scores nothing.

Garrison sites cannot be used for normal Building site

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Supplies bonuses: Supplies are Union supplies if they are between Appomattox Manor and the Union General at the end of the game; they are Confederate supplies if they are between Jarrett's Station and the Confederate General at the end of the game. A Supplies site on the Station with the final battle can be used for supplies for either side at the player's choice.

Move the indicated number of the player's Ownership markers from completed Supplies sites **from the correct side** and gain the victory points on the Supplies Contract card. If the player cannot remove enough markers, leave them where they are, and the card scores nothing.



Supplies sites CAN be used for Supplies Contracts or for normal Building site bonuses.



This icon indicates that, if the player's Surveyor started at the end of the winning side (Jarrett's Station for the Confederates, Appomattox Manor for the Union), the Contract is fulfilled; a draw means the card scores nothing. For card 29, the Supplies must be from Supplies sites of the winning side.

Surveyor bonuses: The Surveyor bonus is scored in relation to the starting position of the player's Surveyor. Players from the Union end look for the VPs in blue on the Station card, players from the Confederate end look for the VPs in grey on the Station card.

Trains



General JC Robinson: Costs 1 Steel Bar. Comes with one Coal. The owner may pay one Coal at the start of a round to gain a temporary Labourer for the round.

Before resolving the Build Action Area E, if the owner is performing at least one Build action this round, the owner may perform an additional Build action for building a Garrison only.



"The Dictator": Costs 1 Steel Bar. Comes with no Coal and cannot be used to gain a temporary Labourer.

If the Union General is on or past the Jerusalem Plank Road, then before resolving

the General Area (H) (it doesn't have to have a Labourer on it), the owner may pay 1 Rubble, putting it on The Dictator. At end of game, gain 3 VPs for every Rubble cube on The Dictator.



General Haupt: Costs 1 Steel Bar. Comes with one Coal. The owner may pay one Coal at the start of a round to gain a temporary Labourer for the round.

Whenever the owner takes the Move Surveyor action, take one Stone from the Stock Yard, if available.



Holden Rhodes: Costs 1 Steel Bar. Comes with one Coal. The owner may pay one Coal at the start of a round to gain a temporary Labourer for the round.

Whenever the owner takes the Build action, the owner takes 2 Rubble from stock.

Events

Excavate: Replace the base game excavate event with: Remove all the rubble from the next unexcavated card from the Union end (Appomattox Manor).

Lay Track: Replace the base game event with this new military event.

Look at the next weather disc (in the middle position on the Weather Track). If it's Blue, it's a Union attack. If it's Gray, it's a Confederate attack. If it's Yellow, nothing happens.

Attack: Push back the enemy general 1 Station, then advance the friendly general (indicated by the weather disc) 1 Station. If the Station the enemy general abandoned had no Garrison, destroy all Supplies sites on the Station. For destroyed Supplies sites, the owning players can place their Ownership Markers on any of their Contract cards with a Building site or Supplies bonus. If they have no appropriate Contract cards, the Ownership Markers are returned to the player's supply.

Complete a Station: Replace the base game event with this new military event.

Look at the next weather disc (in the middle position on the Weather Track). If it's Blue, it's a Union cavalry raid. If it's Gray, it's a Confederate cavalry raid. If it's Yellow, nothing happens.

Cavalry raid: Find the Station where the enemy general is positioned. Find the completed Track card nearest to that Station towards the enemy general's start position. Turn the Track card over (don't replace rubble cubes). If the Track card had an Ownership Marker, that player can place that Ownership Marker on any of their Contract cards with a Track bonus. If they have no appropriate Contract cards, the Ownership Marker is returned to the player's supply.