



British 7th Armored Division

September, 1942

22nd Armored Brigade

1st Royal Tank Regiment

5 A 5 4 Honey 12	8 A 8 6 Grant 8	2 I 4 3 Humber SC 15
x 3	x 6	x 1

6th Royal Tank Regiment

6 A 3 4 Crusader II 9	5 H 8 4 Crusader CS 9	8 A 8 6 Grant 8	2 I 4 3 Humber SC 15
x 2	x 1	x 6	x 1

4th County Of London Yeomanry Tank Regiment

6 A 3 4 Crusader II 9	9 A 5 5 Crusader III 9	8 A 8 6 Grant 8	2 I 4 3 Humber SC 15
x 4	x 2	x 2	x 1

1st Battalion, Rifle Brigade Motor Battalion

2 I 2* 6 RIFLE 1	9 A 5 2 6 pdr 0	0 C 0 1 Truck 14	2 I 2* 4 M-G 1	2 C(I) 2* 2 Bren 10	2 I 2* 2 Bren 10
x 6	x 4	x 10	x 3	x 3	x 2

44th Reece Carrier Regiment

3 M 8 3 76 mm 1	6 A 3 3 2 pdr 0	2 C(I) 2* 2 Bren 10	2 I 2* 2 Bren 10
x 1	x 1	x 2	x 15

Attached from 44th Infantry Division

Minefield Task Force

Royal Engineers

3 I 2 10 1	2 C(I) 2* 2 Bren 10
x 4	x 4

Tank Support

5 A 5 4 Honey 12	0 - 0 8 Scorpion 5
x 1	x 2

4th Royal Horse Artillery



35 (H) 35 2 25 pdr 0	0 C 0 1 Matador 12
x 4	x 4

97th Royal Horse Artillery




35 (H) 35 2 25 pdr 0	0 C 0 1 Matador 12
x 4	x 4

4th
Light
Armored
Brigade







4th/8th
Hussars
Tank
Regiment

5 A 5	2 I 4
 Honey 12	 Humber SC 15
x 5	x 1



Royal
Scots
Greys
Tank
Regiment

5 A 5	8 A 8	2 I 4
 Honey 12	 Grant 8	 Humber SC 15
x 1	x 4	x 1


1st Battalion,
Kings Royal
Rifle Corps

2 I 2*	9 A 5	0 C 0	2 I 2*	2 C(l) 2*	2 I 2*
 RIFLE 6	1 2  6 pdr 0	 Truck 14	 M-G 4	 Bren 10	 Bren 10
x 8	x 4	x 12	x 4	x 4	x 2


3rd
Royal
Horse
Artillery

35 (H) 35	0 C 0
 25 pdr 2	 Matador 1
x 4	x 4

11th
Hussars
Recon
Regiment

2 I 4
 Humber SC 3
x 10








2nd
Derbyshire
Yeomanry
Recon
Regiment

2 I 4
 Humber SC 3
x 8








Attached
from 8th
Armored
Division

131st
Queen's
Infantry
Brigade








5th
Battalion,
Queen's
Regiment

2 I 2*	1 I 1	0 C 0	3 M 8	6 A 3	2 C(l) 2*	2 I 2*
 RIFLE 6	 1	 Truck 14	 76 mm 3	 2 pdr 3	 Bren 10	 Bren 10
x 12	x 1	x 13	x 1	x 1	x 2	x 2



6th
Battalion,
Queen's
Regiment

2 I 2*	1 I 1	0 C 0	3 M 8	6 A 3	2 C(l) 2*	2 I 2*
 RIFLE 6	 1	 Truck 14	 76 mm 3	 2 pdr 3	 Bren 10	 Bren 10
x 12	x 1	x 13	x 1	x 1	x 2	x 2



7th
Battalion,
Queen's
Regiment

2 I 2*	1 I 1	0 C 0	3 M 8	6 A 3	2 C(l) 2*	2 I 2*
 RIFLE 6	 1	 Truck 14	 76 mm 3	 2 pdr 3	 Bren 10	 Bren 10
x 12	x 1	x 13	x 1	x 1	x 2	x 2



11th
Royal
Engineers
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3 I 2	0 C 0
 10	 Truck 14
x 3	x 3

65th
Anti-Tank
Regiment

9 A 5	0 C 0
 6 pdr 2	 Truck 14
x 16	x 16

15th
Light
AA
Regiment

8 H 12	0 C 0
 40 mm 2	 Truck 14
x 8	x 8

The 7th Armored Division began the battle near the southern end of the front. Its job in this battle was to attack, along with the 44th Infantry, against what was perceived to be the weak end of the Axis line. It was hoped that the 7th could break through the Italian infantry facing it and threaten the Axis rear while the main thrust pushed through in the north. Failing that, it was expected that the attack would pin the Axis armored reserve in the south so that they could not respond to the northern attack. The 7th was able to have some initial success but the tough Italian paratroopers of the Folgore Division proved equal to the task, stopping the drive and forcing it back. On November 4th, the still relatively fresh 7th Armored was sent to the northern part of the line to participate in the pursuit of the Axis forces as their defense crumbled. The 7th continued to flank Axis forces on the coast road, driving to the border of Libya by November 11th.