

Turn 4: The first turn of bombing. A staging base enables escorted raids into Osinovets. (See earlier in the AAR.) A good die roll and we get a 10% followed by 6% of additional damage. We face biplanes and I-16's with no flak resistance. The isolation of Leningrad just might work! The key will be the positioning of Army Group North forces at the right moment with Leningrad isolated, and blitz the Neva River. Right now, these forces are engaged in a WWI war of attrition in the swamps of Pskov.

Axis Forces Attacking: I Fliegerkorps 61Bf 109F-2 86He 111H-4 60Ju 88A		<3 of 4>82.15 - Light Woods(Osinovets) - ClearTurn:4 1941-07-10		Soviet Forces Defending: Osinovets 310%Port 7 IAK PYD Air Command 39I-153 18I-16 Type 18 17I-16 Type 24	
		Forces Engaged ATK: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0 LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0 ATK: ftr 61, bmr 146, utl 0 LOST: ftr 1, bmr 2, utl 0 DEF: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0 LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DEF: ftr 83, bmr 0, utl 0 LOST: ftr 9, bmr 0, utl 0			
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Axis Forces Attacking:	< 4 of 4 82.15 - Light Woods(Osinovets) - Clear Turn:4 1941-07-10		Soviet Forces Defending: Osinovets 3 16% Port 7 IAK PYO Air Command 38 I-153 12 I-16 Type 18 10 I-16 Type 24 [v]
	Forces Engaged		
	city was BOMBED		
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I Fliegerkorps			
40 Bf 109E-7	ATK: men 0, art 0, afv 0	DEF: men 0, art 0, afv 0	
58 Bf 109F-2	DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0	DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0	
76 He 111H-4	LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0	LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0	
45 Ju 88A	ATK: ftr 98, bmr 121, utl 0	DEF: ftr 70, bmr 0, utl 0	
	LOST: ftr 1, bmr 0, utl 0	LOST: ftr 2, bmr 0, utl 0	

Turn 5 – Port Repaired to 13% and we get 3% back to return the port to 16% damage. We face about 250 flak guns but no air force. We lose 8 bombers total to flak and do a total of 6% damage. The repair will return the port back to 16% during the Soviet logistics phase. We will be back to turn 4 level of damage.

Axis Forces Attacking:	< 3 of 4 > 82.15 - Light Woods(Osinovets) - Clear Turn:5 1941-07-17		Soviet Forces Defending:
	Forces Engaged		
	ATK: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0 LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0 ATK: ftr 0, bmr 175, utl 0 LOST: ftr 0, bmr 6, utl 0	DEF: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0 LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DEF: ftr 0, bmr 0, utl 0 LOST: ftr 0, bmr 0, utl 0	
	city was BOMBED		
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Axis Forces Attacking:	< 4 of 4 82.15 - Light Woods(Osinovets) - Clear Turn:5 1941-07-17		Soviet Forces Defending:
	Forces Engaged		
	Osinovets		
I Fliegerkorps	ATK: men 0, art 0, afv 0	DEF: men 0, art 0, afv 0	3 19% Port
2 He 111H-4	DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0	DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0	31 -> 37mm Anti-Aircraft Gun
169 Ju 88A	LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0	LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0	19 -> 85mm Anti-aircraft Gun
	ATK: ftr 0, bmr 171, utl 0	DEF: ftr 0, bmr 0, utl 0	88 -> 76mm Anti-aircraft Gun
	LOST: ftr 0, bmr 2, utl 0	LOST: ftr 0, bmr 0, utl 0	
	city was BOMBED		
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Turn 6: The supreme commander allocates Stuka's! We damage Osinovets 16% on the first go while losing 3 JU87's to flak. The second go loses a bomber and does an additional 9% damage to Osinovets. We are making progress!

Axis Forces Attacking: I Fliegerkorps 81 Bf 109E-3 84 Ju 87B 86 Ju 86E-2	< 5 of 6 > 82.15 - Light Woods(Osinovets) - Clear Turn:6 1941-07-24 Forces Engaged ATK: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0 LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0 ATK: ftr 81, bmr 170, utl 0 LOST: ftr 0, bmr 3, utl 0 DEF: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0 LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DEF: ftr 4, bmr 0, utl 0 LOST: ftr 1, bmr 0, utl 0 city was BOMBED		Soviet Forces Defending: Osinovets 3 32% Port Baltic Fleet Air Command 4 I-153 68 -> 37mm Anti-Aircraft Gun
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Axis Forces Attacking: I Fliegerkorps 76 Bf 109E-3 97 Ju 87B 61 Ju 86E-2	<6 of 682.15 - Light Woods(Osinovets) - ClearTurn:61941-07-24 Forces Engaged ATK: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DEF: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0 LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0 LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0 ATK: ftr 76, bmr 158, utl 0 DEF: ftr 31, bmr 0, utl 0 LOST: ftr 0, bmr 1, utl 0 LOST: ftr 18, bmr 0, utl 0 city was BOMBED		Soviet Forces Defending: Osinovets 3 41% Port Baltic Fleet Air Command 31 I-153 68 -> 37mm Anti-Aircraft Gun
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Turn 7: We have less bombers available but given a 3% repair, we get a 9% damage with the cost of one bomber. The second go get 2% more damage. As far as Leningrad goes we are in a locked battle with the Soviet committing forces into what I am hoping is a huge trap.

Axis Forces Attacking:		1 of 2 > 82.15 - Light Woods(Osinovets) - Clear Turn: 7 1941-07-31		Soviet Forces Defending:	
		Forces Engaged		Osinovets	
		ATK: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0 LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0 ATK: ftr 76, bmr 127, utl 0 LOST: ftr 0, bmr 1, utl 0		DEF: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0 LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DEF: ftr 22, bmr 0, utl 0 LOST: ftr 13, bmr 0, utl 0	
64 Bf 109E-3 1 Bf 109E-7 11 Bf 110C-4B 7 Bf 109E-7/U1 65 Ju 87B 55 Ju 86E-2		city was BOMBED			
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Axis Forces Attacking: 112 Bf 109E-3 1 Bf 109E-7 14 Bf 110C-4B 2 Bf 110E-2 9 Bf 109E-7/U1 58 Ju 87B	2 of 2 82.15 - Light Woods(Osinovets) - Clear Turn: 7 1941-07-31	Forces Engaged ATK: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0 LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0 ATK: flr 129, bmr 114, utl 0 LOST: flr 0, bmr 1, utl 0	DEF: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0 LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DEF: flr 5, bmr 0, utl 0 LOST: flr 4, bmr 0, utl 0	Soviet Forces Defending: Osinovets 3 49% Port 5 I-153 89 -> 37mm Anti-Aircraft Gun
	city was BOMBED			
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Turn 8: The AGN commander was a bad boy last turn, and indiscreetly used Stuka's to attack the Soviets in a pocket. No real bomber losses in the combat reports, but the bombers are damaged with some lost to operations losses. The Supreme Commander sends the Stuka's to the National Reserve. The Gestapo makes a social visit discussing this with the Army Group North's family. The Stuka's have appeared to have made a difference in the past, and are sorely needed now. An unescorted raid against no resistance gets the 3% back followed by 3% more damage.

Axis Forces Attacking: 45 Bf 109E-3 15 Bf 109F-2 12 Bf 110C-4B 10 Bf 110E-2 10 Ju 87B 7 Do 17Z-2	1 of 2 82.15 - Light Woods(Osinovets) - Clear Turn: 8 1941-08-07	Forces Engaged ATK: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0 LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0 ATK: flr 82, bmr 94, utl 0 LOST: flr 1, bmr 1, utl 0	DEF: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0 LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DEF: flr 0, bmr 0, utl 0 LOST: flr 0, bmr 0, utl 0	Soviet Forces Defending: Osinovets 3 49% Port 52 -> 37mm Anti-Aircraft Gun 6 -> 12.7mm Anti-aircraft MG 22 -> 85mm Anti-aircraft Gun 88 -> 76mm Anti-aircraft Gun
	city was BOMBED			
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Axis Forces Attacking: 19 Bf 110C-4B 11 Bf 110E-2 33 Ju 87B 12 Do 17Z-2 81 Ju 86E-2	2 of 2 82.15 - Light Woods(Osinovets) - Clear Turn: 8 1941-08-07	Forces Engaged ATK: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0 LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0 ATK: flr 30, bmr 126, utl 0 LOST: flr 0, bmr 0, utl 0	DEF: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0 LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DEF: flr 0, bmr 0, utl 0 LOST: flr 0, bmr 0, utl 0	Soviet Forces Defending: Osinovets 3 52% Port 52 -> 37mm Anti-Aircraft Gun 6 -> 12.7mm Anti-aircraft MG 22 -> 85mm Anti-aircraft Gun 88 -> 76mm Anti-aircraft Gun
	city was BOMBED			
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Turn 9: The Stukas are supporting AGC this turn. So, the JU86E's do 7% damage and then follow with 9% damage. The Soviet air force was unable to respond. Only flak resists the onslaught and takes down 1 fighter and 3 bombers total. The prospective "Leningrad Pocket" is being formed with the Soviets continuing to invest resources into the fray. Once Osinovets is neutralized these units will meet their friends from Lvov, Velikie Luki, Smolensk, etc...

Axis Forces Attacking:		< 2 of 3 > 82:15 - Light Woods(Osinovets) - Clear Turn:9 1941-08-14		Soviet Forces Defending: Osinovets 3 56% Port 51 -> 37mm Anti-Aircraft Gun 3 -> 12.7mm Anti-aircraft MG 57 -> 85mm Anti-aircraft Gun 78 -> 76mm Anti-aircraft Gun	
		Forces Engaged			
		city was BOMBED			
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Axis Forces Attacking:		< 3 of 3		82.15 - Light Woods(Osinovets) - Clear Turn: 9 1941-08-14		Soviet Forces Defending: Osinovets 3 65% Port 51 -> 37mm Anti-Aircraft Gun 3 -> 12.7mm Anti-aircraft MG 57 -> 85mm Anti-aircraft Gun 78 -> 76mm Anti-aircraft Gun	
		Forces Engaged					
		ATK: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0 LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0		DEF: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0 LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0			
		ATK: ftr 9, bmr 126, utl 0 LOST: ftr 0, bmr 3, utl 0		DEF: ftr 0, bmr 0, utl 0 LOST: ftr 0, bmr 0, utl 0			
4 Bf 110C-4B 5 Bf 110E-2 12 Ju 87B 23 Do 17Z-2 63 Ju 86E-2 28 Ju 88A		city was BOMBED					
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Turn 10 The Luftwaffe attacks multiple airbases destroying hundreds of IL4's in Stuka range. The cost of exhausting my bomber force was 1% damage on the first attack followed by 5% damage. The magic number of 70% failed to yield. (Remember, 3% repair before the logistics phase.) We have one more turn. I believe the Soviet commander does not realize what is about to unfold. The Soviets are deploying to resist a right hook and protect the Volkhov river from a NorthEast crossing. Assured of a Leningrad isolation, the Panzers turn due Southeast and cross the Volkhov at Chudovo. This isolated a Soviet Army defending Novgorod.

Axis Forces Attacking:		1 of 2 > 82,15 - Light Woods(Osinovets) - Clear Turn:10 1941-08-21		Soviet Forces Defending: Osinovets 3 63% Port 22 -> 37mm Anti-Aircraft Gun 6 -> 12.7mm Anti-aircraft MG 9 -> 85mm Anti-aircraft Gun 54 -> 76mm Anti-aircraft Gun			
		Forces Engaged					
		ATK: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0 LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0 ATK: ftr 13, bmr 115, utl 0 LOST: ftr 0, bmr 0, utl 0				DEF: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0 LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DEF: ftr 0, bmr 0, utl 0 LOST: ftr 0, bmr 0, utl 0	
		city was BOMBED					
11 Bf 110C-4B 2 Bf 110E-2 12 Bf 109E-7/U1 100 Ju 87B 3 Ju 86E-2							
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Axis Forces Attacking:		< 2 of 2		82,15 - Light Woods(Osinovets) - Clear		Turn:10 1941-08-21	
		Forces Engaged				Soviet Forces Defending:	
		ATK: men 0, art 0, afv 0		DEF: men 0, art 0, afv 0		Osinovets	
		DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0		DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0		3 68% Port	
12 Bf 110C-4B		LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0		LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0		22 -> 37mm Anti-Aircraft Gun	
2 Bf 110E-2		ATK: ftr 14, bmr 173, utl 0		DEF: ftr 0, bmr 0, utl 0		6 -> 12.7mm Anti-aircraft MG	
6 Bf 109E-7/U1		LOST: ftr 0, bmr 0, utl 0		LOST: ftr 0, bmr 0, utl 0		9 -> 85mm Anti-aircraft Gun	
164 Ju 87B		city was BOMBED				54 -> 76mm Anti-aircraft Gun	
3 Ju 86E-2							
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Turn 11: Osinovets is the first target and with fresh bombers including 191 Stuka's hitting Osinovets. We turn the Soviets into multiple "Red Squares" in their turn. Leningrad is isolated. We decide to reduce some of the pocket while still not isolated. Seven low value Soviet units are routed out of the pocket, 28 units remain trapped. The AGN commander has a solid pocket this turn just to the West of Moscow trapping 19 more units. The AGS commander has isolated multiple units in their sector.

Axis Forces Attacking:		< 5 of 6 > 82,15 - Light Woods(Osinovets) - Clear Turn:11 1941-08-28 Forces Engaged		Soviet Forces Defending:	
		ATK: men 0, art 0, afv 0 DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0 LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0 ATK: ftr 36, bmr 271, utl 0 LOST: ftr 0, bmr 2, utl 0		Osinovets	
11 Bf 109E-3		DEF: men 0, art 0, afv 0		3 68% Port	
11 Bf 110C-4B		DAM: men 0, art 0, afv 0			
14 Bf 110E-2		LOST: men 0, art 0, afv 0		15 I-153	
28 Bf 109E-7/U1		DEF: ftr 15, bmr 0, utl 0		36 -> 37mm Anti-Aircraft Gun	
191 Ju 87B		LOST: ftr 3, bmr 0, utl 0			
52 Ju 86E-2		city was BOMBED			
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Axis Forces Attacking: 23 Bf 110C-4B 3 Bf 110E-2 9 Bf 109E-7/U1 191 Ju 87B 36 Ju 86E-2		< 6 of 6 82,15 - Light Woods(Osinovets) - Clear Turn:11 1941-08-28		Soviet Forces Defending: Osinovets 3 72% Port 33 I-153 17 -> 37mm Anti-Aircraft Gun	
		Forces Engaged			
		city was BOMBED			
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Epilogue

The plan to isolate Osinovets was hatched on turn 2, and over time we executed a very focused approach. There were disappointing moments like turn 5 where we did very little damage as compared to previous turns, and we suffered losses for what seemed like little gain. However, we stuck to a strategic plan of isolating Leningrad as a prerequisite to crossing the Neva. Still there is much hard work to be done. It is September, and the German campaign season along with the "happy times" will be ending soon.