



The Fusilier

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After Action Report Battle of Sandy Hollow

Hosted by the 43rd Regiment of Foot on a 300 acre park which was part of the original Brandywine battlefield, this event was a pure joy to have been a part of. Although there was a light rain Friday night, setup was not hindered greatly and Saturday morning's events went off without a hitch.

Forming the right wing of the British line, the Royal Welch Fusiliers advanced on the enemy in solid lines firing well timed and significant volleys as they proceeded to push the Rebel line back onto its own guns and eventually off the field.

Birmingham Township pulled out all the stops for this event and the enthusiasm of the large crowds on both days was refreshing. Unlike many other events these folks had done some homework and had some pretty intelligent questions.

Several representatives of the British Army were also on hand to inspect and enjoy the show and their praise of both the Royal Welch and the other battalions was gratifying to all.

Saturday night the Royal Welch retired to the Dilworthstown Inn for dinner and were treated to a sumptuous meal in authentic surroundings. Toasts were made in profusion and a small party even joined the owner in his tavern afterwards to regale the guests with a rousing version of "Men of Harlech." The owner was delighted and opened to us the hospitality of his establishment.

Sunday saw an American victory which ended the weekends festivities and we retired home and back to the 20th century with the feeling of a job well done.

A return to the park is planned for the future so keep an eye out on your "Fusilier" as this is NOT one to miss.

Proceeds from this event were donated to the **Wounded Warrior Project**.

REGIMENTAL AND BAR DUES

By now all dues should be in. The Major has been informed by the Adjutant that several companies have yet to send in their dues. **DO SO NOW**. We can not insure any company that has not sent in their roster and we will have to strike such as have not paid from the rolls.

RECRUITING

Always looking for new comrades, so spread the word and let's grow our ranks. Each company should make its own recruiting flyers to have on hand at events.

SEAMSTRESSES/TAILORS

We are always looking for these as well so if you know some one who is handy with patterns, needle and thread send their name along to HQ.

UPCOMING EVENTS NOTES AND SCHEDULE

2014

- 12-13 July Wyoming Valley Massacre, Mt Ariel, PA (BB & CL)
Please note! RWFA does not have this as a regimental event, but we are registered and several members will be attending in staff positions. Light Coy commander GV Stephen Raby has asked permission for Lights to wear the gaitered trousers that RO's state is permissible. The Major hereby grants permission on the condition that all lights wear them or not as GV Raby shall dictate. Highest ranking RWFA on field will be in charge as Major has previous commitment that weekend.
- 2-3 Aug. Old Sturbridge Village -Sturbridge MA - (Invitation Only) Yes we are invited and Ken Siegel is in charge unless the Major can get there. He will arrange for the lunch meal on both days for all 23rd members, and for those staying over night there will be a sit down dinner provided at no charge in a local restaurant for all 23rd members and wives, etc. He is NOT camping but I have six motel rooms reserved at the Sturbridge Host motel, adjacent to the event site for Saturday night August 2nd. There are two rooms left and each has two, double beds! These four beds are offered to any musket carrying enlisted member of the 23rd on a first ask, first get basis. There is no charge for this BUT, anyone staying in one is expected to participate in both day's battles.
- 20-21 Sept. Fort at Number Four, Charlestown, New Hampshire
- 4-5 October Chew House, Germantown, Pennsylvania

*****25-26 Oct. Mount Harmon Plantation, Earleville, Maryland*****

BB & CL event on a proven site with 18th century buildings and a minimum of modern intrusion. More information will be available shortly. -
Registration

1-2 Nov. Hope Lodge, Fort Washington, Pennsylvania

8-9 Nov. Fort Mifflin, Philadelphia, PA

6-7 Dec. Illumination of St Augustine Florida

I think we should all go!! What about you guys?? Whose with the Major here? Anyone?

2015

April Battle of Bunker Hill weekend tbd

5-6 December The British Night Watch 450th Birthday of St Augustine FL