

#### **Germantown**

Torrential downpours the night before limited the turnout at German town for both sides with mostly just local people turning out but the day itself was as close to perfect as you could hope. Major Morgan took to the field to lead us into two routings of the enemy and the enjoyment of a nice lunch. If you think I don't have an improved appreciation of our music after what was inflicted on us by two drummer boys with no rhythm... well, trust me, I do.

## Long island

Old Beth Page was a fun day with myself, Steve Raby, Dennis Murphy and the Parkers showing the flag and giving, what I hope are three new recruits a good show for the day. There were some members of the Huntington Militia there and I will admit getting to learn what the war was like on Long Island. It is a great site that I would love to see more developed in the future.

### New Contact info

Dennis Murphy got in touch with me to let me know he has new points of contact. His new phone is 914-308-2211. His new e-mail is RWF442@gmail.com

### Hope Lodge

The first weekend in November sees our traditional end of season event sat hope Lodge Pennsylvania just 20 miles over the border for New Jersey. Held in the

gardens and fields of the colonial era manor house this was where Washington's bleeding army retreated to after Germantown before moving on to Valley Forge.

This is a two day event running November 7-8 with two battles on Saturday and 1 on Sunday. You will need one box of ammo for each fight so if you're there the whole weekend. It's 3 boxes. Weirdly in the last few years we've had a better turn out to this event on Sunday. I myself cannot make it Saturday but will turn out on Sunday.

To reach the sight from the North take the **New Jersey turnpike** south to **exit 6** to the **PA turnpike**. Follow this about 20 miles to **Fort Washington**. Through the turnpike follow the road straight until it ends at a T intersection and **turn left**. The site is about ½ a mile down the road on the left look for the big manor house, the tents and the guys in period clothing.

# Putnam Park

If you are in New England or New York and can't get down to Hope Lodge there is an event Saturday only at Putnam Park, Connecticut running from 10-4. This site use to have a lot of support and regular events and they are trying to revive it. It has narrow, tree lined lanes and close woods ringing fields so there's lots of room to try different experiences and it's been a site for several very unusual events.

You will need at least one full box of ammo and unless it's changed a lot since I was there, I'd bring a sandwich as I don't remember anywhere on site to get food.

To reach the site from **I-95**: take **Exit 17**. Take **Route 136 north** for 9 miles, at the intersection of Route 136 and Route 58; take **Route 58 north** drive 8.8 miles. Putnam Memorial is at the intersection of Route 107 and Route 58.

From the **Merritt Parkway**: take **Exit 42**. Take **Route 136** north for 5.2 miles, at the intersection of Route 136 and Route 58; take **Route 58 north** drive 8.8 miles. Putnam Memorial is at the intersection of Route 107 and Route 58.

## October 2016

Although next year's schedule is still being beaten about it looks like next October will be something special. The first Saturday in October will be the last year M rasher is sponsoring Germantown. After many years he is retiring. Other groups will take up the sponsorship but this gentleman, who truly deserves that title, has been the driving force behind the event for years and has said he would like to go out on a really good event.

Secondly there will be a brigade event at the Monmouth battlefield. This is supposed to be the battle of Long Island but there was nowhere on Long Island itself they could find to take the battle so we will shoot up New Jersey and call it Long Island.

So October 2016 looks to be busy and fun so if you can avoid planning any family trips, weddings, birth of children or other events it would be good.

#### <u>Dues</u>

Come on, you didn't think I'd forget did you? Seriously We've come to that time of the year when we need to all pony up to cover the cost of our insurance and such so we can go out and play with explosives and pointy items and stuff like that there.

Just sneak the check in with the holiday bills and you won't even feel it. As opposed to the next few months of me writing about them if there's a delay

The dues are

Regimental\$20Col's company\$10Total\$30

If you want to also have BAR membership for 2015 that is an additional \$25. For a total of \$55

Make the check out to "Colonel's Company RWFiA" and mail it to me at Paul Astle 1103 Oxford Cir Lansdale PA 19446