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MERRY CHRISTMAS 23RD RWFIA – WISHING ALL A
GLORIOUS HOLIDAY SEASON AND MANY DAYS OF
MERRIMENT!

Event Schedule 2022

(Bold/underlined date events are set / others are tentative)

<i>Jan</i>	<i>Company Planning session / Drill / Uniform work day</i>
<u>Feb 12</u>	<u>Cornwallis occupation of Hillsborough / Hillsborough NC</u>
<i>Feb 19-20</i>	<i>American Heritage Festival, Lake City, SC</i>
<i>Mar 1</i>	<i>Saint David's Day (TBD)</i>
<u>Mar 12-13</u>	<u>Battle of Guilford Courthouse, Greensboro, NC</u>
<i>Apr 9-10</i>	<i>Endview Plantation (sponsored by the 7th), Yorktown, VA</i>
<i>Apr</i>	<i>Hickory Ridge Living History / Boone, NC</i>
<i>Apr</i>	<i>British Occupation of Halifax / Halifax NC</i>
<u>Apr 30-May 1</u>	<u>Mount Vernon reenactment / Alexandria VA</u>
<u>May 21-22</u>	<u>Mount Harmon Plantation, MD (British Brigade)</u>
<i>Jun</i>	<i>Hickory Ridge Living History / Boone, NC</i>
<u>Jul 22-24</u>	<u>Historicon (Miniature Wargaming Conf) Lancaster, PA</u>

Aug 1 *Minden Day / Lunch & Drill / TBD*

Sep 1-4 *North American Festival of Wales, Philadelphia, PA*

Sep 24-25 **Sandy Hollow / Brandywine, PA (British Brigade)**

Nov 12 & 13 **Battle of Hobkirk Hill / Camden area, SC**

Dec 10-11 *Victory Day Parade, Charleston, SC*

**Always looking for ideas and information on new events – please let Eric Spaar know if there are events you want to support and ones you may want added to the schedule

Upcoming Events

January 2022 – We would like to schedule a day in January for planning 2022 / drill / work on uniform and a possible wargame / more information to follow.

12 Feb – British occupation of Hillsborough, sponsored by historic Hillsborough, NC. Right now this is scheduled, but COVID will determine if the date moves like last year. We had a great showing last year at this one day event and it is a good practice for the Battle of Guilford Courthouse – up next.

12-13 March – Battle of Guilford Courthouse, Greensboro, NC – This was always one of our biggest battle reenactment events in regards to turnout years ago – it has been cancelled the last two years – it is still at the same location in Greensboro, NC – the park management said the camp sites may be different because of work that has been done. If the event does happen we are hoping for maximum participation from our unit.



After Action Report

November – The last event of the year and what a terrific weekend it was at Camden, SC. This event grows in public popularity and unit turnout every year. The event saw maximum participation from units throughout the southern states. The 23rd was again brigaded with the 33rd and saw battle both Saturday and Sunday reenacting the Battle of Hobkirk's Hill. The rebels were again soundly defeated. Alex fielded for the first time as our officer and led the combined company in battle on Saturday. He suffered a sprained ankle Saturday evening and had to observe the company in action from afar during Sunday's engagement. We also saw old members come back out – welcome back Richard Coyle and Sabastian Haywood – we even had a California member join us in line – hope you enjoyed it Nick Usenko! And a new recruit joined us – welcome to the Regiment Eric Bothur! It was a great event and getting better each year. A glorious end to a full campaign year despite the lingering pandemic.



Personnel Matters

Personnel updates within the Southern Company:

Andrew Nedelka was in a car accident / wishing you a speedy recovery

Eric Bothur joined the 23rd – welcome Eric and look forward to seeing you in 2022

Joe Evans and his son Micah are looking to campaign with the 23rd again next year – welcome back Joe and Micah! Semper Fi Joe!

Eric Marqueling moved to Indiana with his family / wishing you all the best in your new job

John Hayes recently retired so we are looking forward to seeing him in 2022.

Happy Birthday

Nov – Jon Spaar Jr. and Eric Marqueling

Jan – Gabe Everman, Richard Coyle

Feb – Chris Beers, Lance Davis, Kevin McClain

(Sorry if we missed anyone – please let me know)

Military News

2ndLt Nate Williams U.S. Marine Corps / stationed in Hawaii / a hardship tour no doubt!! / hoping all is well Nate

Did anyone see the Army Navy Game? GO NAVY