

The Fusilier January-March 2022

--From the Commander-

Officers, Troops, and Friends of the RWFIA,

There are a number of updates since the last (pre-holiday) edition of the Fusilier. Joe Siegel, George, and I participated on the British Brigade's Annual Meeting. The virtual gathering addressed many of the Board's administrative functions, but more relevant to the re-created 23rd was a review of the 2022 campaign season. The schedule includes two major events, one at Mount Harmon Plantation in Maryland (May 20-21) and the other on Sept. 24-25 in Sandy Hollow Park outside of Philadelphia. The RWFIA participated in events at both sites. Mount Harmon is located on the Chesapeake and its semi-isolated, but scenic landscape provides a range of activities for participants. Sandy Hollow, on the other hand is a local township park that is located on the site of some of the heaviest fighting during the Battle of Brandywine on September 11, 1777. The park encompasses a portion of the area where General Howe's flanking maneuver broke through and pushed back the Continental Army's right flank during the afternoon fight.

Our members are also hard at work, facilitating participation on local events. Alex and Eric are coordinating the 23rd's support to the Battle of Guilford Courthouse annual reenactment (March 12-13). Mike Miller is leading efforts to facilitate the 23rd's participation in a recreation of the Battle of Ridgefield, CT taking place on the weekend of April 29-May 1.

Representatives from Minuteman National Park sent out a call to select units, including the RWFIA, to participate in events commemorating the 250th Anniversary of the Battles of Lexington and Concord. One caveat is that participant units must attend one of the Patriot's Day events before 2025 to ensure that the units invited to attend meet the NPS authenticity standards. We will plan on incorporating Patriot's Day event support in a future campaign season (2023/2024).

In addition to the event schedule, there are a couple on ongoing items. Please ensure you pay your annual, *Regimental dues at the revised rate of \$35.00* (this does not include additional company dues) through your company commanders or designated representatives. Dues are the primary source of revenue and are critical to paying for *required* insurance policies.

Continue with the transition to the wool small clothes. I contacted Carl Johnson www.lineofmarch.com about obtaining a set. He said that he is not currently taking orders, due to a backlog. Please remember that the goal for transition is by March 1, 2025, so there is still a lot of time to meet these requirements. In the meantime, continue to wear your linen small clothes. If you are a recruit, please contact your chain of command (NCO/officer) to see if you can obtain a loaner set.

Finally, I encourage your to hoist a toast on St. David's Day on Tuesday, March 1st. If you have the ability to gather, please consider hosting a local celebration in the spirit of camaraderie and tradition. I attached a generic program for your use.

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Shane

- -- Operations: 2022 Event Calendar-- (TBD)
 - March 12-13: Battle of Guiford Courthouse, NC
 - o POC: Eric Spaar, email: eric.spaar@gmail.com
 - o Uniform: Late War
 - o Website: <a href="https://www.greensboro-nc.gov/departments/parks-recreation/parks-gardens/country-park/battle-of-guilford-courthouse#:~":text=2022%20Battle%20of%20Guilford%20Courthouse%20Beenactment%20After%20two,250%20year%20celebration%20of%20the%20American%20Revolution%20%282026%29.""

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- April 29- May 1: Battle of Ridgefield, CT
 - o POC: Mike Miller, e-mail: mars_junior@yahoo.com
 - o Uniform: TBD
- May 21-22, Mount Harmon, MD
 - o POC: TBD
 - o Uniform: TBD
- Sept. 23-25, Sandy Hollow, PA
 - o POC: Shane Reilly, email: grenadier23rd@yahoo.com
 - o Uniform: TBD

-- Quartermaster--

<u>Ordering Procedures:</u> If you need to order anything, please make a check payable to the "Royal Welch Fusiliers in America" and mail it along with your order form to:

Shane Reilly 17 East Eppley Drive Carlisle, Pennsylvania 17015

Recruits, if you have any questions regarding the uniform or purchasing items, please consult with your Company leadership.

- a. Regimentally authorized tailors/seamstresses
 - i. Mike Grillo 9 Shady Lane Scarsdale, NY 10583 Phone: (347) 804-9763 Email: rwffuz94@aol.com
 - ii. Carl Johnson 4202 Shoal Creek Drive Greensboro, NC 27410 Phone: (704) 957-9108 Email: carlivar@yahoo.com
 - iii. Heather Chaffee 16700 Nordroff St. Northridge, CA 93343 Phone: (201) 450-6153 Email: Heath51937@aol.com
 - iv. <u>Ben Beers</u>
 1195 Rogers Road
 Mount Airy, NC 27030
 Email: mbeers@surry.net

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Royal Welch Fusiliers in America

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Each Fusilier is expected to help fund the Regimental treasury through the payment of Regimental dues of \$35.00; which does not include Company Fees.

<u>Company Commanders</u> will consolidate their Company's funds and send the requisite amount to the Regimental Adjutant **no later than 15 March**. Make the check payable to: "Royal Welch Fusiliers in America". His post is:

Capt. David Leslie-Hughes P.O. Box 73 Mechanicsville, PA 18934

Failure to pay Regimental dues will result in being dropped from the Regimental muster rolls and prohibition from Regimental activities.

Name:	
Company:	
Regimental Dues: \$35.00	
Total Enclosed:	
Primary Phone:	
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E-Mail Address:_____