



The Flash

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I've just got through tax season at work and had a chance to sit down and write this out. And if someone asks me about dividends or capital gains in the next two weeks, I'm either going to curl up under my desk with a security blanket or try to reinstitute flogging

Small clothes

You've probably heard we're planning to switch over to wool small clothes, the bulk of that will be in the regimental newsletter but beyond the fact this will be more accurate I think we're going to find this will be more hard wearing than linen. And lest you fear we'll be melting, I know I don't do well in the heat, one idea which we've discussed is that on the waist coats only the front panels will be wool, while the ones under our coats will still be linen, the way you see modern waistcoats have a satin back that usually doesn't show because it's covered by a suit jacket.

Events

April- Battle of Ridgefield Connecticut, 30 April - 1 May 2022. There seems to be a lot of interest in this event. I've attached a link to the event web site and notice that the troops at the front of the column are wearing bearskins and it looks like our colors are in the van.

The idea is for an encampment. Battles on Saturday and a memorial on Sunday so if you want to just drive up for the day on Saturday to blast the rebels. Feel free. Mike Miller thinks two boxes of ammo should be plenty.

For directions: Ballard Park, Ridgefield, CT lies at 485 Main St. This is where the Crown forces will be camping.

From NYC :

Hutchinson Parkway North to 684N. Exit 6 (Katonah, Cross River). At end of ramp, Make RIGHT onto Route 35 Stay on Route 35 for 12 miles Make LEFT at end onto Main Street (stone church on right) Either park in the CVS Parking Lot on the LEFT or Make LEFT turn onto Gilbert Street Make 2nd LEFT into Ballard Park Senior Center and park there.

From Northern CT and NY:

From Northern NY or CT: Route 84 East or West Take exit 3, Route 7 South for 5 miles RIGHT at light onto Route 35 West towards Ridgefield (Valero gas station on right) for 4 miles Pass 3 lights and 1 blinking yellow light Bear LEFT at the blinking yellow light to stay on Route 35 West Either park in the CVS Parking Lot on the RIGHT or Make RIGHT turn onto Gilbert Street Make 2nd LEFT into Ballard Park Senior Center and park there.

<https://ridgefieldhistoricalsociety.org/bor-245th-anniversary-weekend-events/>

September – Sandy Hollow Pennsylvania, the big event of the year sept 24-25. This is a wonderful site we've used before just outside Philadelphia-Memorable for the last time we had an event there for the organizers playing the score to *Hamilton* on the tannoy when there wasn't any action going on and for a certain RSM facing down a Prius that wandered onto the battlefield. For all that it's a great site and easy to reach, this should be good.

October-

George Mack and I have both reached out to Cliveden in Philadelphia to see if they are doing the battle of Germantown this year. It was put off because of COVID and last year they were 'reassessing' the event as someone in the community complained it was, I swear I'm not making this up, "glorifying urban violence." We're waiting to hear back.

November- The first Saturday in November is as ever Hope Lodge.

Naturally as other events come up, I'll add them here and if you hear of something, let us know.

Dues.

I saved the worst for last, but they are needed. For those of you who sent in your checks to me already, THANK YOU! For the rest, please get them in. We need the money to keep fielding and it's not fair for others to shoulder the burden while you enjoy the fruits of it.