



The Flash

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Sad News

August and early September have not been a kind period. Our new Major, George Mack, while still trying to get in the reins of the regiment suffered the loss of his Mother and has been trying to settle out various family issues as well as keeping us in the loop.

Also, though I don't think anyone could have missed it I may as well make it official here, our Colonel in Chief, Elizabeth II also passed away after 70 years on the throne in a life of service few could equal but all should try to emulate.

Charles is now King. Charles the 3rd and interestingly when he was proclaimed king in Wales it was at the city of Cardiff and his military guard there was, The Royal Welch, maintaining the regiment's link with the throne.





Don't Panic

New York state has recently passed a new law which is throwing a lot of events off balance. Any event which is not regular, like a weekly farmers market, is considered a 'special event' and a no firearms zone.

This is designed so people don't bring weapons to things like a music festival or county fair. Unfortunately, the law was written so badly that some places are reading it as not allowing muskets at re-enactments in the empire state. Jason parker said he's seen several events that are just fine but other places are cancelling events in a wave of panic and some activists have used it as an excuse to move away from 'dead white guys.'

I'm sure this will get sorted out once towns and counties start complaining to Albany about how the poorly written law is costing them income. Not quite 20 years ago a similar thing happened in Massachusetts. The politicians patted themselves on the back for their gun laws right up until Patriots Day when the governor's 'minute man' honor guard showed up toting mops and brooms in place of their muskets. "Hey, you signed the law." They changed the rule.

Events

September – This is the big event of the year and it's been far too long since we've had one that's so easy for so many members to reach. A good sized group is coming up from the south and I would hope to see us match it with a group from the north.

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 with open fields and woody trails and it's easy to reach, this should be good.

There will be a camp kitchen for the usually nominal fee and you will need at least two full boxes of ammo.

The site is not quite an hour from Hope Lodge so it is easy to reach for most of our membership.

To reach the site from NY: take the Jersey Turnpike south to Exit 6, PA Turnpike. Follow this about 30 miles to King of Prussia/ Valley Forge exit 326. Approaching to toll gate stay to the right and just through the tolls get onto US-202 S toward West Chester for about 19 miles. Turn right onto W Street Rd/PA-926. WEST CHESTER LUKOIL is on the corner. Turn left onto S New St. S. New St is 0.4 miles past Bridlewood Blvd. If you reach Lake Dr. you've gone about 0.2 miles too far. 1360 S NEW ST. the destination is 0.1 miles past Revere Rd

If you're in PA you can follow 422 E to its merge with 202S in King of Prussia.

This is a local event for me so I have an idea what the weather will be. Although it's a long range prediction, weather for the weekend is supposed to be a high in the upper 60's and a low in the upper 40's at night. Pretty darn near perfect weather.

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