

1. NEXT EVENT: COMBINATION WAR GAME & LIVE BALL SHOOT, KINGSTON, ONT -
MAY 5 & 6

Before anyone gets too excited - these two events take place on different days - the tactical war game on the Saturday and the Ball Shoot on the Sunday. All members and recruits are welcome to participate in either one or ideally both.

THE WAR GAME This will take place on Jeff Paine's parents' place just west of Kingston. From the Hwy 401, exit south on Hwy 38 to the 4th Concession which is about 1/2 km below Hwy 401. Turn right, ie. west, onto the 4th and travel approx 1 1/2 km looking for a Royal Yorker sign. Paine's is on south side of road. Follow signs to park. Suggest arrival at 11:00 AM. Bring your own lunch or eat ahead.

Tactical will be 1st Bn against 2nd Bn. All guys in 2nd Bn to wear that uniform. Bring a full cartridge pouch. There will be two or three schemes.

There will be a Social Gathering organized by Jeff's No.3 Section on that evening. While you're welcome to tent beside the Paine's barn/work shed, you are likely to be alone, so I'd suggest getting together with a buddy and sharing a room at the Journey's End on Princess St. (which is close to the action) 613-549-5550. There's a second Journey's End off Division St. on Warne Cres. (take right turn at first lights south of 401) 613-546-9500. Their rooms are relatively cheap and decent.

LIVE BALL SHOOT This will take place on CFB Kingston. Shooting will be individual and in Squads against paper targets or defaulters. ALL MEMBERS are asked to be IN UNIFORM for publicity reasons on Base. Members are welcome to bring other Black Powder weapons to try them out.

You will need additional blank rounds, at least 20. Lead ball will be sold to you at 20 cents each to be used as 'running' ball. For those of you who missed the Guelph shoot, or who really enjoyed that experience, here's another chance to find out what the musket is all about.

We will eat an early lunch and start the shoot at 12 Noon, ending about 3:30 for the drive home.

From 401, exit Hwy 15 South to Hwy 2. Turn left. Second stoplight on left, enter CFB Kingston. Then, second right turn. We are shooting on a full bore range. Look for funny people in period uniforms.

2. QUEEN'S YORK RANGERS - FREEDOM OF AURORA PARADE

I am pleased to advise that the Yorkers paraded 27 all ranks and were well received at this ceremony in support of our benefactors, the QYR.

Kyle Upton and Peter Twist made this their first parade.

3. DIVIDED LOYALTIES VIDEO TAPES

Don't forget - if you aren't happy with your own recording of the film, you must send me your order ASAP. I am holding off putting our order in until I think everyone has had their chance. Our special prices will not last forever.

4. OCTOBER IN SCHOHARIE AND ALONG THE MOHAWK RIVER - REPORT BY SGT JOHN MOORE

Starting Oct 6 through to Oct 8 - our Thanksgiving and U.S. Columbus Day- weekends, the 210th Anniversary of Sir John's successful Raid deep into rebel territory will be reenacted on many of the original fields of conflict - Holy Ground to every Yorker!

4. SCHOHARIE, MOHAWK RAID CONT'D

Himself and Sjt/Scribe John Moore travelled to Rochester on the weekend of March 17/18 to parley with ye rebels - Noel Levee, 3 Tryon Cty Militia and Rick Sherman, 15 Albany Cty Militia assisted by QMLt Jas Corbett & Sjt Wayne Foster, 64th Regt and Bud and Roland Miner, LtInf. In addition to being great hosts, they are planning the major event of this year's campaign season which promises to satiate the worst appetites in the Regt for hard fought action, rapine and plunder.

There is a good chance that meals will be provided by the National Guard and if other plans crystalize, there will be an evening entertainment in the form of a Period Ball at Auriesville Shrine 8 mi. north of the Stone Fort.

Mark those calendars and butter up the family, 'cause this event will be our Crusade. Here's a review.

Friday, Oct 5 Arrive by bus at Schoharie Stone Fort, erect Camp.

Saturday, Oct 6 AM Site of the old Upper Fort. Militia give the alarm that filthy Tories are in the Valley: That's us -- Huzzah! Huzzah!

Saturday, Oct 6 PM Site of the Middle Fort, Middleburgh. Skirmish near the original site. Some Tory volunteers light fires. (HA, HA)

Move to Lower (Stone) Fort. Recreate what occurred at the Middle Fort in 1780 in a scripted reenactment, eg. a rebel hangs a 'moon' and receives several Yorker volleys for his efforts. He falls and breaks his neck. Honest, this really happened.

Sunday, Oct 7 AM A plaque dedication marking a portion of the original Fort Hunter Road along which Sir John's Column travelled north to the Mohawk by those units historically involved in the raid.

FORT HUNTER ROAD WAR GAME. All units fight along a 1 mile stretch of the original road. Rebels attempt to prevent the Crown column from punching up the road. A 2 hour action in a real mix of terrain including marshland, bush and meadows. Public not involved.

Sunday, Oct 7 PM Return to Stone Fort. A semi war game for the public with an assault crossing of Schoharie Creek. Same covered bridge as last year; but, flank actions as well. Fight goes to the stockade and includes an 'attempt' to overrun.

Monday, Oct 8 AM Strike tents and move to Stone Arabia. Camp gear remains on bus. About 10:30 we have a loosely scripted reenactment of our fast and furious victory at Stone Arabia.

Monday, Oct 8 PM Move on to Fort Klock area for lunch. Jump off from Fort Klock and retreat over trails to holy ground of Klock's Field. Light fires along the way?? Set up dispositions to repel rebels who are hot on our heels. Fight Battle of Klock's Field as it was originally. Rebels retire in disarray. We escape to fight again, returning to Canaday. Glory to King George and Honour to the Regiment! -Sjt J.W. Moore No.2 Cols Coy

4. 177th ANNIVERSARY OF BATTLE AT FORT YORK SUNDAY, APR 22

Fort York is offering free admission. Ceremonies start at 2:00 PM.

5. BALANCE OF 1990 DRILLS, FORT YORK ARMOURY - USE OF SERGEANTS' MESS

We have again been honoured with the hospitality of the Serjeants' Mess for our last two drills. This privilege brings some responsibilities. Rules of the Mess request no blue jeans. Pls comply. Your respects to be paid to the Mess on entry and a pleasant word to our host, SgtMjr Clarke are in order, especially on leaving for the evening after cleaning off all tables.

