



GAZETTE FRANÇOISE.

Du Mai 2005.

*Du BUREAU du PRÉSIDENT,
from the President's Desk*

Sounds like everyone had a great time at Battle Road, I'm sorry that I couldn't be there. I'd like to thank Bill, Myles and Steven for pulling that all together for us. I have heard only great things from the park about the day, hopefully we will be able to go back and play there next year.

We have a very busy month ahead of us. This month we have a Cartridge Rolling party, a BoD meeting, The Siege of Charleston, SC, the Battle for Little Farm and two Memorial Day Parades! I did I leave anything out? Geeze I hope not.

The Board of Directors will be holding their first meeting of the season. We will be meeting at the Malecki's house to discuss several events that the Washington Rocheambeau Revolutionary Route Committee has planned for the 2006 Season.

We are only 3 weeks away from the Newbury Tactical in Newbury, MA (May 21- 22). Steve and I are looking for a final headcount. If you are planning to go to this event, please contact me no later than May 7th. We need to know how many regimental tents to bring and how much food to cook. We are also looking for volunteers to bring breakfast breads to the event and a desert for Saturday night's dinner. Currently we have two tactical scenarios and one public demonstration. This event will be similar to that in Sutton last year. We will be attending the event as French, plan on bringing black gators for the tactical and white gators for the public demonstration.

The Newport, Rhode Island event is shaping up nicely. Steven and I have attended several planning meetings in Newport along with members of the BAR, SAR, DAR and W3R. We finally nailed down the schedule, and we have a very busy weekend planned. Between VIP receptions, a Landing Reenactment, and ceremonies we

will be busy, however we will be the in the spotlight all weekend long. This will be our weekend to shine.

I hope to see everyone at the Cartridge Rolling Party on May 10th.

Your Humble Servant,

*Dana Rock,
Président Régiment de SaintOnge*

*Le RAPPORT du CAPITAINE,
Captain's Report*

Framingham on the Sudbury
May 2005

We are officially out of Winter camp and fully into Campaign 2005. There is a lot to talk about this month regarding Battle Road 2005 and upcoming drills, tacticals, and parades! As stated earlier this year, we are going to be very, very busy!

Thanks to everyone who came out to the Battle Road event at the Park. This was an absolutely wonderful event that was perfect in just too many ways. Special thanks go out to Bill Rose and Myles McConnon for making the event actually happen. If it was not for their dogged support and prodding, this event would have *never* come to reality. An additional set of thanks goes out to Bill (again) and Cori Rose for single handedly feeding all the Provincial participants and to Sue, Colleen, and Heather Erickson for helping Cori with the food and the preparation. Things were so busy during the day that I didn't even have a chance to say 'Hi', to Dan and Judy for their medical demonstration. When I caught up with them later at the end of the event they said that they were straight out the entire day. What an event!

The tactical event actually started off early and just never wound down until we were all ready to leave.

We have a number of upcoming events for May. Our first will be a rolling party on Tuesday, May 10. We'll need as many folks as possible since we've got a lot of cartridges to fill for the year. After that we'll have a drill that Saturday May 14, at 10 AM. Weather permitting I would like to have it at the Wayside Inn. Aside from the regular drill, I would like to review maneuvering with everyone, since we are going to be a flank Company for the Battle of Little Farm in Newbury. If you all harken back to what we were doing at Sutton, you will have a fairly good idea of what will be expected. It will be a blast – since it is a tactical – so let's try to get maximum participation and burn powder. Finally, we have two parades – one in Somerville and the other in Andover. Medford is having another parade in the fall celebrating their 350th, so I will expect that well be invited to that.

See you all very soon!

*Pour le Roi et le Régiment,
Steven*



ÉVÉNEMENTS PROCHAINS, Upcoming Events

Cartridge Rolling Party, Wednesday, May 10 ~
Arrival: We will be meeting at the Meadow Brook Village Community Center at 7:00 PM, **Directions:** Frank's number is (978) 838-2112 - just in case! From Sudbury, Framingham, Concord: Take Route 62 through Hudson. Stay on RT 62 through Rotary. You will come to a three way fork in the road. Take River Street on Left. Travel for about 3 Miles. Look for Meadow Brook Village on the right. Turn Right onto Brook Lane. Travel ¼ mile down Brook Lane. It's #59 Brook Lane on the Right. From 290 and 495: Take 290 to the Solomon Pond Mall Exit. Turn Right at end of Ramp. Stay in far Left Lane. Travel straight for 1 mile. You will come to a rotary; take first right onto River Road. Travel for about 3 miles on River Road. You will pass the 1790 Farm. Meadow Brook Village will be on your Left. Turn Left onto Brook Lane. Travel 1/4 Mile down Brook Lane. It's #59 Brook Lane on Right. **Details:** We currently have 800 tubes rolled and 25 pounds of powder, the regiment will be providing all the paper, powder and equipment to roll cartridges. Please try to be there on time, we have a lot to get done.

Board of Directorf meeting Monday, May 16.~ **Arrival:** The meeting is open to all members of the Regiment, we will be meeting at the Malecki's house at 7:30 PM. **Directions:** From 495 north or south take route 20 west Northborough exit. I believe it is 24B. From anywhere else just take router 20 West. After going over the 495 bridge in Marlborough or getting off 495 in Marlborough, you will come to a traffic light. Go thru that light. You will start down a hill, at the bottom of this hill is another traffic light; you will go thru that light. You will see a McDonalds on the right and a Wendy's on the left at the light. Keep going west. As your traveling you will see a restaurant on the right called the country villa. Shortly after, ou will see the "Entering Northborough" sign. As you travel into Northborough, you will see a bagle shop on your right and a Fiskes Garden Center on your left and Stan's Sub Shop on your right. At that traffic light (Which is your next light) you want to take a left. (Bartlett Street). Proceed about 1/4 mile and take you first right (Maple Street), proceed only a short distance and take your first right again onto Omaha Ave. (no street name sign, but look for yellow "Dead End" sign). It's a Cul de Sac. It's the last house on the right. Gray Cape, #20 with a Betsey Ross flag... **Details:** We will be discussing proposed events for the 2006 session which have been brought forth by the W3R Committee.

*DRILL & DISTAFF GATHERING,
Saturday, May 14. ~* **Arrival:** Drill & distaff gathering will begin at 10:30am. It will be only 90 minutes long so please try to arrive on time. **Directions:** We'll be at the Old Town Hall in Stow, MA – many thanks to Dave Walrath for securing the location. Old Town Hall is on Route 117 in Stow, one block west of the intersection of Routes 117 & 62. There is limited parking on the street; additional parking is available at the "new" Town Hall directly across the street. From the East: Take Rt. 117(W) to Rt. 62 (Stow Ctr.); Old Town Hall is on the right, one block west of the Rt. 117/62 intersection. From the West: Take I-495 to Rt. 117 (E) - Old Town Hall is about 8 miles on your left, just before the Rt. 62 intersection. From the South: Take Rt. 62(E) to Route 117; turn right and it will be one block on your right. From the North, take Rt. 2 or Rt. 111 to Rt 62(W); take Rt. 62 to Rt. 117 and turn right for one block. **Details:** This is will be our last chase to drill before the 2005 season goes into full swing.

Battle for Newbury, May 21 - 22. ~

Arrival: Camp set up will start on Friday May 20.

Directions: From Route I-95 in Newbury to the Little Farm (red line) and return (small green line). Take the Scotland Road Newbury exit. If coming from NH and the north, take a left at the end of the ramp. If coming from MA and the south, bear right off the ramp. Follow Scotland Road for approximately 2.8 miles, then take a right onto Parker Street (at lights). Follow Parker Street as it joins Route 1 South. Go around the traffic circle three-quarters of the way, then exit (200 feet beyond Dunkin Donuts) and take a quick right back onto Parker Street. Continue on Parker Street, and take a right in front of Newbury Town Hall onto High Road/Route 1A South. Little's Lane will be on the left. Watch for small Little Farm-Historic New England sign. To return to Rt. 95, retrace route to the Rt. 1 traffic circle, go north on Route 1 for less than a eighth of a mile, take a left across the highway, then a right onto Parker St. **Details:** The basic setting for the weekend is that of a British landing party coming upon an active privateering community along the New England coast. This represents one of any such situations which happened from 1774 to 1778, from the lower Connecticut coast to Falmouth, Maine. The Newbury landing will be set in 1778, so early war civilian attire as well as continental uniforms will be appropriate. More information can be found at <http://www.battlefornewbury.org>



Adam Philippe Conte de Custine



The later general of the French revolution army was born to 02.04.1740 in Metz. During the seven-year-old of war he gained his first military experiences. It works satisfactorily in this campaign and receives its own Dragoon regiment. This it exchanges however with an infantry regiment and

can with this to America be embarked. During the war in America Custine was particularly characterised with the siege of Yorktown. He was appointed the Maréchal de Camp and governor von Toulon.

In the year 1789 he is selected as a representative of the aristocracy of Metz into the French national assembly. In the course of the revolution he put down also his count title. In the national assembly he was to be found rather with the liberals forces.

In October 1791 occurred it pulled again in the rank of a lieutenant general the army. With his soldiers "general was cord beard" much likes. He became a kommandierender general of the Vogesenarmee. After combat of Valny Custine advanced on the area of the German Reich. Occupied by Landau from it to 29.09.1792 Speyer and drew to 21.10.1792 into the badly defended Mainz and on the following day combatless into Frankfurt. It spread through calls the ideas of the French revolution and presented aristocracy and Klerus substantial deliveries.

To 02.12.1792 it was struck by Prussian-hessian troops with Frankfurt. Further retreat engagements followed, like for example to 06.01.1793 with Hocheim. After cross after further attacks of the German realm Reich between being gene and he withdrew himself after combat with Alzey to 31.03.1793 on Landau.


Robespierre sent back Custine to the north army and handed to it over the supreme command, however he was struck again with high home by the Austrian troops. On initiative Marats and Billaud Varennes'wurde it before the wohlfahrtsausschuss accused, deliberately that a general of the army to have abused and the interest of the republic by agreements with the enemies of France have harmed. He was condemned, despite more einner sent defense, to 27.08.1793 to death and already executed on the next day, the judgement.

Its desire, that its son Renaud Philippe Custine (1768 - 1794), by the publication of its papers, the honour of the father to restore should go, could not unfortunately into fulfilment. Only few months later the son, who served its father than aide, followed it into the death of late published the later general Baraguay d'Hilliers the papers under the title ""

Mémoires of posthumes you général francais comte de C, rédigés par un de ses aides de camp" (German, Berl. 1795, 2 Bde.).
<http://www.epochs-napoleon.de/pages/bio/custine.htm>



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

 **Fencing Seminar, June 11 ~ Details:** Once again the Regiment is planning on attending a fencing seminar. This time it is scheduled for Saturday June 11th at the Guard Up facility in Burlington. The seminar will be held Saturday, June 11 from 3:30PM to 5:30PM. The cost is \$150 per hour divided by the number of people who attend; so the more the merrier. If you would like to attend please contact Adam Carriere at adamc1776@yahoo.com



GALERIE des IMAGES, Picture Gallery



The combined forces of the Saintonge, Foix and Gâtinais on the march at the Siege of Savannah 2004.

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*Le PROGRAMME,
the schedule for 2005*

The events listed below are the official schedule for 2005 - as approved by the membership at the annual meeting. Questions and suggestions may be directed to members of the BOD.

Date	Unit	Event
Jan 11	All	Work Party at the Rose's (7-9) Bolton, MA
Feb 8	All	Work Party at the Rose's (7-9) Bolton, MA
Feb 26	All	Regimental Annual Meeting (10-12) Berlin, MA
Mar 8	All	Work Party at the Rose's (7-9) Bolton, MA
Apr 12	All	Work Party at the Rose's (7-9) Bolton, MA

*EXERCICES et RENDEVOUS,
Drills & Distaff Gatherings*

Date	Unit	Event
Jan 8	All	French Drill & Distaff Gathering (10:30-12) Old Town Hall, Stow, MA
Feb 12	All	French Drill & Distaff Gathering (10:30-12) Old Town Hall, Stow, MA
Mar 12	All	French Drill & Distaff Gathering (10:30-12) Old Town Hall, Stow, MA
Apr 3	All	4th Middlesex and 2nd Massachusetts Drill Dunstable, MA
Apr 9	All	4th Middlesex and Sudbury Drill Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA
May 14	All	French Drill & Distaff Gathering (TBA) TBA

Date	Unit	Event
Mar 12	4 th	Dorchester Heights Dorchester, MA
Mar 13	4 th	MMNHP rally Lexington, MA
Mar 20	85eme	St. Patrick Day Parade Boston, MA
April 16	4 th	Battle Road Lexington, MA
May 13 – 15	85eme	225th Siege of Charleston Charleston, SC
May 21-22	Music	Drummers Call Williamsburg, VA
May 21-22	85eme	Little Farm Newbury, MA
May 29	85eme	Memorial Day Parade Somerville, MA
May 30	85eme	Memorial Day Parade Andover, MA
July 8,9,10	85eme	Landing of Rochambeau Newport RI
Aug 6 -7	85eme	Old Sturbridge Village Timeline Sturbridge Village, MA
Sept 5	85eme	Labor Day Parade/ Regimental Birthday Party Marlborough, MA
Sept 24	85eme	Sudbury Muster Sudbury, MA
Sept 25	4 th / 85eme	Rehoboth Rehoboth, MA
Oct 7 -9	85eme	Warren Farm Chelmsford, MA
Oct 1	85eme	Weymouth Day Parade Weymouth, MA
Nov 19	85eme	Plymouth Time Line Plymouth, MA



Four days after the arrival of the fleet at Newport on July 11, all of Rochambeau's troops left the ships and set up camp in and around Newport.

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