

Re-enactor Schedule - American Civil War!

at Upper Canada Village: 21-22-23 June 2019.

155 Anniversary – 2nd Battle of Cold Harbor

“FINAL SCHEDULE” [Rev #1 - 14 Jun 2019]

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* THURSDAY (20 June) - Schedule of Activities: *

3pm – 7pm **Advance Party** arrival, initial setup of: Signs, Registration Tent, Campsite boundaries.

*FRIDAY (21 June) - Schedule of Activities: *

1pm – 10pm **Registration & Campsite set-up** within assigned **Company Lines...** (Modern vehicles allowed into Campsite area [Not Village] to set up – then move out)

7:00pm – 8:30 * **Officer & Sr. NCO Briefing** (need Blue galvanizers) & **“Tactical Site” Tour - Drive**

5:15pm – 10pm **Modern Vehicles allowed INSIDE UCV Village** to do any **“Living History/Impressionist Setups”** on West (left) side of **Crysler Hall** (Next to Willard's Hotel). ALL Vehicles INSIDE Village Must Be in re-enactor Parking Lot before 9:00 AM – Sat 22nd

11:00pm Quiet time

* SATURDAY (22 June) - Schedule of Activities: *

6:00am Rise & Shine

6:30 QUICK BREAKFAST & Coy Safety Inspections for **“Tactical”**.

Note 1: **ALL Vehicles out of Encampment** – into Re-enactor Parking Lot by **9:45am**.

Note 2: **Late Arrivals Registration @ Registration Tent. 7:30am to 10:30am**

7am **1st Wave (Defenders)** move to Train Station, embark & Train departs to Tactical Area – Defenders Set up (ambushes etc.) [*Light Cannon driven to Tactical site]

7:45 **2nd Wave (Attackers)** move to Train Station, embark & Train departs to Tactical Area – Attackers prepare themselves for attack. [*First Aid person – 1 each side]

8:15 **Tactical STARTS**

9:00 **Tactical ENDS.** Coy Safety Inspections & ALL Troops move to embark on Train. (1-2 Trips)

9:30 **All Troops back in Campsite** – Clean-up, Rest/Finish Breakfast. Prepare for Spectator visits.

10:00am * **Re-enactor Civil War Encampment OPEN to the public** (Closes at 5:00 p.m.)

10:15am - 11:00am UCV Crysler Hall / Fairground: Civil War Displays - Public Meet & Greet of re-enactors; Explanation of **equipment worn & weapons carried**; **Meet General Longstreet**; **Meet & watch Military Surgeons**; **Join School of the Soldier (wooden Rifles) for Children & Adults.**

10:30 – 11:00 ***Officier & Sr. NCO – Briefing & Village Battle site (SAT pm) Tour ***
11:00 Author: **John Boyko** - Crysler Hall Presentation #1 - **“Why Cdns. in American Civil War?”**

11:00am - 12:00pm UCV Fairground: Civil War Battle Demo’s: Infantry, and Artillery - **Blank firings.**
12:15pm Re-enactor **Lunch** – at Campsite

1:00pm Author: **John Boyko** - Crysler Hall Presentation #2 - **“Why Cdns. in American Civil War?”**

1:15pm Attackers leave Campsite **1st**, (1 Cannon?) march to initial launch position (Loucks Farm)
1:30pm Defenders leave Campsite **2nd (1-2 Cannon?)** & proceed to setup positions inside Village (Fairgrounds)

2:00pm Spectator BATTLE (Fairgrounds): Village is attacked from Loucks Farm, through fields & Fairgrounds ending at Church Street. **Attackers** win. **Defenders** withdraw with wounded.
End of Battle **“Memorial Minute of Silence”** – at end of the Battle.
Troops Weapons **Safety Inspections** & prepare for Joint CS & US **Memorial Parade.**

3:00pm **Memorial Parade & Veterans Salute**: Confederate & Federal re-enactors - (Queens Street). **Reviewing Stand & Salute at Willard’s Hotel.** Guest of Honor at Salute –TBA.

3:30pm Author: **John Boyko** - Crysler Hall Presentation #3 - **“Why Cdns. in American Civil War?”**

3:30pm - 4:30pm UCV Crysler Hall / Fairground: Civil War Displays - Public Meet of re-enactors; **Explanation of equipment worn & weapons carried**; **Meet General Longstreet**; **Meet Military Surgeons**; **Join School of the Soldier (wooden Rifles) for Children & Adults.**
UCV Fairground: Civil War Battle Drills - Infantry, and Artillery – (NO Blank Firings - already done in 2:00pm battle). **“Canal Boat Tour”** - for interested Re-enactors.

5:00pm UCV Village & Re-enactor Campsite - Closed to public.

***5:15pm - 6:00pm** **1860’s period Supper - Cooks Tavern: (Inside) - Re-enactors & Families only (No weapons).**

***6:00pm – 6:45pm** * **Note:** Due to inside space limitations – there will be **two x 45 min seatings: Group #1** (35 approx.): **5:15pm** to 6:00pm; **Group #2** (35 approx.): **6:00pm** to 6:45pm.

6:45pm - 7:45pm **Cooks Tavern (Outside) – Re-enactors - 1860’s Period Music & Dance Lessons.**

7:45pm Village **“Guided Walking Tour”** (Rolly Lefebvre & Team) – for interested Re-enactors. Rest back to campsite - on own time.

11:00pm Quiet time

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*** SUNDAY (23 June) - Schedule of Activities: ***

7am Rise & Shine

7:30am Breakfast

7:45 **Note:** (Stewart, Rolly, Rod – depart campsite for Lost Villages Memorial to set up Chairs, from Library)

Note 3: ALL Vehicles out of **UCV Village by 9:15am**; Out of Re-enactor **Campsite by 9:45am** – into Re-enactor Parking Lot.

8:15: Departure by **PMV** (Private Motor Vehicles) for interested Re-enactors: **Memorial Church Service at “Canadian Civil War Monument”** – Lost Villages, ON. It's a **20 minute drive** (20 km) from UCV, on Highway #2 - going east. Full Uniforms, **No** weapons. Padre Brian Gibbs & Rob McLachlan officiating.

8:45 – 9:30 - Memorial Church Service at “Canadian Civil War Monument” – Lost Villages, ON

10:00 All Back in camp. Re-enactor CW Encampment Open to Public. (Closes to Public, Sunday at 3:30 pm.)

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10:30 – 11:00 ***Officer & Sr. NCO – Briefing & Battle site Tour - SUN pm** [*“Re-adjustments” as required from Sat's “lessons learnt”]*Use several Vehicles from re-enactor Parking Lot to get there

11:00am - 12:00pm UCV Fairground: Civil War Battle Demo's: Infantry, and Artillery - **Blank firings.**

- 12:15pm Re-enactor **Lunch** – at Campsite
- 1:15pm** **Defenders** leave Campsite **1st**, (1-2 Cannon?) & move to setup positions in Field/Woods, south/west of Battle of Crysler's Farm Memorial.
- 1:30pm** **Attackers** leave Campsite **2nd**, (with 1 Cannon?) & move to launch position (near Spectators)
- 2:00pm** **Spectator BATTLE** – below “hill”, field & woods – south west of Battle of Crysler Farm Memorial. Defenders hold position & win – attackers forced to withdraw with wounded.

End of Battle: “**Memorial Minute of Silence**” – at end of the Battle.

Troops Weapons **Safety Inspections**

Note 1: At **3:30pm Sunday** – the **Re-enactor Campsite area close down to the Public** (Note: **NO tear-downs before** please. **3:45 pm Modern Vehicles allowed on Campsite area.** (Not UCV Village... yet – only at 5:15pm)

Note 2: Any re-enactor wishing to “**stay overnight**” in **Campsite** until **Monday** is **most welcome to do so** – simply notify “Registration Staff” when you arrive.

3:30 - 4:30pm UCV Crysler Hall / Fairground: Civil War Displays -Public Meet & Greet of re-enactors; **Explanation of equipment** worn & weapons carried; **Meet General Longstreet**; Meet Military Surgeons; Join **School of the Soldier (wooden Rifles)** for Children & Adults.

Note 4: **We WILL need to keep “some (8-10)” Blue & Gray Re-enactors “on-site” in UCV Village** – in order to conduct the above mentioned Displays/Demos - so “volunteers **WOULD** be **GREATLY** appreciated. Thanks!

5:00pm **UCV Village Closed to public**

5:15PM Modern Vehicles allowed into **UCV Village** to do any required tear-down displays/tents etc.)

****MANY thanks for coming!! - Have a VERY SAFE drive home & hope to see you at our next UCV Event!! ****