



# 28<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, Company B

**TO: Membership**  
**FROM: Rolf Madole, 1<sup>st</sup> Sergeant**  
**DATE: February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023**  
**RE: 1<sup>st</sup> Sergeant's Report for 2022**

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I have the honor to present the 1<sup>st</sup> Sergeant's Report on the 2022 campaign season.

The Company agreed upon seven events for 2022. This was arguably the first full season of reenacting since the COVID-19 epidemic with increased number of events and participation in 2022 company events. Below is a comparison of the number of lists planned versus the number of events conducted:

Event Type	Planned	Actual	Notes
Living Histories	5	3	1 Cnx-Weather/1-Participation
Parades / Honors	3	2	1 Cnx Weather
Reenactments	4	4	
Drill	1	1	
History Tours	0	0	No Staff Rides Scheduled
Meetings	1	1	
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>11</b>	

Actual events and attendance:

Event	2022 Attendance	2021 Attendance	% from last year
Annual Meeting	17	15	113%
Drill Weekend	17	14	121%
Fairfax Living History	16	6	267%
Ft Ward Living History	14		
Monacacy Living History	14		
Cedar Mountain Reenactment	12		
Kette Run/Bristoe Reenactment	11		
Cedar Creek Reenactment	26	18	144%
Gettysburg Rememberence Day	10	11	91%
Slaughter Farm	6		
Fredericksburg Commemerance	11	14	79%
<b>Total</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>180%</b>
<i>Avg Attendance/Event</i>	<i>14.0</i>	<i>11.6</i>	<i>121%</i>

\*81 is the total attendance of all events of the 2021 season, not just the events listed above.

With eleven events accomplished, Aaron Harvey leads the cadre with nine attended events this season (see Attachment 1). Overall attendance was up predictably from last which can be accounted by in the



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increase of the number events and new members. As with last year, this should not be construed as usable trend data considering the 2021 was still recovering for the pandemic. It is encouraging with increased participation rate per event.

Company drill was conducted in April at Bristoe Station Battlefield Park. This was day event and more of a private affair with a few spectators.

The Fredericksburg 160<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Memorial National Park Service (NPS) "March of the Irish Brigade" interpretive walk/march with Frank O'Reilly, was cancelled by the NPS. The Company continued with the traditional grave recognition and wreath laying ceremony at the South Docks. Unfortunately, the company could not conduct the regimental dinner at Amy's Café due to the increase cost since the last time we were able to do the dinner. To compensate for the lack of a venue, Jerry and Mindy Lynes hosted a lovely holiday dinner at their house.

Overall, 2022 was an excellent year, there are members that deserve recognition and thanks. I submit the following not as a comprehensive list, but a few of many standouts from the past year:

Joe Abernathy for providing Taps on the bugle for various events. Joe was also the point of contact for the Bristol Station Kettle Run event coordinating facilities and demonstrations.

Steve Klitsch for serving as the point of contact for the Monocacy living history event and the marvelous Friday dinner of grilled meats and corn.

Hal Lapham for quartermaster duties and providing loaner equipment for our new members and candidates.

Jerry Lynes for setting up IO Groups email and the care and feeding of the company website.

Rae-Ann and Bill Voekner for coordinating the delicious camp meals and procurement of rations.

Joe Pankey & Dennis O'Connell for providing effective leadership and communication with the membership, event organizers and other associated organizations throughout these difficult times.

I am sure that I have missed a few people and deeds that deserve mentioning this past year. Last year was certainly an improvement over 2021. With new members joining company, there are reasons to be optimistic that 2023 will see continued improvement our hobby. I look forward to the field and sitting around the campfire with each of you.

Your obedient servant,

*Prof B. Madole*

1<sup>st</sup> Sergeant, Company C.  
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### Attachments

1. 2022 Attendance Roster



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Name		Annual Meeting – 11 February	Saint Patrick's Day Parade, Old Town, Manassas, VA. – 12 March – CANCELLED	Spring Camp of Instruction/School of the Soldier Bristoe Station Battlefield – 2 April	Fairfax History Day – 23 April	"Across the Centuries" Fort Loudon – 14-15 May – CANCELLED	Fort Ward Camp Day – 18 June	Monocacy Living History – 9-10 July	160th Cedar Mountain – 5-7 August	160th Kettle Run – 26-27 August	Living History Point Lookout 30 September - 2 October – CANCELLED	Battle Reenactment Cedar Creek (18th Anniversary) 14-16 October	Marking of Irish Brigade Monuments & (Optional) Remembrance Day Parade, 19 November – Gettysburg National Military Park, Gettysburg, PA	160th Fredericksburg Slaughter Pen – 10 December	160th Fredericksburg – 11 December	Individual Totals
Abenathy, Joe	Private	1			1		1	1	1	1		1		1		8
Air, Adele	Civilian															0
Barker, Jay	Private	1		1												2
Barker, Pat	Private															0
Berna, Ed	Private	1													1	2
Berna, Kathy	Civilian	1													1	2
Camporeale, Andrew	Private															0
Carty, John	Private	1					1									2
Fautree, Daniel	Private			1					1			1				3
Fautree, Tim	Private			1					1			1		1		4
Fitzpatrick, Jon	Private	1					1		1	1		1				6
Forbes, Jason	Private											1				1
Forbes, Joanna	Musician											1				1
Hane, Steve	Associate															0
Harris, Austin	Private							1	1	1		1				4
Harvey, Aaron	Private			1	1			1	1	1		1	1	1	1	9
Heath, Bob	Private	1		1								1				3
Kirk, Genevieve	Civilian															0
Kirk, James	Civilian							1				1				2
Kirk, Katherine	Civilian															0
Kirk, Victoria	Civilian															0
Kiltsch, Steve	Private	1			1			1		1						4
Lapham, Hal	Corporal			1	1		1	1				1	1		1	7
Lyles, Bob	Private												1			1
Lynes, Jerry	Corporal	1		1	1		1	1		1		1		1	1	9
Madole, Rolf	1 <sup>st</sup> Sgt	1		1	1		1	1	1				1		1	8
Mahaney, Barney	Corporal	1		1	1		1	1	1			1	1		1	8
McClung, Mike	Private				1		1		1			1				4
McIntire, Tracey	Private															0
Mescher, Michael	Private															0
Mitchell, Brian	Drummer															0
Mordin, Josh	Private			1	1											2
Nakonieczny, M.	Musician															0
Nanovic, Roy	Private															0
O'Connell, Dennis	Private	1		1				1		1		1	1		1	7
O'Neill, Patrick	Private															0
O'Saughnessy, Bill	Private								1							1
Pankey, Joseph	Captain	1		1	1		1	1		1		1	1		1	9
Paquette, M.	Private															0
Payne, John	Private			1	1		1					1		1		5
Reighard, William	Private								1							1
Scanlan, Audrey	Private											1	1			2
Seaman, Margaret	Civilian															0
Seaman, Olaf	Private	1			1		1			1		1				5
Seaman, Theresa	Civilian											1	1			2
Schaeffner, Mike	Private															0
Teller, John	Private															0
Tuohy, John H	Private	1		1	1		1					1				5
Voelkner, Bill	Sergeant	1		1	1		1	1				1	1		1	8
Voelkner, Rae-Ann	Civilian	1		1			1					1			1	5
Wantand, Chase	Private			1	1			1	1	1		1				6
Wise, James	Private											1				1
Wolfe, Christopher	Private											1				1
Seavey, Jeremy	Private							1				1				2
Schaefer, Tommy	Private															0
Schaefer, Christy	Civilian															0
Solomon, Ben	Candidate															0
Siler, Bernie	Guest											x				0
Abenathy, Pete	Guest				1				1							2
Schwartz, Gary	Guest															0
Gantt, Ed	Guest											x				0
Cheeseboro, Bryan	Guest					x						x				0
Vaughn, Leon	Guest											x				0
Eisler, Seamus	Guest															0
<b>Event Attendance Totals:</b>		<b>17</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>11</b>		<b>26</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>154</b>