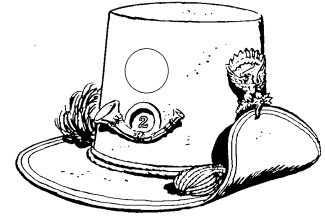


Headquarters

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February 9, 2019

Ladies and Gentlemen, I have the honor to report,

The 2019 annual meeting for the 2nd Wisconsin skirmish team began at noon on Saturday, February 9, 2019 in the home of Roy and Cathi Nelson, W4982 Woodside Lane, Watertown, WI. Thank you Roy and Cathi for opening up your home to us for our meeting again this year.

Roll Call:

Present: David Listug, Jeffrey Murphy, Cathi Nelson, Roy Nelson, Dan Graff, Darlene Van Kauwenbergh, Gary Van Kauwenbergh, Mike Young,

Absent, with dues paid: Randy Boyce, Bren Buck, Jan Buck, Gary Elliott, Brandon Enck, Dick Hanson, Paul Hinds, Jim Leinicke, Douglas Ortwerth, David Roemer, Len Sedivy, and Bill Weedman

Losses:

Al Bortles is still battling Crones disease, and is leaving the hobby
Karen Graff has recovered from her eye surgery, but has a wrinkle in her shooting eye and can no longer see the sights
I have not heard from Marty Richards, Rob Weber, or Lee Stelzner

2018 Season Summary:

The team finished last year with 24 members, the same as last year. Participation was steady, but again last year we again had a lot of conflicts and illnesses. We fielded teams at all eight of the ACWSA eight skirmishes offered, but only one of the N-SSA skirmishes – thank you 114th for the help!

The ACWSA quit collect team standings in the middle of the year, so I can't give a detailed breakdown of where we placed. We did compete in all the team competitions for musket, carbine, revolver, smoothbore, breechloader and smoothbore pistol and finished in about the middle of the pack for all of them.

The ACWSA hosted a station on Civil War small arms at Company K's School Days in May, and plan on supporting them again this year.

Our Old Soldier Fiddlers group did not perform at the Civil War Expo in Kenosha last year, and they are not having an Expo in 2019.

Elections: The group reelected the existing cadre with one vote for everything. They are:

Commander (Sergeant)	Gary Van Kauwenbergh
Corporal	Roy Nelson
Paymaster	Darlene Van Kauwenbergh

2019 Outlook:

The team looks healthy again for next year. The Western region of the North-South Skirmish Association (N-SSA) are still inviting the ACWSA to all their events. We have eight competitions scheduled.

April 26-27	114 th ILL (N-SSA) & 2 nd WI @ Springfield, IL
June 1-2	66th NC @ Appleton, WI
June 29-30	Btry B @ Sandy Ford, near Streator, IL
July 20-21	56th VA @ Bristol, WI
Aug 2-4	15 th & 8 th WI @ Boscobel
Aug 16-18	46thg IL @ Streator, IL
Aug 30-Sep 1	8 th & 2 nd WI @ Rhinelander, WI
Sept 21-22	15 th WI @ Bristol, WI

Note: The proposed ACWSA 20th anniversary skirmish did not garner enough participation to call it a 'national' event. They are still having the skirmish, but renaming it and calling it a regional skirmish.

Powder, caps & Lead: No one needed powder this year, so we didn't do a mail-order. Gary distributed all the powder and caps he bought out from a retired reenactor. It's all gone. If you still need caps, the best deal I've found is from Back Creek Gun Shop. This is the dealer by the exit of the N-SSA range. If you can't get someone going to the nationals to pick some up for you, they do mail up to five thousand caps without charging Hazmat fees. I have not heard of anyone needing lead, but Pat Kaboskey (cwbulletman@aol.com or 262-363-4625) has offered to buy lead at the going commercial rate for us. Pat would just be adding it into an order for his bullet making business.

Here's my understanding of what everyone expects to participate this year.

The list on the left shows what everyone usually shoots. If the block is white, I assume you're shooting. If it's green, I know you own that type of gun, but typically won't shoot it unless I get you to agree to fill in. Grayed out blocks mean I don't think you own one of those guns.

The list on the right shows I skirmishes I think everyone expects to attend. Y = Yes, N = No, and M = Maybe. If your boxes are blank, I haven't heard from you yet.

These are not firm commitments, just me trying to get a handle on what's going on next year. If I'm wrong, or your boxes aren't filled in, please e-mail me at garyvank@aol.com and let me know your plans.

									Fees:	Spring	Apple	Sandy	Bristo	Bosc	Sand	Rhinel	Bristol
Size Team	5	4	3	3	3	2			6	4/26	6/1	6/29	7/20	8/2	8/16	8/30	9/21
	Musk	Carb	Sb	Rev	BL	SBP	FF										
DanG								0 Karen	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
GaryVK								0 Dar	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
DarVK								0 Gary	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
RoyN								0 Cathi	Y	Y	M	Y	Y	M	Y	Y	Y
JanB								0 Kelly	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	M
DickT								none	N	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
DavidL								0 Marg	Y	M	M	N	Y	M	Y	Y	Y
MikeY								0 Mary	N	Y	N	N	M	N	Y	Y	Y
RandyB								0 Donna	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	M
BrenB								0 None	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M
JeffMurphy								0 None	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
BrandonE								0 Tara									
JimL								0 Nan									
GaryE								0 Debbie									
DavidR								0 ?									
BillW								0 Kathleen									
PaulH								0 Sarah									
MartyR								0 Deb									
LenSedivy								?									

Discussion Topics:

1. The group is in favor of keeping first year's dues free for new members.
2. The group was in favor of discontinuing ACWSA regional stats. I will still collect team stats for musket, carbine and smoothbore.
3. The only members interested in attending a proposed 20th anniversary skirmish on May 3-5 near Cedar Springs, MI are Roy and Gary. They're both maybes.
4. We did consider dropping the Boscobel skirmish this year, but the hosts of the event convinced us to come back again in 2019.

The meeting was closed at 12:57.

Respectfully submitted by, Yr. Obt. Srvt.,
Gary Van Kauwenbergh