

**Road To Olustee**  
Camp Milton Historic Preserve  
January 29, 30 & 31, 2010

**Welcome to the *Road to Olustee*  
Living History weekend.**

**The following General Participant Rules and Regulations  
have been put in place to insure maximum participation,  
enjoyment and safety for participants and spectators.**

**General Guidelines:**

The following rules are in place to insure maximum authenticity and enjoyment for all participants, and also to be sure we properly represent history to the public. The spectators who attend reenactments today are far more educated than in the past, so it is our responsibility to them to raise our standards so as not to disappoint or mislead them. All questions concerning these regulations should be addressed to the appropriate event coordinator. The event organizers/coordinators have the final word in all matters and have the right to create new rules in the interest of safety and authenticity as the needs arise.

Thank you for your participation.

- All participants are required to register and carry their registration card at all times.
- Set up may begin at noon on Thursday, Friday before 9 am or after 2 pm, or before 7 a.m. on Saturday.
- All cars must be removed from the site from 7 a.m. Saturday to 3 p.m. Sunday.
- No illegal drugs. THIS IS A ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY.
- ALL Officers NCOs must bring sufficient numbers to justify their ranks. Units can and will be consolidated to meet the needs of the scenarios and event. **It will take 15 privates for you to form and run your own company.** Less than 15 then please make arrangements beforehand to consolidate with a friendly unit or we will do it on site for you if you would like.
- There are three main camps established. CSA, USA, and Authentic civilian camp. In order to promote historically accurate interpretations, we recommend that only soldiers camp Military and let the family stay in the town.
- Military: All commanders will be held liable for the actions of their troops, **both on and off the field.**
- Civilians: There will be a civilian coordinator on site, and all are encouraged to work together to improve their experience.
- SCHOOL DAY FRIDAY: Please have a 15 minute educational program prepared for school-age visitors. Volunteers are also needed for directing participants to programs. Reenactors participating in the school day will receive a complimentary dinner on Friday night.
- ALL participants must be in period dress from 7 a.m. Saturday through Sunday at 3pm. Participants not attired in period dress may not sit and visit in the period camps.
- No modern items are to be open to public view. Camps will be patrolled by the provost to insure maximum authenticity at all times.
- No cars will be allowed into camp from 7am Saturday until 3 pm Sunday. Cars must be removed from camp before 7 a.m. Saturday. Participants are asked not to break camp prior to Sunday at 3 pm.
- Wood and hay are available in the Quonset hut across Halsema Road, adjacent to reenactor parking.

**Registration hours**

**Noon-9pm Thursday**

**9am-9pm Friday**

**7am-noon Saturday**

**Camps open to public:**

All areas of the site will be open to the public 9 am- 2 pm Friday, 9am-5 pm Saturday and 9am-3 pm Sunday. The gates will close at 5 pm Saturday to discourage visitors, but will not be locked. Please close them behind you if you leave the site.

## Parking

Please park in designated areas across Halsema Road from the site. Motorized vehicles may not access the site from the Rail Trail.

## Authenticity Guidelines:

At Camp Milton we are committed to an accurate impression of the soldiers and civilians of 1861-1865 as they actually looked, acted, drilled, camped and fought. Along with the acceptable clothing items and equipment, one must have the desire to put forth the best impression possible. In order to accomplish this certain protocols must be observed at events to be believable living historians.

These include (but are not limited to):

- NO modern eyewear/ or "period" sunglasses
- NO modern jewelry in sight- plain gold wedding bands are acceptable.
- NO body piercings
- NO bizarre hairstyles-Mohawks, purple hair, etc.
- NO wristwatches
- NO flashlights
- NO open cigarette smoking (if you have to, smoke out of sight somewhere- and keep hold of your Cigarette butts, do no scatter the ground with them, and NO smoking in ranks)
- NO tennis shoes, blue jeans, or any other modern items of dress when in uniform or period correct clothing
- NO modern drink containers- i.e. beer cans, coke bottles, etc. Pour your drinks into tin cups
- No Speckle ware/enamel ware
  
- **All participants are encouraged to maintain their best early 1864 impression at all times.**
- The camp, as well, should always be period correct. No modern items should be in sight and all participants will be in period correct dress during the hours the public is visiting.
- Civilians are not to sit in the military camps unless they are engaged in a period correct activity (cooking, laundry). If you are camping with a partner who is military, but you are civilian, please see your soldier off then come to the civilian area to spend your day.
- Please see Military dress standards below. These will be strictly enforced.
- Please see Civilian dress authenticity standards below. These will be strictly enforced.
- Military will not be loafing around in the Town. They will be engaged in a period correct activity in the military camp, drill ground or construction area.
- No Zouave muskets, Kentucky Rifles, Shotguns, Hawken Rifles, or any other weapon not of the 1864 timeframe will be allowed without prior approval and documentation
- No Civilians in the town will carry weapons at all
- **All military impressions should be of the 1861-64 period. Look to your branch's authenticity regulations provide by the coordinator for your impression.**
- Children in the authentic Civilian camp must be dressed as per children of the 1860's, not as kids in uniforms playing war with cap guns.
- Only commissioned officers will be allowed to carry side-arms, one only.
- No unscripted hand-to-hand combat will be allowed, however we are encouraging a "flow" of activity which may include raids and skirmishes.
- All troops not following orders from the respective commanders will be asked to leave the event.
- No participants under the age of 16 will be allowed to carry weapons at any time, on or off the field.
- **Ramrods may be used for specific scenarios.**
- Those participants who portray barefooted soldiers are permitted to do so; however, the event is in no way responsible for injuries caused by this portrayal.
- Any horse on site must be listed on your registration form.
- No "1930s beach chairs", Period Camp furniture only.
- No Pets. Fur bearing animals such as cats and dogs are prohibited. All others, (goats, chickens, sheep) must be disclosed at registration, but are encouraged to benefit the scenario.

### Safety Guidelines:

- **All safety requisitions will be strictly enforced through a provost and/or a safety committee. Any violation of these rules will be grounds for an individual or unit to be removed from the field.**
- The provost and the safety committee will be responsible for the inspection of units prior to events and immediately following events to insure conformance with safety regulations.
- **NO black powder weapons of any kind will be carried or fired by any participant under 16 years of age.** Children are not permitted on the field during the reenactments. Exception is made for functional musicians (boys 13 or older who can actually play a drum, a fife or a bugle). **Young boys are not to serve as color bearers during battle reenactments.**
- **NO** projectiles, bullets, musket balls, or loading blocks will be carried AT ANY TIME at the scene of an event.
- Only **officers** and MOUNTED cavalymen may carry pistols or revolvers. These must not be fired directly at any person. Artillery men will not be allowed on the reenactment field with sidearms or rifles.
- **NO** alcoholic beverages are to be consumed prior to or during a reenactment event. Any drunk or disorderly person will be removed by the provost and evicted from the event.
- Edged weapons may be carried, but will not be unsheathed at any time without the direct command of an officer. Such command will only be given with the prior approval of the event overall commander.
- Opposing troops will not advance within 20 yards of another unit at any time during this event. Exceptions will only occur if they have been carefully planned prior to the event and approved by the Overall Commander.
- All firing will be done at an elevated angle within 20 yards of the opposing participants. Never aim a weapon directly at another person.
- There will be no weapons fired in the bivouac or encampment area or along routes of march without prior approval or direction of the event hosts. **Infractions will result in expulsion of the individual or unit.**
- All cartridges must be made up prior to the event. In the case of a prolonged event or unexpected firing activities, cartridges may be made at a designated safety area only, not in camp or near exposed flames or visitor's cigarettes. No staples will be used in any cartridge. Nails, vent picks, etc. should be kept out of the cartridge box to avoid accidentally dropping any of these objects into a muzzle.
- Maximum musket or rifle cartridges will follow the Table of Maximum Loads. Only FFg or FFFg black powder will be used - **NO** Pyrodex. **NO** FFFFg (4F) powder will be used except by artillery units for priming. Cartridge paper **will not** be placed in the barrel and **NO** wadding or ramming will be permitted except in the use of handguns. Multiple loading is not permitted.
- Cartridges **will not** be carried anywhere on the person except in a hard cartridge box unless they are securely wrapped in foil in lots of ten and carried in a secure location.
- Powder will only be carried in the form of cartridges.
- Each unit commander is responsible for the conduct of his men (**this includes women and children**). The commander is responsible to make sure that his men are aware of the safety rules and that they understand and abide by them.
- In the event of an actual injury needing immediate attention during an event, either the injured person or someone going to his aid will shout the word "**Medic**" to signify this injury. This word "**Medic**" is to be used **ONLY** in the case of an actual injury requiring immediate attention. When the call "**Medic**" is heard, all activity should cease and the injured party cared for.
- Any participants who are not affiliated with a unit at the event will be assigned to a unit and will act as members of that unit during the event.

### Camping Arrangements:

- There is no modern camping available onsite. Modern camping with no hookups is available for sutlers and approved cavalry.
- Authentic set ups must stay as such the entire weekend. All modern items (sleeping bags, coolers, bottles, etc.) must be covered during public hours.
- **NO DOGS – PERIOD!** Other animals at the discretion of the organizing committee.
- Fire pits not allowed. Camp Milton is an historic site, and state and federal regulations do not allow digging on an archaeological site. All fires need to be kept on top of the ground. Fires must be maintained and supervised at all times by an adult (18 or older).
- Tents will be set up in a specific manner. Military in streets, Civilian in a town setup, with several sutlers integrated into the scenario.
- No discharging of firearms in camp, except as a part of a drill or scheduled event.

- NO SMOKING of modern cigarettes at any time while in camp.
- Please keep cell phones on vibrate and go to a private area if you feel you must talk.
- Please keep trash to a minimum, and contained within your site. Trash bags issued at registration are to be used when cleaning your site after the close of the event.
- Please respect your neighbors and the surrounding community. Unnecessary noise to be kept to a minimum between 10 pm and 7 am.

**Arrival:**

- The front gate is closed from 7 a.m. Saturday until 3 p.m. on Sunday.
- Vehicles will not be allowed through the gate on Sunday until 3 p.m. Once pedestrian traffic has cleared, the gate will be opened and vehicles may be brought in for loading. Please be patient on Sunday – this is a safety issue for all involved.

**Public Education:**

- All participants are asked to be engaged in period correct activities during the hours the public is present.
  - Military: Confederates will be constructing the earthworks, Union soldiers shopping in town, then will be forming up to march. Both sides will have scenarios for raids and skirmishes.
  - Civilian: This can be something as simple as playing period games with children or as involved as candle dipping, cooking, sewing, etc.
- Short talks will be given throughout the weekend at the Activity Barn on period subjects.

**Schedule of Events:**

<b>Thursday</b>	Noon - 9 pm	Registration and Set up
<b>Friday</b>	9am-2 pm 9am- 9 pm 2pm-9pm 6 pm <b>10 PM</b>	School Day Registration set up Dinner for school day volunteers <b>CO meeting at the Barn</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	7 am – noon 9 am – 5 pm	Registration Camps/site open to the public

**Educational Programs at the Barn. 10 am, noon and 4 pm. If you would like to present a program, please contact the coordinator.**

	2pm 5 pm	Scripted battle <b>site closes to public.</b> Gates will be closed. Do NOT bring vehicles into the site.
	6 pm	Community dinner followed by barn dance in the Civilian area. Bring a covered dish, everyone invited! If you play an instrument, bring it- period sheet music provided!
<b>Sunday</b>	9am-3pm 10 am <b>Noon</b> 2 pm 3 pm	Camps/site open to the public Period Church Service at the barn <b>Educational Program at the Barn</b> Scripted battle <b>site closes to the public</b>

**Please note: There will be one scheduled battle each day. Check with your CO after the Friday night meeting for opportunities to skirmish. The Civilians in town should be prepared for raids, hiding a deserter, hiding the enemy, etc.**

**If you plan to do a raid on the town, MAKE SURE THE CIVILIANS ARE IN ON IT. The raid should be a surprise for the SPECTATORS, but not for the PARTICIPANTS!**

**EMERGENCY NUMBER: Shorty Robbins, Event Coordinator (904) 509-9775**