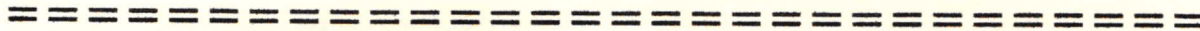


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Calendar of Coming AEHS Events

May 16, AEHS Trail Clearing Trip
June 13 Fort Halifax Reenactment Weekend
June 20 AEHS Directors Meeting,
Sept. 19 AEHS Annual Meeting,
details in Sept. *Messenger*

HIGHLIGHTS IN THIS ISSUE

- Feature Article, **Quebec Captured!**
- Artoc;e. Tje BDA Rpcl
- AEHS Directors to Meet
- Ft. Halifax Reenactment & Celebration
- Trail Work Day

Celebration and Reenactment at Fort Halifax

The town of Winslow will be conducting a weekend celebration and reenactment at historic Fort Halifax in that town. They are kicking off a campaign to raise funds to upgrade and renovate the park on the confluence of the Sebasticook and Kennebec Rivers.

The fort was built in 1754 during the French and Indian War. It was built to guard both the routes leading to the Penobscot along the Sebasticook River and the route to Canada along the Kennebec.

The wooden blockhouse is the oldest remaining structure of its kind in the United States.

It will be held the weekend of June 12-14 with the main events to take place on Saturday, June 13. New England Reenactors for the Colonial period are being invited and will set up their camps on the point on Friday, June 12.

On June 13 there will be a whole series of events that will begin at 9:00 AM and extend throughout the day. A period encampment will be set up along with many soldiers in period costume. Musket firings and battle scenarios will also be held.

As the event firms up, watch the local Waterville Morning Sentinel for more details. The AEHS will be represented there under the guidance of AEHS Directors Fred Clark, Hank Dillenbeck and Steve Clark.

On Sunday, June 14, the action will shift to Ft. Western in Augusta for another series of events at the fort. Events there will be published in late spring. Fort Western was the supply depot for Fort Halifax, 18 miles up the Kennebec River. The men of the 1775 Expedition encamped at both forts on their ascent of the Kennebec, on their way to attempt the capture of Quebec City.

We invite all members of the AEHS to attend this event. It should be a most interesting event taking place on very historic ground.