



May has arrived and Stone Mountain Memorial 2024 was last week. Above the copperhead membership from the nation representing. Thank You for all whom attended and Thank You GA. Copperheads for all your dedication in ensuring that all scheduling and coordination went seamlessly.

Last Months issue I said there would be some big news to report this month. Welcome Alabama crew to the Copperhead Nation. Captain Jackal oversees leading the State moving forward. Welcome Captain Jackal and your crew we are glad to have you!

Please see in this issue details for the copperhead 2<sup>nd</sup> National to be held in South Carolina September 2024

Downloadable registration form is available on the website.

# HARDTACK Journal

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The latest news, views, and announcements

Editor: Chief Signal Officer: Havoc

## **GENERAL'S REPORT**

Brothers,

I'd like to start by commending Captain Shadow and the rest of Georgia for all the effort they put into the Stone Mountain event. Everything went off without a hitch, everyone was safe, and everyone had a good time. It was great to see everyone, meet some new faces, and swear in three new brothers. I look forward to next year.

Equally, I'd like to welcome Alabama Captain Jackal and his boys to the fold. I have known Jackal for several years and couldn't be happier about the quality growth. I had the pleasure of meeting a couple Alabama boys at Stone Mountain, thank you for being able to attend the event on such short notice.

As the weather improves and everyone starts riding more, please be safe and remember to conduct yourselves above board. Everywhere you go, you are an ambassador of the Copperheads, and it is important we stay true to the qualities that make us such a strong organization: history, integrity, and brotherhood.

Until next month,

**General Lucky** 

**Deo Vindice** 

CFFC

Eole E. Lake

### From the Desk of the Founders

What has brought us all together. To honor the Confederate soldier and the sacrifices he has made to defend his homeland and his way of life. Stone Mountain was a great event to get people together from all organizations to help support this effort. When we make it more about what we have in common, who knows what we can accomplish. Congratulations to Capt. Jackal /Alabama for coming on Board. You and the Alabama brothers are a great addition to the Copperheads Nation. We're looking forward to seeing you on the road.

A land without memories is a people without Liberty.

**Robert E. Lee** 

Founders

**Rocco & Brick** 

## **STATE DISPATCHES**

## **Maryland**

Traveled down to Stone Mountain Georgia. Found a screw in the tire when heading out. General Lucky was kind enough to fix the problem. Thank you, Capt. Shadow and the brothers of Georgia, for a well-run, incredible event. 4/27 Founder Brick and the Posse swore in Brother Bub, Congratulations. We have a few rides coming up and our State meeting June 15<sup>th</sup>. May 18<sup>th</sup> we will meet at New Market battlefield at 11am. Please pray for brother Ajax as he is recovering from Neck and Back surgery. We love you, brother.

Heavenly Father, please relieve the pain of Ajax and help him recover well. Please lay your hands on him, grant him mercy, and remove his pain with your healing power. In the name of Jesus, please grant our healing prayer. Amen

- May 18<sup>th</sup> New Market Battlefield
- May 25<sup>th</sup> Sharpsburg Ride
- June 15<sup>th</sup> State Meeting

### **Founder Rocco**





Posse





## Virginia & West Virginia

#### **Submitted by Captain Crowbar**

### **Hello Brothers and Sisters,**

The month of April has been a good month for Virginia. We all been riding and having a good time. This month I was trying to split up the Virginia Report by regiments.

Blackhorse had a good month, and it looks like we picked up at least one new member and maybe two by the end of May. We had 3 Brothers ride to Stone Mountain and had a great time.

### **MOSBY's Rangers**

April was a great month, on the 7th Mosby's Rangers had their monthly regimental meeting and majority of the regiment was in attendance. Later in the month Scout Sargent Haybale and Lady Ritz along with their boys attended an event at Skyline Harley Davidson trying to work on club recruiting and promotion, spoke with a few guys and some other clubs in attendance...we had a great time. At the end of the month 4 Mosby Rangers, Lt Burr, Sct Sargent Haybale, Sargent Six-guns and his son Nick attended the Stone Mountain event in support of our Georgia brothers, and Haybales Lady Ritz was officially sworn in to the Ladies of Liberty....wow that was a great weekend and plenty of miles. Scout Sargent Haybale

### **Morgan's Raiders**

Morgan's Raiders. Submission Me Bo and Preacher went to Mt. Holly NC to flat rock cemetery to honor our ancestors and to see our brothers and Sister for supper. We also had our first yearly Blessing of the bikes ride. Preacher was promoted to Cav scout Corporal.

#### Sgt Bo

### **Mountain Rangers**

A great day today with our brothers, Morgan Raiders. Mountain Rangers took a road trip today on this beautiful 78°Whether today to Marion Virginia to spend time with our brothers of southern Virginia Morgan Raiders. We also took trip to Stone Mountain Georgia This will be a trip that we will never forget when it comes to memories with our brothers. A beautiful place and honoring are heroes. We had a great time spending time with our brothers from across our country. God bless Dixie, God bless our heroes. God bless our ancestors that some gave all. That they will never be forgotten. We will also be.

dedicating a Confederate iron cross in memory of my GG Grandfather Capt. David Tennessee Neff on Saturday May 11 at 11am at Grace United Church of Christ 10492 Orkney Grade in Mt Jackson Va. Hope a lot of my Copperheads family can make it.

Sgt Gunner, Corp Stuart, Squirrel













## Submission by Morgans Raiders: Bo



Submission by Mosby's rangers: LT Parasite



## **South Carolina**

Low Country reported by Bugman.

Members of the Low Country Crew Copperhead Beach; present at the SC Division Sons of Confederate Veterans held at North Myrtle Beach, South Carolina Two Copperheads were presented awards during the event.

State Color Sgt. John "Bugman" Fisher was given the Altman/Thompson Award by the 7th Brigade SC SCV. The award is named for Mr. Ed Altman and the late Edward Thompson of the Litchfield SCV #132 at Conway, SC. They two dedicated compatriots spent years researching and documenting the resting places of nearly 700 Confederate soldiers in Horry County, SC.

Sgt. Paul "Tech" Flanagan was given the Stonewall Jackson Individual Contribution Award. The purpose of the award is to recognize the efforts of an individual who contributed most to the goals of the Division, the activities of the Camp, and the preservation of Confederate History. Tech serves as Guardian Director of the Horry Rough and Readys SCV #1026, Myrtle Beach, SC. His work has been previously recognized at the brigade level and now at the state division level.



Compatriot Autin "Caveman" Futrell forwards the colors of the Horry Rough and Readys SCV #1026 wearing his Copperheads vest. Austin is a past commander of the camp.



SC Copperheads Color Sgt., John "Bugman Fisher with the 7th Brigade SC SCV Division Altman/Thompson Award.



SC SCV Division Commander Perry Smith awarding Sgt. Paul "Tech" Flanagan with the Stonewall Jackson Individual Contribution Award.



Representing the Copperheads at the SC SCV Division Reunion were Color Sgt. John "Bugman" Fisher, Compatriot Autin "Caveman" Futrell, Sgt. Paul "Tech" Flanagan and Corporal "B"



Copperheads' ad in the 2024 SC SCV Division Reunion packet

On Sunday, April 14th, the Low Country Crew Copperheads paid respects at the final resting place of Revolutionary War soldier, General Francis Marion. He is considered to be the father of modern guerilla warfare tactics.



On Saturday, April 27th, SC Copperheads Color Sgt., John "Bugman" Fisher and Sgt. Paul "Tech" Flanagan, placed Southern Crosses of Honor at Elliott Cemetery at Nichols, SC. Assisting were Craig Thompkins, Color Sgt. of the Horry R0ugh and Readys SCV #1026 and Mrs. Mary "Ladybug" Fisher.



In addition to their duties in the Copperheads, Bugman and Tech serve as Camp Commander and Guardian Director of the Horry Rough and Readys SCV #1026.



Mary "Ladybug" Fisher, Bugman, Color Sgt. Craig Thompkins and Tech



Placing one of four Southern Crosses of Honor



Color Sgt. Craig Thompkins dug the holes for cross placements.



"Ladybug" places First Nationals at soldier's gra



## Upcountry SC, supporting NC.





South Carolina Copperheads at stone mountain Georgia











The Confederate Memorial event at Stone Mountain, Georgia took place April 27, 2024. Copperheads and Ladies of Liberty came from as far as Ohio to attend this annual event. Copperheads enjoyed good fellowship on Friday night prior to the event. Captain Shadow presented Captain Rocco, General Lucky, Colonel Chopper, and Captain Crowbar with former patches that were previously destroyed by former members. The Georgia Copperheads worked together to repair and restore the damaged patches and pieced back together. In total, there were 40 bikes/vehicles in the procession leading into Stone Mountain Park. Thanks to all that attended. We had a grand showing of support.





April 27th at Stone Mountain Park Georgia Copperheads sworn in Shortround (Southern Platoon) and Dollar Bill (The Tribe) after completing their 90 days.



April 13th The Southern Platoon of the Georgia Copperheads sworn in Frog after fully completed his 90 days.





## John Hill and Casey Weber from Ohio at the hotel in Stone Mountain.



Casey Weber being sworn in at Stone Mountain.





Casey proud and happy looking at his patch.



Event going on in Ohio in June (FYI)

### Friends & Descendants of Johnson's Island Civil War Prison

### Summer 2024 Events

### **Pop-up Museum**

Johnson's Island Clubhouse (next to cemetery) Saturday, June 29, 10am-3pm The Friends will host a pop-up museum of artifacts, historical documents, and interpretive displays relating to the prisoners and guards of Johnson's Island. Also on display will be the collections of other historical organizations and private collectors.

A series of short presentations will be given throughout the day in the clubhouse.

Participants can also visit the cemetery and the site of the former prison for tours.

Interested in having a display? Email us at jicwmp@gmail.com.

### Open Houses & Tours TBD

For more information, visit: https://www.facebook.com/FDJICWP



Sgt. Val



### Texas was representing at poker run for Amber's cancer fund, event turned out 50 riders.









## **NORTH CAROLINA**

Members of the Copperheads and The Ladies of Liberty from three different states attended the Mountain Island Preservation Society's Confederate Memorial service and the unveiling of the Lanier Brothers monument at Flat Rock Cemetery in Mt. Holly N.C. April 20<sup>th.</sup>







 TENNESSEE

 Tennessee had a fantastic time at the Stone Mountain, and we appreciate all the hard work Georgia put into this event! It was awesome to meet brothers from all over Copperhead Nation!



Soundman (Ala.) left and Sgt. Bull (TN) right.



Sgt. Bull, Capt. Rocco, Capt. Shadow w/ Karma, and Gen. Lucky.

Tennessee also had the honor of swearing in 10 brothers in Alabama and we had a great time! These brothers are very excited to start this new journey and will make a great addition to our brotherhood!



Sgt. Bull with the newly sworn in Alabama brothers!

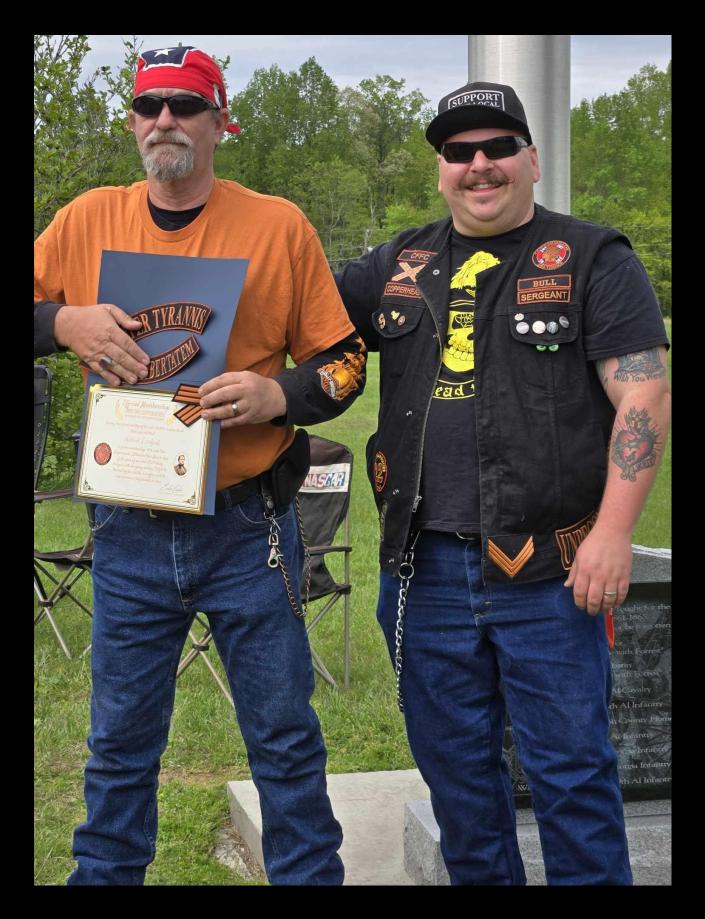
Due to multiple scheduling conflicts, we have been unable to swear-in our new brother John "Bootleg" Wright, but we anticipate that to be taking place in June or July.



Brothers from Tennessee and Alabama will be attending the 22nd Annual Forrest Homecoming and Southern Heritage Festival on Saturday June 15th. The event starts at 9:00am, we could use as many brothers as possible to attend. Contact Sgt. Bull if interested and need additional information.

## ALABAMA

## Report by: Tatanka.



Captain Jackal(left) being presented his certificate an captain bars by Sergeant Bull(right)



ALABAMA COPPERHEADS!! Backrow LtoR, Mule, Magnum, Buzzsaw, Youngblood, Skid, SGT Bull (Tennessee) Speedy, CPT Jackal, Tatanka, Soundman, Clutch



Cpt Jackal awarding Speedy as Cavalry Scout



Alabama Copperheads representing heading to Elora Tennessee

## **Up Coming Events**

## Copperheads' 2<sup>nd</sup> National South Carolina

The Copperheads yearly National Reunion will take place in Conway/Myrtle Beach South Carolina on 9/12/2024 through 9/15/2024. The address is Conway South Carolina 29526. We strongly advise using Rt. 22 rather than coming through Conway on Rt. 501 as Big Larry's place is just 3.5 miles from Rt. 22, and you'll avoid traffic. Accommodations are listed above. To get the room discount you must use the name Fultz. There are many other Hotels and Motels in the area. Plenty of camping is also available on Larry Fultz's property on a first come first serve basis. Contact Larry for info. Ladies, there is plenty of shopping and other interesting things to do locally including 90 miles of beaches and tourist attractions. Plenty of food and drinks will be provided along with Keg Beer. See y'all there.

P.S. I removed the exact address for this public publication, if in need contact your state officers.



## **Needham's Notes**



John Needham Copperheads Historian http://www.civilwarfactcheck.org



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Our nation's Confederate Heritage is under attack. In nearly every town square across Dixie, and even up North and out West, the symbols of our People are being removed. Our Founding Fathers' belief in States Rights is precisely what those brave Southern men and women sacrificed for. Our adversaries intend to destroy any monument to that legacy. It's damn well gone far enough.

We're gaining new members daily, with chapters in Maryland, South Carolina, Virginia, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, North Carolina, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Texas... and a *Ladies of Liberty* organization to support us. We're a family you'll surely recognize.

To join the Copperheads, Confederate ancestry is not a requirement. Being a true American is. If you have a motorcycle, if you are willing to saddle up and defend the memory of the Confederate soldier, and if you share our ancestors' desire for a limited government, we hope to hear from you soon.

Compatriots, we have the momentum, and we plan on keeping it. It's time for all of us to ride. Together.

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