

SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS-MECHANIZED CAVALRY



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# WAR HORSE

2011



*Picture 1. Col Kevin Stone addressing some of the events to be held at 2 Dogs on Thursday morning before the ride to Wheels Through Time.*

### **1. 12th Annual 2 Dogs Invitational at Maggie Valley, North Carolina on Friday, August 26, 2011.**

It was a great event in a very picturesque part of the South and it was all about so many things: SCV Mechanized Cavalry members getting together and fulfilling their charges by displaying the Confederate Flags to and from each event, and enjoying the ride to North Carolina and back home. If you missed out on this truly great event they'll be another next August 2012 but we not only enjoyed the comradely of three days and nights with the members and their family and friends but we were escorted to the following events: On Friday morning we visited the "Wheels Through Time Museum" which was an as-

sortment of antique vehicles mostly motorcycles but with an interesting assortment of cars like the Cadillac that belonged to Steve McQueen; Friday afternoon was, get a free hot dog and wash our bikes day with the "Bikini Bike Wash" which not only raised money for the TaTa's Foundation but they really did use soap and water to get the grime off of our bikes; we formed up later Friday Afternoon for a ride to the Museum of the Cherokee; The Baptism occurred that afternoon in the Nantahala River behind the Camp Grounds before the evening meal; that evening we spent eating 'all u can eat chicken' and was witness to the revelation of the North Carolina Division Lt Commander, Danny Bolick, giving us a talk on the role of the Confederate hot air balloons role in



**Picture 2.** *The first event was to the Wheels Through Time Museum just two blocks down the road. Here Denny Forster stands in front of Evil Knevil's bike. This museum is home to the world's premier collection of rare American Vintage Motorcycles. Located 5 miles from the Blue Ridge Parkway, in beautiful Maggie Valley, NC, this All-American motorcycle museum houses over 300 of America's rarest and most historic classic motorcycles, with over 24 marques on display, including the likes of Harley-Davidson, Indian, Excelsior, Crocker, Henderson, and much more. Western North Carolina's premier museum and tourism attraction features dozens of motorcycle-related exhibits, ranging from board track racers, hillclimbing, and original paint machines to American Dirt Track racing, choppers and bobbers, and one-of-a-kind motorcycles. The museum also annually holds a motorcycle raffle, which helps them continue their mission. Founded by Dale Walksler in 1993, WTT has become an integral piece in discovering, maintaining, and preserving American motorcycle history. The collection houses tens of thousands of motorcycle pictures, historic memorabilia, and other motorcycle artifacts, and has been featured in hundreds of motorcycle publications, including American Iron, Cycle World, Cycle Source, and American Motorcyclist to name a few.*

war fare. On Saturday morning we rode to Randall Cemetery near Bryson City and was part of the Iron Cross ceremony for Pvt. Loeton Moses Sherrill; that afternoon we traveled to Deal's Gap and rode the Dragon's Tail to the Smokey Mountain Harley-Davidson dealership where we had a BBQ lunch and returned via the Dragon's Tail to the camp grounds. That Saturday evening a pig was roasted and prizes given away. What a great time.

I know I put on more than 2,300 miles on my bike and had a great time doing it.

**2. Membership responsibility.** Notify your Captain, platoon leader, squad leader of any change in your address so that the membership rolls can be updated without too much of a hassle. The changes should be forwarded on to Capt DJ Cloninger at [dj-320@scvmccsa.org](mailto:dj-320@scvmccsa.org).

**3. E Group for the SCV Mechanized Cavalry.** The moderator for the group, 1st Lt. Bud Cranford #153 has really got his hands full sometimes keeping every submission responsible. He has published the following guidelines in participating in this pub

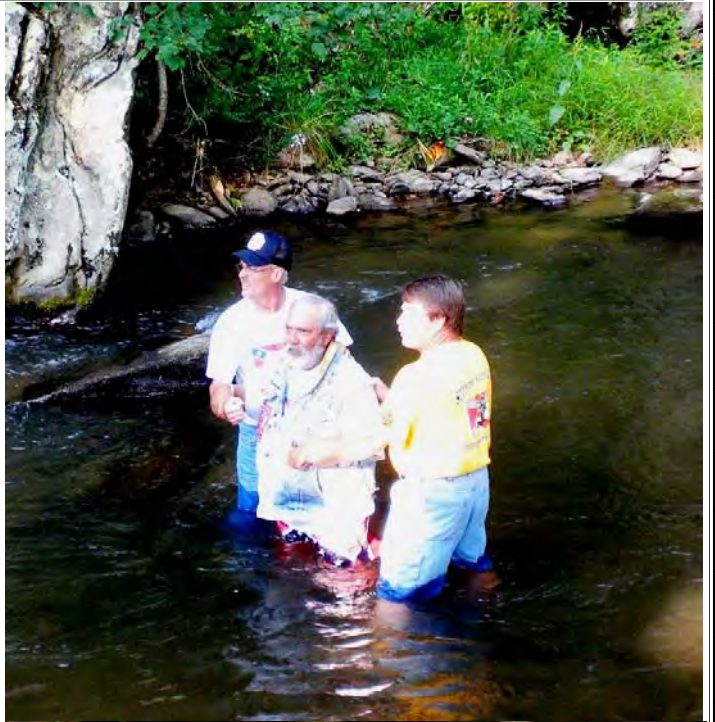


*Pictures 3. The Bike Wash. Originally intended to raise money and awareness for the TaTa's Foundation this event turned out to be a unending display of Confederate Flags and was also one of the most upraising event of the weekend: God Bless those little Confederate Flags and how they waved. These four volunteers, Southern women all, did their best to scrub all the dirt off our bikes and managed to capture our attention in the process. I know I had more than 1,000 miles of grime on my bike by the time I left Miami and reached Maggie Valley. And by the way some of the photos in this newsletter were taken by Lori Foster of Georgia's First Troop, a pretty Southern Girl in her own rite. Greg Kalof in top left and Mark Davis top right from Florida.*



*Picture 4. Friday ride to the Museum of the Cherokee Indian, was just about 20 miles from Maggie Valley, in Cherokee, North Carolina. Not only did we get to see the entire history of the Cherokee but we had the amazing luck of being introduced to the museum by one of the elders. The elder gave us an insight into the most intimate structure of the tribe when he said, "...tribe members may move to other places to work or live but they always return home" ... before they die. He was supposed to leave at 3 PM but he staid on to address our group. I'm so glad he addressed our group.*

*Pictures 5. Baptism. Gregory Kalof #300 was Baptized on Friday afternoon by Johnny Strickland (white shirt) #1111, 3rd Bn Co D Chaplain and Charles 'Chip' Cole Jr (yellow shirt) the SCV MC Chaplain. The ceremony took place in the Nantahala River behind the Smoky View Cottages & RV Resort.*



**(3. EGroup Etiquet cont.)** lic forum. His request for it's etiquette is as follows:

*However. I would like to bring up the subject of what the forum is for:*

***This forum is for our diverse members to get to know one another, though we are widely separated.***

***It is also to announce events and enable our Officers to communicate quickly with other members.***

*When should we post off forum and why?*

***We should post Off Forum'when a email string deals with personal matters not of concern to the rest of the Mechanized Cavalry.***

***Off Forum'should also be used for personal disagreements with another member, again, of no concern to the members of the Mechanized Cavalry.***

*How many posts are we allowed on this forum on a same subject?*

***Unlimited. Until we beat that horse to death or everyone quits discussing it.***

*Is a person not in the' In Crowd'/New Member' allowed to challenge a comment?*

***Of Course. We are all Mechanized Cavalry members here. Everyone has the same rights as everyone else.***

***Of course we must remember, opinions are like . . . noses. Everyone has one including those who disagree with you.***

*When is a New Member no longer a new Member.( I for instance have been addressed and referred to as a New Member but have been a member of the SCV since 2007 nearly 5 years.)*

***Now, that is a tough question.***

***Having been Moderator for nearly 10 years, most on here are new members compared to me.***

***It's often like the Hew'people in a small town. They may have lived there 15 years and still be considered the new people, by those whose great, great grandparents lived there. New is a matter of opinion.***

***That said, I am a firm believer in free speech. I believe that everyone has a right to express their opinion regardless of whether I agree with them.***

***I may not agree with what you say, but I'll defend to the death your right to say it."***

***Topics such as this one that have caused turmoil in the past may have to be re-discussed because so many are now members who weren't part of the original discussion, years ago. Sometimes the same questions/issues***

***arise from a new source.***

***That is also why Major Hamby fired me as Headquarters Adjutant, many years ago, Because I would not stop a topic that I believed had merit, even though it was controversial.***

***If you have any questions on whether something should be posted on this eGroup, then send it to me in a personal email and I'll tell you my opinion, but as a guideline: if you, the sender, are not sure it is appropriate, then it probably isn't.***

***One thing I will ask is that members Think before you Post. It is far to easy to read a post and reply in anger. Often after re-reading the post you realize it was not meant the way you took it originally, but you can't recall your angry re-tort.***

***1st Lt. Bud Cranford #153***

***3rd Battalion, Company B, Troop 3  
eGroup Moderator.***

*Since we have several new members, I thought it might be a good time to restate the eGroup policies. While the group was created for improved communication among members and to allow our leadership to quickly and easily provide information to the members, it is also a great way for us to get to know each other.*

*Jokes etc. are permitted, though I hope they will not get in the way of other communications. There are only 3 ways to get in trouble, here and all are common courtesy.*

***1) No Pornography!*** Though we are all adult males on this group, some of our more Christian minded members object to such material. Also some of our less computer literate members have their wives take care of the email. A good basic rule to follow is; ***If you wouldn't want your Ma-ma to see it, don't send it here."***

***2) No Excessive Profanity.*** Almost all of us swear occasionally, but keep it to a minimum, for the reasons listed in #1.

***3) No Flaming! (Personal Attacks)*** We do not always agree and I encourage healthy debate, but personal attacks are discouraged. Refute the argument if you like but don't attack the person just because he has a different opinion.



Picture 6. NC Division Lt Cmdr. **Danny Bolick** speaks on the subject of Hot Air Baloons used by the Confederate Army. 08.26.2011



Picture 7. The line for BBQ formed early for a lot of hungry MC members and family. 08.28.2011



Picture 8. At Deal's Gap the Mechanized Cavalry fill up their tanks before taking on the Dragon Tail on Saturday afternoon. 08.27.2011



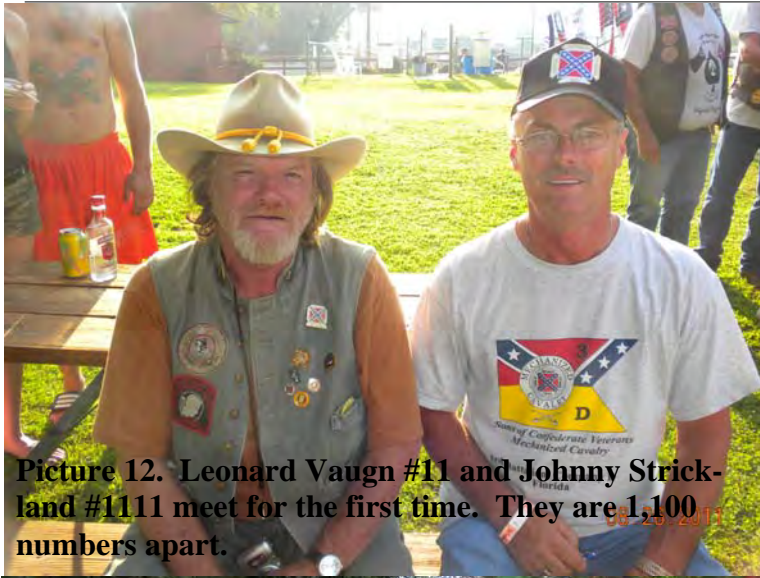
Picture 9. The Mchanzized Cavalry taking on the Dragon's Tail twice on Saturday afternoon.



Picture 10. Col. Kevin Stone and crew preparing the BBQ pork on Saturday night. 08.27.2011



Picture 11. Col. Kevin Stone and Captain Ricky Womble making preparations for the BBQ. 08.26.2011



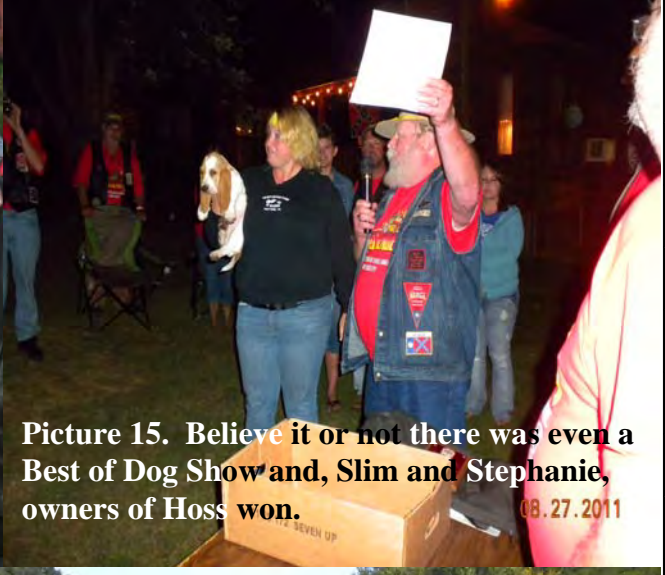
Picture 12. Leonard Vaughn #11 and Johnny Strickland #1111 meet for the first time. They are 1,100 numbers apart.



Picture 13. This Friend of the SCV showed up with this eye catching arrangement of patches.



Picture 14. During the event patches were sold and traded by those that had them.



Picture 15. Believe it or not there was even a Best of Dog Show and, Slim and Stephanie, owners of Hoss won.



Picture 16. I believe over \$1,000 was made from contributions and the "Bikini Wash" for the TaTa Foundation.



Picture 17. Sixty-nine bikes lined up at the Randall Cemetery to observe and participate in the Iron Cross Ceremony on Saturday morning.



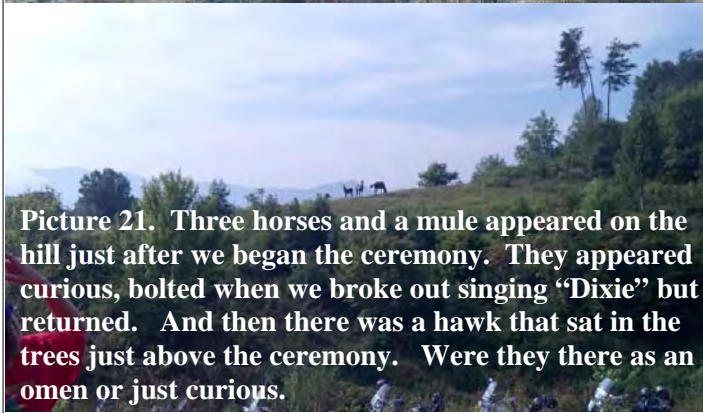
Picture 18. Col. Kevin Stone reads and presents the Presidential Award to 2nd Lt Johnny Strickland of 3rd Bn. Co. D.



Picture 19. Col. Stone swears in two new members of the SCV Mechanized Cavalry. 08.27.2011



Picture 20. NC Division Lt Cmdr Danny Bolick led the Iron Cross Ceremony for Pvt. Loeton Moses Sherrill, Col. Kevin Stone stands behind him in the red shirt and leather vest and I, Lt Col Greg Kalof stood to Kevin's left and would play taps to close out the ceremony.



Picture 21. Three horses and a mule appeared on the hill just after we began the ceremony. They appeared curious, bolted when we broke out singing "Dixie" but returned. And then there was a hawk that sat in the trees just above the ceremony. Were they there as an omen or just curious.



Picture 22. The musket salute followed the Iron Cross ceremony and I had the honor of closing out the ceremony with taps.

## GENTLEMAN OF THE CAVALRY

THANKS FOR THE OVERWHELMING RESPONSE TO NC'S STATE EVENT! WE PLAN TO HAVE IT IN MAGGIE VALLEY NEXT YEAR AS WELL AND IT WILL BE BIGGER AND BETTER THAN EVER! FOOD SERVICE IMPROVEMENTS HAVE ALREADY BEEN TAKEN CARE OF AND IT PROMISES TO BE MOST DELICIOUS! I AM TAKING ORDERS FOR SHORT SLEEVED 2DOGS TSHIRTS FOR ANY DESIRING AN EXTRA AS WELL AS LONG SLEEVE AND HOODED SWEAT SHIRTS. EMAIL ME TO ORDER. PRICES ARE \$20 FOR SHORT SLEEVED \$25 FOR LONG AND \$30 FOR HOODED SWEATSHIRTS. ALL ARE IN RED COLOR WITH 4 COLOR PRINT ON FRONT AND 5 COLOR PRINT ON BACK!!! TOP QUALITY GILDAN SHIRTS...MAKES AN EXCELLENT CHRISTMAS GIFT!!! SHOTGUN (DAVIS PHILLIPS SCVMC #15) AND MYSELF WILL BE REPRESENTING NC AT LOUISIANA'S 2ND ANNUAL GATOR RIDE...SEE YOU THERE!!!

RAYWWF  
KEVIN STONE  
COLONEL SCV MECHANIZED CAVALRY, COMMANDING

### Confederate War Horse

**Contributions to the newsletter should be addressed to my email address: [gregor999@aol.com](mailto:gregor999@aol.com).**

**The content of your report or submission should contain the following: the four "w's" who, where, what, and when. Please provide pictures because we like to look at pictures and as they say a picture is worth a thousand words. Be sure to identify the people in the pictures: first and last names, mechanized cavalry number, and state if possible.**



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