

# 2023 March Schedule

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## Saturday, September 16

10:00am-5:00pm OVRTA Day: Kings Mountain: The Overmountain Men Story Rocky Mount State Historic Site

## Sunday, September 17

2:00pm Campbell gravesite service  
Following Campbell service Brody gravesite service

## Monday, September 18

9:00am-2:00pm Abingdon Call to Arms Muster Grounds Abingdon, VA

## Tuesday, September 19

9:00am-2:00pm Abingdon Call to Arms Muster Grounds Abingdon, VA

## Wednesday, September 20

9:00am-2:00pm Abingdon Call to Arms Muster Grounds Abingdon, VA

## Friday, September 22

8:30am-11:30am Sullivan East Middle School program  
6:00pm-8:00pm The Parting Shots @ "The Tavern" (NPS) The Tavern restaurant, Abingdon, VA

## Saturday, September 23

10:00am Fort Watauga Muster Sycamore Shoals State Historic Park  
10am, 1pm, 4pm Guided Hikes (NPS) Muster Grounds, Abingdon, VA  
6:00pm The Night Before Muster Grounds Abingdon, VA

## Sunday, September 24

Col William Campbell and his men leave the Muster Grounds. Col Shelby & Col Sevier's men head toward Fort Watauga

10:00am Fort Watauga Muster Sycamore Shoals State Historic Park  
10:00am Muster Grounds Muster Muster Grounds Abingdon, VA  
2:00pm Muster Grounds Ceremony Muster Grounds Abingdon, VA  
2:00pm Constitution Week Bell Ringing Bogart Bowman Cabin  
6:00pm Rocky Mount Public Program Rocky Mount

Encamp: Rocky Mount

Actual: Ft Womack

## The Gathering

### Monday, September 25

Col's Campbell, Shelby, and Sevier and their men arrive at Fort Watauga

2:00pm	Watauga River crossing	Sycamore Shoals State Historic Park
Following river crossing	"Campaign to Kings Mountain" public program	Sycamore Shoals State Historic Park
Following public program	Jerry Mustin memorial service	Sycamore Shoals State Historic Park

**Encamp:** Sycamore Shoals                      **Actual:** Sycamore Shoals (Fort Watauga)

### The March Begins

### Tuesday, September 26

The Overmountain Men leave Fort Watauga heading toward Shelter Rock/Resting Place looking for Major Patrick Fergusson

11:00am	Rev Doak	Sycamore Shoals	Elizabethton, TN
9:00am	Walk Yellow Mountain	Meet at Roan Mountain	Community Park
6:00pm	Roan Mountain program & music (Virginia Boys)	Roan Mountain	Community Park

**Encamp:** Roan Mountain Community Park                      **Actual:** Shelving Rock/Resting Grounds

### Wednesday, September 27

The Overmountain Men cross Roan Mountain at Yellow Mountain Gap, drill and roll call, find two men are missing Col Cleveland and his men leave Wilkes Surry

9:00am	Sibelco School Day and Sevier gravesite
6:00pm	Orchard at Altapass meal and program

**Encamp:** Apple Orchard                      **Actual:** Roaring Creek

### Thursday, September 28

The Men continue along trail

9:00am	Carson House Living School Day	Carson House
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**Encamp:** Carson House                      **Actual:** Grassy Creek

### Friday, September 29

The Overmountain Men divide into two groups to follow the two trails (North Cove & Turkey Cove) off the mountain

5:00pm	Guided Hike (NPS)	Visitor Center, Lake James State Park
6:00pm	Patty Creek evening program	

**Encamp:** Patty Creek Visitor Center/Campground                      **Actual:** North Cove & Turkey Cove

### **Saturday, September. 30**

The two groups join back together and camp at Quaker Meadows, Wilkes Surry Militia under Col Ben Cleveland join the Overmountain Men at Quaker Meadows

10am, 1pm	Guided Hike (NPS)	Visitor Center, Lake James State Park
1:00pm-5:00pm	Living History Day	McDowell House, Morganton, NC

**Encamp:** Patty Creek Visitor Center/Campground      **Actual:** Quaker Meadows

### **Sunday, October 1**

The combine Militia head toward Gilbertown crossing the Catawba River, heavy rain begins, camp at Bedford Hills

11:00am	Sunday Church service	Quaker Meadows Presbyterian Church
12:00pm	Guided Bike Ride (NPS)	Catawba Greenway, Morganton, NC
2:00pm	Monument dedication & River crossing (actual date)	Greenlee Ford, Morganton, NC

**Encamp:** Lucky Strike Campground or Scout Camp      **Actual:** Bedford Hills

### **Monday, October 2**

Heavy rain continues, Overmountain Men remain in camp, officers elect Col Campbell as overall commander

Pond Mountain

**Encamp:** Lucky Strike Campground      **Actual:** Bedford Hills

### **Tuesday, October 3**

Militia head toward Gilbertown

9:00am	Wilkes School Day	Wilkes Heritage Museum
4:30pm	Guide Hike (NPS)	Purple Mountain Trail
6:00pm	Rutherfordton program	Kiwanis Park

**Encamp:** Church next to Kiwanis Park? (Scout Camp backup)      **Actual:** Marlins Knob

### **Wednesday, October 4**

Arrive at Gilbertown, Ferguson is gone

9:00am	Elkin School Day	Elkin Municipal Park
7:00-8:00am	Breakfast by DAR	Rutherfordton Scout Cabin
8:50am	Golbert School Day	Gilbert Town
4:30pm	Guided Hike (NPS)	Alexanders Ford
	Gray's Chapel public evening program	Gray's Chapel

**Encamp:** Grays Chapel      **Actual:** Gilbertown

**Thursday, October 5**

The Militia head southwest and camp at Alexander’s Ford on the Green River. They learn from scouts that Ferguson is marching toward Charlotte Town and the protection of Cornwallis’s army.

7:00am Breakfast Pleasant Hill Church  
9:00am Polk County School Program Gray’s Chapel/ Alexanders Ford

**Encamp:** Cherokee Co History & Arts Museum **Actual:** Alexanders Ford

**Friday, October 6**

The Militia head toward Cowpens and join with militia from South Carolina, Georgia and Lincoln Co., NC. At 9 pm militia of best 900 men leave in pouring rain and head toward Kings Mountain

4:00pm Cherokee Ford Trail hike (NPS event) Wolf Den Lane, Gaffney, SC  
5:00pm Guided Walk (NPS) Cowpens National Battlefield  
6:00pm The Night before Kings Mountain program Cowpens National Battlefield

**Encamp:** Cherokee Co History & Arts Museum **Actual:** Cowpens

**Saturday, October 7**

Before 3 pm militia arrive at Kings Mountain and battle begins at 3 pm

8:30am (tentative) Guided Hike “The Patriot Advance” (NPS) Kings Mountain National Park  
11:00am Wreath Laying Ceremony Kings Mountain National Military Park.  
2:15pm Meet at the Visitor’s Center to prepare for March finale  
3:00pm Walk into the amphitheater at Kings Mountain NMP for traditional ceremony.  
7:00pm Candle tours Kings Mountain National Military Park

**Encamp:** Kings Mountain **Actual:** Kings Mountain