

The Real Patriot's Day: Dawn Salute at Buttrick Hill in Concord

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This morning I had the opportunity to attend the annual Remembrance Ceremony held on April 19th at Buttrick Hill in Concord, MA, adjacent to the North Bridge. The event heralds the arrival of Samuel Prescott on horseback at the North Bridge to warn the hundreds of militia of the pending arrival of British troops from Boston on the morning of April 19, 1775, and the ensuing start of the Revolutionary War.

Its not often that I'm awake at 5am, but I was pleased to find the event well worth my effort. The ceremony lasted about 30 minutes from the cries of "Samuel Prescott" galloping across the bridge until then the end of the dawn salute with blazing muskets by the resident militia.

For some additional photos from another spectator, including some very nice photos of Dr. Prescott on horseback, [see these](#).

Read more about the Battles of Lexington and Concord:

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