

The Day of the Generals

What started as an informal meeting of members of 'The General George S. Patton Appreciation Society' at this years 25th Anniversary War & Peace Show, ended up as 'The Day of the Generals', plus a German Field Marshall.

General Montgomery (Michael Bar) and Lt General George S. Patton (George Patton Kimmins) started the whole idea some 21 years ago with Winston Churchill (Leigh Dilley - who's claim to fame was decoy Winston Churchill in the 'Eagle has Landed') they never looked back after that.

General MacArthur (Richard Arm) became a reality at the War & Peace Show in 2006, General Eisenhower (Stuart Blight) made his first appearance at Leeds Castle in June 2007, followed by the W&P Show.

Field Marshall Erich Von Manstien (Scott Vallins) and his Aide are members of the Fieldgendarmerie 39 - 45.

Society members consist also of Colonel Michael Larkin, First Lieutenant Carol Pescod Army Nurse Corp, MP Sgt Anthony Kimmins, MP T/Sgt Philip Pescod, with society friends a British Police Sergeant and Japanese soldier.

Historically, the real meeting took place some years earlier, Patton first met MacArthur in France in 1918 and Montgomery in North Africa, Sicily in 1943.

After a brief period of Operation Fortitude, a decoy set up to confuse the German Armoured Divisions in France with a planned attack at Pas de Calais, Patton took command of the Third Army in late July of '44 where he once again met Montgomery in an orchard in Nehou, Normandy.

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