

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Vermont	
COUNTY: Rutland	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER 71.3.50.0005	DATE 3/11/71

1. NAME

COMMON:
Hubbardton Battlefield

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
Jct. Castleton-Hubbardton Rd. and Old Military Rd. to Mount

CITY OR TOWN:
Independence

Hubbardton

STATE: Vermont CODE: 50 COUNTY: Rutland CODE: 021

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Military <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ Comments _____ _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
State of Vermont, Board of Historic Sites (and private)

STREET AND NUMBER:
7 Langdon St.

CITY OR TOWN:
Montpelier

STATE: Vermont CODE: 50

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Office of the Secretary of State

STREET AND NUMBER:
State House

CITY OR TOWN:
Montpelier

STATE: Vermont CODE: 50

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
State Survey of Historic Sites and Buildings

DATE OF SURVEY: 1967-1968 Federal State County Local

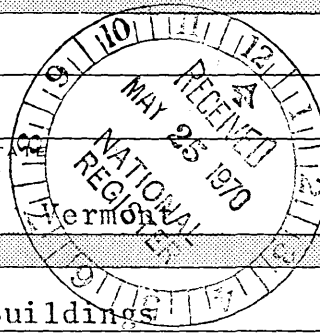
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Vermont Board of Historic Sites

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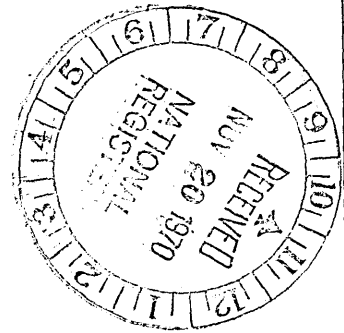
7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)				
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins
	(Check One)			(Check One)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Hubbardton Battlefield is located in the hills of west central Vermont. The Battlefield and the surrounding area of immediate importance consists of approximately 1500 acres. At present the only buildings within the Battlefield site are 1 farm house and outbuildings, owned by the State of Vermont, and a building which was formerly the Hubbardton one room schoolhouse. The schoolhouse is scheduled for acquisition by the State of Vermont. The farm house and buildings will be removed from the site after the demise of the present tenant who was formerly the owner. Future plans for the site include the construction of the visitors' reception center and museum and the restoration of the Selleck Log Cabin which served as the American command post during the battle. The general area of the battle ground is bounded on the south, east, and north by high wooded ridge lines and on the west by rolling hills and woodlands.

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3. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

Battle fought 1777.

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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In the green hills of East Hubbardton, during the early morning hours of July 7, 1777 there was fought one of the most successful rear guard actions in the annals of American military history. It was the only battle of the American Revolution which took place entirely on Vermont soil.

Gen. Arthur St. Clair, retreating from Fort Ticonderoga, had left at Hubbardton a few hundred men from his rear guard unit, with orders to slow the British pursuit as much as possible. By this maneuver, St. Clair hoped to make good the escape eastward, of his weary and tattered main army.

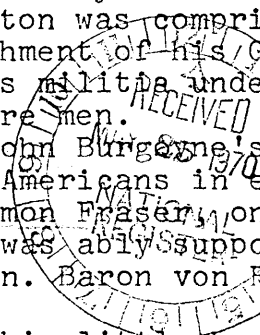
The small force remaining at Hubbardton was comprised of Vermont's Col. Seth Warner with a detachment of his Green Mountain Boys; a detail of Massachusetts militia under Col. Ebenezer Francis, and a few New Hampshire men.

The pursuing British units of Gen. John Burgoyne's Army were seasoned Regulars, far superior to the Americans in equipment and supplies. They were led by Gen. Simon Fraser, one of Burgoyne's best line officers. Fraser was ably supported by a detachment of Brunswick troops under Gen. Baron von Riedesel, a thoroughly competent field officer.

In spite of the odds against them, this little band of Americans, with the outstandingly capable leadership of Colonels Warner and Francis, put up such a furious defensive action at Hubbardton that their purpose was achieved. They then retired easterly into the Green Mountain wilderness.

So heavy were the losses inflicted upon Gen. Fraser's command, that he gave up the pursuit of St. Clair's army, and returned to Fort Ticonderoga. Thus Burgoyne's plan to invade New England from the west, was foiled in its first stage. The Battle of Hubbardton, though a small military action by itself, marked the beginning of the end for Gen. "Gentleman Johnny" Burgoyne, who surrendered three months later at Saratoga, with his entire army of some 8,000 men.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

The Battle of Hubbardton, A Critical Analysis, Dupuy, Col. R.E. State of Vermont, Board of Historic Sites, Montpelier, Vermont. 1960.
 A Guide to Historic Sites State of Vermont, Board of Historic Sites, Montpelier, Vermont. 1970.

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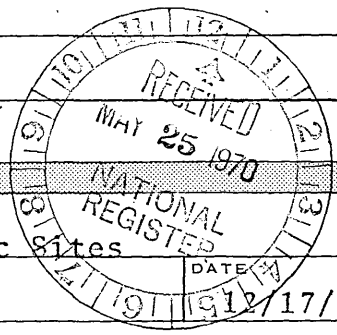
10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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NE	73° 07' 50"	43° 42' 33"		° ' "	° ' "	
SE	73° 07' 50"	43° 41' 06"		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	73° 09' 33"	43° 41' 06"		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **1500**

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE



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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
William B. Pinney, Director of Historic Sites
 ORGANIZATION:
Vermont Board of Historic Sites
 STREET AND NUMBER:
7 Langdon St.
 CITY OR TOWN:
Montpelier STATE: **Vermont** CODE: **44**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:
 National State Local
 Name William B. Pinney
 Title Director of Historic Sites
 Date 4/1/70

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.
Ernest A. Connolly
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation
 Date MAR 11 1971
 ATTEST:
William J. Swartz
 Keeper of The National Register
 Date MAR 3 1971