

Manassas was the scene of the firs t and second battles of Manassas, often called Bull Run, on July 21, 1861, and August 28 30, 1862. The first encounter, the opening battle of the Civil War, pitted General Irvin McDowell's unseasoned Union Troops against ill trained Confederates under General P. G. T. Beauregard.

The Confederate victory was sparked by General Thomas J. Jackson's stand in which he gained the epithet Stonewall. The second battle, also a Confederate victory, cleared the way for General Robert E. Lee's first invasion of the North.



## Manassas National Battlefield Park (Historic District) Listed in the National Register of Historic Places October 15, 1966; boundary increase January 18, 2006

