



ARMY SERVICE FORCES

Training Center



AMPHIBIAN

Camp Gordon Johnston, Fla.

SPECIAL EDITION

The Camp Gordon Johnston Association

August- September 2015

The DUKW Getting repaired.

MVPA members the Grimes brothers recently traveled to Carrabelle and removed the DUKW to Tallahassee for repairing this historic vehicle to running condition. After being removed from the motor bin it has fallen into disrepair. It should be ready for next year's parade schedule.



Learn the Amphibian Story, watch these Links to WWII Amphibious Training films

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vBOIW0Pi1nI>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qYjVUu45Tvs>

CGJ WWII Museum joins in Celebrating 70th Anniversary of end of WWII.

On Saturday, August 15, 2015, members of the MVPA teamed up together at the St. George Island State Park with the Camp Gordon Johnston Museum members and the Florida Park Service to recognize the 70th anniversary of V-Day (Victory Day) which marked the end of World War II in 1945. MVPA members John Booth brought a 1944 Chevrolet M-6 Bomb Truck, Russell Deese a 1942 GPW Jeep, Jason Booth a 1955 M38A1 Jeep, Wesley Marsh brought his 1968 Kaiser M274A4 Mule and Kevin Vislocky a 1985 AMG Humvee. Mike Horvath and Tony Minichiello brought the museum's German WWII Leiferwagen and also had tables set up with memorabilia and information regarding the activities of Camp Gordon Johnston during WWII. The vehicles were displayed for the public to learn about and enjoy the history of the vehicles and the military veterans who used vehicles such as these to defend our country. After the display was completed, MVPA members meet at an Apalachicola MVPA restaurant, "Boss Oysters" for a fine seafood lunch, shown below left to right: Jason Booth, Kevin Vislocky, John Booth, Russell Deese and Wesley Marsh.



Our Wermacht Leiferwagen



MVPA Members gather around



The array of vehicles



Enjoying Franklin County seafood

Keep Our History Alive!
Participate in the CGJA Raffle—Win a WWII Rifle!



SMITH CORONA PRODUCTION OF M1903A3
 Mod. # 03-A3
 Serial # C3710543

Purchase your raffle ticket here for **\$15**, or **6 for \$75**. The proceeds from this raffle will go to the Camp Gordon Johnston WWII Museum Building Fund. The Camp Gordon Johnston Association is a 501 c (3) non-profit Florida Corporation dedicated to the preservation of the soldiers who trained in Franklin County, Florida and all WWII veterans.

The winning raffle ticket will be drawn at 11:10 a.m., Veteran's Day, 2015 at the Talon Range, 20 Ram Blvd, Ste. #2, Midway, Florida 32343. The winner may take possession of the raffle prize, a Springfield 1903 WWII rifle*, at Masters of Gun & Rod, 1515-2 Capital Circle NW, Tallahassee, Florida.

The winner need not be present to win. The winner will be notified by telephone/e-mail and posted on FaceBook on both the Talon Range and Camp Gordon Johnston pages.

**Rifle generously donated from the collection of Bob Heide, St. George Island, FL.*



Proposed Camp Gordon Johnson
 Museum Building
 Carrabelle Beach, Florida

www.campgordonjohnston.com




Higgins Boat Replica Landing Craft Closer to Completion

With the coat of paint now on our 1/2 size replica landing craft the completion date is drawing nearer. The Kiosk has been ordered from Fossil Industries and should arrive in a few weeks. The Kiosk will give the specifications and a short history of the landings and training that occurred on the Museum's property

Historic Marker Arrives

Arriving from the foundry in Marietta, Ohio this week the marker will be placed on the Museum's property across from the beaches where the landings occurred. The marker was the result of a grant from the State of Florida submitted by CGJA Executive Secretary Michael Horvath. The cost of the marker is \$3800.00 dollars of which the state and the CGJA paid \$1900.00 each. Anyone interested in contributing to help pay for our share can send a donation to the CGJ Musuem at: 1001 Gray Avenue, Carrabelle, FL 32322

