

OPERATIONS CENTRAL REGION

FFC Camp Craven Weekend in the Wild

By Logan Lammers, Pup Reporter (with help and a little poetic license from Carol Scoglio, Cub Reporter)

Photos by David Jonson & Grady Parris

Not many club members know me. My pet parents, Bill and Rita Lammers haven't brought me out to a lot of sleepovers where there were other dogs around. But this time, they surprised me by bringing me along for a really long drive. We stopped for a little while so I could run and play. Then we all got back in the big silver box with big black rolling things under it, and drove some more. I got to look at a lot of things I hadn't seen before. We even went really high over some water. I think I heard someone singing something that sounded like "Way down upon the Suwanee River..." but I didn't want my howling to spoil the moment.

We got to a place and stopped again. This time we stayed until after dark. There were a lot of people, a lot of woods, some buildings (Camp Craven), some pointed huts (tents), a lot of rolling metal boxes (vehicles) and the smell of food cooking over an open fire. Ymmmmmm! Fooodood! A lot of other dogs came over to greet me when I started to walk around.

I heard that there were 11 humans who took the dusty wooded drive to Camp Craven on Friday. They said they had a nice seafood lunch on the Gulf. Some of the humans drove off in their metal boxes after breakfast Saturday. When they came back, they were all covered with dust. They must have had a fun ride.



Then they all sat around and talked a lot. Then I heard the banging of a piece of wood (a gavel) on the table. I don't know what that was all about. At one point they all clapped and the lady in the green hat cheered. After a while they all stopped talking and went off again in their metal boxes. I stayed by the fire, near the food!

I heard there were a total of 17 dogs and 25 humans on Friday and on Saturday we added two more dogs for a total of 19 and 35 humans. That has to be a club record. Almost as many dogs as humans! I was glad most of us dogs were on leashes! That made most of us behave. The humans even behaved! On Sunday we all went home. What a nice time I had. It sure was something different to do! I hope my parents bring me along again!



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PANHANDLE REGION - THE FLORIDA GEORGIA CAVALRY

Moultrie, GA. Farm Expo at Spence Field

By Jim Butler, Photo by Jim Butler

Around the first of October the American Bible Society came by and wanted a military vehicle for their tent at the Farm Expo on Spence Field. They were selling bibles so you could put a message in it and they would send it to the Troops.



Sounded like a worthwhile project to me, so we moved Huck out to their tent the week of the 18th thru the 20th of October.

That week they sold over 7000 bibles to be sent to our Troops. Over 80,000 people saw old Huck who just happened to have the FFC and MVPA logo on his door. Look closely at the picture of Huck in the tent. Do you notice anything strange about it? The Toads at CVS printed the photo backwards. I know what side to put the American flag on but looking at the lettering on the hood, it is reversed.

Veterans Day at Applebee's, Moultrie, GA.

By Jim Butler

November 11th, Veterans Day, turned into somewhat of a FUBAR. Eddie Tucker, from Alapaha, brought his Humvee with all its bells and whistles down to Applebee's in Moultrie and we set up a nice display with the Humvee and old Huck with all his flags. They were overjoyed to have the vehicles there and they took many pictures. Every Veterans Day, Applebee's offers a free lunch to any Veteran who comes in.

Speaking of pictures, again, I took many of the set up but when Eddie and I went in for lunch, my camera fell out of my jacket and opened up. Hence, no pictures. I'm hoping the ones the people at Applebee's took will come out in the paper and I'll pass them along.

NORTHERN REGION

Jacksonville, FL Veterans Day Parade

By Stan Kinmonth

My restored Jeep made it's public debut in the Jacksonville Veterans Day Parade. I was the lead Jeep of six WWII Jeeps in the parade, five of which carried local military dignitaries. I carried Major General James Tyre of the Florida National Guard.



NEW ACQUISITIONS

FFC Member, David Johnson sends along this photo of his latest challenge.

He writes:

Hello again. Here is my newest old truck, a Marmon Harrington M426 tractor. It still has its 3rd Army markings visible on the bumper.

With the help of Ken Field, it is now at his truck farm where I will try to bring it back to life. It has a RD450 IHC motor with a 5 speed transmission and 814 gears. Top speed is 38 MPH!

**BELTRING WAR AND PEACE SHOW**

FFC Member, Pierre Izarie writes: Coming out of the blue, General Adolf Galland and his wing man fully kitted, landed with his ME109 in front of the **FFC FLORIDA, MVPA Teepee**. So the officers on duty, Pierre Izarie and Jack Ray presented them with an issue of **Army Motors**. The show at Beltring is always outstanding. In fact, it was even bigger and better this year. From the Teepee, a landmark at Beltring, we had parked close by a Hurricane, a Spitfire, and the ME109.

Editor's Note:

Every year since about 1998, Pierre has been setting up camp with his teepee at the Beltring War and Peace Show in the UK. He is our Official FFC representative at Beltring. An FFC banner adorns the Teepee and Pierre promotes our Club and the MVPA every year at the show.

