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**FFC Member Stevan Hollahan, 101st AB**

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**NEW AQUISITIONS**

FFC Member, Walter Keller, recently purchased the pictured British Ferret Scout Car from FFC Member David Glorius of Ocala. The car, designated as a Mark 2/3 (M) had been sitting in David's back yard for the past 8 years. Needless to say it did not run, but it rolled and steered and that is half the battle. Using come-alongs, snatch blocks and a tow bar, the Ferret was maneuvered out of David's fenced back yard and on to a trailer. Walter and his Dad were assisted by Dick and Sean Deren. It took a while, but everything went off like clock work without a hitch.

When Walter got back home with his treasure, he did a little research and discovered that the Bovington Tank Museum in the UK keeps a history record on every Ferret ever made. So if you have a Ferret (or probably any other British vehicle) you may be able to get its history by contacting Martin Langford, Bovington Tank Museum. E-mail: [ArchiveOfficer@tankmuseum.org](mailto:ArchiveOfficer@tankmuseum.org) or [librarian@tankmuseum.org](mailto:librarian@tankmuseum.org) ( there is a charge of 15 pounds per request) Website: [//www.tankmuseum.org/](http://www.tankmuseum.org/)



Contract # KL/A/08 (1959—225 vehicles) Date in service 9 Feb. 1960. First assignment: A Squadron, 3rd RTR, Sharjah, Persian Gulf. Last assignment: FSC Squadron, UNFICYP (UN duty in Cyprus). Went to surplus sales 14 Feb. 1995.



# Camp Gordon Johnston Days 2012 March 8 thru 10

The 17th annual Camp Gordon Johnston Reunion  
In Carrabelle is just around the corner!

*Remember, all events during the three days are open to the general public*

**On March 8th,** Veterans and their families will be returning to Carrabelle.

**On March 9th,** A Free Canteen will be held at the newly expanded and remodeled Camp Gordon Johnston WWII Museum. All exhibits and displays will be open to greet and welcome veterans, friends, family and the general public.

The U.S. Army Heavy Boat Company is currently scheduled to dock the Landing Craft on Marine Street for everyone to see.

Also from the Marine Street Pavilion, free Boat tours of Dog Island will be Available, if weather permits.

That evening, the traditional evening hospitality will be held at Post 82 American Legion at the original Camp Gordon Johnston site, now known as Lanark Village.

**On March 10th** begins with a 7:30 A.M. breakfast at the Masonic Lodge in Carrabelle.

At 10:45, the Annual Parade will feature an extensive line-up of vintage WWII vehicles; on Highway 98.

The Army Band from Fort Rucker will head the parade, in addition to colorful local and state marchers.

A free lunch will then be provided by the City of Carrabelle at the end of the parade route.

Tours of the U.S. Army Ocean-going landing craft, docked on Marine Street, will highlight the afternoon activities. Active duty troops will welcome you aboard.

Also tour the Coast Guard Cutter, if in port, at the Coast Guard Station.

At 6pm the traditional Dinner/Dance will be held at the Carrabelle City Complex.

The always-entertaining "Not Quiet Ready" combo will provide live music for your dancing and listening pleasure.

Prizes will be awarded during the evening. The delicious dinner will be catered by Hog Wild Bar-B-Q.

*And Remember! There will be active duty troops in town for this 17th reunion event, in addition to veterans from WWII, the Gulf Wars, Iraq and Afghanistan. Let's give them all a warm Franklin County "Thank You" to show our appreciation for their service and sacrifices!*

This will be AN EXCITING LINE-UP OF WEEKEND EVENTS!  
For all the details, times and locations, consult the website at  
[www.campgordonjohnston.com](http://www.campgordonjohnston.com)



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# FYI



## Club Archive Project

To help with the Club archive project, we are asking for help from our Club Members. We are trying to gather all Club documents and meeting minutes from the time the Club started back in 1983. We have gotten off to a good start, but we are still missing many of the meeting minutes. The further back we go the more scarce the stuff becomes. We are hoping all prior Officers and long time Members may have copies of minutes and other documents so we can fill in the missing holes. We are asking all Members with any useful Club info, in particular, meeting minutes from the following list to please contact me. A lot of older newsletters also had meeting minutes printed in each edition, so copies of newsletters would also be helpful. Missing minutes: 2010, 1st quarter, 2004, 3rd quarter. 2002, 1st & 4th quarters. 2000 & 2001, 1st, 2nd & 3rd quarters. 1999, 1st & 2nd quarters. 1998, 1st, 2nd & 3rd quarters. 1997, 1st, 2nd & 4th quarters. 1996 and earlier, missing all minutes. Thanks to all for checking your files!!!!

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## Veterans Memorial

In remembrance of Veterans of Lake, Marion and Sumter Counties, a Veterans Memorial is being constructed at Fountain Park, Leesburg, FL. All Veterans who have served and have received an honorable or medical discharge (and in some cases a general discharge) are eligible to have their names engraved on the granite center piece of the memorial. There is a \$25 charge per name. In addition, there will be 12,500 bricks on the floor of the memorial which will be available for engraving. [www.lakeveterans.com](http://www.lakeveterans.com) is the project website for additional info. Or contact Charles Hildebrandt, 352-603-2627, [jpmnofww@aol.com](mailto:jpmnofww@aol.com).

## Submission of articles for publication

Articles for the newsletter will be accepted by e-mail or U.S. mail. They may be type written or hand written. If written by hand, please take special care to make sure your writing can be understood. Please try to limit your article to no more than one written or typed

page in length. The editor reserves the right to accept, reject, edit, lengthen or shorten any submission, as required, at his discretion.

## Springtime Tallahassee

The Springtime Tallahassee Parade has been set for 31 March. It is in conflict with the Mobil Alabama Show. Russell Deese needs a head count of how many Members want to go to the parade before he pays the \$100 entr ee fee. If there is not enough interest he will not enter the FFC in the parade. If enough Members want to go, Russell will make the arrangements, but will not be there to coordinate the activity on the day of the parade, as he will be attending the Mobil Rally. Please get in touch with Russell as soon as possible if you would like to participate in the parade. 229-377-1528,

[rdeese@windstream.net](mailto:rdeese@windstream.net)

## The Callings Foundation

The Callings Foundation has their 2012 Florida schedule posted on their website/newsletter. For more information go to:  
<http://collingsfoundation.org/enews/newsletter> December.11.htm

## WHAT ?

Recently, one of our Members entered the annual Quaker Steak and Lube Buffalo Wing Photo Contest. We thought it was a pretty original theme and should have won the contest. But alas, the folks at Quaker Steak and Lube didn't agree with us. Not even an honorable mention! Can you guess who is behind the chicken mask?

Photo by Sean Deren

