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Hobe Sound Beach Shop's Turtle Times

Our History is a Treasure: Chapter Three By Jan Otten

It was a top-secret location for top-secret activities during the early days of World War II. Yes, right here in Hobe Sound a major war effort was established on approximately 11,364 acres of land well hidden in the camouflage of tropical vegetation in what is now known as Jonathan Dickinson State Park.

In 1942 the Federal Government opened Camp Murphy as the home of the Southern Signal Corps School, and it served as a US Army base for instruction in radar operation. It was extremely important because the U.S. had radar and the Germans did not. The mission was so secret that signage at the Camp read, "Discussion of radar outside the classroom is forbidden. Keep silent."

The Camp was named for Lieutenant Colonel William Herbert Murphy, who was a pioneer in the development of radio beams and equipment for military aircraft. Colonel Murphy was a soldier and a scientist who was killed in action at Bataan not long after the bombing of Pearl Harbor.

In its prime the base accommodated 854 officers and 5,752 enlisted men in about 1,000 buildings that included a bank, movie theater, church and bowling alley. All of which were built at lightening speed. Ground was broken for Camp Murphy on March 13, 1942 and by July 5, 1942 the camp officially opened.

It was established to train U.S. Army, Navy and Marine Corps personnel to operate and maintain highly secret SCR 268 radar equipment. Very soon however, the high frequency radar set SCR 268 was obsolete by newer microwave radar sets and the post was no longer needed. The Camp was deactivated and decommissioned in 1944 and was then used to house migrant laborers until sometime in 1945. The buildings were eventually sold and removed during 1946 and on June 9, 1947 the land was transferred to the State of Florida

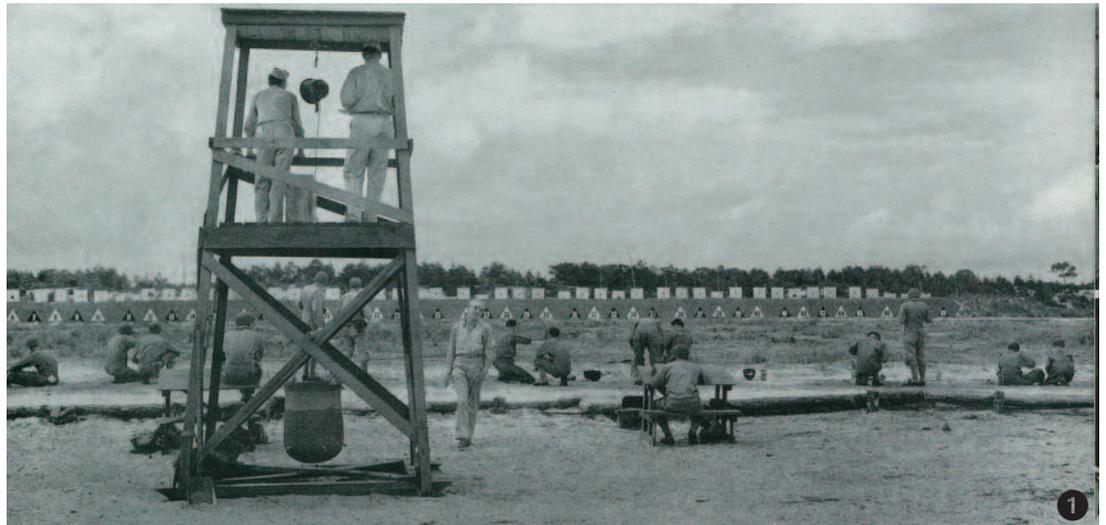


SSCS HQ Building

for use as a park. In 1950 Jonathan Dickinson State Park opened to the public.

In a formal official document written at the time of the opening of the camp it was stated, "Great care was taken in clearing the jungle on the fringe of the Everglades upon which the camp rests in order that none of the dense, semi-tropical growth of cabbage palmetto, swamp maple, Australian pine, palm, live oak, cactus, mangrove or other shrubbery was removed

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That Sinking Feeling

One of the most basic principles in biology is that organisms are tasked with adapting to their environment in order to thrive and reproduce. This idea has led scientists to a concept known as niche theory, which basically says that organisms and/or populations occupy an interactive 'space' in nature, much the same way a business occupies a 'space' in an economy. The constant interplay between individuals, populations, and environments shape form and function, leading to the vast diversity of life we see on Earth today.



Aquatic turtles (in our case, sea turtles) provide a great example of this concept. The fossil record tells us that sea turtles were preceded by land turtles, and 'adapted' to the marine environment. Sounds simple when we say it that way, but it couldn't have been all that easy. Obviously, there are differences between these two environments that required some serious modifications to the turtles' physiology to make the transition from one to the other. Among others, the ability to balance the need for two really important things—air and food—became a major hurdle, and remains the primary driver of sea turtle behavior today.

As the ancestors of sea turtles ventured into deeper water, they were challenged by the growing physical distance between their primary foraging habitat at the bottom and the air they require for respiration at the surface. Like all turtles, sea turtles have lungs, not gills, so they have to hold their breath while under water. Problem is, as anyone who spends any time in the water knows, the more air you have in your lungs, the more you float, thereby increasing the energy required to stay submerged. The turtles obviously wanted to extend the time they have at the bottom for foraging, but had to sacrifice air volume, which necessarily shortened the time needed between breaths.

Though still limited, of course, sea turtles have done an admirable job at balancing these needs through some tricky physiological and behavioral modifications. As the turtle dives,

all of the air spaces within its body—including its lungs—gradually compress, so it loses lung volume as it goes. Since there's less and less air volume left in the lungs for respiration at depth, they can't be used as an oxygen 'store' anymore, so the blood is diverted away from the lungs to circulate around the body. Luckily, while the turtle was breathing at the surface, it was 'supercharging' its circulatory system by front-loading the blood itself with oxygen so it would still be available for metabolic function even after the lungs had collapsed. Further still, the calcium-rich bony shell serves as a buffer against the negative effects of rising carbon dioxide levels in the blood, further extending the time the turtle has between breaths.

Scuba divers learn very early how important buoyancy control is when they are trying to navigate the underwater environment. A little too much air in your buoyancy vest, and up you go; not enough, and down you go. Finding the perfect balance takes a little practice, and for us is as easy as adjusting a couple of valves on our vests once we're down there. Turtles, of course, don't have such tools, so they've got to make the right adjustments at the surface. Amazingly, the turtles learn how much air they should take with them on their dives to match the depths they are heading to. For example, if the turtle's intended foraging habitat is around 20 feet, it will take with it the volume of air that achieves neutral buoyancy at that depth. Same goes for 60 feet, 90 feet, or whatever, and if you've ever seen a sea turtle gently 'tiptoeing' across the bottom you would be amazed at how perfectly the balance is achieved.

Nature is full of fantastic and wonderful feats of adaption, and it could be argued that virtually every habitable niche 'available' on Earth has something occupying it. Perhaps, but that doesn't mean evolution ever takes a 'pause'; it's important to remember that nature is a dynamic, ever changing system that constantly presents new challenges to all forms of life as they compete for survival, including some adventuresome turtles who decided to go to the beach and beyond around 150 million years ago.

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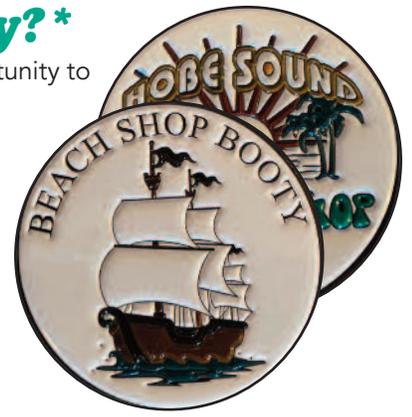
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Chapter Three

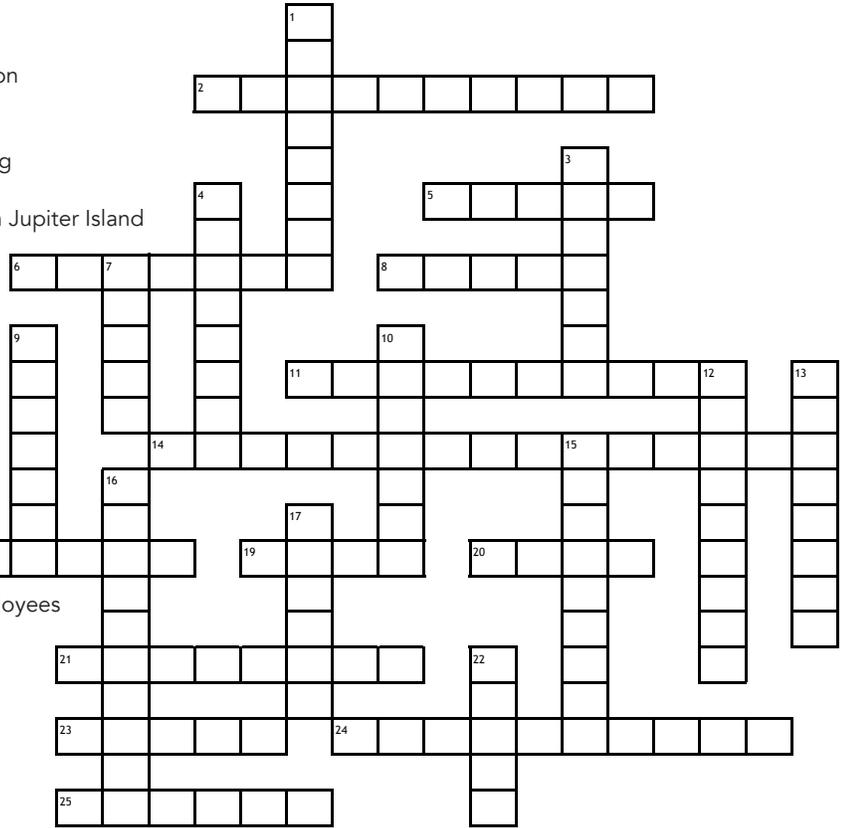
Hint: All Answers Can be Found in the Chapter Three Article.

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15. In what kind of pattern was Camp Murphy laid out
16. What did the tropical vegetation offer for the chosen Campsite
17. What was the roasted item on the 1943 Christmas Dinner Menu
22. What did Jupiter Islanders lend to officers and their families



Advertising Opportunity

The **Hobe Sound Beach Shop** is growing! Its customer base is broad and the **Turtle Times** is being widely distributed to visitors, residents and shoppers in the local area.

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Big news! Recently, 5 pairs of red-cockaded woodpeckers (RCWs) arrived at Jonathan Dickinson State Park from Osceola National Forest. Their arrival is so exciting because it marks the beginning of this native bird's reintroduction to Jonathan Dickinson State Park. These federally endangered birds haven't been seen at JDSP since 1983. Their disappearance was

largely a result of logging practices and fire suppression that occurred on this property prior to its designation as a state park. The use of prescribed fire over the last 50 years has restored pine flatwoods that RCWs need for nesting and foraging. Today, JDSP has over 5,000 acres of suitable habitat for these birds, and their success in the park will be an indicator of the forest's health.

Interested in the bigger picture? The park's larger restoration efforts include the reintroduction of another very special little bird—the brown-headed nuthatch. Keep an eye out in the coming weeks for news about the brown-headed nuthatch project that began in 2018, in cooperation with Tall Timbers Research Station!

This big step for RCWs could not have been accomplished without the project's funding partners: Georgia Department of Natural

Resources, Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, and Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, with support from U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and U.S. Forest Service. Additional funds were provided to the JDSP effort by The Friends of Jonathan Dickinson State Park and Audubon of Martin County.

Submitted by Libby Reinert,
Jonathan Dickinson State Park Services Specialist



Photographs are provided by Danny Bales and park staff.

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Just Saying!

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unnecessarily. All buildings were painted a dull green to blend with the surrounding landscape. Instead of making a large clearing and arranging buildings along company streets, as in most army camps, Camp Murphy is laid out on an irregular pattern over nine miles, with streets and buildings facing in every direction. Captain William W. Sullivan and Mr. A. McSpadden of the Corps of Engineers collaborated with Major Green and the construction was done in such a manner that the natural protection offered by the surrounding foliage and terrain was utilized to the utmost."

Over time, all but three of the camp buildings were torn down or removed, however, some of the building foundations remain. Still to be seen is the vault to the Atlantic National Bank that was in the Provost building. It is an intact two-room walk-in vault. Long ago the vault doors were removed. And, although very run down, the remains of the water treatment facility are still visible on the western side of the railroad tracks. One of the Jonathan Dickinson camping sites is located in the area that was the Camp Hospital. The former ammunition dump is just to the east of the train tracks. It has been sealed shut but you can see the top of the structure. The park office, located just west of the camp area, was a secret bomb shelter for government personnel during the Kennedy administration. Going south along the tracks, you can see a standing wall that was part of the gun range. You might find bullets along the hills nearby. In the back of the park's riding trail you can see a steam engine that was used in the 1800s to cut cypress logs for the F.E.C. railway. And the small home near the maintenance shed was the former camp commander's quarters. The ammo dump was used as a fallout shelter for years by park employees. Throughout the Treasure Coast and Palm Beach there are still former Camp Murphy buildings in use. One of the remaining buildings currently in use is the "Road to Victory Military Museum," located next to Memorial Park in Stuart.

According to an article by local journalist, Sally Swartz, many artifacts have been donated to the Park for display at the Kimbell Center, including "maps, photos, dishes, camp newspapers and even a 1943 Christmas dinner menu—starring roast turkey with sage dressing, baked squash and mince pie." Swartz reports that "many photos show the men in sleeveless undershirts. Since the buildings went up so quickly some were covered in black tar paper, with no siding. With no air conditioning, it was so hot that sometimes soldiers trained at night."

Local families from Hobe Sound and Jupiter Island were noted for their "incredible hospitality." Islanders loaned their homes to officers and their families. Jupiter Island's patriarch and chief developer was a "wonderful friend" to Camp Murphy, serving as U.S Army Capt. Joseph Reed, Special Services Officer. Capt. Reed arranged for the Officers to hold functions at the prestigious Jupiter Island Club. The wives and daughters of the officers would walk along the beach watching for enemy submarines. Until he was drafted, Vince "Trapper" Nelson was employed to rid the camp buildings of snakes and spiders.

Camp Murphy had an impact on the economy of Hobe Sound and the surrounding area, while playing a major role in the United States' efforts during World War II. Today you can visit the beautiful Jonathan Dickinson State Park, view the ruins that still exist and see the many photos and artifacts on display at the Park's Elsa Kimbell Center, all representing an important and proud moment in the history of Hobe Sound.

Photos courtesy of a 1943 Yearbook donated by Carl Thompson



Camp Murphy Engineer Group



Camp Murphy Radio Tower

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When you arrive at Old Dixie Café North on Federal Highway in Hobe Sound, the first thing you notice is owner Terry Rose, sitting outside "holding court" with any number of guests sharing his table. In the winter months there's a patio heater to keep everyone cozy. When you go inside, Terry's wife, Gillian, is always bustling about seating diners, cleaning tables, pouring coffee to keep everyone's cup filled. She welcomes all who enter with a big smile and cheerful greeting.

Old Dixie Café North is definitely renowned for their breakfast and lunch menus. Seven days a week you can visit them and enjoy some delicious offerings. Chipped beef on toast, sausage gravy on biscuits, a variety of omelets, and my husband's favorite 2 + 2 + 2, that's 2 pancakes, 2 eggs any style, and 2 bacon or 2 sausage. And of course, there's good ole southern grits, hardy oatmeal, muffins, French toast and more. Ask for your hash browns crispy—yum. This reviewer sometimes orders an egg salad sandwich. Yup, for breakfast. It's piled high with the egg salad and comes on any kind of bread or toast you'd like. Their lunchtime hamburgers are simply delicious!

But wait—that's not all! Want to eat out on a Monday night but most of the local restaurants are closed? There are a couple who open their doors on Mondays, so have no fear. Old Dixie Café North offers a great dinner menu. But—you have to go on Monday night, the only night they serve dinner. Known for their osso buco they also offer a nice variety of home-style dinners. Included are turkey with all the trimmings, good old-fashioned meat loaf and this reviewer's personal favorite, shepherd's pie. They even have liver and onions. And don't forget dessert. They don't serve wine, but you are welcome to BYOB and they'll provide nice wine glasses for your pleasure.

In addition to all that, Gillian Rose is an accomplished author having written two very successful books relating to her homeland in England. You can purchase them right there in the restaurant or order them on Amazon. Yes, Old Dixie Café North is definitely a delightful addition to Hobe Sound for so many reasons. Stop by, you won't be disappointed.

Submitted by Anonymous Restaurant Reviewer

Chapter Three ANSWERS

Across

- What was forbidden about radar outside of the classroom (Discussion)
- What remains of the Atlantic National Bank (Vault)
- In what JD Park center are the Camp Murphy artifacts housed (Kimbell)
- Camp Murphy was set up for instruction in what type of operation (Radar)
- Camp Murphy was built on the fringe of what (Everglades)
- In 1944 what occurred at Camp Murphy (Decommissioning)
- Due to no air conditioning when did the soldiers do their training (Nighttime)
- In what month in 1942 did Camp Murphy open (July)
- Family name of U.S. Army Captain, Special Services Officer from Jupiter Island (Reed)
- 854 what were accommodated at Camp Murphy (Officers)
- Lt. Col. Murphy was a pioneer in the development of what kind of beams (Radio)
- What were the wives and daughters of officers looking for while walking along the beach (Submarines)
- Who was hired to rid the camp buildings of snakes and spiders (Nelson)

Down

- One of JD Park's current camping sites is located on the site of what Camp Murphy facility (Hospital)
- To whom was the Camp Murphy land transferred in 1947 (Florida)
- Our Hobe Sound History is a what (Treasure)
- In what month in 1942 was ground broken for Camp Murphy (March)
- The ammo dump was used as what kind of shelter for park employees (Fallout)
- During WWII the U.S. had radar but who didn't (Germany)
- Besides being a soldier, Lt. Col. Murphy had another title (Scientist)
- Who lived in Camp Murphy during 1945 (Migrants)
- In what kind of pattern was Camp Murphy laid out (Irregular)
- What did the tropical vegetation offer for the chosen Campsite (Camouflage)
- What was the roasted item on the 1943 Christmas Dinner Menu (Turkey)
- What did Jupiter Islanders lend to officers and their families (Homes)



A little Trivia from Dictionary.com

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or la-gnappe

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