



*The Pearl of the Panhandle*



# Carrabelle Area Chamber of Commerce

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Friday, Nov. 27, 2015

## *The 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Holiday on the Harbor And Boat Parade of Lights Dec 12<sup>th</sup> 10 am-9 pm*

**We hope you will join us for what has become a favorite  
Christmas event not only for the Carrabelle community, but for  
much of the Forgotten Coast**

**\*Festival Booths\* Downtown Shopping\*  
\*Music\* Santa\*Boat Parade\*  
\*\*Fireworks Show Finale\*\***

Activities So Far:

### **10 am Festival Opens:**

#### **Downtown Carrabelle, Marine Street & Ave. B**

(Marine St. & Ave. B will be closed to through traffic at Hwy 98)

Noon-2 pm & 5-8 pm Visit with Santa

Festival stage-Corner of Marine St. & Ave B:

Noon-3 pm To be announced

3-4 pm Susan David & Friends-music

4-5:30 pm Rio Carrabelle's performance-Christmas Music

#### **Rio Carrabelle:**

10 am-5 pm Gallery open

4-9 pm Special Reception-open to public

#### **C-Quarters Marina:**

5 pm Debi Jordan-Musical Entertainment

7 pm Debi Jordan & Chuck Spicer MC's and commentary on boats in Parade

Awards Ceremony about 30 min after Fireworks display

#### **Harry's Bar-Marine Street:**

5 pm-9 pm Musical Entertainment in the courtyard with Rebecca Turk.  
Festive adult beverages.

#### **Carrabelle River Waterfront:**

7 pm View Boat Parade & Fireworks-Choose your favorite viewing spot

**Boat Parade Starts at 7 pm**

### **November**

**Sat 28<sup>th</sup> Camp Gordon Johnson WWII Museum Movie, The Pianist-** 10:15 am FREE popcorn!

**Sat 28<sup>th</sup> License-free saltwater fishing day-**The saltwater waiver applies to any recreational harvest requiring a saltwater fishing license as well as fishing from shore or a boat. [www.myfwc.com/license/recreational/do-i-need-a-license/free-fishing/](http://www.myfwc.com/license/recreational/do-i-need-a-license/free-fishing/)

**Sat 28<sup>th</sup> Fourth Saturday Paddle** Apalachicola Riverkeeper (850) 653-8936 or email [georgiaackerman@earthlink.net](mailto:georgiaackerman@earthlink.net)

**Sat 28<sup>th</sup> Shop Small Saturday** Shop at our diverse selection of independently owned and operated small businesses in Carrabelle.

### **December**

**Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> Dedication of CGJ WW II Museum's Historic Marker** 10 am-Across from Carrabelle Beach-Future location of permanent building of CGJ Museum & Memorial Park

**Sat 5<sup>th</sup> Golf Club-Breakfast-Chillas Hall** 8:30-11 am Lanark Village

**Mon 7<sup>th</sup> National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day**

**Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Happy Hanukkah!**

**Tues 8<sup>th</sup> Roadside Wildflowers of the FL Panhandle** 1 pm Carrabelle Library (850) 697-2366

**Fri 11<sup>th</sup> The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Eastpoint Christmas Parade & Celebration** 4 pm Call (850) 653-9419 for more info

**Sat 12<sup>th</sup> Carrabelle's 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Holiday on the Harbor and Boat Parade** 10 am-9 pm Downtown Carrabelle Festival with vendors, food, music, Santa! At dark 30-Carrabelle River Boat Parade. Fun for the whole family! [www.carrabelle.org](http://www.carrabelle.org) or call (850) 697-2585

**Sun 29<sup>th</sup> LVA Covered Dish "Christmas"** 1 pm Chillas Hall, Lanark Village "Honoring All Deceased Members"

**Sat 26<sup>st</sup> Camp Gordon Johnson WWII Museum Movie** 10:15 am FREE popcorn! Title TBA

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**Thurs 31<sup>st</sup> LVA "New Year's Dance"** 7 pm till..Chillas Hall, Lanark Village "Kreg & Krewe DJ"-by donation, finger food, BYOB

See our website [www.carrabelle.org](http://www.carrabelle.org) under "Things to Do"

Entertainment/Events for More info

Events Further afield:

Listen to WOYS 100.5 FM Oyster Radio Or go to [www.oysterradio.com](http://www.oysterradio.com) or [www.forgottencoastline.com](http://www.forgottencoastline.com)

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**Space is still available on Dec 12th...Call today to reserve yours!**

**Vendors:** Call **Lewis Christie** of Christie's Cottage Living (850) 524-4492 or [christiescottageliving@comcast.net](mailto:christiescottageliving@comcast.net)

**Vessel Entries/Marinas/Street Activities during festival:** Call Lisa Munson at (850) 697-2585 or [chamber@nettally.com](mailto:chamber@nettally.com)

**Committee Chairman:** **Skip Frink**, The Old Carrabelle Hotel (850) 697-9010 [skip@oldcarrabellehotel.com](mailto:skip@oldcarrabellehotel.com)



**Camp Gordon Johnston WW II Museum represented in the Tallahassee 2015 Veterans Day Parade**

The recently refurbished DUKW, signature artifact of the Museum, was the most unique of all the WWII restored vehicles in the parade. Watchers lined both sides of Monroe Street on Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> to honor all veterans, past and present.

Visitors at our Visitor's Center    Carrabelle Brochures Sent

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>% Inc</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>% Inc</u>
Jan	51	106	208	30	75	250
Feb	111	167	150	27	63	233
Mar	163	171	105	25	74	296
Apr	118	178	151	41	47	115
May	66	137	208	26	79	304
Jun	64	153	239	66	90	136
Jul	80	133	166	36	66	183
Aug	52	125	240	36	70	194
Sept	56	109	195	21	37	176
Oct	76	152	200	22	25	114
Nov	79			19		
Dec	<u>62</u>			<u>32</u>		
Totals	978			381		

Total Carrabelle .org Web Website Visitors: Jan 1-Nov 22: 144,780

Total New Carrabelle Area Chamber Members Year-to-date: 50

(Includes return Memberships of pre-2014 Members)

When you are filling out your Christmas Cards this Year, take a Card and Send to this Address:

A Recovering American Soldier  
 C.O. Walter Reed Army Medical Center  
 6900 Georgia Avenue  
 NW Washington, D.C. 20307-5001

Please pass this on and Think of how many Cards these Wonderful, Special People who have Sacrificed so much would get. (Source-From Facebook posting)



**The City Clock in Veteran's Park**

has recently been brought back on line. It has the capability to chime on every hour or half hour and to play hundreds of songs at any time. Mr. Wiesener (Carrabelle Bottle House), clock master, has programmed songs over the last few weeks and will continue to do so up to the end of the year.

Patriotic songs were played for Veteran's Day. Currently Thanksgiving songs are playing and Christmas songs will start on the 10<sup>th</sup>. A decision was made to start the chimes no earlier than 8 am and to end them no later than 6 pm because of the proximity of the people who live near the clock.

**The Friends of the Franklin County Public Library** kicked off the "Drive for the Driveway" fundraiser on Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>. The money raised will surface the much rutted driveway and parking lot at the **Eastpoint branch**. The Friends of the Franklin County Public Library have collected enough so far to reach a matching contribution from the St. George Island Civic Club. Thank you to all donors for the generous support!

**A huge THANK YOU to the Franklin County School & Apalachicola Bay Charter School for the wonderful Veterans Day Program** and breakfast for veterans. This was a district-wide celebration honoring all veterans, past & present. The program was fantastic and greatly appreciated by everyone that attended.