

Dear David

I am pleased to be able to tell you that the “Graham’s DUKW” team have met their objective of having a running vehicle in time to participate in the D-Day 75 Commemorations. As I write the machine is back in Hunstanton, having run under its own power for the first time last Thursday. There is still work to do, especially in preparation for swimming - but Ike is now fully dry-land roadworthy. As before the details are on the website at <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/grahamsdukw> I have a video of the first run but it is a rather large file (24mb). Please let me know if you wish to see it and I will send it on.

Of the two Hunstanton machines, we are planned to be on South Parade Pier at Southsea for June 6th - right in the middle of the public/civilian events and directly accessible to veterans attending the Portsmouth Service of Remembrance. Most likely the machine will stay in Portsmouth over the rest of the week and weekend until 10th June. The other Hunstanton machine is planned to be in Normandy on the 6th, also with veterans on board. Quite a feat of restoration for not one but two vehicles to be able to contribute in this way.

Thank you for the help you gave to enable us to achieve this goal.

Best regards

David Cowcill

(PS - if you are in Portsmouth over the commemoration period do drop in and see us! Hopefully we may meet some ex DUKW drivers too - feel free to use any material from the just giving website if you want to post to your website).



