'Taps Across America' tribute on Veterans Day



Three musicians play taps at the Fort Caswell Rifle Range Memorial on Veterans Day, Nov. 11, at 11 a.m. From left are Alex Gilland, a student at South Brunswick High School; Ben Edwards, director of music and teacher at South Brunswick Middle School; and musician Dick Slease, president of Brunswick Bands, Inc.

Organized by Slease, this tribute was a continuation of the

effort that began last May on Memorial Day. Because the pandemic caused the cancellation of commemorations, musicians across the nation were encouraged to play taps wherever they stood at 3 p.m. on Memorial Day. For Veterans Day, the musicians were urged to choose a World War I memorial. The Fort Caswell Rifle Range Memorial was the site chosen by these local musicians.