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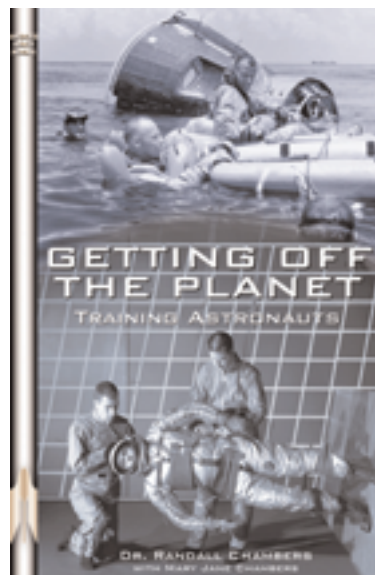
Getting off the Planet

Mary Jane Chambers and Dr.
Randall Chambers, Apogee Books,
120pp, 2006, £12.95, (\$18.95US)
ISBN 1-894959-20-5.

This is a book which looks at the 1950s through to the mid 70s and the training of the astronauts by research and testing of equipment which would be used in orbit. Dr Chambers conducted many of the experiments first hand such as high g centrifuge runs and spending time in water tanks.

The pictures within the book cover mainly the Mercury and Gemini era showing astronauts, test pilots, engineers and scientists working to conquer space. There are 85 photos many shown for the first time. If you enjoy reading about the background to how the US went into space this is for you.

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