



# The SCORECARD

Jones Creek Owners Association (JCOA)

September 2016

## NEWS FOR JONES CREEK HOMEOWNERS

### President's Message (Kent Gilbreath)

Fall and Football season is finally here! It has been a long hot and humid summer this year. This weather started at the summer solstice and did not let up until Tropical Storm Hermine passed thru.

Our longtime Landscaping Chair, **Earl Williams** sold his house but sadly had to purchase outside of Jones Creek to obtain the house him and wife were looking for. Due to Earl's departure from the Board, Chance Fuller has stepped up and has been approved by the Board to fill Earl's unexpired term.

The Board is also looking for an administrative non-voting position that would be responsible for social media interaction, upkeep of the master database and calling post phone numbers, as well as annual directory updates and newsletter coordination and distribution. This position does not require any attendance at Board meetings, but does come with Board member perks. Please call me if you are interested in learning more about this position.

Unfortunately, we still have 5 residents that have elected to not pay or only partial pay their 2016 dues. Please feel free to call me or any other Board member if you have questions or concerns about Jones Creek. See you around the hood.

### Vice-President's Message (Gene Murdock)

Two important related events that affect every Jones Creek resident occurred since the **May 2016 Scorecard**.

The first event was an internal meeting by Willow Lake residents at Jones Creek Golf Club of all interested Jones Creek residents. They addressed the progressive dire situation of Willow Lake siltation and subsequent flooding of adjacent properties. This flooding affects every resident as property values are at stake.

The second event was a great outpouring of support by 100+ Jones Creek residents at the **September 6, 2016** Columbia County Board of Commissioners meeting. Willow Lake residents had an opportunity to present and requested the Commissioners' assistance to rectify this problem.

Although the financial stability of Jones Creek Golf Course is solid and strategic plans for the future are being executed, long-term survival of the Jones Creek Golf Course depends on water quality and availability. The increased Willow Lake siltation and flooding could cause irreparable harm to everyone in the Jones Creek Community. Accordingly, the County must ameliorate this problem and ensure that it does not return. In summary, as a good neighbor, please stay abreast of this issue to protect your and your neighbor's valuable investment.

### Treasurer's Report (Scott Adkins)

Annual dues letters were mailed out **January 11** and most homeowners paid them by **February 29**. All homeowners and lot owners, who are owners of record as of **January 1, 2016**, are responsible for paying annual dues.

The following table shows the dues schedule for residents who have elected to not yet pay their dues.

#### Remaining 2016 JCOA Annual Dues Schedule

**June 1, 2016:** A lien was filed in the amount of \$555 plus interest and administrative fees per lot and will not be lifted until all dues and fees are paid.

**January 1, 2017:** Property owners still delinquent for 2016 and prior years will incur fines in addition to liens filed against that property for each lot.

**Please send dues payments to: JCOA, PO Box 1418, Evans, Georgia 30809-1418.**

It is the responsibility of the owner of record to negotiate the pro-rating of dues with the buyer, if the homeowner sells their home or lot during 2016.

### Architectural Control (Tripp Nanney)

If you are planning any type of construction (e.g., home additions, fences, roofs, pools, etc.) around your home, please visit [jcoanews.com](http://jcoanews.com) and complete the ACC form. Contact **Tripp Nanney** if you have any questions.

## Welcoming (Susan Salisbury)

Since **May 2016**, we have welcomed 11 new families to the JCOA.

**Rebecca Graves**  
853 Willow Lake

**Dana Duvall**  
844 Park Chase

**Jason and Miranda Ross**  
4177 Barhams Ridge

**Amy and Mark Jenkins**  
712 Michaels Creek

**Adam and Lauren Hebert**  
4218 Smithfield Creek

**Chris Brennan**  
729 Magruder Court

**Cara and Alex White**  
4120 Heritage Ridge

**Linda and Paul McKnight**  
4128 Heritage Ridge

**Katherine and Freddy Stokes**  
756 Jones Creek Drive

**Kyle Ware and Sarah Orr**  
4214 Smithfield Creek

**Monica and Shakir Jones**  
4211 Blue Heron Lane

The annual newcomer's dinner is scheduled for **November 7**. Please join us at Ladies Night Out. Also, a playgroup is forming. Contact [susansalisbury@comcast.net](mailto:susansalisbury@comcast.net) for more information.

## Swimming Pool (Kim Houston)

We've gotten so many compliments from the patrons this summer about our recent renovations on the pool and we could not be happier with the work that Pete Alewine and sons did last winter. New gunite, new tile and new coping along with bright red umbrellas really freshened up our pool. Our new managers, Chris Cozart and Lynsey Reed took over in midsummer and have done an amazing job in bringing our pool up to our highest expectations in guarding, running the concessions and making our patrons comfortable and safe.

If you haven't been up to the pool yet this summer, we will be open until at least the **end of October** and perhaps longer, weather permitting. Please stop in and see our new managers and our renovations.

## Tennis (Yolanda Leahy)

All courts are in excellent playing condition. Court reservation rules are posted on the board. Feel free to contact me at **(706) 627-5567** if you need the court security code and/or want any information on CSRA tennis leagues or junior tennis.

## Upcoming Events (Regena Williamson)

The **May 14** pool opening party was well attended with plenty of food, fun, and sun for the whole family. The Adults Only End of Summer Pool Party was held on **August 27** with live DJ and 20-team Corn Hole tournament.

Breakfast with Santa is planned for Saturday, **December 3**. Photos with Santa Claus, balloons, and breakfast will be provided. The annual New Year's Eve party will feature a live DJ.

## Neighborhood Watch (John McLeod)

**Kent Gilbreath** and I attended the 2016 National Night Out presented by the Columbia County Sheriff's Office and the main

topic was 'Vehicle Theft'. **During August, Jones Creek had seven vehicle thefts within one week.** Below are reminders;

- Lock the car and trunk and pocket the keys. Nearly 20% of all vehicles stolen had the keys in them.
- Never hide a second set of keys in the vehicle. Extra Keys can easily be found if the thief takes time to look. Store spare key in your wallet or purse.
- If possible, avoid parking next to vans, pick-up trucks and other large vehicles. These large vehicles can hide your car and make it difficult for others to observe.
- Periodically check your license plates to make sure they haven't been stolen, switched or altered.
- Whenever possible, park in a well-lighted and busy area or in an attended lot. Car thieves hate witnesses and prefer unattended parking lots.
- On cold mornings, never leave your motor vehicle running unattended, in order to warm it up.
- Avoid transferring items to the trunk of a vehicle where it is parked, as a thief may be watching.
- Checkbooks, credit cards, or other credentials, which a thief could misuse, should not be left in a motor vehicle.
- Park as closely as possible to your home or a business that you are entering.
- Don't invite a vehicle break-in by leaving packages or valuables (e.g., cellular phones, CD players) in sight. Take valuables with you or put them under your seat.
- Don't disconnect the buzzer that warns of keys left in the ignition. It's for your protection.

Call the Columbia County Sheriff's Office, **706 541 2800**, with any activity that looks suspicious to you or **John McLeod, 706 650 7687**. Remember, "**LOCK IT OR LOSE IT**".

## Ladies Golf Association (Beverly Smith)

Jones Creek Ladies Golf Association invites you to play golf on **Tuesday mornings at 9 am**. Our membership year is just beginning but you may play as a guest first to try us out. We are a group of friendly ladies of all ages and handicaps, from beginners to single digits. Play 9 or 18 and stay for lunch in the JC Grill. For more information, contact Beverly Smith at **706 495 2648** or just call Jones Creek Golf Shop by Monday at noon to sign up **(706) 860 4228**. There are other social events throughout the year including Couples Golf, tournaments and fun times.

