

Ashborough Happenings

April 2010

THANK YOU

A big "THANK YOU" goes out to all of the Ashborough residents who helped out with the cleanup following the recent fish kill in the Ashborough Lake! More information is on page 3 under Ashborough "Heroes".

Dear Ashborough Homeowner;

It's been an unusual spring so far with warm days, cool nights and not much rain. There have been many residents taking advantage of the weather by performing yard maintenance needs. This is much appreciated and will really help with the appearance of Ashborough and make Ashborough the first choice of new families to the area.

After the fish kill in Ashborough Lake, the SC Department of Health Control (DHEC) was contacted to get a diagnosis for the cause. Due to the warm days and cool nights, algae in the lake died and began decomposing which then consumed the oxygen in the water. DHEC recommended the installation of aerators to keep the water oxygenated and circulated which will improve the water quality as well. Aerators for the lake are being looked into. One positive thing that became known was the size of fish in Ashborough Lake. Some of the bass that were found were in the 9-10 pound range and absolutely huge! No wonder we have so many people fishing at the lake!

The first Town Hall meeting was held on March 25. Several topics were brought up by residents. One concern voiced was the size and logistics involved with the swim team and the impact it has on pool usage. Another concern was the need for additional police patrols throughout the neighborhood. Other concerns were the upcoming Dorchester Road project and status of the current litigation. The board appreciates everyone who participated in this inaugural event. The board intends on having a Town Hall meeting each quarter so the next one will be in the June timeframe.

At the April monthly business meeting, the Board voted to proceed with the formation of an Architectural Review Committee. As previously mentioned, the purpose of this committee is to work directly with property owners to handle ARB needs. The goal is to be able to work more quickly getting ARB requests processed, ensure that appropriate guidelines are followed and to follow-up to ensure the request was completed in a timely manner and in accordance with the original agreed-to plan. The board will approve the committee composition and provide decisions on ARB matters if the property owner and committee are unable to reach an agreement.

Also at the April monthly business meeting, the Board voted to proceed with the acquisition of a security system for the pool and Ashborough Avenue playground. There are some small details to complete before moving forward but this is not expected to delay the installation. This is important as we move forward with other improvement projects in this area of Ashborough.

Work on the repair of the barbeque pit is well underway. The new foundation has been poured and after the concrete has cured enough the brickwork will commence. It is still planned to be completed in time for the first Ashborough Jamm on May 7.

The board would also like to say "Thanks!" to the Ashborough Swim Team for their generous contribution of an ice machine for the Civic Building. This will help our residents by having a generous supply of ice for events held at the Civic Building and Pavillion. Jack Ellenburg and Don Mantooh installed the ice machine and also replaced the leaking water heater and damaged support structure that was discovered when installing the ice machine.

Pool rules and tennis rules with updated codes will be mailed to eligible residents and members of the ACA within the next week for the May 1st pool opening.

As always, the Board welcomes your suggestions and input to make our neighborhood a great place to live. Thank you for your time! Ed

Monthly Board Meeting Attendance

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
11	10	20	14		
Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec

Hospitality Committee

Spring is in the air and Ashborough is gearing up for some fabulous outdoor fun in our beautiful neighborhood. Before I fill you in on the social side of life, I want to thank a few of our volunteers. Jody Wilhelm has been busy creating thoughtful baskets for newcomers. Kieran Campbell has been updating the Ashborough Directory with the help of Debby Owens. Thanks to all of the Block Captains for welcoming new neighbors to our community.

May 7 begins Ashborough Jamm. These evenings will take place at the Ashborough Civic Building from 6pm - 10pm on the first Friday of each month through September. 1st Friday Jamm and Cookout at the pool picnic shelter is an informal gathering at the picnic shelter to play an instrument, volleyball, kickball, horseshoes, swim or simply hang out. ACA will provide condiments, charcoal, paper plates and cups for those who would like to cookout on the new and improved fire pit.

July 3rd

Celebrate Independence Day poolside at the Ashborough Luau from 3pm to 8pm. ACA will provide a DJ, music, games, trivia and prizes. Also, hamburgers and hot dogs will be provided by ACA, bring a side dish to share. If you are interested in assisting with the planning of this event, please contact Lisa Jolly at 871-2456.

September 5

Ashborough Neighborhood Block Party Day sponsored by ACA but planned by YOU. ACA will provide each block party hot dogs and block party signs to display. The most successful party will receive recognition in the Ashborough Happenings Newsletter. Plan ahead and contact Lisa Jolly at 871-2456 to register your block's participation.

Lisa Jolly 871-2456

Ashborough Yard Sale

The next neighborhood yard sale date is fast approaching. It's time to get your items ready for sale on Saturday May 1st, 8am-noon. Ashborough will place the ads in the paper, and put out the signs. Just set out your things for that morning...remember, one mans trash is another man's treasure!

Susan Wright 437-4122

Dorchester Road Project

Some initial work has begun with the movement of a waterline near the Ashborough Entrance followed by the Endicott Street entrance.

Ashborough and Ashborough East are looking towards the completion of this project and the landscaping that can greatly enhance both of our neighborhoods property values. A joint landscaping committee has been formed to develop a landscaping plan that will be presented to the appropriate agencies for approval. Ashborough residents Cecil Campbell, Michelle Martinson and Bob Johnson are the Ashborough members of this joint committee.

When will the actual construction begin? The latest estimate is June, 2010. There are still property acquisitions taking place and some design changes at the major intersections that are being worked. As of this point in time, there are no changes to the road design that will decrease the distance from the road to Ashborough.

A response to our petition for a noise barrier the entire length of Ashborough has not been received yet but the Road Tax Authority did indicate an answer will be provided soon.

The speed limit reduction request that was also in our petition was submitted to SC DOT. A response has been received that stated the 45 mph speed limit was appropriate for the section adjacent to Ashborough but that significant speeding was noted and communicated to the Dorchester County Sheriff's Department. Getting the speed limit lowered will continue to be a priority.

Baskets needed

The Hospitality Committee needs baskets for making "Welcome Baskets" for newcomers to the community. If you have a basket to donate, please contact either Lisa Jolly at 871-2456 or Jody Wilhelm at 821-2150. Thank you.

Did you know the Covenants and Restrictions...

do not allow parking on the grass? See page CR-23 in your printed copy or on the Ashborough Website.

Street Lights

Is the street light near your property working? If not, contact Robert Coker with SCE&G at 843-851-4952 and give him the number on the light post to have it repaired.

Ashborough "Heroes"

On Sunday, April 11, some residents by the lake awoke to find many, many dead fish floating. Quickly realizing that with the warm days ahead the stench of dead fish would soon permeate our neighborhood. They quickly organized an effort to gather the dead fish and find a way to dispose of them. Soon, word of this effort got around and neighbors began providing help...a canoe, paddles, collecting the dead fish from the lake shoreline and even using their own trash can to dispose of the fish. Before long, assistance from a non-Ashborough resident was provided by taking the dead fish and using them as fertilizer in his garden. It's that kind of willingness to pitch in when things get tough that make our community wonderful!

For their hard work, the following residents are Ashborough "Heroes": Chris and Kate Hammond; Charles, Noreen, Kyle and Atrayu Oldread; Jack and Max Jolly, and Hal "Fishman" Verona. Give them all a well-deserved "pat on the back" the next time you see them!

Facilities Maintenance

The Facilities Maintenance Committee has been hard at work getting a lot of spring cleaning and repairs taken care of. Thanks go to Ted Cain, Steve "Horseshoe" Jolly, Jack Jolly, Jason Walters, Don "Mudman" Mantooh, Katie and Matt "MudPersons in Training" Mantooh, Jack "Iceman" Ellenburg, Frank Hobson, and Werner Wilhelm for the many improvements by building a volleyball court, a horseshoe pit, the repair and pressure washing of the neighborhood picnic tables and rebuilding the fire pit. There is also work to be done to complete the process of getting the pool furniture ready for pool opening on May 1. If you can help with the sanding, pressure washing and painting of the pool furniture, please call Tonya Mantooh at 851-3584.

Put those neighborhood kids to work!

Kyle Ball is an enterprising young man who has a lawn and yard maintenance business, A Boy and His Mower, available for use by Ashborough residents at very reasonable rates. Contact Kyle at 609-7492 or smschamp@knology.net for your free estimate.

Aly's Animal Assistance

Aly's Animal Assistance is designed to serve the Ashborough residents and their pets. The services offered are boarding, pet walking, basic grooming, and care for your animals when you're not at home or if you need help. Whatever your needs may be, Aly's Animal Assistance is here for you! Contact Aly Phillips at 571-0433 or the.phillips6@gmail.com for details.

Found

CD's in a case on Ashborough Ave. Sunday, April 11. Contact the Proctors' at 101 Lakeview Dr. to identify.

ARB Update

If you have received a letter regarding your property, a response from you is expected. Please respond before additional letters and/or fines are needed.

2010 Ashborough Directory

The 2010 Ashborough Directory is getting ready for print. If there are changes or updates to your contact information, please contact Debby Owens by email (dres3hoa@bellsouth.net) or phone (563-5005) as soon as possible!

Lisa Jolly 871-2456

May 11, 2010 Monthly Meeting

The next monthly board meeting will be held at 7PM on Tuesday, May 11, 2010 at the Civic Building.

Your 2010 Ashborough Board

The AWESOME Ashborough "Alligators"

Ashborough Alligators 2010 Schedule

Practice Schedule *(subject to change – please confirm with your child's coach)*

May 3rd – June 8th

Monday – Friday
10 & Under – 4:00pm – 5:30pm

11 & Up – 5:30pm – 7:30pm

June 9th – July 16th

Monday – Friday
15-18 – 7:00am – 8:15am

11-14 – 8:15am – 9:30am

10 & Under – 9:30am – 11:00am

Starting June 18th – Friday Fun Breakfast
Practice starts at 9:00am for everybody

Meet Schedule

Tuesday, June 1st Mock Meet

Tuesday, June 8th At Snee Farm

Thursday, June 10th Home vs Long Point

Tuesday, June 15th Home vs Crowfield

Thursday, June 17th At Brickyard

Tuesday, June 22nd At James Island

Thursday, June 24th Home vs Dunes West

Thursday, July 1st At Newington

Tuesday, July 6th Home vs Coosaw Creek

Thursday, July 8th Rain Date

Monday, July 12th Chene Moore Meet

Sun-Tue, July 18th – 20th City Meet

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