

# **JICANet Update**

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## **JICA Meeting Minutes Clarifications -**

Chief Jason Richardson has requested the following clarifications regarding his presentation at the February 14, 2011 JICA meeting as reported in JICANet Update #10:

Chief Richardson cannot guarantee that there will be no more trouble with telephone lines on the island even though the majority of the underground work is completed.

When dialing 911 from a cell phone, the signal may be answered at Glynn County, Camden County or it could be answered at the GSP communication center. The cell phone signal may drift onto cell towers in either county depending on the caller's location on Jekyll. Regardless, always let the dispatcher know where you are so that the 911 call can be transferred to the Georgia State Patrol.

As far as the results of the recent controlled burn, Cliff Gawron and his staff will be reviewing the results to determine if the desired results were met. Other areas of Jekyll could possibly be looked at in the future, currently it's just certain areas on the golf course that are being used as a test site.

Director Richardson addressed the fire safety for the new hotels. He did not state that a ladder truck was not necessary; they are currently pursuing grant opportunities and other avenues to purchase a ladder truck. "With the current building codes in place today the newer construction is already better protected than the older hotels were. We will add a ladder truck to our fleet in the fleet in the future as time and funds permit."

Mr. Jim Reed stated that ATT has added improvements which will take three to four months to build to capacity, not Director Richardson.

## **JICA Board Position on Gambling Ammendment -**

The Jekyll Island Citizens Association is opposed to Rep. Ron Stevens' proposed state constitutional ammendment to introduce casino gambling in Georgia. This would downgrade the family atmosphere of Jekyll Island and the tranquility of this state park. We believe this island needs to remain a haven for families, children, 4H groups, and church groups seeking a place close to nature. Pretending to hide casino gambling as a means to help the Hope Grant funding only further cheapens this proposal. Those wishing to express their views to our elected officials should contact the following:

Rep. Alex Atwood (Alex has come out against this proposal) [alex.atwood@house.ga.gov](mailto:alex.atwood@house.ga.gov) or to Rep. Stevens at [Ronstevens@house.ga.gov](mailto:Ronstevens@house.ga.gov) If this moves out of the house, then send messages to [William@senatorligon.com](mailto:William@senatorligon.com). Our input as voters can squash this proposal, so make your voice heard.

Joe Malbasa, President, JICA

### **JI Lions Club Annual Golf Tournament - Saturday, Mar 12, 2011 -**

The Jekyll Island Lions Club will hold its 9th Annual Lions Club Golf Tournament to Benefit the Blind. This event will be a shotgun start 4 person scramble paying 5 flights (mens, couples, ladies, seniors and super seniors). Entry fee is \$70.00 per person and includes golf, cart, lunch and drinks. Sponsors and volunteers are welcome. Information flyers and entry forms are available at many locations on the island and in the area. Contact Bob Lelli on 912-635-9463 or Bill Robinson on 912-635-2675 for further information.

### **JISPA Annual Report Available Online -**

Those interested in viewing the Jekyll Island State Park Authority 2010 Annual Report can do so at: <http://www.jekyllisland.com/Explore/AboutJekyllIsland/AnnualReport.aspx>

### **Previuosly Announced Events**

#### **FOHJI Auction - Sunday, Feb 27**

Remember Sunday is the annual Friends of Historic Jekyll Island Silent Auction. It will be held in Magnolia Hall on the Convention Campus in the Historic District. Hours are 1-5:30 p.m. Come and help support the Friend of Historic Jekyll Island and their worthwhile projects. The first tables will close at 4:00 p.m. So come and bid high and often.

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--- and that's the news from Jekyll Island where history lives, nature abounds and the new carts have arrived at the golf courses!!! -- Jim Reed, JICANet Editor

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