



# River Reader

AUGUST 2021

**THE RIVER OAKS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION IS A SC REGISTERED 501(c)(3) NON-PROFIT CORPORATION, HAS MANDATORY REGIME FEES AND IS GOVERNED BY COVENANTS AND RESTRICTIONS**

**Neighbors, quick note, your HOA board is continuing to operate through the pandemic. Meetings are currently being held at Steel City Pizza on Dorchester Rd the second Monday of each month at 7:00. Committee meetings are held at 6:30. The most important thing is for everyone to continue to stay healthy and safe. Please feel free to attend the board meetings. If you would like to speak or add something to the agenda, please send an email to [riveroaksassoc@gmail.com](mailto:riveroaksassoc@gmail.com)**

## Management Company Information

Dorchester Real Estate Services (DRES) is our Management Company.

You may contact DRES for any questions regarding violations, Covenant and Restrictions (C&R) questions, dues information, or payment information.

Dorchester Real Estate Services – Contact Info:

Phone: 843-563-5005

Fax: 843-563-5095

Email: [HOA1@dorchestersold.net](mailto:HOA1@dorchestersold.net) (Julie Eargle)

Mailing Address:

PO Box 116

St George SC 29477

For ARB Requests, please go to

<https://www.riveroaksnorthcharleston.com/arb-requests.html>

and follow the instructions for filling out the form.

## Where can you find us?

<http://www.riveroaksnorthcharleston.com/>

Sign up to receive the newsletter via email!

[www.riveroaksnorthcharleston.com/e-newsletter-sign-up.html](http://www.riveroaksnorthcharleston.com/e-newsletter-sign-up.html)

Sign up for Next Door to help build a safer community.

<https://riveroakscharleston.nextdoor.com/login>

Log on to Facebook Page to interact with neighbors.

[River Oaks HOA North Charleston](#)

## ANOTHER REMINDER

Burning in your yard is allowable with Fire Department APPROVAL; however, be respectable of your neighbors. Some neighbors may have breathing problems and smoking them out of using their backyards is not neighborly.

## *We Love Our Volunteers!*

Homeowners – YOUR HOA needs you, your ideas, your talents and your time! Without the HOA, the lights go out and the greenspace becomes overgrown, and your property values could decrease. We are working hard to ensure that our neighborhood is one to be proud of and one that continues to improve and stays viable in today's hot real estate market. You do NOT have to be a member of the board to help!

## POTHOLE REPORTING

North Charleston Roads 843-745-1026

Dorchester County Roads 843-832-0070

## STREET LIGHT OUT?

800-251-7234

Will need the number on the light pole

| 2020 Board of Directors   |                 |                    |              |  |
|---|-----------------|--------------------|--------------|--|
| Subdivision   | Name            | Committee          | Phone        | Email  |
| Anasley Pointe  | Matt Jones      | Maintenance        | 843-494-0069 | <a href="mailto:Mattswoodworking@gmail.com">Mattswoodworking@gmail.com</a>       |
|   | Vacant          |                    |              |  |
| Appian Landing I  | Robin McKeown   | Community Outreach | 843-991-4302 | <a href="mailto:Rmckeown1960@gmail.com">Rmckeown1960@gmail.com</a>               |
|   | Vacant          | & ARB              |              |  |
| Appian Landing II   | Paul Amarendran | Maintenance        | 843-343-3986 | <a href="mailto:Amarendran@knology.net">Amarendran@knology.net</a>               |
|   | Vacant          |                    |              |  |
| Appian Landing III  | K. Williams     | ARB                |              | <a href="mailto:Riveroakshoa@aol.com">Riveroakshoa@aol.com</a>                   |
|   | A.Wade          | C & R              |              | <a href="mailto:Wadeadama2021@gmail.com">Wadeadama2021@gmail.com</a>             |
| Marsh Hall  | Vacant          |                    |              |  |
| Marsh Side<br>(only neighborhood in the City of North Charleston) | Jimmy Cooper    | Maintenance        | 843-343-2514 | <a href="mailto:Jamesfcooper2@outlook.com">Jamesfcooper2@outlook.com</a>         |
|   | Vacant          |                    |              |  |
| Palmetto Plantation   | Darrel McKeown  | President/Webpage  | 843-303-9068 | <a href="mailto:Darrel@ctelc.com">Darrel@ctelc.com</a>                           |
|   | Bill Summer     | ARB                | 843-209-2200 | <a href="mailto:Wsummer@dorchester2.k12.sc.us">Wsummer@dorchester2.k12.sc.us</a> |
| River Chase   | Ed Nead         |                    | 843-872-6802 | <a href="mailto:Ednead1958@gmail.com">Ednead1958@gmail.com</a>                   |
|   | Vacant          |                    |              |  |
| Woodington I  | Maya Allen      | Treasurer          | 843-696-4621 | <a href="mailto:Maya.outlaw@gmail.com">Maya.outlaw@gmail.com</a>                 |
|   | Vacant          |                    |              |  |
| Woodington II   | Ellen Sapp      | Vice President     | 843-810-4737 | <a href="mailto:Emhawaii1@yahoo.com">Emhawaii1@yahoo.com</a>                     |
|   | Cheryl Cannon   | Community Advocacy | 843-552-9092 | <a href="mailto:Ckcannon50@yahoo.com">Ckcannon50@yahoo.com</a>                   |
| Woodington III  | Edward Corban   | ARB                |              | <a href="mailto:qfc1313@gmail.com">qfc1313@gmail.com</a>                         |
|   | Vacant          |                    |              |  |

### ROHA Committees

We have committee meetings the **second Monday of the month at 6:30 pm**. We are ALWAYS looking for residents to help. Come join us to help with one of the committees!!! You do NOT have to be on the board to be on a committee; however, ROHA would not turn you away. ☺

- **Community Advocacy** – Community wellness concerns (sewer plant, speed bumps, road resurfacing) – ([Emhawaii1@yahoo.com](mailto:Emhawaii1@yahoo.com))
- **Community Maintenance** - Lighting, neighborhood signs – ([amarendran@knology.net](mailto:amarendran@knology.net)) and ([jamesfcooper2@outlook.com](mailto:jamesfcooper2@outlook.com))
- **Community Outreach** – Community Entrance Sign Boards, Community yard sales, parades, get-togethers – ([Rmckeown1960@gmail.com](mailto:Rmckeown1960@gmail.com))
- **Communications Committee** – Newsletter
- **Community ARB** – ([riveroakshoa@aol.com](mailto:riveroakshoa@aol.com))
- **C& R's** – ([wadeadama2021@gmail.com](mailto:wadeadama2021@gmail.com))

***We need your talents and willingness to serve and learn!***  
For more information, contact [riveroaksassoc@gmail.com](mailto:riveroaksassoc@gmail.com).

## Park Forest Parkway

DORCHESTER DISTRICT 2 SCHOOLS start on Monday August 16, 2021. Lots of traffic will be flowing through the neighborhood. Please obey all posted stop signs, drive with caution and be aware that children will be standing at bus stops near the roads. Please be patient and respectful of the rules of the road when approaching a school bus picking up children at a bus stop. STOP, do not drive around a bus that has its stop sign extended and lights flashing indicating children are being picked up.

Please be cautious and courteous when driving on Park Forest Parkway. There are many exits and entrances to Palmetto Pavilion (the Publix shopping center), Walgreens, the shopping center that houses Jets Pizza and Yummy Yummy, Loving and Learning, and the neighborhoods. Please slow down and be respectful to other drivers. If you're turning into any of the businesses or neighborhoods, use your turn signal indicator. **The speed limit on Park Forest Parkway and in all the neighborhoods is 25 mph. The road merges into ONE LANE after the McDonald's.**

Thank you for not littering and a big thank you to the walkers, joggers and neighbors that clean up the common areas as they go around the neighborhoods! We appreciate you for helping keep our neighborhood clean. To report a litterbug – please see – [palmettopride.org/enforcement/report-a-litterbug](http://palmettopride.org/enforcement/report-a-litterbug).



## PET HYGIENE REMINDER For Pet Owners –

Our green spaces are common areas that are shared by the ROHA community. Please be mindful of others who do not own pets and enjoy walking through our green spaces. Please clean up after your pets and dispose of the waste responsibly. Dorchester County does not allow animals (dogs and fertile cats) to run at large. The City of N. Charleston Ordinance states in part “(b)Any dog, while on a street, sidewalk, public way or in any park, public square, or other public space, or upon any private property without the consent of the owner, shall be secured by a leash or chain of sufficient tensile strength to restrain the particular dog, or shall be at heel and securely muzzled. Your understanding and cooperation is appreciated.

Pet Owners Reminder “The latest Leash Law information for Dorchester County can be found at:

<https://www.dorchestercountysc.gov/services/code-enforcement/animal-control>

and for the city of North Charleston the information can be found here:

[https://library.municode.com/sc/north\\_charleston/codes/code\\_of\\_ordinances](https://library.municode.com/sc/north_charleston/codes/code_of_ordinances)



## River Oaks Fall Community Yard Sale

Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 8 to 1

Start planning for the Fall Community Yard Sale. Put your unwanted items in your driveway and have fun selling them while getting to know your neighbors. We will advertise on Craig's List, our Facebook Page, and Next Door. Make some Halloween cash!



Friendly reminders: Please review the Covenants & Restrictions for your community. They are available here - <https://www.riveroaksnorthcharleston.com/covenants--restrictions.html>

- An ARB request is required when changing anything that affects the outside appearance of your home: e.g., changing the color of exterior doors, shutters, installing fences, placement of a storage shed on your property, cutting down trees etc.
- Pressure wash exterior of your home when needed, normally after pollen season
- Edge your yard & weed whack when you cut your grass
- Trash cans shall be placed on the curb the morning of garbage pickup and in by 6 pm on the day of pickup. Garbage cans shall be screened to conceal them from street view



**SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING**

**EMERGENCY**

**Call or Text 911**



**NON-EMERGENCY DISPATCH**

843-743-7200

**FILE A REPORT BY PHONE-DUTY OFFICER**

843-740-2800

**CRIME STOPPERS**

843-554-1111

**EMAIL VIDEO OR TIP TO**

[NepdCrimeTip@northcharleston.org](mailto:NepdCrimeTip@northcharleston.org)

**NARCOTICS TIPLINE**

843-308-4708

**CONCERNS OR ISSUES FOR DISPATCH**

[911.CharlestonCounty.org](http://911.CharlestonCounty.org)

### **Consider joining your board.**

Meetings are held the second Monday of each month at 7:00 at Steel City Pizza. To be a board member, your ROHA dues must be current, and you must be willing to help the neighborhood. The ROHA board votes on leadership positions once a year. Even if you decide not to join your ROHA board, you can still make a difference by showing up to meetings, voicing your opinions and helping around the community.

### **Why you should get involved in your ROHA.**

You can protect the community's property values which in turn helps your home values.

One of the main roles of the ROHA is to help preserve the community's property values by overseeing the maintenance and upkeep of common areas. If the landscaping areas are well taken care of, then the properties are more likely to uphold their value (or even increase in value). Being involved in the ROHA gives you more control over these maintenance decisions and therefore, more control over your home's value.

You can meet new neighbors.

If you are new to the neighborhood, what better way to meet neighbors and make friends than to get involved in your ROHA? Study after study shows making friends is easier when you live close and see each other on a regular basis. Attending ROHA meetings, discussing issues and planning events together will bring you closer to your community and make you feel right at home almost immediately.

You can change rules and/or make new ones.

Are you annoyed your neighbor is throwing loud parties every Saturday? If you feel that the rules need to be changed or new rules need to be implemented, joining your ROHA board is a step towards modifying the subdivision's C&R's. At the very least, you should attend your ROHA meetings to make your opinions known.

You can fix problems in the community.

Whether it is a problem with neighbors, landscaping, or expensive water bills, ROHA meetings give residents a platform to address important issues. If you have heard the same complaint from more than one neighbor, try creating a petition and/or coming up with solutions to the problem. Being a part of the ROHA board allows you to fix problems and change things for the better.

You can gain leadership skills.

Want to hone your leadership skills in a no-pressure environment? Then joining your ROHA board may be the right decision for you. Not only will participating on the ROHA board teach you problem solving and strategic thinking skills, but it will also allow you to polish your public speaking and negotiation skills – all of which help your future leadership abilities.

You can add volunteer experience to your resume.

Looking to beef up your resume? Adding volunteer positions, such as an ROHA board member, is never a bad idea. After all, what employer would not want to see that you are working hard to improve your neighborhood and overall quality of life? Having this volunteer position on your resume proves that you are a community-oriented, civic leader.

## EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

|  |                |
|--|----------------|
| <b>North Charleston Fire Department</b>                                      | <b>911</b>     |
| North Charleston Fire Department (Ashley River Location non-emergency)       | 1-843-552-2425 |
| <b>Emergency Medical Services</b>  | <b>911</b>     |
| <b>Dorchester County Sheriff</b>   | <b>911</b>     |
| Dorchester County Sheriff (non-emergency)                                    | 1-843-873-5111 |
| <b>North Charleston Police Dept: (Marshside Residents)</b>                   |                |
| Central Bureau – 2500 City Hall Lane –                                       | 1-843-740-2812 |
| North Bureau – 7272 Cross County Road –                                      | 1-843-207-0666 |
| <b>Poison Control Center</b>   | 1-800-222-1212 |
| Dominion Energy South Carolina Gas and Electric (emergency outage reporting) | 1-888-333-4465 |
| Public Works (responsible for street signs, roads & ditch main)              | 1-843-832-0070 |
| Department of Transportation (medians and road conditions/Dorchester Road)   | 1-800-657-0330 |
| Dorchester County Animal Control   | 1-843-832-0015 |
| Red Cross  | 1-843-744-8021 |
| Charleston County Emergency Preparedness Department                          | 1-843-202-7400 |
| <b>Missing Persons:</b>  |                |
| Child Help USA   | 1-800-422-4453 |
| National Center for Missing and Exploited Children                           | 1-800-848-5678 |
| National Runaway Switchboard   | 1-800-621-4000 |
| United Way Hotline for Locating Services                                     | 211            |

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