



The Jerdone Islander

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Upcoming Annual Jerdone Island Association Meeting

The Annual Jerdone Island Association Meeting will take place on Saturday October 12 at 9:00 am in the common area. If you cannot attend please be sure to fill out a proxy form so that a quorum can be met. Proxies were mailed out in September and must be returned to the board before the start of the meeting.

The agenda will include:

- reports on the activities of the Board of Directors for the past year,
- the financial status report,
- The opportunity volunteer to server on the board,
- election/re-election of board members for the coming year,
- the opportunity to volunteer for a committee position.

The association is run by volunteers who dedicate their time to make life in our community better for everyone. If you have questions about board or committee positions, time commitments, and responsibilities contact the board at theboard@jerdoneisland.org.

The Proxy form can also be downloaded from the Jerdone Island website here: <https://jerdoneisland.org/admin/resources/2024-proxy-2.pdf>

Procedures to Ensure Due Process in Enforcement Cases

The Board has adopted a policy that details the process to be followed in order to enforce any non-payment of assessments or violations against the Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions or By-Laws of Jerdone Island.

The details can be found on the Jerdone Island website, on the Association documents page:

<https://jerdoneisland.org/admin/resources/jjai-due-process-resolution-2024-01.pdf>

Please email any questions to theboard@jerdoneisland.org

Thank you to Cindy Morrell for providing this bit of history on Jerdone Castle. The history book page was obtained from an acquaintance of Cindy's. John and Judy Beardsworth are the current owners.



JERDONE CASTLE

Located off Route 728 on the waters of Lake Anna, *Jerdone Castle* was built in the mid-18th century by Francis Jerdone, a rich merchant from Scotland. He owned and operated a chain of stores in Virginia, the one in Louisa in partnership with George Pottie, his son-in-law. At his death in 1771, *Jerdone Castle* passed to his wife, Sarah Macon Jerdone, for life, and then to their son, Francis, Jr.

Francis Jerdone, Jr., who married Polly Byars, reportedly was an ardent Tory during the Revolutionary War and probably would have lost his property if his mother, Sarah, had not been a friend of George Washington's wife. General Washington mentions in his diary stopping at Mrs. Jerdone's in 1791 while passing through the county. He most likely slept in an upper room of the old part of the home.

When Francis Jerdone, Jr., died in 1841, his daughter, Sarah, inherited the home. Her husband, General Clayton G. Coleman, was a soldier, justice, and legislator of the era of the War Between the States. The Colemans added the imposing addition to the house in 1858.

Jerdone Castle remained in the Coleman family until Frank T. Glasgow bought it in 1879. His noted novelist daughter, Ellen Glasgow, mentions her memories of the home in her writings. In 1887 the Glasgows sold the house and several owners followed: R. B. Chafin, George Haynes, the Milgrims, C. L. Hartley, and the Sjostroms. The present owner, John B. Deaton, is developing the old plantation as a recreational subdivision.

The original wing of *Jerdone Castle* is a story-and-a-half frame structure with two brick chimneys and an A-shaped roof with dormer windows. In the old part of the house are long, narrow, nine-over-nine windows. The interior of the old home has many interesting features, including beautiful wainscoting, corner chimneys with Parson's cupboards above the mantels, and a recessed wall cupboard with a sliding glass door. The old brick-walled cemetery with its large, flat marble stones has been badly vandalized.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Things To Do

- October 3-5 10:00 am - 5:00 pm - 1 year anniversary at Jens Crafters Mineral
- October 5, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm - 20th annual Fall Festival at Walton Park
- October 5, 12:00 pm – Oktoberfest at Coyote Hole
- October 8, 11:00 am - Cousins Maine Lobster at Louisa - Northwest Ace Hardware
- October 12, 9:00 am - Jerdone Island Association, Inc Annual Meeting
- October 12, 11:00 am - Empty bowls for the Louisa Humane Society at Fifty-Third Winery
- October 12-13 - Annual Fall Festival at Coyote Hole
- October 15 - The Price is Right at John Paul Jones Arena
- October 19 & 20, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm - Louisa Clean’s “Big Clean”
- October 19, 9:00 am – Charity Car Show at The Cove at Lake Anna
- October 24, 5:30 pm - LCPS 2024 Hometown Homecoming Parade
- October 26, 12:00-6:00 pm - Louisa Crabfest at Southern Revere Cellars
- October 26, 3:00 pm - Trick or Treat on Main Street Louisa
- November 9, 9:00 am - Christmas Market at Piedmont Christian School
- November 23, 2:00 pm - 3rd Annual Chili Cook-off at Lake Anna Taphouse
- December 7, 4:30 pm - Orange Rotary Christmas Parade

November 22 - December 31 Illuminate Light Show and Santa’s Village at The Meadow Event Park, 13191 Dawn Blvd, Doswell, VA 23047

Events at Louisa Arts Center tickets:

<https://www.tix.com/ticket-sales/louisaartslist/7011>

Every Wednesday 6:00 pm - Bingo at Coyote Hole

Every First Friday 8:00 pm - Lake Anna Comedy Night at Coyote Hole

Do you have some news or events to share? Email us at theboard@jerdoneisland.org with a subject line of “newsletter” or post it in the non affiliated public Jerdone Island Lake Anna Facebook group which is privately administered.