



Connecting With NEIGHBORS

Oldfield Club – where Southern hospitality isn't a catchphrase, it's a way of life.

BLUFFTON, SOUTH CAROLINA: Limited in scale and private by design, Oldfield Club is quintessentially Southern. Set alongside the banks of the Okatie River under a canopy of live oaks, the private community offers an enviable lifestyle. It's been recognized by Real Estate Scorecard as "South Carolina's Best Community" and recently became one of the country's first "Certified Sustainable Communities" by Audubon International.

Its amenities will impress the toughest critic. Members have access to a Greg Norman Signature Course, Outfitters Center (with private boat storage and launch service), Sports Complex (including a fitness center and free form zero entry lagoon pool), admission to Turkey Hill Plantation (one of the South's premier sporting clay ranges), a 20-acre Equestrian Center, six Har-Tru clay tennis courts, a dog park, and multiple dining options in the Magnolia Grill and River Club.

Members also have a wide-range of outdoor activity options including horseback riding lessons and instructional classes at its onsite Orvis Fly Fishing School (the only one in South Carolina). Family friendly activities range from seasonal farmer's markets, picnics at the pavilion, oyster roasts, and concerts on the river.

DEEP CONNECTIONS

"Almost our entire membership came from someplace else," said Mark Sinkhorn. "My wife Marty and I happen to be from Columbus, Ohio. We would take frequent family vacations to nearby Hilton Head Island and had driven by Oldfield's pastoral entry with four-rail white fencing, horses grazing in the pasture, and gas lanterns lighting the road-



way. Our first visit to Oldfield Club was an eye-opener.

"Its attractive architecture, with clapboard carriage houses, provides an Old South, turn of the century charm. But what really sold us is the emphasis Oldfield places on community and interacting with neighbors. Many homes have front porches allowing for frequent mingling, and the Club's social calendar is full of activities. Oldfield's Speaker Series deserves a special mention. Topics run the gamut from hummingbird habitat to politics to the history of bourbon," said Sinkhorn.

"I think Oldfield is the best kept secret in the Lowcountry," said a pleased Kathy Kozel, member since 2007. "The membership is a close-knit family that looks out for one another. As an avid golfer, I appreciate Oldfield's culture of equality. Women have parity with men on the golf course. We are not a *men's* club, we are a *members'* club." ■

For membership or real estate information, please visit Oldfield1732.com.

"OLDFIELD CLUB provides a fantastic community environment. Zoning allowed for open space, horse stables, and a 'country' atmosphere, creating a beautiful lifestyle. Its marshlands are ever-changing, creating different looks depending on the season." – GREG NORMAN