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Northwest Georgia Corporal Named DNR Law Enforcement's 2018 Game Warden of the Year

SOCIAL CIRCLE, Ga. – The Georgia Department of Natural Resources Law Enforcement Division named Corporal Cody Jones from Fannin County as their 2018 Game Warden of the Year earlier this week at their annual "Off the Pavement" Awards Banquet in Savannah. Game Warden First Class Quinn Fogle, who is assigned to Randolph County, received the James R. Darnell Award as the runner-up to Game Warden of the Year.

"These Game Wardens are leaders of the pack and they share the common characteristics of leadership, teamwork, dedication, and a willingness to do whatever it takes to get the job done," said DNR DeputyCommissioner Terry West. "I greatly appreciate their contributions to conservation law for generations to come."



Cpl. Cody Jones

Cpl. Jones has proven himself as a dedicated Game Warden with his exceptional efforts during the past year and he consistently leads the work section in quality violator contacts, license checks, boat checks, and educational programs. Jones also excels at boating enforcement, working Lake Blue Ridge, Carter's Lake, and other tributaries in the area and he regularly uses his kayak on the Toccoa River for fishing enforcement. Last year, he logged 415 violations, secured nine arrest warrants and six search warrants, and made 10 physical arrests. On state lands, he issued 54 citations and 43 warnings while conducting 162 Wildlife Management Area patrols and 12 State Park patrols. Cpl. Jones stays engaged in his community as well, participating in annual kids' fishing events, including those for special needs groups. According to his supervisor and his peers, Jones is always willing to assist and do "whatever," "whenever," which is far above the standard.

"Corporal Jones has exhibited exceptional performance in his duties as a Game Warden and has distinguished himself among his peers." said Col. Eddie Henderson, director of the Law Enforcement Division. "He has worked hard and he deserves to be recognized for it."



GWFC Quinn Fogle

The James R. Darnell Award was presented to Game Warden First Class Quinn Fogle. GWFC Fogle is a hard working Game Warden who serves as an exemplary ambassador for the Agency and has garnered the respect of other law enforcement agencies, court officials, his peers, and most importantly, the citizens he serves in Randolph and surrounding counties and on Lake Walter F. George. This past year, Fogle documented 173 citations, 117 warnings, five BUI arrests, nine VGCSA (drug) arrests, and three convicted felons in possession of firearms arrests. In addition to his regular duties, he represents the Division on the Commissioner's Millennial Recruitment and Retention Committee, serves on the Region V Game Warden Advisory Committee, is a Counter-Terrorism Task Force Member, a Field Training Officer and is scheduled to attend POST Instructor Training soon. Fogle has earned the respect of the public and his peers, but he is quick to point out that his success is directly related to the teamwork of his associates.

"GWFC Fogle is an outstanding Game Warden you can always count on to perform at the highest level," said Henderson. "

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