

# The HOA Board Thanks Jester Residents and Requests Your Assistance

*by the Safety Committee*

Have you wondered how speeds are faring in Jester and what the radar speed signs have reported to the Austin Transportation Department (ATD)? In 2015 85th percentile speeds (85% of trips are slower than this value) were 39mph and 40mph. Since our speed awareness activities began in November 2017, 85th percentile speeds have remained in the range of 31-35mph. The plot shows speeds at all 4 radar signs over this time period. This is a significant accomplishment, one that ATD doubted would happen, and one that few neighborhoods in Austin have achieved. Jester residents should be proud. Due to this ongoing success, ATD recently removed the pylons, the last remaining vestiges of the speed humps, from Jester Blvd.

Two areas could use improvement. Speeds at 7800 Jester have come up by 2mph since October 2018. Remember that families are crossing the road there to access the park. Let's bring speeds there back down. Speeds at Clove Cove, near the old speed humps, have been too high over the entire period by 1mph. Let's reduce speeds there with the goal of having very few days reporting 35mph. While we may tend to attribute higher speeds to non-residents, analysis of the speed data by day has shown that Saturday and Sunday are

more likely to be higher speed days than weekdays, indicating that residents can make a difference with their own behavior.

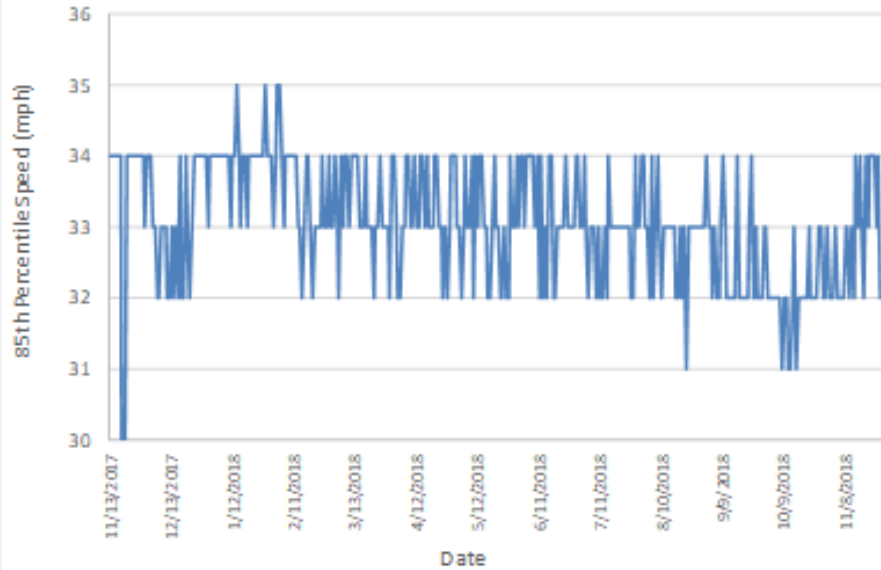
The Safety Committee would love to hear your ideas for how to keep speeds down. We have heard from many residents that they want us to keep speed awareness activities positive in nature, consistent with the friendliness of our neighborhood, and they want to rely on self-enforcement. This is possible when such activities alone are sufficient to achieve our goals and at the present they are. What can you do to help? Think about your own speeds. Don't pull over to let speeders pass. Inform contractors, visitors, and Uber/Lyft drivers that speed compliance is important to us. Keep doing what you are doing – it is working well. Thank you, Jester residents, for this remarkable accomplishment.

To see graphs of Jester speed history, go to [JesterHOA.com](http://JesterHOA.com).

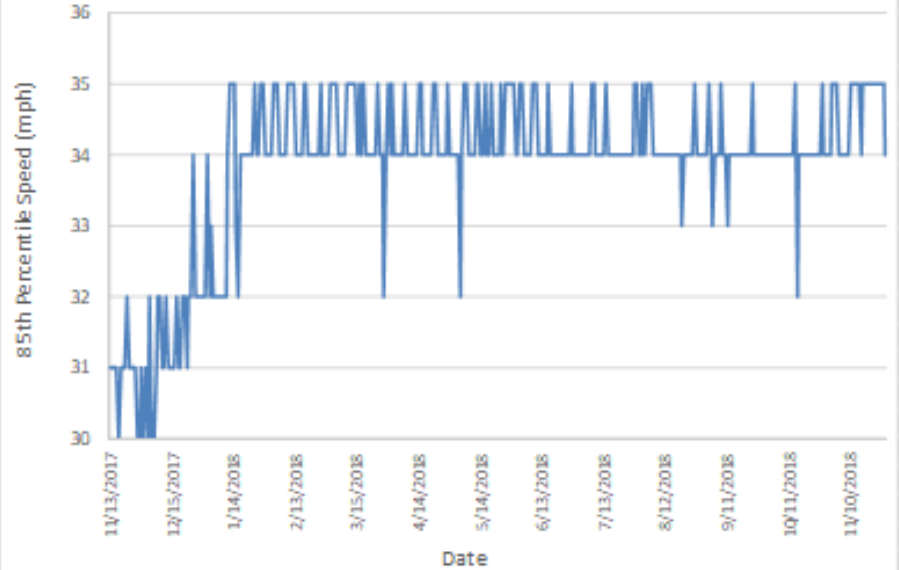
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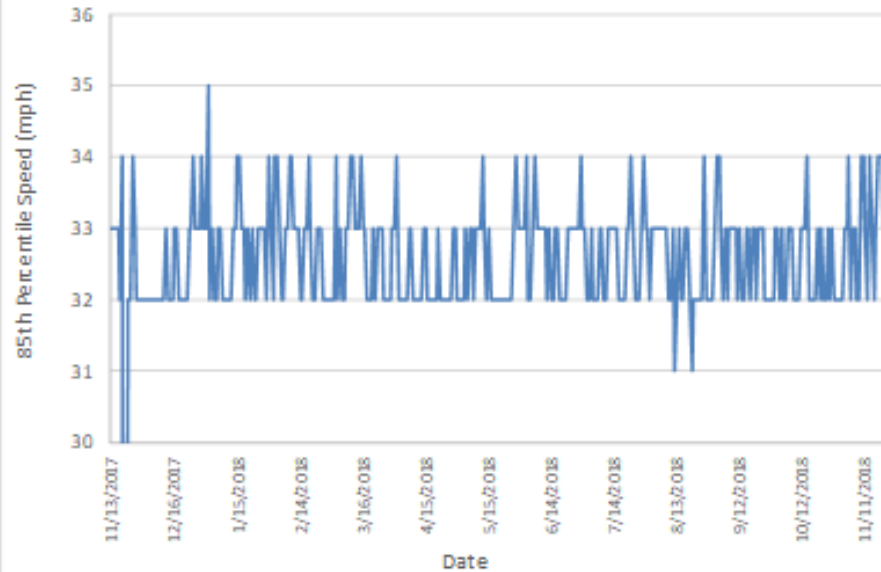
85th Percentile Speed 6905 Jester  
(top of hill)



85th Percentile Speed Clove Cove  
(near old speed humps)



85th Percentile Speed 7713 Jester  
(near club northbound)



85th Percentile Speed 7800 Jester  
(near club southbound)

