



Black Pointer

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Manager's Corner

Hello Black Pointers!

I hope everyone is having a great summer. The Summer is heating up and there are lots of events coming up so please get out and enjoy the fun. We have Food trucks, Comedy Night, our Beach Bash still to come! You still have time to train for the BP 5k Road Race in just a few weeks - Can Junior defend his title?! Dad thinks he can! Reminder that we have "Drop-in Ladies Tennis" on Tuesdays & Thursday at 9:30am on the Clay courts. The Women's Club meet on Tuesday nights. And Yoga on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday Mornings at 7am at the Clubhouse. Come on out and enjoy everything Black Point has to offer - Summer won't last forever.

A special thanks to Captain Steve and his mates at the Black Point Market for their incredible support of our parade and picnic. It's so nice to see the neverending charm of "The Little Store" continue! And you definitely want to try the "Nehantic," it's the bomb! If you left anything behind at the beach, please check first at our "Beach Lost & Found" bin adjacent to our shed at the Whitecap Parking lot. I can be reached by phone at (860) 460-7641 between the hours of 8am and 6pm. You may also email me at BPBCManager@gmail.com. Have fun, stay safe! See you on the beach!
Jim, Association Manager BPBC



BONFIRE @ MAIN BEACH

This SATURDAY July 15th

Come join the fun of a bonfire in coordination with the East Lyme Fireworks!! Beginning at 8:00P.M

Annual Food Truck Fair

Friday, July 14th 5:00-8:00P.M.

Join us at the clubhouse for the Annual Food Truck Fair! We will be featuring more trucks than ever and this year we will also have a caricature artist that will sketch your portrait for a small fee!

Food Trucks:

- The Little Pub Lobster Rolls
- Munchies Food Truck
- The Rolling Tomato
- Walsh Waffle Wagon

Plus Caricaturist: JT Art & Design

Noank Mystic Community Band

Wednesday July, 26th

7:00P.M. @ Clubhouse

A great band with great music right here in our community!!! This is an outdoor concert so bring a chair and a drink/snack if you so desire. It's really an enjoyable evening. See you there!!!



Black Point Market



Greetings Black Pointers, Attawan tribe, and crescent beach visitors. Michele and I would like to thank you all for supporting the market and making us feel so welcome in your beautiful beach community.

We had a challenging first few weeks getting our operations up and running. Karen and Mike Hyland are really big footsteps to follow and we are still finding our flow. Rest assured we will get there.

Here's a little about who we are and where we come from We are a family of 6, (9 including our dogs). We currently reside in Higganum, CT and will be summering above the market. You have probably met my daughters Kiera (16) and Karissa (13) working alongside me on the weekends. Christian(7) and Cosette (4) are our little ones who don't really contribute to the market except as ice cream and slushy taste testers.

I left my job as an off shift administrator at Hospital for Special Care to come down here and be with you folks. Michele currently works at Middlesex Hospital as a Registered Respiratory Therapist when she's not at the market or doing the books. In the not so distant past we owned and operated Old Lyme Ice Cream Shoppe and Cafe on Lyme Street along with my mother Lou Mae Albert, whom you will occasionally see scooping ice cream on weekends during our extended hours.

I guess we had some regrets selling our little Shoppe back in 2013 and are so happy to be back in a similar business in a vibrant community.

We appreciate all the feedback that all of you have given us and we are especially thankful for all the guidance Mike and Karen Hyland have given us.

We look forward to getting to know all your names, your kids names, and your dogs names.

Thank you again for all the love and support.

~Steve Albert~

Black Point Men's Club

A lot is happening at Black Point. The best way to stay in the know is to join the Black Point Mens' Club and get our updates! Our numbers are growing. Don't wait. Join now!

Recent Activities

4th of July Kazoo Band, Parade & Picnic

Thanks to all the Black Point Mens' Club members who helped with the BPBCA annual 4th of July celebration with organizing floats, cooking and serving 100's of our residents and guests.



The 48th Annual Mens' Club Kazoo band, approximately 25 members strong, dazzled the crowds on the parade route with their talent. Thanks to Ed Zito, this tradition continues.

The Mens' Club really jumped in with the food prep of burgers & dogs. Grill masters Mastria, Manuck, Guzy and Consedine supplied many other BPMC volunteers on the line. These line workers, Mike, Newell, Jim, Larry and others I forgot to list, served a steady stream of food for the strong community turnout. This could not be done without all their help! Thank you!



Corn Hole Tournament Recap– Friday, July 7th:

A great event in which 13 teams battled it out. If that wasn't enough, \$1 hot dogs were sold by the dozens. Thank you Skip Guzy and Tony Parisi for organizing this tournament and Chef Mastria for helping the good times roll! Congratulations to our winners!



Upcoming Events:

Mens' Club Meeting - Saturday July 22nd - Postponed
Enjoy your families and your friends!

Noank Mystic Community Band Wednesday July 27th - 7 PM - Clubhouse

Save the evening of Wednesday, July 27th for the second annual concert by the Noank Mystic Community Band at the clubhouse. A great band with great music right here in our community!!! Many accolades from those who attended last year! It's an outdoor concert so bring a chair and a drink/snack if you so desire. It's really an enjoyable evening. We will support the band with donations from the attendees as we did last year. The band was deeply grateful for our donation last year. See you there!!! Thank you Toy Parisi for organizing this event!

Black Point Golf Tournament - New Date, Thursday August 3rd - 2:00 PM - Great Neck CC

The skies opened up on Monday, July 10th, flooding streets and making the Golf Course unplayable. Luckily, we have a new date, Thursday, August 3rd - 2 PM! If you couldn't play on July 10th, the golf gods smiled down on you with a second chance! Contact Tom Meggars 860-559-7978 or thommeggars3@gmail.com to reserve your spot and that of your foursome! Remember all proceeds benefit the Cahill Scholarship fund! Hope to see you there!

Reminders: Pickleball- Pickleball is stronger and more popular than ever at Black Point. We have been playing our regular schedule since early June with many new members. We are currently working to get two additional pickleball courts functioning and hope that will happen soon. The hard courts are reserved for us on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday from 9 AM till noon. Everyone is welcome! If you're a beginner, come up to the courts about 10:30 and we will be glad to familiarize you with the game and try a game or two if you so desire. You don't need to bring any equipment as we have spares.

Bottle & Cans Recycling Bin - At the Clubhouse

Last week we set out with another community effort. It was noticed that there are some that just throw away cans and bottles. So the Mens' Club considered, why not recycle them for the benefit of others. First of all we found that the East Lyme High School Band has a collection every 2nd & 4th Saturday at the H.S. If you can, please drop your empties off there. But to make it even easier, we have an anonymous donor that purchased blue bins, marked with signs, for bottles and cans only, at the clubhouse. Our first collection, of approximately 400 to 500 cans, was dropped off on Saturday to very appreciative band members. Thank you Jim Schepker for leading this effort! It costs nothing to do and really helps them. Can you help too?

Future Events to Consider

- Black Point Road Race - **Saturday, August 5th**
- Beach Bash - MassConnFusion Band - Clubhouse - **Saturday, August 5th @ 6:00 PM**
- Women's Club Bingo w/Bingo Rick - **Friday August 11th**
- Story, Story Night - **Thursday, August 17th**

Build Community, Have Fun, Enjoy Black Point!

Rick Diachenko, Instagram: [black_point_men's_club](https://www.instagram.com/black_point_men's_club)

Women's Club News

On July 3, 2023 The Women's Club sponsored Project Oceanology. Brian Tucker brought his critter bins with animals from the Long Island Sound, including a rare orange lobster. After reading a book about horseshoe crabs which surface under the full moon which was expected that night the children were able to touch and try to answer questions about the puffer fish, lobster, horseshoe crab, welk and other sea life.

Our first meeting finally arrived, delayed because of the timing of the fourth of July! We had a business meeting that provided information as to the summer season's meetings, President trip, Banquet, and upcoming community events. Everyone enjoyed icebreaker bingo, an interactive way to learn more about your neighbors at Black Point and meet new friends.

Next week, July 11th, we are having Bunco, a perennial favorite and oft requested activity. On July 25th we have Tracy Ann coming. She is a local psychic with a Niantic connection. I know our members love to come and potentially have a reading and often want to bring a friend. Members can bring a guest for \$10.00. This meeting is also the deadline to provide payment for the President's trip.

Don't forget the Food Trucks will be here Friday, July 14th from 5-8:00 p.m. and this year there is a caricature artist as well.

Every Tuesday before our meeting we will be selling tickets from 6:30-7:00 p.m. for July 29th Comedy Night for \$30.00 per person. Tickets must be purchased in advance.

This summer, Max Dolcelli will be the Master of Ceremonies for our comedy night. Bringing to Black Point for the very first time:

Rhonda Corey – Rhonda Corey embodies the New England Spirit. In 2018 she competed against 22 Comedians and won the Clean Comedy Challenge, a national contest held in Chicago. During the pandemic, she started the live stream show, "Talk is Cheap," and episodes are available on her YouTube page. In January 2023, she launched the "Funny Together Tour", developed for churches featuring clean comedy.



Dan Smith – In year one of his comedy career, Dan won the Funniest Comic in Boston contest sponsored by HBO. Soon after that, he moved to Los Angeles and was involved in several independent film projects, multiple television appearances, and a comedy special on the STARZ Network. He has written and produced shows as well, such as Blind Date. He has written jokes for US



Magazine. Dan toured with Bob Saget, Bill Burr, George Lopez, and Rob Schneider. Most importantly, however, he completed 25 military comedy tours to entertain our troops. If you have any questions, email bpwomensclub@gmail.com or contact **BPWC President Evelyn Frolich at 860-989-6319**.

Thank you,
Evelyn Gryk Frolich
Black Point Women's Club President

BLACK POINT WOMEN'S CLUB MEETING DATES (Meetings start at 7:00pm)

Tuesday, July 11: Women's Club: Welcome Meeting & "Icebreaker Bingo". If you don't know what that is, come and find out!

Tuesday, July 18 : Women's Club: Bunco

Tuesday, July 25: Tracy Ann, Psychic Medium

Tuesday, August 1: Women's Club Annual Business Meeting & Trivia Nigh

Tuesday, August 8: Sprigs & Twigs featuring Linda Lillie

Tuesday, Aug. 15: Women's Club Fashion Show, Lark boutique

BLACK POINT MERCHANDISE FOR SALE!

The Black Point Women's Club will be selling Black Point Beach merchandise this summer, featuring the pictured logo, designed by our own Carolyn Boyle! Some of the items available are sweatshirts, tee shirts, hats, visors, insulated cups, and some other goodies! Items can be ordered through the following website: <https://blackpointbeach2023.itemorder.com/>.



Orders can be placed until July 23rd ending at 11:59 pm. Sorry, but no orders can be taken after the closing date of July 23rd. Orders can be picked up at the Clubhouse approximately two weeks after the deadline. An exact date will be emailed and posted in the Black Pointer when the orders are ready for pickup. **If you have any questions or need further information, please email Diane Zukowski at dianezuk@sbcglobal.net.** Thank you for your support!

LADIES TENNIS



LADIES - COME JOIN US FOR TENNIS AT THE CLAY COURTS EVERY TUESDAY & THURSDAY FROM 9:30 to 11:30 AM.

Yoga

Yoga begins at 7:00a.m. at the Clubhouse on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. \$5.00 per class. Beginners are always welcome! Hope to see you there and don't forget to bring your Yoga mat and water.



Sponsored by the Woman's Club

BLACK POINT GOLF OUTING

When: **Monday, August 3rd, 2023 (New Date)**

Where: Great Neck Country Club

Time: 2:00P.M. Shot Gun start - Reception / Raffle / Awards to follow

All proceeds to benefit the Cahill Black Point Education Fund Scholarship. Reserve your spot or have questions Contact:

Tom Meggers 860-559-7978 or email: thomasmeggers3@gmail.com



Save the Date: The Tournament between Black Point, Attawan and Crescent Beach is **August 5th @ 4:30** on Attawan Beach. Pre-registration is required. Forms need to be returned by *July 30th*. Contact: **Ronnie Phelps 53 Bellaire 860-301-9867** vmba2p@aol.com



Important Phone Numbers

Association Manager.....860-460-7641,
(between 8:00AM and 6:00PM)

Emergency- Fire, Ambulance, Police 911

Police- routine matters..... 860-739-5900

Poison Control..... 1-800-343-2722

Northeast Medical Walk-in Center..... 860-739-5426

Tick Information..... 1-800-789-7241

Black Point Market.....860-451-8028

Hours: **Mon-Thurs 7:00-5:00pm, Friday & Sat. 7:00-8:00pm, Sunday 7:00-5:00pm**

Black Point Road Race



The Black Point Road Race takes place on **Saturday, August 5th** at the bottom of Seacrest Ave. The children's run for ages 7 and under begins at 9:30am followed by a 1/2 mile run for ages 7-12.

The 5K race will start promptly at 10:00 AM.

Trophies will be awarded to first place winners in each age group. Tee-shirts available for sale. All proceeds benefit the BP Men's Club.

FITNESS CLASSES

Jill Coscarelli is offering fitness classes again this summer. Thursday classes will be held at the Club House at 7:30am. Monday classes will be held outside at 4 Blue Heron Ct. at 8:00am. Bring hand held weights and water and a donation for the Blk. Pt. recreation program and the local Food Pantry. ALL fitness levels are welcome!



CLASSIFIEDS -

FREE: Brown leather theater-style sofa. Separates in half for easy transport. Call 860- 271-1028.



Home Watch Services:

Black Point and Old Black Point off-season home watch services to offer. Call Pete McConaughy @ 860-993-7061.

Looking for Help?- Local hardworking teenager looking for work moving heavy objects, odd jobs, yard work, or washing cars. Call or text Jacob Brookmiller 860-949-9434.

Haircuts In Your Home- The Boston Barber is residing in Black Point now. Will come to your home adults and children. 10 years experience on all hair types. Call David @ 413-464-5271.



From the Editor

There is still plenty of time to send me your fun stories or pictures of things happening around the point. Many of you might not know but the Pointer takes a community team effort with getting news from social groups, events that are happening and fun pictures that people share. If you have something to share in the coming weeks send it along by the weekly deadline!!

The Black Pointer will be delivered each week at your house on Friday. The extra copies will be located at the Black Point Market if you didn't get one!! If you have any issues with delivery or concerns, please email or call me directly.

Ideas, announcements or suggestions will be welcome to add to our weekly newsletter. Black Point rules require only members can place classifieds and help wanted ads, but cannot include business advertisements. Some ads or events are subject to the Board of Governor's approval. **All information to be added to the weekly pointer needs to be emailed by no later than Saturday of each week.** Please contact me at my email address blackpointnews@yahoo.com or feel free to call me at (860) 235-3149. If you would like to add an item for sale or a help wanted blurb it is \$1.00 per issue. Please drop off fee to my address at 35 Sea Crest Ave in small blue mailbox labeled with a BP sticker on the white archway in driveway.

Thank you and look forward to sharing more news around the point!
~ Suzanne Smith, Editor ~

For More Information go to:

www.blackpointbeachclub.com

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Black Point Beach Club**

(For more association rules and regulations visit the webpage www.blackpointbeachclub.com)



Beach News: Water Temp 71°. A little bit of a warm up. Time for a swim on these hot days.

