



Black Pointer

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Manager's Corner

Hello Black Pointers!

Welcome back! Summer's finally here! Our beaches, tennis courts, boat docks, kayak racks, and swim rafts are in place and ready for use. Remember, If you park in our lots, you must have a current, hanging tag clearly displayed and we have our beach patrol staff in place, Tommy Sheehan and Raleigh Loring, to make sure of that. Please make them feel welcome, as well as supporting them in their efforts on the beach this year.

Our recent Golf Cart Registration Day was a great success. We partnered with East Lyme PD and registered 48 golf carts. With the proliferation of golf carts, parking is once again at a premium. Please consider parking along the greenway at Nehantic Parking lot, or better yet, our golf cart only parking at the Whitecap right-of-way. Also, take a moment to consider that golf carts attract children's attention and parents can sometimes consider them safe due to their slow speed and allow the children to drive them, please don't! Safety in golf carts is crucial and often overlooked. The same goes with the E-foot scooters - please make sure your kids wear their helmets, it's the law!

The 4th of July parade and picnic is just days away, so start making your floats. As usual, we need all the volunteers we can muster for the picnic. The parade will start from the Clubhouse at 11:00 AM sharp. If you are participating in the parade, you should arrive at the Clubhouse by 10:30 AM. For those kids riding their bikes in the parade, they can jump in at the bottom of Billow Road as the parade goes by. Please note the instructions on what to bring to the picnic based on your last name: last name begins with the letter, A-K, bring desserts and if your name begins with the letter L-Z, bring a side dish.

Folks! It's Party time! Our "Summer Vibes" kickoff party to the season features live music and dancing with the sounds of **We3Trio**, at the Clubhouse this Saturday, June 29th, from 6pm to 10pm. This is a free event for our members and their guests. Bring a chair, cooler and especially those dancing shoes! The Men's & Women's Club also have a full slate of activities and events planned so it's sure to be a very busy and exciting summer!

As usual, you can find me at the Beach, or just out and about. I can be reached on my phone immediately at (860) 460-7641 between the hours of 8am and 6pm. You may also email me at BPBCManager@gmail.com.

See you on the beach,
Jim Moffett, Association Manager
BPBC



Clubhouse Beach Bash

Live music with

We3Trio

@ Clubhouse

This Saturday, June 29th

6:00pm to 10:00pm.

Free event for our members and their guests



Woman's Club Sponsors Yoga

Yoga begins at 7:00a.m. at the Clubhouse on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. \$5.00 per class. We are happy to have our knowledgeable yoga instructor Heather Perinis back to teach yoga this summer. Beginners are always welcome! Hope to see you there and don't forget to bring your Yoga mat and water bottle.



Winter storms caused some disruption to our beaches and waterfront structures. One damaged area is the concrete walkway along the seawalls between Sea Breeze and Sea View Avenues. We expect to make the walkway repairs as soon as we are able to confirm contractors. In the meantime, the entire damaged walkway is protected with temporary, high-visibility orange fencing. Parents, please be sure to keep your children away so that they do not attempt to access the damaged area. On other fronts, at South Beach stones have been removed and sand replenished. And other beaches are now receiving daily rakings and maintenance. Thank you.

BPBCA Board of Governors



One happy grandma to see her grandkids super excited for the first day of club! ~ Margie D'Agata~

Black Point Recreation Program

Hey Everyone, My name is Matt Reichelt and I am excited to join the Black Point family and spend my first summer here. I currently teach 4th grade in East Lyme and recently moved to Ledyard. For the past several years, I was a program director at Deer Lake Day Camp in Killingworth, CT. I am excited to get out of the woods and be by the water! In my free time I like to visit downtown Mystic, read, watch movies, and fight supervillains.



Hey! I'm Finn Hopkins and I am a Junior Director at Club this year! I am a rising junior at the University of Maryland, College Park. I am from Baltimore but I have spent every summer here in Black Point and have attended the program since I was 3 years old. I love playing basketball and listening to music in my free time. My favorite club memory was winning color wars with team USA. I can't wait to get this summer started!

Hi everyone! My name is Kate Hopkins and I am the other Junior Director at Club for the 2024 summer season. I am also from Baltimore and will be joining Finn as a freshman at the University of Maryland next year. I played soccer and basketball throughout high school and I love spending time with friends! I always loved learning our dance for the talent show and making friendship bracelets as a camper. I'm sure excited for this summer!

Any questions email: bpclubdirector@gmail.com

~ Matt Reichelt, **Director**

Club Camp Events for the week of July 1st- July 5th:

**** Monday, July 1st** (America Week! / Independence Theme Week Begins)

***** Tuesday, July 2nd** (Wear your tie dyed t shirt from Wednesday, June 26th)

**** Wednesday, July 3rd** (Theme Day! - Wear RED, WHITE, and BLUE!) ***** NO SWIM** on Wednesday, July 3rd for STAFF APPRECIATION***

**** Thursday, July 4th** (Happy 4th! No Camp/Swim!)

**** Friday, July 5th** (Club Picture Day. A Club Photo will be \$5.00. More details to follow on Tuesday, July 2nd)

Recreation Program Rates

7-week Program Operates June 24th - August 9th

Season (w/ swim) Weekly (w/swim) Daily (no swim)

1 child \$550.00 \$ 150.00 \$ 30.00

2nd child \$530.00 \$ 140.00 \$ 25.00

3rd child \$510.00 \$ 130.00 \$ 20.00

Season and Weekly prices include swim lessons.
(Make checks payable to Black Point Beach Club)

Fourth of July Parade & Picnic



The Black Point Beach 4th of July Parade and Picnic is scheduled for **Thursday, July 4th**. The Parade will start from the Clubhouse at 11am sharp. If you are participating in the parade, you should arrive at the Clubhouse at 10:30am. All bikers meet at the bottom of Billow Road and join the parade as it passes. The annual picnic will begin immediately following the parade. Please bring a side dish that is enough to feed the number of people you are bringing (i.e. if there are 8 people in your party, bring 8 servings to share).

If your last name starts with **A-K, bring a dessert**, if your last name starts with **L-Z, bring a side dish**. Hot dogs, hamburgers, veggie burgers and water will be served.

Black Point Road Race

August 3rd 2024 marks the **50th anniversary** of Black Point Road Race. To celebrate this milestone we will feature live music and complimentary refreshments and offer a special commemorative T-shirt for purchase.

The 5k will follow the traditional route and begin near the bottom of Seacrest at 10 am sharp. Children races begins at 9:30am (7 and under) followed by a half mile race for kids ages 7-12. Parents are asked to determine the appropriate race for their child.

This event is sponsored by the Black Point Men's club and will receive all proceeds.



Costs:

5k--- \$10.00.

Children's half mile---\$5.00.

Children's 7 and under are free.

T-shirts are \$25.00.

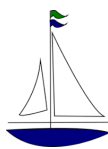
Trophies are awarded to first place finishers in each age group and ribbons for second and third place in these categories. WALKERS are welcome and encouraged to join. Walkers start time will be 9:45am.

There will be pre-registration at 11 Seacrest on Friday, August 2nd from 3-5pm.

All invited to join the festivities.

This race is sponsored by the Black Point Men's Club.

Black Point Men's Club



I wish to thank our community for the growing interest and attendance at the events sponsored by the Black Point Mens' Club. There is so much to do with family and friends plus we all need time to just relax and enjoy Black Point, Niantic and the surrounding land and sea based activities. We are happy to try to add to those options and appreciate your help in making them a reality! This will be the best year yet! Please join us when you can!

Sailing Races - Every Wednesday Night - 6 PM - Beaches

Every Wednesday Night the NBYC have sailing Races. There were approximately 40 boats racing this Wednesday. Stay on the beach with friends and family and enjoy the competition!

Beach Bash #1 – Saturday, June 29th - Club House - 6 PM

Enjoy live Music to start off the summer. Provided by your BOG. Bring chairs, food, drinks and dancing shoes!

Previous Activities

Friday, June 7th - Membership Meeting

Almost forty members joined together to learn about the status of the BP Mens' Club, events and, of course, some pizza and beer. Good times were had as we try to reach a 100 members this year!



Friday, June 14th - Bocce Selection Night



12 Teams were selected for matches which started on Friday 21st

Monday June 17th - Bocce Court Refurbishing

After considerable research about resurfacing with new stone, it was decided to try to redo the existing courts which involved digging up the surface stone, releveling



and rolling flat. About 15 to 20 members of the community helped make this happen. Here is to a quick level renewed Bocce court!



Women's Club News



We invite all the women in the community to join us! The Women's Club meets Tuesday evenings at the Clubhouse at 7:00 pm from **July 9th until August 13th**, with our Annual Banquet on **August 20th**. Membership is \$40.00 for the summer, and there is a \$10.00 fee per meeting for guests. **Our first Women's Club meeting is on Tuesday, July 9**, and will feature Icebreaker Bingo along with Limoncello and Little Bites.

Our new Executive Board -- Heather Maguire (Vice President), Carla Wright (Treasurer), Nancy Erman (Secretary), our amazing new team of Committee Chairs, and I have had a lot of fun planning the summer's activities and community events, and we expect a summer full of fun, laughs, camaraderie and friendship!



4th OF JULY WOMEN'S CLUB FLOAT!

This year, we will be joining the Fourth of July Parade with our very own float! All Women's Club members (and future members!) are welcome to participate. Dress in your best Hawaiian-themed attire, or come as you are – we will provide a lei for every participant. It promises to be a splash!

WOMEN'S CLUB SCHEDULE

(Meetings start at 7:00pm)

- July 9: Icebreaker Bingo and Business Meeting
- July 16: Bunco Game Night
- July 23: Women's Trivia Game Night
- July 30: Craft Night
- August 6: Annual Business Meeting and Potluck (6:30pm)
- August 13: The Life and Magic of Harry Houdini presented by Mallory Howard
- August 20: Annual Banquet (6:00pm)

We also host a variety of events open to the entire **Black Point Community**. A highlight is our **Annual Comedy Night on Saturday, July 27th**, at 7:30 pm. Join us for a night of non-stop laughter at the Clubhouse featuring comedians Desi Walker, Angel Rentas, Leslie Teshima, and Whitney Allen. Tickets are just \$30 per person! **Check out the Black Point Website for our full calendar and other community events!** Stay tuned for next week's Black Pointer for more Women's Club updates, and we hope to see you soon!

~ Jocelyn Williams, *BPWC President* ~

From the Editor



Summer is officially here! I am very excited to share so many great events and happenings around the point this summer.

From the Editor

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!! 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 fun news with you this summer!

~ Suzanne Smith, Editor ~



Reminder of a Few General BP Rules

- "Parking tags are still required on cars and golf carts.
- **Golf carts** must be registered and driven by a licensed driver only, by state law. They may not be driven after sundown

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

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www.blackpointbeachclub.com



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JULY 6TH 5PM
AT BLACK POINT
BEACH CLUBHOUSE
\$25 ENTRY PER TEAM



BURGERS/DOGS AVAILABLE
HUGE \$\$\$ PRIZES
Bring your best partner



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: **Monday -Sunday 7:30-5:00pm**

BLACK POINT MARKET NEWS

Greetings Black Pointers, Attawan tribe and Crescent vagabonds.

Welcome to a new summer season!

If you haven't heard, The Blackpoint Market has a few additions to its lineup including Beer and Hard Seltzer, Pizza, and a few "soft" items that include Soft Serve ice cream and Soft jumbo pretzels. We also have prepared meals to go.

We still have the same great sandwich and grill menu as we did last year.

This year we will have a few live music shows at the market starting with **Gene Johnson - Flying Solo on June 29th at 3:00 PM on the deck**. Come down and tailgate with your golf carts and enjoy the music (buy some beer while you're at it). **The Bosco Brothers Band will play on July 6th at 3:00 PM on the side patio**. Whalers Brewery will be doing a free beer tasting on July 6th at 3 pm on the deck when the Bosco Brothers Band is performing. Gene was a hit last year and I'm sure the Bosco Brothers will be too.

Michele and I look forward to a great summer with you and your families. ~Steve Albert~

Friendly reminder that Taxes are due by July 1st, 2024 with the last day for penalty being August 1st.

Please mail your check to:

Colleen Hayes, Tax Collector
Black Point Beach Association
P.O. Box 274, Niantic, CT 06357

