



# The Highland Lakes Newsette

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## Staying Safe on Labor Day Weekend

MEG WAHNON, COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Most of us think of Labor Day as the closing of our beautiful summer spending time outdoors, taking advantage of the wonderful weather, exploring mother nature and enjoying BBQ's. 2020 has been a year to remember with COVID-19 being the star of the show.

As we get closer to Labor Day, it is important to remember that COVID is still on the prowl and many people can carry the virus without showing or feeling any symptoms at all. If you will be throwing or attending a BBQ for Labor Day be smart and do your part. Wear a mask in larger gatherings and stick to the outdoors. If you cannot wear a mask remain 6-feet apart and don't forget to wash your hands. Carry sanitizer in areas where you will not have access to hand washing. Continue to follow the same safety guidelines that have been set in place in the earlier months of COVID, which will help continue to limit the spread of the virus.

Helping to find the right mask can help to make your outdoor, interactive COVID experience a lot more comfortable. There are several different materials used to create face masks; trying different kinds might be beneficial and make you feel more comfortable, as well as help you breathe comfortably when you are required to wear one. Stay safe and enjoy your Labor Day weekend.

## Free Shrimp Band Social Distance Concert Rescheduled

RAY ZIMMERMAN



### 21 and Over

This Sunday, September 6 at 6 pm the Free Shrimp Band will be playing on the Clubhouse lawn. This will be a free, bring your own-chairs,

blankets, snack tables and booze event. No one under 21 will be allowed on lawn. Feel free to come by boat, drop anchor and enjoy the music. We also ask that you limit your party to groups of 6 or less to help in our quest for social distancing. Make sure to bring your mask!!!! (It's mandatory to have one with you in case you want to be a social butterfly). Please call 973-764-7797 for cancellation based on weather.

## Art on the Lawn...Success!

DENNIS DALELIO, COORDINATOR



Laura Birdsong's beautiful paintings PHOTO COURTESY OF DENNIS DALELIO and property.

Thanks to everyone who came out to support the artists! Thanks to everyone who showed their work. Many sold pieces and so many people came out via car or by foot to celebrate the Art. What a beautiful day of good weather, and overall it felt like a celebration of life in general. Next time, if there is one, we will make sure to get those who did not get to tour around some art sitters so you can get out there and experience the whole deal. I will be in touch. If anyone has any art events virtual or live that they are involved with or are worthy of sharing send them my way, and I will send them out to our group. All photos I took are up on our Facebook page at "HLArtistsGroup" <http://www.facebook.com/HLArtistsGroup>. The page is public so I believe you do not need a Facebook account to access it.

## Art on the Lawn Participating Artists

DENNIS DALELIO

### Thank You

Matt Behre  
Laura Birdsong  
Carol Chave  
The Dalelio Family  
Sevasty Entwistle  
Rosita Gilsenan

John Holda  
Rita Hunken  
Marcia Letizia  
Meg Wahnon  
Bruce Young  
and more!

## From the President's Desk

MICHAEL GELFAND, PRESIDENT

Labor Day traditionally marks the end of summer, and ordinarily the president would use this occasion to reflect on some of the most memorable events of the past summer and focus your attention on upcoming projects that the Voting Board will work on over the coming fall and winter.

But in this year—a year like none other—I have to break precedent. That's not to say that there haven't been memorable events to gush over or upcoming projects that you'll want to know more about. My next letter will cover the points above, but for this letter, I need to make you aware that General Manager Jack McLaughlin, after more than 33 years of service, recently notified the Voting Board of his resignation effective on or about December 31, 2020.

The Voting Board has a plan in place—a result of the emergency management plan adopted last year by the Voting Board—and we're already at work to identify potential candidates:

- A search firm will be engaged to help us identify and recruit qualified candidates for this highly specialized role.
- The Administration Committee, which is responsible for making personnel and budget recommendations to the Voting Board, will coordinate with the search firm to prioritize the experiences, qualifications and characteristics we believe are needed in our next General Manager.
- The search firm will identify and rank appropriate candidates through its own interviewing process, and recommend the best candidates for the Administration Committee to consider before inviting the best of the bunch to be interviewed by the Voting Board.

An announcement will be made as soon as a new General Manager has been hired. Jack is committed to working with the Club and his successor during the transition.

## Upcoming Events

September 4 – Friday Night Lights  
September 5 – All Boat Regatta  
September 6 – Free Shrimp Band



## Beach 1 Bus Stop Information

JACK MCLAUGHLIN, GENERAL MANAGER



Tuesday, September 8 marks the opening of school and the school bus stop at Beach 1. On Monday evening, September 7, the parking and traffic pattern at Beach 1 will be changed

to accommodate school buses and to bar access to parking aisles from the Breakneck Road entrance. This change will be in effect until the end of the school next June.

- Please remember:
- Parking for those who enter the Beach 1 site from Breakneck Road will be restricted to the parking spaces in the “loop road” – there will be no access into either of the two parking aisles along the ball field or children’s playground area.
  - Stopping/Standing is prohibited at all times within the school bus loop road.
  - Access into both parking aisles will be available from the rear of the site – the Lakeside Drive entrance. You will be able to pass from one aisle to the other in the area at the loop road and at the rear of the site.
  - Designated handicapped parking spaces are restricted under all circumstances to those drivers authorized to use them – the Vernon Police will issue summonses for unauthorized use.
  - Parents are reminded that the tennis courts are for tennis only – children are not permitted to play in these areas at any time.

Parents who live north of Breakneck Road should use the Lakeside Drive entrance, leaving the spaces in the loop road available to others. Your cooperation is essential in making the school bus stop safe for all children and the drivers of the school buses. Thank you.



## Boat Removal Notice from Docks and Racks

JACK MCLAUGHLIN, GENERAL MANAGER

**Boats must be removed from all docks and from all racks on the western side of Highland Lakes by Thursday evening, October 15, 2020.**

Please take NOTICE that all boats, canoes, kayaks, etc. on all Club docks must be removed by Thursday, October 15, 2020, in order to provide time for the Club’s staff to relocate the docks for winter storage. This NOTICE also requires the removal of all boats, canoes, kayaks, etc. stored on the wooden boat racks and on the kayak racks on the western side of Highland Lakes by Thursday, October 15, 2020.

In alternating years, once the racks are clear the wooden boat racks on the western side of Highland Lakes are inspected and repairs are made if necessary in the fall and in the early spring. In addition to maintenance and repair, the purpose of this program is to require that all boats, canoes, kayaks, etc. return home in alternate years, ensuring that for the most part the spaces on these racks are actively used by members and not occupied by boats, etc. as simply storage locations.

Part F. of Club Rule No. 25 provides as follows: F. TRANSPORT TO RESIDENCE, REMOVAL TO STORAGE, PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS: Boats, kayaks, windsurfers, etc. of members stored in violation of these Rules which can be identified will be returned to the member’s residence. Boats which cannot be identified shall be removed to storage. All boat removals will be subject to a special assessment of \$100.00. A daily storage charge of \$5.00, calculated from the date the boat was removed to storage up to December 15 will be imposed, when a special winter storage fee of \$250.00 will then be imposed. After June 15, a disposal fee of \$250.00 will be imposed. Boats may not be retrieved between December 15 and April 15. The Club may, in its sole discretion, elect to acquire title to any boat that has been determined to be abandoned, in compliance with the “Abandoned Vessels Disposition Law,” N.J.S.A. 12:7C-7 et seq.

(Adopted May 16, 2014 / Amended February 15, 2019)  
The following boat and kayak rack locations on the western side of Highland Lakes are affected by this notice:

- Lake 5 - Pocasset Road - Beach 7 area
- Lake 1 - Lakeside Drive - Beach 1 area
- Main Lake - western shore areas as follows:
- Club Park
- Comet Row
- Eckhart Sailing Center
- Crayfish Run Freeway at Winetka Road
- Sunrise Path Freeway at Wiscasset Road
- Freeway at Oneota Road
- Running Brook Freeway at stream crossing south of Oneota Road
- Catfish Path Freeway south of Ocala Road
- Freeway north of Monadnock Road

Freeway at Lakeside Drive East near Main Lake dam spillway

Avoid costly removal and storage assessments – remove your boats from all docks and boat racks as described above by October 15.

## Water Testing Results

Below are the results of the most recent E. coli testing at the Club’s beaches and swim lanes performed by Garden State Laboratories, Inc. Weekly tests are required by the State of New Jersey, and results must not exceed 320 organisms per 100 milliliter. All samples conformed to NJ State recreational bathing standards. Testing results are also reported by the lab to the Sussex County Department of Health.

	8/10	8/17	8/26
Beach 1	5.1	1.0	13.5
Beach 2 – Clubhouse	<1	1.0	1.0
Beach 3 – Lookover Lane	19.5	7.4	3.1
Beach 4 – Bushwick	1.0	1.0	12.0
Beach 5 – E. Lakeshore Dr.			
Beach 6 – W. Lakeshore Dr.	1.0	29.2	3.1
Beach 7 – Upper HL Dr.	4.1	1.0	13.4
Swim Lanes – Clubhouse	<1	4.1	<1

## Club Garbage Services End

**Last pickup – Tuesday, September 8**

The Club’s ten week summer garbage pickup with Blue Diamond Disposal is ending with the last pickup on Tuesday, September 8 (due to the Labor Day holiday). Please remember - your garbage must be at out by 6:30 am. If you are a customer of Blue Diamond (973-598-9800) or Waste Management (800-633-9096), weekly services to your residence will resume on Monday, September 14.

If you have moved into our community over the summer, please note that you must make your own arrangements with one of these firms for year-round services.

## End of Season Beach Hours

**September 5 - 7**

Beach 1 & 3...11 am - 6 pm  
Beach 7..... 12 pm – 5:30 pm  
Beaches 2, 4 and 6 may open based on staff availability



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## Friday Night Lights

LOUISE STALEY, CHAIRPERSON, CLUBHOUSE COMMITTEE  
ROE HALL, EVENTS COORDINATOR



**September 4 - Teens 13 - 18 6:30 - 8:30 pm**

Friday Night Lights will return on Friday, September 4. We will be serving burgers and wings. Come down and join the fun. Teen members and their guests are invited for dinner (burgers and wings) and lawn games.

Weather permitting, food will be served on the decks. Social distancing requirements will be in place--bring a mask. Badges and guest badges must be visible. Be ready to laugh and be hungry. This will be our last Lights night for the season. Hope all who came and participated enjoyed themselves, met new friends and liked getting out of the house. See you next summer.

## New Fall Pickleball Hours

KATHI TAYLOR

Summer may be winding down but pickleball is still going strong. As in the past, fall hours will begin after Labor Day. On Wednesday, September 9 we begin play at 4 pm. This start time will be in place through the fall on Mondays and Wednesdays. Friday morning ladies pickleball continues to meet at 9 am. Bring your paddle and wear your membership badge and sneakers and head over to the courts at the new time. Questions? Call Kathi Taylor 973-303-2689.

## Fall Yoga

ANITA JANKER

### Gentle, Spiritual, De-stressing Yoga

Twice a week - Mondays and Wednesdays at 4 pm. Come down to our Clubhouse lawn. Taught by Alice -- Beginner's Welcome. Highland Lakes members and their guests only with badges.



## Next Newsette: October 3, 2020

Newsette articles should be submitted on the Friday before the week of publication at noon. Under no circumstances will submissions be accepted after noon on Monday of the week of publication. Typed submissions must be emailed to the Club office at [hlcc@warwick.net](mailto:hlcc@warwick.net). Sorry - we can only print photographs submitted as .jpg files with a minimum of 150 dpi. Thanks!

## Covid Relief All Boat Regatta

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- ☛ Any crew combinations. Top Jr. Sunfish awarded. Bring/bag your own lunch. 4 races planned.
- ☛ 100% of your entry will be donated to our causes. **PLEASE JOIN US!**
- ☛ **Register:** All BOATS must register on HLCC Club Porch 8-9am at Clubhouse \$20 entry per boat donation. 1st race 10am ESC
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Western Week had kids as “Sheriff for the Day” making their own western vests. Some of the crafts were a cowboy hat, bolo tie, cactus hand prints and a paper armadillo. They also made an old favorite leather craft project.





Art by Matt Behre

PHOTO COURTESY OF DENNIS DALELIO

## Art on the Lawn

DORI ZARR

Perfect weather, great attendance and outstanding Art on the Lawn Sunday, August 30. What fun to drive or walk around the various lakes and see some of the talent that was displayed in our community. There were oil and water color paintings, unique weaving, and heirloom quilts to name just a few. In some cases artwork could be commissioned for the future. Virus or not, there are always birthdays, baby gifts, and graduations. Spectators got to speak to the artists and learn some of the stories of their various works. Many thanks for hauling and hanging all your products outside for us to view up close and personal. Much appreciation to the creator of this event complete with map and rain date.



Art by Carole Chave

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A proud 8-year old with art on display



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## Books of Interest for the Ladies

DORI ZARR

### Lady Bookers

Here's a list for those of us who love to read whether quarantined or not.

- Book Woman of Troublesome Creek - Kim Richardson
- American Dirt - Jeanine Cummins
- Dear Edward - Napolitano
- Becoming Mrs. Lewis - Patti Callahan
- This Tender Land - Kent Krueger
- The Winemaker's Wife - Kristen Harmel

## HLCC Men's Golf Outing

RAY LOUGHREN

A big thank you to all that came out to play this year. We had 88 golfers tee off for a much-needed good time. Many new golfers joined us along with the regular crew, awesome. The winning foursome with a score of 13 under was Chris McCarthy, Doug Sarini, Dom Verroca, and Neil Verroca. Longest drive went to Scott Robertson. Closest to the pin was won by Harry Pedersen.

Thank you to Mike Sweeney and Matt Breunig for all the help in making this outing a success.

Save the date for next year, August 6. Stay well...Ray.

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## Ecology Corner

BARBARA JAGGI, CHAIRPERSON, ECOLOGY COMMITTEE

### The Spotted Lanternfly, Another Insect to BUG You



The Spotted Lanternfly adult is approximately 1" long and 1/2" wide at rest. The forewing is grey with black spots and the wing tips are reticulated black blocks outlined in grey. The hind wings have contrasting patches of red and black with a white band. The legs and head are black; the abdomen is yellow with broad black bands. Immature stages are black with white spots, and develop red patches as they grow.

The Spotted Lanternfly causes serious damage in trees including oozing sap, wilting, leaf curling, and tree dieback. In addition to tree damage, when Spotted Lanternflies feed, they excrete a sugary substance, called honeydew, that encourages the growth of black sooty mold. This mold is harmless to people, however it causes damage to plants. In counties infested and quarantined for Spotted Lanternfly, residents report hundreds of these bad bugs that affect their quality of life and ability to enjoy the outdoors during the spring and summer months. Spotted Lanternflies will cover trees, swarm in the air, and their honeydew can coat decks.

The bug is currently in its full adult stage and will begin laying egg masses in September. If members notice the grayish putty-like masses, usually attached to trees, they should scrape them off. Additionally, they can be placed in alcohol, bleach or hand sanitizer. The NJDA (NJ Dept. of Agriculture) has an instructional video on how to kill the masses as well as a list of treatment options if residents have an infestation on their property. The department is also asking residents outside of the quarantine areas to report sightings by emailing [slf-plantindustry@ag.nj.gov](mailto:slf-plantindustry@ag.nj.gov) or calling 609-406-6943.

Native to China and South Korea, the spotted lantern fly arrived in the U.S in 2014 on a shipment to Pennsylvania. After spreading rapidly, Pennsylvania placed 26 counties under quarantine, meaning that businesses, agencies, and organizations traveling through the areas must obtain a permit for moving vehicles and products through the zone. Currently, Mercer, Hunterdon, Warren, Burlington, Camden, Gloucester and Somerset counties are under quarantine in New Jersey. All vehicles crossing into the state from Pennsylvania must be inspected, as the bugs are known for hitchhiking on vehicles. As reported in the most recent edition of the Advertiser News, spotted Lanternfly has recently been spotted on a deck in Green Township, Sussex County.

Though the bug does not pose a threat to humans

or animals, it is deadly to plants because it feeds on and extracts sap, creates wounds in trees, excretes honeydew which builds up sooty mold and impacts the overall quality of outdoor life. The Tree of Heaven is a host plant for the Spotted Lanternfly and has been spotted on Club property.

#### Description

**Size:** Tree-of-heaven has rapid growth and can grow into a very large tree, reaching heights of 80 to 100 feet and up to 6 feet in diameter.

**Bark:** The bark of Tree-of-Heaven is smooth and green when young, eventually turning light brown to gray, resembling the skin of a cantaloupe.

**Leaves:** Tree-of-Heaven leaves are pinnately compound, meaning they have a central stem in which leaflets are attached on each side. One leaf can range in length from 1 to 4 feet with anywhere from 10 to 40 leaflets. The leaflets are "lance" shaped with smooth or "entire" margins. At the base of each leaflet are one to two protruding bumps called glandular teeth. When crushed, the leaves and all plant parts give off a strong, offensive odor.



**Twigs:** The twigs of the Tree-of-Heaven are alternate on the tree, stout, greenish to brown in color, and lack a terminal bud. They have large V- or heart-shaped leaf scars. The twigs easily break to expose the large, spongy, brown center, or pit.

**Seeds:** Seeds on female trees are a 1-to-2-inch-long twisted samara, or wing. There is one seed per samara. The samaras are found in clusters, which often hang on the tree through winter.

**Look-a-likes:** This species is easily confused with some of our native species that have compound leaves and numerous leaflets, such as staghorn sumac, black walnut, and hickory. The leaf edges of these native trees all have teeth, called serrations, while those of the Tree-of-Heaven are smooth. The foul odor produced by the crushed foliage

and broken twigs is also unique to Tree-of-Heaven.

**Human Health Concerns:** Tree-of-heaven can affect human health. The tree is a very high pollen producer and a moderate source of allergy in some people. In addition, a few cases of skin irritation or dermatitis have been reported from contact with plant parts (leaves, branches, seeds, and bark) and products. Symptoms often vary and depend on several factors, including the sensitivity of the individual, the extent of contact, and the condition of the plant or plant product. There are rare reports of myocarditis (inflammation of the heart muscle) from exposure to sap through broken skin, blisters, or cuts. People who have extensive contact with the tree should wear protective clothing and gloves and be careful to avoid contact with the sap.



Tom Watson

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## Sailing Tube Storage

LOU IANNUCCI, SAILING COORDINATOR

### Remove by September 30

Please note all sails must be emptied from Eckhart Sailing Center and Comet Row sailing tubes by Wednesday, September 30. There are no exceptions. Please comply accordingly. Thank you.

## 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Cookbooks On Sale

JOYCE HEALY

Step back in time a bit and read some of the wonderful recipes submitted 40 + years ago. Your HL Senior Club gathered these recipes and added some delicious new ones to create the 50th Anniversary HL Cookbook.

\$10.00 per copy is all it costs to get a great gift for yourself or for others in your life. Some of the recipes came from the grand ladies of the HL Women's Auxiliary. Maybe your mom, grannie, auntie or a special neighbor submitted a recipe, and you haven't had it since you were a child. Here's your chance to get your hands on those wonderful taste treats. Call Joyce - 845-544-3749 and pick up 1 or more copies for gift-giving.

## SANJL Regatta

MARK BURUCHIAN, SANJL REP

Please note the HL SANJL Championship Regatta scheduled for this fall has been cancelled for this year. We look forward to next year's events.



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## FJ Fleet Standings

MIKE GILLOOLEY, FLEET CAPTAIN

### As of August 30

Rank	Helm Name	Crew Name
1st	Kevin	Kayla-Justin
2nd	Mark	Sue
3rd	James	Benin-Katari-Luke
4th	MaryJane	Lisa-JT
5th	Mike	Sara
6th	Rich	Lizzie
7th	Lou	Emily
8th	Jessica	Lorayne-Tori
9th	Krissy	Dom-Richard
10th	Rob	Hannah-JT
11th	Jeff	Lisa
12th	Rick	Christine
13th	Will	Lindsay
14th	JT	Declan
15th	Wayne	Julie-John Wayne
16th	Richie	Albert

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## “Directions Please...”

MLADEN KRESIC, FLEET CAPTAIN

### Sunday Sunfish August 30

Thirty minutes from start of today’s race, there was quiet on the lake. By race time though, things had changed. Not only was there some wind, but it was increasing with 10 mph gusts. This pattern got stronger as race time approached and sailors gathered, also from every direction.

Not being certain that the winds would stay (it is Highland Lakes) the committee called a white, red, white course 3. Joining us for the first time this year was Susie Witt–welcome back Susie, after many years!

By race time we had 17 boats, all trying to stay close to the line and not over as the wind kept shifting and building to gusts well above 12. Clean start though as there was a short lull. Halfway to the first mark, most of the fleet was running along the eastern shore, while Mark led down the middle of the lake followed by JW and Rich. As usual, getting to the white buoy by the dam, the winds died down and shifted causing additional jostling for position rounding the mark. “Downwind” there were gusts from every direction. By the reach leg gusts from the western shore picked up, and as the “peloton” approached the reach mark a seemingly huge gust from the west tore the main from the hands of this writer preventing a jibe around the mark and overwhelming his boat. Nothing new some might say. The finish was tight with Mark followed by Rich, Bob, Richie and JW with James and Susie close behind.

The second race began with swirling gusts and a shift back to the natural course (it was 3). The downwind was particularly variable with some good planing when the gusts did come from the north. In the end there was a lot of tacking to the finish by some. Rich just beat out Mark, with Bob followed very closely by James and JW, Richie and Chip. The rest of the fleet quickly finished, and all were

glad to get through the challenging though very enjoyable festivities unscathed. (noted were a couple of capsizes on the way home).

NOTES:  
Please look for emails from me regarding the awards ceremony next Sunday after the races. As of this writing, it will be on the Clubhouse lawn near the back deck from 4:30 to 5:30 pm. Thanks again Allan and Brett for a great job – hopefully, you enjoyed the show, which may have been better from Eckhardt. Please continue to stay safe and healthy. See you next Sunday for a couple of races and the awards.

Race 1	Race 2
1 - Mark Buruchian	1 - Rich Mastrangelo
2 - Rich Mastrangelo	2 - Mark Buruchian
3 - Bob Tomsey	3 - Bob Tomsey
4 - Richie Amato (Jr)	4 - James Sullivan
5 - John W. Wisniewski	5 - John W. Wisniewski
6 - James Sullivan	6 - Richie Amato (Jr)
7 - Susie Witt	7 - Chip Erhardt
8 - Dennis Jimenez (Jr)	8 - David Goldman
9 - Chip Erhardt	9 - Mladen Kresic
10 - Rob Schaap	10 - Rob Schaap
11 - James Napolitano	11 - Dennis Jimenez (Jr)
12 - Mladen Kresic	12 - James Napolitano
13 - Luca Bonardi	13 - Luca Bonardi
14 - David Goldman	14 - Allan Napolitano
15 - Roger Kirchner	15 - Bill Weis
16 - Bill Weis	16 - Roger Kirchner (DNF)
17 - Allan Napolitano	17 - Susie Witt (DNS)

If you have any questions, please e-mail me at mladen@negotiators.com or call/text at (203) 918-1102.

## Now That Was Fun!

SUE BURUCHIAN, FLEET CAPTAIN



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### Ladies Sunfish

Five ladies decided to come and experience a heavy, gusty sailing race last Thursday. It was for me, a day when all your “coaching” comes to fruition. As a fleet captain, I believe it is good to challenge talents and this day did for Kayla, Jessica, Ellen, Nancy and Christine. I knew all who came were ready. What a race. Predicted winds were 11 mph with heavy gusts. You learn so much when you challenge yourselves. These ladies realized this wasn’t the normal wind once they took their first tacks off the dock. It was a windy day. As they sailed the modified course of red, red, white course one, they started to master heavy gusts, survived the jibe mark, hiked out like a gymnast and felt their fish of boats hum on the lake as never before. All the ladies finished and all had stories to share. They did it and when it was all over, they kept sailing, enjoying the “once in the summer” winds. As I left the dock, I turned and let them know, the gusts were 29 mph and they screamed because they did it!

Thank you to lifeguards Tori and Benin who stayed close to the fleet if they needed any help. Also thanks to my husband, Mark who helps in every way each Thursday. It was fun! Finishers were as highlighted above. Fleet standings on the Club Board. Save Sept 5 for All Boat Benefit Relief Regatta.

## Windsurf Happenings

KEVIN GASTON, FLEET CAPTAIN

We have been waiting for this all summer. Southwest winds at 10 to 15 mph. Great winds from a great direction. There even was an occasional white cap floating by. But it was the rest of the forecast that had me worried. It was calling for rain and thunderstorms all day, but lo and behold the sky turned blue, the winds were howling and we were flying. A contingent of Gastons, Joe, Joey and I, were joined by the Ehrhardt clan, namely Chip and another future superstar, his grandson Dennis.

In the first race it seemed as though every time I turned around, Joey was right there on my tail. Just to keep my lead, I had to remind the young whippersnapper that he was still required to socially distance himself from me. But he was having none of that and in the second race, he was the one looking back at me. Oh, did I forget to mention that we swapped boards and sails for that second race? I’m just saying.

This year marks 25 years that my Dock Committee Commander Mike Gaston and I have served as volunteers for the sailing community. When I asked Mike for his comments on it he just shrugged and calmly replied “It’s just another day on the dock”. The Windsurf Fleet wishes Bob Koeck a speedy recovery, and we hope to see him back on the lake next year.

- Results for 8/29
- Race 1
- 1 - Kevin Gaston
  - 2 - Joey Gaston
  - 3 - Joe Gaston
  - 4 - Chip Ehrhardt
  - 5 - Dennis Jimenez
- Race 2
- 1 - Joey Gaston
  - 2 - Kevin Gaston
  - 3 - Joe Gaston
  - 4 - Chip Ehrhardt
  - 5 - Dennis Jimenez (DNF)

## HLCC Sailing Center Fleet Schedule

LOU IANNUCCI, SAILING COORDINATOR

Last week of sailing. All races begin at the Eckhart Sailing Center.

COVID Relief All Boat Regatta  
Saturday, September 5 at 10 am - \$20 Entry Fee

Sunfish Races Sundays at 2:30 pm  
Mladen Kresic: 973-764-0452  
Sept. 6  
Flying Junior Fleet Sailing Races – Sundays  
at 11 am arrive by 10:45am  
Mike Gillooley: 973-764-4185  
Sept. 6

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