



# The Highland Lakes Newsette

A publication of Highland Lakes Country Club and Community Association at Highland Lakes, New Jersey © 2023  
"All the News That Fits We Print"



Volume 2023 | Issue Number 15 | September 2, 2023

## Summer Serenade

CLIMEEN WIKOFF, CHAIR, COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Summer is winding down. Memorial Day weekend, the start of the Highland Lakes summer season, seemed like it was just yesterday, but Labor Day is already here. It was another wonderful and jam-packed summer in Highland Lakes with lots of activities and events, and it's ending all too soon. There was something for everyone from bocce and bowling to windsurfing and other water sports. There was plenty for the kids to do including games and crafts at the Clubhouse and Beach 1, swimming and tennis lessons, softball and Swim Team, Family Fun Nights and, of course, Family Day. But there was still time for them to hang out with friends at the beach or the Clubhouse. There was no end to activities for the adults as well with breakfasts and concerts, hypnotists and comics, swimming and sailing – the list goes on and on. Lake Appreciation Day was a very successful new addition to our roster of annual events. Sometimes it feels like the summer isn't long enough to

include everything we do.

None of this would happen without our hard-working staff and cadre of dedicated volunteers. Maintenance, Security and the office staff go above and beyond to make sure all of the events and activities run smoothly.

This time of year can feel a little melancholy with the weather cooling and parents and children getting ready for the return to school. It will soon be time to put the garden to bed, to pick apples and pumpkins, to turn to more indoor activities but not quite yet. Lots of activities are planned for this weekend with the All-Boat Regatta and Sailors' Awards Picnic, a Family Camp Out and Breakfast at the Clubhouse. We hope you'll join us for some of these events. Keep up-to-date with all the upcoming events this fall by signing up for our weekly email blasts, checking out [hlcc.org](http://hlcc.org) and social media.

## Beach 1 Bus Stop Information

DAVID MARTIN, GENERAL MANAGER

Thursday, September 7, marks the opening of school and the school bus stop at Beach 1. On Wednesday evening, September 6, 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 year 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.





**HIGHLAND LAKES**  
Country Club and Community Association

# Family CAMP OUT

SEPTEMBER 2  
7:00 PM  
CLUBHOUSE  
LAWN

[www.hlcc.org](http://www.hlcc.org) MEMBERS & THEIR GUESTS ONLY. BADGES REQUIRED.

[f](#) [@](#) [t](#)  
@hlccnj

## Upcoming Events

September 2 - All Boat Regatta  
September 2 - Camp Out  
September 3 - Breakfast  
September 3 - Sailors' Awards Picnic  
September 22 - Back to School Ice Cream Social  
September 23 - Trivia Night  
September 30 - SANJL  
October 6 - Lantern Walk  
October 7 - Fall Cleanup  
October 7 - W/A Ghost Event







**Holiday Beach Hours**

KAITLYN NAGY, WATER SAFTER DIRECTOR

Our final days of staffed beach hours are as follows:  
Friday, September 1 - Monday, September 4  
Beach 1 - 9 am - 5:30 pm

**Boat Removal Notice from  
Docks and Racks**

DAVE MARTIN, GENERAL MANAGER

**Boats must be removed from all docks by  
Saturday evening, October 15, 2023.**

Please take NOTICE that all boats, canoes, kayaks, etc. on all Club docks **must be removed by Sunday, October 15, 2023**, in order to provide time for staff to relocate the docks for winter storage. In accordance with Club Rules, any boat and/or vessel left on Club docks after October 15<sup>th</sup> will subject the owner to a \$500 penalty assessment and removal of the boat by the Club, at the owner's expense.

Article IV, Paragraph 2.D:

*Failure to remove any boat by October 15<sup>th</sup> shall be a Tier 4 offense and the boat may be removed by the Club, at the owner's expense.*

**Avoid costly penalty assessments – remove your boats  
from all docks by October 15.**

**The Highland Lakes Newsette**

Highland Lakes Country Club  
and Community Association  
Copyright© 2022

Roe Hall, Administrative Assistant  
Sue Ross, Editor

Special Thanks to the  
Communications Committee and  
all our contributors

PO Box 578 - 2240 Lakeside Drive West  
Highland Lakes, New Jersey 07422  
973-764-4366 / Email: [info@hlcc.org](mailto:info@hlcc.org)

**Beach 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 milliliters. All samples conformed to NJ State recreational bathing standards. Testing results are also reported by the lab to the Sussex County Department of Health.

	8/11	8/17	8/23
Beach 1	7.2	6.3	1
Beach 2	1	3.1	<1
Beach 3	33.6	3.1	3.1
Beach 4	2	2.0	1
Beach 5	1	4.1	<1
Beach 6	2	7.5	4.1
Beach 7	1	<1	<1
Swim Lanes	<1	3.1	<1

**Voting Board  
Highland Lakes Country  
Club and Community  
Association**

**October 1, 2022 - September 30, 2023**

Officer	Name	E-Mail
President	Ray Zimmerman	president@hlcc.org
First Vice President	Lisa Entwistle	firstvp@hlcc.org
Second Vice President	Patty Thompson	secondvp@hlcc.org
Treasurer	Lou Iannucci	hltreasurer@hlcc.org
Secretary	Jennifer Ziegler	secretary@hlcc.org
Section	Trustee	E-Mail
1	Sue Buruchian	trustee1@hlcc.org
2	Lyle Timpson	trustee2@hlcc.org
3	Heidi Fuhrmann	trustee3@hlcc.org
4	Janice Fajardo	trustee4@hlcc.org
5	Julia Campbell	trustee5@hlcc.org
6	Melissa Hardin	trustee6@hlcc.org
7	Stuart Blank	trustee7@hlcc.org
8	Joan Danaher	trustee8@hlcc.org
9	Thomas Castiglione	trustee9@hlcc.org
10	Madeline Hollingsworth	trustee10@hlcc.org
11	Andrea Cottrell	trustee11@hlcc.org
12	Robert Reffelt	trustee12@hlcc.org

**Ray BROSS**  
CONSTRUCTION  
HIGHLAND LAKES, NJ

• EXCAVATING • SAND • GRAVEL • TOP SOIL  
• SEPTIC SYSTEMS • WALLS • STONE

**973-764-6974**  
MULCH

**Spotlight on Rules**

**ARTICLE VIII - QUALITY OF LIFE**

1. Community Preservation & Character -  
A. Property Maintenance - The owner of any improved or unimproved lot(s) shall maintain the property in a reasonably neat and safe manner, free from any nuisance, object or condition reasonably deemed to be offensive or which poses a threat to the health and safety of the neighborhood. Violation of this rule shall be a Tier 4 offense.



**WARREN W. CONSTRUCTION, L.L.C.**

RENOVATIONS  
CUSTOM CARPENTRY & DESIGN  
EXCAVATIONS  
DECKS & DOCKS  
ALL ASPECTS OF CONSTRUCTION  
WORKERS COMP & LIABILITY

WARREN WALDRON JR.  
973-534-9507



*Building Dreams*

License # 13VH01699300





September 2023

Highland Lakes Happenings



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday																																																																																				
	<div>Aug 2023</div> <table><tr><td>S</td><td>M</td><td>T</td><td>W</td><td>T</td><td>F</td><td>S</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td><td>10</td><td>11</td><td>12</td></tr><tr><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td><td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td></tr><tr><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td><td>24</td><td>25</td><td>26</td></tr><tr><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td><td>31</td><td></td><td></td></tr></table>	S	M	T	W	T	F	S		1	2	3	4	5		6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31			<div>Oct 2023</div> <table><tr><td>S</td><td>M</td><td>T</td><td>W</td><td>T</td><td>F</td><td>S</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td></tr><tr><td>8</td><td>9</td><td>10</td><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td></tr><tr><td>15</td><td>16</td><td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td></tr><tr><td>22</td><td>23</td><td>24</td><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td></tr><tr><td>29</td><td>30</td><td>31</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr></table>	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31							<div>1</div> <div>10:00 AM Pickleball</div> <div>5:00 PM Pickleball (Intermediate &amp; Advanced)</div>	<div>2</div> <div>8:30 AM All Boat Regatta</div> <div>7:00 PM Family Campout</div>
S	M	T	W	T	F	S																																																																																				
	1	2	3	4	5																																																																																					
6	7	8	9	10	11	12																																																																																				
13	14	15	16	17	18	19																																																																																				
20	21	22	23	24	25	26																																																																																				
27	28	29	30	31																																																																																						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S																																																																																				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7																																																																																				
8	9	10	11	12	13	14																																																																																				
15	16	17	18	19	20	21																																																																																				
22	23	24	25	26	27	28																																																																																				
29	30	31																																																																																								
<div>3</div> <div>9:00 AM Clubhouse Breakfast</div> <div>4:00 PM Pickleball (Intermediate &amp; Advanced)</div> <div>4:00 PM Sailors' Awards Picnic</div>	<div>4</div> <div>6:00 PM Pickleball</div> <div>Labor Day - Office Closed</div>	<div>5</div> <div>1:00 PM Bocce</div> <div>7:00 PM Artists Group</div> <div>7:00 PM Bldgs. &amp; Grnds Comm. Mtg.</div>	<div>6</div> <div>5:00 PM Yoga</div> <div>6:00 PM Pickleball</div> <div>7:30 PM VB Workshop</div>	<div>7</div> <div>8:00 AM -9:30 AM Yoga &amp; Meditation</div> <div>1:00 PM Bocce</div> <div>6:30 PM Teen Council</div> <div>7:00 PM Road Comm. Mtg.</div> <div>7:00 PM Stitching</div> <div>7:30 PM Chess Club</div>	<div>8</div> <div>10:00 AM Pickleball</div> <div>12:00 PM Sr. Club BBQ</div> <div>5:00 PM Pickleball (Intermediate &amp; Advanced)</div> <div>6:30 PM Bunco</div>	<div>9</div> <div>10:00 AM Communications Comm. Mtg.</div> <div>Private Member Memorial</div>																																																																																				
<div>10</div> <div>4:00 PM Pickleball (Intermediate &amp; Advanced)</div>	<div>11</div> <div>5:00 PM Yoga</div> <div>6:00 PM Pickleball</div> <div>7:00 PM Ceramics</div>	<div>12</div> <div>9:30 AM Playgroup</div> <div>7:00 PM Sr. Club Mtg.</div>	<div>13</div> <div>5:00 PM Yoga</div> <div>6:00 PM Pickleball</div>	<div>14</div> <div>8:00 AM -9:30 AM Yoga &amp; Meditation</div> <div>1:00 PM Bocce</div> <div>7:00 PM Stitching</div> <div>8:00 PM Voting Board Meeting</div>	<div>15</div> <div>10:00 AM Pickleball</div> <div>5:00 PM Pickleball (Intermediate &amp; Advanced)</div>	<div>16</div>																																																																																				
<div>17</div> <div>4:00 PM Pickleball (Intermediate &amp; Advanced)</div> <div>Private Member Memorial</div>	<div>18</div> <div>5:00 PM Yoga</div> <div>6:00 PM Pickleball</div> <div>6:00 PM -7:00 PM Scouts</div> <div>7:00 PM Ceramics</div>	<div>19</div> <div>9:30 AM Playgroup</div> <div>12:00 PM Sr. Club Lunch</div>	<div>20</div> <div>5:00 PM Yoga</div> <div>6:00 PM Pickleball</div> <div>6:00 PM Scouts</div>	<div>21</div> <div>8:00 AM -9:30 AM Yoga &amp; Meditation</div> <div>7:00 PM Fish Comm. Mtg.</div> <div>7:00 PM Stitching</div> <div>7:30 PM Chess Club</div>	<div>22</div> <div>10:00 AM Pickleball</div> <div>5:00 PM Pickleball (Intermediate &amp; Advanced)</div> <div>7:00 PM Ice Cream Social</div>	<div>23</div> <div>7:00 PM Trivia Night</div>																																																																																				
<div>24</div> <div>4:00 PM Pickleball (Intermediate &amp; Advanced)</div> <div>Private Member Memorial</div>	<div>25</div> <div>5:00 PM Yoga</div> <div>6:00 PM Pickleball</div> <div>7:00 PM Ceramics</div>	<div>26</div> <div>9:30 AM Playgroup</div> <div>7:00 PM Sr. Club Mtg.</div>	<div>27</div> <div>5:00 PM Yoga</div> <div>6:00 PM Pickleball</div> <div>7:00 PM Book Club</div> <div>8:00 PM Ecology Comm. Mtg.</div>	<div>28</div> <div>8:00 AM -9:30 AM Yoga &amp; Meditation</div> <div>7:00 PM Stitching</div>	<div>29</div> <div>10:00 AM Pickleball</div> <div>5:00 PM Pickleball (Intermediate &amp; Advanced)</div>	<div>30</div> <div>8:30 AM SANJL</div>																																																																																				

Playgroup Starting Up

JESSICA KLIMASH, COORDINATOR

Our 5 and Under Gang will be starting up on Tuesday, September 12. We will meet every Tuesday at 9:30 am for approximately 2 hours unless otherwise noted and we follow the school calendar. A typical Playgroup day usually consists of playtime, story time, free time, snack, craft, etc. We may also meet off-site at different

places in the surrounding towns and we usually celebrate holidays with a themed event. So bring your little ones to the Clubhouse for some socialization and mommy and me time. Looking forward to meeting new moms and seeing new faces!



Family Campout

LAUREN LA ROCCA, CLUBHOUSE DIRECTOR

September 2

Calling all families who love to camp! If you and your family are those that love to camp then you will want to join the Clubhouse staff in an all-night campout down on the Clubhouse lawn Saturday, September 2, 2023. It is from 7 pm until 10 am the following day. If you do not wish to stay the night, but would like to participate in the activities, you can. There will be games, crafts, roasted marshmallows and some scary stories. The few requirements are that you must supply your own tent and sleeping bag. Parents must stay with children. Children cannot just be dropped off.

HIGHLAND LAKES

Country Club and Community Association

PLAY TIME & CRAFTS

STORY TIME & SNACKS

Playgroup UNDER 5

TUESDAYS

9:30 AM

CLUBHOUSE

www.hlcc.org

MEMBERS & THEIR GUESTS ONLY

BADGES REQUIRED

Facebook

Instagram

TikTok

HIGHLAND LAKES

Country Club and Community Association

BACK TO SCHOOL

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

SEPTEMBER 22

7:00 PM

CLUBHOUSE

www.hlcc.org

MEMBERS & THEIR GUESTS ONLY

BADGES REQUIRED

Facebook

Instagram

TikTok



## MARIE DUNN

## A painting of a blue hydrangea flower with green leaves, set against a light background. The painting is done in a thick, expressive style with visible brushstrokes. The flower is the central focus, with its many small blossoms rendered in various shades of blue and white. The leaves are a vibrant green, some with darker, more saturated areas. The background is a mix of light and dark grey tones, suggesting a simple, possibly outdoor setting. The overall composition is dynamic and textured.



---

---

MARIAN BENEDICTO AND KATHIE GRIFONE



## est. 1878

Master HVACR License# 19HC00204300



# Celebrate Summer Recap

MELISSA HARDIN, TEEN COUNCIL COORDINATOR

## August 15

We had an amazing turnout for our Celebrate Summer Bounce House event! A small crowd of kids anxiously awaited the houses to be blown up. When they were finally standing, families continued arriving, with wide-eyed kids ready to pounce! Thank you to everyone who came out. We had a water balloon blast with musical water balloon chairs, water balloon toss and water fight. All ages enjoyed the bounce houses and we had to keep the adults from enjoying them too!

The Teen Council would like to give a special thanks to everyone who brought school supplies to give to families in need.



# HIGHLAND GENERAL STORE

**ALWAYS TRY  
THE GENERAL FIRST**

**BEER\*WINE \*SPIRITS  
HARDWARE  
DELI\*GROCERIES  
ATM\*LOTTERY**

**OPEN 7 DAYS  
111 HIGHLAND LAKES RD  
973-764-4541**

PHOTOS COURTESY OF ROE HALL



**ROE HALL, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT/  
EVENTS COORDINATOR**



**HIGHLAND LAKES**  
Sailing Club of Central Illinois

**SUNFISH, FORCE 5, FJ, WINDSURFER,  
HOBIE AND OPEN CLASSES**

 *Awards & Trophies  
Top Jr. Trophy*

**4** ANY CREW COMBINATIONS  
**RACES**  
WIND CONDITIONS PERMITTING

**RSVP: SAILING@HLCC.ORG**

**All Boat  
REGATTA**

**LUNCH PROVIDED - \$5.00 DONATIONS APPRECIATED!**

**SEPTEMBER 2**

**8:30 AM - REGISTER**

**9:00 AM - SKIPPER'S MTG**

**10:00 AM - FIRST RACE**

**CLUBHOUSE**

[www.hlcc.org](http://www.hlcc.org)

MEMBERS & THEIR GUESTS ONLY  
BADGES REQUIRED



PHOTO COURTESY OF DORI ZARR

**DORI ZARR**

court is 91 feet by 13 feet and gets its name from the Italian word meaning bowl. Bocce is played with 8 large balls, 4 per team made of different colors to distinguish one team from another. Each ball weighs about 1.2 pounds making it popular with any age, athletic ability and location. Today it is even an Olympic sport. And...you can play this game right here in Highland Lakes at the bocce court in the park at the Clubhouse on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1 pm. Joe Pierini is the team captain. Players are outgoing and welcoming. Give it a try.

# Valley Laundry

New Owners

**OPEN 7 DAYS**  
**6AM - 11 PM**

- Recently Remodeled & Clean Facility
- Air Conditioned
- Coin and Soap Dispensers
- Large Capacity Washers & Dryers

**973-900-4269**

7 Vernon Crossing Road, Vernon






# Women’s Auxiliary

JENNIFER ZIEGLER, PRESIDENT, WOMEN’S AUXILIARY

The Highland Lakes Women’s Auxiliary had their last formal meeting of the summer on August 22. It was my last meeting serving as President of the Auxiliary. It was my pleasure working with all the wonderful women of Highland Lakes. We had great events all summer, Wine and Cheese party, Bake Sale at the Goodwill Yard Sale where we raised \$338 dollars to donate. Our fundraiser with Mr. Hypno was a great night. We have heard nothing but rave reviews. Our covered dish and boat trip were beautiful social events.

We ended our community events with a Broadway bus trip we organized for the community. Fifty-three lucky people took a luxury coach to NYC for a four-course gourmet Italian feast at Tony DiNapoli and then walked two short blocks to the Broadhurst Theatre to see, “A Beautiful Noise: The Neil Diamond Musical.” They had orchestra seats and it was also the 300th performance! They were treated to an extra special finale to commemorate the milestone. Come out next year and join us to add more fun events to our wonderful community.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF JENNIFER ZIEGLER

# SANJL Regata

MARK BURUCHIAN, SAILING COORDINATOR

Save the date for September 30, when HL hosts the SANJL Championship Sunfish Regatta. This four-regatta series is always fun to sail and compete in. Come, join us! One-day regatta entry is allowed. Championship and challenger divisions awarded.

**Race day schedule:**

8:30 to 9:45 am	Registration
10 am	Skippers Meeting
10:30 am	1st Race

To register, contact Mark Buruchian at [hlccsailing@gmail.com](mailto:hlccsailing@gmail.com) or 973-271-0213.

# 2nd Annual Community Book Sale

CAROLYN ACKER, COORDINATOR

**Saturday, November 4 - 10 am to 3 pm**

Announcing the 2nd Annual Goodwill Fund Book Sale. Last year, we held our first book sale to benefit the Goodwill Fund. It was such a great event that we are hosting it again on Saturday, November 4, 2023, during the Senior Club’s Fall Harvest and Craft Fair at the Clubhouse. Browse the books and crafts, and cross off some gifts on your Christmas list!



**Accepting Book Donations:**

We are in need of book donations for the sale. The book sale is a great opportunity to declutter and share your favorite reads. Volunteers will be at the Clubhouse on Saturday, October 28, from 10 am to 3 pm to accept your book donations. Please bring your books to the basement area of the Clubhouse (under the deck facing the swim lanes). Donations of fiction, non-fiction, young-adult literature, and children’s books are welcome.

We will not accept textbooks, old research books, encyclopedias, atlases, cookbooks, or books in poor condition. Please note that we cannot accept book-related accessories like book-ends or bookshelves. All books must be in good condition, free of water damage or mildew, with intact bindings, covers, and pages. It would be greatly appreciated if you would sort your books by category - adult fiction, gardening, biography, children’s books, etc. before you bring them to the clubhouse.

**Proceeds from Sale:**

All proceeds from the book sale will go to the Goodwill Fund, so make room on your shelves for new books while helping others. Thank you in advance.



HIGHLAND LAKES  
Boat and Community Association



2022



BRING A DESSERT TO SHARE

RSVP: [SAILING@HLCC.ORG](mailto:SAILING@HLCC.ORG)

 **SEPTEMBER 3**

 **4:00 PM**


 **LAKE ROOM**

**Sailors' AWARDS PICNIC**

[www.hlcc.org](http://www.hlcc.org)

FLEET SAILORS & THEIR GUESTS ONLY  
BADGES REQUIRED

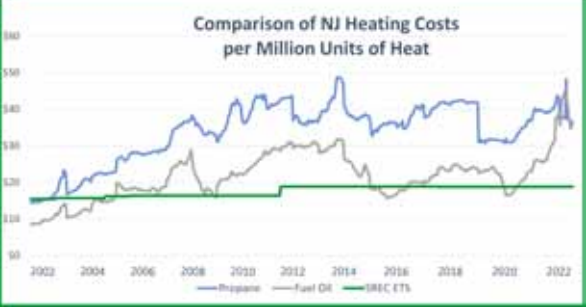


**Don't be a VICTIM to fuel price fluctuations**

**Have more say in what you pay:**


**ETS is the answer!**

Comparison of NJ Heating Costs per Million Units of Heat




**Benefits of Electric Thermal Storage:**

- Off-peak charging
- Quiet operation
- Lower carbon footprint
- No maintenance
- No fumes to vent
- Stable price



<https://www.yes2ETS.com>



Sussex Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc.

**Refer a friend**

Did you know? We offer a Refer a Friend program for ETS! If you're an ETS owner and recommend ETS to a friend, when they have their ETS unit installed you will both receive a \$150 bill credit!



## Swim Team End of Season Wrap-Up

MICHAEL BUCHNEY, HEAD COACH

The Swim Team had a busy finish to the end of their season. To catch up on all the exciting swims, please enjoy some abbreviated highlights from our last few meets!

### Coaches Choice - HL Stars Shine Bright!

The Highland Lakes Swim Team traveled to Fayson Lakes on Thursday, August 3, to compete in the Lakeland Swim Conference's Coaches' Choice meet. This "All-Star" format allows teams to select one swimmer for each event, and the team swims all night in the same lane. This year Highland Lakes competed all night in Lane 5 - perfectly centered amongst the competition. HL showed that they belonged there, opening the meet with two straight wins by Cae Laudenberger and Anabelle Schwarz in the 8/u breaststroke events. Chase Puccio wowed the crowds with a victory in the 10/U butterfly! Later, in the backstroke events, Juliet Schwarz and Alexandra Kovacs both took top honors in the 11/12 Girls and 13/14 Girls events, respectively. In total Highland Lakes made the podium in 19 of the 38 individual events, including the seven gold medalists mentioned, along with seven silver medals and five bronze finishes. An impressive medal haul! The highlights of the night, however, came from the relay performances. Up against the best in the league, HL took top honors in the 11/12 Girls Medley relay team of Juliet Schwarz, Adrienn Kovacs, Alicia Kovacs, and Alexa Fleming; followed by a second gold in the 13/14 girls medley relay by the team of Alexandra Kovacs, Gabriella Cefaloni, Giselle Bonardi, and Jenna Brennan. The 15/18 girls also had a notable silver medal finish, coming within only a few tenths of a second of the team record in that event. Congratulations to Hannah Wisniewski, Abbey Amato, Vanessa Cefaloni, and Sophia Randazzo on their impressive swim! Finally, of note, were the 9/10 boys team of Graden Leiter, Landon Howes, Chace Puccio, and Joseph Evanick who took home a bronze medal for their 200 Medley relay. In the end, Highland Lakes placed a respectable 4th place overall in the team standings, a great finish for a team from the "lower" White Division.

### 2nd Place Team Finish at ELAC Invitational

The Erskine "Classic" Invitational was held on Saturday, August 5, with a large HL delegation heading to our neighbors to the east in Ringwood. Swimmers enjoyed the lovely beach area, especially the famous diving boards at Erskine. In the water, the HL swimmers turned in some impressive performances, including the following podium finishes:

- 1st Place: Delilah Taylor (Breaststroke), Cae Laudenberger (Breaststroke), Abigail Klimash (Butterfly), Landon Howes (Backstroke), Ava Kraus (Backstroke), Logan Cole (Backstroke).
- 2nd Place: Ava Kraus (Breaststroke), Nate Fahmy (Butterfly), Ceci Laudenberger (Backstroke), Emmalyn Burns (Backstroke), Philip Whitby (Freestyle)
- 3rd Place: Greycey Steady (Breaststroke), Landon Howes (Breaststroke), Ben Sullivan (Breaststroke), Nate Fahmy (Backstroke), Margaret Fahmy (Freestyle and Backstroke), Logan Cole (Freestyle).

### Week 6 Dual Meet: HL@Fayson Lakes

The Highland Lakes Swim Team concluded its 2023 Lakeland Swim Conference season with an away trip to the Fayson Gators, the 2022 LSC League Champions. The



team expected a challenging meet with the Red Division powerhouse, and that's exactly what they got. Highland Lakes opened the events with some strong swims in the breaststroke, including a 1-3-4 finish by the 8/U boys team of Cae Laudenberger, Ben Fahmy, and Nate Fahmy. The 8/u Girls duo of Maeve Olsen and Anabelle Schwarz followed with a 1-2 finish. The strongest finish came from the 11/12 girls team of Adrienn Kovacs, Alicia Kovacs, and Alexa Fleming, who finished with a 1-2-3 sweep! Despite the results, Fayson held a narrow lead going into the butterfly.

In the butterfly events, Fayson made their move. The only notable points haul came from the 11/12 girls team of Rebecca Cefaloni, Alicia Kovacs, and Alexa Fleming who turned in a strong 2-3-4 finish. Fayson ended the butterfly events with a strong lead, which they would not relinquish. In the backstroke, HL had a few strong swims of note, including the 9/10 Boys duo of Chace Puccio and Joseph Evanick, who finished 1-3 in their event. Fayson won narrow but consistent wins in most of the other backstroke events, opening up a sizeable lead by the end of the backstroke.

The pattern continued in freestyle, with Highland Lakes failing to capture outright wins in any of the contests, but maintaining respectable close/narrow losses. Highland Lakes was often able to take first place finishes, but unable to get their second swimmer onto the podium consistently. In the relay events, Highland Lakes was able to make the scoreline respectable by taking victories in 5 of the 7 relay events on offer. In the end, the meet ended with a respectable scoreline of Fayson 332, Highland Lakes 315.

### White Division High Point Finish at "A" Championships

The 2023 LSC season came to a close on Saturday, August 12, at the "A" Championships meet hosted by Pequannock. A sizeable squad traveled south to compete with the best swimmers in the league. Highland Lakes ultimately placed first in the White Division team high point standings, earning one of the most important trophies on offer in a given season. The team was powered by some very impressive individual and relay performances. Podium



PHOTOS COURTESY OF MIKE BUCHNEY

finishes are reported below.

- 1st Place: Cae Laudenberger, 8/U Boys Breaststroke
- 2nd Place: Adrienn Kovacs, 11/12 Girls Breaststroke
- Abbey Amato 15/18 Girls Breaststroke
- Alexandra Kovacs 13/14 Girls Backstroke
- Gabriella Cefaloni, 13/14 Girls Freestyle
- 11/12 Girls Medley Relay - Juliet Schwarz, Alicia Kovacs, Adrienn Kovacs, and Alexa Fleming
- 13/14 Girls Medley Relay - Samantha Werner, Gabriella Cefaloni, Alexandra Kovacs, and Isabella Evicci
- 3rd Place: Derek Fleming, 13/14 Boys Breaststroke
- Michael Puccio 15/18 Boys Backstroke
- Vincent Fisher 11/12 Boys Freestyle
- Alexandra Kovacs 13/14 Girls Freestyle



## Pickleball Scoops

KATHI TAYLOR

### Pickleball Hours

As we enter the Labor Day weekend, we are reminded that we have less daylight on the courts at night. During the month of September, we will continue to play on Monday and Wednesday at 6 pm. We try to make it until 8 pm, but with less daylight we will play until it becomes too dark to see. Our Friday morning time will remain at 10 am. We plan to keep these hours for the entire month. For anyone who wants to get updates about hours and playing conditions, text me. As a Highland Lakes member you can also join our Team Reach group which will give you access to changes in our schedule, court conditions and the opportunity to message others in the group for pick-up games. You can get the code for entering the group by texting me, Kathi Taylor 973-303-2689.

## Next Newsette: October 7, 2023

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 [info@hlcc.org](mailto:info@hlcc.org). Sorry – we can only print photographs submitted as .jpg files with a minimum of 150 dpi. Thanks!

## All Things Sailing

MARK BURUCHIAN, SAILING COORDINATOR

Attention sailors, we would like to inform you that there is a private Facebook page called “HLCC&CA Sailing.” This page will keep you updated on all things related to HL sailing, including fleet information and off-lake competition locations. We encourage you to check it out. Go HLCC!



## Trivia Night is Back

ROE HALL, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT/  
EVENTS COORDINATOR AND LOUISE STALEY, CHAIR,  
CLUBHOUSE COMMITTEE

### September 23

Last year's Trivia Night was very successful with approximately 10 teams participating. MC Sean (of Pennings and Baird's Tavern fame) will lead us through the rounds of trivia with exciting categories and prizes. Grab your friends who have loads of knowledge. Teams of 3-5 people work best or come as a single, and we will team you up with others.

You only have a few weeks to “study”! Mark your calendars and get a babysitter. Bring your own whatevers!! See you there.



### Undertaking A Home Improvement Project Completion (part 6 of 6)

Owners have found it helpful to take photographs before and during progress of the project. These provide a record of project conditions and can be useful in locating items once walls are closed. Many owners create on-line photo albums and share the project with friends and relatives via the web. It is nice to have a “before and after” record.

As you near completion make a check list of outstanding work. Go over it with the contractor and discuss when the work will be completed.

Sometimes additional work is scheduled after the final inspection. Make sure this work is completed to your satisfaction. Ask the contractor for all manuals and special tools that may be included with installed appliances. When the contract is complete (you have received an approval for the final inspection and all work has been completed), meet with the contractor. The last ten percent of the contractor's fee should be due at this point. Tell them what you thought of their work and areas where you were happy and disappointed. Let them know if you can be a reference. Pay the contractor promptly and enjoy your newly renovated space in Highland Lakes!

Jim Schriener, AIA, Licensed Architect  
(973) 764-5817  
1110 Lakeside Drive East

HIGHLAND ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN, LLC  
[jim@highlandarchitectural.com](mailto:jim@highlandarchitectural.com) [www.highlandarchitectural.com](http://www.highlandarchitectural.com)









# 2023 HLCC Sailing Fleet Schedule

MARK BURUCHIAN, HL SAILING COORDINATOR

Below are the 2023 HLCC sailing fleet schedules. All local fleet races begin at the Eckhart Sailing Center Dock located on Lakeside Drive West, south of the intersection with Alturas Road. **All fleets include 2 races except for the Ladies Sunfish Fleet.** The safety boat should arrive approx. 15 minutes prior to the start of each race.

**Flying Junior (FJ) Races – Sundays at 11 am**

James Sullivan: 201-741-4235  
Sept. 3

**Sunfish Races – Sundays at 2:30 pm**

Mladen Kresic: 203-918-1102  
Sept. 3

**Jr. Singles Sunfish Races – Wednesdays at 11 am  
Arrive by 10:45**

Krissy Amato: 512-206-6717; Kevin Murphy: 973-222-8243; and Justin Murphy: 862-266-0165  
August 30

**Ladies Sunfish Races – (1 race) Thursdays at 11 am**

Sue Buruchian: 973-271-0227  
August 31

**Jr. Doubles Sunfish Races – Fridays at 11 am**

Krissy Amato: 512-206-6717; Kevin Murphy: 973-222-8243; and Justin Murphy: 862-266-0165  
Sept. 1

**All Boat Regatta – Sept. 2**

Sailors’ Awards Picnic – Sept. 3 (safety boat lifeguards are welcome to attend)

**SANJL Championship Sunfish Regatta – Sept. 30**

Mark Buruchian: 973-271-0213  
Registration – 8:30 am / Skipper’s Meeting – 10 am / 4 races starting at 10:30  
Questions? Call Mark at 973-271-0213 or [hlccsailing@gmail.com](mailto:hlccsailing@gmail.com)

# Classified Ads

**BOATS/TRAILERS:** Old unwanted boats and trailers taken away for free. Also, can move boats from home to dock and shore for reasonable rates. Call Al for details: 973-271-4282 5/24

**ELECTRIC:** Free estimates, insured and bonded. Serving HLCC since 1986 license and permit #8521. Brian Boeren 973-670-4175. 7/6/24

**MOUNTAIN CHIMNEY SWEEP:** Since 1977. We clean, repair, reline and inspect chimneys. Also repair heatilators, replace dampers, chimney caps and repointing. Fully insured, call 973-764-3125. 11/23

**CHIMNEY MAN - GEORGE EDMONDSON MASONRY:** Stone chimney builders, repairs, cracks, walls, stairs, block floors, deck excavation, etc. Waterproofing and sealer. Thirty-two years in business in Highland Lakes. Fully insured. Call 973-764-1359. 5/25/24



# Sunday Sunfish - “Missed Ya”

MLADEN KRESIC, FLEET CAPTAIN

**August 27**

We missed you if you were away as we had some of the best winds of the season. But the nine that were here didn’t much care as they enjoyed the northerly gusts (Course 3) of 5-10 knots for 3 of 4 legs during each race. The non-wind leg, unfortunately for some of us, was downwind, causing some usual bunching at the leeward mark.

JW and Will dueled in the first race, well in front of the rest with JW nosing out Will at the finish. Alex, racing for the first time this year, was 3rd, with a stellar reach and final leg. I managed to nose out Bob and Roger for 4th, who in turn were just ahead of Bill, David and Allan in the fast and gusty final leg.

The gusts increased as we were deciding whether to go long on the second race. It was a good thing we stayed with the same configuration (white, blue, blue), as the downwind leg was light yet again. Will led throughout followed closely by JW. As for the rest of us, by the leeward mark, a bunch of us were...exactly that...Alex managed an outside-in move without a jibe and was in third by the reach mark. As we closed for home, Bob, Alex and Moi were looking for a photo finish with Alex nosing ahead at the western buoy. David was close behind as were Bill and Allan with a fitting photo at the conclusion of a beautiful sailing day. For those not there, we missed ya!

LuAnne and Ellen, thanks again for great precision on the photo finishes! Reminder; next Sunday, September 3, is our final racing day, with the Sailors’ Awards Picnic immediately following. For all prospective HLCC sailors, come and join us as it’s never too late to get started. Spread the word. The time is Sundays at 2:30 pm. The default is 2 races, weather permitting. Call me at (203) 918-1102 or email me at [mladen@negotiators.com](mailto:mladen@negotiators.com).

Sailors, please have a great week, and I look forward to seeing you on Sept 3. Check the sailing schedule periodically for any changes or updates.

**Race 1**

- 1 - John W. Wisniewski
- 2 - Will Kresic
- 3 - Alex Kresic
- 4 - Mladen Kresic
- 5 - Bob Tomsey
- 6 - Roger Kirchner
- 7 - Bill Weis
- 8 - David Goldman
- 9 - Allan Napolitano

**Race 2**

- 1 - Will Kresic
- 2 - John W. Wisniewski
- 3 - Alex Kresic
- 4 - Mladen Kresic
- 5 - Bob Tomsey
- 6 - Roger Kirchner
- 7 - David Goldman
- 8 - Bill Weis
- 9 - Allan Napolitano



PHOTO COURTESY OF ROE HALL

Join Us!  
Because random knowledge is your superpower!

HIGHLAND LAKES  
Sailing Club and Community Association

Hosted by  
Sean Smeltzer

Trivia  
NIGHT

B.Y.O. DRINKS & SNACKS  
SEPTEMBER 23  
7:00 PM  
CLUBHOUSE

[www.hlcc.org](http://www.hlcc.org)  
MEMBERS & THEIR GUESTS ONLY  
BADGES REQUIRED



## FJ Sailing Results

JAMES SULLIVAN, FLEET CAPTAIN

### August 20 and 27

#### Week 8 - Race 1

- 1. Maryjane Kresic and Lisa Wisniewski #87
- 2. Mark and Sue Buruchian #118
- 3. Jeff Pellet and Lisa Marcinelli #1
- 4. Kevin and Emma Murphy #25
- 5. Bill and Liz Giannini #18
- 6. Mike and Sara Gillooly #2
- 7. Lou Iannucci and Kerri Bednarik #20
- 8. Roger Kirchner and Chris #4
- 9. Rick Thompson and Raelene #320
- 10. Alex Kresic and Hannah Wisniewski #13

#### Race 2

- 1. Mark and Sue Buruchian #118
- 2. Kevin and Emma Murphy #25
- 3. Maryjane Kresic and Lisa Wisniewski #87
- 4. Alex Kresic and Hannah Wisniewski #13

- 5. Jeff Pellet and Lisa Marcinelli #1
- 6. Bill and Liz Giannini #18
- 7. Lou Iannucci and Kerri Bednarik #20
- 8. Rick Thompson and Raelene #320
- 9. Mike and Sara Gillooly #2
- 10. Roger Kirchner and Chris #4

#### Week 9 - Race 1

- 1. Kevin and Emma Murphy #25
- 2. James Sullivan and Johanna Bloomfield #24
- 3. Maryjane Kresic and Lisa Wisniewski #87
- 4. John Wayne Wisniewski & Alex Kresic #13
- 5. Bill and Liz Giannini #18
- 6. Jeff Pellet and Joe #1
- 7. Lou Iannucci and Dominick Beninati #20
- 8. Rick Thompson and Raelene #320
- 9. Roger Kirchner and Chris #12
- 10. Allan and LuAnn Napolitano #15

#### Race 2

- 1. Kevin and Emma Murphy #25
- 2. James Sullivan and Johanna Bloomfield #24
- 3. Bill and Liz Giannini #18
- 4. John Wayne Wisniewski & Alex Kresic #13
- 5. Jeff Pellet and Joe #1
- 6. Maryjane Kresic and Lisa Wisniewski #87
- 7. Lou Iannucci and Dominick Beninati #20
- 8. Rick Thompson and Raelene #320
- 9. Roger Kirchner and Chris #12
- 10. Allan and LuAnn Napolitano #15

If anyone is interested in joining the FJ Fleet (or serving as a fill-in crew) on Sunday mornings at 11 am, please contact James Sullivan at 201-741-4235 or [jms07432@yahoo.com](mailto:jms07432@yahoo.com).

## Hobie Cat Races

CHRISTINE ALBER

### August 26

We had a typical Highland Lakes day in 2023 for our final Hobie Cat races: Spotted lanternflies hitting the dock by the dozens and shifty and gusty winds. For both races, the boats followed a Course 3 around the blue buoys.

#### Race 1:

- 1 - Reed
- 2 - Rick and Raylene
- 3 - Aliya and Anthony

#### Race 2:

- 1 - Reed
- 2 - Rick and Raylene
- 3 - Aliya and Anthony

What a fun season. We look forward to seeing everyone at the Sailors' Awards Picnic.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF CHRISTINE ALBER

## Fast, Quick and Fun!

SUE BURUCHIAN, FLEET CAPTAIN

### August 24

Ladies Sunfish Fleet had a blast on Thursday! It was one of those days with a heavy building breeze which, by the end of the day, left you an exhausted sailor, but you enjoyed every minute of it.

The ladies sailed two different racecourses due to a make-up Course 1, white, white - around the big island with the shortened third blue mark. This is the first time the ladies went around the big island. We had plenty of wind which made for great fun and a fast downwind leg. Emmaline showed her championship style and gained a large lead from Mark One to Mark Two. Maryjane, Nancy, Ellen and Kerri followed downwind. The strategies were fun to watch especially Nancy who had the best line downwind and caught all except Emmaline. Kerry finally got to feel the power of the wind while she hiked out downwind-it was invigorating!

The second race was a modified Course 2; blue, blue, white. The winds kept building as the ladies tacked beautifully to the first mark. Emmaline once again showed her strategy worked as she led the way and distanced herself from the rest. By the time she rounded the second mark, she was well ahead and planing downwind without obstruction. Ellen, Maryjane and Nancy switched positions after they triple wide dueled on the long downwind to the white mark. Nancy approached first but had one little problem... well not so little... she rounded the wrong way (all marks to starboard on a Course 2) and made contact with Maryjane. Ellen took advantage and rounded both boats wide who

were, by then, all caught up. In the end, Ellen got a huge bump up on the distance. Nancy "righted herself" and re-rounded the mark and did her penalty circles. Nancy and Kerri finished with distance between each other as the wind built. By the time all individually reached the finish line, water was splashing up past their respective splash boards, which is so nice when the water is warmer than the air! It was a great day of sailing. We missed you Carol, Patty, Janet, and Christine! Our last race will be 8/31. Special thank you again to Mark for helping in every way. The Safety Boat ladies looked great and were ready in their styling red sweatshirts. Thank you always for your help when needed. Please save the date for: The All Boat Regatta on 9/2 and Sailors' Awards Picnic on 9/3. See HLCC&CA Sailing on Facebook for specifics.

#### Results:

##### Race 1

- 1. Emmaline Stoddard
- 2. Nancy Grimaldi
- 3. Maryjane Kresic
- 4. Ellen Wisolmerski
- 5. Kerri Bednarick

##### Race 2

- 1. Emmaline Stoddard
- 2. Maryjane Kresic
- 3. Ellen Wisolmerski
- 4. Nancy Grimaldi
- 5. Kerri Bednarick

