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The Best Kept Secret in New Jersey Shines, Despite The Rain

RON BERUTTI, PRESIDENT, SWIM TEAM

Legend has it that God smiles on the Highland Lakes "B" Invitational Swim Meet, which is held on the last Saturday of every July. Teams from the Lakeland Swim Conference and their swimmers travel up the mountain to compete in the largest swim meet of the year. Sometimes teams outside the conference attend as well. We like to think they came because the sun almost always shines, the volunteers are friendly familiar faces and the atmosphere is warm and welcoming. If you are old enough to remember a television dial, we like to think of Highland Lakes as the place on that dial between Andy Griffith's "Mayberry" and "Cheers". Highland Lakes is, indeed, the best kept secret in New Jersey.

On July 30, 2016, 393 swimmers ascended the mountain up to Highland Lakes, representing 10 different swim teams. The morning sky was threatening, but the grounds had largely been set up the day before. Todd Wootton, Dom Beninati and Rich Spoerl, along with our stellar maintenance men, put up the tents and fencing, and various other hands gave an assist so that everything was ready for the next day, come rain or shine.



Continued on Page 6 Crowds gather in anticipation of seeing their swimmers.

Photo courtesy of Ron Berutti

Election News

JEANNE JAMESON, ELECTIONS CHAIRPERSON

The Annual Meeting is being held on August 21, 2016, and the elections cannot be conducted without your presence. A quorum of 5% of the members in good standing must be present before the Annual Meeting and elections can take place.

The following Officer candidates received their nominations from the Nominating Committee and will appear on the ballot:

President	Sue Ross
1st Vice President	Michael Gelfand
2nd Vice President	Steve Amato
Treasurer	Robert P. Hughes
Secretary	Ellen Buchney

I would like to extend my appreciation to the members of the Nominating Committee - Tom Dolle, Ursula Fahmy, Steve Hastie, Chris Hollis, Tom Mulcahy, Judy Norton, and Rich Spoerl - for their important work.

Petitions for the office of Trustee have been received by the Elections Chairperson and the following candidates will appear on the ballot. As required by the By-Laws, these petitions were all received by August 1, 2016. The names of the candidates, and the sections they will represent if elected, are as follows:

Section	Candidate
6	Ray Zimmerman
7	Keith McCotter
8	Dominic Beninati
12	No Petition Filed

The By-Laws permit members in good standing to be elected as Officers or Trustees even though their names are not on the ballot by having members write their names either on an Absentee Ballot or during the election at the Annual Meeting. If you wish to serve as an Officer or Trustee (you must reside in one of the five sections electing Trustees) on the Voting Board, you may be elected through the write-in process. Officer and Trustee candidates must have been a member in good standing since August 21, 2013.

Absentee Ballots will be available at the Club Office beginning Friday, August 5. The Absentee Ballot must be received at the Club Office, either by mail or in person, with your validated 2016 Membership Card enclosed in the envelope provided, no later than 4 pm on Wednesday, August 17, 2016.

Elections will be held August 21 at the Annual Meeting. Make sure that you attend this meeting and that you have your 2016 Membership Card with you. If you have any questions, please call me at 973-764-1012.



Upcoming Events

August 6 – Women's Auxiliary Covered Dish

August 7 – Family Day

August 9 – Ladies Golf Outing

August 12 – Senior Gala

Don't Miss the
**ANNUAL
MEETING**

Sunday, August 21
at 2 pm

Office and Activity Center Hours

The Office is open Monday through Friday from 9 am to 4 pm and on Saturdays from 10 am to 1 pm. The Activity Center is open for your convenience for payment of dues and badge pick-ups Saturdays and Sundays from 10 am to 4 pm through Labor Day Weekend.

The Lakeland Swim Conference
Highland Lakes Swim Team
Swim Team Summer Practice Schedule

9 am - 10 am: ages 13+
10 am - 11 am: ages 9 - 12
11 am - 11:45 am: ages 8 and under
11:30 am - 12 pm: ages 6 and under

2016 Swim Team Meet Schedule

August 6	Erskine “C” Invitational @ Erskine
August 10	White Meadow Lake @ Highland Lakes
August 13	A” Championships @ Smoke Rise

Upcoming Meetings

Buildings and Grounds – Monday, August 15 – 7:30 pm
Ecology/CCHL – Thursday, August 11 – 7 pm
Fishing – Thursday, August 11 – 8 pm
Planning – Tuesday, September 6 – 7:30 pm
Roads – Thursday, August 4 – 7 pm
Voting Board Workshop – Date Pending
Voting Board Meeting – September 16 – 8 pm
ANNUAL MEETING – Sunday, August 21 – 2 pm.

Since all meetings are subject to change, please confirm meeting times by contacting the chairperson of the committee or the Club office prior to the meeting time.

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Absentee Ballots

JEANNE JAMESON, ELECTIONS CHAIRPERSON

Absentee Ballots will be available from the Club office to vote for Officers of your choice, and to vote for Trustees in Sections 6, 7, 8, and 12, on Friday, August 5, 2016. The Absentee Ballot must be returned to the Club Office, either by mail or in person, with your validated 2016 Membership Card enclosed in the envelope provided, no later than 4 pm on Wednesday, August 17, 2016. No exceptions.

Please, if you can not attend the Annual Meeting, or do not think you can stay for the entire meeting, cast your vote through the Absentee Ballot.

Beach Testing Results

Below are the results of the most recent fecal coliform 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 200. All samples conformed to state recreational bathing standards. Testing results are reported by the lab to the Sussex County Department of Health.

	7/27	7/19	7/13
Beach 1	<10	10	40
Beach 2 – Clubhouse	20	<10	10
Beach 3 – Lookover Lane	<10	<10	<10
Beach 4 – Bushwick	<10	40	20
Beach 5 – E. Lakeshore Dr.	10	<10	<10
Beach 6 – W. Lakeshore Dr.	20	50	10
Beach 7 – Upper HL Dr.	<10	<10	<10
Swim Lanes – Clubhouse	<10	<10	10

Lost and Found

Personal size swim raft found on Indian Lake. Will the owner please call 973-764-4145 to identify and claim.



HL Benefit Apparel

SUE BURUCHIAN, ONLINE EMBROIDERY

Summertime is a busy time full of fun, family and vacations. Pick up your official Highland Lakes CC and CA logoed apparel for your guests and yourself at the Activities Center now or custom order yours today. Stock has been replenished. Contact Sue Buruchian at OnLine Embroidery at 973-764-7420. Official embellisher of the Highland Lakes logos.

Family Day
Volunteers Needed

CAROL HASTIE, CHAIRPERSON, CLUBHOUSE COMMITTEE

Family Day is quickly approaching, and I am still in need of volunteers to help during the day. Please leave your name and phone number at the office or call me at 973-670-0538. Thank you.

Junior Appreciation

CAROL HASTIE, CHAIRPERSON, CLUBHOUSE COMMITTEE

Attention Juniors(those of you under the age of 18): Continue putting in your volunteer hours so you will be invited to attend Junior Appreciation night on August 17. You only need 10 hours, which is not difficult to do. Just stop in the clubhouse and speak to Vinny or Clare to offer your time, speak to Pat at the ball fields, or to someone with swim team or sailing or wherever else you see activities going on. These hours also count towards community service for school, church or scouts.

Anticipated Family Day
Schedule for August 7

Rain Date August 14

8:30 am	Quadrathlon Registration (Participants to each station by 8:45)
9 am	Quadrathlon Begins
10 am	Triathlon Registration (Participants to each station by 9:20)
10:30 am	Triathlon Begins
10:30 am–12 pm	Sandcastle Building Contest (Beach 2)
11 am–2 pm	Face Painting/tattoos and games on the lawn
12 pm	Bug hunt on the playground (5 and under please) Food tickets on sale (Activity Center) *Please try to use small bills* **Swim lanes open**
12 pm–1 pm	Bicycle Decorating Begins (Clubhouse) Family Challenge Games on the lawn
12:30 pm	Grill Opens Timed family scavenger hunt begins Popcorn on the deck Relay races on the lawn Frog Jumping Contest (Bring your own frog)
1 pm	Water Races in the Swim Lanes
1:30 pm	Baby Parade Registration (5 and under only)
2 pm	Baby Parade Decorated Bike Parade Talent show sign up (6pm show)
2:30 pm	Cotton Candy available
2:30 pm–4:30 pm	Bubble Gum Blowing Contest
3 pm	Egg Toss
4 pm	Water Balloon Toss **Swim lanes close**
5 pm	Catfish Derby (Swim Lanes)
6 pm	HL Annual Talent Show Grill Closes
7 pm	DJ fires up the tunes / Ice Cream Social
8 pm	Lighted Boat parade begins at beach 3
9 pm/Dark	Fireworks

<div><h3>Highland Lakes Happenings August 7 - 13, 2016</h3></div>	
Sunday 8/7	9:00 AM Family Day 11:00 AM Flying Junior Races 2:30 PM Sr. Sunfish Races
Monday 8/8	8:00 AM Exercise 9:00 AM -10:00 AM Aqua Aerobics Beach 1 1:00 PM Bridge 7:30 PM Ceramics
Tuesday 8/9	9:00 AM Ladies Golf Outing 10:00 AM Women's Auxiliary Mtg. 12:00 PM Sr. Lunch 7:00 PM Sr. Meeting
Wednesday 8/10	8:00 AM Exercise 9:00 AM -10:00 AM Aqua Aerobics Beach 1 11:00 AM Jr. Singles Sunfish Races 7:00 PM Swim Meet (H)
Thursday 8/11	7:45 AM Sands Casino Bus Trip 11:00 AM Ladies Sunfish Races 1:00 PM Bridge 7:00 PM Ecology Mtg. 8:00 PM Fishing Mtg.
Friday 8/12	8:00 AM -9:00 AM Exercise 9:00 AM -10:00 AM Aqua Aerobics Beach 1 11:00 AM Jr. Dbl Sunfish Races 6:00 PM -10:00 PM Sr. Gals
Saturday 8/13	9:00 AM "A" Championships (A) 11:00 AM Force 5 Races 3:00 PM Windsurf Races



“Just Us Kids” Ceramics

(Ages 5 and up...please)

Monday evenings throughout the summer.
From 7 – 8 pm @ the Clubhouse

Donations Needed

CLARE SWEENEY AND VINNY GAGLIOSTRO,
CLUBHOUSE DIRECTORS

Please donate your recyclables. Sometimes the best crafts come from “upcycled” items. If you have any of the following, please donate to the clubhouse. Ask for Clare or Vinny and your donation will be accepted graciously.

- baby food jars
- paper towel / toilet paper rolls
- a mini pool table
- old magazines
- buttons
- soda bottles (1l and 2l)
- anything else that you think can help



Last Tie Dye of the Summer

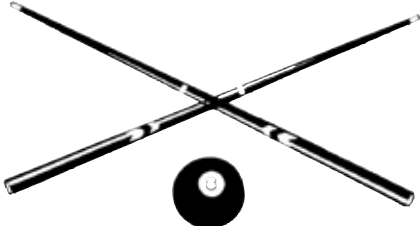
CLARE SWEENEY AND VINNY GAGLIOSTRO,
CLUBHOUSE DIRECTORS

This Thursday, August 11, 6-7:30 pm
Bring your own T-Shirts and a lot of energy

Summer Pool Tournament

Save the Date!

- ✓ Thursday, August 18, Ages 10 and older
- ✓ 6 pm - We play until somebody wins!
- ✓ Sign up at the Activity Center.
- ✓ It's a night of fun and prizes



Schedule for August 8 - August 13

CLARE SWEENEY AND VINNY GAGLIOSTRO,
CLUBHOUSE DIRECTORS

Theme: Olympics

Monday – August 8

9:30am - 10:30 am: Game Room Instruction Time (10+) - Learn how to play the games
10:30 am – 11 am: Make and Take Crafts (Ages 6+) Bubble Wrap Dots
11 am - 12 pm: Tween Room (Ages 9-12) Ink Painting!
12 pm - 12:30 pm: BINGO on the porch *winners get prizes* (All Ages)
12:30 pm - 1 pm: Kickball Game (All Ages)
1 pm - 1:30 pm: Leathercraft (8+)
1:30 - 2 pm: Tween Room (9-12) Tween Crafts
2 pm - 4 pm: Pool Room Open (Ages 10+)
7 pm - 8 pm: Kids Ceramics (All Ages) NEW PIECES!

Tuesday – August 9

9:30 am - 10 am: Munchkin Fun (2-4) Olympic Ring Art
10 am – 10:30 am: Make and Take Crafts (4 - 6) Ring Toss
10:30 am - 11 am: Arts and Crafts (6 - 8) Hand Painting
11 am - 12pm: All Kids Crafts - Olympic Sand Art
12 - 1 pm: Card Games on the Porch
1 pm - 2 pm: Lawn Games (All Ages)
2:30 pm - 4 pm: Pool Room Open (10+) / Krazy Karaoke (All Ages)

Wednesday - August 10

9:30 am - 10:15 am: Picture Bingo and Story Time*winners get prizes*(6 and under) in the LAKEROOM
10:15 am - 11 am: Arts & Crafts (6 and under) Olympic Iron Beads
11 am - 11:30 am: Card Games / Small Board Games on the porch (7+)
12 – 1 pm: Kids Can Cook (Come Hungry, Leave Happy!) Olympic Athlete Fuel
SIGN UP at the Activity Center
1 pm - 4 pm Pool Room Open (10+)

Thursday – August 11

9:30 am – 10 am: Bead Club (10+) Iron Beads
10 am - 10:30 am: Make and Take Craft (5+) Tissue Paper Rings
10:30 am - 11 am: Messy Craft (All Ages) Olympic Slime
11am - Noon: Blast from the PAST “Street Games” on the LAWN
Noon - 1 pm: Bingo, board games, and card games on the PORCH (All Ages)
1 pm – 2 pm: Leathercraft (8+)
2 pm - 4 pm: Pool Room Open (10+)
5:30 pm -7:30 pm: Weekly Night Activity - Tie Dye (Last one of the Summer)

Friday - August 12

CLUBHOUSE CLOSED DUE TO SENIOR GALA

Saturday - August 13

1 pm - 2 pm Activity at Beach 1 Sand Art

NOTE: The Pool Room will be OPEN during craft activities, for ages 10 and up only, in addition to the scheduled time slot.

Communications Committee 2016 Annual Report

TOM DOLLE, CHAIRPERSON, COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

The past year continued to be an active one for the Communications Committee, as we managed a number of projects to enhance overall communications at Highland Lakes. All of these projects have been tremendously successful in increasing communication between members, raising awareness and participation, and drawing outside interest to our lake community.

1. Newsette – After the new digitally-produced Newsette launched in early 2014, the Newsette has continued to grow through 2016, with many 16-page full color issues, continued high ad revenue and enthusiastic community response. The Newsette is also immediately posted as a pdf on the website, which regularly attracts over 700 downloads. Several members of the committee act as an editorial team, with one person assigned each issue to assist the office in obtaining, editing, and formatting content. A schedule of story assignments is planned several months in advance to assure that each issue has a feature article, and we also solicit stories and photos from the community.

2. E-mail Blasts – Now in its third year, we have continued the successful program of weekly e-mail blasts publicizing upcoming events and member alerts. Utilizing the free Mailchimp platform, and featuring fun, sophisticated graphics by Chris Kaas and others, the weekly e-mails directly reach over 780 members who sign up to be on the list (the list is currently restricted to HLCC members only, who are vetted through the office). Advertised events have greatly benefited from this increased marketing.

3. Facebook presence – the HLCC Facebook page continues with posts of events, member news, vintage scenes and current images. It has attracted a wide audience in the thousands, enhancing overall communications to members who are Facebook users as well as being an effective tool to promote the lake to potential home buyers. Posting guidelines have been established, and the project gets continued input from the Voting Board.

4. Website – Content is regularly added to be kept current, and a plan is in place to enhance the visual appeal and usability of the site in a future update. A local firm has been contracted to keep the programs up to date and assist in the development of an enhanced site.

5. Section Map – There has never been a concise map of Highland Lakes to show the section borders, as well as locations of beaches, freeways, and recreation facilities in the community. Tom Dolle, with assistance from the office and key Board members, designed a graphic map which was printed 11x17 in full color on heavy stock, is posted in the office, included in the website and was distributed during badge pick-up.

All of these projects are done in close cooperation with the Club's Administrative staff. This is a tremendous amount of work and coordination by a dedicated group of volunteers, many of whom are professionals in communications and related fields. The active members of the Communications Committee include Tom Dolle, Sue Ross, Michael Gelfand, Suzy McCotter, Chris Kaas, Climeen Wickoff, C. Max Magee and Judy Norton. Lisa Entwistle is the Voting Board liaison, and also an active member. We are always looking for new volunteers who can help us expand HLCC Communications.

Swim Team Returns to Winning Ways

MICHAEL BUCHNEY, HEAD COACH

The Highland Lakes Swim Team hosted the Township of West Milford during Week 4 of the Lakeland Swim Conference season. After a tough loss last week, the team brought their best down to the swim lanes for their match up against local rival West Milford. Highland Lakes dominated the meet from beginning to end, showing strength not only in the "A" lanes, but depth throughout the team's lineup. The comprehensive performance culminated in a clean sweep of the relay events. The final score of the meet was HL 443- TWM 203.

Onlookers were treated to another historic performance as the 8 & Under Mixed Medley relay team of N. Beninati, A. Amato, G. Cefaloni, and J. Brantner shattered the previous team record by nearly 5 seconds! Congratulations to the new record holders!

Come down to the Clubhouse next Wednesday (8/10) as the team hosts in our last dual meet of the season. Meets start at 7 pm, all members of the community are encouraged to come support the team!

Event # 1 Boys 50 Breast 8 & Under		
3. Mitchell, Demetri	1:13.82	
5. DiGuiseppe, True	1:38.62	

Event # 2 Girls 50 Breast 8 & Under		
1. Amato, Abbey	57.74	
2. Werner, Samantha	1:11.48	

Event # 3 Boys 50 Breast 9-10		
1. Brantner, Andrew	55.76	
2. Puccio, Matthew	55.78	
3. Dignan, Colin	1:01.19	
- Gelfand, Joshua	1:03.68	
- Uschnig, Felix	1:03.82	
- Gelfand, Jacob	1:03.96	

Event # 4 Girls 50 Breast 9-10		
- Annunziata, Victoria	1:01.30	
- Emmerich, Meghan	1:09.50	
- Bernier, Ryleigh	1:12.26	
- Seaman, Sofia	1:18.69	

Event # 5 Boys 50 Breast 11-12		
2. Wisniewski, JT	51.61	
4. Sullivan, Ben	54.19	
6. Brantner, Peter	57.17	
7. Corbutt, Kiernan	1:02.46	

Event # 6 Girls 50 Breast 11-12		
1. Staley, Sofia	48.21	
2. Randazzo, Sophia	49.94	
7. Wootton, Lia	1:02.74	

Event # 7 Boys 50 Breast 13-14		
2. Sullivan, Sam	49.66	
4. DiGuiseppe, Sage	53.89	

Event # 8 Girls 50 Breast 13-14		
1. Stoddard, Ariana	47.36	
2. Trongone, Larissa	50.68	
3. Meichsner, Erica	50.95	
4. Berutti, Ciara	55.70	



Event # 9 Boys 50 Breast 15-18		
1. Wisniewski, Robert	38.34	
2. Loughren, Eric	38.57	
4. Tze, Jon	47.17	
5. Sullivan, Luke	47.21	

Event #10 Girls 50 Breast 15-18		
1. Stoddard, Emmaline	45.11	
2. Hall, Kelsey	45.96	
3. Runfol, Riley	47.72	
4. Annunziata, Samantha	50.52	

Event #11 Boys 50 Fly 10 & Under		
1. Brantner, James	49.58	
2. Puccio, Matthew	55.33	

Event # 12 Girls 50 Fly 10 & Under		
1. Wisniewski, Hannah	47.68	
3. Annunziata, Victoria	1:03.27	

Event # 13 Boys 50 Fly 11-12		
1. Puccio, Michael	41.47	
4. Wisniewski, JT	53.25	
5. Brantner, Peter	1:19.87	

Event # 14 Girls 50 Fly 11-12		
1. Bednarick, Molly	46.09	
2. Cefaloni, Vanessa	50.43	
3. Randazzo, Sophia	51.65	

Event # 16 Girls 50 Fly 13-14		
1. Bednarick, Sarah	41.34	
2. Stoddard, Ariana	45.40	
4. Shmuel, Donna	56.50	
5. Berutti, Ciara	59.38	

Event # 17 Boys 50 Fly 15-18		
1. Ruiz, Tyler	31.79	
3. Lenyk, John	34.15	
4. Sweeney, Daniel	34.19	
5. Wisniewski, Grant	38.26	

Event #18 Girls 50 Fly 15-18		
1. Berutti, Niav	37.74	
2. Runfol, Riley	43.22	
3. Stoddard, Emmaline	44.42	
4. Corbutt, Maggie	47.39	

Event # 19 Boys 50 Back 8 & Under

1. Beninati, Nicholas	54.43
3. LePore, Anthony	1:07.16
4. Bednarick, Steven	1:15.89
5. DiGuiseppe, True	1:20.39

Event # 20 Girls 50 Back 8 & Under

1. Cefaloni, Gabriella	1:01.56
2. Arnold, Devin	1:07.60
5. Leiter, Audra	1:14.91
7. Dinger, Michelle	1:27.12

Event # 21 Boys 50 Back 9-10

1. Staley, Duke	50.01
3. Evanick, Michael	1:00.70
4. Uschnig, Felix	1:07.32
5. Gelfand, Jacob	1:11.96

Event # 22 Girls 50 Back 9-10

1. Wisniewski, Hannah	51.97
2. O'Donnell, Deirdre	56.24
4. O'Gureck, Anna	58.47
5. Leiter, Cora	1:03.48
- Salomonsson, Isadora	58.22
- McCarthy, Abigail	1:03.25
- Moscatelli, Christina	1:03.84
- Bernier, Ryleigh	1:04.26
- Dobrzynski, Grace	1:07.16
- Borges, Nina	1:14.43
- Scheuermann, Maddy	1:20.84

Event # 23 Boys 50 Back 11-12

1. Puccio, Michael	40.34
4. Amato, Richard	48.21
5. O'Gureck, Jackson	52.05
8. Vecchio, Adrian	1:00.88

Event # 24 Girls 50 Back 11-12

1. Salomonsson, Annika	40.40
2. Cefaloni, Vanessa	51.57
4. Conlin, Catherine	53.82
5. Yesse, Vaida	55.76

Event # 25 Boys 50 Back 13-14

2. Sullivan, Sam	57.82
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Event # 26 Girls 50 Back 13-14

1. Conlin, Bridget	41.79
2. Bednarick, Sarah	41.97
3. Shmuel, Donna	56.51
4. Berutti, Ciara	1:01.04

Event # 27 Boys 50 Back 15-18

1. Beninati, Christopher	33.26
2. Ruiz, Tyler	33.96
3. Wootton, Jacob	36.50
5. Zimmerman, Ray	42.20

Event # 28 Girls 50 Back15-18

1. Gunning, Colleen	40.38
2. Berutti, Niav	44.05
3. Stoddard, Emmaline	46.79
4. Shmuel, Shayla	49.25

Event # 29 Boys 50 Free 8 & Under

1. Brantner, James	42.08
2. Beninati, Nicholas	49.04
3. Mitchell, Demetri	52.56
5. Allen-Poole, Sean	1:00.70
- LePore, Anthony	1:02.45
- Bednarick, Steven	1:09.74

Event # 30 Girls 50 Free 8 & Under

1. Amato, Abbey	45.95
2. Cefaloni, Gabriella	59.13
4. Werner, Samantha	1:11.63
5. Roman, Alejandra	1:13.03
- Arnold, Devin	1:22.39
- Brennan, Jenna	1:27.96
- Dinger, Michelle	1:46.52

Event # 31 Boys 50 Free 9-10

1. Brantner, Andrew	38.45
2. Staley, Duke	44.94
4. Zerden, William	51.88
5. Dignan, Colin	57.47
- Gelfand, Joshua	53.83
- Evanick, Michael	53.91
- Uschnig, Felix	55.80
- Troy, Keiran	1:01.94

Event # 32 Girls 50 Free 9-10

2. Salomonsson, Isadora	50.58
4. Leiter, Cora	51.84
5. McCarthy, Abigail	54.22
6. O'Gureck, Anna	55.49
- Moscatelli, Christina	54.61
- Borges, Nina	58.56
- Dobrzynski, Grace	1:07.41
- Scheuermann, Maddy	1:08.62
- Burns, Kylie	1:12.49

Event # 33 Boys 50 Free 11-12

2. Amato, Richard	38.02
6. O'Gureck, Jackson	46.43
7. Vecchio, Adrian	46.60
8. Corbutt, Kiernan	53.79

Event # 34 Girls 50 Free 11-12

1. Staley, Sofia	36.00
2. Salomonsson, Annika	39.09
4. Bednarick, Molly	42.97
- Rodriguez, Jonessa	47.23
- Conlin, Catherine	48.38
- Wootton, Lia	52.51
- Heroux, Julia	58.45

Event # 35 Boys 50 Free 13-14

2. Sullivan, Sam	42.27
3. DiGuiseppe, Sage	51.79

Event # 36 Girls 50 Free 13-14

1. Conlin, Bridget	35.95
2. Meichsner, Erica	37.88
3. Trongone, Larissa	39.57
4. Shmuel, Donna	46.08

Event # 37 Boys 100 Free 15-18

1. Wootton, Jacob	1:03.44
2. Beninati, Christopher	1:03.84
3. Wisniewski, Robert	1:10.20
5. Bednarick, Bobby	1:13.24

Event # 38 Girls 100 Free 15-18

1. Berutti, Niav	1:24.07
2. Shmuel, Shayla	1:29.65
3. Runfol, Riley	1:32.19
4. Corbutt, Maggie	1:34.83



Best Kept Secret

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An abundance of delicious food was ready for sale and consumption by the swimmers and their hungry families. Ray and Debbie Zimmerman and Frank Antonini did their annual food shopping trip and had ready: hamburgers, hot dogs, sausage and peppers, pasta and breakfast foods... eggs, bacon and other fare. Working the grill with Ray during the day were Rod and Greg Tierney and Dennis Tze who worked in the hot sun over a hot grill—my fault, gentlemen...sorry about that!

The evening before required much food preparation. Frank Antonini was head chef and arrived with Tom Castiglione late that evening to do kitchen prep work, which ended around midnight. The next day they were aided in the kitchen by Steve Vecchio and Paul Burns, who made the delicious foods that were then transported to the tent for sale. At day's end, the recently upgraded kitchen was left spotless, as if nobody had been there at all.

Working the food concession with Debbie Zimmerman were Veronica Corbutt, Keva Berutti, Annie Berutti, Louise Staley, Jana Randazzo, Kaitlyn Yesse, Jeannie Tierney, Chris Mann, Mrs. Vecchio, and Cathy and Rich Spoerl.

The question of parking also required a high level of coordination. With the aid of HL Maintenance Chief Jim Zabriskie, traffic cones and caution tape were obtained. Then Bob O'Gureck, Randy Staley, Nick Salamonsson and Steve Randazzo managed to work their magic, getting 238 cars parked in the lot. None of our guests had to travel to other parking lots to overflow...quite an accomplishment, gentlemen!

Coaches arriving early are treated by Highland Lakes to a breakfast of volunteer-donated foods. At lunchtime, the officials, coaches and assorted volunteers were given lunch, as the meet continued on and replacement volunteers filled their slots. The room was set up and both meals served by Nicole Puccio and Denise Tze, assisted by Mrs. Fiorello (who continues to make guest appearances after her former days of running the luncheon), Pat Wootton, Ceil Brazanskas and Theresa Deady who strictly protected the door from interlopers.



Mike Cordes and Mike Sweeney keep the meet running smoothly.

Photos courtesy of Ron Berutti

Speaking of officials, after flying in from Florida in the wee hours of the morning then showing up at 8 am to lead setup and preparations, then holding an officials meeting at 6 pm, all on July 29, Todd Wooten showed up as Referee/Lead Official the next morning to get final setup completed and start the day off with an Officials meeting for representatives from all teams. He then played a central role in water safety later that day, allowing all swimmers to complete their races as safely as possible. Todd was like a machine, not even taking one break the whole day! The Officials aiding Todd on the docks were Linda Allen-Poole, Eileen Brantner, Kerry Bednarick, Lisa DiGuiseppe, Mike Annunziata and Tracy Lenyk.

The equipment needed for the meet to function had to be set up the day of the meet. Craig Bernier took the lead assisted by Bill Roman. The ever-present Mike Sweeney, who in 2015 was the first-ever recipient of the Michael Cordes Volunteerism Award, also aided and abetted in ensuring that the meet would run smoothly.

Without the setup, and speaking of Mike Cordes, there would be no "B" meet. Mike Cordes again volunteered to act as "Meet Manager" of the event. Weeks of preparation go into the role, which requires that every swimmer be assigned the proper events, be seeded according to time, and that all seeds be recorded. In the timing booth, which is the nerve center of the whole meet, Mike was assisted by the steady hands of Steven Berutti, the irrepressible worker bee Maryann Gunning and Lisa Entwistle on the "Colorado" computer. Of course, Mike Sweeney was there for it all as well.

Manning the door in order to make sure all of our visitors paid their entrance fees, and hopefully bought programs which were made with great skill and care by Linda Allen-Poole with assistance from Jeanette Emmerich and Keva Berutti, were Lorraine Castiglione, Tom Castiglione, Tamara Shmuel, Lisa Wisniewski, and Chris Annunziata.

Speaking of Shmuel, Wisniewski and Annunziata, they also headed up the not-so-easy task of marshalling all of the swimmers so that they were ready to roll in the correct lanes and on time. Joining them in the Herculean effort were Krissy Amato, Julia Campbell (when she was not running around handling finances as team treasurer), and Susan Tenner.

Numerous kids were also involved in helping to make the meet run. When they were not swimming, some of the kids who helped to get the little ones onto the deck to swim, to aid the marshalls in getting organized, in running water out to the docks for thirsty timers, and for taking care of lots of little things, were Luke and Ben Sullivan, Richie and Abbey Amato, Dylan Berutti, Jacob Wooten, Chris Beninati, Shayla and Donna Shmuel, Sam and Victoria Annunziata, Emmaline and Arianna Stoddard, Larissa Trongone, Erica Meischner, Sarah Bednarick, Peter Brantner, and Hannah Wisniewski.

The head timer on the dock was Ray Loughren who, together with the present-everywhere Amy Wooten made sure each team had enough people on the docks and helped time so that swimmers' scores could be recorded. Thanks also go out to all those who volunteered as timers, without whom the meet could not have run.

Theresa Heroux, Mike Gunning, Scott McCarthy and Robert Wisniewski led the efforts to keep the grounds



The HL Clubhouse is set and ready for action.



Ray Zimmerman heads the concession tent.

Photos courtesy of Ron Berutti

garbage-free...an unglamorous but very important function in the meet given the added number of people...and to pinch hit whenever asked, wherever needed. Michael Gelfand served as a backup on the microphone to give this tired voice a rest. Randy Staley upgraded our sound system so that everybody could hear their names being called to swim.

Throughout the day, awards and ribbons had to be prepared so as to award swimmer accomplishments. Terri Latham and Theresa Ruiz patiently led that effort all day long, with Krissy and Jeanette assisting. The day got started with a beautiful rendition of The Star Spangled Banner, sung by Maggie Corbutt. And in the end, the sun did shine most of the day. But, for the first time in about fifteen years, the rain eventually came. Two short delays occurred, during which the kids were entertained with trivia, and by their own jokes (and a couple from Mr. Loughren), as food continued to be served. But, the meet went on thereafter. Only three events were cancelled, almost immediately after which a deluge arrived.

I have tried hard to name as many people as I can

remember who helped out. Please know that I am fully aware that peoples' names and contributions are missing from this article; this oversight is completely accidental. Finally, I wish to thank Lisa Entwistle, Linda Allen-Poole, and Julia Campbell with special gratitude, as they pretty much got most of the volunteers coordinated to begin with. The meet ended with Mountain Lakes marginally being awarded the victory (Highland Lakes earns the most points every year, but never awards itself the victory). A great achievement occurred when 8 year old James Brantner broke his own 8 and Under Freestyle record, by swimming 50 meters in less than 40 seconds. It is a great tribute to him, his coaches Mike Buchney, Julia Loughren and Anna Sweeney, and his family. There are still two swim meets to go before our season ends. But thanks to everybody's efforts, lots of fun was had, over \$5,500 was raised for the swim team, and that old throwback place, where everyone knows your name – that place between Mayberry and Cheers – continued to shine as the best kept secret in New Jersey.



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Summer Athletics

PAT ECKHART, ATHLETICS DIRECTOR

We enjoyed another successful week in HLCC! It is great to see so many new faces participate in all that Highland Lakes has to offer. Reminder: If there is a threat of bad weather or you don't know if an event is taking place, you can call the ATHLETIC HOTLINE at 973-764-6674. Let's get to the action!

Monday:
Farm Team (ages 4 - 5, 9 am, Field 1)

Coordinator: Paul Parigi

The Farm Team gathered in the outfield of field 1 and were ready to go Monday morning. Coach Paul made sure all the boys were able to hit. They practiced running the bases and went through a pop fly drill. We have some future all-stars in this league. See everyone Monday!

Mosquito League (ages 6 - 8, 9 am, Field 1)
Coordinators: Peter Parigi, Mike Puccio, Matt Puccio, Frank Fogge

Fireflies and Mosquitoes got together for the seventh game of the season on Monday. Nicky Beninati was the star of the day, as he hit a double and two homeruns, one of which made it all the way to the fence! He led his Mosquitoes to a 12 - 11 win. Great game boys!

Tennis Lessons
(ages 9 - 12, 9 am, Beach 1 tennis courts)

Coordinators: Jennifer Ziegler and Darren Werner

We welcomed back Coach Jennifer on Monday, who was missed by all. The two groups outlasted the heat and had a great time this week. They went through their groundstroke skills and played a fun game of jail at the end. See everyone Monday.

Kids Basketball Lessons (ages 5 - 14, 5 pm, Beach 1 basketball courts)

Coordinator: Chris Beninati

Cancelled this week due to thunderstorms.

Tuesday:
Mosquito League (ages 6 - 8, 9 am, Field 1)

The Fireflies and Mosquitoes squared off for the eighth game of the season on Tuesday morning and enjoyed the best game of the season. This game was back and forth for a while, until the Fireflies stepped up in the bottom of the last inning, needing two runs to win. After knotting the game up at 7, Derek stepped up to the plate needing a hit to win the game. He put one right down the third base line, scoring Miles to secure the walk-off win for the Fireflies! Great job everyone!

Butterfly League (ages 9 - 11, 6 pm, Field 1)
Coordinator: Chip Ziegler

The Butterfly League got together Tuesday and the girls had their third game against the parents. The Blue Jays and Robins teamed up to beat the parents by the score of 16-12. Everyone had a lot of fun. The girls would like to challenge the boys of the Grasshopper league at the end of the season, so come on down to Field 1 and catch the action!

Men's Basketball League
(ages 17+, 6 pm, Beach 1 courts)

Coordinator: John Ross (written by John Ross)

There is trouble in this mighty league of ours. What was once a safe haven where Reds and Blues could come together in their common love of the game, has become a fractured battleground of hate and anger. The Red



Wednesday morning tennis lessons

team, vowing to “make basketball league great again”, has turned to strategies of fear and intimidation, calling Blues names and using them as a scapegoat for all the league's problems. Meanwhile, the Blue team has split down the middle, with some sticking to the traditional “grin and bear it” strategy and others, disenchanted with “basketball as usual”, waging an athletic revolution and deciding not to show up anymore. This week the Blue team only had two people come out. Two people! Without the support of our fellow blues, we will never defeat red this August. All the preliminary games are showing red coming out on top; this week alone they steamrolled all of their opponents in every match up. This is not a pickup game anymore, folks; this is reality. If we allow red to take control of this league again, if they win this championship, we will have more of the strong preying on the weak, more foul loopholes based on “street rules”, more discrimination against new players coming from across Canistear at the field 2 courts. The Red team is even in denial about the heat wave we've been experiencing this week, telling the Blue team to “suck it up and stop being wimps”. Is this the league we want to leave for our kids in the youth basketball league? If not, then it is time for us Blues to unite in our common goal and rise up. Blue, with all of our missed shots, our misguided assists, our botched rebound attempts, we may not be the perfect candidate for champion; but I'll be darned if we wouldn't make a better champion than Red. Thank you, and God bless the Red, Black and Blue.

Standings: Red 10 - 2, Black 6 - 6, Blue 0 - 9

Wednesday:
Tennis Lessons
(ages 5 - 8, 9 am, Beach 1 tennis courts)

Coordinator: Darren Werner and Paul Sedlewicz

We held our fifth official tennis lessons on Wednesday

morning and it was a beautiful day for some tennis. We warmed up by hitting 3 balls to the kids and having them move down the baseline and hit each ball. We played ‘jail’, and Michelle Dinger and Nico Puccio were the big winners for the older group. The younger group had the chance to work on their backhand swings. After that they played a fun game of ‘clear the court’. We have some impressive young tennis players in HLCC this year. See everyone Wednesday.

Thursday:
Girls Farm Team (ages 4 - 5, 9 am, Field 1)

Coordinators: Shane and Dean Grundy

The Girls Farm Team got together for the fifth time this season on Thursday morning and it was a scorcher. We stayed cool by taking a few different water breaks. The girls took the field and are getting better and better defensively. Everyone had a great time hitting off the tee. The girls finished up by running the bases. See you next week.

Grasshopper League (ages 9 - 11, 6 pm, Field 1)
Coordinators: Frank Fogge, Robbie Wisniewski, Grant Wisniewski

This game was cancelled due to thunderstorms. We will play game 5 next week.

Standings: Hornets 2 - 2, Wasps 2 - 2

Friday:
Kids Soccer (ages 5 - 12, 9 am, Field 1)

Coordinators: Jonah Revalant, Peter Parigi, Annika Salomonsson, Hannah Wisniewski

We had our fifth soccer practice of the season Friday morning. After a night of rain, the sun started to peak out right as we began practice. The younger group got the chance to practice shooting into the nets. They then played some fun mini games. The older group went through their usual drills and had a very competitive scrimmage for the last 25 minutes. Special thanks to all of my coaches for doing a fantastic job. See everyone Friday.

Gem League (ages 6 - 8, 10 am, Field 1)
Coordinator: Dalilah Gomez

The Gems took the field for the fifth practice of the season and we had a nice turnout despite the damp conditions. After some light warm up tosses, we played a fun game of ‘softball scramble’. Then the girls were ready to hit. Some of the more experience girls took live pitching and are already hitting it to the outfield. The Gems are looking forward to challenging the boys of the Mosquito League at the end of the season. Thanks to Coach Anthony for helping out. See you Friday.

Boys Little League (ages 12 - 16, 6 pm, Field 2)
Coordinators: Ray Loughren

The Choctaws and Comanches took the field Friday night. The Choctaws came out swinging, as John Lenyk, George Gutierrez, and the McKinnon brothers all hit the ball well. New leadoff hitter J.T. Wisniewski set the table and was on base all night for the Choctaws. Peter and Paul Parigi kept the game competitive for the Comanches, but not even a late arrival from legend Joey Weingram could stave off the Choctaws, as they win the first game by the score of 15 - 14. See everyone Friday.

Standings: Choctaws 1 - 0, Comanches 0 - 1

Sunday:
Men's Softball League
(ages 17+, 5:30 pm, Field 2)

The Green team had the doubleheader this week and they finally got on the board with two wins. One win was cheap, with the Blue Team having to forfeit due to lack of players. Purple showed up, and Green put it on 'em early and often and came away with a 22-6 win. Thanks to George Gutierrez Jr. for umpiring. The Blue Team will have the doubleheader this week.

Standings: Blue 3-1, Green 2-2, Purple 1-3

2016 Athletics Schedule:

Sunday:
9 am Pickleball, Ages 13+, Canistear Courts
6 pm Men's Softball League, Ages 17 and up, Field 2

Monday:
9 am Tennis, ages 11 - 12, Beach 1 Courts
10 am Tennis, ages 9 - 10, Beach 1 Courts
9 am Boys Farm Team, ages 4-5, Field 1
9 am Mosquito League, boys ages 6-8, Field 1
5 pm Basketball, ages 8 - 14, Beach 1 Courts
6 pm Pickleball, Ages 13+, Canistear Courts

Tuesday:
9 am Mosquito League, boys ages 6 - 8, Field 1
6 pm Butterfly League, girls ages 9 - 11, Field 1
6 pm Adult Men's Basketball, ages 17+, Beach 1 Courts

Wednesday:
9 am Tennis, ages 7 - 8, Beach 1 Courts
10 am Tennis, ages 5 - 6, Beach 1 Courts
6 pm Pickleball, Ages 13+, Canistear Courts
7 pm Swim Team Scheduled Meets, @ lanes

Thursday:
9 am Girls Farm Team, ages 4 - 5, Field 1
10 am Women's Volleyball, ages 18+, Beach 1 Basketball Courts
6 pm Grasshopper League, boys ages 9 - 11, Field 1

Friday:
9 am Soccer, ages 5 - 8 & 9 - 12, Field 1
10 am Gem League, girls ages 6 - 8, Field 1
6 pm Boys Little League, ages 12 - 16, Field 2

Saturday:
9 am Adult Team Tennis, Beach 1 Tennis Courts

Grasshopper League Schedule:
Thursday:
8/11 Hornets v Wasps
8/18 Wasps v Hornets

Boys Little League Schedule:
Friday:
8/5 Co v Ch
8/12 Ch v Co
8/19 Co v Ch

The Mighty Seniors

JOYCE HEALY, PRESIDENT, SENIOR CLUB

“You are my sunshine, my only sunshine. You make me happy when skies are gray,...Indeed! Happy sun-shiney -kind of day to you right now as you are holding the Newsette in your hand. Yep! I mean Y O U!

I began a recent article with another song and music really does work to improve your outlook (notice I didn't say “poutlook”) on each new day. A song in your heart does you well, whether you belt it out in the shower where the acoustics are great, singing or humming a little ditty while you're puttering around the house (yes, it does make the chore go faster and more efficiently), singing in the choir (a few of us seniors do this), or humming/singing along with your favorite tunes in the car...let a song come out of your heart. You'll smile and it'll improve your face value! Ready? Sing Happy Birthday to yourself right now even if it isn't your special day Ha! I heard you! Very cool. You sounded terrific!

You probably will not hear the members of the senior club singing at their meetings/events, but once in awhile we do. Especially happy birthday to the entire membership once a year with a birthday cake aflame with many candles again, very cool. So, make sure you come to the next Senior Club meeting on Aug. 9, it's a “double-header” type of day. We'll meet for lunch (which will be provided for you) at the Lake Room at 12 noon and we'll enjoy welcoming a guest speaker. We'll then return to the Lake Room at 7 pm for our regularly scheduled meeting and another guest speaker! The Mighty Seniors will be going to Skylands Stadium on August 24. Meet at the clubhouse parking lot at 6 pm for carpooling. If you haven't signed up for this event yet, call me (973-764-0306). The Senior Gala is coming on August 12, a wine and cheese party in September, the San Gennaro Feast (Italian feast), an Oktoberfest in October and more activities/ events down the pike.

Here are more authors for all you bookworms out there:

1. Dan B_____	Deveraux
2. Peter C_____	Baldacci
3. Sue G_____	Brown
4. Lee C_____	Grafton
5. David B_____	Child
6. Steve M_____	Palmer
7. Clive C_____	Cussler
8. Diana P_____	Hoag
9. Tami H_____	Martini
10. Jude D_____	Clement

Hope to see you soon, love ya, Joyce H.

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Ecology Corner

MARY JO JABLONSKI, CHAIRPERSON, ECOLOGY COMMITTEE

Bats Around the Lakes

If you’ve lived in or been coming to Highland Lakes for many years or decades you probably remember a nocturnal dance in the sky starting around dusk. When the myriad flying insects of the night started to appear so did a squadron of flying insectivores, flying mammals that we call bats. They would swoop and dive catching mosquitoes and every other flying insect on the wing. You may have found them annoying or even frightening. You may have wished them gone. If so, sadly, your wish has for the most part been granted.

Bats are some of the most misunderstood animals on earth. They have been associated with disease and vampires. In reality bats are highly intelligent mammals that provide valuable ecological services. A lactating mother can eat her weight in insects every day! And all are great pollinators.

They go to flowers to hunt the insects found there but they also drink the flowers’ nectar and eat some flower parts.

Bats are nocturnal. They use sonar (echo location) to find flying insects at night. They send out high pitched sounds and listen for the echo to locate their prey. Sonar also keeps them from flying into objects (or people) in the dark. Some species do not catch the insects with their teeth. Instead they have a flap of skin between their hind legs where they catch the insect and then bend their head down to eat it.

Many of our local bat species have suffered huge population declines over the past decade. A fungal infection known as white nose syndrome was imported from Europe in 2006. Spelunkers exploring European caves returned to the US with the fungus on their boots and gear. Unfortunately, it rubbed off in the next US cave

they visited outside of Albany, NY and the infection began. When bats gather in the caves to hibernate, one sick bat can infect the rest of the colony. As a result, the populations of those bat species that hibernate in great colonies have been decimated.

Of the nine different species that call NJ home; six are year round residents and three are migratory. One, the Indiana bat, is on both NJ and the US endangered list. The Northern long-eared bat and little brown bat are close to the same designation. These bats roost during the day under the eaves of a house or under the bark of a shagbark hickory. So if you see one, don’t disturb it but thank it for the next mosquito bite that you don’t get! Even better buy or build a bat house to install on your property. (Google bat houses for either option.)

Thursday, July 28, Beach 2 Camp Fire

Thank you to all who came out to have some fun on the beach.



Art on the Mountain Continues for 57 Years

MARY ANN MASTRANGELO

Exhibit, Enter, Attend

HLCC & CA is actively planning its yearly art show weekend. The Professional Show and Reception will open on Saturday, August 27 with a “Meet the Artist” gathering from 6 pm – 9 pm. Children must be accompanied by an adult. You will be delighted and amazed at the high quality of talent living in our community.

The Art and Craft Show takes place in the clubhouse on Sunday, August 28. Registration is from 9 am - 10:30 am. Then the doors will close for judging and be open for viewing from 2 pm – 4 pm. Awards will be given out at 4 pm.

Special Awards:

- Best in Show: Larry Wilson Memorial Award
- Best Highland Lakes Scene in Photography
- Best Rendition of a Tree (any medium)
- A Tribute to the 100th Anniversary of Our National Parks: This is a one-time only special category. All ages are eligible. You can use any art/creative medium.

2016 AmateurArt Show Registration

(One form per entry)

Sunday, August 28. Registration: 9:00-10:30 a.m.

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Member #

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2016 Special category: Tribute to National Parks

(any media)___

Media (circle /check /specify where indicated):

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* Drawing: b&w__ color__

*Photography (HL scene: Y ___ N___)

* Pastel * Needlework * Mixed Media

*3-D art *Quilting *Craft * Sculpture

*Ceramics *Computer Graphics

* Other___ (media:___)

Entry Fee: 50 cents per item



Adult Ceramics

ANGELA ABRAMS AND KATHY STRUBE

Summer is here! Come on down to the clubhouse every Monday night at 7:30 pm. You will be amazed at the projects in progress, and more amazed at the beautiful creations you can create. You can begin a project for this year's Art Show or create unique, birthday, anniversary, Mother's/Father's Day gifts. Let your imagination run wild.

Our instructor, Mary, supplies the brushes and paint. She also supplies a collection of bisque for purchase. All adult members in good standing are welcome. All young people ages 8 to 15 are also welcome, if accompanied by an adult member. And as with all Highland Lakes activities... please wear your badges.

Adult Halloween Dance Needs “New Blood”

CAROL HASTIE, CHAIRPERSON, CLUBHOUSE COMMITTEE

Halloween is a little way away, but, I'd like to thank Roe Hall and her committee for doing an AWESOME job over the past years for putting together a totally eerie adult dance! She has worked hard decorating for a great event. Thank you for everything you have done Roe, it is greatly appreciated! Unfortunately, she is no longer able to continue on with this feat. We are looking for someone (or more than one person) to take on this task. I am sure she would be available to consult you along the way if needed.

Women’s Auxiliary Plans Underway

JENNIFER ZIEGLER, VICE PRESIDENT, WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

Don't forget - Thursday, August 11 - The Women's Auxiliary is off to Sands Casino in Bethlehem PA, anyone over 21 is welcome to join us. The ladies and gentlemen that went last year loved Sands Casino. Go have lunch at world class chef Emeril Lagasse's steak house or Italian restaurant, one of the many dining options at Sands. The outlet shopping is connected to the casino and hotel, get a jump on Christmas. See if Lady Luck is on your side in the casino, it has over 3,000 slot machines, 200 tables and many electric table games. The trip costs \$30, get \$20 back for slots and a \$5 food voucher. Meet at 7:45 am in Acme parking lot, return 6 pm. Contact Doreen Cordes to get your ticket, 973-764-8658 or 201-317-2057.

Our next meeting is August 9 in the Lake Room. Join us at 10 am for continental breakfast, lively conversation and fun. Babysitting is provided.



Aqua Aerobics

PAULA SCHRINER

Please join us at Beach 1 for Aqua Aerobics (adults only, please). Enjoy the lake and get fit!

When: Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings, beginning June 20, 2016, until the end of the summer! For more information call Paula at 973-764-5817 or Gail at 973-764-3194.

Time: 9 am-10 am

Where: Beach 1, in the water!

What to bring: a noodle, and a towel

No experience necessary!



Woven Winds Stretches on the Beach

CAROL CHAVE

Come to Beach 7 for Woven Winds Stretching, 8 - 8:30 am, Thursdays and Fridays. Our final session will be August 19, weather permitting. Starting with standing stretches, we will continue with seated stretches and stretches lying down on the beach. We conclude with an optional run/walk around the lake, while enjoying the quiet and beauty of morning at the lake. Wear clothes you can move in comfortably. Bring a towel and a cup. A cool beverage will be available. All ages welcome.

Windsurf Happenings

KEVIN GASTON

Unfortunately, a stalled unsettled weather pattern produced pop-up thunder storms at the most inopportune time last weekend. Needless to say, the race was canceled. So, in lieu of an action packed racing article, I present these handy racing tips.

A good start is key to a good outcome. It's always in the best interest of a racer to check the wind direction as applied to the course that was called. It's a basic geometric challenge. When you are at the starting line, position your board in "irons". Look forward to where your board is pointing. This gives you the wind direction. Next, locate the upwind mark. The angle made by the wind direction in relation to a line made from your board to the location of the upwind mark will tell you which tack, starboard or port, is favored.

Now visualize the favored tack and then determine which end of the starting line will get you to the upwind mark the fastest. Keep in mind that if you start on port tack, you must yield to those who started on starboard tack. An easy way to determine who has the right of way is that if your right hand is forward, you have the right of way. Don't forget to hit the line as the horn goes off with a running start. This takes just a little bit of practice and a good wrist watch.

If you have any questions about Windsurfing or Stand Up Paddle Boarding, call me at 845-893-2923. Aloha.

Next Newsette: August 13, 2016

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 officez at hlcc@warwick.net. Sorry – we can only print photographs submitted as .jpg files with a minimum of 150 dpi. Thanks!

Boat Dock Committee 2016 Annual Report

TOM BUCHNEY, CHAIRMAN, BOAT DOCK COMMITTEE

The primary objective of the Boat Dock Committee is to facilitate the fair and equitable use of Club sponsored boat docking facilities within our lake community. This includes the allocation of wet and dry dock space at a number of public docking areas, including Club Park, Comet Row, Beach 3, Beach 4, and Eckhart Sailing Center.

There is also public access to 20 freeway docks and sixty racks in areas around the lakes within the community where members can place their boat on a first come first served basis. Boat owners are reminded that no boat is permitted to be moored to the end of any dock. This area is to be left open for the enjoyment, temporary use of the community and access by emergency personnel.

Hopefully, by this point the membership has had an opportunity to see and take advantage of the new additions to the following areas: Comet Row Pontoon Dock and the 350' of docks at eleven freeway locations on Lake 1, Lake 5, Lake 3, and the Main Lake. Easy identification of these locations can be obtained using the map available in the "About Highland Lakes" section, "Highland Lakes Community Map" on the web site.

The Boat Dock Committee continued to monitor docks regulated by the one-time lottery drawing to assign, on a permanent basis, docking space to members in good standing. For members assigned a space last year and on the waiting list revisions according to the rules governing the use of docks were made. The docks are monitored on a regular basis throughout the season to ensure the spaces are being properly utilized. Members had to have their boats in their assigned spaces by the July 4 holiday, otherwise the space was considered vacant and available for reassignment for another member's use. It is requested that members continue to be aware of the various rules governing the use of club sponsored docks and racks to ensure the continued enjoyment of the facilities by all.

The committee also coordinates the "loaner" boat program, whereby several paddle boats and rowboats are available for member use on the main lake off of Beach #2.

Also, approved security devices such as plastic coated stainless steel cable, galvanized or stainless steel chain and rope or lines are to be used to secure boats to the dock. No securing device that causes chafing or rust is permitted for use on these new docks.

Please store your boats properly and keep boats upside down on the club racks and dry dock spaces that they do not fill with rain water and cause damage to Club property. We also ask that you bail excess water out of boats in both the wet docks and dry docks that are provided for your use.

Once again, we will be asking the members to remove their boats on the western shore this year as well as all assigned club docks by October 15, 2016, so that we can effectively complete the required maintenance and repairs. It may be necessary to remove boats from club docks at an earlier date this year due to a potential drawdown of the Main Lake. Please stay alert for notices concerning this potential date change requirement. Those members in good standing will have the first opportunity to return their boat to the original rack space once this project is complete.

Dam Committee 2016 Annual Report

RICH SPOERL, CHAIRMAN, DAM COMMITTEE

The Committee reviewed, the state of New Jersey required, dam inspection reports from our engineering firm. It looked into the work that could be accomplished, if a drawdown of the main lake was to take place. Also, inspections of the dams were made at various times during the year.

Fish Committee 2016 Annual Report

MICHAEL EWASKO, CHAIRMAN, FISH COMMITTEE

It's hard to believe that it's already time for this year's Annual Committee Report, but it makes you realize we are well into another wonderful summer season at Highland Lakes. The 2015 fall fish stocking of both game fish and baitfish went off without a hitch and late fall fishing proved quite active with good catches of walleye, most notably in Lake 3. Winter ice fishing was sporadic at best with safety always the main concern.

Spring 2016 started off strong with reports of large channel catfish and walleye active in the Main Lake, but we appear to be currently in a hot weather summer slump. A reminder to all anglers to help protect our game fishing by safely releasing any predatory catches of pickerel or muskellunge into our lakes.

These fish help preserve the balance of predator to prey resulting in a more rewarding fishing experience for all. This report falls right after a successful Kid's Fishing Derby on Lake 4 where stormy weather kept all but the hardest youngsters away and just before the big Catfish Derby at the Clubhouse on Family Day.

Fish stocking in all lakes is planned for late fall but details have yet to be finalized. The HLCC Fish Committee, like all Club committees, is looking for volunteers and new ideas for future events. Find the time to attend a monthly committee meeting. It's only once a month, the second Thursday at 8 pm following Ecology.

Junior Sunfish Singles

MARYJANE KRESIC

Again the wind was disappointing. A course 3 – red, red, red was sailed and everyone sailed slowly and finished the race. Cora and Hannah were battling it out for the finish when a gust of wind pushed Cora ahead of Hannah by a boat length.

The results were:

- 1 Robbie Wisniewski
- 2 JT Wisniewski
- 3 Grant Wisniewski
- 4 Emmaline Stoddard
- 5 Richie Amato
- 6 Cora Leiter
- 7 Hannah Wisniewski

Timpson Making Her Move!

SUE BURUCHIAN, LADIES SF

Lyle Timpson was making waves Thursday, July 28, in the ladies sunfish fleet. It is my understanding she was right in the pact of lead boats and gave previous race winners of Nancy, Ellen and Jessica a few thoughts of concern. As reported by Ellen, “Lyle was very close to Jessica on the last two legs and very close to all at the finish”. Proof that practice makes perfect. Not all can win every race, but with each leg a sailor sails, the more knowledge and skill they develop. Proof that Lyle’s experience and making waves is a good thing.

Congratulations to Nancy and Lyle who sailed a very competitive race in shifty wind conditions. So how did you like that downwind finish anyway? Well sailed ladies! Come join us. Call Irene Boeren 973-764-7371 for ladies sunfish fun and frolic. Thursdays 11 am from ESC dock.

Results were:

- 1 - Nancy
- 2 - Ellen
- 3 - Jessica
- 4 - Lyle

2016 HLCC Sailing Fleet Schedule

LOU IANNUCCI, SAILING COORDINATOR

Below are the 2016 HLCC sailing fleet schedules. All races begin at the Eckhart Sailing Center located on Lakeside Drive West south of the intersection with Alturas Road.

Please take note of the following dates:

All Boat Regatta: Saturday, August 27
Sailor’s Picnic: Sunday, September 4 at 4:30 pm

Senior Sunfish Races – Sundays at 2:30 pm

Mladen Kresic: (973) 764-0452
August 7, 14, 21 (2 pm), 28 / Sept. 4

Jr. Singles Sunfish Races – Wednesdays at 11 am

Maryjane Kresic: (973) 764-0452
August 10, 17, 24

Ladies Sunfish Races – Thursdays at 11 am

Irene Boeren: (973) 764-7371
August 11, 18, 25

Jr. Doubles Sunfish Races – Fridays at 11:00 am

Maryjane Kresic: (973) 764-0452
August 5, 12, 19, 26

Force 5 Sailing Races – Saturdays at 11 am

Erika Rodger: (201) 961-3092
August 6, 13, 20 / Sept. 3

Flying Junior Fleet Sailing Races – Sundays at 11 am

Mike Gillooley: (973) 764-4185
August 7, 14, 21, 28 / Sept. 4

Windsurfer Races – Saturdays at 3 pm

Kevin Gaston: (973) 764-7332
August 6, 13, 20 / Sept. 3



FJ Fleet Results for July 31

MIKE GILLOOLEY, FLEET CAPTAIN

Race 1

Mark/Emiline
James/Sam
Will/Mary Jane
Ray/Declan
John Wayne/JT
Rob/Joe
Lou/Emily
Mike/Sara
Rick/Christine

Race 2

Will/Mary Jane
James/Sam
Mark/Emiline
John Wayne/JT
Lou/Emily
Ray/Declan
Rob/Joe
Mike/Sara
Rick/Christine

Senior Sunfish Race July 31

MLADEN KRESIC

The rain did not deter this loyal fleet and so on Sunday afternoon with a mist of rain and then a downpour the fleet sailed a course 2, Red, Red, Red.

The results were:

- 1 Will Kresic
- 2 Mark Burchian
- 3 Rich Mastrangelo
- 4 Lou Ianucci
- 5 Ray Mann
- 6 Maryjane Kresic
- 7 James Sullivan

Hawaiian Day - Juniors Sail on Friday

MARYJANE KRESIC

The prevailing winds were strong and the sailors went to Hawaii and back. With Leis, ice pops and pineapple chucks with fancy umbrellas sticking out of them the sailors relaxed after a fun race of white, white white. We were short of skippers today so Mrs. Amato, Mr. Roman, Mr. Salmonson and Mr. Sullivan volunteered to take some sailors out.

Important dates to keep in mind:

Aug 5 - Western Day- Wear your best bandana and western garb. It is a mandatory bathing suit day
Aug 27 - All Boat Regatta- Start thinking about crews now. Club boats are available.
Sept 4 - Awards and Labor Day Sailing Picnic. All juniors please plan on attending.

The results were:

- 1 Grant Wisniewski and Dennis Jimenez
- 2 Robbie Wisniewski and Nico Puccio
- 3 JT Wisniewski and Michael Puccio

- 4 Emmaline Stoddard and Audra Leiter
 - 5 Richie Amato and Sophie VandenBroek
 - 6 Sam Sullivan and Duke Staley
 - 7 Luke Sullivan and Michael Evanick and Ryan Dobrznski.
 - 8 Annika Salomonsson and Sofia Staley
 - 9 Hannah Wisniewski and Abby Amato
 - 10 Shayla Schmucl and Victoria Annuziata
 - 11 Ariana Stoddard and Julie Evanick and Grace Dobrznski.
 - 12 Mrs. Amato and Cora Leiter and Andrew Brantner
 - 13 Mr. Roman and Abi Roman
 - 14 Mr. Salmonson and Molly Bednarick and Isadora Salmonson
 - 15 Mr. Sullivan and Kateri Sullivan, Deirdre O'Donnell
- Switching in and out of boats were Tyler Dobrznski, Vanesa Cefaloni, Gabriela Cefaloni.

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Team Tennis

KNOX STRUBE

The last two Saturdays have been very sunny and the tennis players are still playing. We have consistently had 16-18 players each week. That is enough to keep all 4 courts busy but some of us would like a rest so we could use a few more players each week. The shots and moves continue to amaze us each week. Glenn had a great service game that included a couple of aces and Michele has perfected that shot down the alley. The skills and matches continue to improve each time we play.



Under the direction of Jerry and his committee, we are going to try something new this year. Instead of the end of the season brunch after tennis on Saturday, we are going to try a potluck dinner on the Friday of Labor Day weekend. So please sign up with Jerry and let him know that you are interested.

We're still playing each Saturday morning from 9 - 11 am for the next month and probably longer. Just dust off your racquet and come join us for a great morning filled with a little exercise and a lot of fun. Just bring your badge, water, sneakers, and racquet. We look forward to seeing you there!

Ladies Bowling

PAT WOOTTON AND JUDI SUNDA

We have reached our halfway point and the ladies continue to "heat-up" the lanes and continue to flaunt their abilities. The best part of Wednesday morning bowling is the team spirit and ongoing fun. This week's stats are as follows:

- Kathie Grifone – double
- Ann Nathan – 47 pins over average!
- Lyn Kaplan – 2/4/10 split
- Judi Sunda – double, 153
- Jennifer Ziegler – Turkey
- Bonnie Fredericks – double
- Dianne Kelly – 5/7/9 split



Pickleball Continues to Grow

DORI ZARR

Pickleball continues to grow. The International Federation is beginning to think about a World Cup. France, India, Spain, Japan, the U.K. and the USA all have strong programs. In India, it is being played in eight states mainly in Mumbai and Kolkata. In Japan there are about 50 people playing in the Tokyo area. In 2019, the World Games will be there.

Pointer: Down the Middle solves the Riddle... We play Monday and Wednesday night at 6 pm until dark or fatigue sets in. Sunday morning play starts at 9 am. We have the equipment, the instructors...we're waiting for you... it's great exercise. Questions, call Dori Zarr 201-602-8339

Bocce News

SHIRLEY BOND AND LAURA BRANIGAN

The dog days of summer have arrived, and it was a hot day on Thursday, July 28 at the bocce court. Many dedicated players came out. Everyone enjoyed playing three games. The Red Team won two games and the Green Team won one. All had a good time, even with the heat! It was decided to have the end of season luncheon on Thursday, August 25. We will continue to play in September with available players still remaining in Highland Lakes. Pictures will be taken on Thursday, August 11, so remember to wear your bocce T-shirt and hat. New players are welcome to join in the fun each Thursday at 1 pm on the bocce court outside of the Clubhouse, weather permitting. Bring a lawn chair for comfort and a bottle of water to stay hydrated. Hope to see you next time.

Women's Volleyball

KNOX STRUBE

July 28 was a very hot and humid day. It is the first time in my memory that we couldn't get enough women together to play a few games. The weather, vacations, injuries and other obligations seem to be taking away many of our players. We only had 3 that were ready to play. Lynette and Val, you are troopers and thanks so much for your interest, support and being there ready to play.



Let's try and get enough participation in order to keep women's volleyball going. It would be sad to lose an activity in our community. So mark down Thursday mornings from 10 - noon on your calendars. Just bring your badge, water, sneakers, and expectation of a fun couple of hours. We meet at the utility court at Beach 1. Please come!



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