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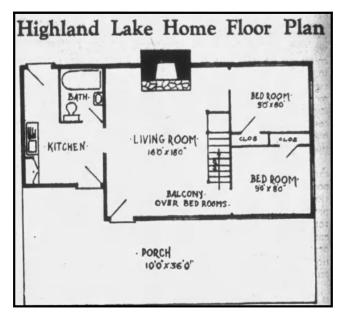
Those Were the Days

STU BLANK, COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE



In the early 1930s, John Seckler and S. Clayton Shepperd had some interest in developing a small lake in the upper hills of Vernon. They had recent success after taking over the management and development of what we know today as Lake Wallkill, on the western side of Vernon. Through two purchases of property in 1935, they had acquired over 1,200 Acres. On the property of what we know as Beach 1 was an L-shaped barn which was designated as our Club's first Clubhouse.

Late in 1935, they began construction of what would become the Main Lake, which included the dam, and was completed in 1937. For \$990.00 with 7 years to pay a rustic "Sturdy Log Cabin" could be built; if you were not ready to build, for \$250.00 you could buy a tree shaded lot. By May 1937, it was reported that almost 50 cabins had been built in the area of Beach 1. The original owners were considered "Pioneer" owners. Construction continued at a fevered pace throughout the year.



An Article from May 1937 calls this development a "Playground in the Sky", with the Main Lake over two miles in length and two smaller lakes. In May 1938, Highland Lakes celebrated the 1st anniversary of the Main Lake being completed. Over 200 plots had been sold in the area of the Community Club House, with 10 additional cabins complete and 12 under construction. On the Main Lake, 125 plots had been sold and an additional 60 cabins had been built. The Paterson Morning Call reported in the

May 7, 1938, paper for the month of April 1938, that 67 individual investments of plots and cabins were sold by Seckler & Shepperd. This construction pace is unheard of today.

Seckler and Shepperd were premier marketers. Every week they were in multiple publications throughout the region. They marketed Highland Lakes as the highest lake and mountain-top vacation community in New Jersey at 1,400 feet altitude. They also referred to it as "The Great Lakes of North Jersey."

By June of 1939, Highland Lakes marketed itself with ads that stated "Summer's fun begins at Highland Lakes. Camp life for the kiddies – and carefree, happy days for parents. Safe, supervised outdoor play for children – and freedom for you. Swimming, boating, tennis, horseback riding – all planned by college trained counselors for your children's health and pleasure. Life's wonderful at this mount-top, club plan community. Highland Lakes is the "made-to-order" for parents like you – seeking the best of "summer camp" features without the expense and without being separated from your children."



Another article spoke of the cooler temperatures from someone who purchased a cabin who lived in Bergen County. "I immediately dreamed of the cool summer days and nights that we could enjoy." Fast forward 84 years and this is just one of many reasons why people continue to purchase in our community.

Upcoming Events

August 4 - Magician

August 4 - Men's Golf Outing

August 5 - Lifeguard Olympics

August 5 - W/A Covered Dish

August 6 - Family Day

August 8 - Ladies Golf Outing

August 12 - Family Day Rain Date

August 13 - All Star Sunday Night



Family Day Schedule

<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
9 am	Quadrathlon Begins*
10:30 am	Triathlon Begins*
11 am - 11:30 am	Go Fish, Make & Take a Craft,
	Jenga
11 am - 12:30 pm	Sandcastle Building Contest*
11 am - 2:30 pm	Face Painting & Tattoos
12 pm	Swim Lanes Open
12 pm - 6 pm	Grill & Cotton Candy/Popcorn
12 pm	Ring Toss, Bicycle Decorating
12:30 pm	Volleyball Tournament*,
	Scavenger Hunt,
	Frog Jumping Contest*
1 pm	Bug Hunt, Kids Under 5 Water
	Races, Corn Hole
2 pm	Baby Parade*, Bicycle Parade*,
	Potato Sack Race
3 pm	Bubble Gum Contest
3:30 - 4:30 pm	Egg Toss
4:30 pm	Swim Lanes Close
4:30 - 5:30 pm	Water Balloon Toss
5 pm	Catfish Derby
5:30 - 6:30 pm	HL Annual Talent Show*
6:30 pm	Ice Cream Social
6:30 - 8:30 pm	DJ Fires Up the Tunes
8:30 pm	Lighted Boat Parade begins

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Fireworks

9 pm

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2023 Swim Team Schedule

August 9	Highland Lakes @ Fayson Lakes				
August 12	"A" Championships @ Pequannock				

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

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.

	7/11	7/19	7/26
Beach 1	151.5	25.9	59.1
Beach 2	9.7	5.2	6.3
Beach 3	70.3	24.6	12.2
Beach 4	42.2	2.0	3.1
Beach 5	12.2	12.1	1 7.1
Beach 6	9.8	2.0	1
Beach 7	5.2	9.7	12.2
Swim Lanes	2	<1	<1

We Are the Seniors

JOYCE HEALY, PRESIDENT, SENIORS CLUB

"We are the Seniors, mighty, mighty Seniors...". This is just a snippet of an old football cheer from the 60s. When sung it energized whole sections of cheering students in the bleachers. It always worked to improve school spirit and strengthen a sense of teamwork. That's what our HL seniors do...we cheer each other on, we offer ideas and are ready to lend a hand. Why not join our "team"?

We're planning on:

- 1. Miner's baseball game on Thursday, August 10. The game starts at 7 pm. Want to have an evening of fun to cheer on our NJ Miner's team?
- 2. Annual Senior Gala...Sunday, August 13, 6 -10 pm our wonderful dinner/dance, live band, delicious catered dinner from The Lamppost. Don't dance much? That's ok. Enjoy the great oldies from The Stragglers band. Please contact me to sign up for these 2 events. Our mighty Seniors would love to have you join us. Joyce H. 845-544-3749.

Voting Board Roster

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Swim Team Events

August 11, 6 pm - Pre-A Championship Pasta Dinner August 15, 6 pm - Swim Team Awards Dinner

Hot Fun in the Summertime

KATHI TAYLOR

The dog days of summer are upon us and the pickleball courts are really heating up. We continue to have some very competitive games while welcoming newer players. It's so much fun to watch all of our players improve their games. Join us every Monday and Wednesday at 6 pm and Friday at 10 am, weather permitting. If you are new to pickleball, we have equipment you can use. Give it a try! Ages 16 and older. Must have your badge. Kathi Taylor 973-303-2689.



2023 Candidates Nominated for Election as Trustee

ARTHUR D. DAWSON,
Ph.D., ELECTIONS COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON

The following individuals have been nominated as candidates for election as trustee for their respective section. Elections will take place at the Annual Meeting on August 20, 2023, and by Absentee Ballots received by 4 pm on Tuesday, August 15, 2023.

Section 1 - Sue Buruchian

Section 3 - Heidi Fuhrmann

Section 4 - Joseph Sweeney

Section 5 - Julia Campbell

Section 11 - Eric Card

Section 11 - Andrea Cottrell

The trustees for Sections 1, 3, 4, and 5 will serve full, three-year terms commencing October 1, 2023. The trustee elected for Section 11 will serve the balance of the term expiring on September 30, 2024. Members may vote for one of the candidates listed for their section or write-in the candidate of their choice in the "Personal Choice" space provided on the ballot.

Upcoming Meetings

Buildings and Grounds – Tuesday, August 1 – 7 pm

Clubhouse Committee – No meeting scheduled at this time Communications Committee – Saturday, August 5 - 10 am Ecology Committee – Wednesday, August 23 – 8 pm Fish Committee – Thursday, August 17 – 7 pm Planning Committee - No meeting schedule at this time Road Committee – Thursday, August 3 – 7 pm Rules and By-Laws – No meeting scheduled at this time Voting Board Workshop – Wednesday, August 16 – 7:30 pm Annual Meeting – Sunday, August 20 - 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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Spirit Week



KIDS Club

SUMMER 2023

Monday			Tuesday			Wednesda	Y		Thursday			Friday			Saturday		
Time	Activity	Location	Time	Activity	Location	Time	Activity	Location	Time	Activity	Location	Time	Activity	Location	Time	Activity	Location
9:30 AM	Moke & Take Crafts [ages 3.5]	Clubhouse	9:30 AM	Make & Take Crofts (lages 3-5)	Clathouse	9:30 AM	Make & Bake Crafts [ages 3-5]	Chéhoise	9:30 AM	Moke & Take Crafts (ages 3-5)	Cuthous	9:30 AM	Moke & Take Crofts [ages 3-5]	Cultinose	11-00 AM	Gokhali	Field 1
10:30 AM	Make & Take Crafts (ages 6-8)	Clubhouse	10:30 AM	Make & Take Crafts [lages 6-8]	Clabhouse	10:30 AM	Make & Take Crafts [ages 6:8]	Chéhous	10:30 AM	Moke & Take Crafts (ages 6-8)	Cubhoose	10:30 AM	Make & Take Crofts (ages 6-8)	Clubhouse	12:00 PM	Craft	Beach 1
11:30 AM	Outdoor Fun	Clubhouse	11:30 AM	Outdoor Fun	Clubhouse	11:30 AM	Ovtdoor Fan	Clubhouse	11:30 AM	Outdoor Fun	Clubhouse	11:30 AM	Outdoor fun	Clubhouse			
1:00 PM	Bings	Clobhouse	1:00 PM	Board Games	Clubhouse	1:00 PM	legos	Chèhose	1:00 PM	JENGA	Oshkove	1:00 PM	All Kids Crofs	Clibhouse			
2:00 PM	Cane Room	Clubhouse	2:00 PM	Croh	Beach 1	2:00 PM	Game Boom	Clubhouse	2:00 PM	Craft	Beach 1	2:00 PM	Karooke	Clubhouse			
6:00 PM	Ceranies	Clubhouse	6:00 PM	Family Activity	Clibhouse				6:00 PM	Fonily Activity	Cultivouse						

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Saturday

10:00 AM

Communications Comm. Mtg.

6:00 PM Lifeguard Olympics Beach 1

7:00 PM Women's

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Highland Lakes Happenings

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9:00 AM Family Day
4:00 PM Pickleball (Intermediate & Advanced)

5:00 PM Yoga 6:00 PM Pickleball 7:00 PM Ceramics

8 10:00 AM Women's Auxiliary Mtg. 1:00 PM Bocce 7:00 PM Sr. Club Mtg.

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5:00 PM Yoga 6:00 PM Pickleball Swim Meet (A) 8:00 AM -9:30 AM Yoga & Meditation

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1:00 PM Bocce 7:00 PM Stitching 11 10:00 AM Pickleball 5:00 PM Pickleball (Intermediate & Advanced)

5:00 PM Swim Team "A" Dinner

Friday

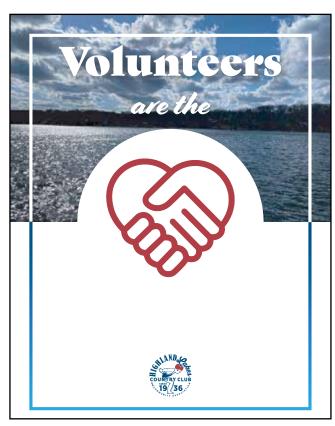
12 A Championships (A) Family Day Raindate

All Star Night

PETE JABLONSKI, ATHLETICS DIRECTOR

Sunday, August 13 - 4:30 pm

Save the Date! Our second Annual All Star Sunday Night will be held on Sunday, August 13, at 4:30 pm. There will be games and contests, and I will be handing out participation awards at the Beach 1 Field. More details to





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Thank You Fisherman!

BILL BEARDSLEY

Several years ago, the Ecology Committee published an article about the decomposition rate of many materials. One was monofilament fishing line. It was discovered that monofilament line took 600 years to decompose. It was also known to be a killer of birds, turtles, fish, and other small animals found around Highland Lakes. As a result, the Conservation Club constructed five PVC fishing line bins. They were placed at Comet Row, the main lake boat ramp, the Club Park boat dock, and the Beach 3 and Beach 7 launch areas.

Reel In and Recycle!

Monofilament Recycling Bin Recycling Free Please recycle your used monofilament fishing line here!

For more information on monofilament recycling visit www.boshs.com/foundation NO CAMS-NO BOTTLES-NO TRASH

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These bins were emptied a few weeks ago. The Ecology Committee would like to thank the many anglers that discarded their used fishing line in them. The line which is sent to the Berkley Corporation for recycling must be in pristine condition, All weights, beads, swivels, lures, hooks, and vegetation must be removed. This year it took a volunteer two hours to clean the line removed from the bins. So again a big thank you to the anglers that properly used the bins. In the future please clean the line before depositing it. Make sure to put only fishing line in the bins - No Garbage.











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This Week in Sports

PETE JABLONSKI, ATHLETICS DIRECTOR

The countdown to the biggest night in Highland Lakes Athletics is winding down! The DJ is booked, the athletes are getting better, and the date is set. Sunday, August 13, we will be having our second annual "All Star Sunday Night". The afternoon will start off with a gathering at Field 1 (softball field at Beach 1- where we have been having most softball sessions). Bring chairs and blankets, snacks, maybe order dinner - keep in mind the event will be a "bring your own" event. The club will NOT be providing refreshments.

Following the initial gathering of the crowd, we will be holding hitting contests for the kids, water balloon tosses, and new this year basketball skills competitions. Parents and adults can showcase their skills in the evenings "Open Division Competition" where adults can show out in the Homerun Derby and shootout competitions.

All events are susceptible to weather and schedules/ events are subject to change. There is no rain date scheduled at this time. With all of that said, let's get to the action from this week!

HLCC Athletics - Weekly Rewind!

Monday morning Boys' Farm Team started off the week with Shane's return to the diamond after a week away from the squad. Shane always brings a spark to the squad. Shane's contagious enthusiasm was fueled with wonderful questions and stories, as well as his, now famous, "mean face" during tee work! Newcomers Jaylen and Bentley showed out during batting and fielding drills. Caleb and Lennon continued to shine with enthusiasm and positive attitudes. Logan and Vinny improved with every rep and Owen makes everything easier with constant assistance with the setup of drills. Such a great way to start the week with this squad! The future of Highland Lakes softball is bright with this group of prospects.

Monday evening Youth Basketball continued with stations for the second week. Each group of players works their way through five stations setup at different areas of the court as they sharpen their skills. Next week the hoopers



will begin training for the skills competition on August 13. Come join us on Monday evenings at 5 pm for Youth Basketball.

Tuesday morning Mosquito League had another great showing as the boys worked on improving their skills. Fun and competition was added as "Bonk-the-Bucket" was introduced to the boys. Great job competing and sticking together.

The rain left us with a wet field and a light turnout for Tuesday night's "ButterHopper" League. The players played Jackpot for a while and then we gave everyone a chance for batting practice. With 7 players, we started off playing 4 on 3 with Delila, Gavin, and Sophie challenging Aiden, Eva, Kenny and Vera. Aiden started off the game with a home run, and their team led after the top of the first, 3-0. Ramona joined Gavin's team and helped even things out. The bottom of the first saw a home run by Delila. The top of the second inning was held scoreless, and the bottom of the second, saw some good hits, and Gavin hit a game winning home run. His team won 4-3. Lots of hits, and some good plays in the field, led to an exciting game. Hopefully we can have a better turnout next time. If we can get 10 players on each side, then we can resume pitchers and catchers. Come out and join the fun.

Thursday morning Girls' Farm Team took a little while to get going with the heat, but once the girls got up to bat,



Photos courtesy of Pat Eckhart

the energy really picked up. The session concluded with an energetic game of "Treasure Monster" which left the monster exhausted. Great job girls!

Thursday Night "ButterHopper League" started off with threatening skies and sprinkles of rain and gusts of wind that would normally be the prequel to torrential downpours and a cancelation. But instead, Thursday Night brought exactly what the struggling league needed: an epic battle, a comeback, a glass slipper, and best of all, a hero who rode in on a white horse to save the day. But in this fairy tale, our glass slipper was in the form of a pair of red crocs, and our hero rode in just in the nick of time, not on a white horse, but a mountain bike. After all, this is Highland Lakes youth softball.

The early pace of the game was frenetic. Each batter getting pitches at a rapid pace just to get plate appearances before the game was called, due to rain. Just as the sun started to break through the clouds the scoring onslaught began. Silas's team jumped out to a 13-7 lead in the start of the 5th inning. This is the moment where our hero enters the picture, but this white knight in red crocs rode in and joined the winning team.

Matthew's team rallies with some timely hitting and some costly errors on the side of the once winning team. One such error made by our hero. This is what makes this fairytale so unlikely. Our hero, and his team made a change in defensive positioning that left the door open for the comeback. Matthew's team tied the score in the top of the last inning. Silas's team stopped their opposition in the top of the first extra inning with a bobbled catch by Luca in right-center field. With a shaky defense in the last inning, the team rejoiced with cheers that echoed around the beach.

In the bottom of the 8th inning Luca stepped into the batter's box. Hit a sharp shot into the outfield and stretched it out into a double. Joey, the clean-up hitter who had decimated the opposition stepped up to the plate with a chance to win the game with Luca in scoring position. The big lefty took his time and smashed a shot into the outfield, bringing Luca in to score!

A valiant effort by all to end the month of July and set the table for the last few weeks of summer softball! Tough act to follow, but we will give it our best shot next week!

Friday morning brought heat and large groups to soccer and Girls' Gem League. The kids battled through rising temperatures to make it a great end to the week.

Please remember to apply sunblock and send your little athletes to their activity with plenty of water.



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Ecology in Your Yard

JASON TRIBIANO, ECOLOGY COMMITTEE

Water Runoff - Slow It - Spread It - Sink It

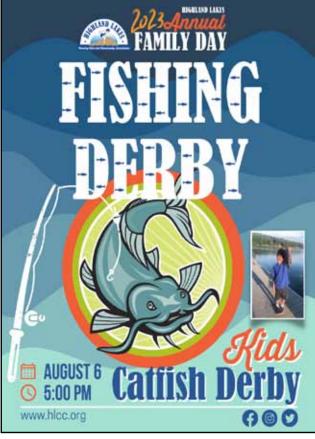
There are many factors that contribute to lake water quality, and it is possible for individual residents to have a positive impact by adapting ecologically friendly practices in their yards. Water runoff is one of the major factors affecting the water quality of our lakes. While every property is different, the main goal is to slow the water down, spread it over a larger area and sink it into the ground before it hits the street. Roof, gutter, and driveway runoff that makes it to the street, makes it to the lake, carrying with it silt and chemicals negatively affecting the lake water. Houses without gutters can utilize gravel trenches to catch and direct roof water. One of the best ways to control this runoff is to direct it to planting areas filled with native trees, shrubs and/or perennials. Mature trees are the single best capturer of water runoff, followed by shrubs and then perennials, as the roots use and filter the water

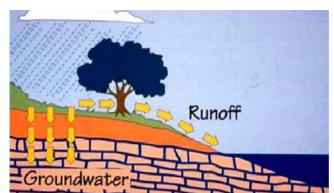
before it reaches the lake or the water table. Even directing water to mulched areas will be beneficial.

Bare soil and grass lawns contribute to runoff as they are unable to capture moving water. Larger properties with wooded areas can use leaf and wood debris to help slow, spread and sink the runoff. Paved driveways can be a little more challenging as they tend to dump runoff directly to the street. Consider a gravel driveway if you are redoing the area, or do not regularly re-seal the driveway. It's actually unnecessary and tends to have chemicals that negatively affect the lakes. The edges of paved driveways can also be planted to capture some of this water or line the edges of driveway with gravel trenches to capture and direct the water. For residents who just do not know where to start, reach out to me at NativeZenLandscapes@gmail.com



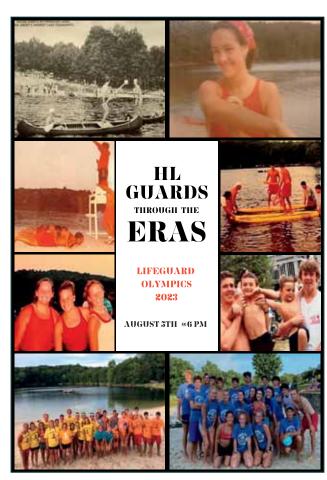












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Swim Team Falls to Green Pond

MICHAEL BUCHNEY, HEAD COACH

The Highland Lakes Swim Team traveled a short way down Route 23 to face the Green Pond Mussels in a Week 4 LSC White Division match-up. Highland Lakes swimmers were shocked to discover their lake was neither green, nor a pond. The idyllic setting belied the Mussels' intentions - they were ready to compete! The Mussels showed up in force, and ultimately prevailed, 365 to 318.

Highland Lakes breaststrokers put up a valiant effort, taking six of the first ten events. However, Green Pond was able to capitalize on the four events they did win, taking lopsided point totals due to vacancies in the Highland Lakes lanes in those events. Highlights included 1-2-5 finishes from the 13/14 girls team of Cefaloni, Kovacs, and Brantner; the 15/18 boys team of Puccio, Brantner, and Allen-Poole; and the 15/18 girls team of Amato, Randazzo, and Wisniewski. The meet was all-square at the end of the breaststroke events, 79-79.

Green Pond made their move in the butterfly events. taking five of the eight events, opening up a 22-point lead. Only the 11/12 boys team of Fisher and Cole, and the 15/18 Boys team of Brantner and Puccio were able to win their events for Highland Lakes. By the end of the Butterfly events, Green Pond led 149-127.

The trend continued in the backstroke, with Highland Lakes struggling to win events, taking only three contests outright and drawing two. The 9/10 boys team of Puccio and Evanick took a win, followed by a 1-2-3 sweep by the 11/12 Boys team of V. Fisher, D. Fisher, and Contreni. The 13/14 girls team of Cefaloni, Werner and Brennan also took their event. Highland Lakes now trailed by 31 points, a difficult lead to overcome.

Green Pond ultimately sealed the victory in freestyle, taking six contests and drawing two of the ten events. Only the 11/12 girls team of Schwarz, Fleming and Cefaloni; and the 15/18 boys team of Brantner, Allen-Poole, and Dignan won their events. Green Pond extended their lead to 329-266, rendering the remainder of the meet academic.

In the relay events, Highland Lakes was able to take 5 of the 8 events, but it was not enough to overcome the sizable deficit they found themselves in. The final score of the meet was Green Pond 365, Highland Lakes 318.

The loss brings Highland Lakes to a 2-2 overall record, and a 2-1 white division record. They'll have two crossover meets to finish out the year against challenging Red-Division opponents, a tough way to end the year. Next Wednesday they'll host the final home dual meet of the season, so come on down and say "farewell" to our graduating swimmers!

Full Results

Event # 1 Boys 50 Breast 8 & Under

Cae Laudenberger Nathaniel Fahmy 1:07.63L Luca Berg 1:10.44L John Klimash 1:34.84L

Event # 2 Girls 50 Breast 8 & Under

Anabelle Schwarz 1:05.63L Maeve Olsen 1.13 12I. McKenna Reiser 2:21.03L

Event # 3 Boys 50 Breast 9-10

Jackson Kluck	1:50.41L						
Event # 4 Girls 50 Breast 9-10							
Ramona Uschnig 1:20.01L							
Ava Kraus	1:31.22L						
Event # 5 Boys 50 Breast 11-12							

Logan Cole 1:01.34L Braeden Contreni1:10.95L

Event # 6 Girls 50 Breast 11-12

Adrienn Kovacs 42.71L Alicia Kovacs 47.18L Isabella Cherichella 55.72L Greycey Steady 1:04.16L

Event # 7 Boys 50 Breast 13-14

Caleb Dalelio 57.39L

Event # 8 Girls 50 Breast 13-14

Gabriella Cefaloni 44.50L Alexandra Kovacs 46.75L Regina Brantner 57.24L Elizabeth Allen-Poole 1:02.88L

Event # 9 Boys 50 Breast 15-18

Michael Puccio 35.20L James Brantner 35.66L Sean Allen-Poole 39.46L True DiGuiseppe 44.62L Colin Dignan 45.44L Kiernan Corbutt 50.21L

Event # 10 Girls 50 Breast 15-18

Abbey Amato 38.70L Sophia Randazzo 42.29L Hannah Wisniewski 44.72L Victoria Annunziata 48.71L

Event # 12 Girls 50 Fly 10 & Under

Anabelle Schwarz 1:09.26L Avellina Reiser 1:43.90L

Event # 13 Boys 50 Fly 11-12

Vincent Fisher 42.01L Logan Cole 1:23.10L

Event # 14 Girls 50 Fly 11-12

Adrienn Kovacs 38.62L Alexa Fleming 41.81L Delilah Taylor 1:01.95L Lauren Emmerich 1:04.68L

Event # 15 Boys 50 Fly 13-14

Derek Fleming 35.97L Declan Olds 53.07L

Event # 16 Girls 50 Fly 13-14

Alexandra Kovacs 37.95L Jenna Brennan 42.37L Samantha Werner 44.31L Regina Brantner 1:06.51L

Event # 17 Boys 50 Fly 15-18

James Brantner 29.59L Michael Puccio 30.91L Sean Allen-Poole 39.25L True DiGuiseppe 42.91L

Event # 18 Girls 50 Fly 15-18

Abbey Amato 35.34L Hannah Wisniewski 36.10L Vanessa Cefaloni 39.69L

Julie Evanick 51.44L

Event # 19 Boys 50 Back 8 & Under

Cae Laudenberger 1:12.52L Benjamin Fahmy 1:13.72L

Clayton Hastie 1:27.69L

Event # 20 Girls 50 Back 8 & Under

Anabelle Schwarz 1:02.66L Charlotte Schreiner 1:54.52L

Hailee Hamilton 2:01.47L Event # 21 Boys 50 Back 9-10

> Chace Puccio 50.95L

Joseph Evanick 55.59L

Event # 22 Girls 50 Back 9-10

Abigail Klimash 1:02.08L Morgan McCabe 1:28.72L

Event # 23 Boys 50 Back 11-12

Vincent Fisher 46.39L Derek Fisher 49.96L Braeden Contreni55.89L Rvan Allen-Poole 57.28L

Event # 24 Girls 50 Back 11-12

Juliet Schwarz 41.71L Rebecca Cefaloni 47.39L Lauren Emmerich 58.72L

Makenzie Getch 1:12.16L Event # 25 Boys 50 Back 13-14

Ryan Berutti 44.81L Caleb Dalelio 49.63L

Event # 26 Girls 50 Back 13-14

Gabriella Cefaloni 40.97L Samantha Werner 42.47L Ienna Brennan 44.88L Maddie McCabe 48.50L

Event # 27 Boys 50 Back 15-18

Michael Puccio 32.84L

Elijah Dalelio 41.00L Michael Evanick 42.44L

Ozzie Tobin 51.87L

Event # 28 Girls 50 Back 15-18

Hannah Wisniewski 36.85L Vanessa Cefaloni 41.10L

Isadora Salomonsson 42.72L Meghan Emmerich 43.12L

Event # 29 Boys 50 Free 8 & Under

Luca Berg 1:09.47L Benjamin Fahmy 1:11.64L Nathaniel Fahmy 1:17.40L

Clayton Hastie 1:26.88L Brayden Vradenburg 1:34.38L Aiden Montgomery 1:41.24L John Klimash 1:46.65L

Event # 30 Girls 50 Free 8 & Under

Maeve Olsen Charlotte Schreiner 1:20.77L Olivia Kluck 1:42.04L Ryleigh Brennan 1:45.01L

McKenna Reiser 1:50.41L Hailee Hamilton 2:40.47L

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Swim Team Continued from page 7

Event # 31 Boys 50 Free 9-10

Chace Puccio 43.62L

Joseph Evanick 51.56L

Jackson Kluck 1:16.09L

Event # 32 Girls 50 Free 9-10

Ava Kraus 56.28L Abigail Klimash 1:06.60L

Avellina Reiser 1:17.06L

Event # 33 Boys 50 Free 11-12

Derek Fisher Rvan Allen-Poole 51.38L

Sebastian Tobin 57.50L

Event # 34 Girls 50 Free 11-12

Juliet Schwarz 34 32I. Alexa Fleming 37.84L

Rebecca Cefaloni 39.41L

Alicia Kovacs 40.37L Isabella Cherichella 44.25L

Makenzie Getch 52.25L

Delilah Taylor 52.35L Eva D. 53.08L

Greycey Steady 1:04.59L

Event # 35 Boys 50 Free 13-14

Derek Fleming 33.08L

Ryan Berutti 39.25L Declan Olds 42.43L

Event # 36 Girls 50 Free 13-14

Gabriella Cefaloni 33.52L Isabella Evicci 37.06L Maddie McCabe 43.09L

Viola Colle 44.06L

Event # 37 Boys 100 Free 15-18

James Brantner 1:03.28L Sean Allen-Poole 1:16.83L

Colin Dignan 1:21.47L

Michael Evanick 1:28.06L

Event # 38 Girls 100 Free 15-18

Abbey Amato 1:07.84L Victoria Annunziata 1:26.72L Julie Evanick 1:27.27L Meghan Emmerich 1:28.59L



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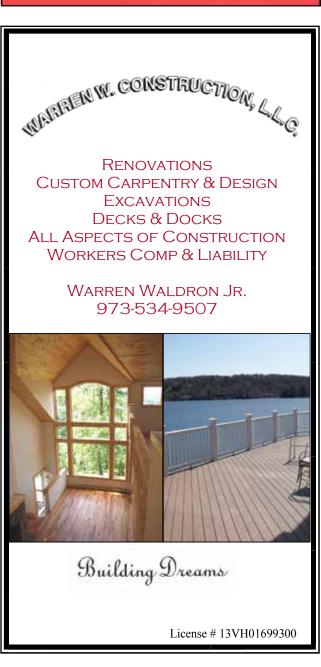
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FJ Results

JAMES SULLIVAN, FLEET CAPTAIN

Week 5 - July 30

Race 1

- 1. Kevin and Emma Murphy #25
- 2. Mark and Sue Buruchian #118
- 3. John Wayne Wisniewski
- & Alex Kresic #13
- 4. Maryjane Kresic and
- Lisa Wisniewski #87
- 5. Will Kresic and Tracey Stockwell #3
- 6. Abbey Amato and Lou Iannucci #20
- 7. Bill and Liz Giannini #18
- 8. Jeff Pellet and Lisa Marcinelli #1
- 9. James and Benen Sullivan #24
- 10. Rick Thompson and Raelene #320
- 11. Sara and Mike Gillooly #2
- 12. Allan and LuAnn Napolitano #15
- 13. Chris and Charlie Conti #11

Race 2

- 1. Kevin and Emma Murphy #25
- 2. John Wayne Wisniewski

- & Alex Kresic #13
- 3. Mark and Sue Buruchian #118
- 4. Will Kresic and Tracey Stockwell #3
- 5. Bill and Liz Giannini #18
- 6. James and Benen Sullivan #24 $\,$
- 7. Sara and Mike Gillooly #2
- 8. Rick Thompson and Raelene #320
- 9. Rob Wisniewski and Lauren Laudi #6
- 10. Charlie and Chris Conti #11
- 11. Maryjane Kresic and Lisa

Wisniewski #87

- 12. Abbey Amato and Lou Iannucci #20
- 13. Jeff Pellet and Lisa Marcinelli #1
- 14. 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.









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The 63rd Annual Highland Lakes Art Show: Remembrances and Results

JOYCE HEALY, CHAIRPERSON

Thank you to all who made this year's Art Show a success, including our exhibitors, artists, volunteers, and visitors. We are so pleased to be able to continue this special tradition at Highland Lakes. It's always a wonderful opportunity to showcase the amazingly talented artists – both professional and amateur – in our community and to welcome our special guest professional artist. This year we were joined by Joan McCracken Thomas and her beautiful artwork. We also want to recognize several people who have been important contributors to the Highland Lakes Art Show.

Sadly, in the past few years, we've lost two of our longstanding professional artists and we wanted to call attention to their long careers and history at Highland Lakes and with the Art Show.

First, we lost Joan Ross in April 2020. In addition to being an award-winning artist, Joan was an early chairperson of the Art Show and ardent supporter of the arts within our community and more broadly. As an artist, she was an accomplished watercolor painter who specialized in wildlife scenes particularly from our own area, including Highland Lakes, Sussex County and Orange County NY. She won awards in regional, national and international shows and served on juries for art competitions and selection committees in New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania. Joan's paintings have been exhibited at numerous museums and arts centers, including The National Academy, The Trotter Museum, Monmouth Museum, Waterloo Village, and Clifton Arts Center. She had several one-woman shows, two mother-daughter shows, and was represented by several galleries.

In December 2022 we also lost Philip Pearlstein, another long-time Highland Lakes resident and an internationally renowned artist. Philip's career spanned more than 60 years, and he is widely recognized and has garnered international critical acclaim for reinvigorating realist nude portraiture beginning in the 1960s. Philip worked as a graphic designer for Life Magazine before becoming an instructor at the Pratt Institute, and then a professor at Brooklyn College. He also served as a visiting artist at several prestigious institutions both domestically and internationally. Philip's work has been exhibited in several solo exhibitions throughout the US with paintings in the collections of over 70 public art museums. He served as a President of the American Academy of Arts and Letters, and won numerous fellowships, honoraria, and awards throughout his career.

We were lucky to have Joan, and Philip and his wife, Dorothy Cantor – a professional artist in her own right – as supporters and participants in our community and the Art Show.

Finally, we would also like to recognize with special gratitude our long-time chairperson and my predecessor and co-chairperson, Mary Ann Mastrangelo, who was able to join us at the reception. Mary Ann and her family began coming to Highland Lakes in the late 1960s, about 10 years after our annual amateur Art Show tradition began. As a devoted art lover and enthusiast, Mary Ann became involved in the Art Show committee around 1980 and she remained a leader of and cheerleader for the tradition until 2019. Mary Ann loves the process of creating art and



Mary Ann Mastrangelo (pictured with Laura Bernstein includes the painting Laura did of Mary Ann and Philip Pearlstein. Photos courtesy of the Mastrangelo Family

began teaching and encouraging children to create art in all forms. In particular, she urged her student artists to create art specifically for the Art Show, tying Highland Lakes' arts and crafts programs into the annual art show in a way that helped to foster generations of young artists here in our community. She was instrumental in introducing the Professional Show in the 1990s and took great pride in the recognition the professional and amateur artists received from participating in the show. We thank Mary Ann for her many years of passionate service to the community and the arts at Highland Lakes.

2023 Amateur Arts and Crafts Show Results

The top category winners are below. Other award-winning members included many of those below, as well as Lincoln Hardin, Marie Dunn, and Evelyne Noel.

Best in Show: Marissa Holt (wood carving) **Best rendition of a tree:** Anna Jenks

Best in theme (birds of Highland Lakes): Paula Walk **Best Highland Lakes scene:** Christine Alber

8 – 10 year old first place winners:

Crafts: Clayton Hastie Painting: Clayton Hastie Drawing: Tobias Dalelio

11 – 13 year old first place winners:

Crafts: Cooper Conti Painting: Caleb Dalelio Photography: Aleksander Dobrygowski 14 – 18 year old first place winners:

Crafts: Marissa Holt Drawing: Marissa Holt



Adults first place winners:

Painting: Anna Jenks Photography: Tiffany Decker Ceramics: Paula Walk Crafts: Dori Zarr

Mixed media: Anthony Zaccaria

*Correction – in the August 5 Newsette, Marissa Holt's name was accidentally misspelled as Melissa Holt



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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 11:00 am

James Sullivan: 201-741-4235 August 6, 13, 20, 27 / Sept. 3

Sunfish Races - Sundays at 2:30 pm

Mladen Kresic: 203-918-1102 August 6, 13, 27 / Sept. 3

<u>Ir. Singles Sunfish Races – Wednesdays at 11 am</u>

Arrive by 10:45

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

August 9, 16, 23, 30

Ladies Sunfish Races - (1 race) Thursdays at 11:00 am

Sue Buruchian: 973-271-0227 August 10, 17, 24, 31

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

Krissy Amato: 512-206-6717; Kevin Murphy: 973-222-8243; and Justin Murphy: 862-266-0165 August 11, 18, 25 / Sept. 1

Force 5 Races - Saturdays at 10:00 am

Erika Rodger: 201-961-3092 August 5, 12, 19, 26

Hobie Races - Saturdays at 1:00 pm

Rick Thompson 801-737-3005 and Chip Ehrhardt 973-222-6755

August 5, 12, 19, 26

Windsurfer Races - Saturdays at 3:00 pm

Kevin Gaston: 845-893-2923 August 5, 12, 19, 26 **All Boat Regatta – Sept. 2**

<u>Sailors' Picnic – Sept. 3</u> (safety boat lifeguards

are welcome to attend)

SANJL Championship Sunfish Regatta - Sept. 30th

Mark Buruchian: 973-271-0213

Registration – 8:30 am / Skipper's Meeting – 10:00 am /

4 races starting at 10:30

Questions? Call Mark at 973.271.0213

or hlccsailing@gmail.com



Windsurf Happenings

KEVIN GASTON, FLEET CAPTAIN

July 29

It was the best wind of the season. It was the worst wind of the season. In either case, truth be told, it certainly was the most fun wind of the season. At the time we set sail for the race on July 29, the wind was blowing west southwest at only 5 to 10 mph. By the time the starting horn sounded for the second race, the winds were gusting at over twenty. Even the best of us draw a line somewhere as to whether to rig up a smaller sail or even sit one out. We all did neither. All of us at some point felt overpowered on the long downwind leg from Rock Island to the Clubhouse. I clung onto the boom with the big 9.5 square meter sail attached to it until my hands felt like they were starting to blister.

Everything was going smoothly in the beginning. That was, until the approach to the Rock Island buoy. That's when Justin shouted out to Joey, "Hang on! Here comes a gust!" He didn't even get out the last word of that sentence when we noticed that Joey had already crashed and burned. Then, it was Justin's turn to round the jibe mark. Well, he soon found himself in the drink as well. I ended up doing an unrehearsed unscripted maneuver that resembled a half-baked helicopter tack to get around him. All that means is that I had no idea what I was doing but somehow managed to stay on my board.

In the second race, both Joey and I tacked around the Clubhouse mark at the same time and we both went down when we fell victim to a nasty header. Pure mayhem, I tell you.

In the Challenger Division, Tom and Kevin Murphy, once again, took turns crossing the finish line first. I envied their mastering of the smaller sails. There are very tight



Justin Murphy enjoying the 15-20 mph steady winds. Photo courtesy of Mike Gaston

races in both divisions. It can be anyone's season for the taking as we enter the August home stretch. A mere three points separates Justin and me for the season lead and there is only a ten-point spread from positions 1 through 4 in Challenger Division play. Join us in the fun. See you on the line.

Championship Division

Race 1

- 1 Kevin Gaston
- 2 Justin Murphy
- 3 Joey Gaston

Race 2

- 1 Kevin Gaston
- 2 Justin Murphy
- 3 Joey Gaston

Challenger Division

Race 1

- 1 Kevin Murphy
- 2 Tom Latham

Race 2

- 1 Tom Latham
- 2 -Kevin Murphy

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"Start Line Matters - or - It's Not the Finish Line Stupid"!

MLADEN KRESIC, FLEET CAPTAIN

July 30

Yippee, finally some wind! Not as much as promised but 6-7 knots with gusts to 10, is definitely more than in recent memory. Winds from the north, with usual shifts from every other direction, dictated a Course 3 for the 11 sunfish enthusiasts (and a 12th observing Snark).

The first race was all blue. The start was clean with Mark taking an early lead followed by Will, JW and yours truly (happy to be baaack!). Will grabbed the lead at the windward mark and extended it downwind. By the second mark, James joined the fray with Bob close behind. On the home stretch many hoped for steady port winds in the middle of the lake, but as usual the gods didn't comply, forcing a number of us to make many additional tacks. The winners were never in doubt with Will, Mark, JW and James a close 4th. The battle for 5th through 7th was tight. After a few lead exchanges within a hundred yards of the finish, I was lucky to edge out Bob and David.

In Race 2 there were a few gusts right before the start, causing some of us to charge the line early and...oops be called over after the horn. Some of us who are a little hard of hearing (ok one of us...me), kept going. Other, more youthful ears, Will, went back. By the time Will re-started he had spotted the fleet half the first leg. Lucky for him it was a long course (white blue white). After the first buoy, Mark took the lead with me (still enjoying my bliss of ignorance), David and James. After commenting to Mark how challenging it will be for Will to catch up given the start, there was a quick reply "no it won't." How right he was, as we looked back to find Will closing fast. By the leeward mark, he was in the lead again, with Mark, David and James chasing. Close to the finish JW informed me of the irrelevance of my efforts as boat after boat crossed the line legally! Alas, feeling like a World Cup pace setter – great run, doesn't count!

Kudos and thank you to our stellar and oft challenged dock committee, LuAnne and Ellen!

Three important reminders:

- 1. After crossing the finish line, please sail away so the dock committee can see the other boats still finishing (not an issue if you are DFL)
- 2. If you are part of the sunfish fleet and have not received your shirt, please let me know and I'll make sure LuAnne and Ellen have them at Eckhardt for the next race.
- 3. There is no race the day of the HLCC Annual Meeting (Aug 20th) For all prospective HLCC sailors, come and join us and spread the word of the fun we have we sail in all conditions (thunder excepted) it is a water sport so a little bit of rain is OK! The time is 2:30 every summer Sunday. Call me at (203) 918-1102 or email me at mladen@negotiators. com.

Sailors, please have a great week, and I look forward to seeing you next Sunday, Aug 6. The default for every week will be 2 races.

Please check the sailing schedule periodically for any changes or updates.

Race 1

- 1. Will Kresic
- 2. Mark Buruchian
- 3. John W. Wisniewski
- 4. James Sullivan
- 5. Mladen Kresic
- 6. Bob Tomsey
- 7. David Goldman
- 8. Roger Kirchner
- 9. Bill Weis
- 10. Allan Napolitano
- 11. Luca Bonardi

Race 2

- 1. Will Kresic
- 2. Mark Buruchian
- 3. David Goldman
- 4. James Sullivan
- 5. Bob Tomsey
- 6. John W. Wisniewski
- 7. Bill Weis
- 8. Roger Kirchner
- 9. Luca Bonardi
- 10. Allan Napolitano
- 11. Mladen Kresic (DSQ)



One for the Record Books

SUE BURUCHIAN, FLEET CAPTAIN

July 27

High winds with extreme gusts challenged our talented Ladies Sunfish Fleet. Seven of the ten ladies took on the task with amazing results. Nancy Grimaldi bested Emmaline Stoddard breaking her record of years of first places! Read that sentence again! It was a duel of the fittest. Kudos to Carol Hastie who challenged herself in the uncomfortable sailing challenge. The gusts seem to build more than expected as the ladies hiked and made those sunfish "swim" faster than they have in years! The downwind run was awesome after all gybing successfully at the turning mark which was no easy task. That kind of wind can expose extreme sailing conditions; if you don't tack fast enough you get caught in irons drifting backwards and also your boat doesn't handle the same. Lessons learned: at all costs avoid collisions - even in a port/starboard meeting. Sometimes, a skipper can have difficulty handling their boats especially in heavy winds and even starboard boat must avoid contact.

A zillion thank yous to Mark Buruchian for his endless help getting the ladies out rigged properly for the challenging winds. There is no room for potential hazards or equipment failures in those conditions so extra review was taken during rigging. Also, thanks to the Safety Boat with the "new guards" ready to help. It was one to reflect on for some time. Proud of these lady sailors!

Results:

- 1. Nancy Grimaldi
- 2. Emmaline Stoddard
- 3. Jessica Castiglione (welcome back!)
- 4. Ellen Wisolmerski
- 5. MaryJane Kresic
- 6. Patty Thompson7. Carol Hastie

Hobie Cat Races

CHRISTINE ALBER, DOCK COMMITTEE

July 29

This week we enjoyed good steady winds from the southwest, allowing our racers to open their sails. For both races, we followed Course 1 (heading towards the island, turning to Blueberry Island, and then up towards the Clubhouse) around the blue buoys. Our racers were Rick, Anthony and Aliya, Chris and Kimberly, and Reed with a full crew of RJ, Will and Dougie. In the first race, Rick got a fast start across the line, but floundered on the shoreline. Reed and Chris took opposite tacks but both enjoyed fast winds. Chris took the first and second marks, while Reed and Rick traded places behind him and Anthony followed. In the final leg, Chris slowed down by the peninsula and Rick continued to tack towards the finish line, but Reed caught a wind that took him nearly straight down the lake to cross the line first. He was followed by Chris, Rick and then Anthony.

In the second race, Rick again caught a strong wind to cross the starting line first and this time he maintained his lead through the first 2 marks. Chris passed Rick heading downwind and maintained his lead through the finish. The final standings in the second race were Chris, Rick, Reed, and Anthony. We look forward to another great race next week!