The Highland Lakes Newsette



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Election News

JEANNE JAMESON ELECTIONS CHAIRPERSON

The Annual Meeting will take place Sunday, August 16, 2015, at 2 pm and elections for Trustees 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.

Petitions for the office of Trustee have been received by the Elections Chairperson and the candidates below will appear on the ballot. As required by the By-Laws, these petitions were all received by July 27, 2015.

The names of the candidates, and the sections they will represent if elected, are as follows:

For full, three year terms expiring September 30, 2018:

Section 2: William Beardsley Section 9: David "Randy" Rodger Section 10: Edward Strube Section 11: No Valid Petition Filed For unexpired terms:

Section 3 (two year term expiring September 30, 2017): No Petition Filed Section 6 (one year term expiring September 30, 2016): No Valid Petition Filed

The By-Laws permit members in good standing to be elected as 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 a Trustee (you must reside in one of the six sections electing Trustees), you may be elected through the write-in process. Trustee candidates must be a property owner, reside in the section, and have been a member in good standing since August 16, 2012.

Absentee Ballots will be available at the Club Office beginning Saturday, August 1. The Absentee Ballot must be received at the Club Office, either by mail or in person, with your 2015 Membership Card enclosed in the envelope provided, no later than 4 pm on Wednesday, August 12, 2015.

Elections will be held August 16 at the Annual Meeting. Make sure that you attend this meeting and that you have your 2015 Membership Card and badge with you. If you have any questions, please call me at 973-764-1012.



Absentee Ballots

JEANNE JAMESON, ELECTIONS CHAIRPERSON

Absentee Ballots will be available on Saturday, August 1, 2015, to vote for Trustees in Sections 2, 9, 10 and 11 for full, three-year terms, in Section 3 for the unexpired, twoyear term, and Section 6 for the unexpired, one-year term. The Absentee Ballot must be received at the Club Office, either by mail or in person, with your validated 2015 Membership Card enclosed in the envelope provided, no later than 4 pm on Wednesday, August 12, 2015.

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

Upcoming Clubhouse Events

- August 7 Lakeside Musical
 - Men's Golf Outing
- August 8 Swim Team Championships – Women's Auxiliary Covered
- Dish August 9 – Family Day
- August 10 Swim Team Awards
- August 10 Swin Team Awards August 11 – Ladies Golf Outing
- August 13 Jr. Appreciation
 - Lifeguard Olympics
- August 14 Senior Gala

August 15 – Lakeside Café



From the President's Desk

BOB HUGHES, PRESIDENT

At the regular July meeting the Board of Trustees approved the nomination of Mary Jo Jablonski as Chairperson of the Ecology Committee. Mary Jo is a Biology teacher at Vernon Township High School. We wish her the best in continuing the outstanding work of this committee. The Board also amended Rule 5, related to identification of watercraft and display of permits on the boats. Our August meeting dates are Wednesday the 12th for the workshop, and Sunday the 16th at 2 pm for the Annual Meeting.

- Just a reminder of a few August dates: 8/7 Lakeside Musical and Men's Golf Outing;
- 8/9 Family Day and Lighted Boat Parade;
- 8/10 Swim Team Awards Dinner; 8/11 Ladies' Golf Outing;
- 8/12 Voting Board workshop;
- 8/13 Junior Appreciation Dinner for those who have volunteered 10 hours or more to the Club;
- 8/16 Annual Meeting at 2 pm. Minimum of 5% needed for a quorum. Six of the 12 Trustee positions are up for election;
- 8/21 Adult Appreciation Dinner for those who have volunteered 20 hours or more for the Club;
- 8/22, 23 Art Show; and

8/30 Clubhouse Breakfast.

Please make every effort possible to attend the Annual Meeting.



Highland Lakes Newsette

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.

	7/29	7/20	7/14
Beach 1	10	<10	10
Beach 2 – Clubhouse	<10	<10	<10
Beach 3 – Lookover Lane	<10	20	<10
Beach 4 – Bushwick	10	20	<10
Beach 5 – E. Lakeshore Dr	: <10	5	<10
Beach 6 – W. Lakeshore D	r. <10	<10	<10
Beach 7 – Upper HL Dr.	<10	<10	<10
Swim Lanes – Clubhouse	20	<10	<10

Team Tennis - 8/1/15

ELAINE KUNTZ

What a great day of tennis! Beautiful weather with many new faces joining the group! In total there were 30 players all having a good time. We received a wonderful surprise to see Cathy Tansey making her way to the courts to spend time with us. Welcome back Cathy and only good health ahead.

Lee is collecting for the tennis party which costs \$10 per person. The party will be held on September 5, Labor Day weekend at the Clubhouse immediately following the games which are played until 11 am. See you on the courts. Any questions call Elaine at 973-763-3590. Jerry, Cathy and Elaine.



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Planning Committee

LYN KAPLAN, CHAIRPERSON, PLANNING COMMITTEE

2015 Annual Report

During this past year, the Planning Committee continued to meet regularly (with only one cancellation due to snow). It was reported last year at this time that the committee was in the process of analyzing the Voting Board's responses to a questionnaire on governance in Highland Lakes.

There were a number of items that the members of the Board agreed on and some creative suggestions as well. One outcome was that the Board sent the By-Laws Committee the job of restructuring the Nominating Committee. Other areas of general agreement were that an orientation for new Board members would be helpful, as would occasional joint meetings of all committee chairs.

It was also reported last year that the next project on this committee's agenda would be a review and update of the Highland Lakes Community Plan. This document was last submitted to Vernon Township (and formally approved) in 2010 and a new submission is required every five to six years. The work on the Plan has commenced.

Once again, the Planning Committee is still looking for new members. Ladies and gentlemen, please volunteer – whether for this committee or another, everyone who can help out is welcome – and it benefits the beautiful community you live in as well as giving you a feeling of having accomplished some good.

In closing, to repeat last year's wish for a less snowy winter and again, here's to a happy, healthy one to all.

HL Apparel

SUE BURUCHIAN

Happy Family Day Weekend! While enjoying your days at the Clubhouse, stop by the Activities Center and pick up your authorized Highland Lakes logoed T- Shirts! All shirts sold in the Clubhouse are part of a benefit program. Please support the authorized HL Benefit Apparel Program. Wear Club Apparel Proudly! Available Retro Designs: Little Girl Swimmer, HL Fisherman, HL Sailing, HL Burgee contact 973.764.7420 OnLine Embroidery for custom orders.



Activity Center Hours

The Activity Center will be open for your convenience to pay dues and pick-up badges every Saturday and Sunday from 10 am to 4 pm.

The Club office will be open every Saturday from 10 am to 1 pm.

The Lakeland Swim Conference Highland Lakes Swim Team

August 8 "A" Championships @ Pequannock

Upcoming Meetings

Clubhouse – Wednesday, September 16 – 7 pm Ecology/CCHL – Thursday, August 13 – 7 pm Fishing – Thursday, August 13 – 8 pm Planning – Tuesday, September 1 – 7:30 pm Roads – Thursday, September 3 – 7 pm Voting Board Workshop – Wednesday, August 12 – 8 pm Annual Meeting – August 16 – 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.

Highland Lakes Annual Lighted Boat Parade Family Day

LINDA KROEGER-WILSON

Sunday, August 9, 2015 8:00 pm - Beach #3

Our Family Day annual Lighted Boat Parade will be gathering by 8 pm at the north end of the Main Lake near Beach #3 for departure around 8:15 pm. Participating boats (Party Boats and any other lighted boats) may gather with us for the parade in the area of Beach #3 or may join the parade as we make our way south turning west at Beach #4 and then north around the island with a house on it. We will finish our Lighted Boat Parade in front of everyone at the Club House in time to enjoy our Family Day fireworks from our boats.

It is important for our enjoyment and safety that all boats in and around the Lighted Boat Parade be lighted. Also be aware that our "no gas engines on the lake rule" precludes using an on-board gas generator to power your boat lights. (Battery operated or solar lights only).

Contact us if you have any questions, Fred and Linda Kroeger Wilson 973-764-3548 or email to linsway@ warwick.net. Hopefully, the weather will cooperate. On the off chance of inclement/extreme weather such as a thunderstorm, our Family Day and Lighted Boat Parade rain date is Saturday, August 15.

Beach Hours

NICOLE GAGLIOSTRO, WATER SAFETY DIRECTOR

Beach 1 9:30 am - 7 pm Beach 2 10:30 am - 5:30 pm Beach 3 10:30 am - 6 pm Beaches 4, 5 and 6 -12 pm -5:00 pm

Swim Lanes...12 pm -5:30 pm Beach 7 11:30 am - 6:00 pm



Ceramics

ANGELA ABRAMS, KATHY STRUBE

Adult ceramics is in full painting mode. This past week 45 glazers and stainers produced some stunning pieces of art in the Seckler Room at the clubhouse. There was pure creativity happening at all tables. Keep in mind that the HLCC Art Show is right around the corner and this is a perfect opportunity to craft a magnificent entry.

Come down to the clubhouse on Monday nights at 7:30 and let your imagination take over. 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. **Please Note No Ceramics** August 10.

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VASKO, CHAIRMAN, FISH COMMITTEE

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one of the coldest and wettest winters re snow than I care to shovel, the th all lakes full to the brim. The spring stressful time for fish populations and vas reported on Lake 2 in April. State it as a common natural occurrence alarm. Early creel reports so far this has been relatively good with the only ger fish! Most notable is the reports of Pickerel landed including an unusually Lake 3. Chain Pickerel are a native which aid in balancing the ratio of n species. The Fish Committee asks ue to release healthy Pickerel (and Muskellunge) back into our lakes.

The Fish Committee recently hosted its Annual Kids Fishing Derby on Lake 4 with excellent results and is working out details for the Lake 2 Catfish Derby scheduled for Family Day in August. Fish stocking will once again take place in the fall with plans to continue bait stocking as well as game fish in all lakes. Fish will be provided by Zett's Fish Farm in Drifting PA.

The HLCC Fish Committee needs volunteers to help at fishing events. New ideas are always welcome. Make the time to attend a monthly meeting. The Fish Committee meets on the second Thursday of the month at 8 pm directly following Ecology.

2015	Highland	Lakes	Happenings	August 9	- August 15, 20	015
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Sunday		
8/9	11:00 AM FJ Race 2:30 PM Sr. Sunfish Race Family Day	
Monday 8/10	8:00 AM Exercise 9:00 AM Aqua Aerobics - Beach 1 1:00 PM Bridge 7:00 PM Swim Team Awards/Ice Cream Social	
Tuesday 8/11	9.00 AM Ladies Golf Outing 10:00 AM Women's Auxiliary Mtg, 6:00 PM Sewing 7:00 PM Sr. Meeting	
Wednesday 8/12	8:00 AM Exercise 9:00 AM Aqua Aerobics - Beach 1 11:00 AM Jr. Sngl Sunfish Race 8:00 PM VB Workshop	
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Highland Lakes Ladies Golf Outing

IRENE BOEREN

Summer has arrived. and it is time to start swinging those golf clubs! The Highland Lakes Ladies Annual Golf Outing will be held on Aug. 11, 2015. Hope to see you there! We will have a shotgun start at 9:00 am at Farmstead Golf and Country

Club's Valley Course. The cost of \$61 includes 9 holes of golf with cart, lunch and prizes! Contact Irene Boeren at (973) 764-7371 for additional information. Checks can be made out to cash or to Irene Boeren and left at the clubhouse.



Communications Committee

TOM DOLLE, CHAIRPERSON, COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

2015 Annual Report

The past year has been an active one for the Communications Committee, as we continued our focus on 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 2015, 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 blocked out 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 - For the

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second year, we have continued the successful program of weekly e-mail blasts publicizing upcoming events. Utilizing the free Mailchimp platform, and featuring fun, sophisticated graphics by Chris Kaas, 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 had large attendance increases, and many events-like club breakfasts- have been sell outs, in no small part because of this increased marketing.

3. Facebook presence - With final approval from the Voting Board this year, the Facebook page continues with posts of events, 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 keep current, and a plan is in place to enhance the visual appeal and usability of the site in

the coming months. A local firm has been contracted to keep the programs up-to-date and assist in the development of the enhanced site.

5. HLCC Community Map - To enhance awareness of the section borders, as well as locations of beaches, freeways, and recreation facilities in the community, Tom Dolle designed a graphic map, with assistance from the office and key Board members, that is an enhancement to club communications. The map will be posted in the office, included on the website, and plans are to have printed copies available for members.

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, Sean Hyland, C. Max Magee and Judy Norton. Lisa Entwistle is the Voting Board liaison, and an active member.

Happy Walkers

MARYJANE WISNIEWSKI

All you need are your sneakers and a smile! We meet Monday mornings at 9 am at Beach 1. See everyone next Monday.

Knit Night

PAULA SCHRINER

Join us for Highland Lakes Knit Night (although any type of fiber crafter is welcome!) every Monday evening in July and

August. We meet in the clubhouse Lake Room from 7 – 9 pm. Adults only, please! For more information please call Paula Schriner 973-764-5817

Please Note No Knit Night August 10.



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Tom Watson

Road Committee

TOM MULCAHY, CHAIRMAN, ROAD COMMITTEE

2015 Annual Report

Since last year's report the club has completed three major drainage projects. The Tranquility Drive project was completed in the fall. It was 50% complete as of the last report. The second project was located near the intersection of Shawondasee Rd & Onteora Rd. Approximately 7 catch basins and 1,000 feet of pipe were installed. Two 500 gallon seepage tanks were also installed along Onteora Rd to assist in handling any additional volume to the system. Alturus Rd was the last project completed. It also had 7 catch basins and approximately 840 feet of pipe. The work was completed in time to include that road in the spring paving.

The paving scheduled for the fall of 2014 had to be cancelled due to cold temperatures. The contractor had mobilized and started prep work when the temperatures dropped and it was agreed to push the work to the spring. Paving was started in mid-May and completed by the end of the month, approximately 2 miles of roads were done. In addition, 3 speed humps were installed along Pocasset Rd. These locations were originally identified, but not selected due to the poor condition of the asphalt.

The speed humps installed in 2013 comprised approximately half the locations identified by the committee. The remaining locations may require some road improvements prior to installation of speed humps. In addition, any locations suggested by members will be reviewed and added to the list if they meet the design criteria. The speed limit on our roads is 25 mph. There are many sections of our roads where this speed is not practical due to poor visibility, limited width, and other factors. So, please slow down in these areas. Reducing our speed is the easiest and most economical way to make our roads safer.

I would like to thank the committee members for their hard work, Jack McLaughlin & Jim Zabrieski for all their help, and the Voting Board for their support. The Road Committee meets the first Thursday of every month (except August) at 7 pm in the Lake Room. All members are welcome. If you have questions or comments you can contact me at tjmulc@warwick.net.



Lakeside Café ... Pass It On !

MIKE JAMESON, LAKESIDE CAFÉ COMMITTEE

This October the Lakeside Café will celebrate its 19th anniversary. Nineteen years ago a group of about a dozen people got together and decided it would not only be fun but a good idea to hold an open mic in the new Lake Room that was being constructed and about finished. After some discussion once a month on the 3rd Saturday was the time picked. So on Saturday Oct. 18, 1997 it began.

Over the course of time there have been many changes. Guidelines for running the evening were set up, adjusted and re-adjusted many times until it is what it is today, whatever that is. We've seen some of the kids in the community perform for the first time in front of an audience. While shaky at first, they came back better and more confident and we've been doing this so long some have graduated college and came back to play here again. We've had many interesting nights in the Lake Room and many different levels of talent perform.

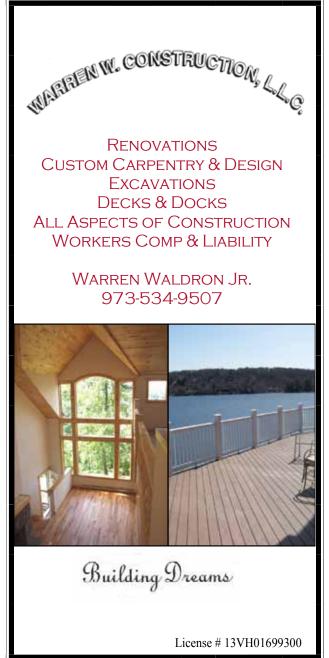
In the beginning there were plenty of people to help set up and break down the equipment even if everyone couldn't show up every time. Over time the number has gotten smaller and smaller for a number of reasons. Now we have a group of 3 people who have been doing this for about 7 years with some occasional help (and we thank you for that help, you know who you are).

Pass It On !

After months of discussions between the three of us we have made the decision not to be responsible for the Lakeside Café open mic after October of this year. We would, however, hope that some other individuals would be interested in continuing it in some form - perhaps quarterly or every other month or even monthly as it is now. Anyone interested would have to be ok'd by the Club. Those of us involved now would be more than happy to assist in any way necessary.

Thank you to anyone who has played, come down to listen or helped with the set up. It's been fun.

It's Been 19 Years.....Pass It On !





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The Mighty Seniors

JOYCE HEALY, PRESIDENT, SENIOR CLUB

Hi, Everybody! Whew! Is it getting 'toasty' or what? It makes you want to bottle some of this heat for the winter! Hope you're staying cool...let's see... ways to stay cool: 1. Pray your air conditioning doesn't go on the fritz (that is, if you have AC), 2. Drink lots of refreshing cold drinks which then makes you visit the 'facilities' very often, 3. If you're unlucky to get those lovely power surges many women do, you can stick your head inside the freezer and breathe in a blast of frigid air, 4. Naturally, jump into one of our beautiful lakes, 5. Hang around the frozen food section of any supermarket, 6. Spray yourself and your loved ones with the garden hose---but wait until you've run the water for a minute otherwise there will be hot water blasting out at you, 7. Buy

one of those cooling towels advertised on TV that cools you down about 25 degrees after you wet it, squeeze it, and snap it (wonder if it really works?), 8. Come down to our beautiful clubhouse and 'chill-out' in the Lake Room...read a book, the newspaper, do those silly texting things when people only see the top of your head, 9. Sneak up on your family members or friends and quickly drop an ice cube down their shirt... weeee-oooooo, and 10. Get a job in DQ. Let me know if any of these work.

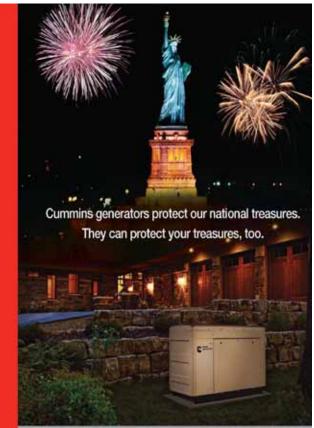
The Mighty Seniors have been busy during June & July and look out, the pace is picking up speed! August will bring us 2 meetings on the 2nd & 4th Tuesday evenings of the month at 7 pm, complete with yummy refreshments, great company and guest speakers. Here's

a big thank you to Doreen Edwards & Jessie Paladini of the Vernon Historical Society...very nice presentation, we had to set up the old movie screen for their pc presentation, but we all loved the history of HL and Vernon. We traveled to Hunterdon Hills playhouse for dinner/theatre and a great musical show and equally great dinner.... nice turnout with 24 S/C members attending! We went to a very cool champagne brunch last Saturday at The Jefferson House at Lake Hopatcong on 8/1. We hustled on down to Vernon HS to see the production of "Footloose" on Aug.6. Aug. 11 & 25 are regular meeting nights - be there. Why miss out on all the events? Aug. 14 is our Senior Gala with cocktails from 6 - 7 pm, catered dinner and dancing with

great musical talent by Henry Boote, one of our favorites. You really need to get yourself down to some meetings ASAP so you can be included in the gala - by the way, it's a country-western theme y'all.

Naturally, the Mighty Seniors can be seen participating in a host of other HL activities, we volunteer and lend a hand whenever we can at Clubhouse committee hosted breakfasts, Goodwill Fund yard sales, Women's Auxiliary, bowling, volleyball, bocce, art show, sailing, holy socks and many other activities. That's what makes HL so great. So, will we see you at the next Senior Club meeting? Hope so. If you need a ride to the clubhouse or help with something, give me a call. Glad to help. Love ya, Joyce H. 973-764-0306.





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Anticipated Family Day Schedule Sunday, August 9, 2015 (Raindate: Saturday, August 15, 2015)

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 10:20am)

10:30 am Triathlon begins

10:30-12 pm Sand Castle Building (Beach 2)

11-2 pm Facepainting/Tattoos

12:00 pm Bug Hunt on the Playground (ages 5 and under) Pizza orders taken for 6pm delivery Food tickets on sale (Activity Center) (Food items available at a small fee to cover costs) *Please try to bring small bills* **Swim lanes Open**

12–1 pm Bicycle & Hat Decorating Begin (inside the Clubhouse)

12:30 pm Grill Opens Timed Family Scavenger hunt begins Popcorn on the deck Relay Races (10 and under) on the Lawn

12:30 pm Frog Jumping Contest (Bring a frog)

- **1 pm** Decorated Bike Parade & Hat Parade on the Lawn Water Races Begin
- **1:30 pm** Baby Parade Registration (5 and under)
- 2 pm Baby Parade

2:30 pm Talent Show Sign up (for 6 pm show)

- 2:30 4:30pm Cotton Candy (Available)
- **3 pm** Bubble Gum Blowing contest

4 pm Egg Toss begins... Pizza order forms due

- **5 pm** Water Balloon Toss Swim Lanes CLOSE Catfishing Derby @ Swim Lanes
- 5:30 6 pm 1st round pizza delivery
- **6 pm** HL Annual Talent Show GRILL CLOSES
- 6:30 7 pm 2nd round pizza delivery
- 7 **pm** DJ fires up the tunes
- **7:30 pm** Ice Cream Sundae Social Lighted Boat Parade begins at Beach 3

7:30 – 8 pm 3rd round pizza delivery

9 pm Fireworks!!!(or at dark)

Art Show This Month

MARY ANN MASTRANGELO, CHAIRPERSON

Our art-filled weekend is close at hand. The professional art show will open on Saturday, August 22 with a "Meet the Artists" reception from 6-9 pm. Our Annual Art and Craft Show takes place on Sunday, August 23. All members in every age category are invited to compete. Monetary awards: ages 18 and under Ribbon recognition: Adults "Best in Show": Larry Wilson Memorial Award Special Categories: Photography - "Best Highland Lakes Scene" Best artistic rendition of a Tree (sponsored by Ecology and Art Show Committees)

4 _____ 18 and under / Age:_____(please specify)

*____ Adult

<u>Media</u> (circle /check /specify where indicated):

* Painting : oil__watercolor__acrylic___

* 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

Elections Committee

JEANNE JAMESON, CHAIRPERSON

2015 Annual Report

Elections will be held at this year's Annual Meeting on Sunday, August 16, 2015. Trustee petitions for full three year seats from Sections 2, 9, 10 and 11 and for the unexpired terms in sections 3 and 6 were due on July 27, 2015 by 4 pm.

The petitions were examined according to the By-Laws, Article V, Section XI (a) and of the five petitions submitted three were found valid. NO petition was filed for Section 3.

Members who wish to run for a seat in their section may still participate by having members in their section write in their name on either an absentee ballot available at the office or by casting a ballot in person at the polls at the Annual Meeting on August 16, 2015.

If anyone needs further information on this election process and how to proceed forward, please call me at 973-764-1012.





Summer Athletics

PAT ECKHART, ATHLETIC DIRECTOR



The 2015 Athletic Season is going strong, and I hope everyone is taking advantage of all the wonderful activities 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. The Athletic Season will extend 7 weeks this summer, ending on Friday, August 14. I'd like to remind everyone to bring plenty of water and apply sunscreen before you leave the house. Also, please bring your badge. See you on the fields!

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

Coordinators: Eric Loughren, Max Rodriguez, Frank Fogge, Michael Puccio, Matthew Puccio

We had our ninth Mosquito League game on Monday morning. Anthony LePore got the Mosquitoes offense revving with a RBI triple in the first inning. James Brantner answered with a triple of his own, and these two teams ended up in a tie! Great game boys!

Monday: Boys Farm Team (ages 4-5, 9 am, outfield of Field 1) Coordinators: Esme Clark,

Peter Parigi, Paul Parigi We had our fifth farm team

practice on Monday. Paul did a great job teaching the youngsters

how to throw, catch, and run the bases. They were able to hit off the tee and everyone had a blast. See you Monday!

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

Coordinators: Jennifer Ziegler and Darren Werner

We held our fifth official lessons of the summer, and we welcomed some new kids eager to hone their tennis skills. Jen and Darren had the kids practice their forehand and backhand strokes, as well as running to the ball as it is hit. We practiced a volley drill and the kids had some nice shots. We also put cones on the service line for the kids to practice their accuracy. We finished by playing a fun game of 'Jail' to close out practice. Thanks to Joey Weingram for helping out!

Kids Basketball (ages 8-14, 5 pm, Beach 1 Courts)

Coordinators: Chris Beninati and Cody Williams

We held our fifth basketball lesson of the year on Monday night. After the kids warmed up and hydrated, we paired up and practiced chest passes and bounce passes. We then got into our dribbling drills. We practiced a fairly new drill this week, with the kids pairing up and running a fastbreak passing exercise. Finally, we held a scrimmage for the last 20 minutes and we are seeing a lot of improvement. Great job everyone! **Tuesday: Mosquito League**

(ages 6-8, 9 am, Field 1)

The Fireflies and Mosquitoes faced off for the tenth time this year on Tuesday morning. Aidan Arias made a beautiful play at first base and had a strong hit up the middle for the Mosquitoes. His teammate Anthony LePore cleared the bases with a triple. James Branter had the hit of the day for the fireflies, sending a long fly ball out to centerfield. Nico Puccio also pitched in with some hits, but it wasn't enough as the Mosquitoes took this game by the score of 7-5. Great game boys!

Butterfly League (ages 9-11, 6 pm, Field 1)

Coordinator: Chip Ziegler The Butterfly League took the field on this steamy Tuesday night and had another great game. The Robins and Blue Jays warmed up and were ready to hit. We had a number of hits go well into the outfield and Chip is seeing some great improvement by these girls offensively and defensively. See you at Field 1!

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

(written by John Ross)

The name "Jablonski" echoed across the Beach 1 grounds. He

had been spotted at Sip and Dip and softball, was even rumored to have made an appearance at Sunday's lifeguard reunion...but would he come to basketball? Out of the 90 degree haze he appeared, like a ghost coming back to take care of unfinished business. He glided over to the box of spare jerseys and donned a grey one. He would help his grey boys to victory tonight; yes, that is why he had come.

The conditions were right; Green was missing their all-star center Paul Brooks, and they looked small, both in body and spirit. They cowered on the far end of the court, until Peter summoned them, and then they came, scurrying like rats. And like rats, he toyed with them. Oh, what devilish tricks he did play that I dare not even recount them, lest it scare the children readers. Suffice it to say that they fell.

As we rested, Green and Gold waged a fierce battle, with Gold coming out on top. Young Raymond Zimmerman showcased his abilities, knocking down a number of timely three pointers. Green's anger reached a boiling point as they lost their second in a row. They exited the court in a rage, stomping their feet and gnashing their teeth. So we went out there and did what they could not, defeating those Gold goofballs handily.

The rest of the night is a blur. They say we lost our next two, spurred on in part by a nasty bout of poor yet insistent shooting by me. I don't believe it. I prefer to live in the memory of those carefree moments in the early evening, when a friendly ghost of summers past came back to us and restored that golden age of Highland Lakes basketball, if only for one night.

Standings: Gold Team 8-4, Green Team 6-5, Grey Team 3-8

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

Coordinator: Darren Werner We held our fourth official tennis lessons on Wednesday and we had a nice turnout in both groups. After we stretched we had the kids play a game of 4 square to warm up. They then played a game of "clean the court" and finished off with the kids favorite game, "Jail". Allie Roman won the game of Jail, even beating the coaches! Special thanks to our former coordinator Terry Latham for donating a number of kid's tennis rackets. We miss you!

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Thursday: Girls Farm Team (ages 4-5, 9 am, Field 1) Coordinators: Annika Salomonsson, Bill Roman

The Girls Farm Team got together for the fourth time this season on Thursday morning. The girls warmed up by rolling or throwing the ball to a partner or coach. Next it was time to hit, and we have some really skilled batters this season. Juliette, Isabella, and Lauren were the stars of the day! The girls finished up by running the bases. See you next week!

Co-Ed Volleyball League (ages 12+, 6 pm, Clubhouse Lawn)

Coordinator: Keith McCotter

We held our second co-ed volleyball games on the clubhouse lawn on Thursday night. We had 12 people (9 kids and 3 adults) and played a number of competitive games. Everyone had a lot of fun. We still need more players for this exciting new activity, so check us out on the clubhouse lawn Thursday nights!

Grasshopper League (ages 9-11, 6 pm, Field 1)

Coordinators: Frank Fogge, Robbie Wisniewski, Grant Wisniewski

Thursday's Wasps and Hornets game was canceled due to the field being too wet from heavy rain earlier in the day. We will pick things back up this week, with the two teams tied in the standings.

Standings: Wasps 2-2, Hornets 2-2

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

Coordinators: Annika Salomonsson, Neil Verroca, Charles Giordano, Bryan Stoeckel, Dan Sweeney

We had our fifth soccer practice of the season on Friday. The kids warmed up by taking a lap around the field with Coach Bryan. The older group practiced their dribbling, shooting, and passing skills. The younger group practiced their skills by playing some fun games. We cut the drills a little shorter than usual in the older group so we would have more time for the game. The brothers Marco and Gustavo accounted for every goal scored, as Gustavo's Red Team won 3-2! Great job everyone!

Gem League (ages 6-8, 10 am, Field 1) Coordinator: Pat Eckhart

The Gems took the field and were ready to play the first game of the season on Friday morning. After four practices, the Blue and Yellow Gems were eager to square off against each other. The Yellow Gems batted first, with Meghan Emmerich hitting a hard shot to the outfield! Alexa Birnbaum and Julie Evanick had some nice hits for the Blue Gems as these two teams are very evenly matched! Great game girls. See you next week for game 2!

Boys Little League (ages 12-16, 6 pm, Field 2)

Coordinators: Andy Weingram and Ray Loughren

The Comanches and Choctaws took the field for their third game of the season Friday. We had a great pitching matchup for this game, with Owen Corbutt making his season debut on the mound for the Choctaws. Comanches countered with their Cy Young pitcher Paul Parigi. John Lenyk sparked the Choctaw offense early with a triple to the fence in the first inning. Comanches answered with Max Rodriguez and Paul Parigi both hitting homeruns. Peter Parigi made a beautiful diving catch at shortstop, as the Comanches held on to their lead and won the game 24-14. Thanks to George Sr. for umpiring. See you at Field 2!

Standings: Comanches 2-1, Choctaws 1-2

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

The Men's League took the field on Sunday night, with Blue squaring off against Green game 1. Green welcomed back Highland Lakes softball legends Terence Miller and Pete Jablonski this week and they provided a lot of offense. Behind strong pitching from Devon Eckhart, Green was able to win easily by the score of 13-3. They stayed hot next game, opening a 5-1 lead against the young Pink Team. Flashes of lightning forced us to end early unfortunately, and we will make up this suspended game later in the season. Special thanks to Tommy Marry for umpiring. Blue will have the doubleheader this week, facing off against Green at 5:30 and Pink at 7 pm.

Standings: Pink 2-1, Green 2-1, Blue 1-3 **2015 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 6 pm Volleyball League, co-ed ages 12+, Clubhouse Lawn **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:

8/13 Hornets v Wasps Boys Little League Schedule: Friday: 8/14 Co v Ch



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The Senior Club

JOYCE HEALY, PRESIDENT, SENIOR CLUB

Lifeguard Olympics

NICOLE GAGLIOSTRO, WATER SAFETY DIRECTOR

Come cheer our lifeguards as they go for the gold!

Attention loyal beach patrons and other Highland Lakes members: The Lifeguard Olympics will be held on Friday, August 14 at Beach 1 starting at 6:30 pm. Come cheer for your beach and your favorite lifeguards as they compete in traditional Lifeguard Olympic events like: Wacky Relay, Capture the Flag, Beach Volleyball, Egg Toss, and more. Signs, face painting, and enthusiastic fans are appreciated. See you there, and may the best beach win!



2015 Annual Report

Happy 46th anniversary to the HLCC & CA Senior Club...46 years and still going strong!

In accordance with our purpose, we offer opportunities to socialize, to assist other members as needed, provide fellowship, volunteer in many aspects of HLCC, enjoy recreation, and educate through guest speakers and selfexpression. We hold 7 pm meetings on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday evenings each month from May - September. We began an extended S/C calendar in 2013 hosting a monthly lunch gathering for our year-round residents. It has proved to be very successful and we shall continue these monthly gettogethers through 2015 - 2016.

Our Memorial Day Ceremony and All-American lunch was very well attended highlighting musical talents in our program. We host an off-premises luncheon, a day trip to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse for dinner/theatre, the Senior Gala, a BBQ, a wine & cheese party, the annual Oktoberfest and a holiday party, which are very enjoyable events and always well-attended.

Our treasury is funded through membership dues of \$10.00 per person and any overage resulting from member paid activities. An average account balance between \$500 -\$700 is depleted by the end of the year.

We've experienced another happy, productive and meaningful year. We enjoy working in tandem with other HL clubs to offer support. We send our best wishes to our friends and neighbors who have moved away and heartily welcome our many new members! The age required to join us is 50. We genuinely appreciate the wisdom we have gained from past members and the support of our HL community and staff. We are a "varsity team" with wonderful experiential backgrounds and continue to grow and maintain an integral role as we eagerly anticipate 2016.

Clubhouse Committee

CAROL HASTIE, CHAIRPERSON, CLUBHOUSE COMMITTEE

2015 Annual Report

Our main responsibility is to provide activities/events for all ages of the HLCC community. If you look at the planned activities over the past year, I think we accomplished that feat!

In September, we held a Luau and pig roast for adults. It was a great dance with music by The Shed and a delicious meal!

After 9/11 our goal was to provide a "safe" Halloween for our children. This has developed into a very successful Trunk or Treat. This moved from the clubhouse parking lot to the Beach 1 parking lot. This year they expanded and had a haunted beach! We brought back our Adult Halloween Dance this past year, which is always a success.

This past November we put together a craft fair, with proceeds going to the Goodwill Fund. There were 24 venders renting space and lunch was sold to anyone who was hungry. The crafts available were outstanding. We had to turn away vendors. It was so successful we held another one in April. We were able to donate approximately \$500 from each craft fair to the Goodwill Fund.

There always is a great turnout for pumpkin carving, gingerbread house decorating and the holiday lighting. New Year's Eve was better than ever, with a delicious meal created and prepared by Ed Cullari of Eddie's Roadhouse in Warwick. February brought a new event – a Winter Carnival. It was terrific, and Mother Nature gave us snow to have outside activities. Of course, Elsa was a hit with the younger children.

Of course, throughout the year we held almost monthly breakfasts. The attendance grows at each one. It is so great to see all of the people come down and enjoy the food, as well as the social aspect of seeing other members. Our largest breakfast brought in over 260 people. That's a lot of bacon, eggs, sausage, pancakes, sausage gravy and French toast!

This does not even cover all of the activities during the summer months! Each day the clubhouse is bustling with different age groups having fun making different crafts, playing games and whatever else the Clubhouse Staff planned. Sue Ross oversees the new additions of Clare Sweeney and Vinny Gagliostro to run and coordinate the various activities for the children. This is a great addition to Lauren, Katie, Julia B, Julia N, Amber, Jimmy and Kevin. They all work so hard to give our members something else for their children. A new clubhouse "kids" calendar with activities was started on the HLCC website and in the Newsette. We started weekend and some evening activities to try to offer more for the working parents. I also want to thank Jeanette and Maureen

for their help with helping to schedule and plan out weekend activities. There is a great deal of time and energy that goes into planning the activities we offer in the clubhouse.

The Clubhouse Committee also puts together Family Day and Junior Appreciation, as well as Adult Appreciation.

I would like to thank the office staff – Priscilla, Roe, Pat, Barbara and Jack for their help. Also, I would like to thank Jim, Steve and the rest of the maintenance staff, as well as our security staff. I would also like to thank the Voting Board for all of their support with the activities and events offered by the Clubhouse Committee. I can't forget exercise with Carol, ceramics with Kathy and Angela, bunco with Marion, lego club & playgroup with Melissa.

There is not a lot of downtime for this committee. I am lucky to have the best group of volunteers that have great ideas and an abundance of energy. They are a very dedicated group of individuals who work extremely well together. We have grown from a group of 6 to 22 in a few years! My deepest thanks go to Russ, Kathy, Joyce, Jack, Jim, Janet, Bill, Daphne, Pat, Terri, Paula, Bob, Cathy T., Cathy S., Michele, Doug, Bob, Jo Anne, Dana, Ellen, Bill B. and Lisa. Of course, Steve and Cheryl are also willing to help with whatever is

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Sands Casino Bus Trip

GAIL RUSSELL, WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

When:	August 20, 2015
Dus Leaves:	8:00 am Sharp (Meet at Vernon A&P @ 7:45 am)
Returns:	5:45 pm (estimated)
	6 hour casino stay
Cost:	\$30.00 per person

The birds are singing, the weather is warm, and activities are in full swing. Why not relax for the day on a trip to Sands Casino in Bethlehem, PA? Come play some slots or table games, have a great lunch, or just shop at the many outlets that are right on the premises of the Sands, and enjoy some time with friends. The trip is planned for August 20, and is sponsored by the Highland Lakes Women's Auxiliary. Cost is \$30/person, which includes \$20 back in slot/play money and a \$5 food voucher. We will be leaving from the Vernon A&P to save us time (and the fact that motor coach buses are not allowed on Rt. 515). For information or to sign up, please contact Gail Russell at (973) 764-6272. The trip is open to all, and we look forward to making some new friends!

Conservation Club of Highland Lakes

RUSS STRUBE, CHAIRMAN, CCHL COMMITTEE

2015 Annual Report

The CCHL has worked on various projects this season. We have installed and repaired water bars on numerous freeways to help prevent runoff from entering the lakes. Monofilament fishing line receptacles were built and installed at popular fishing locations around the lakes. We are now working on improving and installing a trail on Lakeside Drive East off of Breakneck Road. The trail name is Saw Mill Pond Trail. The name was chosen because Brown's Saw Mill used to be at or close to this location. The CCHL has put in over eighty man hours on these projects.

Local Tricky Tray Event

There will be a Tricky Tray at the Highland Lakes Firehouse, located at 813 Canistear Road, on Friday, August 7, 2015. Sponsored by the Highland Lakes Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary, the event will benefit the Fire Department. Doors open at 7 pm, with prizes being called at 8 pm. Refreshments will be available, and the firehouse is air-conditioned and handicapped accessible. There will be great trays, specials, and a 50/50. Admission is \$2, and you must be 18 years old to be admitted. For further information, contact (973) 764-7371.





Women's Volleyball

KNOX STRUBE

For our volleyball games today, it was a cloudy but very humid day. The humidity not only made our bodies slow, but our reactions and minds were slow as well. Lynette was practicing keeping score, and that takes an enormous amount of concentration on slow days. But Knox tried to help prompt her with a couple of finger signals as a clue. Gail M., Val and Lisa had a few common phrases for the day. Such as "I don't know what that was" and "I didn't mean for the

ball to go there". But Kathy had the unmentionable phrase of the day. After the second repeat, we tried to translate it into several foreign languages. Krystyna was all business as she showed everyone how much she has practiced her serve in the last week as she scored numerous points. Once again, the volleyball got the bad habit of going over the fence and even into the road once. But once again, we had Drew, our dutiful ball retriever, on the job and busy. As a matter of fact, we had to

recruit a second ball retriever, Hailey, to help keep up with our errant hits. Thanks so much to both of you. But at the end of the day, it is Christine and Judy that keep everyone in the game with their constant and steady play that they bring to the court each week. It is amazing how they always get to the ball. So come and join us with your badge and water on Thursday morning at 10 am at the utility court at Beach 1. Also, a big thank you to Maureen for being our staff photographer this week.

Buildings & Grounds Committee

STEVE HASTIE, SPECIAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE

2015 Annual Report

This year has been mostly devoted to the Clubhouse parking area project. We were able to work with Boswell Engineering to get bids prepared and reviewed for doing the project this year. After review the Voting Board awarded its contract to D.S. Meyer Enterprises of Waldwick, NJ.

This project involved much more than simple paving. There were troublesome areas to fix before the project could continue. Three separate areas had significant underground water issues. These were risks that could ruin a completed pavement project and bring it back to a dirt parking lot. All three areas were remedied using a combination of piping to direct the water source away, and/or filling the area with a new stone base that would allow the water to dissipate into the soil. These three areas were in a section of the lot which had very poor soil as a base, so by excavating and removing poor soil and replacing it with stone,

better soils and perforated pipes to carry the water away, we were able to fix these areas and removed the risks of pavement failures. Once that step was behind us, we scheduled a starting time around March 1st for the project with our contractor.

We planned to complete the project prior to the 4th of July in 2015. However, winter wanted to stay around through most of March with the ground still frozen. So we finally got to start in early April, and things looked like they were moving along and possibly back on our original schedule. But there were some problems with the electrical plans that brought the job to a halt in early May. By the time we were able to redesign the utility plan and for our contractor to get bids from its electrical subcontractors, we had lost between 3 and 4 weeks on the schedule. All of these factors added up to the July 4th date not being met.

Since Swim Team was starting practices during the last week of June, we agreed with our contractor to delay the final paving until our busy summer season was over. They agreed, while continuing to let Sussex Resources, its electrical subcontractor, continue installing the new transformer and related cabinets, the site lights, and the underground wiring to the Clubhouse and maintenance buildings. After Labor Day, the Clubhouse will be without electric power for one day to complete the hook-up.

As it turns out, the delay was really a blessing since we were able to monitor the base coat for 2 or 3 months for any possible imperfections, settling, or low drainage issues before the final finish coat is applied after Labor Day. Most of the rain garden plantings have been done already. The rain garden will be responsible for catching surface water from the new parking lot and allowing the plants to dissipate the water. So the entire project is expected to be completed by October 2015. Thanks to all those members who worked with the committee to make this project a success.

Highland Lakes Sailing

LOU IANNUCCI, SAILING COORDINATOR

again where it belongs. If you want to

2015 Annual Report

Highland Lakes Sailing is alive and kicking and I am very optimistic for its future. The FJ Sailing Fleet has expanded to close to 20 boats. If you observe the races on Sundays you will notice it's the only fleet that requires a crew. What better way to spend a Sunday sailing with a family member or friend. The Junior Sailing program keeps growing and growing to the point where we don't have enough boats for all the young men and women who desire to learn how to sail. We have established a "sunfish sailboat rescue program" that encourages the donations of sunfish boats to the junior sailing program. We will come and pick up your boat and get it back in the water

hang ten while sailing then just watch the Windsurfing Fleet every Saturday. These guys make it look so easy and I know they would welcome anyone to come out and join them. The Force 5 Fleet is one of my favorite fleets because I just love the boat. The boat really is built for speed and on a windy day this boat really "rocks". There are plenty of these boats available online and new ones are still being built in New York. This year the Senior Sunfish Fleet has expanded to allow junior sailors to join in the races, which allows parents to compete with their children and/or teach the junior sailors. Although I am optimistic that the sailing program will continue to flourish

that does not mean there is not room for improvement.

When I was younger, the Sunfish program had over 20 boats sailing each Sunday. The sunfish is the easiest boat to rig and sail and I am encouraging anyone who watches the races and says to themselves "boy I wish I could do that" to just come out and try. I, and the rest of the fleet, will be happy to show you the ropes, explain the courses, and give you some of the basic rules. Although we do race, sailing is a great way to make new friends and enjoy oneself at the same time. If anyone has any questions on Highland Lakes sailing you can email me at HLCCSailing@ gmail.com or call 973-764-7042.

Ecology Committee

BOB REFFELT, FORMER CHAIRMAN

2015 Annual Report

Please welcome Mary Jo Jablonski, the new Chairperson of the Ecology Committee as of July 17, 2015.

The Ecology Committee is committed to sustaining the quality of our lakes and watershed. Committee meetings are held in the Lake Room on the second Thursday of every month at 7 pm and are open to all members. We encourage members to share their personal knowledge and expertise on environmental topics at these meetings, and to invite other experts to address our group. We are always on the lookout for representatives from each lake to advise the committee on the condition of "their" lakes. The committee makes recommendations to the HL Voting Board on various projects designed to improve the environment.

Volunteers of the Conservation Club of Highland Lakes (CCHL) meet jointly with the Ecology Committee. This group formerly known as the Garden Club plays a hands-on role in improving our club properties. You can observe these improvements at our many freeways and boat access areas along our lakefront.

Thanks again to Carole Fortenbach and Barbara Weller who organized our annual Highland Lakes Clean-up Day resulting in the removal of too many bags of roadside refuse. Thanks also to the many volunteers who filled up those bags. Our committee members remind me that Every Day Is Clean-Up Day. While our HLCC staff is responsible for keeping our beaches and freeways refuse free, it is everyone's responsibility to help keep our roadside's refuse free by not throwing garbage out of car windows, by being more careful about keeping bears away from household garbage, and by routinely cleaning up debris dumped by others in front of our personal property and at other locations throughout our community.

The discounted septic pumping program we started in 2013 is continuing in 2015 through a simplified procedure, Just call the participating tank pumping company directly and tell them you are from Highland Lakes. Through this program members can get a substantial discount on their septic pumping bill.

The forest surveys needed for the preparation of a Highland Lakes Forest Stewardship Plan have been completed. That plan will serve as guidance in managing our club owned forest lands.

There are many things you can do to help preserve the quality of our environment including:

- √Picking up after your dog
- \checkmark Having septic tanks cleaned out every 3 years
- √Using phosphate free fertilizer for lawns
- √Not blowing leaves into the lakes √Creating a 10' natural vegetative buffer
 - at the lake's edge to prevent runoff and pollutants from entering the lakes.
- √Avoiding driveway sealers containing coal tar
- ✓Cleaning your boats and trailers before entering our lakes

The committee works closely with the HLCC Voting Board and management staff to explore ways to best utilize our financial resources, and to identify worthwhile projects which might increase the need for more resources. Here's how your money is currently being used:

A. Providing a water quality monitoring program for baseline data collection and consultation services - Princeton Hydro, LLC.

B. Monitoring algae and coordinating chemical treatment - HLCC staff.
C. Monitoring aquatic plants, dissolved oxygen, other lake conditions and providing chemical treatment as needed -Allied Biological.

D. Monitoring fecal coliform bacteria and PH - Garden State Laboratories.
E. Maintaining proper dissolved oxygen in all our lakes and operating and maintaining a submerged destratification aeration system for Lake 2 installed in 2010 as well as aeration systems in other lakes.

- F. Reducing the Canadian geese population.
- G. Paying COLA dues and pesticide licensing.
- H. Monitoring water clarity via Secchi disc by lifeguards and staff.
- Ecology Committee Participants: Mary Jo Jablonski, New Chairperson Trustees: Ed Strube and Bill Beardsley,
- Liaisons from the Voting Board Officer Liason: Ellen Buckney

Members: Russ Strube, Clark Beebe, Brenda Susman, Carole Fortenbach, Barbara Weller, Mark Grammersdorf, Ellen Van Howling, Jim Stevens, Paul DeCoste, Bob Reffelt, Clem Daly, and many others who routinely help keep our community healthy and beautiful.

2015 HLCC Sailing Fleet Schedules

Below are the 2015 HLCC sailing fleet schedules. Please note there are additions from previous years. 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:

Jr. SANJL Saturday, August 22 at 9 am

> All Boat Regatta Saturday, August 29

Sailor's Picnic Sunday, September 6 at 4:30 pm

Senior Sunfish Races Sundays at 2:30 pm Mladen Kresic: (973) 764-0452

August 9, 23, 30 / Sept. 6

Jr. Singles Sunfish Races Wednesdays at 11 am Maryjane Kresic: (973) 764-0452

August 12, 19

Ladies Sunfish Races Thursdays at 11 am Irene Boeren: (973) 764-7371

August 13, 20, 27

Jr. Doubles Sunfish Races

Fridays at 11:00 am Maryjane Kresic: (973) 764-0452 August 14, 21

Force 5 Sailing Races Saturdays at 11 am Erika Rodger: (201) 961-3092

August 8, 15, Sept. 5

Flying Junior Fleet Sailing Races Sundays at 11 am Mike Gillooley: (973) 764-4185 August 9, 16, 23, 30 / Sept. 6

> Windsurfer Races Saturdays at 3 pm Kevin Gaston: (973) 764-7332 August 8, 15, 22 / Sept. 5

Highland Lakes Country Club and Community Association Minutes of Annual Meeting - Sunday, August 17, 2014

President Bob Hughes called the meeting to order at 2:20 pm and led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Hughes reviewed the Order of Business as determined by the By-Laws:

- 1. Approval of the Minutes of the 2013 Annual Meeting as published in the August 9, 2014, edition of the Newsette;
- 2. Reports of Officers and Trustees;
- 3. New Business;
- 4. Amendments to the By-Laws;
- 5. Privilege of the Floor to Membership;
- 6. Election of Officers and Trustees.

President Bob Hughes introduced the members of the Voting Board and Committee Chairs in attendance:

Trustees: Section 1, Lou Iannucci; Section 2, Bill Beardsley; Section 4, Steve Amato; Section 5, Jim Kensek; Section 6, Jim Boss; Section 7, Keith McCotter; Section 9, Randy Rodger; Section 10, Ed Strube; Section 11, Dave Cartier.

Officers: 1st VP, Sue Ross; 2nd VP, Michael Gelfand; Treasurer, Mike Gillooley.

Clubhouse Committee, Carol Hastie; Communications Committee, Tom Dolle; Ecology Committee, Bob Reffelt; Elections Committee, Chet Cooper; Fishing Committee, Mike Ewasko; Goodwill Fundraising Committee Co-Chair, Liz Holda; Planning Committee, Lyn Kaplan; and Roads Committee, Tom Mulcahy.

A motion to approve the Minutes of the August, 2013 Meeting was made by Bob Rathgeber and seconded by Carol Fortenbach. The motion carried unanimously.

President Bob Hughes delivered his address and thanked the members of the Voting Board, Committee Chairs, staff and membership for a memorable first year in office.

Chairman of the Board Steve Amato gave his address and urged members to volunteer and get involved and thanked the Board.

Treasurer Mike Gillooley delivered the highlights of the Treasurer's Report and remarked about the struggles to collect dues from members due to the number of foreclosures. He commented that if we didn't have the number of volunteers that we have, we would be in a much worse position, as we would need to pay people to run some of the things that are run by volunteers.

General Counsel, Eileen McCarthy Born, Esq. gave an update on the Club's active legal issues. Highlights included the ongoing lawsuit on the encroachment of a well on Highland Lakes property; encroachment on a freeway by a member; and the encroachment on the property behind the post office. We had one Rule 22 violation filed regarding Pickleball. That member has filed a lawsuit against the Club for noise nuisance, etc. Eileen also talked about the ongoing foreclosures that Treasurer Mike Gillooley touched on. The foreclosures have been delayed in the courts but the process is starting to move along. She also gave an update on the Robert Kosch situation that will be going to trial in September.

Bob Hughes introduced past presidents, Adele Huttner and Jeanne Jameson and thanked them for the combined 12 years serving as president.

Floor Open to Membership: Joe Pierini, Section 2, stated that his lakeshore needs attention but that the lake needs to be lowered to do that. He commented that a number of properties require repairs to lake walls.

Glenn Kamp, Section 9, delivered comments about the tennis courts and the cracks and seams. He noted that children are riding bicycles on the courts. Bob Hughes responded that the Club was disappointed in the lack of a timely response from the tennis court contractor. Mr. Kamp commented that the Voting Board should evaluate spending \$129,000 on Highland Lakes Security, and suggested that Security's hour be shifted to overnight patrols.

Kevin Shinn, Section 12, lives along Tranquility Drive, and commented that teenagers are driving faster now that speed humps were installed. He also noted that some repairs to the speed humps are needed.

Colleen Krol, Section 2, commented that someone destroyed her \$20,000 dock. She claimed she is the victim of gang stalking perpetrated by members of the Vernon Police Department and members of Highland Lakes.

Tom Marry, Section 6, spoke in favor of speed humps and expressed his concern that the Club's athletics activities were ending too early in the season.

Kathleen Krol, Section 2, stated that gang stalking is real and that matters in Highland Lakes are serious. She noted that her dock and her daughter Colleen's dock are missing, and that her phone has been wiretapped.

James Lombardi, Section 3, asked that more swings for younger children be installed.

Cathy Tansey, Section 1, agreed with Mr.

Kamp's concerns about the tennis courts, and noted that close to eighty members participate in team tennis.

Nicole Kruck, Section 1, claimed that many cars without parking permits arrive at Beach 1 after the lifeguards go off duty

Adele Huttner, Section 5, asked for stricter enforcement of the Club's parking rules, and asked the Voting Board to do something about people parking at Beach 1 without permits.

Herb Wetzler, Section 12, commented that a pickup truck speeds through his neighborhood, and that the speed humps do not force teenage drivers to slow down.

Ray Cassetta, Section 7, requested that a map of the Club's facilities be published from time to time in the Newsette that would include all of the lakes, beaches, freeways and recreational facilities.

Helen Toback, Section 12, in reference to the comment from Mr. Wetzler, noted that the neighbors in the area know the driver of the speeding pickup truck, and wanted to know what recourse is available. She also complained about weekend fireworks. Bob Hughes responded that a complaint procedure is available related to conduct that disturbs members.

Andrew Weingram, Section 1, applauded the installation of speed humps and commented that speed humps save lives.

Ron Berutti, Section 5, thanked Club staff for their help in setting up for the Independence Day presentation, and pointed out the extraordinary help maintenance staff provided to the swim team. He asked that the Treasurer's Report compare the June 30 periods year to year. He commented that it is clear that our dues go towards improvements. As a summer resident, he is concerned about whether future boards will be as "summer friendly" as past boards. He asked that a by-law be adopted providing for two summer trustee positions as the needs of summer residents.

Adele Huttner, Section 5, thanked the Voting Board for the amount of time and commitment it takes to serve on the board.

Ralph Davis, Section 7, commented that the Family Day fireworks were spectacular, and complained about unauthorized fireworks throughout the lake.

Susan Schundler, Section 2, complained about the lack of consideration from homeowners and lights from two properties that she described as search lights, and also about noise from motorcycles. Peter Schundler, Section 2, stated that nuisance bears are a problem in Highland Lakes.

Jim Iozia, Section 3, stated that his family has been in Highland Lakes since 1953 and bears have only recently been a problem. He also asked for quicker dispatch of snow plowing crews as he leaves for work at 6 am. Bob Hughes commented that a communication problem delayed the dispatch of crews during the first snow event this past year.

Andrew Weingram, Section 1, advised members to call 877-WARNDEP to report bear problems.

Glenn Kamp, Section 9, complained about weeds on an abandoned property and asked the Club's attorney to respond to what recourses were available. Eileen McCarthy Born, Esq. responded that the problem exists during the period between an abandonment of the home and when the bank takes title. She also noted that the Club has no regulations on the height of weeds and has no authority to go on to private property, and that there may be local Vernon regulations on the subject.

Herb Wetzler, Section 12, said that there would be no bear problems if residents kept their garbage inside.

Chip Ziegler, Section 2, noted that bears open bear-proof garbage cans.

Carol Fortenbach, Section 7, suggested sprinkling ammonia on garbage cans to keep bears away.

Bob Hughes urged members to come to regular monthly meetings for input.

The President closed the Floor to the Members at 3:36 pm for voting for Trustees. Chet Cooper, Elections Chairman, announced the sections voting for trustees were 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.

- Section 1 Russ Strube
- Section 2 William Beardsley
- Section 3 James Lombardo
- Section 4 Lisa Entwistle
- Section 5 Roy Wherry

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Judy Fortenbach and seconded by Virginia McNulty. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 4:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Buchney, Secretary

Kids Clubhouse Schedule for August 9 - August 15

SUE ROSS, CLUBHOUSE DIRECTOR

- Theme: Under The Sea Sunday - August 9 Family Day!!! Monday – August 10 All Clubhouse Activities Cancelled Due To Swim Team Annual Dinner Tuesday – August 11 Come Enjoy A Recycling Project With Arianna!!! 9:30 am - 10:30 am: Pool Room Open 10:30 am – 11:30 am: Blue Jean "Tween" Crafts (ages 9-12) 11 am - Noon: Make and Take Crafts (ages 8 – 10)
- Noon 1 pm: Ice Pop Bingo On The Porch (all ages) 1 pm - 2 pm: Big Board Games On The Lawn 2 pm - 3 pm: Arts & Crafts (ages 7-9) 3 pm -4 pm: Pool Room Open (ages 10+) **Wednesday - August 12** 9:30 am - 10:15 am: Picture Bingo (ages 6 and under) 10:15 am - 11 am: Story Time In The Lakeroom 11 am - 11:30 am: Arts & Crafts (ages 6 and under) 11:30 am – Noon: Card Games On The
- Porch (ages 7 and up) Noon – 1 pm: Kids Can Cook (Come Hungry, Leave Happy!) **Sign Up At The Activity Center** 1:30 pm - 3 pm Pool Room Open (ages 10+) **Thursday – August 13** 9:30 am – 10 am: Science Project 10 am - 10:45am: Make And Take Craft (ages 5 and up) 11 am – Noon: Rizzo's Reptile Show 12:15 am - 1 pm: Ice Pop Bingo On The Porch 1 pm – 1:30 pm: Board And Card Games In The Lake Room

1:30 pm – 2 pm: Leathercraft (ages 8 and up) No Activities After 2 pm Due To Junior Appreciation 7:30 pm - 10 pm: Jr. Appreciation Come Enjoy Music, Games and More!! **Friday – August 14** All Clubhouse Activities Cancelled Due To Adult Gala **Saturday - August 15** Note: The Pool Room Will Be Open during craft activities in addition to the scheduled time slot.

Teen Sewing (Ages 12+)

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SUZANNE ROSS, CLUBHOUSE SUMMER ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR

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Here is how you can help...a "collection box" will be located by the Activity Center, in the clubhouse, where you can put empty water bottles, plants and any other recyclables. Additionally, there will be a container at the Activity Center and the Beach Hut where you can put your soda "pop tabs" to donate. Donations will be collected until Friday, August 7. Come and help Ariana achieve her goal... while having a fun time!



Force Five - 8/1/2015

ERIKA RODGER

Saturday's wind was so shifty! (how shifty was it?) It was so shifty, that we ended up going solidly downwind for three legs of the first race! I'm full of good jokes, folks...Anyway, the first race had pretty consistent wind, except it came from all directions. The second race, however, was very stop-and-go. We even had a somewhat comical (but not really) start, where the horn went off and we all just ...sat. Eventually, the wind picked up, and we were able to race. There was a little worry about rain, due to the threatening looking clouds, but all was well. Shout out to Randy Rodger for being dock committee!

Race 1

- 1 Erika Rodger
- 2 Mike Gillooley
- 3 Lou Iannucci
- 4 Grant Wisniewski
- 1 Erika Rodger
- 2 Mike Gillooley
 - 3 Grant Wisniewski
- 4 Lou Iannucci

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Bridge Results

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Monday, 7/27

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Race 2

Highland Lakes Newsette

Jr. Sunfish **Singles and Doubles**

MARYJANE KRESIC

On July 29 there was very little wind for the Junior Sunfish singles fleet. A short course 3 was called red, red, and red. There were 9 sailors on the line with Lyndsay and William coaching again. The race was won by Robbie, with Grant right behind him. Good job to Richie Amato who sailed his first singles race of the season. Please keep the SANJL date open of Aug 22. The results were:

- 1 Robbie Wisniewski
- 2 Grant Wisniewski
- 3 JT Wisniewski
- 4 Sebastian Bonardi
- 5 Emmaline Stoddard
- 6 Declan Mann
- 7 Richie Amato
- 8 Albert Bonardi
- 9 Greg Randazzo- DNF- Boat trouble

Junior Doubles had a huge turnout- 17 Sunfish and 2 FJ's!!!!! Wow, Hawaiian Day and Dancing on the downwind proved to be an exciting day for the Junior Doubles fleet. There was a record 19, yes 19 boats out last Friday, 7/31. There were 17 sunfish of all different colors and 2 FJ's. The start line was a little hectic but boy was it pretty watching all the boats out there. The course was a 1 red, red and red. We had great dancing on the downwind thanks to the music that was piped over the microphone and the the sailors wore leis. The culmination of the racing was the annual flipping of the boats. Not everyone wanted to flip but remember it is a necessary lesson to learn if you are going to sail.

Special thanks go out to all who helped make this day a success; Lou for taking pictures and the music, Linda Fleming dock committee, Chip, for providing ice pops, my adult sailors who skippered, and to all who donated the club boats as they are definitely being used.

The results were:

- 1 Robbie Wisniewski and Hannah Wisniewski
- 2 JT Wisniewski and Michael Puccio
- 3 Grant Wisniewski and Dennis Jimenez
- 4 Emmaline Stoddard and Cora Leiter
- 5 Luke Sullivan and Sarah Bednarick
- 6 Sebastian Bonardi and Sophia Staley
- 7 Kilian Mann and Matt Puccio
- 8 Declan Mann and Abby Amato
- 9 Albert Bonardi and Duke Stalev
- 10 Richie Amato and Audra Leiter
- 11 Sam Sullivan and Adrian Vecchio
- 12 Donna Schmuel and Victoria Annunizata
- Unofficial results were:
- Mr. Sullivan and Kateri Sullivan
- Krissy Amato and Annika Salmonson
- Mr. Kresic and Jackson O'Gureck and Sofia Randazzo
- Mr. Spoerl and Rory O'Donnell
- Meredith Kresic and Ali Roman and Edi Roman Mr. Mann and Abigal McCarthy
- Mr. Randazzo and Vanessa Cefaloni and Deidre O'Donnell

Next week is the Tennis Ball Day. Remember, too, that singles and doubles both start at 11 am so try to be on time. Important dates to keep in mind are August 22 Junior SANJL Championship here at Highland Lakes. Come out to support your teammates and watch the racing. August 29 is All Boat Regatta day. All can sail in any combinations. Labor Day weekend Sailor's Picnic (9/6).

Senior Sunfish Race - 8/2/15

MLADEN KRESIC, SR. SUNFISH CAPTAIN

Wow - August 2 was one of the summer's best days for Sunfish racing. Temps in the low 80s and winds of 5+mph with gusts up to 10 mph. We had 11 participants, including Nancy Henninger, a newcomer to our Sunday racing crew and daughter of one of our long time favorites, Mr. Frank Henninger. And we were happy to see Ken Boschert out with us for the first time this year. We sailed the long course 1. It's always exciting to go around the island and get the full feel of Highland Lakes wind shifts. By the second buoy, Will and Lyndsay had separated themselves. For most of us, the wind leveled off on the downwind leg, and picked up again considerably coming to the finish line. There was a close finish for 3rd, 4th and 5th, with Shannon crossing in 3rd ahead of me and Bob who came within a nose of catching me at the finish. Lou and the ever improving Ray Mann were 6th and 7th, with Maryjane, James, Nancy and Ken rounding out the field.

Some of us wanted to do a second race since the winds were so good, but with good wind some sailors sailed off too quickly - so about 7 of us did a training practice race that was fun. Note: If this week's winds are like they were last Sunday, we will do 2 races. Thanks again to Allan and Brett for their great dock committee work.

- Race results:
- 1 Will Kresic
- 2 Lyndsay Stockwell
- 3 Shannon Buruchian
- 4 Mladen Kresic
- 5 Bob Tomsey
- 6 Lou Iannucci
- 7 Ray Mann
- 8 Maryjane Kresic
- 9 James Sullivan
- 10 Nancy Henninger
- 11 Ken Boschert

FJ Race - 8/2/15

MIKE GILLOOLEY, FLEET CAPTAIN

Our races were typical Highland Lakes sailing, great wind leading up to the race which was used to choose the course. Once the race began it disappeared for the most part. It made for a long first race and a shorter second race. The one consistency was Will and Lindsey putting on a clinic on how to sail an FJ. It's been a busy summer, as four new boats joined the fleet bringing the total to 18 FJ's on the lake. If you'd like to discuss the fleet or have questions about the boat, racing or sailing in general please contact me. As for those of you interested in season standings, Will and Lindsey lead the pack followed by James and Sam. The rest of us are trying to catch up.

Windsurf Happenings

KEVIN GASTON

Everybody at some point in their lives has heard words like north, northwest, west northwest etc...These are standard compass headings that are also used by sailors to describe the wind direction. Well, a new wind direction will now go down into the annals of weather forecasting history when the wind last week on Highland Lakes blew north southwest. Every leg of the course seemed to be upwind. It didn't matter if we were sailing north or south. The formula for winning in these conditions would be to find the puffs, stay in the puffs and adjust your sail angle accordingly to a swirling vortex, or as Chip Ehrhardt stated as he watched from the dock - you have to be "lucky".

Congrats to Joe Gaston for sailing a nearly flawless pair of races in the challenging conditions. He nailed all his jibes beautifully and came in ahead of our current season leader, Bob Koeck, in both races. In fact, Joe followed the plan I laid out for him to the tee. I told him not to beat me but to beat Bob instead. I quickly noticed, however, that he forgot about the "plan" as he rounded the Rock Island buoy ahead of me. We then cruised side by side the whole next leg until I finally was able to grab the lead when I rounded the clubhouse mark a little cleaner than Joe. After the race I asked Joe if he had forgotten about my plan, to which he responded "What plan? I was trying to whoop you."

I would also like to thank Mike Gaston and Bob. Mike for being my mainstay Dock Committee Captain and Bob for letting me win. I told him my aunt and uncle were up from Maryland and were on the dock watching me race for the first time. Questions call- 973-764-7332 or 845-893-2923.

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ace 2
Kevin Gaston
Joe Gaston
Bob Koeck

Castiglione Enters the Race!

SUE BURUCHIAN, FLEET SECRETARY

Jessica Castiglione entered the Ladies Sunfish race with an impressive first start for her season. She tacked and dueled Ellen Wisolmerski for a tough great day of sailing this past Thursday 7/30. Wind conditions were terrific and these ladies ate it up. Ellen showed off her moves and won the race handily. Diane Buono and Irene Boeren followed right behind Jessica with impressive finishes on this challenging day. Congratulations to all. We missed you Lyle and Nancy--next week for sure! Come on out ladies and join in the fun. All levels welcomed and races start at 11 am at the ESC.

- Final Results:
- 1 Ellen Wisolmerski
- 2 Jessica Castiglione
- 3 Diane Buono
- 4 Irene Boeren