



The Highland Lakes Newsette

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An Interview with Kelly Peters, General Manager

JANICE O'NEILL, COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Our new General Manager, Kelly Peters, sat down with Janice O'Neill of the Communications Committee to dive into a Property Manager's role and what lies ahead for our community. This interview summarizes Kelly's perspective six weeks into her role.

JO: First, can you tell us about your background and experience managing communities similar to Highland Lakes? What do you enjoy most about community management?

KP: I have worked in the property management field for 30 years, in roles ranging from front-line customer service to Director of Property Management and Facilities. Throughout my career, I've managed a wide range of communities, including lakefront associations, amenity-rich properties, and large-scale residential developments similar in complexity to Highland Lakes.

What I enjoy most about community management is the opportunity to bring people together while maintaining and improving the physical assets that make a community special. Every community has its own personality, and I take pride in helping it function smoothly while enhancing the overall quality of life for its members.

JO: What are your responsibilities as the club manager? What is not in scope for your role that people might be surprised to learn?

KP: As General Manager, I oversee the day-to-day operations of the association. This includes staff management, vendor coordination, financial oversight, maintenance planning, capital project execution, and ensuring that policies set by the Board are implemented effectively. However, I feel that the office, maintenance, and

security staff operate as a team. Management of any large-scale community is and will always be done by a TEAM of people.

What may surprise some members is that the General Manager does not set any policies. That responsibility lies within the Governing Documents. My role is to execute those policies professionally and consistently. Additionally, while I ensure services are delivered properly, I do not personally perform maintenance or field work; rather, I manage the teams and vendors who do. For example, regarding lake water quality, I meet with our lake water consultant weekly to discuss a number of things, including but not limited to water quality. I work with our vendors and current staff to implement her recommendations. She sets the direction and I execute her recommendations.

JO: What do you believe HLCC members should expect from an effective property management partnership? How can members support you in this role?

KP: Members should expect transparency, consistency, and responsiveness. An effective management partnership means clear communication, well-maintained facilities, proactive planning, and responsible financial stewardship. Members can support this effort by communicating respectfully, following processes for requests, and staying informed through official channels. Transition is difficult with any community management change over. Not only are we changing out a single manager, we are adding an entirely new management company, which Highland Lakes Country Club has never had. Therefore, patience and understanding is greatly appreciated.

JO: During your first 6 months, what are your top

priorities?

KP: My initial priorities are focused on stabilization, assessment, and planning:

- Evaluating current operations, staffing, and vendor performance
- Addressing any immediate maintenance or safety concerns
- Improving communication systems and response times
- Reviewing financials and identifying cost efficiencies
- Establishing clear workflows and accountability across departments.

By the end of six months, we will review to determine

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Upcoming Events

- May 22 – Family Camp Out
- May 23 – Comedy Show
- May 24 – Memorial Day Breakfast
- May 25 – Memorial Day Observance Ceremony
- May 29 – Blood Drive
- May 31 – Flute Concert
- June 7 – Q&A with The President
- June 14 – Swim Team Parent Meeting
- June 19 – Campfire w/Dad
- June 20 – Open Mic
- June 27 & 28 – Windsurf Regatta
- June 27 – Family Luau



HIGHLAND LAKES
Country Club and Community Association

COMEDY show

DOOR OPEN AT 7:45 PM
8:30 PM **MAY 23**

TWO HEADLINE COMEDIANS
NON-STOP LAUGHS

\$25 MUST BUY TICKETS IN ADVANCE

18 & Over
BYOB & SNACKS

JOHNNY LAMPERT DANIEL TIRADO

Get ready to laugh! Our annual Comedy Show is back. Bring your friends, favorite drinks and settle in for a night of nonstop fun and hilarious entertainment.

HLCC.ORG #HLCCNJ MEMBERS & THEIR GUESTS ONLY BADGES REQUIRED

2026

Memorial Day Weekend

Sunday Breakfast

\$10/adults \$8/kids

MAY 24
9:00 AM
CLUBHOUSE

Gather together at our annual community breakfast at the Clubhouse!

Good food, neighbors and a meaningful start to the holiday.

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2026

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All American Lunch
12 PM * Adults \$8 Kids \$4

Memorial Day Ceremony

MAY 25
11:00 AM
CLUBHOUSE

Gather together at our Annual Memorial Day Celebration.

Hosted by the Seniors Club.

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if we are moving in the right direction or if we need to pivot in another direction. Six months is a short period of time for a community that has never had a management company.

JO: Will we have a new member portal? You mentioned Connect in a recent Board meeting. What is that system and how will members use it?

KP: Connect is the website provided by First Service Residential and will be our new portal. Members will be mailed information on how to register on Connect. Once registered, members will receive email blasts on important things happening around the community. We have already moved the dues payment system to Connect so anyone who pays dues on a monthly basis (through the third-party company, ClickPay) should have already registered on Connect. In addition to payments, during this changeover period the focus is on moving documents to the new portal. In the meantime, if a member needs to review any of the documents, they are still in the old portal. There is also an easy work order submissions tab with live updates (if available), document access, and real-time updates in Connect.

JO: What is the best way for members to submit requests or report issues to ensure efficient follow-up? What systems do you use to track requests and ensure issues are fully resolved?

KP: The most effective way to submit requests is through Connect, if you are registered on the portal. You can also email the office or contact the office directly during business hours. An email blast will be going out soon with all the new email addresses for the staff members. Roe Hall's new email address is roe.hall@fsresidential.com and my email address is kelly.peters@fsresidential.com.

We utilize structured work order and tracking systems to log, assign, and monitor each request. This ensures accountability, proper prioritization, and follow-through. Every request is tracked from submission through completion, with oversight to confirm that issues are resolved properly. Once updates are available for each work order, you will get an email stating that the status of your work order has changed. The Board will receive monthly work order status reports and can check status of any issues through Connect, in between the monthly reports as needed.

JO: HLCC members value timely communication. What response standards do you aim to meet for member questions or concerns? How will you keep members informed about ongoing projects or community updates that affect daily life?

KP: Timely communication is a priority. The general standards are:

- Acknowledgment of inquiries within 24 hours (business days)
- Resolution or status updates within 48–72 hours, depending on the complexity of the issue

To keep members informed, we will utilize multiple communication channels, including email updates to all members registered on the portal, posted notices, and website/portal updates. I provide weekly management reports to the Board and summarize them in the monthly Board Workshop, which also provides transparency into ongoing projects and initiatives.

JO: Looking ahead, what would success look like one year from now?

KP: Success after one year would include:

- Improved communication and member satisfaction
- A more efficient and responsive operations team
- Well-maintained amenities and infrastructure
- Strong vendor relationships and cost controls
- Clear processes and accountability across all departments.

Most importantly, success means that residents feel confident in the direction of the community and see tangible improvements in both operations and overall quality of life.

Upcoming Meetings

- Boat Dock – No meeting scheduled at this time
- Buildings and Grounds – Tuesday, June 2 at 7 pm
- Communications Committee – Saturday, August 8 at 10 am
- Ecology Committee/CCHL – Tuesday, May 26 at 6:30 pm
- Fish Committee – Thursday, June 18 at 7 pm
- Road Committee – Thursday, June 4 at 7 pm.
- Rules/By-Laws Committee – No meeting scheduled at this time
- Voting Board Workshop – Wednesday, June 10 at 7:30 pm
- Voting Board Regular Meeting – Friday, June 19 at 8:00 pm

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

About Changes in your Recorded Deed

In planning changes to your ownership of property that would be reflected in the recorded Deed, contacting the Club Office before you do so for guidance is advisable and will eliminate any misunderstandings.

The Club's By-Laws, in part, define Active Members as those who own property in Highland Lakes. When persons take title to property in Highland Lakes when they do not own other Highland Lakes property at that time, even when they join in the ownership of property with someone who currently owns property in Highland Lakes, they automatically become an active member and are required to pay the Initiation Fee. If you are considering adding anyone to your Deed, a wife, parent, child, friend, etc., please be aware of these By-Law requirements.

Sometimes members form a living or family trust as part of their estate planning. However, even this type of trust is a different, and therefore new, owner of property, and the payment of the Initiation Fee is required.

2026 Badges and Stickers

The 2026 badges and stickers are now available for pickup for members that have either paid in full or are on time with monthly payments. We have additional evening hours for your convenience. We are now open Tuesday and Thursday nights from 6 to 8 pm until June 25.



Beach Locations

- Beach 1 - Breakneck Road
- Beach 2 - 2240 Lakeside Drive West
- Beach 3 - Lakeside Drive East
- Beach 4 - Lakeside Drive East
- Beach 5 - East Lakeshore Drive
- Beach 6 - West Lakeside Drive
- Beach 7 - Upper Highland Lakes Drive

Holiday Hours of Operation

The office will be open over the Memorial Day Holiday Weekend on Saturday – Monday, May 23 – 25 from 9 am to 3 pm. Please make sure to bring copies of vehicle registrations to the Club Office in the event you need to make a change to your parking permit information.

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MAY

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Family CAMPOUT

MAY 22
6:00 PM
CLUBHOUSE

Kick off the warmer months with our annual community campout! Set up your tent, gather 'round the fire pit and enjoy a relaxing evening under the stars. Bring your favorite camping chair, your sense of adventure and get ready to make memories that'll last all summer long!

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MEMBERS & THEIR GUESTS
BADGES REQUIRED

Recreation Recap

MELISSA HARDIN, RECREATION MANAGER

May was buzzing with sunshine, smiles, and strong community vibes! We celebrated Mother's Day by making spring lanterns and welcomed spring with our Spring BBQ.

Memorial Day weekend is always a patriotic delight with our weekend kicking off with a Community Campout on Friday, Comedy Night on Saturday and Memorial Day Breakfast on Sunday.

Here's a sneak peek at what's coming up in June.

Save the Dates:

- June 19 @ 6 pm – Beach 2— Father's Day Campfire & S'mores! Join us for a cozy evening by the fire with friends and family

- June 27 @ 6 pm— Kickoff to Summer: Summer Luau
There will be a pig roast, BBQ, DJ and fun. Don't forget your badges and chairs. Cost: \$10 adults, \$8 children
Registration: We Need Your RSVP!

We can't wait to see you at these events and kick off a fantastic summer together.

Summer is HAPPENING!

Don't forget to sign up for our summer activities on our website at hlcc.org.

We have athletics, community events, swim team, swim lessons, sailing for all ages, Clubhouse activities and more. Keep a look out for our upcoming advertisements. There is a lot happening this summer.

Athletics and Swim Lesson registration deadline is June 15. Register today.



Beach 3 Children's Garden Club

NANCY GRIMALDI

Some of you might remember way back in the 70's, my grandmother, Ruth Henninger, started a Children's Garden Club at Beach 3. She asked for help with watering and/or weeding and left a watering can at the garden. At the end of the summer, to say thank you, she invited all the children who helped to enjoy an ice cream party at the beach!

This summer, I am asking for children of all ages to once again be garden helpers to bring back my grandmother's tradition. Starting May 28, I will be at the Beach 3 garden on Thursdays from 2:30 - 5 pm, and children can come anytime to help out. I will have some garden tools, but will need extras. If you can, please bring your own small hand-held tools, such as a shovel, weeder, or rake, and especially, a bucket.

I will need our helpers to sign the Volunteer Children's Garden Club sign-up sheet, so I can have a list of names and phone numbers, and also to know how much ice cream to buy for the end-of-the-summer party. Also, we will have a few special meetings to learn how to care for our plants, and hopefully guest speakers from our wonderful Ecology Committee. The sign-up sheet will be with me every Thursday.

If you have any questions, my cell # is 973-862-0102. Please come join our Children's Garden Club and help take care of our Beach 3 garden, also known as "Ruth's Garden". We have much to do to keep it looking beautiful. Thank you in advance to all who volunteer to be a member of our wonderful Children's Garden Club.

Reminder
Primary Election Day
Tuesday, June 2
Polls are open
from 6 am to 8 pm

HIGHLAND LAKES COUNTRY CLUB AND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
 IS PROUD TO HOST THIS SUMMER
ARCHAEOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVE
 Led by GEOFF PURCELL Presented by dothedig.com

LEARN ABOUT ANCIENT CULTURES
 THEMED SITES
 KIDS EXCAVATE ARTIFACTS
 EXPERIENCE HISTORY IN A FUN, IMMERSIVE WAY

SIGN UP DETAILS

- ONLY ACCEPTING 16 KIDS PER CAMP WEEK!
- AGES 9-14: Full Day \$300 per camper
- AGES 5-8: Half Day \$200 per camper
- \$50 DEPOSIT REQUIRED per camper
- SIGNING UP IS A MUST AT hlcc.org

CAMP WEEKS

WEEK 1: JULY 6-10
 8 SPACES AVAILABLE

WEEK 2: JULY 13-17
 CLOSED REGISTRATION
 WEEK IS FULL

REGISTRATION ENDS MAY 29

Adult Ceramics

BELINDA NORTON

Would you like to create something special like the piece shown below? Join us on Monday evenings at the Clubhouse from 7 - 9 pm and enjoy some comraderie painting ceramics. Paint is provided. Stain your pieces with acrylic paint or paint designs to be fired. Ceramic pieces are available for a nominal charge. Hope to see you there.



HLCC 90TH ANNIVERSARY
ADULT SEMI-FORMAL DINNER DANCE

LIVE MUSIC:
 REEDS, RHYTHM &
 A LL THAT BRASS ORCHESTRA

DATE & TIME
 JULY 26TH | 6:30 PM
 Tables of 10

MENU
 Dinner Buffet and Dessert
 Fine Dining
 COFFEE, TEA, ICE **BYOB**

TICKET INFORMATION

\$65 pp if paid by June 1.
 \$ 75 pp if paid by July 5.
 Ticket forms available at the Activity Center & Club Office.



Some of our volunteers who helped out at the Spring BBQ. Photo courtesy of Melissa Hardin

Playgroup's Last Day

Last day for the Playgroup 5 and Under Gang is Tuesday, June 23 until school resumes in September. Have a great summer!

BLOOD DRIVE

MAY 29
12-5 PM
CLUBHOUSE

Call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: Highland Lakes to schedule an appointment.

<https://hlcc.org/event-reg>

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 BADGES REQUIRED

2026 Highland Lakes Swim Team

SHERIF FAHMY, PRESIDENT, SWIM TEAM PARENT BOARD

Happy Summer everyone! Who is ready for another exciting and fun season for the Highland Lakes Swim Team? We had over 150 registered athletes on last year's team and can't wait to welcome back everyone and see lots of new swimmers down at the lanes.

Registration is now open for the upcoming 2026 Swim Team season. Please sign up using the online registration form that can be found on our SwimTopia website ([https://hlcc.swimtopia.com/register/101943/sign_in\[SF1.1\]](https://hlcc.swimtopia.com/register/101943/sign_in[SF1.1])). You must complete a registration form even if you were on the team last summer. Note - for new team parents, as part of registration, you will need to create a SwimTopia username and password for future logins.

To find out more about the HL Swim Team, please join the Swim Team Parent Board in the Lake Room on Sunday, June 14, at 9 am for our pre-season Parents Meeting. Coffee, juice, and bagels will be served at the Clubhouse.

2026 Swim Team Parent Board

Officer	Name
President	Sherif Fahmy
First Vice President	Vacant
Second Vice President	Marissa Vradenburg
Treasurer	Heidi Howes
Secretary	Caitlyn Kutzman
Chair of Officials	Jeanette Emmerich
Chair of Scoring	Barry Brantner
Chair of Timers	Phylissa Meehan
Chairs of Concessions	Bryan and Christine Fleming and Nicole Puccio
Chair of Facilities	Dennis Dalelio

2026 Swim Team Summer Practice Schedule

- 9 – 10 am: ages 13+
 - 10 – 11 am: ages 9-12
 - 11 – 11:45 am: ages 8 and under (8&U)
 - 11:30 am – noon: ages 6 and under (6&U)
- Practice will begin on Monday, June 29 and continue Monday - Friday through early-August.

2026 Swim Team Dual Meets

- July 1 – Pacakanack at Highland Lakes
- July 8 – Highland Lakes at Pequannock
- July 15 – Highland Lakes at Lake Mohawk
- July 22 - Fayson Lakes at Highland Lakes
- July 29 – Highland Lakes at Erskine Lakes
- August 5 – Green Pond at Highland Lakes
- August 8 – A Championships @ Pequannock

Invitationals and other team events - https://hlcc.swimtopia.com/swim_meets

REGISTRATION SWIM TEAM

Scan the QR code to register your child for 2026 Swim Team

Or visit <https://hlcc.swimtopia.com>

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Wanted – Used Boats

NANCY EISENBERG, GCOF CHAIR

Good Condition

The Goodwill Community Outreach Fund (GCOF) is seeking donations for its Annual Boat Auction. The Auction will be held online June 11-14.

Over the years families have enjoyed boating on the lake and now through your donation others will have the opportunity. All watercraft is accepted: row boats, canoes, sailboats and kayaks. We ask that they are watertight and float!

To donate: GCOF.org or email gcof@gcof.org

Proceeds of the Auction are to benefit GCOF Emergency and Outreach programs. All gifts are tax deductible.

Casino Bus Trip

CAROL HASTIE, WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

Wind Creek Casino

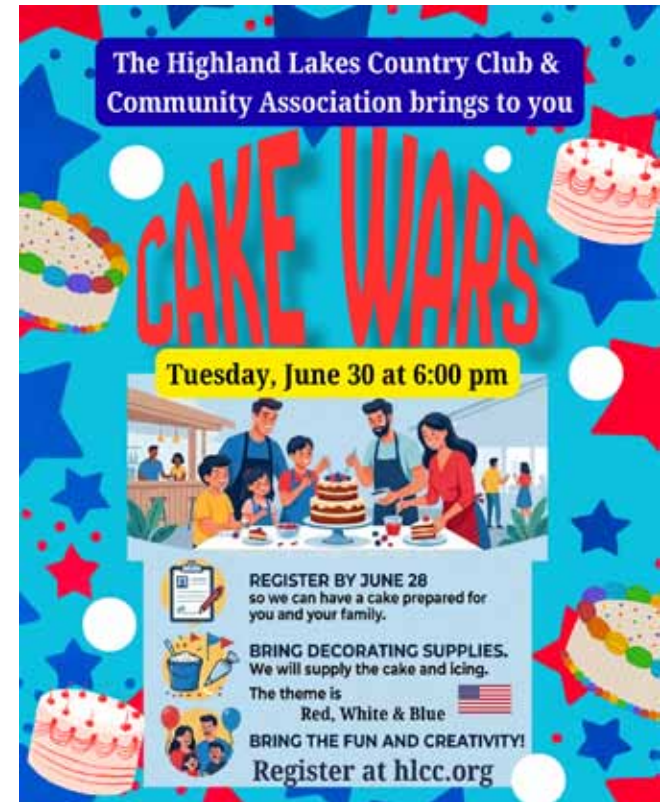
The Highland Lakes Women's Auxiliary will be hosting a bus trip to Wind Creek Casino again this summer. The date is Thursday, July 23. The cost will be \$45.00 per person and you will receive \$25 in slot play. You will have 5 hours of casino time.

The bus leaves the Acme parking lot at 8:15 am and will return approximately 5 pm. This is open to all Highland Lakes members and their guests. Contact Doreen Cordes or Carol Hastie to sign up for a fun-filled day.



Next Newsette: July 4, 2026

Newsette articles should be submitted on the Friday before the week of publication at noon. Under no circumstances will submissions be accepted after noon on Monday of the week of publication. Typed submissions must be emailed to the Club Office at info@hlcc.org. Sorry – we can only print photographs submitted as .jpg files with a minimum of 150 dpi. Thank you.



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Take advantage of Fredericks Fuels' Monthly Budget Payment Plan

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Ridge & Valley

Licensed Real Estate Brokerage



Carly Ebers

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May Voting Board Meeting

JANICE O'NEILL, COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

A summary of the May Voting Board Workshop follows. These are not the official minutes. All official minutes of our meetings can be found in the documents section of the membership portal once they have been approved by the Voting Board and posted to the portal.

Voting Board Workshop May 6, 2026

There was discussion about the traffic studies that were completed for Coon Den Road and Glen Wild Way. Based on the number of cars and the speed with which they are traveling on those roads, it was concluded that no additional speed bumps are needed. General Manager Kelly Peters reported that she will complete the financial analysis on the purchase of a dump truck shortly. The weed harvester has been in use but not at full capacity due to maintenance staff resignations and weather. All 5 lakes and the lagoon have been treated with Sonar chemical herbicide. It will take a few weeks for the weeds to die and sink to the bottom of the lakes. A beaver has been active on Island Road by the second bridge, and on Island Drive. It was noted that beavers destroy trees. Skylar, our lake consultant, is contacting the NJ DEP to remove the beavers.

Kelly updated the Board on various items, the first one being how members could best stay informed of Club happenings. She encouraged members to register for Connect so that they will receive email updates from

the Club and said that she will be sending a mailing to members with instructions on how to register for Connect. Clubhouse bulletin boards will also contain announcements. Kelly described various activities underway to prepare for the summer season including swim lanes installation, dock installations, street sweeping and repair, nets and windscreens installed at tennis courts, packed gravel at Beach 5 for the harvester, septic work, and other items.

On behalf of the By-Laws Committee Ellen Buchney presented two recommended revisions to the By-Laws, to be voted on at the next voting board meeting. If approved, they will be put to a vote by the membership at the Annual Meeting on August 16. Notices will be sent in advance informing members of the changes and the opportunity to vote.

The Voting Board Meeting that was scheduled to take place on May 15, had to be cancelled due to lack of a quorum. A new meeting date has not been announced.

ACTIVITIES

- Athletics hlcc.org/activities
- Sailing hlcc.org/sailing
- Swim Lessons hlcc.org/swimlessons
- Swim Team hlcc.swimtopia.com

REGISTRATION
Due June 15th

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MEMORIAL DAY

FAMILY TENNIS

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Beach 1 Tennis Courts

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MEMBERS & THEIR GUESTS
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Flute CONCERT
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MAY 31
4 PM - 6 PM
HLCC CLUBHOUSE
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Mardee Reed-Ulmer and fellow flutist Susan Graham will perform beautiful selections spanning centuries and genres in support of the Goodwill Community Outreach Fund. A reception will follow the performance.

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KATHI TAYLOR

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- Mondays and Wednesdays: 6:00-8:00
- Fridays: 10:00-12:00

We play at the courts on Glen Wild Way. Wear sneakers and your badge. Open to players of all abilities ages 16+. If you are new and need equipment, we have paddles available to borrow. Come join us! Questions? 973-513-5472.



Flute Concert

NANCY EISENBERG, GCOF CHAIR

The GCOF is presenting a Flute Concert Sunday, May 31 at 4 pm in the Lake Room. Our own Mardi Ulmer and her fellow musician, Susan Graham will perform a variety of selections from classical to more modern offerings.

Immediately following the performance, a reception will be held. A donation of \$15 is suggested.

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OPEN MIC NIGHT

Saturday, June 20 @ 7:00 pm
Highland Lakes Clubhouse

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Introducing Sunday Afternoon Family Tennis

MELISSA HARDIN, RECREATION COORDINATOR

Beach 1 Tennis Courts

We're excited to launch a new weekly activity at the Beach 1 tennis courts!

Join us every Sunday from 3 –5 pm starting May 24 for a relaxed, family-friendly tennis gathering. No equipment or prior experience is necessary—all ages and skill levels are welcome.

Whether you're looking to introduce your kids to tennis, or you used to play and want to get back into it, this is a no pressure, fun environment to jump in and enjoy the game.

The sessions will be hosted by volunteer Susie Kurkowski, whose enthusiasm for tennis is high (even if she insists her skills are "middling at best").

"We already have a Saturday morning program for more experienced players, but I wanted to create something casual and family-oriented—where people can just hit for fun, play with their kids, and enjoy the game without the pressure of competition."

Rackets and balls will be provided—just bring sneakers, wear your badge and be ready to have some fun!

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JULY

Online Meeting
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www.sussexrec.com/fair**

Save the Date

CAROL HASTIE

Massimo Warriors Golf Outing

We had a rough start this year and had to regroup, but we are back on track. Team Massimo Warriors will be hosting the 7th Annual Benefit Golf Outing and Basket Raffle on Thursday, September 3, at Farmstead Golf and Country Club. There will be a 1:30 shotgun start for golf. Registration of \$150 per golfer can be done at charitygolftoday.com/teammassimo2025 or contact Carol Hastie at 973-670-0538. For those who would like to attend the dinner and Basket Raffle, the cost is \$50. Registration can be done the same as the golfers, either on charity golf or through Carol Hastie. The dinner usually begins around 6 pm.

We are also looking for sponsors, donations and baskets to help raise funds for the various ways TMW has helped the community. If you are able to help in any way, it would be greatly appreciated. Over the years we have helped families with children facing serious medical conditions and assist with Massimo's upcoming out-of-state surgeries. Team Massimo Warriors has made a positive impact in the community by supporting several families with children battling cancer, donated needed items to Sam's NICU at Morristown Medical Center, contributed to the Osteogenesis Imperfecta Foundation, and awarded JoAnne B. Poppe "Roots and Wings" scholarships to a senior at Kittatinny Regional High School, and a senior at Vernon Township High School. This year we will add Pope John XXIII to the list.

Massimo's Story

Massimo was born at 23 weeks and developed an infection in his right leg, leading to self-amputation of his toes and affecting the growth plates. Massimo spent 4.5 months in the NICU. His parents were overwhelmed by the outpouring of support from so many people, including people they did not know. They founded Team Massimo Warriors Foundation as a way to "pay it forward" to other families in need. Over the past 14 years, he has traveled to Philadelphia, St. Louis, and West Palm Beach for multiple procedures on his leg, hip and foot, including four limb lengthening surgeries. During recovery, he and his family stay at Quantum House in West Palm Beach for three months, where he undergoes daily physical therapy and frequent doctor visits.



Water Aerobics

PAULA SCHRINER AND GAIL MORTON

Water aerobics is proud to continue this summer for our 21st year! We meet M-W-F, from 9-10 am at Beach 1 beginning Monday, 6/29 through Labor Day, 9/7. Bring your noodle, a towel, sunscreen, and, of course, your badge. Although no experience is required, participants need to be comfortable in deep water. If you have any questions, please contact Gail Morton 201-841-2582 or Paula Schriener 201-232-3190. Hope to see you in the water!

Help Keep Our Beaches Private

URSULA FAHMY, BADGE CHECKING CHAIR

Join the Summer Badge Checking Team

We need your help this summer, We are looking for dependable badge checkers to join our team.

By ensuring only members and authorized guests access our facilities, you play a vital role in keeping our community beaches safe, private, and enjoyable for everyone. To find out more information please contact badgechecker@hlcc.org.



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Families creating their Mother's Day lanterns. Photo courtesy of Melissa Hardin



WEEKLY SCHEDULE

JOIN US FOR FUN ACTIVITIES!
(Clubhouse & Beach)

MONDAYS

CERAMICS

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Clubhouse

TUESDAYS

**KIDS' PAVILION
ACTIVITY**

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Beach 1 Pavilion

WEDNESDAYS

**CLUBHOUSE BINGO
& CRAFT with LAUREN**

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Clubhouse

THURSDAYS

**KIDS' PAVILION
ACTIVITY**

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Beach 1 Pavilion

MONDAY – THURSDAY EVENINGS

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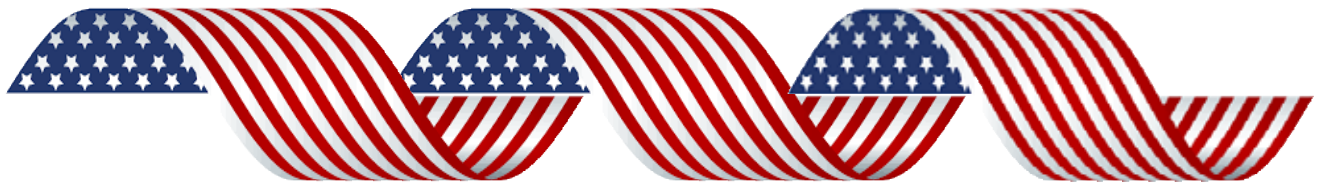
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2026 HLCC Sailing Fleet Schedule

MARK BURUCHIAN, HL SAILING COORDINATOR

Below are the 2026 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 sail 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
- July 5, 12, 19, 26 / August 2, 9, 16, 30 / Sept. 6

Sunfish Races – Sundays at 2:30 pm

- Mladen Kresic: 203-918-1102
- Note: July 4th Regatta – 2 races July 3 at 2:30 pm
- July 5, 12, 19, 26 / August 2, 9, 16, 30 / Sept. 6

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

- Erika Rodger: 201-961-3092; Kevin Murphy: 973-222-8243; and, Justin Murphy: 862-266-0165
- July 8, 15, 22, 29 / August 5

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

- Sue Buruchian: 973-271-0227
- July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 / August 6, 13, 20, 27 / Sept. 3

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

- Erika Rodger: 201-961-3092; Kevin Murphy: 973-222-8243; and, Justin Murphy: 862-266-0165
- July 10, 17, 24, 31 / August 7

Force 5 Races – Saturdays at 10:00 am

- Erika Rodger: 201-961-3092
- July 4, 11, 18, 25 / August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Hobie Races – Saturdays at 1:00 pm

- Chris Conti: 914-384-9393 and Chip Ehrhardt: 973-222-6755
- July 4, 11, 18, 25 / August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

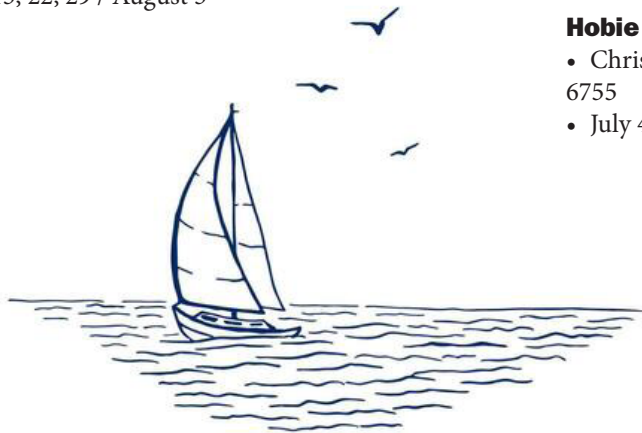
Windsurfer Races – Saturdays at 3:00 pm

- Kevin Gaston: 845-893-2923
- July 4, 11, 18, 25 / August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

All Boat Regatta – Sept. 5th

Sailors' Picnic – Sept. 6th @ 5:00 pm (safety boat lifeguards are welcome to attend)

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