



Black Pointer

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Manager's Corner

Hello Black Pointers!

Summer is in full swing and it's great to see everyone enjoying the summer beach weather. The Men's & Women's Club have a full slate of activities and events planned so it's sure to be a very busy and exciting summer!

The 4th of July parade and picnic are upon us, so start making your floats. As usual, we need all the volunteers we can muster for the picnic. The parade will start from the Clubhouse at 11am sharp. If you are participating in the parade, you should start assembling at the Clubhouse by about 10:30am. For those kids riding their bikes in the parade, they can jump in at the bottom of Billow Road as the parade goes by.

Our recent Golf Cart Registration Day was a great success. We partnered with East Lyme PD and there are now over one hundred registered golf carts in Black Point. With this proliferation of golf carts, parking has once again become a premium. Please consider parking along the greenway at Nehantic Parking lot, or better yet, our golf cart only parking at the Whitecap right-of-way. Also, take a moment to consider that golf carts attract children's attention and parents can sometimes consider them safe due to their slow speed and allow the children to drive them, please don't! Safety in golf carts is crucial and often overlooked.

Reminder, there's always "Drop-in Ladies Tennis" on Tuesdays & Thursday at 9:30am on the Clay courts. And you still have time to train for the Black Point Road Race on Saturday, August 5th. The kids aren't slowing down, so come out and play.

As usual, you can find me at the Beach, or just out and about. I can be reached on my phone immediately at (860) 460-7641 between the hours of 8am and 6pm. You may also email me at: BPBCManager@gmail.com. Be well and let's take care of one another.

See you on the beach,
Jim Moffett, Association Manager



Fourth of July Parade & Picnic

The Black Point Beach 4th of July Parade and Picnic is scheduled for **Tuesday, July 4th** with a rain date the next day. The Parade will start from the Clubhouse at 11am sharp. The annual picnic will begin immediately following the parade. Please bring a side dish that is enough to feed the number of people you are bringing (i.e. if there are 8 people in your party, bring 8 servings to share).

If your last name starts with **A-K**, bring a **dessert**, if your last name starts with **L-Z**, bring a **side dish**. Hot dogs, hamburgers, veggie burgers and water will be served.



BLACK POINT MERCHANDISE FOR SALE!



The Black Point Women's Club will be selling Black Point Beach merchandise this summer, featuring the pictured logo, designed by our own Carolyn Boyle! Some of the items available are sweatshirts, tee shirts, hats, visors, insulated cups, and some other goodies! Items can be ordered through the following website: <https://blackpointbeach2023.itemorder.com/>.

Orders can be placed starting **June 27th and ending July 23rd at 11:59 pm**. Sorry, but no orders can be taken after the closing date of July 23rd. Orders can be picked up at the Clubhouse approximately two weeks after the deadline. An exact date will be emailed and posted in the BlackPointer when the orders are ready for pickup. **If you have any questions or need further information, please email Diane Zukowski at dianezuk@sbcglobal.net.** The Black Point Market will also be selling their own tee shirts with the logo of Black Point Market. We are looking forward to a fun-filled summer on Black Point! Thank you for your support!

SETBACK/PITCH TOURNAMENT



June 30, 6:30 Clubhouse
\$25 entry per team

CASH PRIZES
and prestige!



FREE ADULT BEVERAGES, IF YOU BRING THEM

SNACKS FOR PURCHASE BY CHEF MASTRIA

If you are a definite tell....sguzy666@gmail.com or text 860-798-7046

So we can save you a spot!

Another fine event by the BP Mens Club

LADIES TENNIS



LADIES - COME JOIN US FOR TENNIS AT THE CLAY COURTS EVERY TUESDAY & THURSDAY FROM 9:30 to 11:30 AM.

Black Point Men's Club



Black Point Mens' Club Update June 25 2023

Wow! What a start to the summer season here at BPBCA! All hands on deck because there are even more things to come! Forget the weather! We can make it happen!

Previous Events

Summer Solstice/NBYC Sailboat Racing - Wednesday 21Jun23

Hearty souls made it to Main Beach to welcome the first day of summer and watch sailboats race in some difficult non summer like conditions. The tough BP crowd overcame all to have fun with their neighbors!



Bocce - Friday 23Jun23

Thanks to Ed Zito, the final Bocce warm-up was held on Friday, 23Jun23 to sharpen already razor-like skills. Later that day Team Selections took place for 48 players and multiple substitutes. The season starts Friday 30Jun23. All are



welcomed to watch and cheer on their favorite teams! Our Commissioner Sherri Weiss and Coordinator JoAnne DiResta deserve a lot of accolades for their season-long efforts that are now in full swing!

BP Mens' Club Membership Meeting - Saturday 24Jun23

We are excited to say that almost 50 men signed-up already for this year's BP Mens' Club. We are approaching the halfway mark of our membership goal. There are a plethora of activities that you can be aware of by joining us. Just do it!

Upcoming Activities

Setback Tournament - Friday 30Jun23 - 6:30 Clubhouse

Cash Prizes. \$25 per team. Snacks for purchase from Chef Mastria. Bring your own beverages. Tom Hayes, last year's winner, says come if you wish but he's winning again!

Contact: squzy666@gmail.com or text 860-798-7046

4th of July BP Mens' Club 48th Annual Kazoo Band Needs You!

If you can walk and breathe, you are in. Contact Ed Zito egzito@aol.com for more details!

The BP Mens' Club also does a lot of cooking for the BOG annual 4th of July Picnic. Please volunteer whatever you can to help us make this community event even better!

Other Events

Join us for other exciting events!

Build Community, Have Fun, Enjoy Black Point!

Rick Diachenko

Instagram: black_point_men's_club

Yoga



Yoga begins at 7:00a.m. at the Clubhouse on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. \$5.00 per class. We are happy to have our knowledgeable yoga instructor Heather Perinis back to teach yoga this summer. Beginners are always welcome! Hope to see you there and don't forget to bring your Yoga mat and water.

Sponsored by the Woman's Club

Women's Club News

HELLO FROM THE BLACK POINT WOMEN'S CLUB!

Our first Women's Club meeting is on July 11, 2023. If you are new to the neighborhood, please join us! The Women's Club meets every Tuesday evening at the Clubhouse at 7:00 pm from July 11th until August 15th, and our Annual Banquet will be August 22nd. Women's Club membership is for homeowners and renters in the Black Point Beach Club neighborhood. Membership cost is \$40.00 for the summer. If a member would like to bring a guest there is a \$10.00 fee per meeting. If you have any questions, email bpwomensclub@gmail.com or contact **BPWC President Evelyn Frolich at 860-989-6319.**



BLACK POINT WOMEN'S CLUB MEETING DATES

(Meetings start at 7:00pm)

Tuesday, July 11: Women's Club: Welcome Meeting & "Icebreaker Bingo". If you don't know what that is, come and find out!

Tuesday, July 18 : Women's Club: Bunco

Tuesday, July 25: Tracy Ann, Psychic Medium

Tuesday, August 1: Women's Club Annual Business Meeting & Trivia Nigh

Tuesday, August 8: Craft Night: Stenciling Picture Frames

Tuesday, Aug. 15: Women's Club Fashion Show, Lark boutique

BP Community Family Event

(Sponsored by the Woman's Club)

Project Oceanology

(1:00-3:30pm)

Monday, July 3rd



The Black Point Women's Club is excited to bring Project Oceanology to the Clubhouse on July 3rd with their program, Critter Bins. Sign up your children, grandchildren, nieces, and nephews visiting for the holiday for either the 1:00 or 2:15 p.m. sessions. There is no fee to attend, however we request an adult accompany the children. While reservations are not required, we recommend them as it will permit us to set up for an appropriate number of attendees. See the following link for sign ups.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084CAA92AA3FCC52-project>

BLACK POINT GOLF OUTING

When: Monday, July 10, 2023

Where: Great Neck Country Club

Time: 12:00 Shot Gun start - Reception / Raffle / Awards to follow

Golf: \$150.00 per person - Deadline to sign up with payment July 5th.

Reception only: \$35.00 per person

All proceeds to benefit the Cahill Black Point Education Fund Scholarship

Make Checks Payable to: BPBA Men's Club (tax ID# available)

To Register, Deliver Payment or Questions Contact:

Tom Meggers 860-559-7978 or

thomasmeggers3@gmail.com

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Cahill Black Point Education Fund Awards for 2023

The Community Foundation of Southeastern Connecticut (CFECT) and the Advisory Committee of the Fund are pleased to announce the winners of the Cahill Black Point Education Fund winners for this year:



In First Place:

Margaret Jinks, who is the grandchild of Christine and Denis Shannon, and who plans to attend College of the Holy Cross;

And a three-way tie for Second Place:

Sarah Strzegowski, granddaughter of Joseph Strzegowski, who plans to attend Roger Williams University,

Nathan Lyster, son of Stacey Lyster, who plans to attend either Springfield College or UCONN at Avery Point.

Erin Brush, granddaughter of Stephen Fogarty, who is a current student at Western New England University pursuing her JD.

Congratulations to the winners, and we hope to see many of you applying next year.

And a special thank you to our readers for this year: Sherri Weiss, Lil Diachenko, Mary Ellen Connors, Leslie Doherty and Wendy Honiss Bourget for their hard work and dedication to Black Point. We hope to have many more readers for next year and this is a real tribute to Black Point.

Look for the application openings sometime in early 2024!

THE BPBCA 2023 "WRECKING CREW" IS RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS

The Black Point Beach Club Association (BPBCA) Wrecking Crew (WC) is a loosely formed voluntary work group, operating under the auspices of Board of Governors (BOG) who volunteer their time to assist in various projects to maintain, improve and beautify our Association in a cost saving manner.

The Wrecking Crew consists of members and friends of the BPBCA who volunteer their time and efforts on a case-by-case basis to complete various projects. Having a large pool of volunteers is a necessity as frequently we have very short notice on some of our projects and having a strong bench of volunteers has saved the day on more than one occasion. Another great strength of the Wrecking Crew has been the wide range of knowledge and experience that individual volunteers have brought to the table on some of the projects we have undertaken.

Anyone interested in becoming a Wrecking Crew volunteer please send an email or text to the Wrecking Crew Secretary, Jim Allen at jim0752@comcast.net (860) 573 8490, and you will be added to our register of volunteers.

The standard Wrecking Crew protocol involves a need being identified and a determination made if the scope of work involved falls within the capabilities of the Wrecking Crew. An email message is then sent out to Wrecking Crew Volunteers with skills to perform the task at hand.

There are no minimum number of hours of work or responses required to belong – just neighbors and friends working together to maintain, improve and beautify our Association.

Examples of Wrecking Crew projects this past two years have included:

Assembling and installing the Gaga ball pit at the Clubhouse Building, securing, and repairing, when necessary, the BPBCA Kayak racks

Moving Kayaks and small watercraft from harm's way when storms pop up

Maintaining & Repairing the BPBCA boat launch, docks, and ramps

Preparing proposals and obtaining permits to mark the rocks off the boat launch Maintaining & Repairing the BPBCA swim area markers and floats.

Assembling and installing equipment and benches at the Clubhouse

Fall leaf removal at the clubhouse, pickle ball, tennis, and bocce ball courts.

Devising specs, obtaining permits & installing the White Cap parking lot storage building.

Assembling and installing the beach access equipment for wheelchairs

Cleaning and maintaining the Billow Road storage area.

Bill Dewey & Jim Allen

*The Wrecking Crew takes its name from an anonymous collection of Los Angeles based session musicians during the 60's and 70's who were responsible for several hundred top 40 hits. **These anonymous musicians worked invisibly behind the scenes to achieve greatness.***

Black Point Road Race



The Black Point Road Race takes place on **Saturday, August 5th** at the bottom of Seacrest Ave. The children's run for ages 7 and under begins at 9:30am followed by a 1/2 mile run for ages 7-12.

The 5K race will start promptly at 10:00 AM. Trophies will be awarded to first place winners in each age group. Tee-shirts available for sale. All proceeds benefit the BP Men's Club.

FITNESS CLASSES

Jill Coscarelli will offer fitness classes again this summer beginning **Thursday July 6th**. Thursday classes will be held at the Club House at 7:30am. Monday classes will be held outside at 4 Blue Heron Ct. at 8:00am. Bring hand held weights and water and a donation for the Blk. Pt. recreation program and the local Food Pantry. ALL fitness levels are welcome!

From the Editor

Summer is officially underway!

The Black Pointer will be delivered each week at your house on Friday. The extra copies will be located at the Black Point Market if you didn't get one!!

In years past we have had consistent kids to deliver specific routes but for this year I have gained motivated younger delivery kids. In time they will get the routine down but in time please be respectful to them and understand this transition as they work very hard on a hot summer day to hand deliver 100 pointers to each home. If you have any issues with delivery or concerns, please email or call me directly.

Ideas, announcements or suggestions will be welcome to add to our weekly newsletter. Black Point rules require only members can place classifieds and help wanted ads, but cannot include business advertisements. Some ads or events are subject to the Board of Governor's approval.

All information to be added to the weekly pointer needs to be emailed by no later than Saturday of each week.

Please contact me at my email address

blackpointnews@yahoo.com or feel free to call me at (860) 235-3149. If you would like to add an item for sale or a help wanted blurb it is \$1.00 per issue. Please drop off fee to my address at 35 Sea Crest Ave in small blue mailbox labeled with a BP sticker on the white archway in driveway.

Thank you and look forward to sharing fun news with you this summer! ~ Suzanne Smith, **Editor** ~



Reminder of a Few General BP Rules

- "Parking tags are still required on cars and golf carts.
- **Kayaks** must have a BP registration sticker to use any kayak rack. They can be gotten at no cost from Will Fountain email, mrwill34@gmail.com or text 203-815-6757. If not on the racks, registered kayaks on the beach can be identified in case of emergency. There are now two racks on the Sea Spray ROW. **Please do not trespass on neighboring property or seawalls when launching your kayak from the ROW.**

(For more association rules and regulations visit the webpage www.blackpointbeachclub.com)

For More Information go to:

www.blackpointbeachclub.com



**Or Like us on our Facebook page:
[Black Point Beach Club](#)**

CLASSIFIEDS -



FOR SALE: Lifetime 44" impact adjustable portable basketball hoop. Used one summer. \$50. Call 413-246-2467

FOR SALE: 42" diameter portable fit pit. \$20. Call 413-246-2467

FREE: Two bathroom vanity tops only. 22"x 42", corian with under mount sinks. Call 413-246-2467

FREE: Brown leather theater-style sofa. Separates in half for easy transport. Call 860 (271-1028)



Home Watch Services:

Black Point and Old Black Point off-season home watch services to offer. Call Pete McConaughy @ 860-993-7061.



Important Phone Numbers

Association Manager.....860-460-7641,
(between 8:00AM and 6:00PM)
Emergency- Fire, Ambulance, Police 911
Police- routine matters..... 860-739-5900
Poison Control..... 1-800-343-2722
Northeast Medical Walk-in Center..... 860-739-5426
Tick Information..... 1-800-789-7241
Black Point Market.....860-451-8028
Hours: **Mon-Thurs 7:00-5:00pm, Friday & Sat. 7:00-8:00pm, Sunday 7:00-5:00pm**



Beach News: Water Temp 66°. A bit chilly this week due to the rain!