



# Black Pointer

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## Manager's Corner

Hello Black Pointers!

I hope everyone is having a great summer. I know the weather has been a little, "Meh," we still have lots of fun events still to come. I hope to see you all at the Club Fair on July 28th, Comedy Night on July 29th and, of course, the BP Golf Outing on August 3rd. Please come out and support these great events. This is the time of summer when jellyfish are very common in the sound, fortunately for us we haven't seen them yet. Sometimes they show up with the tides, often at night, be safe and careful, they're coming. The daily population on our beaches has continued to increase as our glorious New England summer weather peaks through. I am happy to report that outside of a few incidents of kayak and paddle boards operating inside the swim buoys, there have been no major issues. On street parking continues to be a bit of a problem. Please remember on street parking is Not Allowed on any of our roads. Because our roads are so narrow, this type of parking creates a safety hazard. The Whitecap Parking Lot has ample space for overflow parking needs.

If you left anything behind at the beach, please check first at our "Beach Lost & Found" bin adjacent to our shed at the Whitecap Parking lot. I can be reached by phone at (860) 460-7641 between the hours of 8am and 6pm. You may also email me at

[BPBCManager@gmail.com](mailto:BPBCManager@gmail.com). Have fun, stay safe!

See you on the beach!

Jim, Association Manager BPBC

## Black Point Road Race

The Black Point Road Race takes place on **Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup>** 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.

Walkers are welcome.

The 5K race will start promptly at 10:00 AM.

Trophies will be awarded to first place winners in each age group. **We now offer pre-registration at bottom of Seacrest for the 5k (\$10.00) and half mile**

**children's race (\$5.00) on Friday, Aug 4th from 3-5 pm.**



Tee-shirts will also be available for sale for \$20.00. You may also register on race day.

All proceeds benefit the BP Men's Club.

## Noank Mystic Community Band

**Wednesday July, 26<sup>th</sup>**

**7:00P.M. @ Clubhouse**

*A great band with great music right here in our community!!! This is an outdoor concert so bring a chair and a drink/snack if you so desire. It's really an enjoyable evening. See you there!!!*



## **The annual Black Point Beach Club Fair is Friday, July 28<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 – 8:30 PM @ the Clubhouse!**

There will be fun activities, games, and raffle prizes. Refreshments will be available to purchase. There will be pizza, soft drinks, chips, cotton candy, and Italian Ice. In order to make this labor of love happen, we need your help! For the cake walk, we are looking for homemade or store-bought baked goods to be dropped off at the clubhouse no later than 10 AM on July 28<sup>th</sup>. These can be cookies, cakes, cupcakes, brownies, etc... If they are homemade, we ask that you please include an ingredients list for people with allergies.

We are also looking for donations for our raffle baskets! By no later than Wednesday July 26<sup>th</sup> we are looking for families to join together and create baskets for the following categories...

**Sports** – balls, equipment, ball pump, water bottle, etc...

**Camping** – smores ingredients, small tent, twinkle lights, sleeping bag, other camp gear

**Movie** – movie tickets, candy, popcorn, blanket

**Spa Day** – face masks, lotion, nail polish, candle, lip gloss, shower items

**Back-to-school** – folders, notebook, pencils, pens, pencil case, erasers, backpack

**Arts & crafts** – crayons, markers, coloring books, stickers, friendship bracelet material, yarn, tie dye kit

**Black Point Spirit** – any and all clothing items and accessories

We are looking for volunteers to help with the ticket booth, cake walk, and at the refreshment stand. Please email the director at [bpclubdirector@gmail.com](mailto:bpclubdirector@gmail.com) regarding any questions about the fair, and especially if you are interested in being a volunteer or making a raffle basket. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you at the fair!

~Nadia~ **BP Rec Director**

# Black Point Men's Club

## Recent Events

### **Trivia Night – Thursday, August 13<sup>th</sup>-**

Eight tables of very smart Trivia Masters battled it out with only one point separating first and second places. The Maquire table won with the Ogle table in second and the Giamalis table in close pursuit. The banter between tables was great with some barbs about individuals knowing Maryln Monroe or being on the Titanic. All in jest, of course (I think?!)

Thank you Joanne DiResta for preparing the questions and also thanks to our marvelous Master of Ceremonies, Joe Rhodes.



## Upcoming Events

### **Noank Mystic Community Band - Wednesday 26Jul23 - 7 PM - Clubhouse**

This volunteer band, with members from our community, played traditional favorites and more for us last year. Bring a chair, snacks, a cooler and friends to enjoy the outdoor concert on Wednesday July 26.

Our community was very generous with volunteer donations last year to help support the Band's mission to play and preserve music for all generations in our area. Please consider a donation as we pass the hat again this year. A big *Thank You* to Tony and Deb Parisi who organized this event again this year!

### **Black Point Golf Tournament/Dinner - New Date - 03Aug23 - Great Neck CC**

I guess the phrase: "It never rains on the golf course!", is still partially true because it was flooding, not rain, that postponed this golf tournament from Monday, 10Jul23 to Thursday, 03 Aug23.

Please remember that the primary goal of this tournament is to bring community members and their guests together. If you couldn't play on the 10Jul23, now is your chance to get a foursome together and join us. If you were planning to play on the 10th but can't make the 3rd, please try to get someone else to take your entry.

Contact [thomasmegggers3@gmail.com](mailto:thomasmegggers3@gmail.com) or 860-559-7978. Tom deserves a lot of credit for adjusting this event with changing conditions. Thank you Tom.

Secondly, this is a charity golf/dinner/raffle event to support the Cahill Scholarship Fund. Donations are accepted and encouraged. See you on the 3rd.

One last request! Signs to inform our community of the tournament have been disappearing. Please leave them out and we will gather them after the event. Thank you!

### **49th Annual BP Road Race - Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup> - Bottom of Seacrest Ave**

9:30 AM - Children ages 7 & under

Followed by - Kids 7 to 12 - 1/2 mile race

10 AM - 5k Race- Cheering crowds welcomed, trophies awarded, t-shirts for sale. Thank you Shea Family for organizing and keeping this tradition alive.

### **Story, Story Night - Thursday, Aug 17<sup>th</sup> - Clubhouse**

A great lineup of stories is set with remembrances prepared by: Holly Cheeseman, Will Fountain, Bob Guenther, Tom Hayes, Russ Quick and Terese Walton. More details to follow. Last year, in our inaugural event, the turnout and food were great. The stories brought smiles and admiration and a new view of the accomplishments of those around us. Thank you Jim Schepker for making this happen! Please join us for dinner and stories!

### **Future Other Events to consider:**

Pickleball- Monday, Wednesday Saturday-Tennis Courts 9 AM

Bocce League - Watch the Competition Fridays -- Bocce

Court 9 AM - 12 Noon

NBYC Sailboat Races - Wed - 6 PM Watch from Shoreline - over 30 vessels

**Other: Corn Hole** - We have some bags from our Cornhole tournament that were separated from their borrowed game sets. Please let Tony Parisi know so we can reunite them with their boards.

**Recycle Cans to Benefit the East Lyme Band** - Well, the Men's Club is trying to help with recycling but, sometimes no good deed goes unpunished. The community has been great and many bags of empties have been left at the clubhouse. Unfortunately, animals have found them interesting and spread them around the grounds. We need a better process. Jim Schepker has placed a container at events that is getting filled but we need more capacity. There are uses for these empties instead of going into the trash. In the interim, can we ask our members to bring their bags of empties to the East Lyme HS Parking lot every 2nd & 4th Saturday at 10 AM till Noon until we figure out a better system. Thanks.

*Build Community, Have Fun, Enjoy Black Point,*

**Rick Diachenko**

*Instagram: black\_point\_men's\_club*

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## FITNESS CLASSES

Classes are now held **Tuesday and Thursday @ 7:30 at the Clubhouse.**

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!



# Women's Club News

We finally played Bunco, a favorite activity of many members. We had lotto ticket prizes and lots of laughs. What a great way to move around and get acquainted or catch up with old friends.

Our next meeting is exciting; we have Tracy Ann coming on July 25<sup>th</sup>. She is a local psychic with a Niantic connection. You can check her posts out on FaceBook. I know our members love to come and potentially have a reading and often want to bring a friend. Members can bring a guest for \$10.00. I'm sure it will fill up so if you want to join friends come early enough to get seats together. This event is open to the community. This meeting is also the deadline to provide payment for the President's trip.

On Aug 1<sup>st</sup> we have our annual business meeting and this year we will have our very own trivia night.

**Community Event:** Every Tuesday before our meeting we will be selling tickets from 6:30-7:00 p.m. **for July 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Comedy Night for \$30.00 per person.** Tickets must be purchased in advance.

This summer, Max Dolcelli will be the Master of Ceremonies for our comedy night. Bringing to Black Point for the very first time:

**Rhonda Corey** – Rhonda Corey embodies the New England Spirit. In 2018 she competed against 22 Comedians and won the Clean Comedy Challenge, a national contest held in Chicago. During the pandemic, she started the live stream show, "Talk is Cheap," and episodes are available on her YouTube page. In January 2023, she launched the "Funny Together Tour", developed for churches featuring clean comedy.



**Dan Smith** – In year one of his comedy career, Dan won the Funniest Comic in Boston contest sponsored by HBO. Soon after that, he moved to Los Angeles and was involved in several independent film projects, multiple television appearances, and a comedy special on the STARZ Network. He has written and produced shows as well, such as Blind Date. He has written jokes for US Magazine. Dan toured with Bob Saget, Bill Burr, George Lopez, and Rob Schneider. Most importantly, however, he completed 25 military comedy tours to entertain our troops.



**Ice Cream Social:** On Aug 4<sup>th</sup> we have our annual ice cream social from 6:00-7:30 p.m. The cost remains \$3.00 to cover the cost of the ice cream and toppings. Ride your bike, your golf cart or walk to the clubhouse to join our community celebrating summer at Black Point.

**Beach Bash/Mass Confusion:** On Aug. 5<sup>th</sup> The Women's Club once again co-sponsors the beach bash that has become a tradition for Black Point. We listen to great music and dance the night away. Mark your calendar.

**Evelyn Gryk Frolich, BP Women's Club President**

## **BLACK POINT WOMEN'S CLUB MEETING DATES**

(Meetings start at 7:00pm)

**Tuesday, July 25:** Tracy Ann, Psychic Medium

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

**Tuesday, August 8:** Sprigs & Twigs featuring Linda Lillie

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

## **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! Items can be ordered through the following



website: <https://blackpointbeach2023.itemorder.com/>.

**Orders can be placed until July 23rd ending at 11:59 pm.** Sorry, but no orders can be taken after the closing date of July 23rd. **If you have any questions or need further information, please email Diane Zukowski at [dianezuk@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dianezuk@sbcglobal.net).** Thank you for your support!

## **LADIES TENNIS**



LADIES - COME JOIN US FOR TENNIS AT THE CLAY COURTS EVERY TUESDAY & THURSDAY FROM 9:30 to 11:00 AM.

## **Yoga**



Yoga begins at 7:00a.m. at the Clubhouse on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. \$5.00 per class. 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*

**6<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL BATTLE OF THE BEACHES CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT August 5<sup>th</sup> @ ATTAWAN BEACH**



Teams from Attawan Beach, Crescent Beach, and Black Point will compete in double elimination. \$25.00 Team.

**PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED-DEADLINE JULY 30<sup>TH</sup>** - Sign ups must be in by July 30<sup>th</sup> for bracket seeding  
4:30 PM – Registration (Two players per team)

5:00 PM - Games begin

**Contact: Ronnie Phelps 860-301-9867**

[vmba2p@aol.com](mailto:vmba2p@aol.com)

# **BLACK POINT GOLF OUTING**

When: **Monday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 (New Date)**

Where: Great Neck Country Club

Time: 2:00P.M. Shot Gun start - Reception / Raffle / Awards to follow

All proceeds to benefit the Cahill Black Point Education Fund Scholarship. Reserve your spot or have questions contact:

Tom Meggers 860-559-7978 or email:

[thomasmeggers3@gmail.com](mailto:thomasmeggers3@gmail.com)



# **CLASSIFIEDS -**

**FOR SALE:** Brand new ladies size 8 My Slippers. Too big. Paid \$41 asking \$35 or BO. Call Margie (860) 930-3685.



**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.

**Looking for Help?-** Local hardworking teenager looking for work moving heavy objects, odd jobs, yard work, or washing cars. Call or text Jacob Brookmiller 860-949-9434.

**Haircuts In Your Home-** The Boston Barber is residing in Black Point now. Will come to your home. Adults and children. 10 years experience on all hair types. Call David @ 413-464-5271.

# **2nd Annual BP Cardboard Boat Race - Saturday, Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 2 PM - Main Beach**

Building a seaworthy craft of only cardboard and duct tape was a huge spectator event last Labor Day Weekend. Many said they would be in this year. Just do it! Check out last year's video on the Mens' Club Tab of the BPBCA website.

Quick view of Rules:

- Boats can be made of cardboard and duct tape only
- Duct tape is the only fastening material allowed
- Boat sides need to be at least 6" high - no surfboard style
- Crew must have all extremities inside vessel
- Design left to builder
- Decorations encouraged but not within 6" of bottom - This means any paint used must be 6" above the bottom
- Crew Uniforms encouraged
- No plastic, wood, Styrofoam, fiberglass, etc... No caulking compounds, two part adhesive mixtures glues, coatings etc..No electrical, gasoline, propane, benzene or other propulsion systems
- Bring your own PFD and paddle
- Crew of one or more (no limit) but no pets

We will ask all boats to register for this free event so we can make sure all that start are accounted for at the finish! A full set of rules will be posted soon!



## **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



## **From the Editor**

I have a great group of delivery kids but as the summer goes by I will begin to loose some of my delivery kids. If you know of a teenager or family who might be interested in helping to deliver the pointers, please have them email me and I will reach out with details.

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!! 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](mailto: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 more great news around the point!  
~ Suzanne Smith, Editor ~

***For More Information go to:***

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***Black Point Beach Club***

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**Beach News:** Water Temp 74°. Time to jump in the water after a long hot day.