



Black Pointer

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Manager's Corner

Hello Black Pointers!

There's still plenty of summer fun to soak up around here! Kick things off with *Music Trivia Night* tomorrow, Saturday, at 7:00pm in the Clubhouse—if you think *Bohemian Rhapsody* came out in 2005, you might want to stay home.

Then next Friday, it's *Karaoke Night*, so warm up those vocal cords and get ready to shine—whether you're belting out ballads or crooning a classic, all are welcome.

Start your mornings right with yoga, pickleball, or tennis. There's always a friendly face waiting on the courts or the mat, and it's a great way to stay active and connected. And don't forget—Labor Day weekend's big *Cardboard Boat Race* is just around the corner! It's not too late to start designing your float (just make sure it floats!). Creativity and good humor are highly encouraged. A couple of quick reminders to help keep our community safe, clean, and beautiful: Kids on bikes must wear helmets—no exceptions—and please remember to clean up after your pets during walks. Little things make a big difference.

Whether you're playing, paddling, or pedaling, thanks for helping keep the good vibes rolling all summer long. We're lucky to have such a fun, respectful, and spirited community. As always, I'm just a call, text, or email away. You can reach me at (860) 460-7641 or by email at BPBCmanager@gmail.com.

See you on the beach,
Jim Moffett, Association Manager BPBC

Woman's Club Sponsors Yoga

Yoga begins at 7:00a.m. at the Clubhouse on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. \$5.00 per class. Remember classes will continue into part of September. Beginners are always welcome! Hope to see you there and don't forget to bring your Yoga mat and water bottle.



Winners of The Cahill Scholarship

Congratulations to the 2025 recipients of the Cahill Black Point Education Fund !

Abigail Parulis, daughter of Kay Parulis, is a resident of Niantic, is graduating from East Lyme High School High School. She plans to study Psychology at Endicott College.

She hopes to "become a psychologist focusing in the medical field (clinical, biological, or behavioral psychology), and would like to work in a hospital focusing on more of the neurological side."



SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Elizabeth Jinks, granddaughter of Denis Shannon, is a resident of Cheshire, CT, is graduating from Sacred Heart Academy, and plans to attend Penn State University. She is currently undecided on a major but is considering Engineering or Biology. Her response to future career goals is as follows: "While I am unsure of the particular career that I would like to pursue, my goal is to pursue a career that I am passionate about and one that has a positive impact on the world and the people in it".

Please consider applying for the 2026 Scholarships! Notice goes out from the Connecticut Foundation of Eastern Connecticut in January!

Thank you to all of our volunteer readers who help make the scholarship a community effort each year! All the best,

The Cahill Black Point Education
Fund Advisory Committee

Music Era Trivia Night

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16TH
7:00 PM Clubhouse

Songs from 50's, 60's 70's and 80's !!!

Do you think you know music? Listen to short clips and name the Artist, Song and Decade of hits from the 50's 60's 70's and 80's. Multiple rounds and chances to show off your dance moves in between sets. Only \$5 gets you in! Bring your own beverages and snacks to share!



Black Point Men's Club

Wow, August is already in full swing. It seems like just yesterday we were sitting at the beach with coats wondering when summer would show up! Well, it did, it has been great and there are still many weeks of great weather coming our way. Enjoy every second!

Previous Events:

Beach Bash - BOG/BPMC/BPWC Joint Event



A great crowd of hundreds of fellow Black Pointers and their guests listened to great tunes by The MassConnFusion Band and danced the night away! Thank you Jim Moffett for organizing this joint venture sponsored by the BOG,

BPWC and BPMC. The LED rope lights purchased and installed by the BPMC this spring, lit up the tent and added to the fun atmosphere.

Saturday, August 16th - Music Era Trivia Night - Songs from 50's, 60's 70's and 80's - ClubHouse 7 PM

Do you think you know music? Prove it in a friendly competition. Only \$5 gets you in! However, it would be even better for you to put together a table of 8 to 10 of musical geniuses like yourself!. Listen to short clips and name the Artist, Song and Decade of hits from the 50's 60's 70's and 80's. Multiple rounds and chances to show off your dance moves in between sets. Bring your own beverages and snacks to share! There will be chances to win millions!

Friday August 22nd - Karaoke Night - Clubhouse - 7:00 PM with Garrett Hickey

Grab the mic, bring your friends, and let your inner rockstar shine! Whether you're a shower-singer or a seasoned performer, or just to cheer (and laugh) along, this is your night. We'll have music for every taste, from old school classics to today's hits. Come for the songs, stay for the fun and make some unforgettable memories with your neighbors!

Sunday, August 31st - Fish Bait Classic - South Beach

Membership:

We thank those who have already joined the BP Mens' Club. We currently have more members now than last year but are just under 20 short of our goal. For only \$30 you can help us bring many activities to Black Point. Remember, we have events all year! Please join us! Thank you for joining us for 2025!

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Returning/new members:

Joe Spalluto, Les Steele, Jason Moran

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Men's Club News Continued.....

Saturday, August 30th - 4th Annual Cardboard Boat Race - Main Beach - 2:00 PM

To get a glimpse of what this race is about, see a past video on the Community Page/Men's Club on the Black Point Beach Association Website!

Less than a month to go! Not too early to be planning your design. A great deal of emphasis this year will be on creativity. Rumor has it that there will be a multiple manned vessel ready to take on all challengers.

But of course the emphasis is to have fun and if competitive, paddle fast! Taco, who didn't quit last year and won the perseverance award, challenges you to get into the race.



Quick view of Rules:

Two Divisions:

- Youth - Middle School (8th Grade) and below
- Everybody else

- 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/paddleboard 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! Register early by sending an email to blackpointmensclub2021@gmail.com.

Name of vessel:

Team members names:

Name of skipper and crew:

(besides have fun and paddle fast!)

~Build Community, Have Fun, Enjoy Black Point, Rick

Women's Club News

Another weekend of summer highlights brought fun, community, and celebration to Black Point!

Friday night, the Rec Club wrapped up their season with a terrific and impressive Talent Show—such a joy to watch the creativity and courage of our young performers. Afterwards, families headed inside for the Women's Club Ice Cream Social. For just \$2, everyone built their sundae exactly how they liked it—gummy bears, M&Ms, caramel syrup, you name it—topped off with plenty of whipped cream. A huge thank you to the volunteers who scooped and served 212 sundaes with smiles! And Saturday delivered one of Black Point's signature summer traditions: the Beach Bash. It was an amazing night of dancing, community, and pure enjoyment, sponsored by the BOG, BPMC, and BPWC. Big thanks to Jim Moffett for planning and setting up this unforgettable evening.

Tuesday's Women's Club meeting brought out everyone's competitive spirit with Women's Trivia Night. A big thank you to Chris Giamalis for crafting several rounds of diverse, challenging, and entertaining questions about women's history, culture, and achievements. The friendly competition kept everyone on their toes—it was a tight race right to the end! Congratulations to our three winning teams, and to all who played.



On Wednesday, the President's Trip took us to the Marble House in Newport, Rhode Island, where we enjoyed a private luncheon and presentation in the Chinese Tea House built by Alva Vanderbilt, followed by a self-guided tour of this Gilded Age mansion. It was a beautiful day to explore such an impressive location. While our seven official summer meetings are wrapping up, the Women's Club will keep the fun going through the off-season. Next up: a community event organized by Black Pointer Francesca Fortuna on "Aging in Place," Tuesday, August 22 at 7 PM. And yes—the Setback Tournament is returning, with the schedule already on the calendar!

Stay tuned to next week's Black Pointer, our Facebook page, and the Black Point website for updates.

~ Jocelyn Williams, **BPWC President**~

BP RECREATION PROGRAM



*We hope all campers and families had an amazing summer!
Have the BEST school year and we will see you in
Summer 2026!*

*Love,
The Black Point Club Staff*

BLACK POINT MARKET NEWS

Greetings Black Pointers, Attawan Tribe, Crescent vagabonds, and Oak Grove yachtsmen,



Music at the Market: Leslie Candlish and Logan Flynn jamming last Saturday afternoon.

Next Music line up includes;

Flying Solo , Saturday the 16th at 2:00
Ryan and the chocolate shots. Saturday the 23rd at 2:00
Mars on Saturday, Sunday the 24th at 2:00.
Please come tailgate and buy some beer while you're at it.

Black point market is now offering very nice looking and tasting sandwich platters and charcuterie boards for your next event. We also can bring Market Mobile 1 to your function and serve ice cream, Italian ice, or novelty ice creams. Stop in and get a brochure.

We now rent fishing poles, metal detectors, and have two giant floating islands with built in coolers and recliners. Rent for full day or half a day. \$50/ \$35

~Cheers, Steve ~



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: **Monday -Sunday 7:30-5:00pm**



From the Editor

Wow we are fast approaching the end of summer and sad to say there is only 1 more pointer to go.

Get your news if for the fall and winter and if you would like to place and ad or send pictures please do before **August 18th**!

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. 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!

~ Suzanne Smith, *Editor* ~

CLASSIFIEDS -

Home Watch for all Seasons: Need someone to check on your property daily or weekly?
Call Pete 860-993-7061

House For Rent: 108 E Shore Drive. Long or short stay (min one week). Sleeps five. 2 full baths. Book now for the academic year or summer 2026. Tell your friends and relatives. Call 703-731-8087.

Assistant Needed- We are looking for a PCA (Personal Care Assistant) for our son Charles. Flexible Hours. Questions please call Peg's cell phone 413-896-3020.

SEASONAL RESIDENTS- Looking for a location to store my 19' single axle trailer/boat for the winter. Either for cash or service watching your property. 860-798-7046 text. Skip Guzy

CLASSIFIEDS CONTINUED:

FOR SALE: King sized upholstered panel headboard in blue with nail head trim. Excellent condition. \$45 or best offer.
Metal king size bed frame by Pragma Bed. No box spring required. Easily collapses for transport. Like new. \$100 or best offer. Call Roberta at 914-262-3993.



FOR SALE: BOAT/MOTORS

2019 Zodiac Cadet 8'11" with aluminum hull. Included: pump, oars, seat (cover and storage bag need replacing). Good condition- \$1300. Also 2.3 HP Honda outboard with less than 5 hour run time. About 3 years old-\$500. And 5 HP Honda outboard with less than 10 hours run time. About 3 years old - \$1000. Call Steve at 860.604.9023 or email to slbvmd@gmail.com

ITEMS FOR SALE:

- Black genuine leather PC carrying case, brand new \$150.
- 4 sets of King sized sheets and mattress cover. Hardly used \$150
- Olymous Camera (Model Stylus Zoom 140 DLX with carrying case \$125
- USA Flag (2' 4-7/16" x 4'6") Nylon bunting type. New \$25

Call Carol Ann at 860-271-3355

Car Detailing: Booking appointments for September, not too early to get your car ready for snow season. Complete auto detailing services with a 3-step process to ensure lasting shine. Jim 860-280-7519

Lawn Mowing/Weed Whacking: Looking for reliable lawn service? Year-round BP teen ready to help. Text/ Call Drew Brookmiller at 860-949-6132.

For More Information go to:

www.blackpointbeachclub.com

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



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