



Lake Forest Yacht Club
The Porthole
News
Lake Hopatcong, NJ



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October 2025





Commodore's Message

Hello Lake Forest,

The weather was great for this year's big turnout during the OPA Offshore Powerboat Races. Thank you from the team, to the trustees, to the event organizers for another successful year.

We have the end of season cleanup coming up on October 11th (rain day October 12th), and we need volunteers to help get the club And beach ready for the winter, which is steadily approaching.



Be on the lookout for some more great social events coming up to round out the year, and please be careful out there on Halloween. We start off with the LFYC Trunk or Treat at the clubhouse parking lot and then onto Trick-or-Treat. We get a lot of kids running around having a great time from all over, so please be cautious if you are driving around.

Thank you,
Peter

NOTICE

- **The Lake Forest Clubhouse is available to rent by the LFYC current members in good standing, for a private function only. Starting October 1, 2025 the rental Fee For 1- day Rental: \$475.00.**
- **The Clubhouse rental is limited to the Clubhouse and the Clubhouse patio only.**
- **The rental fee (\$475.00) and security deposit must be paid by the member of LFYC directly, and the member must be in attendance for the entire event.**
- **All rental inquiries must be approved and signed by the Lake Forest Yacht Club Board before a rental agreement is valid.**
- **Additional regulations are included in the Clubhouse Rental Contract**

Contacts Page

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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday 9-2

Wednesday 12-7

Saturday 9:30-12:30



Meet The Board of Trustees

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Reminders

1

2025 Member Badge Stickers are in!

Only members whose 2025 dues are paid in full may pick up the 2025 season badge sticker.

2

Paperless Invoices & Payments

If you're interested in receiving your invoices via e-mail with options to pay online, please contact the office.

3

Membership Fees Reminder

Master lease is due in full 15 days from invoice date.

If you are age 65, please contact the office to change your beach membership status and fees to senior. Proof of age is required.

4

Safety on the streets

E-bikes - please tell your families that no electric or gas vehicles are allowed on the club grounds. This includes the field, around the Galley or Clubhouse sidewalks, and on the grass or beach areas. Also, please be careful on the roads, and watch for people walking and walking their dogs.

5

Clubhouse Rentals

The Lake Forest Clubhouse is available to rent by the LFYC current members in good standing, for a private function only. Starting October 1, 2025 the rental Fee For 1- day Rental: \$475.00.

Updates to the inside of the clubhouse are happening! Starting with a new floor in the main room and more updates to come.



LAST CHANCE to Become a Board Member

Dear Lake Forest Members,

We're reaching out to invite you to play a bigger role in our wonderful Lake Forest Yacht Club community. We are currently looking for trustee candidates for the upcoming year and would love to see some new faces step up to help guide and support our neighborhood.

Becoming a trustee is a great way to:

- **Give back to your community**
- **Have a say in how the club is run**
- **Help with events, maintenance, and improvements**
- **Meet and connect with other members and neighbors**

You don't need prior experience — just a willingness to pitch in and work together to make Lake Forest the best it can be.

If you're interested in volunteering or just want to learn more about what being a trustee involves, please reach out to us or stop by the clubhouse. We'd be happy to chat.

Let's keep Lake Forest strong, welcoming, and neighborly — together.

Bios are due by **October 15th so the candidates can be announced in November. Final vote is in December at the Annual Board Meeting.**

Seeking Volunteers

By-Law Committee Volunteers

We are looking for people for a voluntary committee to review our current By-Laws.

The goal of this committee is to review the current By-Laws for potential updates and modifications that will bring them up to date and better benefit the club and its members.

If you would like to volunteer, please reach out to the office or Pat Brennan directly at:

Patrick.brennan63@gmail.com or Text 201-924-6709

Tentative Paving Schedule

Milling was completed as of today, September 30, 2025

Paving Thursday, 10/02/2025 – 7am-5pm

Ripplewood – Extension to Yacht Club

Yacht Club – Commodore to Harbor

Springbrook – Yacht Club to End

Harbor – Yacht Club to Crescent

Paving Friday, 10/03/2025 – 7am-5pm

Crescent – Yacht Club to Marine

Marine Yacht Club to Crescent

Crescent – Marine to Yacht Club

Nautical Crescent to Yacht Club

Yacht Club – Harbor to Crescent (north end)

Paving Monday, 10/06/2025 – 7am-5pm

Collins – Rte 181 to Yacht Club

Rudine – Collins to End

Yacht Club – Crescent to Route 181

Alpine Dr – Yacht to No Alpine

Alps La – Alpine to End

N. Alpine – Route 181 to Route 181

All is weather-dependent.

We kindly request that all vehicles be removed from the roadway.

Expect delays and please use alternative routes.

We encourage all our residents to sign up for our RAVE notification system, as we issue regular notices through this system. Notices are also posted on our social media and webpage. We try our best to keep our residents informed about these projects.

Place garbage and recycling out by 6am, please do not drive on freshly paved roadway for 2 hours. Please back into drive prior to avoid turn marks on new pavement.



October Events



10/9 Red Cross Blood Drive

• 2:00 – 7:00pm



10/11 Beach clean up day

• 9:00am



10/12 Beach clean up day – **RAIN DAY**

• 9:00am



10/26 TRUNK OR TREAT

• 1:00 - 3:00PM



11/30 Tree Lighting Event

• 2:00 – 7:00pm

November Events

Back to School Campout Events

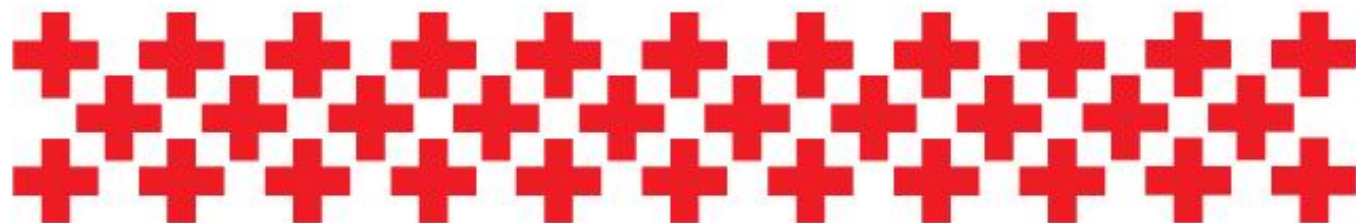
**Thank you to all who volunteered to help make the
back-to-school event a success!**



Red Cross Blood Drive

American Red Cross

Give blood. Help save lives.



Blood Drive **Lake Forest Yacht Club**

Clubhouse Hall
35 Yacht Club Drive
Lake Hopatcong, NJ 07849

Thursday, October 9, 2025
2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit
RedCrossBlood.org and enter: LFYC to schedule an appointment.

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questions on the day of your appointment.

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Fall Clean Up Day

October 11th at 9am

On October 11th starting at 9am we are looking for the community to help clean up our beach for the winter.

Many items must be put away and taken apart so we can lock up the grounds for the winter season that is now approaching.

Here is a list of a few jobs/projects that we are looking for assistance with.

Coffee and Donuts for those who come to help. Please have children 12 and under accompanied by a parent.

**RAIN DATE October 12th
9am**

LFYC Fall Cleanup Checklist

- ☐ Catwalks
- ☐ Weed Curtains (determine which ones need replacing and measure)
- ☐ Goose guards
- ☐ Diving Boards
- ☐ Ladders on dive tower
- ☐ Countertops
- ☐ Hang TVs

Clean

- ☐ Galley
- ☐ Galley bathrooms
- ☐ Lifeguard room
- ☐ Playground

Labor

- ☐ Blow sand off galley and patios
- ☐ Shovel sand away from the beach wall
- ☐ Rake playground
- ☐ Shovel sand from parking lot
- ☐ Move/paint lifeguard chair after sand has been spread
- ☐ Remove ice eaters
- ☐ Unwrap Weedoo, save wood
- ☐ Remove shutters over windows in lifeguard room
- ☐ Put out football table/connect 4/BBQ grills
- ☐ Put out garbage cans along the beach patio
- ☐ Put out bar stools
- ☐ Inspect/fix Adirondack chairs/picnic tables
- ☐ Build NEW Blackstone Grill
- ☐ Put out existing foldable picnic tables from galley

Trash Pickup

- ☐ Parking lot/gardens
- ☐ Softball field/basketball court
- ☐ B&C lot/Wall Ball/dock areas
- ☐ Clubhouse/Commodore Room area
- ☐ Swim team point
- ☐ Tennis court
- ☐ Horseshoe Pits

Miscellaneous

- ☐ Move garbage can to basketball court
- ☐ Paint chains
- ☐ Stain picnic tables
- ☐ Stain dive tower bridge
- ☐ Paint wall ball court
- ☐ Put out yellow slide into water securing with black bags in water
- ☐ Put together new picnic tables in the galley
- ☐ Tighten bolts on the chairs around the galley



Trunk or Treat

**Sunday, October 26, 2025
at 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM**

**Join us for a spooktacular afternoon
of fun with DJ Earl! There will be a
costume contest and a trunk
decorating contest so come dressed
to impress!**



Advertise with us!

Get your advertisement in the monthly
Lake Forest Yacht Club Porthole News

- Please contact the office for any inquires and submissions.
- Business Card size ad for \$20 a month.
- Our site averages 14 hits a day.



Regina Ashworth

Sales Representative

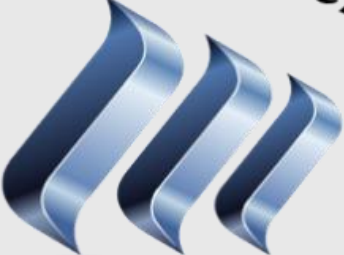
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Placement: Full Back
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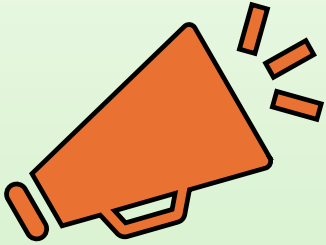
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 Sweatpants - \$22			

Let us hear from you!



We like to share news and announcements from our members in the monthly Porthole Issues. If you want to pass along a message such as birthdays, anniversaries, birth announcements or engagements, etc., we encourage you to share it with us.

If you provide the information by the 15th of the month, the news should appear in the upcoming month's issue.

Red Cross Certified **Babysitter List**



Aubrey Gilligan 973-461-3900

Maddie Luke 973-800-5541

Lake Forest Board Meeting Minutes

LFYC Semi-Annual Meeting

Date: 9/10/2025 at 7:00 PM Ended 8:43PM

Meeting Recorder: Office,

Attendees Justin Bosi, Joe O'Donnell, Dmitry Bohdan, Peter Moreland, Dan Vinson

Minutes/Actions



Peter Moreland - Commodore: Communications, Website, Porthole, Docks

- Clubhouse Upgrades Project
 - Clubhouse Floor options reviewed
 - Wall Lights options reviewed
 - Clubhouse interior Painting colors reviewed final decision pending
 - Repairs to outside Flashing completed
- Vandalism Update
 - Update from Parents? No follow up from letters
- Weedoo
 - Volunteer Update no one else came forward
 - Use update
 - Future plans for Weedoo – It's in rough shape discussed options Sell in the spring
- Docks:
 - Any maintenance
 - Finger replacement
 - Future plan – getting quote for replacement of B and C docks for future boards to target

Joe, Secretary: Office, Beach, Legal & Insurance & Swim Team

- Office Update
- Review Clubhouse Rentals approval for dates made
- Legal / Insurance
 - Pending getting legal contact Dolan and Dolan in Newton? Agreement that we will ask for a volunteers at the annual meeting for this project
- Gate on Lighthouse fence update/ tbd
- Joe to start the process for review of Master Lease at Termination
- Swim team wrap up. Review provided
- Yellow Slide Update agree to repair or by one on Facebook Market Place
- Review of Beach operations

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Dmitry Bohdan: Grounds, Maintenance, Tennis Courts & Nominating Committee

- **Nomination Committee – Confirmed Updates**
- **Grounds**
 - Electronic Gate update
 - Tree removal by basketball / baseball field great price received agree to move forward
 - Clubhouse Patio Drainage Project to eliminate erosion. Not an issue monitor not moving forward at this time.
 - To revisit end of season
 - Electrical issue- October date to replace
 - Haws Electrical approved work to take place shortly
- **Catwalks need repair asap**
 - Come up with plan as needed
- **Tennis Courts**
 - Permanent lock on fence. Discuss other net on the ground

Dan Vinson: Social, By-Laws, Clubhouse, Welcoming new membership

- **Clubhouse**
 - Cleaning update with Jim.
 - Broken tables in storage area
- **By-law meeting** no update
- **Social:**
 - Closing day final numbers reviewed great event
 - Next Events planned – Trunk or Treat, Christmas Tree Lighting, New Years Party
- **Welcoming New Neighbors**
 - Any communication

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Justin Bosi: Security, Boat Races, Boat Safety Course

- Boat races contract / full plans update. Full update provided
 - Fencing off areas
 - Baseball field / Basketball court
 - Septic / Wallball court
- Replace rotted out poles around basketball area
 - To be done in the Fall – Target Date? Last weekend in September or the weekend before closing clean up
- Security Update – LADD Security
 - End of year recap will ask for feedback at the annual mtg.
- Security Cameras
 - Add security cameras to A dock.

Evan Kurzman, Treasurer: Financials, Budget, Grant and Scholarship & WakeOff absent

- WakeOff final Update
- Yearly Budget report
 - Printouts for all
 - Vote to approve final budget
 - Any final business for 2024/25 budget.
- Bank of America Accounts / Zelle / New Credit Card update
 - Need Articles of Organization.

Evan to get with office staff and Chuck to review financials

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Follow Up Business:

- Maintenance room organization timing
- Improved Audio at Clubhouse and Beach Galley
 - Discuss possible companies to replace audio in Clubhouse first
 - Consider outside second
 - Work to do in 2026

NEW Projects:

- Note original minutes file deleted and not recoverable meeting draft based on memory.