

The Porthole News

August 2021





Commodore's Message



Hello Neighbors,

Time flies when you're having fun. The "second half" of summer is sure to bring as much excitement as the first. Be sure to check inside this month's Porthole publication for upcoming events in August including our closing day picnic.

July started off with a bang featuring a kid's bike parade and band on the Beach on July 4th. The beautiful weather brought everyone out to enjoy the day. We also had a band for Community Day but unfortunately the weather wasn't great, and neither was the turnout for the event. There were also a couple crafts on the beach and a Kids' Ice Cream and S'mores Night to keep the kids entertained.

The tennis court resurfacing project has been completed. A big thank you to Vinny Gowers for his persistence and follow through with coordinating the project. It was a long process with a few hiccups and speed bumps which took up a lot of his time, but he persisted, and the final result is beautiful. Enjoy the new surface.

The basketball court lights have finally been replaced and a field light was added. Please access the timers on the far telephone pole to use the lights. Thank you to Chris S for his contribution to the light project. Dylan Cobb replaced the basketball rims and upcycled a park bench from an old picnic table. Thank you, Dylan!

August looks jam packed with another Band on the Beach, the wakeoff competition, campout on the beach, and the fourth annual Adult Corn Hole Tournament. If you'd like to get involved in any of these events, please reach out to a board member or Kristen Brown.

Just a reminder the nominating committee will be seeking out members who are interested to run for the board. This club has made great strides the past several years and the goal is to continue in the same positive direction. Please consider donating your time and help us move forward with the improvements to the club. There are 3 positions available next year and if you are interested there is contact information for the nominating committee in the Porthole. Any present or past board member can inform you of the time and dedication it takes to be a trustee. Inquire with one of them if you're interested.

On Saturday, September 4th our Closing Day Picnic will conclude our summer activities. We are looking for a great turnout that will cap off a wonderful 2021 summer at Lake Forest. I hope everyone enjoys the remaining weeks of the summer and as always, I look forward to seeing members at the beach enjoying everything Lake Forest has to offer.

Enjoy the rest of the summer!

Mike Malakuskie, Commodore

Mark Your CALENDAR



Aug 8th **Band on the Beach**
Solo Artist Chris Barry



Aug 14th **Campout**
See more details ahead



Aug 15th **Cornhole Tournament**
See more details ahead



Aug 21st **Wakeoff**
See more details ahead



Aug 22nd **Band on the Beach**
Brian St. John & Brian McLaughlin



Sept 4th **Closing Day Picnic**
Details will be published at a later date

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Beach Director

Our Beach Director, Donna Combos, will be shortly moving away from Lake Forest. We wanted to take this opportunity to thank Donna for all of her time, dedication, and passion for making our beach summers so enjoyable, and to wish her and John all the best in their new adventure. We will miss them!!!

The beach director is responsible for making sure beach operations are running smoothly, that all guards are making sure members and guests are complying with beach rules, that safety equipment is in proper condition, snack stand has all supplies needed. Swim lessons are organized and can be led by the beach director and/or guards certified as swim instructors. Additionally, working with head lifeguards to ensure proper staffing, and planning Activity Days for the kids.

We are looking for a skilled and motivated candidate to fill this position. If you are interested, please submit your resume to the office!

Annual LFYC Beach Campout

Saturday, August 14th

We welcome all members and their non-resident guests to join us for this fun annual event.

Weather permitting there will be a movie showing on the beach once it becomes dark.

There will be quiet time at 1 am.

All children under 18 **MUST** be accompanied by a responsible guardian/adult.





Wakeboard Competition August 21st



Once again Jersey Wakeoff the largest Wakeboarding competition in Northeast will be held here at Lake Forest and we hope you can attend to witness the amazing stunts the athletes perform. Competitors from all over come to participate in this event.

Concessions and beverages will be available to purchase. Vendors will be on site. An entrance fee will be collected at the gate. This event is FREE for Lake Forest members—badges must be worn.



Adult Cornhole Tournament

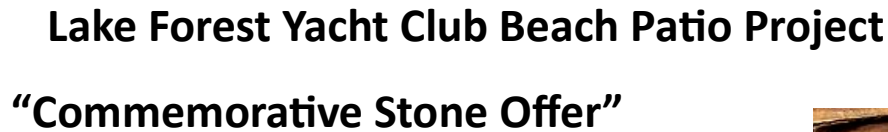
Sunday August 15th, 3pm (8/29 rain date)

Come down to the Club to show your skills or lack of,
and have some fun!

Please sign up ahead in the office or at least one hour before the tournament.

Beer and prizes.

Members and non-resident guests welcome



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Commemorative Engraved Stone Order Form	
\$55.00 per stone (6"x9")	
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	Last membership year: _____
Date: _____	
Name: _____	
Address: _____ _____ _____	
Phone: _____	



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Let Us Hear from You!!!

ANNOUNCEMENT

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 other, 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.



Babysitter List - *Red Cross Certified

Shanna Leek *(16) 973-663-1904

Samantha Gowers (17) 201-704-7658

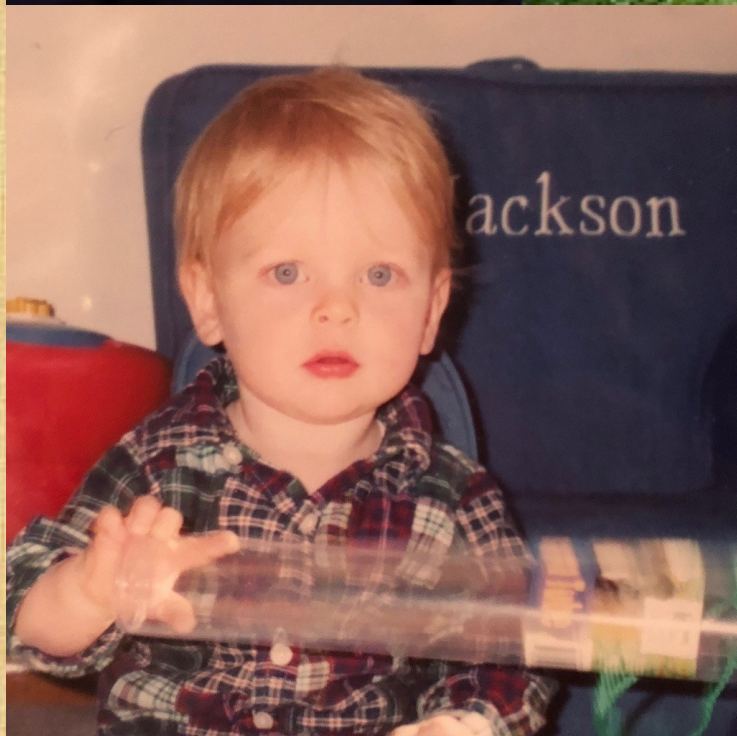
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Happy 16th birthday Jackson!



Congratulations to the
Moreira family!



LAKE FOREST YACHT CLUB MEMBERSHIP RULES

The Lake Forest Beach is intended for the use solely by its members and their guests. All members have a responsibility to see that the following rules are adhered to during the year.

GENERAL

Use of this facility is at your own risk, lifeguards are there to help provide safety, but not guarantee it.

Parents are responsible for their children's actions and will be held liable.

All members must be in possession of a LFYC beach badge with the current year sticker.

Cars must display a LFYC hang tag with the current year sticker.

LFYC is not responsible for lost or stolen property.

Follow posted speed limits

Animals are welcome on LFYC property but are not permitted on the beach/sand area and should be supervised at all times. PLEASE PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOG.

Use of the facility is permitted only in accordance with all Federal, State, Local Laws and Ordinances.

When a lifeguard is on duty: Children 12 years old and older are allowed to be on the beach and in the water. When in the water, children under the age of 12 must be accompanied/supervised by a responsible guardian as determined by the member's household.

When a lifeguard is not on duty: When in the water, all children under 16 years of age must be accompanied by a responsible guardian as determined by the member's household.

SWIMMING & DIVING

Swimming is permitted in designated areas only and may be restricted by lifeguards at any time.

Dive tower is off limits when the lifeguards are off duty.

No pushing or shoving on diving platform.

Only one person permitted on the diving board, high dive platform or ladder at a time.

Divers must dive forward off the board, not to the right or left.

Exit water via appropriate ladders: High dive to the right and low board to the left.

BEACH

Ball playing is prohibited, except in designated area i.e., volleyball area.

Fires are not permitted on the beach/sand area.

Motor vehicles are not permitted in beach/sand area.

Bike riding, scooter and skateboard are not permitted in the beach/sand area or through the galley.

Fishing from sanded and posted areas is prohibited

Umbrellas, pop up tents, etc. are not to obstruct the lifeguard's view and should not be placed beyond the line of the lifeguards stand.

Trailers are not permitted in beach parking area.

Do not litter. Put all debris in the provided, marked containers.

NO GLASS ALLOWED ON BEACH

GUESTS

LFYC Members are responsible for their guests and must be present with them at all times.

No person eligible to join LFYC may be a guest of a member.

Limit of 10 guests per day. If you require additional guests, please check with the office.



BOAT RAMP REMINDER

As the boating season getting in full swing, please be aware of how you park in the gravel lot, near the boat ramp. Parking too close to the boat ramp makes it very difficult to safely maneuver a boat and trailer down the ramp.

Equally important is that, after launching your boat, trucks and trailers are moved well away from the boat ramp path. This will allow other members to launch their boats as easily as you have.

These considerations for those around you will help keep LFYC a safe and fun place to enjoy the lake. Thank you and I look forward to sharing this summer with everyone.

Only park your vehicle and trailer inside the green area along the road (inside the chains). Do not block ramp access by parking in the red area.



KAYAK/CANOE RACK & BOAT RAMP REMINDER

- ♦ **The kayak/canoe/paddleboard rack is available for Lake Forest Yacht Club members only.**
- ♦ **Every device must be labeled/signed with the member's last name.**
- ♦ **Any and all property left stored or fastened to the club provided canoe/kayak/paddleboard racks or area in/on LFYC property, is/are stored at your own risk.**
- ♦ **The LFYC is not responsible for loss, damage or destruction of/or to your property or any damage it may do or cause if not fully secured by you. You waive any and all subrogation or retaliation against the LFYC for any such occurrence or incidence, whether it occurs for any reason or event beyond your control.**
- ♦ **You are responsible for all of your guest actions and their property while on LFYC grounds. Placing your property on LFYC common areas is full agreement to/with the forgoing policy of LFYC.**





We would like to remind everyone to wear your ID badges while you are anywhere on the LFYC grounds.

Please make sure you have a current parking hang tag and badge with 2021 sticker.

Please note that in order to receive your stickers and new parking hang tags, the membership dues need to be paid in full.



Lifeguards on duty

Weekdays 10:00am– 6:00pm

Weekends 10:00 am—8:00 pm



Lake Forest Board Meeting Minutes

7/14/2021

Meeting Start: 7:06 p.m., Meeting Adjourned: 8:28 p.m.

Mike, Jaime, Vinny, Vanessa, Peter, Chrissy (absent), Keith

Linda

Commodore's Report - Mike Malakuskie

Member contacted us to let us know the nanobubbler does not appear to be working properly. Mike contacted Princeton Hydro, they will be coming out again to take a look.

Locksmith was out to visit to make the adjustments requested.

Grounds/Swim Team – Mike Malakuskie

Discussions regarding swim team platform – there are unknowns with the condition of the platform, even post temporary repair, next steps continue to be discussed.

Prior to next year's swim season, the Board will schedule a conversation with swim team leadership to review/agree on procedures.

Secretary/Office/Communications – Vanessa Luke

Send email to membership stating that the office will be closed 7/26 – 7/31.

Collections has brought us \$8000 outstanding in the last month.

Going to look into e-billing & online payment for members who are interested. We have had members express interest. It will have to be an opt-in service. We cannot require it of everyone. We would like to reduce expense on stamps, paper, ink, and time to stuff/mail.

Treasurer, Financials/Budget/Legal/Insurance/Facebook – Jaime Evans

Apparel – we've narrowed down to one potential vendor and are going to buy a few as samples. We will put order forms at snack shack and in porthole and are finding out about turnaround time. Kristen Brown will assist with compiling the order.

Magnets will have to be done separately.

Reviewed expenses to date against budget.

Can we look into offering advertising space on our website for a monthly fee like we used to do in the porthole.

CDs from Fulton came due and were moved to Lakeland Bank.

Minutes continued....

Boat Safety/Welcoming/Membership/Wakeoff – Keith Moran

Spoke with member who has helped with running beer truck, following up to plan the specific tasks needed ahead of and on that day.

Permit has been sent in to the town.

Security/Docks/Clubhouse – Peter Malenda

WeeDoo operators will be trained and a schedule will be set up. Names will be submitted to insurance.

B&C dock lights do need to be addressed – we have a member that is volunteering to do that work and we are waiting for their availability.

Clubhouse Checklist – going to review it together, and a card will also be placed under each thermostat with the steps to set it so that renters have better information.

Social/Scholarship/Nominating/Grants – Chrissy Gilligan

Dates have been reserved for Beefsteak (2/5/2021) and Superbowl Party (2/13/2021)

Follow up on pricing for pavers

Maintenance/Beach/Galley/Tennis/Lifeguards – Vinny Gowers

Tennis court is just about complete. Posts and nets have not come in yet. Will return in one week and a temporary net will be put up.

Donna is moving and unfortunately not returning next year. May need someone to cover for the last few weeks of operations after end of August. Have some recommendations coming in, will put something in the Porthole as well.

Plumber will come out to look a few minor issues.