

The Porthole News

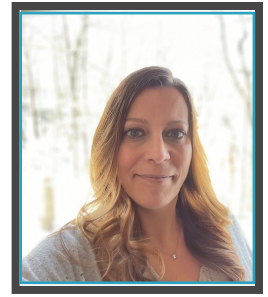
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Commodore's Message

Hello Lake Forest!

Hopefully the new year is finding everyone healthy and happy! The Lake Forest Board held it's first meeting of the year in mid-January and established roles and responsibilities for 2022 during that meeting. I'm both excited and honored to be acting as your Commodore for this year, Chrissy Gilligan will be taking the role of Secretary, and returning as Treasurer will be Jaime Evans. Trustees Kristen Brown, James Davitt, Peter Malenda, and Keith Moran have also established responsibilities which can be found in this month's meeting minutes as well as in each issue of the Porthole. As always, feel free to reach out to any of us with your questions, ideas, and concerns, as well as if you see an area you'd like to help out with. Our contact information can be found in every issue of the Porthole and on our website at www.lfyc.org.

To our outgoing Commodore Mike Malakuskie, THANK YOU on behalf of everyone, once again, for your years of service and leadership in this community. It's been an absolute pleasure and you have positioned us all to continue to bring success and progress to Lake Forest. We hope you and your family enjoy the extra bit of downtime!

As we get into February, we have some great returning events coming up! First up, on 2/5 we will have our Annual Comedy Night Beefsteak. It's fantastic to see this event back on the calendar for another year and for those attending, it is sure to be a night full of fun and laughter. Next, on 2/13, our Superbowl Party is also back this year and we hope to have a great turnout. Be sure to read up on the details for this event (and others) further in this Porthole issue. Thank you to Frank Gutowski for organizing both of these events, and to the volunteers who assist. A lot of work goes into the planning and it certainly shows. We appreciate you, Frank!

The next Social Committee meetings will be held on Wednesday 2/2 and on Wednesday 3/2, both at 7 p.m. (further details are in this Porthole). Please consider checking out a meeting to see what it's all about and possible ways to contribute to planning and helping run our upcoming events! Kristen Brown, Social Director and Trustee, is also available to talk with you if you have questions about getting involved!

Looking further ahead to warmer weather, we are already starting to prepare for our summer season! As you may already know, Scott Davis, the coach for our Lake Forest Vikings Swim Team plans to also join us this year as our Beach Director so we will be welcoming him aboard in this role in the next few months. If you or someone you know are interested in being a LFYC Lifeguard for our 2022 season, please reach out to the office for more information and to start the application process!

As I close out the message for this month, I wanted to say again that I am truly looking forward to this year. As we continue to emerge from what has been some challenging recent times, I am hopeful that we continue to grow our sense of community, pride, friendship, and all that we have to enjoy together at the Club. Let's each take some time this year to help keep it what we know and love it to be, and even make it better! Let's be 'all in' on our community spirit this year and make some great things happen!

Sincerely,

Vanessa Luke

Commodore

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Docks

2022 Season Dock Rental Information

The club office has mailed out the 2022 dock slip rental invoices and rental agreements to all members who rented dock slips in 2021. **Signed Rental Agreements are required with payment to secure your dock slip for the season. Dock payments will not be processed for renewal without the dock rental agreement.** The 2022 dock rental fee for members is \$575.00. If you plan on renewing for the upcoming season, please return the completed and signed rental agreement along with a copy of your boat registration and payment by March 15th 2022. Also, please indicate if there is any repair issue that you feel needs to be tended to regarding your slip.

If you have no intention to renew your dock slip for the 2022 season, please contact the club office so that we may reassign the slip to another member. We already have several members requesting available dock slips this season.

We will limit dock rentals to one slip per member family until March 18th to accommodate as many members as possible. As is club policy, dock slips will only be rented to members whose: financial obligations to the club are current, have completed a signed rental agreement and provide a copy of the boat registration indicating member ownership of the boat. All of the above criteria will be required before LFYC approval of dock slip rental or renewal.

For new members or members renting for the first time, we will have several open dock slips for the 2022 season. If you'd like to rent a dock slip this season, please contact the club office at 973-663-0158 to request a dock rental agreement. The open dock slips will be reserved on a first come first served basis for members who meet the above rental criteria. Actual slip assignments for new renters will be determined starting March 18th, after member dock renewals are confirmed.

Members who would like to rent a second dock slip may do so after March 18th. On April 1st, remaining open dock slips will be made available to member guests, with a member referral, at a rental fee of \$1,675.

The \$2500.00 Lake Forest Yacht Club Scholarship

Application period starts in less than 30 days!

We are one month away from the start of the 2022 LFYC Scholarship application period. We want to remind all of our members who are 2022 graduating seniors to consider applying for this scholarship which will help you get started on your higher education.

The scholarship will award up to \$2,500 to help toward an applicant's higher education endeavor. The candidate must be a Lake Forest Yacht Club member in good standing as well as a 2022 graduating high school senior. Each applicant will write an essay explaining why they are the ideal candidate to be the recipient of the LFYC Scholarship as well as provide three (3) letters of recommendation. Complete details of the application criteria will be found on the LFYC Scholarship Application available starting on March 1st on our website or your high school guidance office.

Scholarship applications should be addressed to the LFYC Scholarship Committee and be mailed or e-mailed to the LFYC with a postmark or e-mail delivery date no later than April 15th 2022. The five members of the 2022 LFYC Scholarship Committee will evaluate all applications and make a decision on who will be the recipient of this year's LFYC Scholarship. The recipient will be notified on or before May 1st, 2022.



The Social Committee needs volunteers!

Anyone who volunteers will be entered into a raffle for free tickets to the Opening Day BBQ in May. Each time you volunteer you will have your name entered. The drawing will take place in the beginning of May. Please take a look at the Sign-up Genius for upcoming events and see where you can help. Also, join us at our next meeting.

The upcoming meeting dates are:

February 2nd

March 2nd

April 6th

The meetings will be virtual until it gets warmer:

[https://us04web.zoom.us/j/4634566061?
pwd=RkVoV0lybVo1aUZwNno5c21oeEUwUT09](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/4634566061?pwd=RkVoV0lybVo1aUZwNno5c21oeEUwUT09)

Meeting ID: 463 456 6061

Passcode: U6gR0e

We hope to see you there!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0449a9af29a4f58-upcoming>

Mark Your **CALENDAR**



Save the Dates



Super Bowl Party

-February 13th



LRC/Texas Hold'em

-March 26th



Boating Safety Course

- April 2nd

Karaoke Night

-April 2nd



Annual Egg Hunt

- April 10th

Spring Clean Up Day

-April 23rd



LFYC Super Bowl Party

Sunday February 13th, 2022

Doors Open at 4:00 PM

This is a free event for all members and non-resident guests.

The game will be projected on the large screen and we'll have a Super Bowl Pool going for the game.

The club will be providing beverages. No food provided by the club at this event.

As in prior Super Bowl parties, we're encouraging attendees to bring some food / snacks to share for the game.





**Lake Forest Yacht Club
Tournament Night
March 26, 2021**



Texas Hold'em or Left Right Center / 60 players each tournament

Pick one tournament to play

**Open to Lake Forest Members, Member's Guests and LF Residents
\$30.00**

Entry to 3 rounds of LRC or entry to Hold'em.

Gift Card Prizes for the top finishers for each tournament

Sandwiches, pizza, beverages

Call Glenn De Santis 201-294-5003 with any questions

Timeline:

6:15 Doors open, sandwiches, beverages

7:00 Tournament starts.

8:30 Buy Back for Hold-em

8:30 Pizza Break

10:00 Final tables for both games established

10:45-11:00 Winners announced.

Boating Safety Course 4/2/2022

Boating Safety First is offering a course and exam on Saturday April 2nd sponsored by the Lake Forest Yacht Club to obtain the NJ Boating Safety Certificate (NJ BSC) to operate a Power Boat/ PWC (Jet Ski) legally in NJ inland waterways.

Course & Exam are 8 am to 5 pm with check in at 7:30 am.

LFYC address is: 35 Yacht Club Drive, Lake Hopatcong, NJ 07849.

LFYC members student fee is \$70. All others student fee is \$80. Lunch is included.

Students will receive the NJ BSC at the completion of the course and passing the exam.

Enroll via email; f.federico@att.net. Include name, home address and phone number.

Visit <http://www.boatingsafetyfirst.com/> for course enrollment [details](#), or call Frank at 973-610-1121, with any questions.

Recommended safeguards due to the Coronavirus are masks/face coverings and safe distancing. Student course size limits may apply.





Saturday April 2nd

7:00 pm

This is a free event for members and their non-resident guests.

18 years old to sing

Beer, Seltzer, Wine provided while supplies last.

Please bring Appetizer, Snack, or Dessert to share

Ice Safety on Lake Hopatcong



Remember: **ICE IS NEVER 100 PERCENT SAFE!**

All ice is different. Is there snow cover? Has it been a little warmer lately? Is there a muskrat den nearby? Does the water tend to move where you are? All those things can change the strength of the ice under your feet. Black ice is always stronger than white or cloudy ice, but no matter how safe it looks, always be prepared with proper safety equipment and know how to get yourself out if you fall through the ice.



ICE THICKNESS

These are general guidelines for black ice, but again, **ALL ICE IS DIFFERENT**, so be cautious and take note of weather patterns, moving water, and changing ice.

LESS THAN 2"
Unsafe conditions

4" TO 6"
Likely to be safe for small groups

6"+
Groups of Skaters

8"+
Snowmobiles and ATVs

BEFORE YOU GO OUT...

- ✓ Ask an adult's permission first.
- ✓ Figure out how thick the ice is (you can do this by looking at black ice or by having an adult use a drill or an ice auger to measure) and whether it's safe to go out.
- ✓ Tell an adult on shore where you're going and when you think you'll come back.
- ✓ Find someone to join you (do not go out on the ice alone).
- ✓ Wear a life jacket under your winter coat--it will keep you cozy and help you float if you fall through the ice.
- ✓ Bring ice picks, a whistle, and (if possible) a cell phone with you. Have a rope ready on shore in case you need it.

IF YOU FALL THROUGH...

- ✓ Try your best to remain calm and breathe slowly.
- ✓ Turn back behind you, toward the ice that you were just standing on.
- ✓ With a swimming kick, try to push yourself forward onto the ice. (Use ice picks if you have them to get a hold on the ice.)
- ✓ Once you are out of the water, get to a safe, dry, and warm place, remove wet clothing, wrap yourself in a dry blanket, and call for medical help.

IF SOMEONE ELSE FALLS THROUGH...

- ✓ **Do NOT reach out to them!** Then you might fall in, too.
- ✓ Call 911 or get help.
- ✓ While you're waiting for help, you can extend a branch, pole, ladder, or rope to the person, or guide them out with the steps listed above.



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Office Reminders/Notices

- 2022 stickers for badges and car tags can be obtained at the office once membership is paid in full. To help with a smooth process, please bring all badges and car tags into the office with you. Thank you in advance!
- If you're interested in receiving your invoices via e-mail with options to pay online, please contact the office

ORDER TODAY TO SHOW YOUR LAKE FOREST SPIRIT!



Red/ Lt Blue/ White ink on Navy T-Shirts
Placement: Left Chest
3" W x 3" H



Red/ Lt Blue/ White ink on Navy T-Shirts
Placement: Full Back
11" W x 11" H



Navy only

Item Name	Price
Hoodie Sweatshirt	\$30.00*
Hoodie Sweatshirt w/zipper	\$30.00*
Crew Sweat-shirt	\$25.00*
Tank top	\$20.00
Short Sleeved Polo (dry fit, logo on front)	\$25.00
Sweatpants	\$20.00
Short Sleeved Tee Shirt	\$20.00**
Long Sleeved Tee Shirt	\$25.00**

**Order forms on
web-site or in office**

Please note that Sweats & Tees tend to run small. Please order one size, if not two sizes larger.

Unfortunately, due to personalization we cannot accommodate returns or exchanges.



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Commemorative Engraved Stone Order Form

\$55.00 per stone (6"x9")

☐ Current Member

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Last membership year: _____

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____



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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.



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Michela Schultz *(16) * 973-862-2020

Lake Forest Board Meeting Minutes

Board Meeting – January 12th, 2022

Location: LFYC Clubhouse

Meeting called to order: 6:18

Meeting Adjourned: 8:00

Attendance: Vanessa Luke, Chrissy Gilligan, Jaime Evans, Keith Moran, Kristen Brown, Peter Malenda, James Davitt

Selection of Recurring Trustee Meetings:

- Current meetings are the second Wednesday of every month, unless a quorum (5 trustees) cannot be met and known in advance, then best efforts are made to re-schedule

Nomination of Officers:

- The Trustees elected the officers:
 - The Commodore – Vanessa Luke
 - The Secretary – Chrissy Gilligan
 - The Treasurer – Jaime Evans

The Board continued the meeting with the assignments of responsibilities:

Committees/Responsibilities Assignments:

- Beach/Galley: Primary- Vanessa, Secondary- Chrissy, Tertiary- Jaime
- By-Laws: Primary- Jaime, Secondary- Vanessa, Tertiary- Chrissy
- Boat Safety Course: Primary- Keith, Secondary- Jaime, Tertiary- Kristen
- Clubhouse: Primary- James, Secondary- Peter, Tertiary- Keith
- Communications (Porthole and Website): Primary- Chrissy, Secondary- Jaime, Tertiary- Kristen
- Docks: Primary- Peter, Secondary- Keith, Tertiary- James
- Financials/Budget: Primary- Jaime, Secondary- Vanessa, Tertiary- Chrissy
- Grounds: Primary- James, Secondary- Peter, Tertiary- Keith
- Legal/Insurance: Primary- Jaime, Secondary- Vanessa, Tertiary- Chrissy
- LFYC Grant/Scholarship (Member of grant committee and primary liaison) Primary- Chrissy, Secondary- James. Tertiary- Jaime
- Maintenance: Primary- Keith, Secondary- Peter, Tertiary- James
- Nominating (Member of nominating committee and primary liaison) Primary- Vanessa, Secondary- Jaime, Tertiary - Chrissy, Nominating Committee: Dan Schultz and Jeff Lawrence

January Minutes—continued.....

- Office: Primary- Chrissy, Secondary- Keith, Tertiary- Vanessa
- Security: Primary- Peter, Secondary: Kristen, Tertiary- Keith
- Social (Member of social committee and primary liaison) Primary- Kristen, Secondary- Jaime, Tertiary- Chrissy
- Swim Team: Primary- Keith, Secondary- James, Tertiary- Peter
- Tennis: Primary- Peter, Secondary- James, Tertiary- Vanessa
- Wakeoff: Primary- Jaime, Secondary- Chrissy, Tertiary- Peter
- Welcoming/Membership: Primary- Kristen, Secondary- Chrissy, Tertiary: James

Old Business:

- Question was raised to the group if the nanobubble was winterized. Peter informed the group that yes, it was.
- Peter reported that Linda noticed the marquee board in front of the office needing repair. One side keeps popping out. Needs a screw to repair it and will be done in the Spring.
- Peter reached out in regards to the weedoo machine. Its currently not working and needs a new motor.
- Peter reported that the swim docks B&C will receive their yearly repair, which will begin in about a month.
- Keith reported that the Boat Safety Course will be changed to April 2nd, 2022
- There was a reported issue with the gate arm going to B&C docks. Peter was able to fix the issue.
- Peter will be fixing a security camera with improved camera for the boat ramp in the Spring.
- James raised the topic in regards to the kayak racks needing to be painted, which will be planned in the Spring and the possibility of purchasing an additional kayak rack.
- Kristen reported that Social will need to order new table cloths (black) to be used for social events only, not rentals, as the old tablecloths had mold on them and unable to be cleaned.
- Kristen reported that the Bands on the Beach were booked for 7/3, 7/16, 8/14, 8/27.
- Community day will be Saturday July 16th
- Spring Clean Up at the club will be April 23rd
- Clubhouse rental agreements were approved
- The swim curtains were left on the property and need to be moved to a place to dry- Available Board Members will meet at the club tomorrow 1/13 to take care of this.
- The ladies room stall door inside the Club House keeps getting stuck shut. This will need to be fixed.
- Two long tables used in the Clubhouse for many events will need to be replaced along with two cocktail tables as well. We are still looking for “Lifetime” tables as they are very durable and good quality. Due to covid inventory is limited. Board will need to purchase a few more large round tables to replace a few tables that are in rough shape.
- Vanessa to order more outdoor stools for the galley as some of the older stools are in bad shape and some new stools have gone missing.