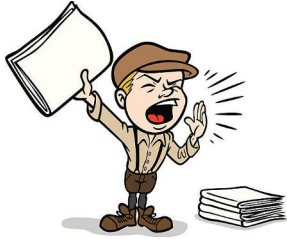


July 3, 2021



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**HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY WEEKEND!**

**Acclaimed blues/rock band set to play Saturday at the pavilion**



**WHAT: JAKE KULAK & THE LOWDOWN**  
**WHEN: 7:30 p.m., Saturday, July 3**  
**WHERE: First Beach Pavilion**

Jake Kulak and the Low-Down will play from 7:30-10:30 p.m. on Saturday, July 2, at the First Beach Pavilion.

An award-winning musician and guitar phenom, Jake Kulak has been performing professionally in front of audiences since the age of 12.

Kulak plays guitar-driven blues rock music that highlights his improvisational and jam abilities. His set list includes original rock and contemporary blues/rock music which he writes himself, as well as unique covers of blues and funk artists.

Kulak has spent the last five summers playing in the home of the blues - Clarksdale, Miss. Kulak was voted the 2019 Best Blues Band or Singer by the Hartford Courant's CTNOW Reader's Poll.

He and his power trio, "Jake Kulak and the LowDown" were also nomi-

nated for a New England Music Award for "Best New Act of the Year." In 2019, they competed all summer in the

Foxwoods Resort Casino's prestigious "Battle of the Bands" and took home the \$10,000 Grand Prize award.

Kulak is joined onstage by bassist Jason LaPierre, who also plays guitar, ukulele and trombone.

Holding down the beat on drums is longtime band member Jeremy Peck, who is also a talented multi-instrumentalist and songwriter.

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**Upcoming Events**

- 7/2 **FRIED DOUGH SALE,** 5-8 p.m., First Beach Pavilion
- 7/3 **JAKE KULAK & THE LOWDOWN,** 7:30-10 p.m., First Beach Pavilion
- 7/4 **FISHING TOURNAMENT,** 6:30-10:30 a.m., Second Beach
- 7/7 **KID'S BINGO,** 7-8 p.m., First Beach Pavilion

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**Annual June meeting gets a lot accomplished before holiday**

Greetings to all members.

Thanks to all who attended our June membership meeting. A lot was accomplished in a two-hour window.

I can't say enough about how great our first social event

**MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

was. Angela Buccheri and team did so much work to make it successful. I'm looking forward to the next event.

If you would like to help your board out in any way, please don't hesitate. Enjoy the holiday weekend and be safe. See you on the beach.

**- Cindy Biancamano**

## Summer fun comes with homeowner responsibilities to keep water quality high

Your Lake Quality Improvement Committee needs your help.

The weather is warming up and summer is officially here. Along with that comes the return of our residents and the start of new and the finishing of old projects around our homes. We ask that you always consider the health of our lake when working on your properties.

- Do leave rocks in place along the shore to guard against erosion. Leave naturally vegetated strips along the shoreline and inland property lines to curb and filter runoff and to keep the geese away.

- Do not use herbicides and pesticides in excess and avoid it all together if possible. Please direct downspouts from gutters

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onto your lawns or other landscaping to help filter the runoff from your roof. The lake is showing signs of nutrient loading which will only help to feed unwanted algae.

- Please do not dump leaves, branches or any kind of organic matter in the lake. They add phosphorous and other unwanted nutrients directly into our lake also.

- Please consider the importance of trees in our ecosystem before cutting one down.

Also, sandy beaches are not good for the lake. If you have one already, reclaim the sand that has drifted into the water like

the association does on our beaches. Run-off into our lake starts at the top of our neighborhood and filters down. Every little thing you do to curb it is important. Everyone has a role to play in curbing the effects climate change is having now and will have on Lake Hayward.

The lake was successfully spot-treated for invasive weeds on Tuesday. It is one of the many ways we can combat an infestation of invasive plants. The other is to make sure boat owners clean their boats thoroughly if you take them into other water bodies before placing them back in Lake Hayward. Please be diligent about that. Cheers to a happy and healthy summer to both our residents and our lake.

- Corinne Halliday

## Geese mitigation efforts will take some time; here's what has been done so far

During the winter, we hired Nutmeg Farms Goose Management Company for a geese mitigation pilot program with a budget of \$1,000 to locate up to five nests and replace eggs with wooden eggs.

They located two nests – one in the cove to the right of the state boat launch and the other in the cove to the left of the state boat launch. Two nests did hatch and produced 18 babies. We believe these nests were on someone's property. Nutmeg Farms only had permission to search on public-use association property. Also, they do all the paperwork and registration with DEEP for the eggs.

We need to hire them for a more extensive approach, including access to seasonal property. Our major focus should be on stopping reproduction.

In order to do this, Nutmeg Farms would

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need to visit more often than once a week, starting in late February into early March, to harass the geese, stop them from pairing up and laying eggs. They would also teach interested association members how to find nests – what to look for. If nests are built and eggs laid, Nutmeg Farms replaces the real eggs with wooden eggs.

Nutmeg Farms would also come to harass the geese from association property on a set schedule using their highly trained dogs. I had asked for volunteers last year – started out with five or six people willing to walk their dog's early mornings and evenings and ended up with one person who continued. The timing is rough and not everyone is here during the week. Nutmeg Farms have also been out to harass them with remote-

control boats. For some reason, they are not afraid of kayaks, but are afraid of motors. In the fall, Nutmeg Farm would institute a maintenance program to prevent the flock from returning and to prevent new flocks from being established.

For those with waterfront property, Nutmeg Farms can suggest plants that can be placed near the water to stop them from coming onto property.

This will be an ongoing process. One pair of breeding geese can become 100 in just five years. I cannot emphasize enough that, along with Nutmeg Farms, we need the assistance of the entire lake community to be successful.

Lynette from Nutmeg Farms will be giving a presentation at our Town Hall on July 17.

- Evelyn Passan

### CONTACTING DEEP

If you a violation on the lake, you can reach out to DEEP by calling 860-424-3333. There are five pieces of information that you can provide to help DEEP when addressing violations.

- Description of the operator and passengers
- Date and time of incident

- Location and direction of travel
- Violation (gas engine on, prop in water)
- Description of the boat and the number on the hull



POALH EVENTS ON

# FOURTH OF JULY WEEKEND

## July 2nd

Fried Dough Sale starting at 5:00. \$4 for a drink & dough. Monies raised to benefit Kids' Bingo. Bring the family down to mangia before we are sold out!

## July 3rd

A Place Called Hope Birds of Prey Program,  
3-4 PM at the pavilion  
Jake Kulak & The Lockdown, 7:30-10PM at the  
pavilion, bring cash for a 50/50 raffle

## July 4th

Fishing Tournament from Second Beach,  
6:30-10:30AM

Questions? Email:

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## This week in lakeside summer events

### July 2, 5 p.m. (until sold out)

Fried Dough Sale to benefit Kids Bingo

### July 3, 3-4 p.m.

[A Place Called Hope](#) Birds of Prey Program at First Beach. This program was generously sponsored by a POALH member.

### July 3, 7:30-10 p.m.

Jake Kulak & The Lowdown live music at First Beach. Please bring cash for a 50-50 raffle.

### July 4, 6:30 a.m.

Fishing Derby from Second Beach

### Kids Events are back

Starting this week, Kids Bingo & Kids Crafts are back. As always, there is no cost for these events. These events run weekly through the middle of August at the pavilion.

### July 7, 7-8 p.m.

Kids Bingo

### Looking ahead

Please check out [the calendar](#) for all our upcoming events. We have highlighted a few of the upcoming events in July but there is a lot more happening.

**July 9, 6-9 p.m.:** Sunset Sensation Adult Craft with Lisa Rogers at the pavilion. A \$5 donation is encouraged to cover the cost of supplies.

**July 10, 7:30-10 p.m.:** Come down to First Beach for our first Movie Night of the season. We will be watching Disney-Pixar's "Luca." Snacks will be available.

**July 11, 2-4 p.m.:** Tie Dye Teen Craft (Kids ages 12 and up) We are trying to



Here is just one example of a custom item you can make on July 24.

bring back some events that are designed just for our teen members. Becki from Big Daddy's Twisted Tees and Lisa Rogers will be running this event. Big Daddy's Twisted Tees is donating the tools and chemicals to create a piece you can wear for years to come. Please help us get an idea of how much to prepare for the event by filling out this [Google Form](#). **Teens must provide their own clothing item to dye.**

**July 16, 7:30-9 p.m.:** Dad Band at the Pavilion. This performance was generously sponsored by a POALH member.

**July 17, 7-10 p.m.:** Setback Tournament at the Pavilion

**July 18: 4:30-8 p.m.:** Fishing Tournament from Second Beach

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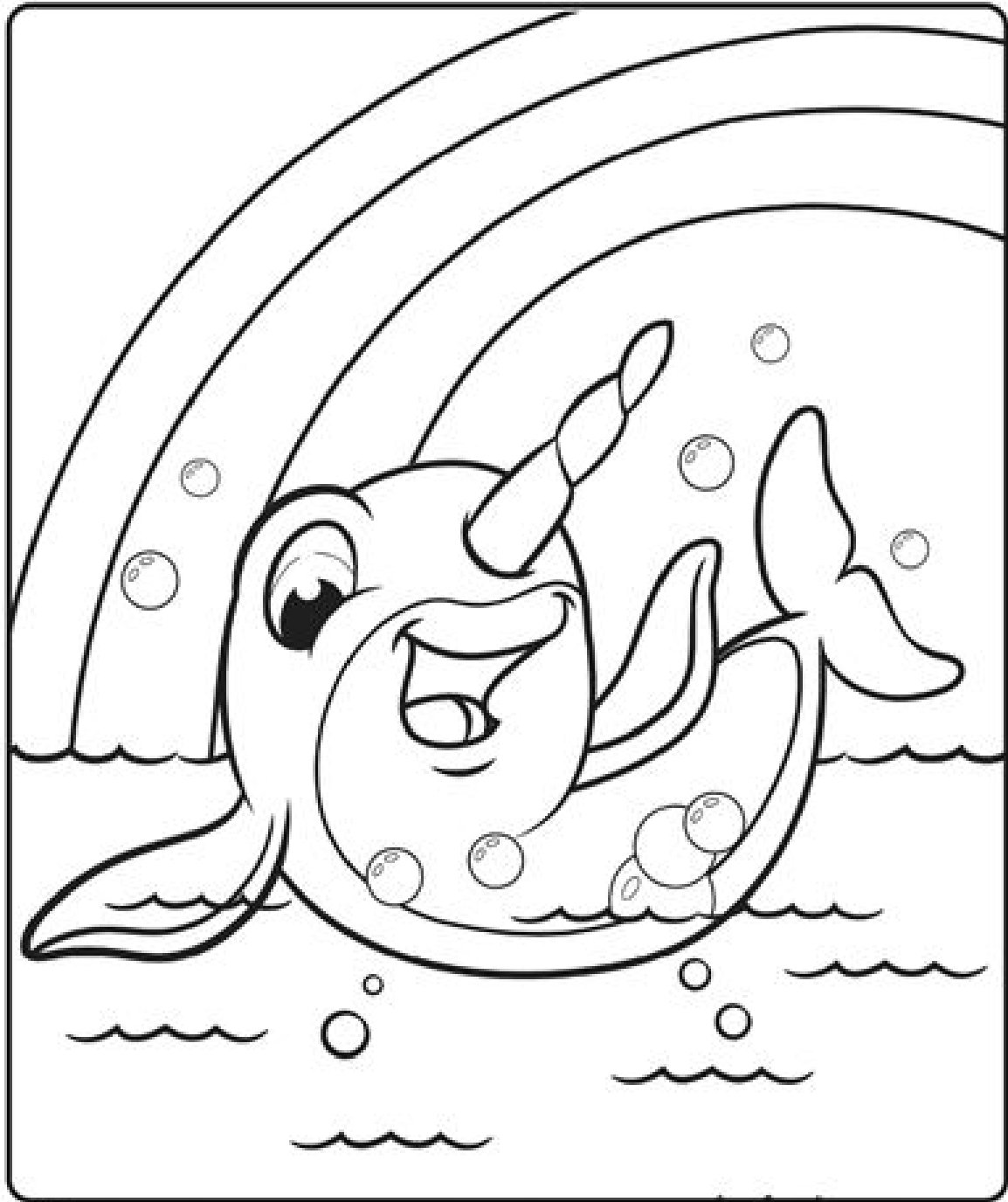
**POALH tax bills will be mailed out to property owners next week.**

**July 24:** [Lake Hayward Words on Wood Party](#) The link is open now. Members can design their own masterpiece to make the evening of the party, or you can simply have it made for you. Monies raised will go to the social events budget. If members have any questions about products or design questions they can email [jackievalentine@wordsonwoodparty.com](mailto:jackievalentine@wordsonwoodparty.com)

## Newsletter editor needed for 2022

We are looking for an editorially-minded individual with a flair for design to produce the weekly Lake Hayward newsletter, starting in June 2022. Please e-mail [webmaster@lakehaywardct.com](mailto:webmaster@lakehaywardct.com) if you are interested.

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