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**SPEED LIMIT ON THE LAKE**

**Town meeting on Wednesday will discuss boat restriction**

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**Upcoming Events**

- 8/7 **MUSIC BINGO,**  
7-10:30 p.m.,  
First Beach Pavilion
- 8/8 **FISHING DERBY,**  
6:30-10:30 a.m.,  
Second Beach
- 8/8 **ROGUE COFFEE TRUCK,**  
9-11 a.m., Second Beach
- 8/11 **KIDS BINGO,**  
7-8 p.m., First Beach  
Pavilion

A public hearing on the proposed Lake Hayward speed limit ordinance will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 11, at 7 p.m. at the East Haddam Municipal Office Complex in Meeting Room No. 1. We strongly encourage you to attend and voice your opinion pro or con. The number of people present for or against the proposal will make a big difference.

**What is the current ordinance?**

In 1964, the Town of East Haddam enacted an ordinance (later amended) to prohibit the use of internal combustion engines on the lake. For many decades, this helped preserve the serene environment that



drew most of us to the Lake in the first place.

**What is the proposed change?**

See the East Haddam public hearing notice and text of the ordinance at Easthaddam.org. In simple terms, it prohibits motorboat speeds above Slow-No-Wake (6 mph). It exempts sailboats as

**WHAT: PUBLIC HEARING**

**WHEN: 7 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 11**

**WHERE: East Haddam Municipal Complex, Meeting Room No. 1**

well as motorboats entirely under sail.

**Why is a speed limit needed?**

In recent years, it became clear that battery technology had advanced to the point that high speed electric personal watercraft (PWC) were beginning to become a reality. You can buy electric boats that can

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**Summer heats up in August as lake events keep rolling along**

A great crowd came to the First Beach Pavilion to listen and dance to the "Locomotives" last week. Congrats to Melissa and Adam on their marriage. Out golfers had a top 10 day to enjoy as well.

Some of our men have stepped up to pamper us on Aug. 27 at Ladies Night. We are going to have a limit of 50 so please get your name to me

**MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

at Cindyb@lakehaywardct.com. Cost will be \$15 and a partial menu includes grilled chicken, sausage and peppers, baked ziti, salad and more. All homemade.

Please note that our current green parking passes expire this year. Carolyn will be handing out your new passes at the

Aug. 15 Annual Association Meeting, so please come get them. Our spring packet is electronic now so the passes won't be mailed to you.

If you have noticed how nicely groomed the beaches look this year reach out to Phil Sabo, Dave Edgington, and Bill Taylor to say thank you.

Have a great week.

**- Cindy Biancamano**

## Town considers funding open-space purchase near lake

The town will hold a referendum in late August to ask taxpayers if they want to fund a 125-acre parcel on O'Connell Road Extension that is adjacent to the Shugrue Farm Reserve on Long Hill, which has trailheads on Lake Hayward Town Road and Cragmere Rd. The directors of the East Haddam Land Trust agree with the town and the state that this parcel is worth the investment. The land trust would like to explore ways to partner with Lake Hayward residents to get out and vote for this funding. This parcel will help protect the aquifer for Lake Hayward residents and protect the water quality of Lake Hayward. For information, contact Pete Govert at 860-817-3112 or [pete.govert@ehlt.org](mailto:pete.govert@ehlt.org).

### CPR course coming later this month

Do you know what to do if a family member collapses in front of you? Do you know how to relieve choking?

#### NEWS AND NOTES

If you want the skills to help a loved one in distress, take the American Heart Association's **Family and Friends CPR** course at 10 a.m. on Aug. 21 at the First Beach Pavilion.



This course teaches CPR and relief of choking in adults, children and infants. It is designed for members of the general public who would like to learn basic CPR, including families with children or elderly relatives, and those who do not need a course completion card. Course fee includes textbook and participation card.

This course is three hours long and costs \$10 per person. A minimum of six people is

required to run each class. Class size is limited to a maximum of 16. Pre-registration is encouraged but not required. Payment is due the day of the class. Register by emailing Bonnie Sudell at [bonnies@lakehaywardct.com](mailto:bonnies@lakehaywardct.com), with CPR in the subject line or by calling Bonnie at 860-836-5245. Please include your name, lake address, phone number and email address.

### Keep beaches free of debris

Please remember that association members have the responsibility to keep our beaches clean so everyone can enjoy them. This means not only bringing garbage home or placing it in trash receptacles, but it also means taking all your belongings home with you. While there are racks for small watercrafts, items like chairs and inflatables need to be taken home. Items left behind will be moved to the ball field for pick up.

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go 20, 30, 40 and even 50 mph. They are still pretty expensive for now. This new technology bypasses the intent of the original ordinance and would create new safety issues for other boaters and swimmers (that can be found anywhere in the lake), potential erosion of beaches and waterfronts, and completely change the character of the lake.

### How did the concept of a speed limit arise?

An East Shore Drive resident brought up this concern to the Lake Quality Improvement Committee (LQIC). The LQIC consists of nearly equal numbers of volunteers from the POALH on the west side of the Lake and residents on the east side off the Lake.

The LQIC debated options to address this concern while preserving all current boating activities on the lake. Horsepower limits and kilowatt limits were considered, but a speed limit seemed best because speed is what directly causes the adverse impacts. Many Connecticut lakes have speed limits. It was recognized that nobody is likely to clock boat speeds with a radar gun. But it does send the message that high-speed boats are not welcome on the lake and residents would have a basis for enforcement.

Higher and lower speeds were debated, but the LQIC settled on 6 mph. A test showed that 6 mph is about as fast as a typical pontoon boat can go with a typical Torqeedo electric engine.

Most do not go at top speed. Six mph is also the State of Connecticut definition of

“Slow-No-Wake.” State regulations already limit PWC speed to Slow-No-Wake within 200 feet of shore. It was also recognized that sailboats cannot measure or control their speed as well as motorboats and should be exempted.

The speed limit was first proposed publicly in the September 2019 East Shore Gazette. Feedback was requested and all feedback received was positive. The speed limit proposal was also brought before the POALH Board of Governors.

With all this positive input, it was presented to the East Haddam Board of Selectmen.

It has since been approved by the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) and the East Haddam Board of Selectmen.

## 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.

# TONIGHT!

**MUSIC BINGO**  
**Saturday, August 7, 2021**  
**7:00 pm to 10:30**  
**DJ Anthony / Digital Tracks Entertainment**

Bring the family to the pavilion and play Music Bingo with DJ Anthony. It's similar to regular bingo where the goal is to get five makers in a row (diagonally, straight, etc.) but instead of numbers, Anthony will play 10-15 seconds of a song and you will look to see if the title is on your bingo card.

## B I N G O

<b>Call Me</b>	Under Pressure	When Doves Cry	Time after Time	Girls Just Want to Have Fun
Fight For Your Right	Sweet Dreams (Are Made of This)	Hungry Like the Wolf	Total Eclipse of the Heart	Pour Some Sugar on Me
Flashdance... What a Feeling	I Love Rock N' Roll	<b>Free!</b>	(I Just) Died in Your Arms	Karma Chameleon
<b>Take on Me</b>	Hurts So Good	Straight Up	<b>Beat It</b>	<b>Love Shack</b>
Kids in America	Livin' on a Prayer	Every Rose Has its Thorn	Sweet Child O' Mine	Tainted Love

## This week in lakeside summer events

**Aug. 6**

**6-9 p.m.**

**Adult Craft “Sunset Sensation”** with **Lisa Rogers** at the Pavilion. A \$5 donation to cover supplies is encouraged. Pack your favorite beverage.

**Aug. 7**

**7 p.m.**

**Music Bingo** is coming to the pavilion. A DJ will play a small cut of a song and you will look to see if the title is on your bingo card. Prizes will be awarded. It is certain to be a fun night.

**Aug. 8**

**6:30-10:30 a.m.**

**Fishing Tournament** at Second Beach

**9-11 a.m. (or until sold out)**

**Rogue Coffee Truck** at Second Beach - Rogue Coffee Truck will be serving specialty drinks. Grab a coffee on your morning walk or head down to see who the winner of the fishing tournament is. Just bring \$3 for any drink, the association will cover the rest of the cost. Please have the exact amount as there will be a jar for members to pay for their drinks. (We have contracted a certain number of drinks so please know that they will serve until 11 unless they sell out prior.)

### Looking ahead

Please check out the calendar at [www.lakehaywardct.com](http://www.lakehaywardct.com) for all our upcoming events.

## Rogue Coffee Truck Sunday, 8/8 9AM 2nd Beach



Rogue offers a variety of drip brewed coffees, cold brew, specialty coffee drinks, teas and hot chocolate. Flavor shot options available. \$3 for any beverage.

We have highlighted a few of the upcoming events in August, but there is a lot more happening.

**Aug. 13**

**6-9 p.m.**

**Lisa Rogers** is running a family art event. Families are invited to come down for a mindful drawing session.

A \$10 donation per family to cover the cost of materials is encouraged.

For a full season list of events, go to the POALH online calendar at [www.lakehaywardct.com/events](http://www.lakehaywardct.com/events)

**Aug. 14**

**7:30-10:30 p.m.**

Live music from **In Deep**.

### Lake Hayward Beach Games & Carnival

Mark your calendar for Lake Hayward Days Beach Games & Carnival, which will be held on Aug. 28. We are looking for volunteers. If you can give us a few hours of your time, please fill out this Google Form. We cannot do this without your help.

### Covid-19 guidance

Please know that we are carefully monitoring state Covid numbers and health department guidance in terms of the social events that are planned for the remainder of the summer. While we would hate to modify or cancel any events including Lake Hayward Days, everyone's safety is our priority. We appreciate everyone's flexibility and understanding if guidance requires mitigation strategies be put into place or requires changes in the calendar of events.

## Dam reconstruction plan will be discussed at POALH meeting

**By Tim Pelton**  
**Dam Committee Chairman**

During the recent open forum Town Hall held at the First Beach Pavilion, there was a lot of discussion regarding the reconstruction of the dam. The topics included the phases of construction, the construction period and the related cost.

Based on the direct feedback from participants at the Town Hall, I met with the budget committee, which was also present at the Town Hall, to discuss and present a funding action plan to the POALH Board of Governors for their consideration.

The board has approved the plan outlining three different options for consideration by

the membership at the Annual Meeting on Aug. 15. At that time the membership will vote on how best to proceed on this important lake maintenance and preservation proposal. A detailed outline of the three-option plan is available on the POALH website at <https://www.lakehaywardct.com/lake-quality/dam-inspection/>

## LAKE HAYWARD DAYS ARE COMING



### **Party With The Ponies** **A Night At The Races**

**Friday Night 8/20 at 8 PM**  
**at the Pavilion**

- The track is sandy and dry and the weather is hot
- Forget the sports book at Foxwood's and Mohegan, with the money you save on gas going there you can put down a few wagers at the pavilion
- All races are sanctioned by the **HDRC** also know as the *Hayward Downs Racing Association*
- Race programs for each race are provided
- Bring along a handful of singles (bucks not dates!) and have a ton of fun
- Pay outs on every race, *you too* can be a winner
- Prizes for best dressed (Churchill Downs eat your heart out)
- Prizes for most enthusiastic table
- BYOB
- Ten races will be run, each starting about every 10 minutes
- Heeeeeerrrrrrreeeeeeee they come....!*

## COMING NEXT WEEK



### **In Deep Band** **Saturday, Aug. 14** **7:30-10:30 p.m.**

“In Deep” is one of Southern New England’s classic rock bands covering a wide range of musical artists, both past and present. Members of the band bring many years of experience and talent creating a powerful sound and high-energy sets. Bring your dancing shoes and “In Deep” will bring the rock.

# Nominating committee sends forth board slate

The nominating committee completed its task and submitted a slate of candidates for consideration to fill expiring terms of existing board of governor members.

Our community responded and the committee had its work cut out to select four candidates to make up our slate of nominees. Each candidate applied addressing key questions put forth by the committee via a nomination form.

In accordance with our charter and by-laws, the POALH nominating committee presents the following slate of candidates to be considered and duly elected at the Annual Meeting to be held on Sunday, Aug. 15. The Bylaws (Article XIII - Nominating Committee) state that the Nominating Committee's purpose is to select candidates for the successors to the members whose terms are expiring.

The following list of candidates will be considered and duly elected at the Annual Meeting on Aug. 15

The committee established a number of objectives and criteria as part of the vetting process: specifically, to balance the slate with new members to the commu-

nity with relevant skills and experiences, interests, and commitment to provide long term leadership to our community, and include existing members of the community who have demonstrated commitment and contributions through critical committee participation and who can bring a perspective that benefits the existing board and community.

Additionally, the committee wanted to be sure each district is represented as best as possible and as required in our charter; confirm the individual can attend all required in-person board and association meetings and meet the technology require-

**Property Owners' Association of Lake Hayward  
Annual Meeting – Sunday, August 15, 2021  
First Beach Pavilion**

**Agenda**

Call to Order: 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call of the Board of Governors

Opening Remarks

Reading and Acceptance of POALH June 27, 2021 Association Meeting Minutes

Financial Reports

- Treasurer
- Tax Collector
- Budget – Presentation of 2022-2023 Operating Budget and Budget Vote

Reports of the Board of Governors

- President
- Secretary

Reports of Committees

- Nominating – Presentation of slate of candidates, nominations from the floor & vote
- Events
- Geese
- Lake & Water Quality
- Properties
- Public Safety – New parking passes being handed out at meeting today

Old Business

- Bio Detention Basin Project – Presentation & Capital Expenditure/Construction Vote
- Dam Reconstruction – Presentation & Capital Expenditure/Funding/Construction Vote

New Business

- Thank outgoing board member(s)
- Pickleball

Announcements

**BOARD NOMINATIONS**

ment to comply with mandated Freedom of Information and HIPPA requirements.

The following individuals make up this year's slate of nominees including the board position they will fill:

**Kathy Sabo:** First Beach Representative

**Cindy Biancamano:** Second Beach Representative

**Hema DeSilva:** Third Beach Representative

**Phil Sabo:** Representative at Large

As provided in our charter, additional nominations from the floor the day of the annual meeting is permitted. Candidates nominated from the floor must identify the board position seeking to fill and be prepared to address the membership.

Respectfully submitted by the Nominating Committee 2021:

Lynn Macri

Robb D. Wright

Fred Alden