

L O N G P O I N T

Board Update – May, 2018



Early May sunrise looking from Long Point toward Town Farm Bay and Charlotte

The 2018 Summer Season begins!

Welcome back to Long Point! We're looking forward to a wonderful summer of lake and lakeside activities. Below are some updates and dates for events this summer.

Annual Assessments are in the Mail

Although our new fiscal year begins each year on May 1, April sees the first official order of business: The mailing of the invoices for the annual assessments. The assessments are made up of three parts: the lot lease fee (\$120 per full lot and \$60 for a half lot), the water assessment for those who use the community water system (\$186), and the annual dues (\$330). Those shareholders with a single lot who use the water system will see an annual assessment of \$636.

The assessments are based on the budget passed at the annual shareholder meeting last August. Revenue from the assessments is used to maintain the roads and public facilities on Long Point, pay the taxes, insurance, legal and accounting expenses, support the office and

salary of the secretary, and maintain the water system. The success of our community depends on these assessments. If you do not receive an invoice in the mail, please get in touch with Nikki (email at longpointcorp@gmavt.net or phone at 802-545-2067) so that she may update our mailing list. Thank you for your prompt attention to your invoice and for helping to get the new season off on a sound financial footing.

- Bunky Bernstein, Long Point Treasurer

Cookie Love Prize! Share your favorite Long Point photographs by June 1!

Before you pack up and head north for your first stay at Long Point, please take a moment to look at last summer's photos and share a few for the Long Point Annual Report. Your favorite Long Point images. Current or historic. Scenic or architectural. Community or family fun. And a special prize of a \$10 gift certificate to Cookie Love if your photo is chosen for the cover. Please email high-resolution (full-size) photos to Carol Hanley at chanley@gmavt.net by June 1, adding photo credits and captions (if appropriate). Or we can scan your old prints for reproduction and return them to you right away. Thanks for your help in making our Annual Report interesting and beautiful. – *Carol Hanley*

Position Open on the Long Point Board of Directors

Mike Wood will be leaving the Board after six years. The search for a new Board member has begun, and the Nominating Committee is reaching out to prospective candidates. On the committee this year are [Larry Colvin](#), [Mike Wood](#) and [Nancy Zahniser](#). The Nominating Committee will be looking for candidates with a strong commitment to the Long Point community, an interest in the stewardship of Long Point, time to devote to the work of the Long Point Corporation, and a willingness to share in that work. An ability to work well with members of the Board, the Long Point Community and others is also important. Professional skills, such as business experience, or an interest in dealing with issues involving Long Point's lands may also be helpful, but is not necessary. The Nominating Committee will recommend a candidate to the Board to fill the upcoming vacancy. The Board will consider the candidate recommended by the Nominating Committee and, if considered qualified, the Board will approve the recommendation for a vote of the shareholders at the Annual Meeting in August. At the Annual Meeting additional candidates may be nominated from the floor before voting by the shareholders. If you are interested in serving the Long Point community on the Board of Directors and believe you have the qualifications, or know of such a person, please contact a member of the Nominating Committee (emails are linked above) or the Board.

- Gary Gray, Long Point Board President

Lake Weed Committee Update

While the weeds of Town Farm Bay slept under a covering of ice, the Lake Weed Committee continued their work on developing a Long Point Lake Weed Management plan. The committee focused on three areas over the winter: understanding the lake weeds in our area, researching lake weed harvesting machines, and developing a way to communicate our findings and recommendations this summer.

The Arrowwood Environmental report on area lake weeds was completed in the late fall of 2017. Committee members reviewed the report and met with experts for further clarification. We have a better understanding about the types of weeds and where we can expect continued growth and challenges.

Committee members have been interviewing lake weed harvester companies to learn more about the cost, process, and challenges of lake weed harvesting. Our research will continue this spring as we plan to do multiple site visits to see how different organizations manage lake weed harvesting. The committee has also looked into grants that may help offset the costs of managing lake weeds.

In addition, we have started to consolidate our information so we can brief the Long Point Board and begin sharing the information with the Long Point community. Our plan is to host multiple informational meetings throughout the early summer so that we are an informed community.

The mission of the Long Point Lake Weed Committee is to develop a comprehensive lake weed management plan. The ideal plan will meet the needs of Long Point residents and their collective financial capacity while, at the same time, maintain the environment in its natural form to the greatest extent possible. It is our intent to consider all these priorities as we move into the next phase. The Lake Weed Committee is hoping to propose a comprehensive Lake Weed Management Plan at this years' Annual Meeting.

–Matt Chandler, for the Lake Weed Committee

Planning on remodeling? Or renting out your camp? Visit the Long Point web site

If you're thinking of remodeling, please read through the [permits](#) section of the Long Point web site. And if you rent your camp, please remember to have your renter fill out and sign [this rental agreement](#). When complete, please file it with the Long Point secretary, [Nikki Fitzcharles](#). There are lots of other resources for owners. Please take a look at the whole web site at www.longpointcorp.com.

2018 Events

Water Turn-on Day, Tuesday, May 1, 2018. Since 2008, Long Point has enjoyed a well-water system that distributes potable water to all Long Point. The system returns to operation on May 1. Dick Preston monitors and maintains the system. During the summer, if you notice water leaks, please contact Dick Preston or a member of the Long Point Board.

Long Point Clean-up Day, Saturday, June 23, 2018, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Meet at the Farm House and bring gloves. If you arrive after 8:00 a.m., go to the Bay Road beach where there will be plenty of action. Rakes and shovels are also appropriate. If you have a truck to help move debris to the Stump Dump, please bring it. Call Mike Wood, 802-989-1273, with questions.

Independence Day Picnic, Wednesday, July 4, 2018, noon to 2:00 p.m. A Long Point tradition, we'll gather at Laflam Memorial Park by the tennis court and playground. Hot dogs, hamburgers, veggie burgers and beverages will be provided by LPC. Bring a chair and a dish to share. Hosted by Katy Nunn and the Koplinka family.

LPC Annual Meeting, Saturday, August 4, 2018, 9:00 a.m. Coffee and treats beginning at 8:30 a.m. Location: Ferrisburgh Town Hall. This is our important shareholders' meeting held to conduct the business of Long Point Corporation. **It is important to attend or submit your proxy, if you are unable to attend.** In July, you'll receive the annual report. Please bring it with you to the meeting.

New Date! New Time! New Commodore! Annual Regatta in the Bay, Saturday, August 4, 2018, 3 p.m. This year, the Regatta will take place on Saturday afternoon, following the Annual Meeting. Dianne Kett of North Road has stepped forward to keep this beloved tradition going. Commodore Kett will be awarding prizes to participating canoes, kayaks small sailboats and new this year - paddleboards!

Ice Cream Social, Sunday, August 5, 2018, 2:00 p.m. Hosts Jess Lukas, Chelsea Tedder and Katy Nunn invite everyone (family and friends included) to gather at Laflam Memorial Park by the tennis court and playground for all the free ice cream and frozen yogurt you can eat. BYOB&S (bring your own bowl and spoon).

Connect with others through Nextdoor Long Point

Just a reminder - Nextdoor Long Point is a private social network for the Long Point community. Want a free sailboat? Need help finding a lost pet? Nextdoor can help. It's an easy way for Long Point neighbors to talk and share information online. Since getting started in 2015, Nextdoor Long Point has been used by shareholders to buy and sell

furniture, recommend restaurants, request recommendations for contractors, find lost pets, and give away unneeded items – among other things. It is free and easy to use, and over 150 of your neighbors are already participating! If you have not yet signed up, please contact Duncan Adamson at dsadamson@gmail.com and he will send you an invitation.

Do we have your correct contact information?

We need up-to-date personal contact information for Long Point records. We also include this information in the annual report so neighbors can keep in touch. If your USPS address, phone numbers or email addresses have changed, or if they were incorrect in last year's report, please send corrections to Nikki at longpointcorp@gmavt.net by June 1. You can also reach Nikki by phone at (802) 545-2067. See you soon at Long Point!



Possible contestants in the new paddleboard category in this year's Regatta

Please mark these dates:

Tuesday, May 1, 2018 - Water Turn-on Day

Friday, June 1, 2018 – Address corrections to [Nikki](#). Submit photos to [Carol Hanley](#).

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