



CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB - PORT TOWNSEND, WA

# Newsletter

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## Manager's Report -

*January 2023!*

### **Happy New Year!**

I want to acknowledge every Cape George Member for helping to make the transition to a new Board and new management smooth and congenial in the second half of 2022. Your openness has helped the Cape George community come together following the confounding Covid years, and an abrupt management and board leadership transition. Thank you!

**2023.** The projects Cape George Colony Club staff and committees are taking on this year are ambitious and exciting! Some those projects will take off at the beginning of the year. We would like install fencing and signage, and re-plant the picnic area in the first quarter of 2023. I anticipate that other projects, like the 2023 Reserve Study, will take longer to complete. If we follow the reserve study guidelines, there should be stable funding for the Cape George common area assets the future.

The ad hoc Technology and Security Committee is moving forward with the installation of the first security cameras and working to have improved internet connectivity in the clubhouse and marina.

When the draft 2023 budget was presented to the membership in November, the Treasurer noted that Cape George Colony Club has struggled to keep up with the rising cost of inflation in the past few years. This is because the Cape George Bylaws cap the allowable increase in annual assessments at 4% for the general fund, and 2.5 % for reserve assessments. With inflation in the seven to nine percent range we run the risk of not keeping up with rising costs. The Board will be considering options to help ensure that Cape George Colony Club assets are funded appropriately to meet the economic challenges that are affecting our community.

### **Thank You!**

♥ Thank you to the dozen Marina volunteers who responded to an afternoon shout out to fill sandbags to help protect the shorefront facilities when high tides and winds were predicted on the 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> of December. Volunteers, from juniors to seniors, gathered within an hour to pitch in and help! They worked in the fading light, shoveling sand into bags, tying and hoisting sandbags into trucks, and unloading those sandbags by the pool, workshop, and fitness room before dark! Fortunately, there was no damage in late December.



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♥ Thank you, Varn Brooks, Ben Fellows, Steve McDevitt, and Richard VanDeMark for your oversight of the reconstruction of the berm.

♥ Thank you, Christine Castigliano and Rick Kint, who are on the Technology Committee, for untangling the mystery of the Cape George Clubhouse internet which will help us improve our community connectivity and security.

♥ Thank you to the Board of Officers and Trustees. The membership of Cape George has elected an outstanding group of purposeful individuals who spend many hours every month serving the community as Board Members, and as liaisons to committees. Along with Terri, Donnie, Aimee, committee chairs and members, their presence and dedication impresses me every day!

I look forward to working with the Board, Cape George Colony Club members, and the Cape George staff in 2023, helping to make Cape George Colony Club an even better place to live!

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## NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT – Jane Ludwig

### HAPPY NEW YEAR – WELCOME 2023

The following is an excerpt from the 2019 January Newsletter “*Note from the President*”, by Katie Habegger. I could not say it better.

*To run a complex community like Cape George, with its own water system, marina, more than eight miles of private roads and over six hundred members requires a dedicated team of professionals. We are so fortunate to have the services of such a team, and we hope that our heartfelt thanks in this newsletter and the bonus checks in their Christmas stockings convey just how grateful we are for their services.*

**Terri Brown**, Office Administrator  
**Marnie Levy**, General Manager

**Donnie Weathersby**, Maintenance Manager  
**Aimee Garrett**, Seasonal Maintenance Assistant

*Please take a moment to personally thank our wonderful staff members the next time you see them.*

As the Trustees prepare for 2023, a major focus will be the review of our by-laws in relation to the annual increases allowed for both member assessments and our reserve assessments. As was stated in the October Newsletter, it is apparent that 2023 is going to be a lean year. With inflation hovering around 8%, our by-laws restricting us to a 4% increase in assessments for the operational budget and a 2.5% increase for the reserve assessment, the by-laws will be reviewed.

Cape George will also be completing an Enhanced Level 2 Reserve Study in 2023 to help us define what is needed to fund major maintenance, repair, and replacement of common elements, expected within the next thirty years. A Reserve Study is intended to project availability of adequate funds for the replacement or major repair of any significant component of Cape George as it becomes necessary without relying on special assessments.

And of course, Cape George volunteer committees will continue to provide input, ideas and activities that keep us moving forward as we grow in 2023. Thanks to All.

## THE BERM: A TIMELINE

Many community members have asked about the work taking place on the Berm by the Clubhouse over the past months. Below is a brief history to bring everyone up to date.

**2015-2016:** The berm was constructed under a Community Development Permit dated June 18, 2015, according to a design by Coastal Geologic Services, Inc. (CGS) to protect the clubhouse and common area north of the clubhouse. The berm is a soft armoring, protective structural feature as required by Federal and State regulations for Coastal Zone Development and Management Plans.

**Feb. 2021:** Jim Johannessen, Licensed Engineering Geologist from CGS inspected the berm and recommended no immediate repairs, although he indicated some work may be needed in the future depending on high water storms.

**November 2021:** Severe west windstorms at high tides accelerated berm erosion. The Environmental Committee identified severely eroded sections of the berm face adjacent to the picnic shelter and playground, especially in the many paths people created to access the beach. *Note that the berm was not designed as a promenade or viewing platform.* Under our original permit, Cape George (CG) must repair damage to the berm as soon as practicable.

**December 1, 2021:** Jim Johannessen met with several board members and the manager to re-inspect the berm. CGS asked to provide Scope of Work re emergency repair.

**December 29, 2021:** Jim Johannessen submitted “Scope of Work and Fee Proposal for Coastal Erosion Control Evaluation & Design.” This proposal involved design work for short-term berm repair and two conceptual designs for longer term solutions to shoreline erosion, along with permitting and implementation assistance, for a charge of \$19,800.

**January 27, 2022:** Continued storm activity caused further damage to the berm (see photo by Varn Brooks from 1-7-22). Environmental Committee liaison Pat Gulick presented the issue to the Board who voted to create an ad hoc committee to address the berm issues.

**March 23, 2022:** The ad hoc Berm Committee, composed of members from the Environmental and Marina Committees and other resident volunteers, met to address 2 questions:

- 1. What should we recommend to the CG Board regarding the short-term repairs to the damaged berm during 2022?*
- 2. What should we recommend to the CG Board regarding longer term solutions to protect property, structures, and access to the shoreline at CG?*

After evaluating the scope of work and costs, the committee decided to move ahead with short-term berm repair using CG resources to accomplish as many of the tasks identified by CGS as possible to save time and money rather than paying CGS up to \$20K to manage the project.

**April 28, 2022:** Board approved obtaining a permit to repair/maintain the berm. Richard VanDeMark, Professional Landscape Architect and member of the ad hoc Committee, submitted his modified design to the Jefferson County Department of Community Development. Although our 5-year permit had recently expired, Richard was able to get approval of the modified design, showing the repairs needed for damaged areas, under a renewal of our original permit.

**August-November 2022: Berm repair:** James Bodkin and Richard VanDeMark identified and reviewed qualifications of construction contractors and 2 companies (Leavitt Trucking and Whitworth Excavating, Inc.) submitted cost estimates. Whitworth Excavating Inc., the low bidder, was selected. On August 25, the CG Board approved expenditure of up to \$55,000 from the emergency reserves for berm repair work to be completed by December 1, 2022.

Work on berm repair began Oct. 25. Marina Committee volunteers assisted by cabling logs together.

Ben Fellows, former chair of the Marina Committee, served as liaison between the CG Community and the Contractor during construction. He and Richard VanDeMark reviewed and approved the repair work when it was completed at the end of Nov. 2022.

**Future Tasks: Revegetation, Fencing, and Berm Crossovers:** We must still restore native vegetation and dune grass to help hold the berm per the conditions of the permit. The lawn in the picnic area also needs to be re-seeded. Varn Brooks and Richard VanDeMark are developing plans for vegetation restoration, protective fencing, and designated cross-over spots from the lawn to the beach, activities approved by the Board. To prevent further erosion, the Environmental Committee recommended that protective fencing be placed along the landward base of the berm and several fixed walkover locations be placed with signs directing people to those access spots. The Environmental Committee will help organize volunteers to assist.

To date, the community has spent almost \$50,000 for this berm repair. This investment needs to be protected if the berm is to continue to protect the structures and areas around the Marina. The berm provides habitat for many species of animals, including migrating shorebirds, and will become an integral part of the ecosystem as it flourishes. The Environmental Committee has recommended that a Permanent Standing Berm committee be created to monitor the berm and create a Comprehensive Berm Management Plan to address permit requirements and plans for future work as needed on the Berm, as well as ongoing issues related to coastal flooding and storm damage along the whole Cape George shoreline. This is a timely and important issue, considering predicted effects from climate change and sea level rise by NOAA and other international scientific organizations.

#### HOW CAN YOU HELP

***Do Not Walk or Stand on the Berm.***

***Only Cross at the Designated Cross-Over Spots.*** Until those are complete, please use the cross-over behind the workshop.

A presentation at the Clubhouse in early 2023 is planned to review plans for the berm and other areas around the marina. Please plan to attend if you can. More detailed information will also be available on the Cape George website in the near future.

Prepared by  
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With assistance from Ruth Ross,  
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Committee.

Picture provided by Varn Brooks



# POOL NEWS

Happy New Year!

We'd like to give you a glance of what happened at your pool in 2022.

We had the first pool fundraiser and raised \$5,722. Thanks to the community for your support. There were various upgrades around the pool, changing rooms, and entrance. Thanks to all that used the pool's suggestion box.

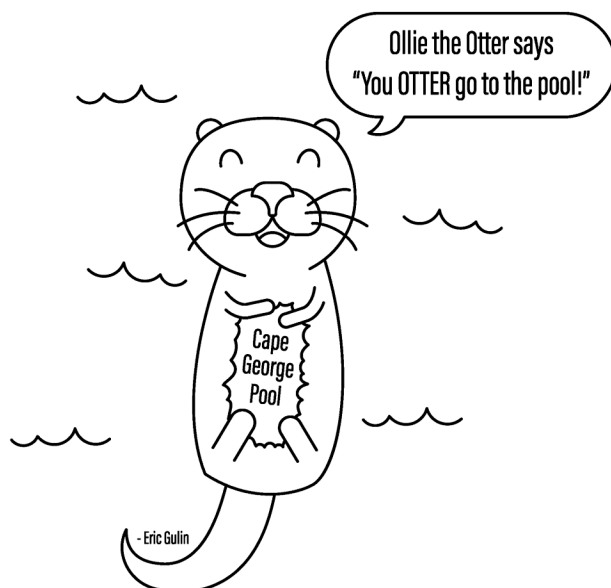
We revived the water aerobics program, which has been a great success and continues to grow.

We have a beautiful new community pool sign outside the front entrance door, and we now have 2 mascots, Ollie the Otter and Sammy the Seal.

Thanks to all that used the pool's suggestion box. Please continue to give us your suggestions. We have discussions about every suggestion and all suggestions are considered. If you feel like you are not being heard, please contact Kriss Edwards directly at 206-295-6944. Text or call. Or email at [kriss\\_edwards@hotmail.com](mailto:kriss_edwards@hotmail.com)

You are all welcome to join our meetings. We meet the 1st Tues. of each month at 3:00 in the club house. Check the newsletter's calendar. We are NOT having a meeting in January. Our next meeting is February 7th, 3:00 at the clubhouse. We hope to see you then.

Splashing into 2023,  
Your Pool Committee



## Congratulations Cape George!

You filled the sleigh (car) with styrofoam twice in December! Your holiday accumulation of styrofoam will be delivered to Fort Worden on January 3 and 21. Contact Jo Blair to drop off it at her house: 425-417-2164 or [barbarajoblair@gmail.com](mailto:barbarajoblair@gmail.com).

The Port Townsend StyroCyclers can only accept pieces that are **white rigid, clean and dry with all tape labels paper and cardboard removed**. They also accept clean and **dry packing peanuts of all colors** and types (separated from the styrofoam) as well as **white styrofoam food trays that are clean and free of stains and writing**.



Thanks to the Fort Worden PDA the styrofoam is packed and stored at the Fort Worden Battery Putnam then delivered to Kent once per month thanks to OlyCap and Northwest Harvest food bank trucks. At the Kent facility a densifier machine uses heat and pressure to convert the styrofoam into a toothpaste-like consistency that cools into heavy glassy blocks which are then sold to manufacturers of products such as picture frames construction details and surfboard blanks. The densified product is in high demand because it is less expensive than virgin plastic.

## Art Wall News

Hi artists and art lovers. Just a reminder that we will meet on January 3rd at 4 PM at the clubhouse for a brief meeting and to hang new art, the theme is memories. The following Saturday January 7th, we will have an art walk from 5 to 6 PM to celebrate our contributing artists and to admire their work. Please join us for drinks and snacks! Please contact Sandi Gulin 360-509-9485 [sandi7953@hotmail.com](mailto:sandi7953@hotmail.com) with questions or comments.

## CAPE GEORGE WINE TASTING CLUB

A wine tasting group is being formed at the Cape George Colony Club. To keep the State happy, the wine tasting group will be limited to residents (and invited guests) only of Cape George Colony who are 21 or older.

If interested email Bob and Erin at [beeneff@wavecable.com](mailto:beeneff@wavecable.com) (email is preferred) or call 360-536-0510.

Please respond by January 15<sup>th</sup> to determine the number of folks interested. The first group meeting is planned for January 18<sup>th</sup> (6:00PM) in the clubhouse.

Further information will be emailed out prior to the meeting.



## NOBEL PEACE PRIZE WINNERS FIND JOY

“The Book of Joy” is based on conversations during a seven-day meeting between the Dalai Lama and Archbishop Desmond Tutu. The Cape George Book Group will discuss the conversations at their Tuesday, January 17 meeting.

The conversations are based on finding happiness amidst suffering, most of which, according to the two world leaders, we create ourselves. When it comes to personal happiness there is a lot we as individuals can do.

Written in three parts, the book attempts to lay out a path for ordinary people to build a lasting sense of happiness and contentment in life, even while dealing with suffering.

The first of the book’s three sections is dedicated to understanding the nature of joy and trying to work out a definition of joy as a state of being and not just an emotion. The second section deals with the obstacles that stand in the way of creating joy and the third section describes what the authors call the eight pillars of joy.

The book group meets at 1 pm in the Cape George Clubhouse. All are invited to attend.

### **Books chosen for 2023:**

Feb - “Born a Crime” by Trevor Noah

Mar - “The Girl who Wrote in Silk” by Kelli Estes

April - “Exiled South” by local author, Harriet Cannon who will attend book group discussion

May - “Winter Brothers” by Ivan Doig

June - “Running with Sherman” by Christopher McDougall

July - “Lincoln’s Highway” by Amor Towles

Aug - “Remarkably Bright Creatures: by Shelby Van Pelt also “Nala’s World: One man, his rescue cat and a bike ride around the world” by Dean Nicholson

Sept - “La Rose” by Louise Erdrich

Oct - “The Winter Garden” by Kristin Hannah

Nov - “And There Was Light” by Jon Meacham

Dec - Community Read (Not chosen by library until end of year)

## Rule Under Review

*At the December 15, 2022 Board Meeting, the Trustees directed the office to publish the proposed changes to Cape George rule CP03 Marina Rules and Regulations for member comment. The following excerpts are the proposed changes and/ or additions. Members wishing to provide comment should do so in writing to the office by Thursday, January 12th or in person at the Study Session on Monday, January 23.*

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### **Marina Service Program Introduction**

- Our Cape George Marina is an incredibly valuable asset for the community.
- Our usage fees for the marina are the lowest in all of Puget Sound.
- Our fees are low because most of the work to keep it running is done by volunteers.
- Managing marinas has become more expensive, labor intensive and sophisticated.
- A small cadre of dedicated volunteers, about 20% of the total potential, currently does all the work while the remaining 80% enjoy the benefits with little or no participation.
- This system is no longer sustainable, we need to balance the scales.
- Our marina is aging and needs more and more labor inputs to keep it healthy and safe.
- Our volunteer Harbormaster position is massively time consuming and difficult, inevitably leading to burnout in a short time. At one point we had five Harbormaster's in 3.5 years.
- Marina goals change with every leadership change thwarting long term commitment to important projects.
- We have identified 9 areas of responsibility and are recruiting team leaders for them.

### **WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS**

- Cape George is in the minority of member owned marinas that don't have what is commonly termed a Club Service Program (CSP) with required work hours from members.
- We have interviewed and studied some of the clubs that have CSP to learn how it works.
- Bottom Line, members have to perform service hours or pay for the hours they do not fill.



- A set number of required hours is established, and a dollar value per hour is assigned.
- Reconciliation for hours not worked is done annually and some allow quarterly payments.
- The Marina Committee has calculated 1000 hours of additional volunteer work, on top of the 2000 hours we are currently performing. 1000 hours is conservative.
- We initially propose to set our annual requirement at a maximum of 20 hours and minimum of 3 with an hourly rate of \$30
- Everyone who uses the marina will be required to contribute. Ramp only or kayak storage or the like will be assessed a 3 hour the minimum. For moored boats under 20 ft, 15 hours will be required, for boats over 20 ft, 20 hours will be required.
- Many administrative and limited physical capability tasks have been identified.

### BENEFITS

- Improved conditions at the marina while keeping costs in check.
- Ease the tremendous burden the Harbormaster has to carry and will help us stay focused on long term goals.
- Help improve security through volunteer efforts
- Relieve the burden of other tasks such as administrative
- Revenue increases from those who do not provide labor could be significant.
- Getting more people involved in our community and learn to appreciate it

Boat Size	Req Hours	\$ rate/hr	Boat count	Potential Rev\$
20 ft Plus	20	30	64	38400
Less than 20'	15	30	10	4500
Kayak or Ramp Only	3	30	43	3870
Boats on trailers	10	30	15	4500
				51270

Based on the experience of marinas with a Service Program, approximately 40 – 50% of the potential

## Marina Service Program Investigation

**Executive Summary:** To help establish a program of required labor hours from all marina users at Cape George Marina, a search was undertaken for member owned marinas or clubs that require service time from their members. Several were identified and interviewed.

- Of the fifteen entities contacted, six interviews were conducted, four of which have Club Service Programs.
- Another four, not interviewed directly, acknowledged having a CSP program.
- Two do not have such a program, one of which is planning to implement one soon.
- Each program differed in subtle ways, but the bottom line was consistent; each member is required to put in a certain number of hours per year helping maintain the assets of the club, or pay an hourly rate for unfulfilled hours. It is legal, effective, and is more common than not in such clubs.

It has been a long-standing desire at Cape George Marina to get more marina users to volunteer time for the privilege of having access to a low-cost volunteer run facility.

- To that end the Cape George Marina Committee has researched what is commonly done in other member owned facilities to require members to participate.
- The most common methodology used by other member owned facilities is to charge an hourly fee for the unfulfilled commitment. Some bill once per year, some spread the charge monthly the following year.
- All of the clubs we investigated have the common practice of allowing members to pay for hours not served rather than put in the time.\*

### Want to receive Community News?

Go to our website at [www.capegeorge.org](http://www.capegeorge.org)

Click the **subscribe** button and enter your email address.

It's that simple to receive our email blasts with event notices, announcements and meeting links.



## Cape George Fitness Room News

February is **HEART** Month. We all are familiar with the link between movement and heart health. However, that is not the only key to keeping healthy and independent. One fitness instructor said, exercise and social contact improves the quality of life: “It adds life to the years, not just years to your life”.

Here in Cape George, we live in a community that has many opportunities to help residents incorporate that statement into their everyday lives. As you enter the Colony you see groups of people gathered around our pickleball courts. When you drive down to the water the first thing you notice is our spectacular little Marina, representing an active boating community. When you investigate our clubhouse, you find a gorgeous pool. Hidden in the very back of that building stands a real surprise! Our Fitness Room (or Fitness Center, as some call it).

Visitors and newcomers, react with surprise when coming through the door. In many communities a gym means just a treadmill, a bike and maybe an elliptical machine. Here in Cape George, our community came together to create not just a gym but a gem!



To the Fitness Committee, this room feels like the little engine that could. In the 18 years since we started, we have raised approximately \$40,000 - all from our members - to outfit our gym with the best “light commercial” equipment we could afford. We believe that using the gym, as well as the pool, provides a path to enable us to enjoy all our other amenities by providing us with the tools to improve our strength, movement and connection with our neighbors.

As we age, so does the Fitness Center. In order to keep our facility, the first-class gym it has become, every February we launch our Annual Fundraising event for our gym. We use the monies acquired to help replace old machines or remedy the problems that constant wear and tear imposes on our equipment. This year we have recently used the funds our community generously provided in the 2022 Fund Raiser to replace our oldest treadmill with a top quality Landice L-10 treadmill. This year we are hoping to purchase a new armless elliptical, and, if the funds allow, add an upright bicycle or a rowing machine.



Please keep in mind that our Cape George Fitness Center is available without charge to all property owners. We are well aware how costly a membership in a privately owned gym can be! (For example, a local facility charges \$648 for a yearly individual membership.) This February we once again reach out to ask for your support in keeping our gym in top notch condition. Of course, you don't have to be a user of the gym to make a contribution. Your donation will help to support the health of all our members.

If you have not yet visited or used our gym, please take advantage of a Fitness Center Open House that will occur on February 22, 2023. Members of the Fitness Center Committee will be present to help you become acquainted with the gym and introduce you to the machines and equipment that are available.

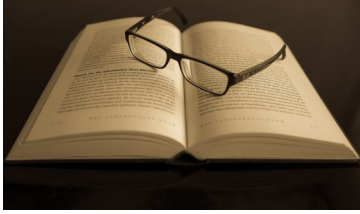
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We ask you to give as generously as our Cape George members have done in previous Februarys. Please make out your check to Cape George Social Club, and in the memo line on the check please add For Fitness Center. Then please drop off your donation check to the Cape George Office, where you will find a designated Fitness Center donation receptacle that will gratefully accept your contribution.

With sincere thanks to you all,

Your Fitness Committee





*Introduced by Tom Ramsey and Dianne Tamblyn/Librarians*  
Cape George has another author in its midst!

Jan Tilley and her husband, Kevin are newbies to Cape George, moving here in 2022. They were both born and raised in northern Ohio. Enticed by the sea, they packed up and moved to Pleasure Island, North Carolina, and remained in that area for many years, then moved on to Indiana where both of their amazing daughters graduated from IU Bloomington. One daughter remains in Indiana, and the other lives in Seattle and is the reason they were introduced to the beautiful Olympic Peninsula.

Jan is an award-winning author who has been a guest speaker at multiple conferences and events. More than 100,000 copies of her books have been distributed worldwide. **Copies of her novels, *Coming About, Jasper's Gift, Embody, I'm Not Listening, The Gardenia Pocket Watch, Justified, Rogue's Hollow, and Second Chance Ranch* are available in the Cape George Library in the Clubhouse.**

She is also an acclaimed screenwriter with dozens of awards. Her first short film, titled *Thank You*, was directed by Benito Vasquez. It is now in post-production and should be released in 2023. She has adapted four of her novels into screenplays. Jan commented, "I am a huge movie buff and it would be a dream come true to see my work on the big screen."

Tilley stated, "I write to get the voices out of my head and for therapeutic clarity. It's fun on the dark side. They have cookies!"

Her paperback books, Kindle versions and audiobooks are available on Amazon.

## Avoiding late assessment fees

### **2023 Cape George Quarterly Assessment Schedule**

General Assessment, Reserve Assessment and Water Fees are due on the first day of each quarter. Nobody likes to receive late fee notices.

Whether you receive a notice or not, your fees will be due on the first day of each quarter.

Those dates are:

**January 1<sup>st</sup>**

**April 1<sup>st</sup>**

**July 1<sup>st</sup>**

**October 1<sup>st</sup>**

There are several ways to pay your quarterly assessments. Go to the [www.Capegeorge.org](http://www.Capegeorge.org) website and click on the link "Quarterly Assessment Payment Options," to learn about each payment method.

To avoid a late fee, please note that there is a potential lag time using most payment methods. In other words, to avoid late fees, allow additional days for your payment to appear as a credit on your account.

To monitor your payment status in any given quarter there is a handy tool available to Cape George Colony Club owners called ComWeb. The instructions for accessing ComWeb are listed in the Quarterly Assessment Payment Options.

On the ComWeb portal you can:

- See your Cape George balance
- Check the status of payments so you know when your account has been credited
- Review your payment information
- Make payments

I hope this helps keep everybody on track and to never receive another late fee notice!

## Rule Under Review

*At the December 15, 2022 Board Meeting, the Trustees directed the office to publish the recommended changes to Cape George Fine Schedule for member comment. The following excerpts are changes and/or additions suggested by the Building and Environmental committees. Members wishing to provide comment should do so in writing to the office by Thursday, January 12th or in person at the Study Session on Monday, January 23.*

### 12.12.2022 Building & Roads suggested changes to CAPE GEORGE FINE SCHEDULE

✓	PRIVATE PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE	1 <sup>ST</sup> VIOLATION	FAILURE TO CORRECT AND/OR SUBSEQUENT VIOLATION	RESOLUTION TIME
1.	Building in violation of <del>25-foot-front</del> established setbacks <del>setback</del> (C)	Up to \$5,000	Up to \$10,000 per month	45 days
2.	Failure to obtain a Cape George building permit prior to starting construction of a home, ancillary building, culvert, <del>foundation</del> or driveway (C) BG III	\$100 - \$500	\$500 – 1000	5 working days
3.	Failure to obtain an earthworks permit before starting work (C) BG III	\$100	\$200	5 working days
4.*	<del>Failure to obtain a permit to remove trees and natural shrubbery</del> For cutting trees on a member's own property without obtaining a permit (C) BG II. **Circumference ( "C" ) measured at top of cut stump, or 4' above ground (breast height)*, whichever is lower.	\$150 per tree/shrub For a tree up to 40" in C \$400. Trees over 40" in C \$10 x C	\$200 per tree/shrub Second offense - double the fine amount.	N/A
4a.*	For cutting trees on community property or property of another member without permission **Circumference ( "C" ) measured at top of cut stump, or 4' above ground (breast height)*, whichever is lower.	For cutting trees up to 40" in C - \$1,000 For trees over 40" in C -\$25 x C	Second offense - double the fine amount.	N/A
5.	<del>Building in violation of 5-foot side/back-yard setback BG III (delete - roll into # 1)</del>	Up to \$5,000	Up to \$10,000	45 days
6.	Building in violation of 17-foot height restriction BG III	Up to \$5,000	Up to \$10,000 per month	30 days
7.	Failure to complete building exterior within 8 mo. of starting date (C) BG IV	\$250 per month	\$300 per month	14 days
8.	Failure to fill perc holes in a timely manner as per regulation BG III	\$100	\$200	14 days
9.	Failure to follow guidelines for antennae, BG III	\$25 - \$100	\$25 - \$100	14 days
10.*	Exceeding 8-foot height regulation for hedges, fences, screens BG III	\$250 per month	\$500 per month	14 days
11.	Failure to complete hookups for water, septic and power prior to occupancy (C)	\$500	\$500	5 days
12.	Failure to install Cape George Colony approved <del>asphalt</del> driveway apron. PP09	\$400 \$200	\$200 \$500 per month	30 days
13.	Minimum house size	Up to \$1000	Up to \$2,000	45 days

\*4 and 4a: Any member in violation of this rule is also subject to legal complaints and may be required to pay restitution, and or face legal charges, at the discretion of the legal party.

\*\*A tree 40" in circumference is just over 12" in diameter. Breast height measurement is the standard measurement for trees. If a tree has been cut below four feet, then the measurement is taken off the stump at the cut.

CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

December 15, 2022

2:45 PM via Zoom

**DRAFT**

**The Variance Hearing was called to order by President Jane Ludwig at 2:49 pm**

In Attendance: Jane Ludwig, Fayla Schwartz, Pat Gulick, Betsy Coddington, Bart Mooyman-Beck and Mike Heckinger.  
Absent: John Dwyer

**Motion 1:** Betsy Coddington moved, and Pat Gulick seconded to approve the request for relief from the 5ft property line setback. Passed -5/0

**The Board Meeting was called to order by President, Jane Ludwig at 3:00 pm**

There will be an Executive Session at the end of this meeting to discuss collections and employee bonuses.

**In Attendance:** Jane Ludwig, Fayla Schwartz, Pat Gulick, Betsy Coddington, and Bart Mooyman-Beck, Mike Heckinger and John Dwyer.

**Action on Minutes:** Pat Gulick moved, and Fayla Schwartz seconded to approve the minutes of the regular Board Meeting dated – November 17, 2022. Passed – 6/0

Pat Gulick moved, and Betsy Coddington seconded to approve the minutes of the Budget Ratification Meeting dated November 30, 2022. Passed – 6/0

**Managers' Report:** *Happy Holidays!*

And here we are. December of 2022. My Holiday Wish for each of you is that you are able share a holiday meal in harmony and warmth, with people you love, and that you take a moment to remember special moments of this year, and toast to the joys of tomorrow.

**Thank You!**

♥ Thank you, Robin Scherting for dropping everything to cover the office one morning in November.

♥ Big thanks to the ever-meticulous Election Committee and volunteers led by Committee Co-Chairs Joyce Skoien and Diane Tamblyn: Nancy Charpentier, Merci del Valle, Marta Favati, Pat Gulick, Connie Nelson, and Laurie Owen. The election committee showed up on a very cold November morning to count the ballots in the Budget vote. They were there for more than three hours organizing, verifying and meticulously checking the ballots and votes to make sure the election was valid and true!

**2023 Cape George Quarterly Assessment Schedule**

General Assessment, Reserve Assessment and Water Fees are due on the first day of each quarter. Nobody likes to receive late fee notices. Here are a couple of things to be aware of about the process. Whether you receive a notice or not, your fees will be due on the first day of each quarter.

Those dates are:

- **January 1<sup>st</sup>**
- **April 1<sup>st</sup>**
- **July 1<sup>st</sup>**
- **October 1<sup>st</sup>**

There are several ways to pay your quarterly assessments. Go to the [www.CapeGeorge.org](http://www.CapeGeorge.org) website and click on the link "Quarterly Assessment Payment Options," to learn about each payment method.

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To avoid a late fee, please note that there is a potential lag time using most payment methods. In other words, to avoid late fees, allow additional days for your payment to appear as a credit on your account.

To monitor your payment status in any given quarter there is a handy tool available to Cape George Colony Club owners called ComWeb. The instructions for accessing ComWeb are listed in the Quarterly Assessment Payment Options. On the ComWeb portal you can:

- See your Cape George balance
- Check the status of payments
- Review your payment information
- Make payments

**The Berm, the berm, the berm**

Please do not cross the berm to access the beach at the Marina except by the path next to the jetty. There are steps being taken to provide cross-over paths that will not erode the berm. The berm is an important structure which protects the Clubhouse, pool, workshop, and picnic area from high tides and storms. Thank you in advance for helping to preserve the integrity of the berm!

**Pool Deck Repair**

The concrete repair to the walkway between the kiddie pool and the big pool are complete. It surprised many people to see what a difference replacing that patch of concrete makes in the overall appearance of the pool!

**Bringing Fiber Optics to Cape George**

If you are the least bit curious about what a difference having fiber optic internet service in Cape George would cost, please stop by the office to sign the petition to have the PUD provide us with a quote.

Gary Nelson, Cape George homeowner and retired optical communications engineer, is working with the PUD to get a proposal for the installation of fiber optic internet to Cape George homes. For the PUD to submit a proposal to Cape George they have asked for 10% of our homeowners to sign the petition. This is not a promise or an obligation on our part to the PUD. It is a request for a proposal for the community to consider. Stop by the office to sign the petition during office hours.

**Storm Clean-up**

Donnie and Aimee are working to clean up and dispose of the fallen trees throughout the community. Thank you for your patience as this will probably be an ongoing project through the winter. Thank you, Donnie and Aimee!

**Violations**

- Violations for a dumpster, an unkept yard, and derelict vehicles are all close to second, elevated violations.
- I have received complaints about bright lights and the homeowner has asked to be in touch with the neighbor to discuss lumen levels.
- A complaint came in about Christmas lights being up in November. I encourage homeowners to speak with their neighbors to try to resolve lighting issues, if possible.



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We had one report of a barking dog.

**Cape George University**

The Cape George University event on Tuesday, December 6 in the Clubhouse had a great attendance of more than 70 Cape George residents. New resident Harvey Stone was the M. C. for the evening. Ross Anderson presented the history of Cape George Colony Club and put our Association in context with homeowner associations in general.

The question-and-answer period was lively and informative. Good questions were raised and answered by our president, treasurer, committee chairs, and committee members in the audience.

We look forward to Bringing Cape George University back on a regular basis in 2023!

All the best for the Holidays and the New Year!!

**Treasurer's Report:** Fayla Schwartz

COMMENTS ON OCTOBER 2022 FINANCIALS

Balance Sheet

October reflects two kinds of adjusting entries. The conclusion of the 2021 audit has provided adjustments that were input into December 2021, and since many, but not all, of these entries had been input into 2022 when reconciliations were performed, those became duplicates and were therefore reversed from 2022 activity. This has resulted in some changes to the Balance sheet and Income statement. There are a few more reconciling items which will be input into November, and at that time we anticipate the Balance sheet will be fully reconciled and able to be maintained going forward.

Income Statement

A) General Operations:

\$33k Net Income pickup over Budget owing primarily to \$34k savings in payroll costs owing primarily to (1) vacancy in Manager's position but also (2) savings in the new Benefits program the Board enacted earlier this year that reduced the expense by \$600/employee/month.

\$34k savings over last year in payroll costs \$8k Repair and Maintenance improvement over budget is due to a late start in Road maintenance. This will correct itself in November as the work began last month

\$15k increase over budget in Contracted Services \$9k in Accounting Expense overrun owing to unbudgeted audit expense as well as resumption of mailings and other services that were suspended during the pandemic.

Additional \$3k over budget for additional noxious weed mitigation services

B) Water Operations

Revenue increase due to Hookup fees, which were budgeted at \$3k but so far accounts for \$10k in revenue

\$13k savings in Salary expense, for reasons explained above

C) Marina Operations

Revenue substantially over budget because almost 100% of the annual revenue budget was received in the first 2

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months of the year, but the Budget spread it out over 12 months. Budget for the year is \$91k, vs \$94k collected Net Income substantially higher than budget because the full revenue is not contained in the YTD budget figures. That number will reduce incrementally every month.

**Other Treasurer Activities**

The proposed 2023 budget was approved by the Board and sent to membership for ratification.

The 2021 financial audit was received from Newman CPA auditors and approved by the board. The chair of the Finance Committee worked with our bookkeeper at Community Financials to make the adjustments shown in the audit on the General Ledger (see Balance Sheet comments above).

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As of OCT 31, 2022								
<i>Balance Sheet as of October 31, 2022 and 2021 - Preliminary Subject to Audit</i>								
Assets	2022	2021		Liabilities and Fund Balances	2022	2021		
Cash and Cash Equivalents:				Current Liabilities:				
Operations Checking & Petty Cash	\$ 158,586	\$ 239,300	-34%	Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$ 14,372	\$ 69,530	-79%	
Operating Savings & ICS	298,002	200,719	48%	Prepaid Income	133,791	136,015	-2%	
Reserves - General, Water & Marina	1,329,732	1,183,586	12%	Unearned Income, Marina Wait List	900	900	0%	
Total Cash & Equivalents	1,786,320	1,623,605	10%	Total Current Liabilities	149,063	206,445	-28%	
Net Accounts Receivable	\$ 18,624	\$ 22,019	-15%	<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>				
Total Net Fixed Assets	1,662,383	1,677,339	-1%	Fund Balances & Equity (Combined)	3,192,235	3,111,476	3%	
Total Prepaid & Other Assets	32,939	31,499	5%	Modified Cash Basis Income	158,968	36,542	335%	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$3,500,266</b>	<b>\$3,354,462</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$3,500,266</b>	<b>\$ 3,354,462</b>	<b>4%</b>	

*Summary Revenue and Expense Statements for the periods ended Month DD, 2022 and 2021 (Modified cash basis, excludes depreciation)  
 Preliminary Subject to Audit - \*\*2021 Reserve Activity Removed from Operations for Comparison to 2022*

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2022 Year to Date - Unaudited					Comparative - Unaudited				
	Actual	Budget	Variance	%		2022 YTD	2021 YTD**	Variance	%
<b>General</b>					<b>General</b>				
General Assessment	\$ 273,758	\$ 273,666	91	0%	General Assessment	\$ 273,758	\$ 266,293	\$ 7,465	3%
Revenue - All Other Sources	19,706	16,170	3,536	22%	Revenue - All Other Sources	19,706	23,489	(3,783)	-16%
<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<b>293,463</b>	<b>289,836</b>	<b>3,627</b>		<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<b>293,463</b>	<b>289,782</b>	<b>3,681</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	98,965	133,036	34,071	26%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	98,965	147,495	48,530	33%
Repairs & Maintenance	13,008	22,282	9,273	42%	Repairs & Maintenance	13,008	39,303	26,295	67%
Contracted Services	73,021	57,718	(15,303)	-27%	Contracted Services	73,021	49,146	(23,875)	-49%
Pool Expense & Utilities	20,535	20,353	(182)	-1%	Pool Expense & Utilities	20,535	28,195	7,660	27%
Utilities & Insurance	27,106	29,438	2,331	8%	Utilities & Insurance	27,106	28,531	1,425	5%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	22,712	22,523	(189)	-1%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	22,712	24,493	1,781	7%
<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<b>255,347</b>	<b>285,349</b>	<b>30,002</b>		<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<b>255,347</b>	<b>317,163</b>	<b>50,950</b>	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 38,116</b>	<b>\$ 4,487</b>	<b>\$ 33,629</b>	<b>-74%</b>	<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 38,116</b>	<b>\$ (27,381)</b>	<b>\$ 65,497</b>	<b>&gt;-100%</b>
<b>Water</b>					<b>Water</b>				
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 182,498	\$ 181,008	\$ 1,490	1%	Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 182,498	\$ 171,096	\$ 11,402	7%
Revenue - All Other Sources	15,340	5,448	9,892	182%	Revenue - All Other Sources	15,340	4,435	10,905	246%
<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<b>197,838</b>	<b>186,457</b>	<b>11,382</b>		<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<b>197,838</b>	<b>175,531</b>	<b>22,307</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	53,303	66,306	13,003	20%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	53,303	69,119	15,816	23%
Repairs & Maintenance	3,505	8,250	4,745	58%	Repairs & Maintenance	3,505	1,798	(1,707)	-95%
Contracted Services	22,133	21,758	(375)	-2%	Contracted Services	22,133	22,164	31	0%
Utilities & Insurance	20,250	19,859	(390)	-2%	Utilities & Insurance	20,250	21,108	858	4%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	16,289	17,681	1,392	8%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	16,289	38,801	22,512	58%
<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<b>115,479</b>	<b>133,854</b>	<b>18,375</b>		<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<b>115,479</b>	<b>152,990</b>	<b>37,511</b>	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 82,359</b>	<b>\$ 52,603</b>	<b>\$ 29,756</b>	<b>57%</b>	<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 82,359</b>	<b>\$ 22,541</b>	<b>\$ 59,818</b>	<b>265%</b>
<b>Marina</b>					<b>Marina</b>				
Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 74,719	\$ 62,708	\$ 12,011	19%	Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 74,719	\$ 64,536	\$ 10,183	16%
Revenue - All Other Sources	19,658	13,488	6,170	46%	Revenue - All Other Sources	19,658	13,964	5,694	41%
<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>94,377</b>	<b>76,196</b>	<b>18,181</b>		<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>94,377</b>	<b>78,500</b>	<b>15,877</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	17,826	21,458	3,632	17%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	17,826	22,966	5,140	22%
Repairs & Maintenance	15,632	15,417	(215)	-1%	Repairs & Maintenance	15,632	16,909	1,277	0%
Contracted Services	6,607	5,295	(1,312)	-25%	Contracted Services	6,607	7,305	698	10%
Utilities & Insurance	13,570	13,917	347	2%	Utilities & Insurance	13,570	14,951	1,381	9%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	2,141	5,636	3,495	62%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	2,141	2,494	353	14%
<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>55,776</b>	<b>61,723</b>	<b>5,947</b>		<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>55,776</b>	<b>64,625</b>	<b>8,850</b>	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 38,602</b>	<b>\$ 14,473</b>	<b>\$ 24,128</b>	<b>167%</b>	<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 38,602</b>	<b>\$ 13,875</b>	<b>\$ 24,727</b>	<b>178%</b>
<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 159,077</b>	<b>\$ 71,564</b>	<b>\$ 87,514</b>	<b>122%</b>	<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 159,077</b>	<b>\$ 9,035</b>	<b>\$ 150,042</b>	<b>1661%</b>
<b>Reserve Activity</b>					<b>**Reserve Activity</b>				
Routine Reserve Assessment	161,238	162,121	(884)	-1%	Routine Reserve Revenue	161,238	158,547	(2,691)	2%
Reserve Interest - all **	-	1,875	(1,875)	-100%	Reserve Interest - all	-	-	-	>100%
Less: Reserve Offset***	(161,348)	(162,191)	843		Less: Reserve Offset	(161,348)	(158,568)	2,780	
<b>Net Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ (110)</b>	<b>\$ 1,806</b>	<b>\$ (1,916)</b>	<b>-106%</b>	<b>Gross Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ (110)</b>	<b>\$ (21)</b>	<b>\$ 89</b>	<b>426%</b>

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**New Members:** Welcome to our newest members.

Scott Philbrick & Catherine Hutchinson purchased 151 Johnson from Chris & Joanne O'Higgins  
Ellen Ryan purchased 311 Ridge Dr from Jane Adams  
Heather Longcrier inherited 273 Saddle Dr from Pauline Longcrier

**Committee Reports:** The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Building & Roads, Environmental, Finance x2, Pool and Ad Hoc Technology. The reports are attached to these minutes and incorporated by reference.

**Information Item:**

**Rationale for Water Meter Price Increase, November 2022**

Quotes received by the Water Committee in 2022 by the PUD and by Cape George for meter installation, parts and labor, were in the range \$3400 - \$4000. Cape George has been subsidizing recent meter installations.

This total cost has increased significantly in the past two years due to material shortages, particularly brass components, and due to labor scarcity. These increases in cost have continued.

The Water Advisory Committee recommended the \$5000 installation fee to give Cape George a small margin over current costs to allow for near-term cost increases. The committee also noted that this fee only affects new homes and that the fee is a very small component of new home cost.

**Transfer of funds:**

Fayla Schwartz announced that \$100,000 was transferred from the Chase operations account to the PPB operations account in November.

**Member participation:** none

**New Business Action Items:**

**Motion 1:** Fayla Schwartz moved, and Bart Mooyman-Beck seconded to accept the changes in EMP 03 Payroll that were published in the December newsletter. Passed – 6/0

**Motion 2.** Mike Heckinger moved, and John Dwyer seconded to accept the changes to the Marina waitlist rules as published in the Dec. 12, 2022, Study Session, and to reduce the waitlist fee to \$50 per year. Passed – 6/0

**Motion 3.** Mike Heckinger moved, and Betsy Coddington seconded to accept the donation by the Marina Memorial Fund of a new fish/crab cleaning station at the south end of the Marina. Passed –6/0

**Motion 4.** Pat Gulick moved, and Mike Heckinger seconded to establish an Ad Hoc Committee to implement the proposed berm crossing guidelines, fencing and revegetation schedule as presented at the Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> Study Session. The General Manager will chair this committee and coordinate the completion of the projects. Passed –6/0

**Motion 5.** Pat Gulick moved, and Fayla Schwartz seconded to approve a donation of the Peter Wilding Memorial Bench by his wife, Kim Wilding, to be placed at Memorial Park. Passed –6/0

**Motion 6.** Pat Gulick moved, and Betsy Coddington seconded to approve temporary Doggie Playtime at 2:30 p.m. at Memorial Park until the grounds adjacent to the berm are replanted and restored. Passed –6/0

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**Open Board Discussion:** none.

**Adjournment:** Mike Heckinger moved, and John Dwyer seconded to adjourn the regular session and move to Executive Session at 3:26 pm.

**Adjournment:** Mike Heckinger moved, and Pat Gulick seconded to adjourn the Executive Session and move to the regular session at 4:34 pm. Passed – 6/0

**Motion 7:** Fayla Schwartz moved, and Betsy Coddington seconded to award year-end bonuses to Cape George employees as follows: Office Administrator, \$2,500. Maintenance, \$2,500. General Manager, \$1,500. Seasonal Employee, \$800. Passed – 6/0

**Adjournment:** Mike Heckinger moved, and John Dwyer seconded to adjourn the Board Meeting at 4:38 pm. Passed – 6/0

**Announcements:**

Mon., January 23, at 5 p.m. – Study Session, via ZOOM meeting

Thurs., January 26, at 3 p.m. – Board Meeting, via ZOOM meeting

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

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Pat Gulick, Secretary

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Jane Ludwig, President

## **CG Building and Roads Committee**

**December 9, 2022**

**Minutes:**

In Attendance: George Martin, Dave Baker, Betsy Coddington, Marnie Levy, Richard VanDeMark, Jeff Collum, John Dwyer

Discussed a building in progress in the Highlands. Siding not completed within 6 months of start date. Manager will send letter as to status.

Discussed a lot in the Highlands that didn't complete driveway connection within the required time. Manager will send letter as to completion date. Complication is now the weather for asphalt option.

Discussed driveway connections in general, multiple residences do not have the connection causing possible damage

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to the road surface due to erosion and breaking of the asphalt road edge. Will do an inventory of sites lacking connections to have a better idea of the roads at risk.

Reviewed the fine schedule at the request of the Board of Trustees. Made changes and recommendations to the schedule that will be presented to the Board via the Board Liaisons.

Information Item: Richard VanDeMark brought to the group a proposal to install a new 'Crab Shack' on the south side of the Marina including the cleaning sink. This will be a Marina project.

Information Item: Jeff Collum presented the upcoming change in the state building regulations requiring heat pumps as of July 2023 eliminating combustible sources in homes. Ground water heat pumps may be a source of concern with our water system. Will advise the Water Committee of our concerns.

George Martin, Co-Chair Building and Roads Committee

**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, November 8, 2022, 9:15 am**  
**Cape George Clubhouse**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Varn Brooks, Lori Cameron, Patty Dunmire, Sue Dunning, Pat Gulick, Anne Jimenez, Steve McDevitt, Ruth Ross, Robin Scherding, Richard VanDeMark

**I. CALL TO ORDER:** Patty called the meeting to order at 9:05 am

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Robin moved and Varn seconded that the minutes of the October 2022 meeting be approved as written, and the motion passed unanimously

**III. FISCAL REPORT** \$1878.45 (no change from last month).

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**Fine schedule:** The Board has asked for input on increasing fines for cutting trees/natural vegetation without a permit to consider at their upcoming meeting. Members are asked to review the existing fine schedule and make suggestions for increasing the fines to be more of a deterrent to unauthorized tree cutting. This is particularly an issue on the bluff, where such action can destabilize the slope. Currently, owners living on the bluff who apply for tree cutting permits are required to first obtain a decision from the county as to whether the trees fall under county shoreline jurisdiction. The issue here concerns fines for not obtaining a permit before cutting a tree. Current fines are \$150/tree for the first violation and \$300/tree for subsequent violations. Gina Webber sent an email suggesting two different schedules depending on whether the tree is located on the bluff or elsewhere. Varn said cutting on community property should have higher fines, which should be substantial, because nobody but Cape George maintenance personnel has permission to cut trees on common property. Because many owners on the bluff may not understand that they don't own all the way to the waterfront, Anne recommended educational outreach to that group of members and Sue agreed that education on these issues to the community as a whole was an important role of our committee. The committee agreed that we should recommend removing the wording 'and natural shrubbery' from the fine schedule to avoid confusion so that it would read "Failure to obtain a permit to remove trees." The committee, with guidance from Richard VanDeMark and Varn Brooks, discussed various proposals for establishing the relative

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value of different trees in terms of setting fines for unauthorized cutting (eg, based on type of tree, size of tree, etc). The committee would like more time to come up with some specific suggestions— hopefully by our next meeting. Ruth moved and Lori seconded a motion that Pat discuss with the board our recommendations for an educational and enforcement initiative and let them know we are working on drafting some specific suggestions. The motion passed unanimously.

**Lidar survey of the shoreline.** Steve offered to contact the group who did the lidar survey of the Cape George shoreline to see if any of their data on the position of trees might be helpful.

**V. OLD BUSINESS**

**Halloween party:** Everything went well and approximately 60 people attended. Receipts were \$600; food and decorations cost \$260 and \$340 will be deposited to the Environmental Committee's account. The Committee thanked Patty for all her hard work organizing the party.

**Plans for winter programs:** Discussion of future educational programs and films continued. We plan to organize a presentation on the repair work on the berm in the near future and photographs and other materials are being assembled to share with the community.

**Ad hoc berm committee:** Concern was expressed concerning the monitoring of the berm repair project. Ruth moved and Sue seconded a motion asking the Ad Hoc Berm Committee to hold a meeting in the next few days to be sure that the project is following the specs/permit as required, which passed unanimously.

Discussion of other items on the agenda was deferred until the next meeting because of lack of time. The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 am.

Respectfully submitted, Ruth Ross, Secretary, Cape George Environmental Committee

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2022

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Nancy C, Susan S, and Mark K in attendance.

**1. I & E ANALYSIS WORKBOOK**

Needs review before August numbers are available

**2. GOOGLE DRIVE**

Create a shared space for FC documents and data

Mark created some folders for us to store our work instead of emailing attachments

**3. STATUS OF BUDGET & RESERVE PROJECTS FOR NEXT YEAR**

Nancy will send latest version of 2023 Budget and reserve project list

**4. BALANCE SHEET ANALYSIS**

Susan will create a Balance Sheet workbook for comparing current month and last year

Balance sheet accounts

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2022

## FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

In attendance : Nancy Charpentier, Mark Kochendorfer, Susan Sanford,

Fayla Schwartz and Marnie Levy

### 2022 AUDIT PREP

Karen Krug memo attached (assign items to individuals). Mark to set up folders on shared drive and provide access to Fayla and Marnie so we can have one depository for all audit materials. Finance Committee will reconcile materials prior to sending to Newman.

### BUDGET CONCLUSION

Recommend that revenue be booked quarterly as they are billed and not allocated monthly. Distribute expenses more timely (when most probably occurs not 1/12<sup>th</sup> per month). Final distribution to be reviewed by the Committee, adjustments made and a final submitted to Community Financials for input by the end of the month.

### GL ACCOUNT RETIREMENT

Susan has identified which gl codes have never been used, and which have been used but are no longer active. They number into the hundreds. Nancy to follow up with Community Financials about deleting or deactivating codes so they cannot be used, but are available for reporting if they've been used in the past.

### Quarterly Balance Sheet Reconciliation & 2021 Audit Adjustments

Since the 2021 Audit Adjustments and reversals have been booked into October, a reconciliation will encompass all accounts. Final entries to reconcile will be presented to CF for November postings so that November should be a clean balance sheet in preparation for year end journal entries.

### Year End Preparation

- 1) Add Marnie and Fayla to Google Drive for FC
- 2) Review invoices for completed and not posted – should be accrued in December
- 3) Careful review of incoming invoices need to identify year end expenses and be sure they are posted into December. Care should be taken to segregate January expenses. Work with Marnie and Terrie to assist in having clean cutoffs, including identifying expenses which may not have appeared and preparing defensible accruals for anticipated activity to be booked as reversing entries into December.



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**Pool Committee Meeting - 12/6/2022**

Called to order at 3pm by Chair: Kriss Edwards

Members: Patty Dunmire; Kriss Edwards (Chair); John Galm; Sandy Gulin (absent); Marta Krissovich, Linda Mollino; Mardella Rowland; Robin Scherting; Mike Volkman (absent) Marnie Woodward (Cape George Manager) and Jane Ludwig (Board President, and Board Liaison to Pool Committee);

**Financial Report:**

\$3491.11 in our Fund-Raising account.

Minutes of Last Meeting: Minutes were reviewed by all and there was motion to accept the minutes and accepted by the group.

**Old Business**

Discussion Items	Discussion	Decision/Member Responsibility
Grab Bars for the Shower		Grab bars have been purchased and Sandi and Jose will install when able
Weights	Marta and Patty are continuing to investigate the purchase of additional weights. \$300 was approved at a prior meeting.	Marta and Patty will make the final decision of what type of triangular weights to purchase and proceed
Power lift for accessing the pool, for disabled folks.	John did some research on power lifts and Penny was able to present the literature. Discussion about the costs of the units that are between \$6,000-\$12,740 (\$5,00-\$6,000/permanent and \$12,432- \$12,740 (portable) Additional research is needed because of the cost and concern about whether the pool can sustain construction of the stationary lift/ This is due to the way the pool was initially constructed.	Further research is required before a final decision is made. Marnie agreed to ask a contractor who is coming to do other work in the pool area, as to the feasibility of installing a permanent power lift. The other option is a portable unit which is considerably more expensive. Considerable fundraising would be required for such a unit. This item is being tabled at this time.

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 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES  
 December 15, 2022  
 2:45 PM via Zoom

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Lap timer purchase: item was requested by a member.	Kriss and Mike have evaluated timers and one has been purchased for \$89.00	Kriss and Mike installed the clock and members are happy with having it in place.
New Pool Hours: Update sign on Entrance,	Discussion about whether to produce a new sign at this time as the hours need to be updated. Other option is to use the schedule that is produced by the Cape George Office and posted outside the pool area.	All agreed to use the calendar produced for Cape George. In the future a new sign might need to be produced but not at this time. <a href="https://capegeorge.org/index.php?event-calendar">https://capegeorge.org/index.php?event-calendar</a>
Concrete repairs	Discussion of the concrete repairs, everyone was happy with the outcome.	Thank you to Marnie for the outcome. No further action

**⊕ New Business:**

Discussion Items	Discussion	Decision/Member Responsibility
Fine Schedule	Fine schedule for damage to the pool was discussed, everyone agreed to stay with the schedule as outlined in the Cape George Fine Schedule (number 22 refers to the pool)	The decision of the committee: no changes at this time. <a href="https://capegeorge.org/index.php?fine-schedule">https://capegeorge.org/index.php?fine-schedule</a>
2023 Pool Reserves	Discussion of the items on the reserve schedule for 2023: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Replace Heat Pump: \$12,300</li> <li>• Resurface Pool and wading pool: \$70,00</li> <li>• Recoat Pool deck: \$4,300 plus 20%: Marnie to get a detail quote.</li> </ul>	No action <u>at this time</u> as items are on the reserve schedule for 2023.
Windows	Kriss has requested that outside windows in the pool area be evaluated for whether the seals are intact or need to be replaced.	Marnie agreed to follow-up with local window repair companies to get an evaluation.

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Suggestion box	Discussion: what should we do about suggestions/concerns that are put into the suggestion box that are anonymous. How do we let the community members know the outcome. Motion that suggestions would not be considered if it is not signed. This motion did not pass.	No resolution <u>at this time</u> except to ask community members to sign suggestions/concerns. Refer to pool minutes for suggestions/concerns that are dealt with in the meetings.
Cleaning service	Discussion about the quality of the cleaning service. Unclear if they are following the required list.	Kriss agreed to put a list together of what should be done weekly and every two weeks by the cleaning service and present it to Marnie.
Recap of 2022	Kriss reviewed all the events and items that have been purchased to improve the quality of the pool experience: Increase in water aerobics classes to four times a week; new pool flags; exercise weights; mirrors in shower rooms; baby changing	Only action is to thank the pool committee for their work in improving the pool experience for community members.

	stations; new shower curtains; shower mats; grab bars in shower (to be installed); lap timer two mascots; children's pool party and fundraising event. Total expenditures: \$5,722 through fundraising.	
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- Next Meeting : February 7, 2023, 3 pm, Clubhouse

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December 15, 2022

2:45 PM via Zoom

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Ad Hoc Technology Committee  
Meeting Notes  
December 8, 2022, 10 a.m. via Zoom

**Present:** Christine Castigliano, Jay Hubert, Rick Kint, Diana Luckevich, Linda Mollino, Terri Brown & Marnie Levy

**C. Updates:**

- PUD Electrical for the Village mail kiosk: Marnie is waiting to hear from PUD
- Electrical installation for the Colony mail kiosk: Marnie: When the Village power system is set up, an electrician will be hired

**D. Web Team report**

1. Website update: Diana, Terri and Marnie will work together on the web site.

**E. Tech Team reports**

1. Security Camera review: Rick Kint tested the camera, app software and battery system. The committee discussed placement and the installation of motion sensitive cameras as well.
2. Blink Cameras: Marnie reported that we have additional cameras.

**F. PUD Fiber Optic petition**

1. Petition to obtain quote for fiber optic installation will be available to sign at the CG Office after December 15. Ten percent of households (55+) need to sign.

**G. New Projects for January: Robust and reliable internet connection at the Marina**

Improved wi-fi and equipment for key fob access, security cameras and blended Zoom/in person meetings.

Tasks:

1. Rick Kint and Christine Castigliano and Terri will assess the current wi-fi
2. Rick Kint and Christine Castigliano will research solutions to improve the wi-fi from the Clubhouse to the south end of the Marina.
3. Lack of specific funding might make fundraising a necessity: Linda Mollino volunteered to organize and lead any fundraising efforts that arise!

**H. Open Discussion of other projects for 2023**

- None at this time.

**Happy Holidays and thank you all once again for sharing your expertise, wisdom, and time to help accomplish our goals! We will gather as a group in January!**

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# Cape George 2023 Calendar

# January

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p	3 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p	4 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swim 2p  <b>Wed. Winer's 3-5p</b>	5 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Fabric Arts 9-3</b>	6 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p	7  <b>Art Walk At Clubhouse 5-6 pm</b>
8	9 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Enviro. Com 9:15a Fitness Com 11a</b>	10 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Marina 11a Water Com 3p</b>	11 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swim 2p  <b>Wed Winer's 3-5p</b>	12 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Fabric Arts 9-3</b>	13 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Bldg Com 10a at office</b>	14
15	16  <b>Open Swim All day</b>  <b>Private Meeting 4-6p Clubhouse</b>	17 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Book Group 1p</b>	18 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swim 2p <b>Wed Winer's 3-5p</b>  <b>Wine Tasting Club 6p</b>	19 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Fabric Arts 9-3</b>	20 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p	21
22  <b>CG Poet's On Love &amp; Grief 1-3 p</b>	23 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Study Session 5p</b>	24 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p	25 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swim 2p  <b>Wed Winer's 3-5p Newsletter Deadline</b>	26 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Fabric Arts 9-3 Board Meeting 3p</b>	27 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p	28  <b>Clubhouse Reserved for a Private Event All day</b>
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## Manager's Report - August 2023

### Emergency Planning

Cape George is abnormally dry. Smoke from forest fires often paint the sunrise and sunset a glorious red-orange at this time of year. This is a good reminder to create or update your evacuation and shelter-in-place emergency plan. Reading through many lists of suggestions can be overwhelming, but it is an easy place to start. There are many lists and suggestions online.

What is your plan if you cannot leave Cape George? What do you have packed and ready, or already in your car if you need to leave your home at a moment's notice?

The Cape George Emergency Preparedness Committee will have a meeting in September. I encourage your attendance because, as such a tight and cooperative community, Cape George neighbors are in a good position to combine efforts to prepare for any emergency. But individual planning IS a must. The Department of Health link below is a good way place to start. Click the link below and make your plan!

<https://doh.wa.gov/emergencies/be-prepared-be-safe/severe-weather-and-natural-disasters/wildfires#:~:text=Put%20together%20a%2072%2Dhour,easy%2Dto%2Dcarry%20packs>.

### Thank Yous!

♥ A round of applause goes to the marvelous Miss Kiss (a.k.a. Harbor Master Penny Jensen) and every single volunteer for prepping and putting on the most joyous Waterfront Festival, on August 12! From managing the parking, to serving snow cones and popcorn all day, to participating in the synchronized swimming and the regatta and kayak events, potty toss, and dog parade, etc., everybody gave their all!

♥ Thank you to Brad Taylor, Richard Van De Mark, and Ric Carlson who poured the concrete counters in both the picnic shelter and south marina crab shack.

### Maintenance

**Water.** On August 1, we hired Kenneth Loomis as our new Water System Manager. He is a Washington State Certified Water Distribution Manager #1, and Cross Connection Control Specialist. Ken is now working with Cape George, as an independent contractor. With input from the Water Advisory Committee and Donnie he is managing some non-urgent water maintenance issues, getting up to speed on some long-term projects, and routine processes. He is a veteran water manager and is knowledgeable about maintenance

of small water systems such as ours, and compliance with County and State regulations.

Note: The Cape George water system continues has a current State of Washington Public Water System Operating Permit, valid through May 2024, permit category GREEN, the top category, that means the “system is substantially in compliance with applicable drinking water requirements.”

We are happy to welcome Ken and will work with him to keep our system in good order.

**Grounds.** Donnie and Eric cleared 15 trucks full of brush and fallen trees from the common areas of the Colony, Huckleberry, the Village, and the Highlands. There was a dying Madrona tree next to the firehouse, that Donnie and Eric felled yesterday. Thank you to Donnie and Eric for your diligence and non-stop weed whacking.

**Electrical.** Double D Electric replaced some circuit wiring in the clubhouse and replaced a switch in the pool room. They are working on an estimate to repair an exhaust fan in the fitness room.

**Internet switch.** Thank you to the Ad Hoc Tech Team for helping us switch internet systems to provide a better Wi-Fi connection in the clubhouse and marina.

**Keypads.** New electronic keypads were installed at the clubhouse, fitness room and workshop (a new electronic keypad was installed at the pool in 2022). We are working to get the fobs to work in all areas. The new keypad system is an approved 2023 reserve expenditure.

### **Reminders**

**Please clean up after your dog.** In the park areas, on the streets, in the Marina, on the beach, and everywhere else. Even if you think no one is looking.

**Cape George is private property.** Door-to-door construction and landscape solicitors are trespassing. Visitors in any common area parking lot, or at the ravine trailheads on Huckleberry Place and Marine View Place, without a Cape George parking sticker on their windshield, or a guest pass (from the Cape George Office) on their dashboard are trespassing. Please report trespassers and vehicle license plates to the office.

**Cross connection and backflow testing.** The inspection letters will be mailed in early September.

**Mowing.** The final vacant lot mowing take place in the week after Labor Day.

Thank you for everything you do to help make Cape George Colony Club a great place to live!

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## NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

### A Month of Reflection

It has been a long first month in this new position. I'm experiencing a steep learning curve in Robert's Rules, finance and water systems and I don't even know all the things I don't know yet! Sometimes I have to wonder if I'll ever feel as competent as I know I should be.

It's also been a fun month! The Waterfront Festival was a smashing success due to the hard work of many volunteers and I'm sure everyone is now looking forward to the Labor Day BBQ and sharing the waning days of summer with each other. I've met many new people and attached names to those I'd often heard about but had not yet met—all good people who clearly love Cape George and who enjoy the many wonderful opportunities it offers.

It's also been an unexpectedly disappointing month marred by a level of divisiveness I never anticipated. Yes, I'm talking about the dog play time issue. While many members shared their viewpoints with great passion and zeal, it was disappointing that some also belittled others' views and disrespected their right to offer them. This was an unfortunate and unexpected consequence of the formation of the ad hoc committee and I hope that with time any fractured relationships will be mended and a more constructive approach might be utilized in the future. Those who disagree with us are not the enemy; they simply disagree and should be given the same space and opportunity to have their say.

Cape George faces many challenges over the next few years and our best hope of meeting those challenges is if we all work together toward the common good. As we do that, I hope we'll choose kindness over vitriol and fact over fiction. It's the only way we'll be successful. This is an amazing community and, in many ways, it is unique. Let's all work together to keep it that way.

Betsy Coddington

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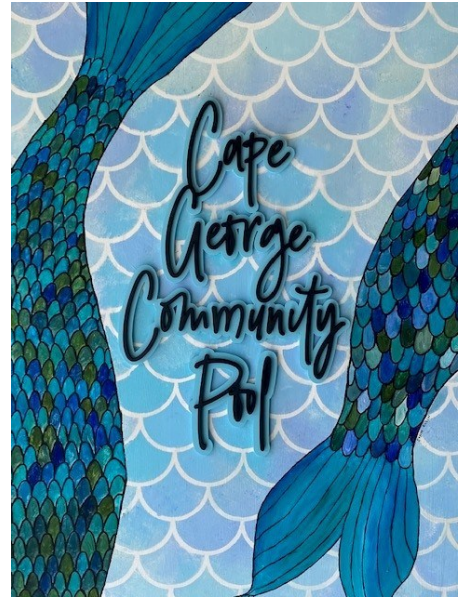
Greetings from the pool

We had a very busy and very fun summer, ending with a synchronized swim show performed by the Cape George AQUALILIES. The show was well attended and well received. The AQUALILIES thank you for your support.

We have a large maintenance project coming up in October. The lap pool and kiddie pool will be drained and resurfaced. The pool facility, including the changing rooms will be closed Oct. 9th - Oct. 27th. Please mark your calendars now. If these change, we will keep you informed. If you'd like to know more about the process, you can check out this website.

[www.Glasscoatpoolresurfacing.com](http://www.Glasscoatpoolresurfacing.com)

In the meantime, continue to enjoy your pool. Lap Swim, Water aerobics, and Open swim. Please check the calendar for scheduled times. You don't need to sign up, just come down to the pool and enjoy. Your Pool Committee



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Louise Erdrich, winner of many National Book awards, has written an emotionally haunting tale in "La Rose". This dazzling, unforgettable book from one of America's most distinguished literary masters is September's Book Group selection.

A tragic accident, a demand for justice and a profound act of atonement are the basis for the story with ancient roots in Native American culture. Set in North Dakota in the fall of 1999, Landreaux Iron stalks a deer along the edge of the property bordering his own. He is ever-careful, and shoots with confidence, but when the buck springs away, Landreaux realizes he has killed something else, his friend's five-year-old son, Dusty. Dusty was best friends with Landreaux's own son, LaRose.

The two families have always been close, with the wives being half-sisters. They shared food, clothing, and rides into town. Following ancient tradition, Landreaux and his wife gave La Rose to Peter and Nola Ravich. "Our son will be your son, now," Landreaux declares.

As the years pass, LaRose becomes the linchpin linking the two families, and eventually their mutual pain begins to heal.

Not without an antagonist, a vengeful man with a long-standing grudge against Landreaux begins raising trouble, hurling accusations of a cover-up the day Dusty died. He threatens the peace that has kept the two fragile families whole.

The book group will meet on Tuesday, September 19 in the Cape George clubhouse.

Everyone is invited to attend.



## Cape George Acoustic Music Jam

**Monday, Sept 25th**

**7 pm - 9 pm**

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## Member Letter:

### Walking in the Colony=Health or Hazard?

Walking in a peaceful, scenic, and safe neighborhood was such a welcome contrast and change from navigating the crowded streets of Seattle fourteen years ago. Breathing in fresh air while marveling at breathtaking views of the Olympic mountains looming above Discovery Bay never failed to thrill me. Even on the greyest of days, walking around the Colony neighborhood was at once soothing and invigorating. Walking kept me fit and healthy and grateful to live in such an idyllic environment—until NOW.

Currently, walking in the Cape George Colony has become a stressful challenge physically and mentally. Instead of a practical and pleasant form of exercise, a daily walk in the Colony requires constant vigilance to avoid the many cars, vans, RV's, pickup trucks, dump trucks, delivery trucks as well as extra-large construction vehicles. There are even some residents—at least one that I see frequently—that just drive around the neighborhood several times a day with no particular destination in mind. Instead of sidewalks our roads have a collection of uneven borders, deep drainage ditches, shrubs that line the edge of the roads, intermittent paved or graveled driveways and rocky parking areas in front of some houses. There are no shoulders. When two cars or trucks are traveling the road in opposite directions, there is no reliably safe alternative but to “ditch dive” or completely stop walking after moving as far to a side of the road as possible until the cars pass. Woe be to those of us with mobility issues that make moving quickly even more problematic.

Times have changed in Cape George Colony. There are more residents, more pedestrians, more vehicles and more dogs than when The Colony was established. Yet the 20 mph speed limit has remained unchanged. Only the signage has been replaced, not the speed limit. Clearly, the roadways will not be widened. Sidewalks will not be added. However, we all need to share the road with our neighbors, visitors and a myriad of workers. At this point, Colony residents who walk are like second class citizens with virtually no right to a safe path to walk. Modifications such as filling in drainage ditches and culverts with turf that could be walked upon would be a major improvement for those of us who like and need walking for their health maintenance as well as enjoyment. Some drivers actually glare at walkers as if we were annoying obstacles in their street. I don't know the solution to this problem, but I hope that the Board will address this issue, since all community residents have a right to safely walk around their own neighborhood.

Opinion of Marion Clair - Colony Resident

## Cape George Member Letter Section

Cape George Colony Club encourages its members to become involved in providing opinions on topics of current interest. Each monthly newsletter will include space to permit these opinions to be published. The following guidelines should be adhered to by anyone interested in submitting text for print.

1. Write on topics of current interest related to the Cape George community.
2. Make one main point.
3. Letters that are factually inaccurate will not be printed.
4. The Cape George newsletter is not interested in furthering a personal dispute. No personal attacks will be printed.
5. All published letters will include the author's name. We will not print anonymous letters.
6. We reserve the right to accept, reject or edit any letter based on an editorial review by the Manager and one Trustee.

An illustration of an artist, a woman with a black beret, blue long-sleeved shirt, and orange overalls, painting a wall. She is holding a paintbrush in her raised right hand and a palette in her left. The wall is covered in large, vibrant, abstract brushstrokes in shades of yellow, orange, red, pink, and blue. The background is a light, textured yellow.

# ART WALL NEWS

**Hello Cape George Artists! It's time again to think about a new art wall. Let's meet up on September 5th at 4 PM to take down the current wall and hang new art. The new theme will be 'Flowers'. Then, on September 9th, let's have an Art Walk @ 5 PM in the clubhouse! As always, the theme is just a suggestion and not a requirement. Looking forward to seeing you all in September, have fun making art!**

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sandi7953@hotmail.com  
Christine Rogers 206-354-6577  
c.walshrogers@gmail.com**



September, 2023

A very big thanks from your Marina Committee to all of Cape George's wonderful volunteers who worked to make the 2023 Waterfront Festival a huge success. THANK YOU!!!

See you next year!

Penny Jensen, Harbormaster



**WE RECYCLED THREE BAGS OF STYROFOAM IN AUGUST!**

**KEEP IT UP CAPE GEORGE!!**

**WHAT DO WE RECYCLE?**

**EPS packaging (rigid):** white, clean, dry, with all tape and labels removed

**LDPE packaging (flexible):** any color (separated), clean, dry, with all tape and labels removed

**EPS food containers:** white, clean, dry, unstained/unmarked

**Packing Peanuts:** bagged separately from everything else: Separate biodegradable (squishy) from nonbiodegradable (crunchy).

We can no longer accept mixed peanuts.

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**PT POTENTIAL POP-UP BOTTLE CAP DROP-OFF**



# Do You Love To Sing?

Starting in September come join us!



We are a group of women at Cape George who are interested in getting together to sing and harmonize.

Just for fun—and we hope you're interested as well.

We will sing a variety of genres such as soft pop and rock, show tunes, and old favorites in the soprano, second soprano and alto formats.



Sept 8th—2pm at the Clubhouse

Contact Helen Ann Skowyra

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Singing is -

Good for the soul

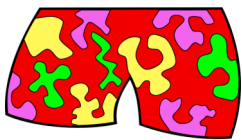
Good for the heart

Good for the lungs

Good for the memory

Good for stress

Good for confidence



## Lost something?

We have quite an array of items left behind from the pickleball court and swimming pool.

Check at the office for your lost items.

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**The Board Meeting was called to order by President, Betsy Coddington at 3:00 pm**

**In Attendance:** Besty Coddington, Nancy Charpentier, Pat Gulick, Bart Mooyman-Beck, Mike Heckinger, Steve McFarland, and Ray Pierson. (Mike Heckinger did not vote as his video was not working to see his raised hand.)

**Action on Minutes:** Pat Gulick moved, and Ray Pierson seconded to approve minutes of the regular Board of Trustees meeting held July 27, 2023. Passed – 5/0

**Treasurer’s Report – Nancy Charpentier - JULY 2023**

COMMENTS ON JULY 2023 FINANCIALS

**General**

It is BUDGET time! Water and Marina committees will soon receive templates and we'll be in touch to set up meetings to review 2024 budget needs. However, there are many people involved in activities in the General Operations budget, and Marnie will be reaching out for your input for your areas of expenses you anticipate in the next year. This means the Pool committee, Emergency Preparedness, Environmental, Fitness, and any other areas that generate expense. Please include both Marnie and me in email correspondence regarding the budget.

Reserves will be a separate meeting, date and time to be announced, where we will review the current status of our funding levels and needs. Look for an email blast regarding the schedule soon.

**Balance Sheet**

The Reserve balance jumped this month as a result of booking the transfer of \$129,286 from Operating to Reserves by vote of the Board on July 27th, reflecting the net cash from the audited balances of 2022 for each of our three funds.

All accounts have been reconciled, cash balanced to statements and aging reports verified.

**Income Statement**

A) General Operations:

General Operations is performing well to budget, however there are some expenses that have exceeded budgeted levels and caution is still the watchword of the day.

Grounds (tree removal) and vehicle repairs have exceeded budget for a combined total of \$11.5k. There are more dead trees to be removed, and Marnie is in the process of getting quotes. It's a safety issue before the winter storms come, so it's important to get them done this year.

This is offset somewhat by payroll which is underbudget by \$9k. However, those savings are mostly in the Benefits category since staff have not yet used their entire allotments for healthcare reimbursement. This

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may yet occur, and the expenses could catch up to budget.

These cost overruns will need to be taken into account for next year's budgeting as we have experienced not just cost increases, but aging equipment and grounds will likely settle into higher expense levels to maintain.

Note that we have not yet done our annual road maintenance, and since that is budgeted at a level similar to last year (\$10k) it may be hard to take care of needed small repairs within that budget.

All this adds up to the urgent necessity to withhold spending at every opportunity. If it is not critical, we shouldn't do it. However we will need to take it into account for the 2024 budget. It will help that the community has voted to increase the assessment up to 8%, as that will help mitigate for the extreme inflation of the last couple of years that have settled our costs at higher levels.

**B) Water Operations**

Water is running comfortably ahead of budget currently. Part of the reason has been lack of planned spending to increase our inventory of parts on hand. It is needed to enhance our ability to respond quickly to needed repairs. There are also some maintenance expenses that have not yet been initiated and we will see a shrinking of the actual/budget gap with those. Still to do is installing dedicated sample sites and maintenance on the backwash system, however those should fall within the existing budget.

**C) Marina Operations**

Marina is currently \$12k ahead of budget, however the expense budgeted at \$10.5k for dredging the channel has come in at \$13k owing to the need to add a 3rd day to complete the project. They will likely still be in the black, but it can cut into the amount available at the end of the year to add to their reserves fund.

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As of Jul 31, 2023								
<i>Balance Sheet as of July 31, 2023 and 2022 - Preliminary Subject to Audit</i>								
Assets	2023	2022		Liabilities and Fund Balances	2023	2022		
Cash and Cash Equivalents:				Current Liabilities:				
Operations Checking & Petty Cash	\$ 119,435	\$ 226,467	-47%	Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$ 14,974	\$ 168,039	-91%	
Operating Savings & ICS	250,551	297,814	-16%	Prepaid Income	24,958	26,902	-7%	
Reserves - General, Water & Marina	1,613,741	1,251,175	29%	Unearned Income, Marina Wait List	3,850	1,325	191%	
Total Cash & Equivalents	1,983,727	1,775,456	12%	Total Current Liabilities	43,782	196,266	-78%	
Net Accounts Receivable	\$ 23,019	\$ 18,440	25%	<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>				
Total Net Fixed Assets	1,637,226	1,669,384	-2%	Fund Balances & Equity (Combined)	3,422,493	3,182,134	8%	
Total Prepaid & Other Assets	50,158	44,188	14%	Modified Cash Basis Income	227,857	129,068	77%	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$3,694,131</b>	<b>\$3,507,468</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$3,694,131</b>	<b>\$ 3,507,468</b>	<b>5%</b>	

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2023 Year to Date - Unaudited					Comparative - Unaudited				
	Actual	Budget	Variance	%		2023 YTD	2022 YTD**	Variance	%
<b>General</b>					<b>General</b>				
General Assessment	\$ 259,133	\$ 259,140	(7)	0%	General Assessment	\$ 259,133	\$ 190,610	\$ 68,523	36%
Revenue - All Other Sources	14,494	9,696	4,799	49%	Revenue - All Other Sources	14,494	12,659	1,835	14%
<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<b>273,627</b>	<b>268,836</b>	<b>4,792</b>		<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<b>273,627</b>	<b>203,269</b>	<b>70,358</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	79,460	88,564	9,104	10%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	79,460	59,936	(19,524)	-33%
Repairs & Maintenance	21,875	9,670	(12,205)	-126%	Repairs & Maintenance	21,875	13,608	(8,267)	-61%
Contracted Services	45,324	43,675	(1,649)	-4%	Contracted Services	45,324	50,795	5,471	11%
Pool Expense & Utilities	15,071	21,425	6,354	30%	Pool Expense & Utilities	15,071	13,474	(1,597)	-12%
Utilities & Insurance	18,736	18,736	-	0%	Utilities & Insurance	18,736	19,499	763	4%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	15,385	19,787	4,401	22%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	15,385	23,040	7,655	33%
<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<b>195,850</b>	<b>201,857</b>	<b>6,006</b>		<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<b>195,850</b>	<b>180,352</b>	<b>(22,319)</b>	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 77,777</b>	<b>\$ 66,979</b>	<b>\$ 10,798</b>	-16%	<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 77,777</b>	<b>\$ 22,917</b>	<b>\$ 54,860</b>	>-100%
<b>Water</b>					<b>Water</b>				
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 172,198	\$ 173,607	\$ (1,409)	-1%	Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 172,198	\$ 126,084	\$ 46,114	37%
Revenue - All Other Sources	2,857	6,000	(3,144)	-52%	Revenue - All Other Sources	2,857	9,840	(6,984)	-71%
<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<b>175,055</b>	<b>179,607</b>	<b>(4,552)</b>		<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<b>175,055</b>	<b>135,924</b>	<b>39,131</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	39,389	44,282	4,893	11%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	39,389	34,837	(4,552)	-13%
Repairs & Maintenance	536	7,529	6,993	93%	Repairs & Maintenance	536	369	(167)	-45%
Contracted Services	14,681	20,313	5,631	28%	Contracted Services	14,681	15,277	596	4%
Utilities & Insurance	15,172	17,898	2,727	15%	Utilities & Insurance	15,172	13,284	(1,888)	-14%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	10,477	19,270	8,793	46%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	10,477	12,847	2,370	18%
<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<b>80,255</b>	<b>109,292</b>	<b>29,037</b>		<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<b>80,255</b>	<b>76,614</b>	<b>(3,641)</b>	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 94,800</b>	<b>\$ 70,315</b>	<b>\$ 24,485</b>	35%	<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 94,800</b>	<b>\$ 59,310</b>	<b>\$ 35,490</b>	60%
<b>Marina</b>					<b>Marina</b>				
Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 75,264	\$ 74,489	\$ 775	1%	Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 75,264	\$ 74,489	\$ 775	1%
Revenue - All Other Sources	18,370	18,150	\$ 220	1%	Revenue - All Other Sources	18,370	18,102	268	1%
<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>93,634</b>	<b>92,639</b>	<b>995</b>		<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>93,634</b>	<b>92,591</b>	<b>1,043</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	13,388	14,761	1,373	9%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	13,388	11,650	(1,738)	-15%
Repairs & Maintenance	4,660	13,642	8,982	66%	Repairs & Maintenance	4,660	15,489	10,829	0%
Contracted Services	4,053	6,230	2,177	35%	Contracted Services	4,053	5,434	1,381	25%
Utilities & Insurance	12,055	10,816	(1,239)	-11%	Utilities & Insurance	12,055	10,993	(1,062)	-10%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	4,089	3,944	(145)	-4%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	4,089	1,991	(2,098)	-105%
<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>38,245</b>	<b>49,393</b>	<b>11,148</b>		<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>38,245</b>	<b>45,557</b>	<b>7,312</b>	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 55,389</b>	<b>\$ 43,246</b>	<b>\$ 12,143</b>	28%	<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 55,389</b>	<b>\$ 47,034</b>	<b>\$ 8,355</b>	18%
<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>					<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>				
	<b>\$ 227,966</b>	<b>\$ 180,540</b>	<b>\$ 47,427</b>	26%		<b>\$ 227,966</b>	<b>\$ 129,261</b>	<b>\$ 98,705</b>	76%
<b>Reserve Activity</b>					<b>**Reserve Activity</b>				
Routine Reserve Assessment	149,943	149,943	-	0%	Routine Reserve Revenue	149,943	112,476	(37,467)	33%
Reserve Interest - all **	-	1,572	(1,572)	-100%	Reserve Interest - all	-	-	-	>100%
Less: Reserve Offset***	(149,943)	(149,973)	30		Less: Reserve Offset	(149,943)	(112,586)	37,357	
<b>Net Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,542</b>	<b>\$ (1,542)</b>	-100%	<b>Gross Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (110)</b>	<b>\$ (110)</b>	-100%



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**New Members: Welcome**

Lisa Palermo & Jeanette Wagner purchased 361 S Palmer from John & Jo Dwyer  
Brendon & Kaitlynn Townshend purchased 560 Sunset from Max & Debbie Sonandre  
Lori & Jenine Grey purchased 301 Dennis Blvd from Marilyn Hulslander

**Information items or documents submitted to the Trustees at Study Session**

1. There will be a Reserve Study meeting scheduled in September for a Board review of the 2023 Reserve Studies – Besty Coddington.
2. Update on our water system management – Marnie Levy.
3. Members who would like to have estimates from Lakeside Industries to install their (required) driveway aprons, please give your contact information to the office by September 1. The cost of the driveway apron will be charged directly to the member – Marnie Levy.
4. Pat Gulick has been named the Board Liaison to the Shoreline Stewardship Committee – Marnie Levy
5. Due to the recent fire in the Memorial Park Gazebo, no fires, candles, lanterns, barbecues, or campfires are allowed at Memorial Park. A burn ban is also in effect for ALL common areas of Cape George, so no open flames are allowed – Marnie Levy. See attached.

**Committee Reports:** The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Environmental and Fitness The reports are attached and incorporated by reference.

**Member participation:**

Rich Hilfer urged the trustees to have a Reserves meeting with members ASAP and to remind them all meetings of the trustees should be open to the membership unless it is an Executive Session.

Phyllis Ballough was concerned about discussion of relocating the playground equipment to the area of the petanque court. That grassy area is the septic drainfield and children should not be playing on it.

Marie Muma had submitted a letter to the Board asking to allow therapy animals access to the beach between the marina and Memorial Park. She has three alpacas which are in training to be therapy animals. The trustees are considering the request and will have an answer for her in the coming months.

**New Business Action Items:**

**Motion 1.** Pat Gulick moved, and Ray Pierson seconded to adopt the proposed Shoreline Stewardship Committee Charter. Passed – 5/0

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**Motion 2.** Pat Gulick moved, and Ray Pierson seconded to approve Steve McDevitt as the chair for the Shoreline Stewardship Committee. Passed – 5/0

**Motion 3.** Betsy Coddington moved, and Ray Pierson seconded to approve a courtesy parking sign be designated near the propane tank at the south end of the fitness center entrance. Passed – 5/0

**Motion 4.** Mike Heckinger moved, and Pat Gulick seconded to approve Mike Volkman as chair of the Ad Hoc Technology and Security Committee. Passed – 5/0

**Open Board Discussion:**

Ray Pierson asked if the new internet service at the clubhouse will allow for hybrid meetings. Marnie says the Tech Committee will test the possibility in the next couple of weeks.

Bart Mooyman-Beck had a near miss with a car this week while walking his dog in the Colony. A reminder to drivers to share the road and slow down.

Nancy Charpentier suggested volunteers from Emergency Prep might help to collect member emergency contact phone numbers and renter contact information to use in case of an emergency. Bart Mooyman-Beck volunteered to help gather the information.

**Announcements:**

Monday, September 4, the office will be closed in observance of the Labor Day Holiday.

Monday, September 4, the Social Club is sponsoring a barbecue/potluck.

Saturday, September 9, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Board of Trustees On-Boarding Meeting

Monday, September 25, 3:00 p.m., Board of Trustees Study Session, via Zoom Meeting

Thursday, September 28, 3:00 p.m., Board Meeting, via Zoom Meeting

**Adjournment.** Nancy Charpentier moved, and Ray Pierson seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 4:02 pm. Passed - 5/0

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Pat Gulick, Secretary

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Betsy Coddington, President

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**Note\*** The Environmental Committee July 11, 2023, meeting minutes in this month's Board information packet were published in the July Board Minutes. It will not be repeated here.

**Fitness Committee Minutes  
8/7/2023**

**Meeting:** Opened by Judith and Allan welcoming the group and introducing Gordon Bair, a new member to the Committee.

**Members:** Allan Zee, Judith Chambliss (Co-Chairs) Betsy Coddington (Board President and Liaison to Fitness Committee), Gordon Bair, Phyllis Ballough, Marnie Levy (CG Manager), Fred Miercort, Linda Mollino, Maria Ramsey, Tom Ramsey, and Bill Sery. Absent: Jon Karpilow; Mardella Rowland; Robin Scherting

1. **Budget / Finances:**

- Current balance \$10,141.88
- The office has been billed for the recent maintenance by Mark Harder, for the amount of \$605.03.

2. **Equipment:**

Mark Harder completed a thorough routine maintenance; repaired the cable on the leg press; began repair on the recumbent bike and will conclude it when the necessary part arrives. .

Mark recommended a 6-month routine maintenance schedule (at a cost around \$521 per visit). This service would be for the entire gym. Committee members agreed that this was a necessary service. Marnie and Betsy to bring it to the Board of Trustees as Cape George would be responsible for the cost every six months.

- A Rowing machine was donated and delivered by Cape George members Cindy and Deb Wallace. A \$50 gift certificate at Henery's Hardware was given to them as a thank- you.

-Discussion centered around the next piece of equipment to consider purchasing with the current funds. The decision was made to look into a replacement of the elliptical stepper without arms. The committee is inclined to replace it with one with arms like our current Precor. Phyllis agreed to research on both and to present options and costs to the group.

3. **Supplies:**

- Sanitizers: Thanks to Maria for her research, which was helpful in proceeding forward to replace the Dermasept Dispensers. Mark Harder, our equipment maintenance specialist, recommended Simple Green as the best cleaning product. Marnie brought to the Committee part of the order that

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has been placed for an introductory quantity of Simple Green, new dry wipes, and two dry wipe dispensers. Decision made to finish out Dermasept product that we have been using and then switch to the new protocol. Bill and Maria will take the responsibility for diluting the simple green for use with the spray bottles.

4. **Signs**

- Thank you to Marnie for arranging it and Donnie & Eric for doing the excellent painting of the door and installation of the two new signs on the doors.

5. **Thank you notes for donors**

Maria presented examples of thank you notes that she has created as examples that would be specific to the Fitness Center. The group was very complimentary. Maria agreed to take on creating a draft thank you note and contacting The Printery/Star Printing and Corvus Crafts regarding production costs.

5. **Suggestion Box:**

- Lid for the trashcan outside the Fitness Center door: Marnie is still trying to resolve the problem.
- Request to open Fitness Center at 4am instead of 5am: Marnie stated that at this point we need to stay with current hours because of security issues.

Broken exhaust fan and window screen: according to Marnie, they are on Donnie's list and he will get to them as time allows.

AC: voted down.

Weed-wacking: Marnie will check with the Berm Committee to see the advisability and possibility of trimming some plantings in front of the window in front of the NuSteps.

7. **Suggestion from Community Member**

- To designate a handicapped zone in the backside parking lot outside the Fitness Center: Following discussion about options, the decision was made to have a sign designating the area as a courtesy parking space for those members with special needs. This will not be an "Official" handicapped space. This will be presented to the Board of Trustees at their next meeting.

8. **Next meeting:** Monday, October 2, 2023

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	Dave Baker.....	301-215-6776	Marina.....	Craig Muma .....	209-604-6305
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	co-chair.....	Dianne Tamblyn .....	Nominating.....	Dianne Tamblyn.....	425-417-5300
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	co-chairs.....	360-379-1255	Workshop .....	Michael LaPointe..	503-977-1893
Harbormaster.....	Penny Jensen .....	360-301-9710	Clubhouse Phone.....		360-385-3670
			Fitness Center Phone....		360-385-3619

# Cape George 2023 Calendar

# September

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					<b>1</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Bldg Com</b> <b>10a at office</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> <b>Labor Day</b> <b>BBQ</b>  Open swim all day	<b>5</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Marina Com 11a</b> <b>HSJC 1-3p</b> <b>Pool Com 3p</b> <b>Art Wall 4p</b>	<b>6</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swim 2p  <b>Wed. Winer's 3-5p</b>	<b>7</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Fabric Arts 9-3</b>	<b>8</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Singing Group 2p</b>	<b>9</b>  <b>Clubhouse</b>  <b>Art Walk 5p</b>
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## Manager's Report -

♥ *February 2023!* ♥

January came in with a flourish and everyone stepped up to complete tasks and start new projects. The ad hoc berm protection and picnic area restoration, security and connectivity projects, outgoing mailbox replacement, rolling out a more secure web site for members, hiring a part time apprentice for Donnie, the 2023 reserve study, and 2022 audit are at the top of a robust list of projects planned for this year.

### ♥ Thank You!

Thank you so much to Fayla Schwartz, treasurer, Nancy Charpentier, finance committee chairperson; Mark Kochendorfer, and Susan Sanford, finance committee members; and Terri Brown, office administrator, for working tirelessly to organize the financials for the 2022 Audit. Completing the audit and the 2023 Reserve Study will help us have a clear financial picture when the Association is considering a change in annual assessments.

**The Ad Hoc Berm Protection Committee has a plan, and you can help!** Along with creating crossovers for beach access, fencing, and signs, the Berm Protection Committee is planning to clean up and revegetate the grass picnic area and the inside of the berm. We will be looking for volunteers to help remove wood, rocks, and other debris before the area is leveled and hydroseeded. We will put the word out when we set a date for the cleanup work party!

### Tech Tech Tech

**Fiber optics:** The PUD fiber optics petition is complete and in the hands of the PUD. They will provide us with a per household cost estimate. In the meantime, we are still looking into options for better connectivity at the Clubhouse and Marina. This is important so we can improve security, create a better connection for access to the workshop, and have meetings that are in-person and online simultaneously.

**The Website:** The "capegeorge.org" website redesign is in the first stages of testing. We are working on the site to find and resolve glitches before rolling the site out for member input. Thank you, Diana Luckevich for the hours of work you have put in on the new site!

**Security Cameras:** With some luck and support from the Tech Committee and Donnie we should have the first two security cameras up and operational in the Village and the Colony early this month.

### Caretaker Assistant

The Assistant Caretaker position, that was approved for the 2023 Budget, will be advertised this month. The person who takes this job will shadow Donnie Weathersby, learning the procedures for the pool, water system, and grounds maintenance. The goal is to have a second person trained to step in for Donnie when he is off work. The ad will be published in this newsletter, Zip Recruiter and in local publications.

**Late Fees** We had many late fee notices go out this month. Please make sure that if you have auto-pay that your first quarter 2023 payment reflects the current assessment fees. If you mailed a check, make sure that it cleared the bank. And, if you think you received a late payment notice in error you can email Terri and/or me.

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**Mailbox update**

We are ordering two freestanding outgoing mailboxes: One for the Colony and one for the Village. We will install a more secure mailbox for the office as well. With continued mailbox thefts and vandalism, remember to pick up your mail every day and stop your mail delivery when you are going to be out of town. There are two outgoing mailboxes in the cluster boxes in the Colony mail kiosk.

**No parking behind the Workshop**

The trash pickup truck and other work vehicles cannot maneuver around vehicles are parked behind the Workshop. This is a safety Issue, so please do not park there.

**Violations**

Violations have recently been issued for a “junk” car, and night lights that should be shaded.

Thank you for everything you do to help make Cape George Colony Club a great place to live!

*Marnie W. Levy,*

General Manager

[manager@capegeorge.org](mailto:manager@capegeorge.org)

360-385-2208

**NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT – Jane Ludwig**

**We want to hear from you!**

Your Board values your opinion and would like to hear from you about your experience living in Cape George. Later this month you will be receiving a member survey via email. If you receive email blasts from Cape George, you will receive a survey. If you are not signed up for email blasts, you will find the sign-up in the lower left-hand corner of the Cape George website ([capegeorge.org](http://capegeorge.org)). Help us to know what is important to you by completing the survey.

**Budget, By-laws & Assessments**

At the risk of sounding like a broken record, a major focus of the Board this year is to review our by-laws in relation to our General Operations Assessments and our Reserve Assessments. To give the membership some background information on our budget process and assessments, our Treasurer, Fayla Schwartz, has written an open letter to the membership, which you will find in this newsletter. Please take some time to read the letter and plan on attending the February and March Study sessions for further discussion on this topic.

**Berm**

The Ad-hoc Berm Protection Committee will commence on implementing the Berm protection plan passed at the Jan. 26th Board Meeting. The plan includes creating 3 crossover locations, fencing to protect the berm, educational and direction signage, and revegetation of the picnic area. Watch for requests for volunteers as this project progresses!

*For the full plan, see the Jan 23rd Study Session Packet and/or the Jan. 26th Board Meeting Packet.*

## Help Wanted - Property Maintenance Assistant

Cape George Colony Club is a private homeowner community with 600+ lots, located in Port Townsend, WA. We are seeking a motivated and people-oriented part-time grounds and facilities maintenance assistant to work alongside our current Property Maintenance personnel. Caretaker Assistant will receive training in the maintenance of community facilities/systems, groundskeeping equipment, and more.

### Duties will include:

Maintain the community buildings and park structures by painting, making minor aesthetic repairs, etc.

Mow and weed whacking the parks and other community common areas

Utilize and help maintain the community equipment which includes motorized tools and vehicles

Provide general pool maintenance

Assist with community water system management

### Minimum Job Requirements:

High School Diploma/or equivalent

Valid WA State Driver's License

Qualification for coverage under Cape George's vehicle insurance policy

Ability and willingness to perform physical labor including lifting (50 lbs.), shoveling, light construction—even in inclement weather.

Able to work independently and to organize workload in an efficient manner

**Starting wage:** \$20.00/hour

**Workweek:** 20 hours

**Paid Time Off:** Washington State Sick Leave

Background check prior to hire

Please submit cover letter and resume to [manager@capegeorge.org](mailto:manager@capegeorge.org)





**Several brave souls  
turned out for  
Orca Plunge  
Jan. 1st 2023**



# POOL NEWS

Greetings from the Pool Committee!

We had a lot of activity at the pool to start the new year with lap swims, water aerobics, and family swims. All good fun! We are glad you are enjoying your pool.

We have two big and exciting maintenance projects coming up this year. We will be replacing a non-working heat pump with a new and more efficient unit. This will help, hopefully, significantly with the cost of heating the pool.

We will be resurfacing the pool shell, this will include removing all stains and scum, and repairing cracks and spalling. This is huge! This will help the pool to run more efficiently, reduce maintenance, and enhance the appearance of the pool.

We are in the early stages of both projects and will keep you updated as they progress.

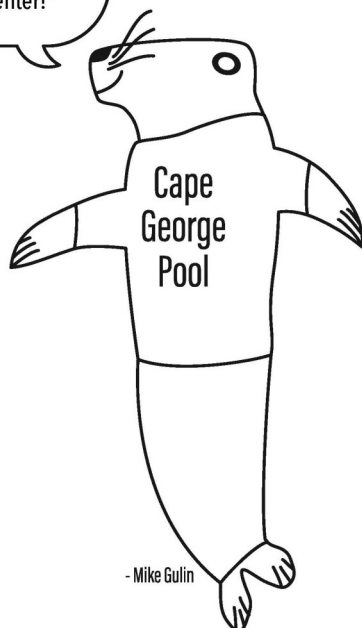
HAPPY HEART MONTH!

This month is all about the Fitness Center. It is an amazing amenity!

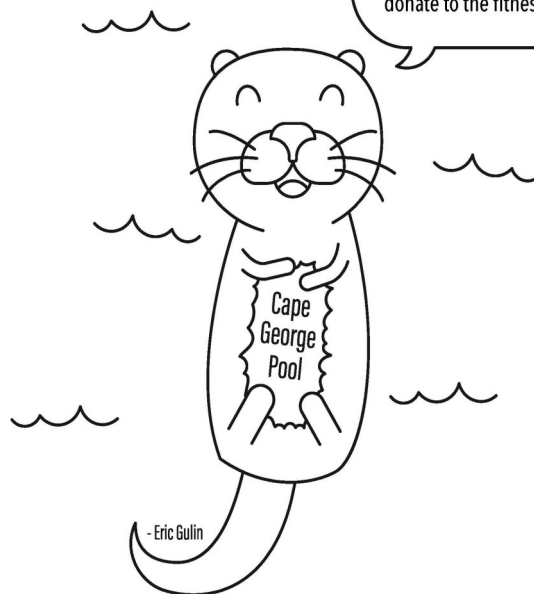
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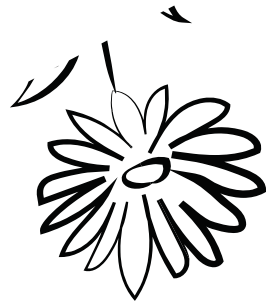
Your Pool Committee

Sammy the Seal says, "Let's get physical at the fitness center!"



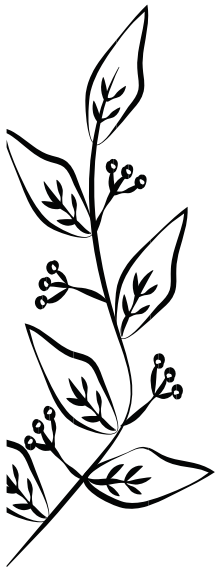
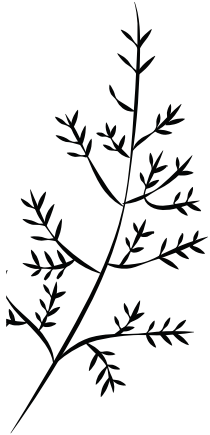
Ollie the Otter says, "You OTTER donate to the fitness center!"





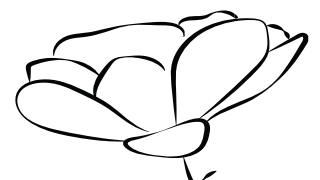
## Art Wall News

A big thank you to all who came out for the art wall and to all the artists who participated, it was a lot of fun and a big success!



Our next art wall change out will be Wednesday April 5<sup>th</sup> at 4 PM. The theme will be Adventure, but as always, this is just a prompt to get your juices flowing and it doesn't need to be followed, use your creativity! The next art walk will be Saturday April 8<sup>th</sup> from 5-6 PM, hope to see you there!

Please contact Sandi Gulin 360-509-9485 [sandi7953@hotmail.com](mailto:sandi7953@hotmail.com) or Christine Rogers 206-354-6577 [c.walshrogers@gmail.com](mailto:c.walshrogers@gmail.com) with questions or comments.





## Born a Crime by Trevor Noah

The February Cape George Book Club will be discussing the book **Born a Crime** by Trevor Noah, This is a book about how Trevor Noah was born in South Africa to a black mother and a white man. Under apartheid that was illegal. His mom had to hide him and not let people know that she had this mixed breed son for fear that she would be arrested and he would be taken from her. Please come to book club and discuss this book. Trevor has interesting ideas on race in America as well.

Join us Tuesday, February 21, 2023 1 p.m. at the Clubhouse

Call Klitty Rucker if you have any questions - 360 385-4927

### Books chosen for 2023:

Mar - "The Girl who Wrote in Silk" by Kelli Estes

April - "Exiled South" by local author, Harriet Cannon who will attend book group discussion

May - "Winter Brothers" by Ivan Doig

June - "Running with Sherman" by Christopher McDougall

July - "Lincoln's Highway" by Amor Towles

Aug - "Remarkably Bright Creatures: by Shelby Van Pelt also,

"Nala's World: One man, his rescue cat and a bike ride around the world" by Dean Nicholson

Sept - "La Rose" by Louise Erdrich

Oct - "The Winter Garden" by Kristin Hannah

Nov - "And There Was Light" by Jon Meacham

Dec - Community Read (Not chosen by library until end of year)



### BE SWEET AND RECYCLE YOUR STYROFOAM!

Drop off your styrofoam and receive a Valentine treat in February. Styrofoam will be delivered to Fort Worden, Tuesday, February 7 and Saturday, February 18. Contact Jo Blair to arrange a drop off or pick-up: 425-417-2164 or [barbarajoblair@gmail.com](mailto:barbarajoblair@gmail.com).

The Port Townsend StyroCyclers accept only pieces that are **white rigid, clean and dry with all tape labels paper and cardboard removed**. They also accept clean and **dry packing peanuts of all colors** and types (separated from the styrofoam) as well as **white styrofoam food trays that are clean and free of stains and writing**.

## **A Letter from your Treasurer:**

### **Cost of Operations and Cape George Bylaws**

Last fall I worked with Nancy Charpentier, chair of the Finance Committee, and our General Manager Marnie Levy to develop a workable budget for 2023. We met with chairs of several committees, spoke to employees, and looked at our expenses and income to date for 2022. This process made us acutely aware of the fact that our current Bylaws restrict us from raising our annual assessments enough to cover our costs. Therefore the Board is considering asking the membership to increase the allowed percentage increase in both our General and Reserve assessments.

In order to understand the budget development process at Cape George, here is some background information. There are two categories of member assessments: General Assessment and Reserve Assessment.

We have three cost centers: Water, Marina and General Operations

- Water fees pay for water operations and are not regulated by the Bylaws. Water fees were raised 10% in 2022 and were not raised in 2023.
- Marina fees are paid by marina users to fund marina operations. Moorage fees were raised 20% in 2022.
- The General Operations budget covers employee salaries and benefits, insurance, accounting and auditing services, taxes, utilities, routine maintenance and repairs of equipment, grounds and roads, community buildings and more.

#### **General Operations Assessments**

The Board is limited by the Bylaws (Article III B) in how much General Operations Assessments can be raised: currently 4% (rate last set in 2006). As I am sure everyone is aware, inflation hit all of us hard in the past year. Cape George is no exception. There are some things we would like to see happen that would make this a better place to live for everyone and can only take place if we have enough income to pay for them. These improvements include:

- Being able to pay the increased prices for contractors and materials to maintain our structures.
- Giving our long-term employees larger raises as a response to their excellent performance records and the rising rate of inflation.
- Upgrading the Assistant Caretaker position to 3/4 or full time to back up our Caretaker on facilities and grounds work.
- Improving our website and security.

During the 2023 budget development process, we started with a desire to fund all of these operational expenses. When we did the math between what we could collect in assessments as limited in the Bylaws and what we needed to make these improvements a Cape George reality, we realized that we could not have it all. For instance, in 2022 the road repair contractors and the Building and Roads Committee identified about \$92,000 of needed road repairs, but in 2022 and again in 2023 the road repair budget is



\$10,000/year. We did give our employees raises for 2023, but not as much as we would like to bring them to competitive wages for the jobs they do. We budgeted for only a half time Assistant Caretaker position for 2023, and we budgeted nothing for website and security improvements.

The Finance Committee, the General Manager, the President and I all agree that we need to be able to run Cape George with fewer financial constraints. Therefore, we are looking at a proposal to the Board, and after that to the membership, that we increase the maximum monthly General Operations assessment rate cap in the Bylaws from 4% to 8% for 2024, and thereafter tie the assessment rate cap to the previous year's rate of inflation.

### **Reserve Assessments**

In addition to our General Operations budget, Cape George also maintains Reserve accounts (Water, Marina and General Operations) for the purpose of funding major maintenance, repair and replacement of our Associations' common property likely to occur within 30 years. Our current Bylaws (Article III B) limit the Reserve assessment increase to 2.5% annually.

We would like to keep our Reserve accounts robust so that we are able to respond with emergency and planned repairs to our capital assets when needed. For example, in late 2022 we spent nearly \$50,000 for a rebuild of the berm that protects our waterfront, pool, clubhouse, fitness center and workshop. The berm has been compromised by weather and tidal events more than expected in the last year. Our 2021 Reserve Study did not predict that the berm would need repair until the year 2046, but now it looks like we need to prepare for a rebuild or replacement in the near future and periodically after that.

Therefore, we will also ask the Board and the membership to increase the cap on raising Reserve assessments from 2.5% to 5%.

How will this affect each member's assessment payments? If you own a home on a single lot, you currently pay about \$1250 per year in Operational and Reserve assessments and water fees. Raising the Operational assessments to 8% and the Reserve assessments to 5% for 2024 (assuming water fees stay the same) would increase that payment about \$58 per year.

This proposal will be discussed by the Board at Study Sessions in the next couple of months. A formal proposal for change of Bylaws Article III B will be refined and presented. If approved by the Board, it will go to the membership for approval with the Board elections mailing in June. Please make your voice heard by writing a letter to the Board, or by participating in the February and March study sessions. And you can always contact me directly: [treasurer@capegeorge.org](mailto:treasurer@capegeorge.org)

This is our community. We love living here and we want to keep it the best place to live! We all need to do our part to make that happen so we can continue to enjoy the amenities of our community for many years to come.

Fayla Schwartz  
Cape George Treasurer

## Pickleball at Cape George according to Dink & Lob



The first of the New Year is still just a month behind us so now is your opportunity to make more than Resolutions regarding your game! Here is your chance to offer suggestions, ideas, wishes for the year 2023 for Pickleball at Cape George!

### HERE IS YOUR SUGGESTION BOX

As they say "from the comfort of your own home" you can simply e-mail your suggestions and they will be shared with your Steering Committee and responded to in the next newsletter with either a plan of action or other response. e-mail [pibird130@gmail.com](mailto:pibird130@gmail.com)



Lob suggests :

1. Keep the lock dry during and after play.
2. Be a helpful giving player. ie: if you are not 100% sure the ball was out-call it IN
3. If you are playing with newer less experienced players don't over-power them and give them positive feedback for good play.
4. Care for and respect the equipment at the court and locker - take left behind items to the office for lost and found.
5. Be true to the game and follow the rules - be our own ambassadors!

We look forward to hearing from all of you with suggestions:

Your Steering Committee: Pi, Jo, Gail K., Georgette, Angelika & Patty

## **Zoom Moderators Needed For Study Sessions and Board Meetings**

Are you interested in learning how to be a Zoom moderator for the Cape George Zoom Study Sessions and Board Meetings? We would like to hear from you.

Would you like to work with other Zoom Moderators to learn the process? Training provided by current Zoom moderators.

The role of Zoom Moderator involves:

- opening Zoom meetings,
- admitting Cape George members to Zoom meetings,
- calling attention to those members who wish to be heard during meetings,
- assisting the Board President in facilitating timely discussions,
- keeping track of time.

Please email Jane Ludwig at [jane.ludwig@capegeorge.org](mailto:jane.ludwig@capegeorge.org) for further information.





## Cape George Fitness Room News

### Have a heart - and keep it fit!

Not only is February Valentine's Day month and National Heart Health month, it is also our Cape George Fitness Center's annual fund drive month. Whether you use the Fitness Center or whether you just appreciate what an important amenity it is, this is your opportunity to show your support. Last year we raised over \$3200, which, added to previous years' funds, allowed us to purchase a new treadmill and elliptical machine to replace dated equipment. This year, with your help, we hope to add a new fixed arm elliptical, and if the funds allow, possibly a new upright bicycle or rowing machine.

To help those who might enjoy getting acquainted with the Fitness Center, on February 22, 2023, the Fitness Center Committee will host two Open House opportunities at the Fitness Center, each led by a fitness professional. There will be two sessions, one from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. and then a repeat from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.. We invite you to join us and hope you will stop by to learn more about the Fitness Center's equipment and their uses and health benefits. (Note: If your last name begins with an A-M, it would help if you would come at 2:00; if your last name starts with N-Z, we would appreciate your coming at 3:00.)

**Keeping our Fitness Center fit can help keep you and your neighbors fit as well. Here is how you can make your important donation to this Annual Fundraising event:**

- Make out a check to Cape George Social Club;
- On the check memo line, please add For Fitness Center;
- Drop off your donation check to the Cape George Office in the Fitness Center Donation Receptacle.

Please keep in mind when considering a donation that our Fitness Center is available without charge to all property owners. If you were enjoying a membership at a private local facility you would likely be paying a yearly fee as high as \$648. We've got a real gem here, and with your help, we can keep it polished!

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**The Board Meeting was called to order by President, Jane Ludwig at 3:00 pm**

**In Attendance:** Jane Ludwig, Fayla Schwartz, Pat Gulick, Betsy Coddington, and Bart Mooyman-Beck, and Mike Heckinger. **Absent:** John Dwyer.

**Action on Minutes:** Pat Gulick moved, and Betsy Coddington seconded to approve the minutes of the regular Board Meeting dated – December 15, 2022. Passed – 5/0

**Managers' Report:** Marnie Levy

*January 2023!*

**Happy New Year! Welcome to the first Study Session of 2023!**

We are halfway through the first month of 2023 and are moving forward with some very important projects. I feel like this year is a fresh start. We are moving out of three years that were tainted by Covid. And while we need to respect each other by following recommended self-quarantine guidelines, and masking in close groups, we are getting on with life.

The contract for the 2023 Reserve Study is included in the Study Session packet, which will include a site visit and updated photos. It is important that committees bring their best information to the table when working with the Reserve Specialist.

We will coordinate with committee chairs to get input in the next months. They know a lot, but you, the homeowners and leaders in the community know best how Cape George's assets are aging and which capital assets need to be considered in the Reserve Study.

- We have an initial plan to start protecting the berm and restoring the picnic area. We will need to establish a long-term strategy to continue to protect our waterfront facilities.
- The ad hoc Technology and Security Committee is moving forward with the installation of the first security cameras and working to have improved internet connectivity in the clubhouse and marina.

The Board and Management are considering options to help ensure that Cape George Colony Club assets are funded appropriately to meet the economic challenges that are affecting our community.

**Thank You!**

♥ Thank you to Marina Committee, led by Harbormaster Penny Jensen and Committee Chair Craig Muma who have introduced and gained the support of committee members and boat owners to initiate a Marina Service Plan. which will provide additional funding to maintain and improve the Marina and promote greater member involvement in the work projects that keep the Marina afloat, literally! Penny, Craig, and others have spent hundreds of hours doing research, presenting ideas and options, and hammering out details to create a plan that the Marina community is enthusiastic about and supports!

♥ I wanted to thank an individual who would like to remain anonymous. But there are so many volunteers who don't want to be recognized by name, it is impossible to acknowledge one "shadow volunteer" without acknowledging the others. These people pop up everywhere, on many committees, volunteering to take on specific tasks that

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take specific skills, following through despite hiccups, criticism, and inconsistent follow-through. I have met a dozen people who fit this description well. You know who you are. And please know that your contributions are seen, appreciated, and truly help make Cape George shine!

**Other notes**

**Fitness Committee February Fundraiser**

The Fitness Committee's goal is to raise \$5200. This will be used to purchase a new piece of equipment. There is a Fitness Room Fundraiser envelope by Terri's desk in the Cape George Office if you would like to make a donation now! Please see the February newsletter for more details about tours of the Fitness Room, which will include equipment demonstrations!

**Violations**

Three violation letters have been issued for lights that are too bright, and a second "junk vehicle" notice (including fine) was sent. One landscape maintenance violation was resolved, and a "hedge" mediation is scheduled for this month.

**Reminders**

Please remind your friends and family when they visit to not cross or climb on the berm.

Thank you!

*Marnie W. Levy*, CMCA®, AMS®,

General Manager Cape George Colony Club

[manager@capegeorge.org](mailto:manager@capegeorge.org), 360-385-2208

**Treasurer's Report:** Fayla Schwartz

**Cape George Treasurer's Report: 2022 Year End**

**December 30, 2022**

*Summarized comparative balance sheets for November and December 2022 and condensed statements of revenues and expenses are included on the next two pages. Detailed statements are available on the Cape George website.*

*The detailed statements as well as additional monthly financial material and are also available for review in the office upon request.*

*Be advised that these financial reports are preliminary and may change following the audit which we hope to have performed by summer.*

**BALANCE SHEET COMMENTS**

All bank statements have been received, reconciled, and reviewed.

Net Income across the three funds of \$137k plus Net Reserve Income of \$112k increased our cash position.

Fixed Asset variance from 2021 to 2022 is increased owing to the booking of 2020 Asset activity (both additions and depreciation) as well as adjustments to the 2019, 2020 and 2021 audited balances to align with our master database of assets. 2022 Activity is a net \$(54k).

Because we're accustomed to viewing the net cash activity, current year noncash depreciation is adjusted out of the liabilities in order to reflect net cash acquired from the three fund accounts.

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All past reconciling entries have been completed so our Balance Sheet now conforms to all adjustments required by our 2019, 2020, and 2021 audits. Going forward we will be able to maintain a reconciled Balance Sheet.

**General Operations Fund**

Our vacancy in the General Manager position for the first 5 months of 2022 plus savings in the Benefits program enacted by the Board early in the year gave us a \$34k cushion in our payroll expenses, which we drew from in order to cover our operating costs, netting us \$28k in cash income.

Contracted Services went substantially over budget owing primarily to unbudgeted financial services, including the 2021 Audit expense (\$5,500), and substantially over both budget and 2021 results with the reinstatement of services to members for reminders and mailings for late fee notices, etc. (\$7k). This activity had been absent the previous two years owing to the state Covid-related restrictions on pursuing delinquent accounts.

It appears that the repairs made to the air handling equipment in the Swimming Pool have successfully brought that facility into line with expected expenses, and the year ended on budget and \$11k less than 2021 pool expenses.

In order to limit expenses we chose to defer road repairs, including one major repair (\$50k) and \$30k in other repairs needed throughout the community. We cannot continue to defer these repairs.

**Water Fund**

Building activity brought in \$18k in Water Hookup fees (this is unbudgeted activity), and \$5k in excess water use charges combined to raise the revenue over budget by \$19k. In addition, the increase in fees instituted last year created a net cash income of \$87k available for transfer to the Water Reserves.

Payroll savings (see above) resulted in \$13k positive variance, however we did spend the excess. Therefore, we were under budget in payroll but over for same amount in other areas.

We went over budgeted expense by \$9k in contracted services owing to the need to pay our water manager extra when we experienced water leaks, excess usage, and stalled pumps during the summer.

The Water Committee has begun an aggressive campaign to acquire a large variety of parts in order to address the problems encountered when dealing with our water infrastructure. Built over time, many variations exist as to types, sizes and materials used in our underground water system. The combination of low inventory and supply chain delays results in an inability to respond in a timely way to emergencies. Supply expenses went over budget by \$3k as the efforts to grow inventory was launched this fall and will continue throughout 2023. It is anticipated that \$10-15k in standing inventory will be required to put us in a position to respond appropriately.

**Marina Fund**

The Marina has continued to be self-sustaining through the fees charged to users. They netted \$3k in payroll savings (see above) but did not require that to fund their operations.

Savings for supplies were controlled and the Marina was able to come in just over budget in Net Income performance.

**Reserves Activity**

Several approved projects for this year were determined to be unneeded at this time and so were deferred. Collections less expense netted \$87k for the Reserve Funds.

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The Berm Repair required \$49k in funds, Telemetry equipment for the Water system \$8k, \$5k (less \$3k donation) for a new elliptical in the Fitness room, \$6k for a pool deck repair and \$20k to rebuild the north jetty. Available for additional funding for Reserve accounts are Net Income gains of \$28k for General Operations, \$87k for the Water Fund, and \$22k for the Marina Fund.

**General Observations**

2022 was a year of changes for Cape George. We struggled with one employee doing the work of two in the office until May when the new manager was hired. Terri and Board members put in many hours to keep our association running. We brought our community out of many COVID restrictions, but we also started using more computer technology (such as Zoom meetings) to conduct business. We became aware of security and infrastructure issues that we had not encountered as much previously. Climate change and inflation have influenced the numbers, types, and costs of repairs to community property.

All community members are asked to consider the letter from the Treasurer to be published in the February newsletter and attend the February and March Study Sessions to discuss next financial steps for our community.

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As of Dec 31, 2022								
<i>Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2022 and 2021 - Preliminary Subject to Audit</i>								
Assets	2022	2021		Liabilities and Fund Balances	2022	2021		
Cash and Cash Equivalents:				Current Liabilities:				
Operations Checking & Petty Cash	\$ 127,596	\$ 79,997	60%	Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$ 24,956	\$ 16,093	55%	
Operating Savings & ICS	258,031	197,433	31%	Prepaid Income	40,722	30,220	35%	
Reserves - General, Water & Marina	1,326,732	1,160,229	14%	Unearned Income, Marina Wait List	5,250	5,469	-4%	
Total Cash & Equivalents	1,712,360	1,437,659	19%	Total Current Liabilities	70,927	51,782	37%	
				<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>				
Net Accounts Receivable	\$ 6,070	\$ 13,426	-55%	Fund Balances & Equity	3,276,511	2,976,010	10%	
Total Net Fixed Assets	1,602,010	1,444,326	11%	Fixed Asset & Deprec NonCash Activity	(141,027)	(118,485)	19%	
Total Prepaid & Other Assets	22,680	21,547	5%	Modified Cash Basis Income	136,709	7,652	1687%	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$3,343,120</b>	<b>\$2,916,958</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$3,343,120</b>	<b>\$ 2,916,958</b>	<b>15%</b>	
				Note: Fixed Asset Adj provided in order to provide customary net cash income figure.				



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*Summary Revenue and Expense Statements for the periods ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 (Modified cash basis, excludes depreciation)  
Preliminary Subject to Audit - \*\*2021 Reserve Activity Removed from Operations for Comparison to 2022*

2022 Year to Date - Unaudited					Comparative - Unaudited				
	Actual	Budget	Variance	%		2022 YTD	2021 YTD**	Variance	%
<b>General</b>					<b>General</b>				
General Assessment	\$ 329,136	\$ 329,038	98	0%	General Assessment	\$ 329,136	\$ 319,536	\$ 9,600	3%
Revenue - All Other Sources	19,605	19,403	202	1%	Revenue - All Other Sources	19,605	25,461	(5,856)	-23%
Total General Revenue	348,741	348,441	300		Total General Revenue	348,741	344,997	3,744	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	126,122	159,643	33,521	21%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	126,122	180,943	54,821	30%
Repairs & Maintenance	28,535	26,738	(1,797)	-7%	Repairs & Maintenance	28,535	43,279	14,744	34%
Contracted Services	80,533	69,262	(11,271)	-16%	Contracted Services	80,533	67,497	(13,036)	-19%
Pool Expense & Utilities	24,234	24,423	189	1%	Pool Expense & Utilities	24,234	35,232	10,998	31%
Utilities & Insurance	33,111	35,325	2,214	6%	Utilities & Insurance	33,111	33,944	833	2%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	28,435	27,024	(1,411)	-5%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	28,435	30,308	1,873	6%
Total General Expenses	320,970	342,415	21,445		Total General Expenses	320,970	391,203	56,529	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 27,770</b>	<b>\$ 6,026</b>	<b>\$ 21,744</b>	-361%	<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 27,770</b>	<b>\$ (46,206)</b>	<b>\$ 73,976</b>	>-100%
<b>Water</b>					<b>Water</b>				
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 220,851	\$ 218,225	\$ 2,626	1%	Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 220,851	\$ 205,144	\$ 15,707	8%
Revenue - All Other Sources	23,040	6,538	16,502	252%	Revenue - All Other Sources	23,040	4,435	18,605	420%
Total Water Revenue	243,891	224,763	19,128		Total Water Revenue	243,891	209,579	34,312	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	66,863	79,567	12,704	16%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	66,863	84,678	17,815	21%
Repairs & Maintenance	5,251	9,900	4,649	47%	Repairs & Maintenance	5,251	1,819	(3,432)	-189%
Contracted Services	35,531	26,109	(9,422)	-36%	Contracted Services	35,531	28,298	(7,233)	-26%
Utilities & Insurance	24,548	23,831	(717)	-3%	Utilities & Insurance	24,548	24,347	(201)	-1%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	24,972	22,038	(2,934)	-13%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	24,972	20,973	(3,999)	-19%
Total Water Expenses	157,165	161,445	4,280		Total Water Expenses	157,165	160,115	2,950	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 86,726</b>	<b>\$ 63,318</b>	<b>\$ 23,408</b>	37%	<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 86,726</b>	<b>\$ 49,464</b>	<b>\$ 37,262</b>	75%
<b>Marina</b>					<b>Marina</b>				
Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 74,741	\$ 75,250	\$ (509)	-1%	Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 74,741	\$ 64,536	\$ 10,205	16%
Revenue - All Other Sources	15,408	16,185	\$ (777)	-5%	Revenue - All Other Sources	15,408	13,964	1,444	10%
Total Marina Revenue	90,149	91,435	(1,286)		Total Marina Revenue	90,149	78,500	11,649	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	22,362	25,749	3,387	13%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	22,362	27,663	5,301	19%
Repairs & Maintenance	18,394	18,500	106	1%	Repairs & Maintenance	18,394	17,833	(561)	0%
Contracted Services	7,702	6,354	(1,348)	-21%	Contracted Services	7,702	8,177	475	6%
Utilities & Insurance	16,417	16,700	283	2%	Utilities & Insurance	16,417	17,795	1,378	8%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	3,062	6,764	3,702	55%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	3,062	2,617	(445)	-17%
Total Marina Expenses	67,937	74,067	6,130		Total Marina Expenses	67,937	74,085	6,148	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 22,212</b>	<b>\$ 17,368</b>	<b>\$ 4,844</b>	28%	<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 22,212</b>	<b>\$ 4,415</b>	<b>\$ 17,797</b>	403%
<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 136,708</b>	<b>\$ 86,712</b>	<b>\$ 49,996</b>	58%	<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 136,708</b>	<b>\$ 7,673</b>	<b>\$ 129,035</b>	1682%
<b>Reserve Activity</b>					<b>**Reserve Activity</b>				
Routine Reserve Assessment	193,873	178,375	15,498	9%	Routine Reserve Revenue	193,873	174,404	(19,469)	11%
Reserve Interest - all **	5,683	2,063	3,620	175%	Reserve Interest - all	5,683	3,687	(1,996)	>100%
Less: Reserve Offset***	(193,873)	(178,410)	(15,463)		Less: Reserve Offset	(193,873)	(174,424)	19,449	
<b>Net Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 5,683</b>	<b>\$ 2,028</b>	<b>\$ 3,655</b>	180%	<b>Gross Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 5,683</b>	<b>\$ 3,667</b>	<b>\$ (2,016)</b>	55%
<b>Depreciation (NonCash) Activity</b>					<b>Depreciation (NonCash) Activity</b>				
General Operations	85,702				General Operations	\$ 85,702	\$ 72,088	\$ 13,614	
Water Fund	22,344				Water Fund	\$ 22,344	21354	\$ 990	
Marina Fund	32,982				Marina Fund	\$ 32,982	25043	\$ 7,939	
<b>Net Depreciation Expense</b>	<b>\$ 141,027</b>				<b>Net Depreciation Expense</b>	<b>\$ 141,027</b>	<b>\$ 118,485</b>	<b>\$ 22,542</b>	

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**New Members:** Welcome to our newest members.

Sandra & Patricia Schornak purchased 191 Ridge Dr from Geri Maxwell

**Committee Reports:** The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Building & Roads, Environmental, Berm Protection , Environmental, Fitness x2 and Marina x 2. The reports are attached to these minutes and incorporated by reference.

**Member participation:** none

**New Business Action Items:**

**Motion 1:** Fayla Schwartz moved, and Mike Heckinger seconded to accept the contract with Reserve Consultants LLC, with the expenditures of \$5450 in 2023 for a Level 2 Reserve Study, \$1100 in 2024 for a Level 3 Reserve Study, and \$1100 in 2025 for a Level 3 Reserve Study. Passed – 5/0

**Motion 2.** Mike Heckinger moved, and Pat Gulick seconded to send the Membership Survey to Cape George Colony Club members. Passed 5/0

**Motion 3.** Pat Gulick moved, and Betsy Coddington seconded to accept and move forward with the proposal from the Ad Hoc Berm Committee to create walkovers on the berm, install fencing with signage to direct people to these walkovers and to revegetate both the berm and adjacent areas. Passed –5/0

**Motion 4.** Fayla Schwartz moved, and Mike Heckinger seconded to withdraw the motion as written for amendment. “I move to accept the revised fine schedule presented by the Building and Roads and Environmental Committees, with the exception of Item 4, “For cutting trees on a member’s own property without a permit.” This item will be reworked and presented at the next Study Session meeting.” Passed –4/1

**Motion 4 amended:** Fayla Schwartz moved, and Mike Heckinger seconded to accept the revised Fine Schedule presented by the Building and Roads and Environmental Committees, with the exception of items 4 and 4a, referring to obtaining permits for cutting trees. These items will be reworked and presented at the February 2023 Study Session. Passed –5/0

**Motion 5.** Fayla Schwartz moved, and Bart Mooyman-Beck seconded to approve the member Due Date contracts arranged by the General Manager for 2023. Passed –5/0

**Motion 6.** Fayla Schwartz moved, and Betsy Coddington seconded to approve a members Late Fee Waiver presented by the General Manager. Passed –5/0

**Motion 7:** Mike Heckinger moved, and Fayla Schwartz seconded to approve the Marina Service Plan as presented by the Marina Committee. Passed – 5/0

**Open Board Discussion:** none.

**Announcements:**

Tues., January 31, 2pm: East Jefferson (County) Fire Rescue Ballot Measure discussion, Clubhouse

Mon., February 20: Office Closed in observance of President’s Day

Tues., February 21, 3pm: Study Session, Zoom

Thurs., February 23, 3pm: Board Meeting, Zoom

**Adjournment:** Betsy Coddington moved, and Pat Gulick seconded to adjourn the Board Meeting at 3:47 pm. Passed

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**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

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**Pat Gulick, Secretary**

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**Jane Ludwig, President**

CG Building and Roads Committee Minutes  
Jan. 13, 2023

In attendance: George Martin, Marnie Levy, Rich VanDeMark, Jeff Cullum, Mike Hinojos, Betsy Coddington, Bob Holtz, Dave Baker, and guest Jane Ludwig, CG Board President.

- Discussed earthworks permit for gutter dry sump on Maple Drive. Permit was approved and signed.
- Discussed the situation on San Juan where the construction is stalled. Advised the Manager to discuss with the board the possible fines for failure to complete the construction in the allotted time frame and a resolution to the excavation of soil next to the adjoining property causing erosion at the property line.
- Discussed a letter received concerning the elevation of the foundation on a S. Palmer Drive build. Elevation was determined by several committee members and is references to several survey markers on the property. The committee will be monitoring construction and confirming final elevations as construction continues as required.

Discussed the map that was prepared by a previous Roads committee member showing all properties in Cape George and noting the type of driveway aprons, asphalt, concrete, gravel and dirt. There is concern that properties without aprons will contribute to road deterioration costing the community several thousands of dollars annually in repair costs. We will request we be notified of all sales in the community so that we may inspect the presence or lack of a driveway apron. New owners and new construction have 90 days to install an approved apron under current regulations. Discussion pursued as to the lots that have been grandfathered by current wording of the regulations and possible remedies. This discussion will continue in future meetings with the goal of protection of Cape George roads.

George Martin,  
Co-Chair CG Buildings and Roads Committee

AD HOC BERM PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING  
**To Do List/Meeting Notes**  
Thursday, January 12, 2023

**In attendance**

Varn Brooks, Pat Gulick, Marnie Levy, Steve McDevitt, Richard VanDeMark

**Topics:**

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Crossover Locations and Materials, Revegetation, Fence Material, Signage, Budget, Timeline

**Crossover Locations and Materials**

Three crossovers are proposed:

1. North end of lawn area. The committee agreed that a gently graded switchback path, not to exceed four feet tall (to follow the berm permit), will work best at this location. The switchback path will be basalt chips (3/8 minus). Larger cobble rocks will border/define the edges of the path.
2. Middle of lawn near the picnic shelter. This would be a simple direct crossing point over the berm and will be re-inforced with fiberglass treads, basalt chips, and larger cobble rocks to border/define the path.
3. South of workshop. This crossover is south of the recently repaired berm. It already exists, and other than being defined by signage and the end of the fence it does not need to be altered at this time.

**Material for the paths and revegetation:**

Material for the berm will be ordered and delivered prior to the lawn area restoration, because that material will be delivered by large trucks that might further damage the planting area.

1. 30 yards of wash sand, prefer delivery by 5- or 6-yard truck, material to be dumped on the next to the berm in five or six piles that will be designated by Varn Brooks or another committee member.

7 yards of 3/8- crushed basalt (2+ yards per crossover) delivered on or adjacent to the berm at two or three locations that will be flagged by Varn and possibly other committee members.

Varn will flag or help flag the locations and meet the trucks and supervise the dumping if possible.

**Revegetation**

After the material above has been delivered the plan is:

1. Rent a skid steer /rock picker to clean up the lawn area.
2. Fine grade: Add sand other material in prep to re-vegetate. Fill low spot
3. Hydroseed.

**Fencing**

Proposed fencing will run from the north end of the lawn area all the way to the crossover south of the workshop. There will be openings for the two northern crossovers. The committee proposes placing (40-50) 4-inch (diameter), 36" high posts into the ground adjacent the berm. The posts will be strung with 1-inch-thick rope.

**Signage**

- There will be at least two informational signs about the importance of not walking over the berm except on the designated crossovers

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- Additional signs will be posted on the east side of the berm directing to the crossovers.

Richard has offered to make the signs.

1.12.2023: AD HOC BERM PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING, To Do List/Meeting Notes, continued

**First tasks**

Contact vendors for prices and delivery options for wash sand and crushed basalt - Marnie

Research Bobcat/Rock Picker and hydroseeding – Richard

Research prices and availability of fencing materials – Steve McDevitt

Design of crossover paths – Richard with input from the committee

Research berm planting materials and vendors – Varn, Richard and Fayla Schwartz

Present plan and budget to the Board at the January study session/and Board meeting – Marnie or ...

**Conclusion**

These are the first steps. I am hoping we can put the specifics of the Berm Protection Plan in place and start the project when there is a possible dry spell.

Sincerely,

Marnie Levy

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**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**Tuesday, December 6, 2022 9:15 am**

**On Zoom**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Jo Blair, Varn Brooks, Chris Buzzard, Lori Cameron, Sue Dunning, Pat Gulick, Marnie Levy, Steve McDevitt, Ruth Ross, Robin Scherting, Lori VanDeMark, Richard VanDeMark, Gina Webber

**I. CALL TO ORDER:** Chris called the meeting to order at 9:15 am

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Varn moved and Steve seconded that the minutes of the November 2022 meeting be approved as written, and the motion passed unanimously

**III. FISCAL REPORT** \$2218.45 (reflects + \$340 from Halloween party)

**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

**Fine schedule for tree cutting:** Varn submitted a proposal (attached) for a fine schedule based on tree circumference for review. The committee discussed and made minor adjustments and approved sending the proposal to the Board.

**Ad Hoc Berm Committee/Role of the Environmental Committee:** The committee discussed the role of the Committee in the project and everyone concurred that our role should be to help by advising/gathering information but not accepting responsibility for managing the project, which should fall to the Ad Hoc Berm Committee, the Marina Committee and the Board. Appropriate areas where the Environmental Committee could assist would be with signage/berm crossings and plantings to stabilize the berm (see attached proposals from Varn). Two motions were made and approved for Pat Gulick to present to the Board.

**Motion 1:** Ruth made a motion that the Environmental Committee recommend to the Board that

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they charge the Ad Hoc Berm committee to begin meeting regularly to oversee the completion of the work on the Berm, seconded by Gina Webber, passed unanimously.

**Motion 2:** Ruth made a motion that the Environmental Committee submit the 3 attached proposals (Berm Crossing Guidelines, Fencing, Revegetation Schedule) developed by Varn Brooks for completing the berm project with our recommendation that they be adopted and funds allocated for them. (The Environmental Committee will help organize volunteers to assist with these tasks.), Seconded by Gina Webber, passed unanimously.

**Rain garden update:** The CG Board approved new fencing for the rain garden. Discussion of plans for installation.

**Plaque for the bell:** Chris to send updates to text to Richard.

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

**Memorial Park Plaque.** Jack Scherting has asked for volunteers to remove the plaque so he can get estimates about the cost of repairs. (Robin)

**Other business tabled due to lack of time.**

**Respectfully submitted, by Ruth Ross, Secretary**

Fitness Committee Meeting

12/5/2022

**Attendees:** Allan Zee, Judith Chambliss (Co-Chairs), Betsy Coddington (Board Liaison), Phyllis Ballough, Jon Karpilow, Fred Miercort, Linda Mollino, Tom Ramsey, Mardella Rowland, Robin Scherting and Bill Sery

**Absent:** Mike Hinojos\*, Sherry Hanan\*\*, Marnie Levy (CG Manager), and Don Rogers (\*Mike Hinojos has not been receiving information concerning the Committee due to an incorrect email address. As of 12/19, the problem has been corrected. \*\*It seems that Sherry has resigned from the Committee.)

**Assignments: No changes in assignments**

Day-to-Day/Weekly on-going tasks	Committee Member	Frequency
Monitoring supplies that are used in the FC	Mardella has agreed to track supplies and notifying Terri and Marnie (with a "cc" to Judith and Allan)	Mardella to determine. Addition of tissues and paper towels requested by members.
Maintenance of water cooler	Jon agreed to put new bottles of water onto cooler as needed	Jon to determine frequency, as needed. Mardella will contact Terri regarding water needs.
Equipment Oversight	Bill	When alerted
Signage	Linda and Judith	Will work with Judith to determine which signs are needed.
Electrical Issues	Bill and Tom (Will be out of state for a few months)	Consulting Only

Discussion Items:

Next Meeting: Monday January 9, 2023 in the Clubhouse.

Allan and Judith will be out of the area and unavailable from 1/24 to 4/17. Linda to fill in for them while they are gone. In the January meeting the group will re-visit the issue of frequency of meetings.

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### **Fitness Committee Minutes for 1/9/23**

Attendees: **Attendees:** Judith Chambliss, Allan Zee (Co-Chairs), Marnie Levy (CG Manager), Phyllis Ballough, Jon Karpilow, Mardella Rowland, Robin Scherting, Lori Cameron and Bill Sery. Absent: Linda Mollino (Scribe), Betsy Coddington (Board Liaison), Fred Miercort, Tom Ramsey and Don Rogers

Discussion Items:

1. Budget / Finances Allan reported that we currently have a balance of \$4,754.70 in our account. We have not yet been billed for the servicing of the L8, the Precor Elliptical #1 or the Bench. Equipment inventory has been submitted to Mark Wiper for his input on usable life and replacement costs for new and used equipment.

2. February Fundraiser Judith reported that the Fund Raiser article was included in the Jan. Newsletter, including the date (2/22/23) of the Open House event. Judith will create & submit an article for the February Newsletter about the Fitness Center's February Fundraising and Open House events.

Envelopes will be provided in the Fitness Center by Phyllis with labels on each envelop giving directions to the donor. Checks get made out to Cape George Colony Social Club with Fitness Center in the memo line at the bottom left. They will be given to Terri or put in the mail slot and Terri will put them in a manilla envelop in the office. Starting the week of February 1st, Lori will pick up the checks at the end of each week and write down the information to pass along to Robin for thank you notes. Robin will buy cards and envelopes for the thank you notes. Lori will take the checks/cash to Cassie once a week.

Phyllis has taken care of the signs, bar graph and banner. Mardella will put up the signs and Jon will put up the banner and bar graph.

3. Electrical issues Marnie reported that Double D is scheduled to come on 2/20 to take care of changing the new receptacle to a double instead of triple receptacle. Bill Sery would like to be notified when that happens so he can be present when the work is done.

Allan reported the cord damage on the Stairmaster. He will contact the manufacturer and ascertain the proper cord to replace the damaged one and send a link to Marnie to order the cord or order it himself from the manufacturer is that is possible. Bill will install the new cord since it doesn't involve changing anything in the wall socket.

4. Equipment Allan reported that the L8 & L10 & Nustep #1 all continue to have problems, which have been reported to Mark Harder and Mark Wiper. For on-going maintenance, Allan reported that we are still waiting to receive a bid from Mark Harder (Exercise Service Specialist). Mardella reported that she has been unsuccessful in getting info from local fitness centers as to who is doing their maintenance and recommends that we might want to just stay with FitInc. She says that she hasn't made any progress regarding repair of the Bench

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Press upholstery. We will live with it for the time being.

We seem to be in agreement that the next pieces of equipment for replacement should be the stationary armed elliptical (#1), the rowing machine and the upright bike in that order. Robin will look into a possible rowing machine purchase.

5. Supplies Marnie reported that Mardella's order has been placed. Donnie can deliver the Monk wipes when they come in. Bob will continue to monitor the wipes. Apparently the wipes need to be opened so that a minimal amount of moisture is lost when used. Jon reported that people are drinking more water now and the number of water bottles in inventory is appropriate.

6. "Welcome Bench" Robin reported that the workshop folks have submitted a design virtually identical to the current bench except a little "beefier." The cost is \$120 for materials. It was voted unanimously to give them the go ahead and to request the painting of the shelves be done in gunmetal grey.

7. Telephone Marnie will continue to try to call Century Link to have them resolve the problem of not being able to receive calls or sometimes to call out.

8. Weekly cleaning Marnie reported that she complained to the cleaning service owner and apparently there was a staffing issue due to sickness which now seems resolved. Anyone who notices that a shabby job has been done following the regular Saturday cleaning should report the complaint to Marnie.

9.. Suggestion box ("Blue") Allan reported that "Blue" was installed 3 weeks ago and we have received about 6 comments, all of which have been addressed .

10. Durable sign (Cape George Fitness Center) for outside the front door is temporarily on hold.

11. Signs for FC basic rules Phyllis looked into a metal sign for the front door. She will go over suggested wording with Linda and present it to the committee for approval.

12. February meeting will be 2/6/23 at 11 AM. Allan & Judith will be gone 1/24/23 through 4/17/23. (Email communications are fine.) Linda will fill in for Judith & Allan while they are gone.

**Cape George Marina Committee minutes: Dec 6, 2022**

Chair Craig Muma called the meeting to order at 11 am. About 20 members were present.

Dick Poole distributed copies of a drawing for a new crab-cooking shack for the south end of the marina. The shack would be built by marina volunteers on the west/waterfront side of the gate. The estimate for materials and the cooker is about \$2500. It was moved and seconded and the committee voted to approve spending up to \$2500 from the Marina Memorial Fund for the project.



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Craig raised the subject of wait list fees for marina moorage. After considerable discussion, it was moved and seconded that, beginning in 2023, the fee will be \$50 and will not be refundable, and that moorage fees will be payable when moorage is accepted. Boaters will have 30 days to decide whether or not to accept the offer of a moorage slip.

Craig reported that he has researched how other private marinas deal with volunteer labor. Many require members to volunteer a certain number of hours per year or pay additional moorage fees. As with moorage fees, the volunteer hours would be based in part on the size of the boat. He reported that marinas use different methods of tracking volunteer time.

Penny Jensen said she had identified 11 areas where volunteers could help maintain and operate the marina – not just carpentry or plumbing, but also areas such as contracting, finances and computer work. Craig believes the plan would take some of the pressure off the volunteer harbormaster and spread the overall workload, while also bringing in up to \$25,000 a year in revenue.

No action was taken, but Craig said he hopes that, with approval by the Board of Trustees, the plan could be put in place early in 2023.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 pm.

**Marina Committee minutes,  
Jan 10, 2023**

Marina Chair Craig Muma called the meeting to order at 11 am. About 25 members were present.

**Marina Service Program:** Craig briefed the committee on the proposed Marina Service Program, which seeks to increase the base of volunteers who manage and maintain the marina. He and other members propose to require marina users to contribute to that work in any of a number of ways such as maintenance of the docks and surrounding property, or administrative and technical tasks. If marina users choose not to volunteer, they could opt to pay a “labor offset fee.”

Craig and others pointed out that other private marinas around the region take a similar approach. After considerable discussion, the committee voted overwhelmingly to approve the plan, which will be taken up by the Board of Trustees.

**Pilings:** Craig reported that most of the marina pilings are in good shape but need to be wrapped with a material to protect them the risk of infestation by shipworms. No vote was taken.

**Dredge:** The committee discussed the effectiveness of the floating dredge that has been used to deepen the marina. Ben Fellows reported that, after two years of work, the dredge does not appear to have made much difference. Members discussed whether to abandon the effort and sell the equipment. While the dredge was expensive – about \$23,000 overall – it has limited resell value. The committee voted 17-5 not to sell the equipment.

**Reserve Study:** Mike Heckinger presented an overview of the Reserve Study program to help increase understanding of it. Good questions were asked and answered.

The meeting was adjourned at noon.

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# Cape George 2023 Calendar

# February

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1			<b>1</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swim 2p  <b>Wed. Winer's 3-5p</b> <b>Game Nite 6-9p</b>	<b>2</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Fabric Arts 9-3</b>	<b>3</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:40a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p	<b>4</b>
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## Manager's Report -

### MARCH 2023

MARCH is an appropriate name for this month. This will be a month of completing multiple projects that are in progress!

**Donnie:** Our Caretaker, Donnie Weathersby was injured on the job while removing the vandalized mailbox in the Village last month. He was on a very limited work schedule for the entire month of February. The injury could have been worse, and the slow return to work has been appropriately conservative. Donnie hopes to be back to fulltime work in the next week or so. If you see him working out and about, please feel free to offer to help him lift boxes, move equipment, or cut up and clear trees that have fallen. Thank you to everyone who has offered to step in to help Donnie!

#### **Thank You!**

Thank you so much to Kriss Edwards, the new chair of the Pool Committee. She has been hands-on from the beginning, increasing volunteer involvement in the upkeep of the pool, contacting references for the pool resurfacing project, and learning about the pool heating, chemistry, and vacuuming systems. She will be leading the Pool Committee's efforts to raise funds in the coming months to help ensure that the pool continues to be a popular, state-of-the art sanctuary, enjoyed by all Cape George Members.

A big thanks to Mike Thorwick who is also helping with the pool as we consider options for replacing worn and broken equipment that is on the approved reserve schedule this year. Mike has been very generous with his time and knowledge in researching and working with the companies that have repaired equipment and will bid on the projects this year. He has been hands on keeping the boiler working through the cold weather. Thank you so much Mike!

**Rescheduled Rock Chuck Work Party:** Join us on Saturday, March 11, at 10 a.m. in the picnic area by the Clubhouse to help remove rocks, wood, and other debris in preparation for installing berm crossovers, fencing and hydroseeding. The Committee decided to postpone the Rock Chuck Work Party when snow and freezing temperatures were predicted in February. All ages welcome! Bring work gloves and rakes! If you have questions, please send me an email, or give me a call.

**Reserve Study:** During the first weeks of March, I will be meeting with Committee Chairs to gather current information for the reserve study! Thank you in advance for sharing your time, knowledge, and expertise!

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**Cape George Security:** We have had two (second-hand) reports (one in January and one in February) of non-residents knocking on doors in Cape George. Please be aware of the people in your neighborhood. Report suspicious activity to the Jefferson County Sheriff.

**The Catch-Up List for March:**

**Fiber Optics:** The PUD will probably have a proposal ready in April.

**The Website:** We are continuing to move forward with testing the redesign of the Cape George website.

**Security Cameras:** With support from the Tech Committee and Donnie we will have the security cameras installed in the Village and the Colony in March.

**Mailboxes:** Outgoing mailboxes will be installed in the Village and the Colony this month.

**Caretake Assistant:** We will be interviewing applicants in March.

Thank you for everything you do to help make Cape George Colony Club a great place to live!

*Marmie W. Levy,*

[manager@capegeorge.org](mailto:manager@capegeorge.org)

**NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT** – Jane Ludwig

**Winter 2023 Member Survey**

As of Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>, 153 members have completed the 2023 Member Survey. Thank you! The deadline for completing the survey is March 15<sup>th</sup>. If you have not yet completed the survey, we will be sending out another email blast with a link to the survey. We really do want to know what you think. Help us understand what is important to you by completing the survey. The results of this survey will be shared in the March Board Meeting and will be included in the April newsletter. Your input matters.

**2023 Reserve Study**

The finance committee, treasurer, manager and involved Trustees will be meeting with our advisory committees to get input on the projected future needs for our upcoming reserve study. State law requires we conduct a reserve study, and it is through this process that it is determined what is necessary to fund the major maintenance, repair and replacement of our association's common property over the next 30 years. It is an important and required process. The information we gather will help us to project what is necessary to maintain and improve our common property assets.

**Thanks**

An immeasurable asset to our community is our many advisory committees and the committee members who volunteer their time and expertise. Many of the amenities we enjoy are the result of the dedication and involvement of these individuals. A heartfelt thank you to everyone involved in contributing to the well-being and upkeep of Cape George Colony Club.

# St. Patrick's Dinner



Friday  
March 17  
Social 4:30 pm  
Dinner 5:00

The Emergency Prep Committee is hosting a  
**St. Patrick's Dinner!**

**MENU:** Irish Soda Bread, Scones and Baked Potato with your choice of Toppings: Chili, Veggies, Salsa, Cheese, Bacon, Onions, Sour Cream and Butter.

Please bring a side dish to share, enough for 8 people. Also bring your place setting and utensils as we are trying to cut back on the use of plastic to protect our environment.

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## March Styrofoam Recycling Tuesday, March 7 and Saturday, March 18



**Tip of the hat** to residents of Quinault Loop and Sunset Blvd for helping fill the "styrocyclingmobile" in February! Let's keep it going in March! Email Jo Blair at [Barbarajoblair@gmail.com](mailto:Barbarajoblair@gmail.com) or call 425-417-2164 to arrange a drop off.

[Port Townsend StyroCyclers](#), a [Local 20/20 Beyond Waste](#) Project, accepts styrofoam pieces that are white, rigid, clean, and dry, with all tape, labels, paper, and cardboard removed. They also accept clean and dry packing peanuts of all colors and types (separated from the styrofoam), as well as white styrofoam food trays that are clean and free of stains and writing.

## POOL NEWS

Greetings from the Pool Committee!

Update on our reserves maintenance projects.

The committee has recommended Spray-Tec Glasscoat for the pool shell resurfacing. You can visit their website for more information. [Glasscoatresurfacing.com](http://Glasscoatresurfacing.com)

We are continuing to discuss our heat pump options. Thanks to Mike Thorwick for his research.

Again, we will keep you updated on the progress.

We continue to notice a lot of usage at the pool, which is very exciting! We decided to look into this further, wanting to know how much activity and when.

Thanks to all the support and enjoy the pool.

# **Cape George Social Committee Potluck Luncheon**



**All Cape George Residents are Invited.**

Learn about the social committee activities for the year.

Meet your neighbors.

**Bring a dish to share and your place setting.  
Drinks will be provided.**

**Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>**

**11:30 am**

**Cape George Clubhouse**

## SEEKING CANDIDATES FOR THE CAPE GEORGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES



Three seats on the Cape George Board of Trustees are up for election this year and the community is reaching out for good candidates.

There are seven trustees who are unpaid and serve three-year terms. The sole prerequisite is to be a member in good standing. But successful trustees tend to be good listeners, careful readers and comfortable with a collaborative working climate.

While the work can be demanding, it is also very rewarding. Trustees do make a difference in how our community works.

Nomination forms are due by May 17<sup>th</sup> and are available on our website under Documents/ Membership Forms – Trustee Nomination Form. Ballots will be sent out in June, and results will be announced July 15.

For further information contact any member of the nominating committee or any current board member.

Nominating Committee: Dianne Tamblyn - Ross Anderson - Patty Dunmire - Stan Russell – Kris Easterday

Current Board Members: Jane Ludwig – John Dwyer -Pat Gulick – Fayla Schwartz - Bart Mooyman-Beck – Betsy Coddington – Mike Heckinger

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Click the **subscribe** button toward the bottom of the screen

and enter your email address.

Receive our email blasts with event notices, announcements and meeting links.

## Who uses the Cape George pool?

Answer: More than 30 swimmers per day and 13,000 per year. At least 467 individual CG members, more than half the membership, used it at least once last year and 85 members did so frequently.

How do we know this? Every time a member uses a fob to unlock the door, that use is recorded. So we analyzed the data from February through December, 2022. (This included several weeks when the pool was closed for repairs.)

Over that 11-month period, there were 13,009 fob swipes by 467 unique members at the pool door. Of these, 85 used the pool more than 20 times, and those 85 swam an average of 55 times over the year.

The actual number of users was certainly higher. Any fob entry represents one member, but we know that a single fob often admits two or more people – couples, families with kids, or aerobics participants who show up at the same time. So we estimate that a fob use represents 1.5 actual swimmers. Applying that multiplier, the pool was used by nearly 20,000 swimmers in 2022.

In another analysis, we took a random sampling of 12 days and found the pool gets steady use year-round, weekdays and weekends. Entries increase slightly on holidays. Fob entries average about 20 per day in winter – so 30 swimmers. Summer days the fob entries increase to about 25 – or 38 swimmers.

The busiest day in our sample was August 8, with 32 fob entries – 48 swimmers. The heaviest use is mid-morning, from 9 to 11 am, probably due to the aerobics class. The lightest use is before 8 am and after 6 pm.

What's this cost? The annual expenses amount to \$34,500 -- \$20,000 for utilities (heating the pool and the room), \$3,000 for supplies, \$3,000 for repairs and maintenance and \$8500 for the estimated staff time allotted to the pool. This breaks down to \$52 per member per year, or \$4.30 per month.

As for swimmers, using the estimate of 20,000 uses, it breaks down to \$1.25 per swim.



# Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event 2023

If a container has the words **caution, warning, flammable, combustible, danger, toxic,** or **poison** and still has product inside, it does not belong in the garbage or recycling.

**Residential Customers Only**  
**NO FEE**

Limits:

- Fuel - 10 gallons
- Container Size - 10 gallons
- Paint - 25 gallons

**SATURDAY**  
**10:00AM - 2:00PM**

**April 15th**

Jeff Co Roads Shop  
371 Chimacum Road  
Port Hadlock, WA

**September 16th**

Quilcene Roads Shop  
295316 Hwy 101  
Quilcene, WA

**September 30th**

Jefferson Transit  
Haines Park & Ride  
440 12th St  
Port Townsend, WA



[www.jeffersoncountysolidwaste.com](http://www.jeffersoncountysolidwaste.com)

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## ACCEPTED at the Collection Event



Aerosols Automotive products



Gasoline & fuels Household cleaners



Latex paint Marine & road flares



Mercury thermostats & thermometers Oil paints, stains, solvents



Pesticides, herbicides Pool & Spa Chemicals

## NOT ACCEPTED



Antifreeze



Fluorescent lights



Lithium, button, & rechargeable batteries



Motor oils

Drop these off at Solid Waste facilities during regular hours.



## **Art Wall News**

**\*Reminder\***

**The current art wall will be taken down and new art will be hung on April 5<sup>th</sup> at 4 PM. If you have a piece that is currently on the wall, please pick it up at that time and drop off your new piece. The theme is 'Adventure', but feel free to submit whatever you've created! The following Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, we will have our art walk from 5-6 PM with snacks and drinks provided. Hope to see you there!**

# Pickleball at Cape George

## according to Dink & Lob



In last month's Newsletter we offered everyone a "Suggestion Box" to get your ideas and suggestions to enhance your Pickleball experience here at Cape George. While the "box" wasn't overflowing with ideas there were some good ideas. Our Steering Committee reviewed them and added some others.

Here are some activities that you can look forward to in coming months:

1. Open Play will return with facilitators
2. Back hand clinic and practice will be scheduled
3. Serving clinic with a guest instructor
4. Summer mixer (Hi-Lo, Pro-Am, or Handicap) with prizes and Margaritas will appear again!
5. Other options may include: Drilling for Success - Winning at the Net
6. Classes for new players will be scheduled when the weather permits!
  - If you are not already on the waiting list, please contact [pibird130@gmail.com](mailto:pibird130@gmail.com).
  - If you have questions or concerns regarding the schedule please contact

Jo Dwyer [jodwyer810@gmail.com](mailto:jodwyer810@gmail.com)



Lob would like to add:

1. A big Thanks to our longest serving Steering Committee Member - Gail Krentzman who has resigned. Gail is a Big reason we have our court here . She shepherded the process thru the Board and lined up the contractors and helped to apply the first surfacing and lines. We all owe her a big "Shout Out".
2. Remember that the court and all the equipment belongs to all of us - take care of it and report problems or concerns to the office.
3. If you are interested in serving on the Steering Committee please contact [pibird130@gmail.com](mailto:pibird130@gmail.com) for further information.

PICKLE ON BE SAFE AND ENJOY WASHINGTONS STATE GAME

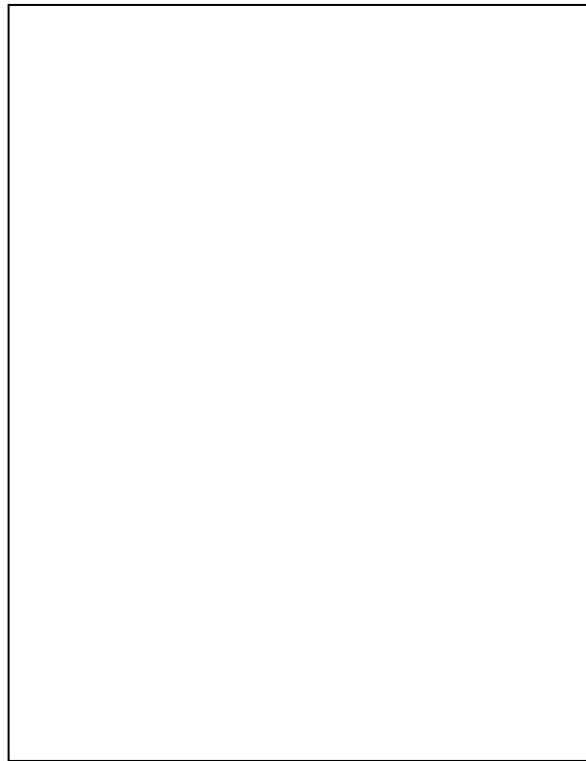
# Join the Great Cape George Rock Chuck Work Party

Sponsored by the Berm Committee

Meet at the community center picnic shelter Saturday

March 11<sup>th</sup> 2023 10:00 am

Object will be to chuck as many rocks as possible from the lawn area  
back onto the berm.



Rocky the rockchuck sez: “Rock’N’Chuck’m

How much rock would a rockchuck chuck?

If a rockchuck would chuck rock.”

Bring work gloves and optionally a rake or shovel

All ages welcome



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**The Board Meeting was called to order by President, Jane Ludwig at 3:00 pm**

There will be an Executive Session at the end of this meeting for a member violation appeal hearing. An additional motion was added to today's agenda.

**In Attendance:** Jane Ludwig, Fayla Schwartz, Pat Gulick, Betsy Coddington, and Bart Mooyman-Beck, Mike Heckinger and John Dwyer.

**Action on Minutes:** Pat Gulick moved, and Fayla Schwartz seconded to approve the minutes of the regular Board Meeting dated – January 26, 2023. Passed – 5/0/1

**Managers' Report:** Marnie Levy

*February 2023!*

January came in with a flourish and everyone stepped up to complete tasks and start new projects. Now that we are more than halfway through February, the plans to protect the berm from foot traffic and restore the picnic area vegetation are taking shape. Security and connectivity projects are moving forward. And the 2023 reserve study, and 2022 audit are underway, along with other projects planned for this year.

**Thank You!**

Thank you so much to Fayla Schwartz, Nancy Charpentier, finance committee chairperson; Mark Kochendorfer, and Susan Sanford, finance committee members; and Terri Brown, office administrator, for working tirelessly to organize the financials for the 2022 Audit. Completing the audit and the 2023 Reserve Study will help us have a clear financial picture when the Association is considering a change in annual assessments.

**Fitness Center Fundraiser**

This is the Fitness Center Fundraiser Month! The Fitness Committee is still accepting donations at the Cape George office!

**The Ad Hoc Berm Protection Committee Work Party!**

**Join us on Saturday, February 25 at 10 a.m.** in the picnic area by the Clubhouse to help remove rocks, wood, and other debris in preparation for installing berm crossovers, fencing and finally hydroseeding the lawn area. All ages welcome! Bring work gloves and rakes! If you have questions, please email or call me!

**Tech Tech Tech**

**Fiber Optics:** The PUD fiber optics petition is complete and in the hands of the PUD.

**The Website:** The "capegeorge.org" website redesign is in the second stage of testing. We are working on the site to find and resolve glitches before rolling the site out for member input. Thank you, Diana Luckevich for the hours of work you have put in on the new site!

**Security Cameras:** With some luck and support from the Tech Committee and Donnie we should have the first two security Cameras up and operational in the Village and the Colony soon!

**Caretaker Assistant**

The Assistant Caretaker position, that was approved for the 2023 Budget, is being advertised this month. The person who takes this job will shadow Donnie Weathersby, learning the procedures for the pool, water system, and grounds

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maintenance. The goal is to have a second person trained to step in for Donnie when he is off work. The ad will be published in this newsletter, Zip Recruiter and in local publications.

**Outgoing Mail**

A new outgoing mailbox is on order for the Village and will be installed as soon as it is delivered. It is illegal to mail anything weighing more than 10 oz., or more than 1/2-inch in thickness cannot be mailed in the outgoing mailboxes.

Remember to pick up your mail every day and stop your mail delivery when you are going to be out of town. There are two outgoing mailboxes in the cluster boxes in the Colony mail kiosk.

**No parking behind the Workshop**

The trash pickup truck and other work vehicles cannot maneuver vehicles are parked behind the Workshop. This is a safety issue, so please do not park there.

**Hello Dog Lovers!**

Except for dog play time at Memorial Park, dogs need to be on leash, not only on Cape George common property, but in your neighborhood. Dog violations and complaints this month include dog poo not being picked up by owners walking in neighborhoods, and one complaint about dogs running loose in a neighborhood and being allowed to defecate in a neighbor's yard.

**Dark Sky, please**

This is another reminder to shade outdoor lights, so they are directed at the ground. Several violations have been issued regarding bright lights burning all night. Please be respectful of your neighbors!

Thank you for everything you do to help make Cape George Colony Club a great place to live!

*Marnie W. Levy,*

[manager@capegeorge.org](mailto:manager@capegeorge.org)

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**Treasurer's Report:** Fayla Schwartz

**January 31, 2023**

*A summarized comparative balance sheet and a condensed statement of revenues and expenses are included on the next page. Detailed statements are available on the Cape George website. The detailed statements as well as additional monthly financial material and are also available for review in the office upon request.*

**BALANCE SHEET COMMENTS**

All bank statements have been received, reconciled and reviewed.

Because we've changed the timing of revenue recognition, comparisons with last year will show discrepancies with liabilities as we are no longer managing monthly allocations through the Deferred Income liability accounts.

**INCOME STATEMENT COMMENTS**

**General Operations:**

Comparison to last year will show revenue discrepancies as we are recognizing revenue when invoiced, as opposed to allocating monthly.

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A single month does not provide much insight for analyses, however, in the comparison to 2022 note the Contracted Services variation owing to large legal consultation invoices in January 2022.

**Water Operations:**

Same comment regarding revenue comparison with last year. Rather than monthly allocations, the quarter billing is all reflected in the 1st month of the quarter.  
Expense savings to budget is reflective of a monthly intent to build up parts inventory, however it was not added to in January. There will be many instances when the budget's distribution will vary.

**Marina Operations:**

Billing was delayed in 2022, so the timing differences with 2023 do not allow for direct comparisons until we get further into the year.

**OTHER COMMENTS:**

All materials requested by the auditors (Newman CPA) for the 2022 audit have been submitted to them. We are also in the process of submitting tax documents to Newman CPA. I have been working with the General Manager, President, Chair of the Finance Committee and Reserve Consultants LLC to start an enhanced level 2 Reserve Study this spring. We are currently asking each standing committee for input about reserve items under their purview. Discussion is ongoing with the community about how to balance increased operational costs due inflation with members' budgets. We encourage you to send your comments to the Board.

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As of JAN 31, 2023									
<i>Balance Sheet as of January 31, 2023 and 2022 - Preliminary Subject to Audit</i>									
Assets		2023	2022		Liabilities and Fund Balances		2023	2022	
Cash and Cash Equivalents:					Current Liabilities:				
Operations Checking & Petty Cash	\$	293,771	\$ 155,578	89%	Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$	12,573	\$ 136,158	-91%
Operating Savings & ICS		250,392	197,435	27%	Prepaid Income		37,718	20,622	83%
Reserves - General, Water & Marina		1,377,502	1,176,456	17%	Unearned Income, Marina Wait List		5,000	1,325	277%
Total Cash & Equivalents		1,921,665	1,529,470	26%	Total Current Liabilities		55,291	158,105	-65%
Net Accounts Receivable	\$	21,198	\$ 57,065	-63%	<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>				
Total Net Fixed Assets		1,605,201	1,444,326	11%	Fund Balances & Equity (Combined)		3,322,962	2,881,395	15%
Total Prepaid & Other Assets		23,465	17,854	31%	Modified Cash Basis Income		193,276	9,214	1998%
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>\$3,571,529</b>	<b>\$3,048,714</b>	17%	<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCE</b>		<b>\$3,571,529</b>	<b>\$ 3,048,714</b>	17%
<i>Summary Revenue and Expense Statements for the periods ended Month DD, 2022 and 2021 (Modified cash basis, excludes depreciation)</i>									
<i>Preliminary Subject to Audit - **2021 Reserve Activity Removed from Operations for Comparison to 2022</i>									
2023 Year to Date - Unaudited					Comparative - Unaudited				
	Actual	Budget	Variance	%		2023 YTD	2022 YTD**	Variance	%
<b>General</b>					<b>General</b>				
General Assessment	\$ 86,378	\$ 86,380	(2)	0%	General Assessment	\$ 86,378	\$ 26,621	\$ 59,757	224%
Revenue - All Other Sources	2,510	522	1,989	381%	Revenue - All Other Sources	2,510	465	2,045	440%
Total General Revenue	88,888	86,902	1,986		Total General Revenue	88,888	27,086	61,802	
<b>Expenses:</b>					<b>Expenses:</b>				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	9,872	12,761	2,889	23%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	9,872	8,099	(1,773)	-22%
Repairs & Maintenance	2,547	179	(2,368)	-1321%	Repairs & Maintenance	2,547	714	(1,832)	-256%
Contracted Services	5,463	4,064	(1,399)	-34%	Contracted Services	5,463	10,583	5,120	48%
Pool Expense & Utilities	2,119	2,375	256	11%	Pool Expense & Utilities	2,119	1,822	(297)	-16%
Utilities & Insurance	3,167	3,213	46	1%	Utilities & Insurance	3,167	2,826	(341)	-12%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	1,853	2,433	580	24%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	1,853	3,039	1,185	39%
Total General Expenses	25,022	25,025	3		Total General Expenses	25,022	27,083	1,515	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 63,866</b>	<b>\$ 61,876</b>	<b>\$ 1,990</b>	-3%	<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 63,866</b>	<b>\$ 3</b>	<b>\$ 63,863</b>	>-100%

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	Actual	Budget	Variance	%		2023 YTD	2022 YTD**	Variance	%
<b>Water</b>					<b>Water</b>				
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 57,341	\$ 57,869	\$ (528)	-1%	Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 57,341	\$ 17,120	\$ 40,221	235%
Revenue - All Other Sources	2,787	6,000	(3,214)	-54%	Revenue - All Other Sources	2,787	5,440	(2,654)	-49%
Total Water Revenue	60,127	63,869	(3,742)		Total Water Revenue	60,127	22,560	37,567	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	4,937	6,380	1,444	23%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	4,937	4,203	(734)	-17%
Repairs & Maintenance	-	504	504	100%	Repairs & Maintenance	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
Contracted Services	2,646	2,670	24	1%	Contracted Services	2,646	2,163	(483)	-22%
Utilities & Insurance	2,289	2,557	268	10%	Utilities & Insurance	2,289	1,807	(481)	-27%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	1,151	4,235	3,084	73%	Other Expenses(incl taxes)	1,151	69	(1,082)	-1561%
Total Water Expenses	11,022	16,346	5,325		Total Water Expenses	11,022	8,242	(2,780)	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 49,105</b>	<b>\$ 47,523</b>	<b>\$ 1,583</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 49,105</b>	<b>\$ 14,318</b>	<b>\$ 34,787</b>	<b>243%</b>
<b>Marina</b>					<b>Marina</b>				
Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 70,374	\$ 74,489	\$ (4,115)	-6%	Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 70,374	\$ -	\$ 70,374	#DIV/0!
Revenue - All Other Sources	14,465	14,315	\$ 150	1%	Revenue - All Other Sources	14,465	-	14,465	#DIV/0!
Total Marina Revenue	84,839	88,804	(3,965)		Total Marina Revenue	84,839	-	84,839	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	1,656	2,127	470	22%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	1,656	1,405	(251)	-18%
Repairs & Maintenance	105	92	(14)	-15%	Repairs & Maintenance	105	-	(105)	0%
Contracted Services	671	797	126	16%	Contracted Services	671	446	(225)	-51%
Utilities & Insurance	1,964	1,545	(419)	-27%	Utilities & Insurance	1,964	1,593	(371)	-23%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	136	656	520	79%	Other Expenses(incl taxes)	136	1,308	1,172	90%
Total Marina Expenses	4,534	5,217	683		Total Marina Expenses	4,534	4,753	219	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 80,305</b>	<b>\$ 83,587</b>	<b>\$ (3,282)</b>	<b>-4%</b>	<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 80,305</b>	<b>\$ (4,753)</b>	<b>\$ 85,058</b>	<b>-1790%</b>
<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 193,277</b>	<b>\$ 192,986</b>	<b>\$ 291</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 193,277</b>	<b>\$ 9,569</b>	<b>\$ 183,708</b>	<b>1920%</b>
<b>Reserve Activity</b>					<b>**Reserve Activity</b>				
Routine Reserve Assessment	49,981	49,981	-	0%	Routine Reserve Revenue	49,981	15,857	(34,124)	215%
Reserve Interest - all **	789	-	789	#DIV/0!	Reserve Interest - all	789	8	(781)	>100%
Less: Reserve Offset***	(49,981)	-	(49,981)		Less: Reserve Offset	(49,981)	(16,219)	33,762	
<b>Net Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 789</b>	<b>\$ 49,981</b>	<b>\$ (49,192)</b>	<b>-98%</b>	<b>Gross Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 789</b>	<b>\$ (354)</b>	<b>\$ (1,143)</b>	<b>-323%</b>

**New Members:** No new members this month

**Information items or documents submitted to the Trustees at Study Session**

The Village Kiosk community submitted an illustration and description of the proposed replacement mailboxes and structure. See attached illustration and report.

An initial discussion of possible changes to Bylaws, Article IIIB (Operational Assessments) was held at Feb 21<sup>st</sup> Study Session.

\$7666.81 will be transferred from Reserve Cash account at Pacific Premier Bank to Operational Cash account at Pacific Premier Bank, to reimburse payments for 2022 Reserve projects – Fayla Schwartz.

**Committee Reports:** The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Finance, Fitness,

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Marina, Pool, Village Mailbox Committee and Water Advisory. The reports are attached to these minutes and incorporated by reference.

**Member participation:** none

**New Business Action Items:**

**Motion 1:** Bart Mooyman-Beck moved, and Pat Gulick seconded to accept the pool resurfacing proposal of \$91229.42 with \$87000. coming from Reserves and the balance to be funded by the pool committee. Passed – 6/0

**Motion 2.** Betsy Coddington moved, and Mike Heckinger seconded to appoint Dianne Tamblyn chair of the Nominating Committee. Passed-6/0

**Motion 3.** Fayla Schwartz moved, and Pat Gulick seconded to appoint Mark Kochendorfer as Cape George IT Consultant. Passed-6/0

**Motion 4.** Pat Gulick moved, and Bart Mooyman-Beck seconded to approve the Environmental Committees recommended changes to the fines schedule section 4 and 4a. Passed –6/0

**Motion 5.** Bart Mooyman-Beck moved and Fayla Schwartz seconded to request information from the Port Townsend Public Utility District regarding management or ownership of the Cape George water system. Passed-6/0

**Motion 6.** Fayla Schwartz moved, and Bart Mooyman-Beck seconded to approve the member Late Fee Waivers presented by the General Manager. Passed –6/0

**Motion 7:** Fayla Schwartz moved, and Betsy Coddington seconded to revise sections of FIN03 Policy and Procedures for Delinquent Accounts from “not paid in full within twenty-one calendar days of the due date” to “not paid in full within thirty calendar days of the due date”. Passed-6/0

**Open Board Discussion:** Pat Gulick announced the Rock Chuck Work Party planned for Saturday, Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> has been postponed due to weather. A later date is to be determined.

**Announcements:**

Weds., March 15, 11:30am – Cape George Social Committee Potluck Luncheon

Fri., March 17, 4:30pm social, 5 pm dinner - St. Patrick’s Dinner at the Clubhouse – hosted by the Emergency Prep Committee

Mon., March 27, 3pm: Study Session, Zoom

Thurs., March 30, 3pm: Board Meeting, Zoom

**Adjournment:** Fayla Schwartz moved, and Betsy Coddington seconded to adjourn the regular session and move to Executive Session at 3:47 pm. Passed – 5/0/1

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Pat Gulick moved, and Fayla Schwartz seconded to adjourn the Executive Session and move to the regular session at 4:08 p.m. Passed - 6/0

Betsy Coddington moved, and John Dwyer seconded to adjourn the board meeting at 4:09. Passed - 6/0

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Pat Gulick, Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jane Ludwig, President

## Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday February 9, 2023

In attendance: Fayla Schwarz, Treasurer and Board Liaison, Nancy Charpentier, Mark Kochendorfer and Susan Sanford, Committee Members, Marnie Levy, General Manager, and Jane Ludwig, Board President

1. Reviewed audit material submission status. Many files arrived corrupted in the upload to the Auditor, so Fayla will email the files to them. Missing are Aging reports which Nancy will pull and send to Susan and Fayla. When these are completed we will have provided everything they require to begin the audit activities.
2. Reviewed the Finance Committee Charter with a few suggestions for changes. Nancy will revise and send to Committee members for approval, and if ok'd Fayla will present for revision to the Board in the March Meeting.
3. Discuss recommendations for safeguarding data: The lack of backups is of concern. Mark looked into our software and it was discovered that we have the home version of Windows 10 the Microsoft 365 software. The committee recommended to Fayla that she propose to the Board:
  - a. Upgrade the Office computers to the Professional version (they currently run the Home version – the cost will be around \$300)
  - b. Get a license for Mark to set up the Office files to reside on OneDrive, and provide any training needed to Marnie and Terrie for its use
  - c. Mark will additionally set up a portal into Microsoft 365 to replace the Finance Committee's Google Drive storage area for committee documents. This portal will have limited access, and committee members will have no access beyond the portal to Office files but will use this as a means of sharing documents including financial reports, analyses and committee agendas and minutes that will be available to Board members as well.
  - d. Once set up and training is complete, Mark's access to the OneDrive in general will be terminated.
  - e. Review of 2023 Workbook changes for Community Financials to follow monthly for journal entries

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f. Discussion of Cash Management options – Nancy to map cash activity for a quarter and a process will be developed with the Treasurer to ensure FDIC coverage for all cash.

A lengthy discussion was held of the various issues around budgetary needs vs limitations on assessment levels for General Operations. No conclusions were drawn or recommendations made, but it was agreed that the Reserve Study was needed to assess the needs for the Reserve accounts, so the conversation focused on the Operating budget. The purpose was to provide input to Fayla and Jane of the thoughts of the Committee in order to assist their considerations of the many aspects to funding choices.

### **Fitness Committee Meeting Minutes**

**2/6/2023**

**Members:** Allan Zee, Judith Chambliss (Co-Chairs) absent, Betsy Coddington (Board Liaison), Phyllis Ballowh (absent), Jon Karpilow (absent), Fred Miercort(absent), Linda Mollino, Tom Ramsey (absent) Mardella Rowland, Robin Schering and Bill Sery

**Equipment Donation:** has been withdrawn by the donor as it was given to someone else.

**Budget and Finances:** balance **\$4,754.70** prior to fundraising funds deposit.

**February Fundraiser:** Thus far **\$1,285.00** has been raised, thus our present balance as a result of the fundraiser is: **\$6,039.70**. Thank you cards: Robin is being notified of the donors by Lori and is writing the cards. She will drop some of the cards at the individual residences when it is easy otherwise will put them in the mail. She will not be dropping them off in individual mailboxes since the mail carriers says it is not legal. Robin has agreed to buy the thank you cards as part of her donation to the Fundraiser but will be turning in a receipt for the stamps. Thank you notes will not be sent out to committee members.

**Lori sent the following e-mail after the meeting:** I am still collecting checks (gave another batch ~800 to Cassie today and sent addresses to Robin for thank you notes). Lori also agreed to update the Fundraiser Thermometer in the fitness center to reflect current balance.

**Open House 2/22:** Fred has agreed to give a tour of the Fitness Center and show how certain equipment is used.

**Robin** will assist from 2-3pm      **Lori** will assist from 3-4pm

**After the meeting in communication with Allan and Lori,** the decision was made to ask Terri to send out two different e-mails to the community reminding them about the fundraiser and Open House. Lori agreed to follow-up with Terri.

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**Electrical Issues:** Bill/Marnie: Marnie reported that Double D is scheduled to come on 2/20 to take care of changing the new receptacle to a double instead of triple receptacle. Bill Sery would like to be notified when that happens so he can be present when the work is done. ....**According to Bill this has now been resolved. No further action.**

**Equipment:** - L8 was evaluated by Mark Harder on 10/31, but it is still having problems. Allan has written to both Mark Wiper and Mark Harder notifying them of the problems. No replies yet. Allan will continue to follow up. - On-going maintenance: We have a bid from FitInc who have provided previous maintenance. We are still waiting to receive a bid from Mark Harder (Exercise Service Specialist). - The Bench Press was reupholstered unsatisfactorily by Mark Harder on 10/31. We are waiting for him to rectify the situation. No resolution on this item. There has been no communication from either of the Marks.

**Electrical Link for the Stairmaster:** still has not come, Bill agreed to attach it when it comes.

After the meeting Linda contacted Marnie and she agreed to order it. Confirmed with me that the item has been ordered. Miscommunication about why it had not been ordered sooner.

**Supplies:** We are up to date on supplies. Mardella, in consultation with Bob, has requested that Marnie order a different version of Germicet when we are ready for a new order. We currently have two refills.

**Welcome Bench:** Robin gave an update after conferring with Mike LaPointe: he is working on it and had a question if we wanted the wood stained, the group decided it was not necessary.

**Telephone:** no resolution as Marnie was not at the meeting so item was tabled.

**Suggestion Box:** There were three cards in the suggestion box:

- a. Landice #2 continues to freeze, which we are aware of and waiting for the service reps to respond to numerous communications from Allan.
- b. Olympic Springs according to Mardella with be monitoring water bottles per delivery, currently at seven.

Comment from a community member stating, "I love this gym, thanks for all your hard work to sustain this resource for the community".

**Durable Sign for Basic Rules:** Phyllis was not able to be at the meeting, so this item was tabled at this time.



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**Marina Committee Minutes, Feb 7, 2023**

The Marina committee met Feb 7, 2023, in the clubhouse. About 20 members were present. Harbormaster Penny Jensen called the meeting to order at 11 am.

Varn Brooks and Steve McDevitt briefed the committee on plans for the rebuilt berm, including revegetation and a fence to discourage people from walking on the berm.

Penny reported that plans are proceeding for the marina service program, as approved by the Board of Trustees.

Members briefly discussed the possibility of developing a marina website to improve communication among members.

Penny initiated a discussion of possible long-term options for repairing or replacing the marina docks. Among the possibilities are a combination of wood and aluminum docks. Mick Thorwick reported that concrete docks do not appear to be a practical alternative.

The committee discussed possibilities for adding a small boat/kayak launch to the marina. Kathy Curtis asked about security, including the gate on Marina Drive, which is not working. No decision was made.

Penny asked the committee if there is a desire to replace the steel hoist next to the shop. The old hoist had deteriorated and has been dismantled. The consensus of the committee is that it should be replaced if possible.

The meeting was adjourned at noon.

Ross Anderson

**Pool Committee Meeting**

2/7/2023

Called to order at 3pm by Chair: Kriss Edwards

**Members:** Kriss Edwards (Chair) Patty Dunmire; John Galm; Sandy Gulin (absent); Linda Mollino; Mardella Rowland (absent); Robin Scherting; Mike Volkman; Marnie Woodward (Cape George Manager) and Jane Ludwig (Board President, and Board Liaison to Pool Committee)

**Guests:** Ross Anderson, Nancy Charpentier and Mike Thorwick

**Financial Report:**

January balance in Fund-Raising account: \$3299.00

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Minutes of December Meeting: Minutes were reviewed by all and there was motion to accept the minutes and accepted by the group.

**Old Business**

Discussion Items	Discussion	Decision/Member Responsibility
2023 Pool Reserves	Discussion of the items on the reserve schedule for 2023: Replace Heat Pumps: \$12,300 Resurface Pool and wading pool: \$70,00	See information below
Windows	Windows were evaluated as concerned that the seals were broken. According to Marnie two different companies evaluated the windows, one vendor stated that the full replacement would cost \$8,279.71; the other vendor stated that we do not need to do anything with the windows at this time. Windows are functional and changing windows would be for cosmetic reasons only	Tabled replacing windows at this time based on the evaluations. Also replacing windows is not in the reserve budget.

**New Business:**

Discussion Items	Discussion	Decision/Member Responsibility
Heat Pump	Mike reported on the current state of the Heat Pumps. Currently one of the heat pumps is not working	Various options were presented by Mike including replacing the heat pump: the dehumidifier; condenser for dehumidifier or replacing the boiler No decision made; further exploration is needed. Mike to contact PUD for further information.
Pool Resurfacing	There were three different quotes that committee members had the opportunity to review before the meeting. Discussion of the three quotes were reviewed during the meeting including material proposed, cost and warranty.	Decision made that the quote from Spray Tec. It will need to go before board. One of the concerns is that the quote is for \$92,369.79 which is above what is in the reserve schedule (\$70,000). According to Nancy, the board can agree to go 25% higher than what is in the reserve schedule but that would only bring us to

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		\$87,500. The remainder would probably have to come from fund-raising by the Pool Committee. Further information is needed.
Cleaning service	Discussion about the quality of the cleaning service. Ongoing problem with the state of the shower rooms. Kriss and Pat would like to put a plan together where volunteers commit to helping with cleaning the shower rooms.	Kriss and Patti will develop a volunteer plan. Cleaning service will continue once a week.  Linda agreed to contact the manager at the Port Ludlow South Community Association to see if there is someone that Marnie can talk to about who they have used for their pool areas.
Pool Charter	Pool Charter was reviewed by the committee.	No changes to the Charter at this time. Jane will inform the Board of Trustees
<b>Discussion Items</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Decision/Member Responsibility</b>
Pool Usage Survey Results	Who uses the pool? Answer: More than 30 swimmers per day and 13,000 per year. At least 467 CG members –70 percent of the membership – used it at least once last year and 85 members did so frequently. How do we know this? Every time a member uses a fob to enter the pool, that use is recorded. So, we analyzed the data from February through December 2022. (This included several weeks when the pool was closed for repairs.) Over that 11-month period, there were 13,009 fob swipes by 467 unique members at the pool door. Of these, 85 used the pool more than 20 times, and those 85 swam an average of 55 times over the year. The actual number of users was certainly higher. Any fob entry represents one member, but we know that a single fob often admits two or more people – couples, families with kids, or aerobics	Decision made to share this with the community probably in March in preparation for April fundraiser.

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	<p>participants who show up at the same time. So, we estimate that a fob use represents 1.5 actual swimmers. Applying that multiplier, the pool was used by nearly 20,000 swimmers in 2022.</p> <p>In another analysis, we took a random sampling of 12 days and found the pool gets steady use year-round, weekdays and weekends. Entries increase slightly on holidays. Fob entries average about 20 per day in winter – so 30 swimmers. Summer days the fob entries increase to about 25 – or 38 swimmers. The busiest day in our sample was August 8, with 32 fob entries – 48 swimmers. The heaviest use is mid-morning, from 9 to 11 am, probably due to the aerobics class. The lightest use is before 8 am and after 6 pm.</p> <p>What's this cost? The annual expenses amount to \$34,500 -- \$20,000 for utilities (heating the pool and the room), \$3,000 for supplies, \$3,000 for repairs and maintenance and \$8500 for the estimated staff time allotted to the pool. This breaks down to \$52 per member per year, or \$4.30 per month.</p> <p>As for swimmers, using the estimate of 20,000 uses, it breaks down to \$1.25 per swim</p>	
<p>Fitness Center Fundraiser</p>	<p>Kriss requested that Pool Committee members support the February Fitness Center fundraiser</p>	<p>Everyone agreed with supporting the FC fundraiser</p>
<p>Community member suggestions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Light and ladder at the shallow end of the pool:</li> <li>• Sign in the pool with the length of the lap pool and how many lengths equals a mile.</li> <li>• Remove the old light socket, cap it off and clean off the rust on</li> </ul>	<p>No discussion <del>at this time</del></p>	<p>These items moved to next month's meeting due to time constraints</p>

Next Meeting : March 7, 2023, 3 pm, Clubhouse

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**VILLAGE MAILBOX COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**Friday, February 3, 2023**

In attendance: George Martin, Chair, Betsy Coddington, Board Liaison, Committee members Margot Desannoy, Ray Pierson and Nancy Charpentier, and Richard VanDeMark, Guest

Richard VanDeMark had volunteered his expertise to create CAD drawings of the Kiosk plans. He presented his concept to the committee, and the plan was reviewed and endorsed unanimously. Richard will produce 3d drawings.

The Committee endorsed presenting the plan to the Board's February meeting for approval in order to proceed to the next step. Margot will draft a written proposal for review in time for Betsy to provide it to the office for inclusion in the Study Session materials.

If approved, Richard will produce drawings with architectural detail that will provide information to contractors for the bidding process.

George has identified one contractor who is interested in bidding for a hole in their schedule this spring. We'll continue to try to find others for competing bids.

**Cape George Water Advisory Committee  
Meeting Report January 10, 2023**

The meeting was held at 4 PM January 10, 2023, in the Clubhouse. Present: Cape George Manager Marnie Levy, Water Manager Jose Escalera, Carl Berger, Thad Bickling, Stewart Pugh, Steve King, and Chair Marty Gilmore.

The committee did not meet in December.

All coliform testing has been negative since the positive tests in October and the State has been informed. The protocol for sample acquisition and transport is being reviewed. Samples for water quality testing are not being taken from dedicated sample points, and they should be. Material is being sourced to install six dedicated sample points, one per water system zone, at a cost per sample point of approximately \$1100.

The committee is working on a revision to CP 08b, Water Conservation Pricing, to develop a fee structure for monthly billing of overcharges. The goal is to have a billing system that does not increase the work of office staff.

Marnie will set up a contract relationship with a diesel fuel supplier to ensure that we have top tier status for diesel supply during the next extended power failure. Thad will check the requirements from the Depart-

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ment of Emergency Management for top tier status for water systems.

During the power outage, there was unauthorized intrusion into the tank farm. This is a federal offense, taken seriously by the Department of Homeland Security. Cape George is obtaining signs to that effect and will and them at the tank farm.

Cape George has tested the four backflow devices that the community owns. The backflow device in the pool room needs to be reconfigured.

New regulatory requirements are coming. One, the Lead Service Line Inventory, requires us to document every service line in the system, both on the Cape George side and on the homeowner side. An initial inventory is due in October 2024.

Scott Carpenter has resigned from our committee.

The next scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, February 14, 2023, at 4 PM in the clubhouse.

**Cape George Water Advisory Committee  
Meeting Report February 14, 2023**

The meeting was held at 4 PM February 14, 2023, in the Clubhouse. Present: Cape George Manager Marnie Levy, Thad Bickling, Stewart Pugh, Board Liaison Bart Mooyman-Beck, and Chair Marty Gilmore.

Material is being sourced to install six dedicated sample points, one per water system zone, at a cost per sample point of approximately \$1100.

Marnie will set up a contract relationship with a diesel fuel supplier to ensure that we have top tier status for diesel supply during the next extended power failure. Thad will check the requirements from the Department of Emergency Management for top tier status for water systems, and also will try to identify emergency diesel providers.

We reviewed a sign design and signs will be bought and posted at the tank farm warning against unauthorized intrusion.

All backflow preventers that Cape George Colony owns have passed test.

The committee has begun work on the Reserve Study. System components, remaining life, and current replacement cost are being reviewed.

The Board will hold discussions with Jefferson County PUD to determine advantages and disadvantages of PUD taking over management of the Cape George water system. Consideration will also be given to becoming certified as a Satellite Management Agency.

The committee will review the Cape George Colony Charter to see if any updates are needed regarding the water facility.

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The Lead Service Line Inventory is a new State directive that requires us to document every service line in the system, both on the Cape George side and on the homeowner side. An initial inventory is due in October 2024.

Leaks: 24 leaks, 17 also had a leak previous month. Either they could not find the leak or took no action.

The largest leak of about 2400 gpd for 2 months is at the pool; this is a Cape George responsibility. The 2100 gpd homeowner was away for the winter and did not respond to the post card. Donny shut off the water until they return. Many on the leak report do not have their phone number listed in the directory or have a wrong number listed and cannot be contacted.

Average usage is about 75 gpd. 152 homes or about 36% are low usage or vacant.

The next scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, March 14, 2023, at 4 PM in the clubhouse.

## CAPE GEORGE BOOK CLUB SELECTION FOR MARCH 21



Our book for March is **THE GIRL WHO WROTE IN SILK** by Kelli Estes.

Please plan to come to the Clubhouse at 1 pm to share your thoughts on the book with us.

While exploring her aunt's island estate, Inara Erickson is captivated by an elaborately stitched piece of fabric hidden in the house. The truth behind the silk sleeve dated back to 1886, when Mei Lein, the lone survivor of a cruel purge of the Chinese in Seattle found refuge on Orcas Island and shared her tragic experience by embroidering it.

As she peels back layer upon layer of centuries of secrets that the sleeve holds, her life becomes interwoven with that of Mei Lein. Through the stories Mei Lein tells in silk, Inara uncovers a tragic truth that will shake her family to its core—and force her to make an impossible choice. Should she bring shame to her family and risk everything by telling the truth, or tell no one and dishonor Mei Lien's memory?

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1			<b>1</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swim 2p  <b>Wed. Winer's 3-5p</b> <b>Game Nite 6-9p</b>	<b>2</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Fabric Arts 9-3</b>	<b>3</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p	<b>4</b>
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26	<b>27</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Study Session 3p</b>	<b>28</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p	<b>29</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swim 2p  <b>Wed Winer's 3-5p</b>	<b>30</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Board Meeting 3p</b>	<b>31</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p	

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## Cape George Survey: We Mostly Like it Here!

The membership survey results are in, and they are encouraging. Based on 205 responses, most Cape George members are satisfied with our amenities and maintenance, feel mostly safe and are involved in an array of community activities.

Members added hundreds of comments, complaints and suggestions, and those comments will be made available online. But here are some of the main takeaways:

More than 75 percent of respondents are satisfied with the maintenance of our common properties – roads, clubhouse, pool, grounds, etc.

About 90 percent said they feel safe in the community – despite continuing issues such as mailbox thefts, off leash dogs and excessive speed on local roads.

About 86 percent said they participate in one or more Cape George activities. The most popular were the Waterfront Festival, the Salmon Bake, holiday potlucks and Cape George University. Others include doggie playtime, the art wall, pool aerobics, book club and the acoustic music jams.

The most popular amenity is the clubhouse, followed closely by the fitness center, pool, Memorial Park and the marina.

Most feel they are getting the information they need – mostly via the website and email alerts, followed by the newsletter and bulletin boards.

Most do not attend board meetings, and are not involved in any of the standing committees. Of those who are involved, the most common are the marina and environmental committees.

To be clear, the survey results do *not* represent a statistical sampling of the membership. The survey was voluntary, and the respondents were self-selected. However, 205 responses in a community of about 600 members is impressive and statistically significant.

Here is a summary of the survey results:

### In which Cape George activities have you participated?

Waterfront Festival	134	65%
Salmon Bake	127	62%
Holiday potluck BBQs	110	54%

Cape George University	105	51%
Doggie playtime	54	26%
Art Wall	37	18%
Water aerobics	36	17%
Acoustic music jam	28	14%
Book club	27	13%
Wine tasting club	13	6%
None	28	14%

Comments included dozens of suggestions for activities such as tai chi or yoga classes, weekend playdates for kids, a hot tub or sauna, a knitting or crochet group, aerobics or dance classes, cooking classes, group kayaking, more trails, underground wiring, a covered pickleball court, bocce ball and pool tables.

**Which amenities do you use?**

Clubhouse	149	73%
Fitness Center	122	60%
Pool	115	56%
Memorial Park	99	48%
Marina	88	43%
Workshop	86	42%
Library	71	35%
Pickleball	68	32%
Playground	30	15%
Petanque	24	12%
Horseshoe court	4	2%
None of the above	7	3%

Comments included suggestions for how the marina could be made more accessible to members who don't own boats.

**Which of the standing committees have you been a member of?**

Marina	37	18%
Environmental	25	13%
Emergency preparedness	17	8%
Workshop	16	8%

Swimming pool	14	7%
Fitness	14	7%
Nominating	9	4%
Finance	9	4%
Election	7	3%
Roads and buildings	7	3%
Water advisory	3	1%
None of the above	124	61%

**Which of the following do you use to get information?**

Email blasts	186	91%
Cape George website	172	84%
Printed newsletter	108	53%
Mailbox bulletin boards	90	44%
Monthly study sessions	54	26%
Monthly board meetings	49	24%
None of the above	2	1%

Comments: Members suggested more email blasts and improvements to the newsletter and/or website. Some suggested a community Facebook page.

**How many study sessions/board meetings did you attend (via Zoom) in 2022?**

1 or 2	43	21%
3 to 5	30	15%
6 to 8	25	12%
None	107	52%

**Study sessions and board meetings are typically at 3pm. Would you prefer 5 pm?**

Yes	31	15%
No	43	21%
Makes no difference	131	64%

## How satisfied are you with the maintenance of our common areas?

1. Very satisfied	53%
2. Satisfied	25%
3. Somewhat satisfied	10%
4. Not so much	9%
5. Not at all satisfied	3%

Comments generally expressed satisfaction. But members were concerned about Memorial Park and the Village. A number of members suggested a need for a fee increase to get more help with maintenance of the clubhouse, pool, roads and grounds.

## On a scale of 1-5, how safe do you feel living in Cape George?

Very safe	70%
Safe	20%
Not so safe	10%

Many comments, mostly addressing mailbox security, excessive speed on community roads and off-leash dogs.

## NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT – Jane Ludwig

### Seeking Board of Trustees Candidates

We are actively seeking candidates for the Board of Trustees. Cape George rotates the election of its 7-member Board with either two or three members being elected annually. This year we will have three vacancies. If you have leadership skills and a desire to give back to our community and help guide its future, please consider serving as a Trustee. Check out the details on page 6 of this newsletter.

### Winter 2023 Member Survey

Thanks to all 205 members who completed the 2023 Member Survey! The results of this survey were shared at the March Board Meeting and a summary of the results are presented on the front pages of this newsletter. The link for complete results may be found on our website [capegeorge.org/pdf/2023%20Member%20Survey%20Results%20for%20Web.pdf](https://capegeorge.org/pdf/2023%20Member%20Survey%20Results%20for%20Web.pdf)

Your Board of Trustees and our Management will need some time to consider the many constructive comments and suggestions provided. Thank you for your thoughtful responses.

### Cape George Finances

Part of the fiduciary responsibilities of your Board of Trustees is to make informed decisions that are in the best interest of the entire HOA. To enable us to fulfill that responsibility, the Trustees and General Manager had a retreat on April 1<sup>st</sup> (*the irony of the date does not escape me!*) to study our current and future financial needs. The goal of this retreat was to prepare us to make informed recommendations to the membership concerning how to best meet the HOA's future financial obligations. Any recommendations coming out of the retreat will be presented to the membership in the April Study Session and Board Meeting.

### Welcome Spring

March 20<sup>th</sup> was the Spring Equinox. The landscape is coming to life and our time of daylight is increasing. We made it through another winter! Celebrate!



## Art Wall News

### **\*Reminder\***

The current art wall will be taken down and new art will be hung on April 5<sup>th</sup> at 4 PM. If you have a piece that is currently on the wall, please pick it up at that time and drop off your new piece. The theme is 'Adventure', but feel free to submit whatever you've created! The following Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, we will have our art walk from 5-6 PM with snacks and drinks provided.

**Hope to see you there!**

Please contact Sandi Gulin 360-509-9485,  
[sandi7953@hotmail.com](mailto:sandi7953@hotmail.com) or Christine Walsh Rogers 206-354-  
6577 [c.walshrogers@gmail.com](mailto:c.walshrogers@gmail.com)



## Why Serve on the Board of Trustees?

Three seats on the Cape George Board of Trustees are up for election this spring and the community is reaching out for good candidates.



Cape George, with 600 households, is a self-governing homeowners association overseen by a seven-member board. Trustees are unpaid and serve three-year terms. The sole prerequisite is to be a member in good standing. But successful trustees tend to be good listeners, careful readers and comfortable with seeking consensus. Experience with Cape George committees and with other boards is a plus.

Trustees generally take part in three or four meetings a month. While the work can be demanding, it is also very rewarding. Trustees make a difference in how our community works – from roads and grounds maintenance to operations of a marina and community water system.

Nomination forms are due by May 17<sup>th</sup> and are available on our website under Documents/ Membership Forms – Trustee Nomination Form. Ballots will be sent out in June, and results will be announced July 15.

For further information contact any member of the nominating committee or any current board member.

Nominating Committee: Dianne Tamblyn - Ross Anderson - Patty Dunmire - Stan Russell – Kris Easterday

Current Board Members: Jane Ludwig – John Dwyer -Pat Gulick – Fayla Schwartz - Bart Mooyman-Beck – Betsy Coddington – Mike Heckinger

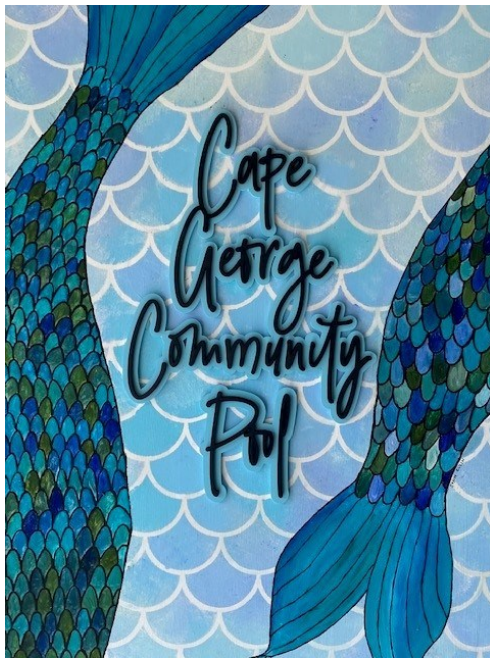
## Cape George Parking Decals have a new look!

### Round or Square - look for the blue sailboat.

Parking Decals are required on all vehicles parked at the beaches or on any community property.



Guest passes are available at the office for visiting family or friends.



## Greetings from the Pool Committee!

Great news! The Board approved our recommendation for the pool shell resurfacing; however, the cost of the project is \$4,800.00 over the reserves. The Pool Committee agreed to fundraise for the overage, our fundraiser will be during the month of May. Also on the fundraiser list are the expected overages on the replacement of the heat pump and the cost of an automated chemical system, which is not on the reserves.

The Social Club generously agreed to match our fundraising up to \$4,000.00.

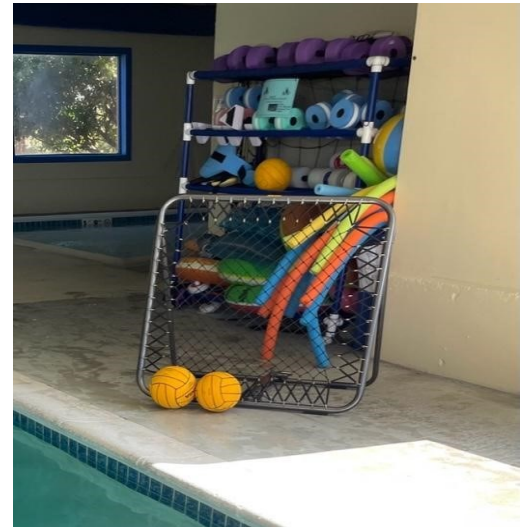
Thank you Social Club

However, we will need to raise much more to get what is needed. We will need YOU to donate to the fundraiser, all of YOU!

Ok, enough about business... Let's have some fun!

We have noticed a lot of activity with the water polo rebounder. To accommodate the interest, we have purchased an additional rebounder along with two more water polo balls, an intermediate size and a youth size. The rebounder is for all ages, it is a fun activity for improving your cardiovascular health, your strength, and your hand eye coordination. It can be an individual activity or a group activity. Give it a try! If you want help or suggestions using the rebounder, please text or call Kriss at 206-295-6944.

Cheers! Your Pool Committee.



**Happy Easter**

## Powering Our Future: Energy Independence for the North Olympic Peninsula

Join us online for a fascinating 6-week discussion about the future of clean, renewable energy on the North Olympic Peninsula. Presented by Innovation Beyond Zero, a team of engineers and technical educators, the program will begin by exploring our current electric generation and distribution system. Throughout the series, participants will consider the reasons for energy independence, discuss ways to increase our energy resilience, examine available and emerging technologies for energy generation, and more.

*Co-hosted by the Jefferson County Library District and the North Olympic Library System.*

To join, go to

<https://jclibrary.librarymarket.com/event/live-online-powering-our-future-energy-independence-north-olympic-peninsula>



See "Also occurs on v" to see recordings of earlier sessions.



**IT'S A  
BEAUTIFUL  
DAY TO  
READ A  
BOOK**

### LOCAL AUTHOR DELVES INTO CIVIL WAR INTRIGUE

Harriet Cannon, author of "Exiled South," will join the Cape George book group to discuss her novel at its meeting on Tuesday, April 18 at 1 pm.

Cannon's heroine, Lizbeth Gordon returns to her roots in south Carolina after her husband's death. An elderly aunt discloses troubling family stories which include a blockade runner hunted as a traitor after the fall of Charleston, and other ancestors who disappeared during Civil War Reconstruction. Curiosity drives Lizbeth into research of her roots that lead to dead ends until she takes a job at an international school in Rio de Janeiro. There she meets a descendant of Confederate exiles with the Gordon surname and in possession of nineteenth-century documents. Lizbeth's descendants left letters and a diary which share stories of bold escapes from Federal blockaders and Civil War Intrigue.

The Book Group meets in the Clubhouse. All are invited to attend.



Washington CoastSavers

# Earth Day

# Beach Cleanup

Saturday April 22, 2023

9:00am - 1:00pm



## PTMSC will be hosting a cleanup at the Cape George Marina for CG residents!

**Check-in:** Head to the Cape George Marina between 9 - 1pm to get directions and supplies!

**Return to Marina:** Weigh your accomplishments! Receive a \$5 gift card from the PT Food Coop and a \$1 off coupon for the Keg and I.

Questions? Contact PTMSC at [mjohnson@ptmsc.org](mailto:mjohnson@ptmsc.org)



Thanks to our supporting sponsors



**Warren L. Maynard**

February 12, 1929 – March 19, 2023

Long time Cape George resident Warren L. Maynard passed away on March 19, 2023 from congestive heart failure. He was 94 years old.

Warren served in the United States Marine Corps for 4 years, followed by 30 years in the Washington State Patrol rising to the rank of Major before retiring in 1982.

Warren and his wife Carol moved to Cape George and built their retirement home in 1987. The Cape George Community was young and growing, being built and improved by volunteers—a tradition that continues to-day. Warren and Carol jumped right in and did their share.

Warren was involved with several committees and work parties when not working fisheries in Alaska. He used his woodworking skills to make various things like wooden cleats for the marina docks and lighthouses to sell for fundraisers. Warren was a good cook and helped out at salmon and burger barbecue events. These volunteer activities helped pay for many community improvements. At home Warren cultivated fruit trees and a nice garden and during his time in Cape George always had a Chesapeake or Labrador retriever by his side.

Warren volunteered at the Coast Artillery Museum at Fort Worden. He and Carol were active members of the First Presbyterian Church in Port Townsend.

Warren was a good father and loved his many grandkids. He will be missed by his family and friends. He was preceded in death by his wife Carol on March 27, 2020 and is survived by his sister Eileen, sons Roger and Brad Maynard, his daughter Lora Moody, and 7 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

A celebration of life for both Warren and Carol is in the planning.

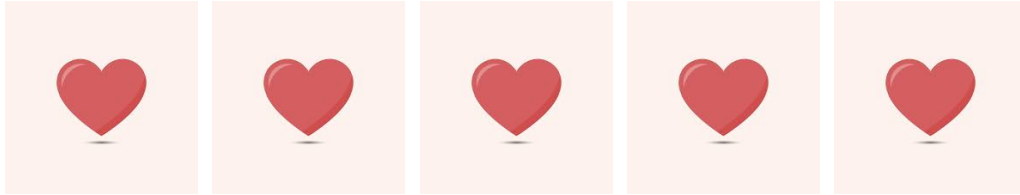
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Go to our website at [www.capegeorge.org](http://www.capegeorge.org)

Click the **subscribe** button toward the bottom of the screen

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Receive our email blasts with event notices, announcements and meeting links.



**Cape George Fitness Center  
sends a very special thank you to  
the Cape George Community**

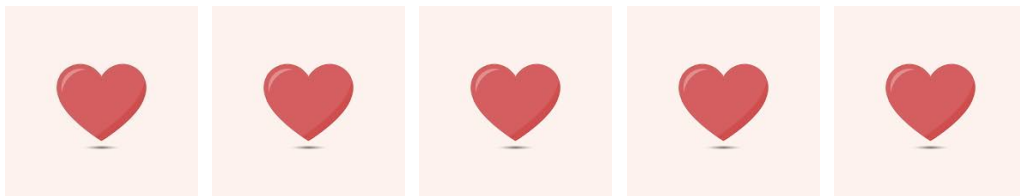
Thank you for supporting the Fitness Center through your generous donations during February which has been designated as American Heart Month annually since 1964 through the American Heart Association (<https://www.heart.org>)

Donors supported the fitness center by contributing approximately \$4400. If you have not donated, and would still like to support the fitness center, please drop off your donation at the Cape George Office. Your donations help to maintain the current equipment and will go toward the purchase of new equipment in the future.

If you have not visited the fitness center, please take the time to see the “gem” that we have at Cape George for working out. It is a tangible asset which will keep and improve the value of all our homes.

The Fitness Committee is looking for additional members. Meetings are at the clubhouse on the first Monday of the month. Currently we meet every other month, the next meeting is May 1<sup>st</sup> at 11am

If you are interested, please contact Linda Mollino @ [lindamollinocg@gmail.com](mailto:lindamollinocg@gmail.com)



**Granny’s Attic and Marina sales**

are scheduled for June 5th through June 17th this year.

More information to come soon.

## Pickleball at Cape George according to Dink & Lob

Spring Pickleball and Dink - what a combo!!



When Dink was just a kitten he watched Pickleball and was really fascinated by the action and play at the net! The way the players moved from the back court up to the net and engaged each other in such close play was a real treat for him!

When he learned that he had been named after one of the unique shots of the game - he was so proud! This early game seems to be changing (as all things do) and part of that early challenge at the net may be slipping away.

Dink has asked if April could be: Bring Back the Dink Month? As his human mother, I said "Why Not? It can't hurt."

The Dink isn't just a warm up - it is the most unique shot of the game! It requires skill and control and strategy. It separates the slammers from the planners. Initial fear of the "kitchen" line keeps too many away from getting up there and joining the fun and skills! Only you can change that! Become a Dinker!! (T-Shirts will be available soon!)

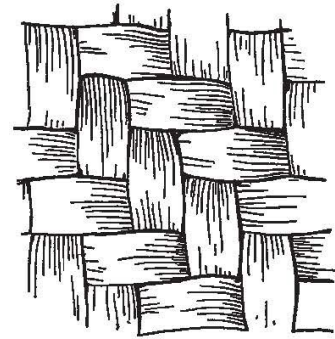
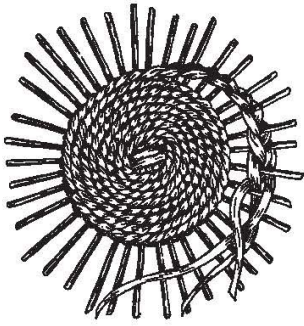
Lob says:

1. Open play will return in early May (watch the schedule)
2. New players will be joining us in April
3. Serving clinic is on the books
4. Backhand clinic will follow
5. The newest list of "Quiet Paddles" will soon be in the locker.

Please send questions, concerns, ideas to [pibird130@gmail.com](mailto:pibird130@gmail.com)

## APRIL IS NATIONAL PICKLEBALL MONTH!





## **Basket Weaving Class**

**Saturday, April 15th 10am-2pm  
at the Cape George Clubhouse!**

Learn how to weave a basket amulet with local basket weaver Nicole Larson. We will be weaving with locally harvested materials, so you will also learn how to utilize local materials that you can grow and/or harvest in your own backyard.



**Please email Nicole Larson at  
zivabotanica@gmail.com for cost and sign up info.  
Classes often fill up fast so  
please contact ASAP.**



What a beautiful day  
to throw rocks!



A huge thank you to all  
planned and participated in  
the Rock Chuck work party.  
We got it done together.



Reseeding of the picnic area  
will start soon.



CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

March 30, 2023  
3:00 PM via Zoom

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**The Board Meeting was called to order by President, Jane Ludwig at 3:00 pm**

Prior to today's meeting the trustees held an Executive Session to interview a new law firm. No decisions were made.

The Board of Trustees will hold a retreat on April 1, 2023 with the following goals:

1. Review Board Trustee functions and transition plan to new 2023-2024 Board of Trustees  
Examine current and future financial needs of Cape George Colony Club to prepare Trustees to make informed recommendations to the membership concerning how to best meet the HOA's future financial obligations.

**In Attendance:** Jane Ludwig, Fayla Schwartz, Pat Gulick, Betsy Coddington, and Bart Mooyman-Beck, Mike Heckinger and John Dwyer.

**Action on Minutes:** Pat Gulick moved, and Betsy Coddington seconded to approve the minutes of the regular Board Meeting dated – February 24, 2023. Passed – 6/0

**Managers' Report:** Marnie Levy -*March 2023*

**Thank You!**

- ◇ I was looking at the Cape George Telephone Directory the other day and thought, what a perfect pen and ink representation of Memorial Park. I looked closer and found three tiny initials, buried in a tuft of grass on the back of the directory. "SKT." Terri made a guess, and I called Sylvia Thomas to ask if the drawing is her creation. Sylvia, a long time Cape George resident, acknowledged that the drawing is hers, and added that she designed the distinctive Cape George logo as well. Thank you so much Sylvia!
- ◇ Thank you to the Social Committee for hosting a lovely luncheon meeting, and the Emergency Preparedness Committee for hosting a St. Patrick's Day feast. Both were well attended, with great food and excellent company. If you are interested in participating on either committee, please contact **Cassie Reeves for the Social Committee, cassiereeves55@gmail.com**, and **Thad Bickling for the Emergency Preparedness Committee, tbickling@gmail.com**.
- ◇ On Saturday, March 11, twenty or more volunteers arrived at the picnic lawn to participate in the Berm Protection Rock Chuck Work Party. They raked, and pitched, and dumped bucket after bucket of rocks onto the berm where they belong.

**YES!** The rock gatherers and chuckers made a big difference. The Chuck-Master himself, Varn Brooks, declared that the lawn area from the Clubhouse all the way to the north end of the picnic area is most likely sufficiently cleared and ready for the next steps of prepping the area for a new lawn. **Thank you, Rock Chuck participants!**

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**Maintenance News**

Eric Kolbe is our new Maintenance Assistant. He started work on March 27. Donnie is training him at the tank farm, the pool, and everywhere else in Cape George Colony Club. Welcome Eric!

Donnie is working six hours five days a week and hopes to be back to full time soon. Thank you for helping Donnie work in a light duty capacity!

Aimee Garrett is also working to help with the Spring clean-up.

**Berm Protection Committee Next Steps:**

The specific projects are:

1. Completing the north crossover.
2. Prepping the berm for seeding sea grasses and other vegetation.
3. Building/installing the post and rope fence.
4. Spreading sand and leveling the lawn area in preparation for hydroseeding.

Adding signage to remind people to “Stay off the Rocks”!

**Marina Trail**

The Environmental Committee is looking for volunteers to help build an upgraded trail from Victoria Loop to the Marina. Email [office@capegeorge.org](mailto:office@capegeorge.org), with the subject line “Marina Trail.” Please include your name and contact info for the Environmental Committee.

**Dog Owner Issues**

Several incidents have been reported to the office involving dogs being aggressive while walking in Cape George.

**Even the calmest dogs react in certain situations.**

- Dogs need to be on leash in Memorial Park, except during the designated doggie playtime.
- Please maintain control of your dog. That includes not extending an extendable leash when other dogs are present.
- Please be aware of other dogs near you so you can maintain control and of your dog if he or she reacts suddenly.
- Do not approach other dogs without asking the person walking the dog if that is okay.
- If your dog typically reacts aggressively to other dogs, please cross the street and avoid interaction.

Do not walk a dog that can overpower you if you are not paying attention.

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**Security Cameras**

Installation of security cameras is being delayed by connectivity and other issues. We are working on the pilot program and hope to have more news in April.

**Cape George Website**

We have decided it will be best to outsource the design of the new website. This is a work in progress.

**Violations**

Violation letters were sent for maintenance issues, an expired building permit, and night lights not being shaded.

Thank you for everything you do to help make Cape George Colony Club a great place to live!

*Marnie W. Levy,*

[manager@capegeorge.org](mailto:manager@capegeorge.org)

**Treasurer's Report:** Fayla Schwartz

**COMMENTS ON FEBRUARY 2023 FINANCIALS Balance Sheet**

Reserve Assessments are collected along with General Assessment and Water fees and deposited into an Operating cash account. The Reserve Assessment is then transferred to a Reserve Cash account. The transaction was done correctly in January, however our finance service company made a mistake and repeated the transaction in February. This was caught and corrected, and the funds have been transferred back to the Operating account in the month of March. However we needed to reflect the transaction correctly on the balance sheet so the Due to / Due From Operating and Reserves cash accounts swelled by \$49,981, the amount of the 2nd transfer. This provided an audit trail that accurately reflects the activity and keeps the books in balance. March will reflect the correction was made and order is restored.

**Income Statement**

Note that two months is not a lot of data to fuel a thorough analysis, but there are points worthy of consideration:

A) General Operations:

This year is going to demand extreme caution in spending:

We have approved over \$5k to build walkways on the Berm which are not budgeted.

There likely will be maintenance costs for the Berm itself which also are not budgeted.

So far YTD we have exceeded the annual budget dollars for vehicle repair and maintenance by \$2k

A temporary reduction in payroll costs owing to an employee's time off work has made up for over-

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ages, however we need to seriously rein in spending in order to avoid a loss by the end of the year.

**B) Water Operations**

Water operations so far are running ahead of budget owing to lack of spending for special projects, such as substantially building our parts inventory to accommodate the wide-ranging specs of the various fittings and pipes that are in use in our system.

**C) Marina Operations**

Marina income and expenditures conform to budgeted amounts.

CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB									
As of Feb 28, 2023									
<i>Balance Sheet as of February 28, 2023 and 2022 - Preliminary Subject to Audit</i>									
Assets	2023			2022			Liabilities and Fund Balances		
	2023	2022			2023	2022			
Cash and Cash Equivalents:					Current Liabilities:				
Operations Checking & Petty Cash	\$ 281,053	\$ 238,188	18%		Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$ 11,567	\$ 76,451	-85%	
Operating Savings & ICS	250,416	150,283	67%		Prepaid Income	43,248	29,756	45%	
Reserves - General, Water & Marina	1,378,286	1,186,746	16%		Unearned Income, Marina Wait List	4,600	1,725	167%	
Total Cash & Equivalents	1,909,756	1,575,216	21%		Total Current Liabilities	59,416	107,932	-45%	
Net Accounts Receivable	\$ 6,183	\$ 17,108	-64%		<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>				
Total Net Fixed Assets	1,605,201	1,444,326	11%		Fund Balances & Equity (Combined)	3,323,746	2,892,035	15%	
Total Prepaid & Other Assets	19,027	14,160	34%		Modified Cash Basis Income	157,005	50,843	209%	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$3,540,167</b>	<b>\$3,050,810</b>	<b>16%</b>		<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ 3,540,167</b>	<b>\$ 3,050,810</b>	<b>16%</b>	

*Summary Revenue and Expense Statements for the periods ended February 28, 2023 and 2022 (Modified cash basis, excludes depreciation)*

	2023 Year to Date - Unaudited				Comparative - Unaudited				
	Actual	Budget	Variance	%	2023 YTD	2022 YTD**	Variance	%	
<b>General</b>					<b>General</b>				
General Assessment	\$ 86,378	\$ 86,380	(2)	0%	General Assessment	\$ 86,378	\$ 53,242	\$ 33,135	62%
Revenue - All Other Sources	3,025	1,043	1,982	190%	Revenue - All Other Sources	3,025	2,202	823	37%
Total General Revenue	89,403	87,423	1,979		Total General Revenue	89,403	55,444	33,958	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	19,912	25,522	5,610	22%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	19,912	18,904	(1,008)	-5%
Repairs & Maintenance	5,328	1,733	(3,594)	-207%	Repairs & Maintenance	5,328	3,591	(1,737)	-48%
Contracted Services	10,348	8,129	(2,219)	-27%	Contracted Services	10,348	16,937	6,589	39%
Pool Expense & Utilities	4,000	4,750	750	16%	Pool Expense & Utilities	4,000	4,206	207	5%
Utilities & Insurance	6,233	6,426	193	3%	Utilities & Insurance	6,233	5,653	(580)	-10%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	4,010	4,868	858	18%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	4,010	5,095	1,085	21%
Total General Expenses	49,829	51,427	1,598		Total General Expenses	49,829	54,386	3,844	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 39,573</b>	<b>\$ 35,996</b>	<b>\$ 3,577</b>	<b>-10%</b>	<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 39,573</b>	<b>\$ 1,059</b>	<b>\$ 38,515</b>	<b>&gt;-100%</b>

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	2023 Year to Date - Unaudited					Comparative - Unaudited			
	Actual	Budget	Variance	%		2023 YTD	2022 YTD**	Variance	%
<b>Water</b>									
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 57,341	\$ 57,869	\$ (528)	-1%	Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 57,341	\$ 34,144	\$ 23,197	68%
Revenue - All Other Sources	2,787	6,000	(3,214)	-54%	Revenue - All Other Sources	2,787	5,440	(2,654)	-49%
Total Water Revenue	60,127	63,869	(3,742)		Total Water Revenue	60,127	39,584	20,543	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	9,940	12,761	2,821	22%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	9,940	8,817	(1,123)	-13%
Repairs & Maintenance	11	1,008	998	99%	Repairs & Maintenance	11	-	(11)	#DIV/0!
Contracted Services	3,178	5,339	2,161	40%	Contracted Services	3,178	5,704	2,526	44%
Utilities & Insurance	4,328	5,114	786	15%	Utilities & Insurance	4,328	3,541	(787)	-22%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	5,203	5,658	454	8%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	5,203	1,865	(3,338)	-179%
Total Water Expenses	22,660	29,880	7,220		Total Water Expenses	22,660	19,927	(2,733)	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 37,467</b>	<b>\$ 33,989</b>	<b>\$ 3,478</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 37,467</b>	<b>\$ 19,657</b>	<b>\$ 17,811</b>	<b>91%</b>
<b>Marina</b>					<b>Marina</b>				
Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 74,816	\$ 74,489	\$ 327	0%	Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 74,816	\$ 33,075	\$ 41,741	126%
Revenue - All Other Sources	15,215	15,975	(760)	-5%	Revenue - All Other Sources	15,215	4,760	10,455	220%
Total Marina Revenue	90,031	90,464	(433)		Total Marina Revenue	90,031	37,835	52,196	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	3,335	4,254	918	22%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	3,335	2,949	(386)	-13%
Repairs & Maintenance	777	183	(594)	-324%	Repairs & Maintenance	777	-	(777)	0%
Contracted Services	1,318	1,594	277	17%	Contracted Services	1,318	1,018	(300)	-29%
Utilities & Insurance	3,809	3,090	(719)	-23%	Utilities & Insurance	3,809	3,388	(421)	-12%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	829	1,150	321	28%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	829	374	(455)	-122%
Total Marina Expenses	10,068	10,272	204		Total Marina Expenses	10,068	7,729	(2,339)	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 79,963</b>	<b>\$ 80,192</b>	<b>\$ (229)</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 79,963</b>	<b>\$ 30,106</b>	<b>\$ 49,857</b>	<b>166%</b>
<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 157,004</b>	<b>\$ 150,178</b>	<b>\$ 6,826</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 157,004</b>	<b>\$ 50,822</b>	<b>\$ 106,182</b>	<b>209%</b>
<b>Reserve Activity</b>					<b>**Reserve Activity</b>				
Routine Reserve Assessment	49,981	49,981	-	0%	Routine Reserve Revenue	49,981	31,734	(18,247)	57%
Reserve Interest - all **	524	-	524	#DIV/0!	Reserve Interest - all	524	-	(524)	>100%
Less: Reserve Offset***	-	-	-		Less: Reserve Offset	-	-	-	
<b>Net Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 50,505</b>	<b>\$ 49,981</b>	<b>\$ 524</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>Gross Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 50,505</b>	<b>\$ 31,734</b>	<b>\$ (18,771)</b>	<b>59%</b>

**New Members: Welcome**

- Gerald & Jennifer White purchased 610 Saddle Dr from Steve & Lori Kraght of Stori, LLC
- Jeremy & Jennifer Wheat purchased 11 Rhododendron St from James Bragg
- Terri Hawke purchased 191 Maple Dr from Ron & Jayn Hanson

**Information items or documents submitted to the Trustees at Study Session**

1. Reserve Study Update: Finance Committee Chair Nancy Charpentier and the General Manager Marnie Levy have met with committee chairs and are preparing notes to submit to the Reserve Consultants, LLC.
2. Ad Hoc Berm Protection Committee update: The preparation for hydroseeding the berm will begin this

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week. The fence posts will be placed, and the North crossover is under construction. The second crossover to the beach is on the South end of the berm behind the workshop. The committee will be considering potential designs for a third crossover near the picnic pavilion.

3. Reserve Item: Marina Barrier Arm. One proposal for the installation of a new barrier arm on Marina Drive was submitted. The proposal includes a plan to move the barrier arm to the top of Marina Drive to accommodate vehicles with boats that might need to back up if they do not have access to the marina. The first proposal was more than 25% over the approved reserve amount. Additional proposals and research will be presented.

**Committee Reports:** The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Ad Hoc Berm, Building and Roads, Environmental, Fitness and Nominating. The reports are attached to these minutes and incorporated by reference.

**Member participation:** none

**New Business Action Items:**

**Motion 1:** Pat Gulick moved, and Fayla Schwartz seconded to approve the proposed changes to the Environmental Committee Charter. Passed – 6/0

**Motion 2.** Fayla Schwartz moved, and Mike Heckinger seconded to approve the changes to the Finance Committee Charter. Passed-6/0

**Motion 3.** Bart Mooyman-Beck moved, and Pat Gulick seconded to approve the Assistant Maintenance Job Description. Passed-6/0

**Motion 4.** Fayla Schwartz moved, and John Dwyer seconded to accept the bid for new lock systems at the Workshop, Clubhouse and Fitness Room, total expense of \$8176.64 to come from General Operational Reserve Funds. Passed –6/0

**Motion 5.** Betsy Coddington moved, and John Dwyer seconded to approve changes to Rules and Regulations FIN07 to increase petty cash fund from \$300 to \$500. Passed-6/0

**Motion 6.** Betsy Coddington moved, and Bart Mooyman-Beck seconded to approve changes to Rules and Regulations FIN06 to change expenditure authorization policy. Passed –6/0

**Open Board Discussion:** none

**Announcements:**

- April 1, the member quarterly assessment is due.
- The Board of Trustees will hold a retreat on April 1, 2023 at 10 a.m. with the following goals:
  1. Review Board Trustee functions and transition plan to new 2023-2024 Board of Trustees
  2. Examine current and future financial needs of Cape George Colony Club to prepare Trustees to make informed recommendations to the membership concerning how to best meet the HOA's

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future financial obligations.

- Mon., April 24, 3 p.m., Study Session via Zoom meeting
- Thurs., April 27, 3 p.m., Board of Trustees Meeting, via Zoom meeting

**Adjournment:** Mike Heckinger moved, and John Dwyer seconded to adjourn the regular meeting at 3:31 pm. Passed -6/0

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Pat Gulick, Secretary

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Jane Ludwig, President

**3.23.2023:**

**Ad Hoc Berm Protection Committee -Next Steps:**

We look forward to some sunny weather next week to start working on the next step in protecting the Berm. We will be working on these projects over the next few weeks.

The committee has decided that at this time there will be one crossover at the north end of the picnic area. We discussed having a second crossover by the picnic gazebo, but that part of the berm is the **most important and most vulnerable**. We hope that the fence, signage, and member motivation to protect their waterfront will keep people off the berm. There is an existing path across the berm, south of the workshop area, that is an alternate access point to the beach.

The specific projects are:

1. Completing the north crossover.
2. Prepping the berm for seeding sea grasses and other vegetation. That vegetation is critical for the long-term stability of the berm.
3. Building/installing the post and rope fence.
4. Building a drain for the area of the lawn that is persistently swampy.
5. Spreading sand and leveling the lawn area in preparation for hydroseeding.
6. Signage for the picnic area and berm fence.

This is the order of the work ahead:

**Fence**

1. First: Deliver/spread sand for any on berm or inside berm hydroseeding preparation, if the



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fence will be in the way of this process.

2. Prep posts: Cut and wax the in-ground end.
3. Work party to dig post holes, set posts, and attach staples for the rope: Donnie or member volunteer with tractor and auger to sink the posts.
4. Attach the rope.
5. Install the signs.

Lawn Prep

1. Build drain for picnic lawn lake.
2. Spread sand to even the picnic area.
3. Prep lawn area for hydro seeding.
4. Hydro seed.

Signs

1. Approve wording for crossover signs, informational signs, and warning signs.
2. Richard or Commercial Sign Company creates signs.
3. Place signs next to the berm

North Crossover

1. Use Donnie and tractor with backhoe to collect small boulders for edges of the north crossover.
2. Complete the rock border.
3. Spread the basalt rock

We would like to start cutting the 21 posts and waxing the ends next week or even over the weekend. It looks like we might have some sunny days next week and we would like to get started with installing posts and fence materials.

These tasks can be worked on simultaneously.

**CG Building and Roads Committee**

**March 03, 2022**

**Minutes:**

In Attendance: George Martin, Dave Baker, Betsy Coddington, Richard VanDeMark, Marni Levy, John Dwyer

Discussed revised Earthworks permit: 69 Hemlock Drive. As the retaining was lowered to 4 feet and now

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does not require a Jefferson County Building Permit, the committee approved the earthworks permit to install the retaining wall. Permit was signed.

Discussed questions about a proposed build 175 Hemlock Drive. It was concerned with the septic pipe running within the 5-foot setback Cape George has for structures. Cape George does not have authority over septic systems and we recommend the owners see Jefferson County approval. Owners' contactor will be notified.

Answered questions submitted by a future owner about building regulations and requirements on a potential build 610 Saddle Drive. Questions were answered by the committee and forwarded to the potential owners.

Discussed the driveway survey results. Not all surveys have been done. Richard VanDeMark will be compiling the data as it is received. Discussion pursued as to parking pads which are not under the CG building regulation. The committee concurred that we should explore adding parking pads to the regulations to protect the sides for the roads that abut the parking pads. It is imperative that we protect the sides of the roadway to minimize damage and costly repairs.

Discussed new earthworks permit for 81 Maple Drive to prepare the lot for a modular home installation later this year. Permit was signed upon committee approval.

Discussed the Building and Roads Charter at the request of the Board of Trustees. I was approved to add Cape George Capital Projects Reviews to our duties. The scope of that review process is being developed currently.

George Martin,  
Co-Chair Building and Roads Committee

**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, January 10, 2023 9:15 am, on Zoom**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Varn Brooks, Chris Buzzard, Lori Cameron, Sue Dunning, Pat Gulick, Anne Jimenez, Marnie Levy, Steve McDevitt, Ruth Ross, Bob Sullivan

**I. CALL TO ORDER:** Chris called the meeting to order at 9:17 am

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Steve moved and Varn seconded that the minutes of the December 2022 meeting be approved as written, and the motion passed unanimously.

**III. FISCAL REPORT** \$2218.45

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**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

**Fine schedule for tree cutting.** Pat Gulick, our board liaison, submitted to the Board the suggestions for revisions to the fine schedule approved at our December meeting (for details, see minutes of our December 2022 meeting).

**Ad Hoc Berm Committee:** Pat Gulick presented to the Board the 2 motions approved by our committee at our December meeting. Richard VanDeMark reported by email that the group overseeing berm restoration is now an official ad hoc committee who will be pursuing this project separately from the Environmental Committee. They will provide status reports to our committee and consult with us/ request volunteers as needed (e.g., on plantings). They are now designing walkovers and making plans for fencing and plantings.

**Berm repair presentation:** Article in newsletter. Plans for educational presentation to the community with ad hoc Berm committee/Marina committee.

**Rain garden:** Now that the Board has approved new fencing, Steve will organize a work party for installation when weather permits.

**Styrofoam recycling** Committee approved having Jo Blair send out updates to the community via Terri's office email/newsletter re Styrofoam recycling.

**Plaque for the bell:** Richard VanDeMark reports that he will send out next draft of the text/design within the next week.

**Memorial Park plaque/restoration.** Volunteers solicited to help take down the plaque for cleaning and restoration.

**Updates to volunteer list:** Need to create job descriptions before circulating. Lori Cameron offered to follow-up with people on the list to see if they are still doing those jobs. Ruth will forward the list to her

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

**Article describing Environmental Committee** (Chris Buzzard). Chris drafted an article for the website and newsletter to encourage more people to get involved with the Environmental Committee and to help identify a co-chair. The committee was encouraged to send comments on the draft attached to these minutes.

**The Cape George Environmental Committee: Who We Are and What We Do**

Gardeners, scientists, amateur naturalists, environmentalists, botanists, writers, and anyone willing to pull a weed make the **Environmental Committee** an active and vital part of preserving, improving, and maintaining the environment of Cape George. We seek new members to help us keep Cape George beautiful and to encourage wise use of our resources by members of our community. Our monthly meetings are the second Tuesday of every month at 9:15 am at the Clubhouse (or on Zoom as necessary).

Our past accomplishments and ongoing activities include:

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**Maintenance of common areas** : Volunteers weed, mow, and tend more than 25 areas in Cape George including the Clubhouse area, the Petanque Courts, the playground, the Gazebo, all mailbox areas, all the trails, Memorial Park, and all entrances to the Club. **Additional volunteers are always needed for these areas.**

**Beach Cleanup:** All hands-on deck needed for our annual Beach Cleanup.

**Beach Walks:** These are a hit with the community and are offered annually in coordination with staff from the Port Townsend Marine Science Center and by resident naturalists. Who knew that an octopus found under a rock on the walk actually had a garden just outside his den?

**Annual Intertidal Survey.** In cooperation with the Marine Science Center, trained Cape George volunteers survey a designated portion of the intertidal zone of the beach as a part of a program sponsored by the Washington Department of Resources to document changes in the beach landscape over the years.

**Rain Garden.** The committee initiated construction of a Rain Garden in 2020 in coordination with the Agricultural Extension Department of Washington State University. Steve McDevitt has overseen the maintenance of the garden ever since with assistance from Committee members, and the garden is thriving.

**Native Plant Booklet.** Committee member and naturalist Fayla Schwartz compiled a beautiful, fact filled booklet of the native plants here in our Cape George Community. This booklet along with a drawing of the mountains beyond Discovery Bay are sold as fundraisers to support the Committee's projects.

**Hemlock Removal:** The Committee has been instrumental in identifying problem areas of poison hemlock in our community and arranging for the manager to set up an ongoing removal program with a licensed vegetation management service. We are also on the alert to identify and remove invasive Scotch Broom.

**Styrofoam Recycling:** A program to recycle Styrofoam began when a member identified this environmental concern and was willing to collect and recycle the Styrofoam.

**Berm:** The beach berm protects the Clubhouse and common areas near the beach. The Environmental Committee paid for and helped install the initial plantings of native species intended to stabilize the Berm. Successive years have seen degradation of the Berm through big storms and King Tides. Experts on the committee with extensive knowledge of coastline issues have done extensive research to advise the Board on how to best stabilize the Berm. This will be an ongoing issue as climate change impacts us and our resources. Our committee has encouraged the establishment of a separate standing committee to specifically address these important issues.

**Ravine Trail steps:** The steps on the Ravine Trail were completely rebuilt by volunteers on the Com-

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mittee. More trail maintenance and step replacement are on the horizon.

**Naturalist Programs:** Before Covid, during the winter months at the Clubhouse, the Committee presented films and programs on a wide range of environmental topics, and it is hoped that we can resume these programs in the future.

**Halloween Fundraiser:** Each October the Committee hosts a popular fundraiser dinner at the Clubhouse letting residents express their hidden side in costume.

**Newsletter articles:** When appropriate, the Committee adds articles to the newsletter about the environment or suggestions about how to improve our natural world.

The Environmental Committee plays an active and vital role in accepting the responsibility to maintain, protect and improve the beauty of Cape George. Come be a part of the fun.

We are seeking a co-chair to assist the chair, Chris Buzzard.

### **Fitness Committee Meeting Minutes 3/6/2023**

**Members:** Allan Zee, Judith Chambliss (Co-Chairs) absent, Betsy Coddington (Board Liaison), Phyllis Ballowh, Jon Karpilow (absent), Marnie Levy (CG Manager, absent), Fred Miercort, Linda Mollino, Tom Ramsey (absent) Mardella Rowland, Robin Schering and Bill Sery

**February Fundraiser:** subcommittee members: Thus far \$4302 has been raised, present balance: \$8,956.70 (after deposit of current checks of \$800 by Cassie Reeves). A big thank you to all the committee members who helped with the fundraising over the past month and a very big thank you to all our donors. Your donations will help us to continue to improve the fitness center both in the equipment we have currently and equipment we are able to purchase in the future.

**Open House:** Discussion of open house. Robin and Fred thought it went very well and there were about eight-ten members that attended each hour. Some were new to the fitness center. Thank you to Robin, Fred, and Lori for all the work in ensuring that the Open House was a success.

**Equipment:** - L8 was evaluated by Mark Harder on 10/31, but it is still having problems. Allan has written to both Mark Wiper and Mark Harder notifying them of the problems. No replies yet. Allan will continue to follow up. - On-going maintenance: We have a bid from FitInc who have provided previous maintenance. We are still waiting to receive a bid from Mark Harder (Exercise Service Specialist). - The Bench Press was reupholstered unsatisfactorily by Mark Harder on 10/31. We are waiting for him to rectify the situation. Allan continues to pursue intervention by the Mark's.

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**Supplies:** replacement for Mardella for tracking and refilling supplies in the Fitness Room was discussed but no volunteers. Suggestion by Linda that she would take over the position if someone was willing to be secretary. There were no volunteers. Linda agreed to put out a request to the full group by e-mail to see if there are any volunteers. Mardella is willing to continue to be the “supply sergeant” until April 1, 2023.

**Welcome Bench:** the welcome bench has been completed by Mike LaPointe. The bench is a major improvement from the previous bench, and we are very thankful to Mike and anyone else from the CG workshop who assisted him.

The total cost for building the bench was \$114.82, which is well below the allotted monies approved by the committee. A big “thank you to Mike for all the work he put into making a very nice welcoming bench for the fitness center.

**Telephone:** Marnie continues to work on resolving phone issues.

**Suggestion Box:** there were various suggestions and comments put in the box over the last month ranging from thank you for the nice craftsman work on the new bench; positive comments about the gym; thank you for fixing the Stairmaster; requests for higher weight dumbbells; request to mount a TV for use during workouts. All comments are appreciated, and all equipment and miscellaneous equipment requests will be put on our ongoing lists and be considered by the committee.

**Durable Sign for Outside:** Phyliss led the discussion about the signs for the outside door. One would be advertising “Cape George Fitness Center” that will be in metal and would cost around \$110.00. The second sign would be welcoming members to the fitness center with basic rules. Discussion about the basic rules and keeping it as simple as possible would cost about \$65.00. Phyliss was given permission to go ahead and finalize the ideas and bring it to the group for final approval.

**Next Meeting:** suggestion made that the meetings be moved to every two months. Thus, the next meeting will be May 1, 2023, at 11am

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**Cape George Colony Club Nominating Committee  
Meeting Report March 8, 2023**

In attendance: Dianne Tamblyn, Patty Dunmire, Ross Anderson, Stan Russell, Kris Easterday and Jane Ludwig

There are 3 Trustee positions opened starting July 16, 2023 for a term of 3 years each.

The committee reviewed the current nomination list based on the 2022 list and added more names as potential candidates. From this list members were assigned people to call in the next two weeks. The committee will meet again in early April to review and wrap up the recruiting effort or expand depending on the results of the current calling effort.

The election timeline was reviewed and the committee planned for signage in the neighborhood kiosks, the April newsletter blurb and the meet your candidates event, date(s) TBD.

Respectfully submitted by Dianne Tamblyn Chair

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**Cape George Member Letter Section**

Cape George Colony Club encourages its members to become involved in providing opinions on topics of current interest. Each monthly newsletter will include space to permit these opinions to be published. The following guidelines should be adhered to by anyone interested in submitting text for print.

1. Write on topics of current interest related to the Cape George community.
2. Make one main point.
3. Length of letters - 300 word maximum. (This is approximately a half page in our newsletter)
4. Letters that are factually inaccurate will not be printed.
5. The Cape George newsletter is not interested in furthering a personal dispute. No personal attacks will be printed.
6. Include your full name, address and phone number. All published letters will include the author's name. We will not print anonymous letters.
7. Opinion letters are to be submitted in a digital format – MS Word, Notepad, Email, etc.
8. We reserve the right to accept, reject or edit any letter based on an editorial review by the Cape George Manager and one Trustee.

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 <b>Clubhouse Re-served Private Party 3p - 9p</b>
2	3 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p	4 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p <b>Marina C. 11a Cassie - 1p Pool Com 3p</b>	5 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swim 2p <b>Kayak Group 1-3p Wed. Winer's 3-5p Game Nite 6-9p</b>	6 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p <b>Fabric Arts 9-3</b>	7 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p <b>Clubhouse Reserved Private Party 2p - 10p</b>	8 <b>Clubhouse Art Walk 5-6p</b>
9 <b>Easter</b> 	10 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p	11 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p <b>Enviro C. 9:15a Water Com 4 p</b>	12 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swim 2p <b>Wed Winer's 3-5p</b>	13 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p <b>Fabric Arts 9-3</b>	14 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p <b>Bldg Com 10a at office</b>	15 <b>Basket Weaving Class 10a-2p</b>
16 <b>Clubhouse Reserved Private Party 11a - 7p</b>	17 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p	18 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p <b>Book Group 1p Salsa Class 4p</b>	19 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swim 2p <b>Wed. Winer's 3-5p Game Nite 6-9p</b>	20 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p <b>Fabric Arts 9-3 Wine Grp 6-8p</b>	21 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p	22
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## Support Your Community by Supporting Your Board

By Fayla Schwartz, Cape George Treasurer

As treasurer, I have worked closely in the last year with the President, the Manager, and the Chair of the Finance Committee to make sure that Cape George has a balanced budget (approved for 2023 by the membership in Oct. 2022) that meets the needs of the community.

Before the Board submits a 2024 budget later this year, we find it necessary to ask the membership to approve the following change in Article III B, 1 in the Cape George Bylaws:

### Current Bylaw

*The maximum monthly assessment to provide funds for the regular operation and ordinary maintenance of the Common Areas may be increased each year not more than four per cent (4%) above the maximum assessment for the previous year...*

### Board-advised Change

*The maximum annual assessment to provide funds for the regular operation and ordinary maintenance of the Common Areas may be increased each year not more than eight per cent (8%) above the actual assessment for the previous year...*

Why are we suggesting this change to the community? The Board has two fiduciary goals in mind:

1. We want to keep our assessment fees as reasonable as possible.
2. We need to keep up with inflation and the rising costs associated with the maintenance of our infrastructure, services and amenities that serve our community.

You will be asked to approve or reject this Bylaw change at the next election, in June 2023. As you make your decision about how to vote, we would like you to consider the following background information.

First, the Cape George quarterly billing is composed of three different fees: general operations assessment, reserve assessment, and water fees. For this proposal, we are only discussing general operational assessment, currently at \$521.93/lot/year, or \$130.48/quarter.

Second, let's look at the numbers. An 8% cap in how much the general operations assessments can be raised sounds like a lot (after all, it is double the current cap of 4%)... but what is it in terms of dollars?

In 2023, as you can see in the 2023 budget, each lot is assessed \$521.93/year for general operations. 4% of this amount (the amount the board is currently allowed to raise this assessment annually) is \$20.88/lot. Raising the cap to 8% would mean that each lot owner would pay \$41.75 more per year in 2024 than they pay in 2023. This is equal to \$3.48 per month or \$10.44 per quarter. Yes, in the worst case scenario, each year could now bring another increase of about the same amount, but this would be a maximum, not necessarily assessed each year.

Let's look at what that money could be used for, and what we could lose if we don't have it. The 2023 budget is very tight. In order to balance this budget and keep assessments within the parameters set out in the Bylaws, we made some decisions. The Board's wish list for near future spending that was NOT realized this year includes:

- **Salaries:** Increasing the new assistant maintenance position from half time to at least  $\frac{3}{4}$  time. **Cost to fund this in 2024 = 10 hrs/week x 50 weeks x \$20/hour = \$10,000**
- Also, it would make office function much smoother if we could add an office assistant position to take care of the simpler office jobs so that Terri and Marnie can use their time more efficiently. **Cost to fund this in 2024 = 20 hrs/week x 50 weeks x \$18/hour = \$18,000**
- **Berm maintenance:** As part of our agreement with the County when we built the new berm in 2022, we need to maintain it annually. Currently the budget does not include any funds for this purpose. **Cost to fund in 2024 = \$5000.**
- **Security issues** at the mailboxes and potential security issues with our open-access website have been a problem in the past two years. The 2023 budget includes only limited funds (\$3000) for new website and internet and power upgrade to accommodate new security system for mailbox and clubhouse areas. **Cost to fund in 2024 estimated at \$8,000.**
- **Our roads** are getting older and beginning to show wear and tear of increasing use by large and heavy vehicles. For the last several years, only \$10,000 has been budgeted annually for road maintenance. Although the 2022 estimated repair cost was \$53,000, and we deferred \$43,000 of that to this year, we still were only able to budget \$10,000 in 2023. **Cost to fund in 2024: \$53,000 needed, less \$10,000 budgeted = \$43,000.**
- **Our vehicles** are also aging and in need of more repairs. The 2023 budget includes \$1500 for vehicle repair, but we spent nearly \$3500 on vehicle repairs the first two months of 2023. **Cost to fund in 2024 estimated at \$5000.**
- Past budgets have not included any expense for our **federal income tax**. **Cost to fund in 2024 estimated at \$5500.**
- We are all aware that **contractor costs** have been rising steeply and rapidly due to inflation, pandemic and supply chain issues. **Cost to fund in 2024 estimated at \$14,000.**

The total increase in revenue needed to fund all of these items in 2024 is \$103,000 over 2023 budget levels. But not all of these items are essential or unavoidable for our operations. In our view, these are the essential needs (beyond the 2023 budget):

Berm maintenance	\$5000
Federal income tax	\$5500

Vehicle maintenance	\$5000
Increased contractor costs	\$10,000
Additional road repair	\$5000
Additional security	\$5000

Total increase in revenue needed to fund these essential or unavoidable items in 2024 = **\$35,500, or \$53.54/member lot/year.**

A \$41.75 (8%) annual increase per lot in general operational funds will increase Cape George total 2024 revenue by **\$27,638.50**. This amount is still short of the \$35,500 increase we think we will need, but it leaves a much smaller deficit that we would have without the additional assessment increase. If we do not increase hours or pay for the new grounds position and do not hire an office assistant, this amount of money could cover berm maintenance, at least part of the website/security needs, some of the increase in vehicle maintenance costs, some of the increased contractor costs, and less than half of what we need for non-reserve road repairs in 2024.

Cape George has taken some economic hits lately as we deferred some maintenance during the pandemic and suffered from increasing costs for supplies, equipment and contractor services. Once we catch the budget up to being able to bring our functioning up to par, we hope we will be able to work within a consistent annual budget that does not require annual assessment increases. At this time it is critical that we adjust our income to meet our expenses and we hope the community members will support the board in remediating our current problems.

We would like to hear community responses and ideas to this letter. Please email the board (boardoftrustees@capegeorge.org), talk to a board member, or leave your comments at the office by May 15. Then everyone is invited to contribute your thoughts at a **special discussion session at the Clubhouse, Monday May 15 at 7 pm.**

Cape George is a great place to live, and we all want to keep it that way!

### **Coastal Talk:**

#### **Mapping the dynamics of coastal bluffs, beaches, and backshore cobble berms**

Dr. George Kaminsky is a coastal engineer at the Washington Department of Ecology who leads the Coastal Monitoring & Analysis Program focused on documenting, understanding, and forecasting coastal processes and change on Washington’s high-energy ocean shorelines as well as the sheltered shorelines of coastal estuaries and the Salish Sea. He will present on their boat-based lidar surveys in Puget Sound and studies of cobble berms along the Pacific coast.

**Join us Thursday, May 4th at 3:30 at the clubhouse for this presentation.**

Sponsored by the Berm and Environmental Committees.

**NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT** – Jane Ludwig

### **Check Out the Cape George Waterfront**

If you have not had a chance to go to the Clubhouse, picnic area or beach, you might want to check it out! Our Volunteers have been very busy completing work on our berm, removing rock, spreading sand, repairing trails and improving our grounds. You will notice that a rope fence has been constructed to prevent foot traffic over the newly renovated berm. This berm protects the Clubhouse, picnic areas and other structures from storm damage. Foot traffic causes damage to the vegetation, which in turn causes erosion to the berm. Help us preserve and maintain our beautiful waterfront for continued enjoyment by all of us who live here.

PLEASE DO NOT CROSS THE ROPE BARRIER.

ACCESS THE BEACH FROM THE CROSSOVERS AT THE NORTH AND SOUTH ENDS OF THE BERM.

Thank You.

### **Cape George Finances**

Your Trustees and General Manager held a retreat on April 1<sup>st</sup> to study our current and future financial needs. As a result of this meeting, your Board of Trustees is recommending a change in our bylaws to enable us to meet our financial obligations and continue to maintain our infrastructure, services and amenities. Please see the article in this newsletter by our Treasurer, Fayla Schwartz, which fully explains the recommended change to the bylaw. There will also be an open community meeting at the Clubhouse on Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm to hear your thoughts, discuss the recommended change and answer questions. Any recommended bylaw change will be put before the community for a vote in the June election packet.

### **Seeking Board of Trustees Candidates**

We are actively seeking candidates for the Board of Trustees. Cape George rotates the election of its 7-member Board with either two or three members being elected annually. This year we will have three vacancies. If you are interested in serving our community, the deadline for submission of candidacy is May 17<sup>th</sup>. Questions? Contact any of your Trustees for further information.

## **Want to receive Community News?**

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## Cape George Marina Celebrates Opening Day!!!!

May 6, 2023

Come join your Marina Crew to kick off boating season 2023!!! Beer, Wine, Soda, and Snacks galore!!! The party starts at 1 pm. Feel free to cruise the docks and meet Cape George Mariners!!! We have life vests for kids under 12 years old in the Shop.

We are especially excited to kick off our Small Boat Program with Kathy Curtiss at the helm. Bring your kayaks, SUPS, Canoes, Row Boats, Rowing Shells, RC boats!!! whatever floats your boat. From 2 until 4 pm Ross Anderson will conduct training on the beach on “How to safely enter and exit your kayak!”

Also...come see the new kayak/small boat launch your Marina crew has installed down on the docks. This new addition to the Marina is designed to assist you getting in and out of your vessel from the dock. Come and enjoy your Marina!!!

Penny Jensen, Harbormaster

Craig Muma, Committee Chair





## **This summer for Cape George Residents**

*Experience one or all of the 4-session courses to spark fun, inspiration, & creativity*

1. **Finding Your Life Mission / Spiritual Ideal** — using meditation and visualization, deep self-reflection, and personal writing. May 30, June 1, 6, & 8, 10 am - 2 pm
2. **Create Real Change** — deep meditation, create a journal cover, and learn visualization and journaling to create change. June 20, 22, 27, 29, 10 am - 2 pm
3. **Find Your Power Animal** — meditation, papier maché mask-making, with final sharing around an evening outdoor fire. July 11, 13, 18, 10 am (2 - 4 hours), July 20 - evening.

For more complete class information, and an application,  
email Carol Muzik at: [beachmuziks@gmail.com](mailto:beachmuziks@gmail.com)

A pdf will be emailed to you

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### **Cape George Member Letter Section**

Cape George Colony Club encourages its members to become involved in providing opinions on topics of current interest. Each monthly newsletter will include space to permit these opinions to be published. The following guidelines should be adhered to by anyone interested in submitting text for print.

1. Write on topics of current interest related to the Cape George community.
2. Make one main point.
3. Length of letters - 300 word maximum. (This is approximately a half page in our newsletter)
4. Letters that are factually inaccurate will not be printed.
5. The Cape George newsletter is not interested in furthering a personal dispute. No personal attacks will be printed.
6. Include your full name, address and phone number. All published letters will include the author's name. We will not print anonymous letters.
7. Opinion letters are to be submitted in a digital format – MS Word, Notepad, Email, etc.
8. We reserve the right to accept, reject or edit any letter based on an editorial review by the Cape George Manager and one Trustee.
9. No writer will be published more than once every 90 days.

# Cape George Community Pool Fundraiser

## May 1<sup>st</sup>- May 31<sup>st</sup>

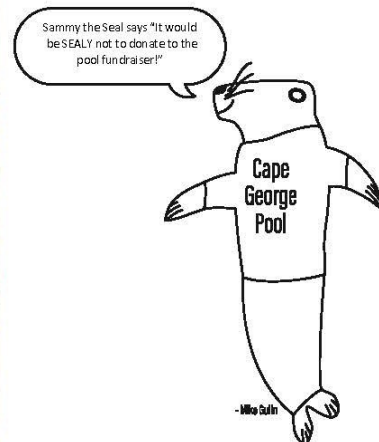
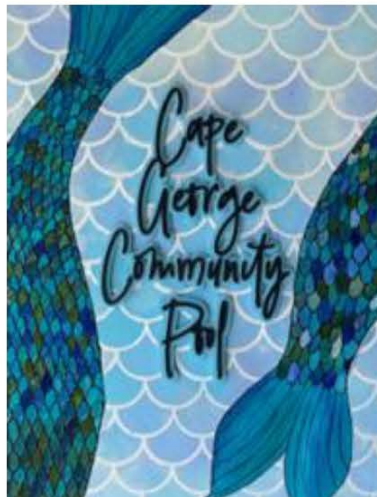
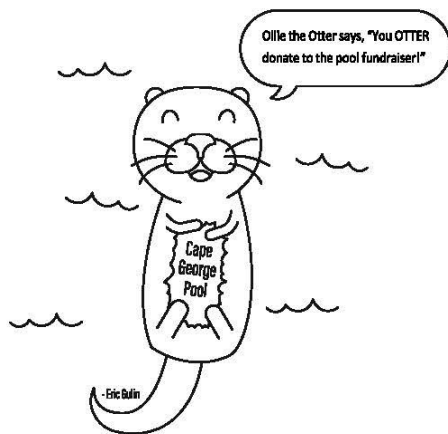
Please consider donating this year, the pool needs your help!

Your donated funds will go towards:  
Pool shell resurfacing,  
Water activities and equipment,  
Pool heat pump and electrical room up-date,  
Installation of automated chemical system

Thank you!

Your Pool Committee

Make Checks to Cape George Social Club and drop off at office; pool in memo





The Village Mailbox Committee is seeking volunteers to help get the Village Mailbox Kiosk project to the finish line!

We will be going out for bid next month for a contractor to build a new kiosk structure and to install our CBU (Cluster Box Unit) system featuring locking mailboxes and parcel boxes. The goal is to have the new system set up and ready to use by mid-summer.

Volunteers will be needed to help:

Clean the CBU units and get them ready for use;

Install locks;

Assist in construction — People with Hilti anchor bolt experience are especially sought after;

Dismantle current mailbox kiosk.

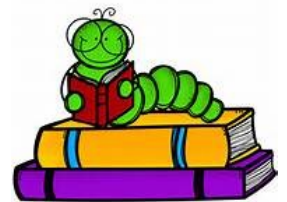
Dates and times for the volunteer work will be announced once the contractor has been selected and hired.

Let us know your interest in and availability for volunteering via email at [villagemailboxes@gmail.com](mailto:villagemailboxes@gmail.com) or drop a note into the Suggestion Box mounted at the current Village Mailbox Kiosk.

It really does take a Village after all! Thank you.

Your Village Mailbox Committee

## WINTER BROTHERS: A Season at the Edge of America is May Read



Ivan Doig is a legend in writing novels that occur in his native Pacific Northwest. In “Winter Brothers: A Season at the Edge of America” he blends modern-day travel memoir with nineteenth-century history. Doig explores the unpublished diaries of an early settler of the region who was drawn there from Boston in the 1850’s

As Doig travels in the footsteps of James Gilchrist Swan, he fuses Swan’s diaries with his own personal entries. From a winter’s travel along the once-wild coastline of Puget Sound and the Strait of Juan de Fuca, what emerges is a dialog across time that links the present with the reality of the American frontier.

The book group meets on Tuesday, May 16 at 1 pm in the Cape George Clubhouse. Everyone is invited to attend.

## **A Kayak-Friendly Marina**

The Cape George Marina is becoming more accessible for kayaks and other small boats. Marina volunteers and kayakers have been collaborating to make it easier to launch, retrieve and store kayaks.

To see for yourself, come down to Opening Day of boating season, Saturday, May 6, for a glimpse at recent improvements and some advice on how to get started paddling. Watch for details in an email message.

Kayaks have been part of the marina for years, and Discovery Bay is ideal for paddling. But kayakers have found it difficult to launch and retrieve boats from the docks.

Harbormaster Penny Jensen and marina chair Craig Muma have worked with CG member Kathy Curtiss, who has stepped up as volunteer small boat manager. The existing racks have been relabeled and Kathy is updating the list of kayaks and owners.

Experienced and novice paddlers alike are welcome to join us May 6.

In other marina news:

- Marina volunteers will assist in rehabbing the gazebo on the lawn north of the clubhouse. The structure will get new wiring, pulldown shades, countertops and a metal roof – all on the same footprint. The lawn, which suffered from the equipment used to repair the waterfront berm, will be reseeded and the popular site should be usable early in the summer.
- Volunteers met recently with a marina contractor and permitting experts to begin long term planning for upgrading or replacing the marina docks. The present docks are usable, but they are now 50 years old.
- Volunteers are building a new crab and fish-cleaning station at the south end of the marina. It will be similar to the existing station at the north end.

Questions? Come down to the marina workday any Tuesday morning, 9 am to noon. Or join our monthly Marina Committee meetings in the clubhouse – at 11 am on the first Tuesday of the month. All members are welcome.

By Ross Anderson

## Cape George Styrocycling News



**Sunrise at Fort Worden April 10 with 45 bags of Styrofoam and 11 outboard motor cases, approximately 1,100 pounds collected.**

**Good news Cape George!** We are now taking clean and dry, white or black polyethylene/LDPE-4 foam (it's flexible), as well as white, clean, and dry styrofoam/EPS. They can be bagged together! We also take clean and white EPS food trays. Separate your packing peanuts into biodegradable (squishy), nonbiodegradable (crunchy). **Contact Jo Blair who will deliver the materials to Fort Worden for you. Call or text at 425-417-2164 to arrange drop-off time prior to Tuesday, May 2 or Saturday, May 20.**

## **Cape George General Operations Assessments: Community Presentation and Discussion Monday May 15, 7:00 pm at the Clubhouse**

The Board of Trustees is recommending a change in our Bylaws about how General Operations assessments can be determined. This affects us all, and the entire membership will be voting on it in June.

Join your trustees at an in-person presentation about the Board's reasoning. There will be plenty of opportunity for questions and comments from all members who attend.

If you are unable to attend this session, please send your questions and comments to the board By May 13th via email [BoardofTrustees@capegeorge.org](mailto:BoardofTrustees@capegeorge.org) or contact the office.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We're looking for people to assist in moderating the twice monthly Board meetings in Zoom. This is an opportunity for service to the community and assistance to the Trustees to allow them to focus on the business of the HOA while Moderators manage the meeting. Zoom training will be provided, and protocols have been drafted to assist you in lending consistency to the meetings. Your duties include:

Serve as Host or Co-Host

Co-Host - Assure those in attendance are members of Cape George by checking against a member roster (note, we don't keep an attendance record, we just verify membership).

Host – Clarify names of those who join using abbreviated or nick names so their membership can be validated.

Both – Monitor Chat window in case a response is necessary. Host – read any member contributions out to the meeting that were posted in the Chat window.

Host – During Member Participation, call on people in the order in which they raised their hands, making sure all who wish to speak has done so before allowing someone to speak a 2<sup>nd</sup> time.

Co-Host – Time member input to the 3 min limit with 2 min follow up.

With several moderators we're assured of two at any time for any meeting. Please email [ndcharpentier@gmail.com](mailto:ndcharpentier@gmail.com) (Nancy Charpentier) with your interest. We look forward to hearing from you!



**MONDAY, MAY 29**

**Meet and Greet 5:30\***

**Grills Ready 6:00**

Come and enjoy the first barbeque of the season with your neighbors! BYOB and your own meat to grill and a side dish, salad or dessert to share.

To reduce our waste and protect our environment, please bring your own dishes and utensils.

**SEE YOU THERE!**

## Member letter:

**We Mostly Like It Here!** Was the headline in last month's report on the Membership Survey. I am glad and enjoyed reading about participation in everything from holiday parties to pool aerobics. We mostly feel safe, are satisfied with maintenance, we mostly don't go to Board Meetings, and we are annoyed by mail thieves, loose dogs and speeders.

Fair enough, but I do have a quibble. The survey seemed to imply a Customer Service perspective, as if we are buying these services from some entity, which is of course not true, as we are not Customers but rather Members. I know the survey was a well-meaning inquiry into the numbers of participants, and to alert everyone to the amazing array of facilities and things-to-do that we members enjoy here at good old Cape George. Much of what we enjoy, beyond the border of our own home and lot, we owe to a long history of volunteerism and can-do residents.

The Clubhouse itself, the covered pool, the paved roads, the fitness room, the shop and marina facilities, the Pickleball Court, all have evolved from our tradition of active and interested volunteer members. They were not built-in by an all-seeing Developer sixty years ago. In fact, an eye-opener for me was learning that the roads weren't paved until sometime in the Nineties!

So, I would say **Some of Us Are Ecstatic Here!** I, at least, count it as one of the great blessings of my life to have found my way here, through luck and research, in 2002. The tradition and structure of volunteerism and hands-on ownership give us not just facilities, but that wonderful intangible, Community. When we talk about issues it is really We, Our and Us, not They The, and Them. Fortunately, this is also a live-and-let-live place. If you are not a Board or Committee member, or Volunteer we still love you. Life goes on, maybe you are pushing 80 or 90, or working, raising a small child or two. I have learned that all the politics, decision-making, projects, administration, and effort is imperfect, often slow, and never pleases all of the people all of the time. However, overall we create a wonderful place to live and it is our place.

Sincerely,  
Ann Candioto  
Colony Resident

## Notice of Hearing on Request for Variance

**Date:** May 22, 2023

**Time:** 2:45 pm

**Place:** Zoom prior to Study Session Meeting

**Lot Location:** 475 Sunset Blvd

**Lot Owner:** Kyle Taylor

**Variance Requested:** Build within the 5' side setback.

**Reason:** To accommodate a garage on the property, one corner of the garage will be within the 5' side setback.

The variance file is maintained in the office for community review or on our website under Pending Permits. Written responses to the variance request will be included in the Trustees Information Packet available in the office and on [www.capegeorge.org](http://www.capegeorge.org) one day prior to the hearing.





# CPR and First Aid Class



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## How Cape George Works and Meet Your Board Candidates

**Sunday afternoon, May 21 at the clubhouse**

Last December, about 70 members attended a CGU session on community finances, the water system, marina, pool, common properties, rules enforcement and more. However, many members missed it and asked for another session. The session will be Sunday afternoon, May 21 at the clubhouse. Presenters will include board president Jane Ludwig, treasurer Fayla Schwartz, manager Marnie Levy and former trustee Ross Anderson. Harvey Stone will moderate.

We will also hear from candidates for the Board of Trustees. Three seats are up for election this spring and the deadline for signing up is May 17.

More information, including a specific time, will be announced soon. If you have questions for the presenters or for the board candidates, pass them along to the office and we will try to address them.

### Cape George Small Boats News



We had our first meeting April 5th and we're off and running with changes and enhancements for using kayaks and canoes at the marina. Here's what's going on.

We have purchased a simple and inexpensive launch device, <https://www.kayaarm.com/> and hope to have it installed and ready for use by opening day, May 6. It will be on B dock, just to the right as you go down the marina ramp close to the clubhouse.

Currently, we have 48 slips available, and 40 slips used, so our plans for additional storage have been put on the table. We're still looking at our best options and doing research.

Regular paddling time? Contact Kathy Curtiss, Small Boats Manager, if you are interested in coordinating. [kathycurtiss@icloud.com](mailto:kathycurtiss@icloud.com)

## Call for Volunteers for the Finance Committee

We'd like to expand the Finance Committee to add someone who enjoys data driven analysis and projections. Do you:

- Have a background in accounting and enjoy financial reporting and analysis?
- Have an unquenchable curiosity as to what it takes to keep our community functioning?
- Wonder what goes into managing and maintaining a water system?
- Look at our waterfront, with marina and clubhouse, pool and recreation areas and contemplate the effects of the weather and tides on their structures and longevity?
- Drive our roads contemplating just how many people drive the same surfaces and what it takes to keep them safe for traffic?
- Enjoy the beach, Memorial Park, the various trails and scenery and contemplate how much effort goes into maintaining their beauty for all to enjoy?
- Do you engage in the above and ponder the various costs that each of the above generates and their financial impacts over time?

Well then - you're who we're looking for! We review the financial reports and reconcile the balance sheet quarterly, but beyond that we review the income and expense statements for reasonableness, understanding variations that may be impactful in either direction, and assess the effects over time in order to anticipate financial realities. We review the annual budgets for the Trustees, and draw up projections over time to make sure we are on track to adequately fund our operations. We are a double check for accuracy and a backup warning system for the Trustees if surprises exceed anticipated costs. And we review financial policies to make sure they're current and support a financial system with both integrity and functionality.

If your oft used phrase is 'I wonder why that would be?', well, simply put, we want you. Please email [ndcharpentier@gmail.com](mailto:ndcharpentier@gmail.com) (Nancy Charpentier) and let us know about your background in financial management and your interest in serving on the finance committee.

We're looking forward to hearing from you!

Save the Date for **Band on the Beach**

Wednesday, July 12, 5:00 to 8:00 PM

**Badd Dog Blues Band**

CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

March 30, 2023  
3:00 PM via Zoom

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**The Board Meeting was called to order by President, Jane Ludwig at 3:00 pm**

**In Attendance:** Jane Ludwig, Fayla Schwartz, Pat Gulick, Betsy Coddington, and Bart Mooyman-Beck, Mike Heckinger and John Dwyer.

**Action on Minutes:** Pat Gulick moved, and Mike Heckinger seconded to approve the minutes of the regular Board Meeting dated March 30, 2023. Passed – 6/0

**Manager's Report:** APRIL 2023

**Thank You!**

♥ Thank you to the Marina Trail volunteers have been working every week in the cold and wind to create welcomed step-path from Victoria Loop down to the Marina Drive Bluff! Chuck Hommel is the leader of this hard-working merry band who will complete half of the path this month! He is joined by Tom Cawrse, Patty Dunmire, Rick Kelley, Brian Etscheid, and Peter Niles. They plan to finish the Marina Trail project next Spring.

♥ Thank you to the homeowners who removed a huge tree to help enhance a neighbors' view.

♥ Sand Party! Saturday, April 15, twenty-plus volunteers converged at the Cape George waterfront to distribute sand on the berm and rake even more sand to level the picnic area in preparation for planting sea grass on the berm and hydroseeding the lawn! It was a true rake-and-talk event, which included great camaraderie and resulted in a well-prepped lawn area. Thank you all!

♥ A special thanks to Mike Heckinger who brought his Bobcat to the Sand Party and schlepped load after load of sand to the lawn and berm. It would have been a long- long day if the other volunteers had to carry that sand!

♥ This month I have heard heart-warming stories of neighbors taking care of neighbors in Cape George. Friends taking care of friends. Bandages changed, meals delivered, dogs walked. Overnight care by one group of friends. A family moving into the neighborhood to be close to family. These are very important things that happened in Cape George this month! Thank you!

**Pool Fundraiser May 1 to May 31:** The Pool Committee will launch a month of fundraising for the pool to help pay for resurfacing the pool, water activities and equipment and the installation of an automated chemistry system. Please bring donation checks to the office!

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**Maintenance news**

Donnie is back to work full-time!

Aimee, Eric, the new Maintenance Assistant, and Donnie (being careful of his back) cut, loaded, and hauled more than 18 truckloads of fallen trees out of the Highlands!

There is a new outgoing mailbox in the Colony mail kiosk, next to the cluster box.

**Berm protection:** Please stay off the rocks! The crossover at the north needs to be completed, so be very careful if you cross there. It is best to access the shore via the crossover at the south end of the Berm near the north side of the jetty.

**Trash cans and dumpsters:** Please do not put your personal trash in the common area trash receptacles and dumpsters. Or in the office recycling container. Please let the office know if you see someone bringing trash from home and tossing it in the clubhouse or workshop dumpsters.

**Dog do's and don'ts:** Please **do** clean up after your dog. Please **don't** have your dog off leash, other than at Memorial Park during Doggie Playtime.

**No Shooting Zone:** "No Shooting Zone" signs have been posted at the entry of all of Cape George Colony Club neighborhoods. Last summer Jefferson County Commissioners approved the no shooting zone for Cape George. CGCC is one of 11 communities with this designation. Discharging a firearm in Cape George can result in an arrest and fines.

**Violations:** Violation and fine letters have been sent to homeowners for abandoned construction, more lights that are not shaded at night, yard maintenance violations, and trees being cut on a neighbor's property without permission.

\*Note from the Board meeting: The Reserve Consultants completed their site visit and we expect a draft of the Reserve Study at the end of May.

The hydroseeding of the picnic area will be postponed until fall so as not to interfere with planned community events.

Thank you for everything you do to help make Cape George Colony Club a great place to live!

*Marnie W. Levy,*

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**Treasurer's Report:** Fayla Schwartz

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*A summarized comparative balance sheet and a condensed statement of revenues and expenses are included on the next page. Detailed statements are available on the Cape George website. Detailed statements as well as additional monthly financial material are also available for review in the office upon request.*

**BALANCE SHEET COMMENTS**

All bank statements have been received, reconciled and reviewed.

**INCOME STATEMENT COMMENTS**

**General Operations:**

Repair and Maintenance costs were about \$5k over budget. This includes vehicle repair costs running about \$3000 over budget and grounds maintenance (berm maintenance and tree removal) running about \$2000 over budget.

Contracted services were about \$3000 over budget, much of this due to higher than expected janitorial service.

General/salaries were low compared to budget. The new part time maintenance position did not start until April, and Donnie was off the salary roll for several weeks because his wages (full or part) were paid by L&I rather than by Cape George.

**Water Operations:**

Water revenue (all other sources) is down compared to budget. This may be partly explained by the lack of water hookup fees so far in 2023. However, the amount budgeted (\$6000 for 2023) is for excess water use, which so far this year is very small.

**Marina Operations:**

Marina repairs and maintenance costs are about \$600 above budget, probably due to a one-time purchase of dock boxes.

**OTHER COMMENTS**

The auditors filed an extension with the IRS because we cannot pay our 2022 income taxes until the 2022 audit is complete. The extension was filed showing no tax due.

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As of MAR 23, 2023									
Balance Sheet as of March 31, 2023 and 2022 - Preliminary Subject to Audit									
Assets	2023	2022			Liabilities and Fund Balances	2023	2022		
Cash and Cash Equivalents:					Current Liabilities:				
Operations Checking & Petty Cash	\$ 307,100	\$ 330,335	-7%		Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$ 16,627	\$ 14,087	18%	
Operating Savings & ICS	250,444	150,285	67%		Prepaid Income	109,429	113,856	-4%	
Reserves - General, Water & Marina	1,380,424	1,204,405	15%		Unearned Income, Marina Wait List	4,750	1,325	258%	
Total Cash & Equivalents	1,937,967	1,685,025	15%		Total Current Liabilities	130,806	129,268	1%	
Net Accounts Receivable	\$ 3,716	\$ 12,985	-71%		<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>				
Total Net Fixed Assets	1,614,438	1,677,612	-4%		Fund Balances & Equity (Combined)	3,325,884	3,149,372	6%	
Total Prepaid & Other Assets	15,464	7,742	100%		Modified Cash Basis Income	114,897	104,724	10%	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$3,571,586</b>	<b>\$3,383,364</b>	<b>6%</b>		<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ 3,571,586</b>	<b>\$ 3,383,364</b>	<b>6%</b>	

*Summary Revenue and Expense Statements for the periods ended Month DD, 2023 and 2022 (Modified cash basis, excludes depreciation)*

2023 Year to Date - Unaudited					Comparative - Unaudited				
	Actual	Budget	Variance	%		2023 YTD	2022 YTD**	Variance	%
<b>General</b>					<b>General</b>				
General Assessment	\$ 86,378	\$ 86,380	(2)	0%	General Assessment	\$ 86,378	\$ 79,864	\$ 6,514	8%
Revenue - All Other Sources	3,617	1,587	2,030	128%	Revenue - All Other Sources	3,617	5,993	(2,376)	-40%
Total General Revenue	89,995	87,967	2,028		Total General Revenue	89,995	85,857	4,138	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	29,661	38,282	8,621	23%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	29,661	26,259	(3,402)	-13%
Repairs & Maintenance	9,723	4,746	(4,978)	-105%	Repairs & Maintenance	9,723	6,460	(3,263)	-51%
Contracted Services	14,976	12,193	(2,783)	-23%	Contracted Services	14,976	22,225	7,249	33%
Pool Expense & Utilities	6,566	7,125	559	8%	Pool Expense & Utilities	6,566	7,089	523	7%
Utilities & Insurance	9,422	9,639	217	2%	Utilities & Insurance	9,422	8,581	(841)	-10%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	5,615	6,499	884	14%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	5,615	7,133	1,518	21%
Total General Expenses	75,964	78,484	2,519		Total General Expenses	75,964	77,747	583	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 14,031</b>	<b>\$ 9,483</b>	<b>\$ 4,547</b>	<b>-48%</b>	<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 14,031</b>	<b>\$ 8,110</b>	<b>\$ 5,921</b>	<b>&gt;-100%</b>

Water					Water				
	Actual	Budget	Variance	%		2023 YTD	2022 YTD**	Variance	%
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 57,341	\$ 57,869	\$ (528)	-1%	Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 57,341	\$ 51,168	\$ 6,173	12%
Revenue - All Other Sources	2,787	6,000	(3,213)	-54%	Revenue - All Other Sources	2,787	5,440	(2,653)	-49%
Total Water Revenue	60,128	63,869	(3,741)		Total Water Revenue	60,128	56,608	3,520	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	14,880	19,141	4,261	22%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	14,880	14,443	(437)	-3%
Repairs & Maintenance	517	1,513	996	66%	Repairs & Maintenance	517	-	(517)	#DIV/0!
Contracted Services	7,012	8,009	997	12%	Contracted Services	7,012	6,270	(742)	-12%
Utilities & Insurance	6,631	7,671	1,040	14%	Utilities & Insurance	6,631	6,941	310	4%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	6,222	7,517	1,295	17%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	6,222	5,196	(1,026)	-20%
Total Water Expenses	35,262	43,851	8,589		Total Water Expenses	35,262	32,850	(2,412)	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 24,866</b>	<b>\$ 20,018</b>	<b>\$ 4,848</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 24,866</b>	<b>\$ 23,758</b>	<b>\$ 1,108</b>	<b>5%</b>

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	Actual	Budget	Variance	%		2023 YTD	2022 YTD**	Variance	%
<b>Marina</b>					<b>Marina</b>				
Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 75,684	\$ 74,489	\$ 1,195	2%	Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 75,684	\$ 72,295	\$ 3,389	5%
Revenue - All Other Sources	15,265	17,136	\$ (1,871)	-11%	Revenue - All Other Sources	15,265	13,360	1,905	14%
Total Marina Revenue	90,949	91,625	(676)		Total Marina Revenue	90,949	85,655	5,294	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	5,165	6,381	1,216	19%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	5,165	4,830	(335)	-7%
Repairs & Maintenance	867	275	(592)	-215%	Repairs & Maintenance	867	5	(862)	0%
Contracted Services	1,825	2,392	567	24%	Contracted Services	1,825	2,434	609	25%
Utilities & Insurance	5,666	4,635	(1,031)	-22%	Utilities & Insurance	5,666	5,156	(510)	-10%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	1,481	1,643	162	10%	Other Expenses(incl taxes)	1,481	374	(1,107)	-296%
Total Marina Expenses	15,004	15,326	322		Total Marina Expenses	15,004	12,799	(2,205)	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 75,945</b>	<b>\$ 76,299</b>	<b>\$ (354)</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 75,945</b>	<b>\$ 72,856</b>	<b>\$ 3,089</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 114,842</b>	<b>\$ 105,800</b>	<b>\$ 9,041</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 114,842</b>	<b>\$ 104,724</b>	<b>\$ 10,118</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Reserve Activity</b>					<b>**Reserve Activity</b>				
Routine Reserve Assessment	49,981	49,981	-	0%	Routine Reserve Revenue	49,981	47,571	(2,410)	5%
Reserve Interest - all **	-	524	(524)	-100%	Reserve Interest - all	-	-	-	>100%
Less: Reserve Offset***	-	-	-		Less: Reserve Offset	-	-	-	
<b>Net Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 49,981</b>	<b>\$ 50,505</b>	<b>\$ (524)</b>	<b>-1%</b>	<b>Gross Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 49,981</b>	<b>\$ 47,571</b>	<b>\$ (2,410)</b>	<b>5%</b>

**New Members: Welcome**

Chris & Nicole Blasucci purchased 261 Dennis Blvd from Doug Lind & Sherry Hanan

Eric & Andrea McCallum purchased 33 N Palmer from Ray Graves & Steve Duniho

**Information items or documents submitted to the Trustees at Study Session**

1. Reserve Study Update: The general manager met with representatives from Reserve Consultants, LLC to tour, review, and document components of the reserves study. Members of the Water Advisory Committee and the Harbormaster and Marina Committee Chair met with them, at the tank farm and the marina, respectively, to discuss the components and reserves.

2. Ad Hoc Berm Protection Committee updates:

-The north crossover needs to be completed on the beach side. The uneven rocks could be a trip hazard, so please do not cross there until it is finished, and a more gradual transition is established. The posts, ropes, and two signs are in place as a visual barrier. Sea grass is being planted on the berm.

-The next step, which will be brought to the Board in May, is to establish a standing berm protection committee to monitor the condition of the berm and to recommend ongoing maintenance of the berm and shoreline assets.

3. Tech Committee:

-Committee members are trying to solve technical issues to gain internet access in the Village so the first video camera can be installed.



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-It was suggested that a comprehensive technology, connectivity, and security system be proposed as a capital investment.

**Committee Reports:** The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Building and Roads, Environmental, Nominating, Village Kiosk, and Water x 2. The reports are attached to these minutes and incorporated by reference.

**Member participation:** none

**New Business Action Items:**

**Motion 1.** Fayla Schwartz moved, and John Dwyer seconded to put revised wording of proposed change to Bylaw Article III B1 forward to the membership for discussion. Passed-6/0  
Proposed change: *The maximum annual assessment to provide funds for the regular operation and ordinary maintenance of the Common Areas may be increased each year not more than eight per cent (8%) above the actual assessment for the previous year...*

**Motion 2.** John Dwyer moved, and Fayla Schwartz seconded to approve the proposed changes to the Nominating Committee Charter. Passed- 6/0

**Motion 3.** Betsy Coddington moved, and John Dwyer seconded to approve the proposed changes to the Roads and Building Committee Charter. Passed -6/0

**Motion 4.** Fayla Schwartz moved, and Pat Gulick seconded to accept the proposal from Ronan Tree Care to remove various dead and dangerous trees from Cape George common areas. Total proposal amount: \$6189.22. Passed-6/0

**Motion 5.** Fayla Schwartz moved, and Pat Gulick seconded to amend EMP 08f, Assistant Maintenance Position job description, adding the subtitle "Regular Non-Exempt Part-Time Employee". Passed-6/0

**Motion 6.** Betsy Coddington moved, and Fayla Schwartz seconded to approve the use of Condominium Law Group, PLLC, for Cape George Colony Club legal needs. Passed-6/0

**Motion 7.** Motion withdrawn - Betsy Coddington.

**Open Board Discussion:** none

**Announcements:**

- Sewing & Fabric Sale, Clubhouse, Friday, April 28, and Saturday April 29, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. Note: The Friday sale is for Cape George residents only.
- POOL FUNDRAISING MONTH! May 1 – 31.
- CGCC Marina Opening Day Celebration at the Marina, Saturday, May 6, 1:00 pm.
- Bylaw Change Community Meeting, Clubhouse, Monday, May 15, 7:00 pm.

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- Meet the Candidates Meeting, Clubhouse, Sunday, May 21
- Board of Trustees Study Session, via Zoom, Monday, May 22, 3:00 pm.
- Board of Trustees Meeting, via Zoom, Thursday, May 25, 3:00 pm.

**Adjournment:** Mike Heckinger moved, and Betsy Coddington seconded to adjourn the regular meeting at 3:52 pm.  
Passed -6/0

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

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Pat Gulick, Secretary

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Jane Ludwig, President

**CG Building and Roads Committee Minutes**

**March 14, 2023**

Members in attendance: George Martin, Mike Hinojos, Jeff Cullum, Rich VanDeMark, David Baker, John Dwyer, Betsy Coddington, Bob Holtz. Also Attending: Marnie Levy, Cape George Manager

Agenda:

Huckleberry earthworks permit: After discussion, there were no objections to the project. Earthworks permit was signed.

N Palmer Drive earthworks permit: After discussion, there were no objections to the project. Earthworks permit was signed.

Saddle Drive shed building permit: Plans were reviewed, and setback were met. After discussion, there were not objections. Building Permit signed by the committee co-chair and the manager.

Possible variance on Ridge Drive. We requested a more detailed sit plan so proper setbacks could be confirmed. Request returned to the member for more information.

Variance request for a garage on Sunset to be built within the 5-foot setback. Discussion followed and the variance form was filled out for the Board. Recommendation of the committee to the board was to not grant the variance.

Discussed a build on Magnolia that was started in 2021, recommended a letter be sent by the manager to the member requesting building status and occupancy status from the county. Also noting the need to install a driveway connection.

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Office Manager Terri Brown brought to our attention several projects that need status updates. Follow up is needed on two properties on Hemlock, a property on Dennis and one on Vancouver. Those updates will be completed by George Martin and reported back next month to the committee.

Discussion ensued on changes to the Buildings and Roads Charter requested by the Board. Notes were made and Rich VanDeMark and George Martin will work with those notes to reword the charter. Changes will be ratified via email before presenting to the board at their April Study Session and Board Meeting.

**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MINUTES  
Tuesday, March 14, 2023 9:15 am, on Zoom**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Chris Buzzard, Pat Gulick, Marnie Levy, Ruth Ross, Gina Webber

**I. CALL TO ORDER:** Chris called the meeting to order at 9:20 am

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Ruth moved and Chris seconded that the minutes of the January 2022 meeting be approved as written, and the motion passed unanimously.

**III. FISCAL REPORT** \$2218.45

**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

**Review of Committee Charter.** The Board has asked if we have any suggestions for revisions to our Charter for them to consider at their March meeting. One change was proposed: that, in point 4 in the Preamble, we delete item 2 (protection of air, water and view quality) since item 1 (preservation of native plant, animal, bird, and sea life by fostering conditions that allow them to thrive) adequately covers our mission. Ruth moved that we approve this suggested change and Gina seconded the motion which was unanimously approved. In reviewing the charter, it was also noted that one of the duties listed is to "Create a reference library about environmental issues for community members to consult." Ruth offered to reach out to Clubhouse librarians about the possibility of setting up a small shelf with environmental books/resources there, that we could label not to be checked out. Marnie will supply the names of the librarians.

**Article describing the Environmental Committee and search for co-chair** (Chris Buzzard). This was originally drafted to be posted on the new CG website with pictures but development of the new website has been delayed. Chris will submit the article to the CG newsletter to be shared with the community.

**Fine schedule for tree cutting.** The Board approved the committee's suggestions for revisions to the tree cutting fine schedule at the February board meeting.

**Rain Garden Work Parties.** Steve McDevitt will be asking for volunteers to work on replacing the fencing at the rain garden and weeding/plant clean-up. He will contact Ruth to send out notices about dates and times.

**Ad Hoc Berm Committee:** The Ad Hoc Berm committee organized a rock chucking party on March 11 to return rocks to the berm. This was well attended. The ad hoc committee will provide updates and status reports to our committee and consult with us as needed for volunteer help (eg, on crossovers, fencing, plantings, and a future educational presentation to the community).

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**Plaque for the bell:** We will ask Richard VanDeMark for an update.

**Memorial Park plaque/restoration.** We will ask Robin Schertering for an update.

**Updates to volunteer list:** Ruth to create job descriptions and send to Lori Cameron to follow-up to see who is still doing what before it is posted in the newsletter.

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

**Clubhouse Work Party.** Patty Dunmire is scheduling a work party for April 13 from 9am-noon, with another to follow in May. She is going to request permission to take down the small pine bushes by the parking area (the “big” project). Other projects include weeding, rock rearranging, etc.

**Reserve Components.** Marnie asked us to review the reserve funding documents and provide any input from the point of view of the Environmental Committee. Ruth will circulate the documents Marnie supplied and ask members to either email comments or share them at a special meeting on April 21 at 9:15 am. *[Addendum: no comments were submitted either by email or at the follow-up meeting which was only attended by Chris Buzzard and Ruth Ross.]*

**Cape George Colony Club Nominating Committee  
Meeting Report April 5, 2023**

In attendance: Dianne Tamblyn, Stan Russell, Kris Easterday and Jane Ludwig

The committee reviewed the status of recruiting efforts and have identified a couple more Cape George members to contact. It was decided if the recruiting effort needs to expand to send some email blasts and contact new members of the Cape George community to see if there’s a fit/interest.

The committee also reviewed the Nominating Committee Charter from 2007 and made a few changes which will be presented at the April Study Session.

Preliminary dates were identified for two Meet the Candidates sessions. One will be in person and the other via Zoom. We’re also hoping to hold another How Cape George Works in conjunction with the in person session.

Respectfully submitted by Dianne Tamblyn Chair

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**VILLAGE KIOSK COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**Meeting of April 17, 2023**

Attendees: George Martin (Chair), Betsy Coddington (Board Liaison), Margot Desannoy, Nancy Charpentier, Richard VanDeMark (guest)

1. Since the drawings were approved at the Board meeting, Richard VanDeMark presented his drawing for the Kiosk plans for final discussion. A slight modification was agreed to. The cement pads will be at a thickness of 6" in order to accommodate the anchors embedded to hold the CBU units. It was noted the units would be further secured by carriage bolts affixing them to the structure itself.
2. George presented the proposal information provided by the PUD for adding power to the site. It was agreed we would have 4 outlets along the structure to accommodate any holiday lighting or other aspects that might require power. A trench will need to be dug across the drive at a depth of 32", and it was agreed that we would run the conduit in order to be able to open and close the gap in one day. The ends would be left open (outside of the driving or walking area) so any electrical inspection would be able to determine the correct depth was achieved. It was further agreed that a 2<sup>nd</sup> conduit would be run for ready use by the camera and internet additions once those specs are known.
3. The locks and CBU preparations were discussed:
  - a. Marnie has started buying up the locks (several purchases are required over time as we can't order the quantity we need all at once). The cost for these will be recovered as residents pay \$10 to receive their keys.
  - b. The units will require cleaning and we'll be seeking to use the commercial grade power washer to accomplish a clean appearance. George will check with Donnie to see if we can stage them in the extra bay of the garage.
  - c. Once dry, we will work with volunteers to label the units (Alpha characters for the units themselves, numbers for the individual box within each unit) and install the locks.
  - d. With regards to addressing, there were a couple of issues to be resolved.
    - i. We were informed that the post office is relying on us to correctly address the various boxes, and George will verify with the Postmaster to be sure that's correct.
    - ii. It was noted we have discrepant numbers (quantities) on different lists we're working on, so we have to clarify which listing is correct
    - iii. It's also noted we have to ensure that buildable lots without current addresses are listed in the correct sequence with their neighboring properties so their box will be located

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correctly.

- iv. Nancy will identify the streets with discrepant totals, and Margot will assist in clarifying which is accurate.
  - v. Nancy, Margot and George will further verify the unaddressed lots are in the correct sequence in the listings.
  - vi. Once these are clarified, the final listing will be revised to include the address/lot # and the CBU unit and box number assigned to it so the owner of the key can be identified.
- e. A timeline was discussed with regards to volunteer help and Margot will be putting an announcement in the Newsletter and will create a flyer for posting on the Bulletin board soliciting volunteers for various stages of the project. While dates are not yet known, we look forward to developing a listing of volunteers to be called upon when the timeline is established.

**Cape George Water Advisory Committee  
Meeting Report February 14, 2023**

The meeting was held at 4 PM February 14, 2023, in the Clubhouse. Present: Cape George Manager Marnie Levy, Thad Bickling, Stewart Pugh, Board Liaison Bart Mooyman-Beck, and Chair Marty Gilmore.

Material is being sourced to install six dedicated sample points, one per water system zone, at a cost per sample point of approximately \$1100.

Marnie will set up a contract relationship with a diesel fuel supplier to ensure that we have top tier status for diesel supply during the next extended power failure. Thad will check the requirements from the Department of Emergency Management for top tier status for water systems, and also will try to identify emergency diesel providers.

We reviewed a sign design and signs will be bought and posted at the tank farm warning against unauthorized intrusion.

All backflow preventers that Cape George Colony owns have passed test.

The committee has begun work on the Reserve Study. System components, remaining life, and current replacement cost are being reviewed.

The Board will hold discussions with Jefferson County PUD to determine advantages and disadvantages of PUD taking over management of the Cape George water system. Consideration will also be given to becoming certified as a Satellite Management Agency.

The committee will review the Cape George Colony Charter to see if any updates are needed regarding the water facility.

The Lead Service Line Inventory is a new State directive that requires us to document every service line in the system, both on the Cape George side and on the homeowner side. An initial inventory is due in October 2024.

CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

March 30, 2023  
3:00 PM via Zoom

**DRAFT**

Leaks: 24 leaks, 17 also had a leak previous month. Either they could not find the leak or took no action.

The largest leak of about 2400 gpd for 2 months is at the pool; this is a Cape George responsibility. The 2100 gpd homeowner was away for the winter and did not respond to the post card. Donny shut off the water until they return. Many on the leak report do not have their phone number listed in the directory or have a wrong number listed and cannot be contacted.

Average usage is about 75 gpd. 152 homes or about 36% are low usage or vacant.

The next scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, March 14, 2023, at 4 PM in the clubhouse.

**Cape George Water Advisory Committee  
Meeting Report March 14, 2023**

The meeting was held at 5 PM March 14, 2023, in the Clubhouse. Present: Cape George Manager Marnie Levy, Steve King, Carl Berger, Thad Bickling, Stewart Pugh, Board Liaison Bart Mooyman-Beck, Water Manager Jose Escalera, and Chair Marty Gilmore.

The meeting was primarily focused on this year's Water Reserve Study. The first meeting focus was on system components that might be needed within the next five years (2024-2028)

Item 8.3.2, Well House Metal Doors, will be removed from Reserves and added to Operating Budget

Item 11.2.2, Diesel Generator, does not need replacement within the next five years. This item is used intermittently and is in good working order. We recommend changing the Maintenance Cycle to 40 years and changing replacement cost to \$60,000

For Items 15.1.1 and 15.1.2, Water Filter System, Jose will contact the vendor Atek to discuss whether the filter media needs to be replaced (Reserve Item) or only replenished (Operating Budget). He will also explore whether the system itself needs to be replaced within the next five years. An additional item, filter system valve repair kits, will be added to the Operating Budget

Items 15.1.3 and 15.1.4 have become urgent and we recommend that all water meters and the meter reader be replaced in 2024 using Reserve funds. The meter reader (bumblebee) is obsolete; the one we are now using was sourced on EBay because it is no longer manufactured. We recommend that the remaining life of these two items be set to 0. Item 15.1.4, water meters should have the life changed to 25 years and the estimated cost to \$155,000. Item 15.1.3 should have the life changed to 12 years and the cost to \$48,000

Item 15.2.1, Well 4, should have its maintenance cycle changed to 100 years. This well is used intermittently for filter backwash. There is no evidence that this well is deteriorating. If it does fail, backwash water is available from one of the other wells.

Items 15.2.2, 15.2.4, 15.2.6, and 15.2.8 should have the Maintenance Cycle changed to 60 years. This is consistent with both the supporting detail in the Reserve Study and with the vendor recommendation

We have updated pricing obtained this month from a tank vendor. 15.2.2 should be priced at \$160,000; 15.2.4 should be priced at \$172,000; 15.2.6 should be priced at \$172,000; and 15.2.8 should be priced at \$191,000

Item 16.6.1, telemetry system, was installed in 2022. Remaining life should be set to 9 years.

A new item, Well #8 Replace, should be added for completeness. The Maintenance Cycle is 50 years. Installation was in 2014. The replacement cost is the same as Well #6 replace.

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Several Reserve components are shared with the General Reserve fund and have costs allocated to the Water Reserves. These components will be reviewed by others, not by the Water Advisory Committee.

The Water System Delivery Pipe components, Items 15.2.10, 15.2.11, 15.2.12, and 15.2.13 need major revision.

Maintenance cycle should be 70 years or more. Industry experience and published papers support an average 70-year life for asbestos-cement pipe (A/C).

Cape George A/C pipe has a thicker wall than average piping installations. The additional thickness will add significant time to the life of our water lines. In addition, inspection during recent repairs such as the standpipe replacement on Victoria Loop show that there has been no deterioration to water delivery pipe.

Replacement would likely be done by area of the community or by piping loop, not 25% at a time.

Even if we believe that our water delivery piping will last more than 70 years, it is prudent for Reserve Study purposes to plan for the first replacement 70 years after initial installation. The replacement plan should be revisited each time the Reserve Study is updated.

Attached is a revised plan for water system delivery pipe. This plan is preliminary and will be further revised as part of the Reserve Study work that is now underway.

Leaks: 18 leaks, 16 also had a leak previous month and 13 have ongoing leaks since December. Either the owners could not find the leak or took no action. The largest leak of about 2400 gpd is at the pool; this is a Cape George responsibility.

We attempt to contact those with leaks but many on the leak report do not have their phone number listed in the directory or have a wrong number listed and cannot be contacted.

Average usage is about 73 gpd. 156 homes are low usage or vacant. Total delivered water averaged 40,574 gallons per day.

The next scheduled meeting is tentatively scheduled for Friday, March 24, 2023, at 4 PM in the clubhouse. This meeting may be needed for further Reserve Study discussions. Whether or not the meeting will be held will be decided by Tuesday, March 21.



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# Cape George 2023 Calendar

# May

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## Manager's Report

### Thank You!

♥ Thank you to Donnie Weathersby and Terri Brown. When you see them give them both a high five! Donnie is celebrating his **twenty-first Anniversary** working at Cape George Colony Club and Terri is celebrating her **eighth Anniversary!** Thank you Donnie and Terri for your whole-hearted, consistent dedication to Cape George Colony Club!

♥ Thank you to Jo Blair who is leading the drive to recycle Cape George Styrofoam by collecting and schlepping it to the Fort Worden Styrofoam collection events! The dates and her contact information are in the CG Newsletter when the events are scheduled.

♥ A big thanks to Diona Smith, R.N., who is organizing a free CPR and First Aid Class to Cape George Members and Staff on Tuesday, June 20, from 9 a.m. to noon in the Clubhouse. The class will be taught by Jefferson County Medics and Fire Fighters and sponsored by the Emergency Preparedness Committee. There is a sign-up sheet in the office!

♥ A special thanks Ben Fellows and Mike Thorwick for taking on the task of pulling up worn out dock floats in the Marina and replacing them. This is an ongoing project, one dock float at a time.

♥ Thank you to Dick Bumgarner, who has been patient and consistent in working out a process and system with me to order Marina supplies on an as-needed basis.

**Ballots will be mailed on June 1! Please vote!** After June 1, you will receive a ballot in the mail. Three Candidates are running for three positions on the Board. The membership will also be voting on the proposed change of Bylaw Article III B 1. Voting is an important way for you to participate in your Homeowners Association!

### Maintenance news

Donnie and Eric are working diligently to clear the culverts in Cape George Colony and to trim the grass in all of the common areas. This is a large area of property, and the first mow of the season is time consuming. As everyone with a patch of grass knows: the grass is growing at lightening speed this month. Thank you for your patience!

Donnie and Jose, our Water Manager, are doing maintenance on the backwash system for the water system.

Peninsula Environmental has sprayed for Poisonous Hemlock. Please report common area noxious

weeds to the office.

The vacant lot mowing is scheduled to begin on May 30, depending on the weather.

**Berm protection:** Thanks to everyone who helped plant Dune Grass seeds on the Berm on May 13. More than twenty volunteers have shown up at each of the Berm Protection work parties, helping tremendously to ensure protection of the Berm! We have a new pile of rocks by the Marina – for the Berm Protection Committee to utilize. We will announce another work party, if need be.

Informational and directional signage will be added to the Berm area.

**Trash cans and dumpsters:** Please do not put your personal trash in the common area trash receptacles and dumpsters. The dumpsters are in place for events at the Clubhouse, and for people working in the Marina and other common areas. It is inconsiderate and rude to dump trash that should be taken to the dump. Work projects in the Marina and Workshop need a dumpster to dispose of refuse from projects they are working hard to complete. **It is also a violation of the Unauthorized Disposal Rule.**

Please let the office know if you see someone bringing trash from home and tossing it in the Clubhouse or workshop dumpsters.

**Violations:** Violation and fine letters have been sent to homeowners for landscape maintenance violations, unshaded and nightlights that are kept on all night without motion sensors, and barking dogs. A violation fine was sent for dumping personal garbage in the Marina dumpster.

We have had several complaints about poisonous hemlock growing on private properties. It is the homeowners' responsibility to remove noxious weeds from their private property!

**It is dog barking season, again:** Please be aware of what your dog is doing when you leave home, and after you go to bed! There is an uptick in dog barking complaints. Members are leaving barking dogs unattended during the days, evenings, and sometimes dogs are left outside to bark all night long! Please be considerate!

Thank you for everything you do to help make Cape George Colony Club a great place to live!

*Marnie W. Levy,*

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## NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT – Jane Ludwig

### It's Cape George Election Time

This is the time of year for you to cast your vote in the upcoming election. Ballots will be mailed out on June 1<sup>st</sup> and are due in the office by July 10<sup>th</sup>. This year there will be two items on the ballot:

Election of three members to the Board of Trustees

See Bios of the Candidates in this newsletter

Proposed Change in Bylaw Article III B 1

See May Newsletter for proposed change

This is your community, and your vote does make a difference.

Watch your mail for the ballot and instructions for completion.



### Summer is Here

Daylight hours are longer, the sun is shining (at least while I am writing this) and our summer activities are upon us. One of the traits that makes Cape George so special is the myriad of opportunities provided for us to meet our neighbors, participate in fun events and create a safe and welcoming community. Summer is the perfect time to check out a few of the many choices.

Memorial Day Picnic

Granny's Attic

Marina Sale

Game Night

Acoustic Music Jam

Salsa Lessons

Water Aerobics

Walk the Beach

Greet Your Neighbor

There are so many ways to connect and become involved. See this newsletter for articles and the calendar of upcoming events. Hope to see you out and about!

## Mark Your Calendar

### Annual Meeting of Cape George Colony Club

**July 15<sup>th</sup>**

Watch for details in the July Newsletter



**PARTY  
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**Pool Fundraiser**



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Granny's Attic Sale will be held on  
**Friday, June 9<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, in the Clubhouse**  
**The hours are 9 – 3 on Friday and 9 – Noon on Saturday.**  
No advance sales.

If you have questions or would like to volunteer to assist with set up or at the sale, please sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4CA5AE2EA7FFC52-grannys1>

Pick up of donations available on a limited basis. Call to inquire.  
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## The Environmental Committee Needs You

Gardeners, scientists, amateur naturalists, botanists, writers and anyone willing to pull a weed can join the Environmental Committee where hauling rocks, pulling weeds, planning for a stable waterfront and generally ensuring the beauty of Cape George are fun. It's a great way to get to know your interesting and awesome neighbors.

During the past several years, Committee members have rebuilt the Ravine Trail steps and are now working on the steps from Victoria Loop down to Marina Drive; maintained common areas throughout the Club; hosted beach walks with naturalists; sponsored a beach cleanup; built and maintained a Rain Garden; published a booklet on the Native plants of Cape George; coordinated with a member on the styrofoam recycling program; held work parties to clean up the clubhouse area; monitored the need for removal of poison hemlock and Scotch broom; held educational programs and work parties to address the vitality of the berm protecting our physical facilities; and sponsored the fantastic Halloween Party.

It's a long list and we need more help.

If you can help maintain some of the common areas, join in any of our other projects, or just want to see what the group is doing, please contact Chris Buzzard (918 497 0864, [cabuzzard@gmail.com](mailto:cabuzzard@gmail.com)) or Ruth Ross (276-768-8035, [ross@LS.net](mailto:ross@LS.net)). Meetings are the second Tuesday at 9:15 a.m. on zoom in June and at the Clubhouse after that. Hope to see you helping our beautiful community. We have a job for you!

## FABRIC ARTS IS NOW FABRIC AND YARN ARTS

Did you know that the Fabric Arts group has always welcomed those who knit and crochet? Yes, it's true. In the past, there have been several members of the group who have brought yarn, needles and hooks. We even have members of the group who can teach both quilting and knitting techniques.

In the recent member survey, there were several people who inquired about starting a yarn-arts group...well, search no more, we have that, and you are welcome.

The group meets every Thursday between 9:30 am and 3:00 pm in the clubhouse. We bring our lunches and make a day of it! So, if you are a quilter, making curtains or a stylish outfit, are into knitting/crocheting, or want to learn any of these skills, please join us!

For more information, please contact Jeannie Ramsey.



# CAPE GEORGE MARINA SALE

**Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup>      8am to 2pm**

**Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>      9am to 4pm**

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**Reminder: 3rd Quarter assessments are due July 1st**

# Meet Your Candidates for Trustee

This year we are voting to fill three open positions on the Board  
Below you will find the names and informational bios of those  
who have asked to be considered for these positions.

Ballots mailed out June 1st.

## **NANCY CHARPENTIER – INFORMATIONAL STATEMENT FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEES POSITION**

I grew up in the (then) small town of Sayville on the south shore of Long Island in NY. Two blocks up from the Great South Bay I reveled in breathing in salt air, crewing in sailing races on the Bay, and the beaches of Fire Island where I learned to swim in the Atlantic. My family moved to Connecticut when I was in high school, and sadly I said goodbye to life on the water. I was never able to reclaim it, but I have always been drawn to salt water locations. Seattle just didn't provide the same sense, and when we began talking about retirement, my wife Bonnie and I knew we wanted to find a community on the water either in the San Juans or on the peninsula where we could enjoy the water and neighbors and invigorating salt air atmosphere.

We found ourselves with time to spare in Port Townsend in the summer of 2017, looked for a community on the water to explore, connected with Ellen Niemitalo, and knew we'd found our place. In 2019 we purchased a home in the Village and moved here that fall, enjoying the eclectic mix of people and the many artistic, humorous, thoughtful and aesthetic expressions throughout the community. Lockdown happened soon after and it is only recently we've been able to enjoy meeting many people and participating in volunteer activities so necessary to the community.

I retired after over 30 years in Print Manufacturing, serving first as the IT coordinator in the early 80's, becoming the Quality Control Manager afterwards and, when our Controller stole money from our 401k, at the behest of the company owner I became the Controller and HR Manager. Riding a wave of fraud is hardly a traditional path to a career in accounting, but I have tended to nontraditional methods for most of my life.

I embraced the challenge, and as Controller and many stints as Acting President, led our company through three corporate takeovers, downsizing and supply chain challenges in a highly competitive industry. I was able to corral the expertise of our staff to come up with creative solutions to achieve efficiencies demanded by the changing realities of our industry, and finally merged two companies into one. I served as VP of Operations in my final year, making sure the blended staff functioned well with each other, their talents were fully realized and opportunities for advancement were plentiful as is needed for vibrancy in an organization.

I'm running for the Board because I think my background in accounting will supplement and contribute to the diverse talents present among the Trustees. I'll be honest and admit my desire is to be the Treasurer, following the good sense and judgment that Fayla brought to the role, adding experience in accounting principles and analysis. I believe my experience on the Finance Committee for the last year has brought me perspective and knowledge of the financial realities faced by our community. Note I am not a CPA, but my experience in financial analysis coupled with my ability to work with others and draw from the expertise of those around me gives me a background that will allow me to assist the Cape George Colony Club in meeting its financial obligations while considering the needs of its members.

## Mike Heckinger

I have served the past year as an appointed Board trustee. In that time, I have been committed to working on pressing board issues as well as liaison with the Marina Committee. My experience as a business owner has helped me in my endeavors to represent the Cape George community. In addition, I have been an active member of the committee volunteering at many events and committees. I am willing to step up to an elected position and serve for 3 more years.

## Stephen E. McFarland

Believing community involvement is a “piori” when living in a stellar environment as Cape George, is why I am running for the Board.

I was born and raised in San Francisco having 8 years of Jesuit education. After high school, I attended Gonzaga University, transferring to Seattle University, where I graduated with a degree in Business Administration in 1969.

We moved to Issaquah where I began working in the insurance industry starting with the Safeco Insurance Company. In 1980, deciding to open my own independent insurance agency & brokerage facility, I founded McFarland Insurance, Inc. in the town of Issaquah. I retired from this business in 2016.

While in Issaquah:

- a) Member: Kiwanis.
- b) Member: Issaquah Chamber of Commerce.
- c) Business Curriculum Advisor: Issaquah School District.
- d) Member of and on the Parish Council St. Joseph Catholic Church.
- e) Coordinator: Men's Recreational Soccer Programs.
- f) Coached youth sports

When I had my Company, we **Insured & Bonded** about 20 small **Homeowner Associations** (averaging about 150 homes each). I would attend the meetings, explaining our programs, 'listening' to the Agendas, Hopes & Concerns of the various Associations. And that brings me to my 'Expertise' ....**I listen!**

My wife Anne and I were married in 2008, putting together the Brady Bunch with our two families. Then fortunately, we visited Cape George in 2015, visiting a friend and falling in love with this beautiful spot. We ended up buying a lot in 2015 and building our home here, moving in on December 3, 2016. Like all of us we find this part of the country unique and special.

Volunteering on some residential projects over the years, the opportunity to serve on the Board has now come to fruition. It is an honor to serve Cape George. I will indeed 'Listen' and hopefully apply some '**Common Sense**' as well.

## “Kayaks, Canoes and Marina News”

### **LAUNCH IS INSTALLED AND READY FOR USE!**

Several of you came down during Opening Day to see and experience the ‘kayak arm’ and could feel its stability for entry to the water. A dolly is available and is stored just inside the lower locked gate close to B dock. Please ensure you return it to the same spot. If you want to use the arm and dolly to launch your small boat, you’ll need to see Terri at the office to get your gate key. It’s a \$10 deposit and a form and is available to all Cape George Members. So, get that kayak out of your garage and start playing in the water!

### **Donations**

We’re still looking for donations to pay for the kayak arm. A donation of \$15 from each of you who want to use it, would cover the cost. Just say’ in!

### **Kayak/Canoe Storage**

We have 38 boats stored and 13 open slips. Should you want to store you boat down closer to the water, Terri can set you up.

### **NEW KAYAK BARGE**

The Marina Committee is planning a floating kayak rack that would accommodate 16 boats on the docks next to the launch – more convenient and more secure than the existing kayak racks. If you are interested in reserving a spot on this rack please contact our Small Boat Lead Person, Kathy Curtiss by email at [kathycurtiss@icloud.com](mailto:kathycurtiss@icloud.com) We are in the process of establishing fees and offering discounts for longer-term commitments to help raise funds; we will seek Board approval in June. Kathy will maintain the list and contact you when the program is finalized.

### **GROUP ROWING**

We’re planning a few event trips this summer. One to Protection Island and one possibly to the end of Discovery Bay. These are BIG rows so we will have powerboat escorts to join the fun, carrying the beverages, snacks and other goodies needed. We still need to establish permissions, parameters, and partners and then we’re set. Stay posted.

### **Starting in June**

**Any Tuesday at 12**

**Any Saturday at 10**

Come down to the marina, get help with launching your boat and have some company on your row! Summer is here! Time to get on the water!

Kathy Curtiss

[kathycurtiss@icloud.com](mailto:kathycurtiss@icloud.com) (509) 671-7505

### **OTHER MARINA NEWS:**

Marina members are collecting items for the annual Marina Sale, June 16-17 at the clubhouse. The marina

sale focuses on used boating equipment, camping gear, tools and more. Proceeds go to the Marina memorial fund, which is used for the annual Waterfront Festival in August and for other marina events.

The marina entrance will be dredged during low tides July 31-Aug 2, which is later than usual. The entrance is dredged annually due to winter silting.

Marina members continue to work on the new crab-cleaning station at top of the south ramp.

More information? Drop by the marina workday every Tuesday morning at 9 am.

## BOARD TRUSTEE ELECTION DATES FOR 2023

Our board is made up of seven members who are elected for a three-year term of office. The election of new members is staggered so that no more than 3 members are changed in any given year. This gives stability and continuity to the process. We have three Board positions that are opening this year.

June	1	Election ballots mailed to members
	26	Meet the Candidates, 2:30 pm, via Zoom before the Study Session
July	10	Ballots due by noon at the Cape George office.
	10	Election Committee counts ballots - 1 pm
	15	Annual Membership Meeting 2:00 pm – announce election results
	15	Special Board Meeting to elect officers, immediately following Membership Meeting



**Reminder:** boat registrations are renewed in June. Please submit a photocopy of your new registration to the office.



## Art Wall News

**Hello Cape George artists! Granny's Attic and the Marina Sale are coming up, so we need to get the art off the wall. Let's meet up on Monday June 5<sup>th</sup> at 4 PM to take it down, if that doesn't work for you, please feel free to remove your art at your convenience, just let us know you've done so. For our next art wall, the theme will be 'Vintage' and our new hanging date is June 27<sup>th</sup> at 4 PM, art walk details to follow. We'd love to have more of our community artists represented, don't be shy, just come on down with your fabulous work!**



## This summer for Cape George Residents

*Experience one or all of the 4-session courses to spark fun, inspiration, & creativity*

1. **Finding Your Life Mission / Spiritual Ideal** — using meditation and visualization, deep self-reflection, and personal writing. May 30, June 1, 6, & 8, 10 am - 2 pm
2. **Create Real Change** — deep meditation, create a journal cover, and learn visualization and journaling to create change. June 20, 22, 27, 29, 10 am - 2 pm
3. **Find Your Power Animal** — meditation, papier maché mask-making, with final sharing around an evening outdoor fire. July 11, 13, 18, 10 am (2 - 4 hours), July 20 - evening.

For more complete class information, and an application,  
email Carol Muzik at: [beachmuziks@gmail.com](mailto:beachmuziks@gmail.com)

A pdf will be emailed to you

All supplies provided - Class sizes are limited

### ***RUNNING WITH SHERMAN*** IS BOOK FOR JUNE

"Running With Sherman" by Christopher McDougall is a true story about the author taking a donkey from an animal hoarder and deciding that he and Sherman would enter the World Championship of Burro Racing in Colorado. When Sherman arrived at the farm in Amish country, he could barely move. Christopher undertook a radical rehabilitation program designed to not only heal Sherman's body, but his mind.

The best way to soothe a donkey is to give it a job, and that is when Chris decided to teach Sherman to run. He'd heard about burro racing, where humans and donkeys run together and which originated when mining was king and thus began his mission to enter the race in Colorado.

"Easier said than done", in the course of Sherman's training, Chris would recruit several other runners, both human and equine, and call upon the wisdom of burro racers, goat farmers, Amish running club members, and a group of female long-haul truckers. Along the way, he shows us the life-changing power of animals, nature and community.

The book group meets on Tuesday, June 20 at 1 pm in the Cape George clubhouse. All are welcome to attend.





## Cape George Acoustic Music Jam

Monday, June 26

7 pm - 9 pm

Come join us in the Clubhouse for an evening of music and song.

Bring your music stands

Question? Contact Carol Chandler at 402-981-0405

## RECYCLE YOUR STYROFOAM! HELP KEEP OUR WATERS, SHORELINES AND COUNTRYSIDE FREE OF PLASTICS

You don't have to worry about dropping off your **EPS** (expanded polystyrene, Styrofoam) and **LDPE** (low density polyethylene) with me before collection day any longer. I have the combination to the bunker and will drop it off when the huge yellow bag is full.



We are now taking clean and dry, **white or black** polyethylene/LDPE-4 foam (it's flexible), as well as white, clean, and dry Styrofoam/EPS. They can be bagged together! We also take clean and white EPS food trays and the thin wrap that comes on cabinets and other furniture to protect the surface. Separate your packing peanuts into biodegradable (squishy), nonbiodegradable (crunchy).

**Contact Jo Blair who will deliver the materials to Fort Worden for you.**

**Call or text at 425-417-2164 to arrange a convenient drop-off time.**



# CPR and First Aid Class



Tuesday, June 20  
9–12 at the Club House

All Staff and Cape George Members Invited  
No Test, Fee or Card

Class includes:  
Use of AED  
“Stop the Bleed”

Taught by East Jefferson County Medics and Firemen

Sponsored by  
Emergency Prep. Committee of Cape George

Please Sign Up at the Office  
If You Plan to Attend - limited to 60

## ***Spark fun, inspiration, & creativity this summer***

**Create Real Change** — Create a journal cover, and use deep meditation, visualization and journaling to create positive change. June 20, 22, 27, 29, 10 am - 2 pm

**Discover Your Power Animal** — Meditation, visualization, papier maché mask-making, with final ceremony around an evening outdoor fire. July 11, 13, 18, 10 am (2 - 4 hours), July 20 - evening.

*For more complete info, email Carol Muzik, CHT at: [beachmuziks@gmail.com](mailto:beachmuziks@gmail.com)*

*All supplies and snacks provided — Courses \$100 each. Held in Cape George*



**Scotch broom** ( that highly invasive yellow bush) is best controlled by pulling plants that are smaller than a pencil in diameter. This can be done any time of year. Large broom (bigger than a pencil, or too big to pull easily by hand) should be cut while it is in full bloom. The plant should be cut right at ground level. A large lopper/pruner works well for all but big plants which may require a small bow saw or similar.

A puller tool is available to loan. Stop by the office to check the tool out.

The idea here is that when the plant is in full bloom there are no energy reserves in the root. The root will die without disturbing the ground surface. Try not to damage any native or desirable vegetation growing around the broom as that will help prevent latent seed from re-growing. The plants you cut may be left where you cut them if that is appropriate to the site. It is good to cut them so they lay flat on the ground which will help them compost faster if left in place.



**Specially designed weed wrenches work well for Scotch broom removal.**

# Compassionate Grief Circles

Summer Circles 5/31, 6/28, 7/26 & 8/23, 10-11:30 am

Cape George Colony Clubhouse



Welcomes all grief & loss, includes but not limited to new diagnosis, illness, dying, death, pet loss, environmental, anticipatory & disenfranchised grief.

Circle intention is to provide an intimate, safe place for people to connect, find expression and support. We may incorporate poetry, music, expressive arts, writing, ritual, breath work, somatic experience, nature, & individual sharing. Circles are guided in contemplative practices as we explore our wild spiritual & landscape of loss journey.

Facilitated by Rev. Carolyn Cristina Manzoni, a Palliative Care & Hospice Chaplain (Seattle Children's Hospital), Bereavement Specialist, Ordained Lay Buddhist Minister, Interfaith Spiritual Companion, & Dementia Practitioner. She is a Cultural Anthropologist, holds a Fellow in Thanatology, certified as Compassionate Bereavement Care Provider & End of Life Doula. And trained as a facilitator and/or certified with Roshi Joan Halifax, Francis Weller (Dagara tradition) and Dr. Joanne Cacciatore.

Due to limited size registration is required for each circle, although all sessions are not required to attend, Energy exchange: Donation basis \$10-20 per circle. Learn more & register: [cmanzoni@olympus.net](mailto:cmanzoni@olympus.net). (360) 301 0225

## Crab and Shellfish Rules, Regulations

It's that time of year when many residents will be having fun, harvesting Shellfish, Seaweeds and Crabs! Before you go out, there are some things you need to know. Your life and health depend upon it. Please be careful of tripping hazards, including unfilled holes under the water. Be careful not to do any harm to the environment, while harvesting.

Do not consume shellfish from the area of Discovery Bay. The water quality in the Marina has not been good for a while. That dredged material is now settling within the bight below the Marina Parking Lot (South).

**Please, make sure you have current WA Department of Fish and Wildlife Fishing Licenses for each person harvesting and that it includes (see, WA State Rules), Crabs, Shellfish, and/or Seaweeds.** Make sure your Cape George Colony Parking Sticker is displayed, unobstructed. If you have invited guests or renters, please ensure they have guest parking permits displayed when parked in common areas, including the Marina and Memorial Park lots.

The beach, below the Mean High-Water Line, surrounding Cape George are State owned property. **Please check the following WA State Department the of Health, and the Department of Fish and Wildlife Service web sites each day before for to harvest shellfish for updates!**

### WA Department of Health

<https://www.doh.wa.gov/CommunityandEnvironment/Shellfish/BeachClosures>

**WA Shellfish Hotline 1-800-562-5632** for biotoxin warnings and beach closures.  
Questions? Call us at 360-236-3330

<https://www.doh.wa.gov/CommunityandEnvironment/Shellfish/RecreationalShellfish>

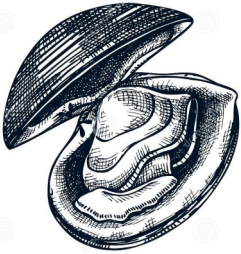
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### WA Department of Fish& Wildlife

<https://wdfw.wa.gov/places-to-go/shellfish-beaches>



## Crab & Clam Etiquette



When harvesting, please be respectful of the environment and each other. Do not anchor or dig for shellfish in Eel Grass Beds. Always refill the holes you dig to avoid tripping hazards to other unsuspecting waders or others. Be observant and careful not to damage shellfish or animals when you are digging. Place under size shellfish in the original position and place where they were, if possible. Be careful while walking, and please try not to crush any semi buried shellfish.

If you see something, say something. Please report any illegal or abusive behavior towards or stranded marine mammals to, 347-607-1094, and the Office Manager, 1(360) 385-2208.

For statewide Enforcement related questions or to report violations or dangerous wildlife please contact the WILDCOMM Communications Center at [WILDCOMM@dfw.wa.gov](mailto:WILDCOMM@dfw.wa.gov) or 360-902-2936 Option 1, or Marine Mammal Stranding Network 1(306) 385-5582. Ext. 103

Have fun and enjoy this beautiful place we all are lucky to live in!

## Save the Date for **Band on the Beach**

Wednesday, July 12, 5:00 to 8:00 PM

### **Badd Dog Blues Band**

**I am Woman Hear Me Roar !** Not just yet, we don't want to hurt our vocal cords!

All gals who like to sing, have sung in a choir or can carry a tune, lets meet at the Clubhouse, June 23rd at 3 pm.

Music of all kinds has so many fringe benefits, most importantly is to enjoy meeting new neighbors, singing together, learning and having fun.

So let's tune up our vocal cords and lungs, improve circulation and breathing and then we can **ROAR** together gently.

Questions: Helen Ann 360-385-0536

PS: I'll wear a mask, social distance observed.



## It is that time of year for home projects.

Do you have plans to build or enlarge a deck, thin out some trees, burn a pile of branches or install a shed ?

Before you pick up a hammer, or saw don't forget to get a Cape George permit

There is no charge for our permits but they are required.

The permits are available on our website: [www.capegeorge.org](http://www.capegeorge.org)

Or pick them up at the office from 9 am to 2 pm Mon-Fri

## New Phone Directory coming in July



Have a new phone number or want to be listed?

Submissions for directory updates due July 6th. Information via email is preferred: [office@capegeorge.org](mailto:office@capegeorge.org)

### Cape George Member Letter Section

Cape George Colony Club encourages its members to become involved in providing opinions on topics of current interest. Each monthly newsletter will include space to permit these opinions to be published. The following guidelines should be adhered to by anyone interested in submitting text for print.

1. Write on topics of current interest related to the Cape George community.
2. Make one main point.
3. Length of letters - 300 word maximum. (This is approximately a half page in our newsletter)
4. Letters that are factually inaccurate will not be printed.
5. The Cape George newsletter is not interested in furthering a personal dispute. No personal attacks will be printed.
6. Include your full name, address and phone number. All published letters will include the author's name. We will not print anonymous letters.
7. Opinion letters are to be submitted in a digital format – MS Word, Notepad, Email, etc.
8. We reserve the right to accept, reject or edit any letter based on an editorial review by the Cape George Manager and one Trustee.
9. No writer will be published more than once every 90 days.



## Call for Volunteers for the Finance Committee

We'd like to expand the Finance Committee to add someone who enjoys data driven analysis and projections. Do you:

- Have a background in accounting and enjoy financial reporting and analysis?
- Have an unquenchable curiosity as to what it takes to keep our community functioning?
- Wonder what goes into managing and maintaining a water system?
- Look at our waterfront, with marina and clubhouse, pool and recreation areas and contemplate the effects of the weather and tides on their structures and longevity?
- Drive our roads contemplating just how many people drive the same surfaces and what it takes to keep them safe for traffic?
- Enjoy the beach, Memorial Park, the various trails and scenery and contemplate how much effort goes into maintaining their beauty for all to enjoy?
- Do you engage in the above and ponder the various costs that each of the above generates and their financial impacts over time?

Well then - you're who we're looking for! We review the financial reports and reconcile the balance sheet quarterly, but beyond that we review the income and expense statements for reasonableness, understanding variations that may be impactful in either direction, and assess the effects over time in order to anticipate financial realities. We review the annual budgets for the Trustees, and draw up projections over time to make sure we are on track to adequately fund our operations. We are a double check for accuracy and a backup warning system for the Trustees if surprises exceed anticipated costs. And we review financial policies to make sure they're current and support a financial system with both integrity and functionality.

If your oft used phrase is 'I wonder why that would be?', well, simply put, we want you. Please email [ndcharpentier@gmail.com](mailto:ndcharpentier@gmail.com) (Nancy Charpentier) and let us know about your background in financial management and your interest in serving on the finance committee.

We're looking forward to hearing from you!

## SHORELINE / WATERFRONT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

**Would you like to be a member of a new committee to help:**

1. Periodically document the condition of the Cape George Colony Club shoreline and waterfront assets?
2. Advise the Board of changes taking place on the waterfront and what options might be considered?

This standing committee will draft a committee charter to be approved by the Board of Trustees and advise and assist in managing the Cape George waterfront in a manner approved by the Board and membership.

Please send your name and contact information to Marnie Levy  
[manager@capegeorge.org](mailto:manager@capegeorge.org)

CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

May 25, 2023  
3:00 PM via Zoom

**DRAFT**

**Prior to the May 22, 2023 Study Session a Variance Hearing was called to order by President Jane Ludwig at 2:46 pm**

In Attendance: Jane Ludwig, Fayla Schwartz, Pat Gulick, Betsy Coddington, Bart Mooyman-Beck, Mike Heckinger and John Dwyer

**Motion 1:** Bart Mooyman-Beck moved, and Pat Gulick seconded to approve the request for relief from the 5ft property line setback. Failed -2/4

**The Board Meeting was called to order by President, Jane Ludwig at 3:00 pm**

**In Attendance:** Jane Ludwig, Fayla Schwartz, Pat Gulick, Betsy Coddington, and Bart Mooyman-Beck, and John Dwyer. Absent Mike Heckinger

**Action on Minutes:** Pat Gulick moved, and Bart Mooyman-Beck seconded to approve the minutes of the regular Board Meeting dated April 27, 2023. Passed – 5/0

**Manager's Report:**

**Thank You!**

♥ Thank you to Donnie Weathersby and Terri Brown. When you see them give them both a high five! Donnie is celebrating his **twenty-first Anniversary** working at Cape George Colony Club and Terri is celebrating her **eighth Anniversary!** Thank you, Donnie and Terri for your whole-hearted, consistent dedication to Cape George Colony Club!

♥ Thank you to Jo Blair who is leading the drive to recycle Cape George Styrofoam by collecting and schlepping it to the Fort Worden Styrofoam collection events! The dates and her contact information are in the CG Newsletter when the events are scheduled.

♥ A big thanks to Diona Smith, R.N., who is organizing a free CPR and First Aid Class to Cape George Members and Staff on Tuesday, June 20, from 9 a.m. to noon in the Clubhouse. The class will be taught by Jefferson County Medics and Fire Fighters and sponsored by the Emergency Preparedness Committee. There is a sign-up sheet in the office!

♥ A special thanks Ben Fellows and Mike Thorwick for taking on the task of pulling up worn out dock floats in the Marina and replacing them. This is an ongoing project, one dock float at a time.

♥ Thank you to Dick Bumgarner, who has been patient and consistent in working out a process and system with me to order Marina supplies on an as-needed basis.

**Ballots will be mailed on June 1! Please vote!** After June 1, you will receive a ballot in the mail. Three

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Candidates are running for three positions on the Board. The membership will also be voting on the proposed change of Bylaw Article III B 1. Voting is an important way for you to participate in your Homeowners Association!

**Maintenance news**

It's all about the grass! Donnie and Eric are working diligently to clear the culverts in Cape George Colony and to trim the grass in all of the common areas. This is a large area of property, and the first mow of the season is time consuming. As everyone with a lawn knows: the grass is growing at lightning speed this month. Thank you for your patience!

Staff and the Tuesday Marina Work Party set up the tent and cleaned up the picnic area and Memorial Park for the Memorial Day events.

Donnie and Jose, our Water Manager, are doing maintenance on the backwash system for the water system.

Peninsula Environmental has sprayed for Poisonous Hemlock. Please report common area noxious weeds unchecked to the office.

The vacant lot mowing is scheduled to begin on May 30, depending on the weather.

**Berm protection:** Thanks to everyone who helped plant Dune Grass seeds on the Berm on May 13. More than twenty volunteers have shown up at each of the Berm Protection work parties, helping tremendously to ensure protection of the Berm! Informational and directional signage will be added to the Berm area.

The North and South Crossovers are ready to use, thanks to the leadership and hard work of Steve McDevitt, Richard VanDeMark, Mike Heckinger, and many other volunteers.

**Slow Down!**

'Tis the season of bike riders, joggers, groups of humans, and dog walkers at **all hours** in Cape George! Please watch out, share the road, and drive slowly! If you are not in a vehicle, please watch for traffic in front of and behind you. Do not assume drivers will see you.

**Trash cans and dumpsters:** Please do not put your personal trash in the common area trash receptacles and dumpsters. The dumpsters are in place for events at the Clubhouse, and for people working in the Marina and other common areas. It is inconsiderate and rude to dump trash that should be taken to the dump. Work projects in the Marina and Workshop need a dumpster to dispose of refuse from projects they are working hard to complete. **It is also a violation of the Unauthorized Disposal Rule.**

Please let the office know if you see someone bringing trash from home and tossing it in the Clubhouse or workshop dumpsters.

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**Violations:** Violation and fine letters have been sent to homeowners for landscape maintenance violations, unshaded and nightlights that are kept on all night without motion sensors, and barking dogs. A violation fine was sent for dumping personal garbage in the Marina dumpster.

We have had several complaints about poisonous hemlock growing on private properties. It is the homeowners' responsibility to remove noxious weeds from their private property!

**It is dog barking season, again:** Please be aware of what your dog is doing when you leave home, and after you go to bed! There is an uptick in dog barking complaints. Members leave barking dogs unattended during the days, evenings, and sometimes dogs are left outside to bark all night long! Please be considerate!

Thank you for everything you do to help make Cape George Colony Club a great place to live!

*Marnie W. Levy,*  
[manager@capegeorge.org](mailto:manager@capegeorge.org)  
360-385-2208

**Treasurer's Report:** Fayla Schwartz April 30, 2023

A summarized comparative balance sheet and a condensed statement of revenues and expenses are included on the next page. Detailed statements are available on the Cape George website. Detailed statements as well as additional monthly financial material are also available for review in the office upon request.

**Balance Sheet**

All bank statements have been received, reconciled, and reviewed. There are slight discrepancies between the balance sheet reported balances for AR and Prepaids and their accompanying reports. We believe these are the result of how credits are currently booking into the GL and will resolve these in the May financials. The process will be reviewed and redefined, so variances don't recur.

**Income Statement**

A) General Operations:

Careful scrutiny of all expenses continues to be a critical need, as some areas have gone substantially over budget:

- (a) Vehicle Repair and Maintenance - We've already overspent the annual budget by \$3,000.
- (b) Contracted janitorial work is almost \$5k over budget for the year. There appear to be multiple causes and they're being researched to see if we can rein in the expense.
- (c) Our Grounds budget is essentially spent for the year owing to the need to remove numerous trees that were threatening owner properties and power lines.

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These cost overruns are mitigated somewhat by a favorable variance of \$10.7k in Salaries & Benefits so far this year, but that is due to two factors that will not exist the rest of the year: the previously unfilled Assistant Maintenance position is now filled, and part of Donnie's salary was paid by L&I earlier this year.

**B) Water Operations**

Revenue is slightly under budget owing to lower billings in January for excess water usage last year than was predicted.

Some expense items were amortized over the year but have not yet resulted in expense. This doesn't mean the expense won't eventually arrive; it just indicates that we weren't able to pinpoint when it would arrive.

Supply purchases are behind budget but are expected to catch up. This year the intention is to grow our inventory of parts on hand, and we budgeted \$2,500/quarter for a total of \$10,000. This will be spent as supplies become available.

**C) Marina Operations**

A reminder that Marina revenue is booked in the beginning of the year to tie to the annual billings, so while the Net Income will diminish over time as purchases are made.

<i>Balance Sheet as of April 30, 2023 and 2022 - Preliminary Subject to Audit</i>									
<b>Assets</b>					<b>Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>				
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>				<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>		
Cash and Cash Equivalents:					Current Liabilities:				
Operations Checking & Petty Cash	\$ 321,652	\$ 178,075		81%	Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$ 16,884	\$ 146,978		-89%
Operating Savings & ICS	250,470	346,202		-28%	Prepaid Income	33,016	36,101		-9%
Reserves - General, Water & Marina	1,431,186	1,221,200		17%	Unearned Income, Marina Wait List	4,750	1,300		265%
Total Cash & Equivalents	2,003,308	1,745,477		15%	Total Current Liabilities	54,650	184,379		-70%
Net Accounts Receivable	\$ 17,323	\$ 21,586		-20%	<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>				
Total Net Fixed Assets	1,618,538	1,547,746		5%	Fund Balances & Equity (Combined)	3,376,646	3,030,521		11%
Total Prepaid & Other Assets	12,301	4,049		204%	Modified Cash Basis Income	220,174	103,958		112%
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$3,651,470</b>	<b>\$3,318,858</b>		<b>10%</b>	<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$3,651,470</b>	<b>\$ 3,318,858</b>		<b>10%</b>

*Summary Revenue and Expense Statements for the periods ended April 30, 2023 and 2022 (Modified cash basis, excludes depreciation)*

	<b>2023 Year to Date - Unaudited</b>					<b>Comparative - Unaudited</b>			
	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>%</b>		<b>2023 YTD</b>	<b>2022 YTD**</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>General</b>					<b>General</b>				
General Assessment	\$ 172,756	\$ 172,760	(4)	0%	General Assessment	\$ 172,756	\$ 107,551	\$ 65,205	61%
Revenue - All Other Sources	4,593	2,109	2,484	118%	Revenue - All Other Sources	4,593	4,897	(304)	-6%
Total General Revenue	177,349	174,869	2,480		Total General Revenue	177,349	112,448	64,901	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	40,316	51,043	10,727	21%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	40,316	34,323	(5,993)	-17%
Repairs & Maintenance	11,945	4,925	(7,020)	-143%	Repairs & Maintenance	11,945	8,131	(3,814)	-47%
Contracted Services	21,149	18,757	(2,392)	-13%	Contracted Services	21,149	28,221	7,072	25%
Pool Expense & Utilities	8,504	7,833	(671)	-9%	Pool Expense & Utilities	8,504	8,614	110	1%
Utilities & Insurance	12,519	12,852	333	3%	Utilities & Insurance	12,519	11,721	(798)	-7%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	8,640	11,199	2,559	23%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	8,640	12,445	3,805	31%
Total General Expenses	103,074	106,609	3,535		Total General Expenses	103,074	103,455	(2,736)	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 74,275</b>	<b>\$ 68,260</b>	<b>\$ 6,015</b>	<b>-9%</b>	<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 74,275</b>	<b>\$ 8,993</b>	<b>\$ 65,282</b>	<b>&gt;-100%</b>

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	Actual	Budget	Variance	%	2023 YTD	2022 YTD**	Variance	%
<b>Water</b>					<b>Water</b>			
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 114,682	\$ 115,738	\$ (1,056)	-1%	Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 114,682	\$ 69,930	\$ 44,752 64%
Revenue - All Other Sources	2,787	6,000	(3,214)	-54%	Revenue - All Other Sources	2,787	5,440	(2,654) -49%
Total Water Revenue	117,468	121,738	(4,270)		Total Water Revenue	117,468	75,370	42,098
Expenses:					Expenses:			
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	20,191	25,522	5,331	21%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	20,191	19,393	(798) -4%
Repairs & Maintenance	520	2,017	1,497	74%	Repairs & Maintenance	520	-	(520) #DIV/0!
Contracted Services	7,600	10,679	3,078	29%	Contracted Services	7,600	10,454	2,854 27%
Utilities & Insurance	8,712	10,228	1,515	15%	Utilities & Insurance	8,712	6,896	(1,816) -26%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	6,222	11,752	5,530	47%	Other Expenses(incl taxes)	6,222	9,824	3,602 37%
Total Water Expenses	43,246	60,197	16,951		Total Water Expenses	43,246	46,567	3,322
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 74,223</b>	<b>\$ 61,541</b>	<b>\$ 12,681</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 74,223</b>	<b>\$ 28,803</b>	<b>\$ 45,420 158%</b>
<b>Marina</b>					<b>Marina</b>			
Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 76,114	\$ 74,489	\$ 1,625	2%	Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 76,114	\$ 73,293	\$ 2,821 4%
Revenue - All Other Sources	15,640	17,467	(1,827)	-10%	Revenue - All Other Sources	15,640	16,026	(386) -2%
Total Marina Revenue	91,754	91,956	(202)		Total Marina Revenue	91,754	89,319	2,435
Expenses:					Expenses:			
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	6,947	8,507	1,561	18%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	6,947	6,484	(463) -7%
Repairs & Maintenance	1,880	2,866	986	34%	Repairs & Maintenance	1,880	4,784	2,904 0%
Contracted Services	2,296	3,189	893	28%	Contracted Services	2,296	3,686	1,390 38%
Utilities & Insurance	7,444	6,180	(1,264)	-20%	Utilities & Insurance	7,444	6,906	(538) -8%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	1,574	2,301	727	32%	Other Expenses(incl taxes)	1,574	1,224	(350) -29%
Total Marina Expenses	20,141	23,044	2,902		Total Marina Expenses	20,141	23,084	2,943
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 71,613</b>	<b>\$ 68,913</b>	<b>\$ 2,700</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 71,613</b>	<b>\$ 66,235</b>	<b>\$ 5,378 8%</b>
<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 220,110</b>	<b>\$ 198,714</b>	<b>\$ 21,396</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 220,110</b>	<b>\$ 104,031</b>	<b>\$ 116,079 112%</b>
<b>Reserve Activity</b>					<b>**Reserve Activity</b>			
Routine Reserve Assessment	99,962	99,962	-	0%	Routine Reserve Revenue	99,962	63,825	(36,137) 57%
Reserve Interest - all **	-	1,048	(1,048)	-100%	Reserve Interest - all	-	-	- >100%
Less: Reserve Offset***	(99,962)	(101,010)	1,048		Less: Reserve Offset	(99,962)	(63,825)	36,137
<b>Net Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>#DIV/0!</b>	<b>Gross Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ - #DIV/0!</b>

**New Members: Welcome**

Fredric Howe purchased 220 Huckleberry Pl from Linda Robertson

Richard & Cynthia Hamman purchased 435 Colman Dr from Walter Burrows Estate

**Information items or documents submitted to the Trustees at Study Session**

1. The Cape George Colony Club Annual meeting will be held on Saturday, July 15, 2p.m., on Zoom.

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The new Board of Trustees will be announced.

The result of the vote to change the Bylaw Article III B1 will be announced.

2. Committee Chairs, please submit your committee's annual report to the Manager and Office Administrator by July 5 to be included in the Annual Meeting Packet.
3. Ad Hoc Berm Protection Committee updates: The north crossover is completed. Please use the North or South crossover to access the beach!
4. Tech Committee:  
Please contact General Manager Marnie Levy, by email at [manager@capegeorge.org](mailto:manager@capegeorge.org), if you would like to join the Ad Hoc Tech Committee. A meeting will be scheduled with existing members and new members in early June to discuss Internet service for security, blended Zoom Meetings at the Clubhouse, and how to move forward with the redesign of the Cape George website.  
We are looking into Starlink for connectivity at the Clubhouse, and possibly at other common areas. Starlink is a satellite internet company operated by SpaceX.

**Committee Reports:** The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Building and Roads, Environmental, Fitness and Water. The reports are attached and incorporated by reference.

**Member participation:** none

**New Business Action Items:**

**Motion 1.** Fayla Schwartz moved, and Pat Gulick seconded to accept the Board advised change of wording for the Bylaw Article III B1 to be sent to membership for approval in the June 2023 ballot.  
Passed-5/0

Current Bylaw

*The maximum monthly assessment to provide funds for the regular operation and ordinary maintenance of the Common Areas may be increased each year not more than four per cent (4%) above the maximum assessment for the previous year....*

Board-advised change

*The maximum annual assessment to provide funds for the regular operation and ordinary maintenance of the Common Areas may be increased each year not more than eight per cent (8%) above the actual assessment for the previous year....*

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**Motion 2.** Bart Mooyman-Beck moved, and Fayla Schwartz seconded to accept Water Committee Charter updates. Passed- 5/0

**Motion 3.** Bart Mooyman-Beck moved, and Betsy Coddington seconded to add Mark Costanti as a member of the Water Advisory Committee. Passed – 5/0

**Motion 4.** Pat Gulick moved, and John Dwyer seconded to certify Nancy Charpentier, Mike Heckinger and Steve McFarland as candidates for the Board of Trustees. Passed-5/0

**Motion 5.** Motion withdrawn -Fayla Schwartz

**Motion 6.** John Dwyer moved, and Fayla Schwartz seconded to accept the Mayda bid, dated 4-23-2023, to install a Navian 200k BTU wall boiler for our pool at a cost of \$11,769.71 to be funded from Reserves. Passed – 5/0

**Motion 7.** Betsy Coddington moved and Pat Gulick seconded to establish a standing Cape George Colony Club Shoreline Protection Committee. Passed – 5/0

**Motion 8.** Fayla Schwartz moved, and John Dwyer seconded to grant two administrative and late fee waivers requested by members as presented at the May 22<sup>nd</sup> Study Session. Passed – 5/0

**Motion 9.** John Dwyer moved, and Bart Mooyman-Beck seconded to approve the Zoom Meeting protocol documents with a revision to remove “Do not wait to be called upon” from paragraph 4 regarding Trustees. Passed – 5/0

**Open Board Discussion:** none

**Announcements:**

Memorial Day Barbecue, Monday, May 29, 5:30 pm.

Granny’s Attic, Friday, June 9 – Saturday, June 10.

Marina Sale, Friday, June 16 – Saturday, June 17.

CPR and First Aid Class, Tuesday, June 20, 9 am – 12 pm. Clubhouse.



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**Adjournment:** Pat Gulick moved, and Fayla Schwartz seconded to adjourn the regular meeting at 3:34 pm.  
Passed -5/0

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

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**Pat Gulick, Secretary**

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**Jane Ludwig, President**

**CG Building and Roads Committee Minutes**

**May 12, 2020**

Members in attendance: George Martin, Jeff Cullum, Rich VanDeMark, David Baker, John Dwyer, Betsy Coddington

Agenda:

1. Maple Drive earthworks permit: Earthworks permit for a new concrete driveway was received. After discussion, there were no objections to the project. Earthworks permit was signed.
2. Huckleberry Drive Building Permit: A building permit was received for a shed on Huckleberry Drive. Setbacks were met. After discussion, there were no objections to the project. Building permit was signed.
3. Maple Drive Building Permit: A building permit was received for a shed on Maple Drive. Setbacks were met. After discussion, there were no objections. Building Permit was signed.
4. S Rhododendron Building Permit: A building permit was received for a greenhouse on S Rhododendron. Setbacks were met. After discussion, there were no objections to the project. Building Permit was signed.
5. Driveway connections were discussed on completed new builds. Two addresses on Hemlock will be sent a letter by the manager informing the owners that it was time to complete the driveway connections per the building codes. It was recommended that the manager send violation notices to property owners on Saddle Drive and Magnolia for failure to complete the driveway connections per Building Regulations.
6. Variance request for a height variance on San Juan. Discussion followed and it was recommended to send the variance back to the owner because all the proper documentation was not provided. In addition, we recommended the owner not proceed with the request because of the location and view issues that it would provoke with neighboring property owners. The committee would not recommend granting such a variance for that location.

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7. Discussed was initiated on driveway connections and parking strips with respect to the damage to the roadway edge. It is possible to make regulation changes in the future. Discussions will continue as we want to protect the road asset to the community.

8. Jeff Cullum presented an update on the solar heating project for the pool. A representative will be making a site visit the pool.

A committee member mentioned be approached by a new owner about putting in a HAM radio tower on his property. It would not be permitted under current building regulations and it was suggested that they make contact with the local HAM Operators Club that continues to meet at the Fire Station at Cape George.

**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MINUTES Tuesday, April 11, 2023, 9:15 am**

IN ATTENDANCE: Gina Webber, Pat Gulick, Marnie Levy, Lori Vandermark, Richard Vandermark, Jo Blair, Varn Brooks, Steve McDevitt, Bob Sullivan, Sue Dunning, Lori Cameron

I. CALL TO ORDER: Steve called the meeting to order at 9:20 am

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Varn moved, and Gina seconded that the minutes of the March 2022 meeting be approved as written, and the motion passed unanimously,

III. FISCAL REPORT: \$2218.45

IV. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Article Describing Environmental Committee. An article is being written by Chris Buzzard.

B. Rain Garden Work Party. Steve McDevitt reported that basic weeding and mulching is still needed. It would be nice to put a bench in a corner for meditation.

C. Ad Hoc Berm Committee. There has been progress on the fence and spreading of the sand on the berm. Currently, the picnic structure is being rebuilt and the electrical is being updated. When this is completed, the lawn can be seeded. This can be done with a week's notice. The berm will not need to be hydro seeded. After the sand is evenly distributed, the seed can be hand broadcasted. Varn Brooks will coordinate a work party on Saturday at 10:00 to spread the sand and work on the cross-over on the north end of the berm. This area needs to be smoothed out and piles cleaned up. Once some sort of erosion control fabric has been installed, this area can be replanted. Signs have been put up on the bulletin boards and an e-mail blast will go out to solicit volunteers for the work party. There have been reports of poison hemlock on the north end of the berm. Marnie will contact Peninsula Environmental to get us on

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their schedule.

D. Plaque for the bell. Richard Vandermark reported that the plaque is being manufactured now and there is no date yet for completion.

E. Memorial Park plaque restoration. We will move item to next month.

F. Update to volunteer list. An e-mail blast is being planned to ask for more volunteers.

G. Clubhouse Work Party. Patty Dunmire has made a request for permission to cut down some of the trees in front of the clubhouse. We normally don't remove trees in common areas. However, these are not natural trees. Nobody on the committee had any objections and Marnie will approve the request. Varn has volunteered to coordinate this project.

H. Actions by the Board. The Board has approved both the new fines schedule for tree cutting and the amended charter as proposed by the Environmental Committee.

I. Styrofoam recycling update. Jo Blair has written an article about styrofoam recycling that will appear in the May newsletter. This project has exceeded all expectations and they are now accepting all styrofoam, including the flexible type.

V. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Beach cleanup. The beach clean-up partnering with the Marine Science Center has been very successful in the past. This year we will again have one. It is scheduled for April 22 from 9:00-1:00. Steve McDevitt will set up the check-in table and Pat Gulick will man it.

B. Dr. George Kaminsky. Dr. George Kaminsky from the Washington Department of Ecology will give a talk on May 4 at Cape George in the late afternoon. He will address the future of our berm, including new restrictions and possible solutions to preserve our shoreline.

C. Cape George University. Jo Blair has a contact who could speak about the historic Skallam Villages around Discovery Bay. Since there are many conflicts at the clubhouse in June, the end of May could be a good time to do this.

D. Scotch Broom. We need to schedule a work party to remove the Scotch Broom along the road between the Colony and Village.

E. Future plans for the berm. There needs to be a committee created to monitor the berm and consider future plans. There is already evidence of erosion on the north end.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10.

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**Fitness Committee Meeting Minutes  
5/1/23**

Judith and Allan welcomed the group and thanked everyone's work for the Fitness Center (FC) while they were away. Special thanks to all who made the Fundraiser and Open House a success.

**1. Budget / Finances**

- Current balance: \$9163.88
- Fundraiser brought in \$4452 (compared to \$3255 last year)
- We have not yet been billed for equipment that has been serviced.
- Marnie has offered to work directly with Mark Wiper to urge him to supply us with the replacement costs and life span of our current equipment for use in the Reserve Study.
- Contribution from the Fabric Sale this weekend is pending. (Possibly around \$1,000.)
- Discussion about Reserve monies: The group voted to increase our request to the Board for a \$4,000 budget allotment every two years to assist in regard to replacement cost(s) of current equipment.

**2. Equipment**

- Mark Harder completed the repairs to L8 and bench press. We're all happy with the repairs.
- Waiting for a bid for on-going maintenance. Allan will follow up with Mark Harder. The cost would be the responsibility of Cape George and thus we would not have to use the Fitness Center fundraising monies.
- Problem with Recumbent Bicycle #2. "Do not use" is posted. Repair or replace? It was voted to assess if it can be fixed. Allan will follow-up finding someone to assess the recumbent bike issues. If not fixable, then it definitely needs to be replaced in order to maintain two functioning recumbent bikes, in addition to the upright bike.
- Discussion about what should be the next purchase with the fundraising monies:
  - 1) A second rowing machine? Robin will check the cost of a new rowing machine;
  - 2) 2) possibly a replacement recumbent bike? Phyllis will look into the cost of a new recumbent bike, in the event that the current bike is not repairable.
- Discussion about the newly donated bosu ball. Allan has inflated it and no problems with it thus far. The group appreciated the donation. - *Addendum*: Judith and Allan purchased a poster demonstrating exercises for the bosu ball. Soon to be posted in the FC.

**3. Supplies**

- Phyllis volunteered to replace Mardella, who has provided the Committee with a detailed job description. (Many thanks to Mardella for working tirelessly to keep the FC well supplied during her tenure. And thanks to

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Phyllis for taking on the task.)

- Marnie offered to have Donnie bring supplies to the FC when requested by Phyllis so that she would not have to transport them.

4. **Signs**

-Thank you to Phyllis and Marnie for the new sign on the right entry door, welcoming visitors to the FC. It does appear to have a surface blemish, that possibly occurred when installed. It was decided to replace it.

- It was discussed whether we need another outdoor sign over the Fitness Center left door that identifies it as Cape George Fitness Center. It was decided to order a new sign. Phyllis to follow-up with sign maker and bring information back to Judith & Allan.

- *Addendum:* Judith and Allan and Marnie have since worked with Phyllis to place the order for a new sign on the left entry door and replace the existing damaged sign on the right entry door.

5. **Telephone**

- Marnie reported that the phone problems (i.e. failure to allow outgoing calls) have been resolved.

6. **Suggestion Box**

The suggestions in the box were reviewed. The following were discussed:

- Positive grateful comments about the FC.

- Lid for the trash can outside the door: Marnie to follow up with Donnie.

- Moisture inside the window glass north of the door; repair needed. Marnie reported that a bid to replace the windows is cost prohibitive. Possibly could be in the budget for next year.

- A request for higher weights (45 lbs.). Decision: No need at this time.

- Cell phone use in the gym. It was decided no rule is needed. Users should be courteously encouraged to use their cells outside, unless it is an emergency.

- Request for window washing, no contract at this time. Marnie to follow-up.

Linda let the group know that Patty Dunmire washed the FC and pool windows on her own. A big thank you to Patty.

7. **New Committee members**

- Tom will ask his daughter-in-law if she would like to join the group.

- We are still looking for additional members and the Committee was encouraged to spread the word.

8. **Request**

- Kriss Edwards, Pool Committee Chair, has requested that we support the PC's May fundraiser by allowing them to put a flyer and envelopes in the FC.

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All agreed. Judith will inform Kriss of the group's decision.

9. **Additional concerns, suggestions, ideas**

- Discussion about the rule regarding the age of children who can use the FC. Currently children between the ages of 14-18 have to be accompanied by a parent and children under the age of 14 are not allowed to use the FC. A decision was made to stay with the current rule. According to Robin's research it is consistent with the other FCs in the area.

- Thank you for Jeannie Ramsey. The group agreed that we should send a note to Jeannie for all the work she put in organizing the fabric sale. Judith will send the note to Jeannie.

10. **Next meeting:** June 19, 2023, at 11am in the Clubhouse.

**Cape George Water Advisory Committee  
Meeting Report May 9, 2023**

The meeting was held at 4 PM May 9, 2023, in the clubhouse. Present: Cape George Manager Marnie Levy, prospective Committee member Mark Constanti, Carl Berger, Steve King, Stewart Pugh, Water Manager Jose Escalera, and Chair Marty Gilmore

The committee interviewed prospective member Mark Costanti and recommends that the Board approve him for committee membership.

The committee reviewed the Charter for the Water Advisory Committee and recommends one additional duty. (See attached)

We discussed emergency response at the tank farm in case of a major earthquake. The committee recommends that Cape George perform a live test of the emergency response as part of the annual Great Shakeout in October.

The Reserve Study is being drafted by the consultant and is not yet available for review.

Updates:

Adding booster pumps to the telemetry system: still waiting for vendor submittal and availability of an electrical contractor.

Dedicated sample points: vendor has quoted \$800 per point for installation. Material is on order.

Filter backwash control valves need to be rebuilt. Rebuild kits are on order and are expected next month.

The next scheduled meeting is scheduled for June 13, 2023, at 4 PM in the office conference room. (The clubhouse will be in use by Granny's Attic and the Marina)

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				<b>1</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Fabric Arts 9-3</b>	<b>2</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Pool Com BBQ</b>	<b>3</b>  <b>Clubhouse Reserved</b> <b>Ballou Open House</b> <b>All day</b>
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Be sure to return your ballots by noon  
Monday, July 10th

## Manager's Report

### Thank You!

☑ When Terri took a much-deserved vacation this month, I tried to keep up so her desk wasn't buried when she returned. Thanks to Betsy Coddington, Priscilla Cooper, Anne McFarland, and Marion Clair and their intuitive handling of the phone and walk-in customers we didn't have to call Terri all week! Thank you, ladies for your cheerful presence through the week.



☑ Thank you to the Emergency Preparedness Committee, Diona Smith, and the East Jefferson County Medics and Firemen, for the informative, educational, and potentially life-saving CPR and first aid class on June 20. The room was full, the information was practical, and every question the participants had was answered. It was awesome! Watch for another CPR and First Aid class in the fall!

**Board of Trustee and Bylaw change ballots are due in the office by noon on July 10. Please vote!**

### Granny's Attic and Marina Sale

Thank you to the volunteers who spent hundreds of hours collecting, staging, selling, and cleaning up after the two fundraising sales. Thanks to every person who purchased items at the sales! Granny's Attic made \$8,300. The Marina Sale made \$8,000. And if you missed out, there are some higher end items from the Social Committee and Marina Committee on eBay!

### Maintenance news

Tree removal: Ronan Tree Care removed trees on common property near Palmer and Cape George Road, 61 Hemlock, 111 Alder, removed Douglas fir, removed a failed willow top, and removed a Douglas fir snag. There are two locations where the proximity to electrical equipment will need to be addressed

by the PUD before the work can be completed.

Please note that property owners are responsible for removing and controlling Poison Hemlock (*Conium maculatum*), Giant Hogweed (*Heracleum mantegazzianum*), Scotch Broom (*Cytisus scoparius*), Tansy Ragwort (*Senecio jacobaea*) per Jefferson County Noxious Weed Control Board.

Empty lots shall have wild grasses and weeds mowed at least three times per year. -Once by Memorial Day, once in the summer, and once near Labor Day. Contact Terri, [office@capegeorge.org](mailto:office@capegeorge.org) if you own a vacant lot and want to have your lot mowed. The fee is \$90 per mowing.

**Committee Members Needed:**

Ad Hoc Technology Committee: This includes Web design, Internet Connectivity in the common areas and security.

Waterfront Monitoring and Protection: If you have an interest in the Cape George shoreline protection this committee is looking for additional members to help.

**Violations:** Violation, fine letters, and reminders have been sent to homeowners for hedge and landscape maintenance violations, and junk vehicle violations. Reminders have been sent to homeowners reminding them to install driveway connectors. Barking dog issues are being resolved.

Thank you for everything you do to help make Cape George Colony Club a great place to live!

*Marnie W. Levy,*

[manager@capegeorge.org](mailto:manager@capegeorge.org)

360-385-2208

**NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT – Jane Ludwig**

**The Year in Review**

The Annual Meeting of the Cape George Colony Club will be held on July 15<sup>th</sup> at 2pm via Zoom. It is at this meeting where we review the past year, announce newly elected Trustees and pass the torch on to our new Board.

In looking back over the year since our last annual meeting, I have reflected on the goals your Board has accomplished. Below is a list of just a few:

- Review and updating of many of our association procedures, rules & regulations, especially in the area of personnel/HR, finances, internal controls and oversight.

- In-depth review and analysis of our operating budget, resulting in a proposed change in our bylaws to ensure we may continue to meet our financial obligations.

- Completion of our Reserve Study in preparation for the 2024 budget recommendations.

- Increased communication with and from members through such means as the member survey, informational meetings regarding finances, and educational sessions such as HOA 101.

Another BIG shout out to all our volunteer committees who have accomplished too many improvements to

mention them all. Some of these include.

Completion of the berm restoration, pathways and signage.

Path reconstruction throughout our community.

Progress on the Village mailbox kiosk redesign.

Creation of a hiring process that was initiated with the search for a new General Manager.

Establishment of improved access and activities for small boats/kayaks.

The many social and fundraising events that help to create community and maintain & improve our facilities.

None of these accomplishments could have been possible without our General Manager, Marnie Levy. Marnie has worked diligently over her first year to learn about Cape George, manage our day-to-day operations, listen to member input and interact with the Board in a highly collaborative manner. Terri Brown, our Office Administrator, is an invaluable source of information, support and knowledge. Along with Donnie Weathersby, our Maintenance man and his assistant, Eric Kolbe, we are all very fortunate to have such a wonderful and dedicated team.

And of course, thank you to our supportive membership who participate, volunteer and strive to make Cape George a friendly, welcoming and positive community. What a great place to call home.

My personal thanks to the current Trustees for the collaborative and positive working relationship we experienced this last year. I am glad to have had the opportunity to serve Cape George Colony Club with you. I wish the next board continued success as they endeavor to serve the best interests of us all.

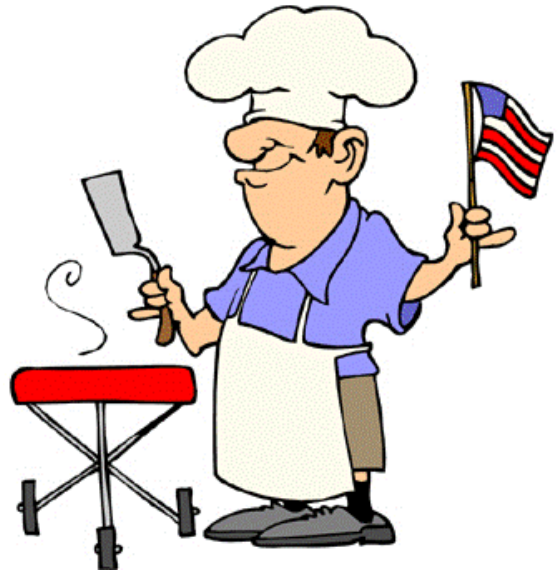
### **Cast Your Ballots by July 10th**

This is the time of year for you to cast your vote in the upcoming election. There are two items on the ballot:

Election of 3 members to the Board of Trustees

Proposed Change in Bylaw Article III B 1

**Mark Your Calendar**  
**Annual Meeting of Cape George Colony Club**  
**via Zoom**  
**2 pm - July 15<sup>th</sup>**



**POTLUCK BARBECUE**

**TUESDAY, JULY 4**

**Meet and Greet 5:30\***

**Grills Ready 6:00**

Celebrate our Nation's birthday with your friends and neighbors! Enjoy great food, games, and FUN!

**\*REMEMBER – NO FIREWORKS\***

BYOB and your own meat to grill and a side dish, salad, or dessert to share. To reduce waste and protect our environment, please bring your own dishes/utensils!



# **BAND ON THE BEACH**

**Cape George Community, family, & Friends are invited to a FREE Evening of Music, Song and Dance**

**Wednesday, July 12, 5:00-8:00 PM**

**On the Lawn North of the Clubhouse  
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**Questions – Call Robin 360-379-1344**

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## CAPE GEORGE COMMUNITY POOL FUNDRAISER

The pool fundraiser exceeded our expectations! Thank you for your generous donations to the community pool. We received over \$17,000 in donations from swimmers, non-swimmers, the Social Club, and the Fabric Sale. It was definitely a community effort. Thank you, Cape George!

Your donation funds will go towards the pool shell resurfacing, which will happen this fall, water activities and equipment, and upgrades to the operations of the pool.

Your Pool Committee



A huge THANK YOU!! to Ross Anderson, Patty Dunmire, Stan Russell , Kris Easterday and Jane Ludwig/ Board liaison for serving on the Nominating Committee this year. The team put in many hours recruiting members to serve as a Trustee on our Board and made lots of connections throughout our community. It takes a Colony, Village and Highlands to make Cape George a wonderful place to live!

Sincerely,

Dianne Tamblyn – Nominating Committee Chair



# SALMON BBQ

Sunday, July 23rd



JOIN US FOR THIS GREAT EVENT, THE  
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## THE LINCOLN HIGHWAY IS JULY BOOK



Amor Towles, author of the beloved “A Gentleman from Moscow” has written another delightful novel that takes place over an action-packed 10 days. Three 18-year-olds who met in a juvenile reformatory and one of their number’s brainy 8-year-old brother set out from Nebraska in the summer of 1954 in an old Studebaker in pursuit of a better future.

Towle’s latest hero is Emmett Watson who has been released a few months early from detention due to the death of his father, the foreclosure of the family farm and his responsibility for his brother Billy who has been being taken care of by a hard-working neighbor’s daughter in Emmet’s absence.

The first complication in the story happens almost immediately when, being dropped off by the juvenile facility’s warden, two fellow inmates have stowed away in the warden’s trunk and now there’s trouble! And now, amongst many twists and turns in ten remarkable days, the adventure begins! And get ready to fall in love with most of the richly drawn characters, except perhaps trouble-maker Duchess, and even he has his moments!

The book group will discuss this heartwarming novel at their Tuesday, July 18 meeting which is held at 1 pm in the Cape George Clubhouse. Everyone is invited to attend.

### This summer for Cape George Residents

*Experience a course to spark fun, inspiration, & creativity*

**Find Your Power Animal** — meditation, papier maché mask-making, with final sharing around an evening outdoor fire. July 11, 13, 18, 10 am (2 - 4 hours), July 20 - evening.

For more complete class information, and an application,  
email Carol Muzik at: [beachmuziks@gmail.com](mailto:beachmuziks@gmail.com)

A pdf will be emailed to you

All supplies provided - Class sizes are limited

## 3rd Quarter Assessments Due July 1st



## Cape George Acoustic Music Jam

Monday, July 24

7 pm - 9 pm

Come join us in the Clubhouse for an evening of music and song.

Bring your music stands

Question? Contact Carol Chandler at 402-981-0405

## RECYCLE YOUR STYROFOAM! HELP KEEP OUR WATERS, SHORELINES AND COUNTRYSIDE FREE OF PLASTICS

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We are now taking clean and dry, **white or black** polyethylene/LDPE-4 foam (it's flexible), as well as white, clean, and dry Styrofoam/EPS. They can be bagged together! We also take clean and white EPS food trays and the thin wrap that comes on cabinets and other furniture to protect the surface. Separate your packing peanuts into biodegradable (squishy), nonbiodegradable (crunchy).

**Contact Jo Blair who will deliver the materials to Fort Worden for you.**

**Call or text at 425-417-2164 to arrange a convenient drop-off time.**

## WE'LL KEEP HELPING ERNIE!

As many of you know, a few weeks ago our wonderful mail carrier of many years, Ernie Kron, was hit by a car while delivering mail in the Village. He was trapped between the vehicle and his own truck's tailgate and sustained crushing injuries. Cape George member Phyllis Ballough has set up a Go Fund Me account in his name and the fund has grown to over \$10,000. Our community has come through like champs! Ernie can now buy a cart to carry his mail trays and can hire the help of an assistant.

Of course, he still faces four to five months of healing— not only that, he can't get into his boat to go fishing — a serious loss for Ernie! We want him to have all the help, physical therapy and equipment he needs for a good long-term result. Ernie and his wife Toni are Contract Carriers, not employees of the Post Office, and can expect no compensation or benefits, also, as they are self- employed workers, there will be no Workman's Compensation from the State. The person who hit him is Uninsured. He does have his own vehicle insurance and has sought legal advice but as we all know these things are iffy and can take years. Ernie and his family need some help now.

The fund will remain open for donations. I think encouragement and good cheer help too. I know Ernie and Toni to be unusually conscientious folks who do an outstanding job, and keep up with vulnerable members of our community, as well as the basic coming and going needs of the rest of us. Please help make their lives easier through this rough patch with a donation: <https://gofund.me/1ba5c670> .

Thank you,

Ann Candioto



## Volunteers needed at Northwest Maritime Center

431 Water Street, Port Townsend, WA 98368

Below is the description and we would like folks to come forward immediately for training. The minimum age is 16 and the training takes about 2 hours. We are scheduling ad hoc trainings. Interested folks can contact me at 360-385-3628 ext 115 or [volunteer@nwmaritime.org](mailto:volunteer@nwmaritime.org)

### Ship Simulator Docent - Volunteer Role Description

Train with the best of them and run our Ship Simulator for the public!

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Tours will be held Saturdays, July 1st through September 2nd, every half hour starting at 12:00 pm with the last one starting at 3:30 pm.

#### Qualifications:

Comfortable with computers and technology, specifically Windows

Can happily engage with and respond to members of the public

Availability during Summer Saturdays

Love of the sea and NWMC

## Water & El Nino

The summer of 2023 brings warmer temperatures to not only the ocean but to land, especially here on the West Coast. Not only does the forecast indicate it will be warmer in our area but that rainfall will be minimal.

Given that El Nino has arrived, here are some steps you can take:

Lawn grows back, DON'T water it.

Water by hand or having a drip system is the preferred method of watering.

Watering your gardens should be done early am or just before dusk.

The reason NOT to water during the day when it is hot and dry is that the water truly is not reaching below the plants, as it is evaporating.

Plant drought tolerant plants.

Don't keep water running while brushing your teeth or washing dishes.

If it is number 1, DON'T flush.

REMEMBER, WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER. WATER IS THE MOST IMPORTANT COMMODITY NEXT TO AIR.

## Being Smoke Ready

In mid May, a seminar regarding how to deal with smoke was offered by ORCAA (Olympic Region Clean Air Agency).

As you are well aware during the last few summers & even this Spring we have experienced smoke from wildfires in Canada, WA, OR & California. And I am sure you agree it is NOT pleasant. What was shared at the seminar is how to be smoke ready. The information from the seminar follows.

Keep in mind that those most affected by smoke are: children, older adults, those with lung disease, heart disease and pregnant women.

Symptoms of smoke can take up to a week to appear. Typical responses are: eye, nose & throat irritation, cough, wheeze, shortness of breath, headaches & fatigue. It can also affect your mental health.

To combat these symptoms, you are encouraged to do the following:

Close up your house.

Select at least one room in which to provide clean air.

Acquire a portable air cleaner & make sure the cleaner DOES NOT EMIT OZONE.

Make sure you have several filters on hand as you may need to change the cleaner every few days or weeks.

You can do-it-yourself a box fan using the Rosenthal Box method. You can refer to the website [cleanaircrew.org](http://cleanaircrew.org) to learn how to make a proper one.

If you have an HVAC system find out if it has a fresh air intake. If it does, make sure to close it.

Should you have a window air conditioner make sure you know how to close the outdoor damper.

Don't forget that N95 respirators should be worn if possible.

Forecasters are predicting that wildfires will only increase, especially on the West Coast, and that by 2050 or SOONER there will be twice as many.

For further information, contact the following organizations:

[www.fire-airnow.gov](http://www.fire-airnow.gov)

Washington Smoke Blog

[WAsmoke.blogspot.com](http://WAsmoke.blogspot.com)

[www.ORCAA.org](http://www.ORCAA.org)



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## **Waterfront Festival**

Your Marina Committee invites you to sign up NOW!! at the Office for the August 12, 2023 Waterfront Festival! The Festival starts at 11 am. There is no charge , it is a gift from your Marina to thank you for all your support.

There will be fabulous activities for you all day!!!

You must also pick up your tickets now at the office for a special performance of Cape George's illustrious synchronized swimming team!!!

You won't want to miss this! Crowd size is limited at the Pool.

Look for more details in your August Newsletter.



Penny Jensen Harbormaster and your Marina Committee Volunteers

## **SHORELINE / WATERFRONT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

**Would you like to be a member of a new committee to help:**

1. Periodically document the condition of the Cape George Colony Club shoreline and waterfront assets?
2. Advise the Board of changes taking place on the waterfront and what options might be considered?

This standing committee will draft a committee charter to be approved by the Board of Trustees and advise and assist in managing the Cape George waterfront in a manner approved by the Board and membership.

Please send your name and contact information to Marnie Levy

[manager@capegeorge.org](mailto:manager@capegeorge.org)



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## Rule Under Review

*At the June Board Meeting, the Trustees directed the office to publish the proposed changes to Cape George rule PP01 Livestock & Pets for member comment. The following excerpts are the proposed changes and/ or additions. Members wishing to provide comment should do so in writing to the office by Thursday, July 20th or attend the Study Session on Monday, July 24th*

### Currently reads:

5. When dogs are off the owner's property, they shall be on a leash at all times, EXCEPT FOR THAT area at the bottom of Marine Drive (north of the clubhouse to the south end of the marina) where they can be exercised off leash and under voice control. Owner must always be within strict line-of-sight of dog. When other members are in the specific area north of the clubhouse for different activities, (such as picnics or to use the playground) then dog owners must ask them first if it is alright to have the dog(s) off-leash.

### Proposed change:

5. When dogs are off the owner's property, they shall be on a leash at all times, EXCEPT FOR THAT area at the bottom of Marine Drive (north of the clubhouse to the south end of the marina) AND between 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. at Memorial Park, where they can be exercised off leash and under voice control. Owner must always be within strict line-of-sight of dog. When other members are in these areas for specific activities, (such as a memorial service, picnics or to use the playground) then dog owners must ask them first if it is alright to have the dog(s) off-leash.

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**Following the Study Session on June 26, 2023, an Executive Session was called to order by President Jane Ludwig at 4:40 pm to discuss violations and a vendor contract.**

**In Attendance:** Jane Ludwig, Fayla Schwartz, Pat Gulick, Betsy Coddington, Bart Mooyman-Beck, Mike Heckinger, John Dwyer.

**Adjournment:** It was moved by Pat Gulick and seconded by Bart Mooyman-Beck to adjourn the executive session at 5:31 pm. Passed -6/0

**Motion #1:** It was moved by Bart Mooyman-Beck and seconded by Betsy Coddington to accept the resignation of our Water Systems Manager, Jose Escalera, effective July 30, 2023. Passed- 6/0

**Adjournment:** The Study Session was adjourned at 5:34 pm. Passed – 6/0

**The Board Meeting was called to order by President, Jane Ludwig at 3:02 pm**

**In Attendance:** Jane Ludwig, Fayla Schwartz, Pat Gulick, Betsy Coddington, Bart Mooyman-Beck, and Mike Heckinger. Absent: John Dwyer

**Action on Minutes:** Pat Gulick moved, and Mike Heckinger seconded to approve the minutes of the regular Board Meeting dated May 25, 2023. Passed – 5/0

Pat Gulick moved, and Mike Heckinger seconded to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held June 14, 2023. Passed – 5/0

**Manager's Report: June 2023 see front page**

**Treasurer's Report – Fayla Schwartz**

**COMMENTS ON MAY 2023 FINANCIALS**

A summarized comparative balance sheet and a condensed statement of revenues and expenses are included on the next page. Detailed statements are available on the Cape George website. Detailed statements as well as additional monthly financial material are also available for review in the office upon request.

**Balance Sheet**

All bank statements have been received, reconciled, and reviewed.

We hope to have final adjustments from the audit completed in June, which will align Reserve activities to

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current balances since the current year Reserves contains 2022 as well. Once made, the balance sheet will reflect the true balances in each fund, adjusting for interest earnings, assessment income and project expenses from 2022.

Balance Sheet reconciliation continues as minor discrepancies resulting from AR activity are corrected. Processes are being developed to ensure ongoing accuracy. The discrepancies are not material (a few hundred dollars) but the process needs to be fixed so these errors don't recur.

**Income Statement**

**A) General Operations:**

We continue to monitor expenses carefully, as we are underfunded for activities required to maintain normal operations.

We continue to rely on the excess net income acquired by reduced salary costs in 2023 to cover over-expenditures, but that's a limited overage that won't last.

Janitorial will continue to be over budget as we've had to effect an increase in service level to make up for the cleaning that used to be performed by a former employee. This was not anticipated and therefore not budgeted but is in part made up by the salary shortage.

**B) Water Operations**

There are some invoices that were not processed in time so will be catching up in June (in Contract Services), but the performance is still ahead of budget owing to the salary savings as well as the elevated expense budget for supplies that has not yet been spent.

**C) Marina Operations**

Marina is so far performing to budget overall, however Repairs expenses exceed budget and bears watching. The Marina Committee is examining new boat storage options which may result in additional revenue to support Marina Operations.

TREASURER'S REPORT								
As of MAY 31, 2023 CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB								
<i>Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2023 and 2022 - Preliminary Subject to Audit</i>								
Assets	2023	2022		Liabilities and Fund Balances	2023	2022		
Cash and Cash Equivalents:				Current Liabilities:				
Operations Checking & Petty Cash	\$ 290,783	\$ 296,511	-2%	Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$ 9,699	\$ 85,008	-89%	
Operating Savings & ICS	250,497	197,409	27%	Prepaid Income	37,106	42,190	-12%	
Reserves - General, Water & Marina	1,432,283	1,237,598	16%	Unearned Income, Marina Wait List	4,750	900	428%	
Total Cash & Equivalents	1,973,562	1,731,518	14%	Total Current Liabilities	51,555	128,098	-60%	
Net Accounts Receivable	\$ 5,901	\$ 8,624	-32%	<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>				
Total Net Fixed Assets	1,621,385	1,669,384	-3%	Fund Balances & Equity (Combined)	3,377,742	3,167,716	7%	
Total Prepaid & Other Assets	7,533	6,757	11%	Modified Cash Basis Income	179,105	120,469	49%	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$3,608,383</b>	<b>\$3,416,283</b>	6%	<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$3,608,403</b>	<b>\$ 3,416,283</b>	6%	

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*Summary Revenue and Expense Statements for the periods ended May 31, 2023 and 2022 (Modified cash basis, excludes depreciation)*

*Preliminary Subject to Audit*

2023 Year to Date - Unaudited					Comparative - Unaudited				
	Actual	Budget	Variance	%		2023 YTD	2022 YTD**	Variance	%
<b>General</b>					<b>General</b>				
General Assessment	\$ 172,756	\$ 172,760	(4)	0%	General Assessment	\$ 172,756	\$ 135,237	\$ 37,519	28%
Revenue - All Other Sources	6,676	5,630	1,045	19%	Revenue - All Other Sources	6,676	8,442	(1,766)	-21%
Total General Revenue	179,431	178,390	1,041		Total General Revenue	179,431	143,679	35,752	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	51,596	63,804	12,208	19%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	51,596	42,402	(9,194)	-22%
Repairs & Maintenance	13,543	6,479	(7,064)	-109%	Repairs & Maintenance	13,543	8,214	(5,329)	-65%
Contracted Services	25,004	30,046	5,042	17%	Contracted Services	25,004	36,427	11,423	31%
Pool Expense & Utilities	10,579	13,475	2,896	21%	Pool Expense & Utilities	10,579	10,429	(150)	-1%
Utilities & Insurance	15,632	16,065	433	3%	Utilities & Insurance	15,632	14,142	(1,490)	-11%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	9,229	11,965	2,736	23%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	9,229	15,216	5,987	39%
Total General Expenses	125,584	141,834	16,251		Total General Expenses	125,584	126,830	(3,100)	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 53,848</b>	<b>\$ 36,556</b>	<b>\$ 17,291</b>	-47%	<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 53,848</b>	<b>\$ 16,849</b>	<b>\$ 36,999</b>	>-100%
<b>Water</b>					<b>Water</b>				
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 114,752	\$ 115,738	\$ (986)	-1%	Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 114,752	\$ 88,538	\$ 26,214	30%
Revenue - All Other Sources	2,787	6,000	(3,214)	-54%	Revenue - All Other Sources	2,787	6,540	(3,754)	-57%
Total Water Revenue	117,539	121,738	(4,200)		Total Water Revenue	117,539	95,078	22,461	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	25,788	31,902	6,114	19%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	25,788	23,451	(2,337)	-10%
Repairs & Maintenance	520	2,521	2,001	79%	Repairs & Maintenance	520	-	(520)	#DIV/0!
Contracted Services	10,114	14,973	4,859	32%	Contracted Services	10,114	11,159	1,045	9%
Utilities & Insurance	10,904	12,785	1,880	15%	Utilities & Insurance	10,904	9,099	(1,805)	-20%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	9,105	13,174	4,069	31%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	9,105	10,800	1,695	16%
Total Water Expenses	56,431	75,355	18,924		Total Water Expenses	56,431	54,509	(1,922)	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 61,107</b>	<b>\$ 46,383</b>	<b>\$ 14,725</b>	32%	<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 61,107</b>	<b>\$ 40,569</b>	<b>\$ 20,538</b>	51%
<b>Marina</b>					<b>Marina</b>				
Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 75,264	\$ 74,489	\$ 775	1%	Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 75,264	\$ 73,293	\$ 1,971	3%
Revenue - All Other Sources	16,172	17,798	(1,626)	-9%	Revenue - All Other Sources	16,172	16,690	(518)	-3%
Total Marina Revenue	91,436	92,287	(851)		Total Marina Revenue	91,436	89,983	1,453	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	8,824	10,634	1,810	17%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	8,824	7,844	(980)	-12%
Repairs & Maintenance	4,001	2,958	(1,042)	-35%	Repairs & Maintenance	4,001	4,973	972	0%
Contracted Services	2,977	4,636	1,659	36%	Contracted Services	2,977	4,322	1,345	31%
Utilities & Insurance	9,190	9,190	-	0%	Utilities & Insurance	9,190	8,344	(846)	-10%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	2,228	1,330	(897)	-67%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	2,228	1,275	(953)	-75%
Total Marina Expenses	27,219	28,748	1,529		Total Marina Expenses	27,219	26,758	(461)	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 64,217</b>	<b>\$ 63,539</b>	<b>\$ 678</b>	1%	<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 64,217</b>	<b>\$ 63,225</b>	<b>\$ 992</b>	2%
<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 179,172</b>	<b>\$ 146,478</b>	<b>\$ 32,694</b>	22%	<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 179,172</b>	<b>\$ 120,643</b>	<b>\$ 58,529</b>	49%
<b>Reserve Activity</b>					<b>**Reserve Activity</b>				
Routine Reserve Assessment	99,962	99,962	-	0%	Routine Reserve Revenue	99,962	80,079	(19,883)	25%
Reserve Interest - all **	-	1,048	(1,048)	-100%	Reserve Interest - all	-	-	-	>100%
Less: Reserve Offset***	(99,962)	(99,962)	-		Less: Reserve Offset	(99,962)	(80,079)	19,883	
<b>Net Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,048</b>	<b>\$ (1,048)</b>	-100%	<b>Gross Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	#DIV/0!

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**New Members: Welcome**

Matthew Anderson & Maria McGuire purchased 341 Colman from Robert & Kim Foster

Mark Fuller inherited 381 Sunset Blvd from Laurel Fuller

Paul & Annie Bezilla purchased 70 Quinault from Carol Wood and Judy Dahl

**Information items or documents submitted to the Trustees at Study Session**

Vice President John Dwyer will step down from the Board of Trustees, effective July 13, 2023.

**Motion 1:** Fayla Schwartz moved, and Betsy Coddington seconded, to accept John Dwyer's resignation effective July 13, 2023. Passed – 5/0

Board vacancy. Ray Pierson has volunteered to fill John Dwyer's remaining one-year term on the Board.

**Motion 2:** Mike Heckinger moved, and Pat Gulick seconded to approve Ray Pierson's appointment to the Board of Trustees effective July 14, 2023. Passed – 5/0

**Committee Reports:** The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Building and Roads, Environmental and Water. The reports are attached and incorporated by reference.

**Member participation:** none

**New Business Action Items:**

**Motion 3.** – Betsy Coddington moved and Pat Gulick seconded to publish the proposal to amend Section 5, Livestock & Pets Rules and Regulations in the July newsletter for member comment in advance of July trustee meeting vote. Passed – 5/0

Trustee John Dwyer joined the meeting.

**Motion 4.** Part A: Mike Heckinger moved, and Fayla Schwartz seconded to approve the Marina Committee proposal to build a floating kayak rack and that members be charged an annual fee of \$200 for a space on that rack. Passed – 5/1

Part B of motion 4 has been withdrawn - Mike Heckinger

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**Motion 5.** John Dwyer moved, and Bart Mooyman-Beck seconded to accept the Building Committee’s action of no culvert necessary on 91 San Juan due to the lack of a ditch to run the culvert into. Passed – 6/0

**Motion 6.** Pat Gulick moved , and Betsy Coddington seconded to close the Cape George office on Monday, July 3, 2023 in addition to Tuesday, the July 4<sup>th</sup> National Holiday. Passed – 6/0

**Motion 7.** Fayla Schwartz moved, and John Dwyer seconded to accept the 2022 Audit (with revised Internal Control report) submitted by Newman, CPA in June 2023. Passed – 6/0

**Motion 8.** Betsy Coddington moved, and Bart Mooyman-Beck seconded to approve the construction bid of \$24,178. recommended by the Building Committee for the Village Kiosk. Passed -6/0

**Open Board Discussion:** Results of the Executive Session held on June 26, 2023 will be incorporated into todays minutes.

**Announcements:**

July 4, 2023 – the office will be closed in observance of the National holiday.

5:30 p.m., Tuesday, July 4 – Meet and Greet followed by the Barbecue at the Clubhouse, sponsored by the Social Club.

5:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 12 – Band on the Beach: Badd Dog Blues Band, sponsored by the Social Club.

12:00 p.m., Monday, July 10 – Deadline to submit Trustee and Bylaw change ballots to the office.

2:00 p.m. Saturday, July 15 – 2023 Cape George Colony Club Annual Membership Meeting, via Zoom Meeting.

A Special Meeting of the 2023-2024 Board of Trustees will be held immediately following the Annual Meeting.

2:00 p.m., Sunday, July 23, Salmon Barbecue, sponsored by the Workshop Committee.

**Adjournment:** Mike Heckinger moved, and Fayla Schwartz seconded to adjourn the regular meeting at 3:54 pm. Passed -6/0

**Submitted by:**  
Pat Gulick, Secretary

**Approved by:**  
Jane Ludwig, President



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**CG Building and Roads Committee Minutes**

**June 09, 2023**

Members in attendance: George Martin, Mike Hinojos, Jeff Cullum, Rich VanDeMark, David Baker, John Dwyer, Betsy Coddington, Bob Holtz

Also Attending: Marnie Levy, Cape George Manager

Marnie reported to the committee that there were two violation notices going out to members that failed to install driveway pads within the time limits specified in the regulations. In addition, two letters will be going out to members on completed build that it is time to install the driveway pads per the regulations.

1. Discussed a letter from a member concerning a possible new build on San Juan. The member was wanting relief from the culvert drain pipe typically installed under the driveway pad. The member pointed out the lack of a culvert on a section of flat lots on San Juan. George Martin made a site visit and presented picture to the committee of the lot and adjacent properties which lacked a culvert pipe under the driveway pad. It was agreed that the language of the regulations (5.2 B&P Regulations) provided for relief from the culvert pipe in situations where there is no culvert. The committee will correspond with the member and the Board Liaisons will present the request to the board for approval.
2. Discussed the lack of expiration dates on permits. In effect, permits can go on in perpetuity. The Board Liaisons will present to the board our recommendation that all permits expire one (1) year from the date of issue. When permits expire, members may request a new permit or extension of the current permit. There is not cost to members for Cape George Building Permits.
3. George Martin reported that all properties that were purchased from January 1, 2023 thru March 18, 2023 had driveway connections on all of the developed lots. The next report will be at the August meeting.
4. Bob Holtz brought to the committee's attention the condition of sever culverts in Cape George. There is debris and growth that is preventing the free flow that the culverts need. Discussion ensued as to who has the responsibility for cleaning and maintaining. It was the general consensus that Cape George was responsible and future budgets should reflect the need and possibly putting the culverts in the Reserve Study. The committee will do a visual inspection of the culverts to be completed in September, with a spreadsheet developed showing areas of concern.

The committee approved NOT meeting in July, communicating via email for routine permit applications, and meeting in person only if necessary.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, May 9, 2023, 9:15 am**  
Online on Zoom

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Varn Brooks, Diane Boushek, Chris Buzzard, Pat Gulick, Anne Jimenez, Marnie Levy, Steve McDevitt, Ruth Ross, Bob Sullivan, Lori VanDeMark

**I. CALL TO ORDER:** Chris Buzzard called the meeting to order at 9:15

**II. APPROVAL OF APRIL MINUTES:** Varn Brooks moved and Ruth seconded that the minutes from the April meeting be approved as submitted, and the motion passed unanimously. Ruth thanked Pat Gulick for taking the minutes in her absence.

**III. FISCAL REPORT** \$2218.45

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**Kaminsky Presentation:** Steve reported that the slide lecture was well attended and very informative. Ruth noted that she has a recording available to share. A thank you needs to be sent to Dr. Kaminsky. The Berm Committee will follow-up re opportunities for grants etc per email correspondence between Maureen Gustafson and Dr. Kaminsky.

**Environmental Shelf for Clubhouse Library:** Dianne Tamblyn and Tom Ramsay need to know how much space will be needed at the clubhouse library. Steve and Varn will send recommendations to Ruth, who will add her own ideas and prepare a list to go to Fayla Schwartz for suggestions.

**New steps down to Marina Drive:** Chuck Hommel submitted the attached report concerning their progress. They hope to finish the project next spring. Ruth moved and Steve seconded that the committee again pay for pizza for the team when they have a gathering at the Pour House in the summer. The motion passed unanimously.

**Steve King:** the committee would like to invite our new CG member Steve King, who is the Public Works Director for Port Townsend, to speak on the PT sea level rise project. As Steve is currently working on his house, it was decided to wait until he has finished before approaching him to set a date.

**Intertidal Monitoring:** Ruth reminded everyone that the annual Cape George Intertidal Survey will take place on June 7. She will handle getting the parking passes for the volunteers from the Port Townsend Marine Science Center. She noted that anyone who is interested in helping should contact her and she will put them in touch with the coordinator.

**Pool Fundraiser:** the committee was reminded about the ongoing fundraiser for the Cape George pool.

**V. OLD BUSINESS**

**Newsletter Article.** An article on the environmental committee is scheduled to appear in the June CG newsletter. It will describe what the committee does and encourage community

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members to attend a meeting to find out more about the committee and also to consider volunteering to help with the maintenance of common areas.

**Rain Garden:** Steve McDevitt asked for volunteers for a work party later in the week to weed and mulch. Several members volunteered to help.

**Berm Committee:** A work party is scheduled for May 13 to reseed the berm with dune grass seed.

**Styrofoam Recycling:** A report from Jo Blair about the successful styrofoam recycling program is attached.

**Plaque for the bell:** Richard VanDeMark reported that the plaque has still not been finished.

**Memorial Park plaque/restoration:** The committee discussed possible options for restoring the plaque. Chris will call Jack Scherting and Richard VanDeMark to discuss.

**Volunteer list:** Ruth Ross will send the volunteer list to Lori Cameron so that she can reach out to see if those listed are still performing the tasks. Once we have an updated list, we will have it posted in the newsletter so people can see the openings.

**April 22 Beach Clean-up:** Steve reported that 22 people participated and 186 lbs of trash were collected, plus some additional larger items. He thanked Pat Gulick for serving as the coordinator in the morning when he was not available.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 am

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Ross  
Secretary  
Cape George Environmental Committee

**Report on Marina Drive Trail Work - 4/28/23 Chuck Hommel**

Here is a summary of work done on the Marina Drive trail, spring 2023. We have finished work for this spring and will resume next spring. (It is possible we will work some more over the spring and summer, but no promises.)

We have finished about half the project. We have a great crew of volunteers, who are:

Tom Cawrse  
Patty Dunmire  
Bernt Ericson  
Brian Etscheid  
Chuck Hommel  
Rick Kelley  
Peter Niles

Others who have helped with support and materials are Steve King, Penny Jensen, and Donnie Weathersby.

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We have put in more than 135 volunteer hours. Materials have cost \$1107. We have some materials left over that we will use when we resume the project.

We will not be installing more steps this spring, but Peter Niles will probably be working more on the handrails. He will have some expenses that should be reimbursed.

If you have any questions, please let me know. And take a walk on the trail.

**Styrofoam Recycling**  
**Report from Jo Blair May 7, 2023**  
[Barbarajoblair@gmail.com](mailto:Barbarajoblair@gmail.com)  
425-417-2164

Cape George contributed a completely full giant yellow bag of EPS (foam food containers) and miscellaneous food trays, peanuts and other items to the load that left PT last week. Keep it coming! If you are remodeling, contact me right away for a drop off so you won't have piles of styrofoam underfoot. For more details, see Paulette Lyle's email below.

Alexandra Peck Phd's talk on Native villages on Discovery Bay has not been confirmed for the Chautauqua Congress at Fort Worden on May 21 yet, so in my opinion, we don't have time to schedule a talk at Cape George. If she talks about Cape George and it seems of interest to the general public, perhaps we can host a presentation next fall. TBD.

Warmest Regards, Jo

**From:** Paulette Lyle  
**Subject:** Styro transfer last Friday and next collection (May 20)  
**Date:** May 7, 2023 at 11:27:03 AM PDT

It was a smooth (albeit rainy) transfer on Friday! Thanks to Carol Brannan, Kurt Guth, Polly Lyle, Terry Lyle, Vicki Mansfield, OlyCAP employees Bob and Yuri, and Northwest Harvest driver Chuck. Thanks to Michael for the graphics below.

In addition to 31 bags of EPS and 4 outboard motor cases, we sent a giant bag of packing peanuts, 2 bags of LDPE, and 3 bags of EPS food containers. All of this material will be recycled, meaning that less virgin plastic/less oil/fracked gas will be used to make polystyrene and polyethylene products. PLUS less EPS and LDPE in landfills, on roadsides, and in waterways. Whoo hoo!!!

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Our next collection event is at the Fort on Saturday, May 20. We only have 3-4 worker bees signed up (Carol Brannan, Vicki Mansfield, Hugh Musser, and maybe Jude Minzel), so please let me know if you can help out. We'll need you! Saturday, May 20, 9:45-12:15, Fort Worden Battery Putnam.

THANKS!  
Polly

**Cape George Water Advisory Committee  
Meeting Report June 13, 2023**

The meeting was held at 4 PM June 13, 2023, in the office. Present: Cape George Manager Marnie Levy, Water Manager Jose Escalera, Board Liaison Bart Mooyman-Beck, Thad Bickling, Mark Costanti, and Chair Marty Gilmore

A draft of the Reserve study has been received and comments have been sent back to Reserve Consultants Ltd. The Reserve Study draft is not yet ready for release and review by the Water Committee.

New employee Eric needs to be trained to perform some of the activities at the tank farm. Training and Eric's work activities must be overseen by Jose as the licensed Water Manager. Jose and Marnie will develop a proposal for the cost of Jose's extra time for supervising Eric's training and work.

Jose is developing options for the anticipated replacement of all water meters in 2024. Funds for meter replacement are included in the Reserve Study plan for 2024 but there are a few options for how the work will be performed.

Jose will complete the annual Consumer Confidence Report this month.

The Washington State Department of Ecology has a new requirement that water piping to every home be surveyed to ensure there is no lead or galvanized piping in the Cape George water system. This will require that piping be surveyed on both the Cape George side of the water meter and on the homeowner's side of the meter. Preliminary discussions are underway regarding timing and methods for this survey.

Several cost items are coming up and money is not included in the operating budget for these items. New costs described above include training for a new employee and the required survey of each home for lead and galvanized water piping. These unbudgeted costs cannot be avoided and should be covered by increasing the Cape George water rates. A proposal will be developed for a water rate increase and the proposal will be discussed at the July committee meeting.

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Updates:

Adding booster pumps to the telemetry system. DD Electrical will be on site this month to run conduit and wiring to tie in the booster pumps.

Dedicated sample points: vendor has quoted \$800 per point for installation. Material is on order but has been delayed.

Filter backwash control valves need to be rebuilt. Rebuild kits are on order and have also been delayed.

Water report for May 2023: The number of leaks is increasing; many repeats and many homeowners are difficult to contact.

39 leaks, some quite serious, one user 4752 gpd. over 2 meters.  
18 of them had leaks previous month (April)  
Most seem to be turning on summer irrigation.

82 connections less than 30 gpd. about 5% households are vacant or part time.

Average usage is 161 gallons / day. last year 97 gpd  
total daily average is 89584 gallons. last year 53329 gallons daily.

There is an ongoing issue of an inability to contact some homeowners in case of water leaks. This inability seems to be caused by wrong or out-of-date contact information that is not corrected by the homeowner. Because of the inability to contact homeowners, water is wasted and in some cases property can be at risk. **The committee recommends** that the Board take action to ensure that Cape George has accurate contact information for every homeowner to allow them to be contacted in case of water leaks or other trouble.

The next scheduled meeting is scheduled for July 11, 2023, at 4 PM in the clubhouse.

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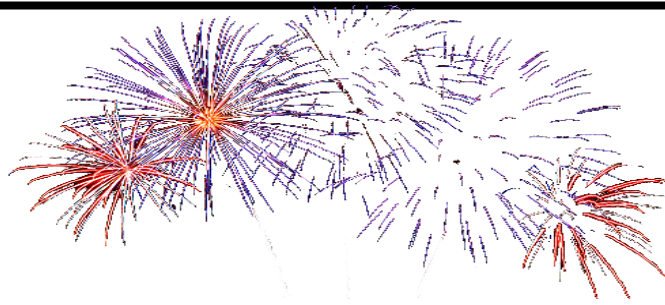
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# Cape George 2023 Calendar

# July

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2	3 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Office Closed</b>	4 <b>4th of July BBQ</b>  <b>Open swim all day</b>	5 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swim 2p  <b>Wed. Winer's 3-5p</b>	6 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Fabric Arts 9-3</b>	7 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p	8
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## **Two Thank Yous!**

My humble thank you to the outgoing Board of Trustees. The time and energy expended by that group of Trustees was remarkable. They were positive, respectful, engaged, diligent, open, and genuinely concerned about every member, every problem, every issue that had an impact on the community.

Many thanks to the new Board of Trustees for jumping into the mix as existing Board Members, veteran board members, and brand-new Board Members. This Board will face a different set of challenges, at a different moment in time, with a different perspective. I look forward to the new dynamic and am excited to work with these individuals who bring such a high-level mix of skills and talents to the table.

## **Ballot Results**

The Cape George Annual Meeting was held last Saturday. The results of the Board of Trustees election and the vote on the proposed change to Bylaw Article III B 1 were announced. The bylaw change passed with 187 votes in favor of increasing the assessment for general operations to a maximum of eight percent above the actual assessment of the previous year. There were 91 no votes.

Welcome to the new trustees Nancy Charpentier and Steve McFarland. Thank you to Mike Heckinger who was appointed to the board to fill a position last year and was elected to the Board in the July election. Ray Pierson, a BOT veteran was appointed to the Board to fill John Dwyer's remaining year when he stepped down from the Board.

The Nominating and Election Committees managed the nominating and election process transparently and seamlessly. Thank you for your diligence and efforts!

## **Summer Fun!**

The Salmon BBQ, sponsored by the workshop committee and many volunteers. The tickets sold out early in the week before the BBQ! Thank you to all of the volunteers and food brought by members!

We look forward to the Waterfront Festival on Saturday, August 12, sponsored by the Marina Committee!

## **Maintenance News**

A Jefferson County Burn Ban is in effect. For details: <https://www.co.jefferson.wa.us/DocumentCenter/View/16709/2023-Declaration-of-Burn-Ban---final>



Jefferson County Health Department inspected the pool for the first time since Covid ended. The water quality test results were excellent. There are two building violations that will be resolved in the next week. And one handrail required tightening. Bravo to Donnie for his daily attention to the pool facility.

Pool Notice: The pool will be closed for a few weeks in October for resurfacing and the installation of a new boiler, which will cut down on the cold-weather maintenance issues of the last few years. Both projects are approved reserve maintenance projects and will be paid for from the reserve account and through pool committee's most excellent fundraising efforts.

Eric and Donnie are mowing the last bits of grass and weeds in the common areas and culverts. Landscape clean-up in the Highlands is ongoing.

The Fitness Room doors were painted, and the new Welcome and Rules signs are beautifully mounted. Thank you, Donnie and Eric!

A member who is a retired professional plumber fixed the dish sanitizer in the Clubhouse! Thank you George!

**Violations:** Violations for illegal parking, noise in neighbor-to-neighbor situations, driveway apron building violations, un-mowed lot warnings and hedge violations have been issued this month. Several of the violations have been removed when members met regulations and/or worked issues through with neighbors.

Thank you for everything you do to help make Cape George Colony Club a great place to live!

Marnie W. Levy,  
[manager@capegeorge.org](mailto:manager@capegeorge.org)  
360-385-2208



## **NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Before saying anything else, I'd like to thank both Jane Ludwig, former President, and Fayla Schwartz, former Treasurer, for their amazing leadership this past year. The year was filled with many accomplishments and strong leadership. I hope this coming year will continue that forward trajectory.

As we say goodbye and thank you to Jane and Fayla, we welcome Nancy Charpentier, Steve McFarland, Mike Heckinger and Ray Pierson to the board. Ray is filling the final year of John Dwyer's three-year term and will also replace John as liaison to the Building and Roads Committee. Nancy is replacing Fayla as Treasurer and will be serving a full 3-year term.

As always, there is much work to be done. Cape George's amazing volunteers will continue the work of our numerous committees and the Board will continue to meet its fiduciary responsibilities to the community. Over the past couple of years, the board has by necessity served largely in a reactive role and I'm hoping to push us into a more proactive role by starting a strategic planning process.

During the next month, I will be creating an ad hoc strategic planning committee with a combined membership of board and community members. While we have the reserve study with its important components (water, marina and general operations) as part of a strategic plan, there are some additional components CG should be considering. Some of the questions I, and others, have raised include:

Structures - what are the options for the firehouse in 2025 when the current lease it up? When and how will we repair the barn? In the face of climate change, what should we be thinking about regarding the marina and club house?

Water - should we have a water conservation plan, particularly in the summer months when households often exceed their monthly water limit? Do we have a water emergency plan in place should we need to implement one? What's the best management/operations plan for the CG water system?

Safety - Do we have an updated list of phone numbers for all members should we need to contact them in an emergency? Do we need additional cameras beyond the mailbox areas? Are there other safety concerns?

Finances - Have we reviewed our policies and procedures recently to ensure we are "audit proof"? Can we implement efficiencies to either save time for our employees or money for our coffers?

Covenants/Rules & Regs - should we be reviewing and updating these on a regular basis?

Personnel - do we need to review the current needs of running CG versus the level of current personnel? If we could add personnel, what positions would best meet the needs of CG?

Marina - how can we make the marina more cost effective? How do we fund upcoming costly maintenance, repair and replacement?

Reserves - how can we work to meet the baseline reserve study recommendations in a fiscally responsible yet member friendly way?

There are many more questions we can raise and issues which could be listed—this is just a sampling of things that have come up this past year among members.

I don't expect we'll answer all of these questions in just a year but I hope we can at least create a framework from which future boards can work to answer them. If we can do this, we will have achieved a lot. As always, we'll need your support as well as your valuable input as we work together to continue to protect and enhance the wonderful CG community we all care about. I look forward to serving as your president and to working with all of you.

Betsy Coddington

The Workshop Committee would like to send a big THANK YOU to all of the volunteers who made the Salmon BBQ a success this year! Setup and prep, cooking and cleaning, tickets and music, tending and tidying and more, you were a big help and it couldn't have been done without you!

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AUGUST 12, 2023

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11 AM - Join in for doughnuts, coffee, and juice at the dedication of the new Marina Crab Shack!!

11 AM - Games for all by the Clubhouse! Win great prizes and have a fun time - it's going to be fabulous!

12:00 PM - Wanna race? Join in at the Clubhouse for the Skippers Meeting prior to the start of the illustrious Cape George Regatta!

1:00 PM - Sailing Regatta Begins

1:20 PM - The one and only Cape George Synchronized Swim team, the Aqualillies, have their premier performance at the pool. You won't want to miss this!!

1:30 PM - Another Aqualillies performance!

2:00 PM - Kayak Poker Race. Join in for this incredible race!

3:00 PM - All animals welcome to the Cape George Pet Beauty Pageant, where no one is a loser!

4:00 to 8:00 PM - Let's groove with Tom Cox, a 1 man band....dance and get your groove on!

4:40 PM - Regatta Results Celebration

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## CAPE GEORGE COMMUNITY POOL

It's definitely swimming season and the pool is busy! Please be sure to share the pool during open swim hours, all are welcome during these times. We also offer specific lap swim only times Monday through Friday, as well as our most popular water aerobics class that is offered three times a week. Please check the monthly calendar for specific days and times.

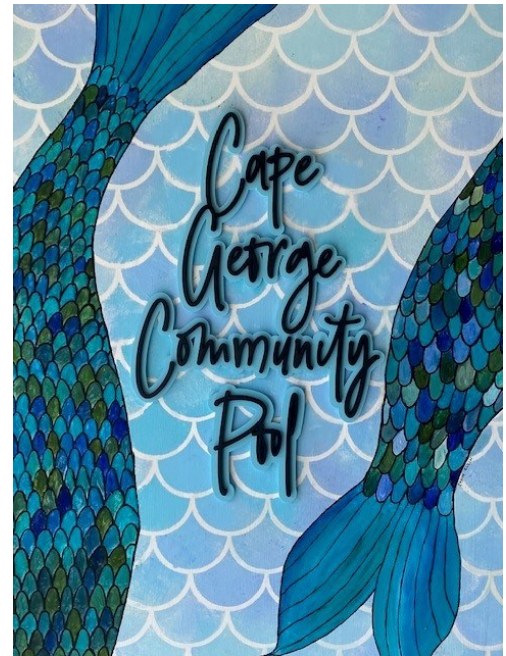
We'd like to welcome our new pool liaison, Ray Pierson. Ray has served on the board prior to this term and he will bring his past experience and knowledge to our team as we continue to grow. Thanks for joining us, Ray!

The Annual Cape George Waterfront Festival is Saturday August 12th and a synchronized water show has been added to the event! The Cape George Aqualillies will debut at 1:20 and 1:30 at the Cape George Community Pool. More shows will be added by demand. Tickets are free and available at the office.

Please see the Marina News for a full list of events. The Waterfront Festival is the biggest event of the year and is sponsored by the Marina Committee. Thanks to the Marina Committee and the many volunteers.

See you there!

Your Pool Committee



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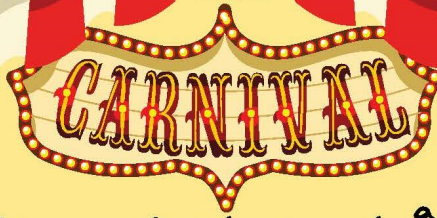
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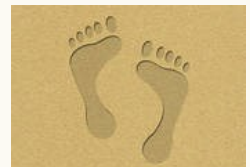
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## PICKLEBALL AT CAPE GEORGE ACCORDING TO:

**Dink & Lob**



In the true spirit of group activity and meeting attendance, Dink & Lob watched the July 8th Fun and Fund Raiser via Zoom!

They saw a great single elimination tournament with 22 players from 2 skill levels ( Good and a Bit Better). The teams played to 11 or 10 minutes - whichever came first. The winners from each group then competed in a " Dinking Game" for 10 minutes. Dinking is the true spirit of the game and levels the playing court!

Winners were Pat D. & Mark K. and Mary L & Molly T.

This event was dedicated to the memory of Doug Lind and a toast to his great life was offered. His picture (portrait ) was done by Chris Huss and will be given to his partner Sherry.

Other highlights of the day included Margaritas by donation; 2 raffle drawings - One for a new Paddle from Pickleball Central and the other a Boat Ride in our bay from Mike & Kris on Minot's Light.

Funds raised will continue to support the sport and court we love. Donations can be given at any time (9-2) to the office to Cape George Social Club -Memo Pickleball. To all who made this a success - THANK YOU!!!

Watch your e-mail, bulletin boards , newsletter for more events upcoming.

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## TWO SUMMER READS TO DELIGHT READERS



The Cape George Book Group has chosen two delightful books for its August 15 meeting. The first, “Remarkably Bright Creatures” by Shelby Van Pelt explores a friendship, a reckoning and hope, tracing a widow’s connection with a giant Pacific octopus.

Keeping busy has always helped Tova Sullivan cope...first when her son vanished from his boat in Puget sound over 30 years ago, and now following the death of her husband. She takes a night-shift job at the Sowell Bay Aquarium where she becomes acquainted with Marcellus, the curmudgeonly octopus currently living at the aquarium. Marcellus knows more than anyone can imagine and miraculously deduces what happened the night Tova’s son disappeared. The author’s debut novel is a reminder that sometimes taking a hard look at the past can uncover a future that once felt impossible.

From octopus to kitten...Nala’s World: One Man, His rescue Cat, and a Bike Ride around the Globe by Dean Nicholson is the true story of a life-changing friendship between a man and his rescue cat, Nala, as they adventure together around the world. 30-year-old Dean left Scotland to cycle around the world, his aim being to learn as much as possible about our troubled planet. He had not planned on taking along a feline companion, but on a remote road between Montenegro and Bosnia he came across an abandoned kitten he eventually named Nala. Together, while experiencing the kindness of strangers, visiting refugee camps, rescuing animals throughout Europe and Asia, the two learned that the unexpected can be pretty amazing.

The book group meets at 1 pm in the Cape George Clubhouse. Everyone is invited to attend.



## Cape George Acoustic Music Jam

**Monday, July 24**

**7 pm - 9 pm**

Come join us in the Clubhouse for an evening of music and song.

Bring your music stands.

Question? Contact Carol Chandler at 402-981-0405

## Groundbreaking Scheduled for Village Mailbox Project

All systems are go for the building phase of the Village Mailbox project. Michael Rosenthal Construction, Port Townsend, is the approved contractor. He estimated groundbreaking to occur on July 31.

Completion date for transfer to the new system is anticipated by mid-September. It is our hope that mail service will be interrupted for only one day — on a Saturday — when the current mailboxes will be removed. Crushed gravel will be placed on the ground to ensure a level installation surface for the new system. Then the CBUs will be installed, secured to the frame and bolted into cement. Also, the current mailboxes some residents preferred to keep will be reinstalled according to Postal Service directions.

Mail service will hopefully be restored on the following Monday. (No mail service on Sundays).

Project steps and status to date:

- The ground has been cleared and utilities located for construction directly behind the current kiosk.
- A CBU cleaning party was held on July 1 with a wet and happy crew of about 20 volunteers power washing, de-gooing and wiping down all 12 units.
- Supplies have been ordered to spray paint the CBUs.
- Labels are being made to identify individual boxes and parcel boxes by number.
- New locks have been received and will be installed when painting is done and labels are affixed.

Key pick-up schedules and location will be announced for Village residents to pay for and get their keys. Cost is \$10 each, payable in exact amount by check only, made out to Cape George Colony Club, please.

Your Village Mailbox Committee thanks you for your on-going support as we see this project to its conclusion.



An illustration of an artist, a woman with a black beret, blue turtleneck, and orange overalls, painting a wall. She is holding a paintbrush in her raised right hand and a palette in her left. The wall is covered in large, vibrant, abstract brushstrokes in shades of yellow, orange, red, pink, and blue. The background is a light, warm tone.

# ART WALL NEWS

**Hello Cape George Artists! It's time again to think about a new art wall. Let's meet up on September 5th at 4 PM to take down the current wall and hang new art. The new theme will be 'Flowers'. Then, on September 9th, let's have an Art Walk @ 5 PM in the clubhouse! As always, the theme is just a suggestion and not a requirement. Looking forward to seeing you all in September, have fun making art!**

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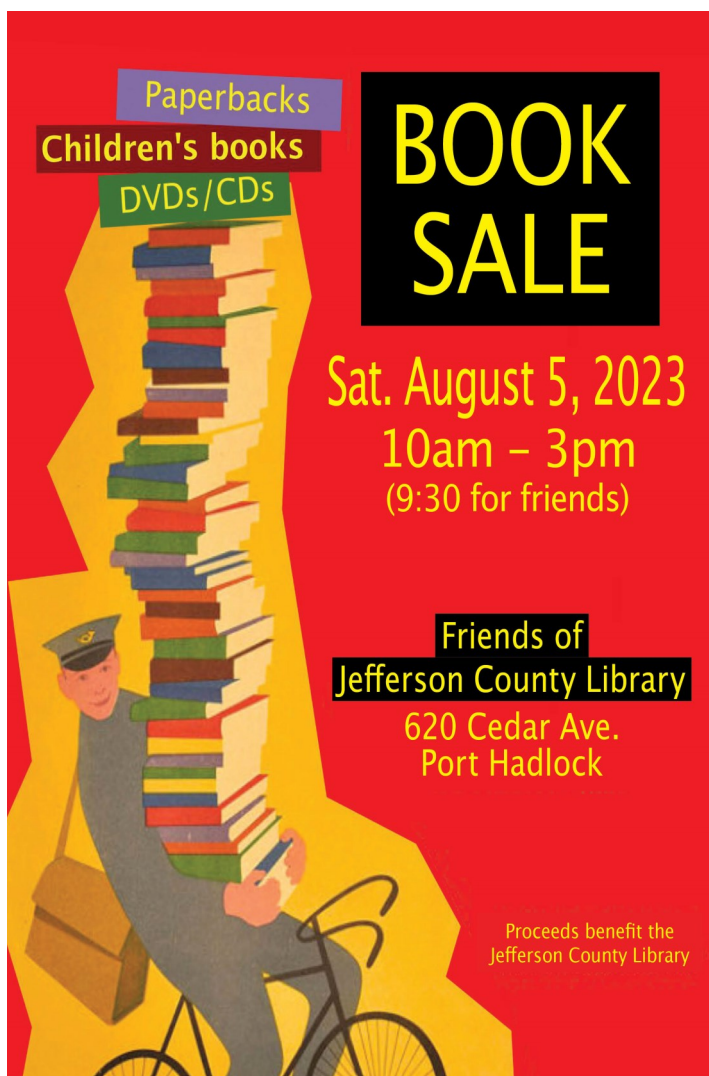
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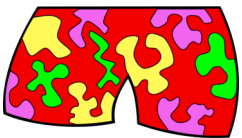
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**Thank you Gail Hotohkee for your contribution of the articles on Being Smoke Ready and Water & El Nino published in July's newsletter.**



**Lost something?**

We have quite an array of items left behind from the pickleball court and swimming pool.

Check at the office for your lost items.

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**The Board Meeting was called to order by President, Betsy Coddington at 3:00 pm**

There will be an Executive Session at the end of this meeting for a hearing, a building violation and late fee issues. I will be starting an Ad-Hoc Committee on the dog park question. Those interested in participating please let me know.

**In Attendance:** Besty Coddington, Nancy Charpentier, Pat Gulick, Bart Mooyman-Beck, Mike Heckinger, Steve McFarland, and Ray Pierson.

**Action on Minutes:** Pat Gulick moved, and Mike Heckinger seconded to approve minutes of the regular Board of Trustees meeting held June 29, 2023. Passed – 6/0  
Pat Gulick moved, and Ray Pierson seconded to approve the minutes of the Special Trustee meeting held July 15, 2023. Passed – 6/0

**Manager's Report:** See front cover page

**Treasurer's Report – Nancy Charpentier - JUNE 2023**

We are now 6 months into our fiscal year, and it's time to begin preparation for the 2024 budgeting cycle. Marina and Water committees will be receiving budget worksheets containing the 6-month actuals, remaining budget figures for the rest of the year, and the total annual budget for 2023. This can be used as a worksheet to provide any information that will impact the 2nd half of the year that may not be in the budget, and from that a projection for 2023 will be made. It is then time for all three cost centers to begin deliberations for the new budgeting cycle, so plan on being approached to participate in meetings to gather information regarding 2024 expectations.

The Reserve Studies have been received, and the Financial review is beginning with the Finance Committee. In that effort I'll also be working with members of our various committees to complete a financial analysis of the studies as presented by the consultants. As we know from the past, they employ algorithms and standard tables to derive their conclusions for timing and cost of repair or replacement of our assets. Members expertise in the various areas review their data and offer recommendations for revising the timing and costs of the assets listed. From this, we will provide a 5 year projection that will be presented alongside the Reserve Study for acceptance by the Board in its August meeting, and they will be used to assist in the budgeting process.

A summarized YTD Financial report is presented, and detailed statements are available in the Study Session packet mailed out to the membership.

This month we addressed the issue of members receiving invoices for their quarterly assessments, but not having them visible when they logged into their accounts on the Community Financial website. We had the invoices posted to member accounts, so they should now be visible to everyone when issued. The next



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step will be to work with them to permit automatic payments on the 1st, rather than having to wait for the 4th of the month in which the payment is due. Your patience is appreciated as we work out the posting issues with Community Financials.

**Balance Sheet**

All bank statements have been received, reconciled and reviewed, and quarterly reconciliations have occurred for Balance sheet accounts. Out of balance issues have been identified and recorded and will be resolved in July.

**Income Statement**

A) General Operations:

The same issues exist which have been reported before. Great care is being exercised in spending decisions in order not to bring about a negative result in our financial progress.

Vehicle Repair and Maintenance as well as Grounds Maintenance have exceeded budgeted numbers by over \$5,000.

Janitorial work is over budget owing primarily to a change brought about when the former caretaker assistant ceased janitorial tasks. These were then assumed by the janitorial service. We'll be examining the service and its cost to achieve a closer budget projection for next year, but meanwhile it is a cost overrun that needs to be accounted for by minimizing other spending.

The favorable variance in Salaries remains, mitigating somewhat for the overruns in other areas.

B) Water Operations

Extra funds were budgeted throughout the year in order to increase our standing inventory of parts, however those purchases have not yet been made to the pace that was budgeted. It is likely the funds will be needed and we therefore are not predicting net results that exceed the original budget.

C) Marina Operations

Repairs and Maintenance has a favorable variance of \$9,000 owing to a budgeted expense of \$10,500 for the annual dredging that was initially projected for June but has not yet occurred.

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As of JUN 30, 2023									
Balance Sheet as of June 30, 2023 and 2022 - Preliminary Subject to Audit									
Assets		2023	2022		Liabilities and Fund Balances		2023	2022	
Cash and Cash Equivalents:					Current Liabilities:				
Operations Checking & Petty Cash	\$	300,692	\$ 300,990	0%	Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$	28,219	\$ 69,596	-59%
Operating Savings & ICS		250,523	150,291	67%	Prepaid Income		213,457	98,430	117%
Reserves - General, Water & Marina		1,434,089	1,301,333	10%	Unearned Income, Marina Wait List		3,850	900	328%
Total Cash & Equivalents		1,985,304	1,752,614	13%	Total Current Liabilities		245,526	168,927	45%
Net Accounts Receivable	\$	118,369	\$ 4,601	2473%	<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>				
Total Net Fixed Assets		1,627,270	1,669,384	-3%	Fund Balances & Equity (Combined)		3,379,548	3,152,213	7%
Total Prepaid & Other Assets		14,976	24,028	-38%	Modified Cash Basis Income		120,846	129,486	-7%
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>\$3,745,920</b>	<b>\$3,450,626</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCE</b>		<b>\$3,745,920</b>	<b>\$ 3,450,625</b>	<b>9%</b>

Summary Revenue and Expense Statements for the periods ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 (Modified cash basis, excludes depreciation)

Preliminary Subject to Audit

2023 Year to Date - Unaudited					Comparative - Unaudited				
	Actual	Budget	Variance	%		2023 YTD	2022 YTD**	Variance	%
<b>General</b>					<b>General</b>				
General Assessment	\$ 172,756	\$ 172,760	(4)	0%	General Assessment	\$ 172,756	\$ 163,033	\$ 9,723	6%
Revenue - All Other Sources	9,707	6,174	3,533	57%	Revenue - All Other Sources	9,707	7,471	2,235	30%
Total General Revenue	182,462	178,934	3,529		Total General Revenue	182,462	170,504	11,958	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	68,473	76,566	8,093	11%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	68,473	53,230	(15,243)	-29%
Repairs & Maintenance	15,130	6,658	(8,472)	-127%	Repairs & Maintenance	15,130	8,594	(6,536)	-76%
Contracted Services	36,383	34,111	(2,272)	-7%	Contracted Services	36,383	46,484	10,101	22%
Pool Expense & Utilities	13,383	17,450	4,067	23%	Pool Expense & Utilities	13,383	12,282	(1,101)	-9%
Utilities & Insurance	18,568	19,278	710	4%	Utilities & Insurance	18,568	16,792	(1,777)	-11%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	13,276	13,598	322	2%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	13,276	16,975	3,699	22%
Total General Expenses	165,212	167,661	2,448		Total General Expenses	165,212	154,356	(11,678)	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 17,250</b>	<b>\$ 11,273</b>	<b>\$ 5,977</b>	<b>-53%</b>	<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 17,250</b>	<b>\$ 16,148</b>	<b>\$ 1,102</b>	<b>&gt;-100%</b>
<b>Water</b>					<b>Water</b>				
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 117,609	\$ 121,738	\$ (4,130)	-3%	Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 117,609	\$ 112,586	\$ 5,022	4%
Revenue - All Other Sources	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	Revenue - All Other Sources	-	3,300	(3,300)	-100%
Total Water Revenue	117,609	121,738	(4,130)		Total Water Revenue	117,609	115,886	1,722	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	33,909	38,283	4,374	11%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	33,909	25,067	(8,842)	-35%
Repairs & Maintenance	536	3,025	2,489	82%	Repairs & Maintenance	536	-	(536)	#DIV/0!
Contracted Services	14,075	17,643	3,568	20%	Contracted Services	14,075	13,045	(1,031)	-8%
Utilities & Insurance	13,700	15,342	1,641	11%	Utilities & Insurance	13,700	11,190	(2,510)	-22%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	10,467	14,971	4,505	30%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	10,467	16,906	6,439	38%
Total Water Expenses	72,687	89,264	16,576		Total Water Expenses	72,687	66,208	(6,480)	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 44,921</b>	<b>\$ 32,474</b>	<b>\$ 12,447</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 44,921</b>	<b>\$ 49,679</b>	<b>\$ (4,757)</b>	<b>-10%</b>

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<b>Marina</b>					<b>Marina</b>				
Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 75,264	\$ 74,489	\$ 775	1%	Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 75,264	\$ 74,489	\$ 775	1%
Revenue - All Other Sources	17,686	18,129	\$ (443)	-2%	Revenue - All Other Sources	17,686	17,738	(52)	0%
<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>92,950</b>	<b>92,618</b>	<b>332</b>		<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>92,950</b>	<b>92,227</b>	<b>723</b>	
<b>Expenses:</b>					<b>Expenses:</b>				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	11,549	12,761	1,212	9%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	11,549	9,706	(1,843)	-19%
Repairs & Maintenance	4,641	13,550	8,909	66%	Repairs & Maintenance	4,641	15,297	10,657	0%
Contracted Services	3,439	5,433	1,994	37%	Contracted Services	3,439	4,780	1,341	28%
Utilities & Insurance	10,589	9,270	(1,318)	-14%	Utilities & Insurance	10,589	9,697	(891)	-9%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	3,960	3,288	(672)	-20%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	3,960	1,967	(1,993)	-101%
<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>34,178</b>	<b>44,302</b>	<b>10,124</b>		<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>34,178</b>	<b>41,448</b>	<b>7,270</b>	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 58,772</b>	<b>\$ 48,316</b>	<b>\$ 10,456</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 58,772</b>	<b>\$ 50,779</b>	<b>\$ 7,993</b>	<b>16%</b>
<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>					<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>				
	<b>\$ 120,944</b>	<b>\$ 92,064</b>	<b>\$ 28,880</b>	<b>31%</b>		<b>\$ 120,944</b>	<b>\$ 116,606</b>	<b>\$ 4,338</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Reserve Activity</b>					<b>**Reserve Activity</b>				
Routine Reserve Assessment	99,962	99,962	-	0%	Routine Reserve Revenue	99,962	96,223	(3,739)	4%
Reserve Interest - all **	-	1,048	(1,048)	-100%	Reserve Interest - all	-	-	-	>100%
Less: Reserve Offset***	(99,962)	(99,962)	-		Less: Reserve Offset	(99,962)	(96,333)	3,629	
<b>Net Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,048</b>	<b>\$ (1,048)</b>	<b>-100%</b>	<b>Gross Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (110)</b>	<b>\$ (110)</b>	<b>-100%</b>

**New Members: Welcome**

Jeremy Lala & Sarah McHugh purchased 320 Sunset Blvd from Linda Schwartz & Julie Gertler  
 Robert Osann & Mary Fasching purchased lot 23 Sunset Blvd from Michelle Garside  
 Laura Koepke purchased lot 79-3 Ridge Dr from James Quinn III

**Information items or documents submitted to the Trustees at Study Session**

1. Update on our water system management – Marnie Levy.
2. The office and members of the technology and finance committees are working to transition to a new usage reporting system. The timeline for this change is unknown – Marnie Levy.
3. Please note that in the August Study Session member participation will be invited for each study session topic, following Board Member discussion.

**Committee Reports:** The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Environmental x 2, Fitness, Marina, Social Club and Water. The reports are attached and incorporated by reference.

**Member participation:** none

**New Business Action Items:**

**Motion 1.** Nancy Charpentier moved, and Pay Gulick seconded, to make the following changes regarding signers on all bank accounts held at Kitsap Bank, Chase Bank and Pacific Premier Bank:

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- a) Remove Jane Ludwig, John Dwyer and Fayla Schwartz, outgoing Trustees, as signers.
- b) Add Betsy Coddington, Bart Mooyman-Beck and Nancy Charpentier, incoming Trustees, as signers.
- c) Retain Pat Gulick, Trustee, and Marnie Levy (Martha Woodward), General Manager, as signers.  
Passed – 6/0

**Motion 2.** Nancy Charpentier moved, and Ray Pierson seconded to transfer 2022 audited Net Cash for each Cost Center from the Operations accounts to their respective Reserve Fund accounts in the amounts of:

**\$20,348** – General Operations Reserve Fund

**\$86,726** – Water Reserve Fund

**\$22,212** – Marina Reserve Fund      Passed – 6/0

**Motion 3.** Nancy Charpentier moved, and Mike Heckinger seconded, to accept Nancy Charpentier's resignation as Chair and name Mark Kochendorfer Chair of the Finance Committee and also add Fayla Schwartz as a Member of the Committee. Passed – 6/0

**Motion 4.** Nancy Charpentier moved, and Mike Heckinger seconded, that the Board acknowledges that Reserve Consultants, LLC, has satisfied their contractual obligations in preparing the 2023 Reserve Studies. Passed – 6/0

Note: The 2023 Reserve Studies will be posted on the Cape George web site.

**Motion 5.** Bart Mooyman-Beck moved and Pat Gulick seconded, that all members and residents must provide emergency contact information to Cape George management, and ensure the information is current at all times. Passed – 6/0

**Motion 6.** Motion withdrawn.

**Motion 7.** Ray Pierson moved, and Pat Gulick seconded, to allow, with prior notice to Cape George Management, the daytime use of hired goats, to clear brush on private property of Cape George Colony Club members. Passed – 6/0

**Open Board Discussion:** none

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**Announcements:**

Wednesday, August 2, 10:00 a.m., meet at the Clubhouse for the low tide beach walk with naturalists from Port Townsend Marine Science Center.

Saturday, August 12, Waterfront Festival. Check the schedule in the August Cape George Newsletter.

Monday, August 21, 3:00 p.m., Board of Trustees Study Session, via Zoom Meeting

Thursday, August 24, 3 p.m., Board Meeting, via Zoom Meeting

Thank you to all involved for a wonderful Salmon BBQ

**Adjournment.** Mike Heckinger moved, and Ray Pierson seconded, to adjourn to Executive session at 4:05 pm. Passed-6/0

Ray Pierson moved, and Bart Mooyman-Beck seconded, to adjourn the Executive session and return to the regular board meeting at 4:53 pm. Passed – 6/0

Mike Heckinger left the meeting at this time.

**Motion 8.** Nancy Charpentier moved, and Ray Pierson seconded, to deny the appeal regarding a hedge complaint. Passed – 4/0/1

**Motion 9.** Ray Pierson moved, and Bart Mooyman-Beck seconded to a waive late fee for one member of Cape George. Passed – 5/0

**Adjournment.** Pat Gulick moved, and Nancy Charpentier seconded to adjourn the board meeting at 4:58 pm. Passed -5/0

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

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Pat Gulick, Secretary

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Betsy Coddington, President

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**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, June 13, 2023, 9:15 am**  
Online on Zoom

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Varn Brooks, Chris Buzzard, Sue Dunning, Marnie Levy, Steve McDevitt, Ruth Ross, Gina Webber

**I. CALL TO ORDER:** Chris Buzzard called the meeting to order at 9:15

**II. APPROVAL OF MAY MINUTES:** Gina moved and Varn seconded that the minutes from the May meeting be approved as submitted, and the motion passed unanimously.

**III. FISCAL REPORT** \$2218.45 (no change)

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**Low Tide Beach Walk:** Gina moved & Ruth seconded a motion that passed unanimously to approve funding to cover the cost of having docents from PTMSC serve as guides for a low tide beach walk. Ruth will contact Gabrielle about dates in early August. The committee will provide snacks as usual and we will put out a tip jar to help defray costs as the price from PTMSC has gone up.

**Booth at Waterfront Festival:** The committee plans to have a table at the festival on Aug 12 to sell copies of the mountain map and flower booklet, to hand out environmental information, and allow people to sign up for more information about the environmental committee.

**Work Parties for Rain Garden and Clubhouse:** Steve McDevitt would like to schedule additional work parties at the rain garden. Patty Dunmire would like to schedule another landscaping party at the clubhouse. She needs gravel and mulch for this stage of the project. Marnie indicated that Cape George can help with this and that Patty should contact Marnie directly to make arrangements. Steve and Patty will let Ruth know when to send out notices about work parties. The committee also discussed another work party to clean up the pétanque court.

**Burn ban:** Ban on land clearing burning began June 4, 2023, and will continue through September 30, 2023, or until further notice. Does not affect recreation burning (outdoor barbecues) at this point. We will ask the office to notify the community.

**V. OLD BUSINESS**

**Environmental Shelf for Clubhouse Library:** Ruth has received recommendations from Varn and Steve and added some of her own. She is assembling a wish list to be sent to Fayla for suggestions. The plan is then to buy copies for the Clubhouse library to be used at the clubhouse. Dianne Tamblyn and Tom Ramsay, the librarians, will need to know how much space we'll need.

**Intertidal Monitoring:** Ruth reported that the intertidal monitoring was done on June 7 and went very well.

**Scotch Broom Article:** Varn and Steve have cut down a number of Scotch Broom plants in the community.

**Berm Committee Update:** The Berm committee would like help from the Environmental Com-

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mittee in creating wording for educational signage about the berm.

**Volunteer list: Dianna and Bob Denny added to the list for work maintaining Cedar Park.**

**Lori Cameron will follow-up to see if the listed volunteers are still doing the jobs.**

**Plaque for the bell.** Lori VanDeMark notified the committee that the plaque is still delayed

**Memorial Park plaque/restoration:** Chris will contact Robin to discuss options.

**Hemlock Control.** The committee noted that, despite Peninsula Environmental spraying twice, some areas of hemlock remain. They asked Marnie to follow-up with John Bornsworth to see if seed head removal is planned for later this summer.

**Halloween Party and Fundraiser.** The members in attendance strongly supported the plan to again hold this traditional party in October.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:03 am.

Respectfully submitted

Ruth Ross, Secretary

Cape George Environmental Committee

**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**Tuesday, July 11, 2023, 9:15 am**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Jo Blair, Chris Buzzard, Pat Gulick, Anne Jimenez, Marnie Levy, Ruth Ross, Kitty Rucker, Robin Scherting, Bob Sullivan, Lori VanDeMark, Richard VanDeMark

**I. CALL TO ORDER:** Chris Buzzard called the meeting to order at 9:15

**II. APPROVAL OF JUNE MINUTES:** Anne moved and Kitty seconded that the minutes from the June meeting be approved as submitted, and the motion passed unanimously.

**III. FISCAL REPORT** \$2218.45 (no change)

**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

**Low Tide Beach Walk:** The walk is scheduled for August 2 from 10 am to 12 pm, with docents from PTMSC. Chris has given the \$300 invoice from PTMSC to Patty to process. Chris will arrange for email blasts and notices on bulletin boards to alert the community, and it will also be in the August newsletter which comes out the last week in July. Chris is organizing refreshments and members have offered to bring baked goods to supplement what Chris purchases. A tip jar will be put out to help defray the \$300 fees from PTMSC.

**Booth at Waterfront Festival:** The committee will have a table at the festival on Aug 12 to sell copies of the mountain map and flower booklet, to hand out environmental information, and allow people to sign up for more information about the environmental committee. Chris will get change (\$5 bills) to facilitate sales. The table will probably be set up from 2 pm to 5 pm, and Chris, Jo, Ruth, Pat, and Steve have volunteered to help with the table.

**Work Parties for Rain Garden and Clubhouse:** Steve McDevitt would like to schedule additional work parties at the rain garden. He will notify Ruth when he wants to schedule a work party. Patty Dunmire will hold a landscaping work party tentatively set for July 26 at 9 am at the clubhouse. Ruth will notify the committee once the date is finalized.

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**Environmental Shelf for Clubhouse Library:** Ruth will pull together the book recommendations from Varn and Steve and add her own and then send the list to Fayla for additional suggestions. The committee will see if members of the community would like to donate books from the list for the shelf, as well as other environmental books (field guides, etc.), which may be included on the clubhouse shelf or else offered free of charge to the community. Ruth will work with Dianne Tamblyn and Tom Ramsay, the librarians, to see how much space we can have.

**Berm Committee Update:** The committee all agreed that we need to give the Ad Hoc Committee a big thank you for all their work on this important project.

**Volunteer List:** Ruth and Lori Cameron are continuing to clean up the list so that it can be posted in the Newsletter to encourage new volunteers to sign up. Vacant spots will be highlighted in red.

**Plaque for the Bell:** Richard reported that the plaque is still not ready. He will give the shop one more chance and then he may just make a plaque in his shop.

**Memorial Park plaque restoration or replacement.** The consensus is that it will be very difficult/not possible to restore the existing plaque and that we may need to replace it with something else. Robin and Jack have been maintaining it for years but can no longer do so alone and would like the committee to take over the project. Richard will take a look at the existing plaque and make suggestions.

## V. NEW BUSINESS

**A. Proposed change in dog off-leash play area.** The committee discussed the proposed changes to the Cape George Rule PP01 Livestock and Pets to allow the off-leash dog play group to use Cape George Memorial Park from 2:00 to 4:00 pm every day in addition to the off-leash area around the clubhouse and marina. Kitty Rucker and Robin Scherting shared the history of Memorial Park. Members raised funds in 1999 to create the park, which were matched by the Board. The park, which was created in 2000, was designed to memorialize members who had passed away as indicated by the poem on the plaque and a wooden sign that has since had to be taken down due to deterioration that listed the names of some of those so memorialized. The Environmental Committee and its members have been maintaining the park for 23 years, including making and caring for the plantings. Kitty Rucker, Robin Scherting, and Jo Blair shared the comments they are sending to the Board opposing the rule change. Kitty and Robin focused on the need to maintain the park as a peaceful place in keeping with its original purpose. Jo Blair shared information about the negative environmental impact of dog parks in locations on the shoreline. The committee discussed the issue at length and eventually 2 motions were proposed and approved. The issue of whether opposing the change would place limits on individuals walking their dogs in the park or on the beach was discussed and the committee stressed that the motion would have no effect on what individuals do. Motion 1 was made by Ruth (who had taken down and collated the suggestions of the members in attendance) and seconded by Kitty Rucker. That motion passed with 8 Ayes and 1 Nay. Motion 2 was again made by Ruth (who had taken down and collated the suggestions of the members in attendance) and



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was seconded by Robin Scherting. Motion 2 passed unanimously. The wording of the approved Motions which are being submitted to the CG Board are listed below.

**Motion 1**

To preserve the original intended use of Cape George Memorial Park and to reduce the risk of adverse environmental impacts, we recommend maintaining the Cape George Rule PP01 Live-stock & Pets as it stands, with organized off-leash dog playtime reverting to the grounds around the clubhouse as allowed in the current Rule PP01.

**Motion 2**

We encourage the dog group to investigate other options for a fenced-in dog park away from the beach because of both safety and environmental concerns.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 am.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Ruth Ross, Secretary  
Cape George Environmental Committee

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**6/19/23**

**Meeting:** Opened by Judith and Allan: They welcomed the group and new member, Maria Ramsey

**Members:** Allan Zee, Judith Chambliss (Co-Chairs), Betsy Coddington (Board Liaison), Marnie Levy (CG Manager), Phyllis Ballough, Jon Karpilow, Linda Mollino, Tom Ramsey, Robin Scherting, Bill Sery and Maria Ramsey. **Absent:** Fred Miercort, Mardella Rowland, Don Rogers, Michael Hinojos

1. **Budget / Finances:**

- Current balance \$9163.88 + \$1028.50 from the Fabric Sale = 10,191.88.
- We have not yet been billed for equipment that has been serviced. -

2. **Equipment**

Mark Harder finally responded to our messages and will now be coming on 6/29/23 for a routine maintenance visit and evaluation of bicycle #2

- Discussion about if #2 recumbent bike is repairable, what would be our max amount to spend for a repair. **Decision made to not make any decision about the max amount to spend until we know if it is fixable.**

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Recumbent bike research: ***Phyllis presented her research about a replacement recumbent bike- Precor 635-total cost \$3,310.00 with a five-year warranty. Phyllis plans on doing some more research into other options.***

Rowing machine research: ***Robin did research on purchasing a second rowing machine. The cost for a Concept 2 is \$1691.04 Received an email from Cindy Wallace, a Cape George Member who is willing to donate a relatively new Concept 2 Rower. Robin to follow-up about age, whether there is a warranty etc. Linda and Allan agreed to go and check out the rower if it becomes an option. We will then have to decide where it will be placed in the fitness center. (Note: Since this meeting, the Rowing Machine has been acquired and placed in the FC.)***

Any feedback/use about Bosu Ball poster: ***Allan question if there has been any feedback on the Bosu Ball - everyone agreed that the poster is great but no one on the committee has heard any comments about the use of the Bosu Ball.***

3. Supplies

How is the job working for Phyllis: ***No concerns expressed by Phyllis at this time regarding her job responsibilities.***

Water: clarification on ordering: ***Marnie orders the water and Jon replaces the water into the stand as needed. Jon and Marnie will continue to communicate about usage and need.***

DermaSept Dispensers: Discussed the likes and dislikes of the dispensers. ***Overall vote was that the system is not working for a variety of reasons. Discussion about the possible options. Maria Ramsey will look into options.***

4. Signs

- Doorway signs update: ***Marnie to follow-up on signs, both for welcome and rules. The door needs to be painted and Marnie put in for a request for volunteers once paint is ordered.***

***Committee members said they would help.***

5. Suggestion Box:

- Lid for the trashcan outside the door: ***Marnie is still trying to resolve the problem***  
- Window-washing: ***according to Marnie the current cleaning service does the windows on a regular basis.***

- Concern about equipment not being cleaned by all users on a consistent basis: ***a new sign has been created by Judith and it is placed inside the front door.***

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- Positioning of the Stair Master: ***Committee agreed to return to original position. Will look into options to protect the cord.***

6. **Supply Cabinet Security: *Replace the key on the side of the cabinet after it is used***
7. **Additional concerns, suggestions, ideas:** *Robin suggested that we create a thank you note to be used at the next fund-raiser for all donors. Robin showed the card that was used by the Pool Committee during their fundraiser. Robin to follow up with Kriss Edwards, Pool Committee Chair regarding the cost.*
8. **Next meeting:** Monday, August 7, 2023; 11:00 a.m.

### **Marina Minutes July 11, 2023**

The Marina Committee met at the clubhouse. About 25 members attended.

Chair Craig Muma called the meeting to order at 11 am.

Harbor master Penny Jensen briefed the committee on several projects, including the status of the seawall anodes, which are checked yearly.

Phil Grate reported that he has researched options for replacing the gantry/hoist, which was removed recently due to corrosion. He explained two options: a 1500 pound capacity hoist priced at \$4147, or a two-ton unit priced at \$11,848. Gary Rossow moved to adopt the less-costly option. The committee voted 15-2 in favor.

Dick Poole reported that work is proceeding on the crab shack at the south end ramp, which is expected to be usable by August.

Penny reported that dredging of the marina entrance will take place during low tides July 31-August 2.

Geoff reported on progress on obtaining new permits for dredging. The process will take at least a year.

Craig Muma reported that the Board of Trustees approved new kayak storage fees to support adding a kayak rack alongside the north marina ramp, but he still needs commitments from kayakers to raise the funds necessary for the project, which is expected to cost about \$13,000.

Trustee Mike Heckinger reported that Cape George is exploring options for a new security gate on Marina Drive. After some discussion, the committee voted to recommend the installation.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 am.

### **CAPE GEORGE SOCIAL CLUB MEETING, MARCH 15, 2023**

Leadership Team Members Present: Bianca Thayer, Dianne Tamblyn, Cassie Reeves, Nina Dortch, Lori VanDeMark, Susan Keller

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**FINANCIALS:**

Total \$29,658.26. Drill team \$200 and Revue \$3786.36 now part of general Social Club funds. Sports Court balance \$790.79.

Per bookkeeper: Consider asking the Social Club to move the Revue and the Drill Team money into General just so they don't have to keep being tracked separately. Agreed and done.

Bianca to discuss newsletter advertising. Discussed classified ads and for sale ads for members. No decision was made.

**EVENTS:**

Memorial Day BBQ 5/29 5:30-8:30 pm

Granny's Attic 6/9-10 (collecting items Mon-Thu 6/5-6/8 - already items stored in barn) Marina Sale 6/16-18

Independence Day 7/4

Band on the Beach 7/12 Bad Dog Blues- Robin Schertering lead on this. Social Club agreed to pay \$700 for band.

Salmon BBQ 7/23 – Workshop is lead for this event.

Waterfront Festival 8/12- Marina is the lead on this event but has asked for Social Club help in planning Carnival type event.

Labor Day BBQ may be skipped so lawn can be hydro seeded.

**USE OF FUNDS:**

Decisions made via email to Leadership Team:

Art Walk is held quarterly when new art wall goes up. Social club providing \$100 per quarter for food/drink for the event.

Christmas Music event. Social club provided \$100 towards eggnog.

**PROJECTS:**

Update on Picnic Shelter. Plans are drawn up, budget is \$15,000-\$20,000.

**GRANNY'S ATTIC:**

Clothes: Norma Lupkes and Marilee Martin have agreed to manage the clothing part of the sale. We can use the back area where rugs are for that like last year. We will scale back on clothing and pass along BEFORE the sale, so we're not overwhelmed during and after the sale.

We will need people and trucks to transport items from the barn to the clubhouse the week of the sale. Furniture will have to be outside for the most part due to space limitations. Will ask for the CO tents again like last year. We will also need people and trucks to transport surplus items to charity after the event.

Need volunteers to update and set up A-Frame signs.

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**Cape George Water Advisory Committee  
Meeting Report July 11, 2023**

The meeting was held at 4 PM July 11, 2023, in the clubhouse. Present: Cape George Manager Marnie Levy, Board Liaison Bart Mooyman-Beck, Stew Pugh, Thad Bickling, Mark Costanti, Finance Committee Chair Nancy Charpentier, guest Susan Sanford, and Chair Marty Gilmore

A draft of the Reserve study has been received and comments have been sent back to Reserve Consultants Ltd. The Reserve Study has not been released.

Water Manager Jose Escalera has resigned, effective at the end of July. He has been contacted to obtain handover information on outstanding tasks and work in progress. A search for a new Water Manager has started.

The annual Consumer Confidence Report was completed and distributed to the community as part of the Annual Meeting information.

Filter backwash valve solenoids have been replaced. We are waiting for the valve rebuild kits from the vendor Atek.

The Washington State Department of Ecology has a new requirement that water piping to every home be surveyed to ensure there is no lead or galvanized piping in the Cape George water system. This will require that piping be surveyed on both the Cape George side of the water meter and on the homeowner's side of the meter and reported to the State in 2024. The exact requirements that the State has for this survey are not yet known. We are obtaining rough estimates of likely costs for planning purposes.

A proposal is being developed for a water rate increase. Several fee structures are being considered. All fee structures being considered include monthly charges for overuse of water.

There is an ongoing issue of an inability to contact some homeowners in case of water leaks. This inability seems to be caused by wrong or out-of-date contact information. We are not aware of any actions that the Board has taken to obtain complete and accurate contact information.

The next scheduled meeting is scheduled for August 8, 2023, at 4 PM in the clubhouse.

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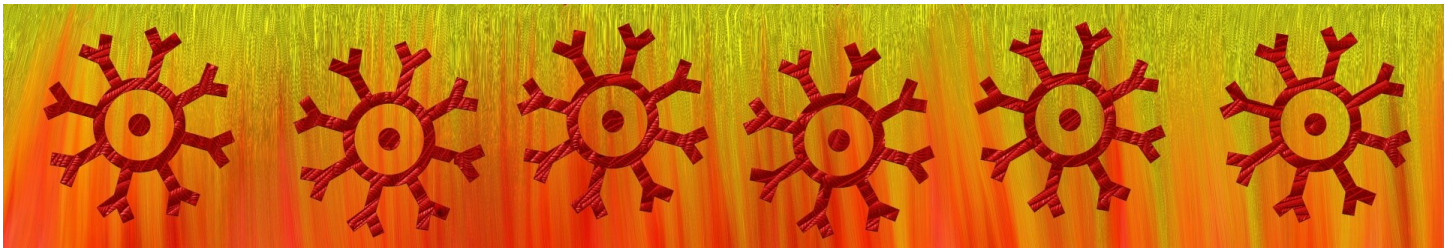
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# Cape George 2023 Calendar

# August

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		<b>1</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p <b>Workshop C 9:15</b> <b>Marina Com 11a</b> <b>Pool Com 3p</b>	<b>2</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swim 2p  <b>Beach Walk 10a</b> <b>Festival Com 10a</b> <b>Wed. Winer's 3-5p</b>	<b>3</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Fabric Arts 9-3</b>	<b>4</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Bldg Com</b> <b>10a at office</b>	<b>5</b>
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**\*\*The dog group meets at the clubhouse shelter daily at 2:30pm**

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## Manager's Report - August 2023

### Emergency Planning

Cape George is abnormally dry. Smoke from forest fires often paint the sunrise and sunset a glorious red-orange at this time of year. This is a good reminder to create or update your evacuation and shelter-in-place emergency plan. Reading through many lists of suggestions can be overwhelming, but it is an easy place to start. There are many lists and suggestions online.

What is your plan if you cannot leave Cape George? What do you have packed and ready, or already in your car if you need to leave your home at a moment's notice?

The Cape George Emergency Preparedness Committee will have a meeting in September. I encourage your attendance because, as such a tight and cooperative community, Cape George neighbors are in a good position to combine efforts to prepare for any emergency. But individual planning IS a must. The Department of Health link below is a good way place to start. Click the link below and make your plan!

<https://doh.wa.gov/emergencies/be-prepared-be-safe/severe-weather-and-natural-disasters/wildfires#:~:text=Put%20together%20a%2072%2Dhour,easy%2Dto%2Dcarry%20packs>.

### Thank Yous!

♥ A round of applause goes to the marvelous Miss Kiss (a.k.a. Harbor Master Penny Jensen) and every single volunteer for prepping and putting on the most joyous Waterfront Festival, on August 12! From managing the parking, to serving snow cones and popcorn all day, to participating in the synchronized swimming and the regatta and kayak events, potty toss, and dog parade, etc., everybody gave their all!

♥ Thank you to Brad Taylor, Richard Van De Mark, and Ric Carlson who poured the concrete counters in both the picnic shelter and south marina crab shack.

### Maintenance

**Water.** On August 1, we hired Kenneth Loomis as our new Water System Manager. He is a Washington State Certified Water Distribution Manager #1, and Cross Connection Control Specialist. Ken is now working with Cape George, as an independent contractor. With input from the Water Advisory Committee and Donnie he is managing some non-urgent water maintenance issues, getting up to speed on some long-term projects, and routine processes. He is a veteran water manager and is knowledgeable about maintenance

of small water systems such as ours, and compliance with County and State regulations.

Note: The Cape George water system continues has a current State of Washington Public Water System Operating Permit, valid through May 2024, permit category GREEN, the top category, that means the “system is substantially in compliance with applicable drinking water requirements.”

We are happy to welcome Ken and will work with him to keep our system in good order.

**Grounds.** Donnie and Eric cleared 15 trucks full of brush and fallen trees from the common areas of the Colony, Huckleberry, the Village, and the Highlands. There was a dying Madrona tree next to the firehouse, that Donnie and Eric felled yesterday. Thank you to Donnie and Eric for your diligence and non-stop weed whacking.

**Electrical.** Double D Electric replaced some circuit wiring in the clubhouse and replaced a switch in the pool room. They are working on an estimate to repair an exhaust fan in the fitness room.

**Internet switch.** Thank you to the Ad Hoc Tech Team for helping us switch internet systems to provide a better Wi-Fi connection in the clubhouse and marina.

**Keypads.** New electronic keypads were installed at the clubhouse, fitness room and workshop (a new electronic keypad was installed at the pool in 2022). We are working to get the fobs to work in all areas. The new keypad system is an approved 2023 reserve expenditure.

### **Reminders**

**Please clean up after your dog.** In the park areas, on the streets, in the Marina, on the beach, and everywhere else. Even if you think no one is looking.

**Cape George is private property.** Door-to-door construction and landscape solicitors are trespassing. Visitors in any common area parking lot, or at the ravine trailheads on Huckleberry Place and Marine View Place, without a Cape George parking sticker on their windshield, or a guest pass (from the Cape George Office) on their dashboard are trespassing. Please report trespassers and vehicle license plates to the office.

**Cross connection and backflow testing.** The inspection letters will be mailed in early September.

**Mowing.** The final vacant lot mowing take place in the week after Labor Day.

Thank you for everything you do to help make Cape George Colony Club a great place to live!

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## NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

### A Month of Reflection

It has been a long first month in this new position. I'm experiencing a steep learning curve in Robert's Rules, finance and water systems and I don't even know all the things I don't know yet! Sometimes I have to wonder if I'll ever feel as competent as I know I should be.

It's also been a fun month! The Waterfront Festival was a smashing success due to the hard work of many volunteers and I'm sure everyone is now looking forward to the Labor Day BBQ and sharing the waning days of summer with each other. I've met many new people and attached names to those I'd often heard about but had not yet met—all good people who clearly love Cape George and who enjoy the many wonderful opportunities it offers.

It's also been an unexpectedly disappointing month marred by a level of divisiveness I never anticipated. Yes, I'm talking about the dog play time issue. While many members shared their viewpoints with great passion and zeal, it was disappointing that some also belittled others' views and disrespected their right to offer them. This was an unfortunate and unexpected consequence of the formation of the ad hoc committee and I hope that with time any fractured relationships will be mended and a more constructive approach might be utilized in the future. Those who disagree with us are not the enemy; they simply disagree and should be given the same space and opportunity to have their say.

Cape George faces many challenges over the next few years and our best hope of meeting those challenges is if we all work together toward the common good. As we do that, I hope we'll choose kindness over vitriol and fact over fiction. It's the only way we'll be successful. This is an amazing community and, in many ways, it is unique. Let's all work together to keep it that way.

Betsy Coddington

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utensils, cups, etc.

## CAPE GEORGE COMMUNITY POOL

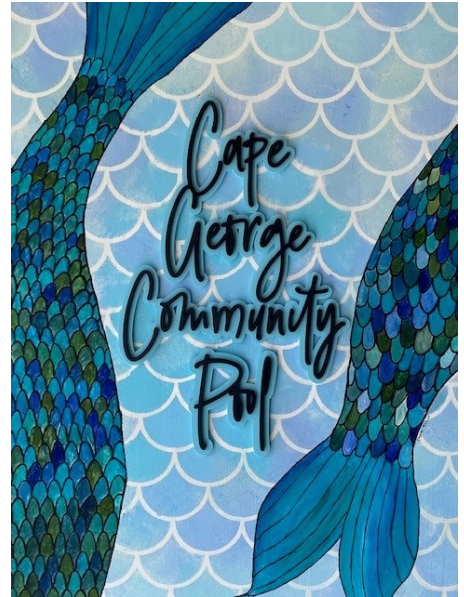
Greetings from the pool

We had a very busy and very fun summer, ending with a synchronized swim show performed by the Cape George AQUALILIES. The show was well attended and well received. The AQUALILIES thank you for your support.

We have a large maintenance project coming up in October. The lap pool and kiddie pool will be drained and resurfaced. The pool facility, including the changing rooms will be closed Oct. 9th - Oct. 27th. Please mark your calendars now. If these change, we will keep you informed. If you'd like to know more about the process, you can check out this website.

[www.Glasscoatpoolresurfacing.com](http://www.Glasscoatpoolresurfacing.com)

In the meantime, continue to enjoy your pool. Lap Swim, Water aerobics, and Open swim. Please check the calendar for scheduled times. You don't need to sign up, just come down to the pool and enjoy. Your Pool Committee



**Have you seen  
Capt'n George  
Outside the  
shop?**

**Years have been  
added to his life  
with the help  
of  
Linda  
Witherow.**



**Linda spent HOURS of tender  
loving care with his restoration,  
painting and fine detailing.  
Thank you Linda Witherow!  
(and Sam)**



Centrum Owl - Max Grover 2023

# CENTRUM

Celebrating 50 Years in Port Townsend

**MUSIC**  
 Fiddle Tunes  
 Acoustic Blues  
 Jazz Port Townsend  
 Voice Works  
 Brazilian Choro  
 Red Hot Strings  
 Chamber Music  
 Ukulele Festival

**WRITING**  
 Port Townsend  
 Writers  
 Conference  
 Writing  
 Retreats  
 Residencies

**ART**  
 Emerging  
 Artist Residency  
 Curator and  
 Arts Worker  
 Residency  
 Self-Directed  
 Residencies

**YOUTH CAMPS**  
 Explorations  
 Water World  
 Tales Text  
 and Theater  
 Strong Voices  
**DANCE This!**  
 Voices  
 from the Field

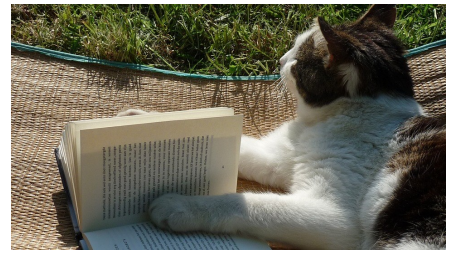









## "LA ROSE" BY LOUISE ERDRICH CHOSEN BY BOOK GROUP



Louise Erdrich, winner of many National Book awards, has written an emotionally haunting tale in "La Rose". This dazzling, unforgettable book from one of America's most distinguished literary masters is September's Book Group selection.

A tragic accident, a demand for justice and a profound act of atonement are the basis for the story with ancient roots in Native American culture. Set in North Dakota in the fall of 1999, Landreaux Iron stalks a deer along the edge of the property bordering his own. He is ever-careful, and shoots with confidence, but when the buck springs away, Landreaux realizes he has killed something else, his friend's five-year-old son, Dusty. Dusty was best friends with Landreaux's own son, LaRose.

The two families have always been close, with the wives being half-sisters. They shared food, clothing, and rides into town. Following ancient tradition, Landreaux and his wife gave La Rose to Peter and Nola Ravich. "Our son will be your son, now," Landreaux declares.

As the years pass, LaRose becomes the linchpin linking the two families, and eventually their mutual pain begins to heal.

Not without an antagonist, a vengeful man with a long-standing grudge against Landreaux begins raising trouble, hurling accusations of a cover-up the day Dusty died. He threatens the peace that has kept the two fragile families whole.

The book group will meet on Tuesday, September 19 in the Cape George clubhouse.

Everyone is invited to attend.



## Cape George Acoustic Music Jam

**Monday, Sept 25th**

**7 pm - 9 pm**

Come join us in the Clubhouse for an evening of music and song.

Bring your music stands.

Question? Contact Carol Chandler at 402-981-0405

## Member Letter:

### Walking in the Colony=Health or Hazard?

Walking in a peaceful, scenic, and safe neighborhood was such a welcome contrast and change from navigating the crowded streets of Seattle fourteen years ago. Breathing in fresh air while marveling at breathtaking views of the Olympic mountains looming above Discovery Bay never failed to thrill me. Even on the greyest of days, walking around the Colony neighborhood was at once soothing and invigorating. Walking kept me fit and healthy and grateful to live in such an idyllic environment—until NOW.

Currently, walking in the Cape George Colony has become a stressful challenge physically and mentally. Instead of a practical and pleasant form of exercise, a daily walk in the Colony requires constant vigilance to avoid the many cars, vans, RV's, pickup trucks, dump trucks, delivery trucks as well as extra-large construction vehicles. There are even some residents—at least one that I see frequently—that just drive around the neighborhood several times a day with no particular destination in mind. Instead of sidewalks our roads have a collection of uneven borders, deep drainage ditches, shrubs that line the edge of the roads, intermittent paved or graveled driveways and rocky parking areas in front of some houses. There are no shoulders. When two cars or trucks are traveling the road in opposite directions, there is no reliably safe alternative but to “ditch dive” or completely stop walking after moving as far to a side of the road as possible until the cars pass. Woe be to those of us with mobility issues that make moving quickly even more problematic.

Times have changed in Cape George Colony. There are more residents, more pedestrians, more vehicles and more dogs than when The Colony was established. Yet the 20 mph speed limit has remained unchanged. Only the signage has been replaced, not the speed limit. Clearly, the roadways will not be widened. Sidewalks will not be added. However, we all need to share the road with our neighbors, visitors and a myriad of workers. At this point, Colony residents who walk are like second class citizens with virtually no right to a safe path to walk. Modifications such as filling in drainage ditches and culverts with turf that could be walked upon would be a major improvement for those of us who like and need walking for their health maintenance as well as enjoyment. Some drivers actually glare at walkers as if we were annoying obstacles in their street. I don't know the solution to this problem, but I hope that the Board will address this issue, since all community residents have a right to safely walk around their own neighborhood.

Opinion of Marion Clair - Colony Resident

## Cape George Member Letter Section

Cape George Colony Club encourages its members to become involved in providing opinions on topics of current interest. Each monthly newsletter will include space to permit these opinions to be published. The following guidelines should be adhered to by anyone interested in submitting text for print.

1. Write on topics of current interest related to the Cape George community.
2. Make one main point.
3. Letters that are factually inaccurate will not be printed.
4. The Cape George newsletter is not interested in furthering a personal dispute. No personal attacks will be printed.
5. All published letters will include the author's name. We will not print anonymous letters.
6. We reserve the right to accept, reject or edit any letter based on an editorial review by the Manager and one Trustee.

An illustration of a woman artist wearing a blue beret, a blue long-sleeved shirt, and orange overalls. She is holding a paintbrush in her raised right hand and a palette in her left hand. The background is a light yellow wall with large, abstract, colorful brushstrokes in shades of blue, yellow, red, and pink. The text 'ART WALL NEWS' is written in large, bold, blue letters on the left side of the illustration.

# ART WALL NEWS

**Hello Cape George Artists! It's time again to think about a new art wall. Let's meet up on September 5th at 4 PM to take down the current wall and hang new art. The new theme will be 'Flowers'. Then, on September 9th, let's have an Art Walk @ 5 PM in the clubhouse! As always, the theme is just a suggestion and not a requirement. Looking forward to seeing you all in September, have fun making art!**

**Sandi Gulin 360-509-9485  
sandi7953@hotmail.com  
Christine Rogers 206-354-6577  
c.walshrogers@gmail.com**



September, 2023

A very big thanks from your Marina Committee to all of Cape George's wonderful volunteers who worked to make the 2023 Waterfront Festival a huge success. THANK YOU!!!

See you next year!

Penny Jensen, Harbormaster



**WE RECYCLED THREE BAGS OF STYROFOAM IN AUGUST!**

**KEEP IT UP CAPE GEORGE!!**

**WHAT DO WE RECYCLE?**

**EPS packaging (rigid):** white, clean, dry, with all tape and labels removed

**LDPE packaging (flexible):** any color (separated), clean, dry, with all tape and labels removed

**EPS food containers:** white, clean, dry, unstained/unmarked

**Packing Peanuts:** bagged separately from everything else: Separate biodegradable (squishy) from nonbiodegradable (crunchy).

We can no longer accept mixed peanuts.

**CAPE GEORGE DROP-OFF:** Contact Jo Blair: Text or call 425-417-2164 or email [barbarajoblair@gmail.com](mailto:barbarajoblair@gmail.com) to schedule a drop-off.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR BUSINESS PICK-UPS: E-mail: [PTStyroCyclers@gmail.com](mailto:PTStyroCyclers@gmail.com)

**PT POTENTIAL POP-UP BOTTLE CAP DROP-OFF**



# Do You Love To Sing?

Starting in September come join us!



We are a group of women at Cape George who are interested in getting together to sing and harmonize.

Just for fun—and we hope you're interested as well.

We will sing a variety of genres such as soft pop and rock, show tunes, and old favorites in the soprano, second soprano and alto formats.



Sept 8th—2pm at the Clubhouse

Contact Helen Ann Skowyra

360.385.0536

[haskowyra@hotmail.com](mailto:haskowyra@hotmail.com)

Singing is -

Good for the soul

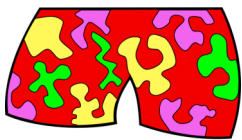
Good for the heart

Good for the lungs

Good for the memory

Good for stress

Good for confidence



## Lost something?

We have quite an array of items left behind from the pickleball court and swimming pool.

Check at the office for your lost items.

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**The Board Meeting was called to order by President, Betsy Coddington at 3:00 pm**

**In Attendance:** Besty Coddington, Nancy Charpentier, Pat Gulick, Bart Mooyman-Beck, Mike Heckinger, Steve McFarland, and Ray Pierson. (Mike Heckinger did not vote as his video was not working to see his raised hand.)

**Action on Minutes:** Pat Gulick moved, and Ray Pierson seconded to approve minutes of the regular Board of Trustees meeting held July 27, 2023. Passed – 5/0

**Treasurer’s Report – Nancy Charpentier - JULY 2023**

COMMENTS ON JULY 2023 FINANCIALS

**General**

It is BUDGET time! Water and Marina committees will soon receive templates and we'll be in touch to set up meetings to review 2024 budget needs. However, there are many people involved in activities in the General Operations budget, and Marnie will be reaching out for your input for your areas of expenses you anticipate in the next year. This means the Pool committee, Emergency Preparedness, Environmental, Fitness, and any other areas that generate expense. Please include both Marnie and me in email correspondence regarding the budget.

Reserves will be a separate meeting, date and time to be announced, where we will review the current status of our funding levels and needs. Look for an email blast regarding the schedule soon.

**Balance Sheet**

The Reserve balance jumped this month as a result of booking the transfer of \$129,286 from Operating to Reserves by vote of the Board on July 27th, reflecting the net cash from the audited balances of 2022 for each of our three funds.

All accounts have been reconciled, cash balanced to statements and aging reports verified.

**Income Statement**

A) General Operations:

General Operations is performing well to budget, however there are some expenses that have exceeded budgeted levels and caution is still the watchword of the day.

Grounds (tree removal) and vehicle repairs have exceeded budget for a combined total of \$11.5k. There are more dead trees to be removed, and Marnie is in the process of getting quotes. It's a safety issue before the winter storms come, so it's important to get them done this year.

This is offset somewhat by payroll which is underbudget by \$9k. However, those savings are mostly in the Benefits category since staff have not yet used their entire allotments for healthcare reimbursement. This

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may yet occur, and the expenses could catch up to budget.

These cost overruns will need to be taken into account for next year's budgeting as we have experienced not just cost increases, but aging equipment and grounds will likely settle into higher expense levels to maintain.

Note that we have not yet done our annual road maintenance, and since that is budgeted at a level similar to last year (\$10k) it may be hard to take care of needed small repairs within that budget.

All this adds up to the urgent necessity to withhold spending at every opportunity. If it is not critical, we shouldn't do it. However we will need to take it into account for the 2024 budget. It will help that the community has voted to increase the assessment up to 8%, as that will help mitigate for the extreme inflation of the last couple of years that have settled our costs at higher levels.

**B) Water Operations**

Water is running comfortably ahead of budget currently. Part of the reason has been lack of planned spending to increase our inventory of parts on hand. It is needed to enhance our ability to respond quickly to needed repairs. There are also some maintenance expenses that have not yet been initiated and we will see a shrinking of the actual/budget gap with those. Still to do is installing dedicated sample sites and maintenance on the backwash system, however those should fall within the existing budget.

**C) Marina Operations**

Marina is currently \$12k ahead of budget, however the expense budgeted at \$10.5k for dredging the channel has come in at \$13k owing to the need to add a 3rd day to complete the project. They will likely still be in the black, but it can cut into the amount available at the end of the year to add to their reserves fund.

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As of Jul 31, 2023								
<i>Balance Sheet as of July 31, 2023 and 2022 - Preliminary Subject to Audit</i>								
Assets	2023	2022		Liabilities and Fund Balances	2023	2022		
Cash and Cash Equivalents:				Current Liabilities:				
Operations Checking & Petty Cash	\$ 119,435	\$ 226,467	-47%	Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$ 14,974	\$ 168,039	-91%	
Operating Savings & ICS	250,551	297,814	-16%	Prepaid Income	24,958	26,902	-7%	
Reserves - General, Water & Marina	1,613,741	1,251,175	29%	Unearned Income, Marina Wait List	3,850	1,325	191%	
Total Cash & Equivalents	1,983,727	1,775,456	12%	Total Current Liabilities	43,782	196,266	-78%	
Net Accounts Receivable	\$ 23,019	\$ 18,440	25%	<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>				
Total Net Fixed Assets	1,637,226	1,669,384	-2%	Fund Balances & Equity (Combined)	3,422,493	3,182,134	8%	
Total Prepaid & Other Assets	50,158	44,188	14%	Modified Cash Basis Income	227,857	129,068	77%	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$3,694,131</b>	<b>\$3,507,468</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$3,694,131</b>	<b>\$ 3,507,468</b>	<b>5%</b>	



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2023 Year to Date - Unaudited					Comparative - Unaudited				
	Actual	Budget	Variance	%		2023 YTD	2022 YTD**	Variance	%
<b>General</b>					<b>General</b>				
General Assessment	\$ 259,133	\$ 259,140	(7)	0%	General Assessment	\$ 259,133	\$ 190,610	\$ 68,523	36%
Revenue - All Other Sources	14,494	9,696	4,799	49%	Revenue - All Other Sources	14,494	12,659	1,835	14%
<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<b>273,627</b>	<b>268,836</b>	<b>4,792</b>		<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<b>273,627</b>	<b>203,269</b>	<b>70,358</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	79,460	88,564	9,104	10%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	79,460	59,936	(19,524)	-33%
Repairs & Maintenance	21,875	9,670	(12,205)	-126%	Repairs & Maintenance	21,875	13,608	(8,267)	-61%
Contracted Services	45,324	43,675	(1,649)	-4%	Contracted Services	45,324	50,795	5,471	11%
Pool Expense & Utilities	15,071	21,425	6,354	30%	Pool Expense & Utilities	15,071	13,474	(1,597)	-12%
Utilities & Insurance	18,736	18,736	-	0%	Utilities & Insurance	18,736	19,499	763	4%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	15,385	19,787	4,401	22%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	15,385	23,040	7,655	33%
<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<b>195,850</b>	<b>201,857</b>	<b>6,006</b>		<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<b>195,850</b>	<b>180,352</b>	<b>(22,319)</b>	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 77,777</b>	<b>\$ 66,979</b>	<b>\$ 10,798</b>	-16%	<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 77,777</b>	<b>\$ 22,917</b>	<b>\$ 54,860</b>	>-100%
<b>Water</b>					<b>Water</b>				
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 172,198	\$ 173,607	\$ (1,409)	-1%	Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 172,198	\$ 126,084	\$ 46,114	37%
Revenue - All Other Sources	2,857	6,000	(3,144)	-52%	Revenue - All Other Sources	2,857	9,840	(6,984)	-71%
<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<b>175,055</b>	<b>179,607</b>	<b>(4,552)</b>		<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<b>175,055</b>	<b>135,924</b>	<b>39,131</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	39,389	44,282	4,893	11%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	39,389	34,837	(4,552)	-13%
Repairs & Maintenance	536	7,529	6,993	93%	Repairs & Maintenance	536	369	(167)	-45%
Contracted Services	14,681	20,313	5,631	28%	Contracted Services	14,681	15,277	596	4%
Utilities & Insurance	15,172	17,898	2,727	15%	Utilities & Insurance	15,172	13,284	(1,888)	-14%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	10,477	19,270	8,793	46%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	10,477	12,847	2,370	18%
<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<b>80,255</b>	<b>109,292</b>	<b>29,037</b>		<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<b>80,255</b>	<b>76,614</b>	<b>(3,641)</b>	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 94,800</b>	<b>\$ 70,315</b>	<b>\$ 24,485</b>	35%	<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 94,800</b>	<b>\$ 59,310</b>	<b>\$ 35,490</b>	60%
<b>Marina</b>					<b>Marina</b>				
Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 75,264	\$ 74,489	\$ 775	1%	Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 75,264	\$ 74,489	\$ 775	1%
Revenue - All Other Sources	18,370	18,150	\$ 220	1%	Revenue - All Other Sources	18,370	18,102	268	1%
<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>93,634</b>	<b>92,639</b>	<b>995</b>		<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>93,634</b>	<b>92,591</b>	<b>1,043</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	13,388	14,761	1,373	9%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	13,388	11,650	(1,738)	-15%
Repairs & Maintenance	4,660	13,642	8,982	66%	Repairs & Maintenance	4,660	15,489	10,829	0%
Contracted Services	4,053	6,230	2,177	35%	Contracted Services	4,053	5,434	1,381	25%
Utilities & Insurance	12,055	10,816	(1,239)	-11%	Utilities & Insurance	12,055	10,993	(1,062)	-10%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	4,089	3,944	(145)	-4%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	4,089	1,991	(2,098)	-105%
<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>38,245</b>	<b>49,393</b>	<b>11,148</b>		<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>38,245</b>	<b>45,557</b>	<b>7,312</b>	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 55,389</b>	<b>\$ 43,246</b>	<b>\$ 12,143</b>	28%	<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 55,389</b>	<b>\$ 47,034</b>	<b>\$ 8,355</b>	18%
<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>					<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>				
	<b>\$ 227,966</b>	<b>\$ 180,540</b>	<b>\$ 47,427</b>	26%		<b>\$ 227,966</b>	<b>\$ 129,261</b>	<b>\$ 98,705</b>	76%
<b>Reserve Activity</b>					<b>**Reserve Activity</b>				
Routine Reserve Assessment	149,943	149,943	-	0%	Routine Reserve Revenue	149,943	112,476	(37,467)	33%
Reserve Interest - all **	-	1,572	(1,572)	-100%	Reserve Interest - all	-	-	-	>100%
Less: Reserve Offset***	(149,943)	(149,973)	30		Less: Reserve Offset	(149,943)	(112,586)	37,357	
<b>Net Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,542</b>	<b>\$ (1,542)</b>	-100%	<b>Gross Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (110)</b>	<b>\$ (110)</b>	-100%

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**New Members: Welcome**

Lisa Palermo & Jeanette Wagner purchased 361 S Palmer from John & Jo Dwyer  
Brendon & Kaitlynn Townshend purchased 560 Sunset from Max & Debbie Sonandre  
Lori & Jenine Grey purchased 301 Dennis Blvd from Marilyn Hulslander

**Information items or documents submitted to the Trustees at Study Session**

1. There will be a Reserve Study meeting scheduled in September for a Board review of the 2023 Reserve Studies – Besty Coddington.
2. Update on our water system management – Marnie Levy.
3. Members who would like to have estimates from Lakeside Industries to install their (required) driveway aprons, please give your contact information to the office by September 1. The cost of the driveway apron will be charged directly to the member – Marnie Levy.
4. Pat Gulick has been named the Board Liaison to the Shoreline Stewardship Committee – Marnie Levy
5. Due to the recent fire in the Memorial Park Gazebo, no fires, candles, lanterns, barbecues, or campfires are allowed at Memorial Park. A burn ban is also in effect for ALL common areas of Cape George, so no open flames are allowed – Marnie Levy. See attached.

**Committee Reports:** The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Environmental and Fitness The reports are attached and incorporated by reference.

**Member participation:**

Rich Hilfer urged the trustees to have a Reserves meeting with members ASAP and to remind them all meetings of the trustees should be open to the membership unless it is an Executive Session.

Phyllis Ballough was concerned about discussion of relocating the playground equipment to the area of the petanque court. That grassy area is the septic drainfield and children should not be playing on it.

Marie Muma had submitted a letter to the Board asking to allow therapy animals access to the beach between the marina and Memorial Park. She has three alpacas which are in training to be therapy animals. The trustees are considering the request and will have an answer for her in the coming months.

**New Business Action Items:**

**Motion 1.** Pat Gulick moved, and Ray Pierson seconded to adopt the proposed Shoreline Stewardship Committee Charter. Passed – 5/0

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**Motion 2.** Pat Gulick moved, and Ray Pierson seconded to approve Steve McDevitt as the chair for the Shoreline Stewardship Committee. Passed – 5/0

**Motion 3.** Betsy Coddington moved, and Ray Pierson seconded to approve a courtesy parking sign be designated near the propane tank at the south end of the fitness center entrance. Passed – 5/0

**Motion 4.** Mike Heckinger moved, and Pat Gulick seconded to approve Mike Volkman as chair of the Ad Hoc Technology and Security Committee. Passed – 5/0

**Open Board Discussion:**

Ray Pierson asked if the new internet service at the clubhouse will allow for hybrid meetings. Marnie says the Tech Committee will test the possibility in the next couple of weeks.

Bart Mooyman-Beck had a near miss with a car this week while walking his dog in the Colony. A reminder to drivers to share the road and slow down.

Nancy Charpentier suggested volunteers from Emergency Prep might help to collect member emergency contact phone numbers and renter contact information to use in case of an emergency. Bart Mooyman-Beck volunteered to help gather the information.

**Announcements:**

Monday, September 4, the office will be closed in observance of the Labor Day Holiday.

Monday, September 4, the Social Club is sponsoring a barbecue/potluck.

Saturday, September 9, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Board of Trustees On-Boarding Meeting

Monday, September 25, 3:00 p.m., Board of Trustees Study Session, via Zoom Meeting

Thursday, September 28, 3:00 p.m., Board Meeting, via Zoom Meeting

**Adjournment.** Nancy Charpentier moved, and Ray Pierson seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 4:02 pm. Passed - 5/0

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Pat Gulick, Secretary

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Betsy Coddington, President

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**Note\*** The Environmental Committee July 11, 2023, meeting minutes in this month's Board information packet were published in the July Board Minutes. It will not be repeated here.

**Fitness Committee Minutes  
8/7/2023**

**Meeting:** Opened by Judith and Allan welcoming the group and introducing Gordon Bair, a new member to the Committee.

**Members:** Allan Zee, Judith Chambliss (Co-Chairs) Betsy Coddington (Board President and Liaison to Fitness Committee), Gordon Bair, Phyllis Ballough, Marnie Levy (CG Manager), Fred Miercort, Linda Mollino, Maria Ramsey, Tom Ramsey, and Bill Sery. Absent: Jon Karpilow; Mardella Rowland; Robin Scherting

1. **Budget / Finances:**

- Current balance \$10,141.88
- The office has been billed for the recent maintenance by Mark Harder, for the amount of \$605.03.

2. **Equipment:**

Mark Harder completed a thorough routine maintenance; repaired the cable on the leg press; began repair on the recumbent bike and will conclude it when the necessary part arrives. .

Mark recommended a 6-month routine maintenance schedule (at a cost around \$521 per visit). This service would be for the entire gym. Committee members agreed that this was a necessary service. Marnie and Betsy to bring it to the Board of Trustees as Cape George would be responsible for the cost every six months.

- A Rowing machine was donated and delivered by Cape George members Cindy and Deb Wallace. A \$50 gift certificate at Henery's Hardware was given to them as a thank- you.

-Discussion centered around the next piece of equipment to consider purchasing with the current funds. The decision was made to look into a replacement of the elliptical stepper without arms. The committee is inclined to replace it with one with arms like our current Precor. Phyllis agreed to research on both and to present options and costs to the group.

3. **Supplies:**

- Sanitizers: Thanks to Maria for her research, which was helpful in proceeding forward to replace the Dermasept Dispensers. Mark Harder, our equipment maintenance specialist, recommended Simple Green as the best cleaning product. Marnie brought to the Committee part of the order that

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

August 24, 2023  
3:00 PM via Zoom

**DRAFT**

has been placed for an introductory quantity of Simple Green, new dry wipes, and two dry wipe dispensers. Decision made to finish out Dermasept product that we have been using and then switch to the new protocol. Bill and Maria will take the responsibility for diluting the simple green for use with the spray bottles.

4. **Signs**

- Thank you to Marnie for arranging it and Donnie & Eric for doing the excellent painting of the door and installation of the two new signs on the doors.

5. **Thank you notes for donors**

Maria presented examples of thank you notes that she has created as examples that would be specific to the Fitness Center. The group was very complimentary. Maria agreed to take on creating a draft thank you note and contacting The Printery/Star Printing and Corvus Crafts regarding production costs.

5. **Suggestion Box:**

- Lid for the trashcan outside the Fitness Center door: Marnie is still trying to resolve the problem.
- Request to open Fitness Center at 4am instead of 5am: Marnie stated that at this point we need to stay with current hours because of security issues.

Broken exhaust fan and window screen: according to Marnie, they are on Donnie's list and he will get to them as time allows.

AC: voted down.

Weed-wacking: Marnie will check with the Berm Committee to see the advisability and possibility of trimming some plantings in front of the window in front of the NuSteps.

7. **Suggestion from Community Member**

- To designate a handicapped zone in the backside parking lot outside the Fitness Center: Following discussion about options, the decision was made to have a sign designating the area as a courtesy parking space for those members with special needs. This will not be an "Official" handicapped space. This will be presented to the Board of Trustees at their next meeting.

8. **Next meeting:** Monday, October 2, 2023

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# Cape George 2023 Calendar

# September

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					<b>1</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Bldg Com</b> <b>10a at office</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> <b>Labor Day</b> <b>BBQ</b>  Open swim all day	<b>5</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Marina Com 11a</b> <b>HSJC 1-3p</b> <b>Pool Com 3p</b> <b>Art Wall 4p</b>	<b>6</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swim 2p  <b>Wed. Winer's 3-5p</b>	<b>7</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Fabric Arts 9-3</b>	<b>8</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Singing Group 2p</b>	<b>9</b>  <b>Clubhouse</b>  <b>Art Walk 5p</b>
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<b>24</b>  <b>Clubhouse</b> <b>Reserved</b> <b>3-6p</b>	<b>25</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Study Session 3p</b>  <b>CG Music Jam 7-9p</b>	<b>26</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p	<b>27</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swim 2p  <b>Grief Circle 10a</b>  <b>Wed Winer's 3-5p</b>	<b>28</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Fabric Arts 9-3</b>  <b>Board Meeting 3p</b>	<b>29</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p	<b>30</b>  <b>Clubhouse</b> <b>Reserved</b>

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## Manager's Report - September 2023

### RUMOR

"General talk or hearsay, not based on definite knowledge." Consider the Manager a good source to confirm or deny rumors. 360.385.2208. [Manager@capegeorge.org](mailto:Manager@capegeorge.org).

### PROCESS

"A continuous and regular action or succession of actions occurring or performed in a definite manner." The Board of Trustees follows processes set forth in the Cape George Colony Club Governing Documents. <https://capegeorge.org/index.php?governing-documents>

### ♥ Thank you to all committee Chairs!

The task of chairing a committee is a challenge. Consistency, communication, and organization are key. The committees have a charter that the Chair is responsible to follow and abide by. A huge thank you to the twenty-three Committee Chairs who give so much of their time to help facilitate the hundreds of volunteers who, together, make Cape George a great place to live!

### Assessments Due October 1, 2023.

Please make sure to pay your assessment, online or by bringing your check to the office.

### Budget and Reserves

We are working on the proposed 2024 Budget and Reserve Assessment package to present to membership for approval. Thank you to the board and members who attended the meeting held by Reserve Consultants, LLC. Their presentation was direct and succinct. At the membership meeting following RCL's presentation members shared opinions and ideas of how to go forward.

If you have not had a chance to look at the 2023 Reserve Studies, please go to the Cape George website where they are posted. The link to the page is <https://capegeorge.org/index.php?reserve-schedules> Reserve Study Consultants, LLC, has included in each reserve study (General, Water, and Marina) their recommendations for funding as well as the outlook for Cape George reserve funds, if members continue funding the reserves as we have been. The recent years of inflation, and less-than-recommended funding levels in prior years have left Cape George in a potentially vulnerable position. I encourage every member to become familiar with the reserve studies.

In the second week of October (specific date and time to be determined) the Board will meet to discuss the

proposed budget and reserves. On October 16, there will be a Special Meeting of the Board to review and approve a proposed operating budget. Notice of those meetings will be posted and sent via eblast at least 48 hours in advance.

On October 19, ballots will be mailed to members. The Budget and Reserves ballot mailing will include other information and member inquiry issues so please read through that packet carefully and respond by mailing or turning your ballot in at the office by the due date.

### **Office updates**

Office Administrator Terri Brown is retiring at the end of October. We are advertising for an office administrator in local publications and on Zip Recruiter. We sent the advertisement for the position to members as an eblast, with the announcement of her retirement.

Terri has been the Office Administrator for eight beautiful years and will be sorely missed, especially by me. We will schedule a retirement get together for Terri in October.

### **Maintenance**

The swimming pool will be closed for resurfacing in the middle of October. We will close the pools five days in advance to drain and clean the pool. Please look for notices of the specific closure dates.

Picnic area lawn hydroseeding. The last step of the berm repair is to hydroseed the lawn from the north end of the clubhouse to the north end of the berm. I will be receiving a proposal for the lawn hydroseeding that will probably be scheduled in mid-October. Our goal is to have a few weeks when we are getting some rain and before have any freezing weather.

### **Tech updates.**

As I write, I can say that we are very close to having the new locks, fobs and computer programs working together to make access to the Clubhouse, Workshop, Pool, and Fitness Room fobs and cards work consistently.

The Tech Team is working on acquiring equipment and staging for blended Zoom/in-person meetings at the Clubhouse to be utilized when approved by the Board. Scheduling time to go through that has been our biggest issue, we know this is a hot topic and will try to set it up shortly.

### **Violations**

Violation letters were sent for abandonment of property, one maintenance violation, a barking dog violation, unshaded exterior night lights, and a trash violation.

### **Reminders**

**Cape George is private property.** We have had reports of a team of door-to-door solar panel salespeople trespassing in Cape George. Please report any solicitors to the office.

**Cross connection and backflow testing.** Inspection letters were mailed in early September. Three testing companies are listed on the second page of the letter you received.

**Please clean up after your dog.** In the park areas, on the streets, in the Marina, on the beach, and everywhere else. Even if you think no one is looking.

Thank you for everything you do to help make Cape George Colony Club a great place to live!

*Marnie W. Levy*

## President's Note - October 2023

As we enter the fall season and trees begin to shed their colorful leaves and thousands of pine needles, it may be a good time to shed the things which have created a burden for us and begin to look forward to the joys of the holiday season.

At the same time, Cape George is moving into a challenging time financially. Our reserves aren't where we'd like them to be and our budget is stretched beyond its limit. Our goal is to keep Cape George the beautifully cared for and vibrant community it is. Even though we know our ask will be a strain for many, *we need your support*. It's our community and we are responsible for its continued viability.

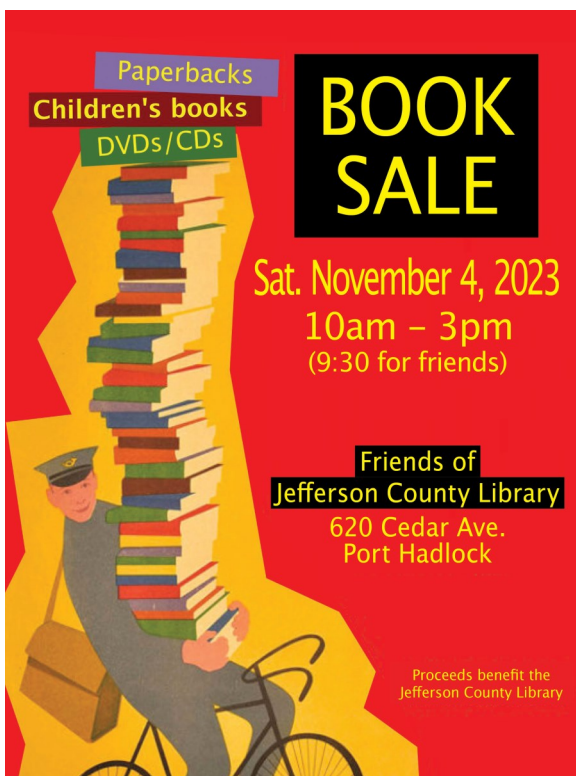
I urge you to read Treasurer Nancy Charpentier's article included in this newsletter to get more details. As she points out, we're at a juncture where increases are a necessary evil in order to keep our roads, amenities, water system, community property and staffing at the level we all expect and enjoy.

I also urge you to attend the next reserve study meeting, tentatively scheduled for **October 12**, to learn more about the reserve study and to hear specifically what our recommendations will be for 2024.

Committees have been working hard to pare down their budget needs to bare bones until our coffers are fuller and they deserve a huge thank you for their hard work and for making tough choices. Thank you to all!

Finally, I hope everyone will consider and take advantage of the opportunity to comment on the proposed *Livestock and Pets PP01(5)* rule change which you will find in this newsletter. I urge you to send your comments to the office before October 19th in order to be included in the next Study Session packet.

Betsy Coddington



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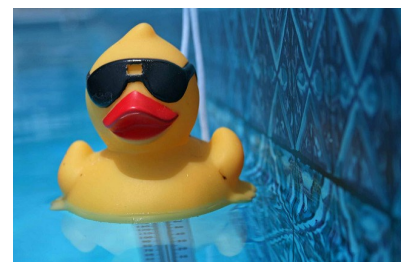
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The poster features a stylized illustration of a person in a uniform riding a bicycle with a large stack of books on the back. The background is red and yellow.

## The Pool will be Closed

For resurfacing beginning October 11th  
and will remain closed until the big reveal  
November 1st.

Coming soon  
an announcement for  
Doggie swim time  
before the pool is drained



# Cape George's Annual Halloween

## Costume Party

**When? October 28<sup>th</sup>**

**from 5:00-8:00 PM**

**Where? Clubhouse**



**Admission? \$5 per person**

**Kids under 12 are free!**

**Seating is limited. Purchase your admission from the Cape George Office early.**

### Children's Parade and Treats

Prior to eating, there will be a Children's Parade. Children will show off their costumes as they walk among the tables getting treats.



### Dancing!

After Cape George's Dancing Witches performance, everyone can groove to lively music!



### Food

Polish brats, hot dogs, and vegetarian hot dogs will be served.

Please bring a dish to share.

Please bring your own table service.

Bring your own beverages.



### Contests With Prizes!

Costume Contest for Adults

Best Jack-O-Lantern

(Bring your carved pumpkin to the party.)

Scariest Food



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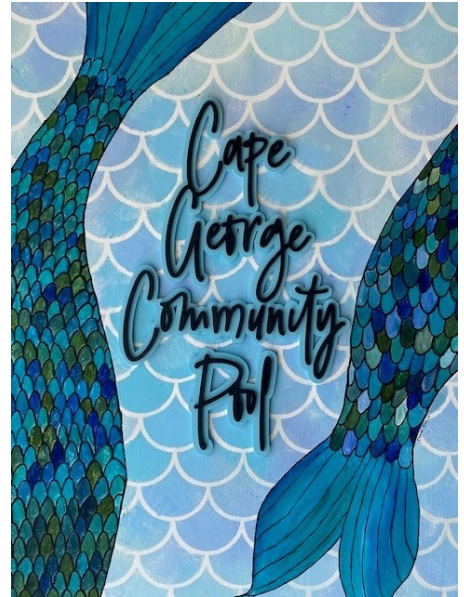
## CAPE GEORGE COMMUNITY POOL

Greetings from the pool!

The pool shell resurfacing project is just around the corner. We have a tentative closure date of Oct. 11th through the 31st. We will keep you posted! We are also working on the Pooch Plunge prior to draining the pool. Stay tuned!

We will be offering a new synchronized swim exercise class once the pool reopens. We will start Wednesday Nov. 8th at noon. You will learn the fundamentals of synchronized swimming and a routine! NOT to worry, you will not be expected to perform a show. Synchronized swimming is a great form of exercise, however, the class size is limited to 12 people. Sign

up now! Please text Kriss Edwards at 206-295-6944 or email [Kriss\\_edwards@hotmail.com](mailto:Kriss_edwards@hotmail.com)



Lap swim, water aerobics and open swim will resume when the pool reopens.

In the meantime, keep in shape! Cape George is a beautiful place to walk. Walk through the different neighborhoods and down the beach. Take up Pickleball if you haven't already, and of course our amazing Fitness Center has something for everyone. Keep busy, the pool will reopen in no time.

Your Pool Committee

### Know your Neighbors

In the event of a Disaster, or Emergency event, do you know your neighbors and can you identify who would need assistance at such a time? Communication is a vital part of keeping our community safe. Knowing your neighbors assists Emergency Response volunteers by communicating where their help is needed.

DFAC group of the Emergency Response Committee

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IN A CALENDAR YEAR

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BY THE FAMILIES OF THE DECEASED.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, PLEASE CONTACT JEANNIE RAMSEY OR EILEEN PIERSON

## SOUP SUPPER IS BACK NEXT MONTH !

Wednesday, November 1st at the Clubhouse

Social period 5:30 - Soup's on 6:00 pm

Bring your favorite soup or dessert to serve 8.

Salad and bread will be provided.

Bring your own bowl, spoon and beverage.



## BUDGETS AND HARD CHOICES

by Nancy Charpentier, Board Treasurer

It's budget time, and we're gathering data from various member committees to create the 2024 Operating budget, which will be presented to the Board and the membership on October 12th for review and discussion. If the Board approves the budget at the following October 16th meeting it will be mailed out to the membership for final approval.

At the meetings held in spring we talked about the impact to our budget of the extraordinary inflation of the last couple of years, and it resulted in the membership approving an increase to the cap on our operating budget, allowing an increase from 4% to 8%/year. In 2024 we will be proposing the full 8%, taking the Operating Budget Assessment from this year's \$522 to \$564, or from \$130.48 per quarter to \$140.92 for each of us.

The Reserve Budget is the next challenge before us. While inflation has run at 5-9% for the last few years, industries that comprise the Reserve projects have seen much greater hikes, such as construction services and materials, which have seen increases of as much as 25-30%. This resulted in much higher costs.

It has become clear that our current Reserve Assessment at \$302/year, with just a 2.5% cap on annual increases, is wholly inadequate for where we need to be in order to assure the funds are available to properly maintain our community roads, structures, and water supply.

Our Reserve Study Consultants have provided us with estimates for our contribution levels in order to aggressively build our Reserves. These studies are available for download from the website. An example of the impact of the last few years is that in the 2021 studies, the 'Recommended' annual contributions totaled \$339,000, and in 2024 with the inflationary impact factored in that number jumped to \$768,000. Their recommendation went from \$512/member 3 years ago, to \$1,160/member today. We have not chosen in our history to be this aggressive, and we're not suggesting it today.

The good news is that our committees have reviewed the costing details carefully and have proposed revisions to the projects and the schedules. Despite that, when we look at individual fund performances over the next 5 and 10 years, we see that both the General Operations and the Marina funds are in the red in 1 and 2 years, respectively. Water is in the black, but we are looking at the large and costly needs of our water system starting in the next 8 years, and we need to position ourselves to afford it.

What is clear is that we need to revise our assessments to (1) increase them to the level needed to save responsibly for current and future needs, and (2) increase further in order to catch up to the shortfalls that resulted from the devastating impact of the last few years of inflation. To that end, when we look at the project costing structure presented by the Committee input, the full funding level is \$296,182/year, or \$447/member. Our current bylaw restriction has our 2024 Reserve Assessment at \$310, or \$137 shy of the funding level needed for the reduced cost. We need to further increase that \$447 number to 'catch up' our balances, and that number will be proposed by the Board when we've done more analysis of actual need and building toward a reasonable funding level.



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This likely will entail a revision of our Bylaws, so there is a great deal for us to discuss.

We all knew in the spring that this discussion was coming, so I doubt it's a surprise to anyone. But the time has come to form a solid proposal to the membership, and we need everyone's input and consideration as we examine what is necessary. The finance committee is working on recommendations, and we welcome any input from any member who has a suggestion. Our investment in our community is paramount to the serenity and joy we experience every day being in our setting and enjoying the many amenities that comprise healthful, joyous living at Cape George. Let's make a plan!



Hello Cape Georgers!

A couple of reminders about our community library at the clubhouse!

We have an assortment of fiction and nonfiction books for anyone to borrow, jigsaw puzzles too! Please return books/puzzles to the rack by the window, **we will refile on the shelves.**

*Our selection includes many well-known authors like Stuart Woods, Catherine Coulter, James Paterson, Dean Koontz, Clive Cussler and many others. We also have local authors - J.A. Jance, Debbie Macomber, Steve Martini, Kristin Hannah, Linda Tilley and others!*

We welcome donations with a few "rules". Please donate books that are clean and spines not broken. We do not take the following types of books: **Cookbooks, Self-help books, Coffee table books, Travel books or Magazines (you can take these to the back side of the Colony mailbox box to share).**

We can use more puzzles! Please make sure they have all their pieces.

If you have any questions or comments please feel free leave a note on the table in the library and be sure and leave your name and phone number so we can respond to you.

Happy reading!

Dianne Tamblyn and Tom Ramsey  
Cape George Librarians

**WINTER GARDEN BY KRISTIN HANNAH**  
**BOOK GROUP SELECTION**



Award-winning author Kristin Hannah has penned a hauntingly beautiful novel that illuminates the intricate bonds between mothers and daughters and between the past and the present. Chosen by the Cape George book group, the story features a fairy tale that is unlike anything sisters, Meredith and Nina Whitson have ever heard before - a captivating love story that spans 50 years and between war-torn Leningrad and Alaska.

Growing up with a cold, distant mother and a warm, indulgent father, the two sisters are as different as day and night. And it isn't until their beloved father has passed that this vividly-imagined tale brings mother and daughters together when they finally learn the secret of their mother's past.

The "fairy tale" that happens to be true is the centerpiece of this novel that will tug at the heartstrings and be remembered long past its telling.

The book group meets on Tuesday, October 17 at 1 pm in the Cape George Clubhouse.

Everyone is invited to attend.



**Cape George Acoustic Music Jam**  
**Monday, Oct 23rd**  
**7 pm - 9 pm**

Come join us in the Clubhouse for an evening of music and song.

Bring your music stands.

Question? Contact Carol Chandler at 402-981-0405

# *Compassionate Grief Circles*

9/27, 10/25, 11/29 & 12/27, 10-11:30 am

Cape George Colony Clubhouse

Welcomes all loss and grief, includes but not limited to new diagnosis, health loss, dying, death, pet loss, environmental, anticipatory grief, disenfranchised grief or major life transition.

Offers an intimate, safe place to find solidarity, expression and support. Not a traditional support group. May incorporate ritual, poetry, music, expressive arts, writing, mindfulness, somatic experience, and nature. Circles guided in contemplative practices as we explore together the spiritual landscape of loss.

Facilitated by Rev. Carolyn Cristina Manzoni, Bereavement Specialist, Ordained Buddhist Minister, Palliative Care/Hospice Chaplain, & Spiritual Counselor. She is a Cultural Anthropologist, and certified as Thanatologist, Compassionate Bereavement Care Provider, End of Life Doula & Dementia Practitioner. Trained with Roshi Joan Halifax, Certified by Francis Weller, Joanne Cacciatore & Megan Devine.

Registration required but not necessary to attend all sessions. Circle size limited. Energy exchange: donation \$15-25 per circle. Learn more/register: [cmanzoni@olympus.net](mailto:cmanzoni@olympus.net) (360) 301 0225.



## Cape George Marina News

October, 2023

The 2023 Cape George Waterfront Festival was a huge success. Marina volunteers orchestrated games, prizes, interactive booths, a kayak poker race, a pet beauty pageant, and a sailing regatta. The CG synchronized swim team, "The Aqualillies" gave us two performances, and the event culminated with live music, food, drinks, fellowship, and laughter. This festival is a thank you gift from your Marina and its crew to the residents of Cape George for their generous, continued support.

The CG Marina volunteers have been busy working on many additional projects. A new flagpole is being erected at the gazebo. Be on the lookout for an upcoming dedication ceremony once old glory is up and flying again.

Recently, Marina volunteers assisted with rehabbing the picnic shelter, including new wiring, pull-down shades, and concrete countertops.

Craig Muma, Chair of the Marina, and his crew listened to concerns from Member kayakers and installed a kayak/small boat launch down on the docks. This new addition to the Marina is designed to assist you getting in and out of your vessel. This is one more way for you to enjoy your Marina!

Volunteers erected a new crab shack at the south end of the marina. This is a beautiful structure and is still under construction. A little birdie told me that there are plans to host a festive New Year's Eve party at the new crab shack this year. Stay tuned for additional information.

We have a very busy volunteer Harbormaster, Penny Jensen, who is responsible for assigning marina slips, overseeing the running of the Marina, and working with the volunteers to maintain our fantastic amenity.

Here's a very rough guesstimate of what the Marina volunteers have contributed to our Marina and our community.

Since 11/01/2022, we've worked approximately 40 weeks.

On average, approximately 12 volunteers work for 3 hours every Tuesday.

If that work had to be hired out, it would have cost Cape George approximately \$100/hour.

Here's a snapshot using the above assumptions: 40 weeks x 12 x 3 = 1440 volunteer hours worked x \$100/hr = \$144,000. If you add in what it would cost to hire a Harbormaster paid \$125,000/yr, we have saved Cape George \$265,000! This is how we keep our moorage rates low. We couldn't do it without our volunteers. We still have many projects to do and any assistance, large or small from any Cape George Member is very much appreciated.

The Marina at Cape George is open to everyone. Come on down, walk around, watch a glorious sunset from the gazebo, and breathe in the salty air from our beautiful bay. All are welcome.

Jan Tilley

## Rule Under Review

*At the September Board Meeting, the Trustees directed the office to publish the proposed changes to Cape George rule PP01 Livestock & Pets for member comment. The following excerpts are the proposed changes and/or additions. Members wishing to provide comment should do so in writing to the office by Thursday, October 19th.*

### **PP01, section 5 Currently reads:**

When dogs are off the owner's property, they shall be on a leash at all times, EXCEPT FOR THAT area at the bottom of Marine Drive (north of the clubhouse to the south end of the marina) where they can be exercised off leash and under voice control. Owner must always be within strict line-of-sight of dog. When other members are in the specific area north of the clubhouse for different activities, (such as picnics or to use the playground) then dog owners must ask them first if it is alright to have the dog(s) off-leash.

### **Proposed change:**

When dogs are off the owner's property, they shall be on a leash at all times, EXCEPT FOR THAT area at the bottom of Marine Drive (north of the clubhouse to the south end of the marina) AND between 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. at Colman/Memorial Park, where they can be exercised off leash and under voice control. Owner must always be within strict line-of-sight of dog. When other members are in these areas for specific activities, (such as a memorial service, picnics or to use the playground) then dog owners must ask them first if it is alright to have the dog(s) off-leash.



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**The Board Meeting was called to order by President, Betsy Coddington at 3:02 pm**

**In Attendance:** Besty Coddington, Mike Heckinger, Pat Gulick, Bart Mooyman-Beck, Nancy Charpentier, Steve McFarland, and Ray Pierson. (Nancy Charpentier did not vote as she was participating by phone)

**Action on Minutes:** Pat Gulick moved, and Ray Pierson seconded to approve minutes of the regular Board of Trustees meeting held August 24, 2023. Passed – 5/0

**Managers Report** - see front page of newsletter

**Treasurer's Report – Nancy Charpentier - August**

**General Comments**

We used to publish the detailed financial statements in the Study Session packet, but we're going to have a different process in order to keep it off the public web site. Detailed financial information is still available, but I'll be creating a mailing list and sending them out every month to those who want to see the reports. Please email me at [treasurer@capegeorge.org](mailto:treasurer@capegeorge.org) and let me know you want to be added to the list, and you'll receive them every month.

Remember the Reserves meeting and show up! We need to discuss our options, our concerns, clarify any questions and be sure we are on track to a solid savings plan to build our fund balances after the devastation of the last couple of years' inflation impact. Look for an email blast to notify you when and please come to the meeting. At the last session we had on Reserves Laura Hamilton made an excellent suggestion that everyone should be talking with friends and neighbors who haven't been to the meetings, and possibly even getting together to discuss things outside the meetings. If you do get together with neighbors and friends to discuss the reserves, please feel free to invite me or any other board member to attend if you want our participation. If I can be there I will.

**Balance Sheet**

There isn't anything remarkable to report. We have completed the transfer of \$129k from Operations cash to Reserves, in compliance with the Board vote of July 27th to distribute 2022's net cash into their respective reserve funds. For those looking at the detail report, you'll see that the Kitsap money market account is over the FDIC limit of \$250k, but that was a temporary situation now rectified. We were waiting for the 113 week CD to mature the 2nd week of September, at which point it was reinvested plus \$130k transferred from the money market, taking it down to the insurable level. You'll see that reflected in September's balance sheet.

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**Income Statement**

**A) General Operations:**

We're ahead of budget on PR expenses but expect that gap to close as staff catch up to submissions for health care reimbursements, at which time we should be on budget.

The pool is coming in under budget, and with this year's purchase of a new, more efficient heat pump we anticipate continued improved results in expenses.

We're investing an unbudgeted sum of \$1.5k for equipment to permit hybrid Board meetings, where in person and zoom can be held simultaneously. It's important for our community that we're able to accomplish that and will require delaying some expenditures in order to accommodate the expense.

**B) Water Operations**

We have so far stayed ahead of budget, some owing to a lack of excess (budgeted) spending to build our inventory, and so far a lack of costly repairs. We are performing comfortably to budget thus far.

**C) Marina Operations**

Marina is slightly ahead of budget, but we anticipate that expenditures will catch up to budgeted amounts as they address deferred maintenance issues such as safety ladders and dock repairs. We anticipate an electric repair that will be costly but needed for safety for the south parking lot. The budget is being closely watched, and care is being taken in budgeting for next year in anticipation of maintaining a safe environment. Some items budgeted for next year may need to be completed this year.

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As of AUG 31, 2023								
<i>Balance Sheet as of August 31, 2023 and 2022 - Preliminary Subject to Audit</i>								
Assets	2023	2022		Liabilities and Fund Balances	2023	2022		
Cash and Cash Equivalents:				Current Liabilities:				
Operations Checking & Petty Cash	\$ 69,409	\$ 107,695	-36%	Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$ 15,941	\$ 81,916	-81%	
Operating Savings & ICS	250,580	303,972	-18%	Prepaid Income	27,503	28,334	-3%	
Reserves - General, Water & Marina	1,616,852	1,315,295	23%	Unearned Income, Marina Wait List	3,650	528	591%	
Total Cash & Equivalents	1,936,841	1,726,962	12%	Total Current Liabilities	47,094	110,778	-57%	
Net Accounts Receivable	\$ 10,716	\$ 14,720	-27%	<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>				
Total Net Fixed Assets	1,651,883	1,669,384	-1%	Fund Balances & Equity (Combined)	3,425,604	3,199,136	7%	
Total Prepaid & Other Assets	45,458	40,339	13%	Modified Cash Basis Income	172,201	141,491	22%	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$3,644,899</b>	<b>\$3,451,405</b>	6%	<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$3,644,899</b>	<b>\$ 3,451,405</b>	6%	

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*Summary Revenue and Expense Statements for the periods ended August 31, 2023 and 2022 (Modified cash basis, excludes depreciation)  
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2023 Year to Date - Unaudited					Comparative - Unaudited				
	Actual	Budget	Variance	%		2023 YTD	2022 YTD**	Variance	%
<b>General</b>					<b>General</b>				
General Assessment	\$ 259,133	\$ 259,140	(7)	0%	General Assessment	\$ 259,133	\$ 218,296	\$ 40,837	19%
Revenue - All Other Sources	16,164	13,217	2,947	22%	Revenue - All Other Sources	16,164	16,954	(790)	-5%
<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<b>275,298</b>	<b>272,357</b>	<b>2,940</b>		<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<b>275,298</b>	<b>235,250</b>	<b>40,048</b>	
<b>Expenses:</b>					<b>Expenses:</b>				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	90,735	100,562	9,827	10%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	90,735	76,574	(14,161)	-18%
Repairs & Maintenance	22,425	11,224	(11,201)	-100%	Repairs & Maintenance	22,425	13,360	(9,065)	-68%
Contracted Services	49,573	50,739	1,166	2%	Contracted Services	49,573	56,848	7,275	13%
Pool Expense & Utilities	15,192	25,400	10,208	40%	Pool Expense & Utilities	15,192	16,460	1,268	8%
Utilities & Insurance	26,182	25,704	(478)	-2%	Utilities & Insurance	26,182	22,193	(3,989)	-18%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	18,933	18,465	(467)	-3%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	18,933	20,834	1,901	9%
<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<b>223,039</b>	<b>232,095</b>	<b>9,056</b>		<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<b>223,039</b>	<b>206,269</b>	<b>(15,951)</b>	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 52,259</b>	<b>\$ 40,263</b>	<b>\$ 11,996</b>	-30%	<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 52,259</b>	<b>\$ 28,981</b>	<b>\$ 23,278</b>	>-100%
<b>Water</b>					<b>Water</b>				
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 172,198	\$ 173,607	\$ (1,409)	-1%	Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 172,198	\$ 144,763	\$ 27,435	19%
Revenue - All Other Sources	2,857	6,000	(3,144)	-52%	Revenue - All Other Sources	2,857	12,040	(9,184)	-76%
<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<b>175,055</b>	<b>179,607</b>	<b>(4,552)</b>		<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<b>175,055</b>	<b>156,803</b>	<b>18,252</b>	
<b>Expenses:</b>					<b>Expenses:</b>				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	45,014	50,281	5,267	10%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	45,014	41,029	(3,985)	-10%
Repairs & Maintenance	566	8,033	7,468	93%	Repairs & Maintenance	566	605	39	6%
Contracted Services	16,816	22,982	6,167	27%	Contracted Services	16,816	17,592	776	4%
Utilities & Insurance	17,096	20,455	3,359	16%	Utilities & Insurance	17,096	15,874	(1,222)	-8%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	15,185	20,682	5,497	27%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	15,185	14,262	(923)	-6%
<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<b>94,676</b>	<b>122,434</b>	<b>27,758</b>		<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<b>94,676</b>	<b>89,362</b>	<b>(5,314)</b>	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 80,379</b>	<b>\$ 57,173</b>	<b>\$ 23,206</b>	41%	<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 80,379</b>	<b>\$ 67,441</b>	<b>\$ 12,938</b>	19%
<b>Marina</b>					<b>Marina</b>				
Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 75,656	\$ 74,489	\$ 1,167	2%	Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 75,656	\$ 74,719	\$ 937	1%
Revenue - All Other Sources	19,111	18,171	\$ 940	5%	Revenue - All Other Sources	19,111	19,242	(131)	-1%
<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>94,767</b>	<b>92,660</b>	<b>2,107</b>		<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>94,767</b>	<b>93,961</b>	<b>806</b>	
<b>Expenses:</b>					<b>Expenses:</b>				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	15,276	16,760	1,485	9%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	15,276	13,719	(1,557)	-11%
Repairs & Maintenance	17,643	16,233	(1,410)	-9%	Repairs & Maintenance	17,643	15,590	(2,053)	0%
Contracted Services	5,308	7,027	1,719	24%	Contracted Services	5,308	5,313	5	0%
Utilities & Insurance	12,306	12,361	55	0%	Utilities & Insurance	12,306	12,206	(100)	-1%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	4,671	4,438	(233)	-5%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	4,671	2,023	(2,648)	-131%
<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>55,204</b>	<b>56,820</b>	<b>1,616</b>		<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>55,204</b>	<b>48,851</b>	<b>(6,353)</b>	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 39,563</b>	<b>\$ 35,840</b>	<b>\$ 3,723</b>	10%	<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 39,563</b>	<b>\$ 45,110</b>	<b>\$ (5,547)</b>	-12%
<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 172,201</b>	<b>\$ 133,276</b>	<b>\$ 38,925</b>	29%	<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 172,201</b>	<b>\$ 141,532</b>	<b>\$ 30,669</b>	22%
<b>Reserve Activity</b>					<b>**Reserve Activity</b>				
Routine Reserve Assessment	149,943	149,943	-	0%	Routine Reserve Revenue	149,943	128,840	(21,103)	16%
Reserve Interest - all **	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	Reserve Interest - all	-	-	-	>100%
Less: Reserve Offset***	-	-	-		Less: Reserve Offset	-	-	-	
<b>Net Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 149,943</b>	<b>\$ 149,943</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	0%	<b>Gross Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 149,943</b>	<b>\$ 128,840</b>	<b>\$ (21,103)</b>	16%



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**New Members: Welcome**

Cima & Christian Andrews purchase lot 16-7 Saddle Dr from Mike Hale  
Bonnie Handley purchased 370 Dennis Blvd from Christine Castigliano & Tim Beckstrom  
Green Tara LLC purchased 101 Hemlock Dr from Talo Investments LLC  
Jesse Bridges & Nattiya Phadkdee purchased 100 Johnson Ave from Dick & Kathleen Keenan  
Matthew Diment & Anne Giesy purchased 161 S Rhododendron Dr from the Healey Estate

**Information items or documents submitted to the Trustees at Study Session**

1. There will be a Reserve Study meeting scheduled on October 12, for a Board review of the proposed 2024 Reserve Items and Assessment– Betsy Coddington.
2. 2022 Water Use Efficiency Report – Marnie Levy.

**Committee Reports:** The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Ad Hoc Dog Group Committee, CG Building and Roads x2, Environmental Committee x2, and Shoreline Stewardship Committee. The reports are attached and incorporated by reference.

**Member participation:** None

**New Business Action Items:**

**Motion 1.** Mike Heckinger moved, and Ray Pierson seconded to hold blended in person/Zoom meetings of the Board of Trustees as soon as possible. Passed – 5/0

**Motion 2.** Ray Pierson moved, and Mike Heckinger seconded to publish in the newsletter the option for a change in Regulation PP01 to solicit member comment.  
Change the rule to add Colman/Memorial Park as an off-leash area for dogs for 2 hours a day from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Passed – 5/0

**Open Board Discussion:** None

**Announcements:**

- Wednesday, October 11 – Wednesday November 1, POOL CLOSED for resurfacing.
- Thursday, October 12, Reserve Study Meeting – time to be announced.
- Monday, October 16, Special Board Meeting to review approve the Operating Budget for the Ballot.
- Monday, October 23, 3:00 p.m., Board of Trustees Study Session.

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- Thursday, October 26, 3:00 p.m., Board Meeting.
- Saturday, October 28, Halloween Party, Clubhouse- sponsored by the Environmental Committee.

**Adjournment.** Ray Pierson moved, and Mike Heckinger seconded, to adjourn the regular meeting and moved to executive session at 3:32 pm. Passed - 5/0

4:25 - Steve McFarland left the meeting.

4:45 - Nancy Charpentier left the meeting.

Ray Pierson moved, and Bart Mooyman-Beck seconded to adjourn the executive session and move to the regular board meeting at 5:13. Passed-4/0

Pat Gulick reported that there were no findings of violations by the board and no actions were taken on the other issues.

Pat Gulick moved, and Mike Heckinger seconded to adjourn the board meeting at 5:16. Passed-4/0.

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Pat Gulick, Secretary**

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**Betsy Coddington, President**

MINUTES - AD HOC DOG GROUP COMMITTEE - August 25, 2023

Members Present:

Marta Krissovich, Jo Blair, Patty Dunmire, Kim Wilding, Susi Feller (facilitator)

Members Absent:

Allan Zee, Molly Torres

A. The final version of the minutes of the meeting on 8/21/23 were approved. The final version of these minutes from 8/25/23 were approved via email communication with the committee members.

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- B. More letters from members were forwarded by the office to the members of this committee. No new information was gleaned from the letters.
- C. One of the representatives of the change-PP01 group reminded everyone of the strong desires to keep Memorial Park as a gathering and socialization place for people and an off-leash play area for dogs. At the same time there are deep concerns about containing dogs, especially with fencing at Marina Park.
- D. The new chair of the Shoreline Stewardship Committee, Steve McDevitt, has informed one of the no-change-PP01 members of the plan to “daylight” the creek that is presently contained in a culvert underneath Memorial Park. The culvert will be removed to create a meandering, curvy swale with rocks as the creek bed designed to manage water runoff, filter pollutants, and increase rainwater infiltration. Bioswales are swales that involve the inclusion of plants or vegetation in their construction. Restoring the stream will decrease the size of the grassy area.
- E. Richard VanDemark was not able to attend the meeting, however Susi met with him on 8/24 to review with him what had been discussed and considered so far by the committee and to get his overall input and suggestions. His comments were as follows:
1. The playground presently does not meet standard guidelines for playgrounds. There are several issues including incorrect set-backs and undesirable ground cover with the type of gravel that is presently there. Also, shade is desirable for playgrounds and presently there is none.
    - The playground should be rebuilt in a more suitable location.
    - 3 suitable locations have been identified:
      - At the Marina, across the street. The brush can be cut back 10-20 feet. If this site is chosen then shade trees should be planted to provide shade.
      - Grassy area North side of Firehouse. This area is already shaded.
      - Near the pickleball courtPlaygrounds should be fenced as appropriate to the site so that the children are safe. Richard may have access to significantly better equipment at lower than usual cost. The playground equipment is due for replacement and this is already in the budget for 2024.
  2. The north end of Marina Park is a reasonable spot for a dog park. The grounds that were torn up by the Berm construction should be graded and stones/rocks removed. Then seeded with either some kind of traditional grass or dutch white clover. Grasses generally will require several weeks-months to take hold. If Dutch white clover were seeded then the grounds could be used very soon after seeding. Clover would assist in erosion control. However clover has flowers and attracts bees but if mowed regularly during flowering season then bees could be avoided.

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3. Once this committee has decided on a final proposal, Richard would be happy to provide specific suggestions with drawings and photos. These could be used for an all membership forum at the clubhouse prior to finalizing the proposal to the Board.

**F.Summary:**

The change-PP01 group's primary reason for requesting permanent off-leash use of Memorial Park was to provide safety for the dogs away from motorized vehicles and to allow for socialization of both the dogs and their owners and that this be accomplished without a fully fenced in dog park. The committee members worked together in collaboration and ultimately came to the conclusion that Marina Park could be converted into a safe and social place for dogs and their owners without building a fully fenced in dog park.

**Dog Group Committee's Proposal:**

The committee members propose that Memorial Park may be used for dogs off leash from 2:30-3:30pm daily up until but no later than 4/30/2024. This will have given the dog owners 1.5 years of use of Memorial Park since berm construction. Dog owners will avoid clustering repeatedly in the same spot (e.g. the middle of the park) to avoid excess wear and tear of one area.

In order to provide a safe area for dogs that allows their owners to socialize, the northern tip of Marina Park will be prepared for safe off leash dog use as soon as possible. This will include a partial fence. A permanent esthetically pleasing partial fence could be installed starting at the southern end of the brush along Marina Drive curving along the bollards and large chain that are presently in place to the garbage can (close to the opening in the chain), designating about 10,000 square feet from the northern tip heading South (Memorial Park is approximately 11,000 square feet). At that point the distance between the fence and the berm is about 40 feet. The fence could be extended towards the berm for another 10-20 feet (or not). The remaining 20-30 feet between the fence and the berm would remain open. A "moveable" material/netting could be installed on a post at the berm and this could be dragged across and hooked to the fence as a safety barrier for those dog owners who would like to have an enclosed off leash area. This area has bathrooms, a gazebo for shade, potable water and beach access through the approved berm cross-overs.

Temporary fencing/netting should be installed along the berm until the vegetation has grown and matured and creates a barrier to prevent dogs from climbing over the berm. More planting of vegetation would help speed up this process.

Create a Dog Owner Committee. The Dog Owner Committee would oversee the design of the off leash area, engage in fundraising, help with dog waste stations and other issues as they arise.

Consider the options for relocating the playground:

- a. Firehouse
- b. Across the street from the Clubhouse.
- c. Near the pickleball court.

5. Move Horse Shoe courts to Firehouse.

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6. By moving certain recreational activities to the Firehouse, this would create some amenities in the Village which presently has no amenities.
7. Board review of all of the above.
8. If Board agrees then hold an all membership forum at Clubhouse for feedback and other suggestions. Send out a copy of the proposal to all membership for their review prior to the forum.
9. Send final proposal to the Board for review and approval/denial.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susi Feller (facilitator)

**CG Building and Roads Committee Minutes**

**August 4, 2023**

Members in attendance: George Martin, Mike Hinojos, Jeff Cullum, Rich VanDeMark, David Baker, Ray Pierson, Betsy Coddington

Also Attending: Marnie Levy, Cape George Manager

Discussed not completed driveway connections on new builds. Four letters will be sent out by the manager including fines.

Discussed Roads. We need to have an engineering firm perform a study of Colman Drive near Memorial Park. The roadway is detreating due to Geotech slippage. It was recommended to set aside \$2500 from the Roads budget for that study. Also discussed the condition of Dennis Blvd, Hemlock where it was previously repaired and is dipping, Maple and Marine View.

Several Building permits need follow-up: Magnolia, Ridge occupancy permit, Hemlock driveway and occupancy permit, Victoria Loop expiring permits and Saddle Drive

The fines are continuing for the discontinued build on San Juan.

Update on S Rhododendron, building permit extended with timeline and living on property to complete build. S Palmer stormwater issue is under advisement and subject to county regulations.

Discussed and approved building permit 41 Fir Place

Discussed and approved earthworks permit 61 Hemlock for filling in culvert.

Discussed new build 81 Maple, need earthworks permit for foundation.

**CG Building and Roads Committee Minutes**

**September 1, 2023**

Members in attendance: George Martin, Mike Hinojos, Jeff Cullum, David Baker, Betsy Coddington, Bob Holtz, Ray Pierson

Also Attending: Marnie Levy, Cape George Manager

Discussed and approved earthworks permit for parking pad 30 Dennis Blvd.

Discussed and approved the building permit for a new home 81 Maple Drive.

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Discussed and approved the renewal of a driveway application permit for 69 Hemlock Drive.

Discussed and approves earthworks permit for a rain garden 61 Hemlock Drive.

Discussed and approved to request Cape George purchase the Moasure One and Moasure Stick along with an extension pole to enable the committee to easily determine prebuild property elevation high points.

<https://www.moasure.com/products/moasure-one>

In open discussion, the question was raised about fences within the Cape George right-of-way and the distance to the road. Research of the question will be done and reported back to the committee next month.

In open discussion, approved the repairs of Hemlock and Dennis Blvd as previously discussed.

**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**Tuesday, August 8, 2023, 9:15 am**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Jo Blair, Chris Buzzard, Sue Dunning, Pat Gulick, Anne Jimenez, Diane Kochendorfer, Marnie Levy, Steve McDevitt, Carol Muzik, Ruth Ross, Kitty Rucker, Robin Scherting

**I. CALL TO ORDER:** Chris Buzzard called the meeting to order at 9:17

**II. APPROVAL OF JULY MINUTES:** Kitty moved and Robin seconded that the minutes from the July meeting be approved as submitted, and the motion passed unanimously.

**III. FISCAL REPORT** \$2218.45 (no change)

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**Proposed change in dog off-leash play area.** The committee's two resolutions were shared with the Board in July and an ad hoc committee has been formed to work on proposed solutions. Several members of our committee are serving on this committee.

**Water Usage at Memorial Park.** The office informed the committee that water usage had increased tremendously at the park. Apparently someone who is not authorized has been turning on the sprinkler system. Kyanne Anderson and Diona Smith, the volunteers who maintain the plantings at the park, will start taking the tool that turns the sprinkler system on with them so that this does not occur.

**Plans for Halloween Party.** The committee will hold the usual Halloween party and fundraiser on October 28 starting at 5:30. Sue Dunning volunteered to take the lead on planning and organizing volunteers and will schedule a meeting very soon to make plans.

**V. OLD BUSINESS**

**Low Tide Beach Walk:** The walk took place on August 2 from 10 am to 12 pm, with docents from PTMSC. Over 45 people attended and the walk was very successful. The \$300 invoice from PTMSC for supplying guides has been processed. The tip jar raised \$37 which was enough to cover the cost of the snacks that Chris purchased. The committee thanked the members who kindly provided baked goods for the participants.

**Booth at Waterfront Festival:** The committee will have a table at the festival on Aug 12 to sell copies of the mountain map and flower booklet, to hand out environmental information, and allow people to sign up for more information about the environmental committee. The committee will also provide wine that has been donated to us to attendees who want to watch the start of the race from the gazebo to encourage people to stay off the berm. Chris, Jo, Ruth, Pat, and Steve have volunteered to help

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with the table and/or the wine serving. Steve will put up warning tape to help keep attendees off the berm.

- Work Parties for Rain Garden and Clubhouse:** Steve McDevitt would like to schedule additional work parties at the rain garden. He will notify Ruth when he wants to schedule them. Patty Dunmire held a work party at the clubhouse in late July and will be scheduling more later in the summer.
- Environmental Shelf for Clubhouse Library:** Ruth is working on pulling together the book recommendations from Varn and Steve. She will add her own and then send the list to Fayla for additional suggestions. Ruth reported that she has been very busy and has gotten behind on this project but will try to complete it soon.
- Shoreline Stewardship Committee:** a number of Environmental Committee members are also serving on this committee, which will be overseeing the monitoring and work needed on the berm and elsewhere on the shoreline. The members will keep our committee updated on what is happening and how we can help with volunteers.
- Volunteer List:** In looking at the list, Kitty Rucker remarked that it has grown to include many tasks that were not originally there and suggested that Chris and Marnie meet to discuss which tasks are appropriate for our committee and which should actually be the responsibility of the paid maintenance staff.
- Plaque for the Bell:** The plaque has been installed. The committee thanked Richard for all his efforts to get this done.
- Memorial Park plaque.** Richard will inspect and suggest possible ideas.

Carol moved and Robin seconded that the meeting be adjourned which was done at 10:40 am.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ruth Ross, Secretary  
Cape George Environmental Committee

**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MINUTES  
Tuesday, September 12, 9:15 am, CG Clubhouse**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Varn Brooks, Chris Buzzard, Lori Cameron, Patty Dunmire, Sue Dunning, Marnie Levy, Steve McDevitt, Ruth Ross, Robin Scherting

**I. CALL TO ORDER:** Chris Buzzard called the meeting to order at 9:20

**II. APPROVAL OF AUGUST MINUTES:** Lori moved and Robin seconded that the minutes from the August meeting be approved as submitted, and the motion passed unanimously. *[Addendum: these minutes from the 9/12/23 meeting were distributed by email to the attendees and approved.]*

**III. FISCAL REPORT** \$\$2687.67

**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

- Ad hoc committee re off-leash dog play area:** The committee discussed the need to try to ease the divisiveness this issue has created in the neighborhood. A statement to be submitted to the CG Board of Trustees from the committee was drafted and discussed. Varn moved and Sue seconded that the statement be approved and submitted to the Board. The statement (see attached) was approved unanimously. It will be sent in a letter to the board to be included in the study packet for the September

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Study Session and our committee liaison to the Board, Pat Gulick, will also present the statement to the Board at the Study Session.

**October Halloween party, October 28:** Sue Dunning, who is coordinating plans for the party, reported that a second planning meeting will be held 9/19 at 2:30 pm at the clubhouse and that volunteers are signed up for all jobs. There will be an educational table to spread the word about the committee's mission and a tip jar. Sue will put an article about the party in the October newsletter. COVID concerns were discussed and people may want to mask as part of their costumes.

**Updating volunteer list:** Chris reported that she and Marnie had reviewed the volunteer list and clarified which jobs should be the responsibility of the paid maintenance staff and which jobs should continue to be undertaken by volunteers from the CG Environmental Committee. The revised list will be circulated to the committee and then to the community in the near future to recruit additional volunteers for open tasks.

**Environmental Shelf for Clubhouse Library:** Ruth reported that she hopes to get the list of book recommendations finished very soon.

**Styrofoam recycling:** The committee noted the success of this program in Cape George and acknowledged Jo Blair for all her hard work on the project.

#### V. NEW BUSINESS

**Programs for the Fall:** Chris will talk with Steve King, a new member of our community who is currently building his house, about possibly doing a presentation in November about Port Townsend's strategies for dealing with rising sea levels and other environmental and climate related issues.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 am.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ruth Ross, Secretary, Cape George Environmental Committee

#### Statement to be sent to the CG Board of Trustees from the CG Environmental Committee

On July 11, the Environmental Committee approved a recommendation to maintain Cape George Rule PP01 Livestock & Pets as written. The Committee serves only as an advisory body to the Board. We made our recommendation consistent with our committee's mission as stated in section 4 of the Preamble of the **Environmental Committee Charter:**

4. The Committee shall address environmental concerns including, but not limited to, (1) preservation of native plant, animal, bird, and sea life by fostering conditions that allow them to thrive, (2) development and protection of common areas, (3) gathering information and doing research regarding safety, quality of life, and good environmental policies, and (4) recommending best practice policies that will enhance environmental quality and advance community interest.

The committee commends the board for appointing an ad hoc committee to consider the issue of dog play areas in the community. We will support whatever decision the board makes on this issue. We have confidence that any decision the board makes will be one that is intended to promote harmony in the community.



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**Cape George Colony Club Shoreline Stewardship Committee Meeting Minutes**

**21 August 2023, 1230 – 1330 hrs.**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Bob Sullivan, Paul Bezilla, Richard VanDeMark, Geoff McMichael, Stephen McDevitt (Chairman).

**CALL TO ORDER:** Steve called the meeting to order at 1230 Hrs.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The Chair asked committee members to adopt a Shoreline Section to monitor and inspect on a monthly cycle, annually, unless emergency situations arise.

The Chair suggested that the committee should research and create a list of Shoreline Stewardship related websites, and sources of information. It is already getting started.

The members looked at the needed repairs to berm and made proposals.

Discuss the berm walkover location and design.

It was suggested that Coastal Storm and potential hazards to shoreline property owners' alerts from the CGSC Chairperson to the Property Manager and Board of Trustees. If there are actions which need to be addressed immediately, Terri would then send a message to the Shoreline Property Owner or Owners. If there are more than one property along the bluff which could be impacted. An example would be an area along the North shoreline, where it is apparent that the threat of sliding or trees toppling is high, and there is an approaching Coastal Storm, an alert message would be a good practice. They could prepare ahead of time, by moving any large items like fencing, planters, etc. I'll clarify that a little later.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Discuss methods for Shoreline Monitoring and Inspections.

Field work procedures,

Drone, Boat

How to anchor the dislodged logs from the berm.

Continue to discuss the berm walkover location and design.

File naming conventions for data collections of Sections.

Data access and storage.

Review the Permits Spread Sheet prepared by Geoff.

Contact Terri about posting data (Maps, Reports, Photos, links).

The Chair will contact Stephen Bell, WA Shoreline Community Program, Director.? regarding grant, partnership, and educational programs from the State for shoreline communities.

Continue with discussion on construction of a berm walkover in the area near the picnic shelter. It was agreed to postpone that discussion until a future meeting.

Meet prior to the September 2023 Board meeting. to discuss any new findings, plans or issues which should be brought to the Community and the Board's attention, by our liaison.

The meeting was adjourned at 1340.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve McDevitt. Chairman

Cape George Shoreline Stewardship Committee

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# Cape George 2023 Calendar

# October

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p <b>Fitness Com 11a</b> <b>Football 5p</b> 	3 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p <b>Marina Com 11a</b> <b>HSJC 1-3p</b> <b>Pool Com 3p</b> <b>Water Com 4p</b>	4 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swim 2p  <b>Wed. Winer's 3-5p</b>	5 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Fabric Arts 9-3</b>	6 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p <b>Bldg Com 10a at office</b> <b>Writers 11a</b>	7 <b>Clubhouse Reserved For Memorial Noon to 8p</b>
8	9 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Luncheon noon</b>	10 Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Enviro Com 9:15a</b> <b>Tai Chi 11a</b>	11 <b>Pool closed For resurfacing</b>  <b>Wed. Winer's 3-5p</b>	12  <b>Fabric Arts 9-3</b>	13  <b>Writers 11a</b>	14
15	16 <b>Pool closed for resurfacing</b>  <b>Special Board Mtg</b>	17  <b>Tai Chi 11a</b> <b>Book Grp 1p</b>	18  <b>Wed. Winer's 3-5p</b>	19 <b>Great Washington Shakeout 10:19</b>  <b>Fabric Arts 11-3</b>  <b>Wine Grp 6p</b>	20  <b>Writers 11a</b>	21 <b>Clubhouse Reserved for Herbal Class</b>
22  <b>Noon to 6p</b>	23 <b>Study Session 3p</b> <b>CG Music Jam 7-9p</b> 	24  <b>Tai Chi 11a</b>	25 <b>Grief Circle 10a</b>  <b>Wed. Winer's 3-5p</b> <b>CGU 5-8p</b>  <b>Newsletter deadline</b>	26  <b>Fabric Arts 9-3</b>  <b>Board Meeting 3p</b>	27  <b>Writers 11a</b>	28 <b>Halloween Party 5-8p</b> 
29  <b>Noon to 6p</b>	30	31  <b>Tai Chi 11a</b>  <b>Clubhouse Reserved Private Party 1-11p</b>				

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## Manager's Report - October 26, 2023

### Thank you!

♥ Thank you so much Ms. Terri Brown for being you. You have helped me so much, with patience and generosity, to learn about Cape George over the last 18 months! The members of Cape George and I so appreciate how you work with people every day. Saying thank you just begins to express the level of our gratitude. I will miss your laughter!

♥ Thank you to George Martin, retired plumber, and extraordinary citizen! George repaired the leaking spigot near the picnic shelter. Wohoo!

♥ A HUGE thank you to Michael Volkman, Mark Kochendorfer, Mary Larson, Dimne Cote, Susie Feller and everyone who helped assemble a system for blended hybrid in person/Zoom meetings. They have dedicated a lot of time Zooming in and being in the Clubhouse to test and practice with the new system. Since the last board meeting, we will have had three in person/Zoom blended meetings. We will continue to work to improve our technique and technology with the meetings.

♥ Thank you Eric Kolbe, our maintenance assistant, for keeping Cape George tidy from the culverts to fallen trees, to the office parking and entry! Thank you for initiating projects that make the grounds beautiful!

♥ Thank you to the members who have visited me to question rumors, my actions at times, and make suggestions to improve the process of running Cape George.

### Please Vote!

The 2024 Budget and Reserves Ballot will arrive in the mail. Please review the information in the packet and return your completed ballot by mail or in the office by November 27, 2023, by 2 p.m.

### Reserve Funding

The 2023 Reserve Study reports demonstrate that our reserves are underfunded. This is an issue that every member should be aware of as we end 2023 and move into 2024. In the new year the Board will propose a plan to help ensure that reserve funding levels are adequate to cover common area assets in the coming years. This is YOUR association. Please watch for the proposal and participate in the support of maintaining the community!

### **Mail Carrier Protection**

Ernie, our mail carrier, was struck by a vehicle a few months ago while he was delivering mail in Cape George. To prevent that from happening again he uses traffic cones in the mail areas when he is working. **Please be careful and respect his safety zones.**

### **Picnic Area Lawn and Doggie Playtime**

With the fall storms finally rolling through Cape George the picnic area is green again. Reseeding the picnic area lawn is being postponed for the time being. That means that the picnic area is open again for doggie playtime.

### **Pool Resurface**

At long last the Cape George pool is being resurfaced. We can't wait to see the sparkling new pool and look forward to resurfacing the deck next year! Kriss Edwards, Michael Volkman, and Donnie Weathersby have been working with Eric Anderson and the Spray-Tec Company to prep and coat the community pool! Thank you all!

### **Dog Noise Complaints**

People complain to me about dogs barking. Cape George Rules and Regulations PP01 Livestock and Pets states: "Pet owners must comply with all applicable State and Jefferson County statutes and regulations dealing with pet ownership." Those rules are not easy to find! The web address is: <https://www.codepublishing.com/WA/JeffersonCounty/#!/JeffersonCounty06/JeffersonCounty0607.html#6.07>

I spoke with the officer who handles Jefferson County animal complaints. He offered to come discuss animal complaints with the membership next year. Please let me know if you are interested.

### **Quarterly Assessments Were Due October 1, 2023.**

Please make sure your assessment has been received. You can pay online or by bringing your check to the office.

### **Violations**

One violation letter was sent for abandonment of property.

Thank you for everything you do to help make Cape George Colony Club a great place to live!

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## **President's Note - November 2023**

I'd like to start with a warm thank you to the Dog Play Time Ad Hoc Committee. After several months of meetings and exploring other options, the board voted in October to permanently allow dogs in Memorial Park for an hour each day. The Ad Hoc Committee worked hard to address the issues and explore a variety of options and they deserve a round of applause for their hard work and being open to creativity. Thanks go to Susi Feller (facilitator), Jo Blair, Patty Dunmire, Marta Krissovich, Molly Torres, Kim Wilding, and Allan Zee. In spite of the pressures and contentious nature of the issues, the committee developed a recommendation which will be included in the strategic plan as something to be explored in the future. Again, a BIG THANKS to you all!

Another big thanks goes to the challenging work of the Village Mailbox committee! With George Martin at the helm and Nancy Charpentier, Margaret Desannoy, and Ray Pierson pitching in, the old kiosk is finally gone and the new ready to be mail tested! Special thanks to Rich VanDeMark who kept costs down by creating the award winning design and Village volunteers Bill Hamilton, Bob Denny, Bonnie Rosalind, Phil Shipman and Mike LaPointe who helped scrub the CBUs to spit shine condition and George who installed the locks. If you get a chance, go check them out or just enjoy the attached pictures!

Finally, thank you to every member of the Cape George community for your vote to increase our assessment. \$11/month more. That's what we'll all pay beginning in 2024. Not much to some of us but a burden to others of us. We understand that, and yet it's imperative that we as a community take responsibility for keeping Cape George the desirable place in which we all live. This relatively small increase is the one which has allowed us to create a very tight but workable budget for 2024. For me, it's giving up two lattes a month at Mean Bean. For a neighbor it's giving up a couple of pints of ice cream. It's worth it to me and I hope it's worth it to you. Thank you for your strong support in making this happen There's no hiding that we have come to the point where we have to ask members to invest more in our community. We still have to raise money to adequately fund our reserves and together the board and members will discuss ways we can do that with the least amount of impact on all of us. But if we want to continue to enjoy the wonderful community we live in, we have to take the bull by the horns and recognize we need to pay more. There are many items on the reserve list that have been deferred and we're hoping not to have to continue to do this. The end result of deferment can mean a bigger cost to us in the end and we certainly want to avoid that. We've already made some revisions to our fine and fee schedules to bring us in line with market rates. In the months to come, we'll be exploring how we might increase our investments with higher yield interest rates. We'll continue to cut costs where we can without jeopardizing our safety and/or livability and once other means are exhausted we'll ask you to do your fair share as well.

Finally, one more note of appreciation to Terri Brown who steadfastly kept the office running like a well oiled machine for the past 8 years. It wasn't always easy but Terri's commitment to the community and its members kept her working professionally through thick and thin. I want to wish her a happy and relaxing retirement and hope that when she's ready, she'll bring her smiling face, dimples and wisdom back to some new CG endeavor! Thank you, Terri

Betsy





### Check out the new Village Mailboxes

It would not have happened without numerous volunteers.

*Thank you all for your warm wishes and kind words. I was overwhelmed by the turn out at the retirement party, it was incredible and humbling, I've never felt so appreciated.*

*I have learned never be afraid of asking questions and learning more; cherish every relationship you come across; and remember that hard work pays off even when you don't see it right away! With every challenge you face, there will always be someone at your side willing to help you move mountains if you need it.*

*You all have made my time at Cape George rewarding and memorable. I will cherish the memories we shared together. With that said, I will miss all of you and wish you and Cape George continued success.*

*See you around the neighborhood!*

*Terri Brown*

## CAPE GEORGE COMMUNITY POOL

Greetings from the pool!

The pool shell resurfacing project is underway! We hope by the time you are reading this the pool will be open for swimming, please check the calendar for the current schedule. We would like to thank you for helping make this project happen! Thanks to the Board of Trustees, the Social Committee, the Fabric Sale, and to all Cape George residents and guests that donated to the Pool Fundraiser.

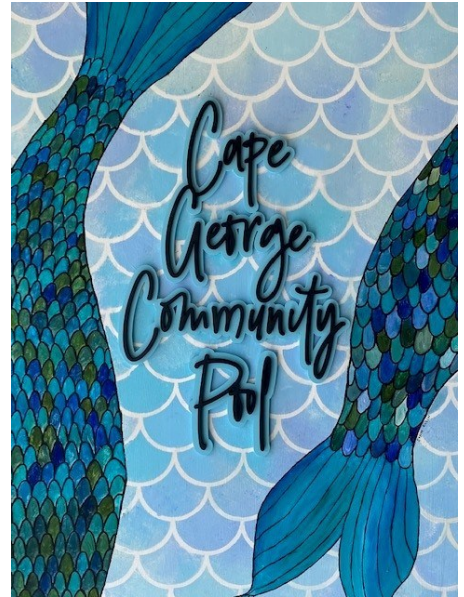
We are also currently installing a new efficient boiler that will be a backup for our existing heat pump. We will have warm water throughout the winter and in years to come. This, too, should be up and running by the time you are reading this.

Your Pool Committee is committed to continuing the upkeep and upgrade of your pool. We appreciate your support!

There was a special event at the pool on Thursday Oct.12th! This event only happens every 10 - 15 years. Originally it was named the Pool Drool, this year the name was The Pooch Plunge...we did not know it had a name the first time around. There were approximately 13 community dogs and their owners that participated. The dogs went home with homemade treats and a participant bandanna. It was hilarious! What we learned is this generation of Cape George dogs do not like to swim in our pool. LOL! Thanks to all that participated! Pictures are available on the Cape George Social Club's Facebook page.

Special thanks to Donnie, Mike Thorwick, and Mac McDonald for draining the pool after the event to prepare for the pool resurfacing.

Your Pool Committee



# Bunco is Back!

The first Monday of the month.  
New time, same Fun! See you there!

**Monday, November 6th**  
**3-5:30 pm @ Clubhouse**

Dice roll at 3:15

\$5 buy-in

**BYOB & light snacks to share**



Contact George or Marilee Martin  
509-336-9914 or 509-336-9915

## SOUP SUPPER IS BACK !

**Wednesday, November 1st at the Clubhouse**

Social period 5:30 - Soup's on 6:00 pm

Bring your favorite soup or dessert to serve 8.

Bring your own bowl, spoon and beverage.





# Cape George Marina News

## November 2023

Jan Tilley

The Cape George Marina volunteers have been busy working on many projects. Recently, there was a dedication ceremony held for the new flagpole at the gazebo. Thanks to John Hanks and crew, Old Glory is now once again reigning supreme over our beautiful Marina.



A resident has reported a missing kayak. This is the second kayak missing and presumed stolen in the past year. Please securely tether your yaks and report any suspicious activities you may notice to the office.

Some additional celebrations to look forward to are the 1<sup>st</sup> annual New Years Eve Crab Shack Extravaganza, and the ultimate brave soul challenge, The 2nd annual Orca Plunge! Even when it's chilly and dreary, CG residents know how to have fun... the hot buttered rum helps, too!

The CG Marina is open to everyone. Even if you don't have a boat, you are more than welcome to come down and join this eclectic and fun-hearted group. Volunteers meet every Tuesday at 9AM at the workshop. There's something for everyone to do, simple tasks to complex brain teasers, indoor seated jobs to outdoor chores for those who like to brave the elements. Everyone is invited and your help is greatly appreciated.

Come on down, walk around, hear tall tales from salty old sea captains (some of them are even true), watch a glorious sunset from the gazebo, and breathe in the salty air from our beautiful bay. All are welcome.

## IS THIS YOUR TSUNAMI PREPAREDNESS PLAN?



Our Emergency Preparedness Team will be sharing monthly readiness tips for earthquakes, tsunamis, power outages and wildfires so Cape George residents have the tools you need in case of an emergency.

October 19, twenty-five of your neighbors gathered at the Marina picnic pavilion for the Great Shake Out drill. At 10:19 am the siren sounded warning us of a tsunami. One of our members demonstrated “Drop, Cover and Hold on!” On the waterfront it was easy to hear the siren from Diamond Point, but if you are away from the waterfront, it is important to subscribe to [Nixle](#) Jefferson County Alerts. Every resident of Cape George should also make sure “Emergency Alerts” are enabled on their cell phones. By law, Washington State sends alerts, including earthquake warnings, to every cell phone. Additionally, we recommend every Cape George household have a NOAA weather Public Alert radio. This should be a plug-in model with battery back-up which stays on always.

When we have a significant earthquake, first you will drop, cover and hold on until the shaking stops. Then carefully assess your home, paying attention to things like your propane tank/shutoff, your household water shutoff and any electrical arcing requiring you to shut off breakers at your main panel. Then, shelter in place until you receive further instructions from NIXLE or a local radio station or our emergency response team. A “Grab & Go Kit” will make it easy to leave our homes if it’s not safe to stay in them. Here is a [list of items](#) you might need from the Red Cross.

Place your “Grab & Go Kit” in the garage or near the door and check it twice a year when we change our clocks from daylight savings time and back. This year we fall back November 5. Take this opportunity to replace items that have exceeded their shelf life. It is also suggested that we check the batteries on our smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors.

Anyone interested in a CPR class taught by members of East Jefferson Fire Dept, please contact the office to put your name on a list for a January date TBD.

Also, look for us to partner with CG University this winter for another Emergency Preparedness presentation. For more information, contact Thad Bickling [tbickling@gmail.com](mailto:tbickling@gmail.com) 360-531-2421.

## BOOK GROUP SELECTION

### "AND THERE WAS LIGHT" IS NOVEMBER READ



November's selection by the Cape George Book Group is "And then There Was Light: Abraham Lincoln and the American Struggle". Written by Pulitzer Prize winner John Meacham, the novel chronicles the life of Abraham Lincoln, showing why and how he confronted secession, threats to democracy and the tragedy of slavery.

A president who governed a divided country has a lot to teach those of us living in the 21st century dealing with polarization and political crisis. Hated and hailed, Abraham Lincoln was at the pinnacle of American power when secessionists fought the establishment in a clash of visions bound up with money, race, identity and faith.

Both familiar and elusive, Lincoln is often seen as the greatest American president, both a remote icon and a politician driven more by calculation than conviction. Meacham gives us a very human Lincoln, an imperfect man whose moral antislavery commitment began as he grew up in an antislavery Baptist community and grew in his conviction that slavery must end. Lincoln's story illustrates the ways and means of politics in a democracy, the roots and durability of racism and the capacity of conscience to shape events.

The book group meets on Tuesday, November 21st at 1 pm in the Cape George clubhouse. All are invited to attend.

This is the month that the group will choose its books for 2024. Please bring book titles you would like to be considered.



## PICKLEBALL AT CAPE GEORGE ACCORDING TO DINK AND LOB

What's new with Pickleball at Cape George?

EVERY DAY OPEN PLAY IS NEW AND POPULAR

12:00 to 1:30 Monday thru Sunday



If you know the game and want to meet new players and don't want to find a partner or fool with the schedule - This is for YOU!

We are taking the hint from Dink & Lob – SHARING

We have a nice assortment of gently used Paddles that are perfect for visiting guests, stocking stuffers, traveling or just to have around. They will be on sale on Sat. Nov 4th and Wed. Nov 8th at the court during Open Play times (12-1:30)

PRICE \$20. bring cash (sales go toward court upkeep)

(Pass the word on - Pre-Holiday Special)



The Paddle Plant is Shedding its Fall Foliage



# ART WALL NEWS

## HOLIDAY ART WALL

Hello Cape George artists! Sorry for the short notice, but let's try to get some festive art on the wall for the holiday season. We'll meet on Tuesday November 21st at 4 PM to change out the art. Looking forward to seeing you all there! And as always, all levels of artists are encouraged to participate, we love everything from kids art to pros!

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CAPE GEORGE CLUBHOUSE  
NOVEMBER 21ST @ 4 PM

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For questions please  
contact Sandi Gulin  
360-509-9485  
sandi7953@hotmail.com

Happy  
Holidays!!



## WAY TO GO CAPE GEORGE!



This September three bags of Styrofoam (EPS) and 1 bag of Low-density Polyethylene (LDPE) were collected in Cape George thanks to you! Keep it up! The Styrofoam in this photo filled 2 OlyCAP trucks, 2 cars and almost filled the Northwest Harvest tractor trailer. It all went to Kent to be remanufactured into blocks to be reshaped into packaging and other products.

In all there were:

- 42 bags of EPS
- 3 bags of LDPE
- 3 bags of food trays
- 18 TV pieces
- 17 outboard motor cases

Our community is on the way to recycling 4 more giant yellow bags this month. Avoid the line at Fort Worden on recycling days, text or call Jo Blair at 425-417-2164 to make an appointment to drop off your clean, dry materials free of tape, cardboard and labels. We also take white food trays, but not peanuts at this time.



## There USED TO BE enough batteries in the Cape George Workshop...



The DeWalt cordless tools in our workshop are popular items to check out. But many of the rechargeable batteries have not come home to roost - some days there's only one or two!

Please return the tool batteries!



## Is that a PINK TOOL in your garage?

Many tools at the Cape George workshop are painted pink to help remind members to return them after checking them out. If your pink left-handed hammer is a "retired" workshop tool sold at the marina sale, congrats on getting a great deal! Otherwise, a glance around your garage might reveal a workshop loaner that's homesick for its buddies down at the shop...they should be down there, waiting for community members to put them to use, and for the volunteers who fix things around the marina and workshop. Please take a look and bring those overdue tools back.

### Notice of Hearing on Request for Variance

Date: Nov. 16, 2023

Time: 2:45 pm

Place: Prior to Board Meeting

Lot Location: 30-3 S Rhododendron Dr.

Lot Owner: Terry Tilton

Variance Requested: Reduce front setback from 25' to 20'

Reason: The parcel is narrow with steep slope and on a curved portion of the road. Requesting to reduce front setback to accommodate house and septic plans.

The variance file is maintained in the office for community review. Written responses to the variance request will be included in the Trustee Information Packet available in the office and on the website

[www.capegeorge.org](http://www.capegeorge.org) one day prior to the hearing.

CAPE GEORGE SOCIAL COMMITTEE  
PRESENTS

# NYE *Party* 2023

MUSIC & DANCING

31ST DECEMBER, 2023

7 PM TO MIDNIGHT

Cocktail attire encouraged  
Let's have a ball!!

FREE ENTRY

contact Sandi Gulin with questions 360-509-9485  
sandi7953@hotmail.com

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**The Board Meeting was called to order by President, Betsy Coddington at 3:01 pm**

The Board held an Executive Session on October 25<sup>th</sup> to discuss past due member accounts and 2024 wages. No motions came of the meeting.

**In Attendance:** Besty Coddington, Mike Heckinger, Pat Gulick, Bart Mooyman-Beck, Nancy Charpentier, Steve McFarland, and Ray Pierson.

**Action on Minutes:** Pat Gulick moved, and Ray Pierson seconded to approve minutes of the regular Board of Trustees meeting held September 28, 2023. Passed – 6/0

**Manager's Report:** see front page.

**Treasurer's Report – Nancy Charpentier - September**

The September financials were not complete by this meeting. They will be presented at the November 16<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**New Members: Welcome**

Jenz & Caitlin Lund purchased 301 Sunset from Russell Johnson

Leah Layman & Antoine Courtemanche purchased lot 19 Quinault Loop from Sarah Heiner

Laila Ayyoub purchased 120 Maple Drive from Andrea Feight

Catherine Brown name transfer from Tara Green LLC

**Information items or documents submitted to the Trustees at Study Session**

1. The Budget Ballot will be mailed Friday October 27. Please vote and return your budget in person in the office or by mail by November 27 at 2 p.m.– Betsy Coddington.
2. Welcome to Cape George: new cover and welcome letter – Marnie Levy.

**Committee Reports:** The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Building and Roads, Environmental Committee, Fitness Committee and Water Advisory Committee x 3. These reports are attached and incorporated by reference.

**Member participation:** Mary Larson encouraged the trustees to withdraw the dog off-leash motion. The rule does not apply to the whole community but only a select few. The Boards focus should be on rules that govern everyone.

**New Business Action Items:**

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**Motion 1.** Nancy Charpentier moved, and Ray Pierson seconded to approve the 2024 Reserve Study items listed in the Budget packet. Passed – 6/0

**Motion 2** Mike Heckinger moved, and Pat Gulick seconded to approve the rate increase as endorsed by the Marina Committee during the October 2, 2023, meeting. Passed – 6/0

**Motion 3:** Mike Heckinger moved, and Ray Pierson seconded to approve the adoption of the Marina Service Program form as created and to include it in the 2024, and subsequent, Marina Registration Packets. Passed – 6/0

**Motion 4:** Mike Heckinger moved, and Ray Pierson seconded to approve the donation of a gantry to the community. Passed – 5/1

**Motion 5:** Ray Pierson moved, and Bart Mooyman-Beck seconded to change rule PP01 Section 5/Livestock & Pets/Rules and Regulation change to state the following:

When dogs are off the owner's property, they shall be on a leash at all times, EXCEPT FOR THAT area at the bottom of Marine Drive (north of the clubhouse to the south end of the marina) AND from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. at Memorial Park, where they can be exercised off leash and under voice control. Owners must always be within the strict line-of-sight of dog. When other members are in these areas for specific activities, (such as a memorial service, picnics or to use the playground) then dog owners must ask them first if it is alright to have the dog(s) off-leash.

Passed – 6/0

**Open Board Discussion:** None

**Announcements:**

Fri., Oct. 27, the Ballot to ratify the 2024 Budget and Reserve Item funding will be mailed.

Sat., October 28, Halloween Party at the Clubhouse- sponsored by the Environmental Committee.

Mon., November 13, 3:00 p.m., Board of Trustees Study Session.

Thurs., November 16, 3:00 p.m., Board Meeting.

Mon., November 27, Budget and Reserve Ballots due in the office by 2:00 p.m.

**Adjournment:** Nancy Charpentier moved, and Mike Heckinger seconded, to adjourn the regular meeting at 4:03 pm. Passed – 6/0

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**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

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**Pat Gulick, Secretary**

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**Betsy Coddington, President**

**CG Building and Roads Committee Minutes - October 06, 2023**

In Attendance: George Martin, Dave Baker Bob Holtz, Ray Pierson, Jeff Cullum and CG Manager Marnie Levy

Before the meeting started George Martin reported the resignation of Richard VanDeMark from the committee for personal reasons. The resignation was accepted with regret and we thank him for his service to the committee and the willingness to be a continuing resource to the committee.

1. Discussed a building permit for a new shed on Saddle Drive. No objections. Approved and signed the permit.
2. Discussed a building permit for a new fence S Rhododendron. No objections. Approved and signed the permit.
3. Discussed a driveway connection on a new build on Huckleberry Driveway. Because there is no culvert on that side of the road, there is no need to provide a culvert pipe under the driveway apron. Resident wants to apply a small berm to divert road drainage away from down sloping driveway. We will advise them to keep that water runoff on their property past the driveway.
4. Discussed a new building permit on San Juan Drive. Setbacks were met and all required supporting document present. No objections. Approved and appropriate permits signed.
5. Discussed and approved new earthworks permit for S Rhododendron parking pad
6. Completed the Variance Request form for S Rhododendron and forwarded to the Board of Trustees for their consideration.
7. An Easement Abatement Issue was presented to the committee. As it related to an easement for a watermain, it was forwarded to the Water Committee which has jurisdiction.
8. Update on purchase of Maosure device for determining elevations. It was reported to be moved to next years but the committee stressed the safety issue of not having to climb ladders on new construction to determine height requirements and that currently have three new builds to process this current year.
9. The Road Repair contract was signed for this year. We are hopeful the residents can contact Lakeside

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and get better rates for the driveway aprons while they will be in the Colony doing road repairs.

10. The Condition of Colman Drive near Memorial Park was discussed. Bob Holtz will examine the roadway and report back to the committee next month with recommendations for repairs.

A question was presented to the committee about curtain drains in the Colman Loop area. No one was aware of any and there are no maps showing any curtain drains. We will recommend to the member that they contact the County as they are responsible for rain water containment.

**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MINUTES - Tuesday, September 12, 9:15 am, CG Clubhouse**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Varn Brooks, Chris Buzzard, Lori Cameron, Patty Dunmire, Sue Dunning, Marnie Levy, Steve McDevitt, Ruth Ross, Robin Scherting

**I. CALL TO ORDER:** Chris Buzzard called the meeting to order at 9:20

**II. APPROVAL OF AUGUST MINUTES:** Lori moved and Robin seconded that the minutes from the August meeting be approved as submitted, and the motion passed unanimously. [*Addendum: these minutes from the 9/12/23 meeting were distributed by email to the attendees and approved.*]

**III. FISCAL REPORT \$2687.67**

**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

**Ad hoc committee re off-leash dog play area:** The committee discussed the need to try to ease the divisiveness this issue has created in the neighborhood. A statement to be submitted to the CG Board of Trustees from the committee was drafted and discussed. Varn moved and Sue seconded that the statement be approved and submitted to the Board. The statement (see attached) was approved unanimously. It will be sent in a letter to the board to be included in the study packet for the September Study Session and our committee liaison to the Board, Pat Glick, will also present the statement to the Board at the Study Session.

**October Halloween party, October 28:** Sue Dunning, who is coordinating plans for the party, reported that a second planning meeting will be held 9/19 at 2:30 pm at the clubhouse and that volunteers are signed up for all jobs. There will be an educational table to spread the word about the committee's mission and a tip jar. Sue will put an article about the party in the October newsletter. COVID concerns were discussed and people may want to mask as part of their costumes.

**Updating volunteer list:** Chris reported that she and Marnie had reviewed the volunteer list and clarified which jobs should be the responsibility of the paid maintenance staff and which jobs should continue to be undertaken by volunteers from the CG Environmental Committee. The revised list will be circulated to the committee and then to the community in the near future to recruit additional volunteers for open tasks.

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**Environmental Shelf for Clubhouse Library:** Ruth reported that she hopes to get the list of book recommendations finished very soon.

**Styrofoam recycling:** The committee noted the success of this program in Cape George and acknowledged Jo Blair for all her hard work on the project.

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

**Programs for the Fall:** Chris will talk with Steve King, a new member of our community who is currently building his house, about possibly doing a presentation in November about Port Townsend's strategies for dealing with rising sea levels and other environmental and climate related issues.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 am.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ruth Ross, Secretary, Cape George Environmental Committee

**Statement to be sent to the CG Board of Trustees from the CG Environmental Committee**

On July 11, the Environmental Committee approved a recommendation to maintain Cape George Rule PP01 Livestock & Pets as written. The Committee serves only as an advisory body to the Board. We made our recommendation consistent with our committee's mission as stated in section 4 of the Preamble of the **Environmental Committee Charter:**

4. The Committee shall address environmental concerns including, but not limited to, (1) preservation of native plant, animal, bird, and sea life by fostering conditions that allow them to thrive, (2) development and protection of common areas, (3) gathering information and doing research regarding safety, quality of life, and good environmental policies, and (4) recommending best practice policies that will enhance environmental quality and advance community interest.

The committee commends the board for appointing an ad hoc committee to consider the issue of dog play areas in the community. We will support whatever decision the board makes on this issue. We have confidence that any decision the board makes will be one that is intended to promote harmony in the community.



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**Fitness Committee Meeting Minutes - 10/2/23**

Meeting opened by Judith and Allan welcoming the group.

**Members:** Allan Zee, Judith Chambliss (Co-Chairs) Betsy Coddington (Board Liaison) (absent), Marnie Levy (CG Manager) (absent), Gordon Bair; Phyllis Ballough, Jon Karpilow (absent), Fred Miercort (absent), Linda Mollino, Maria Ramsey, Tom Ramsey, Mardella Rowland (absent), Robin Scherting and Bill Sery  
Mardella has notified the Committee that she no longer can be part of the group due to her work schedule. The group expressed a thank you for all the work that Mardella has done for the Fitness Center over the years.

1. *Budget / Finances*

- Current balance \$10,141.88 available for new equipment.

-**Update:** Request from Marnie: would the Fitness Committee be willing to move the \$5,000 on the 2024 reserve schedule to 2025. All agreed, based on current reserve schedule concerns, that moving our allotment to 2025 would be okay given our current financial status combined with another fundraiser coming up in February. Linda so moved and all members agreed. Allan will notify Marnie.

2. *Equipment*

**Update:** Phyllis gave us an update about replacement of the Elliptical Stepper without arms. Life Fitness or Precor seem to be the best options for us and should run \$3,000 and up, depending on which unit is chosen. Pros and cons of both units were discussed. Consensus was to purchase one with arms. Decision made to ask Mark Harder, who services our equipment, what he would recommend. Phyllis will contact Mark. Decision made to keep a limit of \$6,000 to purchase a replacement Elliptical Stepper. It was suggested that the current Elliptical without arms be auctioned off as part of the February fundraiser. If there are no bidders, we will check with Granny's Attic to see if they will accept it as a donation. If they don't want it, we will donate elsewhere.

3. *Supplies*

- **Update:** Dermasept wipes have all been used up and we are now transitioning to Simple Green and a special fiber towel dispensed out of a bucket. Bill suggested and the Committee agreed that the germicidal Simple Green purchased is too toxic for our purposes and we should revert to original Simple Green. Phyllis said she can provide some until the office is able to order the correct one. Bill will continue to be in charge of diluting the concentrated Simple Green and making it available for members.

The buckets of special towels will be made available to members this afternoon, with a survey to be filled out to tally members' response to the new system.

4. *Signs*

- **Update:** Car parking space. Discussion from Robin and other members led to a decision that, from our perspective, the sign isn't really needed and that this is Marnie's bailiwick and not ours since the issue

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has already been presented to the Board.

5. *Maintenance*

- **Update:** Office is still waiting for Double D Electric to give a bid re: repair of the south exhaust fan. (Marnie will look into other vendors if they don't respond soon.)
- Regarding lid for trashcan: Marnie is having difficulty finding one that fits.  
**Update:** Recommendation to Marnie that the trashcan be replaced.
- Broken window screen is scheduled for repair.

6. *Suggestion Box*

- **Update:** Thanks to Deb Eoff for donating 2 yoga mats.
- Suggestion for adding a variable height step up platform to add to or replace our "Step Up." Maria offered to look into it.
- User suggestion for establishing a policy regarding use of cell phones in the F.C.. **Update:** Decision made that a policy was not needed, but request that members who are bothered by cell phone use politely ask cell phone users to step outside or not use the phone.
- Pull-up bar request. **Update:** decision made that there is no room in the FC for such a purchase and that other FC equipment can work the same muscles.
- Since most suggestions do not contain contact information, the idea was presented to answer some of the suggestions in the Newsletter. Phyllis offered to take on the role of Fitness Center Reporter and would write a brief "News from the Fitness Center" for the newsletter if her schedule permits.

7. *Thank you notes:*

**Update:** Maria stated she has not had time to work on the thank you notes but will start the process

*Next meeting:* 11/13/2023; in the Clubhouse @ 11am

**Cape George Water Advisory Committee Meeting Report - August 8, 2023**

We met at 4 PM August 8, 2023, in the clubhouse. Present: Cape George Manager Marnie Levy, Board Liaison Bart Mooyman-Beck, Water Manager Ken Loomis, Stew Pugh, Thad Bickling, Mark Costanti, and Chair Marty Gilmore

New Water Manager Ken Loomis was introduced.

We discussed several items left unfinished by the previous Water Manager:

The new supply tap on Huckleberry will be completed on August 15. Ken has located a 10-inch saddle and has equipment for a wet tap

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Discussions are underway with Ferguson for material supply to install dedicated sample points  
Filter backwash controls are not installed correctly. Discussion with the control panel vendor is underway  
Ken is gathering data to complete the Water Efficiency Report

The Water Reserve study is complete and posted on the Cape George website. We are discussing 2024 budgeting with the Finance Committee.

We have not received a response from the PUD about water system management or emergency support.

Additional diesel fuel for the emergency generator will give us power for longer during power failure. We have been unable to contract for emergency fuel supply since we do not have an ongoing fuel supply contract. We are considering installation of a larger diesel tank for the generator.

Study has begun to integrate the telemetry system with a future auto-start for the generator.

The Marina Committee has asked for water piping changes in the south parking lot. These changes are under discussion.

The Washington State Department of Ecology has a new requirement that water piping to every home be surveyed to ensure there is no lead or galvanized piping in the Cape George water system. We are developing a work scope to accomplish this task.

Discussions continue for a water rate increase and for monthly overuse billing,

There is an ongoing issue of the inability to contact some homeowners in case of water leaks. This inability seems to be caused by wrong or out-of-date contact information. We are not aware of any actions that the Board has taken to obtain complete and accurate contact information.

Water usage July 2023:

Leaks: 28, many ongoing. Last year same month 23 leaks

< 30 gpd; 65, estimated vacancy percentage 11%

Average connection usage: 203 gpd, up from 2022 average of 198 gpd

Average daily distributed water 113551, up from 2022 average of 109381 gpd

A number of meters are not reading to bumblebee. End of life? Donny has count. Checking on a meter that keeps showing big leak, but no flow.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 12, 2023, at 4 PM in the clubhouse.

**Cape George Water Advisory Committee Meeting Report - September 12, 2023**

We met at 4 PM September 12, 2023, in the clubhouse. Present: Cape George Manager Marnie Levy, Stew Pugh, Thad Bickling, Carl Berger, Mark Costanti, and Chair Marty Gilmore

We discussed several items left unfinished by the previous Water Manager:

The new supply tap on Huckleberry has been completed.

The Water Efficiency Report has been completed and submitted.

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Material is being sourced for dedicated sample taps.

Filter backwash controls have been reconfigured so they are working properly, and the filters have been filled to the correct levels.

Two reserve items are having scope and pricing refined in anticipation of the community vote in November. These are 1) purchase and installation of new water meters at each meter point, and 2) a larger diesel tank for the emergency generator. A third potential reserve item, generator auto-start and integration with the telemetry system, is being postponed to allow time for design.

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Water usage August 2023:

Leaks: 25, many ongoing. 34 users exceeded 500 gpd

66 users consumed less than 30 gpd, estimated vacancy percentage 12%

Average connection usage: 173 gpd

Several water meters are not reading to bumblebee. This supports the need to replace the water meters and meter reader.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 3, 2023, at 4 PM in the clubhouse.

### **Cape George Water Advisory Committee Meeting Report - October 3, 2023**

We met at 3 PM at the Tank Farm and then at 4 PM October 3, 2023, in the clubhouse. Present: Water Manager Ken Loomis, Stew Pugh, Thad Bickling, Carl Berger, and Chair Marty Gilmore. The Tank Farm visit included Board Member Mike Heckinger and CG resident Craig Muma.

At the Tank Farm, work continues to optimize settings and backwash cycle times for the media filters. Ken will develop a program for exercising in-ground valves on a scheduled basis. He will also address valve painting and tagging.

The filter building needs a fan installed to reduce condensation. Several places on the media tanks require touch-up paint to reduce corrosion.

Diesel generator start-up and shutdown were demonstrated; step-by-step instructions are on the wall of the generator room. The generator is run every month to ensure that it is ready when needed.

We are developing a plan for a backup diesel storage tank, external to the building, with manual fuel transfer to the main tank. If the backup tank is double-wall it will not need secondary containment.

An estimate for purchase and installation of new water meters throughout Cape George is being refined and should be available by mid-October. Purchase and installation of new meters is a 2024 line item in the Water Reserve account.

CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

October 26, 2023

3:00 PM via Zoom & In Person

**DRAFT**

The Washington State Department of Ecology has a new requirement that water piping to every home be surveyed to identify any lead or galvanized piping in the Cape George water system. We are planning to perform the bulk of this survey in conjunction with the installation of new meters. This will reduce the cost of the survey.

The material cost for dedicated sample points has increased to \$1700 per point and this does not include installation. Fittings with lead-free brass are scarce and this is driving fitting cost higher.

Discussions continue for a water rate increase and for monthly overuse billing,

Several water meters are still not reading to bumblebee. This supports the need to replace the water meters and meter reader.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 14, 2023, at 4 PM in the clubhouse.

### **THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT THE BERM...DO'S AND DON'TS**

DO:

1. REALIZE THE BERM COST A LOT OF MONEY \$\$\$\$\$
2. REALIZE THAT IT PROTECTS THE CLUBHOUSE, THE POOL, THE FITNESS CENTER , THE COMMON AREA AND THE NEW GAZEBO
3. USE THE TWO APPROVED POINTS OF ACCESS TO THE BEACH ON EACH END OF THE BERM

DON'TS:

1. **PLEASE DON'T WALK ON OR OVER THE BERM**
2. PLEASE DO NOT ADMIRE THE OCEAN AND MOUNTAINS FROM THE BERM
3. **PLEASE DO NOT DRAG KAYAKS OVER THE BERM.**

If it were possible, an access point in the middle of the berm would have been built. The construction of a midpoint access point seems prohibitively costly as it would have been in the beginning.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

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# Cape George 2023 Calendar

# November

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			<b>1</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Pool Closed 1-2p Open Swim 2p  <b>Wed. Winer's 3-5p</b> <b>Soup Supper 5:30p</b>	<b>2</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Fabric Arts 9-3</b>	<b>3</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p <b>Bldg Com</b> <b>10a at office</b> <b>Writers 1p</b>	<b>4</b>  <b>Clubhouse</b> <b>Closed for a</b> <b>Private</b> <b>Party</b> <b>8a to 6p</b>
<b>5</b>  <b>Clubhouse</b> <b>Closed for a</b> <b>Private</b> <b>Party</b> <b>11a - 4p</b>	<b>6</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Bunco</b> <b>3-5p</b>	<b>7</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Marina Com 11a</b> <b>HSJC 1-3p</b> <b>Pool Com 3p</b>	<b>8</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Synchronized swim class noon - 1p Pool Closed 1-2p Open Swim 2p <b>Tai Chi 11a</b> <b>Wed Winer's 3-5p</b> <b>Bridge 5:30 - 9p</b>	<b>9</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Fabric Arts 9-3</b>	<b>10</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p	<b>11</b>  
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CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB - PORT TOWNSEND, WA

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## Manager's Report - November, 2023

### Thank you!

♥ Welcome Roseann Warner! We are happy to have Roseann Warner on board as our new Office Administrator! We are all helping to introduce her to the community and the tasks she will be responsible for at Cape George.

♥ Thank you all for your patience while we transition to a new Office Administrator!

♥ Thank you Kris Easterday, Mike Heckinger and everyone who helped make the Marina Volunteer appreciation event a blast!

♥ Thank you Marty Gilmore for stepping up help with the water easement issue. Your consistent even manner and attention to detail is greatly appreciated!



Our thanks to the Cape George Community for being positive, interactive, dedicated, and supportive of each other and of us, the Cape George staff. We are grateful to be working with you and wish you and your families a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday!

### The Pool

The pool is warming up slowly. We will send an email blast when the beautiful new pool is finally open!

### Mail Carrier Protection

Another reminder: Ernie, our mail carrier, was struck by a vehicle a few months ago while he was delivering mail in Cape George. To prevent that from happening again he uses traffic cones in the mail areas when he is working. **Please be careful and respect his safety zones.**

### Violations

One violation letter was sent for abandonment of property.

Thank you for everything you do to help make Cape George Colony Club a great place to live!

*Marnie W. Levy*  
*manager@capegeorge.org*



The Environmental Committee is struggling to restore this beautiful plaque in Memorial Park. We are hoping that someone in Cape George has a picture of the plaque in its original form as the years have degraded the wording and design. Any help or photos of the original design would be greatly appreciated.

Please contact Chris Buzzard at 918 497 0864 or [cabuzzard@gmail.com](mailto:cabuzzard@gmail.com) if you can help.

# SOUP SUPPER



JOIN YOUR FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS

**WED., DEC. 6TH, AT THE  
CLUBHOUSE**

5:30 - SOCIAL

6:00 - DINNER

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**BRING SOUP OR DESSERT TO SHARE\*, YOUR OWN  
DISHES, AND A BEVERAGE.  
BREAD & SALAD WILL BE PROVIDED.**

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\*Please bring a sign with the ingredients  
of what you made to avoid any allergies.

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Jeanette & Lisa, (503-708-0298)  
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for more information.

## Wreath Workshop

Celebrate the beauty of winter with this fun, hands-on workshop creating evergreen wreaths. Revel in the natural beauty of a multitude of evergreens, bright berries, and fantastic dried flowers for you to create from. Using a natural form that doesn't require wiring or taping, you'll be able to easily make a truly stunning wreath. This workshop will be fun, supportive, and delightful. Take home a beautiful creation to decorate your home or to gift to a friend. You will be amazed at what you can create!

Join Laurie McKenzie of Dragonheart Flowers and Events on Monday December 11th from 4:00-5:30pm in the Clubhouse. All ages and abilities are welcome. All materials provided and no experience necessary. \$40/person. Pre-registration is much appreciated - email [dragonheart@gmail.com](mailto:dragonheart@gmail.com) to register or call Lissett Muhr with any questions, 206-953-0491.



*Saturday, December 9th 6 pm*  
*Movie Night at the Clubhouse*

*Playing this month: PHILADELPHIA*



## CAPE GEORGE COMMUNITY POOL

### Greetings from the Cape George Community Pool

Happy Holidays! May your holidays be full of love and laughter.

We wish you and your family all the best this holiday season.

The special open swim hours over the holidays are December 23 -25 and Dec. 30 -Jan 2.

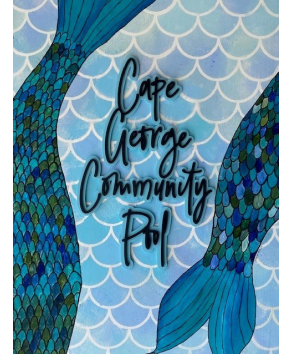
Please bring your family and guests to the pool. Floats, toys, and a water polo toss back and balls are available. How about a cannonball splash in the deep end?

There is a kiddie pool for the younger ones as well. Your pool has something for all ages.

The pool shell has recently been resurfaced and it sparkles! Please join us.

Cheers!

Your Pool Committee



### **"BEFORE THE WIND"** CHOSEN BY BOOK GROUP

Puget Sound author Jim Lynch has written a sailing adventure that will grip the sailor and non-sailor alike. In "Before the Wind", Lynch writes about a sailing family that is adventurous, fanatical and a complete mess. for one last yacht race in the old family boat that is being restored by the middle child, Josh. Sister, Ruby is a talented skipper who is somewhere in Africa and brother Bernard could be anywhere at sea. when their father summons them home for one last yacht race.

This tender, funny, novel finds the Johannssen family in an adventure that will change the course of their lives. "Before the Wind" can't help but engage the reader as they read about a family whose love for the sea rivals their love for one another.

The book group meets on Tuesday, December 19 at 1 pm in the Cape George clubhouse.

All are invited to attend.

# Cape George University

## Who the heck was Juan de Fuca??

### Cape George U is Back in Session

Cape George University, our homegrown speakers program, is back with a program Tuesday, Dec. 12, 6 to 7:30 pm in the clubhouse, followed by social time with snacks.

CG member and recovering journalist Ross Anderson will use maps to guide us through the crusty characters who put Port Townsend and the Strait of Juan de Fuca on the world map. It all started 425 years ago in Venice, and climaxed right here in Discovery Bay.

As always, there will be ample time for questions and discussion.

Future programs in the planning stages include PT Vineyards, ocean sailing, global energy, gardening and local candidates for the Legislature and/or Congress.

Over more than a decade, the volunteer Cape George U committee organized some 80 programs on subjects ranging from local wildlife to UFOs. The program went on sabbatical with the pandemic, but it was back earlier this fall with an eyewitness report from the war in Ukraine.

The committee (or Board of Regents) is chaired by Harvey Stone.

See you Tuesday, Dec 12. ( And no, there will not be a quiz.)

## DON'T LET THIS HAPPEN! RECYCLE YOUR STYROFOAM



You will most likely be receiving shipments of gifts and sundries packed in Styrofoam, EPS, and soft bendable LDPE this month. Recycle your Styrofoam and keep it out of the waste stream to protect animals and the environment!

Cape George recycled three giant yellow bags of EPS and LDPE in November. Avoid the line at Fort Worden on recycling days, text or call Jo Blair at 425-417-2164 to make an appointment to drop off your clean, dry EPS and LDPE free of tape, cardboard and labels. We also take white EPS food trays and coolers.



**CAPE GEORGE  
CHRISTMAS CAFÉ  
DECEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup>, 3 – 6 PM  
At the CLUBHOUSE**

A mix of traditional and popular Christmas music will be provided by Mark Thayer on his accordion; merriment is mandatory, singing is optional!

Bring cookies, snacks, and other holiday baking to share with your neighbors; the Social Committee will provide egg nog (with or without rum!). Feel free to bring wine or any other beverages you think might add to the festive spirit.

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO  
ALL**





## 2024 EMERGENCY PREPARATION FOR ALL MEMBERS

Dear Neighbors,

We invite you to neighborhood preparation meetings regarding the Cascadia Subduction Zone Earthquake.

Odds are you will survive the earthquake but will you survive the aftermath?

Our goal is not only to make our neighbors aware of the need for preparation but also to give you a blueprint to become self-sufficient in the aftermath of a disaster.

There will be several meetings for different neighborhoods as outlined below. The meetings will be at the Clubhouse from 4-5:30pm on Tuesdays. If you cannot attend your neighborhood meeting then please chose another date. We will also conduct repeat sessions during the summer months.

**January 30, 2024—Residents on Rhododendron, San Juan, Vancouver**

**February 27, 2024—Residents on Cape George Rd, Palmer, Quinault, Sunset, Queets, Quilcene, Dungeness, Sequim, Colman, and Huckleberry**

**March 19, 2024—The Village Residents**

**April 16, 2024—The Highlands Residents**

We look forward to your participation!

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## Marina News

Boating season is over, and boaters have been buttoning up their boats and winterizing the docks, checking cleats and mooring lines and preparing for the possibility of freezing weather.

But it's been an eventful year at the marina. Here's a sampling of what the marina committee has been up to:

**Harbormaster:** Mike Thorwick stepped up to serve as harbormaster, replacing Penny Jensen, who resigned after a decade of volunteer efforts. A retired Coast Guard officer and marine engineer, Mike brings much-needed skills to the job of managing day-to-day operations, moorage assignments and maintenance.

Craig Muma remains as marina chair, which focuses on the budget and other administrative matters.

**Kayaks:** The marina is trying to make the marina more friendly to kayaks and other small boats. A kayak launch rack was installed near the bottom of the north ramp, and the committee hopes to add kayak storage on the docks.

**Volunteers:** The marina continues to depend heavily on volunteers for everything from maintenance to management. Boaters show up for the Tuesday morning workdays year-round. This year, the Board of Trustees approved a new system that gives a choice between volunteering or paying higher moorage fees, and that appears to be working well.

**Clean water:** Marinas everywhere are prone to small oil spills, paint residue and other sources of water pollution. In an attempt to meet tougher environmental regulations, the marina committee is refocusing efforts to prevent pollution from oily bilges, paint scraping and other problems.

**Waterfront Festival:** The August event, initiated by Penny Jensen a decade ago, was a big success. Hundreds of members showed up for free food and beverages, the annual Cape George Regatta, live music and more, all financed by boaters (no Cape George funds.)

**Docks:** The marina docks and pilings are more than 50 years old, and boaters have talked about replacing them – a costly proposition. For the moment, however, members believe that, with regular maintenance, we can still get more years of service.

**Moorage fees:** After lengthy debate, the marina committee voted this fall to increase their moorage fees by a hefty 25 percent. Some members opposed the rate increase, because present rates cover the annual costs. But a majority felt the need to build the marina reserves in anticipation of future capital investments.

**Crab shacks:** Volunteers built the snazzy new crab and fish-cleaning station at the south end of the marina – all without CG community funds. The existing crab shack has a new roof.

**Beyond the marina:** As always, marina volunteers helped with an array of community projects, including the refurbished picnic shelter at the beach.

Questions? Ask Mike or Craig. Or drop by the marina workshop any Tuesday morning to see for yourself.

## The Halloween Party Was Filled with Fright and Delight!



Thank you to everyone who supported the Environmental Committee's Annual Halloween Fundraiser. The Halloween Party was a success. Because of everyone's participation and efforts, the committee raised about \$850 to support the various projects and programs sponsored by the Environmental Committee.

Next year, we promise another fun-filled evening, so begin thinking about what kind of costume you will wear or what great side dish you want to bring to **WOW!** the judges. We most certainly will have a pumpkin carving contest and of course the Children's Costume Parade. And there quite possibly will be another opportunity for you to win cash in the 50/25/25 Raffle.

So, while you are thinking about next year's Halloween Party, the Environmental Committee wants to let you know how appreciative we are for the Cape George Community's support.





## BE PREPARED FOR WINTER STORMS

Don't Let our remarkably dry Thanksgiving weather fool you. It's time to prepare for winter storms and here are a few reminders in case of **power outages**. We might be camping inside our homes for a few days.

- Purchase a portable gasoline-powered generator or prepare the one you have for service. Check the fuel and do a test run outside.
- Make sure you maintain a safe alternative heat source and a supply of fuel. Many Cape George residents have propane fireplaces or stoves and wood burning fireplaces, stoves or inserts.
- If you have an electric garage door opener, learn how to use the door without power.
- Have LED camping lanterns, flashlights, and a battery powered radio with extra batteries. Keep a supply of batteries nearby. Your unopened batteries will last 7 years.
- Buy a NOAA Emergency Weather Public Alert Radio such as a Midland-WR12B with S.A.M.E. Localized Programming, Trilingual display, 60+ Emergency Alerts & Alarm Clock. They use 3 AA batteries for emergency power back-up. Cost \$35.

### Important Contacts and Suggestions

**Only Call 911 in case of a life threatening or medical emergency.**

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CAPE GEORGE SOCIAL CLUB  
PRESENTS

**NEW YEAR'S EVE**

**PARTY**

SUNDAY,  
31 DECEMBER

2023

7:00 PM  
TO MIDNIGHT

COCTAIL ATTIRE  
ENCOURAGED!

Bring your signature  
cocktail or an  
appetizer to share



Music and dancing  
indoors and out!!  
Let's party like it's  
2024!

Cape George Clubhouse

## Fitness News

As the Fitness Committee met and talked about our Mission, one area we all agreed on, was helping our neighbors and friends achieve health, be fit, and maintain stability as we age. That is a tall order.

In Novembers AARP Bulletin, there is a wonderful article on what they call Super Agers and how they achieve it.

### *The Seven Secrets of the Super Agers*

- 1. Control their Blood Sugar and Blood Pressure.*
- 2. Talk with their Friends.*
- 3. Control Stress.*
- 4. Prioritize Sleep*
- 5. Protect your Vision and Hearing.*
- 6. Push yourself Physically.*
- 7. Read, do Crossword Puzzles, Attend Lectures, and Concerts.*

These 7 things really caused me to think of all the wonderful opportunities offered in Cape George to help you become a Super Ager. We have a fabulous Pool, A great Gym, and a Pickleball Court. We have ways to see others, socialize, and talk, Soup Suppers, Cape George University, a Marina and ways for people to join other boaters and work parties at the docks. A terrific Shop with many tools. Other ways to socialize might be and to stimulate your mind may be, Book Club, the Quilting group, Dog group, where we socialize our dogs, as well as ourselves. Most importantly, a beautiful Scenic beach and Mountains. We live in Paradise.

It is easy during the winter to stay in our houses and become sedentary. Some people are depressed and alone. We invite you to become Super Agers. Get out and see others, take a walk, swim in our pool or join the pool exercise class. Go to Game night. Go to the gym, ride the bike, use the rower, and more. The best thing you can do is find a workout buddy that you can't let down. There is something for everyone. Take advantage of this time in our lives and this place we live and you too can become a *Super Ager*.

Changing the topic from the benefits of exercise, we do have a few Fitness Center of housekeeping items to ask of you:

Please put your weights away after use.

You will see a sign-up sheet asking users in the Fitness Center to "Adopt a Machine", Which involves thoroughly wiping a machine down once a week and notifying us (via the Suggestion Box) if you see any visible problems with that machine.

When submitting a comment in the Suggestion Box, please be sure to provide your name and contact information If you would like a reply.

We very much appreciate your kind comments left in the Suggestion Box.

Most of all get out, get moving, challenge yourself. We look forward to seeing you at activities and being the best, you can be.

Submitted by, Phyllis Ballough Fitness Member Committee Member

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**The Variance Hearing was called to order by President, Betsy Coddington at 2:45 pm – Lot 30-3 S. Rhododendron**

**In Attendance:** Betsy Coddington, Nancy Charpentier, Pat Gulick, Bart Mooyman-Beck, Mike Heckinger, Steve McFarland, and Ray Pierson.

Ray Pierson moved, and Nancy Charpentier seconded to delay vote until next month when we have more information. Passed – 6/0

**The Board Meeting was called to order by Betsy Coddington at 3:00 p.m.**

**Action on Minutes:** Pat Gulick moved, and Ray Pierson seconded:

To approve minutes of the October 19, 2023, Special Meeting held to review the proposed 2024 budget. Passed - 6/0

To approve minutes of the October 25, 2023, Executive Session held to discuss delinquent assessments and personnel topics. Passed - 6/0

To approve minutes of the regular Board of Trustees meeting held October 26, 2023. Passed - 6/0

**Treasurers Report**

COMMENTS ON SEPTEMBER 2023 FINANCIALS

**Balance Sheet**

You'll notice an appreciable variation this year to last in two items- Accounts Receivable and Prepaid Income. This is the result of our posting the invoices for the 4th quarter when issued, in September, rather than waiting for October activity to post them. Consequently, in the past when people received and paid their quarterly invoices it would initially post to Prepaid income, and that would post to Accounts Receivable the following month (1st of the quarter for which the payment applied). This was an experiment that will be revisited next year. Unfortunately, illness prevented the posting of the corrected entries that would have accurately portrayed these activities in order to maintain consistency. The

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balances correct themselves in October.

**Income Statement**

**A) General Operations:**

We continue to be \$10k ahead of budget in each of Payroll and Pool Expenses. Payroll doesn't yet reflect full annual benefits reimbursement, so we expect that overage to shrink as employees catch up to their ICHIRA reimbursement amounts. And Pool Expenses were reduced by the addition of a new Boiler and repair of the existing heat pump, which aids its efficiency.

We were expecting a large hit to contracted expenses owing to the number of dead trees on common property in need of removal, however Marnie has negotiated favorable pricing to limit the expense to \$3k which has us close to our targeted expenses.

**B) Water Operations**

Water has been running favorable to budget primarily owing to delays in planned maintenance and repair expenses owing to the transition to new water management. Planned installation of Sampling Stations will be purchased and installed before the end of the year, adding \$9k expense.

**C) Marina Operations**

Marina is coming in on budget for all discretionary spending.

CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB								
As of SEP 30, 2023								
<i>Balance Sheet as of September 30, 2023 and 2022 - Preliminary Subject to Audit</i>								
Assets	2023	2022		Liabilities and Fund Balances	2023	2022		
Cash and Cash Equivalents:				Current Liabilities:				
Operations Checking & Petty Cash	\$ 68,098	\$ 186,117	-63%	Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$ 22,734	\$ 17,559	29%	
Operating Savings & ICS	250,625	297,417	-16%	Prepaid Income	8,684	104,372	-92%	
Reserves - General, Water & Marina	1,619,767	1,262,858	28%	Unearned Income, Marina Wait List	196,955	1,124	17423%	
Total Cash & Equivalents	1,938,489	1,746,392	11%	Total Current Liabilities	228,374	123,055	86%	
Net Accounts Receivable	\$ 108,434	\$ 7,452	1355%	<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>				
Total Net Fixed Assets	1,693,297	1,669,384	1%	Fund Balances & Equity (Combined)	3,428,518	3,193,817	7%	
Total Prepaid & Other Assets	41,947	36,298	16%	Modified Cash Basis Income	125,275	142,654	-12%	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$3,782,167</b>	<b>\$3,459,526</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ 3,782,167</b>	<b>\$ 3,459,526</b>	<b>9%</b>	



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Preliminary Subject to Audit									
2023 Year to Date - Unaudited					Comparative - Unaudited				
	Actual	Budget	Variance	%		2023 YTD	2022 YTD**	Variance	%
<b>General</b>					<b>General</b>				
General Assessment	\$ 259,133	\$ 259,140	(7)	0%	General Assessment	\$ 259,133	\$ 245,982	\$ 13,151	5%
Revenue - All Other Sources	19,835	13,761	6,074	44%	Revenue - All Other Sources	19,835	17,700	2,135	12%
<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<b>278,968</b>	<b>272,901</b>	<b>6,067</b>		<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<b>278,968</b>	<b>263,682</b>	<b>15,286</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	101,987	112,560	10,573	9%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	101,987	87,693	(14,294)	-16%
Repairs & Maintenance	24,986	16,404	(8,583)	-52%	Repairs & Maintenance	24,986	10,850	(14,136)	-130%
Contracted Services	57,066	60,303	3,238	5%	Contracted Services	57,066	63,759	6,693	10%
Pool Expense & Utilities	17,533	29,375	11,842	40%	Pool Expense & Utilities	17,533	19,978	2,445	12%
Utilities & Insurance	29,521	28,917	(604)	-2%	Utilities & Insurance	29,521	30,230	709	2%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	23,127	20,098	(3,029)	-15%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	23,127	20,332	(2,795)	-14%
<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<b>254,219</b>	<b>267,657</b>	<b>13,437</b>		<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<b>254,219</b>	<b>232,842</b>	<b>(21,737)</b>	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 24,749</b>	<b>\$ 5,244</b>	<b>\$ 19,505</b>	<b>-372%</b>	<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 24,749</b>	<b>\$ 30,840</b>	<b>\$ (6,091)</b>	<b>&gt;-100%</b>
<b>Water</b>					<b>Water</b>				
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 172,198	\$ 173,607	\$ (1,409)	-1%	Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 172,198	\$ 163,371	\$ 8,827	5%
Revenue - All Other Sources	2,857	6,000	(3,144)	-52%	Revenue - All Other Sources	2,857	13,140	(10,284)	-78%
<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<b>175,055</b>	<b>179,607</b>	<b>(4,552)</b>		<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<b>175,055</b>	<b>176,511</b>	<b>(1,456)</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	50,571	56,280	5,709	10%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	50,571	47,519	(3,052)	-6%
Repairs & Maintenance	1,233	8,538	7,304	86%	Repairs & Maintenance	1,233	3,505	2,272	65%
Contracted Services	20,976	25,652	4,676	18%	Contracted Services	20,976	20,685	(291)	-1%
Utilities & Insurance	20,021	23,012	2,991	13%	Utilities & Insurance	20,021	18,658	(1,363)	-7%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	16,371	22,552	6,180	27%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	16,371	15,142	(1,229)	-8%
<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<b>109,173</b>	<b>136,033</b>	<b>26,861</b>		<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<b>109,173</b>	<b>105,509</b>	<b>(3,664)</b>	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 65,882</b>	<b>\$ 43,574</b>	<b>\$ 22,308</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 65,882</b>	<b>\$ 71,002</b>	<b>\$ (5,120)</b>	<b>-7%</b>
<b>Marina</b>					<b>Marina</b>				
Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 75,656	\$ 74,489	\$ 1,167	2%	Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 75,656	\$ 74,719	\$ 937	1%
Revenue - All Other Sources	19,249	18,171	\$ 1,078	6%	Revenue - All Other Sources	19,249	19,558	(309)	-2%
<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>94,905</b>	<b>92,660</b>	<b>2,245</b>		<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>94,905</b>	<b>94,277</b>	<b>628</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	17,140	18,760	1,620	9%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	17,140	15,892	(1,248)	-8%
Repairs & Maintenance	17,921	16,325	(1,596)	-10%	Repairs & Maintenance	17,921	15,632	(2,289)	0%
Contracted Services	6,045	7,825	1,779	23%	Contracted Services	6,045	6,208	163	3%
Utilities & Insurance	13,648	13,906	258	2%	Utilities & Insurance	13,648	13,775	127	1%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	5,359	4,932	(426)	-9%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	5,359	1,958	(3,401)	-174%
<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>60,113</b>	<b>61,748</b>	<b>1,635</b>		<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>60,113</b>	<b>53,465</b>	<b>(6,648)</b>	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 34,792</b>	<b>\$ 30,912</b>	<b>\$ 3,880</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 34,792</b>	<b>\$ 40,812</b>	<b>\$ (6,020)</b>	<b>-15%</b>
<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 125,423</b>	<b>\$ 79,730</b>	<b>\$ 45,693</b>	<b>57%</b>	<b>Net Income/Loss from Combined Operations, No Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ 125,423</b>	<b>\$ 142,654</b>	<b>\$ (17,231)</b>	<b>-12%</b>
<b>Reserve Activity</b>					<b>**Reserve Activity</b>				
Routine Reserve Assessment	149,943	149,943	-	0%	Routine Reserve Revenue	149,943	144,984	(4,959)	3%
Reserve Interest - all **	-	1,572	(1,572)	-100%	Reserve Interest - all	-	-	-	>100%
Less: Reserve Offset***	(149,943)	(149,943)	-		Less: Reserve Offset	(149,943)	(145,094)	4,849	
<b>Net Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,572</b>	<b>\$ (1,572)</b>	<b>-100%</b>	<b>Gross Reserve Activity</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (110)</b>	<b>\$ (110)</b>	<b>-100%</b>

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**New Members: Welcome**

Pandora Canton purchased 70 Cole Ave from Jeff Evans

BMM Family Trust purchased lot 15-4 Quinault Loop from Jeremy & Jennifer Wheat

**Information items or documents submitted to the Trustees at Study Session**

1. The President has appointed an Ad Hoc Strategic Planning Committee – Betsy Coddington
2. The Treasurer is inviting qualified individuals to contact her to become members of an Ad Hoc Investment Advisory Committee. Please send contact information to Nancy Charpentier at [treasurer@capegeorge.org](mailto:treasurer@capegeorge.org).
3. Welcome to our New Office Administrator, Roseann Warner.
4. Marina Chair, Craig Muma provided purchase and warranty information for the new marina gantry.

**Committee Reports:** None

**NOTICE:** The President will ask members that have called into the Zoom Meeting that are listening to the Board Meeting to come forward with any questions, comments, compliments, or concerns. We encourage and wish to promote member participation with the following stipulations: Each member may speak once on any given topic until every member that wishes to speak has done so. Each member may have one rebuttal with a 2-minute time limit on the same topic. If another topic is raised the same procedure will follow. Note: The Board of Trustees will not hear or discuss owner violations or owner account issues. They must be addressed in a separate hearing.

**Member participation:** None

**New Business Action Items:**

**Motion 1.** Nancy Charpentier moved, and Ray Pierson seconded to approve the Release of Water Easement on Lot 23, Sunset Blvd. Passed - 6/0

**Motion 2.** Mike Heckinger moved, and Ray Pierson seconded to approve Mike Thorwick as the new Marine Harbor Master. Passed - 6/0

**Motion 3.** Mike Heckinger moved, and Pat Gulick seconded to add Tips for Cleaner/Safer Marina Practices and Clean Water Practices Acknowledgement by Boat Owners to the Cape George website. Passed - 6/0

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**Motion 4.** Nancy Charpentier withdrew motion to approve an exception for Rules and Regulations PP01 regarding livestock in the Highlands and beach access.

**Motion 5.** Steve McFarland moved, and Mike Heckinger seconded to approve the 2024 Flood Insurance Proposals for the Clubhouse facilities building, at \$2,404, and for the Workshop building at \$1,458. Passed - 6/0

**Open Board Discussion:** We have limited volunteers to set up and monitor hybrid meetings. In order to not burn out our current volunteers, we are asking for other Cape George members to step forward and help. An additional option discussed was to have the Study Session only hybrid since there seems to be more community involvement in this meeting than the Board Meeting. The Board Meeting could become ZOOM only.

**Announcements:**

Monday, November 27, Budget and Reserve Ballots are due in the office 2:00 p.m.

Monday, December 18, 3 p.m. Study Session

Thursday, December 21, 3 p.m. Board Meeting

**Adjournment:** Ray Pierson moved, and Nancy Charpentier seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 4:01 pm. Passed - 6/0

Submitted by:

Approved by:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Pat Gulick, Secretary

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Betsy Coddington, President

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Office Administrator—Roseann Warner 360-385-1177 - [office@capegeorge.org](mailto:office@capegeorge.org)






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Assistant Maintenance - Eric Kolbe

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Building & Roads .....	George Martin.....	509-336-9914		Tom Ramsey.....	360-385-1263
	Dave Baker.....	301-215-6776	Marina.....	Craig Muma .....	209-604-6305
Clubhouse Rental .....	Roseann Warner.....	360-385-1177	Memorial .....	Jeannie Ramsey .....	360-385-1263
Elections.....	Joyce Skoien.....	360-379-9749	Newsletter Ads.....	Bianca Thayer.....	505-610-3568
	co-chair.....	Dianne Tamblyn .....	Nominating.....	Dianne Tamblyn.....	425-417-5300
Emergency Prep .....	Thad Bickling.....	360-531-2421	Social Club.....	Cassie Reeves.....	360-344-2174
Environmental.....	Chris Buzzard.....	918-497-0864	Swimming Pool .....	Kriss Edwards.....	206-295-6944
Finance.....	Mark Kochendorfer..	612-707-1417	Water Advisory.....	Marty Gilmore.....	360-301-3111
Fitness Center.....	Allan Zee & Judith Chambliss		Welcome.....	Carol Chandler.....	402-981-0405
	co-chairs.....	360-379-1255	Workshop .....	Michael LaPointe.....	503-977-1893
Harbormaster.....	Mike Thorwick.....	360-301-9710	Clubhouse Phone.....		360-385-3670
			Fitness Center Phone....		360-385-3619

# Cape George 2023 Calendar

# December

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					<b>1</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p <b>Bldg Com</b> <b>10a at office</b> <b>Writers 1p</b>	<b>2</b>  <b>Clubhouse</b> <b>Reserved for</b> <b>Private Party</b> <b>8a—11p</b>
<b>3</b>      	<b>4</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Pickleball</b> <b>Steering Com</b> <b>noon</b>	<b>5</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Marina Com 11a</b> <b>HSJC 1-3p</b> <b>Pool Com 3p</b>	<b>6</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Synchronized swim class noon - 1p Pool Closed 1-2p Open Swim 2p <b>Tai Chi 11a</b> <b>Wed Winer's 3-5p</b> <b>Soup Supper 5p</b>	<b>7</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Fabric Arts 9-3</b>	<b>8</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p   <b>Clubhouse</b> <b>Reserved for</b> <b>Private Party</b> <b>2-10p</b>	<b>9</b>      <b>Movie Night</b> <b>At Clubhouse</b>  <b>6p</b>  <b>Philadelphia</b>
<b>10</b>   <b>Noon - 6p</b>	<b>11</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Wreath Workshop</b> <b>3:30- 5:30p</b>	<b>12</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Water Com 4p</b> <b>CGU 6-8p</b>	<b>13</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Synchronized swim class noon - 1p Pool Closed 1-2p Open Swim 2p  <b>Wed Winer's 3-5p</b>	<b>14</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Fabric Arts 9-3</b>	<b>15</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p    	<b>16</b>      <b>Christmas Café</b> <b>3-6p</b> 
<b>17</b>   <b>Noon to 6p</b>	<b>18</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Study Session 3p</b>	<b>19</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Book Grp 1p</b>	<b>20</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Synchronized swim class noon - 1p Pool Closed 1-2p Open Swim 2p  <b>Wed Winer's 3-5p</b>	<b>21</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Fabric Arts 9-3</b> <b>Board Meeting 3p</b> <b>Wine Group 6-8p</b>	<b>22</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Clubhouse</b> <b>Reserved for</b> <b>Private Party</b> <b>Noon to 5</b>	<b>23</b>      
<b>24</b>   <b>Noon to 6p</b>	<b>25</b>   <b>Open Swim</b>	<b>26</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  	<b>27</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Synchronized swim class noon - 1p Pool Closed 1-2p Open Swim 2p <b>Grief Circle 8-12:30a</b> <b>Wed Winer's 3-5p</b>	<b>28</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Water Aerobics 9:30a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  <b>Fabric Arts 9-3</b>	<b>29</b> Lap Swim 5a Pool Exercise 8a Lap Swim 10:30a Open Swim 1p  	<b>30</b>      
<b>31</b> <b>New Years Eve</b> <b>Party 7p</b>						

Pickleball - open play every day - noon to 1:30

\*\*The dog group meets at Memorial Park daily at 2:30 to 3:30 pm



# Holiday Open House

December 9th - 10th  
9am - 6pm

Mary's Antiques has re-opened after a year of upgrades to the building! Come visit us in our re-imagined store just in time for the holidays! Shop seasonal decor, locally made gift items, furniture and vintage! Enjoy special treats and present this postcard for 10% off your purchase!

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