

Changing Tides

A publication of the Property Owners of Eaton's Neck Beach



Dear Eaton's Neck Friends, Family, and Neighbors



I want to express my continued gratitude for your involvement in preserving the beauty and integrity of Eaton's Neck. Our collective efforts ensure that our beaches & community spaces remain a source of pride for all. You'll find a list of upcoming events below.



Spring Beach Cleanup - Specific details coming soon and when available I encourage everyone to participate. Even one hour of your time makes a huge difference for all.



Membership Dues & Contributions - Please submit your 2025 membership dues now for the 3/31 early bird rate. Additional contributions you may choose to make will fund maintenance, security & community events.



Upcoming POENB Meetings - April 2nd is our next meeting and a great opportunity to discuss ongoing initiatives, voice concerns, and shape the direction of our association.



Easter Egg Hunt at Price's Bend - Saturday, April 12th - This annual family favorite starts at noon sharp so get there early. Stay tuned, more details hopping by soon.

Beach & Property Maintenance - Current projects will upgrade the benches at Valley Grove and the grills at Price's Bend. Let us know about areas you feel need of attention.

Advocacy for Asharoken Seawall Repairs - POENB continues to advocate for repairs to the Asharoken Seawall in coordination with the Village of Asharoken and other governmental agencies. This seawall plays a critical role in protecting the roadway access to Eaton's Neck, and we remain committed to ensuring this issue stays a priority.

As always, our priority is to ensure that Eaton's Neck remains a wonderful place for families to enjoy. If you have any concerns, ideas, or desire to get involved, please reach out.

Warm regards,
Thomas J. Kehoe, Jr.
President, Property Owners of Eaton's Neck Beach Association

Feb/Mar 2025

POENB Minutes
Wednesday, March 5, 2025

The meeting was held in person at the Eaton's Neck Firehouse from 7:05 pm to 8:05 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by a roll call of officers.

Officer Roll Call

- Tom Kehoe - President
- Steve Neuf - Vice President
- Sally Neal - Treasurer and Recording Secretary
- Nancy Regan - Corresponding Secretary
- Paul Dippolito - Assistant Vice President
- Michael Ien Cohen - Assistant Vice President
- Heather Warrington - Assistant Vice President

Attendance

There were 3 members physically in attendance, not including six officers.

Tom Kehoe's motion to accept last month's minutes as published on the POENB Website was seconded.

Correspondence -Nancy Regan

1. Watercraft Storage - The Board received several inquiries about dinghy storage. Michael Ien Cohen, the Board member in charge of watercraft, will reply to members regarding their questions.

2. Bevin Seawall - John Ballow emailed the Board about some good news on the Bevin Seawall, the ~900-foot stretch of Asharoken Avenue between LI Sound and Northport Bay. These updates were created by Mayor Greg Letica:

a. Last week, the Village of Asharoken (VOA) added 40 five-ton stones to the Bevin Seawall to bolster the weakest section. These stones were the result of a grant that NYS Assemblyman Keith Brown was able to obtain. Former VOA resident Rob Bergold and LaMay Construction delivered and installed the rocks and the Village's new Deputy Highway Superintendent, Ray Dantoni, oversaw the project.

b. The VOA received confirmation from NYS DHSES and FEMA that its Hazard Mitigation grant could be used to fund 90% of the cost of engineering, permitting, and other associated expenses for the reconstruction of the beach that is seaward of the Bevin Seawall. VOA will begin this project immediately.

c. VOA is making significant strides with the NYS DOT to change the use of Senator Schumer's \$ 1,000,000 earmark from repair funds to full reconstruction funds.

d. VOA Deputy Mayor Pam Pierce, Emergency Manager Bill Raisch, and Mayor Greg Letica held a Zoom call with members of the NYS DEC to discuss requirements to repair the Bevin Seawall after

Property Owners of Eaton's Neck Beach

Profit and Loss

January 1 - March 5, 2025

	<u>Total</u>
Income	
Changing Tide Income	815.00
Donation	490.00
Interest Income - Bank	0.01
Membership Income	
Regular Membership Income	6,327.80
Senior Membership Income	9,352.40
Total Membership Income	\$ 15,680.20
Social Income	
4th July Income	210.00
Total Social Income	\$ 210.00
Watercraft Income	910.00
Total Income	\$ 18,105.21
Gross Profit	\$ 18,105.21
Expenses	
Bank Charges & Fees	15.00
Beach Security Expense	232.58
Changing Tides Expense	419.24
Meeting Expenses	565.83
PayPal Fees	144.78
Software/Website Expenses	211.31
Utilities	
Prices Bend Utilities	165.19
Valley Grove Utilities	89.18
Total Utilities	\$ 254.37
Total Expenses	\$ 1,843.11
Net Income	\$ 16,262.10

Balance Sheet

ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
50/50 Proceeds	640.26
Beach Infrastructure Funds - Bank	
Account	85.00
CD	8,700.00
PayPal Bank	3,695.42
Petty Cash	0.00
POENB Operating Account	25,438.72
Total Bank Accounts	\$ 38,559.40

On our cover: This month's cover "Valley Grove Sunset" was photographed by David Schaefer-Walker



a breach or significant damage to Asharoken Avenue. Although VOA could start working immediately after a breach and then apply for an emergency authorization, it appeared the better idea was to get a 10-year permit for road repair. An emergency authorization is good for 30 days and only allows VOA to do the smallest possible project to rectify the issue. Therefore, VOA will commence work on obtaining the 10-year permit.

e. On February 13th, the Mayor of VOA wrote to Governor Hochul advising her that the Village is getting close to completing the needed engineering and permitting to begin the reconstruction of the Seawall. Mayor Letica asked Governor Hochul to provide funding similar to what she gave Baxter Estates (in Nassau County) to mitigate its road flooding issue. This funding method allows NY State to pay the contractors directly instead of the VOA paying the contractors and then submitting requests for reimbursement. For a project estimated at 10 million dollars, it would be almost impossible for VOA to secure the money upfront to pay the contractors before State reimbursement. Baxter Estates made the same argument and secured appropriate funding from NYS.



3. Update on TOH Actions at VG - In July 2024, the TOH wrote to POENB, Inc. (as the deed holder to the VG beach) and asked to access the VG property so that it could finalize its proposed project (prepared by Nelson + Pope, an engineering, architecture, and surveying firm based in Melville) to repair the non-functioning drain pipe. The project was supposed to create a new pipe that would protrude approximately 10" at the end of the bulkhead. The existing non-functioning pipe will be closed off and the water re-routed so that it flows through the new pipe. POENB had also asked if the TOH's pipe repair project could include permanently fixing the stairs at VG. Tom Kehoe stated that he will follow up on the status of the TOH's repairs at VG and report back to the membership at the April meeting.

Board and Committee Reports - Tom Kehoe moderating

1. Beach Committee - Steve Neuf stated that the dilapidated bench at VG will be removed as soon as it is feasible. He also said that he was investigating the cost, lead time and infrastructure requirements to improve the shower and bathroom facilities at PB.

2. Social Committee

a. Paul Dippolito - stated that:

1. Super Bowl Boxes provided POENB with \$1,250 (50% of the proceeds went to POENB as the sponsor and 50% went to the winner)

2. He's working with Heather, Michael Len, the ENFD (on the jointly sponsored 4th of July event) and others to finalize POENB's social calendar.



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FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Eaton's Neck Fire Department

Please help first responders arrive at your residence by turning on outdoor lights as well as indoor lights. Call 911 to report the emergency and turn on lights to attract them. In all emergency situations, time is of the essence. Another important factor of life on Eaton's Neck is joining in the community. In our small, isolated community we depend upon each other for help. One of the most important is membership in the fire department. The approximately 50 members of the department devote themselves to answering calls for help 24/7. They also help one another by sharing the responsibilities and work they volunteer for.

The fire department needs new members to share the needs of our community. Please seriously consider becoming a member of the fire department

In the middle of winter 2025 the department has purchased and is training in the use of winter ice rescue suits. These pieces of equipment are valuable especially because of the proximity to water all around our community.

Yours for fire safety, Rich Baer



3. He's looking for vendors to sponsor some of these events (in whole or in part) to help defray costs and increase revenue. However, the first step to signing up social sponsors is finalizing the event calendar.

4. Based on member feedback, in 2025, the Social Committee is considering hosting smaller, more frequent events such as card night and bingo. Those more intimate events will be in addition to larger parties held during the Memorial Day Weekend and 4th of July.

5. He's working with Ryan Cote, Editor of the Changing Tides, to sign up additional advertisers.

b. Heather Warrington - stated that she and Jeanmarie Mansfield are currently planning the Easter Egg Hunt at PB. Once details are finalized, information will be published in the April edition of the CT, sent via email and broadcast via social media.

c. Michael Ien Cohen - stated that he is working to make POENB membership more valuable by signing up local vendors who would be willing to offer discounts to POENB members. Goods and services that could be discounted for POENB members might include retailers such as restaurants and bars,

dry cleaners, and florists as well as home heating oil service providers.

Treasurer's Report - Sally Neal

The Treasurer's Report (see page 2) includes the Income Statement for the period January 1, 2025 to March 5, 2025 and a partial Balance Sheet as of March 5, 2025.

During the period ended March 5, 2025, revenue was \$17,325.21, expenses were \$1,843.11 and net income was \$15,482.10. This increase in revenue and income was driven nearly exclusively by eligible POENB residents electing to become members of POENB, Inc. As of March 5, 2025, POENB Inc.'s asset balance was \$39,959.40. Nearly all of these assets were cash and cash equivalents (60-day CD).

Over the last month, POENB Inc. has received and accepted membership dues from 68 property owners. Fifteen owners elected to apply online and pay electronically while 43 chose to sign-up using a paper application and pay via a check. To date, 43 of the 68 applications were eligible for the "special class"

membership while 25 were eligible for the "regular" membership.

All 68 members were able to take advantage of the "early bird" payment discount. The early bird payment period ends on March 31, 2025.

POENB also received 18 requests for watercraft spots.

Additionally, about five members generously made voluntary contributions to support POENB for either the 4th of July event and/or subsidize other operational expenses (determined at the Board's discretion).

The Board would also like to again thank the many loyal residents who have chosen to support POENB's mission by joining the Association year after year and often decade after decade. These steadfast members are typically the first to submit their membership dues. The Board and your fellow members greatly appreciate your consistent participation and involvement.

The Board would also like to thank the members who volunteered to help with POENB's operations. Specifically, three members offered to serve on the Member Outreach and Welcome Committee, one offered to serve on the Beach Committee, one offered to help with the Changing Tides, and one offered to become a Block Captain (delivering the Changing Tides).

In the next several weeks, one of the Board members will be reaching out to all volunteers to personally discuss how to best can use their talents and time. POENB is fueled by volunteer "energy" - so thank you.

Next Meeting

Next month's meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 2, 2025, at 7:30 pm at the EN Firehouse. The meeting may also be available via Zoom. All members are encouraged to attend.





2025 Membership Form

Full Name:

Address:

Phone (Primary Contact):

Email (Primary):

Other Email (If Applicable):

Description (See notes for definitions)	Type (See notes for definitions)	Payment Date		Extended Dollar Amount
		Early (on or before 3/31/25)	Regular (on or after 4/1/25)	
2025 Annual Membership	Special Class	\$ 230	\$ 235	
	Standard	\$ 325	\$ 345	
1st Watercraft Spot	<i>Had a spot in 2024</i>			
	Small - Price's Bend	\$ 35	\$ 35	
	Small - Valley Grove	\$ 35	\$ 35	
	Large - Price's Bend	\$ 125	\$ 125	
	<i>Need a new spot for 2025</i>			
	Small - Price's Bend	\$ 35	\$ 35	
	Small - Valley Grove	\$ 35	\$ 35	
2nd Watercraft Spot	Small - Price's Bend	\$ 35	\$ 35	
	Small - Valley Grove	\$ 35	\$ 35	
	Large - Price's Bend	\$ 125	\$ 125	
Voluntary Contribution	Please enter amount			
4th July Donation	Please enter amount			
Subtotal				
Payment Fee - PayPal charges approximately 4% of the invoice for payment processing				
TOTAL				

Payment Methods

1. **Check:** Make check payable to POENB, Inc. and include this invoice. Mail to: POENB PO Box 124, Northport NY 11768 **OR** place in the POENB mailbox at the firehouse.
2. Pay Via Credit Card, Paypal, Apple Pay or Venmo by accessing the QR code (Service fees apply, approximately 4%)

Definition of Member Categories

- **Special Class Member:** Homeowners/residents who qualify as seniors (65+), military personnel, veterans, or new property owners/renters (within 6 months of 1/1/25)
- **Standard Member:** For residents who don't qualify for Special Class membership.

Watercraft

- 2025 is **non-reassignment** year. If you were assigned a spot in 2024, you may retain that spot, pending POENB receipt of watercraft fee. If not paid by May 1st spot will be reassigned.
- **Smaller Watercraft:** Paddleboard, Kayak, Double Kayak, Canoe, Rowboat/Dingy (less than 16' in length)
- **Large Watercraft:** Hobie Cat, Catamaran, Sailboat (longer than 16' in length)

Early Bird Special Ends March 31st

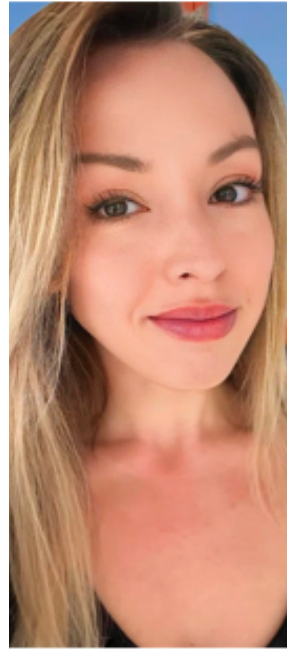


Eaton's Light Yacht Club

Eaton's Light Yacht Club (ELYC) is open to new members this year. Our members are primarily residents of Eaton's Neck, Asharoken, Northport and surrounding communities that enjoy our nautical environment through racing and cruising sailboats, powerboating and other nautical interests. Additionally, we socialize at member's homes, local yacht clubs and other venues as a group; this gives everyone an opportunity to enjoy each other and the hospitality of member's homes.

We race in Northport Bay on Tuesday evenings and on some weekends in the Sound, These are informal races with handicap (PHRF) so various lengths and designs can compete. This is a great way to sharpen your skills and get more enjoyment from your sailboat. If you don't have a boat, there may be opportunities to crew or ride along. We also have a mooring in Lloyd Harbor.

Membership is open to people with nautical interests and we are looking for new members, our dues are very reasonable since we are a paper club. Our "Welcome Aboard" season opening party is coming up in April and will be held at an estate in Eaton Harbor. If you are new to the area or just want to make connections in the community, here is your opportunity to meet members and see if this is for you! Contact George Wendt to learn more. Email us at membeship@ELYC.com or visit our website at ELYC.org.



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Community Bulletin

Mark your Calendars!

2025 POENB meetings will take place the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm. Any needed changes will be communicated to members via our monthly meeting reminder eblast.

- March 5, 2025
- April 2, 2025
- May 7, 2025
- June 4, 2025
- July 2, 2025
- August 6, 2025
- September 3, 2025
- October 1, 2025
- November 5, 2025
- December 3, 2025

Book Nook

Liane Moriarty's *Here One Moment* launches from a seemingly innocuous flight from Hobart to Sydney Australia, until an average, middle-aged woman confronts each fellow passenger with a prediction of their age and circumstance of death. This captivating story of fate and free will proceeds to follow some of the shaken passengers whose lives are intertwined and altered by such an odd occurrence. As usual, Liane Moriarty gifts her audience with another great read.

--- Kelly Gifford

2025 Changing Tides Print Schedule

January
Feb/March
April
May/June
July
August
Sept/Oct
November
December

Next meeting....

The next POENB meeting will be held on Wednesday April 2nd at 7:30 pm at the Firehouse. We need more community participation. Please join us.



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12 PM Sharp
(arrive by 11:45)

Price's Bend Beach
Bring a basket or bag



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