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## Community Update: Monthly & Board Meeting Recap



What an exciting month it has been! Between great summertime events, the new Derby Days Farmer's Market, and food truck pop ups, it has been a crazy ride that is only the beginning of this community's growth.

Our Community Meeting on July 9th covered updates and news about our amenities and the vision of our community's future. Board Meetings are every 2nd Thursday of the month at 6 p.m., with the next meeting scheduled for August 13th. We would love to hear from our residents and look forward to seeing everyone there!

We continue to march forward on the repairs to our community's amenities. The Board is looking into loan options to help cover the renovation and repair of the pool and clubhouse. This will help avoid additional assessments on our residents. Repairs needed are extensive after years of neglect. The longer we continue to put it off, the more conditions will continue to degrade, which will in turn continue to increase the cost of the repairs. Regarding the pool, as of mid-July we are estimating the pool to be open in approximately 1.5 - 2 months. We understand many residents have been disappointed in the pool closure over the course of the summer, please understand that we must operate within the regulations put forth by the City and Health Department. We greatly appreciate everyone's patience during this time.

Through recent research and conversations with our insurance agent, the Board discovered that the city-leased land, including the dog park, has been uninsured for at least 20 years. The Board is actively looking into coverage options and the possibility of releasing liability from the lease. We will continue to keep the community updated as a plan is developed. Residents can find official updates at board meetings and on the Cira Net portal. Unofficial updates may be posted on the public Jockey Club Facebook page, and the monthly Derby Dispatch. After all that, just a few house keeping items to round up our recap. The Bylaw Committee is now complete and has begun the review process. The Reserve Study is now available. Please contact the office if you are interested in a copy. Finally, Treasurer Toni is stepping back for a few months due to personal circumstances. Sebastian and Stacey will be taking over responsibilities in the interim.

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# FROM THE BOARD: COMMUNITY NEWS

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We sincerely thank the community for their patience and support during this time. We look forward to seeing you at the next meeting!

### How to Stay Informed

All information about the POA and your property can be accessed at your convenience through the Resident Portal on Ciranet. This is the easiest way to access any available information about the community and your property at your convenience. Don't miss out, stay in the know!

Our contact methods have changed! All official communication regarding the community and your property should be directed through RealManage's contact methods below:

**Phone: 866-473-2573**

**Email: [jocclubn@ciramail.com](mailto:jocclubn@ciramail.com)**

**Resident Portal: <https://resident.ciranet.com>**

This allows us to more effectively serve our community and its residents.



## Attention All Creative's!

Did you know, the Jockey Club newsletter used to have a column for resident submissions of poems and short stories? We want to showcase our neighbors and their wonderful art in our monthly Derby Dispatch! From poems to short stories, paintings to sculptures, send us your submissions for a chance to be featured in an upcoming issue. Pictures of artwork will be in black and white for our printed newsletters, but will be available online in full color! We look forward to seeing your amazing work!

Please send submissions to

**[jockeyclubnorthport@gmail.com](mailto:jockeyclubnorthport@gmail.com)**

## Get in Touch with Your POA Board

We're here for you! Whether you have questions, suggestions, concerns, or neighbor recognition, your POA Board is always happy to hear from residents. Don't hesitate to connect with us.

Your voice Matters!

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# Derby Days Events are here!

On June 27th we had a day of summertime festivities at our Sweets, Treats, & Leaps event! Thanks to the outpouring of support from our community and the help of our volunteers, the event was a slam dunk. This event helped us launch the Derby Days Farmer's Market and Pop Up Events! Vendors will pay a vendor fee that will directly contribute to taking care of our community and lighten the load on our residents' wallets. We are incredibly grateful for the way our community continues to show up for each other. Let's make this a place to remember!

## Trackside Recap!

And, they're off! Charging hard into the Clubhouse turn, it's our one and only Derby! Meet our new community mascot! Derby is a spry little colt that is sure to win you over. Derby's on a mission to make sure every kid feels like they belong, and he's bringing weekly surprises at the Derby Days Market every Friday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Our Derby Days events calendar is filling up by the day. Be sure to follow The Jockey Club Facebook page @TheJockeyClub and keep an eye on our Derby Days Event Calendar. Welcome to the family, Derby – we're glad you're here!

The Derby Dispatch is now available on CiraNet in the Documents archive under Community Info. Each edition will continue to be uploaded here, on The Jockey Club website, and available in print at the office.

## Upcoming Events

Help revive the arts with The Jockey Club! We're excited to honor the legacy of the Art Guild by welcoming its successor, the North Port Art Center! The Art Center will be hosting a healing sound bath class once the bathrooms are up and running. Admission will be free for this event. They will also be hosting a weekly Homeschool Art Class to introduce art through the integration of Culture, History, Architecture, and STEM approaches to education. Please see the flier for dates and additional information. We look forward to seeing our wonderful Community's creations!



### Passport to Art

4wk sessions of Homeschool Art Classes




**4wk Sessions 2026-27:**  
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 Oct. 8, 15, 22 & 29  
 Nov. 5, 12 & 19 - \$75  
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 Apr. 8, 15, 22 & 29  
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Each themed 4wk session will introduce art through the integration of Culture, History, Architecture, and STEM approaches to education. Instructors Barry Thorne and Clare Harvey have taught this course at the North Port Art Center for over 12 years. All materials will be supplied. Past and future sessions can be seen on our facebook page: NPAC Youth Art. For more information please email phone # and child's age to [NPAC.YouthArt@gmail.com](mailto:NPAC.YouthArt@gmail.com) or leave a message at (941)626-7176. Class size is limited, pay to enroll





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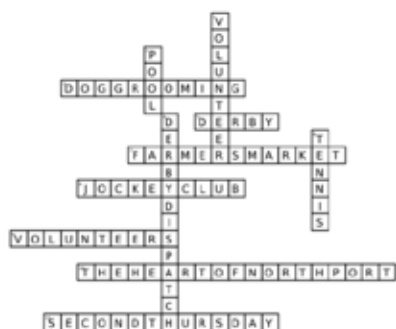
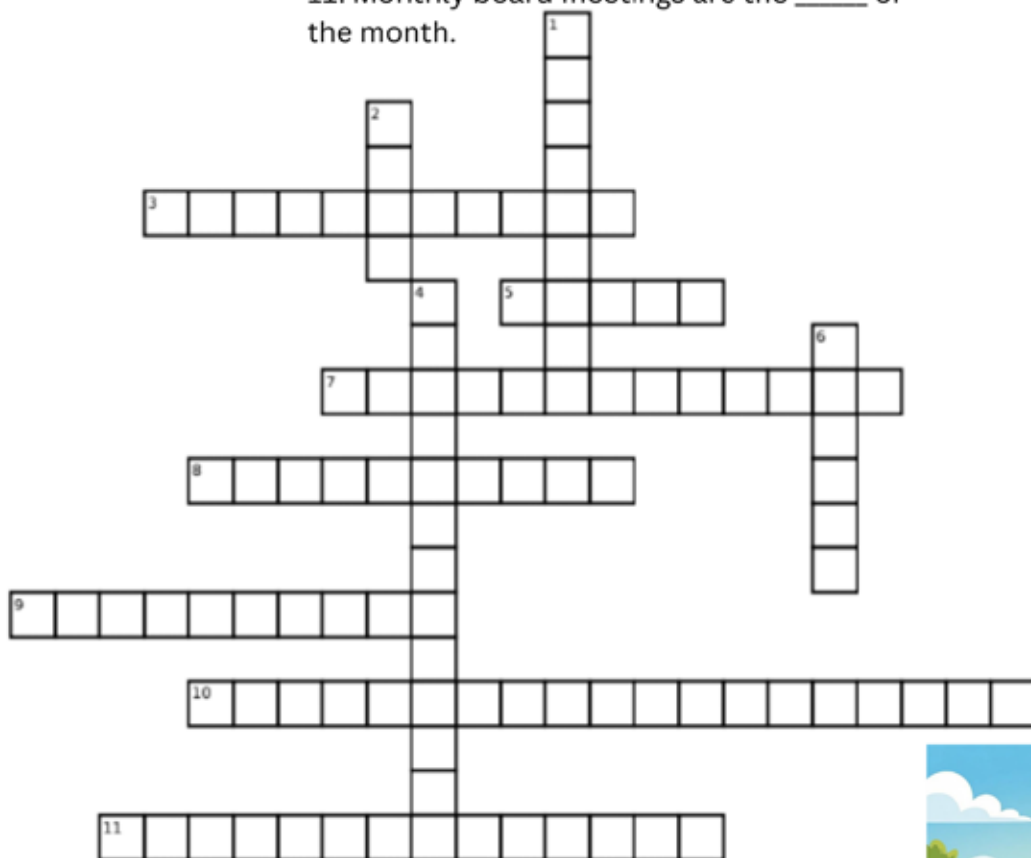
# Derby Crossword

## Down:

1. Proudly \_\_\_\_-run = low fees & high heart.
2. Full-size swimming \_\_\_\_.
4. Name of our awesome newsletter.
6. Popular court sport at the Club.

## Across:

3. Special event Sun Aug 9, 9am-2pm.
5. Our speedy smiling mascot.
7. What happens every Friday 9am-2pm?
8. First association in the City of North Port.
9. What we need most to keep thriving.
10. Where you'll find us - the \_\_\_\_ of North Port
11. Monthly board meetings are the \_\_\_\_ of the month.





## Spring Cleaning Reminder: Bulk & Cardboard Pickup in North Port

As you dive into spring cleaning, here's a helpful reminder about the City of North Port's bulk and cardboard pickup services—perfect for clearing out clutter without the hassle!

### Bulk Item Pickup

North Port offers convenient curbside pickup for large items such as furniture, mattresses, appliances, and other oversized household items.

- Bulk pickup is not automatic—residents must schedule a pickup in advance through the City's Solid Waste Division.
- Items should be placed curbside no earlier than 24 hours before your scheduled collection day.
- Please keep bulk items separate from regular trash and recycling.

Scheduling is quick and easy—you can request pickup online or by calling the Solid Waste Division.

### Cardboard Recycling Pickup

If spring cleaning leaves you with stacks of cardboard boxes, the city has you covered!

- Cardboard is collected every other week with your recycling service.
- Boxes must be broken down and flattened to ensure they fit inside the recycling cart.
- If you have more cardboard than your cart can hold, you can schedule a dedicated cardboard collection through the City's online request form.

A little spring cleaning goes a long way—happy decluttering, Jockey Club neighbors!

## Watering & Water Conservation Tips for North Port Residents

As we enter spring and begin more outdoor projects, it's good to be aware of current water restrictions in North Port so we can keep our yards healthy while conserving water and protecting our precious water resources. North Port follows watering guidelines set by the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) and the city to help manage water use sustainably, especially during dry periods. Here's what residents should know:

### Lawn & Landscape Watering Schedule

Established lawns are generally limited to one designated watering day per week through early summer, based on your address ending number:

- 0 or 1: Monday
- 2 or 3: Tuesday
- 4 or 5: Wednesday
- 6 or 7: Thursday
- 8 or 9 (and common areas): Friday

Allowed watering times are typically before 8:00 a.m. or after 6:00 p.m. – which helps reduce evaporation and makes the most of the water used.

### New Lawns & Plants

Newly installed grass or landscaping gets a 60-day establishment period with more frequent watering allowances to help plants take root.

### Efficient Water Use Tips

Hand watering and soaker hoses for plants and shrubs are allowed any day, any time, so long as you avoid wasteful practices.

Using reclaimed water (when available) for irrigation is encouraged and not subject to specific schedules under city rules.

### Why It Matters

These guidelines help protect our community's water supply, reduce unnecessary waste, and can even lower your utility bill. It's a small effort that makes a big difference for our environment!

If you have any questions or want more details about watering schedules or conservation programs, you can visit the City of North Port Utilities page or reach out directly to North Port Utilities.

## Thank You to Our Amazing Boosters!

We want to extend our deepest gratitude to each and every Booster who has supported our POA and helped make our community events, improvements, and initiatives a success. Your generous contributions make a real difference—bringing neighbors together and enhancing the quality of life we all enjoy here in the Jockey Club.

From sponsoring seasonal events to helping us keep the community vibrant and welcoming, your support has truly been the heartbeat behind our success. We couldn't do it without you!

In Memory of Joe Layden | 01/15/2027

In Honor of Mary Layden | 01/15/2027

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In Memory of Robert o& Edna Schelenberger | 10/15/2026

In Memory of Ken & Bev Sharkey | 10/15/2026

In Appreciation of Bill & Jen Liams | 10/15/2027

Marcia and Galen | 11/15/2026

In Memory of Edward & Alice Stysick | 05/12/2027

In Memory of Kathy Stysick | 05/12/2027

In Loving Memory of Jane D. Schimpf, from her family | 06/14/2027

## Want to Become a Booster?

It's easy—and it means so much!

A minimum contribution of \$10 makes you a Booster for the year.

How to Join:

- Bring your contribution to the Clubhouse office.
- Make checks payable to: The Jockey Club
- Be sure to include your name exactly as you'd like it to appear in the Clarion newsletter.

Whether you're a returning supporter or joining for the first time, becoming a Booster is a meaningful way to show your community spirit and be part of something special.

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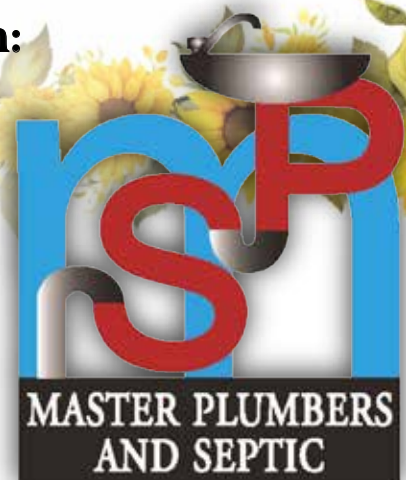
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