



**The usual preparations are underway  
to resume our 'annual' festival  
and We NEED YOUR HELP!!**

**It's FESTIVAL time** so please mark your calendars to attend and support this major fundraising event for Finn Camp!! This is a great time to get in your work hours, catch up with other members and friends, and cheer on our own Finn Camp Voima team in the softball tournament!!!

**FRIDAY** kicks off the weekend with the kitchen and beer truck opening at 5:00pm, followed by the Home Run Derby beginning about 6:30pm. Come see how many of the big hitters can still knock 'em into the woods!

**SATURDAY** morning the kitchen opens at 8:00am for breakfast with food available all day in the Ravintola and under the tent. The softball tournament also begins at 8:00am with games on the Finn Camp's George Aho Memorial Field and the Gilbert Willis Park fields. Flag raising ceremonies will be held at 10:00am with playing of the US and Finland National anthems; music will continue from the Dance Hall porch throughout the afternoon. There will be 50/50 raffles,

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## CALENDAR

### August

- 1—**Tax Bills Mailed** - Tax Payments Due September 1
- 5—6 **Children's Weekend**
- 6—**Board Meeting** 9am, visitors at 11 Boardroom
- 11—13 **Finn Fest**
- 19—**Sauna Building Project meeting** 2pm, sauna
- 26—**Tiger Outing - Detroit Tigers**
- 26—**Dance Hall Private Rental**
- 27—**100th Anniversary Committee** noon, clubroom
- 27—**Pickle Ball Triple Crown** *first leg* 11am, pickle ball court
- 30—**Board Meeting** 6pm, no visitors Boardroom

### September

- 1—**Tax Payments Due**
- 1—**Deadline for Scholarship Applications**
- 2—**Variety Show** 7pm, Dance Hall
- 2—**Goofy Golf** Noon, Ravintola
- 3—**Labor Day Golf Outing**
- 9—**Camper's Picnic** 7pm, outside Clubroom
- 10—**Board meeting** 9am, visitors at 11 Boardroom
- 17—**Pickle Ball Triple Crown** *second leg* 11am, pickle ball court
- 23—**Finn Camp Disc Classic** 10am, clubroom
- 23—**Wine Tasting** 5PM, Ravintola

#### • The Clubroom Hours •

Wednesday, Friday & Saturday - 7:00pm to Close  
(The Clubroom Bar maintains regular business hours open to the membership during rentals)

#### • Summer Sauna Hours •

Wednesday 3pm-9pm - All members & guests.  
Saturday 1pm-3pm Seniors and high risk  
3pm-9pm All members & guests welcome  
Sunday 3pm-8pm - All members & guests  
*Private sauna rental is available.*

#### • Summer Beach Hours •

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 11am-7pm  
Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday 11am-9pm

#### UPCOMING EVENTS;

*Note: Not all events are listed on this and other DFCSA calendars. If you are planning an event, check availability of the specific facility on a certain date, please call 248-882-4626*

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the 15th of each month.**

# FINN FEST

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kids activities, horseshoes, and other yard games for all ages. Finn Camp merchandise will be on sale under the tent throughout the day too!

Finally, the DJ will be playing all our favorites and your requests in the DanceHall!

**SUNDAY** FUN-day and we will do it all over again! The kitchen will open for breakfast at 8:00am with food available all day. Softball will continue on all 3-fields with the championship game on our A-field in the late afternoon/early evening, followed immediately by trophy presentation. Music, merchandise sales, and other activities will continue as well. Like, who has the **OLDEST T-Shirt contest**. Contestants must be wearing the shirt and see either Gavin or Patty. They have till 3:00 p.m. Sunday afternoon to present themselves. Winner will receive a free t-shirt for this year finfest.

Many members are needed to work in all areas throughout the weekend, but especially with security and the kitchen/food tent.

NOTE: member participation is required - please plan to give a few hours of your time to pitch in and make our festival successful!! Every hour counts and no task is too small - WE NEED YOUR HELP!!! PLEASE - come out to support your Finn Camp and our 47th FINN FEST!!

Work hours sign-up is posted here

SignUpGenius:



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080B44A5A623AAFC1-finn1>

Please watch for e-mail blasts or FaceBook posts with additional information as the festival approaches!

For further information or questions regarding other work hour opportunities available during the weekend contact us:

Robyn Jokinen, Finn Fest Chairman, by email at:

[rbjokinen@gmail.com](mailto:rbjokinen@gmail.com)

or by text/cell phone at 810-287-4591

or Drew Pype, Finn Fest Co-Chair by text/phone at 248-310-9228.

[pyper2899@gmail.com](mailto:pyper2899@gmail.com)



## Finn Fest Bar Game Relay

The contestant will need to flip a cup, bounce a quarter then sink a beer pong. Qualifying will be six to eight. At 8pm the eight fastest times will compete in a single elimination tournament.

Can Koozies for the top three places



Reminder—the deadline to submit 2023 Scholarship Application is September 1st.

Refer to the application located on the Finn Camp website for eligibility. All documentation must be included with the application. Below is the link to the application form:

<https://www.finncamp.org/forms/finn-campscholarship-application-2019.pdf>

Sign-up for Scholarship Committee opportunities!

Email:

[kimziegler6@gmail.com](mailto:kimziegler6@gmail.com)

## Sauna Building Project

A meeting is planned to discuss the September Sauna Building Project. All interested parties should attend.



August 19th, 2pm at the Sauna





#### **SATURDAY:**

1:00pm – Swimming Exhibition at Sun Lake Beach for the kids that have been enrolled in our summer swim program. This will include some relay race events and our annual watermelon ‘race’ that will be open to all the kids!!

5-7pm – Dinner at the Kentta/Ravintola: Taco Bar!! Make your own soft/hard shell tacos or taco salad with ground beef, shredded chicken, and all the toppings!

7-8pm – Bake Sale and Cake Walk. ALL KIDS are asked to bring a dessert, cake, cookies, etc. to donate for our bake sale; we will also run a quick cake walk, or two, for the opportunity to win a dessert to take home!! Please drop off your dessert donation at the kitchen anytime after 4pm!!

Yard games will also be available for some family fun!! Kerplunk; Corn Hole, Yahtzee, Twister!!

7-10pm – Kids/Family Dance Party in the Dancehall!! Open to all members – all ages!! Come have some family fun – sing along and dance to your favorites!!

#### **SUNDAY:**

8-11am – Breakfast at the Kentta/Ravintola – annually worked by Dads!!

12-2pm – Annual Kids Track Meet is open to all members children, all ages!! We will have our traditional 50yd dash, softball throw, standing and running long jump, along with some new events that will include the new disc golf, an obstacle course, and more!! Registration begins at 11am

\*\*There are plenty of work-hours available on Saturday dinner in the kitchen or evening help with cake walk and games; Sunday breakfast in the kitchen – Dads preferred; Sunday track meet. Watch for e-mail and FaceBook blasts for Sign-up Genius link for work hours!!

[recreation@finncamp.org](mailto:recreation@finncamp.org)

#### **FUTURE RECREATION COMMITTEE EVENT DATES**

TALENT SHOW – Saturday, Sept. 2nd – *See separate article/flyer for additional information!*

KIDS HALLOWEEN PARTY – Saturday, Oct. 28th

PIKKU JOULU: Little Christmas – Sunday, Dec 3rd

Please mark your calendars for the Finn Camp's annual Wine tasting on Saturday, September 23rd from 5-8 outside at the Ravintola.

Space is limited – Contact Joni to reserve your spot call or text:

📞 248-882-4626 📞

More details to follow in the September newsletter

# ATHLETICS COMMITTEE EVENTS

## **Pickle Ball Triple Crown**

Trophies will be given for the winners of each leg. On the final leg, points will be totalled and a Triple Crown Winner will be awarded. It will be Co-op and Round Robin Style. Tell your friends!

First leg Aug. 27th at 11am

## **Goofy Golf**

-Goofy Golf will be taking Place Sep. 2nd 12-3. You can bring a putter if you want but can't say you'll use it on very many holes. What's needed to play the holes will be provided. Kitchen will be open serving lunch items. If you have ideas for holes or want to help design the course, contact Gavin or Remi. We'll also need some help in the kitchen.

## **Finn Camp Disc Classic**

Sep. 23rd

It will consist of 24 holes, two rounds of 12. First throwers at 10:00 a.m. Depending on the number of participants, we may group by the leaderboard for second round. At the very least we'll have two divisions, beginner and non-beginner.

Please register in advance by emailing or texting Gavin at gavinwings3@gmail.com or 2487220516. Include name and division. Registration on site starting at 9:00 a.m.

## **Seeking Christmas Lights**

-Looking for donations of Christmas lights and other lighted winter decorations. The plan is to offer a lighted Forest, at least 5 nights starting first weekend of December, then the adult Christmas party, New Years Eve party and Winterfest. Please contact Gavin at 2487220516 if you have stuff to donate.

## **Seeking donations for Disc Golf Holes**

We are currently accepting donations towards Disc golf holes. it's 100 per hole. With that you will get a placard on the tee box thanking you for your

donation or whatever you'd like it to say. Holes, 2, 4, 5, 9, 12, 13 & 17 are open. Leave a check in drop box with the hole you'd like. If using paypal remember there is a 2.9% fee, please include that with the number hole you'd like. Contact Gavin or Scott if you'd like a tour to see the holes.

## **Finn Fest Bar Game Relay**

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## **Work Administrator Update**

*Summer is here!*

We are looking for many helpers to maintain the community throughout the summer.

Your work administrators can help with your work hour needs and support equipment use:

Ralph Heikkinen 313-610-5478

Rob Zewatsky 248-877-0601

Mike Niemasz 248-240-0480

By just looking around the grounds you will see projects that are needed. Here are a few to get you started:

- Weed whacking at the clubroom/rav and mowing along Lyonla and drive up to Sun Lake.
- Sun Lake beach needs some TLC around the trees and docks as well as the play structure.



# 100 Vuotta Vuosispäivä



*Dates of the event will be  
June 19th to June 22nd, 2025*

Please share your story or your family story.  
What is your favorite memory of Finn Camp?  
Where did your family migrate from in Finland?  
When did your family join Finn Camp? What is  
your Finn Camp Family tree? What does Finn Camp  
mean to you? We want to know! Please send us  
information.



\*\*\*NOTE: all photos/stories submitted may be  
used for any of our projects (book, video, slide  
show, etc.)\*\*\*

All Photos, Stories & Logo ideas can be emailed  
to:

[FinnCamp2025@gmail.com](mailto:FinnCamp2025@gmail.com)

or mailed to Finn Camp, 2524 Loon Lake Road,  
Wixom, MI 48393 – Attention 100yr.

Next meeting August 27th at noon in the clubroom



Hei Finn Campers,

We are looking for a variety of books for our  
"Little Library Boxes" at the Clubroom near  
the Butterfly Gardens and at the Westside  
bathrooms.

If folks could donate 5 books per person that  
would help our inventory.

We have purchased a new well pump for  
the middle of the Westside camps. Thank  
you Reino Solin for installing. We are also  
cleaning and sprucing up that area.  
Hopefully we will be able to plant some  
flowers for Butterflies in that area.

Happy Finn Fest everyone!

## Future Finn Camp Events

- September 16 Dance Hall Private Rental
- October 1 Nordic Folk Dance Lesson  
in the Dancehall
- October 1 Pickle Ball Triple Crown third leg
- October 7 Dance Hall Private Rental
- October 14 Club Room Private Rental Day Time
- November 17 Sauna Private Rental
- November 19 Club Room Private Rental
- November 23 Clubroom Private Rental
- December 16 Clubroom Private Rental
- December 24 Club Room private rental

*The Club Room Bar is open to the membership  
normal business hours during Rentals*



## Sauna Building Project

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New work hour cards are now located at the sauna building and the clubroom.

The Board would like to remind all members that the use of heavy equipment must only be done with approval of the mechanical committee. Rob Zewatsky is the mechanical committee chair. Contact Rob or the board for permission to use the equipment.

There are plenty of projects for those members that are looking to work their hours. Please contact Ralph Heikkinen at 313.610.5478.

Stay tuned - We will be closing the sauna for at least one week (after the summer season) for maintenance such as power washing, painting, deep cleaning of stoves etc. We will need lots of helpers to get this project done quickly. If we aren't able to get the help, sauna may have to stay closed longer than one week.

Campers, please make sure you are locking your belongings up at camp. We have been notified of a member's Stihl leaf blower being stolen from their camp porch.

As the new disc golf course is being utilized, the Board wants to remind everyone that the trails are mixed-use now. Walkers please beware of disc golfers, and disc golfers please beware of walkers.

The outdoor restroom at Sun Lake is not available until further notice.

#### **Attention all committees:**

The Board would like for you to communicate with us regarding events, projects and fundraisers you are planning. We would like to support your endeavors and projects and would like to make sure that multiple committees are not planning on tackling the same area to prevent overlapping, or we can connect those committees so they can work together. The social director should also be contacted prior to scheduling events to prevent conflicts with

other events or activities.

**Trash Rules:** Dumpsters are for members use only! Do not put in large or long items that may wedge or jam the dumpster when being tipped into the garbage truck. No major dumping on festival weekends. No overfilling. No furniture, propane tanks, wood, construction materials or other large items are to be left in, by or around the dumpster. Large items can be placed at roadside near the tractor garage on Tuesdays for Wednesday pickup. **Facility Reservations:** Any member interested in renting the clubroom, dancehall, ravintola, or beach should contact the social director, Joni Sennhenn, at 248-882-4626. Also, all committees should verify venue availability with the social director prior to scheduling events as private rentals may conflict. [board@finncamp.org](mailto:board@finncamp.org)

**Camp rentals** are handled through the Board of Directors. Any member looking to rent their camp should complete a camp rental form and submit it to the Board prior to the rental date.

Email:

The Finn Camp has a member's only group on Facebook. If you are not a member of the group and would like to be added contact Linda Gooden at [gooden\\_71@hotmail.com](mailto:gooden_71@hotmail.com) with your email address and she will add you to the group. This group will include private members only events. Work projects can be another form of communication to our members.

**Tax bills** are being mailed/emailed the first week in August and due September 1st. If you do not receive your bill by August 15th please email:

[treasurer@finncamp.org](mailto:treasurer@finncamp.org)

Members are billed every February and August with bills due March 1st and September 1st. You can pay your Finn camp bill by mailing to 2524 Loon Lake Rd, Wixom MI 48393 or PayPal using

Using PayPal will incur a 2.99% fee that will be added to your account. [treasurer@finncamp.org](mailto:treasurer@finncamp.org)

#### **Changes to Paypal Terms**

Paypal has changed their terms and conditions and all businesses will now be required to pay a 2.9% fee for every transaction. If you are paying your Finn Camp bill through PayPal, you will be responsible for the 2.9% fee that will be added to your account during the next billing cycle. Payments can still be mailed to 2524 Loon Lake Rd, Wixom MI 48393 to avoid fees. Please direct any questions to:

[board@finncamp.org](mailto:board@finncamp.org)





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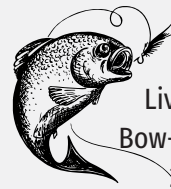
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call Patti Leppi, 248-921-1432,  
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## BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Aug 6—**Board meeting** 9am, visitors 11am, Boardroom

Aug 30—**Board meeting** 6pm, no visitors, Boardroom

Sep 10—**Board meeting** 9am, visitors 11am, Boardroom

### In Finland

## Finland aims to become Disc Golf superpower with new national team

There are more than 800 courses across Finland. Only surpassed in number by Iceland, according to a survey by disc golf statistics tracker Udisc.



DISC GOLF  
TEAM FINLAND

The new Finnish team is set to take part in a number of national, European and world championships, under the guidance of European Champion Leo Piironen, who was selected as the team's coach.

Below are links to articles about Finland Disc Golf  
The above story is here:

<https://yle.fi/a/74-20039619>

Finland's Secret Sauce - Disc Golfer Feature:

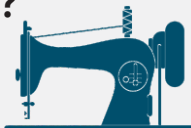
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All members are invited to list here any services—for pay or barter—that they would like to advertise, whether it's a service such as handyman or seamstress or pet care or seasonal activities like garage sales. All you have to do is provide the following information:

- The type of service offered; a description of just what you do as the service provider;
- Your price (hourly rate, job rate, to be negotiated, or whatever);
- Your name; and your contact information (preferred method and times: phone, email, etc.).
- Total length, including spaces, should not exceed 50 words, not counting the headings. (Over 50 word copy will be edited to fit.)
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