

## Spring to Autumn - Dawn to Dusk

The pool open all summer long for serious swimmers, dabblers, posers, old, young & inbetween - in short, everybody; the café open and thriving; the sun mostly shining: well done Fusion, the weather, the users, us – a long, busy, successful season!

The pool remains open 6.30 to 10am & 4pm till dusk until 4<sup>th</sup> October, & morning swimming has now been extended to Oct 17<sup>th</sup> (longer if weather permits) -3 days a week only-- **Mon & Wed: 7.00 or 7.30am to 10.00am, Sat. 9.00am to 12.00am**

Check website or Lido reception for details.

### Events at the Lido this summer

included the second year of the **schools programme** organised by Fusion education officer Gethan Dick – 23 schools involved so 1198 kids spent a great day at the Lido.

**Whippersnapper kids** too spread from their indoor space into the pool itself & loved it!

**Primary & secondary school** galas took place.

**3 aquathlons** were run by Windrush triathlon club, who train regularly in the Lido pool & gym ([www.windrushtri.co.uk](http://www.windrushtri.co.uk)).

**Our Artist-in-residence**, Zoe Burt, made life-size blue-print portraits of Lido users.

**Open House & English Heritage** did architectural history projects.

**Camberwell School of Art** got involved in art projects

**The Cycle Ride** between Brockwell & Parliament Hill Lidos ended with an evening of music & film in the Lido Café

**London Open House, 19<sup>th</sup> September** gave more than 50 visitors a tour of a sunny Lido including regular users from the 1950s who had not seen the place for many a year...

**& it's not over yet - see above...**

### There's still time to catch

**Zoe's blue-prints** (is there a picture of you?) exhibited October 1st 4-8pm. Chance to buy your portrait for £20.

**Winter Swim** - 19<sup>th</sup> December (tbc) – brief dip, hot drink, warm food – a great success last year & everyone survived

### The Heritage Lottery

We made the finals & millions of viewers saw a short film about our Lido. We didn't win but thank you for voting. There is a finalists trophy on display in reception.

**See our Twitters** on BLU website for instant updates on Lido matters

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## User Forum & BLU AGM

**17<sup>th</sup> October , Lido Café 10.30**

*Pool open from 9.00am*

*Free coffee and pastry from 10.00*

**Update** on Lido events and activities

**User survey** results

**Lido Managers, Lambeth Council & Lido Steering Group** will be there to discuss our questions & concerns

**Election of two committees** to turn ideas into action. To be on a committee or if you would just like to help, email us (see below). Come & have your say & invite your local residents' & community organisations along too. The agenda will be on our website after 1st October as well as reports on this season's committee work.

### The new Lido Café

is now beautifully refurbished and open to ALL Lido users & the world. Public access to the cafe is direct from Dulwich Road. You can drop by for a coffee or a beer. Lovely healthy food & drink with a great view of the pool. Wifi available. Open from 7am weekdays & 9.00am weekends & Friday and Saturday evenings. Details/bookings: [www.thelidocafe.co.uk](http://www.thelidocafe.co.uk) 020 7737 8183

### Water matters

Swimmers have noted, sadly, that the bottom of our blue pool has become dulled by algae stains & flaking paint making it less pristine than it should be. BLU has been assured that the water is tested regularly by an independent laboratory & the quality remains good. Fusion has plans for algae removal, re-painting & repairs this winter. However a midge-invasion recently forced the pool to close for a day. Extra chlorine treatment & re-testing has taken place. It has re-opened clear & sparkling again.

### & would you believe

Peter (Out of the Blue) Bradley discovered a rare 1945 medal from a forces gala at the Lido. BLU will have picture post cards of the medal to sell at the Users' Forum.

### BLUpress Books

Our books, Out of the Blue (the story of Brockwell Lido) & Waterwords (poems by the pool) can be bought at the Café, Lido reception & local bookshops (or from us directly at a special price of £5 to BLU members)

**Remember 17<sup>th</sup> October User Forum Don't miss it!**

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