BLUprint BLUES

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ANNUAL FORUM & AGM - for all, not just users -10am sharp on Saturday 16th October, in The Lido Cafe. Come & review Lido life with Fusion, Lambeth Council & others. Results of this month's survey of all types of Lido users should be available for discussion. BLU will be electing next year's committee - new members welcome. Brockwell Lido Steering Group will also be electing its committee. The Lido survives because community, park & users worked to save it. **BLSC** was created to ensure that the neighbourhood retains a formal voice in Lido matters. It meets at least 4 times yearly with Fusion & Lambeth Council to monitor problems, quality & sustainability. If you are active in the community please attend the Forum, register your group, stay informed & nominate members to BLSC. Agenda, reports & other relevant papers are on BLU website from October 1^{st.} Free drinks & croissants courtesy Fusion will be available from 9am to 10am only. Refreshments on sale as usual after the meeting. Want to know more before? Email us on info@brockwelllido.com

GOOD WISHES to GETHAN

Gethan Dick, the Lido's Heritage Education Officer is finishing her 3-year posting. She has done wonderful things at the Lido including involving many schools in its use. She & artist-in-residence, **Myles Quin** are making a book of words & images '**Memories of Water**' which will soon be available. A Lottery funded bargain at £15, it promises to be a Lido lovers delight

NEWS FROM FUSION

2010 has seemed, early on, a Summer of Discontent : muddy water; break-in; breakdown; unscheduled closures coinciding with the heat wave; unwelcome noises off in the studios & more... but... the Lido now has almost a full management team in place: Catherine Fleming, General Manager, Lauren Todd, Customer Relations Manager, Rohan Bisessar, **Operations Manager & Conrad Anderson, Team** Leader. The hydrotherapy pool has re-opened, sauna & steam room are now fully functioning. Repairs are scheduled. BLU holds regular meetings with Lido management to deal with users' issues: they assure us they are on the case: a new timetable will be online & in reception shortly & will be updated quarterly, a new Pilates class will be confirmed soon, complaints responded to within a week & a quieter, calmer ambiance for holistic classes established.

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Fill in a '**Tell us what you think** 'card at the Lido or go to www.fusionlifestyle.com/centres/Brockwell_Lido if you have comments & suggestions

Swim season ticket holders should by now have a letter offering a 10% reduction on next year's card or overall Lido membership. Please register your details at reception as soon as possible to be eligible for this. Sadly, free swims for sixties + are now discontinued (blame the Coalition Government)

Swimming hours from September 1st: 6.30am – 10.00am & 4pm – 8pm, weekends 8am – 6pm Heat wave or cold/wet spells could change this– consult www.brockwelllido.com, Twitter feed, the Lido noticeboard or phone 020 7274 3088

Last day of swimming will probably be Sunday October 17th The pool will then be drained, repaired & painted, in time, we hope, for the Winter Swim in the week before Christmas – to be confirmed

Canoeing on Saturday evenings – check it out with Rohan Bisessar on Fusion website

Open House Lido tours – 18th September 10am – 5pm

SWIM CLUB

Despite enthusiasm and ASA approval for a winter swim club at Brockwell Lido, pool repairs & painting mean the club can't get started & run a programme this winter. Consultation with those interested continues in the hope of setting up in 2011. Contact info@brockwelllido.com to learn of progress

THE LIDO CAFE

now gives access from the pool for swimmers & gymusers. It continues to offer quality refreshments, art exhibitions & evening events to all comers, e.g. catch the famous **1995 film of Brockwell Lido, 'Modern Times'** on October 20. Details: www.thelidocafe.co.uk

BLU IN THE RED – no, not quite, but

in the past we have kept ourselves solvent to a considerable extent by providing refreshments for events. The re-opening of the Lido Cafe has changed all that. Not a bad thing! But we could do with more income in order to continue our important work keeping the Lido on track for you, its lovers & users. Please make out **cheques to BLU**, address as below, or **bring a donation to the Forum**... we very much hope to see you there. **Don't forget** to post the postcard... that will save us a lot of money in the longer run...

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