



## **BLU News Update April 2011**

Welcome and thanks to new Lido manager, Craig Hawtin who has solved many long-standing problems in his first month here. Thanks also to Wendy Smith, Fusion's regional manager, who has also been very effective at getting the Lido back on track. BLU has worked very hard to pass on your concerns and we are very pleased to see the results.

We apologise for any offence caused by last month's BLU update We wrote as follows: A hard year for the staff – breakdowns & break-ins, lack of experienced staff to support new manager Catherine Fleming... By "lack of experienced staff to support..." we were referring to act that there were vacancies for regional manager, operations manager and customer relations manager at the time of Catherine's appointment.

Craig Hawtin, new Lido Manager, has set up monthly meetings with BLU. Please email us at [brockwelllido.co.uk](mailto:brockwelllido.co.uk) with any feedback or new ideas so we can pass them on. Since Craig's arrival, a lot of problems have been sorted out. All gym machines are now in working order. New mats, kettle bells and hand weights have arrived in the gym. All audio-visual equipment is in working order. . Please report any further problems, however minor, so they can be dealt with promptly

The spa has re-opened pending tiling which is taking place now. Closures will be necessary until completion of tiling which is planned for April 1st. Users of the spa will be required to stick to a code of behaviour and regular checks will be made during opening hours.

The pool opens on April 4th for a long season until the end of October. Watch Twitter for daily water temperatures (currently 12.2 C) An additional handrail has been fitted to the shallow end steps on the café side.

The Fusion Brockwell Lido website is being updated more regularly.

Some gym and spa users have set up a Facebook forum. <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Brockwell-Lido-Gym-Spa-User-Forum/18917302>

Car Park: In response to many complaints about abuse of the car park, a permit system is to be introduced. Genuine users of the Lido or the park will be able to park free for two hours, with an hourly charge after that. Lambeth Council, the Brockwell Lido Steering Group (including 5 BLU reps) and Park representatives have been involved in decision-making.

There will be a FREE open weekend at the Lido on April 2nd and 3rd. A chance to invite your friends and relations to see all that the Lido has to offer and there will be a chance to bring a gym buddy for free. Also, free fitness taster sessions, and a free swim, if you're brave enough! BLU will be there so come and talk to us.

The Modern Movement event, featuring mid-twentieth century furniture and decorative arts will be held on April 30th and May 1st. Entry will be FREE, unlike a similar event to be held at Dulwich College! BLU will be doing guided tours of the Lido.

The Lido Café is re-furbishing its terrace and smartening up its appearance from the gym and poolside. Access for swimmers will be improved. To get regular updates on comedy, music and menus, sign up at [www.thelidocafe.co.uk](http://www.thelidocafe.co.uk)



Yoga has always been a feature of Brockwell Lido and there are some wonderful classes on offer, some free with membership, others privately run and priced separately. You might like to try a few classes to find the one that is perfect for you.

BLU would like to hear from you, whether you use the gym, go to classes, eat at the café, or even swim in the pool. Contact us at [info@brockwelllido.com](mailto:info@brockwelllido.com) If you don't already receive our updates by email please join us at [memberships@brockwelllido.com](mailto:memberships@brockwelllido.com)

**BLU is desperately seeking someone who can help us create a new website. Please get in touch via [info@brockwelllido.com](mailto:info@brockwelllido.com)**

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