

BLUprint - November 2007



WINTER AT THE LIDO.

The fully equipped state of the art gym + sauna & hydrotherapy already has over 1000 members – ‘a convenient, relaxed & well-equipped space with inspiring views of park & pool’

Spacious studios are open for holistic classes – yoga, meditation and much else – no membership needed to enjoy these + shower and locker facilities.

Special events:

1st December – Free Creative Workshop for participants of all ages at **Brockwell Lido, 11am – 2pm**. Come and make a wintertime ornament that can float on a pool or hang from a branch. The finished ornaments will be displayed at the Winter Fayre.

2nd December - Winter Fayre 11am to 3pm at Brockwell Hall BLU will be one of many local groups taking part in this event as well as local artists. Don't miss it.

Watch the Fusion/BLU website for the possibility of a bracing winter dip on December 22nd

Whippersnappers has a fine new theatre space at the Lido - Tickets now on sale for Rasta Santa's Christmas Joyride 2007 - "Poet's corner & the guardians of the community." 15th/16th 2007 & Jan 5th/6th 2008.
Bookings: 020 7738 6633.

OUR BOOK

Among the many achievements of this 70th birthday year was BLU's splendid celebratory book of fact, photo and reminiscence – *Out of the Blue*, written & edited by Peter Bradley & others with contributions from many of you. No self-respecting member of BLU will want to be without a copy and several extra to give to local friends for Christmas. The book will be on sale at the **Creative Workshop & the Winter Fayre** – production of this newsletter at either of these events will get you a pound off each copy. Those who cannot be there can get copies by post for £7 each including postage.

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Brockwell Lido Users

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IN 2008

Fusion plans to open the pool in **May** & keep it open till **October**. They also plan monthly events & a **Summer Gala** (help with the gala will be appreciated). In **April/May** BLU publishes **100+ poems**, mostly from children, which were written in BLU marquee at the Lambeth Country Show & by the pool this summer as well as individual poem postcards. We shall be using artwork made by children in the BLU marquee in the designs - watch our website for info on this.

RAIN AND RESURGENCE

The Lido AGM was well attended with Lambeth officers Paul Harvey & Claudia Aristide, & Fusion's Peter Kay & Jeremy Lake present. Everyone was pleased with what had been completed and achieved. Despite appalling weather, Peter Kay & Jeremy Lake reported that the Lido had broken even. They acknowledged imperfections despite the agreed elegance of the refurbishment and promised, in particular, the re-design of the wet changing rooms & better facilities for disability. A heritage display area is promised.

Gethan Dick, new Education Officer for Fusion spoke of exciting plans for the future including artists residencies at the Lido next year. (The first of her projects is the aforementioned Creative Workshop on December 1st 07) She would like people to contact her with ideas and suggestions (see below).

Main gripes from the floor were changing rooms and pricing. Both Fusion & Lambeth Council's Paul Harvey have agreed to look at the latter problem. Lack of barbecues and dominoes also troubled some.

Mary Hill has resigned from BLU Chair – a very difficult job which she did supremely well from BLU's beginning & she certainly deserved the bouquet presented by Giles Gibson along with the plate of Jammie Dodgers! Ros Glover is resigning too. She has been an excellent treasurer. So far we do not have a replacement – any offers? Other committee members resigning are Mary Fogarty, Andy Walker & Helen Wallace. BLU's thanks to all the above.

Congratulations & welcome to Melanie Mauthner, the new Chair & Linda Casbolt who is now secretary. New committee members are Howard Cunnell, Sarah Neish, Dawn Henchy, Rebecca Snell, Peter Lowe, Julian Fox & Lesley Preston. Full BLU committee & minutes of AGM are available on our website

Welcome also to new Fusion people – Operations manager, wet side Paul Maier who will be working alongside Jeremy Lake & Gethan Dick, Education Officer.

Fusion's website: www.fusion-lifestyle.com

For details of gym, prices, opening times, swimming events contact paul.maier@fusion-lifestyle.com

For details of arts/education events and to suggest ideas contact gethan.dick@fusion-lifestyle.com

For details of holistic classes see the BLU website www.brockwelllido.com

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