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SPRING IS SPRUNG, THE GRASS IS RIZ, I WONDER HOW THE LIDO IS ?

There **WILL** be swimming at **the Lido this summer**. Councillor Clare Whelan tells us that she, Fusion and Lambeth Council are all determined to open this year. We'll give you dates and confirm this as soon as we can-- so keep an eye on our website (below)...

...and don't forget, **the Lido IS open** all year round for Tai Chi, Capoeira, many different types of Yoga, Whippersnappers' programmes of music, dance for children, Pilates, Kung Fu and lots more (see enclosed timetable).

Local elections coming up -this is a very good time to remind nervous and aspiring councillors of just how much the Lido means to us. Let them know we'll be bearing the Lido in mind when it comes to voting day.

BROCKWELL LIDO STEERING GROUP is keeping us posted

The ten members elected at last September's AGM are meeting regularly with Fusion and Lambeth Council. They are dismayed at the continuing delays in completing and signing the lease and starting building work to extend and refurbish the Lido. Each time consensus seems near a new obstacle appears...more work for the lawyers, and no work can begin on the Lido... a test of everybody's patience and perseverance to say the least!! Now, once again we are told that documents are almost ready to sign...???!!! They're still talking the talk...meanwhile

why not **WALK THE WALK on Sunday, May 14th**. The **5 PARKS WALK** building on last year's great success, will begin and end in **Brockwell Park**. No rush. Kids welcome. Come and enjoy the spring sunshine. Bring a picnic. Details on **www.fiveparkswalk.org or phone 07711 529 221**



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...e-mail addressees heard about 'The Blue Room', a play performed, in February, at the Lido by the Theatre of Relativity; they also received and commented on the plans for Brockwell Park - basis of the Heritage Lottery Fund bid. So **please, please PLEASE** send your email address to memberships@brockwelllido.com

and **DON'T PANIC!**

...No, the trees around the Lido are not being vandalised, as some of our members have feared. They are suffering from age, the water logging in this part of the park and an infectious disease which is making many of them unstable and potentially dangerous. You will notice the interior rot in some of the felled trunks. Lambeth has been obliged to ask the tree surgeons to investigate and they have recommended measures to ensure public safety. Lambeth has a policy of only removing trees that are a clear risk to the public and only following careful inspection and when all other measures have been considered. Where trees can be left they are. New trees will be planted.

LAST BUT NOT LEASE...

...no it **STILL** hasn't been signed! but not for want of trying by all concerned. Remember that Thames water main we spoke of last time? Lawyers for all parties are, it seems, worried about getting their feet wet ...however...all parties may be approaching consensus... watch this space, our website, and your email... we're still on the case.