BLU UPDATE MARCH 2013



"It's spring fever. That is what the name of it is. And when you've got it, you want - oh, you don't quite know what it is you do want, but it just fairly makes your heart ache, you want it so!" Mark Twain

Daily Swimming starts March 29th in time for the Easter weekend when it will, of course, be sunny and hot.

Pool opening hours:

- Monday-Friday:
 - o 6.30am (light conditions permitting) -1pm and
 - o 4pm 8pm
- Saturdays and Sundays
 - o 8am-6pm

See <u>here for prices</u>.

Season tickets are available now. If you buy by the end of March there is a 15% reduction.

More casual (casual as in part-time not casual in attitude!) **lifeguards** are still needed so if you or anyone you know has the relevant qualification and would like to spend some of this spring or summer playing a vital role at our beautiful Lido, please contact Clare Bushell, the General Manager. Call 020 7274 3088

This year's **Swimathon** at the Lido will take place on April 26th 7-9:30am and 5:30-7:00pm. The Swimathon raises money for Marie Curie Cancer Care and Fusion aims to raise £100,000 at their pools this year. You can sign up on the Fusion website <a href="http://www.fusion-lifestyle.com/centres/Brockwell_Lido/news/001_Swimathon_at_Brockwell_L

Windrush Tri Club will be holding an **Aquathlon** on Sunday 2nd June. You can sign up at http://www.windrushtri.co.uk/page/windrush-aquathlon

BLU committee members meet with Clare Bushell every month to discuss issues affecting Lido users. These issues range from the major, such as the car park, to small but important details such as weighing scales needing replacement.

This month, the **car park** was on the agenda - again - and the news is that Fusion are applying to Lambeth - again - for planning permission to put a CCTV camera in a position overlooking the car park. We hope that we are getting near a resolution.

On the Park approach to reception new flags have been put up to replace those destroyed by inclement weather. Peeling black boards on roof of

building are due to be re-painted. Other faults were reported and are being dealt with.

Most items on the agenda for the March meeting with the Lido Manager were for Fusion to address, but there were a few issues that concerned Lido users. **Behaviour in the spa** was again reported as gross and unacceptable, especially at weekends, and Fusion are considering further action, including putting in CCTV monitors. PLEASE do not spoil the tranquil atmosphere in the spa by picnicking, using toiletries, shaving [yes, some users shave while sitting by the hydropool!] or using your mobile.

Some users take a short cut to and from the gym via the spa. This is very disruptive and unpleasant for spa users.

Finally, in the gym it would be helpful if users replaced weights on the rack provided rather than leaving them on the floor where they may present a hazard to other users. Frankly, all the above examples are simply bad manners. Let's respect our fellow-users and make everyone's Lido experience as positive as possible.

If you find a **problem with equipment** in the gym or anything else that isn't right report it to reception, preferably by filling in a "Please Tell Us What You Think" card. Sometimes, faults are not rectified because staff are unaware of them.

Did you know there are skilled **physiotherapists** at the Lido? They offer assessments, treatment and sports massage, and Lido members get a discount. www.AdvancedPhysioTherapy.co.uk

The Lido Café has done a great job in looking after the needs of shivering winter swimmers and we are confident they will be equally welcoming to swimmers throughout the summer. You get a 10% discount if you have a Lido membership or season ticket card and you can get a loyalty card for any hot drink. Menus and more at http://www.thelidocafe.co.uk and a chance to sign up to TLC's regular newsletter.

Whippersnappers offer high quality and affordable after-school childcare at the Lido to children attending St Judes, Rosendale, St Saviours, Jessops, Turney and Jubilee Schools. Children are picked up from school and given a hot 2 course meal. Each day the children have a choice of music, sports and art activities as well as optional homework support.

You can register your child by calling 020 7738 66 33. Children start from the age of 5 years at the beginning of the school academic year. (Minimum of 3 days a week)

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