

Longing for the cool of the pool?

If you passed by the exterior of the Lido recently you could be excused for thinking you aren't going to get it any time soon...but ...BLUcom has seen the inside. We have some concerns - mainly about the small space allocated for swimmers' changing & showering but things are progressing fast. We have it in writing: **Brockwell Lido will be open to swimmers from Monday July 2nd all day, every day:**
Monday to Friday 6.45am to 8.00pm
Saturday & Sunday 10.00am to 6.00pm
(see poster for details)

Breakfast by the pool?

Casey McGlue will be back this year to provide food from a temporary version of the beach hut. – all day, every day

&

one new Yoga studio is now open

Whippersnappers

will continue to take place in the café

early September will see the final completion of building work, the opening of the fitness centre, hydrotherapy pool, whippersnappers own room & additional Yoga and exercise studios.

About the book

Out of the Blue celebrates the changing fortunes of the Lido over its lifetime & the determined but successful struggles to prevent its demolition. There are evocative photographs from every decade & memories of more than 70 users and observers. Local historian **Peter Bradley** has led in depth research together with a team from BLU to produce this comprehensive historical account of one of south London's big success stories. **Copies will be available** at the Lido, from BLU at £5 and in local bookshops and elsewhere at £6.99 plus p & p.

Help is still needed with hosting our exhibition at Lambeth Country Show

Regular BLU income still needed – see standing order forms in last BLUprint

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70th Anniversary Calendar:

July 10th

Book launch by the pool

throughout this special day there will be swimming as usual, birthday cake on demand, the first signed copies of **Out of the Blue, A Celebration of Brockwell Lido** by **Peter Bradley** on sale plus sneak preview of BLU's anniversary marquee at Lambeth Country Show. The pool will close at 5pm followed by **Reception & Launch** - the formal part of the 70th Celebrations echoing the historic day, exactly 70 years previously, when Brockwell Lido was opened by the Mayor of Lambeth who, among general rejoicing & speechifying, threw schoolgirl, Thelma Phelps, into the pool. (Thelma will again be a special guest, but does not anticipate another ducking.) This event will be to thank the many interviewees & others who contributed to the book & those involved in rebuilding work at the Lido itself. **A number of free tickets** will be available on a first come first served basis to all other BLU members. Contact us promptly by land mail or email if you would like to come.

July 21st & 22nd

BLU Exhibition at Lambeth Country Show, Brockwell Park - a grand marquee with fabulous displays showing swimming in Brockwell Park from 1894 to now; a chance to make your own splash in paint or prose by adding your own impressions & memories to the record book & Waterwords poet Charlie Dark (sponsored by BBC RAW) will draw out the poet in you

August 4th, 5th

Waterwords at the pool

Float your words on water with poet Paul Lyalls (sponsored by BBC RAW)

September 15th

BLU co-hosts London Open House at the Lido

BLU are grateful to Awards for All for funding the book, and exhibition celebrating Brockwell Lido's 70th birthday.



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