

Wedgwood Pool News

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President's Report

The 2006 swim season has begun. It was a pleasure meeting many of our new members at the New Member Meeting on May 21st. Janet Cairns, our Membership Chairperson, organized the meeting to include information about the pool, swim team, swim lessons, and a bit of pool history.

Each new member was asked, "What inspired you to join the Wedgwood Pool?" The answers for many were to help their children learn to swim better, have a place for family time, and meet new people. It is the Pool Board and Management's goal to provide a safe and fun environment to enjoy summer activities.

The new members this year have been waiting 10-11 years on the wait list. While it is not the goal of the Board to decrease the wait on the wait list, the length of the wait does impact the age of the children coming into the pool and change the dynamics of the swim team. Last year, the Board reduced the length of time required to be a Full Member before changing to a Senior Membership, from 15 to 12 years. This helped move our wait list by 60 families and gave 27 new families a chance to become a part of our community, invigorating our swim team. Thirty-three families declined membership and moved off the wait list.

Muriel Sjoberg reminded us there was a time in the Pool's history where members were given a bonus for bringing new families to the pool to fill our limit of 295 Full Memberships. We are fortunate to have Muriel on our Board this year, and we thank Carolyn Leak, our Wait List Coordinator, as they help guide the Board whenever we have questions about bylaws and rules and why they were implemented in the first place. I encourage you to take the time to log onto our website at www.wwpool.org and read the By-Laws, and the Minutes of our Board Meetings. If you have a question or concern, please contact a Board Member, we will gladly respond.

Enjoy your June activities and Congratulations 2006 Graduates.

Cindy Loudon
From the Manager

I find that the end of the school year and the start of the pool year is usually a busy, crazy time in my life. No matter how hard I try it seems like when I get one thing done there are two new things to add to the list. I usually find that taking a moment to really enjoy this time of year can sometimes be a challenge. Just yesterday though my family and I took a much needed and very refreshing dip in the pool. It felt absolutely wonderful to slow down, leave the day behind, and just swim. Later in the evening the kids went to sleep without much of a problem either! Now I'm not making the claim that the waters of Wedgwood Pool are magical or anything, but the experience I had yesterday certainly might help to explain why one might wait on a list for ten years to do the same.

It has taken a little longer to refit and reassemble the diving board than I initially thought it would. After disassembling the board it was found to be in need of more work than could be seen when it was in its assembled state. That's just the way things go sometimes. Hopefully by now you are back to enjoying the good old-new diving board!

And what about that leak? People have been asking and up to this point the pool has still been losing water. During the he first week of June the pool will have undergone more leak detecting. This is work that needed to be done when the pool was in full operation but without anyone in the water using it. By the time you read this, the leak(s) may have already been repaired! I certainly hope so.

Before we know it we will be into the throws of summer. Regular summer hours will return on Monday, June 26th but regular in this case may be a misnomer as with all that's happening in the week prior they might as well be called irregular. Please keep the enclosed calendars so that you may refer to them on an ongoing basis, and as always you will find updates on the pool website.

Finally, please remember that in order to ensure that your pool stays both safe and clean we need your continued assistance. Be it following the rules, picking up after yourselves, or bringing items to the attention of the staff that need to be addressed. These

are a few of ways in which you can help to keep Wedgwood Pool such a great place to swim and to spend time.

Enjoy the water! -Raab

LIFE IN THE LAP LANE

- Swim counterclockwise, staying to the right.
- Turn in the middle of the lane at the wall.
- Make sure you are in the correct lane.
- If you are lapping people in the slower lane, move to the faster lane.
- If you are being lapped in the faster lane, consider moving to the slower lane.
- Tap the toes of the swimmer in front of you if you would like to pass that person.
- Understand that a toe tap is okay and allow that swimmer to move ahead of you.
- If your toes have been tapped, stop at the wall and let that person pass. If you are the tapper, make sure there is a large gap between you and the next swimmer. Sometimes people can only go as fast as the person in front of them.
- Leave the appropriate space between you and the swimmer in front of you, five seconds minimum.
- If you must pull over or sit out a lap, move to the right side of the lane on the wall, so that you are out of the way of swimmers turning.
- Be aware where others are in your lane.
- Don't push off in front of swimmer about to turn.
- Brush your teeth before early morning lap swim. ☺

These were compiled from a past issue of the Oregon Master's Swimming newsletter.

Cell Phone Policy Reminder

Because of camera-equipped cell phones we are asking members and their guests not to use cell phones in the locker rooms. If you encounter someone using his/her cell phone in the locker room please remind them of this policy and/or bring it to the attention of pool staff.

Driving and Parking

Remember that our swim club sits in the middle of a quiet residential neighborhood. Drive carefully, slowly, and quietly. Remember that the parking spots are slightly larger on the west side than on the east.

Wedgwood Pool Code of Conduct

Patrons at Wedgwood Swim Pool are expected to behave in a manner which:

- shows respect for other patrons and staff,
- shows respect and care for property,
- is non-violent and non-threatening,
- maintains the safety of themselves, other patrons, and the staff and
- allows the staff to perform their duties and maintain a safe environment.

The pool managers have the authority to penalize patrons who willfully violate this code. Penalties may include warnings or temporary suspension of pool privileges. Serious or repeated violations may result in consideration by the pool Board for longer-term suspension of pool privileges or termination of membership (Bylaws sections 5.7 and 5.8).

- PLEASE remember to remove bandages prior to entering the pool! Throw them in the garbage or at the least push them down into the small slots in the gutters.
- PLEASE plan ahead when using sunscreen. Remember to apply it well in advance of getting into the water. Sunscreen needs time to dry and become effective. Slathering on sunscreen and then jumping right into the water cuts down on its effectiveness and creates a serious problem with the pool filtration system.
- PLEASE remember that children who are not yet potty trained must wear a swim diaper when in the pool.
- PLEASE sort your recyclables from your garbage and place them in the appropriate receptacle.

UPCOMING NEAT STUFF TO DO!!!!

Water Aerobics

Please check at the pool or on the web site for a schedule update.

Special Events

Lots of exciting things are planned. Check out the Calendar!

Volunteers Needed: Need some help for barbecuing on July 4th! Rain or Shine! Call the office and put yourself down on the LIST! Also when signing up, please advise whether you should be in the front row of the volleyball court,

Wednesday Pot Lucks Continue: Every Wednesday bring your food, your family and your games. Great time to meet new and old friends to play a game or two and to just sit and enjoy the pool. Potlucks usually upstairs.

July 4th Activities! Plan on being at the pool from 3 to 5 for fun filled games. Enjoy roll back the prices and get a “hotdog” and soda for \$1.50. Fantastic opportunity to gear up for the festivities. Might even find a staff/old people volley ball game! There surely will be something to do with a watermelon!

Friday NIGHT FUN! Friday July 7 and 21st! 8 to 10 PM Age Group Volleyball, Shark and Minnows. If you’ve never played, it’s a new experience. If the staff isn’t hanging their head in shame from losing to the parents, you might see them looking for a rematch.

Lap Swimmers Take Note: On Friday Night Fun and during the July 4th Activities the lap lane will be closed for swimming. So plan accordingly. On Fridays, swim before 8! And on July 4th finish by 3pm!

Early Morning Swim Breakfast: Those of you who get in the pool in the early mornings, watch for the prizes. Awards will be handed out for a variety of reasons – If you’re not getting up early, try it! Great time to swim laps and then it’s only 25 yards instead of 25 meters.

Almost Anything Goes 12 to 2 on Sunday July 2, July 16th and July 30. Emphasis on the ALMOST. Careful, pictures will be taken.

2006 Watershow Saturday, August 26th. This rite of summer should not be missed by anyone! Being a part of the Watershow is open to Wedgwood Pool members of all ages. Sign up sheets will be posted at

the pool toward the middle of July. Groups will be formed from the lists and practices will then begin shortly thereafter.

Coming soon to a pool near you – a host of barbecues in August. Complaints: Bob Sjoberg: 522-5676,, Compliments; to Muriel at thesjobergs@comcast.net

If Anyone has any fantastic ideas they'd like to see us put in for August let us know!

CAKE BAKE – Saturday, July 15th

As of now a theme has yet to be determined but we wanted to let you know that this annual event will be held on Saturday evening, July 15th. Mark the date now as you surely won’t want to miss out. Cakes will be on display starting as early as 7pm and will be judged at 8pm. If you plan to take on the challenge of baking up a real beauty be sure to plan accordingly and get it to the pool in time.

After judging the cakes will be cut and served up with ice cream. Everyone present will be able to enjoy cake and ice cream to their heart’s desire. There are never enough cake cutters, spatulas or knives for cutting cakes, so bring one or two with you. Be sure to mark them clearly and pick them up afterwards. Prizes will be awarded by age groups: 8 and under, 9-12, the teen years, 20 and up, mixed ages, and the family affair.

It will also be *Almost Anything Goes* in the pool from 8-10pm during the event, so you can bring your air mattress, inner tube, or other crazy devices. (“Almost” means that you must be ready to stop any dangerous activity. Please listen to the guards.) Also please note that the lap lanes will not be in the pool during this event.

See you on the 15th! - *The Cake Bake Committee*

Swim Team Picture Day

Please join your team mates for individual, age group and entire team pictures on Thursday June 29th prior to the home swim meet with Klahaya.

The schedule will be as follows:

2:00 PM 13-14 age group
2:30 PM 11-12 age group
3:00 PM 9-10 age group
3:30 PM 8 and under age group
4:00 PM 15 and over age group
4:30 PM ENTIRE TEAM

The plan is to be done by 5PM for warm-ups.

This year we are looking forward to working with Remember When Photography. There will be order forms available at the pool or you can view the package options and place your order and pay ahead of time on-line at their web page:

www.rememberwhenphotography.NET

Questions?? Call Kirsten Yelin at 525-0687/501-7297 or Ann McKee 525-2720/713-7706.

Swim Team News

Morning Workouts:

Attention all Swim Team Members! Starting Thursday, June 22nd, workouts will be Monday – Friday in the morning. The schedule is as follows:

Age Group	Time
15-18	7:00 – 7:50 a.m.
13-14	7:50 – 8:40 a.m.
11-12	8:40 – 9:30 a.m.
9-10	9:30 – 10:15 a.m.
8 & Under	Noon – 12:45 p.m.

Vacation Notices:

Please let the coaches know as soon as possible if you are going to be away for a meet. They spend many hours preparing the line-up for each meet, so it is difficult if they find out at the last minute that a swimmer will not be at the meet that day.

Volunteers:

The committee chairs are busy filling the jobs for the upcoming swim meets. Even if you have turned in your volunteer form, look for the sign-up sheets on the bulletin board for concessions, timing, and other committees. It is a lot easier for the committee chairs to have volunteers sign up for a shift than to call every individual to schedule. If you did not receive a

volunteer form, please pick up a copy in the pool office or print one from the pool website. Thank you!

Questions about swim team? Call Martha Layzer at 523-7390 or email at mmlayzer@earthlink.net.

Time Trials:

On Saturday, June 17th Time Trials will be held. Warm-up is at 8:30 a.m. and time trials at 9:00 a.m. This is an opportunity to swim some of your events prior to the first meet. It also gives the coaches a sense of swimmers' times. It is run very quickly and is usually over within a couple hours.

Wedg vs Wood Meet:

Our first meet of the season on Tuesday, June 20th is an intra-squad event. This meet gives new swimmers and volunteers an opportunity to learn the ropes and ask questions. Everyone will have an opportunity to test their block starts, check out their stopwatches, and fire up the barbecues.

Our first official meet will be against Sand Point at Wedgwood on June 22nd. All dual meets start at 6 p.m. Warm-ups for home meets start at 5 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. for away meets. Please arrive promptly to allow time to check in prior to warm-up.

Swim Team Dates to Remember:

June 10	Sat	Private Lesson Day
June 17	Sat	Time Trials
June 20	Tues	Wedg vs. Wood
June 22	Thurs	Sand Point @ WW
June 24	Sat	Swim Team Sleepover
June 27	Tues	WW @ Sheridan Beach
June 29	Thurs	Klahaya @ WW, Picture Day
June 30	Fri	All Team Fun Day
July 6	Thurs	WW @ Blue Ridge
July 8	Sat	Stroke and Turn Clinic
July 11	Tues	View Ridge @ WW
July 13	Thurs	WW @ Innis Arden
July 14	Fri	All Team Fun Day
July 15	Sat	Private Lesson Day
July 18	Tues	Aqua Club @ WW
July 21	Fri	B Champs @ Klahaya
July 24	Mon	Girls' Prelims @ Innis Arden
July 25	Tues	Boys' Prelims @ Sand Point
July 27	Thurs	Northerns @ WW
July 29	Sat	Adult Meet @ View Ridge
Aug 1	Tues	All City's @ Olympic View
Aug 2	Wed	End of Season Celebration

Adult Swim Team

What is low carb, high energy and lots of fun? The adult swim team! Swimmers ages 19-99 of all abilities are welcome to join us Monday and Wednesday evenings from 8 - 9 beginning Monday, June 26.

Whether you want stroke advice, a good workout or just want to hang with some awesome people, this is the place to be on a summer evening. Coaches Fosberg and Lippold return to provide poolside advice. The season will end with an optional adult swim meet on Saturday morning, July 29th, at View Ridge and our own end of year potluck celebration (date to be announced).

Questions? Call Karin Fosberg 524-2941
majeau@hotmail.com or Mary
Lippold 365-8805 lippold@earthlink.net

Landscape Report

The Spring work party was held May 6th with numerous families participating. Lots of tasks were accomplished and the grounds look great. Thanks to all those who helped. For those who couldn't make it to the Spring work party, we are planning a Fall work party in late September. We plan to do the plantings for the south wall when construction is completed. We have hired a landscape architect to begin design work for the south wall area.

Finance Committee Forming

The board wants to establish a Finance Committee to meet two or three times a year and help oversee the pool's long-term financial planning and provide recommendations on financial questions that arise periodically. We would like to find four or five members with financial expertise or past experience with the pool's finances to serve on the finance committee. If you are interested, or if you would like to suggest someone you believe is qualified, please contact me by phone (206-371-9044) or email (12pixelpete@comcast.net). I would love to talk to you.

Pete Kelly

Near Neighbors

Doug and Lenee Arnett
Donald and Andrea Baumgarten
William and Kelly Crow
Anthony and Nancy Grega
Linda Bushnell and Gandis Mazeika
Jonathan and Elizabeth Singer
Johnny and Catherine Stine

New Members

Marie Sauter and Mark Ballinger
Michelle Merklin and William Barry
Peter and Diana Black
Erin Clowes
Marsha McGillivray and Ray Dittamore
Lisa and Byron Ellis
Julie Wilcox and Keith Freedland
Maureen and Bryan Gummersall
Susan Issacson and Robert Jaffee
LuAnne Thompson and Gregory Johnson
Vicky Palm and Dave Joswiak
Janet Pelz and Bob Koplowitz
Kate Loughney
Jed and Abby Meyers
William and Sarah Nicholson
Beth Sturckhoff and William Parks
Mary Jean Ryan
Gjeryl and Mike Sharp
Mary and Bryan Smith
John and Elizabeth Beard Stillings
David Chawes and Joan Tierney
Garcia Geraghty-Wooden and Jason Wooden

Welcome New Members and Families!!!

June 2006

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
12-8	3-7	Closing early for home meet. 2-4	Member Reg. Session 1, 4-7pm Last Evening Workout 3-7	Morning Workouts Begin Closing early for home meet. 1-4	1-9	Non-Member Reg. Session 1, 9am Swim Team Sleep Over 2-9
25	26	27	28	29	30	
Almost Anything Goes 12-2 12-9	Lessons Begin Adult team in the deepend 8-9pm. 1-9	Away Meet 1-9	Adult team in the deepend 8-9pm. 1-9	Closing early for home meet. 1-4	Swim Team Fun Day 8-10am 1-9	

July 2006

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pool hours are listed in lower left hand corner of each day. • Early Morning Lap Swim 6-7am M-F • Family Swim - Weekdays 5:30-7pm • Teen Swim - Teens may bring one guest in for \$1 and it doesn't count against the normal allotment - everyday after 7pm. 						1 12-9
2 Almost Anything Goes 12-2 12-9	3 Deep end closes at 8pm for adult team. 1-9	4 No EMLS, Swim Team, or Lessons. Lap Swim 10-Noon 4th Festivities 3-5pm 12-9	5 Deep end closes at 8pm for adult team. 1-9	6 away meet @ BR 1-9	7 Friday Night Fun 8pm. (No lap lanes after 8pm) 1-10	8 Stroke and Turn Clinic 10-Noon 12-9
9 12-9	10 Deep end closes at 8pm for adult team. 1-9	11 home meet vs VR 1-4	12 Deep end closes at 8pm for adult team. 1-9	13 away meet @ IA 1-9	14 1-9	15 Coaches Lesson Day CAKE BAKE 7pm (No lap lanes after 8pm) 12-10
16 Almost Anything Goes 12-2 12-9	17 Deep end closes at 8pm for adult team. 1-9	18 home meet vs AC 1-4	19 Deep end closes at 8pm for adult team. 1-9	20 1-9	21 B-Champs @ KL Friday Night Fun 8pm. (No lap lanes after 8pm) 1-10	22 12-9
23 12-9	24 Girls' Prelims @ IA Deep end closes at 8pm for adult team. 1-9	25 Boys' Prelims @ SP 1-9	26 Deep end closes at 8pm for adult team. 1-9	27 Pool Closed for Northern Division Chamionship 1-9	28 1-9	29 Adult Meet @ VR 12-9
30 Almost Anything Goes 12-2 12-9	31 1-9	<i>Updates online at www.wwpool.org</i>				

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