



Ashbourne Swim Club November 2021 Newsletter

Pool Refinishing Update

It took a little longer than planned but the sandblasting is finally complete. The next phase will be to repair the concrete where necessary. As you can see from the photos on the website there are some significant areas that need to be repaired. Some of the Board members will be meeting with the contractor to identify those areas that need repair. Weather permitting, that will be done in the fall. If not, then that will be done in the spring prior to painting. Please keep checking the website as we will continue to post pictures of the progress. AshbourneSwimClub.com

Off-Season Activities

While most of you only see what happens from May to September, there is still a considerable amount of work that goes on at the pool and behind the scenes. Here's a little insight into what goes on in a normal year after we put everything away for storage.

November/December

Winterize the pipes and turn off the water - All water is removed from all the pool return and filter pipes and then plugged up to prevent freezing. Water is removed from all the toilets and antifreeze is put in the drains to prevent freezing. We call Suez Water and have the water turned off at the main in case something does break, we avoid a giant flood.

January/February

Membership planning kicks into high gear. We will be sending out emails and social media posts and this year, even a reminder postcard to get everyone to register on-line and as early as possible. The website is updated with the new registration forms and any documentation gets updated and published. Start to assess our staffing needs. Swim Team starts up with NBSL meetings.

March/April

Schedule and publicize the maintenance days. Identify what small projects we want people to work on. Pray nothing expensive is broken and needs to be repaired. Membership Committee starts calling members who have not registered or we have not heard from. Social Committee starts to put together summer calendar of events.

May

Finalize staffing needs and collect all necessary documentation to onboard any new guards. File annual tax return. Start creating membership cards and other documentation we want to hand out on opening day. We used to scramble to find 2-3 days with no rain to paint the pool, but we won't need to do that anymore! Get ready for Opening Day!!!!

2022 Membership

Recap of last month's newsletter. Minimum wage will increase from \$9.25 to \$15 by 2025

1. No increase in rates this year, but it will be necessary at some point
2. Please register as early as possible in January/February
3. Number of families will be increased to help offset increase in minimum wage..

Upcoming Dates

Thursday, November 25
Thanksgiving



Fun Ashbourne Fact

Did you know there is an Ashbourne Swim Club in Elkins Park Pa and last year we had least 10 families try to join our pool but wanted the one in PA?

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