



"Do not anticipate trouble, or worry about what may never happen. Keep in the sunlight." - Benjamin Franklin

We are inching closer to reopening Burgess and Belle Haven pools. As a pool operator, we have "put our ducks in a row" and now it is up to the Menlo Park City Council to vote on the reactivation of the pools at their Tuesday, June 9 meeting.

As we reopen the pools at some point this summer we intend to initially phase in lap swimming, summer youth camps, masters swimming, and one-on-one swim instruction from the pool deck. Each of these programs will be modified to comply with County social distancing guidelines. Additional programs will be phased into the schedule as they come into alliance with the evolving County guidelines.

Strict adherence to social distancing guidelines by staff and community members will be in effect at all times throughout the entire facility. We have high expectations of compliance and our staff will be sufficiently trained to assist for the safety benefit of all visitors.

Please be prepared to re-learn how to engage with our pool services and programs as we launch online reservation and payment systems. Expect new pathways for entering and exiting the facility, plan on arriving at the pool prepared to swim since locker rooms are not available, plan on leaving the pool with your wet suit on as showers are not available. Although, minimal single user/same family restrooms will be available.

Our Menlo Swim website will soon be updated and be the main source for information needed to engage comfortably and smoothly with our pool. Schedules, program times, dates, fees, reservation systems, payment systems and FAQ's will be there. With a bit of time and some patience we can make this a pleasant experience for all.

The next communication regarding the pool reactivation timeline will be on Wednesday, June 10.

Our world has changed, our community has changed, our pool has changed. We can do this. Keep in the sunlight.

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