

Orinda

Spring

Reflections

Park Pool

2002

President's Message

By Vic Santini

Here comes the sun and the fun after a long winter!...warmer and longer days means a great summer at Park Pool. . Opening day at the pool is Saturday, May 4th and we plan to stay open (weather permitting) until the end of October. With our longer season this year, we have nearly six months of enjoyment at one of Orinda's best pools. I hope you take full advantage of your O.P.P. membership. We are expecting the pool and grounds to look fantastic again this year especially with improvements we are making.

Many exciting things have happened over the winter such as a new pool heater, more upper deck area with the removal of the old heater chimney, new back stairs off the upper deck, improvements to the restrooms and a fresh paint job to the benches and fences. We also plan to improve the picnic tables and volleyball court. Check it all out on our new web site @ www.orindaparkpool.org.

Please join us for maintenance day on April 20th; it's an easy way to meet other pool members and help prepare the pool for opening day on May 4th. On June 1st, we are having our Adult Party!...a super way to start off the summer festivities for only \$10 per adult.

With Matt Armanini returning for his second year as Head Coach and the great activities planned for the summer, Swim Team should be an awesome experience for the kids.

I hope everyone has a great summer at Orinda Park Pool, and truly enjoys their membership. Thank you - Vic

Parking on El Toyonal

The availability of parking on El Toyonal continues to be an issue (see Manager's report in the Winter 2002 Reflections newsletter). The City of Orinda has agreed not to take any action about restricting parking on El Toyonal Drive until the issue is heard in front of the City Council. Parking on El Toyonal Drive is an important issue for our Pool. When we hold any Swim Team or Pool event, parking requirements often exceed our capacity, and we need the opportunity to park on El Toyonal.

Currently, we are awaiting the public hearing date. Once we know the date, we will pass it along to you. We need the full support of our membership at this City Council meeting. The larger our contingency is the bigger influence we will have on the outcome of our public hearing. When the time comes, I would encourage as many adults as possible attend this City Council meeting to voice your support to allow parking on El Toyonal.

Thank you in advance for your support - Board of Directors

Annual Cleanup Day is April 20th

By Kevin Marker & Doug Whitsitt

Spring is here and the summer swim season is not far off so it must be time for the annual cleanup party. The pool grounds have come through the past winter in good shape so all that is needed is little sprucing up. Cleanup day is April 20 with a 9:00 start and will be finished around noon. Our social director, Phil Henry, will be providing coffee and food.

We would like to encourage everyone to join in, even if it's only for an hour or so. This is a longtime Park Pool tradition that kicks off the swim season and is a good time to catch-up with summer friends. The swim clinic is also scheduled at the same time so instead of just dropping off your kids stick around and join the fun.

We have a fairly short list of chores this year. General cleanup, raking leaves and cleaning BBQ's and tables. The buildings all need their usual thorough cleaning to get them ready for opening day. Get your gloves, brooms, rakes and cleaning supplies and come out to kick off the swim season.

By the time this newsletter comes out, our new pool heaters will be installed and operating. These high efficiency heaters should provide reliable and less expensive heat for many years. The deck, fences and benches around the pool have been stained and look great. We are also doing some minor repairs to the bathrooms and rebuilding the stairs from the upper deck to the picnic area. All these projects should be complete by opening day.

Welcome Old and New Members

By Elle Hoffnagel and Dale Ogar

As the pool is about to open, we'd like to welcome back our old members and extend an especially warm welcome to the many new members who have joined since last year. We hope you will all enjoy being part of the OPP family. Please note that there is a guest pass on the back page of the newsletter that can be cut out and used to bring 10 guests to the pool this season. Additional guests will be charged \$3 per visit, which must be paid at the gate or the guard shack. . Guests will not be permitted in unless the member is present.

We have had many questions about some of the membership "rules", especially those that define "single" and "family" memberships.

Single Membership. Only one person in the household is a member of the pool and is entitled to use the pool under that membership. Any other household members or guests must use the guest pass or pay the \$3 guest fee.

Family Membership. A family membership covers 2 or more members of the same household. Children can use the pool under the family membership up to the age of 23, after which, they are considered guests and must either use the guest pass or pay the \$3 guest fee.

Senior Single Membership. The stockholder must be 65 or over. The same rules apply as above for Single Membership. When adult children move back home, for whatever reason, the membership must be changed to Senior Family (see below).

Senior Family Membership. The stockholder must be over 65 and the membership covers 2 or more members of the same household. The same rules apply as above for a Family Membership.

Rentals. If you rent out your home and want to retain your OPP membership, you or your tenant must pay the appropriate membership fee plus a \$75 renter/au pair fee.

If you have any questions about these rules or other membership issues, please get in touch with one of us at the numbers listed below. We know that you will enjoy OPP and we look forward to meeting you at some time during the summer.

Dale Ogar	Elle Hoffnagel
Membership Co-Chair	Membership Co-Chair
(510)644-2002	(925)254-9392

Address, Status Change?

Please inform Dale Ogar or Elle Hoffnagel of any change in membership status or address.

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Questions? Comments?
Suggestions?

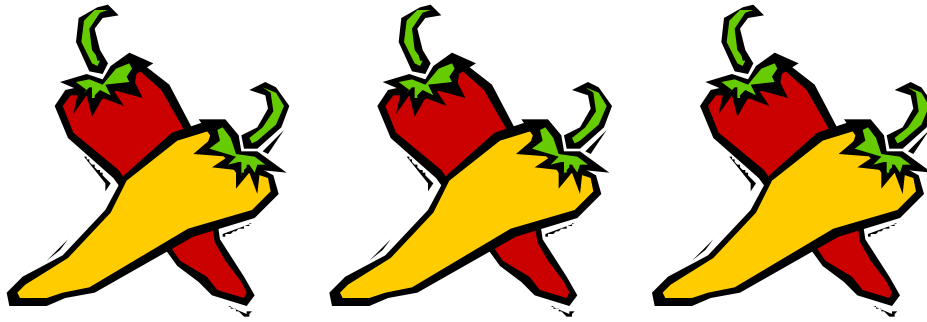
Come to a Board Meeting!

We value your input. If you would like to raise an issue to the Board, just let the Secretary know in advance so we can put you early in the agenda.

2002 Board Meetings

Tuesday, April 16
Tuesday, May 21
Tuesday, June 18
(every 3rd Tuesday thereafter)

Meetings are generally held in the Orinda Library meeting room beginning at 7:00 PM. Please call the Secretary or another Board member at least a day before to confirm time and location.



OL' BLUE EYES IS BACK!!

YES, PHIL HENRY, (SOCIAL DIRECTOR)
CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO:

"Get your ya-ya's out." "Kick out the jams", &
"Get some satisfaction!"
at the second biennial

Adult Rock & Roll Party

June 1st

6:30pm - 11.00pm

"Livin La Vida Loca
with a Karaoke D.J,
Margaritas and Mexican Food

The cost will be \$10 per person. Since this party takes significant organizing, we must have a minimum of 100 people for it to happen.

If you are interested in attending, please contact Phil Henry at 254-0975. Tickets for this all-pool event will also be on sale during swim team registration.

Vice President's Message

By Morgan Gilhuly

Thanks to the good work of Tom Appelbaum and Greg and Maggie Kelly, we are getting ready for another great season with our pool in excellent shape.

As usual in the spring, we are in the process of hiring canteen workers. To supervise the Canteen, we are looking for a manager who will work well with teenage workers, and handle the logistics of managing a small restaurant operation. We will advertise, but the best candidates always come from within our community. Please let us know if you can help! We will also be hiring additional lifeguards and canteen staff this year, so please let your friends and family know if you think they might be interested.

In this newsletter you will find an application for jobs at the pool for the 2002 season. We encourage everyone who is interested to fill out an application and send it to OPP, Box 32, Orinda 94563.

Pool Manager's Report

(Editor's note: Due to deadline miscommunication, the manager's report is not included. Please see the Winter Reflections issue for a list of ongoing concerns.)

Looking for a Few Good Persons

Elections for positions on the OPP Board take place in October but it's not too early to start thinking about whether you have some time and talents you'd like to devote to serving our wonderful pool. Board meetings take place once a month throughout the year and the jobs vary in the amount of time they require. Terms are for three years and during that time, Board members are exempt from dues (but not assessment fees). To get more information about upcoming the vacancies in the Membership and Social offices, or to indicate your interest in serving in the future, please contact one of the current Board members.

Important Rules for Children Under Nine

Children under nine will not be admitted to the pool unless accompanied by an adult. Generally children nine and over may be dropped off without parent if they are "water safe" (Can swim at least a full lap comfortably.) However, the pool reserves the right to refuse admittance to any child not accompanied by a responsible adult at the sole discretion of the Pool Staff. Non-swimmers of all ages must remain behind ropes unless in the direct company of an adult swimmer. Thank you for your cooperation!

Swim Team News

By Diane Cuyler & Linda Steuer

Welcome to the 2002 swim season! We are looking forward to reuniting with our *summer friends* at Orinda Park Pool. We anticipate another exciting, fun filled summer for the Park Pool Stingrays, families and coaches. If you are new to swim team, or just need a refresher, please feel free to contact Gloria Kubitschek, our *New Parent Liaison* @ 253-4853. New parent orientation meetings will be held on both Swim Team registration days. Please look for details in this article and the attached calendar.

We have another exciting season ahead of us with Matt Armanini at the helm! All of our outstanding coaches will be returning this summer in addition to a few new faces who will be joining the staff. We are very fortunate to have such a dedicated group of coaches at Park Pool.

We are happy to announce that all of the swim team committee positions have been filled! Thanks to all of you who dedicate so much time and energy to the team by volunteering on the swim committee, or working meets and activities. All of our efforts make for an enthusiastic, memorable, and successful swim season for our children.

Registration

Swim team registration will be on Saturday, May 4th from 10 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. The "New Parent Orientation" meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. Once again this year, we will offer a 2nd registration day on Saturday, May 11th from 12 :00 – 2:00 p.m. with "New Parent Orientation" starting at 11:00 a.m. If you are new to swim team **PLEASE DO NOT MISS THE NEW PARENT ORIENTATION MEETING!** Keep in mind that sign ups for obligations will be on a first come, first serve basis. We encourage you to come to the first registration day on May 4th if at all possible. If you are not able to attend either registration date, please call Linda or Diane in advance or have a friend sign up for you. Don't forget to bring your calendar and your checkbook to registration! OPP gear, swim suits, and Adult Party tickets will all be available for purchase on both registration days. Swim team dues will remain the same this year. The cost is \$175.00 each for the first 2 swimmers, \$165.00 for any additional children. The fees for swimmers 15-18 years old will remain at \$90.00.

Work Obligations

Volunteer obligations are necessary for the parents of *all* swimmers on the team, with the exception of children registering for the "Little Stinger" program (4 & 5 year olds not quite ready to swim in meets). Work obligations are as follows:

(1) swimmer	5 obligations
(2+) swimmers	8 obligations
(1) 15-18 yr old	3 obligations
(2) 15-18 yr olds	5 obligations
(1) 15-18 & 1 (14&under	6 obligations

The team offers a variety of options to fulfill your volunteer obligations, from working at social events to helping out at swim meets. Park Pool swim team does **not** offer a “buy out” option for work obligations, however, we typically have a full listing of substitutes who you may hire for a fee of \$25.00 per obligation.

Little Stingers

The “Little Stinger” program is designed for 4 & 5 year olds who aren’t quite ready for swim meets, but want the swim team experience through daily workouts and social activities. These 4 & 5 year olds should be able to swim a minimum of 5 yards without assistance. Children who are unable to do this should enroll in the “Learn to Swim” program and may join the Little Stingers when they have mastered this skill. When appropriate, Little Stinger’s will be encouraged to swim in meets and move to the next level. This decision is typically discussed first with the parents. If your 4 & 5 year old does participate in meets, you will be asked to volunteer for obligations. Little Stinger registration is also on May 4 & 11th (see times above) dues are \$175.00, and workouts begin on Monday, June 17th. Please see website and handbook for further details.

Swim Lessons

Competitive swim lessons will be offered for all swim team members starting June 17th from 1-5p.m. Sign up’s for lessons will begin the week of June 3rd. For non-swim team members “Learn to Swim” lessons will be offered with sign up’s also starting June 3rd. The lessons run Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays and are \$30.00 per 3day session. We will be implementing a new *pre payment* policy this summer for lessons. **Pre-payment of lessons will be mandatory** in order to have your child scheduled for a lesson session. Thank you for your cooperation with this new policy. More details are available in this newsletter, on the web site, and at the pool.

Team Suits

We have a new team suit this year! The new suit is a “2” year suit. If your swimmer reserves his/her team suit for meets only, the chances of their suit lasting 2 seasons will be greater. Representatives from *Nor Ski and Sport* will be at the pool on both registration days. You may purchase suits at registration or visit the store in Lafayette.

Pre Season Swim Clinics

We are very excited that Park Pool will be offering pre season swim clinics to swim team members. All swim team members are eligible to participate, however swimmers must be able to swim the length of the pool (25 yards) without the assistance of a coach or the lane lines.

If you missed pre-registration and would like to participate in the clinics, walk-ins are welcome at \$15.00 per session. The sessions start on Saturday, April 13th and will continue on Saturday and Sunday mornings throughout April. The session times are:

11 & ups	8:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
9-10’s	9:30 a.m.- 10:30 a.m.
8 & Unders	10:30 a.m.– 11:15 a.m.

Please remember that the pool is not open for recreational swimming until May 4th. If you are not participating in the clinics, you may not be in the pool. If you have any questions regarding the clinics, please e-mail Matt at SArma8888@aol.com

Pre Season Workouts

Pre Season workouts will begin on Monday, May 13th and run through Friday, June 14th. Workout times will be:

Mon. – Thurs:

6 & U	3:45 – 4:15	9-11’s	5:00 – 6:00
7-8’s	4:15 – 5:00	12 & up	6:30 – 7:45

Friday only:

8 & Under	(dive clinic)	4:00 – 5:00
9 – 10’s	(turn clinic)	5:00 - 6:00

Regular Season Workouts

Regular season workouts will begin on Monday morning, June 17th. Please read the handbook *carefully*, or check the web site, as times and age group combinations have been adjusted to meet the needs of the team.

Social

Our social committee has once again planned a summer full of fun activities and events for the Stingrays. Please check the calendar, bulletin boards and web site for dates/times or any changes that may occur. **Parents**, don’t miss the **OPP Adult Party** on June 1st! This is the **one and only** party just for adults!! So line up those sitters and buy your tickets at swim team registration. If you purchase your party tickets on registration day, your name will automatically be entered into a drawing for one **VIP PARKING SPACE TO ALL OPP HOME MEETS IN 2002!!!** Winners must be present to claim this incredible prize. Tickets are only \$10.00 per person!!

ORINDA PARK POOL HOURS – 2002

ALL HOURS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DEPENDING ON WEATHER, AVAILABILITY OR SUFFICIENT LIFEGUARDS OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES.

Preseason May 5 – June 14

Monday – Friday
1:00pm – 7:00pm

Weekends
10:00am – 7:00pm

Early Swim
(see web site)

Regular Season June 15 – Sept 2

Everyday
10:00am – 8:00pm

Early Swim
Monday – Friday
6:15am – 7:15am

Postseason Sept 3 – Oct 27

Monday – Friday
1:00pm – 7:00pm

Weekends
10:00am – 7:00pm

POOL CLOSINGS

Occasionally the pool will be closed to general use because of swim meets or special events. Please check the Pool Bulletin board for specific dates or changes.

Day/Date	Pool Closed	Type of Meet/Activity
Sat. June 1	3:30 p.m.	Adult Party
Sun. June 9	2:30 p.m.	Time Trials /Welcome Back Party
Sat. June 29	All a.m. until 1:00 p.m.	Swim Meet
Tues. July 2	4:30 p.m.	Swim Meet
Wed. July 10	4:30 p.m.	Swim Meet
Thurs. July 11	6:00 p.m.	8&U overnight
Sat. July 13	All a.m. until 1:00 p.m.	Swim Meet
Wed. July 17	4:30 p.m.	Swim Meet
Wed. July 24	4:30 p.m.	Swim Meet
Thurs. July 25	6:00 p.m.	Stingray Ball
Sat. July 27	All a.m. until 1:00 p.m.	OPP Relays
Wed. July 31	4:30 p.m.	Swim Meet
Tues. Aug. 6	6:00 p.m.	Team Skits
Thurs. Aug. 8	5:00 p.m.	Pasta Feed
Sun. Aug. 11	6:00 p.m.	All Orinda Party

The May and June calendar pages appeared here is the print edition. Please see <http://www.orindaparkpool.org/calendar.pl> for the up-to-date pool calendar, or <http://www.orindaparkpool.org/calendar.pl?calendar=team> for the swim team calendar.

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We Still Need Some Emergency Cards!

We have not received Emergency Cards for the following members. Two blank cards were included with your January newsletter. If your family uses more than one last name, a card must be on file for each last named used. Emergency cards are extremely important and must be on file before the pool opens in May. You will not be allowed to use the pool until a card is on file. If you need additional cards, please contact one of the Membership Co-Chairs and if your name is on this list in error, we apologize. Cards should be sent to OPP, PO Box 32, Orinda, CA 94563 Thank you!

Abrams	Devlin	Krotz	Serwin
Agnost	Dollbaum	Kruse	Shaffer
Agostini	Donovan	Laner	Shilliday
Anderson (Dave)	Durkin	Latimer	Shrieve
Anderson (Robin)	Eagan	Lee	Silverman
Anderson (Virginia)	Eastman	Lindsley	Small
Anderson-Bergman	Eisenberg	Losito	Smith (Ferial)
Ashby	Feinberg	Madigan	Smith (William)
Ashton	Fiero	Malmberg	Starkweather
Athayde	Finertie	Maxworthy	Sullivan
Baghdassarian	Fox	MazorMcCoy	Sunier
Bailey	Goodman (Tim)	McDonald	Symons
Bain	Goodman (Steve)	McGaw	Terlet
Balestrieri	Gordon	McNeill	Thomas
Barber	Guillermo	Meade	Tong (Bryant)
Baron	Hall	Meek	Tong (Robert)
Bascom	Hamilton	Michelson	Trecek
Bash	Hanschen	Morando	Trippe
Basile	Hanson	Morris	Trutner
Batchelor	Harriman	Morrison	Turrini
Bauer	Henke	Moss	Tyson
Bernstein	Henry	Murray	VandeBrooke
Bitzer	Hill (Alexandria)	Nelson (John)	Van Krieken
Blair	Hill (Deborah)	Nevins	Vanderliet
Blanchard	Hill (James)	Nuti (Greg)	Viel
Blum	HockingHolt	O'Connell (Brian)	Vincent
Bobincheck	Holtzclaw	O'Connell (Stephen)	Waldschmidt
Boissy	Hoskins	Oropeza	Walsh
Bradfield	Hoyal (renters)	Oungoulian	Wander
Brentano	Hugg	Pacheco	Watkin
Breska	Hunt	Pang	Weller
Brisbo	Isaacs	Payne	Westin
Bundy	Isono	Pearce	Whalen
Capdevielle	Jaccodine	Peters	Wheeler
Casey	Jaspovice	Plant	Whitbeck
Cassman	Johnson	Polkalba	Wicher
Catanzarite	Johnston	Reilly	Wiener
Cervantes	Jones	Rescalvo	Williams
Chandler	Jordan	Rich	Woods
Coleman	Jurichko	Riley	Worth
Cook	Kaplan	Ringquist	Woychik
Cramer	Kellogg	Robbins	Wright
Cronin	Kelly	Rocca	Young (Gordon)
Curran	Kermit	Rolandelli	Yrastorza
Davis (Don)	Kim	Samuelson	Zacharias
Davis (Matthew)	King	Schoenemann	Zook
DeLaveaga (all)	Kirby (all)	Schultz	Zvik
Demers	Kizu-Blair	Scott	
	Konrad	Seligman	

Orinda Park Pool Employment Application

Lifeguards – Swim Instructors Canteen Manager – Canteen Workers

Please complete the application below and mail ASAP
with your resume (if any) to the following address:

Orinda Park, Inc.
P.O. Box 32
Orinda, CA 94563
Attn: Hiring Committee

Minimum Age Requirements (as of May 1, 2002):

Lifeguard	16 Years Old
Swim Instructor	15 1/2 Years Old
Canteen Worker	14 Years Old
Canteen Manager	Adult

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Orinda Park Pool Employment Application – Summer 2002

Name _____ SS# _____

Home Address _____

Phone (day) _____ (eve) _____

Age _____ Date of Birth _____

Alternate Address (if any) _____

Position(s) Applying For _____

Are you currently, or have you been an OPP member? _____ When? _____

Will you be a member of the swim team? _____

Have you been an employee of OPP before? _____ When? _____

***Lifeguard Applicants:** I have completed the following training:

Lifeguard Training (exp. Date) ____/____/____ BLS / CPR (exp date) ____/____/____

Advanced Lifesaving / Water Safety (exp date) ____/____/____

First Aid (exp date) ____/____/____ Other ____ (exp date) ____/____/____

Applicant's Signature

Date

**Here is your complimentary 2002 Guest Pass!
Cut it out and carry it with you.**



GUEST PRIVILEGES

Members are encouraged to bring guests to the Pool, to the extent it does not interfere with the pleasure and comfort of other members. Guests must follow the same rules of conduct as members while on the Pool grounds.

1. **Limits:** Each membership may bring a maximum of two (2) guests, or one family, on any one day. Guests must be with a Pool member while on Pool property. During very warm weather, check with the Pool by phone before bringing guests. The Pool must limit the total number of persons using the pool. The total number of guests allowed on any given day may not exceed 50, and may be less.
2. **Fees:** Guests will be admitted only if the member signs the name of the guest and pays the guest fee at the gate or guard shack
3. **Special Guests:** Non-swimming senior citizens and handicapped persons brought as a member's guest will be admitted free with a member. If they use the pool, however, a guest fee must be paid. Special guests must be approved by the Pool Manager.
4. **Parties:** Arrangements for parties (e.g. birthday parties) must be made with the Pool Manager at least three days before the event. The decision of whether to allow such parties will be made on the basis of anticipated Pool attendance. Areas for parties are confined to the picnic area under the oak trees or the deck area by the Canteen.

Welcome New Swim Team Families

by Gloria Kubitschek, New Parent Liason

"G-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o **PARK!!!!**" This is just one of the cheers you will be repeating many times this summer. It's never too soon to learn it!

We at OPP would like to extend a warm welcome to all new families who will be on the swim team this year. Some of you are not new to Orinda Park Pool, but are new to being on our swim team. Some of you are new to both, Park Pool and the team. In any case, I am sure you have many questions and concerns. There will be an informative meeting for new families on the morning of registration on Saturday, May 4th at 9:00AM. It will take place at OPP by the Swim Coaches' office. Registration, and signing up for your obligations will take place immediately after the meeting at 10:00AM. There will be a second registration and New Family Meeting on May 11th at 11:00AM. However, we strongly encourage new folks to come to the first meeting on May 4th because sign ups for obligations are on a first come first serve basis. If you have any questions before the meetings, please do not hesitate to call me at 925-253-4853. We look forward to having a wonderful fun-filled season with you at Orinda Park Pool!

**Orinda Park, Inc.
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Orinda, CA 94563**