

Roycefield Swim Club

"Celebrating Fifty Years of Family Swimming and Recreation!"



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From the President's Desk

Hello Roycefield Owners and Members,

The 2016 summer season at Roycefield is set to begin with a Welcome Back Adults Only gathering on Friday, May 27. The club will officially open on Saturday, May 28. The Board of Trustees has been planning another season of family fun as we enjoy the refreshing pool and leisurely setting with family and friends.

Through the conscientious efforts of the Board of Trustees, we have not increased fees for any of our membership options. We have taken measures to maintain our already tight budget and still maintain a cash reserve to address the most serious circumstance, so your summer fun will not be interrupted. As always, safety of our members and guests is our highest concern. Our Administration Committee has again staffed the club with well-trained, experienced lifeguards and swim instructors. We continue to perform necessary maintenance and added a few new activities for kids with the Pool & Grounds and Social Committees working together to expand our offerings in the way of recreation. The kids will be thrilled!

For the third year, we have no wait list, so a family can join immediately and enjoy the club we all know and love. The Membership Committee continues cost-effective advertising campaign by working with school and township youth organizations to target those families with younger children to ensure prolonged memberships. As before, we continue to offer a wide range of affordable and flexible membership options, making Roycefield the best swim club option in central Jersey. Please talk to your friends and neighbors about the benefits of a Roycefield membership. Direct them to our website (www.roycefield.org) or Facebook page (www.facebook.com/RoycefieldSwimClub/), where they can see all the benefits of membership, see images of the club, learn of the activities, and our award-winning swim team - the Roycefield Rapids.

Remember that the Board is open to suggestions on how to make Roycefield the best it can be. You can email your suggestions or comments directly to me and I will bring them to the Board. You can also attend any meeting to discuss anything with the Board. For those interested in becoming more involved, there are positions open on the Board and attending a meeting is the best way to become familiar with how the Board and club operate.

It is always the goal of the Board of Trustees to make Roycefield an enjoyable, family-friendly place for all of us to enjoy. I hope we achieved that goal and I look forward to seeing you at the club.

John Beggiano
Board President
president@roycefield.org

2016 Season Schedule



Only **21** days until
Opening Day!

Pre-Season (May 28 – June 16)

- Weekdays (must be at least 75° by 2 pm)
Monday-Thursday: 4:00 - 7:30 pm
Friday: 4:00 – 9:00 pm
- Weekends
Saturday: 12:30 – 9:00 pm
Sunday: 12:30 – 7:30 pm
- Memorial Day (May 31): 11:00 am - 7:30 pm

Regular Season 1 (June 17 – July 31)

- Weekdays & Weekends: 12:30 pm - 9:00 pm
- July 4, 2016: 11:00 am – 9:00 pm

Regular Season 2 (August 1 – September 5)

- Sunday-Thursday: 12:30 pm - 8:00 pm
- Friday-Saturday: 12:30 pm – 9:00 pm
- Labor Day (Sept 5): 11:00 am – 7:30 pm



Social Committee

The 2016 Season is fast approaching. Please reach out to our Social Committee Chairperson, Mark Hands at social@roycefield.org with any comments or suggestions. We welcome your feedback!

Social activities will be posted on the white board at the pool. There are daily activities and games planned. We will make sure information on the calendar is current and up-to-date, but email if you have any questions.

We will be utilizing www.Volunteerspot.com for work bond opportunities and we hope to have all events posted after the pool opens. Job listings will include a detailed explanation of what that job entails along with the work bond credit (four credits are required to satisfy the bond). If you help out with a Social Event, please remember to keep all receipts for any purchases made to run the event. Expense reimbursement can only be given with a receipt. It is the owner's responsibility to obtain and submit an Expense Reimbursement Form *and* a Work Bond Form, both found in the "Forms" section of the website, after they complete a job.

Once the pool opens we will start booking parties so please look at dates as they can book up quickly. Also, there have been some changes to the party guidelines so make sure to visit the website and familiarize yourself with them.

I hope to see everyone at the pool and let's have a great summer!

The Junior Activity Coordinators are back!

We are excited to again have 4 Junior Activities Coordinators (JACs) this season to assist the Social Committee with the weekly activities. The JACs will be working hard this summer to keep the younger RSC members entertained with a variety of activities. They

will be hosting Monday & Wednesday Game Days and Thursday Craft Days. The JACs will be kicking it off with the Annual Tie Dye Day. Please Note: Parents must remain on-site while children participate in Game Day and Craft Day activities with the JACs.

2016 Summer Activities

The following activities will occur on a weekly basis:

- ❖ Tuesdays will be "Dinner Night" from 5-7 pm. Sign up soon to host a dinner night on www.VolunteerSpot.com for work bond credits.
- ❖ Wednesdays are Game Days from 2-4 pm and are coordinated by our JACs.
- ❖ JACs will be running Craft Days on Thursdays from 2-4 pm. For a nominal fee, kids can make a beautiful craft item...check the board for details. Please note the rain date for craft day is Friday.
- ❖ Adult Volleyball is back by popular demand: Join us on Friday nights or Sunday afternoons! Teen volleyball will be available on Saturday as well.

The following Special Events are being planned:

The Fourth of July and Labor Day parties are big events at Roycefield. DJ Dave is returning to provide party entertainment and games (and prizes) for young and old. Hamburgers and hot dogs are grilled and partygoers bring sides and desserts to share. These parties are a great time for all!

- ❖ Our annual Fourth of July Party is scheduled for Sunday, July 3 from 3:00-8:00 pm (Rain Date Monday, July 4, 2:00 – 7:00 pm).
- ❖ The Labor Day Party is scheduled for Saturday, September 3 from 1:00-6:00 pm (Rain Date Sunday, September 4, 1:00-6:00 pm).
- ❖ Information about the Fourth of July and Labor Day parties will be made available on the website as these dates approach. Again, all party jobs along with what they entail will be listed on www.Volunteerspot.com.
- ❖ Tween (grades 3, 4, and 5) and Pre-Teen (grades 6, 7, and 8) Nights will be held again this year. These parties are intended to give the younger pool members a chance to have a night of fun with their friends and without their parents! These are big group parties and lots of fun! For a small fee, pizza is provided and parents send desserts or chips to share. Parent chaperones are needed to help during these events.

As always, if you are interested in helping the Social Committee in any capacity, please email us! We are always looking for new ideas and new people to come on board!

Looking forward to seeing you poolside!

Mark Hands
Social Committee
social@roycefield.org



Pool and Grounds

Fellow Pool-People,

Welcome to the 2016 season at Roycefield Swim Club. After a very successful Opening Work Day on Saturday, April 30 we are ready, willing, and able to open!

The chairs are out, the umbrellas are up, and the grounds are cleaned up. The brand, spankin' new basketball hoop is up, as is our new gaga pit. The tether ball game will get up soon and the pool is running beautifully!!

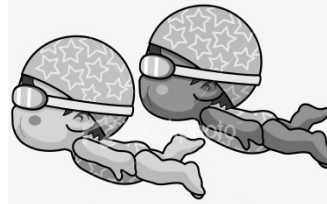
Mucho thanks to the 30+ owners that helped get the property in shape for the coming season. For those of you who did not/could not make Opening Day, there will be other opportunities to fulfill your Work Bond requirements.

Special thanks to Board Member Ellen Karan who was a big help to me in remembering where certain things go, and for working hard all day. Special thanks as well to Board Member Amy Borer who set-up the gaga pit construction crew and made sure it was done.

As always, if you have a question, comment or concern regarding Pool & Grounds, feel free to email or stop by and see me. We can discuss things over a beverage!

Keith Hook
Vice President, Pool & Grounds
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Managers and Swim Lessons



in the Assistant Manager role again.

The lifeguards and swim instructors are gearing up for an amazing summer of fun and sun! Brendan Lynch will be our new Pool Manager this summer. In addition, there will be senior guards functioning

This year's swim lessons will be offered one week at a time, six times throughout the summer. Each lesson will be 45 minutes long, with two sessions available each day. Sessions will run Monday through Friday. Each lesson will have three levels of competency available and focus on basic swim skills. One of the weeks will be offered in the evening for those who cannot make it during the day. If the evening lessons are well received we will offer a second week of evening lessons. We will be offering private lessons again this year. We will be offering private lessons again this year. Please see the website for dates and times for all lessons (this will be posted soon). So get your goggles and swim towels together for an awesome summer. Registration forms are available at http://roycefield.org/Swim_Lessons.html.

Ellen Kenny
Vice President, Administration
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Membership

This year we have accepted 17 new families to the pool. If any of your friends are thinking of joining the pool, now's the time to apply. Our rates have not gone up for several years and we have no wait list right now. That means anyone applying will get membership this summer! Tell your friends to list you as the REFERRING FAMILY and you will get FOUR INDIVIDUAL GUEST PASSES. New this season, in addition to the referring passes all new members will be receiving a ONE FAMILY PASS to the pool. Pick up your free passes at the gate.

Please check out our current membership options and fees:

Membership Type	Annual Maintenance Fee	Owner-ship Share	Work Service Fee
Family-full season	\$700	\$1000	\$120
Couple-full season	\$550	None	\$120
Single-full season	\$360	None	\$120
Senior Couple (55+) full season	\$550	None	None
Senior Single (55+) full season	\$360	None	None
August Family (Aug 1-Labor Day)	\$450	\$500	\$60

Roycefield Swim Club

 Find us on **Facebook**

Search for ROYCEFIELD SWIM CLUB & click Like  then come back often to see whats happening at the club!!

Membership (continued)

If you have babysitters or grandparents watching your children at the pool over the summer, please send us their names so they will be on the gatekeeper list. Remember to send any changes in your contact info – especially e-mail addresses! All communication, including invoicing, is done by e-mail so it's important to keep current.

Diane Massi
Membership Chairperson
membership@roycefield.org

Roycefield Board of Trustees, 2016

Please feel free to contact any Board member with questions or suggestions. Your Trustees and roles for this year are:

President	John Beggiato
Treasurer	Allen Zdroik
Secretary	Lorraine Soisson
VP, Admin	Ellen Kenny
VP, Pool & Grounds	Keith Hook
Social Chairperson	Mark Hands
Social Committee	Amy Borer
Membership	Diane Massi
Advertising	Kelly Ward
Swim Team Liaison	David Cutts
Pool & Grounds Committee	Ellen Karan
	Mike Lynch
	Jim Temple
Admin & Digital	Carolyn Renner

All members are welcome to attend our monthly meetings. Regular meetings are usually held at 7:00 pm on the second Tuesday of month in the Side Multi-Purpose Room at the Hillsborough Municipal Building. The Annual Meeting is usually the morning of the last Saturday in January. Our remaining meetings for the year are:

Tuesday, May 10, 2016
Tuesday, June 14, 2016
Tuesday, July 12, 2016
Tuesday, August 9, 2016
Tuesday, September 13, 2016
Tuesday, October 11, 2016
Tuesday, January 10, 2017
Saturday, January 28, 2017 – ANNUAL MEETING

Roycefield Website

Check out our NEW redesigned website for updates and important information at www.roycefield.org. We welcome feedback about the site; please email webmaster@roycefield.org with your thoughts and suggestions. We also have a suggestion box on the website!



Roycefield Rapids Swim Team

Expect another season of fun and competition with the Roycefield Rapids during the summer of 2016!

***** Swim Team registration using our online system closes on May 10.** (Late fees apply after that.)

Members ages 5-18 are encouraged to join the swim team. Practices begin the Tuesday after Memorial Day and continue through the end of July. Preseason practices are separated by school between 3:30 and 7pm. Summer practices are between 7:30 and 11 am.

Swim meets are on Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings beginning June 15 and end the last week in July. We finish the season with a banquet celebration the evening of Thursday, July 28 (rain date July 29).

The Rapids welcome our 2016 Coaching Staff:

Head Coach	Joe Mehrtens
Assistant Coach	Ryan Morgan
Junior Coaches	Hanna Soisson Jacob Gonzalez
Novice Coaches	Kristina Choe Alyssa Cseh Alex Gonzalez

Parent Volunteers are a key ingredient to the success of the program! Jobs include timing, officiating, 50/50 and food sales. The meets are a lot of fun!

We also have our weekly Ribbon Races, a Roycefield tradition, for all members of the club and their guests. These are held on four Wednesday mornings beginning June 22. Stroke instruction is provided by the older members on the team and everyone gets a ribbon.

More detailed information about the team and a link to the registration site can be found on the website. A parent letter will be sent to all registrants by May 15.

Looking forward to a great season!

Lorraine Soisson
Booster Club President

David Cutts
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