

# Parkwood Community Club

Dear Members,

First and foremost, we hope that you and your loved ones are safe and healthy. We have received questions from many of you about if and how COVID-19 will change the way we operate our pool. After careful consideration, we are excited to let you know that we hope to open August 8th while following CDC guidance to protect our members, volunteers and staff.

The health and safety of our swimmers, volunteers and staff, remains our highest priority. Below you will find a summary of actions we are taking to help ensure we are lowering COVID-19 risk as much as possible while also allowing our members to enjoy the water. We are:

- Promoting healthy hygiene practices, such as encouraging all volunteers, staff and members to stay home if they are unwell, wash their hands frequently, cover coughs and sneezes, wearing cloth face coverings when not in the water.
  - Cloth face coverings should not be placed on children younger than 5 years of age, anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove the cover without assistance.
- Increasing cleaning and disinfection within our facility by: cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched surfaces, such as handrails, benches, door, sink and shower handles and pens. We are also making sure we have adequate soap and paper towels (as always, please let us know if the soap or paper towels have run out) and are adding touchless hand sanitizer stations. We are making sure that we have safe and correct use and storage of disinfectants.
- Encouraging social distancing when possible by changing deck layout to ensure patrons can remain 6 feet apart in standing and seating areas, providing lane lines in water and visual cues like tape on floors and sidewalks, staggering use of dressing rooms, limiting large group events on premises and having you sign up for your time in the pool so we can limit how many are in the pool area at a time.

**\*\*\*\* Please read this next part carefully \*\*\*\***

Other things that have changed -

You will need to sign up for a swim spot and only come at that time. In the next few days you will receive an invite to "Signup Genius" to sign up for your hour (the hope is that you will get an invite to the site around August 6<sup>th</sup>). If you have any questions about any of this please contact Board Vice President Gypsie Gitane at [gypsiegitane@hotmail.com](mailto:gypsiegitane@hotmail.com) (if you do not have a computer you may call or text Gypsie at 206-406-8035 to sign up for a space). To start we will be allowing 4 members - (children under age of 18 must have parent present) that will be assigned a lane to either swim or exercise as they wish OR one family at a time (must have household membership all living within the same house and listed on membership agreement). PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR FACE COVERING MUST BE WORN WHEN YOU ARE NOT IN THE POOL.

Your card will not work, we have asked for volunteers to be at the pool to let you in and do the disinfecting (if you are interested in becoming a volunteer please contact Board Vice President Gypsie Gitane (her email and phone number are on page 1 of this letter) The volunteer will not be able to let you in until the group before you is out of the building and the disinfecting is done. This means that we need everyone not only out of the pool at the top of the hour but we need you to be leaving a few minutes before the top of the hour so the volunteer has time to disinfect. We will be having you enter by the door we are used to using by the card reader BUT we will have you leave via the emergency exit door. This will help in with social distancing.

There will NOT be any buckets to use so please bring something to put your stuff in to bring out to the deck. (We are still asking that you do not leave anything in the dressing rooms as the volunteers will need to disinfect in there while you are in the pool).

We will be only letting one person or household in a dressing room at a time. We are asking that you limit your time in the dressing room to 5 minutes total. We are asking that you come ready to swim and only need a health department required shower before you get in the pool and that you take your full shower at your home after. It might be helpful if those of you in the pool organize who will get out when and if you need to rinse off before leaving so you can all be through the dressing rooms and leaving before the top of the hour.

## **AT THIS TIME WE WILL NOT BE ALLOWING ANY GUESTS.**

(This includes family members that are not listed on your membership)

For a bit we will not have our aerobics or swim lesson members in but it is planned for them to return, we just do not have a date for them yet.

Please note in the guidelines for all Water Recreation Facilities in all phases, high-risk populations are discouraged from using any Water Recreation Facilities until Phase 4.

In the event someone gets sick, we have plans in place to isolate and transport the person to their home or healthcare facility, and we will work with local health officials. If you have a specific question about this plan or COVID-19, please ask Board President Becky Moore for more information. We look forward to seeing you.

Please keep an eye out on the web site ([pccportorchard.org](http://pccportorchard.org)) for more information how everything will work when we open.

Thank you, and stay healthy,

Your Parkwood Community Board