

Pool Advisory Committee May, 30 2024 Minutes

Tony and Jeff presented the following information for the committee. They introduced themselves, gave background on their positions and the purpose and format of the advisory committee.

New members (Jan Kirby, Patricia Smith, David Safier, Sara Sortal, Nan Stein) introduced themselves and spoke on their personal interests related to the pools and their operations.

Gerard Bonar, Michael Flemming and Board liaison Rick Patinkin, were not in attendance.

Operating Dates and Hours

[Pools - Deerfield Park District \(deerfieldparks.org\)](https://www.deerfieldparks.org)

DEERSPRING IMPORTANT 2024 DATES:

- May 25 | Deerspring Sprayground opens for the season
- June 1 | Deerspring Pool opens for the season
- June 21-23 | Deerspring Pool will be closed for the COHO Classic
- August 11 | Deerspring Pool closes for the season
- September 2 | Deerspring Sprayground closes for the season

DEERSPRING SPRAYGROUND

The Deerspring Sprayground at Deerspring Pool offers slides, and a variety of fun and interactive spray features with heated-water spraying from above and from ground level. Open during all public swim hours and some non-public swim hours.

DEERSPRING POOL & SPRAYGROUND HOURS

	COHO Swim Team	Lap Swim (16 & over)	Public Swim	Sprayground & Kiddie Pool	Private Rentals
Monday	6 – 8am 4 – 8:30pm	8:30am – 12pm	12:30 – 4pm	8:30am – 12pm 12:30 – 7pm	
Tuesday	6 – 8am 4 – 8:30pm	8:30am – 12pm	12:30 – 4pm	8:30am – 12pm 12:30 – 7pm	
Wednesday	6 – 8am 4 – 8:30pm	8:30am – 12pm	12:30 – 4pm	8:30am – 12pm 12:30 – 7pm	
Thursday	6 – 8am 4 – 8:30pm	8:30am – 12pm	12:30 – 4pm	8:30am – 12pm 12:30 – 7pm	
Friday	6 – 8am 4 – 8:30pm	Staff Training 8:30am – 12pm	12:30 – 4pm	12:30 – 7pm	
Saturday	8 – 9:30am		10am – 12pm 12:30 – 7pm	10am – 12pm 12:30 – 7pm	7 – 9pm
Sunday	8 – 9:30am		10am – 12pm 12:30 – 5pm	10am – 12pm 12:30 – 5pm	5 – 7pm

From <<https://www.deerfieldparks.org/parks-facilities/pools/>>

MITCHELL POOL IMPORTANT 2024 DATES:

- June 8 | Mitchell Pool opens for the season
- September 2 | Mitchell Pool closes for the season

MITCHELL POOL HOURS

	Lap Swim (16 & over) *3 Lap Lanes	Swim Lessons	Public Swim	Kiddie Pool	Private Rentals
Monday	5:30 – 8am	8:30am – 12pm	12:30 – 8:30pm	9:30am – 12pm 12:30 – 8:30pm	
Tuesday	5:30 – 8am	8:30am – 12pm	12:30 – 8:30pm	9:30am – 12pm 12:30 – 8:30pm	
Wednesday	5:30 – 8am	8:30am – 12pm	12:30 – 8:30pm	9:30am – 12pm 12:30 – 8:30pm	
Thursday	5:30 – 8am	8:30am – 12pm	12:30 – 8:30pm	9:30am – 12pm 12:30 – 8:30pm	
Friday	5:30 – 8am	Staff Training 8:30am – 12pm	12:30 – 8:30pm	12:30 – 8:30pm	
Saturday	7 – 9am *9:30 – 12pm	9:30am – 12pm	12:30 – 7pm	9:30am – 12pm 12:30 – 7pm	7 – 9pm
Sunday	7 – 9am *9:30 – 12pm	9:30am – 12pm (private lessons)	12:30 – 5pm	9:30am – 12pm 12:30 – 5pm	5 – 7pm

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Staffing:

Returning: 75
 New: 55
 Total: 130

Amazing return rate! We had a heavily young crowd last year, may for next year too based on hiring.

Season Pool Pass Sales:

Sales GROSS: \$121,408.78

Totals:	
Type	Count

Pool Pass - Individual	30
Pool Pass - Sachs Member Add-on	8
Pool Pass Family of 2	134
Pool Pass Family of 3	334
Pool Pass Family of 4	767
Pool Pass Family of 5	300
Pool Pass Family of 6+	67
Pool Pass Senior 65+	30
Pool Pass Nanny	10
Pool Pass Senior Couple	54

*There were a few comments on the year over year numbers of pass purchases for 2024 vs prior years and pre-covid years.

Rentals / Birthday Parties:

Removed the 10am - 12pm Saturday and Sunday option at Deerspring and converted into Public swim.

Whole Pool Parties: 13

Splash pad or Kiddie only: 4

Concession Deck Rental: 9

Total: 25

AYSO on June 9.

*There was some discussion on the details of when private parties happen and demand along with a discussion on the new 2024 format for concession deck rentals.

Swim Lessons:

263 enrollments for the summer.

Large majority are on Saturdays from 9:30am - 12pm.

Private lessons are available online with new booking based on instructor; using Facilities module to make it happen. Similar to Pool parties and is live.

*Questions about the format and agency that runs the swim lessons.

Concessions:

Ice Cream at Mitchell and Deerspring through Hershey's Ice Cream

Gold Medal: \$4-6

- Soft pretzels
- Nachos with cheese cups
- Cotton candy

Sams Club: \$1

- Chips
- Candy

- Ice pops
- Snickers Ice cream bar
- Bubly Water
- Flavored Water

Michael's of Highland Park food truck Saturdays and Sundays 12:30pm - 4ish

COHO:

Deerspring

Monday - Friday: 6am - 8am, 4:30pm - 8:30pm

Saturdays & Sundays: 8am - 9:30am

Open discussion on the following topics:

- Possibility of offering lap swim time at Deerspring on Weekend Mornings or weekday mornings?
- The lap lanes in Deerspring that are at the stairs lane and the second lane; need to have them lifted or removed to access / enter the pool.
- Provision of shade structures at Deerspring pool.