



Mainland Recreation Association

MAINLAND RECREATION ASSOCIATION Newsletter

2024 Letter from the President...

President Letter 2024,

Let's get ready for some fun in the sun! Preparation as usual started in Mid-March to get the Facility ready for summer 2024-our 62nd year of operations and my first as Board President. While we strive to keep the club up to date we do not want to deviate from the formula that has made us a success for so long. Every year there are upgrades to the facility some big like the resurfacing of the pools in 2016 and the tennis courts in 2022 and 2023. This year we are taking a pause on major projects while we are budgeting for more work on the tennis courts. To that end, we are conducting a survey to get your opinions about the club in general and thoughts about the best use of tennis courts 1 & 2. See below for a link to the survey opening this spring. We welcome your feedback!

Despite the ongoing inflationary pressures everyone is experiencing we are keeping dues the same this year! We have continued to experience increased daily attendance and demands on guards, staff and the facility in general compelling us to re-evaluate our decades old guest policies. The club has always existed for our members and while bringing guests is part of the fun of MRA, it is a secondary benefit and cannot be allowed to limit the enjoyment of our members. We have updated the fee structure for guest along with the definition of house guest, guest and babysitter. A schedule of guest fees is included in this newsletter. Also, given the increase use of the tennis and pickle ball courts we will updated the locks to the tennis courts and the fees for use. The cost of the keys for tennis courts had exceeded the fee we charged members to purchase a key prompting the need make this change.

The board meets on Saturday morning starting in Mid March to get the club ready for the summer. Every board member is dedicated to making the club a success and our work helps keep costs as low as possible. While the board members always welcome feedback please complete the member survey (link below and on our website at www.mraswimclub.com) this year to provide your thoughts. Looking forward to seeing you at the pool this summer!

Steve Bushay

HOURS OF OPERATION

Pool will open Weekends

**Starting,
May 25 2024
12pm-6pm**

11am-12pm for seniors

Plus Memorial Day 12pm-6pm

Welcome Back !

Pool is open from

12pm to 6pm

May 25,26,27

June 1 & 2

June 8 & 9

June 15,16 Noon to 5 PM

June 17th Open 12-6 pm

June 18 Open 12-5(MRHS
Graduation)

(Senior hours 11am-12pm On all Weekend days.)
(Weather Permitting)

Pool Hours

Open Full Time:

June 19th thru September

2nd 12pm to 9pm

The Pool hours will be 12pm-9:00pm daily. There will also be an additional hour for Senior Citizens from 11:00 Am until Noon on weekends. This will be for Seniors only, and will only utilize the Main Pool. As a result, there will be no 1:00 PM Adult Swim on weekends.

SWIM TEAM

MRA offers a competitive swim team for boys and girls in age groups from 6 years old and under, to age 18 years old. Membership on the team is open to all children of MRA members. To join the team swimmers MUST be able to swim 25 meters free style, otherwise, lessons are available from the pool staff.

TEAM SIGN UPS ARE

SCHEDULED FOR:

MONDAY, MAY 6TH

5PM TO 6PM.

Swimsuits, caps, goggles and other equipment will be available to order online. More details on that will be available at signups.

MRA offers a competitive swim



Swim team will be collecting an activity fee of \$25 per swimmer or \$40 per family collected at signups



TENNIS & PICKLEBALL



Pickle-ball is not just a National trend but continues to be a fan favorite at MRA. While no major upgrades are planned this year, several new nets will be coming to the courts. The 8 pickle ball courts are available for use and we have provided 4-6 sets of nets depending on the time of year. Feel free to bring your own portable nets on an open pickle-ball court if all the sets are being used!

We are interested in your feedback as we develop a plan to work on tennis courts 1 & 2. More pickleball, keep as tennis, futsal field - complete the member survey being sent this spring via email and give us your suggestions.

Given the popularity of pickle-ball we have seen significant increase in use of our courts. Please remember that the club is for its members first and guest second. MRA guest fees apply to all non-members using the tennis courts all year long, even if they are not using the pool area, and all non-members must be accompanied by a member in order to use the courts. While tennis/pickle-ball fees are on the honor system, we collected only \$25 in guest fees for the entire winter.

Guest fees can be paid at the front desk during normal pool hours or placed in the lock box on the back of the tennis wall (courts 5&6) when the pool is closed and during the off season. Fees are \$15 during pool hours as guests will have full access to the club and \$5 during non-pool hours. Please limit guests to 3 per member.

This year new keys will be required to gain access to the courts starting the first day of regular operations (approximately 6/20). Keys will be available for purchase (\$15) starting Memorial Day weekend but until the first day of regular operations only the old keys will work.

For safety and insurance reasons, a contracted and approved tennis/pickle-ball pro is the only person authorized to give lessons. Proper tennis shoes must be worn on the tennis and basketball courts at all times.

SWIMMING LESSONS

Private Lessons are available!

PRIVATE LESSONS

You may request the instructor you prefer.

Private Lessons are \$30.00 per 1/2 hour session.

Arrangements are made directly with the instructor.



SNACK BAR



The Di Bartolo's and the crew at the Marlin Grill are excited to return for their 5th season. Our hours of operation will be 12-7 daily. We can always stay open longer if you are hosting an event and wish to utilize the grill. We can also assist you with special events such as birthday party's or special family celebrations. Just reach out to Angelo or Stephanie with your ideas and we will gladly help. We are looking forward to Memorial Day and kicking off yet another great season!!!!

GENERAL RULES

To make our daily operation enjoyable for all.

Should the facility be closed due to unforeseen circumstance, guest fees will be returned for any guest there for one hour or less.

All members and guests must observe the following:

1. All parents reinforce all rules with their children. Rules are posted at the facility.
2. Flotation devices, including arm swimmies, are not permitted in the main pool.
3. Food and beverage are to be confined to the snack bar area and the picnic area. Do not consume any food or drink at poolside. The only exception to this rule is water in a clear plastic water bottle at your table.
4. Children ten (10) and under are not to be left at the pool without adult supervision. An adult is someone 18 or over.
5. Any guests must be accompanied by an adult. Children under 18 may not be responsible for guests. Guests are the responsibility of adult members.
6. Children are not to be brought into the adult locker rooms. Adults can accompany children into the youth locker rooms when necessary.
7. The baby pool and infant play area are for the use of children 6 and under.
8. **All children under age three and/or not completely potty trained must wear sure seal plastic diapers in the baby pool.**
9. The tennis courts are to be used for tennis and pickle ball only.
10. Skateboarding, rollerblading, and the like are not permitted on the property.
11. Sneakers must be worn on basketball and tennis courts

Violations of the above may result in suspension of pool privileges. Safe guard your property.

LOCK YOUR BIKES!

PARTIES & BBQ

Party Rules and Reservation packets can be picked up at the front desk. Completed packets must be dropped off in advance to the front desk before the day of the party. Payment can be made day of party.



**** Sunscreens and oils in the water create circulation problems with our pool filter.**

Please allow 10-15 minutes between application and use of the pool.



MRA is not responsible for lost or stolen property.

PICNIC TABLES

Tables are available for 2 hour segments.

You may reserve a table for any date the pool is open by registering with the receptionist. Please remember others, as there are only 12 tables and 12 grills available. When you use the picnic area keep it clean and recycle.

Contact the receptionist for details.



GENERAL INFORMATION

Chris Meade will be the pool manager. Tiffany Monroe and Dave Lamkin will be his assistant managers. One of them will be on call during the daytime hours. The Chief Receptionist will be Tara Booth. The card system will again be used for access to the premises during normal operating hours. Cards will be available opening day. Please use them dutifully. A replacement fee of \$5.00 will be charged for lost pass cards. Wristbands will be given to guests upon payment of the guest fee. The bands will be dated and valid for the date(s) recorded. All guests must be accompanied by an adult member who is 18 years old or older.

SUGGESTION BOX

The operations committee will be pleased to hear from you. The suggestion box is located in the main entrance area and members are encouraged to submit their recommendations. Your notes will be received by Patrick Childs, Operations Manager. Suggestions to be acted upon, must be signed with your membership number.



Family Day

is scheduled for

**Saturday, June 22,
2024**

12:30-4:30

Rain Date: Sunday, June 23

SCHEDULE OF FEES AND DUES

MAINLAND RECREATION ASSOCIATION, INC. SCHEDULE OF DUES, FEES AND CHARGES FOR THE YEAR 2024

1. CERTIFICATED MEMBERSHIP (BOND HOLDERS)	
Basic Family	\$450.00 *
Each Eligible Dependent	\$10.00
Inactive Status (Must declare and pay prior to June 1.)	\$100.00
2. SEASONAL MEMBERSHIP	
Basic Family	\$675.00 *
Each Eligible Dependent	\$10.00
3. GUEST FEES	
The MEMBER is responsible for the payment of all fees	
Daily Guest Fee, Memorial Day through Labor Day, pool, tennis, picnic	\$15.00
Off season, tennis use only, daily fee	\$5.00
Baby Sitter charge, for the season. Limit 2/member	\$150.00
House Guest	\$150.00
Adult or minor for 7 consecutive days	\$75.00
4. OTHER Tennis Gate Key	\$15.00

Summer Bondholder Meeting

Thursday, August 1st at 7:00pm in the picnic area.

Light refreshments only.

The pool will remain open. Please join us.

“Alcohol is not permitted on or around the pool deck. Recently, the consumption of alcohol at the pool has become a significant issue. Be advised that the consequences of any Member or Guest found consuming alcohol on or around the pool deck will be significant, including suspension or revocation of your Membership privileges.”

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