

May 21, 2021

For Franklin Farm Non-Resident Pool Members!

The Franklin Farm Board of Trustees met on May 19, 2021 and updated the pool policies for the 2021 season. Their decisions were based on Virginia Governor Northam's lifting of mask requirements for fully vaccinated individuals on May 15, 2021. Additionally, Governor Northam announced that all remaining Covid-19 restrictions will be lifted as of midnight, May 28, 2021. In light of that, the Still Pond pool will operate normally as a fully open pool. Normal pool rules to be followed as usual in Policy Resolution 3U and 3T Amendment 1, which was mailed in your renewal packet or attached in an e-mail for new non-resident pool members.

Also, since many members, especially young children, have not yet been vaccinated for Covid-19, the Dairy Lou pool will be operated with several restrictions. Dairy Lou pool will operate with 75 pool members max allowed at the pool at any given time. Masks will be required at the pool when not in the water and pool members should maintain separation from non-family members. Chairs will be placed 6 feet apart on the pool deck. All other pool rules in Policy Resolution 3U and 3T Amendment 1 will apply.

The Board of Trustees felt this was an equitable compromise for Franklin Farm pool members, allowing those who are comfortable with having an option of a pool that is fully open as well as an option of a pool with some restrictions that are in line with what a larger pool/recreation facility operated by Fairfax County is doing. There are no COVID-19 vaccine requirements to enter Dairy Lou or Still Pond pools.

Other highlights –

- No Signup Genius reservation system will be used for the 2021 season.
- Guests will be allowed at both pools. I have placed an order for the guest passes and will let you know once they're in. You will have to come to the office to pick them up.
- Water toys will be allowed
- No early morning swim at this time. This will be revisited at a later time by the Board.
- Raft nights will take place at Still Pond on Thursday nights from 6-8 p.m. and at Dairy Lou on Tuesday nights from 6-8 p.m. starting the week of June 14.
- NV Pools (lifeguards) will only offer private swim lessons this season. No group lessons.
- No pool parties are allowed at Dairy Lou or Still Pond pools at this time.

I will also post information on our website, www.franklinfarm.org, for our non-resident pool members. You can also find pool information ie. pool hours, on the public side of the website under the Pool/Basketball header. Also, if you find my e-mails in your junk/spam folders, please mark me as a trusted sender or not junk!