

April 25, 2018

Dear VMSC Member,

**The 2018 VMSC annual meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm in the “Den” at Timberhill Athletic Club.** We will present and vote on the 2018 operating budget, approve the 2017 annual meeting notes and report on other pool business. We encourage members to attend.



- **Annual pool membership dues will remain at \$450 and are due by May 15<sup>th</sup>.** If you will not be renewing, please email [membership\\_coordinator@vmswimclub.com](mailto:membership_coordinator@vmswimclub.com) as soon as possible and make arrangements to return last year's keys. For renewing members, please submit the attached membership form, last year's keys, **a self-addressed stamped envelope**, and a check payable to VMSC. Dues may also be paid, and keys returned, at the work party or the annual meeting. There will be a \$5 charge for keys not returned. **Please send in your dues on time. If membership dues are not paid on time, VMSC may suspend your membership and sell your spot to another family.** A \$25 late fee would then be charged to reinstate you. Our annual membership cap remains at 75 members with only a few memberships left. We have not increased dues in many years and are happy to be able to keep them the same. However, we are increasing the joining fee to \$150.
- **The pool will open on Saturday, May 26<sup>th</sup>.** Pool hours are from 8:00AM to 10:00 PM each day with a **one-hour quiet period from 9:00-10:00 PM**. Members who do not comply with the quiet period will risk losing their membership.
- **There will be a short pre-season pool work party to help prepare the pool for the summer on Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup> from 2 PM to 5 PM.** Note, that this work party is two weeks before the pool opens. We need help weeding, general cleaning and setting out pool furniture. Please stop by during this time, if you are interested in helping out. Prospective student pool workers are particularly encouraged to attend. You may also pay dues and exchange keys at the work party.
- **Guest Policy.** Membership units are allowed 12 guests per month. Those exceeding that number will be charged \$3 per guest at the end of the season. Membership units are allowed 3 individual guests per day. Please be sure to write the actual number of guests using the pool on the sign-in sheet to help with maintaining water quality. Members under 21 years of age are allowed a maximum of two guests per day. To request a pool party, please review the procedures on our website.
- **The pool will remain open limited hours in September.** We must balance reduced use with the extra cost of heating the pool and the labor and maintenance costs associated with the extended season. Please check the website later in the summer for specific hours.

- **For the benefit of the pool operations, our membership and to remain in compliance with the health department, you must sign in on every visit.**

Three things you can do to help support our pool are:

1. Discuss pool rules with your family members (see attached rules)
  2. Do not allow non-members in the pool area unless signed in as guests
  3. Report unauthorized use to a board member
- **Pool Security.** Every year we have issues with unauthorized pool use that result in vandalism and increase our maintenance cost. Members can help provide a safe environment by reviewing the rules with family members and by speaking up or notifying a board member when rules are not followed.
  - **Trespassers caught in the pool area after hours will be prosecuted.** Members who trespass will have their membership suspended.
  - **Road Safety. The speed limit on the access road to the pool is 15 mph.** Please use caution entering and leaving "Farmhouse Road" off of Sulphur Springs. This is a dangerous intersection.
  - **VMSC 40-year Anniversary!** The pool and VMSC turns 40 years old in July. We are planning on celebrating with a party and selling t-shirts. Please stay tuned as we plan the celebration or if you have ideas and/or want to be involved, please contact one of the board members.

We look forward to seeing you at 7:30 pm on Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at the Timberhill Athletic Club ("Den").

Sincerely,

**Your Vineyard Mountain Swim Club Board of Directors**

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Attachments: Annual Letter, VMSC Rules, Membership Form