



SETTLE AREA SWIMMING POOL

Newsletter November 2020

A charity run pool for the community

A new Health and Wellbeing Hub at Settle Pool

For 45 years the people of Settle and the surrounding communities have enjoyed the indoor swimming facilities provided by Settle Pool. Now, in the biggest development since the opening of the pool in 1974, we are planning a major extension to the building so that it becomes not just a swimming pool, but a new Health and Wellbeing hub, combining new dry side facilities including a studio/meeting/social event space and many other facilities, alongside the pool.

The changing facilities will be brought up to date with a changing village to meet the needs of all users. There will be a larger and improved reception area with a café space linked to the studio to provide maximum flexibility. The new facilities will offer a wide range of activities for community use. We would welcome your ideas for these – please email sasp21@settlewimmingpool.co.uk.

Plans for the Health and Wellbeing Hub, which you can see on page 3 of this newsletter, have now been submitted to Craven District Council and we hope to start the rebuild early in 2021. This is only the first announcement of many – there will be more publicity about the new work as we move forward.

There is of course a financial cost to all this. Thanks to reserves built up by pool trustees and by the Friends of Settle Swimming Pool, and also grants from Craven DC and from a major national body, we are now in a strong position to go ahead. Just as the Settle Community has been part of the story of the pool over our first 45 years we will be looking for your support to continue as we move forward with this exciting new venture.

Pat Taylor, Chair of Trustees

SASP Annual General Meeting

The 2020 AGM is our annual open meeting for members and will be held at 7pm on Thursday 12 November. Due to government restrictions on public gatherings, the AGM will be held with the Zoom web conferencing tool.

Click on this link to join the zoom call:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88012701922?pwd=T3BDenJGRGRsU1oyMnlvTWVVSihlQT09>

Zoom Meeting ID: 880 1270 1922 and Passcode: 883392 if needed. If you have a question for us, it would be helpful if you could let us know. Please contact our secretary by email on secretary@settlewimmingpool.co.uk

Great News from the Charity Shop

Since re-opening after lockdown the shop has been doing a roaring trade – particularly in July and August.



Our online sales are booming, thanks to the ceaseless efforts of our online sales team of Heather Collins, Jean Lonsdale, Emma Thornton and John Robinson. They sell high-end and unusual items via eBay and Facebook groups:

- For sale in Settle and Surrounding Areas
- Settle Seek and Sell
- Ingleton Seek and Sell
- Bentham Buy and Sell
- Skipton Buy Sell and Swap

Online Sales continued throughout lockdown and in the 3 months from July to September, came to a massive **£10,214.00**
Well done to the team!



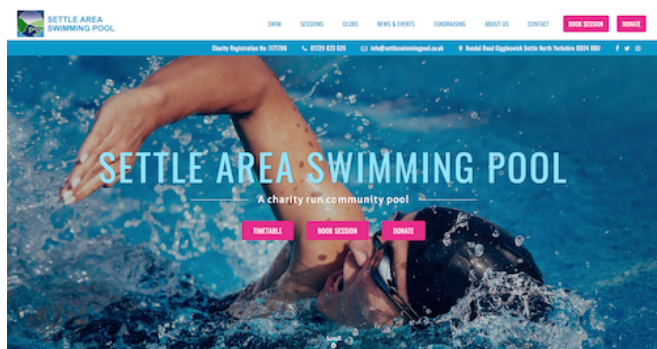
We are very grateful for all items donated to the shop. They should be taken to the new container by the swimming pool car park, on Tuesdays and Fridays between 9.30 and 12.30. Donations cannot be accepted at the shop itself due to the need to quarantine everything before sorting. Many thanks for the continued support of donors, customers and volunteers.

Do you like our new website? - we do!

The website has had a brilliant makeover thanks for the creative imagination of Chris Speakman. It's at www.settleswimmingpool.co.uk

We've transferred all the valuable information from the old website including the timetable. There are links to make an online booking for your swim with the new cloud-based booking system powered by ClubRight.

There's also a Donate button to allow direct online donations by card. This allows payment by any credit and debit card and is powered by PayPal.



We also have a ClubRight app!

Since we reopened after the lockdown at the end of July there have been over 500 online registrations with ClubRight and the sessions for Lane Swimming, Public Swimming and Family Swims are especially popular.



Keep an eye on the pool timetable as session timings occasionally change due to demand. The Silver Swimmers sessions for Over 60s have

restarted on Monday mornings and once again have proved to be popular. The timetable shows which sessions are being run up to 3 weeks in advance. You can book sessions on your ClubRight app at any time, or by phone!

The pool garden gets a makeover

Visitors to the pool have in recent years passed a rather shabby traffic island which started life as a flower bed but had become home to a collection of rubble, drinks cans and tyre tracks. Until, that is, it came to the attention of Giggleswick Women's Institute.

Giggleswick resident and WI member, Dora Tattersall, decided that something had to be done about it. WI members agreed to invest some money and a great deal of energy in bringing the flower bed back to something of which the parish could be proud – rather like the pool itself. With permission from NYCC, working parties have transformed the space. Most of the new bulbs, plants and shrubs came from WI members' gardens and some purchased with support from Lay of the Land – thank you.



We hope agree this is a wonderful example of how local people can get behind a community facility without anyone asking. What a great job the team have done. Thank you!

Pool your memories?

Settle Pool has been part of the local community since 1974. The pool has been shared by parents, children, grandparents, swimming teachers, and countless other friends over the years. When the pool first opened, 800 people came for a swim in the first 8 hours, children paying 10p to enter!

As part of our new build, we'd like to gather together your memories to share an archive of the experiences over the past 45 years. For example here are a few photos of the pool opening ceremony and a young Mark Verden and Stan Phillipson handing a cheque from Settle Cubs to the pool in 1974. The money was raised from a sponsored 3 peaks walk. Please send us your memories by email sasp21@settlewimmingpool.co.uk or phone the pool.



Architect's plans for the new build

Colour key: Lilac = Activity area. Green = Reception and Viewing. Blue = Changing Village. Pink = Staff Room. Yellow = Store. This is on the website at <https://www.settlewimmingpool.co.uk/news-and-events/health-and-wellbeing-hub/>



Settle Area Swimming Pool is committed to providing an environment in which all children and young people participating in its activities have a safe and positive experience. Charity number 1171790.
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