



## ITHACA SWIMMING CLUB

UPTOWN DRIVE NEAR WARREN ROAD

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SEASONAL PHONE: 266-9574

- 75' X 50' HEATED POOL
- SEPARATE WADING POOL
- DIVING BOARD

*A family-oriented pool that is open from Memorial Day through Labor Day Weekend*

April 1, 2011

HAPPY SPRING!

It is hard to believe that in less than two months the ITHACA SWIMMING CLUB, Inc. will be up and running for its 45th season. We are all looking forward to another great summer at the ISC pool!

I am honored to be the returning President of the Ithaca Swimming Club. My family and I have been members of the ISC for the past 10 summers. I have grown to love this swim club and could not get through the summer without it.

The ISC Board has been working hard all winter and has some exciting news to pass along. This year Alice Wu, our wonderful Social Director, has many great events planned for us. These include Family Fun day, Vitamin L sing-a-long, tie-dye extravaganza, annual chicken BBQ, ice cream social, and many craft or sports activities. She will also continue to organize after hours TEEN PARTIES for ages 10 and up, which were a huge success last summer. We are also very pleased to announce that Beth Kretz took on the role of social director for younger children last summer. She has many great weekly activities and crafts planned for the season. We are always looking for more ideas! If you have a special talent or a great idea that you would like to share, please contact Alice or Beth.

The ISC Board is happy to announce that Kevin Markwardt will be returning as pool manager for another year. Kevin has developed several programs that we will continue to offer including:

- Swim lessons for groups and individual instruction;
- Swim team practice Monday, Wednesday, and Friday;
- Designated lap swim hours.

Thanks to our Marketing and Snacks Board Member Lisa Topoleski, this year we will offer ISC t-shirts and tote bags for sale from our snack bar. Lisa has put a considerable amount of time into this endeavor and we are excited to see the finished product on our members.

The ISC Board is also pleased to announce that Andrew Gross of Finger Lakes Xtreme Fitness will be back this summer to run our tennis program. Tennis was a huge success last year and the feedback from members who took lessons was fantastic. Please visit the ISC website for the lesson schedule and registration form. To encourage more tennis playing at the club, the Board is happy to offer tennis-only memberships once again.

Please remember that the club is a cooperative: We rely upon our members to keep it running effectively. As in prior years, we are asking all members to join us for one of the three designated work parties this season. The work parties are an essential part of the cooperative, as there is a fair amount of work involved in preparing the club for opening and helping with maintenance and improvements of the building and grounds. Remember that in order to receive credit for attending a work party, you must be present and sign in at the scheduled start time.

We also ask that members help keep the club looking nice. We are so glad that members enjoy eating meals and snacks at the club, but please be aware that the spills attract bugs and cause a mess. Please check your area before you leave. Cleaner and paper towels are available in the pool office for you to use to wipe down the tables and a broom is ready for you to sweep the spills from the deck. Let's keep our pool clean for all our members.

Thanks to all of you who participated in our recent membership survey. Results from this survey are posted on the ISC website. A majority of respondents indicated that remodeling the bathrooms was the most needed capital improvement. In response to this survey, the ISC Board is pleased to announce that we are starting a bathroom renovation this spring that will be completed by fall, if not earlier!

This past season we were fortunate to be open past Labor Day again. Kevin does a great job of staffing the pool with dedicated, conscientious, hard working lifeguards who have been willing and able to work well into September. If weather permits, we anticipate the same outcome this coming year. It is so much fun to go swimming in late September!

Finally, we are pleased that we will not be raising our membership fee for the sixth year in a row. We do ask that you renew your membership as soon as possible. The pool became very crowded on those extremely hot days last summer. In order to keep the ISC enjoyable and relaxing for all our members, we may be forced to put a cap on our membership for the first time. We will look at this option if the situation presents itself. Please do not wait long to sign up.

I could go on and on about the Ithaca Swimming Club, but what I would really like to say is that I am looking forward to a wonderful summer at the pool. If you have any questions, comments or concerns please feel free to contact myself or any member of the Swim Club Board. Please introduce yourself if you get a moment. My family and I are hard to miss. I have very energetic triplet 10 year-old boys and a 6 year-old boy. We are at the club most days, rain or shine, and stay until closing most evenings.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the end of May. Here is to a great summer of 2011!

Karie Allison  
President, Ithaca Swimming Club, Inc.

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**ITHACA SWIM CLUB**  
**2011 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR CURRENT MEMBERS**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Please select a work party option:**

1. Opening day work party: \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday, May 7, 9:00 am - Noon (earlier if work is completed)  
(*Rain Date:* Sunday, May 8)  
Jobs include: general set-up, painting
2. Cleaning work party: \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday, May 14, 9:00 am - Noon (earlier if work is completed)  
(*Rain Date:* Sunday, May 15)
3. Closing day work party: \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday, Oct. 1, 9:00 am - Noon (earlier if work is completed)  
(*Rain Date:* Sunday Oct. 2)
4. In lieu of participating in a work party, I am adding \$50.00 to my annual fee: \_\_\_\_\_.

I plan to help at a work party, but have the following health restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Please detach and return this form with your Annual Membership Fee to:*  
**Sally Ezra, ISC Membership Sec.**  
**110 Birchwood Drive**  
**Ithaca, NY 14850**

## CALENDAR

### SEASON 2011 OPENS

*Memorial Day Weekend: May 28-30; Noon-8 PM*

*Weekends: June 4-5, 11-12, 18-19; Noon-8 PM*

*Weekdays: May 31-June 23; 3-7 PM*

*Full Time: June 24 -Sept.3; Noon-8:30 PM\**

*\* After August 1, pool will close at 8 pm unless it is particularly hot*

### Early A.M. Adult Lap Swim

*5/30- 6/22 Monday, Wednesday, Friday 6:30 -8:00 AM*

*6/24-9/5 Monday, Wednesday, Friday 6:30-10 AM (8-10 AM Adult Only; Leisure Pace)*

### SEASON 2011 CLOSES

*Labor Day Weekend: Sept. 3-5; Noon-8:30 PM*

*From September 6 on, open as weather and guard availability permit*

Please call the Club when the weather is marginal. The Club will keep a guard on duty at all times, and will try to maintain regular hours, with the following exceptions:

*Rain, temperature is below 60 degrees: the Club will not open.*

*Electrical storms and/or rain, or when the temperature is below 65F: the Club may not open.*

*Rain and the temperature are less than 70F: the Club will close at 6:00 pm.*

Evening hours: Please vacate changing rooms by closing time.

**Swim Club Phone Number: 266-9574**

### BOARD MEMBERS

Karie Allison	President	257-1837
Daniel Sheehan	Treasurer	279-0267
Renee Qamar	Secretary/Tennis	257-3625
Sally Ezra	Membership	257-7017
Lisa Topoleski	Marketing/Snack Bar	266-8330
Mike Matheny	Building/Grounds	256-7247
Tim Ryan	Building/Grounds	266-0744
Alice Wu	Social	257-0321
Tom Jordan	Energy Conservation	844-9427
Shawna Robertson	Website Manager	257-3863
Beth Kretz	Social	229-0301

### OPERATIONS PERSONNEL

Kevin Markwardt	Pool Manager	539-6288
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*Annual Meeting: August 24 or 31, 6:30 pm at the Swim Club*

All members are invited to the Annual Meeting. This is a chance to wrap up the season and vote new members onto the Board. The club is a cooperative and Board members are volunteers.

# MEMBERSHIP LEVELS AND ANNUAL FEES

(All fees are nonrefundable)

## FULL MEMBERSHIPS

Family.....	\$543
Individual.....	\$408

*\$35 late fee for payment received after June 1*

## SPECIAL MEMBERSHIPS

Full-time Student, Family or Individual (3 year limit).....	\$181
Tennis-Only Memberships	
Individual.....	\$199
Family.....	\$299
Trial Membership	
Individual.....	\$288
Family.....	\$425

## Full-member Discounts:

- \$50 discount on next season dues for members who bring in a new member. NOTE: *Your name must be noted on the new member's application.*
- \$50 discount for members of 25 years or more.
- \$10 discount for members who renew before April 30.

**Application forms:** see office, website, or call Sally Ezra at 257-7017 or via email: [sally\\_ezra@yahoo.com](mailto:sally_ezra@yahoo.com), April through September

All membership fees include NYS sales tax.

Capital Improvement Fee: \$300 (family) or \$200 (individual) fee to be paid during the 2nd year as a full member. Fee can be paid over 2 years.

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## ITHACA SWIMMING CLUB 2011 POLICIES

1. **Registration sheet, front counter:** Member must sign in and record the number of family members and guests.
2. **Guests** must be paid for by member at the desk or when billed. The Club welcomes guests of members, but discourages inviting non-member local residents to use the facilities on a regular basis. Guest fees are \$2.50/person/day or \$10/person/wk for house-guests (babysitters are free). Ten-year members receive 10 guests for free; 25-year members receive 20 guests for free.
3. **Children under 12** may not be left at the pool unless supervised by an adult, responsible teen or babysitter. This rule will be strictly enforced. Parents, whether present or not, are responsible for the conduct of their children, and for any of their guests who are children when using Club facilities.
4. **Children who are unable to swim on their own** (without floatation devices) must be an arms-length from an adult in the water at all times.
5. **Telephone:** Please limit calls to 5 minutes.
6. **Vandalism:** The pool is patrolled by the County Sheriff's Department. Anyone caught within the enclosure after hours will be held for questioning. Children of Club members will lose their privileges for the season if involved in any criminal activity on Club grounds.
7. **Garbage:** Please take your garbage home, especially pizza boxes and disposable diapers. Recycle bottles and cans.
8. **Alcoholic Beverages** are not forbidden, but must be used with discretion. *Glass containers of any kind are prohibited.*
9. **Valuables:** The Club cannot be responsible for lost or stolen articles.
10. **Electrical Equipment**, such as hair dryers or shavers, may not be used at the Club.
11. **Radios or music players** must be used with earphones.
12. **Chairs** are not available for every single Club member. Please give adults first priority and return chairs after use.
13. **The use of cell phones** is *strictly forbidden in the locker rooms.*
14. **Please** be sure to adhere to the posted playground rules.
15. **Children** must be able to swim 25 yards on their front or back in order to be unsupervised in the diving area of the pool.