



SIDEBURN RUN

RECREATION ASSOCIATION

Upcoming Events:

[SRRA MONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING \(SESSION 1 OF 11\)](#)

02/21/2019 7:00 PM • University Mall Community Center

[SRRA ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS \(2019\)](#)

02/28/2019 7:00 PM • Cafeteria - Fairview Elementary School

[SRRA MONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING \(SESSION 2 OF 11\)](#)

03/21/2019 7:00 PM • University Mall Community Center

[SRRA MONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING \(SESSION 3 OF 11\)](#)

04/18/2019 7:00 PM • University Mall Community Center

[SRRA CLEANUP DAY #1](#)

05/04/2019 10:00 AM • Sideburn Run Pool

President's Message:

Happy winter to everyone! It has been so cold that I am truly just wishing to skip spring and be right into summer. Your Board of Directors has been busy over the winter working on pool business and hope to have another great summer season this year. Our biggest task before us right now is selecting a Pool Management contract. We have sent out a request for proposals (RFP) to about a dozen potential vendors to provide management services this summer. We are now in the review process of those proposals received.

Have you thought about lending your time and talents to your community? If so, we do need some volunteers. We have two main committees that need your help.

The **Social Committee** is looking for many helping hands. In order to offer a range of social activities we need Event Leaders. The Event Leader would only be responsible for one event (or more if they so choose). An example is, I will be the event leader for “Boola Boola No More Schoola” this year. I will be responsible for sticking to the budget given to me by the Committee Chair, Corbet Daniel; setting up; implementation of event; and then clean up. I don’t have to do it alone and can recruit other volunteers to help with the event. The old saying is certainly true, many hands make light the work. If you are interested in leading an event this year, or volunteering on the Social Committee, please email social@sideburnrun.com.

The **By-Laws Committee** is looking for people who are interested in helping update our by-laws to be more compliant and reflective of modern times. Whoever thought in the 70s we would be walking around with our cell phones and use email almost more exclusively to communicate versus paper delivered mail. Just one of the many items to bring our by-Laws into the 21st century. If you want to help update the by-laws, please email president@sideburnrun.com.

Lastly, the SRRA Board of Directors wants to hear from you on what events and capital improvements you’d like to see planed in the coming years. If you haven’t done so yet, please take a moment to complete a short survey to help make our pool a safer and more enjoyable place for everybody. The survey is available on the SRRA website (<https://sideburnrun.com>) and will close February 18.

Marian Littleton, SRRA President

We hope you're surviving the cold this winter, and are looking forward to a fun-filled Summer!

The Social Committee is starting plans for our Summer fun, so if you are interested in helping, please contact us at social@sideburnrun.com

 *Please join us for our annual clean up days on 4, 18 May (Rain days 5, 19 May)*

*11 May
Spring Fling!*



13 June

*Boola Boola
No More
Schoola!!*

*4th of July
Spectacular!*



And More!



Membership Update:

Last year SRRA changed the bond structure for new members and the results were overwhelmingly positive—we added 18 new bond members to SRRA. It was the best recruiting season for new bond members in more than 15 years and we believe the reason is due the changes we made in the Bond/Capital Improvement fees for new members in 2018. These changes have made the long-term commitment to Sideburn Run more affordable for younger families.

Although we had 17 former bond members request their refund last year, we did end the year with a net gain for the first time in several years. The Board sees this slow, incremental growth continuing for the next several years as some of our older members from the 90s, 80s, and even the 70s continue to seek redemption of their bonds.

The Board of Directors is continuing to look in to ways to make the membership more affordable and valuable for our bond members. This year we will once again be raising our membership rates by only \$5 (about 1%). This small increase is to cover the increasing costs of the services provided to SRRA from outside vendors (lifeguards, trash service, pool chemicals, online transaction fees, etc.) The annual assessments will be sent out via email on March 1 and are due on April 30. Any payments received after April 30 are subject to a late fee.

Finally, please tell a friend about SRRA and ask them to join. The #1 reason why people don't join SRRA is they never heard about SRRA or were never asked to join.

Jim McHugh, SRRA Membership Chairperson

Swim and Dive News:

On January 2 twenty-three swimmers and divers met at the Burke Bowl America for the 2nd Annual Sideburn Run Swim & Dive Team 1/2 Way to Summer Bowling Event. Everybody in attendance had fun bowling and talking about how glad they were for school to be out, their winter break activities, and of the coming swim & dive season. We hope to have more sharks at next year's 1/2 Way to Summer Bowling Event during the 2019 winter break.

It is hard to believe but the pool will open in a little more than 100 days. The 2019 NVSL swim and dive season will begin on May 28 with both the swim and dive teams coming off of championship seasons in 2018. This year we hope to continue the fun we had in 2018 and maybe do a couple of new things to make the summer memorable for both kids and adults. Nicki Miller will be coming back for her 4th season as the Sideburn Run Swim Rep and Jim McHugh will be returning for his second season as the Dive Rep. Both Kelly Dobrydney and Timmy Pearce will be returning to coach the swim and dive teams this season and are anxiously waiting for the weather to turn warm.

The dive team will defend their title against Vienna Woods and four new teams, Dunn Loring, Fairfax, Oakton, and Overlee. Sideburn Run was selected to host the annual NVSL Cracker Jack Meet on July 21. The swim team will receive their schedule on February 24 and it will be posted to Swimtopia ASAP. Sideburn Run is also a finalist to host the NVSL Swim All-Star event on August 3.

Finally, there will be no increase in the registration fees in 2019. Through the combination of hosting NVSL special events and new fundraising ideas we are hoping to continue to hold the rates steady thru 2020. You can register for the swim and dive teams on Swimtopia (<https://srrasharks.swimtopia.com/>) beginning on March 1.

Go Sharks!

Nicki Miller, Swim Rep

Jim McHugh, Dive Rep