

Introduction to Volunteering and Safety at Cleveland Pools

Cleveland Pools

The Pools opened in 1817 and the last person swam there in 1984. In 2014 we were awarded £4.3 million by the Heritage Lottery Fund, to renovate and reopen the Pools, conditional on us meeting planning requirements and raising an additional £400,000 by Autumn 2016. We have also received a pledge of £200,000 from Bath and North East Somerset council and we continue to work with many other partners such as Wessex Water and local businesses to ensure the future success of the Pools. If all goes to plan we expect that work will begin on site in 2017, with an opening date in 2018. We have recently appointed a Design Team to work on the technical and planning issues.

Volunteer opportunities

Maintenance days Whatever you have volunteered to do, we recommend you try to come to a volunteer maintenance day. They offer a range of activities including gardening and basic DIY to keep the grounds and buildings attractive and in good condition. These take place fortnightly on Mondays from 11 am to 2 pm and are the best way for new volunteers to find out about the Pools. We'll also make sure that you have a full tour of the site and buildings. There is a core group of around 20 volunteers who come regularly to these workdays. Check our website for dates and just turn up.

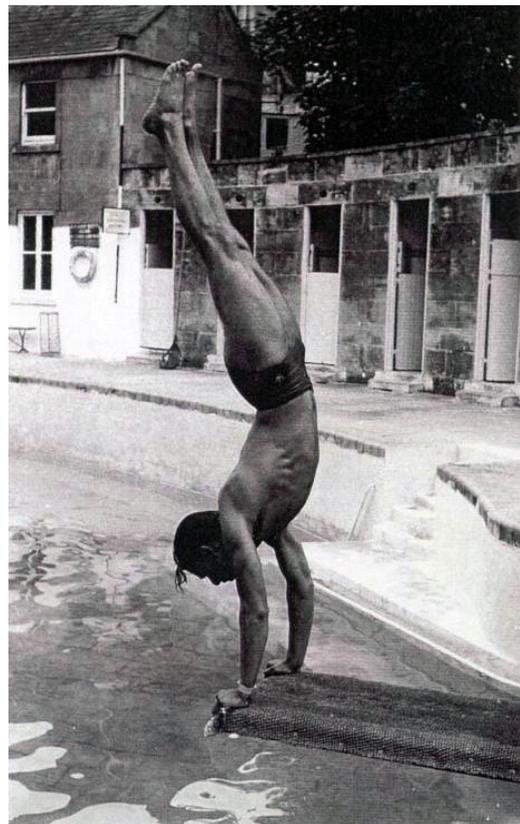
Events There will be lots of exciting and important public events at the Pools in 2016 to build support and help with fundraising. We'll need lots of volunteers to help us make these events a success so this will be a great opportunity for you to get more involved. Check the website for the latest details of forthcoming events.

Specialist roles There are many other ways to be involved as a volunteer. Over the coming year we'll be promoting the pools in Bath and beyond, running displays and stalls, fundraising, and beginning conservation work. If you have specialist skills that you would like to share - from conservation to fundraising, marketing to organising events, we'd like to know. Please use the online application form to tell us how you would like to be involved.

Access to the Pools

There is no car parking nearby, so please walk, cycle or take a bus. Access is by a steep path from Hampton Row.

If you have special needs that may make access difficult, please let us know and we will do our best to accommodate you.



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Safety at the Pools

We take safety very seriously and have made the environment as safe as possible. But due to the nature of the site there are steep slopes, slippery slopes, and uneven paths. In wet weather the poolside can be slippery.

It is everyone's responsibility to be aware of these risks, to take care when working at the site and to follow any guidance from on site supervisors.

On site, wear shoes with non slip soles, and practical work clothes suitable for the current weather. We can supply work gloves. We provide hand tools, gloves and kneeling pads, so it isn't necessary to bring your own.

We do not usually use power tools to avoid disturbance to our neighbours and to minimise risks to volunteers.

Please be aware of the location of the life preservers and throw ropes

Please do not rinse your hands in the pool as we are unable to guarantee the water quality. Use the soap and sink provided.

If you are unsure what is expected of you when you are on site, please always ask the supervising volunteer or staff. If you feel that an activity might be too demanding, just ask us for a more gentle task. There is always lots to do.

Under 18's

Under 18's are welcome at some of our volunteer events, but any activities they do must be age appropriate and they should be supervised by their parent / guardian. If you are bringing an under 18 to a volunteer event please tell us in advance.

Volunteer Support

Volunteering at the Pools is coordinated by our volunteer coordinator, Tony Ambrose (who is also a volunteer). In addition most volunteer roles are supervised by a named person who is likely to be a volunteer, so you should always have support and guidance when you are volunteering.

If you have a question about volunteering or have skills or experience that could help us, email volunteers@clevelandpools.org.uk If you need to contact us about volunteering urgently you can also call **07816 588287**

Change of Circumstance

If your plans change and you are no longer able to volunteer, please let us know using the volunteer support contacts above.



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