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RICHMOND SWIM CENTER REOPENS AFTER MORE THAN A YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION

What: Richmond Swim Center Grand Re-Opening
Who: Mayor Tom Butt and Councilmembers, City Manager Bill Lindsay, WCCUSD Board President Todd Groves, Cal swimmer Justin Lynch
When: Saturday, October 24, 2015
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Where: 4300 Cutting Boulevard (Next to Kennedy High School)
Richmond, CA

RICHMOND, Calif., - Community residents and swimming enthusiasts are invited to attend the grand re-opening of the Richmond Swim Center this Saturday. Cal swimmer Justin Lynch, and the family of famed local swim coach William Randolph, after whom the Swim Center is named, will also be present to celebrate the event.

Closed for nearly a year and a half, the $7.6 million renovation includes the construction of a retractable skylight, a reconfigured Olympic-sized swimming pool, an outdoor play structure within an enclosed courtyard and picnic areas surrounded by new landscaping. Funding for the project was completely supported by the school district's construction bonds.

“This is a beautiful facility that will benefit this community and the students at Kennedy High School for decades to come,” said West Contra Costa Unified School District Board President Todd Groves. “Recreation and physical activity are important factors in the development of our children and our communities. This partnership with the City of Richmond is a model for how we can work with our partners to ensure that we are supporting the whole child.”

Reopening the Richmond Swim Center brings the total number of public swimming pools in the City to two – the other, called "The Plunge," is located in Point Richmond.

Both facilities are maintained and operated by the Richmond Recreation Department, which will be providing water fitness programs, family and recreation swim, and tot splash programs at the Swim Center. Swim lessons and Aqua Zumba programs will resume next January. Student swim programs will also be offered as part of the City/School District partnership.

“We’ve been looking forward to seeing the upgrades at the Swim Center,” said Richmond Mayor Tom Butt, who will be attending the grand opening ceremony. “Our residents and community deserve a first class swimming facility where they can take lessons, exercise, and be proud of the amenities we have in Richmond.”

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Richmond Swim Center
Grand Opening Showcase

Saturday, October 24th
5:00pm to 7:00pm

4300 Cutting Blvd
Richmond, CA 94804
(Next to Kennedy High School)

Desserts and refreshments will be served.
No swimming during the event.

For more information, please contact the Recreation Department at (510) 620-6793
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