



FAIRWAY FARMS SWIM AND TENNIS CLUB SPRING NEWSLETTER

March 2026

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Hello Fairway Farms Members!

I hope you all are doing well and surviving this brutally cold winter mother nature has given us. Before long, we will be relaxing poolside in the sunshine with family, friends, or a good book. We have an exciting season ahead with so much to look forward to!

A special **thank you** to last year's outgoing board members for your services over the last two years - **Mike Testa, Mel Kolinski, and Dave Billington**. The changes and upgrades that have come from your leadership have made our pool and facilities enjoyable for years to come!

In 2025, we welcomed many new members to the club! It was refreshing to see so many new faces get involved with the swim team and social activities. I'm pleased to share that we have a few **Empty Nester Memberships** available for the upcoming season. If interested, please fill out the application on the website.

Looking forward to the 2026 season, we remain focused on reducing our debt and improving our facilities. At the end of last season, the Board approved an **\$18,000 payment toward the principal on our loan**.

Similar to last year, we are continuing to offer an online payment option for dues. In addition to making your dues payment, please remember that all members need to **register in eSoft** to activate your membership for the 2026 season.

New for 2026, FFSC members now have a new way to share the fun with friends and family! Members can purchase **20 guest passes at a discounted rate** of \$100, all tracked electronically in eSoft for convenient use throughout the season. Passes can be purchased in increments of 20 (can purchase multiple packs) **through March 15th**. Any unused guest passes will automatically roll over to the next season.

I am looking forward to another great season at Fairway Farms!
Go Barracudas!

Thomas Ciuffetelli
FFSC President



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IMPORTANT DATES!

MEMBER WORK DAYS

Early May...Stay Tuned!

OPENING DAY

Thursday, May 21st

NEW MEMBER MEET & GREET

Saturday, May 23rd
11:00 am

A NOTE FROM OUR VICE PRESIDENT...

I am Paul Finch, your Vice President for the 2026 season. I am excited to be part of the Board and look forward to supporting and shaping the club into what our Membership wants it to be. It has been a joy to see all the new, young families join over the past few years and takes me back to when our kids were younger and spent the majority of their summer here.

I look forward to enjoying our club together this upcoming season. Please be on the lookout for the upcoming volunteer days to help our Building and Grounds leads, Matt and Jason, to clean, prep, and perform the odd jobs in preparation for Opening Day! Lots of hands make light work so we can all enjoy another beautiful season at the best club in area!



GREETINGS FROM MEMBERSHIP!

Each year, families make the ultimate decision to join us for another season of summer fun. We hope that Fairway Farms continues to provide the kind of experiences that make that decision an easy one!

We encourage you to talk with friends and neighbors and invite them to join our wait list. The [application link](#) is available on our website under the Membership tab. Your efforts as members and ambassadors help make Fairway Farms such a special destination each summer. Bring a guest this season and share everything Fairway Farms has to offer!

Fairway Farms Swim Club uses eSoft Planner to securely store family information and individual photos. Each bond member can log in to review and update their family profile. Please take a few minutes before the season begins to ensure your information is accurate. If you have a new addition to your family, please update your family profile (including a photo) on [eSoft](#). This same process applies if adding an associate member to your bond.

As in past years, the [Guest Waiver and Release Form](#) will be completed online only—no paper forms will be available. Guests may complete the waiver in advance. Please direct parents of guests under 18 to complete the form on our website under the General Information tab prior to their visit.

The New Member Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, May 23 at 11:00 AM. We also encourage families who joined last year to attend. This is a great opportunity to meet Board Members, club managers, and other new families while learning more about Fairway Farms!

If you have questions regarding dues, bonds, or other membership matters, please don't hesitate to reach out. We look forward to another great summer at Fairway Farms! ☀️

Vicki Oliver, FFSC Membership Chair
fairwayfarmsmembership@gmail.com

PARTY time!

INTERESTED IN HOSTING A PARTY THIS SUMMER?

Spring is in the air, and with the warmer weather on the horizon, it's the perfect time to start planning your summer pool parties at Fairway!

For parties that will take place during our normal operating hours, **party requests can be submitted starting May 1st** using the form on the website -our manager will send out **approvals in mid-May**. Once the season is in full swing, we strive to approve party requests as quickly as possible. Typically, these requests will be approved within 48-72 hours.

If you're planning a party that will take place **outside of our regular operating hours**—such as a school party—**now is the time to submit your request**. Simply fill out the party request form for approval at our monthly Board meeting!



PARTY REQUEST FORM

STAY IN THE LOOP FOR SUMMER FUN!

As we look ahead to another great summer at Fairway, we want to make sure everyone stays informed and connected!

While **important updates will always be sent to members by email**, we encourage you to check out our website and social media pages for additional updates, reminders, and fun happenings throughout the season!

You can also find helpful information and announcements **posted in the clubhouse lobby**, so be sure to take a look when you stop by the pool!

Looking forward to another summer full of sunshine, swimming, and great memories!

Stephanie Edwin, FFSC Secretary
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www.fairwayfarmsswimclub.com



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Fairway Farms Swim & Tennis Club



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SUMMER FUN... FAIRWAY FARMS STYLE!

We're excited to bring back several fan-favorite events this year—including Trivia Night, the Kid/Teen Party, and Pancakes at the Pool—along with a few fun new ideas! We love spending time at Fairway with our friends and family and can't wait to see all of you in just a couple of months. We also look forward to welcoming our new members and hope you'll join us at our upcoming events. Please note that some events may require a sign-up and/or an additional cost in order to take place.

We'll continue to share updates through newsletters, email, and Facebook!



Danielle Brandon and Theresa Killingbeck
FFSC Social Committee

FOOD TRUCKS ARE BACK AT FAIRWAY!

- Food trucks will be returning to Fairway this year on select Wednesdays from June 3 to August 12, serving from 4:30-7:30 pm.
- Be sure to invite your neighbors, family, and friends to grab dinner while the truck is parked in the lot! To help keep the trucks coming back, each visit requires a minimum of 100 entrees sold.
- Menus will be posted along with a reminder during the week each truck is scheduled to visit.
- Please note that the schedule is subject to change, but the most up-to-date information can always be found here: [FFSC Food Truck Schedule 2026](#)

FLOAT NIGHT

Float Night will take place every Wednesday from 5:00–8:00 PM.
Bring your favorite float and enjoy a relaxing evening in the pool!



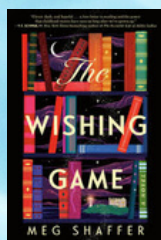
BOOK SWAPS

Join us for our Fairway Book Swap nights at 6:30 PM on June 3, June 24, July 29, and August 26. Bring a book you've enjoyed and swap it for a new read! It's a fun way to discover great books, share favorites, and connect with fellow readers in the community.

BEACHY BARRACUDA BOOK CLUB

Join us for the Beachy Barracuda Book Club this summer! Meetings begin at 7:00 PM and are a great opportunity to share thoughts, discover new books, and connect with fellow readers in the Fairway community. All are welcome!

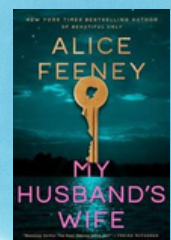
JUNE 24TH
THE WISHING
GAME



JULY 29TH
ONE & ONLY



AUGUST 26TH
MY HUSBAND'S
WIFE



2026 Social Calendar

MAY

May 22: Opening Day Weekend Scavenger Hunt

May 24: Memorial Day Weekend Celebration - Games on the Lawn, Kona Ice Truck & more!

JUNE

June 16: Kids Party (exiting grades K-6) 4:30-7:00 pm

June 16: Teen Party (exiting grades 7-12) 7:30-10:00 pm

June 19: Movie Night @ Dusk

June 20: Candy Bar Bingo (2:45 & 3:45 pm adult swims)

June 22: Adult Trivia Night (7:00 pm)

June 24: Candy Bar Bingo (3:45 & 4:45 pm adult swims)



JULY

July 4: 4th of July Weekend Celebration - Bike Parade, Games on the Lawn, Kona Ice Truck & more!

July 10: Adult Swim Night 7:00-11:00 pm

July 17: Movie Night @ Dusk

July 18: Pancakes at the Pool 9:00-11:00 am

July 21: Candy Bar Bingo (1:45 & 2:45 pm adult swims)



AUGUST

August 2-7: Staff Appreciation Week

August 8: Adult Party 6:00-11:00 pm

August 9: Candy Bar Bingo (1:45 & 2:45 adult swims)

SEPTEMBER

September 6: Labor Day Weekend Celebration - Coin and Duck Toss, Kona Ice Truck, and other fun end of summer activities!


Interested in Drop In Activities?

Looking to meet up with friends or make some new ones for a casual game?
Come join the fun and get something going!

Weekly Pick-Up Games

 Monday: Basketball (7-8 PM)

 Wednesday: Pickleball (7-8 PM)

 Friday: Volleyball (7-8 PM)

Just show up, jump in, and play! No teams or sign-ups needed...everyone is welcome!



FAIRWAY FARMS

BARRACUDAS SWIM TEAM

Looking for exciting family fun this summer? Join the Fairway Farms Barracudas for an unforgettable summer swim season! Joining the swim team is the perfect way for your children to **stay active**, learn the **value of teamwork**, make **new friends**, improve their **swimming skills**, and **beat the heat** while having a blast! It's also a great way to encourage **family fun** - we welcome family and friends to join us cheering them on at meets!

More information about the swim team will be sent in a separate email in early May. Please refer to that email for all details about the 2026 season and specific instructions on how to join the team.

Questions about the team? Reach out to our swim team coordinators!

Jen Grala and Kelly Evanoff
swimteam@fairwayfarmsswimclub.com

2026 SWIM MEET SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, JUNE 18TH	AT NORTVILLE
TUESDAY, JUNE 23RD*	VS. COLONY
THURSDAY, JUNE 25TH	BYE
TUESDAY, JUNE 30TH*	VS. BURTON HOLLOW
THURSDAY, JULY 2ND	NO MEETS!
TUESDAY, JULY 7TH	AT NEWBURGH
THURSDAY, JULY 9TH	AT COLONY
TUESDAY, JULY 14TH*	VS. NORTHVILLE
THURSDAY, JULY 16TH	AT BURTON HOLLOW
TUESDAY, JULY 21ST	BYE
THURSDAY, JULY 23RD*	VS. NEWBURGH
SATURDAY JULY 25TH AND SUNDAY JULY 26TH LEAGUE MEET AT NORTHVILLE SWIM CLUB	

** FAIRWAY WILL CLOSE AT 4:00 PM ON HOME MEET DAYS **

OTHER IMPORTANT SWIM TEAM DATES...

SATURDAY, MAY 23RD

9:30-11:00 AM: SUIT FITTING (AT FAIRWAY)

10:30 AM: PARENT MEETING WITH COACHES & COORDINATORS

TUESDAY, JUNE 9TH

9:00-11:00 AM: SWIM CLINIC - FREESTYLE & BACKSTROKE

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10TH

9:00-11:00 AM: SWIM CLINIC - BREASTSTROKE & BUTTERFLY

THURSDAY, JUNE 11TH

9:00-11:00 AM: SWIM CLINIC - STARTS & FLIP TURNS

MONDAY, JUNE 16TH ...SWIM PRACTICE BEGINS!

8:00-9:00 AM (AGE 11+) / 9:00-10:00 AM (10 AND UNDER)

THURSDAY, JUNE 18TH

PRACTICE MEET

FRIDAY, JUNE 19TH

PICTURE DAY!

FRIDAY, JULY 24TH

4:00 PM: FIRE UP DINNER (AT FAIRWAY)

SATURDAY, JULY 25TH AND SUNDAY, JULY 26TH

SISL LEAGUE MEET (AT NORTHVILLE)

SUNDAY, JULY 26TH

END OF SEASON BANQUET (AT FAIRWAY)



FAIRWAY FARMS

2026 COACHING TEAM

COACH KARA SVOBODA



Many of you already know me, as this will be my fourth year on the coaching staff and sixth year as a Fairway employee! I have also taught swim lessons to many of our families! As a kid, I swam 11 seasons on the Fairway Farms Swim Team! I continued swimming at Churchill High School and have since joined the MSU Swim Club to continue competing. I am so excited to be back coaching this season! I feel like I bring a high energy level to coaching and I love developing relationships with our swimmers. Hearing “Coach Kara” being called across the deck because a swimmer can’t wait to share their accomplishments is one of the things I look forward to most!

I am currently attending Michigan State University studying Secondary Education – mathematics while minoring in business and organizational leadership! In my free time, I love spending time with my family and friends, watching MSU sports, and working out. I am looking forward to a fun and competitive summer swim season! Go Barracudas!

COACH BLAKE WILSON



I am so excited to join the coaching staff for the 2026 season! For the past 7 summers at Fairway Farms, I have grown from a lifeguard to a swim instructor, head lifeguard, and now assistant manager. Throughout this time, I have built strong relationships with our families, ensured the pool and grounds remained safe and clean, and helped swimmers become excited about learning to swim. At the end of last season, I stepped into the assistant coach role and thoroughly enjoyed it!

My coaching style emphasizes positive feedback, active in-water coaching, and engaging with swimmers to help them develop a passion for the sport, ultimately leading to more confident and fun racing. I also bring a deep understanding of the league. From ages 8-18, I swam at Newburgh Swim Club, where I eventually assisted coaches with meet and practice preparation and helped swim coordinators with team culture. Additionally, I trained year-round with LCSC and the Farmington Stingrays and competed all four years at Stevenson, serving as captain during my senior year. In my leadership roles at Fairway Farms, I have managed staff, upheld safety standards, and communicated with members daily—skills I look forward to applying to run efficient practices and smooth meet days.

To share a bit more about myself, I am currently finishing school at the University of Michigan-Dearborn and working at RSM, an accounting firm in Downtown Detroit. In my spare time, I enjoy playing pickleball and slow-pitch softball. I am looking forward to a great season!



FAIRWAY FARMS

2026 COACHING TEAM

COACH CONNOR CURTIS



I am so excited to join the coaching staff for the Fairway Farms Barracudas! Having been a member of the Fairway Farms Swim Club for over a decade, this community is incredibly special to me. I joined the swim team in fifth grade and continued through my freshman year of college.

The swim team has been a prominent part of my childhood and recent life. I spent the majority of my summers at Fairway and found it to be an amazing atmosphere full of friendship, fun, and support, while also serving as a place where I could compete and push myself to be the best swimmer possible.

I currently attend Michigan State University, where I remain active in competitive athletics as a member of the MSU rowing team. My years on the swim team and my participation in other sports have taught me the crucial importance of a good coach. I believe a coach should create an environment where kids can truly enjoy themselves and prosper by showing genuine care and support while pushing athletes to be their best selves both in and out of the sport.

Currently, I work as an undergraduate learning assistant at MSU where I assist students in and out of class. I have always had an interest in painting and creating art, and I love to watch and participate in all types of sports. When I am able to make it home from school, I love to see our two dogs, Piper and Goose. I am confident that I can provide leadership for our swimmers, and I can't wait for the season to start. I look forward to seeing you all soon!

COACH LUCY DELLER



My name is Lucy Deller, and I am a current freshman at the University of Kentucky double majoring in elementary and special education. I have always had a passion for teaching and working with children, alongside a lifelong love for swimming.

My swimming career began at age four at Goldfish Swim School, and I later joined the Newburgh Swim Club at age seven, competing there until last summer. I have also swam for several club teams, including LCSC, Bulldogs, and FFYS, as well as the Northville High School team.

I have been working at Fairway Farms since 2023, starting in the snack shack before moving into a lifeguard role. For the past two summers, I have taught swim lessons at Fairway, and this past summer I began teaching private lessons independently. These experiences have allowed me to develop skills in breaking down techniques and providing individualized instruction to help swimmers succeed.

Fun facts about me: I am a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma in Kentucky! I have a younger sister and two younger brothers! I have two dogs, Newton & Winnie! I love game nights with family and friends, baking, coloring, and watching sports! I am looking forward to working with the team and supporting our swimmers!!



2026 Swim Lessons

Fairway Farms is offering swim lessons for children ages 4 and up, catering to all skill levels. The lessons will be taught by certified lifeguards and will follow American Red Cross guidelines.

For beginners, we offer Intro to Water Skills (Level 1) and Fundamental Water Skills (Level 2). For more experienced swimmers, we offer a program focused on refining stroke technique, turns, starts, and preparing for the swim team.

Class sizes will be limited to ensure a safe and manageable student-teacher ratio:

- **Intro to Water Skills & Fundamental Water Skills:** Maximum 12 students per two instructors.
- **Beginning Stroke Development, Intermediate Stroke Technique, and Advanced Swimmer:** Maximum 10 students per instructor.

Lessons will be available to both members and non-members, with preference given to members. Classes will run Monday through Friday. If lessons are canceled due to weather, they will be rescheduled for the Monday following the last class.

Registration opens on our website May 28th. The cost for members is \$80 per session, and \$100 per session for non-members. Payment can be made at the Front Desk prior to the start of the session.

Session 1: June 15th – June 26th

Make up day – June 29 (Lesson CANCELED to weather)

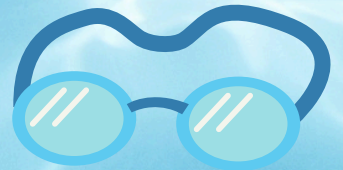
Beginning Stroke Development – 10:10 am to 10:50 am
Intermediate Stroke Technique – 10:10 am to 10:50 am
Advanced Swimmer / Swim Team – 10:10 am to 10:50 am
Intro to Water Skills (Level 1) – 10:55 am to 11:30 am
Fundamental Water Skills (Level 2) – 10:55 am to 11:30 am



Session 2: July 6th – July 17th

Make up day – July 20 (Lesson CANCELED to weather)

Beginning Stroke Development – 10:10 am to 10:50 am
Intermediate Stroke Technique – 10:10 am to 10:50 am
Advanced Swimmer / Swim Team – 10:10 am to 10:50 am
Intro to Water Skills (Level 1) – 10:55 am to 11:30 am
Fundamental Water Skills (Level 2) – 10:55 am to 11:30 am



Session 3: July 27th – August 7th

Make up day – August 10 (Lesson CANCELED to weather)

Beginning Stroke Development – 10:10 am to 10:50 am
Intermediate Stroke Technique – 10:10 am to 10:50 am
Advanced Swimmer / Swim Team – 10:10 am to 10:50 am
Intro to Water Skills (Level 1) – 10:55 am to 11:30 am
Fundamental Water Skills (Level 2) – 10:55 am to 11:30 am

BUILDING AND GROUNDS KEEPING FAIRWAY LOOKING GREAT!

Buildings & Grounds had another noteworthy year with many projects completed thanks to the efforts of our volunteers and board members. 2025 picked up right where 2024 left off! Below is a short list of some of our accomplishments, though it is by no means the complete list. As always, be sure to check out the [club website](#) for more details on all of the adventures happening around Fairway!

- We continued our work to **replace failing concrete sections** and improve drainage around the pool deck and surrounding club walkways. This year we completed the main area around the clubhouse entrance, the deck seating along the pavilion, and a section near the pump house.
- The old, often-leaky spray valve that occasionally washed your feet unexpectedly is officially gone! In its place is a new **pedestal-style footwash**, similar to those found in state parks. B&G is very happy with the new unit, and it should serve our members well for many years to come.
- **Fence repairs** included installing several new posts and components in areas where new concrete was poured. The gate no longer scrapes or grinds and now opens and closes smoothly.
- Additional **pool filter system repairs** were completed this year as well. As we wrapped up the 2024 concrete replacement near the pumphouse, we discovered an unresolved leak. Due to time and budget constraints, the repair was deferred until 2025. This spring, B&G removed another section of concrete and replaced additional cracked pipes that supply water to the pool from the filter system.
- Turf maintenance was another important focus in 2025. Sod was installed in areas at the front of the club to quickly improve turf quality while continuing to address low spots and other problem areas. In the fall, B&G spread hundreds of pounds of **grass seed and fertilizer** throughout the main areas of the property. With the help of rain, cooler temperatures, and fall sunlight, thin turf areas filled in nicely and looked much improved this spring.
- To help store yard games (fowling, cornhole, and more) and other equipment, B&G installed a **new shed** along the south fence. Thank you to Mike Testa for assisting with coordinating permits and inspections on behalf of the club.
- The **staircase to the basement** was completely renovated. The old stairs were removed in several deteriorated sections. The basement wall was prepared and waterproofed, and the sagging ceiling was replaced with new lighting and simple crown molding trim. The walls were freshly painted, and the stairs received several coats of high-traffic deck stain to complete the refreshed look. Thank you to the Mehelich family for stripping and refinishing the original oak handrails to their beautiful natural appearance.
- The **snack shack also received quite a makeover** in the spring of 2025! Updates included new cabinets with an improved layout for additional storage and capacity, new plumbing and fixtures, and a new countertop to complete the look. Thank you to Bobby Votruba for his detailed fitment and installation of the countertop and other cabinet components.

B&G WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND A HEARTFELT THANK YOU TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS WHO CONTRIBUTED THEIR TIME AND ENERGY TO THESE EFFORTS IN 2025. YOUR WORK HELPS MAKE OUR CLUB A WONDERFUL PLACE FOR THE COMMUNITY TO GATHER AND ENJOY!

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

WHAT'S AHEAD FOR 2026

B&G already has several large projects underway this year! Stay updated by checking the club website and watching for club emails and social media announcements. Volunteers are always welcome...your help keeps the club looking amazing. Here are a few of the projects planned for 2026:

- **Concrete & Drainage Work** – Additional sections of concrete and drainage improvements will further reduce water concerns around the clubhouse foundation and pool deck areas.
- **Pumphouse Surge Tank Renovation** – A long-time B&G goal, this renovation will upgrade the surge tank, which maintains pump flow and water levels in the pool. Over the years, it has required repeated patching due to old plumbing. This project will complete most of the updates to the pool filter system, ensuring decades of worry-free operation.
- **Pavilion Improvements** – B&G is planning a couple of exciting surprises for the 2026 season. Stay tuned!
- **Clubhouse Landscaping** – Our volunteers and workdays have made great strides in controlling weeds and improving plantings. This spring, we'll continue enhancing the clubhouse landscaping to make it even more beautiful.
- **Locker Room Partitions** – One of the last major components yet to be updated, the locker room partitions will receive all-new hardware and components this spring, completing the renovation.
- **Parking Lot Sealcoating & Striping** – A protective asphalt sealer and additional crack repairs will extend the life of the parking lot. Fresh paint for parking spaces and other details will finish the project.

B&G IS EXCITED FOR ANOTHER PRODUCTIVE YEAR AND LOOKS FORWARD TO SHARING UPDATES AS THESE PROJECTS PROGRESS!

SPRING WORK DAYS

Your support makes all the difference...thank you for helping us maintain and improve our club!

This year's member **work days are expected to be scheduled for early May** (dates TBD as we monitor weather, schedules, and other factors). Watch our club socials and emails for those upcoming B&G announcements! We hope you'll join us to pitch in, have fun, and keep Fairway looking amazing!

For those able to help the club with our list of tasks, we're once again offering guest passes as a thank you for your time! **This year, we've increased the number of passes to 8 (from 4) for each four-hour work block.** Typically, we have a morning block and a mid-day block, with donuts, coffee, snacks, beverages, and a pizza lunch available to anyone who attends. Guest passes are credited directly to your membership account in our software—no paper slips to misplace! Simply reference your guest pass at check-in the day you bring your guest. We look forward to seeing you there and appreciate your help in keeping Fairway looking amazing!

