



Facilities

The main pool is approximately 30m long and there is a smaller learner pool (not available all sessions). Both pools are heated to around 80°F (26°C). There are extensive paved and grassed areas around the pool with benches and tables which are great for sunbathing and picnics. There are also some sunbeds for hire. The facilities were extensively refurbished in 2016, generously funded by GlaxoSmithkline to mark their 300th Anniversary. In 2018 the equipment in the small children's play area was refurbished by The Rotary Club of Hertford Shires.

The pool has male, female, and family changing rooms with lockers, showers, toilets and hair driers. The family changing area includes disabled facilities.

There is access from the Lido to a refreshment kiosk that sells hot and cold food, drinks and ice cream. (The kiosk is managed independently, and opening hours may vary from those of the Lido).

Location

Ware Lido opened in 1934 and is one of the last open air pools in the area. It is situated close to Ware town centre on the west side of the Priory Grounds, next to the Skate Park and Play Area. The entrance is from Priory Street, where there is a small area of free car parking for Lido users. There are also bike racks, and the Lido is close to the River Lea cycle path. There is a public car park opposite the site, and the Lido is in walking distance of other Town Centre car parks. The Lido Post code is SG12 0DE



NEW FOR 2020 INTRODUCING THE BEAST

At over 16 metres long, The Beast is a huge pool inflatable that will be available at Ware Lido during the afternoon fun swim sessions in the Easter holidays, May half term and Summer holidays. The Beast is also available for private hire.



The maximum capacity for 'The Beast' both for fun sessions and private hire is 40 swimmers.

Disclaimer – if the weather is hot and we know its going to be a busy day, then the fun swim will be changed to a general public swim to allow more people to enjoy our facilities (this will be done at the managers discretion, please call in advance).

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Session times and information



Timetable

- Early Morning Swim (EMS) ● Afternoon Swim ●
- Morning Swim (Main Pool only) ● Evening Swim ●
- Lunchtime Swim (LTS) ● Swim school ○
- Schools or Fun Swim ● Available for Private Hire ●

	6.00-8.00	10.00-12.15	12.30-13.30	13.45-15.30	16.00-17.45	18.00-20.00	20.00+
April 6th -19th							
Mon	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Tue	●	●	●	●	●	○	●
Wed	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Thur	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Fri	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Sat	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Sun	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
April 20th - May 24th							
Mon	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Tue	●	●	●	●	●	○	●
Wed	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Thur	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Fri	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Sat	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Sun	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
May 25th - July 3rd*							
Mon	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Tue	●	●	●	●	●	○	●
Wed	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Thur	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Fri	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Sat	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Sun	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
July 4th - 19th							
Mon	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Tue	●	●	●	●	●	○	●
Wed	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Thur	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Fri	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Sat	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Sun	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
July 20th - September 6th							
Mon	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Tue	●	●	●	●	●	○	●
Wed	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Thur	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Fri	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Sat	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Sun	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
September 7th - September 30th							
Mon	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Tue	●	●	●	●	●	○	●
Wed	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Thur	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Fri	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Sat	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Sun	●	●	●	●	●	●	●

*May half term - fun swims will resume from 13.45 - 14.45
 Carnival Day - special opening arrangements and events, please check.

Important Information

Pool Capacity and Afternoon Sessions

The Lido can get crowded in good weather and it is necessary to restrict entry to avoid overcrowding on safety grounds. Generally, the morning sessions tend to be less crowded than afternoons.

To try to address problems with high demand and queuing in hot weather, the fun swim may be substituted for a general public swim which will be split into two sessions; 13.45pm - 15.30pm and 16.00pm - 17.45pm. These will be done at the Managers discretion. The pool will be cleared between these sessions to allow more people to enjoy the facilities.

These arrangements will be monitored and may be altered at the discretion of the general manager. The usual admission charges will still be applied.

There is no separate spectator rate as everyone benefits from the pool surroundings and Lido facilities. Admission charges are payable for everyone entering the lido.

Juniors are 2 - 16 years of age. Proof of age may be required and when in question the adult rate will apply.

Children under 2 years free of charge.

Children under the age of 8 years will not be admitted unless accompanied by, and under the constant supervision of, an adult swimming. Only two under 8 year olds per adult.

We recommend that non/weak swimmers wear armbands at all times around the pools.

Concession Rates are for adults aged 60 and over, Full time students (valid NUS card) and doctors referrals only. Appropriate proof must be provided.

Payment can be accepted by cash, cheque (payable to Ware Town Council) and debit or credit card.

The Lido site is a no smoking area, and the consumption of alcohol is not allowed on the site.

For safety reasons the Lido has to be cleared if there is thunder and lightning, in these circumstances the pool has to remain closed for 30 minutes after the last thunder.

Keep up to date with the Lido at



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Further Information

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Prices

		With Inflatable
Adult	£6.00	£8.00
Junior	£3.00	£5.00
Concession	£3.00	£5.00

Early Morning Swim (EMS)	£6.00	
Lunch Time Swim (LTS)	£5.00	
Lunch Time Swim (GSK')	£4.50	

1 Adult and 1Child	£8.00	
1 Adult and 2 Children	£10.50	
2 Adults and 1Child	£13.00	
2 Adults and 2 Children	£15.50	
2 Adults and 3 Children	£17.50	

Swim Saver Ticket		
Adult	£48.00	
Junior	£24.00	
Concession	£24.00	

Season Ticket		
Adult	£150.00	
Junior	£75.00	
Concession	£90.00	

Hiring the Pool		With Inflatable
Private - First hour	£140.00	£200.00
- Second hour	£120.00	£160.00
Concession - First hour	£100.00	£150.00
- Second hour	£90.00	£130.00

Swim School

Shark Swimmers runs a summer pre-starter swim school for children under four years of age. The classes aim to build confidence in the water before children start main stream lessons. Our classes run Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays 9.15-10.45. Contact Meg at sharkswimmers38@gmail.com for more information.

'GSK workers only, not to be used in conjunction with Allenburys