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Memorial Park pool to open

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Memorial Park swimming pool operators have their fingers crossed as the scheduled weekend pool opening approaches.

Advance forecasts call for sunny skies to dominate the Memorial Day weekend, a welcome change to weather patterns that have kept the area under damp, dark skies for much of May.

Parks manager Kip Fordney says the pool is ready to go, despite the persistent rain that has dogged preparations.

Fans of the pool scene may have ideal weather for sunbathing, with weekend temperatures expected to climb into the 70s.

The water will be cold, Fordney warns, as is typical at the start of every summer season. The surplus of rainfall may drive water temperatures even lower than normal.

Hours of operation Saturday, Sunday and Monday depend on the weather and attendance, Fordney says.

If the weather is uncooperative or attendance is low, the pool may close early or not open at all.

Plans call for the pool to open from noon to 7 p.m. each day if conditions are right, with season pool passes available for purchase from noon to 4 p.m.

A Memorial Day weekend tournament at the complex adjacent to the pool is expected to keep the softball diamonds busy throughout the weekend, Fordney says. Concessions stands at the pool and the softball complex will be in full swing.

The pool is slated to reopen next weekend, May 31 and June 1, before regular hours begin on the last day of school, June 6, when an annual splash dance features deejay Be Bop Man providing music until 4 p.m.

In addition to various season passes, a new offering this summer are punch passes that provide 12 admissions to the pool for the price of 10.

Passes for adults (18-60), senior citizens (over 60) and youth (4-17) are priced at different rates as are daily admissions. Rates for nonresidents of the Borough of Shippensburg are slightly higher since borough revenue subsidizes the pool operation.

For more information about passes and prices call 532-7144 or 530-1779. Pool rentals are also available.