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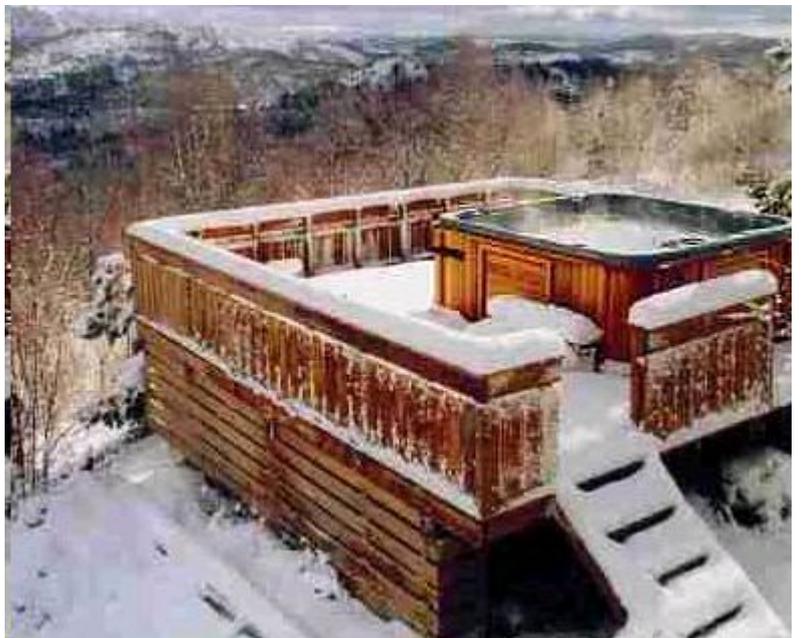
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JACK FROST NIPPING AT YOUR TOES?

Many families enjoy using their spa when the weather is at its coldest. Nothing beats a hot soak in the spa to thaw out those frozen fingers and toes.

While a winter time spa can be enjoyable, it is still important to drain and clean your spa. If you have not already done so, now is the time, before the months get colder.

Bluewater's Spacare range of chemicals includes everything you will need to treat your spa so that you can treat yourself.



MEET THE TEAM



Here at Bluewater we are a small but experienced team.

Richard has now been part of the Bluewater Poolcare team around 9 months, and his enjoyment of a good challenge will probably find you talking to him as your first point of contact when you call Bluewater Poolcare.

What do you do in your spare time Richard?

"I spend my spare time with family, relaxing or being active, it is all about having fun together"

What is your idea of the perfect summer afternoon?

"Nine holes of golf with my wife, loser pays for dinner."

SHORT COLD DAYS OF WINTER

Pool owners tend to avoid their pools during the winter months. But **don't forget the water level!** You may still have to occasionally add water to your pool. A low water level can cause serious damage to your filter equipment.

At Bluewater Poolcare we realize that keeping a pool clean is about more than just chemicals. Here are 5 simple steps to ensuring a swimming pool stays crystal clear over the winter.

Circulation:

Ensuring that the pump is in good working order is key to banishing algae and bacteria. Another thing to check is that the jets/nozzles are not just skimming the top of the pool but also getting down into the depths to push the water around.

Filtration:

It's important to maintain the pools filter. Regular cleaning of the filter is very important in keeping the pool sparkling clean. Bluewater Poolcare Filter Cleaner is a cost effective, easy way to clean filters on a monthly basis.

Filter Run Time:

One issue that often gets neglected is the length of time required for sufficient filtration. Of course it can be different for every pool depending on the climate and the

surrounding environment of the pool. But there is one sure thing, without the proper amount of filtration the pool will not look good. If the pool doesn't look good, check to make sure the run time for the main pool filter is adequate for the season and climate.

Balanced Water:

Water chemistry is very important for keeping a pool clear and sparkling. Investing in a good pool test kit can save thousand's of dollars. Bluewater Poolcare stock Palintest pool test kits which test for pH, chlorine and alkalinity. Once pool water is balanced, adding the sanitiser such as Bluewater Stabilised or Granular chlorine is easy.

Cleaning:

Although the most tedious of tasks, just committing to 10-15 minutes a week of manual cleaning will keep debris out of the pool and the pool water clear. Always ensure cleaning equipment is unclogged and perhaps look at investing in an automatic cleaning system.

So just 5 simple steps—who would have thought it would be so easy?

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Pool Maintenance Quiz

1. What is the secret to pool health?
a) habitual care, b) irregular care, c) seldom care
2. What may be the result of regular pool skimming?
a) Help the efficiency of the pool's circulation system, b) Decrease the amount of chlorine needed, c) Both answers
3. How often should you clean the strainer basket?
a) Twice a week, b) Once a week, c) Every two weeks
4. To keep the pool water clear, how often should you vacuum the pool?
a) Twice a week, b) Once a week c) Once a month
4. How high should the pool water level be?
A) Above the skimmer, b) Below the skimmer, c) Neither answer
5. What organic contaminant is present in pool water?
a) Ammonia, b) Nitrogen, c) Both answers
6. How can you determine if a leak or natural evaporation is causing a decrease in the pool's water level?
a) Bucket test b) Call a professional c) Take a guess



Answers: a, c, b, b, a, a, c, a



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Swimming Facts - History

- November 20, 1962 Barrie Devenport, aged 27, became the first man to successfully swim across the Cook Strait in a time of 11hrs 20mins.
- February 4, 1975 Cox Lynne, aged 18, became the first woman to successfully swim across the Cook Strait in a time of 12hrs 07mins.
- Aditya Raut, aged 11, is the youngest person to successfully swim across the Cook Strait in a time of 9hrs 9mins.
- Pam Dickson, aged 55, is the oldest person to successfully swim across the Cook Strait in a time of 9hrs 23mins.
- Only two people have successfully completed a double crossing of the Cook Strait. Philip Rush - March 13, 1984 N-S-N and February 9, 1988 S-N-S. Meda McKenzie - March 26, 1984.

News from the office

With summer never looking as though it would come, we have had a rather busy wind down to the 2011/12 summer. No rest for the wicked though, staff at Bluewater Poolcare have barely had a chance to catch their breath, prior to jumping into work, getting things ready and available to you prior to next season.

There has been a lot of focus recently on refining our supply of chemicals. The introduction of an office in China by Chempro Logistics has enabled us to counter the general increases we are seeing in the markets and maintain or reduce the price of a large amount of our products, key and otherwise.

Along with reviewing current lines and pricing for next season, Ryan has been organising himself in preparation for spending a large amount of time on the road over the next few months trying to get face to face visit with all our customers nationwide.

Richard has also made his mark in Bluewater Poolcare assisting with the day to day business and accounts duties, while also getting in time for technical training and experience. He is keen to put his new found knowledge to use.

Dan has moved on. As you may know Dan has been putting a lot of time into his university studies during the winter periods over the last couple of years. Things have finally wrapped up for him and we are sorry to see Dan depart Bluewater Poolcare. We would like to thank him and wish him all the best in his new endeavours.

As always Bluewater Poolcare Ltd is here to help you, so any queries, concerns, complaints or compliments, don't hesitate to give us a call..

Empty Liquid Chlorine Containers

With inconsistent return quantities and times which have affected supply and turn around, as well as the amount of damaged returnable packaging, Bluewater Poolcare has opted to withdraw the returnable liquid chlorine container option this year effect 01 July 2012.

Liquid pool chlorine containers, just like other various everyday household products, are considered hazardous materials and need to be handled and disposed of properly to avoid potential harm to human health and the environment.

Empty liquid pool chlorine containers need to be thoroughly rinsed with tap water to less than 20ppm (rinse 3-4 times as a general guide). The rinse water can be poured into your liquid pool chlorine pool or spa. The clean plastic container is recyclable.

There are a number of legislative requirements that can be referred to which deal with the safety aspect of hazardous substances a few of which include the following:

- Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996 and Regulations;
- The Health and Safety in Employment Act 1922;
- The Land Transport Act 1993 and relevant New Zealand Standards

Each district or city council has their own guidelines for the disposal of hazardous waste. Please contact your local district or city council for the nearest drop-off points, recycling facilities or advice on safe disposal