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Huge pool crowds as mercury sizzles

Marion Outdoor Swimming Centre is bracing for its biggest start to summer in years as the temperature sizzles.

With the heat forecast to reach 42C over the next three days, the pool is preparing for an influx of more than 2000 people seeking relief.

Marion Mayor Kris Hanna said the high temperatures at the start of a season will push crowds to near record levels.

"We are expecting more than 2000 swimmers at the pool over the next three days which is a fantastic start to the season," Mr Hanna said.

"The heat is perfectly timed with the start of the school holidays.

"Over a season we can see anywhere from 70,000 to 80,000 people hitting the pool. Weather like this will open the season with a bang."

Mr Hanna urged swimmers to attend early to peg out the best spot on the lawn and to line up for the 70m waterslide.

"We also have an inflatable obstacle course, a toddler pool, learner pool, a 50m pool, kiosk and BBQ facilities – something for everyone," Mr Hanna said.

The water slide is open from 10.30am every day and is a firm favourite among the school holiday crowds.

Marion Outdoor Swimming Centre is located on Oaklands Road, enter from Hendrie Street.

It is open from 6am to 8pm Monday to Friday, 7am to 6pm on Saturdays and from 8am to 6pm on Sundays. Public holiday opening hours are from 11am to 5pm. The only day that it is closed is Christmas Day.

NOTE – The pool is available for live TV crosses.

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