Village Update

April 29, 2022

Updates from the Municipality

2022 Citizen of the Year and Citizen of Distinction Awards Event and Presentation

Hello Neighbours,

Council is thrilled to announce the winners of this year's Citizen of the Year and Citizen of Distinction Awards, presented at the Volunteer Appreciation Event held at the beach last night. Volunteers of all ages from our many community groups arrived to applaud the winners and enjoy pizza, cold beverages, live music and a beautiful evening on our much-loved beach.

The Citizen of the Year Award is presented annually to an outstanding community member who contributes significant volunteer time to enhancing the quality of life in Lions Bay. Our 2022 Citizen of the Year is **Steph Beattie**, who won it for "uniquely bringing the community together during a period of pandemic isolation" including bringing the very popular food trucks to Lions Bay during COVID. Steph is also a member of the school PAC where she is very involved in fund-raising efforts. When accepting the award, Steph joked that she only organized the food trucks because she was tired of her own cooking! Be that as it may, Steph, the community thanks you.

The Citizen of Distinction is awarded periodically in recognition of a community member who, through their personal or professional efforts in society at large, has exemplified the spirit of, and brought honour and distinction to, the Village of Lions Bay. This year it was awarded to **Madison Mailey**, who won gold at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics as part of Canada's women's eight rowing team. She received the award for "years of perseverance and dedication resulting in an Olympic gold medal and capturing Villagers' hearts".

Congratulations to both award winners!







Pictured Above:

1. *Steph Beattie receives the Citizen of the Year Award*
2. *Madison Mailey is presented with the Citizen of Distinction Award*
3. *Some of the many volunteers who came out to celebrate*



Hi Neighbours!

For the many of us in LB who care about all the very important “Bs”… birds, bears, bees & butterflies, baby eagles, berry bushes (native plants) and the full spectrum of biodiversity… please join us as at our first ever **Bird Friendly community event** on

Saturday, May 14th in the village hall (9:15 – 14:00).
Come learn more about the **Bird Friendly initiative**, how to be **Bear Smart**, gardening with native plants, how you can take part in the new **Butterflyway Project**, and what the **Átl'ka7tsem/Howe Sound Biosphere Region** is all about.

For the kids – sign 'em up!

Build-a-birdhouse with LB author and birdhouse builder, **Rod Baker**, who has prepared kits (complete with the necessary fasteners) from wood that would otherwise end up in the landfill. This activity is for kids aged 4 and older. If your child/children are between 4 and 10 years old, we ask that an adult be there to help them, otherwise feel free to wander around the exhibits and grab a tea/coffee (prepared by the Seniors Social Circle) while your kiddos are busy. Check in at 9.15am for a 9.30 start. Should take 45 minutes to an hour. **Register here**

Or sign the kids up for a Bird Friendly Art Project run by Taryn and Katrina – everything is provided. Grab a tea/coffee and mingle while you wait! Check in at 9.15am for a 9.30 start. Should take 45 minutes to an hour. **Register here**

Kids who take part in either activity will each receive a Junior Birder Activity Book to take home!

For the whole family – take a hike and Bag a Burger!

A walk to the Eagle View Loop will be led by John Dudley and the Trailblazers to see (we hope) the new baby eagles. Bring your binoculars and cameras and meet at the hall at 11am. Browse the exhibits until the walk begins. If you'd like to partake in a Burger off the BBQ when you get back to the hall (prepared by the Curly Stewart Scholarship Foundation committee), please help them plan by **Booking your Burger(s) here**. Burgers available from 11am – 1pm.

For gardeners (and everyone else)!

Join us at 1pm to listen to Deanna Lewis, a member of the Squamish Nation, who'll be talking about the importance and cultural uses of indigenous plants.

See you May 14th…B there or B square!

The Bird Friendly team would like to thank the **West Vancouver Foundation** for supporting us with a Small Neighbourhood Grant, and **Nature Canada** and the **BC SPCA** who've provided educational material. Also: thanks to all the LB groups taking part for your endless enthusiasm and support!



Starting next week, BC Hydro will begin replacing the high-pressure sodium streetlights attached to BC Hydro poles throughout the Village with energy efficient LEDs. This is an

important project to meet federal regulations all across BC and Canada. The LED lights use less energy, are more sustainable, last longer and are more reliable and will reduce the Municipality's lighting costs.

The installation of LEDs is expected to have minimal impacts on residents and businesses. There may be some short-term lane closures or other traffic control in place when crews are working, but access in not expected to be an issue. Installation time of lights in each area will vary, depending on conditions. BC Hydro does not expect to have to conduct any planned outages during this process.

More information is available on the **BC Hydro Website.**
If you have questions or concerns, please contact BC Hydro at:
lightingsupport@bchydro.com or 1 (833) 828-2224.



Use of the Boat Rack at the Lions Bay Beach Park is only for permit owners who have rented the space from the Village Office.

We have been alerted to the numerous kayaks, canoes and boogie boards that are strewn underneath, next to, and in front of the boat rack, many of which do not have a current-year permit sticker. By way of this article and letters being mailed to registered boat space renters, we are asking all residents to ensure that their boats are placed properly into the appropriate space with the permit sticker affixed visibly. Any boats that are left on the ground, strewn about or not within a registered boat space will be removed by Public Works on Monday, June 6, 2022.

Permit holders are reminded that fees were due payable at the discounted rate by March 31, 2022, per Fees Bylaw No. 497. Since that date has passed, outstanding fees are due payable at the regular amount of $150 per space by end of day **May 31, 2022**, to avoid your boat being **seized and removed**. A reminder letter was sent this week to all permit holders with outstanding payments.



For Emergency Preparedness Week, take part in the Emergency Preparedness Basics (Virtual) Wednesday, May 4th from 7pm - 8pm FREE!

Are you ready for the next emergency? The North Shore Emergency Management (NSEM) in conjunction with the West Vancouver Memorial Library is holding a 1-hour online "Emergency Preparedness Basics" presentation on **Wednesday, May 4th starting at 7:00 PM.**

Register online to learn more about how to prepare for potential hazards faced by resident of the North Shore. Participants will learn about creating an emergency preparedness plan and emergency kit as well as learn about ALERTABLE, a multi-purpose emergency communication service used by NSEM to send alerts to residents, businesses, and visitors during critical events.

NSEM is an inter-municipal agency whose mission is serve and support the North Shore municipalities and citizens in preparing for, responding to, and recovering from emergencies and disasters.

Need more resources?
Check out these links:
Your 72 Hour Emergency Preparedness Guide
Building an Emergency Kit
Prepared BC

A Message from Lt. Gildenhuys & Chief Oliver

The Lions Bay Fire Rescue (LBFR) Department provides firefighting services along with technical rescue, fire protection, fire investigation, emergency medical services, and hazardous materials mitigation to the Village of Lions Bay. Because we are a small municipality, we do not have the tax base to support a full-fledged fire department and thus rely upon a mix of residents and young men and women recruits who join on a volunteer basis to keep our department functioning.

The young recruits who have invested in obtaining the requisite education and training in order to become full time firefighters, volunteer with Lions Bay to keep their training current and to enhance their skills and abilities. Lions Bay excels at training young recruits and, in fact, is well renowned for producing high quality recruits for departments throughout the Lower Mainland.

Resident members are always welcomed and receive all the necessary training before being put in a position of responding to calls. I am a resident of LB and have been volunteering for the department for 6 years now. I find the experiences rewarding, the learning always stimulating, and the overall experience so fulfilling, and worth the time commitment. To anyone interested in finding out more, please email me at recruitment@lionsbayfirerescue.ca and I would be happy to answer any questions.

The depth, strength, and effectiveness of our department stems from these young members with their extensive training and education making them extremely well versed in all aspects of firefighting. Their eagerness to keep their skills sharp enhances our training and keeps our department current. Because of this we are designed as an “interior” department, which means that we have the authority to enter into burning budlings to extinguish fires. Through this rating, the LBFR have a tremendous impact on the fire insurance rating endowed upon the Village by the Fire Underwriters Study (FUS), which ultimately determines the rate of fire insurance coverage throughout the Village.

Young recruits must live in the Village of Lions Bay while on duty and therein lies the crux of the issue we are currently facing. The number of suites and rental homes has seen a drastic decline over the last few years and the LBFR is suffering as a result. Without a place to reside in the Village, recruits cannot become members and without them, we may lose our “interior” status or worse, have the department diminish in its abilities to respond to the variety of calls we can respond to now. This will impact our rating with the FUS and ultimately, will result in higher insurance premium for residents. That’s why I’m encouraging anyone with a with a house or suite for rent to reach out and consider renting to fire department members; there are some rebates that may apply when doing so!

Please don't hesitate to reach out should you have any questions regarding volunteering, the department or anything else. Now let us wish you all a happy volunteer week, and an even happier and sunny spring.



Rocky Mountaineer Returns

CN would like to make you aware that on **May 7, 2022**, Rocky Mountaineer will return to welcoming guests as the train travels from Vancouver to Jasper via Whistler and Quesnel.

Being safe around a crossing is the best way to keep everyone safe. We encourage you to contact CN's Public Inquiry Line at 1-888-888-5909 / **contact@cn.ca** or CN's Police Emergency Line at 1-800-465-9239 (24/7) / Non-urgent suspicious activities: **CNPoliceTipLine@cn.ca** if there is something that needs our attention.



NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING: May 3rd at 7:00pm*

***Committee of the Whole meeting at 5:30 pm - presentation of 2021 Financial Statements by Village Auditors**

View the Council and Committee Schedule, Agendas, Minutes HERE!

Video conferencing is available for public participation via Zoom. Instructions on how to attend and publicly participate in a meeting can be found **here**.

Public Viewing Etiquette:

- *Public participation is still available on Zoom, during the Public Participation section of the agenda. Attendees will have two minutes to speak on any matter at the beginning of the meeting.*
- *Silent viewing only, until you are called upon to speak (if desired).*
- *Please do not interrupt Council discussion.*
- *Limit background distractions by muting your microphone and keeping video turned off until such time as it's your turn to speak (if applicable).*
- *If interruptions are repeated, the participant will be removed from the meeting*

What's Happening in Lions Bay

Lions Bay's 2022 Vancouver Sun Run Team

by Trudi Luethy



While most of Lions Bay's residents were still asleep or enjoying their first coffee, our team got ready for the 2022 Sun Run Race in Vancouver.

This was the 38th Vancouver Sun Run. And the 13th for our Lions Bay Team. It is the largest 10km road race in Canada and the 3rd largest 10km in North America.

It was founded by former Canadian Olympian Dr. Doug and Diane Clement along with Dr. Jack Tounton in the 1980s. The Sun Run has donated more than $3.23 million in proceeds for important causes.

Our amazing team leader Rose Dudley managed to get ten people excited in joining her. Poor John had to say YES to make the team complete by being number 10.

Off we went on an almost cloudless but cool morning to meet up at Gleneagles Community Center parking lot, a tradition by now to have a group shot with the historical and iconic Lions Bay flag.

Judith Jordan and Alison Mead- Richardson joined us for their first time ever Sun Run event, but I am not sure if it ever was an off the "Bucket List Item" for them.

Both did remarkably well, they were enthusiastic with big smiles and only the odd, "oh my knees hurt" "or "how many more km are there to go?" From the beginning I assured them no matter how far we would walk, we could always "Tap Out." They never suggested that we should stop and throw in the towel. We enjoyed our walk along the streets of Vancouver, the music, the sights, spring flowers, fellow walkers, and runners and of course John being our companion. We snacked along the way and hydrated at all the stations where young volunteers cheered us onward.

As we were getting closer to the finish line, out came the Lions Bay flag. Judith, Alison and I walked across holding the flag with pride when we heard our names announced over the loudspeaker. When the "Lions Bay Rainforest Racers" Team was mentioned, we proudly took in the cheers, smiling for the cameras and not feeling any pain. Maybe this was our unique Olympic moment on a scale of achievement for our not quite over the hill trio.

- Michael Broughton came in at 1.21 ahead of 72 people in his age group (70 -75)
- Barbara Enns finished 3rd in her age category (75-79)
- Rose Dudley finished 4th in her age group (80 – 85)
- Brenda Broughton ran the whole race which was her first run in many months.
- Maliya Jakob and her cousin Anika Lofgren shaved off 21 minutes from their previous race time in 2019.

They did it as one group. Six people being separated by only 2 seconds. It was such a wonderful experience to see their smiles, being a part of the team within reach and close touch with their inspiring grandparents. Both girls know the baton will be passed on to them in future years. Special Congrats to both Maliya and Anika.

John had a unique welcome experience at the finish line; John walked alone across the

finish line when the announcer said; “and here comes 79 year old John Dudley from Lions Bay. If they only knew what else is registered in the amazing John Dudley. Judith, Alison and I finished in 2:13 which included taking pictures, stopping for a refuel snack at around the 7km marker and that is when John dashed off to meet his family and the rest of the team at B.C. Place Stadium.

Hopefully this article of our 2022 Vancouver Sun Run team inspires others to join us next year.

Our Potluck Dinner party at Barbara and David Enns’s home at Brunswick Beach was a delightful and fun evening. Others who walk with us each week joined us for the party. Deirdre McNeill and Mike Porter treated us to a cake with our name on it, it was such a sweet and special surprise. Thank you!

A special “Thank you” to the folks who run/walk with us regularly. We were united in Spirit.

Organizer’s Note: the enthusiasm of Trudi Luethy carrying the Lions Bay Flag, chatting with the spectators, thanking all the musicians, high fiving with everyone always makes this a memorable event. Only Trudi has the ability to inspire a crowd of 23,000 of our closest friends.

Photos: courtesy of Nicola Dudley, Michael Broughton, Trudi Luethy





Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation

All Applications Due, Tuesday, May 3, 2022 - 4pm

CALLING ALL GRADE 12 STUDENTS!

The Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation presents Scholarships to successful Grade 12 applicants from the Lions Bay Community who are pursuing further education at a post-secondary institution.

The Rafe Mair Scholarship is a privately funded scholarship first awarded 2021. The Rudy Luethy Scholarship and The Chevalier 'Sir' Norman Kirby Scholarships are privately funded scholarships added in 2022. These scholarships are awarded to deserving students who most closely meet the specific criteria identified in each of the scholarship descriptions available with the application.

Applications are due by 4pm Tuesday, May 3, 2022 for the Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation, Rafe Mair, Rudy Luethy, and Chevalier 'Sir' Norman Kirby scholarships.

Get the Application Form Here

A special message to Lions Bay Graduates and the

Lions Bay Community

The Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation Board
is honoured to announce:

The Rudy Luethy Scholarship
and
The Chevalier 'Sir' Norman Kirby Scholarship

These two scholarships join The Rafe Mair Scholarship and are managed as 'In Memoriam' scholarships available for the first time to the Lions Bay Graduates of 2022. All 'In Memoriam' scholarships are in addition to scholarships provided by the Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation.

Graduating students are asked to please review the updated application for the criteria for each scholarship and how to apply.
All applications are due, Tuesday, May 3rd, 2022 at 4 pm.

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