Village Update

August 5, 2022

Updates from the Municipality

2022 General Local Election

The 2022 General Local Election will be held on Saturday, October 15, 2022. The Village will be voting for 1 Mayor, 4 Councillors and 5 School Trustees for a 4 year term. Information on running for office, voting in the election, candidate information sessions, and much more is available on the Village Election website and published in the official notices of election.

CAMPFIRE BAN AS PER BC WILDFIRE SERVICE



Current Coastal fire bans and restrictions

The following activities and equipment are currently prohibited throughout the Coastal Fire Centre:

- Category 3 open fires
- Category 2 open fires
- Campfires, as of Aug. 4, 2022 at 12 p.m. PDT
- Fireworks
- Sky Lanterns
- Binary Exploding Targets
- Burn Barrels or Burn Cages of any size or description
- Air Curtain Burners



The Municipality has recently completed the process of updating our Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP). The CWPP provides an in-depth analysis of the wildfire fuels around us and presents a risk assessment of the wildfire threats facing the community.

A number of recommendations are provided in the report, some of which have already been acted upon with many more to be tackled through further grant funding applications and the formulation of a long-term annual program.

Join us in a Virtual Townhall on August 11 th at 7 pm for a presentation of the CWPP and Firesmart by CWPP author Conor Corbett, Forester and Wildfire Specialist with Diamond Head Consulting Ltd.



The most recent round of water quality samples have come back with some high E. coli concentrations. The samples were taken on August 2, 2022 and preliminary results from Vancouver Coastal Health's water quality laboratory were received this morning:

Kelvin Grove Beach A: 200 *(E.Coli / 100 ml.)*
Kelvin Grove Beach B: 180 *(E.Coli / 100 ml.)*
Lions Bay Beach A: 30 *(E.Coli / 100 ml.)*
Lions Bay Beach B: 15 *(E.Coli / 100 ml.)*
Brunswick Beach A: 45 *(E.Coli / 100 ml.)*
Brunswick Beach B: 500 *(E.Coli / 100 ml.)*

Vancouver Coastal Health determines what actions are taken at beaches and follows the Guidelines for Canadian Recreational Water Quality. This means that VCH uses two

limits for E. coli results:

1. A geometric mean of ≤ 200 E. coli/100 mL based on the previous five samples, and
2. A single sample limit of ≤ 400 E. coli/100 mL.

When either of these limits is exceeded, an assessment is made by VCH to determine next steps. In the case of a single sample exceedance, such as the one at Brunswick Beach, the first step is to re-sample. Should results remain high, VCH will determine whether to post a "No-Swimming" notice at the beach, which includes all primary contact recreation activities (swimming).

A new sample will be taken on Monday and immediately taken to the VCH lab. The turn-around time for samples is 5 working days so we likely will not know the results until next Friday (August 12, 2022).

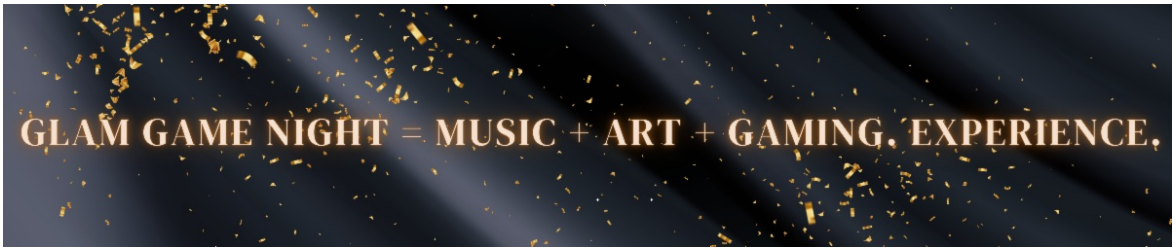
For more information, please see VCH's website for Beach Water Quality.

Reminder



No garbage drop off at Public Works Yard on Saturdays anymore, but bears are still around so manage ALL attractants responsibly, including cleaning waste receptacles and barbeques thoroughly after each use.

What's Happening in Lions Bay



An elegant communal **BOARD-GAME gathering** experience in Lions Bay @ Lions Bay Village Hall. Potluck food + non-alcoholic drink, in collaboration with Art Vancouver, featuring **Fine ArtExpo, LBHC CONCERT REPLAYS, and Board Games** .

Special Thanks to Thyra McKilligan of Re/Max Masters for her sponsorship of Glam Game Nights. **We acknowledge the funding support** of the West Vancouver Foundation - Neighbourhood Grants program, and in-kind support from the Village of Lions Bay, for this **FREE-TO-ATTEND** community event series pop-up collaboration.

4 GLORIOUS NIGHTS, each with a different theme/soundtrack and visual arts. GLAM

GAME NIGHT 2022 will be a FUN event. Adult guests are invited to break bread at a long table draped in white linen to reconnect or meet new friends to celebrate what's happening in our community. There will be **dazzling audio recordings of previous Lions Bay House Concert performances**, a variety of classic multiplayer board games, an exhibition | **"VERNISSAGE" of select artists from Art Vancouver. Let the games begin!**

1. **"Delta Blues Night"**
SATURDAY AUGUST 6, 2022 :: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/393711781537

CONCERT REPLAY : HARPDOG BROWN & The Uptown Blues Band (recorded LIVE October, 2018) : "This band could play anywhere in the world, in any venue, large or small, and blues fans of all stripes would love this show." - Holger Petersen, SiriusXM, CKUA and CBC broadcaster and President of Stony Plain Records

CONCERT REPLAY : CARY MORIN |Cradle to the Grave (recorded LIVE October, 2017) : "Cary Morin has the chops and is one of the best acoustic pickers on the scene today. [His] performances… would stand out, variously, among the old-school delta blues pliers, the Greenwich Village folk crowd at the end of the 1950s, the back-to-nature bards of the late '60s, or today's thriving singer/songwriter scene. Morin references all these styles; they're in his vocabulary, but he's no dilettante. His engaging sound is his alone...."

2. SUNDAY AUGUST 14, 2022 :: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/393896734737
3. SATURDAY AUGUST 20, 2022 :: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/393899091787
4. SUNDAY AUGUST 21, 2022 :: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/393899934307





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Register Now for the LB Fishing Derby!

100% of the proceeds to this event goes towards raising much needed funds for our fantastic Lions Bay Fire and Rescue Department.

Register here: https://lions-bay-fishing-derby.square.site/

Tai Chi and Qigong Fusion in the Village Hall

8 more days until registration!

REGISTRATION OPENS: August 13 – 20, 2022

CLASSES: September 13 to December 6

Tai Chi and Qigong Fusion classes (13 weeks)
at the Village Hall, Tuesdays, 11:15 am to 12:15 pm. Please arrive early.

Instructor: Josie Loehrich of North Shore Tai Chi Spirit (TQSpirit.com) is highly qualified and fosters a professional and friendly environment for learning.

Cost: $117.00 per session (13 classes)

ALL ADULT AGES AND GENDERS WELCOME

BEGINNERS WELCOME

NO PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

In a relaxed setting, Josie leads a variety of movements that are so much fun you don't realize how much exercise you are getting.

If you need more information now, please email us at LBseniorssocialcircle@gmail.com (please note we have two "s" together in our email address). John, Pippa or Carole will respond to you.

LIONS BAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
"LOOKING BACK"

"The Lions Bay Beach Club - Members Only"

Summer is here and the beach is busy and becomes busier with each year. For new residents to Lions Bay some may wonder the history of the beach. The attached article was written in the Village Update 11 years ago on October 2011 and explains the situation at that time and somewhat still remains so. The picture clearly shows the Lions Bay Beach Club as referred to in the article.





LIONS BAY BEACH PARK

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Some history to answer Community Members Questions…

Questions have been raised recently about the history and nature of Lions Bay's ownership of our Beach Park.

Early pioneers of Lions Bay in the 1950's recall when our Beach Park was owned by the developer at the time, Bob Nelson. The developer created a beach club *"exclusively for the residents of this community"**. The purpose of the club was to provide a place for "*good and safe swimming conditions*". The "Lions Bay Beach Club ~ Members Only" sign was erected and residents recall being issued membership cards which they showed on their way in to the park. A group of volunteers stationed at the Park entrance apparently did the inspection.

*1957 Development Plan – Lions Bay Developments Ltd.

** August 19, 1959 Lions Bay Newsletter

While some residents remember showing membership cards to get into the Beach Park as late as the late 1970s, in fact by that time, non-residents could legally visit it. In 1971, the Corporation of the Village of Lions Bay was created. With the official in-corporation the land title to the Beach Park changed to the Municipality of the Village of Lions Bay. The land was preserved as park and zoned "Community Use", making it a public park accessible to anyone whether they were residents or not. The permitted uses of this land are identified in the current zoning bylaw and it specifies the land is public for recreational use. On that basis, it has been exempt from BC property taxes for the last four decades, as are Lions Bay's other parks. Bylaw #9 Parks, Beaches and Other Public Places Bylaw from 1971 sets out the legal rules governing our parks, and in keeping with the public nature of the park, there is no restriction on non-residents. Over the years that by-law has been updated, most recently 2009.

The "Members Only" sign continued to hang over the entrance to the park as recently as 2008; even though the "membership" was historic and no defined membership in effect. During a storm in 2009, the sign became unsafe and was taken down for safety reasons. The sign was never repaired or remade. A smaller sign "members only" which hangs on the fence at the Marina entrance to the park is a holdover from this time and legally has no meaning.

The use and management of our parks and parking are continually under review. The small size of Lions Bay's parks and their limited infrastructure make them unsuitable as major visitor destinations. Rather, the Official Community Plan envisions planning and managing them "for the use of residents and a limited number of visitors." Increased density at our parks during peak summer months does bring pressure on the use of our limited facilities. It is incumbent on the Village and Council to ensure that the health and safety impacts of this increased density are managed well.

The Village legal counsel advises that under the BC Community Charter, municipalities cannot discriminate between residents and non-residents in access to public land. However, municipalities can use certain means to control pressures of high use in public places. First, municipalities can concentrate on the nuisance aspects of behavior. That can involve control over things like noise and parking. Secondly, municipalities can make rules that apply to all, such as requiring that a public place is closed after a certain hour or that it can only hold a certain number of users at a time. Municipalities can also discriminate in favour of residents in certain aspects, such as for example the setting of fees for services provided.

Finally, a question sometimes asked is whether Lions Bay cannot limit visitors because it supports the operation of its own parks entirely from taxes on its own residents. At the same time, it makes a financial contribution towards the Metro Vancouver Regional Park System – 22 regional parks, 5 greenways, 2 ecological conservancy and 4 regional reserves.

To provide clarity on this, Lions Bay's financial contribution towards Metro's regional parks would not limit its own legal obligations regarding access to its own public places, as laid out in the BC Community Charter. Note also that Lions Bay residents regularly use many smaller parks within the GVRD which are not part of the Metro regional park system, such as those in West Vancouver.

Resident input and feedback is valuable. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Village Office.



July 7th

1st in CELEBRATING ARTS! Series:

Evening in Italy

July 24th

Art and Garden Festival

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Month of July

DivingIn BC Art Tour Online

Follow us on Facebook or IG for more details

August 18th

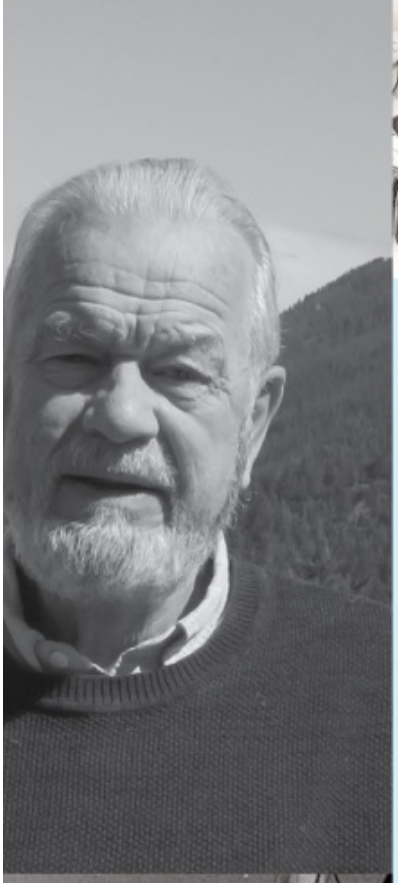
2nd in CELEBRATING ART! Series:

Details to follow

November 2022

LBA Christmas Fair is BACK

Details to follow







The Sea * The Songs

Join us for an evening of adventure and humor courtesy of Lions Bay author, Rod Baker. For 20 years Rod ran a boat repair facility in North Vancouver. He wrote a very successful book about his experiences: I Need My Yacht By Friday – True Tales From The Boat Repair yard.

Be prepared for another delightful evening in our Celebrating Arts! 2022 series.

By nature, boating can be hazardous, expensive, and unpredictable. Rod will talk about why he took on such a challenging business, share some of the unusual events he experienced and read tales of some humorous boating misadventures from his book.

Dan Pocock, aka Daniel James has been writing, singing, playing guitar most of his adult life. He moved to Lions Bay 20 years ago where the location inspired some songs of the sea that he has played at numerous Lions Bay events. Primarily a family man, homeowner, contractor of building services he also enjoys photography and loves to move and dance.

Wine and Seafood delights will accompany our evening.

WHEN: **Thurs, August 18, 2022 6:00pm – 9:00 pm**
WHERE: **Lions Bay; address will be provided upon RSVP**

Tickets for this event are extremely limited, with only 30 tickets available. Requests will be taken by first email first served basis. Tickets cost $25 per person. Email treasurer@lionsbayarts.ca to request tickets.

Limit 2 tickets per membership. Vaccine Passports are required.

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