

April 24, 2020



Updates from the Municipality

From the Mayor's Desk



Hello Lions Bay,

You can watch the video above by clicking on my picture!

This week Canada celebrated National Volunteer Week and on behalf of Council and staff, we would like to thank the many, many volunteers that put in hundreds of hours to make the Village of Lions Bay an amazing place to live. We are postponing Volunteer Week celebrations until it is safe for us to celebrate and in the meantime, we would like to see you in action! Send any photos of volunteers or volunteerism in the community to epost@lionsbay.ca, along with a one line description and the photographee's consent to use the photo in a future Village Update.

Topics covered in the video are:

- Parking and enforcement.
- Translink - Suspension of service.
- Utility bills - Early payment due June 1st . Please make the payment, receive the discount, and by so doing assist the Village.

- Property Taxes - the due date is July 14th. Please pay them on time if you are able.



BYLAW ENFORCEMENT

Our Bylaw Enforcement Officers and the RCMP are enforcing our park closures and restricted parking, and seeking compliance with physical distancing. Access to cliff jumping via the CN track is a federal offence and their police are here regularly now.

Our web page on Bylaw Enforcement is [here](#). If you wish to bring parking or another matter to our Bylaw Officer's attention during non-office hours you can electronically submit a complaint or witness report [here](#), or email bylaw@lionsbay.ca.

Take good care, and may all of you remain safe and in good health.



We want to see volunteers in action!

Send your pictures of Lions Bay community volunteers and/or volunteerism, along with a one line description and photo use consent to epost@lionsbay.com and we will showcase them in the next upcoming Village Update!



There has been some mixed messaging between the various health authorities and Provincial ministries regarding opening of parks, trails, fields, beaches and other open spaces. They are presently being requested to review matters and provide clear messaging for all of the municipalities in the Metro area.

There are many issues surrounding this matter, including “enforcement” of physical distancing and gathering, parking issues, cleaning standards for public washrooms and other facilities, and potential cost implications for managing all of it. We will not be reacting to immediate requests to open our parks and other facilities until we have some clarity around these and other issues which will benefit from regional planning and coordination.

Please note that this does not mean that we won't be commencing our usual preliminary spring start up routines such as cleaning out park irrigation systems, treating park lawns, removing dead or dying trees where necessary, pruning and planting as required, cleaning tennis court surfaces, etc. These are community assets which we still need to maintain and protect through our normal operational cycles.

While it is anticipated that our parks and facilities will open in due course, such preliminary operational work and normal maintenance is not a sign that residents and visitors can jump the gun on re-opening parks and facilities. That will take some planning, coordination and careful communication. In the interim, please continue to maintain your physical distancing and “be kind, be calm, and be safe”. Thank you.



Construction of the new wastewater treatment plant for the residents of the Kelvin Grove neighbourhood is progressing with Industria's crews preparing to connect the sewer system to the temporary treatment plant. At the same time, Hannah Environmental are constructing the new replacement rotating biological contactor plant at their warehouse in Surrey.

The COVID-19 Pandemic has affected the supply chain resulting in delivery delays for the materials and supplies needed to construct the new plant; based upon these delays, the project's scheduled completion has been extended to the first week of September.

DO NOT USE WATER OR SEWER THIS WEDNESDAY

APRIL 29 BETWEEN 3:00 AM AND 6:00 AM.

On Wednesday, April 29, 2020 between the hours of 3:00 AM and 6:00 AM, Industria will be temporarily disconnecting the sewer line feeding the wastewater treatment plant in order to install an inline valve and tee connection. This work is essential to the re-routing of sewage into the temporary treatment plant.

The Village of Lions Bay thanks you for your co-operation during this critical connection of the main sewer line to the temporary treatment plant. For information, questions or concerns, please contact Public Works at 604-921-9833 or works@lionsbay.ca.

COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Meeting Calendar

- Regular Council Meeting - May 5, 2020 at 7 pm via [zoom](#)

Note: We are changing the way we do Council meetings to meet physical distancing requirements. Video conferencing is available for public participation via [Zoom](#). Instructions on how to attend a meeting can be found [here](#).

We thank you for your patience as we learn new ways of conducting Council meetings and navigate through new technologies.

Public Viewing Etiquette

- *Silent viewing only, please do not interrupt Council discussion.*
- *Limit background distractions by muting your microphone and keeping video turned off*
- *If interruption is repeated, the participant will be removed from the meeting*

*It is still possible to attend meetings in-person but please be advised that seating is **very** limited in order to meet physical distancing in Council Chambers and will be offered on a first come, first served basis.*

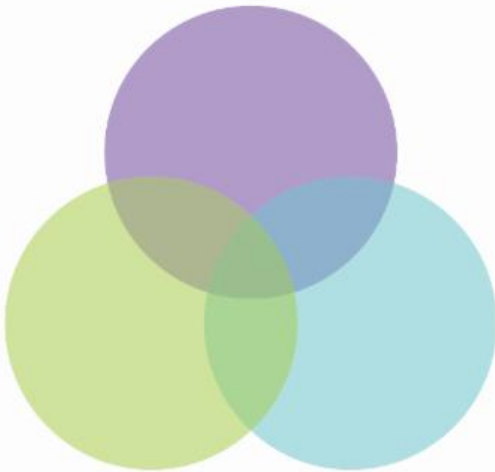
What's Happening in the Community?



Have an upcoming birthday for your child?

The Squamish RCMP and the Lions Bay Fire Rescue would like to help brighten your child's special day! Contact them and they will send a police car or fire truck past your home, with lights and sirens. They can also play a favorite song over the loud speaker.

Email Cst. Robinson at christine.robinson@rcmp-grc.gc.ca with your child's birthday, age, address and favourite song!



SENIORS SOCIAL CIRCLE

Dear residents of Lions Bay, an update,

As a response to the COVID-19 crisis situation, the LBSSC, in collaboration with instructor Sifu (Master) Josie Loehrich, is offering two more free Qigong virtual classes to residents (and their friends if space permits) online on April 28 - 11:00-12:00am. Josie will demonstrate the sequence of exercises for you to follow on your screen at home.

These 40-minute Qigong simple exercise classes are intended: (a) for those wishing to maintain their level of fitness, and (b) for newcomers interested in trying something new during a time of social and physical distancing, or of quarantine.

To register, please submit your name, email and home address to lpeterso@sfu.ca
Details will be provided to you from Josie.

Registrants will be provided with the link giving access to the class, with details provided by Josie. Priority will be given first to residents of Lions Bay, followed by friends if space permits. The electronic access is being done by "Zoom".
Stay fit and keep healthy

FINAL NOTICE - DEADLINE APRIL 30th



Are you a Grade 12 student?

The Curly Stewart Memorial Trust Fund was established to honour the life and public service of the first mayor of the Village of Lions Bay, Allan M. "Curly" Stewart, who served from 1971 to 1981. A \$500 scholarship is awarded annually from the trust fund, to the applicant who best exemplifies the criteria described in the official terms of reference for the award. Please see the application form below for more details.

Applications must be received by the Village Office no later than
4:00 pm on April 30, 2020. Click for: [Information and Application Form](#)

LIONS BAY COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

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. Applications are due by 4 pm on May 5, 2020.



We invite you to [DONATE](#) to the Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation, "*Helping Our Students Grow*".

[Application Form](#)



Calling all Lions Bay residents age 12-18!

Looking for an interesting quarantine project? Here's a chance to write about what matters most to you, have your voice heard by an international audience, win one of three local cash prizes, and maybe even win a trip to France.

You're invited to participate in the "World Tales" Short Story Competition, organized by UNESCO together with the Idries Shah Foundation and the International Coalition of Inclusive and Sustainable Cities (ICCAR).

The theme is "Once upon a time in my future." They're looking for short stories that speculate about what tomorrow might look like for big picture topics like human rights, gender equality, racism, peace and violence, climate change, sustainable cities, or any issue with global reach that makes you passionate enough to write your heart out.

The contest itself is offering some amazing prizes that include a trip to France for seven winners in the world. Locally, Lions Bay ArtSpark will offer a cash prize of \$150 for the top Lions Bay entry, plus \$50 each for 2 honorable mentions if applicable.

ArtSpark is also offering online mentoring. For everyone who writes a draft of a story, you're welcome to submit it to Robin Spano robinspano@gmail.com, who will read it and offer specific writing tips to help make your story, and your writing, stronger. If you have questions before you even get started, here's [Google Doc](#) with some tips:

Entries must be:

- short stories of 250 to 500 words;
- typed in English or French using Arial 12-point Regular font;
- original unpublished works of fiction.

DEADLINE: Your entry must be received by UNESCO by May 31, 2020. Full details about where to submit and how are [here](#).

To enter the local contest for the Art Spark prizes, send your submission to robinspano@gmail.com by the same deadline, May 31, 2020.

Pandemic Daydreaming

These are difficult times betwixt and between, daydreaming of all the things that might've been, but for a virus to most unseen, some of us would've been travelen.



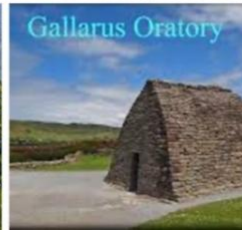
Fantasy:

We are off in our wee car to the Dingle Peninsula via Listowel and Ballybunion (no golf planned) and out to the Cliffs of Broomore. We then head on through Ballyheigue and to Tralee before hitting Aughacasia and the Conor Pass. It looks a bit scary like the Kahekili Highway from Napili to a small town called Kahakuloa on Maui. Check it out on the web. Back in Ireland, we may take a side trip out to Brandon and Gallarus Oratory if time permits before our evening thirst hits us. We are lodged at the Dingle Bay Hotel, not as posh as Adare but it looks comfortable and cozy inside. We bet the food and beverage will be a bit less pricy.

Reality:

A slow start to the day – again. It is raining. A soft but steady fall and overnight a lot more blossoms and leaves are out. They were just waiting for some moisture. Our mint that I pruned back a bit too harshly is also showing signs of life and mint juleps on Kentucky Derby Day may not be at risk, although it will probably be a virtual event or rerun this year. However, the bourbon will be real.

J&B English



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