



# Village Update

On your Mark, Get Set, GO!

**HEY LIONS BAY:**



**COME AND SHOW YOUR SUPPORT FOR MADISON  
AND TEAM CANADA IN TOKYO!  
EVERYONE IS WELCOME - JULY 23 - SCHOOL FIELD 6-8PM**



## **THE LIONS BAY OLYMPIC RALLY & COMMUNITY PICNIC**

**Friday, July 23rd from 6-8pm Lions Bay School Field**

Wear red & white Olympic colours, pack a picnic and chairs and join us to support our Village Olympian Madison Mailey, and celebrate the Opening Ceremonies in Tokyo.

Enjoy speeches by dignitaries, a speech by Lions Bay former two-time Olympian John Smart and live music. Proudly sing the Canadian anthem and cheer wildly for our village Olympian Madison Mailey.

*\*\* Lions Bay residents and their invited guests are welcome and we ask you to try to walk to the event as parking will be limited. You can drop your chairs and picnic basket on the field prior to the event at 5pm, so you can still leave your car at*

*home and walk to the event without all your gear. We ask you to pack everything you bring out! Let's be COVID safe, please do not come if you are sick.\*\**

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## Spotlight on Village Olympians (Past & Present)

### Why Lions Bay is so proud of “our very own!”

Our Special Olympic Edition will feature stories and videos from our past and present Olympians. On July 7th, we spotlighted John Smart, our two-time Olympian and Mogul Skier. Next week we are featuring Ken Berry and Steve van Knotsenberg, Olympians who competed in Hockey and Rowing. Who could imagine our small Village could be the home of such accomplished athletes?

Our featured athlete this week is white water kayaker Margaret Langford, who grew up in Lions Bay.

**MARGARET LANGFORD**, is a four-time Olympian in the sport of whitewater kayak slalom. She competed in the 1992, 1996, 2000 and 2004 Olympic Games. She is a nine-time Canadian Champion and won several world cup medals.



The above photo of Margaret, taken in 1996 at the Lions Bay Canada Day Celebration shows her community spirit! Margaret writes, *“As a kid growing up I played lots of sports and always had a dream of competing in the Olympic Games. I was introduced to kayaking at the Lions Bay Beach Park thanks to the late Rosalind MacPhee who organized a kayak course for any interested residents. Who knew that would be the beginning of my Olympic journey?”*

Margaret Langford



Olympian – Whitewater Kayak Slalom

Watch Margaret Langford's video as she exclaims: *"My paddling career took me around the world to so many beautiful countries. It made me realize that Lions Bay is truly one of those beautiful places, and we are fortunate to either live here or have grown up here."*



## LEGENDARY OLYMPIC SPIRIT



From the 1990s to 2021, The Lions Bay Hiking Club's Olympic Spirit is truly legendary. In 1996 the Hiking Club took the Lions Bay Flag to the Lions on the day Margaret Langford competed in the Atlanta Summer Games. This Monday the club showed its Olympic Spirit is burning just as strongly, crossing from Horseshoe Bay to Bowen Island to cheer Madison and Team Canada on to Victory!

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## ART SPARKS: OLYMPIC CRAFT & DAY OF FUN Lions Bay Arts Committee's Programme ignites joy!



On Friday, July 9th, Art Sparks leader Ingrid Wray, prepared a delightful craft for Lions Bay children age 3-8 years old. Each child was given a terra cotta pot and red plant. Ingrid shares, *"we had fun today making our beaded stakes and decorating the pots. The older children managed to sketch on some athletic symbols."* Three Cheers for our budding artists and athletes!

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## SCHOOL OUTREACH: LIONS BAY, COLLINGWOOD AND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL ASSOC. OF BC

Lions Bay School Students cheer on Madison and Team Canada, at the Tokyo Olympics with their Giant Posters!



Lions Bay School's Vice Principal Natalie Mendes, credits Sonia Southam and Carmen Sullivan for their Olympic Spirit. Says Mrs. Mendes *"my wonderful colleagues set up a thoughtful lesson to help the children learn all about the Olympics and organized a whole school art activity."*

Madison was absolutely delighted to see the cheerful posters that the students had made. In a ZOOM call to their classroom on June 25th, she took the time to share her Olympic Story and answer their multitude of questions. The kids hands were up in the air continuously. Their curiosity only ended when Ms. Mendes said it was time for recess... and to get some exercise.

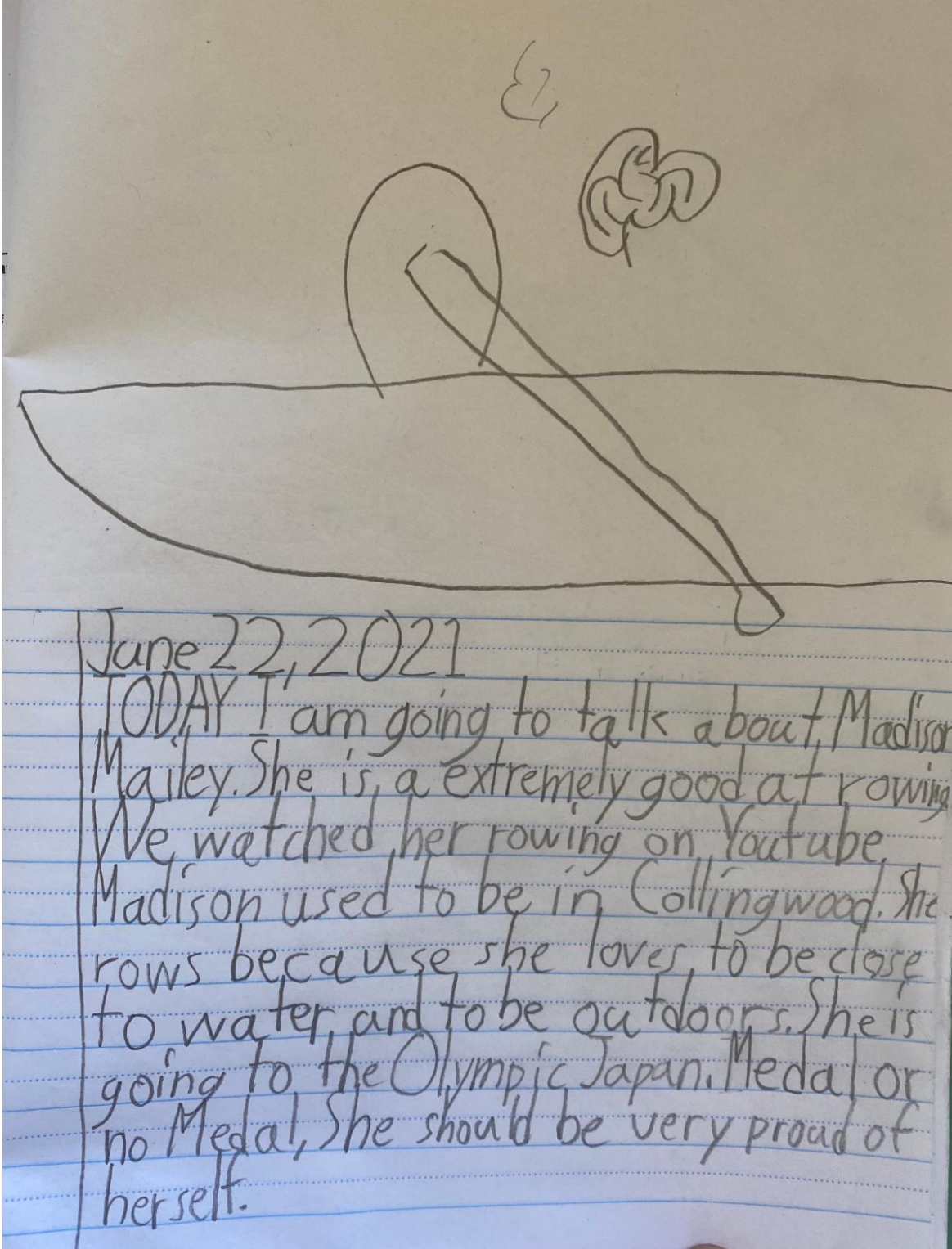
These vibrantly coloured giant posters are sure to make Madison and the Canadian Women's Eight go its fastest ever! Be sure to take your kids to see their artwork on display at the Olympic Rally July 23rd!

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## Lions Bay's Own – ROSE DUDLEY & ELIZABETH MOORE

Retirement has not slowed down Rose. As a retired primary school teacher, Rose quickly shared Madison's story with Collingwood School (where Rose had taught for 16 years). The school quickly organized a ZOOM call with Madison and their entire K-7 student body of 1200. Madison confidently answered all their questions, but when asked who her favourite teacher was she dodged this by saying, "*all the teachers at Collingwood are amazing!*" This holds true for past teachers too!





June 22, 2021

TODAY I am going to talk about Madison Mailey. She is, a extremely good at rowing. We watched her rowing on Youtube. Madison used to be in Collingwood. She rows because she loves to be close to water and to be outdoors. She is going to the Olympic Japan. Medal or no Medal, She should be very proud of herself.

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Elizabeth Moore, also deserves an Olympic Cheer! As an Executive Director of the Independent Schools of BC, she coordinated their year-end newsletter to run a feature story on three Tokyo 2020 Olympians. "The Girls in the Boat," are all alumna of this family of 27 independent BC Schools: Collingwood, Crofton and Brentwood. Stephanie Grauer, and Sydney Payne both are on the Women's Rowing Team along with Madison.



WORLD CHAMPIONS! Canada defends the W8+ World Championship Title (Left to Right: Sydney Payne (seat 8), Madison Mailey (seat 7), and Stephanie Grauer (seat 6)  
2018 U23 World Championships Poznan, Poland

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## Read Madison's submission to ISABC newsletter below:

"From Vision to Reality," by Madison Mailey

Twelve years ago at Collingwood School in West Vancouver, I had a dream and started a journey. Soon it will end in Tokyo, Japan at the 2020 Olympic Games! As a high school student I walked by a granite stone at the front door of the school inscribed with the words "From Vision to Reality." I know now that my dreams that started on the Collingwood Rowing Team will soon be reality: I am dreaming of standing on the Olympic podium with the Canadian Womens Eight, listening to our National Anthem as our Canadian Flag is raised! With the haze of the global pandemic lifting, I feel these Olympics are very important. This is a time for these games to foster global goodwill more than ever before. In the days ahead we will be reminded through sport, we are one humanity. This is a lesson I have learnt through rowing. While traveling to World Rowing Championships in Bulgaria and Poland, and studying at Northeastern University in Boston the diversity and beauty of each of these countries and people is so striking. Off the race course, I recognize our global fabric is stronger than each country's own might.

I was privileged enough to attend Collingwood School, with its multi-cultural spirit. At holiday times, in my tartan tunic I sung in the choir and joyfully raised my voice to celebrate the faiths of many. Today, I feel honored to be with a community of Olympians, who will soon compete alongside the IOC Refugee Team. This team introduced in 2016, is made up of athletes displaced from their countries...they will compete for the glory of the 60 million people who are refugees from around the world. This is one example of how the Olympic Games serve to remind us we are one people, and united we can make the world a better place.

"From Vision to Reality," guides Collingwood students to set goals and take action. For all, this will be an ever-changing quest as we modify expectations from experience, set-backs and comebacks! My vision now includes taking my experiences, learned through rowing and as an Olympian, along with my passion

and strengths to make our world a better place...I hope you will join me on this quest.

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## MEET MADISON!

Hey Lions Bay: Our own Madison Mailey is rowing in Tokyo in the Women's Eight. Come to the Rally and Cheer for the Team!

[Here's the latest media release](#) from CBC

See Madison featured on CBC's The National How Canada's athletes are training for what could be the hottest Olympics [here](#)



Olympic rower Madison Mailey holds up a heat-monitoring pill that she ingests in order to help trainers track her internal body temperature during training. (Courtesy Wendy Pethick)

See next Wednesday's, July 21 Special Edition featuring Lions Bay Artists performing at the July 23rd Olympic Rally & Community Picnic:

Dan Pocock aka Daniel James; Keiko Ando former Miss World Japan; and artists Tanya Cosgrave and Wayne Halstrom who will be performing our National Anthem.

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