



Village Update

Friday, August 31, 2018

From the Mayor's Desk

Hello Lions Bay,

One project still planned for this Council term is the first phase of a community signage project. We heard Lions Bay saying it wants to demonstrate and exemplify to residents and visitors alike an engaged, interested, caring, welcoming, vibrant, diverse and active community. For signage, more "Lions Bay is Cool," less "It is Forbidden to Throw Rocks at This Sign," if you know what I mean. A style guide for such signage was tendered and is now complete; Council considers it at this Tuesday's meeting. Time is short, so please take a look [here](#) and offer comments direct to council@lionsbay.ca.

Two local graffitos/sign collectors may have been identified. Unfortunately the damage is too widespread to handle the Lions Bay Way this time, so the police are involved and that will run its course. I doubt it's them responsible for all recent disappearances of bus signs, parking signs, speed signs and direction signs though. Sure, out-of-town innocents recently complained to the office that restricting Park and Ride spaces to parkers-and-bus-riders interfered with their parking there for the beach! But someone else actually unbolted the signs. I understand civic protest, so if you don't like a change say so, but please, stop wandering around the Village with a wrench-the world has changed, there is a plan for the greater good, and you're messing with it.

The ten day nomination period for the Oct. 20 municipal elections opens this Tuesday. Considering it? Great. Here's a short primer on local government. Don't offer to "run the place like a business." In BC, Councils don't run

anything. Municipalities are run by Council's sole report, a Chief Administrative Officer. Council exists to set policy, by majority vote on seconded motions to a public agenda. The BC legislation that "empowers" municipalities ham-fistedly separates policy and execution, and municipal organisations have evolved a series of conventions that keep elected people (and the residents they represent) out of their hair. That works in large municipalities where the organisation can cover all the bases, and the Community Charter and the Local Government Act then protect the public interest and the public purse. But for the majority of BC's 161 municipalities with no purse, led not by career politicians facing development and industry pressure but by well-meaning volunteers who just love the place, it isn't working. I trouble deaf heaven with my bootless cries that small municipalities need engineering, purchasing, legal, planning, bylaws, policy, parks & rec, records management and myriad more functions just as much as big municipalities do. But we lack the critical mass to fund them, so are relegated to second-class status. Sure, weary staff can wear half a dozen hats. Advice from volunteer experts is sometimes accepted, and we do use one-off consultants. But Mayors and Councils are mistakenly believed by their communities to be running the place. Nope, that's wary, overwhelmed staff, and woe betide small-town politicians if they step over the line (I know). When I raise this flaw in the model with provincial ministers, or at the local government association, or the regional district they smile sweetly, embarrassed, clearly thinking "what do you know, small-town amateur?" Bottom line: we just play at municipality.

OK, that's my standard rant about the limitations of municipal governance in BC and Canada, recorded for posterity. Still game? You should be, because in a place like Lions Bay we need people willing to try, regardless. Details are at <https://www.lionsbay.ca/government/election-2018>, and it all starts Tuesday.

Regards,
Karl Buhr (mayor.buhr@lionsbay.ca)



September 8, 2018

Please be advised that the annual Gran Fondo cycling event will take place on Saturday, September 8 this year and will impact highway traffic, including through Lions Bay, which is outlined in the [Traffic Impacts](#) section of their website. Each year, residents walk down to the Lions Bay Avenue exit and stand alongside the highway to cheer on the riders.

FIREFIGHTERS' DAY: SEPTEMBER 8



Lions Bay Fire Rescue is pleased to announce that the 2018 Firefighters' Day will be held on Saturday, September 8 from 2 pm until 11 pm at Lions Bay Beach Park. If you would like to donate prizes for our famous Silent Auction table, please contact Mattie at 250-266-7873. The firefighters will be going door-to-door selling raffle tickets, which will also soon be available at the Village Office. Your continued support is greatly appreciated!

BBQ | Beer Garden | Live Band | Kids Entertainment | Games | Silent Auction



The Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup is a national conservation program that provides Canadians the opportunity to take action in their communities wherever water meets land, one bit of trash at a time.

Lions Bay's Shoreline Cleanup event is scheduled for Saturday, September 15, 2018 at the Lions Bay Beach Park.

Come join in this inspiring event and make a positive contribution to our community's shoreline.

For details and to RSVP please visit: <https://www.shorelinecleanup.ca/cleanups/1ljqv>



Tia Brazda & Friends: Daydream

"HER SMOOTH VOCALS INVOKE NEAT GLASSES OF BOURBON AND SMOKY PARISIAN SPEAKEASIES" - CBC RADIO

Modern Swing Jazz is a thing. And it's BIG. And FUN. Enter Toronto's [Tia Brazda](#) (LBHC 2016; 2017) who will enchant you with her new self-titled release. Before her "Daydream" album release party at CBC's Glenn Gould Studio in Toronto, you get to hear it here in Lions Bay. This seasoned singer-songwriter is now an International Jazz Festival veteran (Montreux, Montreal, Rochester, San Jose), and does an annual West Coast tour which she traditionally ends here, in Lions Bay. This time it's a full-band experience with friends Wes Carroll on guitar, Evan Bates on bass and Dave Say on sax.

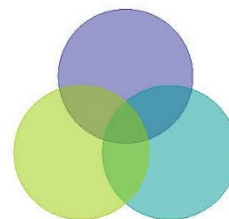
Here are a few links to her [music](#), some [press](#).

Bring your favorite appetizer (potluck tasting table) and non-alcoholic drink to share! Seats are limited. This show always sells out. So gas-up your Classic, put on your dancing shoes and come to dance the night away!

SENIORS SOCIAL CIRCLE

Events in our Neighbourhood

Notepad #1: Tai Chi/Qigong starts on Tuesday 4th September in the Hall, at 10:30 am. Several options are available and "Newbies" are most welcome. Come early for the Tea Social!



Notepad #2: Spaces are still available in several programs at various locations offered by the North Shore Elder College (A Not-for-Profit organization), including (a) Digital Storytelling; (b) Day Trip - Forbidden Vancouver; (c) What's in the News (several locations); (d) Leading Edge - the Future?; (e) Turning Points in Canadian History; and much more! For details phone 778-246-6737 or see www.nseldercollege.org.

Notepad #3: Watch for an invitation to the launch of "Community Day Tuesdays", coming soon!

LIONS BAY COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION



The Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation is most appreciative and grateful to Peak Golf for being chosen as this year's recipient of their charitable donation from the proceeds of the 2018 Lions Bay Community Annual Golf Tournament. Many thanks to Roger Cosgrave and Tanya Gienger-Cosgrave. Please see the Peak Golf advertisement below for details:

2018 LIONS BAY GOLF DAY
Sunday September 16th
Squamish Valley Golf Club



- ✓ 18 Hole Option \$115 (Tee times starting at 1:30pm)
- ✓ 9 Hole Option \$95 (Tee times starting at 3:00pm)
- ✓ Dinner and Prizes @ 7:00pm

To enter or for
sponsorship info, contact:
Roger 604-908-1009 or
roger@peakgolf.ca



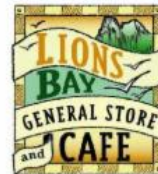
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BEST COSTUMES,
ON COURSE GAMES!



PEAK GOLF - TITLE/PRIZE SPONSOR

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COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

All meetings take place in Council Chambers unless otherwise noted. The Village Office is open until 6:30pm on Regular Council Meeting nights.

- Regular Council Meeting - September 4, 2018 at 7:00 pm
- Trees, Views and Landscapes Committee - September 7, 2018
295 Oceanview Road - 9:30 am / 195 Highview Place - 9:50 am

Note: please check the [Village website calendar](#) for meeting schedule changes or cancellations.

See what's happening on our social sites:



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