



April 2, 2026

UPDATES FROM THE MUNICIPALITY



The Public Works Yard will be open for the recycling centre Friday 6-9am and Saturday 8-11am. Outside of this time the yard will be Closed.

Bear Aware Reminder - Bears Are Active

With warmer weather arriving, bears are now active in the community. This is a great time for all residents to take a few simple steps to help reduce attractants and support safe coexistence with wildlife.

As a reminder, please ensure that all garbage is stored in a secure container and never placed out in loose garbage bags. Proper storage is one of the most effective ways to prevent human-bear interactions.

Additional tips to help keep our community safe include:

- Put garbage and recycling out only on the morning of collection, not the night before
- Keep bins clean and free of odours where possible
- Do not leave pet food or other food sources outdoors
- Keep barbecues clean and free of grease and food residue
- Ensure compost and organic waste are properly contained

Small actions make a big difference. By staying mindful of attractants, residents play an important role in protecting both the community and local wildlife.

If you have any questions or would like more information or resources, please contact the Municipal Office. Thank you for helping keep Lions Bay safe and Bear Smart.

Bear Aware Reminder: Bears Are Active!



Be bear smart! Follow these important tips to reduce attractants in our community.

Store garbage in a
**SECURE
CONTAINER**



NEVER leave out
**LOOSE
GARBAGE BAGS**



**Set Out on Pickup
Morning ONLY**



Put bins out only
on the morning
of collection.

**Clean Your
Bins**



Keep bins
clean & odor-free.

**No Pet Food
Outside**



Do not leave
pet food outdoors.


Clean Your BBQ




Scrub grills &
remove grease.

Help Keep Wildlife Safe & Our Community Bear Smart!

For more information:

 604.921.9333

 reception@lionsbay.ca





PHASE 1 IS OFFICIALLY COMPLETE!



New Options for Garbage Collection – Designed with Residents in Mind

Following recent amendments to Garbage and Recycling Collection Bylaw No. 455, 2013, we are pleased to introduce new options to better support residents' day-to-day schedules.

Recognizing that mornings can be busy, the municipality will now offer residents the opportunity to place garbage and green waste out earlier, provided that it is secured in a municipally supplied bear-resistant receptacle. This approach maintains our strong commitment to being a Bear Smart community while offering greater flexibility and convenience.

To support this initiative, the Municipality will be making bear-resistant garbage and green waste receptacles available for purchase. Residents may choose to pay upfront or have the cost conveniently applied to their utility bill, amortized over a three-year period.

If you are interested in obtaining a bear-resistant receptacle, please email the Municipality at reception@lionsbay.ca and let us know how many

receptacles you are interested in purchasing. You may want to purchase two, one for garbage and a second for green waste. We would appreciate if you could send us your interest by **April 20** so we can gauge the community interest and proceed with placing an order.

This is a great opportunity to enhance convenience while continuing to protect our community and local wildlife. Thank you for helping keep Lions Bay safe, clean, and Bear Smart.

Indoor Wood Burning Appliances

We've recently received questions from residents about what's required under Metro Vancouver's Indoor Wood Burning Emissions Regulations. Metro Vancouver has confirmed that, to meet the bylaw requirements, Lions Bay residents who use an indoor wood-burning appliance must submit a **Declaration of Compliance with Best Burning Practices** directly to Metro Vancouver.

Declarations can be submitted through Metro Vancouver's website: [About the Residential Indoor Wood Burning Bylaw | Metro Vancouver](#). Because the Village of Lions Bay is located outside the Urban Containment Boundary, residents do **not** need to register their appliances with Metro Vancouver.

If your home does not have an indoor wood-burning device, or if you do not use one, no action is required.

For those interested in learning more, additional details can be found in the Metro Vancouver Regional District [Metro Vancouver Regional District Residential Indoor Wood Burning Emission Regulation Bylaw No. 1303, 2020 - March 27, 2020](#), specifically Part 5, Clause 19(b).

Air Quality

In Lions Bay, where there is no natural gas service, many households rely on wood combustion for heat. This makes residential wood smoke a major contributor to fine particulate matter (PM2.5) in the region, which can significantly impact air quality and human health across Metro Vancouver. Burning smarter not only improves efficiency and comfort but also helps reduce smoke and pollution for you and your neighbors.

To minimize emissions, always burn properly seasoned wood - split, stacked, and covered for at least six months - until it reaches about 20% moisture content. Avoid burning green wood, as it produces excessive smoke and burns inefficiently. Building small, hot fires promotes more complete combustion, while smouldering fires generate higher levels of harmful pollutants. Never burn garbage, plastics, pressure-treated wood, or ocean driftwood, as these release toxic chemicals and can damage your system.

Regular chimney maintenance is also essential to prevent creosote buildup and reduce fire risk. Upgrading to a modern EPA-approved wood-burning appliance can further improve efficiency, producing more heat with less smoke. By adopting these practices, residents of Lions Bay can help protect local air quality while staying warm.



(Week 26)

I am pleased to report that the Beach Park Project has reached a significant milestone. Following a recent deficiency walkthrough with the project team, the project has effectively achieved substantial completion.

The only remaining item relates to soffit materials, which are currently experiencing an approximate eight-week delivery delay due to supply constraints. Importantly, this does not impact the overall functionality or usability of the site.

As is common with projects of this nature, several field-fit solutions were and are required during construction to address site-specific conditions. These have been managed collaboratively with the project team and have contributed to a strong overall result.

Looking ahead, hydroseeding is scheduled for next Friday, with grassed areas expected to establish within approximately three weeks, well in time for the spring and summer season. Forming of the entrance of the entrance pathway will occur next week.

Overall, the project has come together exceptionally well.





 **Scholarship Applications** 

 **Class of 2026** 



Curly Stewart Scholarship Fund



Applications Close
4pm on May 5th
Award Value: **\$2,000**

Calling all Lions Bay Grade 12's! The Curly Stewart Scholarship has been increased to **\$2,000.**

This award honours the life and public service of Lions Bay's first mayor, Allan M. "Curly"

Stewart, who served from 1971 – 1981. It is the Village's official scholarship and is separate from the other Foundation. Students may therefore apply to both. Criteria for applicants are outlined in the application form.

How to apply:

- 1) Complete the [online application form](#) form (Gmail required) or a hard copy (available at office).
 - 2) Submit sealed reference letters and/or hard copy application to the Village Office in person no later than 4 p.m. on May 5th.
 - 3) PLEASE WRITE "FOR ATTENTION: CURLY STEWART SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE" ON THE ENVELOPE to make sure the committee receives your information.
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*Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation
Helping Our Students Grow*

Attention all Lions Bay Grade 12 students.
Applications are due **4pm Tuesday May 5th, 2026** for:
The Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation Scholarships, and The
Rafe Mair and The Rudy Luethy 'In Memoriam' Scholarships.
Applications are available **online** and at the Village Office.
Best wishes to all graduating students.



COMMUNITY NOTICE



ANNUAL VEGETATION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Each year, CN is required to manage vegetation on its right-of-way. Managing this vegetation contributes to mitigating fire risks and enhances the efficiency of inspection of track infrastructure.

To ensure safe railway operations, CN will conduct its annual vegetation management program on its rail lines in the province of British Columbia. A certified professional (Davey Tree Expert Company of Canada, Ltd., 1-800-465-6367) will apply herbicides on and around the railway tracks (primarily along the 24-foot graveled area/ballast). The use of pesticides is intended within the area to which the pest management plan applies. All product requirements for setbacks in the vicinity of dwellings, aquatic environments, and municipal water supplies will be met.

CN only uses herbicides that have been approved for use in Canada and in the province within which they are applied.

The program is expected to take place from April to October 2026.

All CN land is private property, accessible to CN employees and approved contractors only.

Visit www.cn.ca/vegetation for more information or to make an inquiry, contact the CN Public Inquiry Line at contact@cn.ca or 1-888-888-5909.

CN.CA

For More Information Click [HERE!](#)



NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL:
Regular Meeting of Council (CLOSED)- April 7, 2026 at 6:00pm
Regular Meeting of Council (OPEN) Begins at 7:00pm

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

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

**View the Council and Committee Schedules, Agendas, and Minutes
HERE!**

Video conferencing is available for public participation via Zoom. Instructions on viewing etiquette, and how to attend and publicly participate in a meeting can be found [here](#).





EASTER EGG HUNT



Saturday April 4th • 2pm start
at Lions Bay School



Following the hunt,
2:30-4pm
join us at Broughton Hall
for bunnies, facepainting, crafts
and more!



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COME CELEBRATE



Lions Bay Giveaway Weekend

Saturday, May 2nd - Sunday, May 3rd, 2026



Once again, please help keep waste out of our landfills by putting out any of your unwanted items at the end of your driveway marked **FREE**. Items can include furniture, books, sports equipment, toys, gardening equipment, building supplies...anything goes, there are no rules.

Parking regulations will still be in effect so please be mindful of where you stop to shop. Kindly remind your kids not to drop any 'wanted' bikes or scooters near **FREE** signs.

*Please note we cannot accommodate a village-wide pick up at the end of the weekend, so it is up to owners to please put away/donate their own unwanted items.

Contact: Heather Hood - hoodinlionsbay@gmail.com

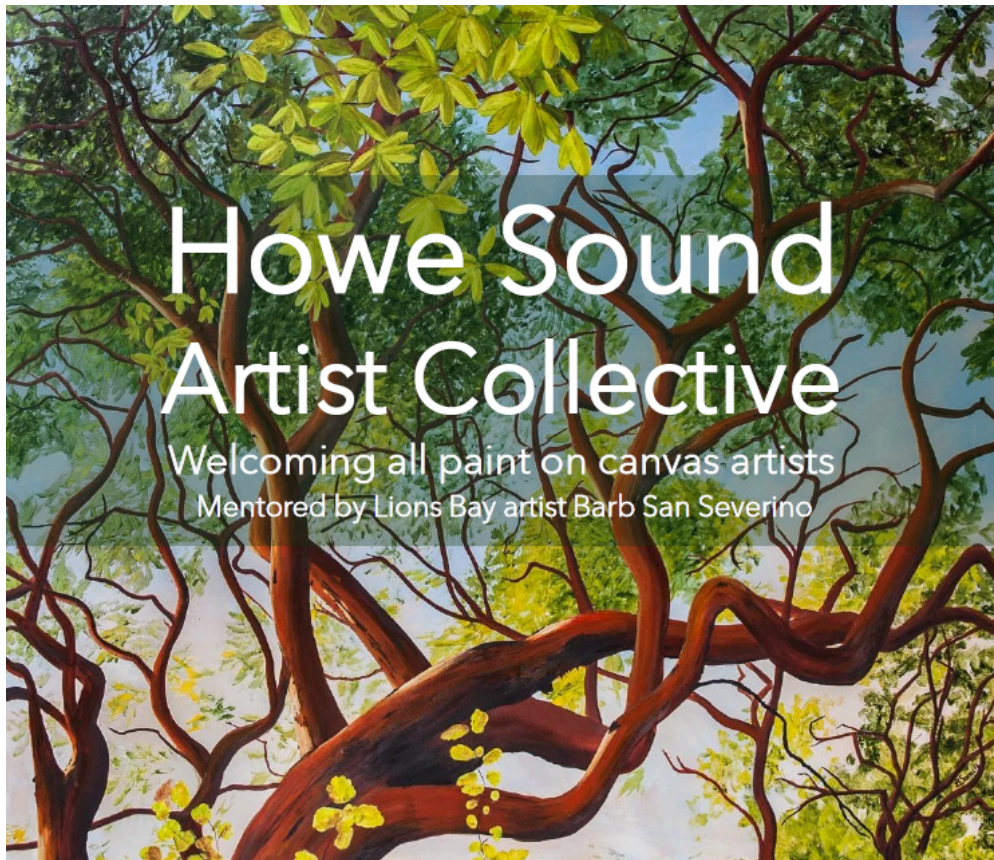
SAVE
THE
DATE!

World Migratory Bird Day
Every Bird Counts
Your Observations Matter!



May 9th
9.15 - 1
In the Village Hall

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Howe Sound Artist Collective

Welcoming all paint on canvas artists
Mentored by Lions Bay artist Barb San Severino

March - May Collective

Thursdays, beginning March 19th to May 14th

BEGINNERS WELCOME!



To learn more and to register - Go to our [website](#)
More about Barb San Severino - www.Barbsansart.ca

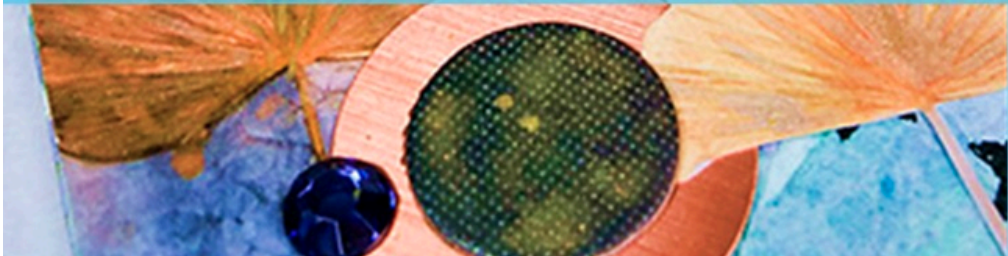


**Afterschool
ART with BARB**
Exploring Mixed Media

Offered by Resident Instructor
Barb San Severino
[Learn More and Register](#)

Ages: 8-12yrs
Tuesdays
3:15pm - 4:15pm
April 21st - June 2nd
Broughton Hall


**Lions Bay Arts**
CONNECTED THROUGH THE ARTS
ESTABLISHED 2010



**\$HEDS & CARPORTS
ARE NOT BEAR-PROOF.
\$TORE WASTE WISELY.**



#nomoredeadbears



BEAR-PROOF TYEDEE
BINS ARE MADE IN
CANADA & SOLD BY
HOME DEPOT.

Need to brush up on your Bear Smarts or new to Lions Bay? [Click here](#) for tips and guidelines on living in bear country.

Drop-off service for wildlife attractant solid waste, as well as non-curbside recyclables (styrofoam, batteries, lightbulbs, soft plastics, electronic e-waste) is available at the Public Works Yard, 5 Tidewater Way, Fridays 6-9 am and Saturdays 8-11 am.



Reception: (604) 921-9333

Public Works Voicemail: (604) 921-9833

Public Works After-hours On-call: (604) 290-1498

Bylaw Enforcement Officer: (604) 834-3404

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