



Village Update

July 17, 2026

UPDATES FROM THE MUNICIPALITY



Public Beach Water Quality - Swimming Closures

In accordance with Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH) requirements, Village staff send water samples from each of our three beaches on a weekly basis for e-coli testing. The water samples at the Lions Bay Beach Park have not met the guideline values and the beach is currently closed for swimming. Kelvin Grove and Brunswick beaches remain open.

From VCH website:

Every week from May through September, the water is sampled at many popular beaches throughout our region. Samples are tested for bacteria, which in turn tells us whether there is feces (poop) in the water from people, pets, or wildlife. Feces in water can make people ill or cause infections, from swimming or playing in the water. The standards we apply throughout our program comes from Health Canada's Guidelines for Canadian Recreational Water Quality. Our program is conducted in collaboration with partner agencies who manage our beaches, conduct the sampling, and analyze our recreational waters. [Public Beach Water Quality | Vancouver Coastal Health](#)

Additional information, including updates to the beach closures, can be found on the VCH website and the "Current beach status map": [Public Beach Water Quality | Vancouver Coastal Health](#)

What we are doing

Operations staff are removing goose poop from the Lions Bay Beach Park grass and beach on a weekly basis to reduce potential water contamination from this source. Staff are also working closely with VCH to determine when e-coli levels are back within acceptable levels to re-open the beach to swimming as soon as possible.

Staff have posted "No Swimming" signs at the Beach Park, for your own health and safety please avoid swimming when the signs are posted. Staff will remove the signs once VCH has determined the water quality is acceptable for swimming.





The Village of
**LIONS
BAY**

*Our Community.
Our Future.*

STAY TUNED

FOR AN UPCOMING
INFORMATION SESSION
IN EARLY SEPTEMBER



SO, YOU WANT TO RUN FOR COUNCIL.

TOPICS THAT WILL BE DISCUSSED:



Roles and responsibilities of Council



Eligibility requirements



Key dates and the election process



Campaign finance rules and expenses



Ethics, conduct and conflict of interest



Campaigning rules and third party advertising



Resources and where to get more information



Learn what
it takes to
serve your
community
and make
a difference.



Please send us an email if you would
like to be added to the list of attendees
or to receive an invitation to the event.

cao@lionsbay.ca

LIONS BAY FIRE RESCUE

FIRE CHIEF'S WEEKLY UPDATE



Good day, Lions Bay!

This week at Lions Bay Fire Rescue, our focus has been on continuing the modernization of our systems and processes. Members have made excellent progress with digital data entry, inventory management, equipment tracking, and training records through our new department management platform. These initiatives

will provide a clearer picture of our operational resources, improve accountability, and assist with future planning and equipment replacement.

We have also begun reviewing our fire prevention and public education messaging to strengthen our social media presence and better serve the community with timely wildfire preparedness information.

Wildfire Update

A **Wildfire of Note (V30852)** has been identified within the **Coastal Fire Centre**, approximately north of the Sea to Sky Corridor.

The fire is currently classified as **Out of Control**, measures approximately **10 hectares**, and was discovered on **July 15**. At this time, there is **no immediate threat to Lions Bay**, however, Lions Bay Fire Rescue continues to monitor the situation closely.

Fire Danger Rating

High Fire Danger

Forest fuels are currently very dry, meaning new fires can start easily and spread quickly. Residents and visitors are encouraged to exercise extreme caution with any activity that could create sparks or ignition sources.

Current Fire Restrictions

Category 1 - Current open fire prohibitions and restrictions

Please ensure that you are familiar with all current provincial and municipal fire restrictions before conducting any outdoor burning activities.

[Category 1 campfire](#)

Prohibited in Manning Park, the Chilliwack, Sea to Sky and South Island forest districts

effective 12 p.m. (noon) on July 16, 2026

Fire Smart Tip of the Week

Keep your grass cut below 10 cm

Short, well-maintained and hydrated grass is less likely to burn intensely, reducing the chance of fire spreading to your home or nearby structures. Simple maintenance around your property can make a significant difference during wildfire season.

Thank you for your continued support of Lions Bay Fire Rescue.

Have a safe and enjoyable weekend.

Lorenzo L De Arcangelis
Fire Chief



LIONS BAY FIRE RESCUE

WORKING TOGETHER. PREPARED TO SERVE. PROTECTING OUR COMMUNITY.

FIRE CHIEF'S
WEEKLY UPDATE

FRIDAY, JULY 17, 2026

FIRE DANGER



HIGH FIRE DANGER

Forest fuels are very dry and the fire risk is serious. New fires may start easily, burn vigorously, and challenge fire suppression efforts. Extreme caution must be used in any forest activities. Open burning and industrial activities may be restricted.



CURRENT FIRE RESTRICTIONS CATEGORY 1 - CURRENT OPEN FIRE PROHIBITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS

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CATEGORY 1 CAMPFIRE
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Source: BC Wildfire Service - Fire Danger Rating

LIONS BAY IS FIRE SMART

KEEP GRASS CUT BELOW 10 cm

Grass shorter than 10 centimetres is less likely to burn intensely, reducing its ability to ignite structures.



Whenever possible, you should also ensure that your lawn is well hydrated, as dry grass has a higher flammability potential.



Small actions make a big difference.
Be FireSmart. Protect your home and community.
Learn more at [FireSmartBC.ca](https://www.fire-smartbc.ca)

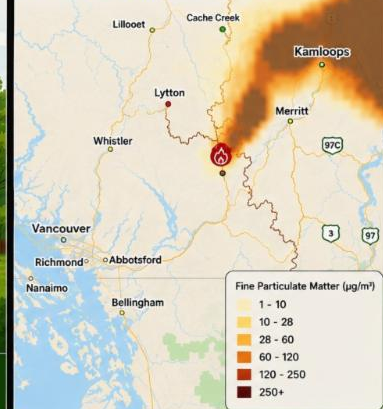


Source: FireSmart BC

SMOKE FORECAST

Smoke from wildfires continues to be concentrated over northeastern British Columbia.

**LITTLE TO NO SMOKE EXPECTED TO IMPACT
LIONS BAY OR THE SOUTH COAST.**



Source: BC Wildfire Service - Smoke Forecast



STAY INFORMED. BE PREPARED. LET'S KEEP LIONS BAY SAFE THIS SEASON.
REPORT WILDFIRES IMMEDIATELY: CALL 911 OR *5555 ON YOUR CELL PHONE (IF SAFE TO DO SO)



2026 CENSUS REMINDER

Thank You!



Thank you to residents who have completed their census by the due date of **Tuesday 12th May.**

Your participation helps ensure accurate population information and supports informed planning and service delivery.



STILL NEED TO COMPLETE YOUR CENSUS?

There is still an opportunity to do so!

Please log in using your **unique identifier** and complete the online questionnaire.

The process is quick, secure, and helps ensure that records remain current and accurate.



NEED ASSISTANCE?

As completion is a **statutory requirement**, there will be follow-through visits by **Jaime Cunliffe and Elizabeth Moore** to walk you through its completion if you had trouble doing so.



WHY YOUR CENSUS MATTERS



Supports municipal planning



Helps maintain accurate community records



Assists with future service delivery decisions



Ensures reliable population information



**PLEASE COMPLETE
YOUR CENSUS TODAY!**



Your participation makes a difference for our community.



Thank you for helping keep our community informed, connected, and prepared for the future.



UPDATES FROM THE BYLAW OFFICER





Council & Committee Meetings

COUNCIL MEETINGS:

Regular Meeting of Council (CLOSED) - July 21, 2026 at 6:00pm

Regular Meeting of Council (OPEN) - July 21, 2026 at 7:00pm

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](#).

COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD & UPCOMING EVENTS



**TONIGHT: An International Album Release. An
Intimate Live Experience**

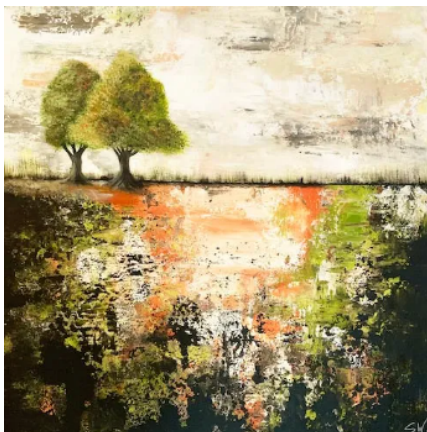
**Friday, July 17, celebrate the worldwide release of
Gabriel Palatchi's new album, *Piano Sin Fronteras***



Released globally on all major streaming platforms the same day, "Piano Sin Fronteras" is a musical journey without borders, blending passion, rhythm, and emotion into an unforgettable listening experience. But there's nothing like hearing this music performed live. **Generously sponsored by Thyra McKilligan of ReMax/Masters and the Village of Lions Bay.**

Join us **TONIGHT** at Lions Bay Village Hall for the only solo piano concert in the Vancouver area, where Gabriel will perform selections from his new album in an intimate setting, exactly as they were meant to be heard. **MUSIC+ART. EXPERIENCE.** The event features exhibiting visual artists Monica Gewurz (Lions Bay), Marysa Lague (Lions Bay) and Sascha Westendorp (West Vancouver). Artists will be present to engage with the audience.

Bragging rights included: Don't just stream the album—**be part of its international launch.**

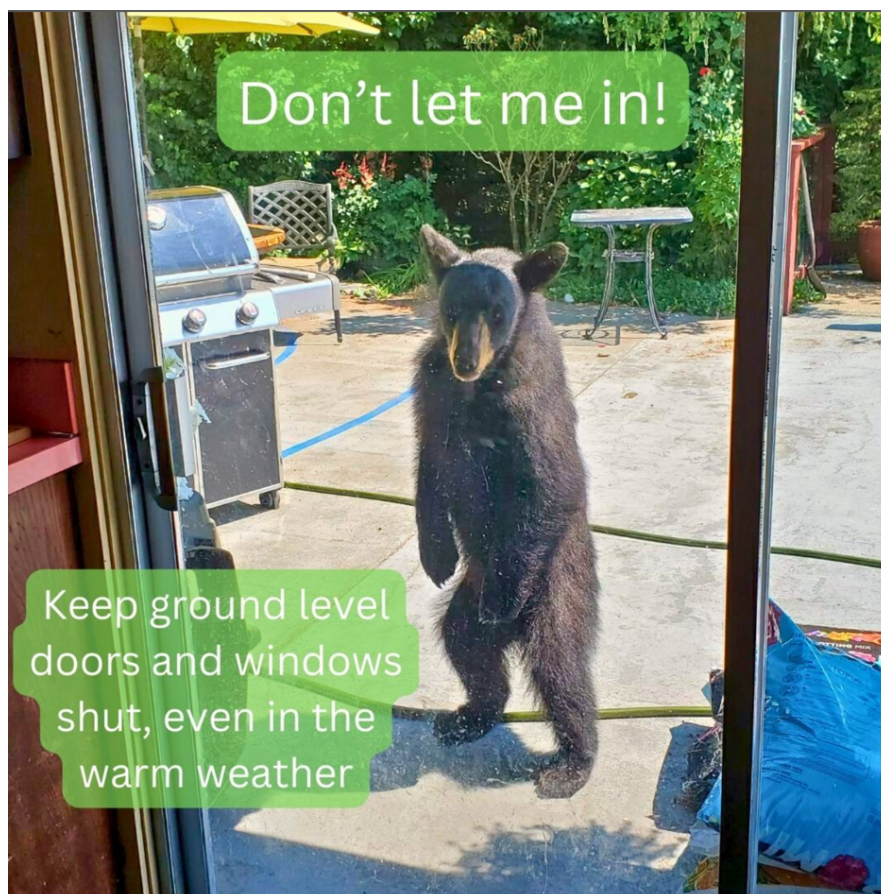


Seats are limited. **TICKET REQUIRED**

GABRIEL PALATCHI TICKETS



**Good advice from the North Shore Black Bear
Society**



It's hot out and we know it's tempting to open your doors and windows to catch a breeze. But this gives our black bears easy access to the food in our houses. **Please keep all ground level doors, windows and garage doors shut, cars empty of food and car doors locked.**

Sadly, every year bears on the North Shore lose their lives for following their noses into our houses, garages or cars. Their incredibly strong sense of smell tells them there's a summer dinner waiting inside our fridges or freezers, or on the countertop. Such behaviour is not tolerated by local authorities.

It's also a great time to practice odour management of our garbage, food waste, and recycling. Freeze meat, fish, poultry scraps and grease, and their wrappers until the morning of collection. Wash containers with hot, soapy water before putting them into the blue bin. And scrub all your bins out with vinegar after they have been emptied. You can also spray original scent Pinesol around your bins.

Let's all help our bears have a great summer eating natural bear food.

Shared by the [Lions Bay Bear Smart](#) team, with permission
Report bear sightings to us at www.lionsbaybearsmart.ca.

Report attractants that are accessible to wildlife, including in open garages and stored in sheds, to bylaw@lionsbay.ca or 604-834-3404.

Report wildlife-human interaction where the public may be at risk to the [RAPP line](#)



sing!

*A community
in harmony*

**Register for the upcoming Fall Term of *sing!*
Lions Bay's community choir.**

(Subsidizing of this wonderful opportunity has been gifted by generous
resident donors, Victoria Rogers and Kim Mailey.)

**Come and try us out at a *sing!* Open House
7-9 pm, August 25th – [rsvp here!](#)**

Learn More or To Register hit the link below!


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2010

Click here!

Howe Sound Artist Collective

Welcoming all levels of paint on canvas artists

Thursday evenings, 6-8:30 pm

September 10th - October 29th

[Learn More & Register](#)



Lions Bay Arts

CONNECTED THROUGH THE ARTS

ESTABLISHED
1970





Afterschool Adventures in Art

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

Ages: 5 -10 yrs

Tuesdays for 7 weeks

3:15pm - 4:15pm

Sept. 15th – Oct. 27th

Broughton Hall

Lions Bay Arts
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Ryan McMahon and his band bring "There She Is" to Lions Bay

Singer-songwriter **Ryan McMahon** returns to the Lions Bay Village Hall for a full-band performance that highlights his latest musical chapter. Known for a soulful, raw blend of Americana, folk and rock, the Vancouver Island-based artist arrives following the October 2025 release of his single, "[There She Is](#)." McMahon, a fixture on the Canadian live circuit, has spent years honing a career defined by heartfelt songwriting and captivating stage presence. From his early roots performing in

Vancouver clubs to sharing stages with legendary acts including **Burton Cummings, Tom Cochrane and Nickelback**, his music has achieved global reach, and been featured in television series such as [Californication](#). After a successful 2023 performance in the village, McMahon returns with his full band to showcase a mix of [original music](#) and [covers](#). His performance promises to reflect the themes of resilience and creative evolution that have characterized his recent work. **MUSIC+ART. EXPERIENCE. Featuring** exhibiting visual artist **Barbara San Severino** (Lions Bay). This event is presented with the generous support of sponsor **Thyra McKilligan of Re/Max Masters**.

 **17** Saturday, Sept. 19 | 6–9 p.m.

 Early-bird tickets: \$10

 Tickets available now

Ryan McMahon Tickets

Village of Lions Bay | lionsbay.ca

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Curbside Solid
Waste
Timeslots

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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