

ODDS & ENDS

The Golden Slipper, Cinderella's story in dance will be performed at Cowan Theatre until Jan. 4 at 2:00 pm daily. Admission is \$4.50, \$3.00 students/seniors, \$2.00 children. . . EXFO has re-opened on Granville Island on weekends and holidays from 10 am to 5 pm. It is a small preview of the Forest Centre Project planned for B.C. Place. Enjoy activities of making paper, fighting a forest fire on computer or operating a foot powered wooden treadle lathe. . . A Report Writing course is offered at Capilano College starting Jan. 12 for 14 weeks. Course fee is \$28.50. . . Green Thumb Players announce the revival of their Theatre Workshop. The Workshop series offers a programme for people ranging in age from seven years to adult and commences Jan. 17. For information call 682-4664. . .

Seniors Reminded

The Pharmacare Card is the pass which permits senior citizens to ride the Greater Vancouver Transit System at a reduced one-zone fare of 15 cents.

You can help your Transit Operator by having the card ready along with your fare when you board the bus. Delays in boarding, while you search for your card, inconvenience passengers behind you who have to wait, possibly in the pouring rain, to get on.

The card must be shown to the Transit Operator when the fare is deposited in the farebox. If you cannot show a Pharmacare Card, the tariff requires the driver to collect the full adult fare from you.

Cards, by the way, can only be used by the person to whom they are issued.

Laugh and the world laughs with you - snore and you sleep alone.

Hockey Express Service

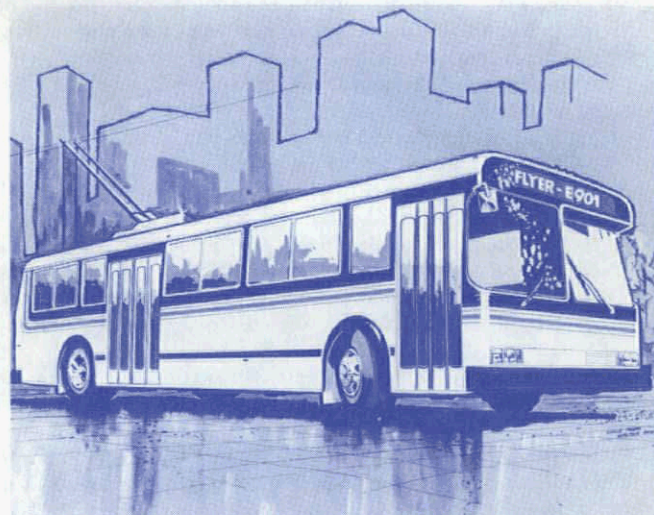
Fast, direct service to all National Hockey League games at the Coliseum is provided by Transit.

An hour before game time buses will leave Broadway and Granville with a "Coliseum" destination sign being displayed. Approximately at the same time a bus leaves 8th & 6th in New Westminster, displaying the same destination sign. From Edgemont and Ridgewood in North Vancouver another bus leaves for the Coliseum 1 hour and 15 minutes before game time. In Port Coquitlam, one bus will leave City Hall 1 hour and 45 minutes before the game and another will leave 1 hour and 35 minutes before game time. Regular fares will apply.

Check with Transit information at 324-3211 for exact times and pick-up stops en-route.

The Buzzer

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FARE INCREASE AND SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

The Greater Vancouver Regional District Board of Directors has approved extensive improvements to the transit system, to be carried out during the next two years. Initial steps in the program are already under way.

The Board also endorsed details for the introduction of a monthly bus pass and designation of the entire GVRD as a single fare zone.

The passes go on sale in January and will cost \$24 a month for adults and \$12 for students.

There are two fare zones within the GVRD transit area at the moment (this excludes West Vancouver which has its own bus system). . . White Rock, South Surrey and the eastern portion of Surrey, currently in Zone B, will be brought within the single GVRD transit zone, resulting in a significant decrease in the fare for many people travelling to or from these areas. The change is effective February 1st.

To cover the cost of the improvements, and rising operating costs in general, an increase in transit fares has also been approved. They are the first fare increases in two and one-half years and go into effect on February 1st.

The adult fare will increase by 10 cents (to 60 cents, one way); the student fare by 5 cents (to 30 cents, one-way) and the fare for seniors and children will also increase by 5 cents (to 20 cents, one-way).

Increases in the regional surcharges on the gasoline tax and on electric power bills are also expected next year, to help finance the local share of transit.

Improvements in the transit system approved by the GVRD Board include:

- *purchase of more buses, both trolleys and diesels.
- *additional/improved service on some lines
- *extension of several existing lines to serve more people.
- *construction of park-and-ride lots at key locations in the region.
- *provision of more 'bus only' lanes and 'queue jumpers' at traffic bottlenecks.

Some of the projects approved by the GVRD are also subject to approval by the Government-appointed Urban Transit Authority (UTA).

A large number of trolley buses presently in use were built in the 1940s and must be replaced. The first of 150 new vehicles will start arriving within a year.

A further 50 diesel buses will be purchased through the UTA to improve inter-municipal service. These vehicles are expected to start arriving in 1982.

It is not possible to obtain new buses any sooner because of the demand from cities throughout the continent.

By extending several trolley lines (such as the lines to the University of British Columbia, Hastings East to Ridge Drive and East Broadway to Brentwood), some diesel buses which now operate as an extension to these lines could be freed for use on inter-municipal service.

Park-and-ride facilities are planned at a number of locations in the region, including Richmond, Delta, Surrey and North Vancouver. 'Bus only' lanes are planned in Richmond (near the Oak Street Bridge), Surrey (near the Pattullo Bridge) and North Vancouver (near the Second Narrows Bridge).

The one time modern man's home really feels like a castle is when the furnace goes out.

It's hard to understand what makes people tick. The same kids who refuse to eat spinach grow up and stand in line to buy yogurt.

New and Improved Bus Service

SURREY & WHITE ROCK

New shopper bus routes will be in effect January 16 in Surrey and White Rock. In SURREY the 336 ANNIE DALE service will operate from 56th Ave. (Hwy. 10) at the King George Hwy. to Guildford, via 56th Ave., Old McLellan Rd., 60th Ave. 192nd St., 88th Ave. (Port Kells), Harvey Rd., Freeway Overpass, 96th Ave., Barnston Drive, 176th St., 104th Ave., 160th St., 112th Ave., 154th St. to Guildford. The return route will be in reverse. In WHITE ROCK the 358 SUNNYSIDE service will start from North Bluff at Johnston and route via North Bluff (16th Ave.), 168th St., 20th Ave., 184th St., 24th Ave. (Sunnyside), 156th St., North Bluff to Johnston. The afternoon trip will route in the opposite (clockwise) direction.

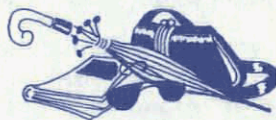
RICHMOND

The 408 GARDEN CITY route will be extended further east on Williams to No. 5 Rd., north on No. 5 to King, and the outer terminus will be on King at No. 5 Road. Return routing will be via King, Seacote to Williams then normal routing.

COQUITLAM

The 149 DEWDNEY will no longer terminate at Port Coquitlam. The routing eastbound will remain the same as far as the Coquitlam Centre, then will route further north on Pinetree to Glen, then via Glen, Pipeline, Dunkirk, Gabriola, Harwood to Nestor. Return route will be via Nestor, Dunkirk, Pipeline, Glen, Pinetree to Coquitlam Centre, then the usual westbound routing. A layover will be taken at Coquitlam Centre either before or after the loop up to Nestor at Dunkirk, depending on the time of day. Effective December 15, 1980, the routing of the 148 IOCO was extended beyond Ioco into the ANMORE area on three trips daily. The routing is via 1st Ave., Sunnyside Road to Mainland.

New timetables effective January 16 will indicate the



Lost Property Office

If you happened to have left a parcel or other personal items on the bus, they might have been turned into the Lost Property Office, located in the Harbour Centre Mall, immediately off the Seymour Street entrance. Office hours are from 9 am to 5 pm, Monday through Friday. The telephone number is 663-2133. If you can identify what bus and route you were on and the date you lost the article, they might be able to help you.