



12 Million and Climbing

On June 17th, 1977 Vancouver's two Sea-Buses, the Burrard Beaver and Burrard Otter, entered service.

Exactly two years later these twin vessels had already proven their popularity. They had carried a total of 6.4 million persons across our busy harbour in only 24 months of operation.

Charlie Spratt, Manager of Sea-Bus Operations reports that on Friday, March 20th, 1981 the 12 millionth passenger travelled on the System. This is well ahead of the projected passenger estimates established prior to Sea-Bus service commencement.

From all the staff at Sea-Bus, a special "Thanks" to the many supporters of this unique service.

Overheard at a club meeting: "I've known him as a man, as an adolescent and as a child — sometimes on the same day."

Ecological bumper sticker: "The best things in life are free — w supplies last."

New Timetables Available

The Greater Vancouver Transit System, operated by the Metro Transit Operating Company, will issue its new timetables effective April 10th.

Timetables for all routes will be available soon at regular distribution outlets, such as community centres, libraries, municipal halls and shopping centres. Be sure to pick up a new timetable for the bus route you use, which will provide a handy pocket-sized record of schedule and route details taking effect April 10th.

COMING EVENTS

□ Apr. 3 — Annual Spring Rummage Sale, SPCA Aux, at the Shelter, 1205 E 7th Ave, 10 am-1:30 pm

□ Apr 4 — Rummage Sale, Ladies FOE 2075, Eagles Hall, 748 Kingsway, at 10 am

□ Apr 4 — Annual Thrift Sale, St Matthias Church, 49th Ave & Tisdall St, Vanc, 10 am-noon

□ Apr 4 — Bazaar/Rummage Sale, Citizens Pet Population Control Soc, Victoria Dr Comm Hall, 2026 E 43rd Ave, 11 am-3 pm

□ Apr 4 — Thrift Sale, Chown Mem. Church, 3519 W 19 Ave & Cambie St, 11 am-2:30 pm

□ Apr 4 — Cherry Blossom Bazaar, Vanc Japanese United Church Hall, 4010 Victoria Dr, 12 noon-3 pm

□ Apr 5 — Giant Garage Sale, Royal Cdn Air Cadets 111 Squadron, Bessborough Armouries, 2025 W 11th Ave, Vanc, 10 am-4 pm

□ Apr 8 — Blossom Tea, Concord Rebekah Lodge #37, I.O.O.F. Hall 7728 Edmonds St, corner Can Way, 1-3 pm. Adm: \$1.00

□ Apr 8 — Rummage Sale, Kiwassa Club of Kerrisdale, in Royal Cdn Legion Hall, 185 E 11 Ave, at 1 pm

□ Apr 9 — Rummage Sale, Marpole Oakridge Seniors Program, Marpole United Church Hall, 1260 W 67th Ave, 1-3 pm

□ Apr 9 & 10 — Armenian Charity Bake Sale, Royal Centre Mall, crn. Georgia & Burrard, 10 am

□ Apr 11 — Thrift Sale, West Pt. Grey United Church, 4595 W 8th Ave, 10:30 am-1 pm

□ Apr 11 — Rummage Sale, Macte Club, Masonic Hall, 6526 Main St, 12:30-3 pm

□ Apr 11 — Rummage Sale, A.C.W. of St Catherine's Angl Church, 1058 Ridgewood Dr, N Van, 10 am

□ Apr 14 — Rummage Sale, KIA ORA Service Club, Mt Pleasant Comm Ctr, 3161 Ontario St at 16th Ave, Vanc, 7:30 pm

□ Apr 13, 14 & 15 — Bargain Mart, Marpole Women's Aux, Pearson Hosp, 700 W 59th Ave.

ODDS & ENDS

People's Law School offers one evening session on Separation & Divorce at S. Vanc. Neighbourhood House, 6470 Victoria Dr. on 7 April at 7:30 p.m. . . . 30 Plus Single Adults potluck dinner at 1420 West 12th Ave. on 11 April at 7 pm . . . A community forum for seniors will be held on 5 April at 2 Hillcrest Hall, 4360 Main St. . . . The Arthritis Society presents Gardening for Arthritics at Queen's Ave. United Church, 529 Queens Ave, New West on 9 April at 7:30 pm . . . Church of the Deaf is holding a Family Conference on Living Together at 3519 Cambie St. on April 3-5. Registration on 3 April at 7:30 pm . . . Standard First Aid Courses will begin again in April at St. John Ambulance. For information and registration call 321-2651 . . . White Rock Playhouse, 1532 Johnston Rd, White Rock presents The Wonderful World of Sarah Binks on April 8 and 9. For reservations call 536-1343 . . . YMCA drop-in program features Heart Attack — Counter Attack at 955 Burrard St. on 21 April at 7:30 p.m. The drop-in program is open to the public at no fee . . . Women in Focus Art Gallery features paper/canvas/multi-media exhibition of large renderings of women's imagery from April 10-25 at #204-456 W. Broadway between noon and 8 p.m. . . . Vancouver Women's Musical Club presents piano and flute concert at Christ Church Cathedral, Georgia & Burrard on 8 April at noon.

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The Buzzer

Many Service or Route Changes for April 10th

As indicated in our last issue of "The Buzzer", a number of changes are to take place effective Friday, April 10th.

Primarily, these changes centre around services within the core area of Downtown Vancouver.

In order to provide you with a complete understanding of each change and how it might affect you personally, we will detail, by route, exactly what will take place.

#1 BEACH

— Present downtown routing for this service is from a terminus at Cambie and Hastings, via Cambie, Pender, Homer, Hastings, Burrard, Davie to Denman. This changes, with a *new terminus at Powell and Columbia via Powell, Water, Cordova, Granville*, Hastings, Burrard, Davie, Denman, Beach, Hornby, Drake, Burrard, Hastings, *Granville, Cordova, Columbia, Powell to terminus at Columbia.*

— Schedule frequency for this service remains unchanged.

#2 P.N.E. PARK & RIDE

— During the morning and evening rush hour periods, this service will operate as an extension of the #22 MacDonald-16th Avenue route.

— The present morning (A.M.) westbound routing for this service is from Rupert at Pender (Park & Ride Lot) via Pender, Windermere, Hastings, Burrard to Robson. This changes to Rupert at Pender via Rupert, Pender, Windermere, Hastings, *Carrall, Pender, Burrard and regular #22 MacDonald to 16th Avenue route beyond.*

- The present evening (P.M.) eastbound routing for this service is from Hornby at Pacific via Hornby, Drake, Burrard, Hastings, to Rupert at Pender. This changes, with service now leaving the terminus at 16th Avenue and Blenheim via 16th Avenue, MacDonald, Pt. Grey Rd., Cornwall, Burrard, Hastings, Rupert, to terminus at Park & Ride Lot.
- Schedule frequency for this service remains unchanged.

#3 ROBSON

- Present downtown routing for this service is from Main via Pender, Granville, Robson to Davie. This changes to Main via *Hastings*, Granville, Robson to Davie.
- Schedule frequency remains unchanged.

#6 FRASER/#15 CAMBIE becomes

#6 FRASER/#8 DAVIE

- Routing for the #6 FRASER will commence at a terminus located at Davie and Denman, and route through downtown via Davie, Denman, Robson, Granville, Cordova, Main, Kingsway, Broadway, Fraser, S.E. Marine to terminus at Poplar.
- Routing for the #8 DAVIE will commence at a terminus located at S.E. Marine and Poplar via 65th Avenue, Fraser, Broadway, Kingsway, Main, Hastings, Granville, Davie to terminus at Denman.
- Schedule frequencies for both these services have been improved.

#8 DAVIE/#19 KINGSWAY becomes

#15 CAMBIE/#19 KINGSWAY

- Routing for the #15 CAMBIE will commence at Joyce Loop and route via Joyce, Kingsway, Main, Pender, Burrard, Robson, Cambie, to terminus at 64th Avenue.
- Routing for the #19 KINGSWAY will commence at a terminus located at Cambie and 64th Avenue and route via Cambie, 65th Avenue, Cambie, Robson, Burrard, Pender, Main, Kingsway, Joyce to Joyce Loop.
- Schedule frequencies for both these services remain unchanged except for very minor adjustments to the daytime non-rush hour period.

#18 ARBUTUS

- Present downtown routing for this service is via Hastings, Richards, Pacific, Granville Bridge, Granville, Broadway and beyond. This changes to Hastings, *Granville*, Broadway and regular route beyond.
- Schedule frequency for this service remains unchanged.

#18 HASTINGS EXPRESS

- This will now be the designated signage on buses operating from a terminus at Kootenay Loop to the 63rd and Granville Loop. The buses will operate an "Express" service from Kootenay Loop to Main and Hastings. At Hastings and Gore destination sign will be changed to #18 ARBUTUS and these buses will route via Hastings, *Granville*, Broadway, and regular route beyond.

#34 HASTINGS EXPRESS

- Westbound service on this route will operate during rush hours only, between terminus points at Kootenay Loop and Davie at Richards. The actual routing remains unchanged. Between Kootenay Loop and Main and Hastings they operate in both directions as "Express" service. Eastbound service on this route will continue to originate at the 63rd and Granville Loop and travel northbound on Granville, Hastings, to Kootenay Loop. Between Kootenay Loop and Hastings at Main, buses operate in both directions as "Express".

#22 MACDONALD

- Present downtown routing for this service is from Pender and Cambie via Dunsmuir, Burrard, Cornwall and beyond. This changes to Pender and Cambie via *Pender*, Burrard and regular route beyond.
- Schedule frequency for this service remains unchanged.

#22 MACDONALD — 16th AVENUE

- Present downtown westbound routing for this service is from a terminus at Cambie and Dunsmuir via Dunsmuir, Burrard, Cornwall and beyond. This changes, with a new terminus at *Carrall and Keefer* via *Carrall*, Pender, Burrard, Cornwall and beyond.
- Present downtown eastbound routing for this service is from 16th Avenue at *BLENHEIM* via 16th Avenue, MacDonald, Grey Rd., Cornwall, Burrard, Pender to terminus at Cambie and Dunsmuir. This changes, with service routing via 16th Avenue, MacDonald, Pt. Grey Rd., Cornwall, Burrard, Pender, *Columbia, Keefer, Carrall*, to new terminus at *Carrall and Keefer*.
- Schedule frequency remains unchanged.

#50 FALSE CREEK SOUTH

- Present downtown routings for this service will also change. The current southbound routing is from a terminal at the Granville Waterfront Station (Granville & Cordova) via Granville, S.W. Cloverleaf off Granville Bridge, 5th Ave. and beyond. This changes, with a new terminus at *Powell and Columbia*, then via *Powell, Water, Cordova, Granville* and regular route beyond.

- The current northbound routing is unchanged from the outer terminus at Willow & Broadway until Granville at Hastings. The new northbound routing extends this service on Granville, to *Cordova, then via Cordova, Columbia, Powell, to terminus at Powell & Columbia*.
- Schedule frequency has been improved on this service.

#54 STRIDE (Rush hours only)

#55 TWELFTH

#96 SIXTH ST.

- Present routing calls for these services to enter the Downtown Vancouver core via Main, Keefer, Columbia, Pender, Cambie, Dunsmuir to Burrard/Melville Connector, and exit via Thurlow, Pender, Columbia, Keefer, Main and beyond. The new routing has these services entering via *Main, Pender, Cambie, Dunsmuir* to Melville Connector and exiting via *Thurlow, Pender, Main* and regular route beyond.
- Schedule frequencies remain unchanged.

#210 MOUNTAIN HWY.

#211 SEYMOUR (Rush hours only)

#214 BERKLEY (Rush hours only)

- Present routing calls for these services to enter the Downtown Vancouver core via Powell, Main, Hastings, Burrard, Robson, Thurlow, Smithe to terminus at Smithe and Burrard, and exit via Burrard, Hastings, Columbia, Cordova, Powell and beyond. The new routing has these services entering via *Powell, Carrall, Pender, Burrard* and regular route beyond, and exit via *Burrard, Pender, Homer, Cordova* and regular route beyond.
- Schedule frequency remains unchanged.

PPERS FREEBUS

#81 SEABUS BURRARD

#82 SEABUS GRANVILLE

- As mentioned in the last "Buzzer" issue, these services become redundant as of April 10th. With all the changes detailed in the foregoing, service within the Downtown core has been improved to such a level that the above three routes would only serve as an expensive duplication. Therefore, these three services are to be discontinued.
- The convenience of the new 90 minute transfer gives the Transit user all the flexibility provided by the "Shoppers Freebus", as far as movement between major shopping areas are concerned. Link this to the service improvements and we think everyone can benefit.