

Public Open House for Upper Capilano/Edgemont residents

BC Transit is proposing to revise transit services in the Upper Capilano/Edgemont area in order to establish a direct Lonsdale Quay to Grouse Mountain service throughout the year. This would provide more transit choices for residents and address the growing tourist market in the Capilano area. The proposal involves changes to three routes:

- 226 Pemberton Heights/Lonsdale Quay/St. Patrick's
- 232 Phibbs Exchange/Grouse Mountain
- 236 Lonsdale Quay/Grouse Mountain

You are invited to discuss and comment on these proposed changes at a Public Open House:

Monday, March 28 from 3:30 to 8:00 pm
Handsworth Secondary School (Room 221)
1044 Edgewood Road, North Vancouver.

Parking is available at the school, off Handsworth Street on the north side of the building.

Easter Weekend Services

FRIDAY, APRIL 1

All BC Transit services -- Bus (including Blue Bus), SeaBus and SkyTrain -- will operate Sunday and holiday service.

From King George Station, the first and last SkyTrains will leave at 8:08 am and 11:38 pm.

From Waterfront Station, the first and last SkyTrains will leave at 8:50 am and 12:15 am.

From North Vancouver, the first and last SeaBuses will leave at 8:02 am and 11:02 pm.

From Vancouver, the first and last SeaBuses will leave at 8:16 am and 11:16 pm.

Single zone fares (use your one-zone FareSavers) apply system-wide on holidays, and a DayPass or valid FareCard will allow unrestricted travel throughout the day.

MONDAY, APRIL 4

Regular weekday services will be provided with slightly reduced SkyTrain frequencies during commuter hours. Regular weekday fares will apply.

Granville Island Easter hours: The Market will be open 9:00 am to 6:00 pm, Friday through Monday, April 1 to 4. Use the #51 Granville Island service from Broadway at Granville.

New handyDART operator in Maple Ridge & Pitt Meadows

Beginning April 1, all handyDART service in Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows will be provided by D-W Services Ltd. Service hours, fares and procedures for trip bookings and cancellations will remain unchanged.

For further information and to make trip bookings for after March 31, staff can now be contacted at the new handyDART number: 462-8522
Or at 9450 - 287th St., Maple Ridge

HandyPass, MSS, CNIB and War Amps passes on transit

We're told there appears to be some confusion on the use of these passes, particularly in regard to the use of HandyPass in conjunction with another pass.

A passenger with a HandyPass pays a Concession fare and is entitled to take an attendant along free of charge.

A passenger with a MSS, CNIB or War Amps card in addition to a HandyPass, rides free and is entitled to take an attendant along free of charge.

Wheelchair and scooter bus passengers

If you travel in a wheelchair or on a scooter, BC Transit encourages you to travel by bus, and since we want your trip to be as easy and enjoyable as possible we ask that you board backwards. This makes disembarking so much easier. You don't have to turn; a difficult manoeuvre and a serious inconvenience for other passengers when the front seats are filled.

We know that some scooter users have difficulty boarding backwards and we would like to help. BC Transit offers personalized training in lift use and boarding procedure. To make an appointment, simply call our Training Department at 264-5420 or our Accessible Transit Department at 264-5000.

FOR INFORMATION ON HOW TO GET THERE BY TRANSIT

TIMETABLES are available free of charge at public libraries, city and municipal halls, community centres and the BC Transit Lost Property Office at Stadium Station. **TRANSIT GUIDES** offer a map, a listing of all routes, and fare information. They're available at 7-Eleven, SkyTrain station convenience shops and most FareDealers for a small charge. **THE YELLOW PAGES** show a route map, a list of bus routes and fare information. **INFORMATION BY TELEPHONE:** 261-5100. West Vancouver 985-7777

COMING EVENTS

Nourishing Our Children's Future, a community forum to discuss healthy food and activity choices, Mar 29, Lions Gate Hospital Gym. Kevin Evans, CBC Evening News, will be moderator. Information booths open 7:30 pm. Speakers' panel, 8 pm. Adm free. • The Burnaby Writers' Society's 1994 *Short Fiction Competition* offers prizes of \$200, \$100 and \$50 to the top three entries. Open to all B.C. residents. Deadline May 31, 1994. For rules, send a S.A.E. to Contest Committee, c/o 7793 Royal Oak Ave, Burnaby, V5J 4K2 • SFU Harbour Centre offers a six-session evening course on *Writing and Marketing Speculative Fiction*, Thursdays beginning April 7. \$250. Info: 291-5077 • The YMCA Toddler House, a childcare centre in the Brentwood area, is designed specifically for the under 3 age group. Contact Gail or Kimberlee at 294-1946 • Jurying will take place Apr 29 & May 5, from 3:00 to 6:30 pm, for artisans and artists entering work for the North Vancouver Community Arts Council's *Annual Summer Craft Fair*, June 23-30 (except Sun) at North Vancouver Civic Plaza. For appointment call 988-6844 • North Vancouver Community Players presents the world premiere of *Death of a Devil*, a play about events surrounding the death of Nicolo Paganini, Mar 30-Apr 9 at Presentation House, N.V. Tx: \$10/\$8.983-2633 • *The Just Past of Photography in Vancouver*, featuring the 50s and 60s work of five photographers, Presentation House, 333 Cheaterfield Ave, N.V. 'til Apr 24 • The Vancouver Chamber Choir and CBC Vancouver Orchestra perform Palestrina's *Missa Papae Marcelli* and Fauré's *Requiem*, Apr 1, 8 pm, Orpheum Theatre. Tx at Ticketmaster • West End Community Centre's *12th Annual Easter Bunny Fun Run* for the whole family begins at Lumberman's Arch, Apr 3 at 8:00 am. Easter eggs, prizes, refreshments, t-shirts. Info: 689-0571 • B.C. & Yukon Chamber of Mines offers a five-evening, 7:00-9:30, Placer Gold Mining Course, Apr 12-26. Cost \$50. Info: 681-5328 • The Surrey and Langley YMCAs are accepting registrations for spring programs that begin the week of Mar 28. T-Ball, Karate, Gymnastics, Basketball, Babysitting, etc. Info: Surrey 581-0014, Langley 530-7946 • John Korsrud's Hard Rubber Orchestra plays an evening of hardhitting, unpredictable music in a Free Concert, Mar 31, 7:30 pm, Vancouver Community College, 1155 East Broadway • The Vancouver Affiliate of "The Names Project - Canada" is holding monthly workshops for people wanting to create a panel for the Canadian Aids Memorial Quilt. Info: Michael Arsenault at 685-9194 • Vancouver Community College 1994 *Graduate Fashion Show* features mini-shows by seven new designers, Apr 8, 8 pm, 250 West Pender. Tx \$10 • The Self-Help Resource Assoc of B.C. is sponsoring a one-day conference promoting the exchange of self-help/mutual aid skills and resources, Apr 23, 9:00-3:30 at Douglas College. Info: 876-6086 • Vancouver Public Library's "City Poets" series presents an author reading by Sheri-D Wilson, Mar 28, 7:30 pm, Central Branch • First Impressions Theatre presents *Who's afraid of Virginia Woolf?* at Deep Cove Shaw Theatre, Wed-Sat 'til Apr 9. Tx \$10. 929-9456

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Mar 26 - Flea Market, Blessed Sacrament Hall, 3050 Heather, 10:00-3:00

Mar 26/27 - Painting & Craft Sale, South Delta Rec Centre, 1720-56th St, Tsawwassen. 10:00-5:00

Mar 27 - Variety Sale for Pets Ltd. at West Van Community Centre, 22nd & Marine, 11:30-2:30

Apr 1 - Easter Bazaar, Russian Com-

munity Centre, 2114 West 4th, noon-6 pm. Russian-style buffet

Apr 2 - Spring Show & Plant Sale, Van African Violet Club, VanDusen Gardens, 37th & Oak, noon-4:00. \$1

Apr 7 - Thrift Sale, St. Mary's Anglican, 808 E.50th, at Prince Albert, 11:00-2:00

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Spring SERVICE UPDATES

Effective April 11

Spring is in the air and transit routes are being adjusted to provide improved bus services to connect Surrey riders with the new SkyTrain stations and to meet seasonal demand in the Lower Mainland. Highlights include increased service to Stanley Park, Capilano Road visitor attractions and Tsawwassen Ferry Terminal, and reduced service to the UBC and SFU campuses.

Burnaby & New Westminster

- 100 New Westminster Station/Airport** ♿
- 102 Cumberland/New Westminster Station**
- 108 Eighth Ave/New Westminster Station**
- 106 New Westminster Stn/Metrotown Stn** ♿
- 133 Metrotown/SFU**
- 135 Hastings East/Kootenay Loop** ♿
- 143 Coquitlam Centre/SFU**
- 145 Lougheed Mall/SFU** ♿
- 150 Lougheed Mall/Kootenay Loop**
- 285 SFU/Capilano College**

There will be schedule and frequency adjustments.

Coquitlam, Port Coquitlam, Port Moody, Maple Ridge & Pitt Meadows

- 148 White Pine Beach/loco/ New Westminster Station** ♿

Some weekend and holiday trips will be extended to White Pine Beach at Sasamat Lake, from May 21 to September 5.

- 151 Port Coquitlam Centre/Vancouver** ♿

To avoid congestion at Barnet & Pinetree, eastbound buses from Coquitlam Centre Transit Exchange will be revised to operate via access road, Mariner Way, Johnson, Glen, Pinetree, Lincoln and the regular route to Port Coquitlam Centre.

- 702 Haney Place/Pitt Meadows** ♿
- 705 Haney Place/Maple Ridge** ♿
- 721 Ruskin/Haney Place** ♿

Service on Friday and Saturday evenings, Sundays and holidays will be discontinued.

- 143 Coquitlam Centre/SFU**
- 149 Coquitlam Centre/Port Moody North**

There will be service and frequency adjustments.

Vancouver

- 42 Spanish Banks/Chancellor**

Sunday and holiday service will be discontinued, but

seasonal service will be provided from June 27 to September 5 only.

50 False Creek South/Gastown

Daytime service into Gastown, Monday to Saturday, will be discontinued. Service will be provided by the 1 Beach/Gastown

TOURIST ALERT

52 Around the Park ♿

This popular service around Stanley Park will operate hourly, on the hour, from 10 am to 7 pm, Saturday, Sunday and holidays, April 2 to October 30.

1 Beach/Gastown

19 Metrotown/Stanley Park

31 Broadway Station/UBC

49 Metrotown Station/Dunbar ♿

85 Downtown/UBC

There will be schedule and frequency adjustments.

North Vancouver

TOURIST ALERT

236 Lonsdale Quay/Grouse Mountain ♿

Service between Lonsdale Quay and Grouse Mountain will be reintroduced as follows:

Hourly service from April 11 to June 26, with half-hourly service during PM peak periods only.

Half-hourly service from June 27 to September 4.

285 SFU/Capilano College

286 North Vancouver/UBC

There will be schedule and frequency adjustments.

Richmond, South Delta, Ladner & Tsawwassen

404 Tsawwassen Ferry/Ladner Exchange/Airport

From April 11 to October 10 the regular route will be extended beyond Ladner Exchange to provide seasonal daytime service to the Tsawwassen Ferry Terminal. Combined, #404 and #640 buses will provide 30 minute service between Ladner Exchange and the ferry terminal.

At Ladner Exchange, Vancouver #601 passengers can make connections to and from the ferry terminal.

640 Scott Road Station/Surrey Central Station/Tsawwassen Ferry Terminal ♿

The #640 will be re-routed to provide direct, hourly service between the ferry terminal, Ladner Exchange and SkyTrain. Buses will travel via River Road and replace the peak period #315 service. This will improve transit service to the ferries for residents in North Surrey, North Delta, Langley, Burnaby, Coquitlam and New Westminister. Peak period buses will be routed through Tilbury Island Industrial Park. Some #319 trips will be extended to provide hourly service between Ladner Exchange and Scott Road Station via Scottsdale Mall, to replace this section of the previous #640 service.

401 One Road/Vancouver

405 Five Road/Richmond Exchange

411 Steveston/Vancouver

480 Steveston/UBC

601 South Delta/Vancouver

602 Tsawwassen Heights/Vancouver

606 Ladner Ring

608 Ladner Ring/Vancouver

There will be schedule and frequency adjustments.

Surrey, North Delta, Langley, White Rock

Beginning April 11, we will be introducing improved bus service to connect you with your new SkyTrain stations, provide service to major destinations in Surrey City Centre, and improve local service in North Surrey and North Delta, and between suburbs south of the Fraser River.

The 332 Surrey Central Station/Fleetwood and 390 White Rock Centre/Surrey Central Station will be added as new wheelchair accessible routes.

For details of the improved bus service south of the Fraser River, pick up a brochure on board SkyTrain or a Surrey bus, or at the BC Transit Lost Property Office in Stadium Station. Copies are also available at the Vancouver Travel InfoCentre, public libraries and Surrey area FareDealers (Safeway, 7-Eleven, etc.)

SkyTrain riders: Interim Surrey bus routes, March 28 to April 10

You will be able to use the three new SkyTrain stations beginning March 28, but bus service will continue to operate to Scott Road Station until April 10.

Because of continuing construction around Surrey Central Station, the minor re-routings listed in the March 11 Buzzer will not be implemented. Buses will continue to stop on 134A St. & 102 Ave. to pick up and drop-off passengers, but will use the new transit exchange with the introduction of the service changes on April 11.

Buses heading for Surrey Central Station (Whalley Exchange) will follow their regular routes, except for the 321 Scott Road Station and 326/329 Surrey Central Station. These north-bound buses will stop on King George Hwy. at King George Station, then continue via King George Hwy., 102 Ave., and 134A St. to Surrey Central Station.

During peak hours, the 390 White Rock Centre, 395 Willowbrook and 502 Brookwood will be re-routed to serve Surrey Central Station. Buses will travel via King George Hwy. and 102 Ave. (stopping at Bay #4), then continue to terminus.

Join in the SkyTrain celebration

Shortly after 5:00 am on Monday, March 28, three new SkyTrain stations will open and you're invited to join in the celebration on the first day of service. The first 5,000 customers will receive commemorative First Rider certificates and souvenirs and prizes sponsored by Surrey Place Mall, the City of Surrey and BC Transit. Urban Expresso will distribute complimentary coupons to SkyTrain passengers throughout the morning. A public pancake breakfast will be served at Surrey Central Station on City Parkway (135th Street, between 102nd and 104th Avenues) from 7:00 to 9:00 am. Breakfast will be sponsored by Bombardier Transportation Equipment Group. *Please join us.*

King George Park & Ride

A Park & Ride lot, operated by Impark, will open on March 28th at 100th Avenue & King George Highway, just across from King George Station. Parking fee will be \$1.50 a day.

Adjust SkyTrain schedule in bus timetables

Please make the following adjustments to the SkyTrain First and Last Train schedule that is included in most of the new bus timetables, dated April 11. The first train leaves Waterfront Station at 5:50 am Monday to Friday, and the last train leaves King George Station at 12:38 am Monday to Friday, 12:38 am Saturday and 11:38 pm Sunday/holidays.