# Coquitlam timetable revision

In the Coquitlam timetable, effective December 12, a trip was omitted in the **160 Port Coquitlam** Centre Monday to Friday schedule. The bus leaves Coquitlam Centre at 4:08 pm and arrives at Kingsway at Wilson at 4:20 pm.

## Service adjustments, Dec 23 & 30 311 Scottsdale Mall

Service will be adjusted to provide earlier afternoon trips from Downtown Vancouver on December 23 and 30. Trips will leave Burrard Station, Bay 4 at 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 3:38, 4:18, 4:48, 5:10 and 5:45 pm.

#### 353 Ocean Park / 22nd Street Station

Service will be adjusted to provide earlier afternoon trips from 22nd Street Station, Bay 1, on December 23 and 30. Trips will leave at 2:00, 3:00 (To White Rock Centre only), 4:00 and 5:00 pm.

For more details, please call Customer Information at 521-0400.

### Introduction of Vanpools on Bus Only lanes postponed

In the November 18 issue of The Buzzer we announced that vehicles with six or more occupants, outfitted with six or more seatbelts, would be allowed to use some specified Bus Only lanes, beginning December 5. This plan will now be introduced sometime in the New Year.

# North Vancouver service adjustments

effective December 12

L#232 Grouse Mountain/Phibbs Exchange

All trips are now extended to Grouse Mountain during the midday, Monday to Friday.

### L#239 Park Royal/Lonsdale Quay/Capilano College

Service has been increased to operate every 15 minutes between Lonsdale Quay and Capilano College during the midday, Monday to Friday.

### #247 Upper Capilano/Vancouver

The route has been extended to begin at the Grouse Mountain SkyRide, providing service to the Grousewoods area.

### #286 North Vancouver/UBC

An additional morning trip arrives at UBC at 8:00 am.

Still Life, an exhibition of prints and paintings by Leonard Brett, North Vancouver City Hall Gallery, Mon-Fri 'til Jan 18 O The Vancouver Chamber Choir, guest string quintet and pianist Linda Lee Thomas will lead you through some musical time passages where you will hear songs from an Elizabethan Music Room, a Victorian Parlour, a German Living Room and traditional Christmas songs from "Around Grandmother's Piano." Pacific Ballroom, Hotel Vancouver, Dec 18, 3 pm. Tx \$16/\$13. TicketMaster, 280-3311 O At the Arts Club Theatre, Local Anxiety's Year in Revue, 6 & 10 pm. The 10 pm show will feature a champagne reception, midnight snacks and dancing. Info: 687-1644 O Pacific Bluegrass Society offers an Open Stage and Christmas Party featuring Five on a String, Glass Slipper, 2714 Prince Edward St, near 11th. Book: 433-4587 O Champlain Hts Rec Centre is hosting a Family Lights Tour, Dec 21, 6-10 pm. \$9. Family \$19. Rsv: 437-9115 O The Surrey YMCA is running Winter Break Daycamps the week of Dec 19-23 and the week of Dec 27-30. Enjoy roller skating, Science World, craft making, games, etc. Info: 581-0014 O The Surrey and Langley YMCA Childcare Centres have openings in their Preschools and School Age Childcare Centres. Drop-in Childcare Centre also available while you shop. Info: 589-1184 O At the Community Arts Council of Vancouver's 9th Annual Christmas Craftworks, 'til Dec 23, you'll find a wide selection of affordable and unusual gifts. 837 Davie St O The Richmond Art Gallery is presenting its first major exhibition of photographic art: Surveying a Territory: Urban Wilderness Revisited, a retrospective exhibition of works by Vancouver-based artist Michael de Courcy. 7700 Minoru Gate 'til Jan 2. O Hear an hour of great jazz Sundays at 4 pm, St. Andrew's-Wesley, Nelson & Burrard. Dec 18: The Don Hardy Quartette. Jan 8: The June Katz Trio O The theme at the Burnaby Writers' Society reading on Dec 18 at 1:30 pm will be Songs of Earth and Sky. Members and special guests Kersti Cull, Mavis Jones, Katherine Clark, Tim Bowling and Scott Wilson will read from recent work. Adm free. Burnaby Art Gallery, 6344 Deer Lake Ave. O Christmas favourites and light classical music will be performed by the Serenata Strings youth orchestra, 11 am-12:30 pm, Dec 17, Park Royal Shopping Centre O Surrey Arts Centre Art Camp: Winter Celebration, Dec 28-30 for young people aged 51/2 to 12. \$33 for 3 sessions. 596-7461 O North Vancouver City Library will present Mother Goose & Friends, a puppet show for the entire family, Dec 30 at 2 pm. Please pre-register. 980-4424. On Dec 31 at 11:30 am, the French movie of the month is Bambi.

Woman being shown a diamond pin in a shop: "I'm looking for a gift for a husband who got me an outboard motor last year."

#### 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. THANSIT 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: 521-0400. West Vancouver 985-7777, or call Talking Yellow Pages: 299-9000 #2233

> Anyone who thinks Christmas doesn't last all year doesn't have a credit card



New Year's Transit Service free 5 pm, Dec 31 until last Bus, SeaBus, SkyTrain

# HOLIDAY TRANSIT SERVICES

# Free service New Year's Eve



Travel on this special night is on the Vancouver Regional Transit Commission. From 5:00 pm, December 31 until the last bus, SeaBus and SkyTrain, you can ride anywhere in the system free of charge (regular fares will start again at 5 am, January 1). So make an early resolution to leave the keys at home and have a safe journey home by transit.

## **Celebrating downtown?**

If your New Year's Eve plans include celebrations in downtown Vancouver, there's even more reason to take transit. You won't have to look for and pay for parking and additional Bus, SeaBus and SkyTrain services will operate frequently throughout the evening to take you there and back safely.

In order to make the best of the evening, however, please plan your route home ahead of time and remember to allow a little extra time since crowding may occur at some times on some routes.

## Extra SkyTrain and SeaBus service

SkyTrain and SeaBus service hours will be extended to run late into the night.

The last SkyTrain will leave Waterfront Station at 3:20 am (held to connect with the last SeaBus from North Vancouver), arriving at King George Station at 3:59 am. In the other direction, the last train for Waterfront Station will leave King George Station at 2:38 am, arriving at its destination at 3:17 am. (Additional trips, travelling only as far as New Westminster Station, will leave King George until 3:28 am).

SeaBus will sail from Waterfront Terminal every 15 minutes until 12:16 am, then every 30 minutes until the last trip at 3:16 am. From Lonsdale Quay it will sail every 15 minutes until 12:02 am, then every 30 minutes until the last trip at 3:02 am.

## Late night "Owl" bus service

A number of routes operate after midnight on late night ("Owl") services, most until after 3:00 am. They are: 8 Fraser/ Davie, 9 Boundary/Alma, 10 UBC, 14 Hastings, 15 Cambie/ Downtown, 16 29th Ave Station/Renfrew, 19 Metrotown Station/Downtown, 20 Granville/Victoria, 22 Macdonald -Dunbar Loop, 106 New Westminster Station/Metrotown Station, 112 New Westminster Station/Edmonds Station/ Metrotown Station, 135 Hastings East/Kootenay Loop, 150 Lougheed Mall/Kootenay Loop, 242 Vancouver/Upper Lonsdale, 401, 403, 406 Richmond/Vancouver. Note: with the extended hours of SkyTrain, #106 and 112 trips will be routed through Edmonds Station for connections with SkyTrain.

## Additional late night bus service

Surrey, White Rock and Langley: the #312 and #319 will connect with SkyTrain at Scott Road Station, the #320, 321 and 322 at Surrey Central Station, the #340 at 22nd Street Station, until the end of SkyTrain service.

Don't forget you can also park your car at the Scott Road Park & Ride lot and catch SkyTrain from there.

**Coquitlam**: the #147 and 148 will connect with SkyTrain at New Westminster Station.

North Shore: the #230 route will meet SeaBus until the last sailing, and late night West Vancouver Blue Buses will leave Georgia & Granville at 12:40 am and then every 30 minutes until the last bus, at 2:10 am.

**Downtown and other suburban areas**: routes will be monitored at Metrotown Station, New Westminster Station and downtown Vancouver. Extra service will be added as necessary.

### For more information on holiday services

Call Transit Customer Information at 521-0400 between 6:30 am and 11:30 pm. Or plan your route with the help of a public timetable, available free at public libraries, municipal halls, community centres and the BC Transit Lost Property Office at Stadium Station. Pick up an "Owl" timetable for late night schedules.

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## SkyTrain's Boxing Day service will begin one hour earlier than on Sundays

Most BC Transit services will operate on Sunday schedules, December 26. Please note, however, that SkyTrain service will begin one hour earlier than on Sundays.

From King George Station, the first train will leave at 7:08 am, the last at 11:38 pm.

From Waterfront Station the first train will leave at 7:50 am, the last at 12:15 am.

On Christmas Day and New Year's Day all transit services will operate on Sunday schedules

## Service to universities during Christmas exam period

#85 will operate until December 20.

**#258** (West Vancouver) will operate up to and including December 23, and will allow North Vancouver passengers to alight downtown to board a #246 during the PM peak.

**#286** will provide morning peak service only to UBC until December 21.

**#480** from Richmond will operate up to and including Dec 21 These schedules are subject to change as services are monitored throughout the exam period. All these services will return to their full schedules on January 3.

## 51 Granville Island holiday service

The Granville Island Market will be closed December 25 and 26, and January 1 and 2. The #51 service will not operate on these days.

The Market will be open on Monday, December 19 and buses will operate on that day. On December 24 and 31 the Market will close early, at 4:00 pm; the last #51 bus will leave Granville Island at 4:20 pm.

The ideal length of a vacation is just long enough to be missed but not long enough for them to discover how well they can get along without you.

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