

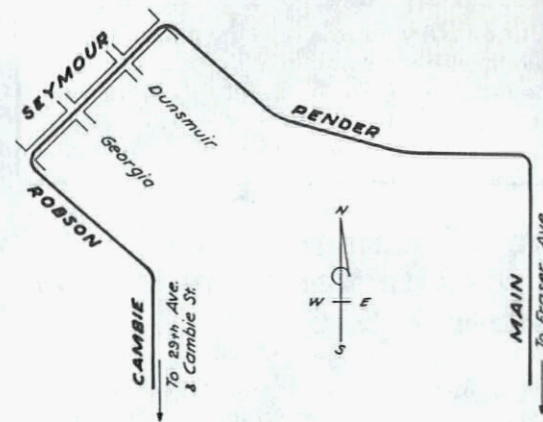
50th Anniversary · Take a trip down memory lane

August 11, 12, 13 check out BC Transit's historic Brill trolley bus display at the corner of Robson & Homer.

Friday, August 14, 12:15 to 12:45 pm at the Central Library, BC Transit presents an insider's view of trolley bus transit, from the hard-working Brill buses to the Flyers that still ply the city's streets. *Glen Leicester, BC Transit's Executive Director, Strategic Planning*, will give a talk and slide show in the Alma VanDusen Room on the Lower Level of the Library. Free admission.



On August 15, 1948, the day before service commenced, people lined up at the terminus at 29th & Cambie for a free ride on the new trolleys.



The original route map from The Buzzer



Five Brill buses outside the PNE, August 1955. Until 1991, Vancouver remained the only city in North America with five sets of overhead wires on one street.

Important Information for #358 Seaside passengers

Wheelchair accessibility

Until further notice this route is NOT wheelchair accessible. Those requiring accessible service should use the #353 Ocean Park/White Rock Centre service on Marine Drive. We apologize for any inconvenience.



Terminus changed

To provide you with better access to shopping and connecting buses, the #358 terminus is now at Bay 6A (on 152 St, north of 16 Ave) via Johnston and 152 St.

COMING EVENTS

Plan now to attend Vancouver's most unconventional business gathering. *The 1998 Trimark Westcoast Briefcase* is scheduled for Oct 15 at 6:30 pm. A 2.5 km fun run and obstacle course where participants wear business attire on top and running attire on the bottom. Teams of five raise money for children with disabilities. Info: Lions Society of BC at 873-1865 ✓ *Red Interiors* is a provocative selection of experimental works by First Nations artists which explore history and self in relation to Canadian society. Surrey Art Gallery ✓ Sept 12 is the final jurying date for *Coquitlam's Annual Fall Craft Sale* in the Social Rec Centre, Nov 6 & 7. Info: 936-3994 ✓ *The Vancouver International Film Festival* needs volunteers. The Festival runs Sept 25 to Oct 11. 878-7001 ✓ North Vancouver Museum is looking for energetic volunteers to assist with school programs. Call for an interview. 987-5618 ✓ England's Confederacy of Fools Theatre presents *Heartland*, a witty, satirical look at modern city life. Waterfront Theatre on Granville Island. Info: 685-6217 ✓ *The Transit Museum Society's Streetcar 1207*, built in 1905, now operates 1-5 pm, weekends and holidays, from Leg-In-Boot Station (Moberly & 6th) to Granville Island Station (Anderson & Lamey's Mill). Tx at the Granville Island Information Centre. ✓ *South Vancouver Community Festival*, Aug 15, noon-4 pm, Bobolink Park (60th & Nanaimo). Free activities and entertainment for all ages. Info: 325-5213 ✓ *The 12th Annual AIDS Walk* will take place on Sun, Sept 27 in Upper Ceperley Park at the Beach Ave entrance to Stanley Park. To register for AIDS Walk '98 call 684-0993 ✓ *The Early Ford V8 Club* invites all old car owners to *Show 'N Shine at their 15th Annual Picnic* in Hougan Park, Abbotsford, Aug 16, 10 am-3 pm. \$10 per car load. Friends, fun, food, trophies, prizes.

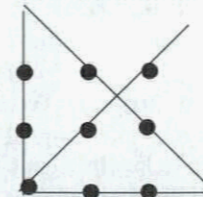
Aug 8/9 - Show & Sale, Burnaby Pottery Guild, Mather House, Deer Lake Park. 110-4

Aug 8/9 - Horticultural Show, Richmond Garden Club at 7551 Minoru Gate. Sat 1-5, Sun 10-5.

BUZZER PUZZLER

Can you write down seven 4's so that they add up to 100? (Answer in the next issue)

JULY 24 ANSWER



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 ROUTE MAP AND GUIDES* offer a map, a listing of all routes, and fare information. They're available at Safeways, 7-Elevens, 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. *ON THE WEB*: www.bctransit.com

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Years of
trolley bus service
in Vancouver



The August 13th, 1948 Buzzer carried the headline: "HERE THEY COME. Trolley coaches to make their appearance on streets August 16."

The Buzzer's map of the first route shows how trolley coaches would travel from Main Street via Pender, Seymour and Robson to the Cambie Street terminus at 29th Avenue. Today, fourteen trolley routes carry 59.2 million passengers a year in the Vancouver Regional Transit System. (See pages 6 & 7)

Please be aware that for the safety and convenience of everyone on board,

food and drinks may not be consumed on BC Transit vehicles

and that ONLY FOOD THAT IS PROPERLY WRAPPED AND BEVERAGES THAT ARE SECURELY COVERED may be transported. Bus operators, SkyTrain and SeaBus staff appreciate your cooperation.

Where would you like to see additional bus shelters?

There are approximately 1260 bus shelters throughout the Vancouver region. Most have been installed by advertising companies, in cooperation with local municipalities.

We would like to know where you would like to have additional shelters in the region, so that we can compile a list of priority locations for the future. In selecting preferred locations, there are a few conditions you should keep in mind.

- Does the bus serve a major activity centre, such as a shopping mall?
- Is the stop located at a transit loop, exchange, or major transfer point?
- Is there enough room on the sidewalk to accommodate a shelter?
- Is the sidewalk paved?

We would very much appreciate your input on potential new locations.

Please fax 540-3455 or call 540-3313, at any time, and let us have your suggestions.

*The only time you start at the top
is when you're digging a hole*

TRANSIT

The better way to get to the PNE, August 22 - September 7

From Downtown

On Granville Mall, board a #123 New Westminster Stn or a #135 SFU (both accessible) or a #4 Powell, a #10 Hastings or #16 29th Ave Station bus for direct service to the PNE.

From West Vancouver

Take a "Blue Bus" to downtown Vancouver and transfer on Georgia to an eastbound #123 or #135 or at Granville to a northbound #4, #10 or #16 for direct service to the PNE.

From North Vancouver

#28 and #210 buses provide regular service to the PNE from Phibbs Exchange. The #28 stops on Cassiar at Hastings. The #210 stops on McGill at Renfrew. For service across Lions Gate Bridge (#240, 246, 247) transfer on Georgia at Denman to an eastbound #123 or #135 or at Granville to a northbound #4, #10 or #16 for direct service to the PNE.

From Coquitlam

#151 and #152 buses provide direct service to the PNE from Coquitlam Recreation Centre and Lougheed Mall. Both routes stop at Hastings & Cassiar and Hastings & Renfrew.

From Port Moody/Coquitlam Centre/Port Coquitlam

#160 buses connect Port Moody, Coquitlam Centre and Port Coquitlam with the PNE. The buses stop at Hastings & Cassiar and Hastings & Renfrew.

From Richmond

Take a Vancouver-bound bus to Broadway & Granville and transfer to a Special Broadway-PNE bus.

From North Burnaby

Board a #123 Stanley Park or #135 Stanley Park bus for direct service to Hastings & Cassiar, Windermere or Renfrew. Or take a local bus to Kootenay Loop and transfer to a #10 UBC.

From South Burnaby/New Westminster

Take a local bus to any SkyTrain station. Ride SkyTrain to 29th Avenue Station and transfer to a special PNE Express (Bay #1). Or board a #123 on Canada Way or Willingdon.

From Surrey/North Delta

Take a local bus to any SkyTrain station. Ride SkyTrain to 29th Avenue Station and transfer to a PNE Express (Bay #1).

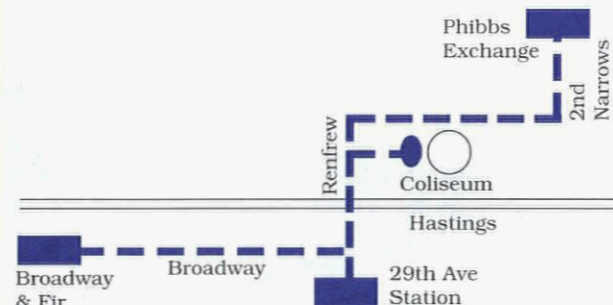
From South Delta/Ladner

Take a #640 to Scott Road Station (wheelchair passengers transfer to #330 Surrey Central Station). Ride SkyTrain to 29th Avenue Station and transfer to special PNE Express bus (Bay #1). Or take a #601 bus to Broadway & Granville and transfer to a special Broadway-PNE bus.

From White Rock/South Surrey

Take a #321, #390 or #394 bus to SkyTrain, ride SkyTrain to 29th Avenue Station and transfer to a special PNE Express bus (Bay #1). Or take a #351 bus to Broadway & Granville and transfer to a special Broadway-PNE bus.

Three express routes to the PNE



29th Avenue Station - PNE

From 29th Avenue Station (Bay #1) and return every 15 minutes, from approximately 10 am to midnight. Northbound buses will provide express service, stopping only at transfer points. Southbound buses will operate from the Coliseum Loop as #16 29th Avenue Station, stopping at all regular stops.

Phibbs Exchange - PNE

Service every 30 minutes from 10 am to midnight.

Broadway - PNE

From Broadway & Fir to the Coliseum Loop and return every 15 minutes from 9 am to midnight.

Win one of five prize packages for the PNE

Simply unscramble the 1998 PNE attractions listed below. Those who submit the first five correct entries drawn on April 18 will each receive

- 2 PNE adult admissions • 2 Playland Passports
- 2 PNE T-shirts • 2 BC Transit DayPasses.

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LNAMAI UEOSH
QERUIC ALSOARP
POLARIS RTWEA RATNOIEELCB AREDAP
ODPR EONZ
TOMILEDONI YERDB

Mail, fax or e-mail your answer (one per person please) along with your name, address and telephone number to: PNE Contest, BC Transit Marketing, 13401- 108th Ave, Surrey, B.C. V3T 5T4. Fax 540-3455 e-mail: si_locke@bctransit.com

Win one of four pairs of tickets for the Vancouver Indy, September 4, 5, 6

Name the 1995, 96 and 97 winners of the Vancouver Indy and explain in 15 words or less why you will be taking transit to the race. Send in your entry (one per person please) with your name, address and telephone number to:

The Buzzer/Indy Contest: BC Transit Marketing
13401 108th Ave, Surrey B.C. V3T 5T4 Fax 540-3455,
or e-mail si_locke@bctransit.com

Entries will be judged on August 17 and prizes awarded as follows:

- 1st prize:** Two 3-day Gold tickets
- 2nd prize:** Two 3-day Silver tickets
- 3rd prize:** Two 3-day Bronze tickets
- 4th prize:** Two 3-day Gen. Adm.

Winners will be contacted by telephone and their names will be published in the August 21 issue of *The Buzzer*.