Training for the Sun Run?

It's time to plan your pre-run strategy too



On Sunday, April 21 you can drive into town and compete with thousands for parking spots or you can relax and take transit. **SkyTrain** will again offer earlier start times with weekday morning 'rush hour' frequency to get you to the starting line on time. **First departure from King George at 6:38 am First departure from Braid Station at 6:46 am**Extra trains will also be provided after the Run to get you home as quickly as possible. **Special note:** No track maintenance is planned on Sun Run Day.

To avoid possible lineups at ticket machines, please have old-series bills or coins handy. The ticket machines do not accept the new series \$10 and \$5 bills. Better still, FareSavers offer cash-free convenience, as well as a discount for adult fare catagories. And of course, your April FareCard is valid at no extra cost.

SeaBus will provide 15-minute service from Lonsdale Quay commencing at 7:02 am (7:16 am from Waterfront Station). From Lonsdale Quay service will be revised to operate every 30 minutes at 1:32 pm (1:45 pm from Waterfront Station). The last sailings will leave Lonsdale Quay and Waterfront Station at 11:02 and 11:16 pm respectively.

Bus services will be augmented to get you downtown before 9:00 am and to get you home again.

West Coast Express will leave Mission at 7:00 am, Port Haney at 7:17, Maple Meadows at 7:23, Pitt Meadows at 7:27, Port Coquitlam at 7:37, Coquitlam Central at 7:43 and Port Moody at 7:48. Free parking will be provided at each station. The return trip will leave Waterfront Station at 1:00 pm.

Weekend Track Maintenance, April 6/7 & 13/14

Over the next few weekends, track maintenance will affect SkyTrain service system wide **all day and evening** (from first to last train) each Saturday and Sunday. Trains will run less frequently, may be held for a few minutes at a station and operate in both directions from the same platforms.

Trains will operate in both directions on the "west-bound" track between **New Westminster and Twenty-second stations**. Millennium line trains from **Braid and Sapperton** will operate as shuttles to/from **Columbia station** for the **entire service day** on these dates.

Connections at Columbia for Millennium line passengers - Please note that during weekend track maintenance, Millennium line trains from Braid and Sapperton will terminate at Columbia Station. Passengers continuing west must change to a "Waterfront" train at Columbia. Eastbound Millennium line passengers from Vancouver and Burnaby must board an Expo Line "King George" train and change at Columbia.

During track maintenance we suggest you allow an extra 15 to 20 minutes for your trip, although every effort will be made to minimize delays and inconvenience. Please watch the platform destination signs, listen to announcements and follow directions provided by our staff. We would like to thank you for your patience while this essential work is being completed. Please watch for updated notices in stations, future issues of The Buzzer and details on the TransLink website at www.translink.bc.ca

Elevator/Escalator Maintenance

Burrard Station: April 8 -12 inclusive. The 'down' escalator from the ticket vending machine level to the west-bound platform will be out of service for hand rail replacement.

Scott Road: April 15-19 inclusive. The 'down' escalator from the platform level to the bus loop will be out of service for regular scheduled maintenance.

COMING EVENTS

Madrigalia: a renaissance Kaleidoscope of works by Weelkes, Gesualdo, Janequin, Morley and Monteverdi will be performed by the Vancouver Chamber Choir, May 10, 8 pm, Ryerson United Church, Tx \$15 to \$20 available through Ticketmaster. ✓ The Solid Gold Cadillac returns to Metro Theatre. 2 for 1 Preview April 12. Then Wed-Sat 'til May 4. 8 pm. Rsv: 604-266-7191 ✓ Canadian Mental Health Assoc Free Lecture Series, Wednesdays, 7-9 pm. at 1075A Marine Drive, North Vancouver. April 10: A Wellness Approach to the Treatment of Insomnia. Everyone welcome. I Royal City Musical Theatre presents Gypsy at the Massey Theatre. Previews Apr 11,12 at 8 pm. Opening night Apr 13 at 8 pm. Evenings Apr 17-20, 24-27 at 8 pm. Matinees Apr 14, 21, 27 at 2 pm. ✓ Alberta Ballet will perform Lady of the Camellias on two evenings only, April 12 & 13, 8 pm, at the Oueen Elizabeth Theatre. Tx \$21.50 to \$46.50 with discounts for seniors and students through Ticketmaster. For groups call 604-732-5003, ext 215

✓ Have a blast at the H.R.MacMillan Space Centre, open Tuesday to Sunday, 10 am to 5 pm. Adults \$12.75. Senior, youth, student \$9.75. Children 5-10 \$8.75 ✓ Centennial Theatre presents The Nylons, April 13, 8 pm, 2300 Lonsdale Phone 604-984-4484 ✓ Theatre BC - Greater Vancouver Zone Festival hosted by Vagabond Players at The Bernie Legge Theatre in Queens Park. Apr 8: Vagabond Players presents "Tainted Justice". Apr 9: White Rock Players presents "Psychopathia Sexualis". Apr 10: Out to Lunch Players presents "This is a Play". Apr 11: Theatre in the Raw presents "Medicine". Apr 12: Three Daze in Nanaimo presents: "The Glass Menagerie". Apr 14: Gala Awards Night plus guest entertainment. Ticket info: 604-541-1474 ✓ Orangewood Art Show Apr 6, 11-3 at 21937 48th Ave, Langley. Club House. Original oils and acrylics. Refreshments available. Info: Shirley at 533-8477 ✓ Bargains on Deluxe 20th Century Junque. Books, antiques, kitchenware, toys, china, paintings, arts & crafts, etc. April 7, 10-3, Croation Cultural Centre, 3250 Commercial Dr. at 16th. Adults/ teens \$2. 12 & under free. Info: 604-925-3159 ✓ Theatre Smith-Gilmour's hit production Chekhov's Shorts has been rescheduled to replace An Enemy of the People March 19-30 at the Firehall Arts Centre. The balance of the season will continue as planned. Tx: 604-689-0926 ✓ Kids Stuff Swapmeet at the New Guildford Recreation Centre, 10105-105 Ave, April 28, 10 am to 1 pm. If you have toys, clothes, or books for babies, preschool or school children, sell or exchange them here. Table \$15. For information or to register phone 604-502-6362. Adm free

Apr 6 - Marpole Museum Annual Spring Tea, 1:30-3:30. 8680 Hudson St at 71st. \$4. Raffles, treasures, displays

Apr 11 - Thrift Shop Sale, South Burnaby United, Rumble & Gray, 10-2. Clothing, housewares, books

Apr 13 - Thrift Sale at Dunbar Heights United, West 24th Ave/ Collingwood, 9:30-noon.#25 bus.

Apr 13 - Flea Mkt, Willingdon Hts United, Parker at Madison, N.Bby. 40 tables, 9:30 am-2pm. Apr 20 - Spring Rummage Sale, Immaculate Conception Church, 3776 W. 28th Ave, 11am - 2 pm.

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Service changes effective April 22

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NEW RICHMOND/ VANCOUVER EXPRESS ROUTES

In response to initial problems during the introduction of the 98 B-Line in 2001,
TransLink conducted extensive consultations with the City of Richmond and key stakeholders to improve service. As a result, many service changes will be implemented starting April 22 to improve peak-period capacity and overall reliability.

(See listing inside)

Bike & Ride

TransLink has bicycle lockers for rent at the following locations:

- King George SkyTrain Station
- Scott Road SkyTrain Station
- Braid SkyTrain Station
- Sapperton SkyTrain Station
- Ladner Park & Ride Lot
- Sexsmith (Richmond) Park & Ride Lot

Each locker is secured with a lock & key system. Individual lockers rent for 3 months minimum for a total cost of \$32.10 including GST, plus a key deposit of \$30. For information about bike lockers, email TransLink at bikelockers@translink.bc.ca or call 604-453-4500.

Bike lockers are also available for rent at West Coast Express Stations.

Call WCE Customer Service at 604-689-3641

Please don't lock your bicycle to a bus stop pole or SkyTrain station railings

It can be a hazard to passengers and it could turn out to be a great inconvenience to you. If a maintenance crew comes across it, there's a good chance it will end up at the Transit Lost Property Office in Stadium Station.

Disposal of transfers

A customer has voiced concerns about the biodegradeability of our new transfers and the number that are discarded on the streets. Actually, the composition of these products makes them very biodegradable, including the magnetic stripe, but that doesn't make them a pretty sight when left to rot on sidewalks. Please treat them as you would any other garbage and put them in a garbage container.

EFFECTIVE APRIL 22

Seasonal Adjustments

BL#49 Metrotown Station/Dunbar Loop/UBC

Service will be reduced to every 20 minutes between Dunbar Loop and UBC, Monday to Friday.

BL#133 SFU/Metrotown Station

Morning trips leaving Metrotown Station at 8:10 and 9:10 am, and afternoon trips leaving SFU at 1:26, 2:56 and 3:56 pm, Monday to Friday will be discontinued until Labour Day.

BL#148 IOCO/New Westminster Station

Some trips will be extended to White Pine Beach.

L#230 Lonsdale Quay/Upper Lonsdale

Additional daytime trips on Sundays and holidays, June 2 to Labour Day, leaving Lonsdale Quay for Lonsdale at 23rd at 17 and 47 minutes past the hour.

L#236 Lonsdale Quay/Grouse Mountain/ Pemberton Heights

Service will improve from every 30 minutes to every 15 minutes, all days until Thanksgiving Day.

Permanent Changes

BL#43 Joyce Station/UBC

7:00 am trip from 41st & Crown will be discontinued due to low ridership.

L#44 Waterfront Station/UBC

9:50 am trip from Waterfront Station will be discontinued due to low ridership.

#210 Upper Lynn Valley/Vancouver

Morning overload trips leaving Underwood at Dempsey at 7:43 am, 7:52 am and 8:01 am, Monday to Friday will be discontinued.

Transit Schedules are now on line anytime www.translink.bc.ca

EFFECTIVE APRIL 22

New Richmond - Downtown Vancouver Express Routes via Oak St.

#488 Garden City/Burrard Station

This new peak-period express will operate every 20-30 minutes from Ironwood, via Garden City and Oak Street, to downtown Vancouver.

#492 Two Road/Burrard Station

This new peak-period express service will operate every 20-30 minutes from Steveston, via Two Road, Garden City and Oak Street to downtown Vancouver. Combined, the new #492 and #488 routes will provide service every 10-15 minutes between No.3 Road at Granville in Richmond and downtown Vancouver. AM trips for both services will provide local pick-up and drop-off in Richmond, then provide drop-off only service to downtown Vancouver at: Oak @ 49th, Oak @ 41st, Oak @ Children's & Women's Hospital, Oak @ King Edward, Oak @ 12th, Broadway @ Willow, Cambie @ Broadway, Beatty @ Robson, Pender (local stops between Beatty & Burrard), Burrard Station, Burrard @ Robson, Nelson @ Howe, Nelson @ Beatty. PM trips for both services will provide pick-up only at stops from downtown Vancouver starting at: Beatty @ Robson, Pender (local stops between Beatty &

Burrard), Burrard Station, Burrard @ Robson, Nelson @ Howe, Nelson @ Beatty, Broadway & Cambie, Broadway @ Willow, Oak @ 10th, Oak @ King Edward, Oak @ Children's & Women's Hospital, Oak @ 41st, Oak @ 49th...then operate as Express to Sea Island Way, then provide all local pick-up and drop-off service in Richmond.

Sexsmith Park & Ride Shuttle

With the new #488 and #492 Express routes serving the Park & Ride, the shuttle service connecting with the #98 B-Line will be discontinued.

BL#401 One Road/Garden City

With the introduction of the new #488 route on Garden, peak-period local service will be adjusted to operate every 20 minutes to minimize service duplication. Combined, the #401 and #488 will provide service every 10 minutes on Garden City during peak periods.

BL#410 Railway/22nd Street Station

Peak service period will increase to every 10 minutes between Richmond Centre and 22nd Street Station. Service to the Graybar, Crestwood and Shellbridge industrial areas will be maintained, to coincide with work start and end times. The section of the route between Steveston Village and Richmond Centre will be adjusted to every 20 minutes to reflect lower levels of use during peak periods.

BL#98 B-Line

Some #98 B-Line peak period trips will provide local pickup and drop-off at stops on No.3 Road and/or Steveston Hwy. between Brighouse Station and Steveston at Shell. Late night service will be extended to1:30 am, from downtown Vancouver to Richmond Centre.

BL#403 Three Road/Richmond Centre

With the extension of peak period #98 B-Line trips to provide local service between Brighouse Station and Steveston at Shell, local service frequency will be adjusted to minimize service duplication.

BL#402 Two Road/Richmond Centre

With the extension of the #407 Gilbert/Richmond Centre to Bridgeport, the section of this route between Richmond Centre, Bridgeport and Knight St. will be discontinued. The #402 service will provide service along the #2 Road corridor between Steveston Village and Richmond Centre. In conjunction with the introduction of the new #492 express service on No.2 Road, peak period service will be adjusted to every 30 minutes.

BL#407 Gilbert/Bridgeport

With the redesign of the #402 service to terminate at Richmond Centre, the #407 route will be extended to provide service to Northeast Richmond. From Steveston Village and the Gilbert corridor, #407 will directly serve destinations such as Richmond General Hospital, Worker's Compensation Board, Richmond Centre, Kwantlen College, Bridgeport Industrial District and Knight Street/South East Marine Drive.