

Contest corner: Win a FareCard!

LAST ISSUE'S FARECARD WINNER We had 969 correct entries in our last contest, and **Ileah M** won the FareCard! The answer? TransLink takes over fare fines in **September 2012**.



WIN A FREE FARECARD! For 1, 2 or 3 zones, based on where the winner travels. Email thebuzz@translink.ca with the subject line "Contest", and tell us your answer, your full name, your phone number and where you got the Buzzer (include your bus route number). Make sure to include everything—**entries missing required info are not entered to win!** One entry per person please.

How much newspaper did TransLink recycle in 2011?
(Hint: It's in this issue!)

Enter by **Sept 24 at 9 a.m.** We'll draw a name from all correct entries. The winner will be notified by phone shortly after the draw.

PRIVACY POLICY We use your personal info only for the contest, and we delete all entries after we pick a winner. Here's the long version: Your personal information is collected, pursuant to section 26(c) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, solely for the purpose of administering this contest. It will be destroyed upon the determination of a contest winner. Please direct questions regarding this collection to the Buzzer Editor at TransLink, 1600-4720 Kingsway, Burnaby, BC V5H 4N2 or thebuzz@translink.ca.

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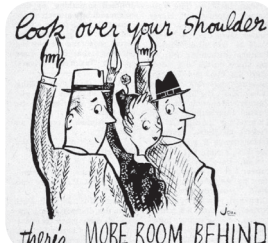
The Buzzer has been published for over 95 years, and in this section, we mine the back issues for history treats. Enjoy!

1955 We've always been committed to serving customers, and the Sept 9, 1955 Buzzer waxed lyrical on how!

While other industries shut up shop for two weeks in summer, there's no let-up for trolley coaches and buses. Sundays and holidays make no difference because people still want to travel these days, and they go down to the corner and expect to find the service running.

We noticed during the summer that some shops hung out signs "Gone Fishing for Two Weeks". Transit men like to go fishing like everyone else, but they had to see that somebody else was left behind to serve the public.

That's the point—the public must be served first. We have to adjust our personal lives according to how and when the public wants service, and not the other way about.



An illustration from the September 9, 1955 Buzzer.

New penalties for fare evasion

Keep your proof of payment handy! As of September 4, TransLink has taken over responsibility for fare evasion and fine collection from the Province, bringing changes in how we deal with fare evasion.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

1. Keep your proof of payment handy. You could be asked to show it at any time.
2. Failure to show a valid proof of payment could cost you a \$173 fine.
3. If left unpaid, this fine amount escalates.
4. Outstanding fines may be sent to a collection agency.
5. ICBC may refuse to issue or renew your driver's licence or vehicle insurance if you have outstanding fines.



Feel free to visit translink.ca/fareinfractions for more info on the new penalties and how we're combatting fare evasion.

Submit your coming events in our new online form

Listing community events in the Buzzer newsletter goes back almost to the beginning of the Buzzer itself—there's an event listed in a 1922 issue for a South Vancouver May Day festival!

But now that we're nearly 100 years old, it's time to modernize how we collect events. To date, people send their events in to the Buzzer's email. But combing through each email for the info we need is really time consuming!

The new solution: a handy-dandy online form at translink.ca/buzzerevents for you to fill in. So send in your event: you might just see your event in an upcoming Buzzer!

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COMING EVENTS

- ✓ **Positive Thinkers Toastmasters.** Tuesdays at 7:30 pm, at the BC Hydro Building, 333 Dunsmuir, Vancouver. Does public speaking make you nervous? Gain confidence and learn speaking and leadership skills in a friendly supportive non-profit club. Info: 60.-922.6295.
- ✓ **Kitsilano Community Centre** invites you to our annual **Open House** on Sun Sept 9 from 10am-2pm. Participate in or watch free trial classes, find out about programs & services, meet the Board of Directors, and enjoy our BBQ! 2690 Larch St at 12th Ave. Info: 604.257.6980.
- ✓ **The BC Philatelic Society Regional Stamp Show**, Sept 28-29, West Burnaby United Church, 6060 Sussex Ave. Twelve dealer tables, special show covers, free admission and free parking. Info: bcphilatelic.org or verdraco@uniserve.com.
- ✓ Wanna have fun while playing music? **British Columbia Regiment Band** invites you to join their band of varying ages and experience. Monday nights, 7:30pm, adjacent to Stadium Skytrain. Includes a uniform. Info: Brian at 604.789.1865.
- ✓ **Fraser Valley Food Show**, Sept 4-16. Unique food experiences, behind-the-scenes magic from professional chefs, celebrity chef cooking presentations and cooking-related exhibits and fantastic shopping opportunities. Info: fraservalleyfoodshow.com or 866.689.8652.
- ✓ Fabric fans: **Our Social Fabric** is a non-profit Vancouver group that recycles excess fabric from manufacturers, the film industry, and more. Through monthly sales, we get the fabric to creators in our community. Visit oursocialfabric.org for the date of our next sale!
- ✓ **Modern square dancing classes for singles and couples!** It's friendship set to music, and exercise for both body & mind. Beginner classes start Mon Sept 10, 17 or 24, 7:30 pm at Charles Rummel Hall, 3630 Lozells Ave. Burnaby. 1st night FREE. Info: Roy & Janet, 604.939.2789 or Maryanne & Joe, 604.734.0968.
- ✓ **Light The Night Walk:** charity walk for Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. October 20 at Stanley Park. Bring help and hope to people battling blood cancer. Info: lightthenightwalk.ca/bc or 604-733-2873.
- ✓ **Join the B.C. Thanksgiving Food Drive**, Sept 10-15. With local food banks, volunteers deliver donation bags to various neighbourhoods in the Lower Mainland, to be picked up on Sept 15. Last year, 250,000+ lbs were donated. Info: bctfooddrive.org or info@bctfooddrive.org.

Send your community events in at
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Bus service changes on September 3

We adjust our bus service four times a year to match ebbs and flows in customer demand, and to ensure we're using our resources effectively. Here are the changes coming on September 3, 2012, which are a big lift in service to match back to school demand! In general, look out for bus service changes in April, June, September, and December.

This list is accurate as of our publish date; please check *translink.ca* or call Transit Information at 604-953-3333 for corrections or further assistance. Some changes are **SEASONAL**, **PERMANENT** or noted otherwise.

5 Downtown/Robson N6 Downtown/West End

Robson Square will remain closed to buses after Labour Day. Therefore, the 5 and N6 will remain on their current routes including stops on Burrard St and Pender St.

19 Stanley Park/Metrotown Station **PERMANENT**

Saturday: Service improved to every 10 minutes between 12-7 p.m.

19 Stanley Park/Metrotown Station **SEASONAL**

All days: Extra seasonal service between downtown and Stanley Park discontinued after Labour Day

134 Lake City Station/Brentwood Station **PERMANENT**

136 Lougheed Station/Brentwood Station **PERMANENT**

Saturday & Sunday/holidays: All trips will be served by Community Shuttle vehicles

135 Burrard Station/SFU **PERMANENT**

Saturday: Service improved to every 15 minutes between 9-11 p.m.

143 Coquitlam Station/SFU **PERMANENT**

Monday-Friday: Eastbound service improved to every 12 minutes between 2-4 p.m.

145 Production Way Station/SFU **PERMANENT**

Monday-Friday: Southbound service improved to every 12 minutes between 4-9 p.m.

150 White Pine Beach/Coquitlam Station **SEASONAL**

All days: All service discontinued after Labour Day

340 22nd Street Stn/Scottsdale **PERMANENT**

Board at Scottsdale Exchange Bay 7

345 White Rock Centre/King George Station **PERMANENT**

Monday-Friday: Service improved to every 20 minutes between 6-8 a.m.

395 King George Station/Willowbrook **PERMANENT**

Monday-Friday: Service improved to every 12 minutes between 6-8 a.m. with all trips originating at 200 Street @ 64 Avenue during that period. Also, service will improve to every 20 minutes between 3-7 p.m.

501 Surrey Central Station/Langley Centre **PERMANENT**

Saturday: Service improved to every 20 minutes between 12-3 p.m.

595 Maple Meadows Station/Langley Centre (was 595 Haney Place/Langley Centre) **PERMANENT**

All days: The 595 service will no longer operate on the segment between Maple Meadows Station and Haney Place. Customers can transfer between the 595, and 701 services at Maple Meadows.

620 Tsawwassen Ferry/Bridgeport Station **SEASONAL**

All days: Additional summer seasonal service will be discontinued after Labour Day

640 Scott Road Station/Ladner Exchange **PERMANENT**

Saturday and Sunday/holidays: All trips after 8 p.m. will be served by conventional buses instead of Community Shuttles

701 Maple Ridge East/Haney Place/Coquitlam Station **PERMANENT**

Monday-Friday: Eastbound trip leaving Coquitlam Station at 1:47 p.m. will be extended to Maple Ridge East instead of terminating at Haney Place.

C1 Kootenay Loop/Hastings at Gilmore **PERMANENT**

C2 Capitol Hill/Hastings at Gilmore **PERMANENT**

Saturday and Sunday/holidays: Service adjusted to every 60 minutes throughout the day

C3 Fraserview **PERMANENT**

Board at the revised New Westminster Station Bay 9 location on 8th Street just north of the Columbia Street intersection (near Bay 1)

C4 Uptown **PERMANENT**

Board at New Westminster Station Bay 1 on 8th Street near Columbia Street

C8 Quayside **PERMANENT**

Board at New Westminster Station Bay 8 on Carnarvon Street just east of the bus loop.

C19 Alma/UBC **SEASONAL**

C20 Marine Drive/Totem Park **SEASONAL**

C22 Hampton Place/UBC **SEASONAL**

All days: As of August 28, routes C19/C20/C22 have returned to serving Bay 15 on Student Union Boulevard (instead of the trolley loop on University Boulevard).

C25 Ioco/Port Moody Station **PERMANENT**

Monday-Friday: Service adjusted to one trip per hour (from two trips/hour) between 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. and after 7 p.m.

Saturday: Service adjusted to one trip per hour all day

Sunday/holidays: Service adjusted to one trip per hour all day

C26 Belcarra/Port Moody Station **PERMANENT**

Monday-Friday: Service adjusted to one trip per hour (from two trips/hour) between 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

C26 Buntzen Lake Special/Coquitlam Station Special **SEASONAL**

Saturday and Sunday/holidays: service discontinued after Labour Day

C36 Port Coquitlam Station/Port Coquitlam South **PERMANENT**

Monday-Friday: An additional short-turn trip will leave Port Coquitlam Station at 7:41, arrive and leave Pitt River Road at Rowlands at 7:44 and arrive back at Port Coquitlam Station at 7:50.

C40 Meridian/Port Coquitlam Station **PERMANENT**

Monday-Friday: Service adjusted to two trips per hour (from four per hour) between 6-9 a.m. and 3-7 p.m.

C70 Cloverdale/Willowbrook **PERMANENT**

Saturday and Sunday/holidays: Service reduced to every 60 minutes

C76 Ladner Exchange/Scottsdale Exchange **PERMANENT**

Board at Scottsdale Exchange Bay 6

C90 Sea Island North/Bridgeport Station **PERMANENT**

All days: Service will be discontinued

SeaBus **SEASONAL**

Sunday/holidays: Service returns to every 30 minutes during middays

New UBC Trolley Loop location **PERMANENT**

The new UBC trolley loop opened August 28 on the south side of University Boulevard just across from the old loop.

Bay 12 – 4 Powell

Bay 13 – 14 Hastings

Bay 14 – 9 Boundary (service returns to UBC Sept 4); N17 NightBus

Granville Mall summer weekend detours conclude **SEASONAL**

Saturday and Sunday/holidays: Granville Mall will reopen to traffic on weekends/holidays after Labour Day. Transit service will return to normal along Granville Mall for the following routes:

4 Powell/UBC

6 Davie/Downtown

7 Nanaimo Station/Dunbar

10 Granville/Downtown

14 UBC/Hastings/Downtown

16 29th Avenue Station/Arbutus

17 Oak/Downtown

20 Victoria/Downtown

50 Waterfront Station/False Creek South

Note: The standard Fri/Sat/Sun/holiday detour off Granville Mall after 9 p.m. (northbound Seymour, southbound Howe) will remain in effect.

Bridgeport Station bus bay assignments **PERMANENT**

With completion of construction at Bridgeport Station bus loop, buses will use the following locations on a permanent basis:

Bay 3 480 UBC; N10 Richmond-Brighouse Station

Bay 4 620 Tsawwassen Ferry; N10 Downtown

Bay 5 407 Bridgeport; 430 Metrotown Station

Bay 5a C92 Sea Island South

Bay 6 602 Tsawwassen Heights; 603 Beach Grove; 604 English Bluff

Bay 7 311 Scottsdale; 601 South Delta

Bay 8 351 Crescent Beach

Bay 9 352 Ocean Park; 354 White Rock South

Bay 10 407 Gilbert; 430 Richmond-Brighouse Station

Bay 11 403 Three Road

HandyDART will return to its regular Bridgeport Stn location between Bays 9 and 10.

U-Pass fall/winter service reinstatements **SEASONAL**

Higher service levels will be reinstated during the fall/winter post-secondary terms on the following U-Pass routes:

9 Alma/Granville/Commercial-Broadway Station/Boundary

25 Brentwood Station/UBC

28 Joyce Station/Phibbs Exchange/Capilano University

41 Joyce Station/Crown/UBC

43 Joyce Station/UBC

44 Downtown/UBC

84 VCC-Clark Station/UBC

99 B-Line Commercial-Broadway Station/UBC

125 Patterson Station/BCIT

130 Metrotown Station/Hastings/Phibbs Exchange/Capilano University

143 Coquitlam Station/SFU

145 Production Way Station/SFU

239 Park Royal/Lonsdale Quay/Phibbs Exchange/Capilano University

480 Bridgeport Station/UBC

Recycle your newspapers!

A reminder: **don't leave your newspapers on transit!**

Take them with you or recycle them in bins all over the system. They're typically located at all SkyTrain stations, SeaBus Terminals and most major bus loops.

With your help, TransLink and CMBC recycled over 1,100 tonnes of newspapers in 2011. Let's keep it up for 2012!

