

## Contest corner: Win a FareCard!

**LAST ISSUE'S FARECARD WINNER** We had 1128 correct entries in our last contest, and Rajvinder Saran won the FareCard! The answer? I Love Transit starts on August 25.



**WIN A FREE FARECARD!** For 1, 2 or 3 zones, based on where the winner travels. Email [thebuzzer@translink.ca](mailto:thebuzzer@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.

**On what date do fall service changes start this year?**

(Hint: It's in this issue!)

Enter by **September 8, 2014, 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, 400-287 Nelson's Court, New Westminster, BC, V3L 0E7 or [thebuzzer@translink.ca](mailto:thebuzzer@translink.ca).

## BACK ISSUES

In this section, we mine the illustrious 98-year history of The Buzzer to look for historical treats to share with you. Enjoy!

We're not going to go too far back into the past for the latest Back Issues. We are returning to our August 7, 2009 issue when we announced the opening date of the Canada Line...

We're so excited — it's finally the day we've been waiting for!

The Canada Line opens on August 17, with a special free day in celebration. For information please visit the Buzzer blog at [buzzer.translink.ca](http://buzzer.translink.ca).

Enjoy the ride, but remember that until September 7, buses will continue to run on their current routes. Yes, that means for a couple of weeks there will be some duplication of services.

If the Canada Line opened on August 17, 2009, do you know what that means? It means it just turned five years old! Happy birthday!



Illustration by Kate McLaren

## Burrard Otter II

The Burrard Otter II finished sea trials in Singapore this past June and the next step was getting the vessel ready for its journey here.



As powerful and tough as our SeaBus vessels are, they are not designed for the rough seas between Singapore and Vancouver.

The Burrard Otter II was loaded onto a heavy lift carrier and began its journey here on the cargo ship on July 7.

24 days later it arrived in Vancouver and was unloaded from the BBC Vesuvius into the Burrard Inlet. Visit [buzzer.translink.ca](http://buzzer.translink.ca) to see the time lapse video!

You can expect to see the Burrard Otter II out and about over the next couple of months. After it goes through some additional sea trials and crew training, it will then be ready for regular SeaBus operations.

## I Love Transit Week is August 25 to 29



We'll be in downtown Vancouver at the EasyPark lot at Cambie and Georgia St., 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Aug 25! Come explore our transit past on a vintage bus. Free pins and more!

And as usual, the Buzzer blog will be packed with interviews, essays, submissions from Buzzer readers sharing just why they love transit!

Have you shared your transit love with us? Send it to [thebuzzer@translink.ca](mailto:thebuzzer@translink.ca). See staff doing a great job? Let us know by going to [translink.ca/feedback/](http://translink.ca/feedback/)



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## COMING EVENTS

- ✓ **Movies Under the Stars.** This event hosted by the Downtown Surrey BIA transforms Holland Park into a free outdoor movie theatre. Movies begin at dusk, but the fun begins long before then with entertainment starting at 5 p.m. It happens for one last time this summer on August 23. For more information, visit [www.downtownsurreybia.com](http://www.downtownsurreybia.com).
- ✓ **Tomato Festival.** Come to the Earthwise Organic Farm at 6400 3rd Avenue in Delta, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., on August 30 to celebrate the harvest of our 25 heirloom tomatoes. Sample some of these rare varieties, taste dishes from local restaurants that feature the tomatoes, and shop at our farm store and marketplace. Tomatoes sell out quickly every year! For more information, please visit [www.earthwisesociety.bc.ca](http://www.earthwisesociety.bc.ca).
- ✓ **Kerrisdale Antiques Fair.** This semi-annual favourite returns to the charming and historic neighbourhood of Kerrisdale on Labour Day weekend – Saturday, August 30 and Sunday, August 31. Now in its 13th year, it features over 250 tables and booths of antiques and vintage collectibles, making it the largest event of its kind held in Vancouver! Find us at Kerrisdale Arena, 5670 East Boulevard at West 41st Avenue in Vancouver. General admission is \$7 at the door. For more information, please visit [www.21cpromotions.com/kerrisdale](http://www.21cpromotions.com/kerrisdale).
- ✓ **Nikkei Matsuri.** The grounds at Nikkei Place, on the corner of Kingsway & Sperling in Burnaby, will be transformed on August 30 and 31 – transporting you into an authentic Japanese festival experience. Attractions include dynamic cultural performances, children's games, delicious food from an array of Japanese themed vendors, cultural displays, and activities for family fun. For more information, visit [nikkeimatsuri.nikkeiplace.org](http://nikkeimatsuri.nikkeiplace.org).
- ✓ **Roller Derby Saved My Soul and Meat Loaf Jesus.** In Roller Derby Saved My Soul, a shy comic book geek discovers roller derby and finally becomes the superhero she's always wanted to be. Meat Loaf Jesus is a coming of age story tackling the themes of innocence, homosexuality, religion, and classic rock. Both shows are playing on select dates between September 4 and September 14 at the Vancouver Fringe Festival. For more information, location, and tickets, visit [www.vancouverfringe.com](http://www.vancouverfringe.com).
- ✓ **Parkinson Super Walk – Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows.** Walk for a cure on September 6! Support critical research and provide help and hope to the 11,000 individuals living with Parkinson's in B.C. For more information, visit [www.parkinsonsuperwalk.ca](http://www.parkinsonsuperwalk.ca).
- ✓ **The Main Street Heritage Transportation Jamboree at the Autumn Shift Festival.** This festival attracts over 20,000 people each year and will once again be closing down Main Street, East 8th Avenue and the adjacent laneways on Sunday, September 14 from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. The parking lot at East 7th and Main Street will be the site of the Heritage Transportation show and will feature vintage cars, trucks, bikes and bicycles as well as our returning Mount Pleasant "Heritage Lounge." For more information, visit [www.mainstreetbia.com](http://www.mainstreetbia.com).

Send your community events in at [translink.ca/buzzerevents](http://translink.ca/buzzerevents)



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## Fall service changes start September 1

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# Fall Service Changes

Four times a year (April, June, September and December), TransLink updates its bus service schedules to reflect seasonal changes in customer demand, and to optimize service.

All the changes listed below take effect on September 1, 2014. Changes are noted as **SEASONAL**, **PERMANENT** or **TEMPORARY**

This list is accurate as of our publish date! Please check [www.translink.ca/servicechanges](http://www.translink.ca/servicechanges) or call Transit Information at 604.953.3333 for corrections or further assistance.

## 4 UBC/Powell **PERMANENT**

- Construction on Powell Street is complete and service returns to regular route.

## 5 Robson/Downtown **SEASONAL**

- The summer VIVA Program is complete and service on Robson Street between Burrard and Seymour streets returns.

## 7 Nanaimo Station/Dunbar **PERMANENT**

- Construction on Powell Street is complete and service returns to regular route.

## 9 Alma/Granville/Commercial-Broadway Station/Boundary **SEASONAL**

- Trips between UBC and Broadway/Alma in the AM and PM peaks return to regular service.

## 19 Metrotown Station/Stanley Park **SEASONAL**

- The downtown shuttle service to Stanley Park is discontinued.
- Regular weekday service continues from 8 am to 9 pm.
- Saturday and Sunday service operates from 8 am to 7 pm.

## 25 Brentwood Station/UBC **SEASONAL**

- All AM peak trips between Brentwood Station and UBC run every 7-8 minutes.
- Service between Nanaimo Station and UBC run every 4 minutes.
- Trips from King Edward Ave/Granville St. to Wellington Ave/Canada Way at 7:48, 7:59 and 8:07 return.

## 28 Joyce Station/Phibbs Exchange/Capilano University **SEASONAL**

- Service between Phibbs Exchange and Capilano University returns.

## 41 Joyce Station/Crown/UBC **SEASONAL**

- 7:57 trip from Joyce Station returns.

## 43 Joyce Station/UBC **SEASONAL**

- 7:09, 7:35, 8:39 and 9:08 trips from Joyce Station return.

## 44 UBC/Downtown **SEASONAL**

- Westbound AM peak trips run every 7-8 minutes.
- Eastbound PM peak trips run every 12 minutes.

## 84 VCC-Clark Station/UBC **SEASONAL**

- 8:10 and 8:30 trips connecting VCC-Clark and UBC return.

## 125 Patterson Station/BCIT **SEASONAL**

- Service between Patterson and BCIT returns.

## 130 Metrotown Station/Hastings/Phibbs Exchange/Capilano U **SEASONAL**

- Service between Phibbs Exchange and Capilano University returns.

## 135 SFU/Burrard Station **PERMANENT**

- Service increases to every 12 minutes from every 15 minutes between 7 pm and 8 pm.

## 143 SFU/Coquitlam Station **SEASONAL**

- AM and PM peak trips operate every 10 minutes.
- Service between 10 am and 11 am increases to every 15 minutes.
- Extended evening service returns – the last trip leaves SFU at 10 pm.

## 143 SFU/Coquitlam Station **PERMANENT**

- Service between 10 am and 11 am increases to every 15 minutes.

## 145 Production Way/SFU **SEASONAL**

- Trips to SFU operate from 7:50 to 11:30 and 3:40 to 6:00.

## 150 White Pine Beach **SEASONAL**

- Service is discontinued and will return next summer.

## 209 Upper Lynn Valley/Vancouver **PERMANENT**

- Service on Saturdays, between midnight and 2 am, service is reduced to every 60 minutes.
- Construction on Powell Street is complete and service returned to regular route on August 18.

## 210 Upper Lynn Valley/Vancouver **PERMANENT**

- Construction on Powell Street is complete and service returned to regular route on August 18.

## 210 Upper Lynn Valley/Vancouver **SEASONAL**

- Trips leaving Burrard Station at 6:20, 6:50, 7:05, 7:17, 7:29, 7:41, 7:53, 8:05, 8:20, 8:35 and 8:50 return.

## 211 Seymour/Phibbs Exchange/Vancouver **PERMANENT**

- Construction on Powell Street is complete and service returned to regular route on August 18.

## 214 Blueridge/Phibbs Exchange/Vancouver **PERMANENT**

- Weekday service operates twice per hour from 6 am to 7 am and from 3 pm to 7 pm.
- Construction on Powell Street is complete and service returned to regular route on August 18.

## 236 Grouse Mountain/Pemberton Heights/Lonsdale Quay **PERMANENT**

- Weekday service operates every 30 minutes from 9 am to 3 pm.

## 239 Park Royal/Lonsdale Quay/Phibbs Exchange/Capilano U **SEASONAL**

- Weekday service to Capilano University returns.

## 319 Scott Road Station/Newton Exchange **PERMANENT**

- Service frequency increases to every 10 minutes between 6 pm and 9 pm and every 20 minutes between 11 pm and midnight.

## 480 Bridgeport Station/UBC **PERMANENT**

- Regular service returns.

## 555 Carvolth Exchange/Braid Station **PERMANENT**

- New stop will be introduced at 156th Street.

## 620 Tsawwassen Ferry/Bridgeport Station **SEASONAL**

- Service returns to one bus per hour to coincide with the fall ferry schedule.

## C9 New Westminster Station/Lougheed Station **PERMANENT**

- Service frequency operates every 60 minutes on the weekdays from start of service to 7 am, 9 am to 3 pm and 6 pm until end of service, and all day on weekends and holidays.

## C15 Deep Cove/Indian River/Phibbs Exchange **PERMANENT**

- Weekend/holiday service frequency increases to every 30 minutes during early AM/PM periods.
- As per the 2014 service optimization program, the service extension from Indian River to Deep Cove is discontinued.
- Customers can transfer to the 211 as an alternative.

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

- Service between Buntzen Lake and Coquitlam Station is discontinued until next summer.

## C38 Prairie/River Springs/Poco Station/Coquitlam Station **PERMANENT**

- The re-route improves service coverage in the Port Coquitlam Centre neighbourhood.
- The re-route introduces new stops along Westwood, Kingsway, Maple, McAllister, Mary Hill and Wilson.

## C43 Haney Place/Maple Meadows Station/Meadowtown **PERMANENT**

- Weekdays service operates every 60 minutes from 9 am to 3 pm and 6 pm until 8 pm and all day on Saturday.

## C44 Haney Place/Maple Meadows Station/Meadowtown **PERMANENT**

- Weekdays service operates every 60 minutes from 9 am to 3 pm and all day on Saturday.

## C50 Ocean Park/Peace Arch Hospital **PERMANENT**

- Weekday service operates every 60 minutes from 9 am to 3 pm.

## C51 WhiteRock Centre/Ocean Park **PERMANENT**

- Weekday service operates every 60 minutes from 9 am to 3 pm.

## C52 Seaside/White Rock Centre **PERMANENT**

- Weekday service operates every 60 minutes from 9 am to 3 pm and 7 pm to 10 pm and on Saturday, Sunday and Holidays between 8 am and midnight.

## C53 Cranley/White Rock Centre **PERMANENT**

- Weekday service operates every 60 minutes from 9 am to 3 pm and 7 pm to 10 pm, on Saturdays between 7 am and 10 pm and on Sunday and Holidays between 8 am and 7 pm.
- There are two extra trips on the weekdays at 9:45 pm and 10:45 pm.

## C70 Cloverdale/Willowbrook **PERMANENT**

- Weekday service operates every 60 minutes from 9 am to 3 pm and 6 pm to 10 pm.

## C92 Sea Island South/Bridgeport Station **PERMANENT**

- A new trip leaves Bridgeport between 7:20 and 7:45 to mitigate crowding on services at this time.

## C93 Steveston/Riverport **PERMANENT**

- Weekday service operates every 60 minutes from 9 am to 3 pm, on Saturday between 9 am and midnight and on Sunday and Holidays between 10 am and 8 pm.

## C96 East Cambie/Richmond Centre **PERMANENT**

- As per the 2014 service optimization program, the non-peak service is discontinued.
- Customers may walk to the 405, 407, 410 or 430 as an alternative.

## Granville Mall Weekend Closures **SEASONAL**

- Granville Mall opens in the fall and regular service resumes on Sept 2.
- Service continues to detour on Fri/Sat/Sun and holidays after 9 p.m. until 6 a.m.

## N6 West End/Downtown **SEASONAL**

- Regular service returns.

## SeaBus **SEASONAL**

- Effective Sept. 2, 2014, on Sundays and holidays, service runs every 30 minutes.

## Loops & Exchanges Information

### Burrard Station **SEASONAL**

- Bay assignments resume pre-summer locations as the 5 and N6 return to their regular routes, with the end of the City of Vancouver's Viva Vancouver summer program on 800-block Robson Street.

### UBC Loop **TEMPORARY**

- Starting on Aug 4, the 44, 84, 258 and 480 routes relocated to Wesbrook Mall, just outside the bus loop, to accommodate construction of the new aquatic building.

### Brentwood Mall Loop **TEMPORARY**

- As of August 18, customers will no longer have access to the walkway/ramp on the north side of the station. Customer will have the choice of using either the stairs or the Northside elevator to access the station, via the north sidewalk on Lougheed Highway.

## Device Advice

With the end of summer fast approaching, and the beginning of a new school year nearly here, Metro Vancouver Transit Police would like you to consider the following safety tips when taking transit:



“If you want to keep it, secure it.”

- » Be aware of others around you when travelling with your electronic devices, such as smartphones, iPads, or laptops.
- » Keep bags, backpacks, etc fastened, close to you and any devices out of sight.
- » Never lend out your phone or other device to strangers.

Be proactive. Understanding the features of your particular device will help to keep your private information secure and protected.

- » Make sure that your device is password protected.
- » Configure your settings to ensure that your device locks after a short period of time.

Visit [www.protectyourdata.ca](http://www.protectyourdata.ca) for more tips on how to keep your information safe.

If you are a victim or witness to crime on transit, contact Metro Vancouver Transit Police by calling (604) 515-8300, report by text 87-77-77\* (non-emergencies only), or in the event of an emergency, dial 9-1-1.

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## Labour Day holiday service

**Monday, September 1 is Labour Day.** Bus, SkyTrain and SeaBus will run on a Sunday/Holiday schedule and you'll be able to travel across all zones for a one-zone fare! West Coast Express, TrainBus, and Air Care Inspection Centres will not be in operation.