

Contest corner: Win a FareCard!

LAST ISSUE'S FARECARD WINNER We had 707 correct entries in our last contest, and Tabitha P. won the FareCard! The answer? TransLink manages 2,300 lane kilometers of major road.

WIN A FREE FARECARD! For 1, 2 or 3 zones, based on where the winner travels. Email 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 summer service changes start this year?
(Hint: It's in this issue!)

Enter by **June 30, 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.



BACK ISSUES

The Buzzer turned 98 on June 2! In this section, we mine the back issues for historical treats. Enjoy!

The June 30, 1967 edition of The Buzzer celebrated the opening of the Kensington Transit Centre. The what?

Today, Friday, June 30, buses begin to operate out of Kensington Transit Centre. This is a new transportation centre at Sprott and Kensington in Burnaby. The site was selected as central to serve the Burnaby-New Westminster Area. The old bus centre at the foot of 12th Street hill in New Westminster has been closed.

Kensington Transit Centre consists of almost eight acres of property. There is a garage building of 12,000 square feet where a crew of 18 service-men and mechanics will operate three shifts a day, seven days a week to service and maintain 80 buses which are now operating out of the centre. Ultimate capacity is 200 buses.

The Kensington Transit Centre would close in 1986 after 19 years of service and its operations would move to the brand-new Burnaby Transit Centre at 3855 Kitchener Street.



Illustration by Bob Banks

Railway Avenue

TransLink provides funding to municipalities through the Major Road Network and Bike Minor Capital Program. The opening of the Railway Avenue Greenway in Richmond is an example of the projects eligible for this funding. Mayor Brodie, MLA Linda Reid and Vice-Chair of the TransLink Board of Directors, Howard Nemtin, attended the June 7th event to officially open the new 3.7 km multi-use pathway for cyclists, pedestrians and transit users.



The Buzzer celebrates its 98th birthday!

The Buzzer published its very first issue on June 2nd, 1916—without a name I might add—by the British Columbia Electric Railway Company. It was simply titled, "Wanted—A Name" and a contest was held to find a name.

You guessed it! The Buzzer was the winner and it was unveiled in the following issue. Eleven different people received a \$2 first prize for suggesting the name!

The Buzzer was launched to help advertise the advantages of taking streetcars over jitneys, private citizens who patrolled streetcar routes and offered rides for five cents. Jitneys were banned in July 1918, but the Buzzer kept going and is now in its 98th year in print! Happy Birthday!

Wanted—A Name  **The Buzzer**

There's money in this for you. See back page.

The Buzzer's logo for its very first issue and then it's logo in the second issue!

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COMING EVENTS

- Paul Anthony's Talent Time!** Talent Time presents a "Summer Spectacular" on June 20 at the Rio Theatre, 1660 East Broadway, featuring a live demo from the Vancouver Rabbit Agility Club, a nine-year-old dance duo, a high-flying competitive cheerleading squad, standup comedy and more. Hosted by Paul Anthony from Blade Trinity and Ryan Beil from the Canadian Comedy Award-winning improv troop The Sunday Service. Doors at 8 p.m. and show at 9 p.m. Tickets are \$12. For more information, visit www.talenttime.tv or email contact@talenttime.tv.
- Arts 2014: A Juried Exhibition of Visual Art.** This juried exhibition of local art is a celebration of artmarking and collaborating between the Arts Council of Surrey, the Surrey Art Gallery and local visual artists. The opening reception takes place on June 27 at 7 p.m. and the exhibit will run from June 28 to August 30. For more information, visit www.surrey.ca/artgallery.
- Another All Day Canada Day.** The City of New Westminster and Arts Commission present: Another All Day Canada Day! Queen's Park will host celebrations from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Festivities will include entertainment and family fun. Fireworks will take place at dusk, best viewed from the downtown New Westminster riverfront. Celebrate Canada Day with the whole family! For more information, visit www.newwestcity.ca.
- Canada Day at Swanguard Stadium.** The City of Burnaby is excited to bring a free, family-friendly Canada Day concert to Swanguard Stadium. Headlining this new event will be Canadian Folk-Rock legends Spirit of the West. Also appearing will be Dear Rouge and Dustin Bentall and the Smøkes. These stellar local acts will be followed by a display of fireworks. This free event is the ideal way to celebrate Canada's 147th birthday. Doors open at 5 p.m. and the show begins at 6:30 p.m. For more information, visit www.burnaby.ca.
- Surrey Canada Day 2014.** The City of Surrey and Coast Capital Savings are proud to present Surrey Canada Day 2014. The event marks Canada's 147th birthday and highlights include: top-notch entertainment; a half a million square feet of site area; an expanded area; family fun for all ages; over 100 exhibitors; Shooting Star Amusements with superior midway games and rides; and a spectacular fireworks for the grand finale. For more information, visit www.surrey.ca/canadaday.
- Global Relay Gastown Grand Prix, part of BC Superweek.** Canada's greatest criterium is taking place on July 9! Watch North America's top cyclists race wheel-to-wheel on Gastown's thrilling 1.2-km course with the hairpin corner. The women's race 30 laps and the men's race 50 laps. Action starts 5:45 p.m. For more information, please visit www.globalrelaygpp.org.
- Rockin' in the Park. A free outdoor family event!** The excitement includes 9-hole mini golf, a bouncy castle, face painting, a balloon artist, live entertainment, arts and crafts, and much more! The event runs Saturday July 12 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Coal Harbour Park. Rain or shine! Parent participation is required. For more information, please visit www.coalharbourcc.ca or call 604.718.8222.

Send your community events in at translink.ca/buzzerevents



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June service changes start June 23

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Look for bus service changes on June 23

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 June 23, 2014 except where noted otherwise. Changes are noted as **SEASONAL** or **PERMANENT**. Please note that for seasonal closures, regular service will resume in September

This list is accurate as of our publish date! Please check translink.ca/servicechanges or call Transit Information at 604.953.3333 for corrections or further assistance.

005 Robson/Downtown SEASONAL

- Eastbound buses will detour via Davie, Denman, Robson, Burrard, Pender, Homer, Hastings and Richards.
- Westbound buses will detour via Richards, Pender, Burrard, Robson, Denman and Davie.

019 Metrotown Station/St Stanley Park SEASONAL

• A downtown shuttle service operates on this route between West Pender St. and Cambie St. to Stanley Park. When combined with the regular 19 Metrotown Station/St Stanley Park service, frequency between downtown and Stanley Park is as follows:

- > Weekdays: every 6-7 mins from 8 am- 5 p.m., 5 mins from 5 -6 pm and 6 mins from 6-9 pm.
- > Weekends: every 6 mins from 8 am to 7 pm

041 Joyce Station/UBC PERMANENT

- On Saturday, service increases to every 7.5 mins from 6–11 am and 12 mins from 6–8 pm.
- On Sunday, service increases to every 7.5 mins from 9 am–6 pm and 12 mins from 6–9 pm.

049 Dunbar Loop/UBC/Metrotown Station PERMANENT

- On Saturday frequency increases to every 10 mins between 6–9 pm and 20 mins between 9 pm–12 am.

099 B-Line Commercial-Broadway Station/UBC PERMANENT

- Weekday frequency increases to every 5 mins between 6-8 pm, 6 mins between 8-9 pm and 7 mins between 9-10 pm.
- Saturday frequency increases to every 7 mins between 8-9 am, every 6 mins between 9-10 am and every 7 mins between 5-8 pm.

178 Coquitlam Station/Port Moody Station PERMANENT

- Service reroutes at David Ave. between Noon's Creek and Johnson St. and now runs along Panorama Dr. instead of along David Ave.

311 Bridgeport Station/Scottsdale PERMANENT

- Weekday service operates every 20 mins from 6-7 am and 3-5 pm, and 15 mins from 7-8 am.

337 Fraser Heights/Guildford/Surrey Central PERMANENT

- Moves from Bay 9 to Bay 5a at Surrey Central Station.

352 Bridgeport Station/Ocean Park PERMANENT

- Weekday service operates every 15 mins on the quarter from 6-7 am.

395 King George Station/Willowbrook PERMANENT

- This bus no longer stops at Surrey Central Station in the PM, instead it leaves from Bay 3 at King George Station.

502 Surrey Central Station/Langley Centre - Route Truncation PERMANENT

- This service only operates between Surrey Central Station and Langley Centre, with limited peak-hour trips to/from Brookwood.
- Customers may alternatively use the NEW 503 Surrey Central Station/Aldergrove express service for limited stops between Surrey and Langley and local travel between Langley and Aldergrove.

503 Surrey Central Station/Alder grove PERMANENT New Express Service!

- This NEW express bus serves Langley and Aldergrove with connections to Surrey and departs from Bay 9 at Surrey Central Station. The Salmon River detour is discontinued.
 - > Pick up service only at key stops eastbound between Surrey Central Station and Langley Centre
 - > Drop off service only at key stops, westbound between Langley Centre and Surrey Central Station

620 Tsawwassen Ferry/Bridgeport Station SEASONAL

- Increased weekend and holiday service; departs twice per hour.

Granville Mall Weekend Closures SEASONAL

- Granville Mall closes during summer weekends for the City of Vancouver's Summer Open Streets program. All trolley buses detour to Howe and Seymour streets. Routes include: 4, 6, 7, 10, 14, 16, 17, 20 and 50.

N6 West End/Downtown SEASONAL

- o accommodate the City of Vancouver's closure of the 800 block of Robson, this route will detour:
 - > Eastbound buses detour via Davie, Denman, Robson, Burrard, Pender, Homer, Hastings and Richards, Pender, Howe and Dunsmuir.
 - > Westbound buses detour via Howe, Davie and Denman.

Bay Changes:

Burrard Station SEASONAL

- Bay 1 – 5 Robson
- Bay 5 – 5 Downtown, N6 Downtown

Edmonds Station PERMANENT

- Bay 2 – 129 Metrotown Station
- Bay 3 – 106 Metrotown Station

King George Station PERMANENT

- Bay 3 – 395 Willowbrook and 503 Aldergrove

Langley Centre PERMANENT

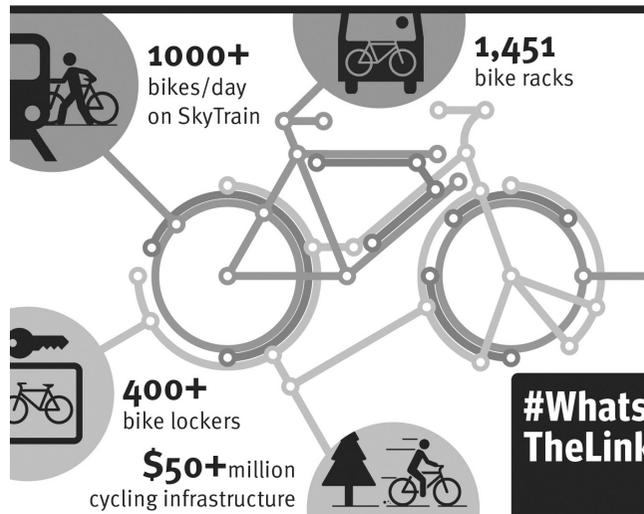
- Bay 1 – 503 Surrey Central Station
- Bay 5 – 503 Aldergrove

Surrey Central PERMANENT

- Bay 5a – 337 Fraser Heights
- Bay 9 – 503 Aldergrove
- Bay 11 – 96 Newton Exchange
- Bay 12 – 502 Langley Centre/Brookwood

#WhatsTheLink: We're also really into cycling

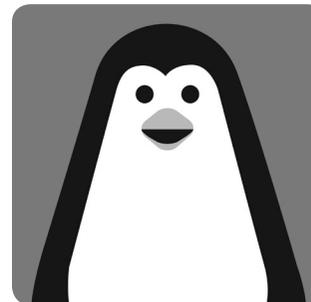
TransLink is unique in North America as a transportation authority that links so many ways of moving people and goods. Those modes of transportation include public transit, the major roads network, five bridges and cycling in Metro Vancouver!



#WhatsTheLink is a series about all that TransLink, Metro Vancouver's transportation authority, is responsible for in the region. Learn more at translink.ca/wtl. Follow #WhatsTheLink on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram.

JUNE SERVICE CONTEST

Visit translink.ca/servicechanges from June 9 to July 7 to find out which route the Penguin is riding on each weekday. Click the penguin icon to enter to win 1 of 5 amazing prize packs. To help you find the penguin, a clue will be posted each morning on our Facebook page. Good luck!



Don't Touch the Operator

In March, the Metro Vancouver Transit Police launched a campaign aimed at bringing awareness to assaults and harassment towards bus operators called "Don't Touch the Operator."

The message is clear. Any harassment, intimidation, threats, or assaults on bus operators will not be tolerated, and that the Transit Police will vigorously investigate all reports.

The campaign will run indefinitely and includes ongoing efforts from each of the agencies involved. Decals will be placed in all Coast Mountain Buses displaying strong messages that speak to the issue.

If you witness any violent or unruly behavior towards bus operators, please report it as soon as possible to Transit Police via text message at 87-77-77* or call 604-515-8300.

*Texting is free. However, standard carrier rates may apply.

Introducing: Burrard Otter II, our new SeaBus!



Photo Courtesy of Henry Reeve, P. Eng. of Robert Allan Ltd.

The Burrard Otter II is the first SeaBus to be built to a Classification Society Standard (Lloyd's Register), and it was designed by noted Vancouver, B.C.-based naval architectural firm Robert Allan Ltd.

The vessel has just completed sea trials in Singapore, and will soon be prepared for shipment to Vancouver on a BBC Chartering heavylift carrier. The new SeaBus will arrive at Port Metro Vancouver by late July.

Before being put into service, the Burrard Otter II will go through more sea trials to make sure it's in tip top shape and SeaBus employees will be trained on operations and maintenance of the new vessel.

Following an inspection by Transport Canada, the Burrard Otter II will go into regular service, currently scheduled for fall.

The Burrard Otter II will share duties with the Burrard Pacific Breeze, which made its maiden voyage on December 23, 2009. The original Burrard Otter will be retired from active service, and the Burrard Beaver will be retrofitted and used as a spare vessel.



Canada Day service

On Tuesday, July 1, 2014 all transit will run on a Sunday/holiday schedule. West Coast Express and AirCare Inspection Centres will not be in operation. Service returns to regular weekday schedules on Wednesday, July 2. For more information, please visit www.translink.ca/holiday-service.