

## Contest Corner – Win a Monthly Pass!

### LAST ISSUE'S MONTHLY PASS WINNER

We had **414** correct entries in our last contest!

**WIN A FREE Monthly Pass** on your Compass Card! Email [thebuzzer@translink.ca](mailto:thebuzzer@translink.ca) with the subject line "Contest" and tell us your answer to the question below, your full name, your phone number and where you got the Buzzer (include your bus route number). Make sure to include everything – **entries missing info are not entered to win!** Only **one** entry per person, please. You must be 19 years of age to enter. Employees of TransLink, its subsidiaries and contractors are not eligible.



### When do the Spring Service Changes begin?

(Hint: It's in this issue!)

Enter by **June 1, 2017 at 9 am Pacific Standard Time**. We'll randomly draw a name from all correct entries. Chances of winning depend on the number of correct entries received. The winner will be notified by phone shortly after the draw. Winner must correctly answer a skill-testing question. See [buzzer.translink.ca/contest](http://buzzer.translink.ca/contest) for full contest terms and conditions.

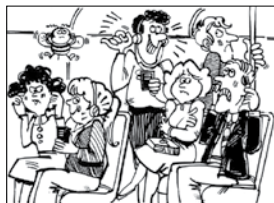
**PRIVACY POLICY** We use your personal info only for the contest, and we delete all entries after we pick a winner. Here's the long version: The personal information collected, used and disclosed is necessary for the administration of the Contest and is in accordance with provisions of Part 3 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (British Columbia). Please refer to [translink.ca/privacy-policy](http://translink.ca/privacy-policy) or contact the TransLink Privacy Officer at [privacy@translink.ca](mailto:privacy@translink.ca) for further information.

## BACK ISSUES

The Buzzer is 101 years old this year! In this section, we mine old issues for some historical tidbits and fun stuff. Enjoy!

**1983** In October of 1983, the Buzzer reminded riders to think of others while listening to music on transit.

*It seems that the use of earphones no longer guarantees protection for people nearby from your choice of music. Please consider the other person who is sometimes bombarded from all sides and TURN IT DOWN. It can only improve the quality of service for all transit users. Remember! The transit system is for everyone; music lovers and silent riders alike.*



Please be courteous to your fellow passengers and transit staff by maintaining a reasonable headphone volume as you enjoy your music, podcasts and TV shows.



## GradPass

### PICK UP YOUR COMPASS GRADPASSES TODAY!

**Congratulations Class of 2017!** You've worked hard and it's time to celebrate the closing of one chapter and the adventures yet to come.

With that in mind, TransLink is giving you two free days of unlimited transit with your Compass GradPasses!

### HOW DOES IT WORK?

As a graduating Grade 12 student, you will receive two Compass GradPasses. Each GradPass gives you one free day of unlimited travel across our system. That means free travel on bus, SkyTrain, SeaBus and West Coast Express!

You can use your GradPasses between May 15 to June 30, 2017 inclusive. You must use your GradPasses with your valid secondary school or government issued ID. The passes are non-transferable and can only be used by you.

Check out [translink.ca/tripplanner](http://translink.ca/tripplanner) and [translink.ca/schedules-and-maps](http://translink.ca/schedules-and-maps) for all your transit information needs. Have a question about your GradPass? Tweet us @TransLink.

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## COMING EVENTS

- ✓ **Phenomena in Gemstones!** Presented by the Richmond Gem and Mineral Society, this rocking good time runs Apr 29, 10 am – 5 pm and Apr 30, 10 am – 4 pm at the Richmond Arts Centre. Come out to see collection displays, demonstrations, activities for every age, a rock auction plus rocks, minerals and book sales. Something for everyone in your family! Interested in rockhounding, collecting rocks and minerals, jewelry making, lapidary? Then this is the event for you! Find more information at [richmondbclapidary.wordpress.com](http://richmondbclapidary.wordpress.com).
- ✓ **The 2017 DOXA Documentary Film Festival** charges ahead with bold, brave new work that challenges and thrills from May 4 – May 14. In addition to special events and signature programs, including Justice Forum, Rated Y for Youth, DOXA 2017 celebrates the fierce bright vision of documentary filmmakers with screenings, panel discussions, artist talks, live performances and much more! In a complex and culturally fraught moment, documentary cinema comes to the rescue with hope for the future, and a playbook for fighting back. For more details, visit [doxafestival.ca](http://doxafestival.ca).
- ✓ **The Ships to Shore King of the Sea** festival in Garry Point Park features the Kaiwo Maru, a four-masted, 361ft. long, 182ft. high naval training vessel from Japan. This free, family event from May 5 – 7 will feature programming and attractions to appeal to all ages and cultures. Including ship viewing and boarding, main stage entertainment throughout the weekend, a headline artist and fireworks over the Fraser on Saturday night, festival entertainment, food trucks, a kids play area and more! Head to [shipstoshore.ca](http://shipstoshore.ca) for more event details.
- ✓ **The history of the Expo Line.** As a part of the Festival of Learning, join author and historian John Atkin on the SkyTrain Expo Line on May 8 for a birds-eye view of Burnaby's history. Learn about the electric railway line that was built along the same path in 1891 and how public transportation has shaped the development of the community. Get more info at [festival-of-learning.ca](http://festival-of-learning.ca).
- ✓ **13th Annual Ladner Bandfest.** This event brings 18 Community Concert Bands to Ladner on June 3 and 4 from 11 am – 6 pm for a weekend of continuous 40 minute concerts on two stages. The featured band is the Naden Band performing on Sunday at 4:40 pm. Bring your lawn chairs and enjoy an old-fashioned weekend of band music in the park. This is a free event and open to the public! Details can be found at [ladnerbandfest.org](http://ladnerbandfest.org).
- ✓ **Tinypreneurs.** During this June 3 event, children as young as 7 years old are introduced to the world of an entrepreneur as they present their own products and services to the real world. This is an innovative, unique, philanthropic and educational experience for all involved! It allows children and their entire family to explore and embrace the benefits of entrepreneurship from an early age, as well as showcasing their talent and creativity. Find out more by visiting [tinypreneurs.com](http://tinypreneurs.com).

Submit your community events via [translink.ca/buzzerevents](http://translink.ca/buzzerevents)



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# THE BUZZER

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## Spring Service Changes Begin April 24

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# We're improving bus service across the region

*Shorter waits. Less crowding. More service.*

## THE BIGGEST TRANSPORTATION EXPANSION IN NEARLY A DECADE IS HERE!

Funding from **Phase One** of the **10-Year Vision**, a recently approved investment plan, gives TransLink the opportunity to improve bus service to reduce overcrowding, wait times and extend bus service hours. As part of the roll out of the 10-Year Vision, TransLink is introducing a region-wide expansion of bus services that will be implemented on **April 24**, as part of regular spring service changes. Find out more by visiting [tenyearvision.translink.ca](http://tenyearvision.translink.ca).

The best part? We're just getting started! This is the first in a series of bus service improvements included in Phase One of the 10-Year Vision. Improvements will continue to roll out over the next three years.

The following bus improvements are as a result of funding from Phase One of the 10-Year Vision. For a full list of spring service changes, or to find out what improvements TransLink is bringing to your neighbourhood visit [translink.ca/servicechanges](http://translink.ca/servicechanges).

*Please note: This list is accurate as of our publish date.*

### 153 Braid Station/Coquitlam Central Station

- » We heard you. We've added more service during peak periods to reduce crowding and pass ups.
- » Service every 12-14 minutes from 6-9 am and from 3-6 pm.

### 180 Lougheed Station/Moody Centre Station

- » We heard you. We've added more service to improve mid-day travel and reduce crowding and pass ups.
- » Service every 15 minutes from 9 am-3 pm.

### 182 Moody Centre Station/Belcarra

- » Improved weekday service to every 30 minutes, up from every 60 minutes, from 9 am to 3 pm.
- » Customers will have access to more mid-day trips with less wait times and crowding.

### 184 Noons Creek/Moody Centre Station

- » We've added one additional westbound weekday trip to meet the 6:15 am West Coast Express train at Moody Centre Station.

### 250A Dundarave/Vancouver

- » Increased Saturday service from 8 am to 11 pm.

### 253 Caulfeild/Park Royal

- » Improved service on Sundays and holidays to operate every hour, up from every 2 hours.

### 254 British Properties/Park Royal

- » Improved service on Sundays and holidays to operate every hour, up from every 2 hours.

### 255 Dundarave/Capilano University

- » Improved weekday service to operate every 20 minutes, up from 30 minutes, from 7-9 am and 1-4 pm.

### 301 Richmond Brighthouse/Newton Exchange

- » Improve weekday service to operate every 15 minutes, up from 20 minutes, from 6-9 am and 3-5 pm.

### 319 Scott Road Station/Newton Exchange

- » Improve weekday service during the following times: 6-9 am, 3-5 pm, 5-9 pm, and 9 pm-midnight.

### 335 Surrey Central/Newton Exchange

- » Increased weekday service between Surrey Central Station and Guildford Exchange to every 8 minutes from 4-6 pm.
- » Increased Saturday service to every 20 minutes, up from every 30 minutes, from 4-8 pm.

- » Increased Sunday/holiday service to every 20 minutes, up from every 30 minutes, from 5-7 pm.

### 375 White Rock Centre/Guildford

- » More late evening southbound bus service from Guildford Town Centre.
- » One additional bus trip on weekdays at 10:48 pm.
- » Two additional trips on Saturdays at 9:50 pm and 10:50 pm.

### 401 Garden City/One Road

- » Improved morning service run to every 8 minutes from 7-8:30 am, every 10 minutes between 8:30-9 am and every 12 minutes from 9-9:30 am.
- » Improved afternoon service to operate every 8 minutes from 4-6 pm and every 12 minutes from 6-6:30 pm.
- » Improved late night service to every 30 minutes from 10 pm to midnight.

### 410 22nd Street Station/Railway

- » Additional service from 6-9 am.
- » Additional service from 2:30-7 pm.
- » Additional service from 1:30-4 pm and 10 pm-midnight.
- » Additional service from 10 pm-midnight.

### 501 Surrey Central/Langley Centre

- » We've improved weekday service from 7:30-10:30 pm to operate every 30 minutes, up from every 60 minutes.

### 502 Surrey Central/Langley Centre

- » Improved weekday service from 7 to 10 am and 3 to 9 pm.
- » Saturday service runs every 12 minutes, up from every 15 minutes, from 9 am to 7 pm.
- » New late night service runs every 30 minutes Monday to Saturday from midnight to 2 am.

### 555 Lougheed Station/Carvolth Exchange

- » Improved weekday service from 6-9 am. and 3-8 pm.
- » AM service: Service every 8 minutes from 6-6:30 am; every 6 minutes from 6:30-8 am; and every 10 minutes from 8-9 am.
- » PM service: Service every 8 minutes from 3-4 pm; every 7 minutes from 4-6 pm; every 10 minutes from 6-7 pm and every 15 minutes from 7-8 pm.

### 601 South Delta/Boundary Bay/Bridgeport Station

- » Service runs every 20 minutes, up from 30 minutes, on the weekend between 10 am and 6 pm.

### C3 Quayside/Victoria Hill

- » Extended service on weekdays and weekends to run from 9 pm-midnight to operate every 20 minutes.

### C4 New Westminster Station/Uptown

- » Extended service on weekdays and weekends to run from 9 pm-midnight to operate every 20 minutes.

### C10 Bluewater/Snug Cove

- » Extended service hours on weekdays to 8 pm to meet the 7:30 pm ferry.

### C11 Eagle Cliff/Snug Cove

- » Extended service hours weekdays to 8 pm to meet the 7:30 pm ferry.

### C50 Ocean Park/Peace Arch Hospital

- » Increased weekday service to every 30 minutes, up from every hour, from 6 am to 3 pm.

### C51 Ocean Park/White Rock Centre

- » Increased weekday service to every 30 minutes, up from every hour, from 9 am to 3 pm.

### C52 Seaside/White Rock Centre

- » Weekday service runs every 30 minutes, up from every hour, from 9 am to 3 pm.

### C53 Cranley/White Rock Centre

- » Weekday service runs every 30 minutes, up from every hour, from 9 am to 3 pm.

## ENJOY THIS 100% TREE-FREE EDITION OF THE BUZZER!

As a transit rider, you're already making a big difference in supporting the environment. TransLink is committed to sustainability and printing The Buzzer on agricultural fibre – Sugar Sheet – is just one of the many ways we are reducing our carbon footprint.

## Celebrating a Vancouver Bus Dynasty

John Harlow turned **100** on March 7, 2017. Although that is an amazing feat in and of itself, it's what he's done in those 100 years that make the Harlows of East Vancouver particularly interesting to transit fans.



In 1945, John happened upon a career that would shape not only his life but the lives of future generations in his family. He became a transit operator and drove buses and trolleys out of Vancouver Transit Centre for 34 years.

In his earlier years, John would take his son David to ride with him from time to time, getting to know the routes and the regulars. It sparked a love of transit driving that would propel David into the same line of work along with his daughter, John's granddaughter, Michelle who still works at Vancouver Transit Centre!



Three generations of bus operators along with family and friends (and one interloping Buzzer writer) gathered on a rainy Sunday in March to celebrate John's 100th birthday and take a drive down memory lane. Literally!

We all piled into a 1964 GMC vintage bus provided by TRAMS and set off to visit some of John's old haunts; from bus loops and transfer points to his old high school where he met his wife and the church where they were married.

The day was like heading back in time. It was more than just celebrating John's 100th – it was about celebrating a family connected and inspired by transit!

Families like the Harlows show us just how important transit is to the operators who drive our buses every day and how passion and dedication can span generations.

### Happy birthday, John!

We wish you, and the entire Harlow family, all the best.

If you want to join our transit team, visit [translink.ca/drive](http://translink.ca/drive).