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Sugar Canada Day 2014. The City of Surrey and Coast Capital Savings are proud to present Sugar Canada Day 2014. The event marks Canada’s 147th birthday and highlights include: top-notch entertainment; a half a million 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.

Global Relay Gastown Grand Prix, part of BC Superweek. Canada’s greatest criterium is taking place on June 3rd (Watch North America’s top cyclists race wheel-to-wheel on Gastown’s historic 1.2 km course with the hipster crown. The women’s race 10 laps and the men’s race 50 laps. Action starts 5:45 p.m. For more information, please visit www.globallyrelaff.com.

Rockies in The Park. A free outdoor family event! The excitement includes: 9-hole mini golf, a bounce castle, face painting, a ballon artist, live entertainment, arts and crafts, and much more! The event runs Saturday June 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.coalharbourbc.ca or call 604.218.8222.

Send your community events in at translink.ca/buzzerevents

back issues

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

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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/Stanley Park SEASONAL
- A downtown shuttle service operates from 8 am - 8 pm every 15 mins to/from West Pender St. and Cambie St. to Stanley Park. When combined with the regular 19 Metrotown/Stanley Park service, frequency is every 20 mins between Downtown and Stanley Park and 30 mins between West Pender and Davie Sts.

401 Joyce Street/UBC PERMANENT
- On Saturday, service increases to every 7.5 mins from 6-11 am and 12-6 pm.
- On Sunday, service increases to every 7.5 mins from 9 am-6 pm.

404 Dunbar Loop/UBC/Metrotown Station PERMANENT
- On Saturday, service increases to every 10 mins between 6-9 pm and 20 mins between 9 pm-12 am.

69 B-Line Commercial-Bridgeport 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 6-8 am, every 6 mins between 9-10 am and every 7 mins between 5-6 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/Scotiabank 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
- More from Bay 9 to Bay 5 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/Willobrook PERMANENT
- This bus no longer stops at the new Bridgeport 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 Brookswood.
- 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/Aldergrove 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 Central Station and Surrey Central Station.

620 Towneaveness Ferry/Bridgeport Station SEASONAL
- Increased weekend and holiday service; departs twice per hour.

Garibaldi 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
- 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 2 – 129 Metrotown Station
- Bay 3 – 503 Aldergrove express service
- Bay 4 – 395 Willowbrook and 503 Aldergrove

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

King George Station PERMANENT
- Bay 3 – 395 Willobrook and 503 Aldergrove
- Bay 5 – 503 Aldergrove

Langley Centre PERMANENT
- Bay 1 – 503 Surrey Central Station
- Bay 2 – 503 Aldergrove

Surrey Central PERMANENT
- Bay 5a – 337 Fraser Heights
- Bay 9 – 503 Aldergrove
- Bay 10 – 96 Newton Exchange
- Bay 12 – 502 Langley Centre/Brookswood

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10,000 cycling trips/day in Metro Vancouver
1,451 bike racks
500+ bike lockers
$50,000+ cycling infrastructure

JUNE SERVICE CONTEST
Visit translink.ca/servicechanges from June 9 to July 7 to find out which route the Penguin will travel each weekday. 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 movement is all about telling the extreme form of 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 604-953-3300.

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

Introducing: Burrard Otter II, our new SeaBus!

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.

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