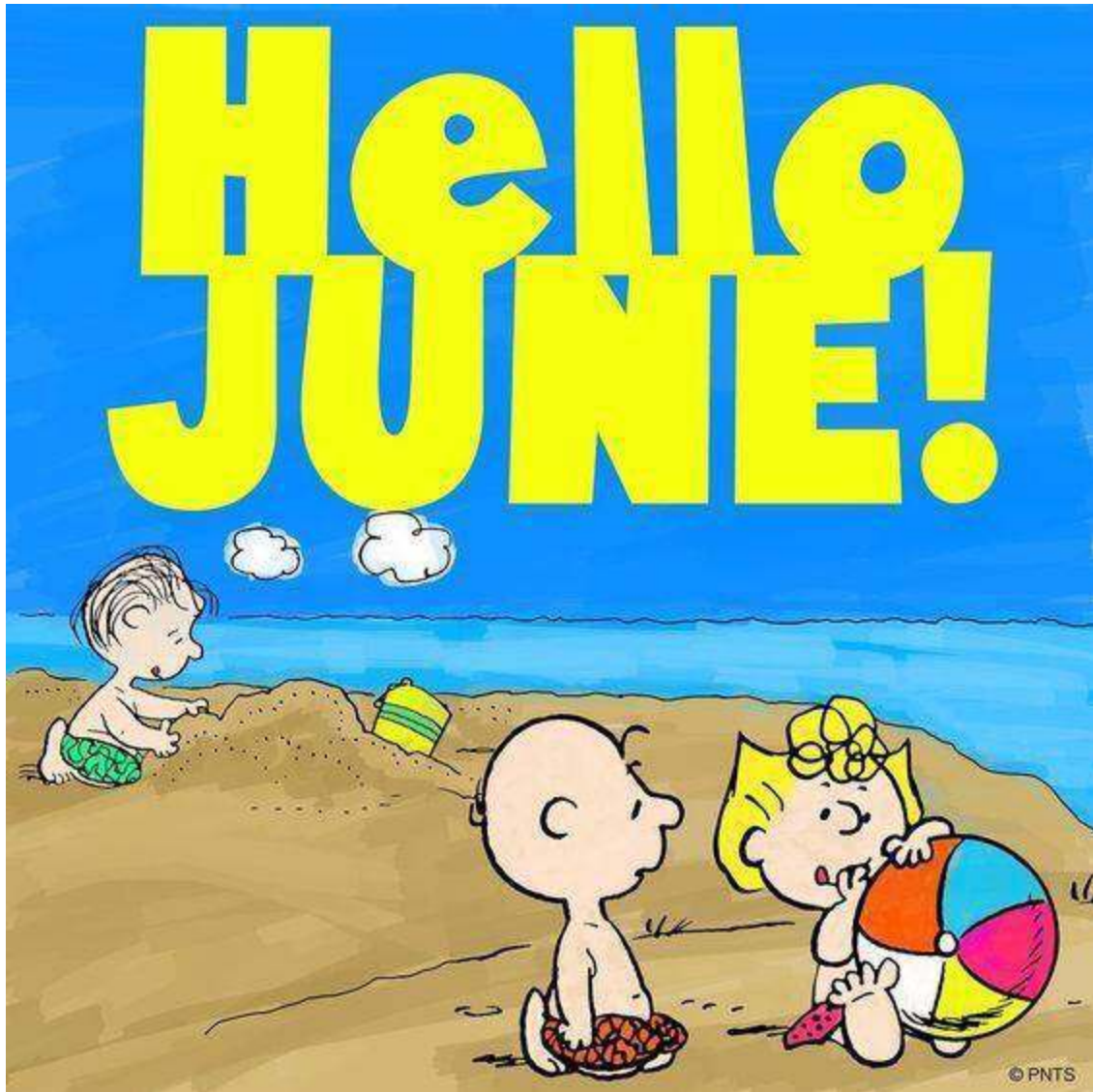


All the news from the neighbourhoods of Blueridge
and Seymour Heights in the DNV

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Hip Hip Hooray, it's almost summer! Happy June Blueridge! Read on to discover what's happening this month in our neighbourhood, including a guest submission from North Shore Black Bear Society!



A great time was had by all 120 participants at the first Dîner en Bleu held in Blueridge on June 2!

A tremendous thank you to all neighbors, volunteers, and sponsors for making our 21st Annual Good Neighbour Day a fantastic day. Much fun was had by all. We had a great turnout despite the wet weather!



Drumroll please!!!!!! Our winners are:

The jelly bean count winner was Sylvia Hahn with an estimate of 600.

The actual amount was 609! Wow!

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The winner of the Save the Red Panda's prize basket was Blueridge resident, Joanne Marquis!

Congratulations Sylvia and Joanne!



A huge thank you to Neptune Terminals! Here is Michelle Alford receiving the check from Neptune Terminals, one of our biggest sponsors of Blueridge Good Neighbour Day. We are truly appreciative and grateful for Neptune's continued support, helping to ensure that BGND is a success year after year! Thank you, Neptune Terminals!!

Bear Update

By Christine Miller, North Shore Black Bear Society

What do black bears and pesky thieves who steal from parked cars have in common? Both are opportunistic creatures who will keep coming around if the rewards remain in the community. Both “crimes” are preventable. Thieves who prey on cars that contain rewards, even as small as parking change, are harder to catch than bears, but our strong Block Watch program can certainly help. Unfortunately for bears, their capture is easier and their punishment is most often death.

Take the family in the picture, for example. The mother was killed on May 28, 2018, because she was frequently moving around homes near the Seymour River and the northwest area of Blueridge locating Green Can and garbage carts, bird feeders and dog food.



Mother with her two cubs in the tree in Blueridge. Photo: Oliver R

The cubs, named Seymour (male) and River (female), were sent to Critter Care (www.crittercarewildlife.org) in Langley where they will be cared for with minimal exposure to people until they are released into the wilderness next spring or summer. The cubs have been sponsored by North Vancouver residents and the North Shore Black Bear Society, but rehabilitation of wildlife is expensive, and donations are accepted year-round online, by phone or in person. Critter Care depends solely on the support of the public to give injured or orphaned animals a second chance. For those interested in wildlife rehabilitation, Critter Care’s 19th Annual Open House will be July 21-22 this year.



Seymour and River recovering at Critter Care Photo: Critter Care

The release of Seymour and River will coincide with the time that their mother would have dispersed her offspring to find their own territory and live independently. You can follow their progress on the North Shore Black Bear Society's Facebook page and Instagram gallery.

When the North Shore Black Bear Society became aware of the bear family's movements, large areas were canvassed with information about attractants, including the best practises for managing Green Can (Organics) carts, and Bear-in-Area signs were placed to alert residents and encourage them to responsibly manage attractants on their property. Sadly, it wasn't enough!

How do those of us who treasure the beautiful forests and protected wildlife corridors, and the wildlife, come to terms with the knowledge that residents contributed to the death of a mother bear and left her two young cubs as orphans? It's challenging! We all have to continue to work together to prevent further bears from locating easily accessible unnatural foods and being killed.

More information can be found at www.northshorebears.com. Reports of wildlife or attractant sightings can be made to our website (REPORT IT) or nsbbsociety@gmail.com or 604-317-4911.

The North Shore Black Bear Society appreciates community support to help keep bears and other wildlife wild.

North Vancouver Save Our Shores Society

Discovery Waterfront Walk



Sunday, June 25, 2017



The **Discovery**

Waterfront Walk starts at Cates Park between 10:00 am and 12:00 pm, and ends in Deep Cove. To return, participants can enjoy the **FREE boat ride on the OCEAN WATCH** back to Cates Park until 2:30 pm or return by walking. This moderate walk is approximately two hours long over beach, roads and trails. Please wear sturdy walking shoes and suitable clothing for weather conditions and don't forget your water.

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