

Blueridge Bulletin

August 2023



Obviously the big news in the past month was the fire on Mt. Seymour, so that leads our issue. Happily the fire was small and didn't spread after it was found. But the summer is only just getting started, and there are many impacts of the heat. We address a few others in this issue as well.

But August and summer are not all heat and risk. There's time for adventure, vacations, walks on the trails, swimming, and all kinds of other activities. And strawberries!

We wish you the very best of summers!

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Features



Mount Seymour Fire

Jeff Powell

On the afternoon of July 12, 2023 a fire was reported on Mount Seymour, about 2 km north and east of Blueridge. Hundreds of Metro Vancouver residents called 911 to report it, as the smoke was visible from many places, including across the inlet. Helicopters and aircraft responded quickly, and ground crews were mobilized.

Here in Blueridge, it sounded a bit like an air show. A group of at least five propeller driven aircraft - called "[water-skimmers](#)", seen in the photo above - circled from the fire to Rice Lake (where they reloaded their water tanks) for several hours.

The local Facebook group - [Blueridge Neighbours](#) - had a lengthy discussion about the fire and the response. Some residents were worried, as fires this close have not been common.

Official news about wildfires is often slow to come out. Authorities are initially concerned with responding to the event and it takes time to get enough people on scene and develop an understanding of what is actually happening. In addition, those in charge don't want to speculate. Instead, they work to provide useful information when they have it. Small fires often go completely unreported, while the biggest get regular press briefings. The Mount Seymour fire was fairly small as such things go, but it was relatively close to homes so official information did start flowing.

Your editor searched the internet for this news diligently. In this case, the best source of reliable information turned out to be the [North Shore News](#) which ran an initial article quickly, updated it several times, and followed up with additional articles in subsequent days. Other useful sources included the [DNV News Page](#) and the [BC Wildfire Service incident page](#). The [BCA website home page](#) was updated several times to summarize and link to those sources and others. Here's a short summary of the fire and the current status:

- The fire [was reported](#) about 4pm on July 12. Air and ground response began immediately.
 - Ground crews needed about two hours to hike to the scene.
 - Air response continued until the evening. At that time the fire was responding well to suppression efforts, and was unlikely to spread further.
 - The estimated size was 0.3 hectares (3000 square metres) and no increase was reported throughout the event.
 - Ground crews stayed on scene overnight, and for several days. Winds were calm and conditions good, so the fire did not spread.
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- Air support - via helicopters only - continued on July 13.
- At a [July 13 press briefing](#), reporters were told the fire "would not spread anymore" even though it was still listed as "out of control" on the incident page. In addition, the cause was listed as "human" but those giving the briefing stressed that was not yet certain.
- On July 14th the fire status was updated to "being held". Crews continued to work the fire, digging it out of buried roots and stumps while specialists examined damaged trees and removed those that posed a hazard to the ground crew.
- In the following days the fire status was updated to "out". In addition, it was reported that the [remains of a hut were present](#) in the centre of the burned area. However, as of this writing, no definitive cause has been released. There are signs of lightning strikes on nearby trees, so while a human cause is definitely possible - and remains listed on the incident page - a final determination has not yet been made.
- From a July 28 briefing:
 - There is still no final determination of the cause, but apparently the Wildfire Service is leaning towards it being started by people rather than lightning.
 - Of 183 fires in the coastal region this year, 121 of them were human caused.
 - On average there are only 35 wildfires a year in our region, and our 10-year average is less than 90 fires per year.
 - So far this year we've seen more human caused fires than the average number fires of all kinds in a full year.
 - 36 wildfires continue to burn in the coastal region at this time.
 - Recent rains were a welcome relief. We received the month's entire average rainfall in 48 hours, which should reduce wildfire risk for about two weeks and give the Wildfire Service time to get the remaining fires out before the risk goes back up.

Additional updates about this event will appear on the [BCA home page](#) when we have them.

If this event has you more concerned about wildfire, you're not alone. Please consider participating in the FireSmart program. More information at: [FireSmart BC](#), [FireSmart Canada](#), and the DNV has a page about [fire risk reduction](#).

Many thanks to Ellison Mallin from Susie Chant's office for providing a summary of the July 28 briefing.



Stage 2 Watering Restrictions Start August 4th

Jeff Powell

Bad news everyone. Metro Vancouver has announced we're moving into Stage 2 watering restrictions on Friday, August 4. The single biggest impact of this change is that **all lawn watering is prohibited**. Grass must be left to go dormant until the fall when the rains return. We're not even allowed to water grass by hand until this changes. Here's a short summary of the rules in effect:

- All lawn watering is prohibited.
- You can still water trees, shrubs, and flowers by hand at any time, or with a sprinkler between 5am and 9am. Vegetables can be watered any time.
- Aesthetic water features, such as fountains, cannot be filled or topped up.
- Washing impermeable surfaces like driveways and sidewalks is prohibited except in limited circumstances.

These rules come from this [press release on the Metro Vancouver Website](#). Fines range up to \$500 per violation, and your editor has seen bylaw officers patrolling in Blueridge looking for sprinklers. Those with automatic sprinklers need to change their programming to stop lawn watering.

For those wondering, The Capilano River is at a [near record low flow rate](#), so the inflow into our primary drinking water reservoir is very limited for this early in the

season. The only option is to get everyone to reduce their water use so we can get through to the rainy season. The last time we went beyond Stage 1 water conservation was in 2015.

The Metro Vancouver web page linked above has additional resources linked within it, or you can visit the [BCA's water conservation page](#) for more information. And the [BCA's home page](#) always lists the current water conservation level if you want to check on it.



Fireworks Now Banned In The District Of North Vancouver

Jim Hanson, Councillor District of North Vancouver

At the July 24, 2023, meeting of District Council, we debated a Motion I brought calling for a complete ban on the sale and use of fireworks in the District. I brought the Motion in response to complaints that I have received from residents regarding the disruption caused by fireworks at Halloween, with negative impacts on pets, wildlife, the environment, and in some cases, on residents' mental health, especially

those with a prior history of post-traumatic stress disorder. Given the potential for a very dry October, fireworks could also pose a very significant fire-safety risk. Efforts to ban fireworks in the District were attempted in the 2018 to 2022 term, but ultimately that Council did not support a ban. Fireworks are banned in the City of North Vancouver and in most other municipalities across the region.

My Motion to ban fireworks in the District was supported by Councillors Pope, and Forbes, with Mayor Little and Councillor Back voting against the ban. Councillors Muri and Mah were absent for the vote.

At the meeting, we heard that fireworks are a way to have fun and celebrate. Maybe so, but for our pets, creatures in the forest, vulnerable residents and for our environment more generally, the costs were, in our view, too high.

I am pleased that the District will now be a fireworks-free community.

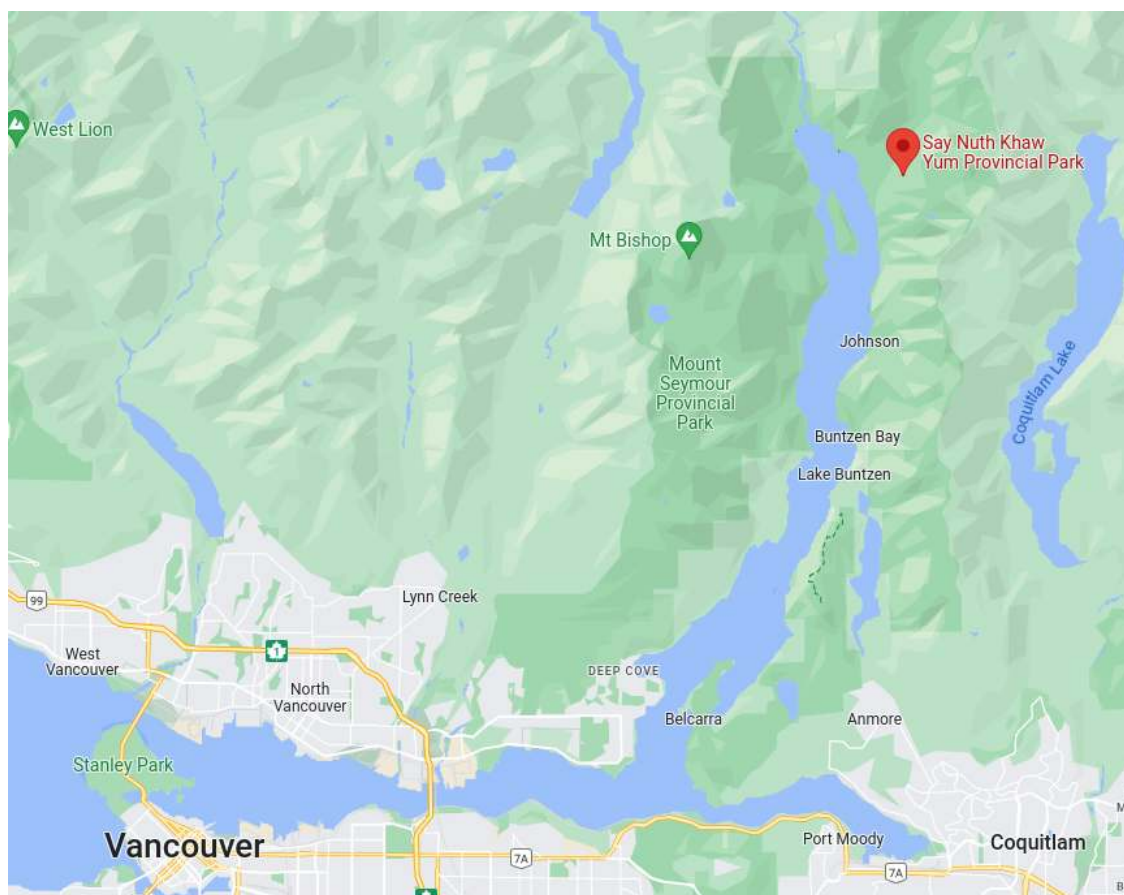


Image: Google Maps

Say Nuth Khaw Yum Park

North Vancouver is one step closer to having access to a new fully funded Provincial Park. Say Nuth Khaw Yum Park is spread across the eastern and western shorelines of the upper portion of Indian Arm. The 6,689-hectare park is managed collaboratively by BC Parks and the Tsleil-Waututh Nation. The park was created in 1994, but has received no significant funding to make it accessible to the public or handle crowds since its creation. In fact, most people in North Vancouver likely do not know of the park's existence, or the park plan created by the Tsleil-Waututh Nation in 2010.

After being elected MLA, Susie Chant met with Tsleil-Waututh planning staff and leadership where they discussed the vision for Say Nuth Khaw Yum. In alignment with the 2010 Park Management Plan, the vision is for it to become a space that is able to welcome many visitors from across the region, while also providing a culturally safe and healing space for the Nation. This would mean the creation of a traditional longhouse, followed by improving access, facilities, maintenance, and education opportunities for all.

Having heard from many residents around North Vancouver, it became very clear that more park access to manage crowds is desperately needed in the Lower Mainland. Blueridge residents have regularly reached out to Susie's office to voice concerns over the crowding of the neighbourhood, and traffic associated with people going to Seymour, or the trails connecting it. There had been discussion with Ministry of Environment staff for a plan to expand Pinecone Burke in Coquitlam. A larger park space outside the North Shore would redirect some crowd over there, but with growing crowds visiting BC every year for our parks and natural amenities, much more is going to be needed.

In January 2023, Susie Chant presented a proposal to Premier Eby to begin first steps of the Tsleil-Waututh Park Plan. In June, Minister George Heyman, along with BC Parks and Tsleil-Waututh staff, joined Susie to announce that the province is supporting the Tsleil-Waututh Nation with \$260,000 for technical feasibility studies for the development of a traditional longhouse in the park. This includes conducting site surveys and evaluating locations for the construction and design of the longhouse, along with community engagement. The longhouse will also provide cultural connection, educational programming, and a space for gathering and healing. After this work is done, the focus will then shift to finishing the rest of the Park Management Plan, hopefully providing much needed relief from the crowds all

descending on Mount Seymour.

A copy of the Park Management Plan, and map is available for reading at MLA Susie Chant's Community Office in Lynn Valley.



Rice Lake Coyote Incident

Holly Reisner, North Shore Black Bear Society

There were reports in local media outlets of a man and his two dogs being attacked by a pack of coyotes on the Connector Trail between Rice Lake and Lynn Headwaters. Some of the headlines were quite alarming, and the details of incident seemed to vary with reports of a pack of 5 coyotes, or 3 coyotes, the man and both of his dogs having been bitten, to just one dog being injured, and the word “aggressive” being used to describe the coyotes.

The facts as we were able to determine them: on July 10 at about 10 am a man was running on this trail with two medium to large sized dogs. The dogs were off leash, and they left the trail and went into the woods. The runner reported hearing sounds of the dogs being in a conflict and called the dogs back, who returned pursued by 3 coyotes. It sounds like he scared the coyotes off but then two of them came back. One dog had a bite on his back leg and a torn ear. The runner sustained a minor injury to his ankle (not a coyote bite) while trying to separate the coyotes from his dogs. The other dog was not hurt.

Coyotes are family oriented animals. Their prime consideration is raising and protecting their pups. Pups are born in late April to mid-May and leave the natal den at three weeks of age. Coyotes will switch den sites if they feel their current one is unsafe. In early July, the pups are too large for the parents to carry in their mouths,

so they will stay in “safe zones” or “rendezvous sites” while the parents are out foraging for food for them.

Most likely there is or was such a site near the Connector Trail. When the dogs left the trail, they may have run into this site. The adult coyotes realized their pups were in danger, as dogs are a predator species, and at 18 and 29 kg, these dogs were equal to or larger than the size of average coyote (average about 18 kg). The coyotes then acted in defense of their pups by chasing and nipping at the dogs.

Another factor here is the fact that the dog’s owner was running with the dogs. This means that the dogs had a high energy level going into the trail system. This is more often associated with conflicts of this type than dogs that are walking.

It’s important to note that this coyote behaviour is defensive, not aggressive. That is, their intent was to protect their pups, not to predate on the dogs or the owner.

As difficult as it can be for dog owners, we do advocate for dogs being on-leash on our trails and roadways. Negative human/wildlife encounters (including black bears and coyotes) involve off-leash dogs in the vast majority of cases. We need to remember that we are walking, running and biking through the habitat and homes of the species that naturally live here, and they have young to raise and lives of their own to live. They deserve to be able to do so peacefully.



New Blueridge Spirit Award Winners

The Blueridge Spirit Award is given to those who show enthusiasm and passion for the community. The award passes from one recipient to the next about every three months. In this case, previous winner Jennifer Dickson has selected Rachel and Greg Harper as the recipients. Here's why she selected them:

Rachel has taken on the role of Chair for the Blueridge PAC during a challenging time of getting the school community back on track post Covid. Implementing community traditions such as the school's Welcome Back BBQ, Santa's Breakfast, Family Movie Night, and most recently a Parent Social held in the school gym. These events are brand new to families with children from grades kindergarten to three as they were cancelled during Covid and we are thrilled to see a fabulous response and attendance from our children and parents. Rachel's dedication to bringing back traditional events while embracing new ideas as our world changes proves how dedicated she is to our community.

Her husband Greg is also a strong supporter of the school and the Blueridge community. He is always ready to jump in with the school as needed. His involvement with Blueridge Good Neighbour Day started earlier this year when he joined the planning committee and contributed greatly to the planning for the kids' activities as well as the site-planning in general. Greg also volunteers with his daughters' sports teams. He coached for several years with MSL and currently coaches two teams through the North Shore Girls Soccer Club.

Congratulations to Rachel and Greg! Thanks for helping make our neighbourhood so special!



Sharing Garden Update

Emilie Currie

This month's update comes in several parts...

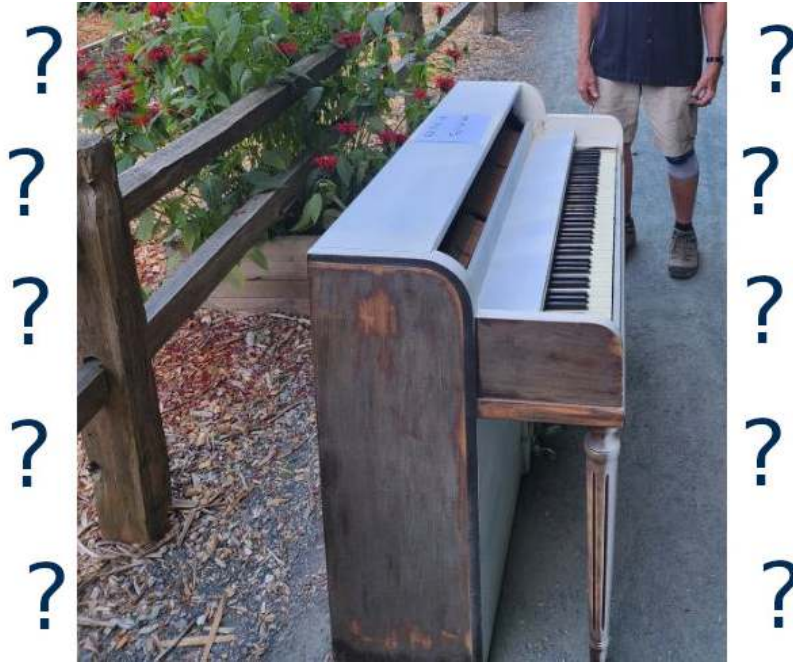
Drought: Water Conservation Measures and Garden Tips

British Columbians have been warned about the severity of drought conditions affecting the province, raising concerns about water scarcity and more severe restrictions. And inflows to the Capilano Reservoir are at [near record lows](#). Officials emphasize the need for immediate action, urging residents to conserve water by taking shorter showers, limiting or eliminating lawn watering, and washing only full loads of laundry. Amidst this challenging situation, our gardens can also contribute to water conservation while ensuring plant health. Consider these tips:

- **Mulching:** Apply organic mulch like straw or wood chips around plants to retain moisture, reducing the frequency of watering.
- **Watering Schedule:** Water your garden early morning or late evening to minimize evaporation, avoiding the hottest hours.
- **Smart Irrigation:** Use drip irrigation or soaker hoses to deliver water directly to plant roots, maximizing efficiency and minimizing wastage.
- **Soil Health:** Enhance soil water retention with organic matter like compost, ensuring better moisture absorption.

By adopting these water-saving practices in our gardens and daily lives, we can

collectively contribute to conserving this vital resource and safeguarding our environment during the challenging drought season. More information about water conservation can be found starting on the [BCA website](#)



Unwanted "Donations" at the Sharing Garden

Our garden volunteers have noticed a rise in (possibly) well intentioned but unwanted donations lately, including empty 3-ring binders, parts of a bed, *and an entire piano!* Disposing of these items made lots of extra work for our gardeners. Instead of dumping items you no longer need at our garden, consider these responsible alternatives:

- **Donate:** Reach out to nearby schools, religious groups, or community centres that may benefit from your items, fostering a sense of community and helping those in need.
- **Embrace Freecycle and Buy Nothing Groups:** Post your unwanted items as "free" on platforms like Facebook Marketplace or join local buy nothing groups to find new homes for them, promoting sharing within the community.
- **Sell or Trade:** If your items are in good condition, consider hosting a garage sale or using online platforms to sell or trade them, giving them a new purpose and potentially making some money.

If you think that your item can be used to enhance the garden, please reach out to us **before** dropping it off. Email us at garden@blueridgeca.org. Let's keep our garden clutter-free and thriving. Thank you for helping maintain the garden's beauty and

tranquility for everyone to enjoy.



Extension of Butterfly Way

We were recently able to extend the butterfly garden thanks to a generous donation of two yards of Garden Blend soil (including delivery) from Good to Go Contracting. We very much appreciate Jonathan's positive attitude and support which allowed us to plant more flowers for our cherished pollinators. Thank you!!



Upcoming Market Days

Exciting news for the community! Our gardeners are thrilled to announce the launch of Garden Market Days, where we invite you to enjoy the freshest produce, chat with the gardeners, and spend some time in the garden. All proceeds from our markets go directly back into the community garden. Our last garden market was a smashing success! We had fresh veggies, a lemonade stand, some tunes, and lots of garden-minded people turned out. This is a new idea we're trying out and we'd love your support. Our upcoming dates are: August 13th and September 16th, and we'll be there from 9am until noon. Fresh garlic will be available for purchase on our August

13th market day. See you there!



News Sources After Bill C-18

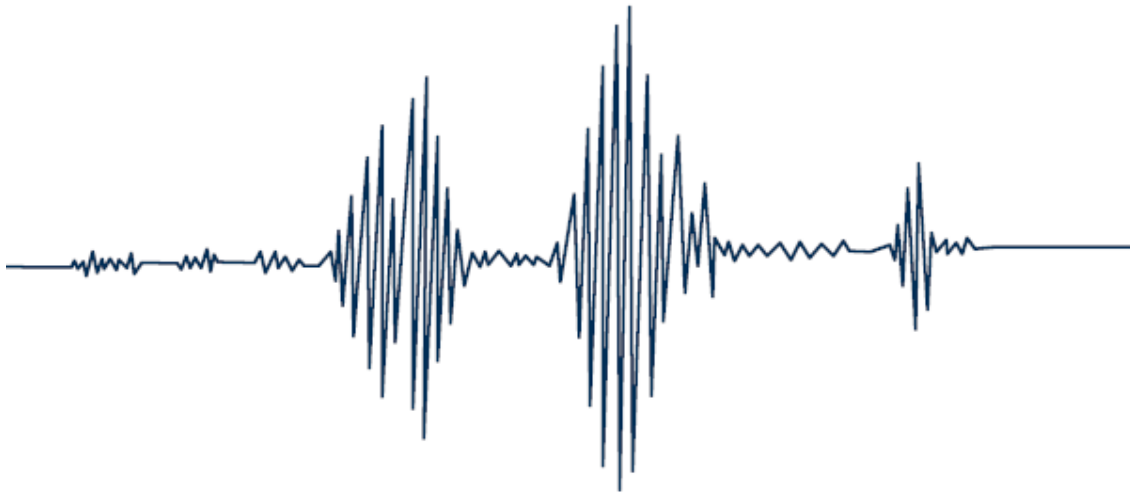
Jeff Powell

Bill C-18 - the Online News Act - has passed. The BCA doesn't take a stand on the merits or problems with this new law, but we do believe that Canadians - and specifically Blueridge residents - need their news. The recent fire on Mount Seymour made it crystal clear that accurate and timely news is critical. If some resolution isn't found, those of us that use the Google News app or website, or the Google app on our phones will stop seeing news from Canadian sources at some point. The same is true for those who get their news from Facebook.

To help avoid that, we're assembling a list of trusted news sources on our website. This is an ongoing effort, and the list will be updated from time to time. Eventually we'll provide links to not just each news website, but also note if they have an RSS feed, and supply links to newsletters they put out.

We would appreciate your help with this project. If news matters to you, please visit our [News Sources web page](#), review it, and let us know what we've missed or got wrong. You can send an email to webmaster@blueridgeca.org with your comments.

But most of all, please keep informed. No matter how you get your news, if your Canadian news sources disappear please make the effort to find that information in other ways. We hope this new page on our website helps with that.



Automatic Gas Shutoff Valve - Group Purchase

Jennifer Draper

At a young age, I learned the expression "plan for the worst and hope for the best!" Recently, I've been doubling down on maintaining a hopeful outlook for our community and natural environment while also taking steps to be prepared for anything that comes our way. With the recent Mt. Seymour wildfire fresh on everyone's minds, I'm reaching out to gauge interest in a group purchasing opportunity that falls neatly into the category of emergency preparedness.

In the event of an earthquake, the majority of damage to the home can be caused by natural gas fires or explosions. When our family moved to the neighbourhood a few years back, our home inspector recommended installing a seismic shut off valve. This valve automatically shuts off natural gas supply to the home when it senses a certain level of ground shaking. While many people will manually shut off their gas supply during a seismic event, sometimes it is not safe to do so or the event happens when you are asleep or away from home. Having this valve purchased and installed by a certified gas contractor is a high impact step we can take to mitigate the impacts of an earthquake on our community.

So how much might this cost? Recognizing the financial pressures of today's environment I wanted to gauge levels of interest before going too far down the rabbit hole. A quick internet search tells me the average cost for supply and install are usually between \$500-\$800 per home. I'll be reaching out to FortisBC certified gas contractors over the next few weeks to obtain more accurate pricing and an idea of

numbers needed to secure a bulk purchasing discount. With these ballpark figures in mind, how likely are you to participate? If feedback is positive, I'll start working with the District and the Province to see if financial incentives can be secured to encourage our community to take this important step and ultimately reduce the environmental and economic impact of an earthquake for all levels of government. I hope that these efforts will result in some much-needed savings!

Send an email to valvepurchase@blueridgeca.org to share your feedback and stay tuned for more information in the September *Blueridge Bulletin*.



Blueridge Trail Walks

Anni Danielson

Come walk the Blueridge trails with other Blueridge residents. Everyone is welcome. Our pace will be based on walkers abilities. We will also visit the Blueridge sharing garden.

Join me, Anni Danielson, on one of the days listed below. You're welcome to come to both if you want.

Saturday, August 19 at 2:00pm
Wednesday, August 30 at 6:30pm

Meet on Berkley Road at Blueridge Park parking lot. For more information call 604-929-2807.



Pink Is The New Blue

Laura Woollam

Have you noticed the new Pink vans on Berkley; wondering who they are?

Waterline Plumbing has re-branded.

After receiving a considerable amount of feedback over the past few years regarding our name, we decided to take action.

So, Waterline Plumbing re-branded, and on July 1 st 2023, we went PINK.

Why the Name?

The feedback was that you (our customers) couldn't remember our name when you needed us most. Now it's hard to forget, with an easy to remember new name, hard to miss vans, a simple website (www.pinkplumbing.ca), and a new phone number (604) GET – PINK.

Yes, we still have all the same reliable, knowledgeable and professional staff plus we now offer the new 2 YEAR PINK PLUMBING PROMISE.

Please see our Project Community offer below as a way to "Thank You" for your continued support. We are proud to be a part of this amazing Blueridge community.

From,

Everyone at Pink Plumbing Group (formally Waterline Plumbing)



Crossing Guards *Still* Needed

Sarah Manvell

Seymour Heights Elementary PAC is looking for people who would like to generously volunteer to be a crossing guard for the crosswalk at Carnation street and Blueridge Sharing Garden. If you're looking for a way to support our community, this would be incredibly beneficial to our school children! At the moment we have only two crossing guards, but we are slowly seeing the shift in driver behaviour. It's a very addictive and rewarding role!

Training will be provided, the commitment is flexible and the "shifts" are about 20-30 minutes in the morning and/or afternoon. Please email sarahmanvell@gmail.com for more information.

Editor's Note: Does this article sound familiar? It should. We ran it last month and crossing guard volunteers are still needed. Please consider volunteering!



Need A Sitter?

Jeff Powell

Got a date planned and need someone to watch the kids? Or maybe you have a vacation coming and need someone to look after your house and pets? Would you like to hire a local to do that?

Look no farther than the BCA's [Sitter Directory](#). We have people lined up looking for these jobs, including Jaidan, who contacted me and would really like some babysitting work!

If you have the need, please give our sitter directory a click!



Phibbs Exchange Construction

Do you take the bus? If so, be aware that Translink's ongoing work at Phibbs Exchange may impact you.

Beginning in late July all bus stops at Phibbs Exchange have moved to nearby side streets. They're farther apart than before, so allow some extra time to get between them on your trip. All stops will remain in these new locations for nearly a year, until construction is complete in mid-2024.

Translink has a [map of the new stop locations and details about the ongoing construction](#).



Everybody loves saving money! Project Community helps Blueridge residents by finding discounts on products and services and passing them on to you. Here are this month's offers!



Blueridge Residents Discount

10% Off Labour For All Services
(With mention of this promotion)

Pink Plumbing
(Formerly Waterline Plumbing)
www.pinkplumbing.ca
604-438-7465
admin@pinkplumbing.ca

Pink
PLUMBING GROUP

Same reliable, knowledgeable, and professional staff plus we now offer the new 2 YEAR PINK PLUMBING PROMISE

Discount offer from August 1, 2023 to August 31, 2023



Blueridge Residents Discount

20% Off for Regular Priced Service

Eaton's Heating

www.eatonshomecare.com

604-535-8434

eatonscare@gmail.com



Fortis Rebates:
\$25 per Fireplace (2 per home)
\$25 Furnace/Boiler
\$50 Tankless Water Heater

Discount offer from July 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023



Blueridge Residents Discount

20% off sharpening for 5 knives

Cove Blades

www.coveblades.com

604-210-8180 (Erik)

erik@coveblades.com



Kitchen knives
Scissors
Garden Sheers
and more...

Discount offer from July 1, 2023 to August 31, 2023



Blueridge Residents Discount

10% Off Interior Package

15% Off Interior Package on 3 Vehicles or More

Deluxe Detailing

www.deluxedetailing.website

604-779-8059



Deluxe Detailing

Where attention to detail is paramount

Discount offer from June 1, 2023 to October 1, 2023

Please use code Blueridge when booking.



In A Nutshell

- **Open Fire Ban** - A ban on all open fires in our area went into effect on July 7, 2023. This ban includes just about any potential cause of wildfires including campfires, fireworks, sky lanterns, burn barrels, and others. You can learn more about current fire regulations on this [BC Province web page](#). and [this map](#). In addition, the DNV has banned all use of barbecues, propane and charcoal, fire appliances, including gas fire pits and stoves, and open flames at District parks, beaches and recreation areas until further notice. [Details](#).
- **What Do Sheep Do On A Summer Weekend?** Have a Baa-baa-que!

- **Bears** - They continue to visit Blueridge looking for food, and that puts them (and us) at risk. Their easy targets are garbage and green waste bins, so help yourself and them by securing your bins. Wash your recyclables as well to avoid odours, and put particularly attractive items (like meat scraps) in a paper (not plastic!) bag in your freezer. Drop the entire bag in your green waste bin on collection morning. See the [garbage and recycling page](#) on the BCA website for rules and tips on how to do that.
 - **What Do Cows Do On A Summer Weekend?** Go to the moo-vies!
 - **Are You Ready For More Heat?** - Many Blueridge homes were built without air conditioning, which means that if it gets too hot outside, it can be too hot inside as well. When this happens, please take care of yourself! Drink plenty of water, keep your blinds or curtains closed to keep the sun out, and go someplace cool if you need to. Libraries, community centres and malls are all good options. In some cases cooling centres may also be open. And remember to check on your neighbours in these times. Get them somewhere cool if needed, and call 911 in an emergency. The [province](#), the [DNV](#) and [NSEM](#) have pages about staying safe in high temperatures.
 - **What Do Baby Kangaroos Do On A Summer Weekend?** Lie on the pouch!
 - **Water Conservation** - Stage 2 Water Conservation Rules begin August 4th in Metro Vancouver. Lawn watering is prohibited. See the article above, please! We have a [page full of water restriction information](#) on our website, and the current water restrictions are always listed on the [our home page](#).
 - **What Do Frogs Do If It's Too Hot On A Summer Weekend?** Croak!
 - **Fire Danger** - As the recent fire made clear, fire danger is a serious issue. The [BCA website's home page](#) also always has the current fire danger level and link to the [DNV's forest fire prevention page](#). Please use caution out there!
 - **What do Snowmen Do On A Summer Weekend?** Hide in the freezer!
 - **The Blueridge Bulletin Needs More Subscribers** - This little email has a pretty good subscription rate, but we still don't quite have half of the homes in Blueridge and Seymour Heights subscribed. Please share this email with your Blueridge friends and neighbours and ask them to [subscribe](#). It only takes a moment, and it's just one email a month. Thanks!
 - **What Do Mummies Do On A Summer Weekend?** Relax and unwind!
 - **Parkgate Society Survey** - As residents of Blueridge and Seymour Heights, the Parkgate Society is interested in your view of their services. If you'd like to participate, here's [the link](#) to do so. The survey is short and should only take 10 minutes to fill out.
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Stay Connected

There are many ways to keep up with the neighbourhood and the BCA.

We're on: [Instagram](#) - [Twitter](#) - [Facebook](#)

Our Website: <http://blueridgeca.org/>

[Blueridge Neighbours Facebook Group](#)

[Blueridge Breakout Network Facebook Group](#)

Got questions? Send us an email: info@blueridgeca.org

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Thank you, and we'll see you next time!

Submit an Article to the Blueridge Bulletin

Do you have something for the bulletin? We welcome articles, photos, short items, and even bad jokes from the community!

We have [publication guidelines](#) that we recommend you review.

The submission deadline for the September 2023 edition is August 27, 2023.

Submission deadlines for later editions can be found [here](#).

Questions? Send us an email at bulletin@blueridgeca.org.

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Advertise in the Bulletin!

\$30 per month, or \$250 for 12 consecutive issues. This revenue is used to defray some of our

costs (such as signage, website, etc). If you or your company are interested in advertising in the Blueridge Bulletin, please contact us at: info@blueridgeca.org

These ads all contain links. Give 'em a click if they are interesting!
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