

it's your City!

IT'S SUMMER IN THE CITY!

A recent tweet - *A successful July and August in Parksville and Qualicum area is not only contingent on weather, we have to be at our best, smile everyone!* It's not the weather that makes us successful but Parksville's reputation for being a welcoming community. At the time of writing, the weather is warming and when the hot days of summer do hit, we'll be ready for a picnic on Parksville Beach, a stroll along our wonderful waterfront walkway or the trails at Rath Trevor Beach Provincial Park.

Our community has many annual festivals and events. This year's Canada Day celebrations were a resounding success, July 10 is the fifth fantastic week of the Craig Street Summer by the Sea Street Market and Beach Festival events kickoff later this week. These events are possible because of the spirit and dedication of the many hardworking volunteers from our community and the generosity of our local sponsors. Thank you!

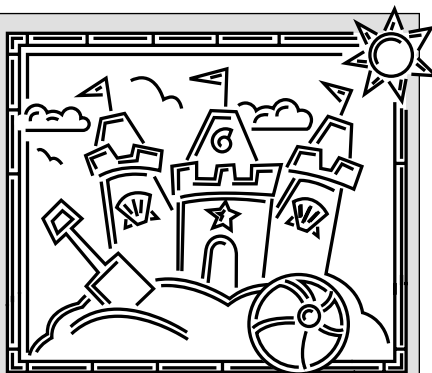
Pack your bathing suit, sunglasses and flip-flops! We wish our businesses the best summer ever and whether you plan a staycation, a camping trip to the west coast or something much further afield, we wish you all a most enjoyable summer.

Parksville's Beach Festival

Five weeks of summer fun in Parksville

July and August are Beach Festival months in Parksville and as well as sand sculpting, activities include Kitefest (July 21-22), Artisans at the Beach (July 28-29), Oceanside Overdrive Car Show (August 5), Quality Foods Fireworks (August 18), Kidfest (August 19) and daily entertainment during Beach Festival.

The City is proud to be one of the community sponsors of the 2012 Quality Foods Canadian Open Sand Sculpting Competition and Exhibition which is also part of the Parksville Beach Festival. The competition starts on July 14 with events running through August 19, open daily 9 am to 9 pm. In 1982, 100 people attended the first "BC Open" competition. Today, the event is a world class master sculptor competition with attendance of 82,000 last year. More info at parksvillebeachfest.ca



Get on the Parksville Free Bus

The Downtown Free Bus, provided by the Parksville Downtown Business Association, is rolling again this summer. The bus runs until September 1; 9 am to 6 pm except on Tuesdays when it operates from noon to 9 pm to support the Summer by the Sea Street Market. The bus brings riders from the resort areas and outlying neighbourhoods to explore and enjoy the shops and services in our downtown. Route and schedule details are available at parksvilledowntown.ca and in brochures at downtown businesses and other locations throughout Parksville.

Reminder of Level 2 Water Conservation

Water Conservation Level 2, now in effect, allows a total of four hours watering per watering day. Watering times are 6 am to 10 am and 6 pm to 10 pm on an every other day basis. The City monitors water supply and will advise should further restrictions be necessary. Detailed information is on City's website [[Quicklinks/Water Conservation](#)].

Nominate an Exceptional Canadian Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal Program

The City is accepting nominations for Council's consideration for a Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal. Municipalities in Canada have been offered the opportunity to nominate a candidate and one alternate candidate. To be eligible for this honour, a person:

- Must be a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident of Canada, but need not necessarily reside in Canada.
- Must have made a significant contribution to a particular province, territory, region or community within Canada, or an achievement abroad that brings credit to Canada.
- Must have been alive on February 6, 2012.
- Must currently be a resident or have been previously a resident of Parksville (City of Parksville criteria).

Nominations should be submitted on the application form on the City's website [[City Hall/Mayor and Council](#)] or from the administration department at City Hall. Questions should be directed to 250 954-3073.

Please submit completed applications by 4 pm, July 13:
 In person.....100 Jensen Avenue East
 Mail..... P O Box 1390, Parksville V9P 2H3
 Email.....communications@parksville.ca

Nominate Someone Extraordinary!

City Notices

Grant-in-Aid Applications

Subject to the provisions of Grant-in-Aid Applications Policy 3.26, the City may provide direct financial assistance to community groups and organizations for events that benefit our citizens and visitors. Non-profit organizations wishing to apply should obtain a copy of the policy to ensure their submission meets the criteria. Copies of the policy and application form may be obtained at City Hall or from the City's website [[City Hall/Mayor & Council](#)].

The Grant-in-Aid Select Committee will review the applications and make recommendations to Council. Council is not obligated to allocate any or all of the \$2,500 budgeted funds. Only complete applications will be considered. Deadline is 4 pm, August 31. Submission may be made in person or by mail to the administration department at City Hall.

City Dates

July 14-Aug 19	Parksville Beach Festival Kickoff Council and Committee of the Whole
July 16	Council and Committee of the Whole
July 19	Advisory Planning Commission
August 6	Offices closed for BC Day holiday
August 8	Council and Committee of the Whole
August 9	Advisory Design Panel
August 16	Advisory Planning Commission
August 20	Council and Committee of the Whole

The public is encouraged to attend Council and Committee of the Whole meetings held on the first and third Mondays of the month at 6 pm. The public is welcome to observe the meetings of any advisory committee. Please refer to the City's website for agendas and to confirm times and dates.

How to Reach Council

MAYOR	
Chris Burger.....	250 954-4661
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It's Your City is published in the PQB News on the second Tuesday of the month with a copy on the City's website. We are committed to improving communications with our residents and you can help by providing your comments and suggestions to 250 954-3073 or communications@parksville.ca.

PLAN PARKSVILLE Official Community Plan Review

Work on the OCP review continues over the summer with public events, advisory committee meetings, website updates and meetings with Council and staff. The Ipsos Reid resident phone survey is now complete and preliminary results will be presented in early August. Thanks to all who participated. Urban Systems, the City's OCP consultant, will be at the Summer by the Sea Street Market on July 31. Residents are invited to stop by the Urban Systems booth to spend their "Parksville sand dollars" on OCP priorities.