



City of Parksville

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Arbutus Point Shoreline Restoration

Beach protection work near the labyrinth at Arbutus Point in the Community Park is well underway. To comply with environmental regulations, the project must be completed by the end of August. During construction, the labyrinth is closed and we are making every effort to minimize disruption to events and activities near the point and on the kite field. We do appreciate the patience and cooperation of our residents and visitors during the construction period.

This restoration work, necessary to protect the park from the effects of erosion, will result in a more sustainable shoreline. The project which involves about an 850 square metre area of Parksville Bay includes placement of riprap, granular beach fill and ballasted large logs at the point. As well, the site requires removal of an existing lock-block seawall, installation of ten metres of storm pipe and construction of a 200 metre gravel access road along the north side of the kite field. For more information, please call 250 951-2484.

Corfield Street Upgrades

The Corfield Street capital works construction from Highway 19A to Stanford Avenue will be tendered this month and construction is expected to begin in late September and includes a new multi-use trail along the Jensen Avenue alignment from Corfield to McVickers Street. We anticipate there will be the typical unavoidable construction disruptions and we ask for patience as significant improvements are made to Corfield Street and local trail connections.

Grant-in-aid Program

Info about the City's fall grant-in-aid applications is now available; deadline is 4 pm on September 1. Non-profit organizations in the arts, cultural, recreational or social services fields are eligible to apply. Information on the program, policy, instructions and application may be obtained at City Hall or from the website [Mayor and Council/Grant-in-Aid Applications].

Stage 3 Watering Restrictions Critical to Demand

With limited rainfall in the immediate forecast, watering restrictions remain at stage 3 in an effort to decrease water demand and conserve for future use. We all have a part in water demand management as this is your water system. We appreciate the efforts of our residents to reduce consumption and to be efficient with outdoor water use, it is making a difference



Stage 3 watering restrictions provide for even and odd day watering days and are necessary due to problems with the current aging water intake on the Englishman River not operating at full capacity. We hope it will not be necessary to impose a stage 4, complete outdoor watering ban which would ensure water supply for essential household use, community use and fire protection. [Quicklinks/Water]

Community Park Master Plan Project

With initial consultations on the plan now complete, the Vancouver Island University student team will present their findings and draft recommendations to Council on September 6 at 6 pm. This presentation will focus on ten recommendations and the short to long-term concept visions for the Community Park.

Since the project first began early this year, students have held a variety of public engagement and consultation activities to inform the twenty-year vision and master plan. The team recently wrapped up final surveys with park visitors in July and is now compiling the results of all surveys, public events and park user group conversations to draft the vision and recommendations to present to Council. In September, the City and VIU students will present a revised draft to the public for their input prior to final adoption by Council.

Campfire and Fireworks Ban

Because of the extreme fire danger rating, all open burning including campfires and fireworks are banned in the City of Parksville and surrounding fire protection area. The fire protection area encompasses the City of Parksville, French Creek areas bordering the City to Johnston and Drew Roads, San Paniel, Fourneau Road, Wildgreen Road and Martindale Road areas.



Beach fires are not permitted at any time in the Parksville Qualicum Wildlife Management Area which covers the entire waterfront in the Parksville Fire Protection Area. Because Parksville beaches are provincial jurisdiction, beach fires should be reported to the RAPP line (Report All Poachers and Polluters) at 877 952-7277 (RAPP) or #7277 on the Telus Mobility Network.

It's all about the kids... Splash Park Project

It's all about the kids as the Parksville Lions Club and the Rotary Club of Parksville AM work to raise \$100,000 to replace the outdated spray park in the Parksville Community Park. With a campaign launch in late May, the clubs are now half way to their fundraising goal having raised \$50,000.



The project recently received a \$500 donation from CUPE Local 401, \$250 from Parksville Tim Hortons and \$1,000 was raised by the Rotary Ballenas Interact Club. Members are selling 50/50 tickets and candied salmon at the Summer by the Sea Street market.

Donations may now be made online through Canada Helps - available from parksvillesplashpark.com. Members of the Parksville Lions Club or Rotary Club of Parksville AM would be pleased to speak with you about the project or contact Deb Tardiff at 250 954-3073 or splashpark@parksville.ca.

The Parksville Volunteer Fire Department hosted a successful 75th anniversary celebration on July 22. Checkout pvfd.ca for more pictures.



Wheelchair Swing Removed From Park

Because of ongoing vandalism, the wheelchair swing located in the Lions Ventureland Playground in the Community Park was permanently removed for the foreseeable future. The City is extremely disappointed; since spring we have seen an increasing amount of senseless and significant vandalism and theft to the swing. It is disheartening for staff and the Parksville Lions Club members to continually deal with this issue and because of major safety concerns; the swing has been removed until such time as security for the park and the wheelchair swing can be improved. The City relies on Lions Club volunteers to fundraise from the community for both ongoing playground maintenance costs and equipment for the playground. Endless graffiti and vandalism in the playground has cost the City more than \$10,000 so far this year.

Summer in the Community Park

The City is proud to be one of this year's community sponsors of the Quality Foods Canadian Open Sand Sculpting Competition and Exhibition. Parksville Beach Festival and the world famous sand sculpting event continue until August 20. This coming weekend will see the Quality Foods fireworks on Saturday with a final weekend evening light-up of the sand sculptures before and after the fireworks and on Sunday until 11 pm. This Friday and Saturday will see the last weekend of free summer concerts at the picnic shelter and KidFest is set for Sunday. parksvillebeachfest.ca

City Dates

August 17	Coffee with Council
August 21	Council Meeting
September 4	Labour Day (offices closed)
September 6	Council Meeting
September 7	Coffee with Council
September 14	Advisory Design Panel
September 18	Council Meeting
September 21	Coffee with Council
October 2	Council Meeting
October 5	Coffee with Council

The public is encouraged to attend Council meetings held on the first and third Mondays of the month and may observe advisory committee meetings. Refer to the website for agendas, meeting highlights and minutes.

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Pick up your Active Living Guide Friday, August 18 at Parksville City Hall.

Registration for fall and winter programs starts Monday, August 21.



Register at rdn.bc.ca/recreation

Ravensong Aquatic Centre
737 Jones St, Qualicum Beach
250-752-5014

Oceanside Place Arena
830 W Island Hwy, Parksville
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