



It's July and summer is here. We hope that this summer you are all enjoying some much anticipated holiday time, socializing with friends and family, enjoying the great outdoors and local trails we cherish, and all in all enjoying some sense of "normality" as restrictions have slowly eased and our lives regain some semblance of familiarity. As we bring you this mid summer bulletin, it's with utmost appreciation and gratitude that we also want to acknowledge and thank our community for persevering together, coming alongside and supporting for, caring for, and taking care and looking out for each other this past year. We live in a truly special neighbourhood, and appreciate each and every person who has chosen to make this neighbourhood the community that it is. Enjoy your summer everyone!



WILDFIRE !!!!

We have often discussed the danger from campfires and bonfires in our local forest lands, but have you noted the danger right here, on our streets?

Take a walk and note the cigarette butts dropped on the street.

With our dry, hot weather and lack of rain, these are a significant risk. And it takes little wind to turn a smouldering cigarette into a flame. A grass fire could quickly spread to one or more houses before the fire department could even get here to start extinguishing it.

Please discuss this with the smokers you know or hire who might throw their butts on the ground. The risk is real, and many fires are started every year in exactly this way.

Thank you for helping keep us all safer! - submitted by local resident

The District of North Vancouver has a GREAT resource on fire safety. Please check it out here (<https://www.dnv.org/your-home-property/how-you-can-help-reduce-risk-wildfire>) and SHARE!



Seymour River slide site to get interpretive signage

The site of the December 7, 2014, slide on the Seymour River will be getting some interpretive signage recognizing the impact the slide had on the river and the work that has been done to provide for fish to return to the upper reaches of the river.

Metro Vancouver says they are hoping for the signage to be placed this year. Blueridge resident Brian Gardiner has lobbied for the recognition for the last two years. "I'm pleased that Metro Vancouver will be recognizing the impact the slide had on the river," said Gardiner. "It's become a touchstone for the many people who use the trail."

"While I originally lobbied to have some signage at the new "Twin Bridges", over time the idea shifted to acknowledge the slide site," he said. "I like the idea of some signage at the slide site, but think the bridge site should have some description as well and we'll keep pushing for that." There has been much news coverage of the slide including reports of the excellent work done by the Seymour Salmonid Society and other organizations and government bodies. "The slide was an important event in the life of the Seymour River," said Gardiner.

Photos 1: An excerpt from the Seymour Salmonid Society Annual Report showing the amount of rock that has been removed from the slide site.

Photo 2: A picture of the current sign at the slide site





Meeting Recap!

Did you miss our "Something's Happening Here" meeting held June 22? Don't worry, you can watch the full video as well as see all the featured presenter videos on our website... just click **here** to check it out!

Or see the full link at:

<https://blueridgeca.org/something-is-happening-here/>



Content Writer
The Blueridge

*Illustrator or Artist
Needed*

Community

Association has a comprehensive communications platform. We are seeking individuals who are passionate about the people and activities in our community and have excellent writing skills to help us effectively communicate with our residents. This would be a fantastic opportunity for a journalism or marketing student. Expected time commitment is 2 to 4 hours per month. The content writers will:

- Assist communications team and the Board of Directors with developing and writing content for social media, printed newsletter (3 times per year) email bulletin newsletter (monthly) and our website. The website is currently being

We are enhancing the Blueridge Community Association website! As part of the website re-design, we are in need of some illustrations that will be used as part of the overall theme and look of the website. We are hoping to find a resident artist who can collaborate with our communications team and create

the illustrations. This would be a perfect opportunity for an art or graphic design student or anyone who enjoys drawing for a hobby. Curious? Email us or visit our website to learn more!

Volunteer Coordinator Needed!

In the fall our amazing coordinator is moving and! We will sorely miss you Michelle! In light of this, we are looking for a new Volunteer Coordinator. Some key responsibilities include:

If you would like to express interest or learn more about the Volunteer Coordinator role, please drop us a line at info@blueridgeca.org

Volunteer Coordinator Responsibilities:

■ In Conjunction with the BCA board, they will identify opportunities, programs and activities where volunteers are required or would be beneficial

updated and content needs to be re-written. This may result in increased commitment for a short period of time.

- **Interview residents, partners, sponsors etc. as directed by the Communications Committee to uncover the details of a story or project and write articles based on the interview.**
- **Proofread content for errors and inconsistencies.**
- **Editing and polishing existing content to improve readability.**
- **Create compelling headlines and content that will capture the attention of our residents.**

 Works with event or activity organizers to create descriptions of volunteer roles

 Works with other BCA volunteers to promote volunteer opportunities to residents via social media, monthly email bulletin, printed newsletter.

 Maintains volunteer database in MailChimp software.

 Communicates volunteer opportunities and other related content through emails created in MailChimp software.

 Responds to all inquiries from volunteers, determines areas of interest and connects people to available opportunities.

 Provides updates or articles on volunteer activities to all of the BCA communication channels

- Conduct community research and suggest new content ideas.



Our Park is getting an upgrade!

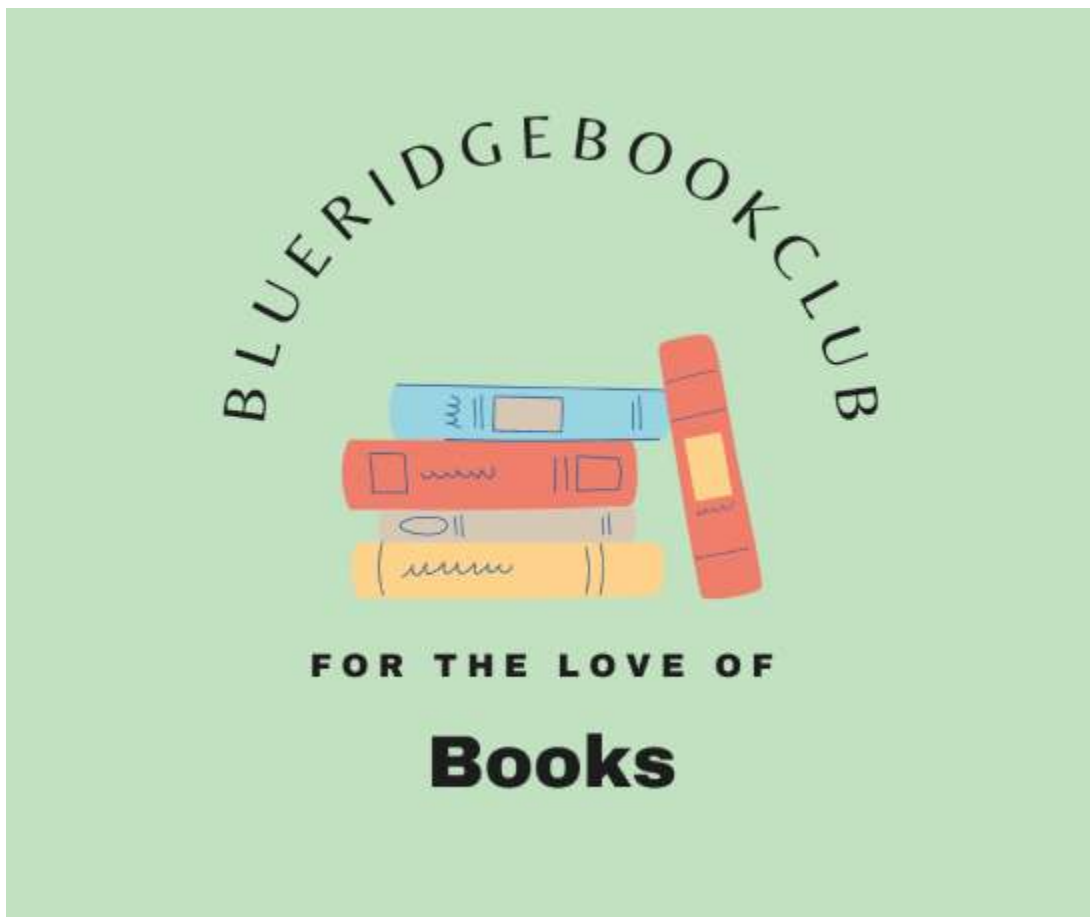
In our community meeting (Something is Happening Here) a few weeks ago we heard from many of our residents inquiring about the status of Blueridge park and how it was not up to par. Well, we heard you and reached out to the District of North Vancouver on behalf of our community and we have great news the park is going to be redone in 2022!

Just to provide a bit of background; Blueridge Park playground is divided into two sections, on one side we have the play area for the 3-5 year-olds which

was redone about 5 years ago. The main area of concern is the play structures in the area for the 5-12 year-old children which has not had been updated in a long time.

We had numerous conversations with different people at the District of North Vancouver Parks Department and have a firm confirmation that the budget has been approved for the 5-12 year-old play structure to be updated in 2022. The Parks Department will survey the community to get input on what the residents and the main users of the park want for the play structures. We can expect to see this survey towards the end of this year or early next year.

Thank you for bringing this to our attention. We are excited to share this news! Blueridge Park will certainly receive its much-needed attention in the coming year!



By Mahnaz Fardghassemi

Looking to try out different types of books? Do you enjoy discussions about books with others to see their perspectives? Well we have great news! Blueridge now has a book club!

Never been part of a book club? Don't worry, many of us have not been either! We just started the club this month and we already have more than 20 in the club! It's open to anyone (men and women) that has a passion for reading! Join our Facebook group and join in on the conversation!

This month we are reading ' This Close to Okay' by Leesa Cross-Smith. Our first meeting is on the 27th of July so you have plenty of time to read the book!

Looking forward to reading with you!

Don't Use Poison!

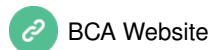
A couple of days ago I was with my dad at Blueridge Park, and we came across this little mouse. He wasn't moving so we nudged him, and he moved very sluggishly. Then we realized Toby (the mouse) had been poisoned. Seeing that little mouse barely moving, made me realize how deeply I felt for Toby. I knew we had to put him down, but it killed me to know that he wouldn't have a place in our world. Just seeing him like that made me wonder: Why would anyone use a poison (called a RODENTICIDE)? If we hadn't found Toby, it is very probable that he would have been eaten by another animal, and the poison in his body would be passed through the food chain. We didn't only remove Toby, we may have saved an owl or other animal. There are better options than RODENTICIDES, such as live or snap traps. Please do not use RODENTICIDES, as they're harmful to the environment and the animals that live in it. - submitted by Marta Falorni



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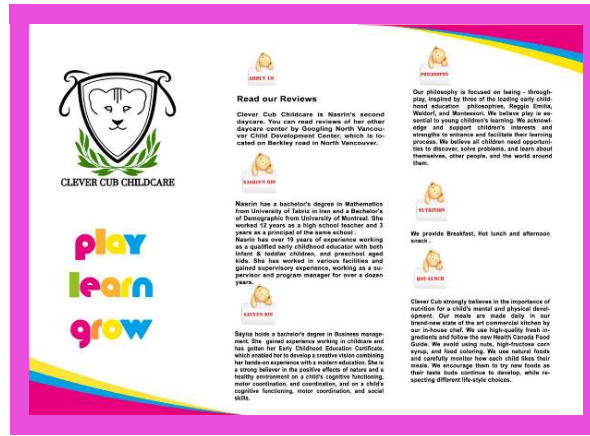
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