

DUNBAR

Salmonberry Days

May 1st to May 31st
2006

9th Annual Dunbar Salmonberry Days ... our neighbourhood's nature festival

Putting our neighbourhood on the map

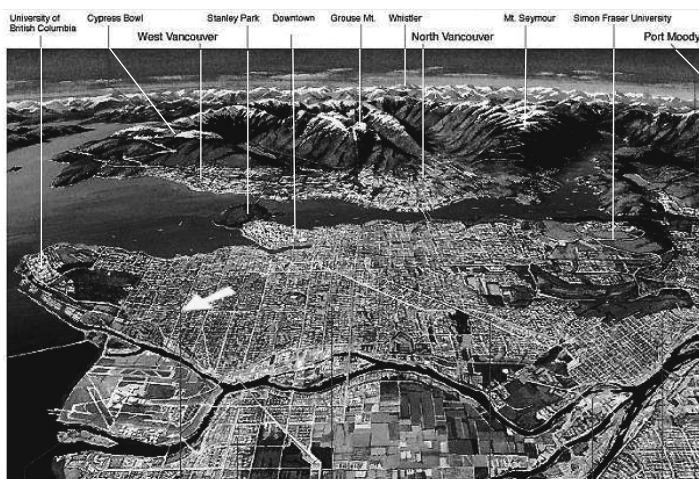
This year we're encouraging you to keep a record of your observations during Salmonberry Days. We'll tell you how to create a lasting record and keepsake – both for yourself and for your neighbours.

The concept is called "nature journalling" but it involves much more than writing in a notebook. We will hold a workshop the first week of May (repeating May 1st and 4th) to show you a lot of different tips and tools you can use for recording your observations throughout the month. Then we'll meet again on May 25th to compare notes. Everyone will post their observations and mementos on a huge map which will be on display during the Salmonberry Days Fair.

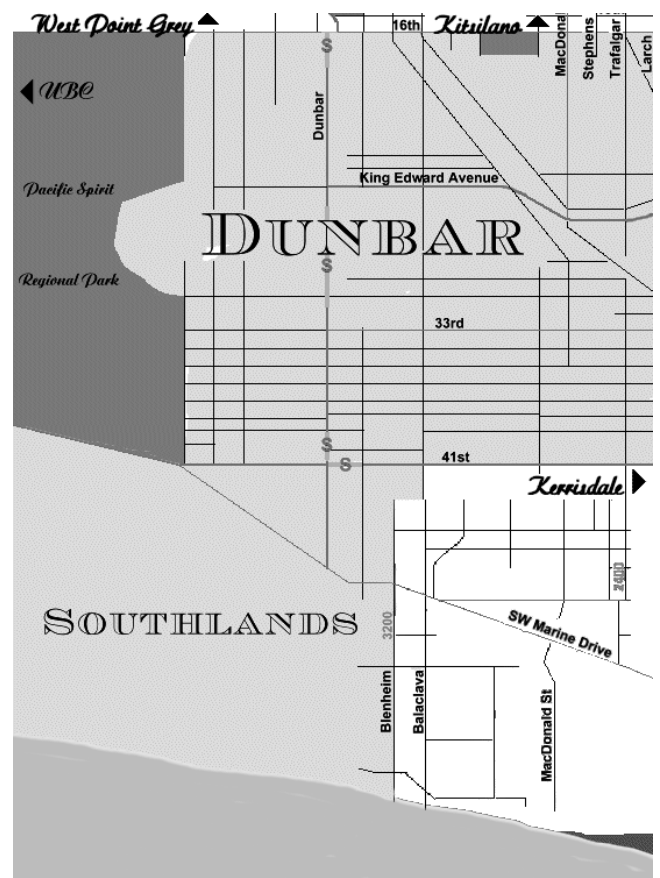
The map will be a great tool for locating points of interest. The site of an eagle nest, the tallest tree in Dunbar, a buried creek that once carried spawning salmon, a path used by the Musqueam to reach their summer camp on English Bay, or the

highway in the sky right over Dunbar that is travelled each spring by millions of migrating birds headed for their summer nesting grounds.

Let's put Dunbar's ecological and historical landmarks on the map!



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此刊物介紹《登巴居民聯誼會》於每年五月主辦的「鮭莓節」各活動內容，另已印備中文簡介，歡迎向區內社區中心、圖書館、部份商店索取。

INTRODUCING your Salmonberry Days organizing team:

Elaine Knapp-Fuller, Ling Leung, Angus McIntyre, Kathy Parmley, Sharon Slack, Terry Slack, Helen Spiegelman, Rosemary Taylor, Wendy Turner, Sonia Wicken

Tony Molyneux, the Salmonberry Days events coordinator for the past six years, has settled in Mount Pleasant with his wife and baby girl. We hope to see Tony and Suzanne pushing a buggy at some of our Salmonberry Days events this year!

THANKS to our speakers and interpretive guides:

Christine Adkins, Suzanne Anton, Barbara Atkins, the Blenheim Neighbourhood Group, Susan Bridgman & the Dunbar Branch Library, Dave Cook, Tanya Donaldson & the Dunbar Community Centre, Shona Ellis, Henry Ewert, the gardeners of Dunbar In Bloom, Al & Jude Grass, T.K. Ho, Paul Jones, Maria Keating (“The Bug Lady,”) Bill Kincaid, Paul Kroeger, Joseph Lin, Craig McCaw, the H.R. MacMillan Planetarium and the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada,

the Mackenzie business association, Steve McTaggart & the Vancouver City Engineering Department, Jennifer Maynard, Bill McCracken & St. George’s School, Angus McIntyre & the Vancouver Transit Museum Society, Gerry Mignault & Brian Woodcock & the Camosun Bog Restoration Group, Sharon Slack & City Farmer, the Pacific Spirit Park Society & GVRD park staff, Bob Ross, Megan Schlase & the Vancouver City Archives, Wilf Schofield, Dick Stace-Smith, Terry Slack & Friends of Southlands, Rosemary Taylor, Terry Taylor, Wendy Turner, Don Watters, Neville West and John Worrall

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SPECIAL EVENTS

SATURDAY, APRIL 22

Earth Day

**Grand Opening of the Camosun Bog
Nature Walk**

11:00 am – 3:00 pm

Come celebrate the new walkway circling Camosun Bog. The Opening Ceremony will be followed by family activities. Take a guided tour of the bog and discover its amazing secrets – croaking frogs, meat-eating plants and rare arctic flowers. Kids can play bog games, create their own hat and roast “bogmallows” over a fire. Enter at 19th & Camosun or 21st Avenue.

FRIDAY, APRIL 28

5:00 pm – 8:30 pm

SATURDAY, APRIL 29

10:00 am – 1:00 pm

**Knox United Plant & Thirft Sale
5600 Balaclava**

SUNDAY, APRIL 30

Dunbar Lawn Bowling Club

Opening Day

1:00 pm

Club members will sing the national anthem and then form a “Spider” with 4 jacks (the target) placed on the green and members rolling their bowls as close as possible to the jack for a small prize. An afternoon of bowling will be followed by a social with coffee and tea. New members are welcome.

TUESDAY, MAY 2 (MAY 3 if cloudy)

A Star Party!

9:00 pm – midnight

Dunbar has the best night sky in Vancouver. The combination of a higher elevation, a location close to the UBC forest and a proximity to the ocean gives people in this area the best views of the universe in town. Although the sky to the east is bright with the waste light from the rest of Vancouver, the sky from the zenith to the west is remarkably good.

To celebrate Salmonberry Days and Dunbar skies, everyone is invited to drop by Chaldecott Park where a giant (25-inch diameter, 12-foot long!) telescope will be in the park for public viewing. Showtime begins at 9 pm and will continue to midnight.

Objects well placed for viewing will be the planet Saturn and its rings, a slim crescent moon, Mars, and Jupiter with its moons. The International Space Station will make a bright pass overhead mid-evening, and globular star clusters and nebulae will be on the list. Members of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada also plan

to have telescopes and astronomers on site for viewing.

Negotiate an easement on the bed-times, dress warmly, and drop by to enjoy the clear Dunbar skies.

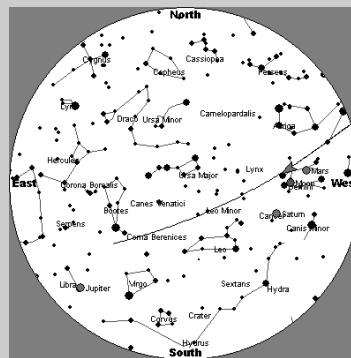
Dunbar Branch Library – Check it out!

An annual adventure for children aged 3–12 years is the now-famous Salmonberry Hunt. Each week a salmonberry is hidden in the Dunbar Library. Find it and you can enter your name to be eligible for a prize! The salmonberry gets smaller and harder to find each week. For the adults, library staff will prepare special displays of gardening and nature books.

There is also a draw to win a bundle of books! (To enter the draw, just show your library card at the Information Desk.)

Self-Guided Architectural Tours

June Binkert’s popular lists of “houses of distinction” in our Dunbar neighbourhood are available again at the Dunbar Library. Take a stroll on a May evening looking at these interesting houses from the street and reading June’s brief descriptions of their history.



MONDAY, MAY 1

Nature Journalling Workshop – NEW!

10:00 am – noon

The idea of nature journalling is to become aware of one's surroundings, jotting down notes, making sketches or drawings, taking photos or videos (short!), collecting relevant bits and bobs for collages or whatever. **Rosemary Taylor** will lead this interactive workshop, encouraging participants to be as inventive and interesting as they like. All ages invited – to look up, look down, look all around and see the commonplace for the first time. Come to the follow-up workshop on May 25 to post your observations on the map for display at the Salmonberry Days Fair. All workshops (including the re-run on May 4) held at the Dunbar Community Centre.

Victory Gardens to Green Bins –

TOONIE TALK

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

A lively panel will look at how urban dwellers are fostering health and community by *getting down to earth*. We are part of a long history of community agriculture in Dunbar. The stump farms are gone but food is growing all around us to be browsed and shared. Hear and share new ways of looking at food, community, and self-sufficiency. Bring a toonie to help pay for the room at St. Philip's Church, 3737 West 27th.

TUESDAY, MAY 2

Paul Jones Bird Walk

8:00 am – 10:00 am

Paul Jones will catch the attention of migrating birds passing through Pacific Spirit Park in early May by greeting them in their own language. He'll probably introduce us to some resident birds as well. Bring your binoculars and a field guide and meet at the 33rd and Camosun park entrance.

Point Grey Village Gardeners

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

A group of volunteers salvaged old rhododendron bushes from construction sites and moved them to Trimble Park for all to enjoy. Meet Neville West at the corner of 8th & Trimble to hear the story of this and other gardening projects.

Star Party

9:00 pm – midnight

See details under SPECIAL EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3

"Annie"

7:30 pm

A musical performed by students at Queen Elizabeth Elementary. Also playing May 4th. For details, phone 604 713-5408.

"Robin Hood"

7:00 pm

A play performed by students at Lord Byng Secondary. Repeats May 4th & 5th. Tickets at the door. Phone 604 713-8171 for details.



THURSDAY, MAY 4

Nature Journalling Workshop –

REPEAT

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

(See MONDAY, MAY 1 for details.)

FRIDAY, MAY 5

The Conifer Forest with Terry Taylor

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Learn how a conifer forest differs from a deciduous one. Terry Taylor leads this walk starting at the 16th and Sasamat park entrance. Don a warm jacket for this leisurely walk in the woods on an early May evening.

Dunbar/Kerrisdale Artists in Our Midst – Preview!

7:00 pm – 9:30 pm

The annual studio tour opens with a preview at St. Mary's Church hall (37th and Larch). During the month of April look for selected works displayed in the windows of participating Dunbar merchants. There you will also find maps of the studio locations.

SATURDAY, MAY 6

St. George's School Mayfair

10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Take the handy shuttle to the biggest school fair in Dunbar. Check the map and instructions at www.saintsfair.ca

Artists in our Midst – Studio tours

Noon – 6:00 pm

Open studios welcome visitors. Get your map at a participating Dunbar merchant

A Fraser River Bus Trip – NEW!

Noon – 3:00 pm

We'll board the Transit Museum Society's heritage bus and let Angus carry us to the future RAV line crossing. Then we'll turn and head back downriver, stopping at interesting landmarks to hear Terry Slack and Wendy Turner talk about the long history and bright potential of the Fraser River's North Arm. We start and finish in front of the Dunbar Community Centre.

Night Quest – NOW IN MAY

8:00 pm – 10:30 pm

As twilight colours fade, shadows lengthen and darkness falls, experience the magic of Pacific Spirit Park at night! Follow the lantern trail through the woods to learn who sleeps and who stirs at night. Then gather round the fire to hear stories, beat drums and celebrate the spring night. Start your journey from the Park Centre on 16th Avenue west of Blanca. Allow one hour for your quest. Wheelchair and stroller accessible. Brought to you by GVRD Parks and the Pacific Spirit Park Society.

SUNDAY, MAY 7

Christine Adkins Bird Walk

8:00 am – 10:00 am

Build your knowledge of our local birds and their calls. Christine Adkins will identify resident and migratory birds in the Camosun Bog vicinity. (This walk will repeat on May 21 to note newly arrived migrants.) Meet at Camosun and 19th Avenue.

Stong's Bedding Plant Sale

Opens at 8:00 am

Line up early and stock up on plants for the new growing season. A Dunbar rite of spring.

Dunbar Garage Sale at the Community Centre

10:00 am – 2:00 pm

A great chance to clean out your basement! Table rentals \$15, clothes rack \$2, admission \$1 (kids under 12 free). Phone 604 222-6060 to pre-register.

Artists in our Midst – Dunbar/Kerrisdale Noon – 6:00 pm

Open studios welcome visitors. Get your map at a participating Dunbar merchant.

MONDAY, MAY 8

**China's World Heritage Sites –
TOONIE TALK**

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Every year during Salmonberry Days we take a trip to China with our guide **T.K.Ho**. This year we'll tour some of the 31 sites in China that merit world heritage designation. St. Philip's Fireside Room, 3737 West 27th. Don't forget your toonie for your seat.

TUESDAY, MAY 9

Wild Mushrooms with Paul Kroeger

10:00 am – noon

Myco-researcher, collector, consultant in forest mycology, toxicology & medicines – if anyone knows wild mushrooms, it's Paul! Paul Kroeger will take us down Clinton and Salish trails and show us the mushrooms in our midst, edible and not. Meet at the 33rd and Camosun entrance to Pacific Spirit Park.



City Trees with John Worrall

6:45 pm – 8:30 pm

Take a walk with John Worrall on a lovely May evening and appreciate the diversity of our urban treescape. Meet at the northwest corner of Collingwood and 16th.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10

Forest Trees with John Worrall

1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Do you know why the lower branches of the conifers turn down in the summertime? Come find out from John Worrall, who will also show us the *living stump!* To join this beautiful and informative walk meet at the Salish Trail entrance, south side of West 16th.

THURSDAY, MAY 11

More City Trees with John Worrall!

6:45 pm – 8:30 pm

We'll start this third walk with John Worrall in West Memorial Park and set off in search of special trees. Will that Lawson cypress by the tennis court still be there? Meet in the parking lot behind the Dunbar Community Centre.

FRIDAY, MAY 12

The Wonders of Spring with the Grasses

9:00 am – 11:30 am

Join Al and Jude Grass for a nature walk along the North Arm of the Fraser River looking for the signs of late spring including birds and plants. Meet at the south foot of Blenheim.

Lord Byng Symphony

7:30 pm

For details phone 604 731-8171.

SATURDAY, MAY 13

Birds with Bill Kincaid

8:00 am – 10:00 am

Rufous Hummingbirds, several warblers, a Western Tanager or Black-headed Grosbeak... may be a bit early for flycatchers and Swainson's Thrush, but we can hope! Meet at the park entrance at 29th & Imperial.

Mackenzie Day Sidewalk Sale

Starts at 10:00 am

Bargains, and fun at 33rd & Mackenzie.

The Deciduous Woods with Terry Taylor

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Walk down the Imperial Trail with Terry Taylor and learn how a deciduous woodland works. Meet at the park entrance at 29th and Imperial.

SUNDAY, MAY 14

Pony Meadows

10:00 am – noon

Bring the kids to the Southlands Equestrian Centre, 3095 West 51st Avenue. Tour the stables, visit with some barnyard animals, and then take a nice leisurely walk along the ditches of Southlands. It's a nice quiet break from the busy life up the hill. Questions? Contact Jennifer Maynard at 604 261-1295.

Footsteps into the Past with Terry Slack

1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

This walk with Terry Slack will trace the approximate route of the ancient First Nations trail to the headwaters of Dunbar's lost stream near Discovery and West 14th. Meet at Southlands

Elementary School (39th & Camosun). No dogs please! Trail footwear is suggested.

Body as Nature, Nature as Body

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm

To honour the memory of Peggy Schofield, who was a leader in our Dunbar Residents' Association until her untimely death a year ago and who enjoyed my Feldenkrais classes, I am offering this free class in her name. The venue is Knox United Church. To register contact Katarina at 604-263-9123 or at <HappyBones@telus.net>



MONDAY, MAY 15

**The "Bug Lady" comes to Dunbar –
TOONIE TALK**

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Maria Keating BSc (Agr.) has been a professional leaf flipper and bug hunter for the past 10 years, as well as an avid photographer. She will bring gardening enthusiasts a visual tour of beneficial insects in the home garden. Nature knows best! Slide talk at St. Philip's Fireside Room (3737 West 27th). Remember to bring a toonie for the room rental.

TUESDAY, MAY 16

More Mushrooms with Paul Kroeger!

10:00 am – noon

Did you say you missed the mushroom walk last week? Want to see more mushrooms? You're in luck – Paul Kroeger is coming back twice this year! Paul is the founder of the Vancouver Mycological Society. Visit their website at www.vanmyco.com. Meet at 33rd & Camosun.

Water Main Cleaning in Dunbar

10:00 am – noon

City Engineering crews are working in Dunbar this month to clean our water mains. Drop by the site and learn about our amazing water system and its

maintenance. Meet at the Dunbar Community Centre parking lot.

Tour of St. George's Junior School

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

St. George's invites visitors to tour their landmark Gothic Revival-style building at 3851 West 28th, once a convent and girls' school founded by the Sisters of the Sacred Heart. After the tour tea will be offered in the Great Hall – part of the continuing celebration of St. George's 75th Anniversary.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17

Family Story Time

6:30 pm – 7:15 pm

A Salmonberry Days special at the Dunbar Branch Library.

THURSDAY, MAY 18

The Story of our Sewers TOONIE TALK

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Did you know there's a tunnel under Dunbar carrying sewage from Burnaby? Learn about the history of your sewer system in an illustrated talk by Steve McTaggart of the City Engineering Department. Bring a toonie to pay for your seat in the St. Philip's Fireside Room, 3737 West 27th.

FRIDAY, MAY 19

Pedestrian Safety Day

10:00 am – noon

Anyone who shops on 41st between Collingwood & Dunbar knows about the pedestrian safety problems there. ICBC & the VPD will have a display with information.

SATURDAY, MAY 20

Ralph Stong Tournament – 4th Annual

The Dunbar Little League hosts teams from around the Lower Mainland for wall-to-wall baseball throughout the May long weekend.

SUNDAY, MAY 21

More Birds with Christine Adkins

8:00 am – 10:00 am

We'll go out with Christine Adkins again to see what birds have arrived



since the last outing. Maybe we'll hear the thrilling arpeggios of the Swainson's Thrush... Meet at West 19th and Camosun.

TUESDAY, MAY 23

Tracing the History of your House and Neighbourhood

9:30 am – 11:00 am

Have you ever wondered who built your house? Who has lived in it over the years? Visit the City Archives beside the Planetarium and learn how to use the catalogues, directories, photo collection and Internet services to trace your home's past. Space limited to 15 people. Pre-register on the DRA message line: 604 222-9824.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

Moss Walk with Shona and Wilf

9:30 am – 12:00 am

Botanists Shona Ellis and Wilf Schofield will take us to the lower trails of Pacific Spirit Park and introduce us to the mosses in our temperate rain forest. Meet at the park entrance at 33rd and Camosun Street.

The Bog in our Backyard

7:30 pm – 9:00 pm

See the bog up close from many perspectives now that it is entirely encircled by a new boardwalk. Gerry Mignault and Brian Woodcock will show you around and explain the restoration plans for the coming year. Meet at West 19th and Camosun Street.

Point Grey Secondary Spring Concert

7:00 pm

Junior Band performs. Tickets at the door. Phone for details: 604 713-8220.

THURSDAY, MAY 25

A Walk with Joseph Lin

10:00 am – noon

五月二十五日(星期四)上午十至十二時
溫哥華登巴社區路樹與歷史解說步行

這是一個安靜和諧、樹木夾道、美麗公園的社區。大多數為中產階級的獨棟住宅。

我們將藉由該社區的原住民保留區、河谷濕地、高丘台地、南方農場、消失的溪流、舊時馬路與電車軌道、歷史背景、傳奇人物、古蹟建築、人口結構、機構組織、文化節慶，以及來自於世界各地美麗的街樹，來述說溫哥華市百年來的都市發展、社會變遷，以及精彩的多元文化。

集合：3200 West 41st Ave. 與 Balaclava St 交口東北角(Crofton House School 對面)。
綠色文化交流俱樂部林聖哲老師國語導覽
(604-327-8693, www.greenclub.bc.ca)

Nature Journalling Wrap-up

7:00 pm – 9:30 pm

Come back with your photos, sketches, notes and scraps documenting your observations during Salmonberry Days. We will share our findings as we create a display for the Salmonberry Fair on the weekend. This wrap-up workshop will be held at the Dunbar Community Centre.

Point Grey Secondary Spring Concert

7:00 pm

The Senior Band performs. Tickets at the door. Phone for details: 604 713-8220.



FRIDAY, MAY 26

Waterfront Geology Walk with

Dave Cook – NEW!

11:00 am – 1:00 pm

David Cook will explain the rocks and land features of Burrard Inlet on this waterfront walk, pointing out sandstones, mudstones (with plant fossils) and coal beds in the ~50 million year old (Tertiary) rocks of Kitsilano. We'll see fossilized leaves of plants related to the present day swamp cypress and dawn redwood. Looking across Burrard Inlet we will observe land forms created over the last 100 million years by plate tectonics, erosion and ice. Meet at Volunteer Park on the waterfront, 2800 block of Pt. Grey Road between MacDonald and Bayswater. (And see MONDAY, MAY 29th for a different tour of the same waterfront!)

SATURDAY, MAY 27

Dunbar in Bloom

10:00 am – noon, 2:00 – 4:30 pm

A self-guided garden tour featuring highlights of the spring season. Pick up your tour map (\$3 donation) at:

Blights Home Hardware –

3322 Dunbar

Pinks a Gift Shop for Gardeners –

4235 Dunbar

Pacific Spirits Wine Cellar –

4474 Dunbar

Heaven and Earth – 4495 Dunbar
Sweet Williams – 4895 Mackenzie
Street
Weigh-to-Go – 3534 West 41st

Blenheim Bazaar

10:00 am – 2:00 pm

The world's longest garage sale, hosted each year by the Blenheim Neighbourhood Group. Thirty blocks of bargains from 16th to Southwest Marine Drive. Look for the yellow balloons.

Immaculate Conception Mayfair

11:00 am – 3:00 pm

An old-fashioned church fair at the new Parish Centre, 3700 block West 28th.
Phone 604 224-5678 for information.

SUNDAY, MAY 28

Dunbar Salmonberry Days Fair

11:00 am – 3:00 pm

Bring the family to West Memorial Park for our annual neighbourhood fair hosted by the Dunbar Community Association (see details below).

MONDAY, MAY 29

Intertidal Biology Walk with Dave Cook – NEW!

11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Dave Cook takes us back to look at the

same waterfront as last week – but from a different perspective. The *intertidal zone* of a seashore is an intermediate zone between the marine and land worlds. Animals and plants that live in this harsh world have developed special means of surviving the extreme changes that accompany the ebb and flow of tides.

We will walk along the shoreline at low-tide to observe the intertidal life of a rocky shore, a sandy beach, a cobblestone beach and a mud flat. Wear footwear suitable for walking in rock pools and on barnacle covered rocks. There may be occasional slippery and muddy sections. Bring a container to hold the seashore treasures that you find, as we will be having a show & tell. These specimens will be returned to their natural environment at the end of the tour. Meeting place is the same as for Dave's Waterfront Geology walk on **FRIDAY, MAY 26**.

Streetcars of Old Vancouver – TOONIE TALK

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Henry Ewert is coming back to Dunbar with slides and stories about the street-

cars that once connected Vancouver's neighbourhoods with downtown. This is the last of our TOONIE TALK series for this year. Bring along that toonie to help pay for the room: Fireside Room, St. Philip's Church, 3737 West 27th Avenue.

TUESDAY, MAY 30

Lord Byng Year-End Concert

7:30 pm

Tickets at the door. Phone for details: 604 713-8171.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31

Dunbar's Castle Houses

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

J.S. (Jack) Wood was an early developer who left a lasting legacy in the little "castle houses" that you see throughout our neighbourhood. Come hear **Don Watters** tell stories about this colourful character and point out the distinctive features of his homes. Meet at the northwest corner of 33rd and Larch.

Lord Byng Grad Concert

7:30 pm

Tickets at the door. Phone 604 713-8171 for details.

Salmonberry Fair

SUNDAY, MAY 28

11:00 am – 3:00 pm



Bring the family to West Memorial Park behind the Dunbar Community Centre for our annual neighbourhood fair. Carnival games, displays, crafts and much more. Baseball games in progress.

The Bus Museum

Hop on board a 1957 diesel bus outfitted inside with historic photos, a video and artifacts from the long history of public transit in our city. This display is a service of the Transit Museum Society. Visit their great website at www.trams.bc.ca

Shona's Botany Quiz

Each year Shona Ellis brings cuttings from native plants for you to identify. Amaze your friends – and yourself – with all you learned during Salmonberry walks and talks!

Community Safety Information Display

The Dunbar Community Patrol and representatives of the Vancouver Police Department answer your safety questions.

City Farmer Information Table

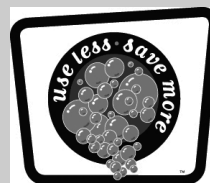
Sharon Slack will provide answers to your urban gardening

questions. Learn about composting, waterwise gardening, native plants.

The Big Dunbar Map!

Find your house on the aerial photo of Dunbar – and see all the interesting nature observations recorded by your neighbours during Salmonberry Days.

Dunbar Salmonberry Days is a project of the **Dunbar Residents' Association** in cooperation with the Dunbar Community Centre and other neighbourhood groups and businesses. Your membership in the DRA is part of what makes our neighbourhood great!



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