# Maple Ridge This Month

### **INFORMED:** Celebrate Canada Day on Friday!

## **A Party for the Whole Family**

Friday, July 1 Maple Ridge will host a Canada Day celebration from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm at Memorial Peace Park. A special Haney Farmers Market anchors the west side of Memorial Peace Park. The stage in front of The ACT Arts Centre will be filled with live music and the special protocol celebration at 12:30 pm where we raise the flag after a march in by the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #88 and our amazing RCMP in red serge. The full schedule can be viewed at mrpmparksandleisure.ca/426.

This year you can take part in the 'Race to Canada Day' by downloading a special entry card from the City website at the link above and by visiting the six locations in Maple Ridge outlined on the card. Bring your completed and correct race card to the Children's Recreation Station on July 1, between 10:00 am and 3:00 pm. Here you will complete a final



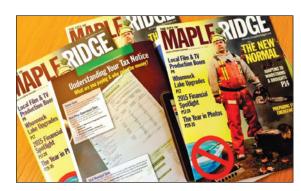
challenge on the Race to Canada Day journey! One entry per family/household.

Wear your best red and white outfit and join us for Canada's 149th Birthday celebration here in Maple Ridge!

## **SPOTLIGHT ON: Taxes are Due on Monday, July 4**

## Don't Line Up to Pay Your Taxes! Use Online Tools & Save Time

Claim your Home Owner Grant online at *mapleridge.ca* by clicking on the Property Taxes & Home Owner Grant' button on the homepage which will take you to a direct link to claim your grant. In fact, setting up a 'My Maple Ridge' account online will give you 24/7 access to your tax information and allow



you to sign up for paperless tax notification as well as track your payment history. It's just one way to save time. Once you claim your Home Owner Grant you can pay the balance owing at most financial institutions either in person or by using your online or telephone banking.

You can drop off your Home Owner Grant and post-dated cheque at the secure drop box located at the west entrance of City Hall near the Economic Development Office to avoid lining up. The box is cleared daily and will be emptied at midnight on Monday, July 4, 2016.

For those of you who prefer to make payments in person, our office is open late on Thursday, June 30 until 8:00 pm, but closed Friday, July 1. Take a few moments to read through the materials that came with your tax notice and learn how you can avoid any lineups. The illustration for this article is 'Page 28' of the 2015 Citizens Report. This publication can be found online at mapleridge.ca or in the lobby of City Hall. It's a great way to learn how your tax dollars are invested in your community.

## **INFORMED:** Sprinkling Regulations are in Effect

## We Love Water. Let's Work Together to Conserve It!



So far this year we've avoided the kind of drought we had last year, and based on the rainfall amounts and timing there really is no reason for you to have dragged out the hose and sprinkler unless you have a newly planted lawn. The weather looks like it's shifting into summer mode, so it's time to remind everyone about the Sprinkling Regulations;

#### **Residential Addresses:**

· Even-numbered addresses may sprinkle lawns from 4:00 - 9:00 am Monday, Wednesday and Saturday.

· Odd-numbered addresses may sprinkle lawns from 4:00 - 9:00 am Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday.

#### Non-Residential Addresses:

- · Even-numbered addresses may sprinkle lawns from 1:00 6:00 am Monday and Wednesday.
- $\cdot$  Odd-numbered addresses may sprinkle lawns from 1:00 6:00 am Tuesday and Thursday
- · All non-residential addresses can also sprinkle from 4:00 9:00 am Friday.
- Newly turfed or seeded lawns may be sprinkled more frequently, provided a permit is first obtained from the Engineering Department (with proof of seed/sod purchase).
  The cost of the permit is \$30.00 for a three week period and is renewable once.

Metro Vancouver has launched a great new program to help educate all residents on the value of our water and why conservation is critical. The link to the campaign can be found here metrovancouver.org/welovewater. If you are looking for more details on Stage One Water Conservation Guidelines go to mapleridge.ca and click on Hot Topics. This page is updated if the water restrictions elevate. Please do your part to conserve water this year.

## **INFORMED:** July 2016

## **Council Meeting Schedule**

Mayor and Council encourage everyone to attend these important public meetings. It's your chance to see how public policy is debated and enacted.

#### Monday, July 4

10:00 am, Workshop - Blaney Room 1:00 pm, Committee of the Whole - Council Chambers

#### Monday, July 11

10:00 am, Workshop - Blaney Room

#### Tuesday, July 12

7:00 pm, Council Meeting - Council Chambers

#### Tuesday, July 19

7:00 pm, Public Hearing

#### Monday, July 25

10:00 am, Workshop - Blaney Room 1:00 pm, Committee of the Whole - Council Chambers

#### Tuesday, July 26

6:00 pm, Budget Q&A - Council Chambers 7:00 pm, Council Meeting - Council Chambers

#### **Agendas & Minutes**

Agendas for these meetings are posted online the Friday before the meeting date. Go to *mapleridge.ca*, click the link under Your Council on the home page.

#### **Workshop at a Glance**

Subscribe to the 'Workshop at a Glance' eNewsletter that provides a summary of issues discussed at Council Workshop meetings. Go to *mapleridge.ca*, click the link to 'Notify Me' and sign up today.

#### **Council Meeting Videos**

If you are unable to attend a Council Meeting, Public Hearing or Committee of the Whole meeting you can now watch these meetings on your computer 24/7. The entire unedited meetings are posted two to three days after the meeting. The video is indexed to the agenda package so that you can watch them in their entirety or click through by agenda item. Go to *mapleridge.ca* and click on the video link at the centre of the home page. In addition, Council meetings broadcast on the internet via live streaming. For more information about the live stream go to the 'Council Meetings' page or connect via the Videos link right beside the 'newsroom' icon on the home page at *mapleridge.ca*.



## **INFORMED: Canada Day Hours**

## Mon, July 1 Holiday Hours

City Hall: Closed

Maple Ridge Leisure Centre: Open from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm Pitt Meadows Family Recreation Centre: Closed Greg Moore Youth Centre: Open from 6:00 pm to 9:30 pm Fire Hall No. 1 Administrative Office: Closed

RCMP - Police Services Administrative Office: Closed Pitt Meadows Youth Centre: Closed

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