

# Maple Ridge This Month

## MID MONTH UPDATE: JUNE 2014

### INFORMED: Albion Water Spray Park Opening

#### A New Type of Water Park to Stimulate the Imagination

Join us at 11:00 am on Saturday June 28 for the official opening of the Albion water Spray park nestled in amongst the Albion Sports complex. The spray park is made up of several water play activity elements. A water play table with trough and water wheel is activated with a children's size hand pump. In this activity area children can manage water flow, or manipulate water and sand at the play table. The sand area includes log steppers for further imaginative play opportunities. Three activators allow children to start a water flow sequence from surface pop-its, bubblers from a boulder, a rain umbrella, mister spray hoops, ground sprays and two water cannons. Surface water from these spray devices is collected in a stone lined water channel or runnel that children can manipulate flow with two weirs. The surrounding area is landscaped for families to sit on the adjacent hillside to observe their children's activities. The weather is getting nicer, and you know you are just itching to try out the water cannons! See you at the grand opening.



### ENGAGED: June 30 is the Deadline! Time is Running Out.

#### Is Our Health Care System Important to You? Then we need a few minutes of your time.

One of the things that government organizations need to plan the delivery of services is information, specifically data. This data used to be available as part of the long form Census gathered by StatsCan, but that information is not available anymore. This void needs to be filled, so that Fraser Health can plan for the delivery of services in our community. As our community, and the communities around us, grow and evolve, the needs for health care delivery and services in our community will change, and we need solid data to support these changes.

Last year a survey was launched in the Fraser and Coastal health regions to get that critical data to help plan for the future of our health care system. In order for the survey to have relevance, we need to get as many people as possible to invest 10 minutes of their time and provide some information. The goal is to get about 1,400 completed surveys in Maple Ridge, and so far we've only hit about 56% of the target. We are asking you to invest 10 minutes in our health care system and go to [www.myhealthmycommunity.org/survey](http://www.myhealthmycommunity.org/survey) and help us reach that 1,400 survey goal. Right



now, Pitt Meadows is at about 61% and Port Coquitlam is at 66%. Please help us spread the word. It's about our health!

### INFORMED: Anti-Spam Notices

#### Make sure you keep in touch with information that's important to you

You've probably noticed a ton of emails from companies and organizations that you deal with asking you to confirm that you want to keep getting email messages. And, you probably noticed that you haven't got one from us. The reason is that we switched over our website at the beginning of January and the compliance with the new Anti-Spam law was built in as part of the redesign. At that time we introduced a great new feature called 'Notify Me' on the district and parks websites. So far almost 2000 people have signed up for one of the many 'Notify me' updates. Whether you want to know when a new council Agenda is posted or get an updates to our pool schedule or a link to the new Parks & Recreation Guide, you can get instant notifications to your email or your smart phone. You can sign up for 'Notify Me' on the District website at [mapleridge.ca](http://mapleridge.ca) or the Parks and Leisure site at [mrmparksandleisure.ca](http://mrmparksandleisure.ca). You decide what information you want to get notifications about from the menus from both sites. That way you get the updates as

soon as the information is posted on our website. From the community events calendar to the posting of agendas for Council and Committee meetings, you will always have the information you want at your fingertips. Sign up today and try out a couple of items to see how it works. No Spam – just the information you have asked for.



#### Contact us at [enquiries@mapleridge.ca](mailto:enquiries@mapleridge.ca)

If you have a question about any of the content in this ad, or questions about any programs or services offered by the District of Maple Ridge, please send an email to [enquiries@mapleridge.ca](mailto:enquiries@mapleridge.ca) and one of our team members will respond to you.

### INFORMED: July 2014

#### 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 7

9:00 am, Workshop - Blaney Room

1:00 pm, Committee of the Whole - Council Chambers

##### Tuesday, July 8

6:00 pm, Council Meeting - Council Chambers

##### Tuesday, July 15

6:00 pm, Public Hearing - Council Chambers

##### Monday, July 21

9:00 am, Workshop - Blaney Room

1:00 pm, Committee of the Whole - Council Chambers

##### Tuesday, July 22

6:00 pm, Council Meeting - Council Chambers

##### Agendas & Minutes

Agendas for these meetings are posted online the Friday before the meeting date. Go to [mapleridge.ca](http://mapleridge.ca), click the link under Your Council on the home page.

##### Council This Week

Subscribe to the 'Council This Week' eNewsletter that provides a summary of issues discussed at Council Workshop meetings. Go to [mapleridge.ca](http://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](http://mapleridge.ca) and click on the video link at the centre of the home page.

### SPOTLIGHT ON: Tuesday, July 1 is Canada Day

#### Join the Family Celebration at Memorial Peace Park



From 10:00 am until 3:00 pm you can show your Canadian pride at the giant Canada Day celebration at Memorial Peace Park. You hear it all the time, but there really is something for everyone at this year's Canada Day celebration. You've got the Haney Farmers Market, a special Downtown BIA Market in the south Park, dance demonstrations on the Bandstand and live music at the giant stage in front of the Arts Centre. Add to that an official flag raising ceremony featuring the Royal Canadian Legion Colour Guard and the RCMP in full uniform, and you've got all the ingredients for a very special day. The only thing that could make it better is if you wear your best red and white outfit and at 12:30 join us at the Main Stage in front of the ACT and sing the national anthem like it's the Stanley Cup Final and you are trying to intimidate the Boston Bruins!

This year the celebration will be live streamed over the internet for folks who can't make it out to be there in person. Look for details of the live stream on our website at [mapleridge.ca](http://mapleridge.ca). We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday.

### INFORMED:

#### Canada Day Hours

#### Monday July 1 Holiday Hours

##### Municipal Hall: Closed

**Maple Ridge Leisure Centre:** Open 8:30 - 4:00 pm.

**Competition Pool:** Closed for a water Polo Tournament.

**Pitt Meadows Family Recreation Centre:**

Open 8:30 am to 4:00 pm

**Greg Moore Youth Centre:** Open 6:00 to 9:30 pm

**Fire Hall No.1:** Administrative Office: Closed

**RCMP - Police Services Administrative Office:**

Open 11:00 am to 3:00 pm

**Pitt Meadows Youth Centre:** Closed



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