



# CHAIR'S REPORT

Park Board Committee Meeting  
September 17, 2018



# July 31: Birds in the 604 VanDusen Garden



Chair Mackinnon welcomed birders to a reception for the Birds in the 604 exhibition. Joining him were Commissioner Evans, former Commissioner Loretta Woodcock, Ornithologist Dr. Bob Butler, and Anna's hummingbird .

# August 5: Pride Parade



Chair Mackinnon joined Commissioners Evans, Crawford, Wiebe, Kirby-Yung, Shum, and staff at the 40<sup>th</sup> annual Pride Parade.



Commissioner Wiebe spoke at a media event to introduce bathtub racers where he was joined by Commissioners Coupar and Shum and Canada One Foundation Chair Howard Kelsey. Commissioner Evans handed out awards.

# August 14: Stanley Park Seawall Restoration



Chair Mackinnon unveiled restoration work on the Stanley Park seawall during a media event where he was joined by Commissioner Coupar and Julia Murrell, granddaughter of master stonemason James Cunningham, builder of the seawall.

# August 15: Vancouver Open Langara Golf Course



Commissioner Wiebe helped announce the return of the Vancouver Open to Park Board golf courses and was joined by Fraser Mulholland with Vancouver Golf Tour, James Allenby, 2017 Vancouver Open Champion, and staff.

# August 17: Ray-Cam Soapbox Derby Ray-Cam Speedway



Chair Mackinnon participated in the celebrity category at the 5<sup>th</sup> annual derby. Seven teams entered, including one from the Park Board.

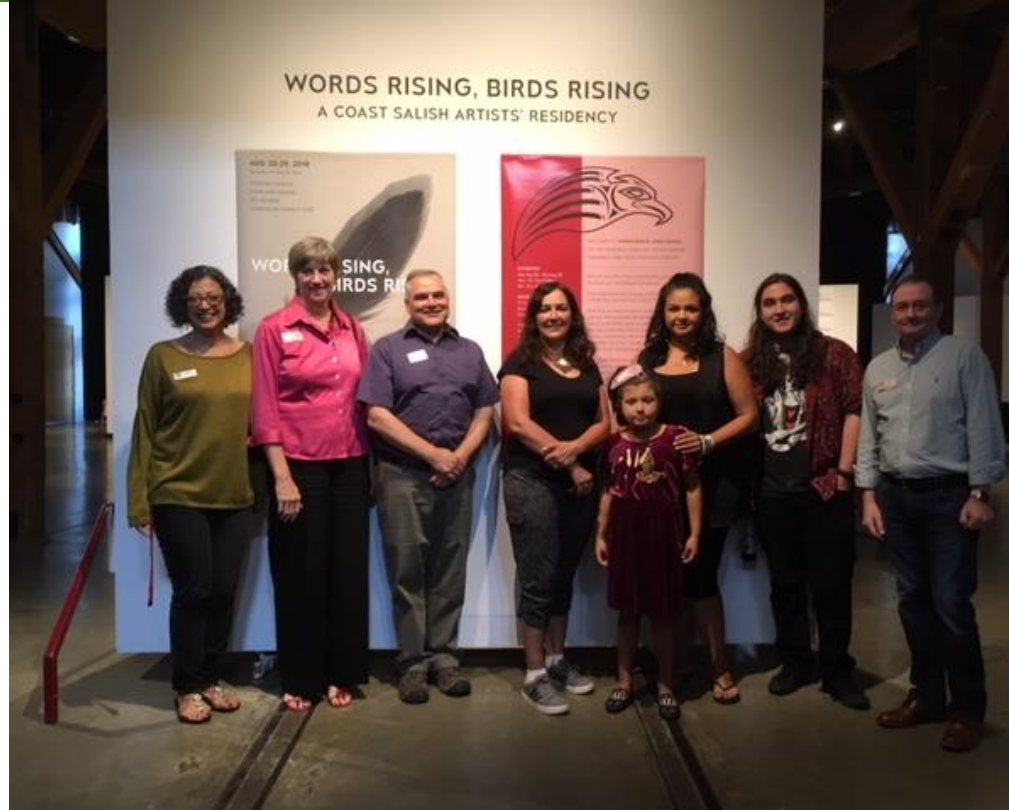
# August 20: Vancouver International Bird Festival Jack Poole Plaza, Harbour Green Park



Chair Mackinnon participated in the Parade of Birds, launching the Vancouver International Bird Festival and the 27<sup>th</sup> International Ornithological Congress.



# August 24: Words Rising, Birds Rising Roundhouse Community Centre



Chair Mackinnon spoke at the Coast Salish Artists' Residency, featuring work by Christie Lee Charles, Charlene George, and Wil George, and was joined by Commissioner Evans and staff.

# September 4: AIDS Memorial Dedication Devonian Harbour Park



Vice Chair Evans spoke at a dedication ceremony and was joined by Commissioner Coupar,.  
A plaque was installed near a cherry grove that dedicates the site  
as the first-known AIDS memorial in the world.

# September 6: SKOOKUM Festival sneak peak Brockton Fields



Vice Chair Evans spoke at the sneak peek and was joined by Commissioners Crawford and Wiebe, as well as staff and event organizers.

# September 7-9: SKOOKUM Festival Brockton Fields



SKOOKUM Festival by BRANDLIVE drew up to 20,000 people with 53 musical acts, multimedia art installations and food vendors.

# September 9: Battle of Britain Remembrance Stanley Park



Chair Mackinnon spoke at the Air Force Garden of Remembrance where he was joined by Commissioners Crawford and Kirby-Yung.

# September 13: SVSACS AGM Killarney Seniors Centre



Chair Mackinnon and Commissioners Coupar, Kirby-Yung, Crawford, Shum and Wiebe attended the Southeast Vancouver Seniors' Arts & Cultural Society AGM and were joined by Councillor De Genova, seniors' activist Lorna Gibbs and local seniors.

# September 17: MOU Signing Chinatown UNESCO Chinese Cultural Centre



Commissioners Crawford, Evans, Shum, Wiebe and Kirby-Yung attended a MOU signing, as part of a bid to have Chinatown designated a world UNESCO heritage site.

