



Park Board General Manager's Report September 9, 2024

The following report is intended to provide an overview and update on recent and upcoming activities within the Park Board.

Hastings Community Association 90th Anniversary

Hastings Community Association celebrated its 90th anniversary on July 7, 2024. The Association was incorporated in 1934 to raise funds for a tennis court between Renfrew and Lillooet streets. The construction of the Community Hall followed less than two years later, and a full community centre was completed in 1956. Both buildings are still in use today.

The event was attended by over 200 community members and featured performances, program demonstrations, food trucks, carnival games, bunnies, bouncy castles, and a BBQ run by the volunteer youth council.

Youth Services – Camp Sasamat

During the last week of August, Community Youth Workers and support staff from Thunderbird, Trout Lake, Killarney, Hillcrest, Mt. Pleasant, West End, Strathcona and Renfrew Community Centres took over 60 youth to Camp Sasamat for an overnight camp experience. The youth participated in various activities during the 2-night, 3-day event, including kayaking, canoeing, a high ropes course, hiking, games, art, and a talent show, to name a few.

This 'no device' camp provided experiential learning through outdoor recreation, leading to skill development, new friendships, and stronger bonds with trusted adults. Together, these experiences created defining moments in the youths' lives that many won't forget. Many thanks to the Community Centre Associations and Park Board staff who contributed to the support, planning and execution of this important youth event.

Board Briefing Memos and Emails: July 22 to September 9, 2024

Date	Topic
July 24	Emerald Ash Borer in Vancouver
August 8	Q2 2024 Financial Update
August 14	Adopt-A-Tree
August 23	Decorative Water Features