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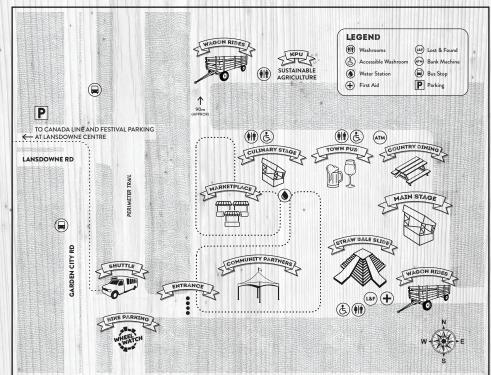
Grandmother Luella Cook and Emi Dyck, parent advisory committee co-chair at Diefenbaker Elementary, are hoping their online auction will fund a replacement of school's withered wooden playground.



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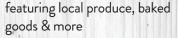
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Richmond's seniors aging positively

By **DON FENNELL** @DFSentinel

he grey hair may be more noticeable, and the bones a little more apt to creak. But the senior years can also be as fulfilling as any.

A Positive Aging Campaign, two art exhibits and a breakfast social are all part of the City of Richmond's weeklong celebrations starting with National Seniors Day Friday, Sept. 29.

Home to the longest life expectancy in Canada, with residents living an average of 85.7 years (four years longer than the national average), Richmond's moderate climate complements an active lifestyle prevalent in the community. The city's senior services and community partners further advance a healthy mindset by providing a variety of recreational, wellness, cultural, educational and social opportunities for those 55 and older.

"The City of Richmond is proud to be an age-friendly city," says Mayor Malcolm Brodie. "It is through initiatives such as the Positive Aging Campaign that we continue to recognize the value seniors hold within the Richmond community."

Each year, the City of Richmond creates a photo campaign showcasing positive images of adults 55 and over living in Richmond. This year's campaign focuses on the talents, contributions and participation of seniors and highlights those who continue to

be active in the community. The photo campaign will be displayed at Minoru Place Activity Centre and Richmond community centres for one week starting Sunday, Oct. 1.

The public is also invited to attend two free art exhibits celebrating seniors in the community: Portraits of City Centre at City Centre Community Centre and Memories of Place at Minoru Place Activity Cen-

Portraits of City Centre photographic features images of seniors in the community and celebrates their stories and individual histories. The collection

will be on display throughout the month of October.

Memories of Place features video recollections from Richmond pioneers collected at the Canada 150 Pioneer Luncheon held in the spring of this year; a photography exhibit capturing seniors from Minoru Place Activity Centre celebrating the history and stories of the centre; and an exhibit from the Minoru Seniors Society's Chinese Calligraphy Group exploring the concept of place. The exhibit will be on display from Sept. 29 through Oct. 1.

In conjunction with the Memories of



Photo courtesy City of Richmond

Hing Ho, one of the seniors featured in the Positive Aging campaign. It runs for one week at the Minoru Place Activity Centre starting Sunday, Oct. 1.

> Place exhibit, there will also be a free in to your local community centre and photo and memory capture session for adults 55 and over on Sept. 29. Call 604-238-8450 starting Wednesday, a nurturing connected community Sept. 27 at 9 a.m. to reserve a time slot.

To wrap up the celebrations, City Centre Community Centre is hosting a National Seniors Day breakfast social on Monday, Oct. 2 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Seniors can celebrate the day with a light meal while learning about programs and activities for adults 55 and older and sharing ideas for future programming. The cost is \$5 per person and registration is required at www.richmond.ca/register, by calling 604-276-4300, or dropping

quoting barcode #2115944.

With a vision to continue to build that promotes healthy and active aging, the City of Richmond, with public input, has created an updated Seniors Services Plan through 2020. The plan considers the latest population projects, emerging social and health trends and their likely impact on the health and wellness status of Richmond's senior population.

For more information visit www. richmond.ca/seniors or call Minoru Place Activity Centre at 604-238-8450.

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Terry Fox Run raises \$18,000

By **DON FENNELL** @DFSentinel

erry Fox dreamed of a world without cancer, a mission Howard Jampolsky is only too happy to advance.

Organizer of the annual Terry Fox Run in Richmond, Jampolsky believes the dream is closer to reality than ever. That's because each dollar raised goes directly to cancer research.

"The money does make a difference, and as a result real, rapid gains are being made," Jampolsky says. "The (number of) ways cancer treatments are being carried out have been growing exponentially. It's truly remarkable how far they've come. With the genetic research they're

doing now, they're finding every person has a different way of fighting cancer."

Although there were about 100 fewer runners in this year's run at Garry Point Park than in 2016, participants still managed to raise about \$18,000 for cancer research. Jampolsky isn't sure why the numbers were down, but inclement weather last Sunday was likely a factor. So too, he suggests, the significant fundraising efforts to help victims of this summer's B.C. wildfires.

Since its inception in 1981, the Terry Fox Run, an annual non-competitive charity event, has raised more than \$700 million for cancer research.

Oktoberfest events in Steveston

By **DON FENNELL** @DFSentinel

The Rheinlander Band is sure to help get I folks in the party spirit at the Steveston Community Society's Oktoberfest on Friday, Oct. 6.

"It's a lot of fun," promises Michele Cupit, who came up with the idea of a local Oktoberfest four years ago.

A member of the society's ever-active events organizing committee, that also oversees the annual Steveston Salmon Festival, Cupit said everything is included in your Oktoberfest ticket.

That includes one serving of beer or wine, a collectible beer mug, dinner (supplied by D Original Sausage Haus), entertainment and a chance to win a door prize. You must be at least 19 years old to attend.

There's also a 50/50 draw, and a photo area to help commemorate the evening.

Last year's event sold out, so Cupit advis-•dfennell@richmondsentinel.ca es purchasing your tickets quickly. Tickets

are \$40 each or \$320 for a table of eight. They are available in person at the community centre or by calling 604-238-8094.

Oktobertfest begins at 7 p.m. with dancing commencing at 8 p.m. Proceeds support programs at the community centre.

A prelude to Oktoberfest will be held Saturday, Sept. 30.

A group of Steveston businesses are joining forces for a street party called OktoberfestSteveston.

Businesses along No. 1 Road between Moncton and Bayview streets will host the special day-long event from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

There will be many activities, including some for kids, as well as a wide variety of food. Six restaurants will also be each hosting a specific craft beer.

The Richmond Sockeyes' popular mascot Socko will be making an appearance from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sockeye players will also participate in a street hockey game.

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Steveston could be destined to become port of call

By **DON FENNELL** @DFSentinel

Steveston could also soon of call for small to medium cruise ships.

art expedition ship National Geographic Quest is carrying out what City of Richmond spokesperson Ted Townsend described as "kind of a test the bill.

The 73-metre-long ship docked in Steveston on Thursday (Sept. 21) and is expected to return Oct. 5. Townsend confirmed there were passengers that disembarked upon arrival and boarded prior to departure last week.

was a shorter, re-positioning cruise that comes at the end of their summer season in Alaska," he said. "In previous years, they had used Granville Island as their local port of call, but that location is no longer available to them, so they're looking at Steveston as a possible ongoing destination."

Townsend said such an opportunity is "certainly in keeping with the kind of long-term Best known today as an vision when the city develactive fishing harbour, oped the wharfs."

Not only did the developbe destined to become a port ment of the wharfs, dating back to about 2011, allow for hosting special events like The \$48M state-of-the- Ships to Shore and support other recreational opportunities on the water, but also could potentially help attract more tourists, he said.

"This is something that was run" to see if Steveston fits always thought of as a potential use, and this is an opportunity to explore that further and hopefully create some ongoing new tourist traffic from the water," Townsend said.

"Steveston is a popular tourist destination and in the cruise industry there are lots of different levels. It's not all "As I understand it, this about huge boats going to Alaska," he said. "There are smaller and mid-sized ships always looking for new experiences in this region for their clientele and it was always felt (Steveston) had the potential for that market. Now somebody is taking a closer look at the potential to see if the logistics are there."

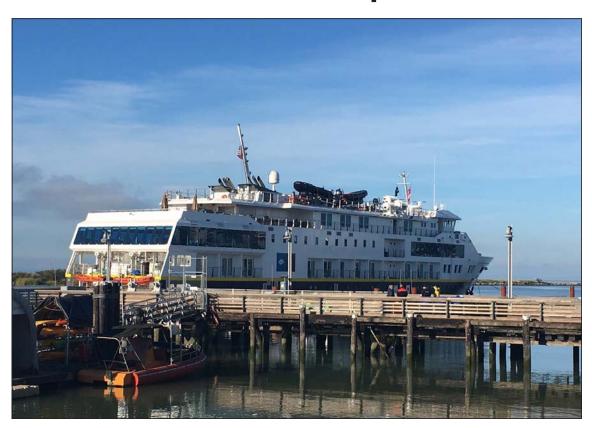


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The 73-metre expedition ship National Geographic Quest docked in Steveston last

Quest is a purpose-built vessel, and one of the newest additions to the National Geographic-Lindblad Expeditions fleet. Built near Seattle, it is made for exploring coastal waters. It was designed to navigate narrow inlets and wildlife-rich passageways inaccessible to larger ships. The The National Geographic smaller ship still comfortably

accommodates 100 guests in 50 outside cabins.

The National Geographic Quest brings travellers to B.C. and Alaska in the summer, before heading south in the winter to navigate the waters of Central America.

Started in 1999, National Geographic Expeditions operates hundreds of trips each

vear, spanning all seven continents and more than 80 destinations. As part of the National Geographic Travel group, it aims to fulfill the National Geographic Society's mission to inspire people to care about the planet by providing meaningful opportunities to explore.

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- 11800 No. 2 Road
- 12031 No. 2 Road
- 11511 to 11711 Steveston Highway and 11393 Steveston Highway

City block paving locations

- Minoru Boulevard (Lansdowne Road to Ackroyd Road)
- Railway Avenue and Blundell Road intersection
- 11000 Block No. 5 Road
- 9000 Block No. 1 Road
- 10000 Block No. 1 Road
- 13000 Block Steveston Highway
- 6000 No. 5 Road
- No. 3 Road (Westminster Highway to Ackroyd)
- No. 5 Road and Bridgeport Road intersection
- Steveston Highway (Mortfield to No. 4 Road)
- Steveston Highway (10471 to Shell Road)
- 9000 Block Westminster Highway East bound lanes
- Alderbridge Way (No. 3 Road to Garden City) spot repairs only

Work hours will be 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on weekdays, and 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on weekends. Night time work hours will be from 7:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. (typically).

Traffic will be reduced to single-lane and there may be temporary lane closures. Delays may occur. The use of an alternate route is strongly encouraged.

This work is weather dependent and dates are subject to change without notice.

Questions may be directed to Wasim Memon, Contract Administrator, at 604-276-4189, or visit the City's paving program webpage at www.richmond.ca (City Services > Roads, Dykes, Water & Sewers > Construction Projects > 2017 Paving Program).

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Townline Homes doubles up

By MARTIN VAN DEN HEMEL @MartinvandenH

What started out as an offer of a helping hand, has snowballed into an overwhelming display of community generosity the likes of which grandmother Luella Cook hasn't to match. seen before.

Diefenbaker when Elementary School began saving for a new playground to replace the decades-old wooden one that's withered and cracked and now poses a safety hazard for children.

nights, spring fairs and even a walkathon, the efforts have fallen short of the fundraising goal. Even a modest new playground costs tens of thousands of dollars.

Seeing the disappointed faces of so many moms and dads prompted the retired Cook, a self-admitted insomniac, to offer to organize a fundraiser for the school her grandchildren attend.

parent advisory committee, including co-chair Emi Dyck, and fueled by leads from the community, she simply reached out for donations through emails and phone calls, or visited businesses in person.

"They were unbelievably generous," Cook said. "It's overwhelming actually how supportive everybody's been."

But she was simply blown away by the incredible gesture by Rick Ilich from Townline Homes.

"He decided that he would match whatever was raised," she said, adding that she confirmed that there's no cap to the amount llich is willing

That's served as an amazing mo-This story really started in 2015, tivator for the Diefenbaker school community, she said.

> "I'm humbled by the generosity by businesses and individuals and realtors and developers."

With modern-day parents so busy, and spending so much time on social After countless bake sales, movie media and their smart phones, Cook was struck with inspiration about how to go about this fundraiser.

> "I thought, let's capitalize on this. Let's do something different and novel," Cook told The Richmond Sentinel.

She's now organized an online auction through charity auction site eflea.ca (tinyurl.com/diefenbaker2017). It will feature more than 160 items when bidding begins at 10 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 6. To bid, participants Working alongside Diefenbaker's first need to register on the website.

> Donations can still be accepted until the day before the auction goes live. To make a donation, e-mail diefenbakerpac@gmail.com

> Donations of all sorts and sizes have come in so far, some items worth \$15 and others over \$1,000.

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on Diefenbaker fundraiser

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Everything from hair cuts, newspaper advertising space, and vacation accommodations in Hawaii to green fees, fitness passes to the Richmond Olympic Oval, car detailing, restaurant gift cards and artwork.

Cook doesn't know how much money will be raised.

But she is certain that this event has demonstrated how generous people are when it comes to the plight of schools with outdated equipment.

"The response has been blowing me out of the water," Cook said. "Most people identify with children and playgrounds. They've had to do the fundraising themselves, and they also know there's no money coming from the board."

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Photo by Chung Chow

Luella Cook, grandmother campaigning to raise funds for new playground at Diefenbaker Elementary School.

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Garden City Lands to host Richmond Harvest Fest

By MARTIN VAN DEN HEMEL @MartinvandenH

The Garden City Lands property, which is in the midst of a transformation, will host a free, new festival this Saturday: Richmond Harvest Festival.

It's the first major event at the property, which the city describes as the "evolving green heart of Richmond."

Richmond Mayor Malcolm Brodie said the Sept. 30 festival will be a great opportunity for locals to celebrate Richmond's commitment to being a sustainable, diverse and vibrant community during Canada's 150th anniversary.

"Agriculture is an important part of Richmond's cultural and economic past, present and future," Brodie said."We are home to over 200 active farmers and a wide variety of vibrant restaurants. Richmond's reputation as a hub for urban agriculture and unique culinary experiences is well established and ready to grow."

The festival promises to be a family-friendly, all-ages affair, with programming and attractions that will include a farmers market, exceptional local food, beer and wine, cooking demonstrations on a culinary stage, children's activities including a straw bale slide and wagon ride, and agricultural displays as



Photo courtesy City of Richmond

Headlining the main stage at Richmond Harvest Festival will be popular Canadian folk/rock/reggae trio Jon and Roy.

well as roving performers.

Headline the main stage will be popular Canadian folk/rock/reggae trio Jon and Rov.

The Saturday festival will run from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., however there will

be no onsite parking.

Instead, parking will be available entrance. at Lansdowne Centre, with shuttle For those who love cycling, a bike com valet will be available in a secure-

ly-guarded area near the festival's

For more information about the bus service available to the public. festival, visit richmondharvestfest.

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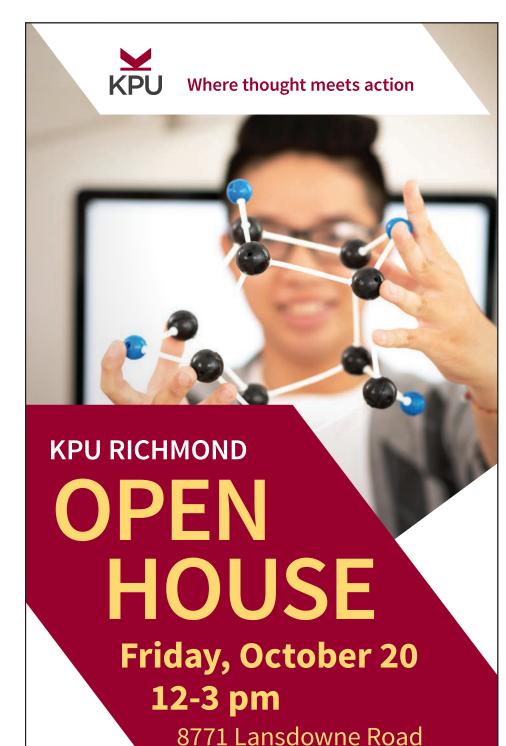












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Some \$10,000 was raised earlier this month at the fourth annual RCM-SAR Richmond Annual Fundraiser at the Britannia Heritage Shipyard Seine Net Loft.

Search-and-rescue dinner raises \$10K

By MARTIN VAN DEN HEMEL @MartinvandenH

The fourth annual Royal Canadian Marine Search-and-Rescue fundraiser at the Britannia Heritage Shipvard Seine Net Loft drew some 150 \$10,000.

That money will support training of the search-and-rescue volunteer members who keep safe everyone who uses the waters off Steveston and Richmond, according to Aaron Harnden, past station leader and boat coxswain.

Whatever isn't used to fund the sales. training of volunteers will be added placement vessel.

Harnden said the new all-weather inflatable that's self-righting.

"If it goes over, it goes back up," he explained.

The volunteer crew's current vessel has limitations to weather, and is not re-righting, he added.

"If we can keep safe, then we're more likely to be able to help others," he said.

Seeing so many people buy tickets people on Sept. 9 and raised about and organizations make donations to the fundraiser is incredibly inspiring and a testament to how much the community appreciates the volunteer work they do, putting their lives at risk each time they go out to try to help others.

> Funds were raised through a raffle, silent and live auctions, and ticket

But with a goal of raising \$800,000, to the fund for a new \$800,000 re- there's still plenty of work ahead, he

All of the equipment and speciallifeboat they are eying is a rigid hull ized clothing used by the volunteers is purchased thanks to fundraising efforts or government grants, he said.

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Hastings honoured for service on/off the water

By LORRAINE GRAVES @LGsentinel

Barry Hastings is a humble man with a great sense of humour.

Richmond's Royal Canadian Marine Search and Rescue Service (RCM-SARS), formerly known as the Coast Guard Auxiliary, recently gave the Richmond resident a 35-year award and honoured him by naming one of their rescue boats the BR Hastings.

Greg Miller, currently Pacific region chair for the marine search and rescue service, has worked with and known Hastings for 23 years.

"It was important to recognize Barry and show his family how much we valued his contribution so we named that vessel in honour of him. It's an actual boat that goes out and does rescues," Miller says. He describes Hastings as a "caring, humble individual. He doesn't like being recognized

for his efforts."

Hastings' day job was with the professional Coast Guard, often as a radio operator.

"Years ago, we were sitting on a quiet watch and these guys decided we needed handles to use on the CB radio."

Each person's initials were turned into a nickname. Barry Hastings says his became, " 'Barely Human' because I was a practical joker. I'm still known as that," Hastings says with a

After their years on the water, today both Hastings and Miller do most of their volunteering on

"It's a young man's game, waking up at 2 a.m. to get up and bomb around the river and then get up and go to work," says Miller.

In addition to the numerous inci-



Photo courtesy Richmond RCM-SARS Barry Hastings stands on the search-andrescue boat named in his honour.

dents on the water that Hasting attended both as a volunteer and as a coast guard employee, he was also the Richmond station training volun- rifice their time, who put their live at

Reflecting on his volunteer time

with SARS, Hastings says it was a lot of fun and a lot of stress.

"But 35 years ago when I joined the auxiliary, it was the total enjoyment of running those inflatables for search and rescue. Then when the job was in teaching, the total enjoyment was meeting all the volunteers, teaching and meeting all these people, seeing why they're there."

Hastings says that at the ceremony honouring him, he only spoke very briefly.

"When I finished I touched the forehead, lips and heart, to say my thoughts, my words, my heart will always speak of you.

Because that's what these people meant to me. These people who sacrisk, that others may live."

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Photo by Chung Chow Corben Menta's path to his current career took skill, creative thinking, and flexibility.

Transferable skills fuel success

By LORRAINE GRAVES @LGsentinel

orben Menta had it all planned out. He was going to

That's why he spent years in Air Cadets. That's why he took Aviation at Steveston-London Secondary.

news; Menta is colour-blind. That diagnosis excluded him from a career as a pilot because they need to be able distinguish coloured lights for night landings.

"It meant I couldn't have a night rating for being a pilot," he

He took it in stride then regrouped, choosing a related field

signed up for the course at the Aerospace Campus of BCIT in Richmond.

"I picked that course because I did have an interest in turbine engines but, most of all, it was to get mechanical experience in from, Menta tried them all, placgeneral because I knew it would be pretty beneficial. It was only Then came disappointing a one-year course so wouldn't Vector Aerospace. take up too much of my time and, compared to the other courses there, it was pretty inexpensive."

He said it was rigorous pro-

Menta's long term plan was to work on turbine engines either in the Lower Mainland, elsewhere in Canada or maybe overseas.

"I wasn't entirely sure, I just

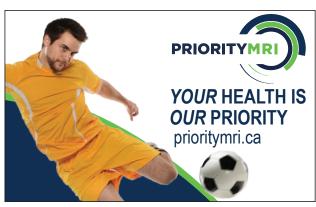
in aviation, jet engine repair, and wanted to use the knowledge I gained form BCIT somewhere," he says. "Ideally I wanted to get a job in Richmond, but I tried to look at other places to give me more of a chance."

> With lots of places to choose es like MTU Maintenance, Airborne Engines, Heli-One, and

> No one was hiring. So he took a job at The Brick. For a year, Menta delivered furniture and installed electronics for the firm.

> Living near Steveston, walking down the back alley, past the huge marine diesels under repair inside the open garage doors of

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SKILLS

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Steveston Marine Services, it never crossed Menta's mind that one day he'd be working there.

"To be honest, I never really gave marine diesels a lot of thought Because I was in cadets, I had my sights set on the aviation industry and never looked into any other industries until I had trouble finding a job within aviation," Menta says.

One day, opportunity presented itself so he applied for the marine engine job he has now.

Did his time at BCIT help him get such as wiring."

the work?

What about of

"I think it did make a difference. It showed them I had experience doing mechanical work."

A variety of experiences in a person's background, including hobbies and volunteer work, can all add up to valuable skills in the work place.

Menta took the skills he learned at the Aerospace Campus, added those from automotive class at Steveston-London secondary and the skills from his hobby—keeping his elderly car running—to parlay that into a satisfying job.

He also says practical skills from BCIT transfer to his work on marine equipment.

"Things like the proper way to torque a bolt or the things you have to avoid when taking apart an engine."

He says the variety of learning helped him too.

"BCIT gave me a lot of experience, such as wiring."

What about others who can't find jobs in the field they trained for?

"Well, I would say to look for other similar fields but I would tell them to keep their options open. Chances are you aren't going to stick with one job the rest of your life," advises Menta.

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Canucks' Stecher returns to his roots

By **DON FENNELL** @DFSentinel

Il Troy Stecher ever wanted was a Chance.

Growing up in Richmond, his passion and talent for hockey was undeniable.

But from a young age, he was constantly told he was too small to advance to the next level. At every turn he proved them wrong, and even in the NHL the 5-foot-10, 190-pound Vancouver Canucks' defenceman still conquers the stereotype.

Voted by Canucks' fans as the team's top blueliner last season (his rookie campaign), Stecher, 23, uses brains over brawn. It's a skill he works at every day.

"Obviously I'm not going to be able physically to push guys over, so my quickness and speed has to be one of my strengths," he said, while explaining the goal of eliminating opponent's time and space.

Returning to his roots recently for a special recognition ceremony hosted by the Richmond Minor Hockey Association, Stecher enthusiastically reflected on his minor hockey career. His iersey along with those of fellow Richmond minor graduates and now NHL referees Kelly Sutherland and Trevor Hanson will be prominently displayed at Richmond Ice Centre.

"It's special," he said. "It's an arena that many mornings I attended with my father and my mom. I have a lot of great memories, and there a lot of friends and special people who are still here. It's tremendous to see the work

Reebok STECHER

Photo by Don Fennell

Vancouver Canucks defenceman Troy Stecher was one of three former Richmond Minor Hockey players (Kelly Sutherland and Trevor Hanson being the others) honoured by the association recently.

happy to show my face and show my support to the kids. Hopefully I can be a role model to them."

in what is now the Hockey 1-4 pro-

they put in and continue to put in. I'm gram. He says it's where you learn the fundamentals of the game.

"It's a great time, when you're always encouraged to have fun," he said. "I Stecher started his hockey journey think when you're having fun that's when you're going to learn more than

if you're not enjoying it."

Another of his fondest minor hockey memories is playing on a Bantam rep team that made it all the way to the 2009 provincial final.

"There were a lot of great players on that team, and a really good coaching staff with Ron Popoff," he said.

Stecher was drafted in the seventh round of that spring's Western Hockey League Bantam Draft by the Portland Winterhawks, which ironically was his first introduction to new Canucks' coach Travis Green who was then Portland's assistant general manager and assistant coach. Stecher stayed home and played for the Greater Vancouver Canadians Major Midgets in 2009-10.

The following season he signed with the Penticton Vees of the BCHL, thus retaining his college eligibility.

Stecher prospered in Penticton. In three seasons with the Vees he scored 26 goals and 156 points in 211 regular-season games. He had another 21 points in 39 playoff games while playing in two Fred Page Cup (league) finals, winning in 2012. He also won the RBC Cup national junior A championship that season, while being named the tournament's top defenceman.

He captained the Vees in his final season before earning a scholarship to the University of North Dakota where his stellar play continued.

As a Fighting Hawk from 2013 to 2016, Stecher made three consecutive trips to the NCAA Frozen Four finals culminating in a Division 1 champion-

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Plenty of energy at Forever Young 8K race

By **DON FENNELL** @DFSentinel

ina Henderson of New Westmin-Oster, take a bow.

The Royal City resident completed the 8 kilometre race at the 2017 Forever Young race Sunday, Sept. 10 in Richmond in just under two hours. But even more noteworthy is that Henderson is 88 years old, the oldest person in a field of 250 senior walkers and runners. She received a bottle of champagne for her efforts.

Now in its third year, the annual event affords those 55 and older an opportunity to celebrate being an active senior and to set an example for others to adopt a healthy lifestyle.

"We don't want to be a small part of a big running event, we want to have our own running event," explains event founder and race co-ordinator

John Young. "It always gives me pleasure to note that the first-place finishers are 55 or older, not the usual 20 and 30 somethings. We are the only race in Canada that is specifically for those 55-plus. Seniors deserve recognition too."

The 8K event builds on the Forever Young Club which he started a few years earlier. Twice each week, walkers and runners from throughout the region meet up to tackle one of more than a dozen club-determined cours-

Further advancing the camaraderie that is so prominent within the club, the 8K also gives those senior athletes the opportunity to further challenge themselves. Each participant, regardless of where they finish, are deservedly proud to wear the med-



More than 200 runners and walkers, all aged 55 and over, participated See Page 17 in the Forever Young 8K race.



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MLA John Yap and race co-ordinator John Young pose for a selfie with some of the more than 200 runners. Participants in the event, all 55 and over.





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als and event t-shirts symbolic of their physical achievements.

Blessed with near-perfect running weather, participants were also treated to spectacular natural scenery as they walked and ran along the north dyke and circled back through Terra Nova to the dvke and home to the Richmond Olympic Oval.

Young said the oval also lived up to its reputation to stage a "fabulous" event, which marked its inaugural year as hosts of the Forever Young 8K.

"And one great feature of our event is the generous number of draw prizes, with a one to two ratio, available to participants. We had over 100 draw prizes. Everyone agreed they are looking forward to coming back for 2018," said Young.

Walter Downey of Vancouver was first overall in a time of 31 minutes, 50 seconds, a very respectable time for the 55- to 59-yearold age group. Last year's winner, Craig Premack from Burnaby was close behind at 33:35. The top female finisher was Kelly Rowson from Surrey in a time of 40:40 in the 55 to 59 age category.

For complete results, visit www.foreveryoung8k.ca.

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Appeal for all ages in Gateway season opener

By LORRAINE GRAVES @LGsentinel

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Photo by Emily Cooper Rose McNeil and Arinea Hermans in musical A Little Night Music.



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Local exotic cars now have bespoke luxury garages in Richmond

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by the spring of 2019.

The project is already 80 per cent sold.

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Not a fan of Italian? No problem, drinks and a bite to eat with friends there's also Detroit, Goodwood and

Offered by Hungerford Properties, which could not be reached at VanDusen Botanical Garden for comment, The Trove Club is located at 13571 Sparwood Place, just east of Knight and Westminster

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Highway, a stone's throw from the Richmond Auto Mall.

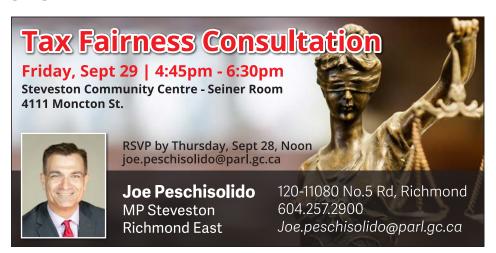
Trove owners will also have access to an annual calendar of VIP curated events, to be held in the Trove Club House.

The cost? Well, as the saying goes, if you have to ask, you probably can't afford it. Pricing wasn't available on the website and the developer could not be reached. It's a safe bet an unadorned garage will cost north of \$500,000, and the extras hundreds of thousands more.

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Across

- 1 Canning
- 3 Spring
- Autumnal
- Turkey
- 9 Harvest
- 12 Cranberry
- 14 Chlorophyll
- 15 LowBush
- 17 Dry
- 19 Thanksgiving

Down

- 2 Grape
- 3 Spud
- 4 AutumnalEquinox
- 5 Blueberries

- 7 Monkshood 10 Everbearing
- 11 Deciduous
- 13 Shorter
- 16 Equinox
- 18 Potato

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STECHER

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ship during his junior season in 2016 when he had eight goals and 21 points in 29 games as an alternate captain.

In 119 NCAA games, Stecher scored 13 goals and 53 points, opting to forgo his senior season to sign with the Canucks.

Passed over in previous NHL Entry Drafts, Stecher finally realized his childhood dream last April 13 when he signed a two-year, entry-level contract with the hometown Canucks.

Following an impressive training camp and pre-season with the club, their top minor-league affiliate Utica Comets but was recalled after only four games.

He played the balance of the year paired mostly on the right side of veteran Alex Edler. Stecher scored his first NHL goal, a memorable overtime winner, at home Nov. 13 versus the Dallas Stars. He finished the season

with three goals and 21 assists in 71 games.

Never one to take anything for granted, Stecher acknowledges the long grind of an NHL season was an adjustment coming from college where NCAA rules stipulated a maximum 34 regular-season games. But he said his goal in the off-season wasn't to get bigger, but rather continue to work on developing speed and quickness.

"I didn't want to take away from that I was definitely trying to get stronger, but didn't want to add too much mass. I want to find that balance."

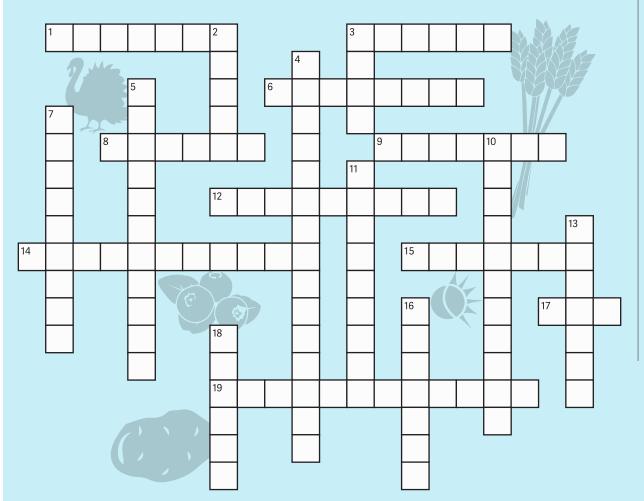
Stecher said though going to Cahe began the 2016-17 campaign with nucks' camp this year was different from last, at the end of the day he approached it with the same mindset: "go to camp and make sure I deserve to be there and prove to a lot of people that I've put my time in (training) this summer and haven't gotten complacent. I'm still trying to improve and help us win."

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Fun & Games

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ACROSS

- 1 Hot way to preserve food at home
- 3 Marcescent trees keep their dead leaves until
- 6 Adjective for the season
- 8 Thanksgiving fowl
- 9 Shine on moon, song

- 12 Thanksgiving sauce, uses Richmond product
- 14 Source of green leaf colour
- 15 Canadian name for lingonberries, __ _ _ cranberry
- 17 Preserve by desiccation
- 19 Canadian harvest festival



The goal of Sudoku is to fill a 9x9 grid with numbers so that each row, column and 3x3 section contain all of the digits between 1 and 9.

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DOWN

- 2 Vine fruit harvested this season
- 3 Nickname for potato
- 4 Day and night equal, seasonal
- 5 Local Vaccinium corymbosum ripe now in
- 7 Tall, poisonous, purple fall flower
- 10 Albion strawberries, available in fall are
- 11 Trees that lose their leaves this season
- 13 Hours of daylight getting
- 16 Day when sun sets and rises at ends of East-West Streets
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