

Summer Fun in Maple Ridge & Pitt Meadows



July

July 1- **Canada Day Celebrations** at 11am at Memorial Peace Park in Maple Ridge 9am at Spirit Square in Pitt Meadows

July 2- Summer Blockbuster "**Transformers 3: Dark of the Moon**" opens at Cineplex. For show times and locations visit: www.cineplex.com

July 3- **Adstock '11** is an annual free outdoor music festival that showcases local youth bands at the Memorial Peace Park/Bandstand from 1:00 - 8:00 pm. For details email Adam at burning_ray@hotmail.com or go to the Facebook page under "Adstock Maple Ridge"

July 4-The Royal Soccer Club is celebrating its **19th annual summer soccer camp**. Boys and girls between the ages of 5 and 13 can register for full day, morning and afternoon sessions with early drop off and late pickup times at no extra charge. We operate during July and August. For more information call 1-800-427-0536 or visit www.royalsoccer.com

July 5- Take a dip and cool down at **Hammond Stadium Pool**

July 6- Visit **Alouette Fresh** for some delicious Blueberry shakes

July 7- An event for the whole family! Come out to Memorial Peace Park and enjoy a **movie set under the night sky**. All movies are rated PG. Start times vary depending on weather and lighting. Thursday night July 7, 14, 29 August 4, 11, 18. Movie will begin no later than 8:30pm. Cost is Free! Check www.youthservices.ca for dates, time and movies

July 8- 10:30-11:15 am Reading is like magic - full of wonder and surprises! That's the message **magician Peter Rooke** shares with children of all ages in his 45-minute magic show filled with laughs and lots of audience participation. Tricks involving books and the importance of reading are cunningly woven into Peter's entertaining show. In case of rain, this program will take place in the Fraser Room at the library

July 9 & 10- **Maple Ridges' Annual Caribbean Festival** will again take place in the downtown core of Maple Ridge on 224th Street and the Peace Park at 12pm. The Festival will feature 2 stages with 15 live bands from the lower mainland's Caribbean community entertaining with REGGAE,CALYPSO,SALSA and SOCA MUSIC. Over 200 entertainers in all. 60 to 70 street vendors will be displaying their goods at the Caribbean open air market. For details visit: www.caribbeanfest.ca

July 11- **Music On The Wharf**. Join us for a summer music series held on Monday evenings that celebrate historic Port Haney. Concerts are held bi weekly on the Port Haney Wharf. For details, call the Maple Ridge Museum at 6044635311 or email mrmuseum@uniserve.com. Visit www.mapleridgemuseum.org for a list of performers. Twice in July, and twice in August on Monday nights at 7:30pm (except for the last Monday in August, which is at 7:00pm) the concert series features local and regional bands. The performers cover a variety of musical styles including Jazz, Blues, Bluegrass, Brass Band, Rock and Western. This is a great way to get to know the rich music scene in Maple Ridge. There is no seating provided at this event so bring a lawn chair

July 12- Go for a run on any of **Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows Trails**. Come to the Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Visitor Centre located on 12492 Harris Road to view the Outdoor Recreation Trails & Events Guide or go to www.mapleridge.ca to view it online

July 13- Go play **Tennis at Pitt Meadows Athletic Park** located 11431 Bonson Road

July 14- Take some riding lessons at **Evergreen Horse Stables** in Pitt Meadows. Go to www.evergreenstables.com or call 604-465-5694 for more information

July 15- **Movie premiere Harry Potter and The Deathly Hallows Part 2 at Cineplex** . For show times visit www.cineplex.com

July 16- Award winning **local historian Fred Braches** will be talking about the history and legends surrounding Slumach and the Pitt Lake gold bonanza as well as the current efforts to find the gold mine using new discoveries from historic records. At the Maple Ridge Library from 1pm-3pm.

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July 17- **Maple Ridge Art Gallery Biennale** For more information visit: www.theactmapleridge.org/Biennale

July 18- **Outdoor Pool Lessons** at Hammond Stadium or Harris Road Pool. Open July 1st to Labour Day in September. Monday to Sunday 12:30 PM-4:30 PM & 5:00 PM-7:30 PM.

July 19- The Maple Ridge Concert Band will be playing at the park in the bandstand, so long as good weather persists, come on out! **Twilight Tuesdays at Memorial Peace Park** 7:30- 9pm For more information visit: www.mrcb.ca

July 20- **Puppets in the Park-Deep in the Jungle** at Memorial Park Bandstand. Come and meet the library's smallest stars, our talented puppets and puppeteers who will tell all types of tales to amuse the whole family. Pack your dinner and bring it along to our fabulous evening of entertainment at the Memorial Peace Park Bandstand. In case of rain, this program will take place in the Fraser Room of the Maple Ridge Public Library.

July 21- **Bard on the Bandstand:** Comedy of Errors 6:30pm-9:30pm This is a free family event bring a lawn chair, a blanket, your family and a donation for the Friends in Need food bank. Come early to get a good spot! For details email emeraldpig@theatrebc.org or visit www.emeraldpig.ca

July 22- **Maple Ridge Country Music Festival.** For more information visit www.mrpmcountryfest.com.

July 23- **Country Fest.** The Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Agricultural Association was formed, and a set of Goals and Objectives were developed with the commitment to promote and educate the public about the importance of agriculture in our daily lives. The Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Agricultural Association has worked hard to develop a National and Provincial award winning, family oriented, and agriculturally educational annual event and is recognized as "one of the best". This event takes place July 23 & July 24 at the Albion Fairgrounds please visit www.mrpmcountryfest.com for more information

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July 26- **Mike's Critters** 1pm-2pm. Memorial Peace Park Bandstand on 224th. Mike Larson will be on hand to delight, educate and amaze audiences with his hands-on educational fun involving reptiles, amphibians, birds, insects arachnids, crustaceans and mammals from around the world. Join us for one hour of animal entertainment at its best. This is one of the Summer Reading Club provided by the Maple Ridge Public Library. In case of rain, this program will take place in the Fraser Room of the Library.

July 27- Wacky Wednesdays - **Beadmaking Workshop** 4pm- 5pm. Maple Ridge Public Library 130 22470 Dewdney Trunk Rd. Maple Ridge. Running out of things to do during summer vacation? Drop by the Maple Ridge Public Library and learn how to make beaded jewellery in our nice air-conditioned Fraser Room! Please leave your contact details at the Second Floor Information Desk. This program is for children in grades 4 and up.

July 28- **Movies by Moonlight**- How to Train Your Dragon. 7:30-11:45 pm. Memorial Peace Park on 224th Street. Cost is free! Start times are dependent on weather and lighting. Check www.youthservices.ca for dates, times, and movies

July 29- Don't feel like cooking tonight? Why not go out to **Lava Dining & Lounge**. Check out www.lavadininglounge.com to view their menu and call 604-476-0056 to make reservations!

July 30- **Alouette Tree Farm** has a blueberry festival

July 31- 1st Annual **Rotary Duck Race** at Memorial Peace Park on 224th. Go to www.rotaryduckrace.ca/index.php/contact for more information

August

August 1- Head out with some friends to play some **golf at Swan-E-Set**. Check out www.swaneset.com

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August 2- Summer Blockbuster, "**Cowboys vs. Aliens**", opens at Cineplex Odeon. Go to www.cineplex.com to find show times and locations

August 3- **Summer Serenade** July 27, 2011-August 31 (7:30 pm - 9:00 pm). Pitt Meadows Spirit Square (12027 Harris Road). The Bruce James Orchestra presents this summer music performance in the Pitt Meadows Spirit Square 12027 Harris Road (beside the Family Recreation Center). Every Wednesday, July 27 and Aug 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31, there will be a musical group performing from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm (weather permitting) Check www.brucejamesorchestra.com to find out the schedule of performers. Website: www.brucejamesorchestra.com

August 3- Take some **riding lessons at Evergreen Horse Stables** in Pitt Meadows. Go to www.evergreenstables.com or call 604-465-5694 for more information.

August 4- **Movies by Moonlight** 7:30 pm - 11:45pm Memorial Peace Park on 224 Steet in downtown Maple Ridge. An event for the whole family! Come out to Memorial Peace Park and enjoy a movie set under the night sky. All movies are rated PG. Start times vary depending on weather and lighting. Thursday night July 7, 14, 29 August 4, 11, 18. Movie will begin no later than 8:30pm. Cost is Free! Check www.youthservices.ca for dates, time and movies.

August 5- **Kayak at Alouette Lake**. Visit www.env.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/explore/parkpgs/golden_ears for more information

August 6- **Artists in the Park**, 100th Celebration. 11 am - 5 pm. Golden Ears Park at the Alouette South Beach Day-use area. Celebrating BC Parks, 100th Anniversary. Inspired by the natural beauty of the park artists from all disciplines will encourage participants of all ages to engage in activities, displays, demonstrations and entertainment. Activities include children's hands on art activities, a juried art show with demonstrations and a variety of entertainment throughout the day. Website: www.artintheparkmaplridge.com

August 7- Visit **Art Glass Design for glass art you can eat on!!**

August 8-Pack up the tent and all your camping gear and head to **Golden Ears for a camping trip!** Call 604-466-8325 or go to www.env.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/explore/parkpgs/golden_ears

August 9- Get the maximum thrill out of BC's nature by checking out **Wildplay Element Parks** located at 23485 Fern Crescent, Maple Ridge. To make reservations call 1-888-590-7274 (9am-5pm)

August 10- Book a tour for the **Blue Heron Fruit Winery**. Go to www.blueheronwinery.ca or call 604-465-5563 for more information

August 11 - **Museum Thursdays** at the **Pitt Meadows Museum**. During July and August the Museum runs its Heritage Thursdays craft sessions for children. These 2 hour camps are designed for children between the ages of 6 and 10, and introduce them to a variety of crafts both old and new. Organized and run by the Museum's summer students since 1996, the camps explore a variety of activities such as candle making and tie dying. Traditionally, the last camp in August is dedicated to games and hand-cranking ice cream. www.pittmeadowsmuseum.com

August 12- Get some exercise by enjoying a morning or afternoon bike ride! Come to Maple Ridge/ Pitt Meadows Visitor Centre to view the **Outdoor Recreation Guide** to view trails in the community or check out www.mapleridge-pittmeadows.com/outdoors/

August 13- **Breastfest** The third annual Breastfest fundraiser musical event at the Memorial Peace Park 224th will promote breast cancer awareness among young adults. Music entertainment will be featured by local youth bands. Money will be raised for the Canadian Cancer Society through donations, vending and raffling. For details, email Chad at breastfest08@gmail.com

August 14- Golf at **Heather Hills Golf Course**. Check out www.heatherhillsgolfcourse.com for more information

August 15- Find out more about self-drive camping rentals and go to www.canadian-adventure-rentals.com for more information

August 16- Don't like swimming? Want to cool off indoors during the hot weather? How about heading over to the library! **Maple Ridge Public Library** and the Pitt Meadows Public Library have fun events going on during the summer. Check out www.fvrl.bc.ca for more information!

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August 17- Head over to **Davidson's Pool** to go swimming or tubing for the day! Located on 128th Crescent, Maple Ridge, Davidson's Pool is a popular and scenic place in Maple Ridge to hang out during the summer

August 18- Check out **Loon Lake @ UBC Malcolm Knapp Research Forest**. Go to www.loonlake.ubc.ca to find out more!

August 19- **Pasta Night at Swan-E-Set** every Friday night in the West Coast Grill. Please call 604-465 -9380 for information and reservations. www.swanaset.com

August 20- Check out the **spray parks in Maple Ridge & Pitt Meadows**. The Kinsmen spray park and outdoor swimming pool is located at Maple Ridge Park and is open to the public on a weather permitting, seasonal basis. The Pitt Meadows spray park and outdoor pool is located at the Harris Park at 12460 Harris Road

August 21- A Sunday afternoon drive of the **Scenic 7**. Go to www.scenic7bc.com for more information on this beautiful route between Hope and Vancouver

August 22- Live life on the wild side with **Pacific Skydivers!** Go to www.pacificskydivers.com to find out more information or call to book an reservation at 604-465-7311

August 23- Walk along the **Trans-Canada Trail**. Visit www.tctrail.ca/home.php for more information on local trails.

August 24- Get lost and find your way around the 6.3 km Meadows Maze! Go to www.meadowsmaze.com or call 604-460-0603 for more information

August 25- Take a flight from the **Pitt Meadows Airport** to Chilliwack for the pie! Call 604-792-0814 for more information

August 26- **Maple Ridge Paintball!** Check out www.mapleridgepaintball.com or call 604-466-2744

August 27- Doggie Days at the **Haney Farmers Market**. Best dressed dog - prizes, parade + competition 10:30. Go to www.haneyfarmersmarket.org for more information

August 28- Dogs get hot during the heat too! Do you need somewhere to take your dog to cool off? How about heading up to **Golden Ears Provincial Park** and letting your dog off-leash in either the North Beach day-use area near the outflow area of Gold Creek into Alouette Lake or the Alouette day-use area between the boat launch and the canoe rental shop. Go to www.mapleridge.ca/assets/Default/Parks~and~Leisure~Services/pdfs/dog_off_leash_pamphlet.pdf to find other off-leash locations!

August 29- **Hockey Day at Osprey Village**. 10958 Barston View Road - by the Fraser River between Bonson & Harris Rd. This is a free event. Come enjoy an afternoon of good ol' fashion street hockey with your friends and neighbours. The drop in street hockey games are geared for ALL ages. Bring your stick, and if you can, one to spare. We will have a toddler rink, 2 youth rinks and 1 adult rink. ALL PROCEEDS go directly to local children to play hockey. On-site BBQ, prizes and special guests. E-mail hockeyday@gmail.com for more information

August 30- **Philosophers Café at the Library** Tuesdays Jul 5, 19, Aug 2, 16, 30- This program ends Aug 30th 7:00pm-8:00pm. Spend your summer evenings at the library drinking tea and discussing weighty issues like the relative pros and cons of capitalism and communism, the state of modern feminism or the idea of parenting licenses. This is a Student Library Council teen-run program. www.fvrl.bc.ca/play/programs_mapleridge.php

August 31- Don't miss out on the last Wednesday **Ladies Night at Meadows Gardens**. Go to www.meadowgardens.com for more information

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September

September 1- Check out the gorgeous trails in **Golden Ears Provincial Park** while the weather is still beautiful! Come to the Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Visitor Centre to get your map of the Golden Ears Provincial Park trails

September 2- Spend a family day at the **Maple Ridge Leisure Centre**. www.mapleridge.ca/EN/main/residents/parks_and_leisure.html or go to www.mapleridge.ca/EN/main/residents/935/arts_recreation.html to find out fun recreation programs!

September 3- Go to the Kanaka Regional Park to see the **Bell Irving Fish Hatchery**. Open weekends from 1-3pm. The hatchery includes rearing ponds, indoor tanks and exhibits. For more information please call 604-462-8643

September 4- Come to the Maple Ridge/ Pitt Meadows Visitor Centre to receive a free copy of our self-guided **Circle Farm Tour for 2011** and take a drive to see each of the Circle Farm Tour 2011 destinations! www.circlefarmtour.com

September 5- Go on a hike on the **UBC Research Forest** trails. www.mkrf.forestry.ubc.ca

September 6- Check out the movie **Apollo 18 at Cineplex Odeon** in Pitt Meadows! Go to www.cineplex.com for movie times

September 7- Check out some awesome birds at **Raptors Ridge Birds of Prey**. Go to www.raptorsridge.com for more information

September 8- **Bruce's Country Market dinner** from 4-8pm. Call 604-463-9817 or go to www.bruces.ca to find out more information

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