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White Rock Horror: 28-Year-Old Arrested in Fatal Stabbings; Community Mourns Kulwinder Sohi's Loss

By Link News Desk

White Rock Police have arrested and charged 28-year-old Dimitri Nelson Hyacinth from Surrey in relation to the stabbing that killed Kulwinder Singh Sohi, a young Punjabi male last week near White Rock Pier.

The same man was also charged in relation to the aggravated assault of Jatinder Singh on April 21. The two tragic incidents that occurred just days apart left the White Rock community shaken, concerned and feeling unsafe since the area is considered safe and the pier is one of the most popular lookout places for Lower Mainland families. The incidents also raised concerns among the Punjabi community as both the targets were Punjabi males.

Family and friends of Sohi and locals gathered in a vigil and attended a town hall to put forth some tough questions for the police and the local authorities. They demanded answers as to why more wasn't done to alert the public after the first non-fatal attack on April 21.

"There was nothing at the time to make us believe it was an active threat. ... We considered



it, it's always something top of my mind. Always," said White Rock RCMP Staff Sgt. Rob Dixon. Dixon shared that the number of police patrols along the promenade and Marine Drive increased immediately after the Sunday incident. Several members from the South Asian community also expressed how the two incidents, which saw South Asian men as victims, have been affecting their community.

The potential of racial targeting in the stabbings was raised multiple times.

White Rock RCMP responded to a report of Sohi's stabbing in the 15400-block of Marine Drive on April 23, 2024 at 9:26 p.m. Officers along with BC Ambulance Emergency Health Services attended and upon arrival, located a 26-year-old man,

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Family, friends of stabbing victim Kulwinder Sohi gathered in White Rock at a vigil and townhall to ask questions from authorities about the tragic killing

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Arjun Sahnan wanted Canada-wide

The Edmonton Police Service (EPS) has issued Canada-wide warrants for 19-year-old Arjun Sahnan, who is alleged to be responsible for three drive-by shootings believed to be connected to an ongoing extortion series. Investigators have determined that Sahnan fled to India, leaving on a flight that he had booked prior to committing the Winnipeg and Sherwood Park shootings. (Full Story on Page 10)



Three Indian nationals arrested in Edmonton in killing of Hardeep Singh Nijjar

SURREY: In a significant development in the high-profile murder investigation of Hardeep Singh Nijjar, Canadian police arrested and charged 3 suspects who are Indian nationals and non-permanent residents of Canada. The suspects were not known to the police. They have been living in Canada for between 3 to 4 years. The individuals Kamalpreet Singh, Karanpreet Singh and Karan Brar (all in their 20s) were arrested in Edmonton, Alberta on Friday morning from three different places.



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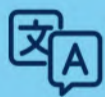
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Hardeep Sidhu charged with second-degree murder of Surrey woman

Hardeep Sidhu, 39, has been charged in relation to an April 2024 homicide in Surrey which police call an isolated incident where the victim and the suspect knew each other.

On April 26, 2024, the Surrey RCMP were notified after a 33-year old woman, later identified as Pawitarpreet Kaur Sidhu was found deceased inside her home. Frontline officers along with Surrey RCMP support units attended and took control of the scene. Evidence located on scene resulted in the deployment of the Integrated Homicide Investigation Team (IHIT), who have now taken conduct of the investigation, and continue to work closely in partnership with the Surrey RCMP, the BC Coroners Service and the Integrated Forensic Identification Section.

On May 1, 2024, with the assistance of members of the Canadian Border Services Agency (CBSA) and the Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit (CFSEU-BC), 39-year-old Hardeep Sidhu of Surrey was taken into custody in relation to the homicide and subsequently charged with second-degree murder.

"This was an isolated incident between parties that were known to each other," said Sgt. Timothy Pierotti of IHIT. "We're asking anyone with information or who had recent contact with the people involved, to contact IHIT immediately."

IHIT is asking anyone with information regarding the investigation, to contact the IHIT Information Line at 1-877-551-IHIT (4448) or by email at ihitinfo@rcmp-grc.gc.ca.

BC moves to ban drug use in public places

Amidst continuous pushback from various groups, health care workers and communities, the BC government has decided to ban the use of drugs in public places.

This will provide police with the power to enforce against drug use in all public places, including hospitals, restaurants, transit, parks and beaches.

This change, however, would not recriminalize drug possession in a private residence or place where someone is legally sheltering, or at overdose prevention sites and drug checking locations.

"Keeping people safe is our highest priority. While we are caring and compassionate for those struggling with addiction, we do not accept street disorder that makes communities feel unsafe," said Premier David Eby. "We're taking action to make sure police have the tools they need to ensure safe and comfortable communities for everyone as we expand treatment options so people can stay alive and get better."

Last year, B.C. began a pilot project allowing drug users to carry small amounts of illicit drugs, including fentanyl and cocaine, for their own use. B.C.'s three-year exemption under section 56(1) of the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act to decriminalize people who use drugs was first requested on Nov. 1, 2021, and enacted on Jan. 31, 2023.

Eby's government tried to ban drug use in a wide range of public places last year through provincial legislation, but the move was challenged and frozen in provincial court. This time, the premier is going further, asking the federal government — which has ultimate jurisdiction over criminal law in Canada — to dramatically scale back BC's ex-



emption in the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act.

The province has now requested a sweeping amendment to the federal exemption. Frustration over the slow pace of provincial court proceedings, and the "quickly escalating situation on the ground" with drug use in places like hospitals and restaurants convinced Eby to take a different approach, he said at a press conference in Vancouver.

Premier David Eby said Friday in Vancouver that he has received assurances from Prime Minister Justin Trudeau that the federal government will help ensure police can enforce a ban on illicit drug use in any public spaces, including parks, transit, hospitals, restaurants and beaches.

The B.C. government is currently working with Health Canada to urgently change the decriminalization policy to stop drug use in public and has requested an amendment to its s.56 exemption to exclude all public places. That includes a place to which the public has access as a right or by invitation, express or implied, whether or not a fee is charged for entry, and on public transit. Importantly, the Province is

working to ensure the exemption continues to apply to private residences, healthcare clinics that provide outpatient addictions services such as Rapid Access Addictions Clinics, sanctioned overdose prevention sites, including those operated by housing providers, as well as drug checking sites and to people lawfully sheltering overnight.

The Province is also working with police on guidance to ensure that people who merely possess drugs but are not threatening public safety, their own safety or causing a disturbance, will not be subject to arrest or charge.

Adrian Dix, minister of health also informed that the Ministry of Health is developing a consistent approach to prevent illicit drug use in B.C. hospitals through universal policies, practice requirements, and appropriate enforcement approaches. Working in partnership and consultation with First Nation and Indigenous partners, health-care providers, professional associations, health-care unions, patients and communities.

Vancouver Mayor Ken Sim welcomed the province's decision to ban use of drugs in public spaces. In a statement he said, "Our vision for Vancouver is of a secure and safe city, where families can ride the Sky Train or play in our beautiful parks with the assurance that these public spaces remain free from drug-related activities.

We also envision a city where those struggling with addiction receive the vital support they need for recovery and can find hope for a better future."

"Today's changes will make public drug use effectively illegal and provide the VPD with actual tools to maintain public safety.

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India summons Canadian diplomat over pro-Khalistan separatism slogans at Trudeau speech

The Indian government summoned Canada's Deputy High Commissioner Stewart Wheeler to explain "separatist slogans" shouted at Khalsa Day celebrations in Toronto where Prime

Minister Justin Trudeau gave remarks, India's Ministry of External Affairs said in a press release on Monday. According to an article in The National Post, the press release by the Indian

government states, "The Government of India's deep concern and strong protest was conveyed at such disturbing actions being allowed to continue unchecked at the event," the press release read. "This illustrates once again the political space that has been given in Canada to separatism, extremism and violence. Their continued expressions not only impact India-Canada relations but also encourage a climate of violence and criminality in Canada to the detriment of its own citizens." Justin Trudeau assured Canadians of Sikh heritage that his government will always be there to protect their rights and freedom. His statement came soon after the 'Khalistan Zindabad' slogans were raised on the occasion of Khalsa



Day on Sunday, April 28, in Toronto, according to a video in the YouTube channel of Canadian media organisation CPAC. Trudeau said, "The story of the Sikh community in Canada is, in fact, the story of the Canada...To the nearly 800 thousand Canadians of Sikh heritage across this country, we will always be there to protect your rights and your freedom, and we will always defend your community against hatred and discrimination." Your right to practice your religion freely, and without intimidation is exactly that. A fundamental right guaranteed in the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms that we will always stand up and defend you for," Trudeau assured the Sikh community in his Khalsa Day address. Trudeau's remarks come at a time when the diplomatic relations between India and Canada are going through a difficult phase. The killing of India-designated terrorist Hardeep Singh Nijjar, had sparked a row between India and Canada.

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SACH a Worthy Cause Fundraising Gala



SACH South Asian Community Hub Society held its First Annual SACH a Worthy Cause Fundraising Gala on Friday, April 26 at Crown Palace Banquet Hall in Surrey. The gala was a huge success with over 600 guests attending to raise money and awareness for the creation of a South Asian Community Hub in Surrey to support community members in need of culturally sensitive and linguistically relevant mental health, addiction, and social services. “Every individual we help has a unique story. Our outreach workers take time to understand their story and provide culturally and linguistically appropriate services in a timely manner. Our holistic approach helps individuals navigate complex systems and provides support to the family members who are also affected,” said Daljit Gill-Badesha, executive director, South Asian Community Society. The Province contributed \$100,000 to SACH to support its work. This is the second year SACH has received provincial funding for a total of \$200,000 for its ongoing operations. SACH provides peer support, outreach, harm reduction and personal hygiene supplies, as well as opportunities for social connection for people who might be isolated. “People of South Asian heritage who want to reach out for support often face significant barriers, like stigma, language, racism and lack of culturally appropriate care,” said Jennifer Whiteside, Minister of Mental Health and Addictions. “Through peer support, SACH helps provide that much-needed connection to make it easier for South Asian people to connect to the programs and services that meet their specific needs. This way, people get the right kind of supports on their path to wellness and to a better quality of life.” This year’s funding will support three part-time outreach workers, as well as a part-time social media engagement and outreach worker.



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Sharry Mann to Perform at Vancouver Bandits June 1st South Asian Heritage Game

VANCOUVER, BC: The Vancouver Bandits announced this week that internationally celebrated vocalist and actor Sharry Mann will perform at Langley Events Centre (LEC) on Saturday, June 1 when the Bandits host the visiting Calgary Surge for the club's first-ever South Asian Heritage Game.

Exclusive to ticketholders for the Bandits' game day, Mann will delight Bandits fans in attendance with two performances on June 1st; including a pre-game concert in the arena bowl and a half-time show during the intermission between the second and third quarters of gameplay.

Fans in attendance are kindly encouraged to arrive prior to 7 p.m. PT to ensure that they have time to find parking (free on-site at LEC) and locate their seats before Mann's performance, which will be shortly after the top of the hour before the Bandits and Surge tip-off at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets for Mann's highly anticipated concert; which is included in the cost of a

Bandits game ticket, are on sale now at this link. Admission to the concert and game are combined and start at \$27.50 per ticket. All ticket prices are inclusive of taxes and fees.

A world-renowned artist famous for his appearances and chart-topping hits in Punjabi music and film, Mann has amassed hundreds of millions of plays on YouTube and Spotify; including tracks such as '3 Peg' (800+ million plays on YouTube, 50+ million Spotify streams) and Hostel (250+ million plays on YouTube, 13+ million Spotify streams).

Mann's success has paved the way for the talented artist to be recognized globally. Recent recognition includes winning best music video at the Brit Asia TV Music Awards for 'Yaar Chadeya' in 2019, as well as having various tracks appear in the Top 40 of the Britain's Official Charts.

The June 1st Canadian Elite Basketball League (CEBL) match-up between Vancouver and Calgary will be the first

time that the Western Conference foes have met since Calgary inched past Vancouver in last year's Western Conference Finals. Adding to the game's excitement is the debut of the Bandits' South Asian Heritage jersey, designed by Sandeep Johal to be worn by Vancouver at the game to honour and celebrate the culture and artistry of South Asia.

"I am thrilled to welcome Sharry Mann and his management to Langley Events Centre for what will surely be one of the most exciting games of the 2024 CEBL season. Fans in attendance will be treated to two awesome musical performances courtesy of Sharry as well as a must-watch rematch against our rivals from Calgary," said Bandits team president Dylan Kular.

Vancouver will play a total of 10 regular season home games in 2024 between Thursday, May 23 and Thursday, July 18. The Bandits wrap up regular season action



on the road against Montréal on Sunday, July 28 at 1 p.m. PT.

All CEBL regular season games including playoffs will be live-streamed on TSN+, as well as the CEBL's OTT platform, CEBL+, and on CEBL Mobile, the official app of the CEBL (available on Android and iOS devices).

Individuals interested in ticket flexibility or purchasing a bundle of tickets are invited to consider a flex pack or season tickets. More information can be found at thebandits.ca/tickets or by speaking with a Bandits representative by calling (604) 455-8881 or emailing tickets@thebandits.ca.

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BC moves to...

This change aligns with the critical work we have already undertaken with the federal and provincial governments to address open drug use in public areas, especially around playgrounds, splash pads, beaches, and sports fields. These spaces should be free from drug-related activities, ensuring that families and children can enjoy them without exposure to harmful substances," he added.

Opposition leader Kevin Falcon, whose party has been asking the provincial government to scrap the decriminalization pilot all together, said, "Today's announcement is nothing more than political damage control by David Eby to mask the obvious

conclusion that his reckless decriminalization experiment has failed as he now tries to hide the chaos and harm his policies have caused. Over the past 15 months, it has become painfully clear that this policy has neither saved lives nor reduced drug overdoses, but has instead spread harm and disorder in communities across British Columbia."

"Instead of upholding their commitments to scrap the decriminalization pilot when it clearly wasn't meeting its goals, David Eby and the NDP have stubbornly persisted with this dangerous policy. From its inception, the decriminalization experiment has failed to connect drug users with any necessary treatment or recovery services. The entire NDP approach has been built around normalizing drug use, which only further harms kids and communities," Falcon said.

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Missing person to locate: Simran Khattrra

Surrey RCMP is requesting the public's assistance in locating a missing female.

Simran was last seen at approximately 6:30 pm on April 27, 2024 in the 13300 Block of 88 Avenue in Surrey. She has not been seen or heard from since.

She is described as a 19-year-old South Asian female, 5'3", 159 lbs, with brown eyes and black hair. Simran KHATTRA was seen leaving her residence on foot wearing a black hoodie and grey sweat pants. (Please see attached photo). Police and family are concerned for her health and well-being.



Anyone with more information is asked to contact the Surrey RCMP at 604-599-0502 and quote file# 24-59176. If you wish to make an anonymous report please contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS or www.solvecrime.ca.

Obituary: Sardarni Ranjit K Rattan

With heavy hearts, we convey that Sardarni Ranjit K Rattan, whose ancestral village was Singawalla (Zila) Moga, after completing her world journey has peacefully passed away on April 29th, 2024.

She had been living in Vancouver, BC since 1967. Her funeral will be taking place on Mon, May 6th @ 2:30 pm at Five Rivers Funeral Home located at 7410 Hopcott Rd, Delta, BC. Her Antim Ardass will be at Sat Guru Ram Singh Sat Sang located at 5588 Joyce St, Vancouver at 5 PM.

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Surrey RCMP is seeking public's assistance in identifying break and enter suspects

In an effort to advance an investigation into an attempted break and enter into a residence, Surrey RCMP is sharing an image and video of the suspects involved. On April 28, 2024 at approximately 11:36 am, Surrey RCMP responded to an attempted break and enter to a home in the 7200-block of 189 Street. Two men attended the front door of the residence and used a breaking and entering tool as well as physical force in their attempt to gain entry. They did not gain entry to the home and they fled from the property prior to police arriving on scene. When officers arrived on scene, they conducted extensive patrols in the area; however, the suspects were not located. "We believe this was a targeted, isolated incident and thankfully entry was not gained," says Corporal Sarbjit K. Sangha. "This was a brazen daytime attempt-



ed break and enter into a home and we are sharing this image and video with the public in an effort to identify these two individuals".

The suspects are described as follows: Suspect one is described as a black male,

medium build and he was wearing a grey hoodie with insignia "X CORP" at the front, black pants, black balaclava mask and black gloves. Suspect two is described as a Caucasian male, medium build, black "Bench" jacket with a hood,

black pants, a black facemask and camo gloves.

If you can identify these individuals or have any information regarding this incident, please call Surrey RCMP at 604-599-0502 and quote file 2024-59436.

Amritpal Dhindsa charged in Newton townhouse fire

Surrey RCMP took Amritpal Dhindsa, 22-years-old, in custody after reports of a Newton townhouse fire which is believed to be suspicious in nature. The Surrey RCMP responded to a report of a fire at a townhouse complex in the 12700 block of 66 Avenue on April 26, 2024 at approximately 12:30 pm. Police officers along with the Surrey Fire Department attended the scene as multiple neighboring residences were evacuated as efforts were made to contain the fire. A total of three units were directly affected by the fire. There were no reported injuries to the occupants of the

townhouses. Dhindsa, was taken into custody in relation to this incident. He has been charged with the following offences: arson, assault with a Weapon, uttering threats, possession of a weapon for a dangerous purpose x2. Dhindsa has been remanded until his next court appearance on May 3, 2024. The Surrey RCMP asked that anyone who may have witnessed the incident or has CCTV or dash camera footage while in the area around the time of the incident, to contact the Surrey RCMP at 604-599-0502 and quote file number 2024-58390.

Indo-Canadian man Posing as investment firm representative arrested

A 24-year-old Brampton man has been arrested in an investment scam in which he acted to be from the investment firm Schroders and offering fraud investments. The police have arrested and charged an Indo-Canadian man Arvinder Singh. However, investigators believe there may be additional victims. According to the police, it is alleged that the suspects are placing advertisements with internet search engine providers to promote various fraudulent investments. The advertisements link to fraudulent investment comparison sites, and will prompt victims to supply their name, telephone number and email address. Once the informa-

tion has been provided, suspects posing as representatives of Schroders Management Inc. will then call victims, Suspects will then email fraudulent Schroders prospectuses and application forms to victims. Suspects will offer high return on investments with seemingly little or no risk. One victim in Toronto was defrauded of over \$200,000.00 Canadian Dollars, the police informed. Singh has been charged with fraud Over \$5000. Investigators believe there may be additional victims. **Tips for prospective investors:**

- be wary of any cold calls and/or unsolicited persons offering investments opportunities
- do not rush into making a decision. If possible, consult with a

known financial planner and/or financial institution such as your home bank

- contact the alleged investment company by phone to ensure the person is employed by them
- conduct a Google search for any scams or complaints associated with the investment company
- contact Police if you suspect you have been the victim of an Investment Scam

Members of the public are reminded to be vigilant any time they're searching for investment opportunities. Anyone with information is asked to contact police at 416-808-4300, Crime Stoppers anonymously at 416-222-TIPS (8477), or at www.222tips.com.



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Fuel fraud investigation in Delta leads to large-scale illegal drug recovery

What started as a small investigation focused on fuel purchase fraud, quickly grew into a long-term project that has resulted in five individuals facing 47 charges including controlled drugs and substances, firearms, and a civil forfeiture process.

In February 2023, the Delta Police Department's (DPD) Crime Reduction Unit (CRU) learned of a fuel fraud scheme involving fraudulent cardlock cards being produced and used. Dozens of fraudulent transactions had been conducted with a value of greater than \$25,000. The investigation identified an organized group was involved in the fraud.

In April 2023, the CRU executed a search warrant related to the fuel fraud investigation at a property in the 6100 block of 104th Street, Delta. As a result of



the search warrant, a number of criminal offences were identified including: loaded restricted and prohibited guns; a fully operational drug lab; and an illegal marijuana grow operation.

As a result, \$1,000,000 street value



Robert Johan Simonsen of Surrey, Richard Stephen Voszler of Delta, Robert Joseph Stephen Lavalee of Surrey, Robert Sean Rylands of Abbotsford, and Norman Sterner of Delta.

Two of the five individuals charged have been arrested in relation to this investigation, while the remaining three accused are currently wanted on unendorsed warrants. We ask that the named individuals turn themselves in to the DPD for processing of their warrants.

"When we commence an investigation, we follow the evidence, and we don't necessarily know where a specific file is going to go. Our CRU showed commitment and follow-through on a complex investigation, with a complex disclosure package. I am very proud of the work of our CRU members. I would also like to acknowledge our Federal Crown partners who approved the charges in a complex and difficult file," stated Chief Neil Dubord, when asked about this investigation.

drugs were seized along with vehicles associated to organized crime. At the time of warrant execution, one man was arrested on an outstanding Canada-wide warrant. Two vehicles have since been subject to civil forfeiture proceedings, while other civil forfeiture processes are still in progress.

On April 22nd, 2024, the Public Prosecution Service Canada (PPSC) approved charges against 5 individuals

3-month-old, grandparents visiting from India killed in Toronto highway crash

Ontario's Special Investigations Unit (SIU) informed about a crash that killed four people, including a three-month-old boy, after police chased a suspect through oncoming traffic on Highway 401 east of Toronto.

Two grandparents, a 60-year-old man and 55-year-old woman, were killed in the collision, said the SIU, the organization that examines deaths involving police in Ontario. Both grandparents were visiting Canada from India, the agency said in a news release.

The infant's parents, a 33-year-old father and 27-year-old mother, were also injured in the crash, the SIU said, adding that they are residents of Ajax, Ont. The parents were in the same car as the grandparents

and the baby, according to the news release.

That chase ended in a fatal collision that involved at least six vehicles, according to the SIU. The robbery suspect was also killed.

From the cargo van initially being investigated by police and involved in the collision the 21-year-old male driver was pronounced deceased at the scene. The 38-year-old male passenger was transported to hospital for treatment of serious injuries.

Two subject officials and four witness officials have been designated. The SIU has assigned seven investigators, one forensic investigator and one collision reconstructionist to the case.



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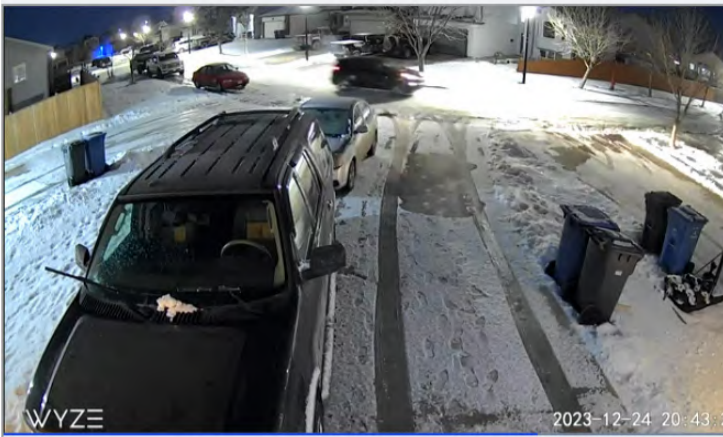
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Canada-wide warrant issued for Arjun Sahnan alleged shooter in Edmonton extortion incidents

Investigators have determined that Sahnan fled to India after shootings, second suspect, vehicle still outstanding

The Edmonton Police Service (EPS) has issued Canada-wide warrants for 19-year-old Arjun Sahnan, who is alleged to be responsible for three drive-by shootings believed to be connected to an ongoing extortion series. Investigators have determined that Sahnan fled to India, leaving on a flight that he had booked prior to committing the Winnipeg and Sherwood Park shootings.

The police said on Dec. 21, 2023, at 2:50 a.m. in the Cy Becker neighbourhood in Edmonton, shots were fired at an upstairs bedroom window where the homeowners were sleeping. Four other occupants, two of them children, were also asleep in the home at the time of the shooting.



Video: drive-by shooting in Winnipeg

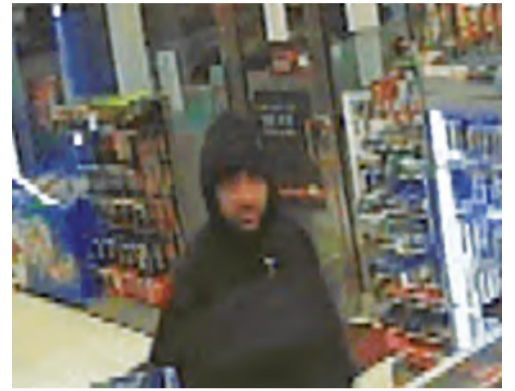
Days later, on Dec. 24, 2023, at 8:45 p.m., shots were fired at a home in northwest Winnipeg that was occupied by several family members. One bullet traveled through a bedroom, barely miss-

ing the occupant inside, and passed through a connecting wall into an adjacent occupied room. The shooting was captured on security cameras in the area. The suspect vehicle

is a black SUV with no front license plate, which is unusual in Manitoba. Police are looking for information about this vehicle.

In both the Edmonton and Winnipeg shootings, the homeowner was extorted for money and threatened prior to the shooting. No one was injured in either shooting.

On Dec. 29, 2023, at 1:08 a.m., shots were fired at an unoccupied home in the Fountain Creek neighborhood of Sherwood Park. One bullet traveled through



a window into a children's playroom and struck a toybox inside. No one was injured, and the suspect vehicle was captured on security cameras in the area. The homeowner received no threats prior to the shooting, and investigators believe the shooter accidentally targeted the wrong house.

Through ballistic analysis, police have determined that the same gun was used in all three drive-by shootings. Canada-wide warrants have been issued for Sahnan, who is alleged to be responsible for the shootings. FIU investigators have determined that Sahnan fled to India, leaving on a flight that he had booked prior to committing the Winnipeg and Sherwood Park shootings.

"Our Firearms Investigation Unit is a sophisticated team with the resources to investigate these complex files, regardless of where the offences take place," says S/Sgt. Eric Stewart, Guns and Gangs Section. "Committing gun crime in other provinces and fleeing the country will not prevent us from charging a suspect and holding them accountable."

Citizens are asked to reach out to police with any information about Sahnan's whereabouts. Investigators are also asking the public for tips regarding a second suspect connected to the Winnipeg shooting, as seen in the surveillance images below.

On Apr. 24, FIU executed search warrants and arrested an individual in connection to a Jan. 10, 2024 drive-by shooting at a Cy Becker residence occupied by a family with children. No one was struck in that shooting, although bullets were recovered from inside the home. Police had previously issued a news release seeking information about the suspect vehicle in that shooting, which has since been identified. The firearm used in that shooting is still outstanding, and FIU investigators are working to locate it. Anyone who has information about the suspects, suspect vehicle, or the events related to this crime series is asked to contact police immediately at projectgaslight@edmonton-police.ca or 780-391-4279. Anonymous information can also be submitted to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 or online at www.p3tips.com/250.

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BC to offer rebate on construction of Secondary suite

BC has launched a three-year pilot of the new Secondary Suite Incentive Program.

Starting Thursday, May 2, 2024, homeowners in most B.C. municipalities and regional districts can apply to the program through BC Housing's secondary suite website.

The program will offer forgivable loans of as much as 50% of the total cost of renovations, up to a maximum of \$40,000, for successful applicants to add a secondary suite or accessory dwelling unit (garden suite, laneway house, carriage home, etc.) on the property of their primary residence. The loan can be forgiven if the new unit

is rented at below market rates for at least five years.

Approximately 1,000 homeowners each year will receive forgivable loans, which will add 3,000 new rental units at below-market rates. Those rates for bachelor, one-bedroom, two-bedroom and three-bedroom-plus units have been set for 2024-25.

To be eligible, homeowners must also:

- * obtain a building and occupancy permit from their local government;
- * have a combined gross annual income of homeowners on title of less than \$209,420; and
- * have a BC Assessment value on their



Fraud suspect in multiple Lower Mainland jurisdictions arrested and charged

A suspect who committed multiple frauds throughout the Lower Mainland has been arrested and charged.

In January 2024, Surrey RCMP frontline responded to three separate complaints where people were selling merchandise on a social media platform and became victims of fraud. Some victims reported being shown an envelope of money when they met with the buyer, but later discovered they did not receive the agreed-upon payment. Surrey RCMP frontline officers took conduct of the files, as there were similarities in all three investigations.

Upon further review of these investigations, the officer found more files of the same nature in other cities in the Lower Mainland. This included Vancouver, Burnaby, Richmond, West Vancouver and Maple Ridge. Surrey RCMP officers took over all of the investigations, and were able to identify a suspect based on the evidence gathered. The primary investigator with Surrey RCMP frontline was in the process of completing a report

to Crown Counsel when he received information that the suspect had been arrested by Toronto Police on April 8, 2024.

The officer was able to complete the report to Crown Counsel on an urgent basis which allowed a Canada wide warrant to be issued with transport custody to Surrey.

Forty-four-year-old Florian Dinca of Quebec is charged with two counts of fraud and nine counts of fraud over \$5000. On April 28, 2024, Dinca was transferred to Surrey pre-trial and remains in custody until his next court appearance on May 3, 2024.

"This was a complex investigation which included multiple jurisdictions. The primary investigator's dedication and investigative skills were paramount in identifying the suspect", says Cpl. Sarbjit K. Sangha Media Relations Officer. Anyone who is a victim of fraud is encouraged to contact their local police and make a report.

property below the homeowner grant threshold (\$2.15 million in 2024).

Homeowners who want to know if they're eligible for the program can check BC Housing's website. Eligible applications to the program will be approved on a first-come, first-served basis by BC Housing.

To see rates for bachelor, one-bedroom,

two-bedroom and three-bedroom-plus units for 2024-25, visit: <https://www.bchousing.org/sites/default/files/media/documents/BC-RAHA-Rent-Affordability-Limit.pdf>

For information about the Secondary Suite Incentive Program, to sign up for updates and check eligibility, visit: <https://bchousing.org/secondary-suite>

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PICS Society to Introduce Inclusive Cricket Services for Newcomers

Progressive Intercultural Community Services (PICS) Society is thrilled to announce a landmark collaboration with Last Man Stands Canada DEI Foundation (LMS Canada) aimed at enhancing sports-related services, specifically cricket, for newcomers, youths, seniors, women, and all stakeholders of PICS. The agreement, signed on April 29th, 2024 signifies a significant step forward in providing comprehensive support to newcomers to Canada. PICS President & CEO Satbir S. Cheema expressed his enthusiasm, stating, "Finally, PICS will offer cricket through LMS, providing valuable opportunities for newcomers to Canada who come through our organization. This partnership is a testament to our commitment to supporting newcomers in their journey."



PICS President & CEO Satbir S. Cheema with Emrul Hasan, Director of LMS Canada

The event, attended by key figures including PICS Senior Director of Language, Settlement, and Social Programs, Ms. Devinder Chattha, highlighted the importance of focusing on the mental and physical well-being of newcomers, particularly international students. Chattha emphasized, "It's crucial for newcomers, especially international students, to prior-

itize their well-being. This partnership with LMS Canada will enrich the experience for all stakeholders of PICS." Dr. Emrul Hasan, Director of LMS Canada and a very well-known lecturer at University of British Columbia, signed the agreement on behalf of LMS Canada, expressing his optimism about the partnership. "Through this collaboration, we can significantly increase the number of newcomers supported by our innovative programs, including Afghan refugees. Additionally, we aim to double the support for international university students through sponsorship and funding for our LMS Canadian university cricket league." In conjunction with the partnership, LMS Canada and PICS distributed newcomer boxes sponsored by Canadian Tire to

newcomers to Canada, further enhancing their integration into Canadian society.

Canada announces full pause on Self-Employed Persons Program



Marc Miller

Marc Miller, Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship, recently announced several changes to Canada's federal business programs in order to help reduce processing times and the application backlog. These changes take effect on April 30, 2024.

To improve the Start-up Visa Program, Canada will encourage designated venture capital firms, angel investor groups and business incubators to focus on the most promising proposals by:

- capping the number of permanent residence applications we will accept for processing each year to those associated with no more than 10 start-ups per designated organization
- providing priority processing for entrepreneurs whose start-up is supported by Canadian capital or by a business incubator that is a member of Canada's Tech Network, including applications in the inventory and new applications as they are submitted

In addition, Minister Miller announced a full pause on application intake for the Self-Employed Persons Program to focus on processing applications from the inventory, starting April 30, 2024. The Self-Employed Persons Program provides a pathway to permanent residence for people with notable experience in art, culture, recreation or sports and who will contribute to Canada's cultural vitality.

"Due to the high number of applications submitted for this program, processing times have increased to beyond four years. While the pause is in place, IRCC will continue finalizing applications from the backlog while assessing options for reforming the program and ensuring its integrity," he said.



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Exploring Pakistan's Historic Gems: A Journey from Lahore to Rawalpindi and Beyond

By Balwant Sanghera

After spending a few days in Lahore and visiting some of the Sikh Gurdwaras in the area it was time to move out to Islamabad and its neighboring city Rawalpindi. We set out from Lahore to visit both of these cities and other historical places in the area. The motorway (highway) to both cities is excellent. That made our five-hour journey to be quite pleasant and comfortable. Along the way, we saw a lot of large gardens laden with fruit. Also, it was great to see rest areas along the way. These rest areas had not only good

washrooms but also decent shopping facilities and restaurants.

At one of the rest areas, we were pleased to see a tea stall selling almost twenty different varieties of tea. As we got closer to Islamabad, hills and mountains came into sight. The scenery along the entire route was also very pleasing. Finally, after a couple of stops along the way and five hours drive, we arrived at our hotel in Rawalpindi.

Both Islamabad and Rawalpindi are beautiful cities. Islamabad, being the capital city of Pakistan, is quite a modern city with wide roads and lots of facilities. However, its



neighbour Rawalpindi has a lot of history behind it.

Next day we left for Hasn Abdal, home of the Panja Sahib Gurdwara. The motorway from Islamabad to Hasn Abdal and on to Peshawar is also in very good shape. Between Islamabad and Peshawar lies the historic Indus Valley. This reminds one of various foreign invaders who came through to loot and massacre innocent people of Punjab in particular and India in general like Alexander the Great, Mahmood Gaznavi, Mohammad Gauri and Babur etc. This area is also the cradle of ancient civilizations like Mohenjo-Daro and Harappa. This area was also home to one of India's ancient and prominent universities, Taxila. Also, this was the area ruled by Maharaja Ranjit Singh.

Soon, we were in Hasn Abdal, paying our respects at Gurwara Panja Sahib. The Gurdwara management and volunteers gave us a very warm welcome and showed us around. The water coming from the spring on the hillside was very tasty. The Gurdwara has been well maintained by the management. All of us were pleased to fit our hands (panjas) into the Panja carved in stone at this Gurdwara.

Aimnabad and Peshawar are close by. Aimnabad is the same town where Guru Nanak ji was staying after his trip to the Middle East. It was the same time when Mughal ruler Babar had commenced his invasion of India and happened to be in Aimnabad. There was lot of bloodshed on the streets of Aimnabad. It was here that Guru ji called Babar, a jabar (Butcher. After paying our obeisance at this Gurdwara and having langar we headed back to Taxila.

Taxila was a very prominent ancient university. Like the Nalanda University in Bihar, Taxila played a very important role in producing many prominent scholars. My wife Baldev and I had the honour of visiting Nalanda University a few years ago. To its credit, the Archeological Survey of India has been doing an excellent job in restoring Nalanda university to its original form.

However, in Taxila's case, the government has collected all of the relevant artifacts, historical documents and other paraphernalia and placed it in a very impressive museum in Taxila. We were pleased to visit this museum on our way back to Rawalpindi.

The chief curator of the museum shared with us the history and other information about the university, the Archeological Museum, and Ancient Buddhist Monuments of Taxila, the Indus Valley Civilization making our trip productive and memorable. (Balwant Sanghera is a retired School Psychologist and Community Activist. He has just returned from a trip to India and Pakistan)

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<p>986 HABGOOD STREET FOR SALE \$1,299,900</p> <p>Ideal location just steps from Marine Drive! This presents an excellent chance to construct your dream three-story home on this stunning ocean-view property. The rectangular lot comes with ready-to-go plans, allowing for a spacious 4,500 SF residence with a legal suite featuring two bedrooms. The fully serviced lot is conveniently situated within walking distance to both levels of school and public transit. With easy access to the Peace Arch Border and Highway 99, this location is perfect for those on the go. Embrace the finest aspects of White Rock's lifestyle, including top-notch restaurants, the beach, shops, and the iconic Pier.</p>	<p>12364 53 AVENUE FOR SALE \$6,199,000</p> <p>This Property is located in the prestigious Panorama Ridge neighbourhood with development potential. 2.92 Acres of LAND! Property is free of creeks, right of ways and easements. Rectangular parcel. Please call for additional information.</p>	<p>3030 16 HIGHWAY FOR SALE \$3,199,900</p> <p>"Pleasant Valley Motel" located at 3030 Highway 16 in Houston, B.C. This property consists of a 51 unit motel plus a full service restaurant and living quarters for the owner/manager.</p>	<p>12491 57A AVENUE FOR SALE \$2,349,900</p> <p>PRESTIGIOUS PANORAMA RIDGE! Corner Lot! BUILD YOUR DREAM HOME. This 20,000+ SQ.FT Lot is located on one of the most sought after neighbourhoods in all of Surrey - PANORAMA RIDGE! Surrounded by multi-million dollar homes this is your chance to build your dream home. Corner lot location allows for easy design and loads of windows and ultimate privacy. Please call for more details.</p>	<p>12420 80 AVENUE FOR SALE \$1,899,000</p> <p>WEST NEWTON HOME! Three level home built by experienced builder. This exceptional quality build includes an open concept plan, high quality throughout, radiant heat along with A/C and appliances. The main floor has a family room, BEDROOM with ensuite which could be used as a den, living & dining rooms, powder room, mudroom, dream kitchen with a spice kitchen and a covered patio area leading to the backyard. The floor above has 4 bedrooms plus 2 ensuites and one central bathroom. The floor below has 2 bedroom suite and 1 bedroom suite with separate entrances from below the covered patio. Lane access leads to the double garage. This home is centrally located close to Scott Road and other major roads. Perfect home for the growing family!</p>	<p>13422 60 AVENUE FOR SALE \$1,779,000</p> <p>Concealed Gem! Pristine, impeccably kept, 4-bedroom home with a 1 bedroom suite! Located in a fantastic family-oriented community. Stunning craftsmanship evident throughout. Laminate flooring complements the aesthetic. Upgraded windows installed in 2017. Spacious garage boasting 8' high doors. Includes covered RV parking and two garden sheds. The backyard is a distinctive highlight, fully fenced and landscaped with charming park-like attributes facing south. Perfect for outdoor gatherings and leisure. Conveniently situated near Aspen Park, transportation, shopping centers, and schools. A delight to present!</p>
<p>22442 125 AVENUE FOR SALE \$1,149,000</p> <p>A fantastic opportunity awaits with this updated four-bedroom residence, ideally positioned at the cul-de-sac's end on a pie-shaped lot, just a short stroll from downtown Maple Ridge! The kitchen boasts quartz counters, stainless steel appliances (including a built-in microwave), and hardwood floors. Flowing seamlessly from the kitchen, the generous dining and living spaces feature a natural wood fireplace framed by a built-in entertainment unit. The master bedroom includes a 3-piece ensuite and a walk-in closet. The fully finished basement is perfect for guests or in-laws. Noteworthy features include a 2-year-old high-efficiency furnace and an 11-year-old roof. Commuters will value the proximity to Golden Ears Way! Book your showing today!</p>	<p>14753 62 AVE FOR SALE \$1,999,000</p> <p>SULLIVAN STATION BRAND NEW HOUSE. Features 8 BEDROOMS & 7 WASHROOMS! You are welcomed into this custom built beauty with beautiful finishes. Bright and spacious living and dining rooms. Custom built kitchen along with a spice kitchen! Huge family room with big windows to soak in that natural light. There is also a den/bedroom on the main with a FULL washroom. Glass railings throughout. Modern design and finishes. Upstairs there are 4 bedrooms, 3 with their private ensuites and good size closets! Also a large patio in the basement there is a large media room perfect for entertaining with a 2 piece washroom. There are also 2 MORTGAGE HELPERS! Fully finished 2+1 suites with their own separate entrances. This home truly has it ALL! Perfect for the growing family.</p>	<p>13422 60 AVENUE FOR SALE \$1,779,900</p> <p>Concealed Gem! Pristine, impeccably kept, 4-bedroom home with a 1 bedroom suite! Located in a fantastic family-oriented community. Stunning craftsmanship evident throughout. Laminate flooring complements the aesthetic. Upgraded windows installed in 2017. Spacious garage boasting 8' high doors. Includes covered RV parking and two garden sheds. The backyard is a distinctive highlight, fully fenced and landscaped with charming park-like attributes facing south. Perfect for outdoor gatherings and leisure. Conveniently situated near Aspen Park, transportation, shopping centers, and schools. A delight to present!</p>	<p>6012 130A STREET FOR SALE \$1,899,000</p> <p>PANORAMA RIDGE BEAUTY! 7 bed 6 bath home with top quality finishing, Open Layout, Bright and Spacious with a HUGE theatre room + half bath in basement and BONUS 2 Bedroom Legal Suite! 4 Bedrooms upstairs and 1 on the main! Gourmet Kitchen & Spice Kitchen with Pantry, Big Family Room, Laundry and Mud Room on the Main Floor, High End stainless steel appliances. Other features include centrally A/C, Radiant Heat and loads of windows to soak in the natural light. Located in the prestigious panorama ridge neighbourhood. Open house March 23/24 from 2:00-4:00 pm.</p>	<p>15451 KILMORE PLACE FOR SALE \$1,949,900</p> <p>Arguably the best neighbourhood in all of Surrey! Located in what is known as the "K subdivision in Sullivan Station! RENOVATED 2 level executive home with over 2,500 sq.ft. of living space on a MASSIVE & CORNER lot 13,585 sq.ft. lot WITH 151 FT FRONT! The home is RENOVATED and features 3 bedrooms and 3 bathrooms. Renovations include new oak flooring, kitchen mouldings, lights, railings, bathrooms, 5 y/o hot water tank, new windows and gutters. Main floor features living room, dining room, kitchen and eating area. Good size family room which leads into the backyard. Upstairs you have 3 good size bedrooms and 2 bathrooms. Located in an excellent neighbourhood.</p>	<p>13075 74 AVENUE FOR SALE \$1,689,900</p> <p>This stunning residence in West Newton partially renovated with new paint, flooring, updated washrooms, kitchen/appliances and more! It's nestled on a tranquil street close to a park and elementary school, is sure to captivate you! Situated adjacent to the BC Bio Lab, it boasts added privacy. Sitting on a MASSIVE 6000+ Sq.Ft Lot! Impeccably kept, this 5-bedroom home features a fantastic layout, generously sized bedrooms, and the potential to add another above the family room. With its soaring ceilings, abundant windows, hot water heating, crawl space, security system with surveillance, smoked mirrors, mirrored closets, coffered ceilings, and marble fixtures, every detail exudes elegance. Additionally, there's a one-bedroom unauthorized suite.</p>
<p>11141 Ditton Street FOR SALE \$799,000</p> <p>Investors and Builders Alert! CORNER LOT! Ready to build rarely available R-1 lot 5350+ Sqft. Great location, minutes walk to all levels of schooling, grocery shopping, transportation and many other amenities. Call today for more information. (11443 Princess Ave Subdivision) Princess Subdivision Lot 1 is facing Ditton St. Adjacent lot can also be purchased together. Seller financing available.</p>	<p>2940 16 HIGHWAY FOR SALE \$3,199,900</p> <p>"Pleasant Valley Motel" located at 3030 Highway 16 in Houston, B.C. This property consists of a 57 unit motel plus a full service restaurant and living quarters for the owner/manager. 18 RV</p>	<p>12686 56 Avenue FOR SALE \$2,288,000</p> <p>Experience luxury living in this exquisite 1 bedroom, 1 bathroom apartment located in The Holland. Enjoy an abundance of amenities spread across 13,000 square feet, including a concierge service, gym, yoga studio, music studio, guest suite, indoor/outdoor social and dining lounge, and more. Located in the heart of the city, this apartment offers convenient access to nearby walkways, cafes, shopping malls, and two Skytrain stations. Enjoy a park-side living experience with an amenity-rich lifestyle, including easy access to all of the City Centre's retailers, as well as SFU/future UBC campus.</p>	<p>7688 115A STREET OR SALE \$2,149,000</p> <p>Situated on an expansive 4600+ square foot lot within the highly desirable Scottsdale community, this newly constructed, custom-designed contemporary residence epitomizes opulent living. Boasting over 3500 square feet of living space, this home is tailor-made for a growing family. The main level greets you with an impressive foyer leading to commodious living and dining areas. A seamless integration of the family room and kitchen establishes a central gathering point for daily activities. Upstairs, four bedrooms await, including two lavish master suites featuring walk-in closets and en-suite bathrooms, alongside two additional bedrooms connected by a Jack and Jill bathroom.</p>	<p>12978 61 AVENUE FOR SALE \$1,479,000</p> <p>PANORAMA RIDGE partially RENOVATED HOME! This home has 3 bedrooms and 2 full washrooms. BUILD YOUR DREAM HOME and RENT WHILE YOU WAIT! This home is perfect opportunity for a builder or an investor. Sitting on a MASSIVE 7100 sq ft lot that is rectangular! Located in the prestigious Panorama neighbourhood. Updates include New flooring, new paint, new pot lights and more! Loads of parking- Double car garage and large driveway. Centrally located and close proximity to both levels of schools, hwy 10 & hwy 99. Please call for more information. EASY TO SHOW!</p>	<p>304 5535 HASTINGS ST. FOR SALE \$1,299,000</p> <p>Alto, a project by Vivid Green Architecture, is set to be erected on Capitol Hill in Burnaby, precisely located at the intersection of Hastings Street and Ellesmere Avenue. This development will consist of a 4-storey wood-frame low-rise structure sitting atop two levels of parking. It will offer a total of 20 luxury condominiums, along with 11 live-work units and 5 commercial retail spaces. The residential units will come in various configurations, ranging from studios to 1, 2, and 3-bedroom layouts, spanning between 828 and 1,170 square feet. Residents will have access to shared amenities including a meeting room and a landscaped rooftop deck furnished with lounge seating.</p>
<p>13956 56 AVENUE FOR SALE \$6,599,000</p> <p>TRANSFORM YOUR LIVING EXPERIENCE & ARCHITECTURAL SPLENDOR in PANORAMA RIDGE! Nestled within a secure gated community, this magnificent residence sprawls across an impressive 2.109 acres and showcases mesmerizing OCEAN/VALLEY VIEWS! Crafted with impeccable attention to detail, every facet of this 10,000 sq.ft+ home exudes world-class quality craftsmanship. Step into the grandeur of a TOWERING FOYER, adorned with breathtaking chandeliers and dual staircases. Custom-designed, this mansion boasts ULTRA-LUXURIOUS features, including a spacious gourmet kitchen with top-grade appliances, a convenient wok kitchen, in-floor heating with custom stonework.</p>	<p>13265 80 AVENUE, FOR SALE \$1,999,000</p> <p>WEST NEWTON BRAND NEW HOME! 8 BEDROOMS & 6 WASHROOMS! You are welcomed into this custom built with beautiful finishes. Bright and spacious living and dining rooms. Custom built kitchen along with a spice kitchen. Huge family room with big windows to soak in that natural light. There is also a bedroom on the main with full washroom, can be a separate office. Central Air Conditioner & HRV. Glass railings throughout. Modern design and finishes. Upstairs there are 4 bedrooms, 3 with their private ensuites and good size closets! In the basement there is a large media room perfect for entertaining.</p>	<p>8316 Government Rd FOR SALE \$2,999,000</p> <p>Prime Government Street address, in proximity to schools, shopping, public transportation, and nestled in privacy on a spacious quarter-acre lot. Home has 10 bedrooms 11 washrooms, under construction. Sold as is where is.</p>	<p>279C 8635 120 ST. FOR SALE \$419,000</p> <p>Fresh, well-lit, and spacious Unit. Hassle-free establishment. A single-bedroom apartment located off Scott Road and 86 Avenue. Remarkably roomy second-floor condominium set amidst a tranquil environment, surrounded by a sprawling Cherry Blossom tree about to blossom. Recently renovated with meticulous attention to detail. Comes equipped with brand new appliances. Enjoy amenities such as a pool, sauna, and more. Conveniently close to bus stops, shops, and various services, with the seniors center and Scott Road SkyTrain.</p>	<p>7784 DUNSMUIR STREET FOR SALE \$6,880,000</p> <p>Sale by Court Order: 3.27 acres development opportunity situated in Mission's prime location. The property boasts Urban Residential zoning (R558) and is earmarked for Attached Multi-Unit Residential development. Land value only.</p>	<p>17351 80 AVENUE FOR SALE \$5,499,000</p> <p>Experience tranquil living on a spacious 10-acre property in Surrey, offering a perfect blend of rural serenity and urban convenience. Nestled within a peaceful farm environment, this flat, square parcel of land is just a short drive away from all essential amenities. The charming 4-bedroom, 2-bathroom Rancher boasts approximately 1700 sq ft of living space, providing a comfortable and inviting retreat. Ideal for multi-generational families, this acreage presents limitless possibilities.</p>

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Surrey Council approves over \$44.9M for outdoor sport facilities

Surrey City Council approved the City's Five-Year (2024-2028) Financial Plan – Capital Program. The five-year plan earmarks more than \$44.9 million towards new, upgraded and enhanced outdoor sport facilities, with more than \$16.8 million allocated for 2024.

"I'm proud to announce our commitment to enhancing outdoor sports facilities across Surrey," said Mayor Brenda Locke. "These investments will serve the diverse interests and needs of our growing city, enriching recreational opportunities, attracting visitors and ele-

vating Surrey's profile as a world-class sports hub."

"From new field hockey fields and artificial turf replacements, to a lacrosse box and upgrades, these capital projects will significantly benefit our local communities," said Councillor Gord Hepner, Chair of the Parks, Recreation & Sport Tourism Committee. "We have listened to the community and have chosen investments that best respond to those needs. They will foster the overall health and well-being of our residents, promote connections, and create lasting memories for individuals of all



ages." **Key projects moving forward in 2024 include:**

- A third field hockey field at Tamanawis Park
- Artificial turf field space and parking lot expansion at Clover-

dale Athletic Park

- A covered lacrosse box and multi-sport box at South Surrey Athletic Park
- Sports field light upgrades and parking lot improvements at Softball City

- Artificial turf replacement at Hjorth Road Park
- Natural grass cricket pitch at Sullivan Heights Park
- Ball diamond improvements at Sunnyside Park

These projects will get underway immediately as they advance through various stages of public consultation, detailed design and construction in the months and years ahead. In addition, upgrades totalling \$3.1 million to the Bear Creek Park track and field amenities are already underway, with completion anticipated in fall 2024.

Open burning of any kind banned in Surrey as of May 1

As the summer season draws near, the Surrey Fire Service (SFS) is reminding citizens and visitors that open burning of any kind is banned in the City of Surrey as of May 1.

Seasonally high temperatures and dry weather conditions present an increased risk of brush fires and nuisance smoke throughout the City of Surrey. Surrey Fire Service responds to brush/grass fire incidents continues to trend higher than the five-year average. In 2023, between May 1 and November 1, SFS attended over 809 brush/grass fire incidents.

Open burning, including backyard fires and beach fires, are

not permitted in the City of Surrey. Any fire service attendance to an open burning complaint will require extinguishment and may be subject to cost recovery.

Natural gas, propane or charcoal briquettes are permitted so long as they are being used in ULC/CSA-approved devices for that particular product. Charcoal briquettes are allowed on private property but may be prohibited (when the fire danger rating is at high or extreme) in City parks and on City beaches. For detailed information, please visit surrey.ca/about-surrey/surrey-fire-service/burning-regulations-and-permits.

Surrey offering free waste drop off from May to September

Surrey residents have five months to clean up and drop off their waste for free (up to 100kg) at Metro Vancouver's Central Surrey and North Surrey Recycling and Waste Centres. From May 1 to September 25, each household gets one trip, providing plenty of time for residents to utilize this free drop off service.

Whether you're spring cleaning, decluttering for summer, or preparing for back-to-school in September, we've got you covered. You can also bring up to four mattresses for free.

All acceptable recyclables such as electronics, metals, appliances, books, and clothing can be dropped off for free at any time.

For details, visit surrey.ca/waste-centres.

Restrictions:

- Loads over 100kg are subject to regular fees above the free 100kg.
- Proof of Surrey residency is required and limited to one trip per household.
- Commercial and business vehicles are not permitted.

Residents who participate are encouraged to share their feedback. Visit our website to take the short survey or keep an eye out for a survey card when you visit one of the recycling and waste centres. Your input will help us better understand your needs and improve our waste management initiatives and services.

The City of Surrey also offers free curbside pickup for unwanted large items all year round. You can have old furniture, appliances, mattresses, and more picked up from your curb for free through our Large Item Pickup Program. Booking is easy online at surrey.ca/largeitems or call 604-590-7289 (Option 3). These initiatives are part of the City's ongoing efforts to promote sustainability and responsible waste management, ensuring that Surrey remains a clean and safe place for everyone. With two full-service recycling and waste facilities, along with the Large Item Pickup Program, there is no excuse for illegal dumping in Surrey.

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<p>217 20696 EASTLEIGH CRESCENT NEW LISTING \$699,000 Welcome to The Georgia. Langley's newest collection of homes centrally located in Langley City close to shops, restaurants, parks, schools and walking distance to the future Skytrain. Modern open concept designs, featuring inviting 9ft ceilings, high-quality laminate flooring, air conditioning in the master bedrooms, and granite stone kitchen countertops. Contact sales for more information! Don't miss out, only a handful of homes remaining!</p>	<p>19917 72 AVE LANGLEY NEW LISTING House with basement suite All rent approx \$3000 per month Open house Sunday 1-4 SOLD</p>	<p>11516 PARKWOOD PLACE DELTA NEW LISTING \$1,499,000 Check out this well maintained, beautifully updated basement entry home in the Heart of North Delta. Main floor boasts 3 bedrooms, 2 bath, spacious living room/dining room, beautiful kitchen, sundeck. Downstairs features 2 bedroom legal suite with separate entry. Single garage and driveway can fit up to 4 cars. Steps away from Chalmers Elementary and Burnsville Secondary, Sun God Rec Centre, transit, shopping and parks.</p>
<p>5105 ABERDEEN ST., VAN \$1,495,000 SOLD</p>	<p>#37-8358 121A ST., SURREY \$699,000 Welcome to Kennedy Trails. This house checks all the boxes. Cost effective & environmentally friendly. GEOTHERMAL Heating & Cooling. E-Star windows. Three in heart of Surrey Main St. area. Gourmet kitchen with granite, large dining area, Granite Island Bath and DEN/DR. Master Bed walk in closet. 4th bed and comes with a full bath. Backyard approx 360 SQ FT Double side by side car garage, additional 1 car parking New Paint, Professionally Cleaned Carpet. Close to all amenities: superstore, restaurants and very easy access to the highway as well. This is a must see.</p>	<p>9750 128 ST., SURREY \$999,900 Solid 6 bed and 2 bath home in the heart of Surrey. A perfect home for home buyers, investors, or those who want a large dining room, kitchen with granite, laundry, and a massive deck. Freshly painted. Downstairs comes with 3 bed, 1 den, 1 bath and kitchen. Lots of parking at the front and back. Detached garage. Some recent renos include roof, windows, paint.</p>
		<p>#51-7090 180 ST., SURREY SOLD Sold in 7 days \$185,000 over asking</p>

14379 66A AVENUE

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6 BED - 4 BATHS - 10,318 SF

This Beautiful House sits over a 10318 Sq. Feet Lot in prime neighbourhood of East Newton & features with Three Bedrooms & Two Washrooms including extra large master bedroom with ensuite and a Balcony, Huge Living Room, Dining Room & a separate Family Room UPSTAIRS. Downstairs comes with two mortgage helpers (2+1), Fully Renovated with lot of updates like both new Kitchens, Bathrooms, flooring, Lighting, Hot Water tank & Furnace. Enjoy the tranquility & quietness of Cul-de-sac with your morning tea sitting on the Front Patio. Close to all Amenities.

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5758 131 A STREET SURREY



11BED - 11 BATHS - 20,255 SF LOT

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ASKING 4,000,000

9097 BROADWAY STREET



3 BED - 1 BATH - 10,019 SF LOT

Builder's Alert! The Property is sub dividable and has been rezoned R1-C. PLA Application has been submitted to City & is in process. Excellent Heritage style home with three bedrooms and one bathroom . Large Private backyard.

ASKING 924,000

11956 98 AVENUE, SURREY



7 BED - 5 BATHS - 6,600 SF

Welcome to Your Dream Home! This beautiful renovated home at a prime location in a quiet neighbourhood of Royal Heights features with 7 Bedrooms & 5 Washrooms, very spacious open concept kitchen with quartz countertops & stainless steel appliances, Huge Living Room & Family Room, tons of Natural Light, Stone front, Glass Railing, Air Conditioning Upstairs. 2+1 Bedroom Suites as great mortgage helpers. Enjoy your morning tea in the open front deck or the covered sundeck in the backyard. Easy Access to Hwy 17, Scott Rd Skytrain station, Schools and Shopping.

ASKING 1,699,000

7028 142 STREET, SURREY



5 BED - 5 BATHS - 7,107 SF

Welcome to this well-maintained and updated home in the heart of Newton with over 7100 sqft lot with 77 feet front just steps away from school and Bus Stops. Upstairs there are 3 bedrooms and 2 full bathrooms with a living room, dining room and kitchen along with a bonus Family room. There are 2 separate balconies off the Family & Living Room. 2 Mortgage helpers (1 bedroom each) currently rented to Nice tenants. There is one full extra bath Downstairs. This home has lots of options to rent. The home features an updated kitchen (2015) updated washrooms (2017) and has been freshly painted. The roof has been updated as well in 2017. Walking distance to George Vanier Elementary school, daycare and to public transportation. THIS IS A MUST SEE!! Please book your private Showings.

ASKING 1,699,000

10095 FAIRVIEW DRIVE, CHILLIWACK



4 BED - 2 BATHS - 9,750 SF LOT

Welcome to Your Dream Home! This is a well kept home in one of the best & prime neighbourhood of Fairfield Island in Chilliwack. This Beautiful Rancher with Basement house sits on a huge 9750 Sq. Feet Lot with a wide frontage of 75 feet & a Subdivision Potential (Please confirm with City) features with 3 Bedrooms & 1.5 Washroom on the main floor with a spacious kitchen equipped with Stainless Steel appliances. Downstairs you got a very spacious space, complete with two large Recreation/family rooms plus a bedroom and storage area. Roof was replaced 2-3 years back. Close to all shopping amenities, plenty of schools nearby and more parks within walking distance than any other neighbourhood.

ASKING 929,000

1001 14881 103A AVENUE



2 BED - 2 BATHS

Best Opportunity for the first time home buyers & nature lovers to enjoy the scenic beauty, spectacular north shore & panoramic coastal mountain views. This amazing Corner unit features with 2 Bedrooms & 2 Bathrooms with a Huge Master Bedroom Ensuite, A Good Size Living Room, Dining Room with fully renovated kitchen with quartz countertops & new kitchen cabinets, New stainless steel appliances & pot lights. All these appliances & renovations were done two years ago. Carpet in the whole unit is one year old. You are minutes walk to Guildford Town Centre, TNT Supermarket, dining, public library and highways. The maintenance fees include gas & hot water, One Storage locker & One Parking. There is also a bike room and lots of outdoor Visitor Parking.

ASKING 589,000

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2024 Nissan Sentra SR Premium - Has all you need!

Auto Review
By Veeno Dewan

The 2024 Nissan Sentra sedan is enhanced for the new model year with revised interior, mild exterior styling, and improved fuel economy. This well-selling, popular compact sedan slots into the Nissan lineup between the smaller Versa and larger Altima models. Changes include an updated exterior front fascia and restyled headlights on all models, plus new 16-inch alloy wheels designs. The sporty SR trim adds subtle changes to the front and rear ends., plus new badges, and interior detailing. The Sentra features a new Xtronic CVT for better fuel consumption and smoother shifts pattern. Also new is standard an Idle Stop Start system , to help save fuel when the car is topped. The Sentra is also available with a 6-speed manual transmission on the base "S" and sporty "SR" models. The Sentra has a standard, fuel-efficient 2.0-liter inline-four engine with 149 horsepower and 146 lb-ft of torque and with either a six-speed manual on the entry level car or the CVT. (Continuously variable transmission.) There are 7 trim levels in Canada with pricing ranging from a competitive \$22,548 to \$30,648. The entry-level, S model with a six-speed manual transmission is \$22,548. The mid-range SV Moonroof CVT trim is \$26,948 MSRP. The top-of-the-line SR Premium CVT (As tested) is \$30,648. All models are subject to Freight and PDI at \$1,850. Our sporty Sentra SR Premium has the new dark chrome trim for the V-motion grille, Red SR badges, dark chrome outer finish elements on the front fascia and a body-colored lower trim strip below the grill and 18-inch black alloy wheels. Inside the SR Premium interior adds a leather-wrapped shift knob and premium sport cloth seat trim with contrasting orange stitching. Intelligent

Around View® Monitor, an 8-speaker Bose® personal sound system and much more equipment is also added. Finally, there are two eye-catching two-tone paint options, with the optional black roof that looks very slick. All Sentra's comes well equipped with as standard comfort, safety features and driver aids such as: Apple CarPlay and Android Auto smartphone integration as standard. Safety is extremely high with as standard Nissan Safety Shield® 360, a suite of six advanced driver-assist systems including Automatic Emergency Braking with Pedestrian Detection, Blind Spot Warning, Rear Cross Traffic Alert, Lane Departure Warning, High Beam Assist and Rear Automatic Braking. Additional driver-assist technology includes Intelligent Driver Alertness4, available Intelligent Around View® Monitor, available Intelligent Cruise Control5 and standard Easy-Fill Tire Alert system. Adaptive cruise control and a 360-degree parking camera system are options. Interior wise, the Sentra cabin looks upscale, well built, and finished with good materials quality. The interior design is appealing with a sporty theme and comprehensive dash and driver display. The 8-inch touchscreen is equally easy to read and use. A sporty D-shaped steering wheel, round air vents inspired by elements of the Nissan Z sports car are present plus attractive trim and console details. Storage is good with many cubbyholes and compartments. The front seats have decent cushioning and support and the rear seats are also comfortable and roomy for two adults. There is plenty of interior room for front occupants and rear legroom is amongst the best in this class of sedan. The Sentra's trunk provides a generous cargo space with 405 litres of cargo space, a wide



and is much improved on the previous version for sure. The Sentra delivered reassuring pedal feel and solid stopping power on all road conditions. Fuel economy is estimated by EnerGuide at City (L/100 km):7.4, Hwy (L/100 km):6.1.

opening and low leftover height. The standard 60/40 split-folding back seat also offers more versatility. On the road the wider stance provides a lower centre of gravity and more stable composure. The handling is good, with nice reflexes. The suspension is smooth, and irons out rough surfaces well. Steering is nicely balanced and overall, the Sentra is a fun to drive sedan. With 149 horsepower and 145 lb.-ft of torque available, acceleration is adequate, enough for everyday driving, but don't expect high performance, it more for docile everyday driving. In routine driving, the Sentra's continuously variable automatic transmission is smooth and unobtrusive

Not much to gripe about, the CVT is sluggish in providing fast acceleration and back seat room for three is tight. These are minor niggles. To sum up, I like the cool exterior styling, the nice interior, and the decent equipment levels for the attractive pricing structure. The 2024 Nissan Sentra offers compelling value. with loads of standard tech and safety features for the family. The SR Premium version is genuinely nice and although fully loaded is still reasonably priced. Highly recommended. 2024 Nissan Sentra priced from: \$22,548 to \$30,648 SR Premium CVT (As tested) \$30,648. Plus, Freight and PDI at \$1,850. More info at www.nissan.ca



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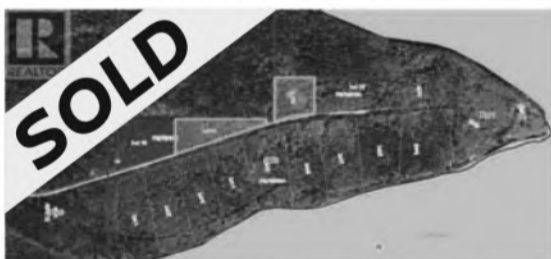
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White Rock Horror: 28-year-old...

later identified as Kulwinder Singh Sohi, on the White Rock Promenade, suffering from fatal stab wounds.

"Witnesses described seeing Mr. Sohi in a physical altercation with the suspect, before giving chase eastbound on the Promenade toward the parking lot adjacent to the Grand Chief Bernard Robert Charles (Pa-Kwach-Tun) Memorial Plaza," said Sergeant Timothy Pierotti of IHIT.

"This occurred in a very public location. From our video review, we know there were many witnesses in the area. If you were there or parked in the area, now is the time to call IHIT. We will continue to work tirelessly, supported by the White Rock members as well as the other I-Teams, to identify, locate and arrest the person responsible for this tragedy," he said.

Sohi's stabbing came just a day after Jatinder Singh another Punjabi male was stabbed on April 21 in the evening at around 9 PM. The

police located a 28-year-old victim and provided first aid until paramedics arrived. The victim was transported to a hospital by Emergency Health Services with non-life-threatening injuries.

Manpreet Kaur and her husband Jatinder Singh were spending what was supposed to be a relaxing night on the White Rock Pier when Singh was stabbed in the neck from behind, CityNews reported. According to media reports, the couple had arrived in Canada just 2 months before.

The suspect was described as a black male, wearing a ball cap and a grey hoodie.

Cst. Chantal Sears of White Rock RCMP said, "Given the apparent similarities between this incident and the one which occurred on Sunday evening, police are investigating to determine whether or not there is a conclusive link between the two events."

White Rock mayor Megan Knight issued a statement after the tragic death of the young



Family, friends of stabbing victim Kulwinder Sohi gathered in White Rock at a vigil and townhall to ask questions from authorities about the tragic killing

Photo by Sukhwant Dhillon

man, "I want to extend my condolences to the family of the young victim impacted by the tragic events of last night. Like many, I was profoundly saddened to learn of this distressing incident."

To address these events, the city has heightened police presence and patrols along the waterfront and surrounding areas.

Gurleen Sohi, sister of Kulwinder has also started a GoFundMe page to raise mon-

ey for performing last rituals. She wrote, "My brother was brutally murdered on 23rd April 2024. My brother was stabbed multiple times at white rock pier beach. Kulwinder was hard working and really passionate person. I'm really shocked and depressed after this tragic loss. Our parents are still in India and we want to give peace to Kulwinder soul by performing last rituals at our hometown."

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Three Indian nationals arrested...

They are facing charges of first-degree murder.

Hardeep Singh Nijjar was shot and killed in broad daylight outside the Guru Nanak Sikh Gurdwara on June 18 2023. Since then, involvement of Indian government in the murder of Nijjar has been probed.

The police, however, did not give any clear answers on the involvement of the Indian government or the motive behind the murder since the investigation was still ongoing.

RCMP Assistant Commander David Teboul said the Canadian agencies were working with foreign law enforcement

agencies including US and India on the investigation. He said the collaboration had not been easy but rather "challenging and difficult" with Indian agencies.

Officer Mandeep Mooker said, "It is a complex investigation. We understand that the community is going to have a lot of questions. However, at this time the police cannot answer all the questions. This investigation does not end here. The investigation is ongoing."

Assistant Commissioner Brian Edwards said, "The murder of Sikh Separatist Hardeep Singh Nijjar was outrageous since it had a profound impact on the residents of

Surrey. From day one this community, most importantly Scott Road gurdwara people, came forward to work with and alongside the police in advancing the investigation. Despite their intense grief, they were patient and provided trust in the police to move forward. Investigations in Canada are complex and take time. Our community is extremely strong and will work with police to hold those responsible."

Surrey mayor Brenda Locke in a statement said, "Today, the RCMP have announced three people have been charged in connection to Mr. Nijjar's murder. I want to take this opportunity to thank the Integrated Homicide Investigation Team, CFSEU, Edmonton Police Service and Surrey RCMP for their unwavering pursuit in bringing those responsible

for the killing of Mr. Nijjar to justice. During this uncertain time of policing in Surrey, the RCMP's professionalism and dedication have never been in question. I also want to echo the comments made by Assistant Commissioner Brian Edwards, Officer in Charge of the Surrey RCMP, who recognized the community for their support and patience throughout the investigation. I am grateful for the strength and unity that has been demonstrated by all who have been affected by this heinous crime. Our thoughts remain with the family and loved ones of the victim. I also would like to urge the Federal Government to take every opportunity to determine if there was foreign government involvement in the murder of a Canadian citizen on Canadian soil."

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A Fond Farewell for Mr. Manish, Consul General of India



By Zile Singh

A farewell for Mr. Manish, Consul General of India was organized by the Guru Ravidass Sabha, Burnaby on April 29, 2024. He has been appointed as the High Commissioner of India to Cyprus.

The event was attended by President, Mr. Harjit Sohpaul; the Vice President, Amarjit Lealh, and other office bearers and members of Shri Guru Ravidass Sabha; the General Secretaries of Khalsa Diwan Society, Vancouver and Chetna Association of Canada, Mr. Kashmir Dhaliwal and Jai Birdi.

Mr. Khushi Ram, at age 103 years made it a point to attend this farewell function. He said that the Consul General arranged a congratulatory message from Mr. Ajay Bisaria, the then High Commissioner of India, Ottawa, and presented a Shawl on



his own behalf on his 100th birthday at his residence in August 2021.

Mr. Ram expressed his appreciation for this kind gesture of the Consul General. He said, "As an avid reader, I read all the weekly ethnic newspapers in English and Punjabi published from Vancouver. I am glad to tell that there was not even a single week when there was no mention of the Consul General meeting the diaspora or the Canadian government officials for

one purpose or the other. To some extent, this outreach was lacking in the case of Mr. Manish's predecessors. He acted to keep the diaspora united."

I was also present at the event and highlighted the role of the Consul General vis-à-vis the Ravidassia community in Greater Vancouver. Whether it was Dr. Ambedkar, Ravidass, the Buddha Jayanti or Constitution Day, the Consul General stood with the community through

thick and thin. As a student of Law, he understood the message of the Indian Constitution how to deal with the lower sections of society.

It is worth putting on record that the former High Commissioner, Mr. Vikas Swarup stands apart from all his predecessors to visit Guru Ravidass Sabha twice during his tenure. Mr. Manish followed suit and attended the Sabha's functions umpteen times. Maybe he has set the bar too high to be crossed by any of his successors.

The Consul General thanked sincerely the Sabha, the Chetna Association, and the Khalsa Diwan Society to help him and his staff, as and when required, in performing his consular and other duties. He said that a positive participation of the diaspora goes a long way to make public services smooth. He offered an invitation to visit Cyprus, a beautiful island country. As we bid farewell to Mr. Manish, we recognize his invaluable contributions to fostering stronger ties between India and its diaspora in Vancouver, and we wish him every success in his future endeavors in Cyprus.

Motorcycle season is here: share our roads to keep riders safe, urges ICBC

With the arrival of warmer spring temperatures, many motorcyclists throughout the province will set off on their first ride of the season. In B.C., motorcycle crashes significantly increase from May to September with 212 people injured in crashes with motorcyclists each month.* ICBC is asking riders and drivers to do their part to prevent crashes and share our roads together safely.

Motorcyclists are at a much

higher risk of being injured in a crash than drivers due to their lack of protection. The average age of a motorcyclist injured or killed in crashes in B.C. is 45 years old and these crashes occur most often in the Southern Interior (28%) followed by Vancouver Island (22%), Greater Vancouver (21%), and the Fraser Valley (17%).

"We know motorcyclists are enthusiastic about seeing our beautiful province by bike and

we want to help keep them safe this season," said Shabnem Afzal, ICBC's director of road safety. "As a rider, wear gear every time you ride. Riders and drivers need to stay focused on the road, leave plenty of space, and choose safe speeds to prevent crashes."

"As we embrace the warmer weather and motorcyclists take to the roads, it's imperative to remain vigilant and aware of our surroundings," said Mike Farnworth, Minister of Public

Safety and Solicitor General. "Let's work together to promote safe riding practices, enhance visibility, and foster mutual respect among all road users. Together, we can ensure that every journey on two wheels is a safe one."

Motorcyclists are invited to practice their riding at free skills course events taking place this spring in the Lower Mainland: Abbotsford on May 18, Surrey on May 26, Coquitlam on June 15,

Chilliwack on June 22, and North Vancouver on July 13. Police motorcycle riders will guide riders of all experience levels through a challenging training course to help improve their skills. ICBC's road safety team will be doing gear giveaways at these events and demonstrating protective clothing and gear options for riders.

ICBC's collision coverage for motorcyclists now includes improved coverage for gear.



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BC NDP nominates five-time MLA, community leader Spencer Chandra Herbert in Vancouver-West End

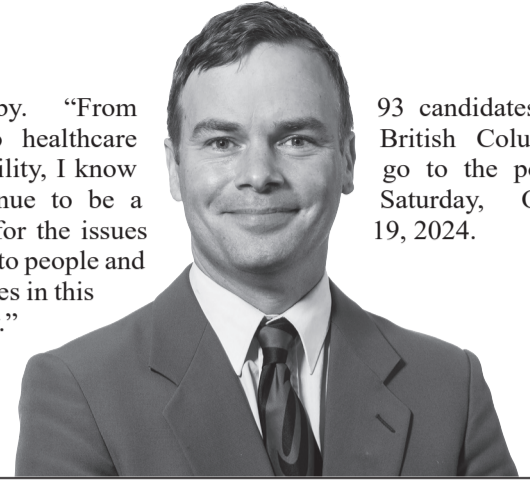
Surrounded by friends, family and supporters, Spencer Chandra Herbert was officially nominated as the BC NDP's candidate in Vancouver-West End for this fall's provincial election. First elected in a by-election in 2008, and re-elected four times since, Spencer Chandra Herbert has deep roots in Vancouver's vibrant West End community.

As an MLA, Spencer has stood up for renters facing illegal evictions, worked to reduce homelessness by founding Vancouver's Rent Bank and led the successful fight to explicitly protect transgender people in BC's Human Rights Code. "It is an honour to work with, and stand up for West Enders and Coal Harbour residents everyday. I'm running to stand

up for renters, to support our seniors, to improve access to healthcare, and protect our environment. Together we build strong, safe, inclusive communities. Thank you for the honour of running to be your MLA once more." "Spencer Chandra Herbert's dedication to the people of Vancouver's West End is unmatched," said Premier

David Eby. "From housing to healthcare to affordability, I know he'll continue to be a champion for the issues that matter to people and their families in this community." The BC NDP will run a full slate of

93 candidates when British Columbians go to the polls on Saturday, October 19, 2024.



Drugs, firearms, vehicles seized, three arrested after investigation into Burnaby-based drug trafficking organization

On March 22, 2024, following an investigation into a Burnaby-based drug trafficking organization, the Burnaby RCMP Drugs and Organized Crime Section, with the assistance of the Lower Mainland Integrated Emergency Response Team (ERT), executed search warrants on two residences located in Burnaby and Coquitlam. During these searches, officers with Burnaby RCMP Drugs and Organized Crime Section located and seized a significant amount of drugs, including more than ten kilograms of pre-packaged and bulk suspected fentanyl, cocaine, rock cocaine (crack), methamphetamine, Xanax, Oxycontin and Percocet pills. A handgun, high capacity magazines, ammunition, a large amount of cash and equipment

to make fraudulent credit cards were also seized. A stolen car was recovered while another vehicle thought to be involved in drug trafficking, along with several filled gas cans, were seized as offence-related property. Three people were arrested and released with a court date. On April 2, 2024, Burnaby RCMP Drugs and Organized Crime Section, with the assistance of ERT, executed a third search warrant on another residence in Burnaby. This search yielded a large amount of suspected fentanyl and cocaine packaged for street sale along with a handgun with an extended magazine and ammunition. A vehicle was also seized. One person was arrested and released with a court date. The investigation included the

seizure of more than 3,000 Hydromorphone (Dilaudid) pills as well as methadone. The seized drugs have been sent for further testing. "This is a significant seizure that not only included a large and bulk quantity of drugs including fentanyl thought to be destined for trafficking, but also included firearms, ammunition, and vehicles involved in criminal activity," said Chief Superintendent Graham de la Gorgendiere, Burnaby RCMP's Officer In Charge. "It is believed these seizures have disrupted a crime group not only involved in drug trafficking, but also planning violence against rival gangs involved in the BC gang conflict." The investigation is ongoing and charges are pending for multiple suspects.

Gross core cost for FIFA World Cup in Vancouver estimated upto \$581 million

With seven matches to be played in Vancouver during the FIFA World Cup 26 tournament, the Province, City of Vancouver and BC Pavilion Corporation (PavCo) have updated their estimates of the costs, revenues and economic benefits for the world's largest single sporting event. The gross core cost for FIFA World Cup 26 in Vancouver is estimated to be between \$483 million and \$581 million. These gross costs are expected to be offset by \$383 million to \$436 million in estimated revenues and recoveries, including: * \$116 million in direct financial contribution from the federal government; * \$230 million in estimated revenue from the additional major events municipal and regional district tax introduced

in the City of Vancouver in February 2023; and * \$37 million to \$90 million in anticipated revenue from other sources, such as facility rental fees and the FIFA commercial revenue program, which includes revenue opportunities at the FIFA fan festival, and opportunities for host city supporters and donors, and other provincial revenue. After taking into account estimated revenues and recoveries, the Province estimates the net core cost of seven FIFA World Cup 26 matches to be \$100 million to \$145 million. This does not take into account potential additional provincial tax revenues as identified in the Province's updated estimates of economic impact benefits, which are projected to be \$224 million. *Continued on page 30*

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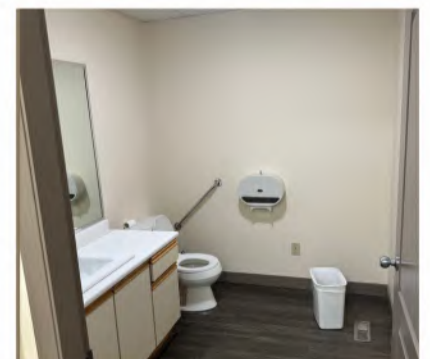
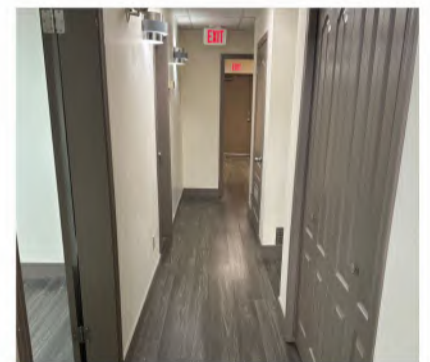
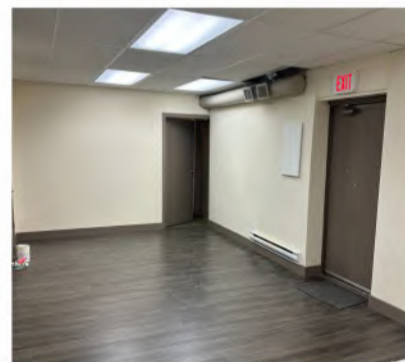
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- 2nd May, Thursday** at 2:30 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by Hardial Singh Dhatt family.
- 3rd May, Friday** at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by Jaswant Singh toor family.
- 4th May, Saturday** at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by Gurbachan Singh Gill family.
- 4th May, Saturday** at 2:00 pm, Sehaj path bhog and antim ardas for late Mohinder Kaur Randhawa.
- 5th May, Sunday** at 9:00 am, Sri Sukhmani sahib path and langer sewa by Ravinder Singh Gill family.
- 7th May, Tuesday** at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by Amandeep Hundal family.
- 8th May, Wednesday** at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by Gurjit Singh Gill family.
- 9th May, Thursday** at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by Taranjot Badesha family.
- 13th May, Monday** at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by Ravinderpal Singh Dhaliwal family.

10 May 2024 (Friday), 11 May 2024 (Saturday) and 21 June 2024 (Friday) are free for booking for Anand Karj and other programs.

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Every Monday from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm Chai Chaupal / Punjabi Sath's program is going on at Gurdwara Sahib. Women and men are invited to participate in this program.

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Sonakshi Sinha calls Salman Khan a 'full contradiction'

Sonakshi Sinha opened up about the experience of working with Salman Khan, and how he has been able to crack the way to connect with his audience.

Sonakshi Sinha marked her acting debut opposite Salman Khan in Dabangg, way back in 2010. The actor has since worked with Salman twice, in Dabangg 2 and Dabangg 3. In an interview on Raj Shamani's YouTube channel, the actor shared what it is that makes Salman one of the biggest stars of the country. Sonakshi called Salman a 'total contradiction' and shared how he is carefree yet committed at the same time. (Also read: Sonakshi Sinha exclusive interview: 'The entire set broke into standing ovation after the first take in Tilasmi Bahein')

What Sonakshi said

During the conversation, Sonakshi talked about Salman and said: "I think it's a basic connect with their audience that these guys especially have been able to make. And it does come with a lot of commitment to

what you are doing. They have been able to crack that... this is what my audience loves about me and that is my strength and I am just going to play on that. And that's what they have done for like so many years, which is why people love them."

She further continued in particular about Salman, and added: "He is very carefree but he is also very committed. It's a paradox, it's a full contradiction. I don't know how to explain it because I have seen him, and it's like he doesn't care about iska kya hoga, uska kya hoga. Mujhe aaj cycle karke jaana hai, main aaj late ho jaunga. Main aaj jaldi set pe aunga. Main aj late khana khaunga (What will happen to me or whether I will cycle to set or I will be late. I will be early on set today or I will eat late today). He's

just so carefree. He does exactly what he wants to do on his time but he is also so committed to his work, it's very strange. I really don't know what it is.)"

Salman was recently in the news after the firing incident outside his house in Mumbai last month. Anuj Thapan, an ac-

cused arrested in the case, died in a hospital earlier this week.

Meanwhile, Sonakshi is receiving acclaim for her performance in Heeramandi: The Diamond Bazaar. The series, directed by Sanjay Leela Bhansali, released on Netflix on May 1.



Bharti Singh admitted to hospital



Comedian Bharti Singh has been hospitalized after she experienced severe pain in her stomach for the last few days. Bharti took to her YouTube channel to share the health update with her fans where she shared that she has undergone tests that have shown stones in her gallbladder, for which she will have surgery. (Also read: Bharti Singh opens up about unhealthy work culture in TV: 'Have seen girls with drips')

Bharti shares health update

Bharti started her vlog from her hospital bed in Kokilaben Ambani Hospital. She shared how she had excruciating pain in her stomach for the last few days, but brushed it off initially. But since the pain did not subside, Bharti decided to get herself checked. She was admitted to the hospital and after tests conducted by the doctors, it turns out that she has stones in her gallbladder.

Bharti further expressed her gratitude to the hospital staff for taking care of her. She also grew emotional that she is staying away from her son Gola, and said, "No mother, who has a young child, should stay away from them or be in the hospital. Haarsh informed me that he is playing and if he asks where Mom is, they say I am off to shoot! It is just a matter of few days." Haarsh was also seen in the video, looking concerned.

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Allu Arjun says he'll teach David Warner Pushpa Pushpa's hook step: 'It's easy'

Actor Allu Arjun responded to David Warner's comment under an Instagram video of him doing the 'shoe drop step' from the first single of Pushpa 2: The Rule.

The makers of director Sukumar's upcoming Allu Arjun, Rashmika Mandanna and Fahadh Faasil-starrer Pushpa 2: The Rule recently released the first single titled Pushpa Pushpa. The song sees Allu pull off three hook steps dubbed by the makers as 'shoe drop step', 'phone step' and 'chai step'. Cricketer David Warner responded to an Instagram reel of the song, prompting a response from the actor.



(Also Read: Pushpa Pushpa: First single from Pushpa 2 The Rule is a celebration of Allu Arjun's role.

The song is composed by Devi Sri Prasad with vocals by Nakash Aziz and Deepak Blue, and lyrics by Chandrabose, and shows Allu in his element. Sharing a short clip of the 'shoe drop step' on his Instagram, he wrote, "Enjoyed doing this #Shoe-

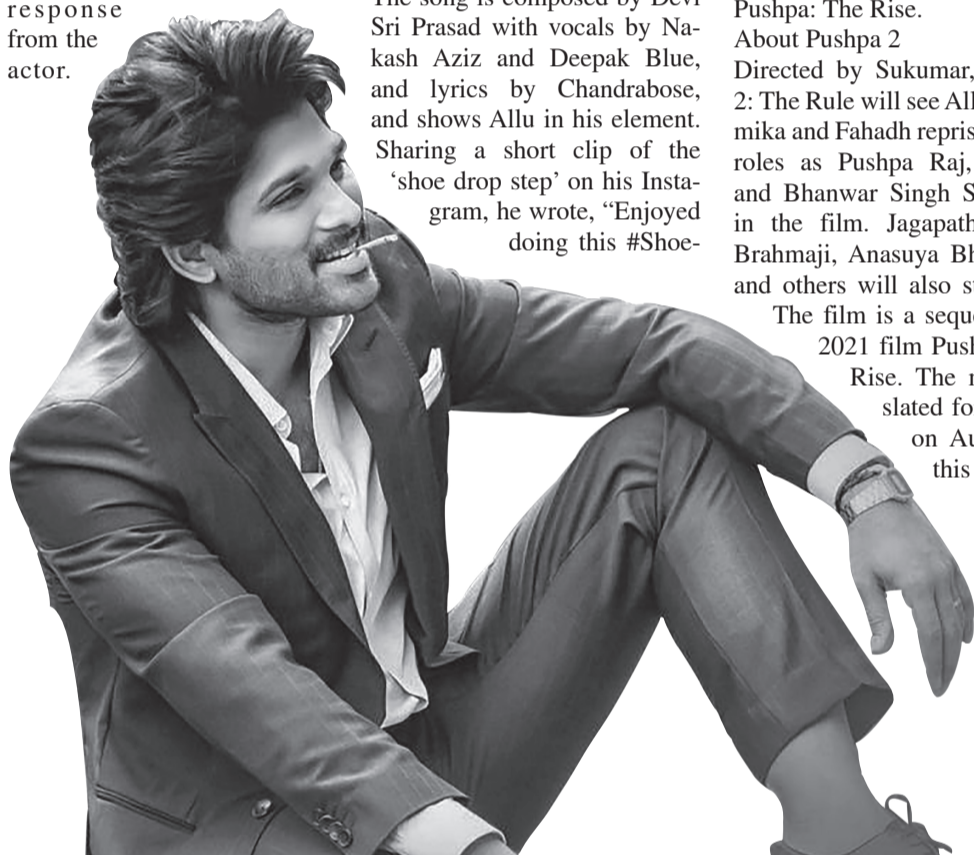
DropStep from #PushpaPushpa song. #Pushpa2TheRule #Pushpa2FirstSingle."

David, known for being a fan of Allu and Mahesh Babu's films, left a comment under the video, "Oh dear, how good is this. Now I've got some work to do." Allu replied that he will teach David the hook step the next time they meet. He wrote, "...it's easy...I will show you when we meet," with laughter emojis.

David became a viral sensation during the pandemic for lip-syncing and recreating Allu and Mahesh's songs. He was especially popular for showing love towards the songs from Pushpa: The Rise.

About Pushpa 2 Directed by Sukumar, Pushpa 2: The Rule will see Allu, Rashmika and Fahadh reprising their roles as Pushpa Raj, Srivalli and Bhanwar Singh Shekawat in the film. Jagapathi Babu, Brahmaji, Anasuya Bharadwaj and others will also star in it.

The film is a sequel to the 2021 film Pushpa: The Rise. The movie is slated for release on August 15 this year.



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Gross core cost for FIFA World Cup...

The province's last projection in 2022 pegged the costs at between \$240 million and \$260 million. "Marquee sporting events like the FIFA World Cup 26 have the power to inspire people to get involved in sport, amplify

community spirit and put a spotlight on our incredible province," said Lana Popham, Minister of Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport. "We are excited to welcome hundreds of thousands of visitors to Vancouver and

British Columbia during the World Cup to celebrate this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity with us, boost our tourism sector and economy and help secure lasting benefits for the people of B.C."

Inside Taapsee Pannu and Mathias Boe's sangeet night with whimsical decor

Mumbai: Taapsee Pannu and Mathias Boe married in March. Now, a video of the beautiful decor at their sangeet in Udaiapur is out. Watch it here.

Taapsee Pannu and longtime boyfriend and badminton player Mathias Boe married in Udaiapur in March. On Wednesday, a video from Taapsee's sangeet was shared by her wedding designers on Instagram and it featured lots of statement chandeliers. The

whole venue was lit up with countless light fixtures and adored with gorgeous flower installations. Also read: Taapsee Pannu and Mathias Boe dance to Bruno Mars' Just the Way You Are during their sangeet. Watch

Sharing the video of the sangeet decor at Mementos By ITC Hotels, Ekaaya Udaiapur, The Wedding Factory wrote on Instagram, "Exclusively step into Taapsee Pannu and Mathias Boe's sangeet night!

The entrance was all things magic mixed with stardust and love. We created this entrance passage shimmering with twinkling chandeliers setting the stage for an evening filled with show lights, music and some crazy dance performances!"

John Abraham makes fan's day by gifting him expensive shoes on birthday



John Abraham's latest videos with a fan are winning hearts on the internet. Akshay Kedari, who describes himself as 'John Abraham's biggest fan' in his Twitter (X) bio, took to the social media platform on Wednesday to share videos of himself with John. In a 'dream come true moment', the fan not only celebrated his birthday with John by cutting a special cake but also got a sweet gift from the actor. Also read: John Abraham's wife Priya shares inside pics from Anant Ambani pre-wedding bash Akshay shared how his favourite actor made his day by celebrating his birthday with him. John also gifted him shoes worth over 22000 as a birthday gift. While sharing the photos of the gift, Akshay tweeted, "@TheJohnAbraham sir

gifted me this premium Italian riding shoes on my birthday...worth 22.5K... Thank you so much sir".

Videos of John with his fan as he cut the cake with him outside his Mumbai office, as well as the actor helping him wear his new shoes by bending down and fastening the shoe laces with his own hands, have also surfaced on paparazzi and fan pages.

Reacting to a video posted on Instagram, a person wrote for John, "Down to earth person." Another said, "He is a very good human being." A third

commented, "Wow look at him going down to tie his laces." A

comment also read, "Respect." A person

also wrote, "I love John Abraham so much. He is so kind and sweet."

John Abraham was last seen in Shah Rukh Khan and Deepika Padukone-starrer Pathaan in 2023.





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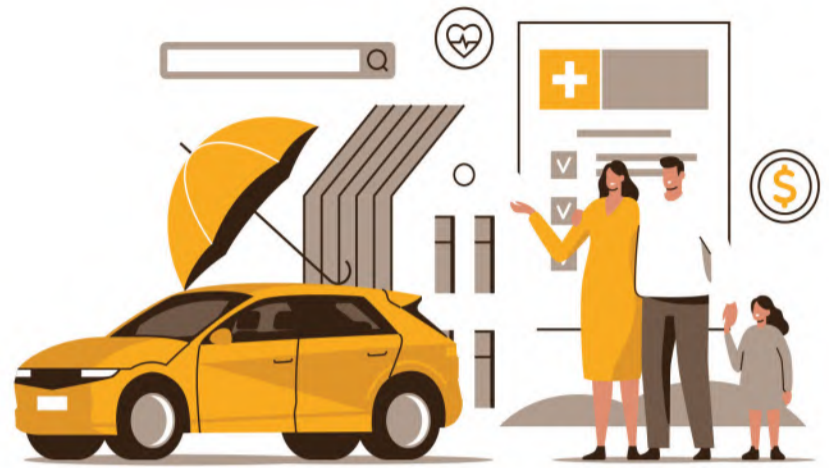
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Swarna Atta Whole Wheat 10 lbs from India
ਸਵਰਨਾ ਚੌਕੀ ਔਟਾ
\$9.98
bag

Zucchini Squash
ਜ਼ੁਕੀਨੀ ਸਕੁਐਸ਼
88¢
lb

Large Seedless Oranges
ਵੱਡੇ ਸੰਗਤਰੇ (ਬਿਨਾ ਬੀਜ ਤੋਂ)
99¢
lb

Rapini (Sarson da Saag)
ਸਰਸੋਂ ਦਾ ਸਾਗ
\$2.79
bunch

KTC Chick Peas 398 ml
ਕੇ ਟੀ ਸੀ ਚਿੱਟੇ ਛੋਲੇ
99¢
can

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Newton	13783 72nd Ave. Surrey	604-590-2080	Fleetwood	15230 84 Ave.	236-317-6272	Abbotsford	2785 Bourquin Crescent W.	604-744-0328
Newton	13174 64th Ave. Surrey	604-598-9220	Surrey	12990 72nd Ave.	604-503-5510	Abbotsford	31205 Maclure Rd.	604-504-5877
Scott Road	12047 80th Ave. Surrey	604-591-5032	Surrey	12788 76A Ave. Surrey	604-597-1676	Port Coquitlam	2807 Shaughnessy St.	604-464-0822
Scott Road	104-7028 120th St.	604-590-8864	Surrey	16788 64 Ave.	604-372-2023	Vancouver	6257 Fraser St.	604-321-9931
Cedar Hills	12867 96th Ave. Surrey	604-588-6620	Surrey	101-7228 192St.	604-575-3750	Richmond	4101 No.5 Rd.	604-244-9520
Fleetwood	101-15933 Fraser Hwy	604-593-5163	New Westminster	101-331 6th St.	604-395-3595			