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# Tragic Trend Of Fatal Crashes: Sandeep Cheema, Father Of 2 Young Girls, Dead In Crash Along Highway 17

When Sandeep left home for work on July 16, he told his daughters, Sargun (6) and Mehar (2), and his wife, Manjeet, that he would be back soon. Little did he know that he would never return. Just one turn away from finishing his shift, he tragically lost his life in a crash.

Sandeep Singh Cheema, 41, a Surrey resident was the victim of the two tractor trailers crash along Highway 17 and and 116 Avenue this week.

Sandeep's death is a heart-wrenching blow, as highlighted in a fundraiser aimed at



supporting his bereaved family. The fundraiser notes the

poignant detail that Sandeep's father too had lost his life in a

car crash in 2012.

The Surrey RCMP informed that July 16, 2024, at approximately 8:10 pm there was a report of a collision involving two tractor-trailers along Highway 17 and 116 Avenue.

One of the drivers, a 41-year-old man, was taken to hospital with serious injuries. The driver and passenger of the other tractor-trailer, a 44-year-old man and 64-year-old man, were also taken to hospital for further assessment and since have been released.

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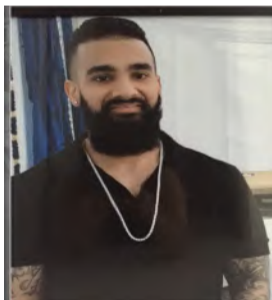
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## BC, Alberta Burning In Wildfires: Jasper Turns To Ashes



B.C. continues to see more wildfires. The BC wildfire service informed that there were 423 active wildfires as of Thursday morning, and 23 started in the last 24 hours. About 80 percent of the fires were started by lightning, and about six percent were caused by humans. The BCWS says a recent thunderstorm brought 58,000 lightning strikes, and they expect to see new fire starts from those over the next few days. A wildfire has reached the Jasper town site in Alberta, Canada, too. Parks Canada confirmed multiple structures in the mountain town are impacted. Jasper Nation Park and the municipality offer an important connection to nature for so many tourists. In the picture: Jasper's Malign Lodge on fire.

## IHIT Requests Public Assistance In Homicide Of Jatinder Michael Sandhu



On the 8th anniversary, Michael Sandhu's family continue to remember him as the eldest brother of three siblings, a beloved son, with a heart of gold.

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The Integrated Homicide Investigation Team (IHIT) continues to request public assistance in the homicide of Jatinder Michael Sandhu, in what is now classified as an unsolved case.

On July 23, 2016, the Surrey RCMP responded to a shooting in the area of 14300 block of

90A Avenue. First responders found two victims suffering from gunshot wounds. One victim sustained survivable injuries. The other victim was 28-year-old Jatinder Michael Sandhu, who was transported to hospital, but succumbed to his injuries.

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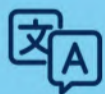
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## Surrey RCMP release video of South Asian male wanted for Stranger sexual assault in Newton

Surrey RCMP has released a video of the South Asian male who is wanted in a stranger sexual assault investigation. According to police on July 20, 2024 at 03:15 am, police was called to a report of a stranger sexual assault in the 14100-block of 91 Avenue. The victim reported that she was woken up by a man groping her in her residence. The victim screamed for help and the suspect fled. In order to advance the investigation, Surrey RCMP is releasing a video of a person of interest. The person of interest is described as a South Asian man in his early 20s, 5'7 to 5'10 tall, average build, with a dark moustache and medium length



beard, wearing an orange turban, long dark coloured shorts with a white stripe

down the side, a dark blue t-shirt and flip flops. This individual may go by the name Akash.

"Surrey RCMP Special Victims Unit has a dedicated team of investigators actively canvassing in the neighbourhood to identify this man," said Sgt. Tammy Lobb, Surrey RCMP Media Relations Officer. "We are asking the public to contact police if they recognize this individual or they are familiar with a man matching this description who may go by the name Akash."

Anyone with information is asked to call Surrey RCMP at 604-599-0502 and quote file number 2024-106141.

## Soccer coach Jasmin Mander along with other staff sent home from Paris Olympics after drone scandal

Two Canadian women's soccer team staff members have been sent home amid allegations of recording New Zealand team soccer practice with drone on the eve of the 2024 Olympics. Joseph Lombardi and Jasmine Mander are the two staff members who have been officially removed from the team according to a Canadian Olympic Committee (COC) media statement. In an initial press release COC said, "The Canadian Olympic Committee was made aware that a non-accredited member of the Canada Soccer support team was detained by French authorities in Saint-Étienne following a complaint by New Zealand Football on July 22nd. The staff member is believed to have been using a drone to record the New Zealand



Jasmine Mander

women's football team during practice." The COC said that it would provide update after reviewing next steps with the IOC, Paris 2024,



Joseph Lombardi

Canada Soccer, and FIFA. The COC informed later, "Following its review of the July 22 drone incident in Saint-Étienne, and upon learning of a

second drone incident at a July 19th New Zealand practice, the Canadian Olympic Committee has imposed the following sanctions and consequences Joseph Lombardi, an unaccredited analyst with Canada Soccer, is being removed from the Canadian Olympic Team and will be sent home immediately. Jasmine Mander, an assistant coach to whom Mr. Lombardi report sent, is being removed from the Canadian Olympic Team and will be sent home immediately," the release said.

The statement also said that COC has accepted the decision of Head Coach Bev Priestman to remove herself from coaching the match against New Zealand on July 25th. Also Canada Soccer staff will undergo mandatory

ethics training.

Canada Soccer's Women's National Team Head Coach Bev Priestman said in a statement: "On behalf of our entire team, I first and foremost want to apologize to the players and staff at New Zealand Football and to the players on Team Canada. This does not represent the values that our team stands for," Priestman said. "I am ultimately responsible for conduct in our program. Accordingly, to emphasize our team's commitment to integrity, I have decided to voluntarily withdraw from coaching the match on Thursday. In the spirit of accountability, I do this with the interests of both teams in mind and to ensure everyone feels that the sportsmanship of this game is upheld."

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# Free replacement documents and measures for people affected by the 2024 wildfire season

Last year, Canada experienced the worst wildfire season on record, which threatened the health, safety and economic stability of people in Canada and their communities. Canada's climate

is warming twice as fast as the global average. As our climate continues to change, extreme hot temperatures will become more frequent and more intense due to climate

change. This will increase the severity of heat waves and contribute to increased drought and wildfire risks. The Government of Canada is committed to supporting those affected across the country and assisting provinces and territories with their emergency responses.

Marc Miller, Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship, announced special measures for people affected by wildfires. Canadian citizens and permanent residents directly affected by wildfires can get free replacement documents. These include permanent resident cards, Canadian citizenship certificates, Canadian passports and other travel documents that are lost, damaged, destroyed or inaccessible due to wildfires. Additionally, people in Canada affected by wildfires who are employer-specific work permit holders will have the ability to transition to an open work permit.

These special measures are in effect until November 30, 2024. This will give people the time they need to determine which documents need to be replaced or to sort out temporary status issues, while focusing on their families, their homes and their communities.

International students, temporary foreign workers and other visitors directly affected by the wildfires, and whose status will expire by November 30, 2024, are also eligible to restore or extend their status in Canada, or to replace a status document, free of charge. This means that temporary workers who are unable to work because their workplace is closed due to the fires will be able to extend their status. In addition, international students can extend their study permits if their classes are delayed or cancelled and finish their studies without penalty.

Additional measures have been put in



Marc Miller, Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship

place to exempt foreign emergency services personnel entering Canada to help fight wildfires from paying application fees and biometrics fees. This proactive measure serves as both a gesture of gratitude and a means to facilitate their critical work.

More information about who is eligible, how to apply, and what replacement documents are covered under the special measures is available on IRCC's website. "We remain steadfast in our efforts to support those affected by severe wildfires. Our measures will simplify the process for Canadians, permanent residents and temporary residents to replace lost documents. To the first responders and firefighters across the country, as well as the foreign emergency support personnel entering Canada to assist in the response, we extend our heartfelt gratitude for your bravery and dedication in protecting our communities," said Miller.

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# 43rd Annual Nations Cup Soccer Tournament in Richmond



Photos by Sukhwant Dhillon



The 43rd Annual Nations Cup Soccer Tournament took place on July 19th to 21st 2024 in Richmond, BC. This family-friendly multi-cultural sporting event showcased our community's diversity through the beautiful game of soccer.

The entire event was open to the public at no cost. This unique concept of grouping players based on their ethnic backgrounds and/or countries of origin creates an exciting atmosphere that provides a platform for people throughout the community to express their ethnic pride.

Teams representing countries such as China, India, Croatia, England, Italy, Mexico, Serbia, Germany, Iran, Fiji, First Nations, and Scotland, just to name a few, were comprised of elite players from throughout the Province (and beyond) to compete for the coveted "Nations Cup" trophy. This three-day event included food trucks and a beer garden.

In Men's Open Africa was the Champion with Indian team taking the runner up spot. In Women's open Indian team came first. Nikki Virk was declared Most Outstanding Player.

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# Resolution presented to demand “Komagata Maru” be restored to its original designation, “Guru Nanak Jahaz”

By Gurpreet Singh

It came two days before the 110th anniversary of the forcible return of a Japanese vessel carrying more than 350 Indian passengers from Vancouver’s harbour.

Widely known as the Komagata Maru, the ship was chartered by Gurdit Singh under the name Guru Nanak Jahaz. Being a practising Sikh, Singh chose to name the ship after the founder of the Sikh religion. Even otherwise, Guru Nanak himself was a great traveller.

Those who came on the ship to Vancouver were turned back under racist immigration laws for which the Canadian government has already apologized in Parliament. Those passengers came to this part of the world as British subjects.

The entire episode is largely known as the “Komagata Maru incident”. So much so, the memorial carrying the names of the



passengers and their huge picture is named as such at Harbour Green Park where the Sunday event was held. The organizers read

out resolutions asking for the amendment to the name of the vessel. They also released an autobiography authored by Gurdit Singh, which identifies the ship as Guru Nanak Jahaz.

The book’s editor, Gurdev Singh Sidhu, was in attendance. He acknowledged that Sikhs need to reclaim their history.

The resolutions were read out in English, French and Punjabi. While famous author and veteran Sikh activist Gian Singh Sandhu read out the resolutions in English, Sahib Kaur Dhaliwal and Bhupinder Singh Malih read them out in French and Punjabi, respectively.

Gurdwaras endorse Komagata Maru’s demand.

An Indigenous activist from Musqueam band Cecilia Point opened the event with a traditional song. Among the elected officials who spoke were the members of Parliament from Surrey-Newton, Sukh Dhaliwal,

Education Minister Rachna Singh, and Comm. Jas Viridi of the Vancouver Park Board.

A well-known Punjabi-language media personality, Gurvinder Singh Dhaliwal, was the master of the ceremony and Raj Singh Bhandall and Tajinderpal Singh Director of Guru Nanak Jahaz Heritage Society were the main organisers of the event.

Representatives of different gurdwaras in Metro Vancouver were also present and endorsed the demand. In an era of reconciliation and decolonization, the Canadian government needs to look into the issue deeply and address it. Especially considering that Guru Nanak was a symbol of inclusion and social justice who challenged power and stood up for the underdog.

(Gurpreet Singh is a journalist with a South Asian media organization and a free lance writer)

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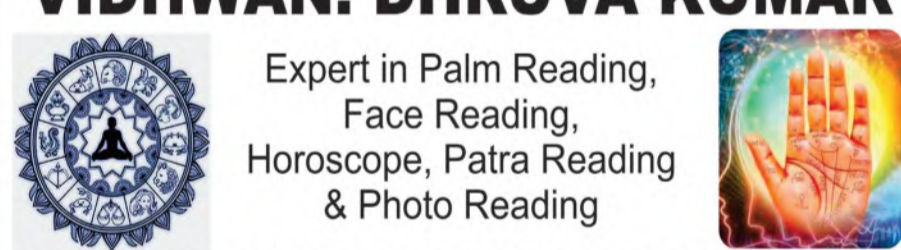
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# Jason Richard Gill of Surrey stabbed during a fight

Jason Richard Gill, a 47-year-old resident of Surrey died after an altercation with another person. The police say that Gill was stabbed during the fight.

The incident occurred on July 23, 2024, at approximately 11:50 p.m. Surrey RCMP responded to a complaint of a fight in the 6600 block of King George Boulevard, Surrey. First responders, attended and located a man suffering from multiple stab wounds. Despite life-saving efforts from both officers and British Columbia Emergency Health Services (BC EHS), the man succumbed to his injuries on scene.

Witnesses reported seeing a suspect male, fleeing the scene.

IHIT investigators have identified the victim as 47-year-old Jason Richard Gill, from Surrey, and are releasing his name in hopes of advancing the investigation.

IHIT says this incident is not believed to be linked to the BC Gang Conflict.

The preliminary investigation suggests



that the two individuals were engaged in an altercation resulting in the victim being fatally stabbed. It is unknown if the two parties were known to each other or the motivation for this tragic incident.

The suspect seen fleeing the area is described as a white male, 6 feet tall, who was clean shaven and had short, sandy colored blonde hair.

“We are in the early stages of the investigation, and investigators are working to determine the motive,” said Corporal Esther Tupper of IHIT, “If you saw a male matching the suspect description in the area around the time of the homicide, please contact IHIT immediately.”

IHIT is seeking witnesses, dash camera or surveillance video in the area of the 6600 Block of King George Boulevard, Surrey between July 23, 2024 at 11:00 p.m. and July 24, 2024 3:00 a.m. If you have any information, please contact the IHIT Information Line at 1-877-551-IHIT (4448) or by email at [ihitinfo@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:ihitinfo@rcmp-grc.gc.ca).

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# Missing Wenyan Michael Zhao found deceased in Port Kells

Seventeen-year-old Wenyan Michael Zhao of Langley was reported missing by his family on the evening of July 18, 2024. He was last seen in the 5900-block of 206 Street, Langley BC.

On July 19, 2024 at 5:30 am, Surrey RCMP located a deceased person in the 17900-block of 99A Avenue and identified him as Zhao to further the investigation. The death is deemed suspicious at this time and IHIT was taking conduct of investigation. "Preliminary investigation has determined the death of

this person to be suspicious in nature and IHIT has taken conduct of the file. At this stage, based on initial observations and information collected, investigators believe this to be an isolated incident. The person has been identified and family of deceased have been notified," said Cpl. Sarbjit K. Sangha, Surrey RCMP.

IHIT continues to investigate the death of = Zhao in partnership with the BC Coroners Service, Integrated Forensic Identification Services (IFIS), Surrey RCMP, and Langley RCMP. Preliminary information



indicates that this is an isolated event with no connections to

the B.C. Gang Conflict. Canvassers are speaking with family and friends of Michael Zhao and are constructing a timeline of his activities. Michael Zhao was last seen leaving the area of Willowbrook Mall in Langley at around 9:44 p.m. He was last seen wearing a tan / brown coloured t-shirt with "Nike" on the front in white writing, dark shorts with tan trim along the bottom, and sneakers.

"This remains a suspicious death," said Corporal Esther Tupper of IHIT, "investigators are still working diligently to

build a timeline of Michael Zhao's movements on the evening he was last seen alive." IHIT investigators are looking for information regarding the movements of Michael between 9:00 p.m. on July 18, to 5:30 a.m. on July 19, 2024. CCTV footage from the Willowbrook Mall area is being released to help identify potential witnesses. Any friends or associates of Michael Zhao who have not already spoken to police are being asked to contact the IHIT information line at 1-877-551-4448 or email at [ihitinfo@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:ihitinfo@rcmp-grc.gc.ca).

## Brampton's Inderpal Dhillon arrested with 17 others for violent Home Invasions, robberies and Carjackings

Peel Region Police of Ontario initiated Project Warlock in response to the concerning escalation of home invasion-style robberies, armed robberies, and carjacking's occurring within Peel Region and throughout the Greater Toronto Area (GTA). Police this week announced that they made numerous arrests, executed multiple search warrants, and laid a significant number of charges.

An Indo Canadian man Inderpal Dhillon, a 26-year-old from Brampton, was part of the arrests. Police said that Dhillon at the time of his arrest was an employee of ServiceOntario is charged with breach of Trust by Public Officer (X2).

All together 18 individuals arrested, 150 Criminal Code



Offence charges laid, 17 violent home invasions, armed robberies and carjackings solved 12 stolen vehicles recovered, valued over \$1,200,000.00,

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Between November 2023 and January 2024, eight robbery incidents occurred in Brampton. Of these eight incidents, there were three home invasions, two involved firearms. There were two robberies involving firearms and three knife-point robberies. In addition, a series of carjackings occurred over a weekend in March 2024. These included five carjacking's across the Greater Toronto Area (GTA), in both Peel Region and York Region, involving multiple luxury vehicles.

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## Mandeep Singh of Mississauga arrested for fatal crash that killed 15 year old pedestrian

Peel region police in Ontario have arrested and charged a 36-year-old man, as a result of a fatal collision investigation.

On Friday, July 12, 2024, at approximately 8:14 p.m., Peel Regional Police attended the area of McLaughlin Road and Horwood Drive in Brampton for reports of a violent collision. Investigation revealed that a collision occurred between two vehicles at this location and following the collision, one vehicle spun, mounting a sidewalk, striking and killing the victim who was walking in the area. The deceased victim was a 15-year-old resident from Brampton.

On Friday July 12, 2024, MCB investigators arrested Mandeep Singh, a 36-year-old man from Mississauga who was

charged with following criminal offences:

-Failure or Refusal to Comply with Demand - Accident Resulting in Death (Alcohol)  
-Dangerous Operation Causing Death

-Operation while Impaired Causing Death

He will appear before the Ontario Court of Justice for his special bail hearing on Friday, July 26, 2024.

Investigators are asking anyone who witnessed the collision, or who may have dash camera footage to call investigators with the Major Collision Bureau at (905) 453-2121, ext. 3710. Anonymous information may also be submitted by calling Peel Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), by visiting <https://peelcrimestoppers.ca/>.



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# Tragic trend of fatal crashes: Sandeep Cheema, father of 2 young girls dead....

Police later informed that the 41-year-old man had succumbed to his injuries. The police did not identify the victim, but local community members and media identified him as Sandeep Cheema.

A fundraiser was created by Kiran Singh brother in law of Cheema. In the fundraiser, Singh mentions that Sandeep passed away "as a result of a horrific head-on collision that occurred on July 16th, 2024, when a speeding semi-trailer drove through a red light as Sandeep was about to turn into his workplace to park his semi-trailer truck for the night and head home to his wife and daughters."

Sandeep was one turn away from finishing his shift, and reuniting with his family. After fighting for his life for several days in the ICU, Sandeep succumbed to his injuries, leaving his baby daughters and wife behind.

Sandeep immigrated to Surrey, BC, in 2012 after his father passed away in a car crash in 2012, and his mother passed away a few months after in 2013. After



becoming a husband in 2016, and a father shortly after, he began his new life with his new family. But that happiness would be short-lived.

"While Sandeep might be gone, his infectious spirit and his love for life are survived by his daughters and his wife. Sandeep's organs have also been donated so someone else's life can be



saved. As his family navigates this irreparable and heartbreaking loss, we ask you for your support. Your generous contributions will help the family repay his debts, provide support for their housing needs, and keep them afloat for a while. Your support will ensure that the family can honor Sandeep's memory and heal with a little less monetary strain," mentions the fundraiser.

Sandeep's death is another reminder for all those out there on roads with reckless

driving. He was not the only person who has met with the ill fate. The BC highway patrols and various police departments in BC reported multiple accidents on the roads of BC. These were not just accidents, they were fatal that did not spare old, young or even the infants.

BC Coroner's Service reported that between Friday, July 5, and Wednesday, July 10, 2024, there were 19 accidental motor-vehicle-related deaths reported to the BC Coroners Service (BCCS). Twelve of those deaths occurred during three incidents reported in the Interior Health Authority. "This week has been marked by several fatal motor vehicle incidents on highways throughout British Columbia," said a release from the Coroner's Service.

Surrey community and family last week were mourning the tragic loss of a young girl who died in a car crash in Surrey last week. Nineteen-year-old Saniya had arrived in Canada on July 9, 2024. However, her life was cut short on July 11 when she died in the accident on July 11, 2024.

To donate go to: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/help-sandeeps-family-through-this-tragic-loss>

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# IHIT requests public assistance in homicide of Jatinder Michael Sandhu

The Integrated Homicide Investigation Team (IHIT) maintains conduct of this investigation on its 8th anniversary. This investigation into the death of Michael Sandhu is designated as an unsolved case and is highlighted on IHIT's Unsolved Cases webpage to further generate public awareness and requests for information. While the evidence gathered to date indicates the shooting was linked to the BC Gang Conflict, investigators believe that these victims were not the intended targets. Neither Michael Sandhu or the surviving victim had criminal records.

On the 8th anniversary, Michael Sandhu's family continue to remember him as the eldest brother of three siblings, a beloved son, with a heart of gold.

There are persons out there with key information that can help solve this case and bring closure to Michael's family, said Staff Sergeant David Lee of IHIT, time passes, situations change, perhaps now is the time to come forward.

Anyone with information is being asked to contact the IHIT Information Line at 1-877-551-IHIT (4448) or by email at [ihitinfo@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:ihitinfo@rcmp-grc.gc.ca).



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# 'Exposes double standards': India on Canada charging two persons for online threats against PM Justin Trudeau



India has asked Canada to take action against anti-India elements operating from its soil. The comments by Indian External Affairs Ministry spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal came when asked about reports that Canada has charged two persons for threatening on social media to kill Prime Minister Justin Trudeau but such actions are missing against those threatening Indian leaders and diplomats, PTI reported.

The RCMP Federal Policing Integrated National Security Enforcement Team (INSET), Northwest Region this week arrested and charged two individuals for uttering threats against several public figures in two separate investigations.

On May 10, 2024, INSET received information that a user of the social media platform "X", formerly known as Twitter, had allegedly posted threats to kill Prime Minister Justin Trudeau. On June 6, 2024, Mason John Baker, 23, a resident of Calgary, was charged with uttering threats against a person contrary to section 264.1(1)(a) of the Criminal Code.

On June 7, 2024, INSET received information that a YouTube account user had allegedly posted threats to kill Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Deputy Prime Minister Chrystia Freeland and New Democrat Leader Jagmeet Singh. On June 13, 2024, Garry Belzevick, 67, a

resident of Edmonton, was charged with three counts of uttering threats against a person contrary to section 264.1(1)(a) of the Criminal Code.

The RCMP said in a release, "The RCMP is mandated to investigate criminal offences arising from terrorism, espionage, cyber attacks, nuclear security risks, foreign influenced activities, incidents involving the security of an Internationally Protected Person (IPPs), the unlawful release of national security information and terrorist financing."

As part of its protective mandate, the RCMP is responsible for safeguarding designated Canadians and select foreign diplomatic personnel residing in Canada, as per Article 22 of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations, as well as visiting IPPs.

"The security environment in which public figures operate continues to evolve both within Canada and abroad, and we

recognize this is a time for increased vigilance," the press release mentioned.

"In the digital age, where so many interactions occur online and are perceived to be anonymous, there is a belief that virtual actions and words do not have consequences. When these virtual actions or words cross the boundaries of Charter-protected speech and constitute criminal activity, police will investigate thoroughly to hold those responsible accountable," said Insp. Matthew Johnson, Acting Officer in Charge of RCMP Federal Policing INSET, Northwest Region.

Following the news India's external affairs ministry called it double standards of Canada. "We have seen these reports. When a democracy adopts different yardsticks to measure or implement the rule of law and freedom of expression, it only exposes its own double standard," said Indian External Affairs Ministry spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal. "We

expect Canada to take action against anti-India elements who have repeatedly threatened Indian leaders, institutions, airlines and diplomats by violence," he said.

Recently Chandra Arya, Nepean MP in the Canada House of Commons, wrote on X that separatist Gurpatwant Singh Pannun released a video demanding that Arya and his Hindu-Canadian friends go back to India after he condemned the vandalism of the Hindu temple and other acts of violence by Khalistan supporters in Canada.

Amidst rising Hinduphobia in Canada, the BAPS Swaminarayan Mandir was vandalised with alleged hateful and anti-India graffiti on Monday morning in Edmonton in Alberta state. Arya, a Member of Parliament from Nepean in the House of Commons, said in a post on his X account that separatist Gurpatwant Singh Pannun of Sikhs for Justice released a video demanding that Arya and his Hindu-Canadian friends go back to India after he (Arya) condemned the vandalism of the Hindu temple and other acts of hate and violence by Khalistan supporters in Canada.

## Two residential fires in Surrey result in fatalities

Surrey RCMP recently assisted the Surrey Fire Department for two fatal residential fires, one which occurred in Whalley and the second in Newton.

On July 20, 2024, at approximately 8:00 pm Surrey RCMP responded to a single-home residential fire in the 13600 block of 112A Ave, Whalley. Surrey RCMP frontline officers were called to the scene after an 85-year-old woman was found deceased. The fire was determined to be isolated to an upper floor room where the woman was located. The Surrey Fire Inspector has deemed the fire as not being suspicious.

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# Bank of Canada lowers interest rate to 4.50 percent

The Bank of Canada lowered its overnight lending rate this morning by 25 basis points from 4.75 to 4.5 per cent. In the statement accompanying the decision, the Bank noted that growth in the Canadian economy has picked up but is still below long-run potential, meaning the economy has growing excess supply. The Bank points out that weakness in the economy is

being felt both in household consumption and the housing market, and the labour market is softening. While growth is expected to increase in the second half of 2024 and in 2025, current levels of excess supply will continue to put downward pressure on inflation. As such, core inflation is expected to slow to 2.5 per cent in the second half of this year and ease further in 2025 while total CPI inflation

settles near its 2 per cent target in 2025. Easing Canadian inflation combined with weakness in the labour market is providing a clear signal to the Bank that monetary policy is too tight, and the right course of action is to gradually lower its policy rate back to a neutral stance. This means, contingent on inflation remaining on its 2 per cent trajectory, that we should

expect further rate cuts this year and next, with an ultimate destination of 2.75 per cent. The historical average spread between the Bank's overnight rate and 5-year fixed mortgage rates is about 210 basis points. "With most lenders now offering between 4.85 and 5 per cent, fixed mortgage rates have essentially already priced in the majority of expected rate easing though we could see

fixed rates ease a bit further. With these last two rate cuts, the Bank of Canada has undone the rate-hikes we saw this time last year which had halted a growing recovery of home sales activity. We expect to see at least a moderate uptick in home sales going forward, with activity returning to seasonal norms by the end of this year," said Brendon Ogmundson, Chief Economist

# Canadian passport ranks 7th among passports rankings; Singapore Recrowned Most Powerful Passport

Singapore reclaimed its title as the world's most powerful passport in the latest ranking published on the Henley Passport Index.

The ranking--published by London-based immigration consultancy--Henley & Partners, uses the data from the International Air Transport Association to rank 199 passports' access to 227 travel destinations. The Henley Passport Index compares the visa-free access of 199 different passports to 227 travel destinations. If no visa is required, then a score with value = 1 is created for that passport.

So having a Singapore passport also means getting visa-free entry to a record 195 global destinations.

France, Germany, Italy, Japan, and Spain drop to joint-2nd place, each with visa-free access to 192 destinations, and an unprecedented seven-nation cohort, each with access to 191 destinations without a prior visa — Austria, Finland, Ireland, Luxembourg, Netherlands, South Korea, and Sweden — now sit in 3rd place on the ranking, which is based on exclusive and official data from the International Air Transport Association (IATA).

The UK hangs onto 4th place along with Belgium, Denmark, New Zealand, Norway, and Switzerland, despite its visa-free destination score falling to 190. The US, on the other hand, continues its now decade-long slide down the index, dropping down to 8th spot, with access to just 186 destinations visa-free.

Also, the Canadian passport has become



stronger than last year, ranking 7. However, the US has slipped to eighth spot; last year, it occupied the seventh position.

This is the first time Canada's passport has ranked higher than the US' in years. The two countries' passports tied for sixth place in 2019, but before and after that, Canada ranked lower than the US. In 2014, the US shared the top spot with the UK.

The UAE makes it into the Top 10 for the first time, having added an impressive 152 destinations since the index's inception in 2006 to achieve its current visa-free score of 185, and rising a remarkable 53 places in the ranking from 62nd to 9th position in the process.

India's passport ranked 82nd on the list, with citizens allowed to travel to 58 countries without a visa, including popular destinations like Indonesia, Malaysia and Thailand.

Interestingly, both China and Ukraine are among the Top 10 countries that have climbed the highest in the ranking over the past decade. Since 2014, China has jumped

up 24 places from 83rd to 59th (with access to 85 destinations visa-free), while Ukraine has advanced by 23 spots, from 53rd to 30th, with its nationals able to visit 148 destinations without a prior visa. Russia, on the other hand, has fallen seven places over the past ten years, from 38th to 45th position (with visa-free access to just 116 destinations).

Commenting in the July 2024 edition of the Henley Global Mobility Report, Dr. Christian H. Kaelin, Chairman of Henley

& Partners and the inventor of the passport index concept, says "the general trend over the past two decades has been towards greater travel freedom, with the global average number of destinations travelers are able to access visa-free nearly doubling from 58 in 2006 to 111 in 2024. However, the global mobility gap between those at the top and bottom of the index is now wider than it has ever been, with top-ranked Singapore able to access a record-breaking 169 more destinations visa-free than Afghanistan".

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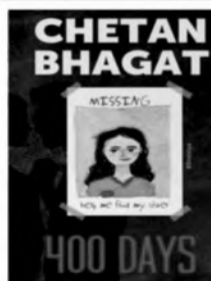
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Surrey Fusion Festival, presented by Coast Capital, returned to Holland Park this past Saturday and Sunday for its 17th consecutive year. Attendees enjoyed a weekend of food, music and culture at the free, award-winning, multicultural festival. Headliners included Sudan Archives and Malkit Singh as well as MAUVEY, Jade LeMac and DJ Goddess. This year's theme, "Landmarks of the World," was shared with the community through engaging and educational displays at cultural pavilions representing cultures from Africa, Asia, Australia, Europe, North America and South America.

Keeping to the festival's now 17-year tradition, Surrey Fusion Festival kicked off on Saturday, July 20 with the Parade of Culture, where all cultural pavilion organizers came together and marched from the ML Emporio Celebration Stage to the Concord Pacific World Music Stage. The festival featured eight stages of live performances, dance battles, an Indigenous Village and market, a sensory friendly space, and a Kid's Zone. On Saturday, youth groups competed in cooking showdowns where they battled to be Surrey's top youth chef. Additional activities included dance performances and lessons on the Connect Stage, a Ferris wheel and inflatables in the Family Fun Zone, and a licensed area.

Attendees are invited to provide their feedback on the event and help shape future events via an online survey for a chance to win a \$300 gift card to Guildford Town Centre at [surreyfusionfestival.ca](http://surreyfusionfestival.ca).

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# Ujjal Dosanjh bestowed with the Dr. Ambedkar Arts and Literature Award



After the “Sandookadi Kholh Narainia, a play by Dr. Sahib Singh staged at the White Rock Players’ Club on July 20 and 21, the former premier of BC Ujjal Dosanjh was bestowed with the Dr. Ambedkar Arts and Literature Award for his debut novel, “The Past is Never Dead.”

The retired IES, Mr. BD Virdi, was awarded with the Dr. Ambedkar Social Justice Award for his contributions to policy and program development that helped reducing poverty in the rural areas.

The organizers also recognized Dr. Sahib Singh with the “Excellence in Punjabi Theater Award”.

Honoring Dosanjh was a joint community effort led by the Chetna Association of Canada and Dynamic Creative Horizons, with the support Shri Guru Ravidass Sabha of Vancouver, AICS Canada, AISRO Canada, and Dynamic Creative Horizons.

Lamber Rao represented the Shri Guru Ravidass Sabha (Vancouver), Param Kainth represented AICS Canada, and Rashpaul Bharadqaj represented AISRO. Jai Birdi and Surinder Sandhu represented Chetna

Association of Canada while Navjot Dhillon and Inderjit represented Dynamic Creative Horizons.

Dr. Sahib Singh, a prominent dramatist from Punjab is on a tour playing his plays in different cities across Canada. Locally, Chetna Association of Canada and Dynamic Creative Horizons, partnered and together arranged with Singh to perform his play, “Sandookadi Kholh Narainia” at a theatre in White Rock on July 20 and 21. The organizers were very pleased to see the house filled both days and the theatre lovers enjoying the theatre with a needle drop silence with applause at key moments.

Sandiokadi Kholh Narainia (SDK) is a story of three youth of Punjab. All three characters are played by Dr. Sahib Singh who is also credited with writing and directing his plays. Singh, a mastermind, a highly talented, and a creative artist, skillfully projects these characters and challenges the audience to open their minds, using Sandokadi as a symbol. Throughout the play, many in the audience were able to relate to their own experiences validated through applauses,

tears, laughter, and sighs.

Chetna’s next event is a screening of a short film on women empowerment, “Whistle”. This is a part of celebrating the Gender Equality Week. The screening will be on September 14, 1:30 pm, Dr. Ambedkar Room, Surrey Center Library on the University Drive



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# Immigration Minister Marc Miller visits PICS Society



PICS Society (Progressive Intercultural Community Services Society) welcomed Marc Miller, Minister of Immigration, Refugees, and Citizenship of Canada, and Sukhinder Singh Dhaliwal, Member of the House of Commons of Canada, to its head office.

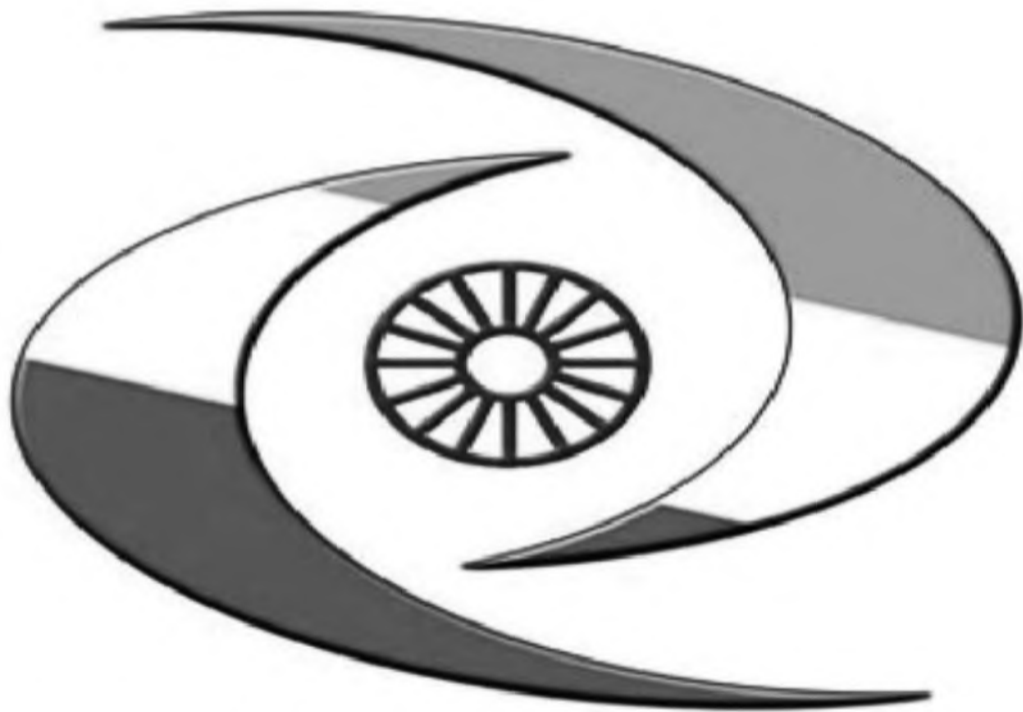
The visit emphasized the significance of supporting newcomers and fostering collaboration to enhance settlement work, leading to a better understanding of the challenges and successes in this area.

During the visit, Devinder Chattha, Senior Director of Settlement, Language, and Social Programs at PICS, delivered a comprehensive presentation on the Society's objectives, mission, and operations. She provided an overview of the current settlement and integration programs funded by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) and the Provincial government. Additionally, Ms. Chattha shared valuable insights into the challenges faced by newcomers and outlined PICS's future expansion plans to better serve this community.

Miller attended a workshop organized by PICS's settlement program, where he engaged directly with participants. This interaction allowed him to gather feedback on the services provided by PICS and understand the firsthand experiences of the newcomers. The Minister also visited the daycare facility at PICS head office, which offers childminding services to clients attending appointments with settlement counselors and participating in various events.

He also toured the PICS Senior Care Facility, where he had the opportunity to interact with residents and receive direct feedback about the facility's services and operations.

The engagement with the Minister and Member of Parliament emphasized the importance of ongoing support and collaboration to ensure successful integration and settlement for newcomers in Canada.



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Centrally located home with DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL! 16,500+ SQ.FT LOT! Currently 3 bed 1 bath home. Good exposure on the busy Scott road. Centrally located. 3 Km from Scott Road Skytrain Station. Great long term holding property.

13130 69 AVENUE



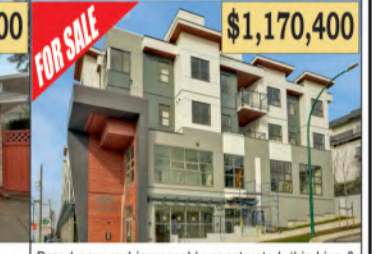
Modern executive family home situated in the highly sought-after area of West Newton. This beautifully maintained residence features 10 bedrooms and 6 bathrooms. The home showcases elegant millwork, fresh paint, high-end finishes, and renovations throughout, including two mortgage-helper basement suites (2-bedroom and 1-bedroom). The foyer's high ceilings set a sophisticated tone, leading to a double-height living room and an adjacent dining room.

13422 60 AVENUE



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!

205 395 ELLESMERE AVENUE



Brand new and impeccably constructed, this Live & Work space spanning 830 square feet is now available for immediate occupancy! Situated in the esteemed Capitol Hill neighborhood of Burnaby, this development stands out with its four-story structure gracefully perched above two levels of parking. Boasting a total of 20 luxurious residential units, 10 versatile Live-Work office spaces, and 4 upscale commercial retail units, this project sets a new standard for sophistication. The residential units, ranging from studios to three-bedroom layouts, offer generous floor plans ranging from 828 to 1,170 square feet, promising ample space and refined aesthetics.

22442 125 AVENUE



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!

14096 113A AVENUE



Indulge in luxury living in this magnificent residence with breathtaking mountain views, ideally situated near the city center. The expansive living and dining areas, paired with a cozy family room on the main floor, offer ample space for both relaxation and entertainment. Upstairs, you'll discover five bedrooms and four bathrooms, including an oversized master suite featuring a lavish spa-like ensuite and a spacious walk-in closet. Thoughtfully designed with high-end finishes, this home also includes a double car garage, radiant heating, air conditioning, and more. Additionally, benefit from the potential for rental income with separate suites (1+1). Seize this extraordinary opportunity to own a splendid property, complete with the assurance of a 2-5-10 warranty.

7893 147A STREET



CUSTOM BUILD! Immaculately maintained, this home feels brand new. Nestled on a 6700+ sq. ft. corner lot in the serene neighbourhood of Chimney Hill, this 5000+sq.ft. residence boasts 8 bedrooms, a rec room, and 9 baths with a spacious floor plan. The grand entryway with high ceilings extends into the living room, while the expansive kitchen offers abundant cabinet space and includes a large spice kitchen with a pantry. The main floor also features a generous family room, a 2-piece powder room, and a bonus master bedroom with a full bath. The top floor comprises 4 sizable bedrooms, each with its own bathroom, including 3 master bedrooms with walk-in closets.

5579 124 STREET



PRESTIGIOUS PANORAMA RIDGE! BUILD YOUR DREAM HOME. This 24,000+ 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. Please call for more details.

15451 KILMORE PLACE



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.

5559 129 STREET



PANORAMA RIDGE CUSTOM BUILT HOME- on a 13,500 Sq.Ft Lot. Welcome to this beautifully custom built home in the PRESTIGIOUS area of PANORAMA RIDGE. Featuring high end finishes, over sized windows, custom lighting fixtures, top of the line stainless steel appliances. Thoughtfully and tastefully built with an open concept in mind. Main floor features a large den, family/dining/living room, kitchen+spice kitchen, laundry and a massive rec room. There is also a massive patio, 4 bedrooms and 4 bathrooms and a den upstairs. In the basement you have a gym with half bathroom, a huge bar and theatre room. BONUS 2 bedroom suite. Triple Car Garage+massive driveway. Very large backyard and patio perfect for the summer bbq's.

12491 57A AVENUE



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. Seller can provide Vendor Take Back Mortgage (28863376)

14761 62 AVENUE



SULLIVAN STATION BRAND NEW HOUSE Features 8 BEDROOMS & 7 WASHROOMS! You are welcomed into this custom built beauty with beautiful finishings. 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 finishings. Upstairs there are 4 bedrooms, 3 with their private ensuites and good size closets!

6312 128 STREET



PANORAMA RIDGE! 7 Bed 6 Bath Home with 2 SUITES (2+1)! One of the most desirable areas of Surrey. Freshly painted with new flooring! Top finishing- 4 Bedrooms with 3 full baths upstairs with a MASSIVE sundeck to enjoy family gatherings/parties, quartz countertops, 2 bedroom legal basement suite and 1 bedroom unauthorised suite. The main floor features a living, dining, family, gourmet kitchen, half bath and den. Stainless steel kitchen appliances. Attached double garage with back lane access. A/C & comfort radiant heating, and much more!

7688 115A STREET



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.

12352 96 AVENUE



QUEEN MARY PARK BRAND NEW HOME! Beautiful 7 Bed 7 Bath Home with a 2 bedroom suite with an option to have another 1 bedroom suite. This home has stunning finishings and loads of windows to soak in the natural light. As you walk into the home you are welcomed with a large living room and dining room. Huge family room and nook alongside a beautiful custom kitchen with island and BONUS spice kitchen. There is also a full bedroom with ensuite on the main floor with an additional theatre room open to your ideas! Upstairs features 4 large bedrooms ALL with their own PRIVATE ensuites and walk in closets.

13253 80 AVENUE



BUILD YOUR 3 LEVEL DREAM HOME. This 5200 SQ.FT Lot is located in the heart of West Newton. Please call for more details.

12686 56 AVENUE



PANORAMA RIDGE 3 bedroom rancher on beautiful half acre (19994 sq ft) lot. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to own one of the best on highly sought after 56 avenue. Surrounded by multi million dollar homes. Ultra clean home with open layout, enclosed sunroom, newer roof, detached garage & RV parking. Plan to build your 3 level dream home. Rectangular Large Lot 154' frontage x 129' deep. Sewer connected. Walking distance to Colebrook elementary & bus stop. Easy access to hwy 10 & hwy 99. Easy to show North Facing, South Facing sunny backyard! The residence offers a total of 7 bedrooms and 11 washrooms- 5 master bedrooms with 6 ensuites for unparalleled luxury and convenience.

13418 71A AVENUE



Fantastic Development Opportunity: Situated in the highly sought-after Newton Area, this property boasts remarkable potential for development. Spanning over 8000sqft, its generous lot size combined with advantageous zoning regulations for a low-rise structure make it an enticing prospect for savvy investors and developers keen on maximizing future gains. Its strategic location promises growth, with easy access to utilities, roads, and essential amenities, streamlining the development process. Moreover, its proximity to key attractions such as the Wave Pool, library, grocery stores.

8316 Government Rd



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.

279C 8635 120 ST.



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.

7784 DUNSMUIR STREET



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.

17351 80 AVENUE



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# United Truckers Association endorses Commissioner's new licensing plan

The United Truckers Association (“UTA”) is speaking out regarding this past weekend’s protest by the Port Trucking Association (“PTA”) against the new requirements to obtain a container trucking licence that were recently introduced by the BC Container Trucking Commissioner. More specifically, the UTA continues to oppose unlicensed illegal fleets that have been taking away work from legitimate Independent Operators (“IOs”) for the past decade. The companies that took part in the protest are supportive of using such trucks so they can pay rates that are less than those that are legislated and enforced by the Commissioner’s office. “Claims that these illegal fleets are “affiliates” of the protest participant licence holders is a false narrative that only attempts to justify schemes

to bypass the rules that the entire drayage industry must abide by,” according to UTA spokesperson Gagan Singh. “The BC Container Trucking Act introduced a regulated system of pay for both on- and off-dock container moves,” explains Singh. “While the fact it took 10 years for the Commissioner’s office to crack down on the use of these illegal fleets is disappointing, the UTA is very supportive of the new rules, which will finally return the work that our members are entitled to.” Any company that cannot earn a living playing within the rules should not be moving containers in the industry. The 2014 Port of Vancouver truckers strike took place as a response to an epidemic of undercutting and bribes, which created an unequal marketplace where honourable businesses couldn’t compete.

# Nothing for Punjab in Union Budget, say Congress, Akali Dal

The opposition Lok Sabha members from Punjab have criticised the Union Budget as being discriminatory to the state. Congress’ first-time MP and its chief in Punjab, Amrinder Singh Raja Warring alleged that the Union Budget discriminated against Punjab which needs to be stopped. “#Why no mention of Punjab in the budget?” he asked. He said in a post on his X handle: “Disheartened to hear FM @nsitharaman budget proposals. Punjabis had high hopes from the @narendramodi led union government. The FM chose not to mention Punjab even once throughout her speech. The Country’s food bowl deserves special grants for our infrastructural needs but @BJP4India continues to ignore Punjab.”



Shiromani Akali Dal’s lone voice in Parliament, Harsimrat Kaur Badal said the Union Budget will go down as a “Sarkar Bachao” Budget. She said the Budget was tailor-made for two NDA allies in Bihar and Andhra Pradesh even as farmers, the poor and youth across the country were ignored. “There

is nothing for Punjab in the sixth continuous Budget since Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) exited the NDA alliance and government. Those who joined the BJP to further their own interests in the name of ‘solving Punjab’s issues’ must now answer why the state is facing consistent discrimination at the hands of the Centre,” she added.

# Cabinet Minister and Deputy Premier Mike Farnworth to run again with BC NDP in Port Coquitlam

PORT COQUITLAM, BC: BC’s Deputy Premier, Minister of Public Safety and thirty-year veteran of the legislature Mike Farnworth accepted the BC NDP nomination in Port Coquitlam.

Mike Farnworth was first elected as MLA for Port Coquitlam-Burke Mountain in 1991. A seasoned legislative veteran who has served in cabinet under five BC NDP Premiers, he has held the role of Deputy

Premier since 2021, and is also the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General. Mike was raised in Port Coquitlam, and has lived there for over 50 years with his partner of more than three decades and their dog, Charlotte.

“When we formed government in 2017, it was a mess — with millions in money laundering in our casinos, overstretched and underfunded teams and crime labs unable to keep up with crime,” said Farnworth.



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<p><b>217 20696 EASTLEIGH CRESCENT</b>                  NEW LISTING  <b>\$699,000</b>                  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><b>19917 72 AVE LANGLEY</b>                  NEW LISTING  <b>\$1,599,998</b>                  House with basement suite                  All rent approx \$3000 per month                  Open house Sunday 1-4</p>	<p><b>11516 PARKWOOD PLACE DELTA</b>                  NEW LISTING  <b>\$1,499,000</b>                  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><b>5105 ABERDEEN ST., VAN</b>  <b>\$1,495,000</b>                  Beautiful Corner House in the most desired area of Collingwood. Upstairs features three bedrooms and two bathrooms with a good size family room with separate entry and at the back of the house for suite. It comes with a full laundry, lots of parking and very close to all amenities. walking distance to Joyce Collingwood sky train and Gaston Park.</p>	<p><b>#37-8358 121A ST., SURREY</b>  <b>\$699,000</b>                  Welcome to Kennedy Trails. This house checks all the boxes. Cost effective &amp; environmentally friendly. GEOTHERMAL Heating &amp; Cooling. E-Star windows. Three in the heart of Surrey Main St. area. Gourmet kitchen with granite dining area, Granite Island Bath and DEN/DOR. Master Bed with walk in closet. Below is very large recreation room with full bath and comes with a full bath and a full 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><b>9750 128 ST., SURREY</b>  <b>\$999,900</b>                  Solid 6 bed and 2 bath home in the heart of Surrey. A perfect home for home buyers, investors, or those who want a spacious home. Upstairs features 3 bedrooms, 2 bath, kitchen with granite laundry. Massive living room with 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><b>#51-7090 180 ST., SURREY</b>  <b>SOLD</b>                  Sold in 7 days  <b>\$185,000 over asking</b></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**

**BEAUTIFUL HOUSE UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN PRIME NEIGHBOURHOOD OF PANORAMA**

**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.

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**10095 FAIRVIEW DRIVE, CHILLIWACK**



**4 BED - 2 BATHS - 9,750 SF LOT**

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**1001 14881 103A AVENUE**



**2 BED - 2 BATHS**

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**5748 123 Street Surrey**



**7 BED - 8 BATHS - 20,211 SF**

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# 2024 Polestar P2 EV Dual motor -- Performance is Standard!

Review by Veeno Dewan

Polestar is a Swedish premium brand competing with the likes of Tesla and Audi, with a focus on quality, performance, and cabin design. We were lucky to gain a test drive in the new Polestar P2 Crossover, an arresting All-Electric fastback-style five door hatchback with hints of Volvo in the design language. For 2024, the Polestar P2 EV has mild revised styling touches, new electric motors, faster charging, and more as standard features. The 2024 Polestar 2 now has a rear-wheel drive biased for the all-wheel drive (AWD) version. The previous traditional-style grille is replaced with a solid horizontal "SmartZone." Panel.

There is also more interior and exterior design options such as fresh paint colors, new wheel designs, ventilated Nappa leather or vegan derived upholstery, Light Ash wood trim, removable sunshade for the panoramic glass roof, Advanced cabin filter and upgraded interior particulate matter sensor and new in-car apps are also part of the package.

There are two versions of the Polestar P2 in terms of drivetrain with new electric motors. The dual-motor model as tested features a combined 408 horsepower and all-wheel drive with extremely fast acceleration. Those dual motors put out a combined 421 hp, along with 546 lb-ft of torque with a zero to 100 km/h in 4.5 seconds.

The dual-motor version uses a 78-kWh battery with 155 kW charging speed and is rated with driving range of 444 km with 19-inch wheels; 428 km with 20-inch wheels; and 397 km with the Performance pack's performance tires. The optional Performance Pack offered to the Dual Motor models offer increased horsepower

bumping to 476 hp, along with flashy gold painted Brembo brake calipers, and special Öhlins Dual Flow Valve adjustable shock absorbers and gold cosmetic seat belts and accents here and there.

All Polestar 2 models have a 907-kg (2,000-lb) tow rating. The Polestar features a 78-kWh battery that allows 155 kW DC fast charging. Recharge times 10 to 80 per cent in an impressive 35 minutes.

Canadian pricing for the 2024 Polestar P2 Single Motor starts at \$57,450, including the \$2,300 destination fee. The Polestar 2 Dual Motor starts at \$65,450, including the destination and adds adaptive cruise control, emergency front and rear braking, and LED fog lamps. Both models are eligible for the full \$5,000 federal rebate, along with up to \$4,000 in British Columbia.

The Polestar interior also smacks of high quality Scandicool Volvo. A fixed panoramic sunroof makes the light interior even more airy and there is a fairly roomy cabin overall. The front area features a fully-electrically adjustable heated seats with lumbar support, a heated steering wheel, ambient lighting, wireless smartphone charging, and a gamut of tech features accessed by the 11-inch portrait touchscreen. There is the same neat, minimalist, style dash, with few hard controls or buttons. The touchscreen operates and adjusts most functions.

The Polestar is truly green too, and features eco technology such as recycled materials in interior textile surfaces. Technology is high with an Android based Automotive operating system, Google Play and Google Assistant integration and the 13-speaker Harman Kardon Premium sound system. The rear is beautifully finished with comfortable seats and the Polestar offers 405 liters of cargo space, including the addi-



tional 41 liters under the false floor. cargo space in the trunk. Space expands to 1,070 litres when the rear seats are folded. The 2024 Polestar 2 is rated to tow 3,000 lbs. On the road, the 2024 Polestar P2 has the typically intoxicating instant acceleration of all EVs from a standing start. It is very fast, with blinding acceleration thanks to the dual motor AWD setup. The drive modes include a regenerative braking mode, which can be set to coast or maximize charge with one-pedal driving which is nicely calibrated. The steering is also

well weighted and nicely progressive along with fine handling. There is good traction when accelerating in all conditions. Suspension errs to soft although the Performance Pack equipped version with the bigger tires rides a little firmer. Overall, there is a nice balanced feel to the Polestar 2 on the road. There are some downsides, its not super agile and the Dual motor model packages are pricy. The single motor is a good compromise, Also some may find the all black, hard-edged interior design a bit spare and severe in execution.

Still the Polestar P2 is a premium hatchback that can stand against rivals such as the Tesla Model 3, Audi Q4 E-Tron, and Volkswagen ID.3. If you like Volvo's you will not be disappointed with the Polestar. It is a cut above the competition for sure.

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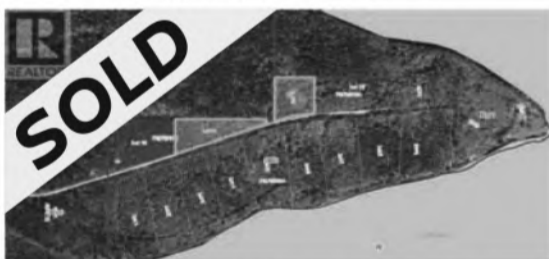
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# Channi vs Bittu: 'Deshdrohi' charge on ex-Punjab CM after war of words in Lok Sabha

The Indian House of Parliament, this week, witnessed a heated altercation between Congress leader & former Punjab Chief Minister Charanjit Singh Channi, and Union Minister Ravneet Singh Bittu, who recently switched from the grand old party to the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP).



The war of words between Channi and Bittu also led to brief adjournment of the House. Moments later, Bittu released a video message and accused the former of misleading and misguiding the nation.

Bittu, the Union Minister of State for Railways and Food Processing Industries, said that the former Punjab chief minister was utterly wrong in claiming that the farmers were booked under NSA. He termed it an outrageous

ploy to demean and mock the farmers. "Today, a former Chief Minister (referring to Channi) behaved in an anti-national manner and misled the world through the Lok Sabha. He claimed that the NSA was imposed on the farmers, which is not the case. It was against the radical forces (Amritpal Singh) which

wanted to break Punjab away from India," he pointed out.

Bittu also slammed the Congress leadership for backing Channi in the House. "While he spoke, the Leader of the Opposition (LoP) Rahul Gandhi was sitting there, enabling these statements," he said.

Earlier, during a discussion on the Union Budget, Channi hit out at Prime Minister Narendra Modi-led government and listed out 'instances of undeclared Emergency'. "This government does not treat all citizens equally. They are only concerned with staying in power. The BJP is responsible for a financial emergency in the country. They only talk about past Emergencies, but today, there is an undeclared Emergency," Channi said.

He also advocated for Amritpal Singh, a pro-Khalistan leader and MP from the Khadoor Sahib Lok Sabha constituency, who has been imprisoned under the NSA. He argued: "Twenty lakh people elected an MP, and he (Amritpal Singh) is being imprisoned under the NSA. Freedom of speech is being suppressed, and the people of his constituency cannot voice their concerns in this House. This is also an Emergency."

The heated face-off between Channi and Bittu also drew the attention of lawmakers.

During the discussion on Union Budget, Channi referred to the assassination of Bittu's grandfather and former Punjab CM Beant Singh. The alleged personal remarks left the Union Minister infuriated, who shot back by saying, "my grandfather sacrificed his life for the nation and not for Congress party".

# Harbhajan Singh bats for direct flights to US, Canada from Amritsar

A day after AAP Rajya Sabha member Vikram Sahney raised the issue of launching direct flights to Britain and Canada from Amritsar and Chandigarh airports in the Upper House, former India cricketer Harbhajan Singh, also an AAP Rajya Sabha MP, called for an expansion of the airport in the holy city. In an exclusive chat with the IANS, the former off-spinner with more than 400 Test wickets, said, "We have told the government that airports are being constructed throughout the country. However, Amritsar's airport is small and

needs expansion. "Currently, it only has domestic flights, with one or two international flights. We want a section for the United States and Canada to be opened there."

Replying to Sahney's demand in the Upper House on Wednesday, Minister of State for Civil Aviation, Muralidhar Mohol, said that granting points of call to the designated carriers of foreign countries depends on the benefits to the Indian aviation sector, the presence of the Indian diaspora in the country,



and the future plans of Indian carriers. Talking on the issue, Harbhajan said, "It is Punjab from where the majority of travellers go to Canada or America. If a direct flight goes from Punjab to America or Canada, it will save the people of Punjab a lot of expense.

"Now they first come from Punjab to Delhi and as a result, the cost increases due to extra travel and lodging. In such a situation, if the Amritsar airport is expanded and the number of flights is increased, it will be a great convenience for the people of Punjab."

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The City of Surrey recently installed four new picnic shelters in West Newton Community Park, providing park visitors with increased opportunities to relax, socialize, and celebrate events while protected from the weather.

There are now six picnic shelters in West Newton Community Park and a total of 112 throughout parks in Surrey. Later this year, four more parks in Newton will get new picnic tables, shelters, and seating. Three other parks in the city will also see new shelters as part of the City's investment in parks.

"I'm excited to celebrate the installation of four new picnic shelters in West Newton Community Park," said Mayor Brenda Locke. "These new shelters not only offer visitors the opportunity to enjoy the outdoors and connect with one another, but also enhance the overall experience of our beloved park.

This is part of our continuous effort to invest in high-quality outdoor facilities, enhancing the health and well-being of our expanding community."

West Newton Community Park is an 9.4-acre park located north of Highway 10, between 128 Street and 132 Street. It has a cricket pitch, playground, fieldhouse, community room, washrooms, over 950 meters of pathways, and sheltered seating. It is one of more than 200 parks that have active amenities such as sports fields, sport courts, playgrounds, community gardens, or picnic areas.

These improvements are aligned with our Focus Newton Action Plan, which aims to create vibrant and accessible outdoor spaces for everyone to enjoy. Surrey is also home to over 600 other parks that protect natural areas, open space, and biodiversity as part of the larger green infrastructure network. For more information, go to [surrey.ca/parks](http://surrey.ca/parks).

# 2025 Cultural Grants funding available for arts, culture and heritage activities in Surrey

The City of Surrey's 2025 Cultural Grants Program is now accepting applications. Non-profit organizations planning arts, culture and heritage events and activities in Surrey can apply for project-based cultural grants up to \$10,000 and operating grants up to \$25,000.

The City's cultural grants provide funding for a wide variety of arts, culture and heritage programming. Non-profits can further showcase their creativity through one of three grant categories: cultural celebration, project and operating grants. Applications are open online until October 3 at [surrey.ca/culturalgrants](http://surrey.ca/culturalgrants).

Interested applicants are encouraged to register for our information sessions throughout the summer to learn more about the program and gain tips for a smoother application process. Applicants can also



book a 30-minute mentorship session with the cultural grants team to address specific questions about their application or eligibility.

Last year, Council awarded \$581,205 to 78 arts, culture and heritage organizations. The Cultural Grants Program has been a valuable initiative since 2013, helping to add more vibrancy to Surrey, one of Canada's most culturally diverse cities.

For more information, visit [surrey.ca/culturalgrants](http://surrey.ca/culturalgrants).

# Richmond student makes BC proud by winning Champion at National Online Math Competition

Congratulations to Young Liu from UCMAS Richmond BC for becoming the Champion in the first-ever Online Canadian National Qualifying Flash competition held on July 17, 2024!

Pitted against students from all provinces in Canada, Young emerged victorious by solving a challenging math question involving 15 four-digit numbers. This incredible achievement requires immense effort, focus, and concentration!

Young will be awarded \$2,000 by UCMAS Canada to represent Canada at the



International Competition in New Delhi, India, on December 14, 2024.

This follows the tremendous performance by students in the National Competition last month, winning 3 Grand Champion & 7 Champion awards, which highlights the continued excellence of BC participants. Richmond students made up 4% of the total participants

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Surrey RCMP is issuing a reminder to call 9-1-1 for potential and unfolding emergencies only. An emergency is any situation that requires immediate assistance from a first responder (police, fire, ambulance services).

In 2023, Surrey RCMP received 103,627 911 calls of those calls 72,343 calls were abandoned 911 calls. Abandoned 911 calls increased by 26% in 2023. In many instances the 911 was not used for its intended use. 25-30% of the 9-1-1 calls received each day are false Misusing 911 and abandoned 911 calls requires dispatchers and police officers to divert their attention and resources from something that could be a real emergency.

When you call 911, a dispatcher will ask if you need police, fire or ambulance and for which city. If you are unable to speak English, you can let the dispatcher know which language you prefer and they will do their best to find someone who speaks the same language. For example, you could say police, Surrey, and speak Mandarin.

How you can help avoid false 911 calls: Lock and store your phone properly Don't let children play with phones – even without a SIM card they can call 911 by accident

Dial slowly and carefully when making international calls

If you do call 911 accidentally, stay on the line and answer questions from the call taker, otherwise, we will need to call you back or attend in person.

The following are not the reason to call 911:

You are looking for the non-emergency number

You need help moving

You don't know the bus schedule and or you missed the bus

Your roommate sat on your bed

Your roommate burned dinner

Your fast food order was not what you



ordered

You dropped your air pods in the bushes and you need the police to retrieve them A loud truck drove by your house and woke you up

Kids playing sports in a cul-de-sac Did not want to wait on non-emergency line.

Examples of when to call 911:

Someone's life is in danger or there is an immediate threat to person or property.

A crime in progress, shots fired, stabbing, robbery, arson/fire, and break and enter.

When a serious crime has just happened and the suspect may still be near and/or return to the scene.

When there is a good chance of arresting a suspect or preventing a serious crime.

Examples of non-emergency situations:

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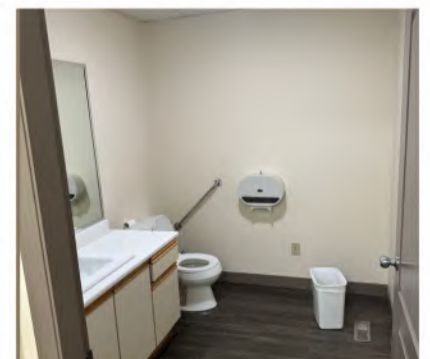
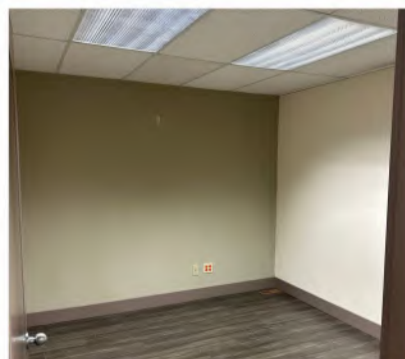
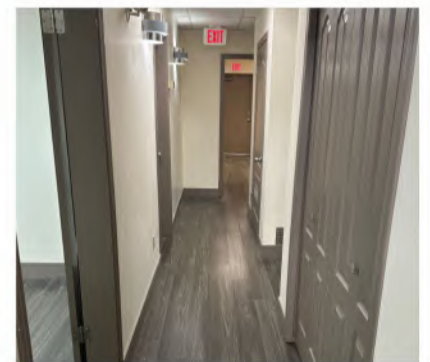
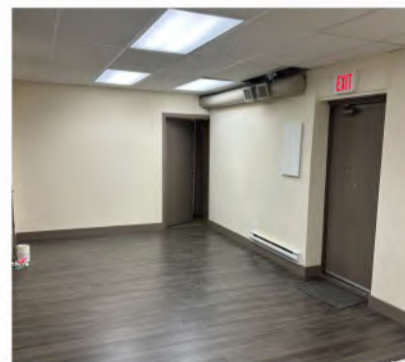
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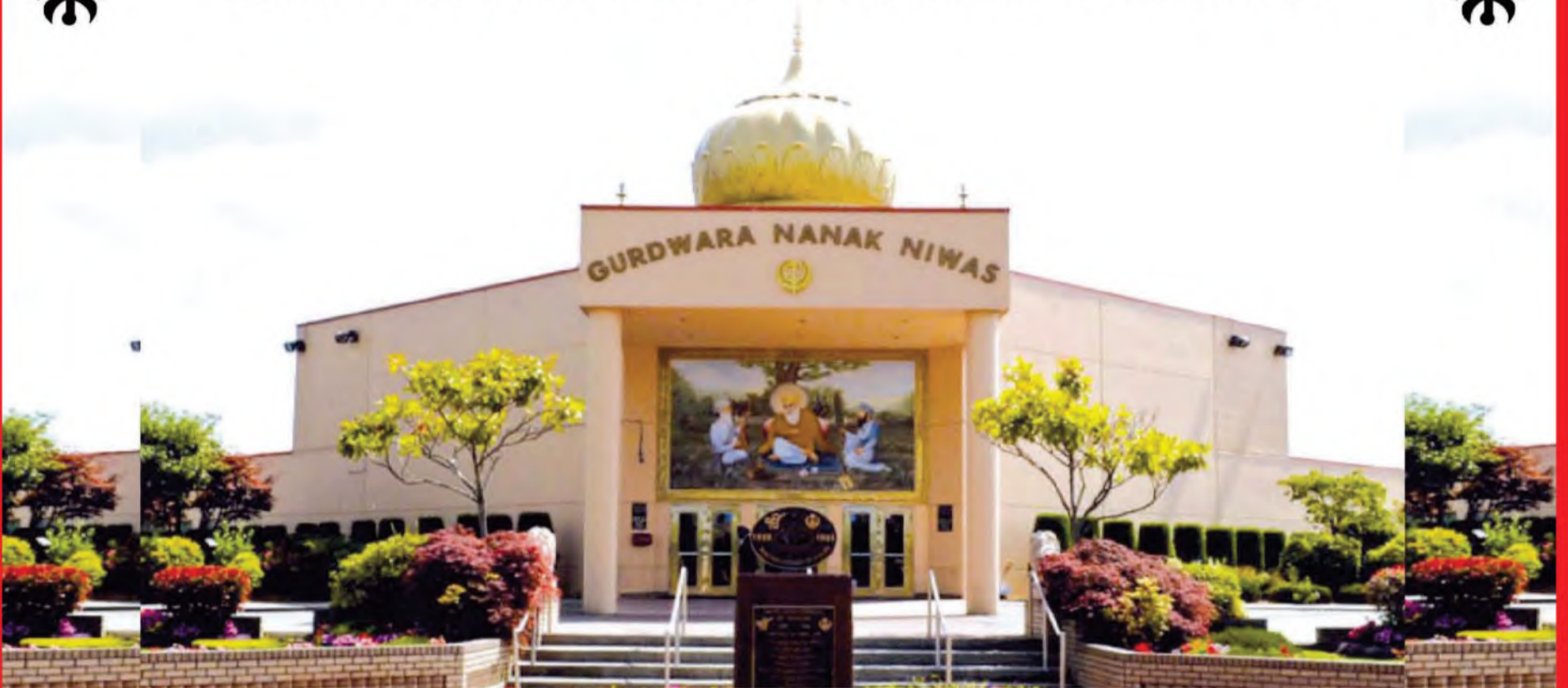
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## Upcoming Program

### WEEKLY PROGRAMS

- 24th July, Wednesday** at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by Gurmeet Singh Kaila family.
- 25th July, Thursday** at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by Nirmal Dhaliwal family.
- 26th July, Friday** at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by Sewa Singh Kandola family.
- 26th July, Friday** at 5:00 pm, Sri Sukhmani Sahib path and langer sewa by Kiranpreet Bala family.
- 27th July, Saturday** at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by Ranjit Singh Kang family.
- 27th July, Saturday** at 3.30 pm, Sri Sahaj path bhog and antim ardas for late Andy Dhanoa by Dhanoa family.
- 28th July, Sunday** at 9.00 am, Sri Sukhmani Sahib path and kirtan diwan by Bhagwant Singh Maan family.
- From 11:00 am to 11:45 am, Prominent Sikh Scholar Bhai Hari Naam**  
**Singh Khalsa talks about Sikh religion and Gurbani.**
- 31st July, Wednesday** at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by Baljot Mangat family
- 1st August, Thursday** at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by Harwinder Singh Dhillon family.
- 2nd August, Friday** at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by Manmoham Singh Litt family.
- 3rd August, Saturday** at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by Maninder Singh Nagi family.
- 4th August, Sunday** 10.15 am to 11.00 am, Weekly diwan, kirtan and langer sewa by Kashmir Kaur Johal family.
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- 5th August, Monday** at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by Karanveer Singh Sahra family.
- 6th August, Tuesday** at 5:00 pm, Kirtan and langer sewa by Sanjeev Parmar family.
- 7th August, Wednesday** at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by Jasvir Sidhu family.
- 8th August, Thursday** at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by Paramjit Lehal family.
- 9th August, Friday** at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by Sukhvinder Mahil family.
- 10th August, Saturday** at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by Balbir Singh Sandhu family.
- 11th August, Sunday** at 9.00 am, Weekly kirtan diwan, kirtan.
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- 12th August, Monday** at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by Sukhminder Brar family.
- 14th August, Wednesday** at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by Harpal Singh family.

**Special Program: We are pleased to announce that prominent Sikh scholar Bhai Hari Naam Singh Khalsa has started a series of talks about Sikh religion and Gurbani at Gurdwara Nanak Niwas, 5 Road, Richmond every Sunday from 11:00 am to 11:45 am.**

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**Evening Diwan: 6:00 pm to 6:25 pm Rahras Sahib, 6:25 pm to 6:45 pm Kirtan, 8:00 pm Sukhaasan Seva!**

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# Tiktoker Spots Karan Johar In London



“What do I call him?” TikToker Zane Thadani asked in a new video as he bumped into filmmaker Karan Johar in London. He ended up calling him ‘uncle’ and almost got away with it as the filmmaker himself took to Instagram Stories to reshare the undated video, writing, “Was happy meeting you Zane.” Watch ‘uncle’ Karan’s video with UK TikToker Zane tracked Karan down as the filmmaker stood with some women and their children near a street in the UK capital. Zane said, “Oh my God, oh my God, guys I just met Karan Johar man! What do I call him? KJo? Karan? Karan Johar? Mr Johar? Mr Karan?” He then walked up to Karan, who was dressed in blue, and got him to feature in the video with him. As Karan pouted and posed, Zane laughed covering his face and said tapping Karan’s shoulder, “Hi, uncle!” Karan looked surprised, asking, “Uncle? Did you just call me uncle,” before walking away. The text on Zane’s video read, “I met Karan Johar in London.” He wrote in his caption, “Thanks for the collab uncle...” Interestingly, Zane, who has 15.5K and 5K followers on TikTok and Instagram, respectively, is followed by star kids, actor Suhana Khan and entrepreneur Navya Nanda, on Instagram.

Reactions to video “He (Karan Johar) hates being called KJo,” wrote a fan in the comments section of Zane’s video on Instagram. Another said, “You can call him guru maa (teacher)...” A comment also read, “I thought he’s (Karan) is gonna say ”Hi beta (son).” Someone also commented, “Oh my God (laughing emojis).”

# Akshay Kumar Takes A Dig At Trolls Criticising Him For Doing 4 Films A Year: ‘Tere Ghar Mein Aaun?’

Akshay Kumar was in conversation with Mama Earth founder and entrepreneur Ghazal Alagh, as part of the promotional rounds for his film Sarfira. During the conversation, the actor opened up about his career and also asked Ghazal how she responds when people comment why she is working so much. Akshay then said that he himself gets comments like those, as many ask him why he keeps doing four films a year, and should rather concentrate on one film. What Akshay said During the talk, Akshay said: “Mujhe kehte hain ye chaar film kyu karta hai saal mein... isko ek film karni chahiye... chalo main ek picture kar leta hu baaki din kya karunga? Tere ghar mein aaun (They say to me, why does he do four films a year... he should do just one film... okay, so I do one film, but what will I do for the

rest of the days? Should I come to your house)?” “Let people work” He went on to add, “Many people who tell the other people ki ye bahoot kaam karte hein. Beta, yaad rakhna lucky are those people who get work. Yahan kaam nahi milta... roz koi na koi bolta hai berozgaari chal rahi hai ye chal raha hai wo chal raha hai... jisko kaam mil raha hai usko toh karne do (Remember, lucky are those people who get work. Here, every day someone says there is

unemployment, this is happening, that is happening... if someone is getting work, let them do it).” Akshay’s new film Sarfira is set against the backdrop of India’s booming startup culture and aviation industry. It is the Hindi remake of Soorarai Pottru, which featured Suriya, and is inspired by events from the life of Air Deccan Founder Captain GR Gopinath. Akshay will be next seen in Khel Khel Mein, co-starring Taapsee Pannu, Fardeen Khan, Vaani Kapoor and Ammy Virk. It will be released in August 15. He also has Singham Again up for release this Diwali. The big-budgeted Rohit Shetty-directorial also features Deepika Padukone, Kareena Kapoor, Tiger Shroff, and Arjun Kapoor, among others, along with the trio of Ajay Devgn, Ranveer Singh, and Akshay. He will also be seen in Sky Force, alongside Suniel Shetty, Nimrat Kaur, and Sara Ali Khan, among others, this year.

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## Janhvi Kapoor on claims of paying money for social media praise: 'Itna budget nahi hai'

Janhvi Kapoor, who made her acting debut in 2018 with *Dhadak*, is busy with the promotions of her upcoming film *Ulajh*. In a new interview with *Pinkvilla*, the actor was told people have been saying good things about her, and she joked she was 'paying them to say it'. When asked how she has evolved as an actor, Janhvi said she cannot comment on her own performances, and it is for people to judge. "Paise khilwa ke bulwa rahi hu" She said, "Main khud ke baare me kaise baith kar bolu, 'Main na badi confident ho gayi hu, bade acche acche performances de rahi hu'? Main khud nahi keh sakti na (But how can I sit and say about myself, 'I have become very confident; I am giving very good performances'? I can't say it myself)." When told that people are saying good things about her, she added 'Paise khilwa ke bulwa rahi hu (I am paying them to say it)'.

'Yeh toh iska PR hoga'

Addressing the social media speculation around her PR, Janhvi added, "Koi bhi main jab dekhti hu na social media par galti se koi bhi tareef kar leta hai na toh yeh bolte rehte hain ki 'Yeh toh iska PR hoga, yeh toh iska...' Main bolti hu 'Nahi itna budget nahi hai ki main logon se tareef karwaun' (Whenever I see someone praising me even by mistake on social media, they keep saying, 'This must be her PR'). I say 'no I don't have enough budget to pay people to compliment me'."

Upcoming film

Janhvi Kapoor, who was last seen in *Mr & Mrs Mahi* with Rajkumar Rao, is joined by Gulshan Devaiah, Roshan Mathew, Rajesh Tailang, and Adil Hussain in *Ulajh*. The film tells the tale of Suhana Bhatia, who tries to navigate her personal and professional life. *Ulajh* is set to release in theaters on August 2, 2024. Janhvi also has the Telugu film *Devara Part 1* with Jr NTR and Saif Ali Khan as one of her upcoming projects.

## Iulia Vantur holds 'boyfriend' Salman Khan close in rare PDA at her birthday bash.

Salman Khan is rumoured to be dating Iulia Vantur for years. He threw a birthday bash for the singer at his Mumbai residence on Thursday night. In the inside pictures that have surfaced on social media, Iulia is seen holding Salman close to her in a group selfie. Iulia holds Salman close

In the group selfie clicked by singer Mika Singh, Salman is resting his arms on Mika's shoulders. He looks behind to share a laugh with actor-singer Himesh Reshammiya. Standing next to Salman is Iulia, grinning for the camera, with one hand resting on Salman's shoulder. The two don't pose for and share too many pictures with each other on social media.

Iulia is also often seen at his family gatherings. She has also collaborated with him on the professional front like singing a version of the song *Jag Ghoomeya* from his film *Sultan*. She has also sung *Seeti Maar* from *Radhe*, and *Selfish* from *Race*



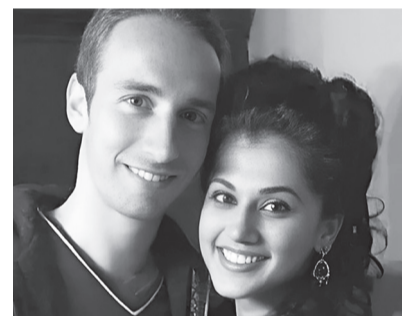
3, which Salman had composed and written. Guests like Mika and music composer Sajid, who were there at Iulia's birthday bash, shared some inside photos of the celebration. Mika shared a reel on Instagram where he can be seen taking selfies with the birthday girl and other guests. In one of the clicks, Mika can be seen hugging Salman.

Along with the post, he wrote, "What a wonderful and cozy get-together at @beingsalmankhan's place to celebrate @vanturiulia's birthday! Happy birthday, dear @vanturiulia! May God bless you with abundant happiness, success, and good health. @beingsalmankhan, thank you so much for the amazing time. This hug felt like true brotherhood. The hit machine @realhimesh and @thesajidwajid bhai."

## Taapsee Pannu has a hilarious response to being congratulated on her marriage

Actor Taapsee Pannu attended the launch of the song *Hauli Hauli* from her upcoming film *Khel Khel Mein* on Thursday evening.

When congratulated by a photographer on her marriage to Mathias Boe, she had a funny reaction. A paparazzo shared a video of Taapsee captured after the event. She looked gorgeous as ever, dressed in a white and yellow



form-fitting outfit. As she walks out of the venue, the photographer says in the video, "Taapsee ji, congratulations." To which she smiles wide and replies, "Picture hit hogayi? (Is the film a hit?)" When he says he's congratulating her on her wedding, she says, "Tu wedding ki congratulation kar raha hain yaar? Main hi bhool gayi hoon ab tak. (You're congratulating about the wedding? Even I forgot about it.)" Taapsee Pannu on her wedding

Taapsee married her longtime boyfriend Mathias in an intimate ceremony in March this year. Talking about why she didn't make an official statement or release pictures of the ceremony online, she told *Hindustan Times*, "I just am not very sure if I want to let my personal life and the people involved in it, to go through the kind of scrutiny that happens when a public figure gets married. It's me who has signed up for this, not my partner, not the people who were involved in the wedding. I am not sure about how I feel about it being out there, that's why I've kept it to myself."

Upcoming work

Taapsee will soon be seen in *Phir Aayi Hasseen Dillruba*, the sequel to her Netflix film *Hasseen Dillruba*. The film will see her and Vikrant Massey reprise their roles, with Sunny Kaushal as a new addition to the cast. Her film *Khel Khel Mein* will see her share the screen with Akshay Kumar, Fardeen Khan, Vaani Kapoor, Ammy Virk, Pragya Jaiswal and Aditya Seal.

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## Brampton's Inderpal Dhillon arrested with...

During one of the home invasion incidents, a victim sustained a serious gunshot wound to the lower body that required medical attention. Investigators linked these incidents together through extensive video canvasses, physical evidence and forensics leading to the

creation of Project Warlock. The investigation focused on an identified organized criminal network based in Brampton and Mississauga. "Violence like this terrifies and shatters the sense of safety of residents and their families," said Chief Nishan Duraiappah.

"Everyone deserves to be safe in their homes, cars and at work. Our community is not a place for this type of criminality and Peel Regional Police will do everything to seize illegal firearms, arrest those who are terrorizing residents and deter criminality."

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## Two residential fires...

BC Coroner's Service has taken conduct to determine the cause of death.

On July 23, 2024, at approximately 2:00 am Surrey RCMP responded to a fully engulfed single residence home in the 13600 block of 56B Avenue, Newton. Police were advised that a 73-year-old woman had escaped from the residence and

was taken to hospital; unfortunately, a 77-year-old man did not make it out of the fire. Surrey RCMP General Investigation Unit briefly took conduct of the investigation and the Surrey Fire Inspector has determined the fire as not suspicious. BC Coroner's Service is now working to determine to investigate the death.



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ਪੰਜਾਬੀ ਸ਼ੱਕਰ ਇੰਡੀਕੈਨ 2lbs ਜਾਰ  
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**Almonds #1 Large Size**  
ਵੱਡੇ ਬਦਾਮ  
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**Fresh Tinda**  
ਤਾਜੇ ਟੀਂਡੇ  
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**Red Delicious Apples #1**  
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**Zucchini Squash**  
ਜੁਕੀਨੀ ਸਕੁਐਸ਼  
**88**  
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**Red Lentil Whole, Red Lentil Split & Black Chana 4 lbs (Indican)**  
ਧੋਤੀ ਮਸਰਾਂ ਦੀ ਦਾਲ  
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**\$3.98**  
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**Rooh Afza Indian 750 ml**  
ਰੂਹ ਅਫਜ਼ਾ  
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**Russet Potatoes Snoboy 10 lbs**  
ਆਲੂ ਰਸਟ ਸਨੋਬੁਆਏ  
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**Gala Apples US #1**  
ਗਾਲਾ ਸੇਬ ਯੂ.ਐਸ. #1  
**\$1.59**  
lb

**Fresh Ginger**  
ਤਾਜ਼ਾ ਅਦਰਕ  
**\$1.99**  
lb

**Almond Oil 1 L (Indican)**  
ਇੰਡੀਕੈਨ ਬਦਾਮ ਦਾ ਤੇਲ  
**\$12.99**  
bottle

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