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LETTER from the PRESIDENT

Well what a year 2020 has been! I hope you are safe and healthy and finding ways to thrive in the new normal. As we share our community, I wanted to keep you updated on what is happening at the PNE and Hastings Park. There is no question that COVID-19 has been a significant challenge for your families and lives; it has also significantly impacted our organization and our team. On the bright side, we have found ways to keep celebrating and bringing joy to guest in new ways. The many drive-thru events we held on site were meant to support our mission of "Delivering Memorable Experiences" and our team held true to its core values of Excellence, Enthusiasm and Evolution.

As we head into December, our PNE team looks forward to bringing you the PNE WinterLights drive thru, a novel holiday experience you can take in with your bubble from the safety of your car and enjoy the season. It is scheduled to open December 11 pending any new restrictions and we hope to see you there (visit pne.ca for details). Due to health and safety requirements, unfortunately, we are not able to accommodate walk-thrus or bicycles this year.

In terms of business impacts, the PNE still has not been able to access the same federal support programs other organizations have had access to across the country (i.e. wage subsidy) but I do want to thank Member of Parliament Jenny Kwan and City Councillor/PNE Board Chair Lisa Dominato for their ongoing efforts and advocacy on our behalf. We remain hopeful Ottawa will listen and help

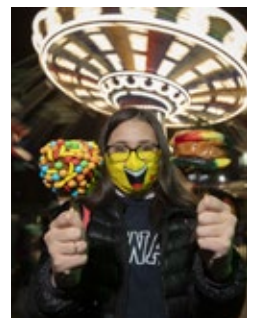
the PNE with the same resources everyone else is able to access as 4,300 annual jobs depend on it.

You may also have heard chatter about the Strathcona homeless camp moving into Hastings Park. I want to assure you that we have been working diligently with the City of Vancouver to ensure this does not happen. Everyone, including the City team, recognize that you can not simply take an issue disrupting one neighbourhood and place it in another, expecting different results. The Hastings Park site remains active with Community Ice in the Agrodome (hockey and figure skating clubs are still allowed to practise even though games are currently restricted) and Circus West classes. We are very active with film projects across the site and we have worked with a number of organizations to make sure that our venues are booked through spring/summer of 2021 when we hope to be able to get back to more regular types of activity on site.

The PNE team and I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your support this year and we wish you all a safe and healthy holiday season. We can't wait to start bringing people together again to build community and social connections and to have guests coming back to the site and helping to support our local business community. In the meantime, follow us on social to see what's happening and share your stories.

Shelley Frost
President and CEO

SNAPSHOTS of 2020



Upcoming Events at the PNE

Hastings Park Farmers Market

— Every Sunday, November 1–April 25 (closed December 27)

PNE WinterLights: A Magical Journey to Santa

— December 12–13, 15–23 & 26–30 (may be extended into January)

PROTOCOLS IN THE PARK

We are happy to report that throughout the last few months, the community has actively utilized the Hastings Park grounds. We are proud to be a safe place to walk dogs, play with the kids, get some fresh air, and fish in the sanctuary!

The PNE Public Safety Department would like to remind its community park users about the following safety precautions to take:

1. The Hastings Park Sanctuary is open from sunrise to sunset daily
2. A valid fishing license is required to fish
3. No fishing from the shore line; fishing is only permitted from the dock
4. Masks are required on the dock; there are reminder signs through the sanctuary for more information
5. Please maintain 6' social distancing from others
6. If the dock is crowded and 6' distancing is not possible then please wait until a spot becomes available



DRIVE-THRU EXPERIENCE

The PNE WinterLights event is planned to run on select dates from December 12–30 with a possible extension of event days in January, dependant on a number of logistics. The event will be open from 4–10pm each of the open event nights, with the expectation that guests will be onsite in their vehicles until 11pm.

Our set up for this event will be done in phases, with fencelines starting to be installed on November 10 to accommodate for the Best Buy Tech Wonderland event (subsequently cancelled by Provincial Health Office) and the fences will be taken down on or before January 11. The Sanctuary will remain accessible from

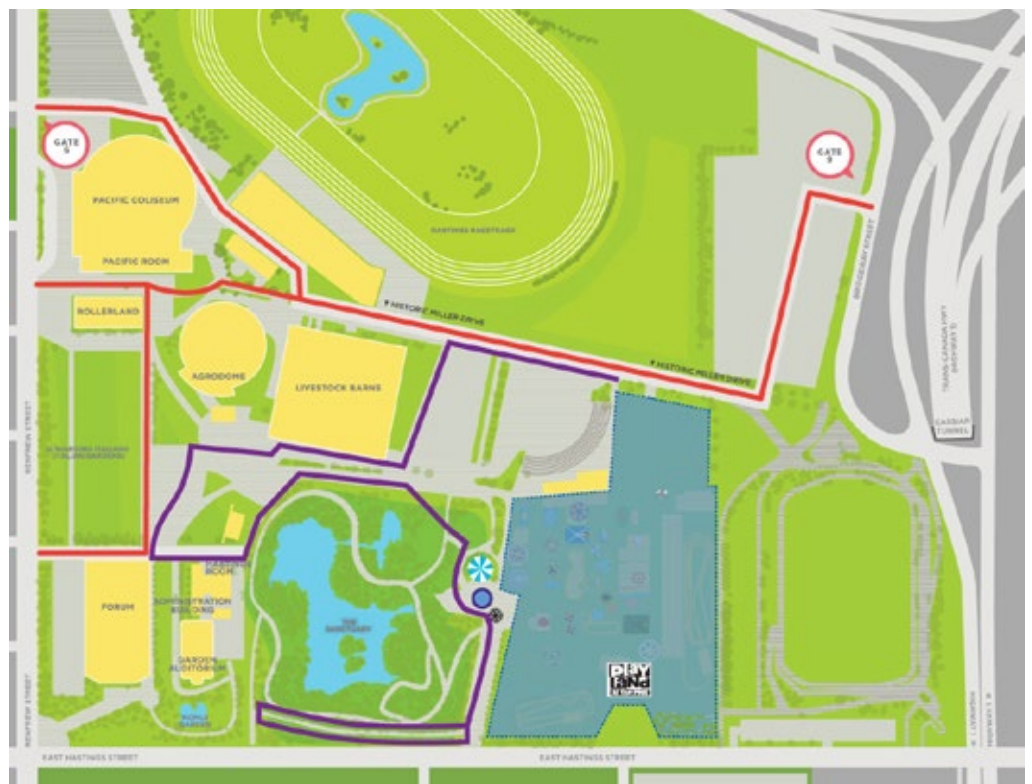
the west side for the entire time; however access from other areas will be limited depending on the phased timing of fence installation. Please refer to the map published for affected areas.

East of Sanctuary — Fence will be in place from November 10 to January 11

South of Sanctuary (“Dogwood Lane” roadway) — Fence will be in place from November 23 to January 6

Centre Grounds / Lot 12 / Amphitheatre — Fence will be in place from November 30 to January 6

For more event Information please see www.pne.ca/winterlights



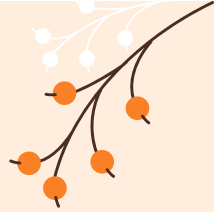


Hasting Park Winter Farmers Market

We are proud to be the home of the Hastings Park Farmers Market every Sunday, reconnecting people with the land and the foods you love. Each Sunday at the market you can expect to see 35+ farms and producers, food and coffee trucks.

You can view a full list of Hastings Park vendors here: <https://eatlocal.org/markets/hastings-park>.

The Market continues through April 25, 2021, 10am-2pm.



CircusWest at the PNE

CircusWest will be expanding their class offerings from October 1, 2020 through to January 31, 2021 and with social distancing requirements, has installed a tent into the west side of Lot 15. This tent placement allows for CircusWest to follow all social distancing protocols for safe class offerings.

Filming at the PNE

We are very fortunate to be a popular and historic space for filming in Vancouver. The film industry has bounced back from their complete shutdown in March, keeping the PNE lively with productions occupying any and all available building space at the PNE. Each production is following strict protocols for all staff on site each day.



Presentation of Honorary Colonel Commendation and Regimental Coin

A special presentation took place early in the afternoon of 20 October 2020 at the 29th Battalion (Vancouver Regiment) CEF Memorial at the PNE where the Honorary Colonel of the Regiment, Ted Hawthorne, presented an Honorary Colonel Commendation and Regimental Coin to Donald Lee, Director, Year Round Operations, in recognition of the PNE's strong support over the many years for the BCR Great War Battalions Parade held annually in September at the Memorial.

More information can be found at <https://www.bcregiment.com/new/blog>

Bike Lane Changes

With many on site events coming up the bike lane along the Mainline (centre of the park) will be made slightly narrower as of November 19 but remain open during upcoming events, as it is at the utmost importance to ensure the safety of all park users.

PNE Park Upgrades

The PNE continues to focus on sustainability through upgrades to our infrastructure as we continue to focus on the Hastings Park-PNE Master Plan (<https://www.pne.ca/about-us/hastings-park-master-plan>). In the last 6 months we have replaced water lines in the Agrodome, began a Livestock Building window revitalization project with completion in March 2021, scheduled an Agrodome brine line upgrade for completion in September 2021, and we are moving forward with the replacement of the heat/AC units for the Pacific Coliseum and Administration building in 2021.



Christopher Columbus Statue

Hastings Park is the home to a variety of historical and cultural plaques, benches, monuments and statues. Some of these historic markers can be polarizing as they convey vastly different meanings to different people, which conjure different emotions based on these meanings and what is being represented.

This past summer the Christopher Columbus statue in Il Giardino Italiano was vandalized multiple times; we received multiple threats that it would be toppled over; and numerous emails, phone calls and one formal petition has been received to take the statue down.

In respect of all parties the PNE is currently reviewing the requests and will be consulting with all stakeholder groups including the Community Advisory Board, Hastings Park Conservancy, Cultural Services of the City of Vancouver, Urban Indigenous Peoples Committee, and the Italian Community to determine what our next steps will be.

This statue was donated by the Citizens of Genoa, supported by the Region of Liguria and erected by the Confrotellanza Italo-Canadese for the Italian community in memory of the Honourable Angelo E. Branca, Q.C. October 11, 1996.



HOLIDAY RECIPE

An easy
Herb Apple Stuffing
with Pecans recipe
studded with festive
fall flavours is sure
to be a hit at your
holiday dinner!

Serve with turkey,
pork or chicken.



Ingredients

1 loaf French bread, cubed	1 BC Gala apple, diced	1 Tablespoon thyme leaves, fresh, stems removed
2 Tablespoons butter	1 Tablespoon sage, fresh, minced	½ cup dried cranberries
1 yellow onion, diced	1 Tablespoon rosemary, fresh, minced	¾ cup pecans
3 stalks celery, diced		3 cups chicken stock
1 ½ teaspoons kosher salt		6 Tablespoons melted butter
Freshly cracked pepper		

Instructions

Preheat oven to 350°F. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper and spread bread out into one even layer (may need two baking sheets). Bake for 8-10 minutes, or until lightly toasted.

In a sauté pan, add in butter on medium heat until melted. Add in onion, celery, salt and pepper. Cook for 5-6 minutes. Add in apple and cook for another 3-4 minutes, or until tender.

In a large bowl, toss together toasted bread, sautéed onions, celery, apple, herbs, cranberries, pecans, chicken stock and melted butter. Place into a large casserole dish, cover with foil and bake for 20 minutes. Uncover and bake for an additional 20-30 minutes, or until golden brown.