

RBAC -WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Announcements:

The City of Vancouver and the Vancouver Park Board have launched a pilot mobile pump-out service in False Creek to help improve water quality and increase access to pump-out facilities in recreational waters. This service is free to boaters in False Creek.

Here is the backgrounder, as well as some media coverage (including photos of the boat) from the launch event this Tuesday:

<http://vancouver.ca/news-calendar/boaters-encouraged-to-pump-not-dump.aspx>

<http://www.metronews.ca/news/vancouver/2017/08/15/vancouver-launches-free-mobile-pump-out-services-for-false-creek-boaters.html>

<http://www.news1130.com/2017/08/15/vancouver-pump-boats-false-creek/>

Book a Mobile Pump-Out

The mobile pump-out boat travels directly to recreational and commercial vessels that request service and professionally empties sewage tanks free of charge.

The pump-out boat (holding tank capacity of 600 litres) is a confidential and insured service. To provide the mobile pump-outs, the City has contracted Skookum Yacht Services, a local company that has been doing boat repairs and maintenance at the Granville Island Boatyard for over 10 years.

Schedule (Subject to change)

Days of Operation: Monday, Tuesday, Friday, Saturday

Time: 10 am to 4 pm

Months: August until mid-October

Arrange your free boat pump-out easily in three ways:

Call/Text: 778-683-7867

Email: pumpout@skookumyachtservices.com

Flag: Flag the mobile pump-out boat when it's on route in False Creek

Boaters can also access free stationary pump-outs at Burrard and Heather Civic Marinas. For more information visit: www.vancouver.ca/marinas



Featured Tweets of the week: (Please re-tweet)

Make a photocopy of your Pleasure Craft Operator Card so it's easy to replace if you lose it
[#SafeBoatinghttps://t.co/jF0cuWHKp7](https://t.co/jF0cuWHKp7)

https://twitter.com/Transport_gc/status/899783253548310528

ATTENTION BOATERS: Water bombers are working hard to fight [#BCwildfire](#). If you spot a water bomber on a local lake, stay out of its way!<https://t.co/GlVtvRJq7W>

[BC Wildfire Service](#) and [Public Safety Canada](#)

https://twitter.com/Transport_gc/status/899673769731555328

That water could be colder than it looks. Find out what to watch for in case of [#Hypothermia](#)
<http://ow.ly/xEvp30cWNq1>

https://twitter.com/Transport_gc/status/899602155220480001

Hitting the water with a [@ParksCanada](#) [#DiscoveryPass](#) this summer? Remember, practice [#SafeBoating](#) & wear a [#LifeJacket](#)

https://twitter.com/Transport_gc/status/899345363051720704

Enjoy your weekend!

Regards,

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