

# RYSA SUN

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## Kidsake Day debunks "safe fun" oxymoron

Alice Huang

Wet weather had lingered over Richmond for a week, but spirits were unhampered by the dreary skies at this year's

Kidsake Day. Over 10,000 people attended the annual event for fun and games while learning how to stay safe. Who can resist such an enjoyable way to get kids excited about safety?

A summer tradition, the Richmond Auto Mall has hosted Kidsake Day for nine years. Various non-profit groups provided information and demonstrations on emergency preparedness and crime prevention. A bike rodeo provided entertainment for the kids while the RCMP Bike Squad handed out booklets on biking safety. The BC Ambulance Service hosted a display of ambulances, including a vintage ambulance that looked like an ice cream truck. The bursts of hammering from the Home Depot woodworking booth added to the energy of the day's events. Richmond Fire-Rescue held a car demolition show. Two old, dented sedans were the unwitting victims. Large crowds gathered to witness firefighters chip away the windows and doors. All that was left of the cars were metal frames. Your little brother may like smashing his Hot Wheels car into the wall, but using hammers and crowbars to smash a real car is for firefighters only!

In support of the Richmond Youth Centre, the RYSA volunteer crew sold tasty treats and raffle draws to event-goers. The

sizzle and aroma of salmon burgers on the barbeque drew hungry hordes. As crowds continuously arrived at our booth, the RYSA crew grilled and assembled burgers with amazing efficiency. The snow cones, with their endless array of rainbow colours, attracted many kids and adults alike. Thanks to the RYSA volunteers, it turned out to be a successful day as we manage to raise fair amount of money for the Youth Centre!

The rain started to fall at the end of the day, but everyone left Richmond Auto Mall with smiles. Kids proudly carried their craft creations, while parents were armed with brochures on a variety of safety tips. Our RYSA crew was happy too, knowing that our hard work paid off and everyone enjoyed a day of fun and safety.



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## U-20 FIFA WORLD CUP

*By Hussain Ali*



Canada was hosting the FIFA U-20 World Cup 2007. There were 52 matches held in six different cities: Victoria, Burnaby, Edmonton, Toronto, Ottawa and Montréal from June 1<sup>st</sup> to July 22<sup>nd</sup>. There were six groupings which are A, B, C, D, E, and F. Each group is different depending on the geographical location of the teams.

The first match of the tournament on June 30<sup>th</sup> was between Korea Republic and USA which was held at Olympic Stadium, Montréal. This game ended as a tie between Korea Republic 1-1 USA. The teams that reached the round of 16 were Austria, Gambia, USA, Uruguay, Spain, Brazil, Japan, Czech Republic, Chile, Portugal, Zambia, Argentina, Poland, Mexico, Nigeria, and Congo. Austria played with USA to reach to the semi-finals of the first group by 2-1 over USA. The Czech Republic lured Spain to commit penalties to beat them. Chile won over Nigeria by 4 goals to 0 to lead themselves into the semi-finals. Argentina made it into the semi-finals against Chile by winning over Mexico by 1 goal to 0. Czech Republic beat Austria by 2 goals to nothing to reach the finals. The finals of the U-20 were between Argentina and Czech Republic. Austria and Chile battled for third place on July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Argentina took the cup home by winning over Czech Republic 2 to 1.

## The Steve Nash Charity Foundation

*By Hussain Ali*



The two time Most Valuable Player came to Vancouver with some great players last Saturday evening to put on a great show for his fans. Steve Nash is very dedicated to assisting children in their health, personal development, education and enjoyment of life.

Kids were happy to see Steve Nash back in Vancouver this summer to show them a great game. The half time show was surprisingly great. They had a three year old girl who could do amazing tricks with a basketball while dribbling two balls at the same time. Not even Sam Cassel can do the tricks that the three year old did.

Many excellent players came to play a great game for the kids in Vancouver. The kids had lots of fun talking to the players and especially their hero who is Steve Nash.

The game goes on every summer at GM place. Steve Nash is back in town on October 26<sup>th</sup>, the Phoenix Suns are battling Seattle Sonics.

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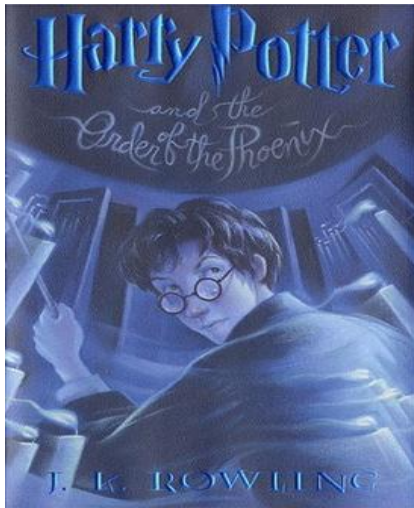
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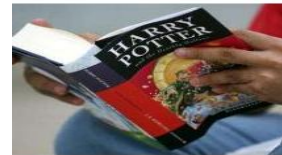
Harry Potter and the Order of Phoenix  
Review  
By Hussain Ali

# POTTER MANIA

Harry Potter Book Breaks Global Record at Borders



The Harry Potter film series has grown to another level of packed fun and much more. The new Harry Potter novel came out right after the new movie by ten days. People went crazy to get a hold of the new book. The Richmond Public library had around 1000 holds on the new book. J.K Rowling has retired from writing Harry Potter books. The new movie explains lots of what will happen in the Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince. Everyone by now is watching the new movie of the great wizard to unravel the mystery that J.K Rowling has set for us.



The final book about boy wizard Harry Potter broke a single-day record at Borders Group Inc., selling about 1.2 million copies worldwide.

"This is the highest single-day sales of any title ever in Borders history," the book store company said on Sunday in a release. Borders is the second-largest chain of book sellers in the United States. Fans have lined up outside book stores around the globe for a copy of "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows" -- the seventh and final volume of the series written by J.K. Rowling.

The question is how long would this enthusiasm last? Forever? Personally, I think it would be endless due to the fact that more bizarre creativity will be passed down generation after generation. After J.K Rowling retires from writing the Harry Potter series, someone may take her "seat". Let's wait for the wilder imagination to come along!

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## ARTS & THEATER

Hey There! Calling all you live theatre, performance, and Shakespeare lovers! Have you been to "Bard on the Beach" yet? If not, what are you waiting for! It's a great line up of Shakespeare's work, and tickets are as low as \$20.00!! This great event has already started; some shows go on until September 23rd and take place "Under the Tents" in Vanier Park in Sunny Vancouver! I've got my tickets! So get yours before it's all sold out! For more info check out their website at

<http://www.bardonthebeach.org/>

So that's Bards line up, what about the "Vancouver Fringe Festival"! It's a large collection of different venues, with an array of excitement. You might not find your average performance here. You might just find something that blows your mind into very pretty colours.

Well what if I don't have all the money in the world to go see brilliant performances? I have the most brilliant solution for you! The Fringe Festival couldn't be brought to the general public without volunteers. They have the per-

fect solution for your money problem; for so many hours/shifts you dedicate to them, there's a free play in return. For more information, the dates, and how to apply; check out <http://www.vancouverfringe.com>

*By Ross Hamilton*



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