



# GORGE CANADA DAY PICNIC

**8:30 am - 4:00 pm • July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026**  
 Gorge Waterway Park on Gorge Road West



**Pancake Breakfast • 65 Market Vendors • Classic Car Show  
 Kids' Zone • Strawberry Tea • Gorge on Art • 29 Food Vendors**

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## Main Stage Performers

**12:00 pm**  
**Rick & Rusty**



With over a century of combined experience, Russ Godfrey (guitar, vocals) and Rick Van Krugel (mandolin family instruments, guitar, vocals) are a duo with deep musical roots. Friends since 1974, they deliver an eclectic, heartfelt show shaped by the sounds of the '60s and '70s.

Blending vintage favorites with blues, jug band, Appalachian, country, and Celtic influences, their music is rich, varied, and full of energy—most of all, they genuinely enjoy what they do, and it shows.

**1:15 pm**  
**Bagatelle**

**Bagatelle** blends the rhythmic pulse of traditional Québécois music with the infectious energy of bluegrass. Bagatelle delivers a high-energy performance filled with tight harmonies and irresistible toe-tapping tunes. With a repertoire that weaves together old-world melodies and modern bluegrass flair, this band is sure to get you moving and singing along!



**2:30 pm**  
**The Midnights**



The Midnights are an electrifying Motown, soul, pop, and funk band, recognized as one of Canada's most dynamic acts with international appeal.

They have backed Martha Reeves and The Vandellas, opened for The Temptations, and appeared in documentaries on the Victoria High R&B program. Their high-energy show combines tight choreography with classic hits and original songs, including work by Skylark's B.J. Cook, creating a vibrant, dance-worthy experience.

# Features & Events

**8:30 am - 11:00 am**  
Pancake Breakfast

**9:00 am**  
Canada Day Family Parade  
(starts at Tillicum Rd)

**9:00 am - 4:00 pm**  
Canada Day Market  
Gorge on Art  
Classic Car Show  
Community Engagement Displays

**10:00 am - 3:00 pm**  
Drumming Workshop  
Kids Activities/Inflatables  
Road Hockey  
VCKC Canoe Rides

**1:30 pm - 3:30 pm**  
Strawberry Tea

# Food Vendors

See zone numbers for vendor locations

## ZONE 1

Pizza Pizza  
Poutine 66  
The Ice Cream Truck  
Willie Wonka Candy Factory  
Strawberry Tea (1:30 -3:30 pm)

## ZONE 2

Aerobic Geisha Coffee  
Artisan Empanadas by Scorpion Chef  
Greek on the Street  
Hot Dog Hustlin'  
Namaste India Cuisine



## ZONE 3

Langos by Louie  
Salt Spring Fruitsicles  
Softies Ice Cream

## ZONE 4

Ali Baba Pizza  
Bite Me Cookie Company  
Cup-A-Roni Truck  
Kuku's Indian Cuisine  
Oh Sugar!  
Shiraz Persian Cuisine  
Sub-Zero Ice Cream  
Syriana



## ZONE 5

Greek n' Go  
Kira's Cookie Jar  
Lemon Heaven  
Pablo Ice Cream Bars  
Pele's Kitchen  
Sip It (Henzo's)  
Tamales Don Carlos

## ZONE 6

Fry by Night  
Chilly Willy's Frozen Bananas  
Pancake Breakfast (8:30 -11:00 am)

## Information

Lost & Found, information and memberships are available at the GTCA tent.



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[gorgecanadaday.ca](http://gorgecanadaday.ca)

## Recycling/Composting

Help the environment by using the designated recycling and composting containers located along the road.

# Entertainment

## BUSKERS' CORNER

**10:30 am - 3:00 pm**  
**AM:** Esquimalt First Nations, Morris Dancers, Tai Chi  
**PM:** Local Neighbourhood Talent

## GORGE ON ART STAGE

**10:00 am - 4:00 pm**  
Music by Performers from the Victoria Bluegrass Association

## ROVING PERFORMANCES

**10:30 am - 2:30 pm**  
Island Circus Space  
**GORGE RD NEAR VCKC - ZONE 1**  
**10:00 am - 3:00 pm**  
Fun Based Interactive Installation

## KIDS' ZONE

**10:30 am - 12:30 pm**  
Nick Stetz Drumming Workshop  
**1:30 pm - 3:30**  
Kids Rock School Stage

## MAIN STAGE

**12:00 pm - 4:00 pm**  
See next page for performers

**More info on the website!**

