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**BC FERRIES REMINDS CUSTOMERS OF SAILING REDUCTIONS ON THE  
HORSESHOE BAY – DEPARTURE BAY ROUTE**

VICTORIA – BC Ferries is reminding customers that the 7:00 pm sailing from Departure Bay and the corresponding 9:00 pm sailing from Horseshoe Bay have not been scheduled Monday through Thursday from October 14, 2009 – March 31, 2010 (excluding Christmas and Olympic periods). These evening sailings will continue to operate on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays.

BC Ferries conducted a review of its traffic levels and it was determined that during the winter months, the Nanaimo – Lower Mainland sailings have low utilization levels. Therefore, these weeknight sailings have not been scheduled in an effort to reduce costs.

An alternate route for customers travelling between the Lower Mainland and mid-Vancouver Island is the Tsawwassen – Duke Point route which has sailings leaving Duke Point at 5:45 pm and 8:15 pm, and leaving Tsawwassen at 8:15 pm and 10:45 pm.

From February 12 – 28, 2010, during the 2010 Vancouver Winter Olympic Games, not only will these evening sailings be operating, but an additional round trip will be added to the route departing Departure Bay at 10:00 pm and departing Horseshoe Bay at midnight. These extra sailings are being added so residents of Vancouver Island can take full advantage of the Olympic Games.

Customers are encouraged to visit BC Ferries' website for full schedule details at [www.bcferrries.com](http://www.bcferrries.com).

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