

VSRA TIMES

November 2025

Victoria Stroke Recovery Association

Meets on Fridays at Knox Presbyterian Church 2964 Richmond Rd, Victoria, BC V8R 4V1

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Birthdays: 11 Dietrich S, 14 Jim S, 16 Sukhvir S, 19 Anne d V, 22 Margaret B, 24 Noreen F, 27 Kathy R & Fran K



Morning Program

Afternoon Program

10-11



Coffee Time

11-12



Communication Group

with Marie Shuman, RSLP



Exercise Group

with Alexis Morres, Instructor



Care Partner Support Group

Weekly with Mary Anna McKay **7th Nov** with Lycia Rodrigues



Stroke Survivor Support Group 21st Nov with Lycia Rodrigues, Registered Clinical Counsellor

12-12:45



BYO Lunch

Bring your own lunch and eat with friends

12:45-1:30

Nov 7th





With Nicole Davey (Linda's daughter)

Nov 14th

OT Tips



Shannon Ellis, Occupational Therapist is going to talk on home modifications and scooters.

Nov 21st Music Enrichment



Sing and play along with Shannon Perkins-Carr **MTA**

Nov 28th FAME



Stanley Hung, UBC, will tell us more about the Fitness And Mobility **E**xercise program for stroke survivors



VSRA is a non-profit association. It is a self-support group for stroke survivors and their care partners. Thank you to all the volunteers and supporters who make the program possible!

VSRA acknowledges with respect the Lekwungen and WSÁNEĆ Peoples on whose traditional land we meet.

VSRA Hockey Night!



Come to a Victoria Royals Hockey Game with your VSRA friends.

Date and Time: 28th November 2025, 7pm

Where: Save on Foods Arena, 1925 Blanshard St, Victoria

Cost: \$20 (cash only)

Please sign up with Peter by Nov 14th



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Lest we Forget

Christmas is coming! Save the Date!



This year our Christmas Luncheon and Fundraiser will be held on Friday 12th December from 11:30am - 2:30pm at the Victoria Golf Club, 1110 Beach Dr, Victoria BC V8S 2M9

Tickets will be on sale soon. Members \$40** and Non-Members \$50 **If cost is prohibitive, please see Mary-Anne or a Board Member - we want everyone to come!

Please remember to book your handyDART 250 727 7811. Our last VSRA meeting of the year will be on 19th Dec.

We are getting excited about our Silent Auction. We hope each table can contribute something to the auction. Perhaps your table can make up a basket of goodies or each person can give some money towards a gift card to a restaurant or store. Perhaps you have a connection to a business that is willing to donate something, or maybe you have created something beautiful that we can donate to be auctioned off. If you need help with ideas, please ask Mary-Anne. It would be great to have all auction items in by November 28th.

Care Partners Support Group 7th November 2025

Lycia will explore the concept of ambiguous loss, facilitating conversations about the shift from being a spouse to becoming a caregiver. This session will delve into the feelings associated with losing a partner in shared decisions, activities, and emotional support. Our focus will be on sharing experiences rather than "fixing" problems.

Stroke Survivors Support Group 21st November 2025

Lycia will invite participants to discuss how we are all working through changes to living situations, social roles, and relationships. A stroke can cause overwhelming feelings of grief, loss, anger, and anxiety. This group session will help us to normalize these emotions and learn healthy coping mechanisms.

TIME TALENT TREASURE

We are so grateful to our members who give us their time, exercise their talents and donate to our association. All these contributions help us to flourish!



OCTOBER'S OURSTANDING SUPPORTER Rolly for her generous and beautiful decor Ron and Rosarie for ideas and contacts Debs, Don, Dee Jay, Mary Anna for sharing resources