

Davis Realty News



Jack Davis

FROM CAROLYN'S
KITCHEN



Phantom Rhubarb
Muffins

1/2 cup sour cream
1/4 cup vegetable oil
1 large egg-beaten
1 1/3 cups flour
1 1/2 cups diced rhubarb
2/3 cup brown sugar
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon salt

Mix all dry ingredients & rhubarb, add all wet and just mix

Top with:
1/4 cup brown sugar
1 1/2 teaspoons butter
1/4 cup nuts
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon

Bake at 350 for 25 to 30 minutes.

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HOME PRICES SOFTEN WITH MORE LISTINGS

An increase in listings has cooled real estate prices and created a "buyer's market" in Greater Victoria. The average price of a detached bungalow in the region fell 4.2 per cent to \$490,000 in the first quarter of 2011 compared to the same period a year ago.

Other types of housing showed slight increases with condominium prices inching 1.4 per cent to \$480,000.

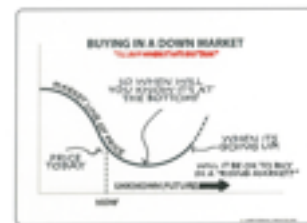
All increases were well below the national averages.

It's a great time for buyers to be out there.

Greater Victoria saw no price changes in new homes from January to February, but prices are down a full percentage point from the same period a year ago as builder's pared prices to attract buyers.

Information taken from Royal LePage survey

Now is an excellent time to buy & sell as the marketplace has a fantastic selection.



Jack's Night Out at the Movies

The lucky winners of this issue's "night out" are Rae Ying & Michael Heron. They have won tickets and treats for two at the movie of their choice. Want to enter for the next draw? Give Jack a call: 250-598-6200 to say hello or send a quick email: jdavis@davis realty.ca He likes to hear from his friends & clients... anytime!

Thank you to all of my clients for the continued loyalty over the years and I appreciate your referrals!

Two Speed Market Continues for BC Home Sales

Vancouver, BC – April 18, 2011. The British Columbia Real Estate Association (BCREA) reports that Multiple Listing Service® (MLS®) residential sales in the province continued to climb higher in March. Compared to March of 2010, MLS® residential unit sales increased 11.5 per cent to 8,600 units. The average MLS® residential price rose 15 per cent to \$594,157 in March compared to the same month last year.

"We continue to observe a two-speed market in BC, with surging consumer demand in Metro Vancouver overshadowing more moderate demand in other regions," said Cameron Muir, BCREA Chief Economist. "Vigorous consumer demand drove Greater Vancouver to its most active March since 2004, while the Fraser Valley had its strongest March in four years. Conversely, sales activity in other BC markets is expanding at a pace more inline with overall economic growth."

Year-to-date, BC residential sales dollar volume increased 21 per cent to \$11.14 billion, compared to the same period last year. Residential unit sales increased 4.7 per cent to 19,147 units. The average MLS® residential price rose 15.4 per cent to \$582,021 over the same period.

BCREA represents 11 member real estate boards and their approximately 18,000 REALTORS® on all provincial issues, providing an extensive communications network, standard forms, economic research and analysis, government relations, applied practice courses and continuing professional education (cpe).



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Happy Camping Compliments of J.W. (Jack) Davis

If you are not a camper please pass this on.

CAMPING

GROCERIES

- ___ Bread/Buns/Butter
- ___ Milk
- ___ Cheese
- ___ Eggs
- ___ Fruit e.g. Oranges/Apples
- ___ Juice/Pop/Coffee/Tea
- ___ Sugar/Sweetener
- ___ Can/Package Soup
- ___ Pork & Beans
- ___ Bacon/Weiners/Beef
- ___ Cold Cereal
- ___ Ketchup
- ___ Mustard
- ___ Mayo
- ___ Salt & Pepper
- ___ Syrup
- ___ Waffles
- ___ Marshmallows
- ___ Ice

PERSONAL HYGIENE

- ___ Soap
- ___ Shampoo
- ___ Toothpaste
- ___ Toothbrush
- ___ Mouthwash
- ___ Deodorant
- ___ Shaving Gear
- ___ Towels/Washcloth
- ___ Hairbrush/Comb

DRY GOODS

- ___ Tea towels/Washcloths
- ___ Paper Plates/Paper Towels
- ___ Aluminum Foil
- ___ Toilet Paper
- ___ Kleenex
- ___ Garbage Bags
- ___ Ziplock Bags
- ___ Sunscreen/Insect Repellent
- ___ Tylenol

CHECKLIST

OTHER

- ___ Tent
- ___ Mattress/Air Pump
- ___ Sleeping Bags/Comforter
- ___ Pillows
- ___ Sportsgear e.g. Baseball/Football
- ___ Pots & Pans/Coffee Pot/Mugs
- ___ Cook Stove & Fuel
- ___ Cooking Utensils
- ___ Cooler
- ___ Lawn Chairs
- ___ First Aid Kit/Matches
- ___ Lifejackets
- ___ Axe
- ___ Tool Kit/Valve Repair Kit
- ___ Flashlight/Spare Batteries
- ___ Tarp
- ___ Camera/Film/Memory Card
- ___ Binoculars
- ___ Juice Containers
- ___ Water Jugs
- ___ Duct Tape/Black Tape
- ___ Empty 1 Litre Ice Cream Buckets
- ___ Whistles for Children
- ___ Rope For Clothesline/Clothes Pegs
- ___ Dish Soap/Tub for Washing Dishes
- ___ Table Cloth

Clothing

- ___ SwimSuits
- ___ Shorts
- ___ T-Shirts
- ___ Running Shoes/Hiking Boots
- ___ Jogging Suits
- ___ Rain-gear, Rubber Boots, Umbrellas
- ___ Sweater
- ___ Light Jacket, Wind Breaker
- ___ Jeans
- ___ Socks
- ___ Hats & Sunglasses



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