Getting Around

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As anyone who has read about us and our travels knows, we really like Vancouver and its various neighbourhoods. We have explored and thoroughly enjoyed areas like Kitsilano, Yaletown, Gastown, The Drive, Lonsdale Quay, English Bay, Granville Island, False Creek and Stanley Park. There are still dozens of areas we have yet to discover but in time hope to get to, however they will have to wait until we return here in the future. From where we are staying, at the Burnaby-Cariboo RV Park, every place we go to is never more than 30 minutes away so it has been quite convenient.

Today, it occurred to me that for some people a 30-minute drive anywhere is too far but for us it seems perfectly normal. We lived out in the country for over 20 years and aside from being able to walk to the country general store, nothing was within walking distance. The nearest town, Or illia

, was over 20 minutes away so driving was necessary for pretty much everything from shopping to going to the doctor. Our enthusiasm about living here someday stems from the fact that where we will be living is within walking distance to most of our favourite places and driving won't be as necessary as it has been in the past. But for now, we still need to drive.

The countdown is on and in less than two weeks we will be leaving here so we are trying to spend as much time as possible with Karley and Makai. Today we drove over to The Drive to pick them up and take them out for lunch at The City Centre, a food and shopping complex we hadn't been to before. We are still enjoying clear, sunny skies with 10 - 14C temperatures so going for a drive was ideal. After lunch, we went to the Granville Market to wander around and to treat ourselves to our favourite coffee. The market is much busier now with spring in the air and there were a number of new booths for us to check out. As enjoyable as it was, Makai, dressed in his "army fatigues" slept through our entire excursion even while Grandpa carried him.