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To North Shore News Editor:

I am sure you have recieved plenty of email on the issure of mountain bike or not to mountain bike on Mt Fromme and of the exploits of Coucillor Crist. However I would be interested to hear what your readers would have to say if they were to see the words and feelings of Coucillor Crist published in your paper. The following is an E-mail sent to Cam McRae of NSMB.com in reply to Cam's question to Coucillor Crist. Cam's questions was "[COUNCILLOR CRIST - HAVE YOU BEEN ON ANY TRAILS ON MOUNT FROMME? IF SO WHICH ONES? CAN YOU TELL ME WHAT YOU SAW THERE?](#)" I am sure the question is simple enough to understand however the reply by Coucillor Crist is nothing short of astonishing! The following is the reply to Cam McRae from Coucillor Crist:

Dear Mr. McRae:

I don't think you should overly worry as to whether I've been on the trails or not, or have done so often enough. Let's just say I've seen, read and heard enough about the issue to come to an informed opinion, come up with workable solutions and generally look beyond the end of my own and the NSMBA nose.

Let me reiterate again, trail biking on rainy Mount Fromme, with its impact on the community, is a NO WINNER and sooner or later the exercise will come to grief. However, you are not going to believe me anyway so the matter will have to take its course just as it has in other jurisdictions before it sank in and before the respective jurisdictions were compelled to take action. It just so happens that in the District of North Vancouver they are a little slower, a little more backward and haven't quite caught on yet, but then neither have they caught on to other important phenomena - they are like that and just don't know yet that the game is lost.

Thank you,
Ernie Crist

Whether people are for or against mountain biking on Mt Fromme the fact is, the people of North Vancouver are represented by this man and I find it hard to believe that ANY North Vancouver resident would like to be refered to as "A little slower" or "a little more backward". I also find it hard to believe that Coucillor Crist believes that this is a "game" and a must win affair when he is referring to the one thing that sets North Vancouver apart form Vancouver/GVRD to the rest of the world, not to mention the millions of dollars annually that North Vancouver business' derive from this "game" and would stand to lose. I find it hard to believe that this elected official is representing the people of North Vancouver with such disregard and such a childish attitude. I suppose I should be used to this from a man who as recently as 2 weeks ago in an e-mail felt it necessary to tell me personally to "go ride up a tree". Do the people of North Vancouver really want this individual making decisions for them?

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