

# *Island Bushwhacker*

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*Whacking Walter - Brianna and Walter at Alava-Bate.*

*Photo by Lenka Visnovska*



## ACC VANCOUVER ISLAND SECTION

### Social Events

The club has a monthly slide-show presentation at the Swan Lake Nature House, 3873 Swan Lake Road, Victoria, BC on the second Thursday of each month, except in July and August. The doors open at 7:00pm, and the show starts at 7:30pm.

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### The Island Bushwhacker Newsletter

A monthly (except July and August) publication of the Vancouver Island Section.

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We encourage submissions of items of interest to our membership, including news items, announcements, and short articles, along with photos. Email your submission by the 25th day of the previous month.

Advertising shall be accepted at the discretion of the editor. All advertising shall be for products or services of direct interest to our membership.

### Our Motto

1. **COME BACK ALIVE**
2. **COME BACK FRIENDS**
3. **RESPECT THE LAND**
4. **HAVE FUN**
5. **GET TO THE TOP**  
(IN THAT ORDER!)



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Thur, May 11** [Wine and Berber Whisky and The Long Drive to the Desert](#) Come hear Brianna Cook-Coates take us through the High Atlas mountains of Morocco and Alois Schonenberger and Mike Cave take us to the sticky granite of Joshua Tree National Park.

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### Reminder to Members:

Keep your [membership](#) up-to-date, so to as to be covered by the ACC's liability insurance. Keep your [contact information](#) current on ACC National's site, as it's from this master list that we download our email addresses for mailouts.

[Register](#) on our ACC-VI site to make your contact information available to other ACC-VI members.

Join the ACC-VI [listserv](#) to keep in touch and share information with other ACC-VI members.

Join the ACC-VI's [Facebook group](#).

## Upcoming Slideshows, Presentation, Meeting and Get-togethers

**Slideshow. Thur, May 11: Wine and Berber Whisky + The long drive to the desert. A two presentation evening with Brianna Cook-Coates, Alois Schonenberger, and Mike Cave.**

Brianna had a dream to go cragging in Spain and all it took to convince Walter to go was the promise of inexpensive Spanish wine and the chance to climb Jebel Toubkal - the highest mountain in North Africa. Come enjoy stories and photos from their month long trip provided by Brianna and some Berber Whisky poured by Walter.

For the past few years Alois and Mike have made an annual road trip to Southern California to enjoy the sunshine, sticky granite, and warm temperatures (in theory) of Joshua Tree National Park. Join them for stories of their trips and for a slideshow on the desert environs and climbing offered within this fantastic national park.

**Added May 11 bonus:** we will be drawing for [Phee Hudson's beautiful Triple Peak painting](#) in support of the 5040 Hut!

*Victoria Slideshows are at Swan Lake Nature House. Doors open at 7:00 pm, the show starts at 7:30 pm. Tea and goodies by donation.*

## Upcoming Trips

### **05-07** May. 5040 Peak / Adder Mtn Backcountry Skiing

Depending on snow and road conditions we will either head up 5040 or Adder - both have great skiing. Drive up Friday; hike/ski to campsite. Explore and ski the surrounding slopes. Return Sunday afternoon. Dates may change to suit the weather.

**Requirements:** Winter camping gear. Must be proficient skier with requisite skis, skins and avie gear (digital beacon, probe, shovel).

**Co-leaders:** Chris Ruttan, George Butcher. **Contact:** George - [geosooke@gmail.com](mailto:geosooke@gmail.com) 250-642-5388

### **06-07** May. Triple Peak via North Ridge (C3)

Meet at the trail head on Saturday May 6th at 12pm. Hike to the Lake before Triple and camp for the night. Sunday climb Triple Peak via North Ridge, and then hike out back to the vehicles.

**Skills:** Everyone should have some climbing experience including feeling confident climbing up (and down climbing) on a snow slope of 45degrees. Ice axe and self arrest training such as an ACC snow school workshop or equivalent experience is mandatory. Max 6 participants.

**Gear required:** Ice axe, helmet, harness, ATC belay/rappel device, crampons with anti-snow balling plates, sturdy boots that fit your crampons.

**Contact:** Natasha Salway, [natasha.salway@gmail.com](mailto:natasha.salway@gmail.com)

### **06** May. Mount Arrowsmith - Lost Gully Route (C3)

This is the longest (ie starts the lowest) commonly used route to the Arrowsmith summit, and really only good in the Spring. We will ascend from Pass Main directly to the Arrowsmith South Summit, with the crux a very steep ~60m snow gully (the famous "lost" gully) for which previous experience with crampons and ice axe are essential. After attaining the South summit we will traverse the ridge to the main summit, descend Judges Route, and find our vehicles. Approx.: 8-10 hours. You will need to be in good physical shape and confident with self-belayed climbing on steep snow. Joint hike with Island Mountain Ramblers. Max 10.

**Contact:** Clarke Gourlay, [clarke@cheeseworks.ca](mailto:clarke@cheeseworks.ca) 250-954-3941

## Upcoming Trips cont.

### **07** May. Cobble Hill Mtn - Hanging Gardens Tour (A1)

Cobble Hill Mtn. (elev. 330 m) has much to recommend once you leave the well-beaten front side paths and venture off cross-country. In this protracted tour we will take in the extensive hanging gardens on the sunny, south side of this hill, make our way over to the summit areas for some views of Mt. Baker, Saltspring, and Mt. Whymper area before heading back to the base via yet more hanging gardens on the shady northern side.

**Contact:** Email Scott Collins at [scottcollins@shaw.ca](mailto:scottcollins@shaw.ca) for more details.

### **19-22** Mt. Alexandra & Mt. Adrian

Drive up Friday, ski 12 km up logging road to col; set-up camp. Skiing and peak bagging. Lots of ski terrain up there. Leave Monday. Dates may change to ensure a good weather window.

**Requirements:** Winter camping gear. Must be proficient skier with requisite skis, skins and avie gear (digital beacon, probe, shovel).

**Leader:** George Butcher. **Contact:** George - [geosooke@gmail.com](mailto:geosooke@gmail.com) 250-642-5388.

### **19-22** May. Mt. Septimus via the X Gully (C3)

Meet at the trail head on Friday, May 19th afternoon/evening, camp at trail head. Start early Sat morning. Hike to Cream Lake and camp for the night. Sunday climb Mt Septimus, (weather/time permitting, we may see if we can climb Mt Rousseau the same day.) Camp Sunday night and hike out on Monday.

**Skills:** Everyone should have some climbing experience including feeling confident climbing up (and down climbing) on a snow slope of 45degrees. Ice axe and self arrest training such as an ACC snow school workshop or equivalent experience is mandatory. Crevasse rescue training highly recommended. Max 6 participants.

**Gear required:** Ice axe, helmet, harness, Crevasses rescue and travel equipment, ATC belay/rappel device, crampons with anti-snow balling plates, sturdy boots that fit your crampons.

**Contact:** Natasha Salway, [natasha.salway@gmail.com](mailto:natasha.salway@gmail.com)

### **20-21** May. Triple Peak (C3)

Two day sortie on a classic Island peak. Drive up on Sat, hike in and set up camp at the lake. Explore the neighbourhood, if time permits. Early start on Sunday for summit attempt, return to camp, hike out and drive home.

**Skills:** Mixed snow and rock climb. Should be comfortable on steep snow with ice axe and crampons. Scrambling unroped on Class 4, with significant exposure at times. Max 6.

**Co-leaders:** Karun Thanjavur and Rick Johnson. **Contact:** Karun [karun@uvic.ca](mailto:karun@uvic.ca)

### **27-28** May. Mt. Arrowsmith Steep Snow Fun for Kids & Youth

Steep snow travel practice, rope skills, alpine camping & fun.

**Contact:** Shanda Lembcke at [lembcke.shanda@gmail.com](mailto:lembcke.shanda@gmail.com)

### **02-04** June. Mt. Harmston and Argus Via Comox Glacier (C3)

Meet and camp at the trail head on Friday June 2nd. Leaving the Comox Glacier trail head early in the morning, and hiking up to the Comox Glacier. Crossing the glacier onto the ridge to Argus and tagging it as we go. Camping somewhere on the ridge between Argus and Mt Harmston. On Sunday, climb up Harmston via the Southeast Ridge, and then hiking back to the cars. Pack light these will be long days

**Skills:** Everyone should have some climbing experience including feeling confident climbing up (and down climbing) on a snow slope of 45 degrees. Ice axe and self arrest training such as an ACC snow school workshop or equivalent experience is mandatory.

**Gear required:** Ice axe, helmet, harness, personal crevasse rescue equipment, ATC belay/rappel device, crampons with anti-snow balling plates, sturdy boots that fit your crampons. **Contact:** Natasha Salway, [natasha.salway@gmail.com](mailto:natasha.salway@gmail.com)

**03-04 June. Wild Women: All Women's Climbing Trip to Crest Creek Crag (A5)**  
For all self-identified women, come join us on a trip to Crest Creek Crag, one of the Island's premier climbing areas. Crest Creek Crag offers a great variety of climbing styles and ratings and great access for setting up top-ropes. Meet on Friday night for the first night of camping and climb Saturday and Sunday. **Skills:** Ability to belay (on top rope at minimum), comfort anchors and ability to manage yourself at the crags. **Gear required:** Harness, belay/rappel device, rappel back-up, personal safety (slings, PAS, preferably no daisy chains), helmet. **Camping:** TBD. Max 12 participants.  
**Organizers:** Brianna Coates, Krista Gooderham and Jes Scott. **Contact:** Brianna - [cookcoatesb@gmail.com](mailto:cookcoatesb@gmail.com)

*[Check out the ACC-VI Events page -- news trips are added frequently!](#)*

## Mountain Education

**I**sland Alpine Guides is offering a second **Crevasse Rescue Course for ACC-VI** members on Saturday 6 May and there are still 2 spaces left. The link for booking this course is <https://www.islandalpineguides.com/trips/40>. Be sure to notify them that you're an ACC-VI member and they will provide a member discount once you've registered.

**S**teep Snow - **Parts I and II.** This ACC-led workshop is intended to introduce beginners to elements of non-glaciated mountaineering. Trip participants will practice the basic skills needed to climb and descend the occasional pitch of steep spring/summer snow, and to practice rappelling in mountain terrain.

**Saturday 3 June 8:30AM - 5:00PM Crag & Classroom session (TBD)**

A day to discuss ropes, gear, and knots, and to practice rappelling at the crag. This day long session will be mandatory in order to prepare for the following long weekend.

**Friday 9 June - Sunday 11 June. Weekend in the Mountains (Mt. Arrowsmith near Port Alberni).**

We'll hike up to the beautiful North Cirque and set up camp, spend a day learning how to climb steep snow using a combination of mountaineering boots, crampons, ice axes and rope & protection systems, and on the final day we'll put it all together to climb Mt. Arrowsmith's Main Gully and descend The Nose.

**COST: \$75/person.** If interested, please email Eric Swanson: [eric.accvi.trips@gmail.com](mailto:eric.accvi.trips@gmail.com)

**Workshop size:** This course can accommodate 6 participants.

**Workshop pairings:** This course pairs well with this year's Intro to Rock Climbing (held the following month) and Crevasse Rescue courses.

**W**ilderness Navigation Course, Strathcona Provincial Park -- June 10 - 11.

This two day Wilderness Navigation Workshop will teach you the skills to navigate safely. Some of the skill that are taught are; Route Planning, Basics Map and Compass work, Route Finding, etc... if you are interested in signing up or would like more information use the link below. There is a 10% discount for all ACC-VI member with valid membership card.

Contact: MB Guiding - <https://mbguiding.ca/browse/2-day-wilderness-navigation/>

**I**ntro to rock climbing -- June 28 and July 07-09, 2017.

Intended to introduce beginners to outdoor rock climbing. Course participants will learn the basic skills needed for a day of top roping at the crags including belaying, rappelling, and anchor building. Classroom and cliffs sessions. Check out [Intro to Rock Climbing](#) for more info.

# Vancouver Island 150

## A 2017 ACC-VI Project

*In celebration of Canada's 150th birthday can we collectively climb 150 Vancouver Island peaks and hills during this year, and record our summits online?*

The definition of a summit seems to be endlessly contestable, so let's try to avoid controversy and follow these guidelines. A recorded peak can be any Vancouver Island or Gulf Islands peak that is:

- listed in: "A Guide to Climbing and Hiking in Southwest BC" Bruce Fairley
- listed in: "Island Alpine" or "Island Alpine Select" Philip Stone
- listed in Lindsay Elms' island peaks data base, which can be accessed from: <http://islandmountainramblers.com/resources/vancouver-island-peaks/>
- listed in [www.summitpost.org](http://www.summitpost.org)
- a named wilderness summit on a topo map (i.e. excluding those that are developed)

So this what you do:

1. Choose a peak to climb that has not yet been recorded in the project  
(Check out the [Vancouver Island 150 Google Map](#) to see what's been recorded so far)
2. Go out and climb it..... and have a happy time
3. Take a summit photo of the summiteers
4. Record the date, name and lat/long coordinates of the summit, names of the summiteers, a few notes about your trip (say a max of 250 characters for the notes).
5. Follow the upload instructions at [Vancouver Island 150](#) and you are away to the races.
6. Repeat steps 1 – 5.

**Simple and fun - keep an eye on the evolving interactive [Vancouver Island 150 Map](#).**

### Stats as of May 1, 2017

Summits in January: 2

Summits in February: 12

Summits in March: 11

Summits in April: 21

**Total as of May 1: 46 Summits**

**Thus far the [Van Isle 150 map](#) has been viewed 1657 times!**

**There are 60 photos in the [ACC-VI Van Isle 150](#) group so far!**

(Technical note: don't forget to refresh your browser to see the latest map - not sure how to do it - check out "[how to force refresh your browser](#)".)

## May 11th Draw for Triple Peak Painting



<https://phillipahudson.com/>

The names are all in the hat and a lucky winner will be drawn at the May 11th slide show.

The painting, by noted mountain artist Phee Hudson (an ACC-VI section member too), will be on display at the slide show.

*Thank you to all who donated \$250.00 or more to the 5040 Hut Fund. A brief report on Hut progress will be given before the painting is presented.*

### Trailrider Program

*ACC-VI Trailrider Program  
Volunteers Needed!*



To volunteer please contact  
Caroline Tansley, Coordinator.  
Tel. 250-886-8038.

Email: [trailrider@accvi.ca](mailto:trailrider@accvi.ca)

More info at:

[http://www.accvi.ca/index.php/  
trailrider-program](http://www.accvi.ca/index.php/trailrider-program)

[www.facebook.com/groups/  
trailrider.accvi](http://www.facebook.com/groups/trailrider.accvi)

## Executive Episodes: *A quick update of ACC life from the chair's chair.*

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### 17 in 2017

One of our younger members, Finn Steiner, is making waves these days. Lots of them. On Friday 21 April Finn launched his kayak from the dock of Pearson College in Pedder Bay and set off for a 35 day adventure. His plan is to circumnavigate the island (anticlockwise) and return to Pedder Bay during the Pacific Paddling Symposium in late May.



*Finn Steiner (centre) with parents Harry and Nadja on the shores of Pedder Bay before leaving for his adventure on 21 April.*

You can follow Finn's adventure on his website:

<https://www.paddlevi17.com> which he will update as and when able. If successful, Finn will be the youngest paddler to complete the circumnavigation of our island - though with characteristic modesty he says this record is not of big importance to him.



Finn, your ACC friends are following your journey with great interest and are looking forward to your safe return and your stories. Thanks for the inspiration.

*Let the adventure begin. Finn, flanked by two Pearson College students as far as the mouth of Pedder Bay, sets off for his solo adventure on a glorious morning.*

## **Access to our parks : please get involved**

You will know from a recent mailout message, that your executive is encouraging you to engage the candidates for the upcoming provincial election in issues surrounding restricted access to wilderness, specifically parks. Thanks to David Lemon, Barb Baker, Liz Williams and Alois Schonenberger who worked hard to produce the “form letter” and the contact list of candidates to help you get involved. I have heard from several members who received replies to their letters from the candidates, which seems an encouraging start to being heard. If you have not yet done so, please do pitch in with your voice of concern, as politicians need to know how important this basic right is to us. We will discuss next steps of how to engage with the new government after the election.

Currently the Island Timberlands blog <http://blog.islandtimberlands.com> shows the main access gates open at weekends without restrictive hours, but this can change from week to week, so you are advised to check ahead of each trip. For Strathcona Park, access to the Gold Lake Trail is restricted and to Comox Glacier seems uncertain at this point. If you are looking for context or background on this issue, [this link](#) to an article in last year’s Times Colonist may be interesting.

## **Care of our parks**

One of our most iconic island peaks, Mount Arrowsmith, has seen a significant increase in visits during the last few years. The resulting heavy boot traffic has caused serious erosion in sections of the popular ‘Judges Route’, especially near the summit. Russ Moir has been active in documenting the problem and in proposing remediation work on the trail as a follow-up to last year’s work done by club members.

On 25 April Russ, Barb Baker and I met with representatives of the Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN), who have jurisdiction over the Mount Arrowsmith Massif Regional Park. They are keen to work with us, providing the material and logistical support while we provide the people power.

So please mark your calendars for the weekends of 8-9 July and 15-16 July, when we will again prove that “work-party” is not an oxymoron and give this mountain some much needed TLC (see pg 11 in this issue). To sign up to help, please contact Russ: [russmoir@gmail.com](mailto:russmoir@gmail.com) Thanks.

## **Vancouver Island 150**

If you have not been keeping an eye on the growing photo collection of Vancouver Island 150, you’ve been missing out. Click on the link to see the photos: [Van Isle 150 photo collection](#).

It’s great to watch the summit smiles appear week by week and track the pins appearing on the interactive [Vancouver Island 150 map](#).

Please everyone do add the summit name, date, names of summiteers and brief notes to your uploads.

So 4 months into the year we seem to be on track to reach our goal of 150 Vancouver Island peaks during 2017. At this point it’s fun to keep track of all your claims to fame and glory – but at the end of the year we’ll see how we shape up according to these “rules” of a claimable summit:

### **Any Vancouver Island or Gulf Islands peak that is:**

- listed in: “A guide to Climbing and Hiking in southwest BC” Bruce Fairley
- listed in: “Island Alpine” Philip Stone
- listed in Lindsay Elms’ island peaks data base, which can be accessed from: <http://islandmountainramblers.com/resources/vancouver-island-peaks/>
- listed in [www.summitpost.org](http://www.summitpost.org)
- a named wilderness summit on a topo map (i.e. excluding those that are developed)

Not sure what to do to get on the map? Check out pg 6 in this edition -- the latest stats are there too.

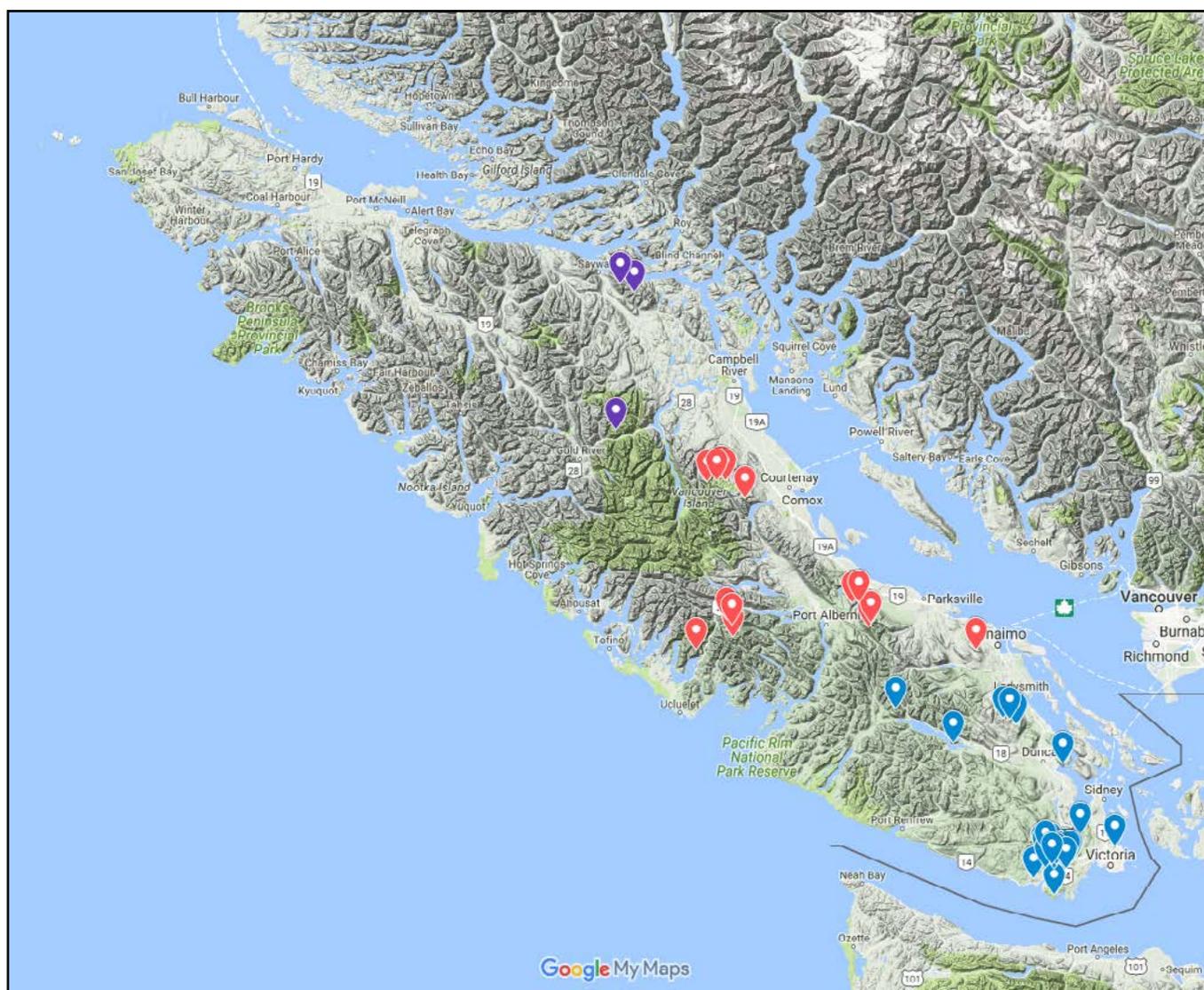
Ongoing big thanks to Mary Sanseverino who is doing a great job keeping track of the photos and map links. Let's see what heights we can collectively scale in May!

### Executive event

The executive met on Thursday 27 April and will meet again on Thursday 16 June. The link to the executive page and minutes of meetings is [here](#). If you have items to consider for discussion, please let me know by 10 June, thank you.

Happy trails  
Catrin Brown

[catrin@shaw.ca](mailto:catrin@shaw.ca) | [chair@accvi.ca](mailto:chair@accvi.ca)



*Click on the map to see where people have been going!*

# *Mt. Arrowsmith Judges Route Work Party!*

## *July 8/9 and July 15/16*

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The Alpine Club of Canada - Vancouver Island has partnered up with Regional District of Nanaimo to repair the serious erosion damage to the upper section of Judges. The District will provide material and logistical support to us. We will provide the hands and feet.

No special skilled required. Just bring your energy and enthusiasm!

Please join us for a camp out either of these two week ends or if you want come up for a day (but get an early start!).

**You do not need to be an Alpine Club member to participate in this work party.** We are hoping that other mountain loving groups will join in with us on this much needed cause to repair this well-loved route.

*Can you help out?  
If would be great if you could!!*

*Contact Russ Moir: [russmoir@gmail.com](mailto:russmoir@gmail.com)*

# **LEADERSHIP RECOGNITION PROGRAM**

## **POINTS UPDATE:**

### **NEW YEAR | NEW POINTS**

#### **TRIPS TRIPS TRIPS - the lifeblood of our club!**

By Christine Fordham

Thanks to all leaders who have put trips and events on the schedule, we all appreciate your offerings. A new race for this year's prizes and the coveted "Top Trip Leader ACC-VI Arcteryx Jacket".

New points standing for all 2017 trips that have waivers sent to Tom Hall, the section librarian ([librarian@accvi.ca](mailto:librarian@accvi.ca)) January 1 – March 31, are 1 point for each day. All social events and slide-shows receive half a point. If you put a trip on, and your name isn't listed, please send in your waiver.

More info at <http://www.accvi.ca/index.php/leader-recognition-program>.

Questions - contact Christine at [natrep@accvi.ca](mailto:natrep@accvi.ca)

#### *Points as of Jan 1 - March 31, 2017*

NAME	Points
Gessinger, Stefan	9
Brown, Catrin	8.5
Sou, Derek	7
Taylor, Peggy	2.5
Cook-Coates, Brianna	1.5
Mann, Colin	1.5
Fordham, Christine	1
Hedges, Shawn	1
Hofmann, Martin	1
Radetzki, Waltaud	1
Rowe, Greg	1
Slatkoff, Josh	1
Sanseverino, Mary	.5
Stewart, Sandy	.5

# Summer Camp

## Lone Goat Tent Camp

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**Update:** If you have been thinking about attending this summer's Lone Goat tented camp, then this might be your last chance to get a spot.

**Both Weeks 1 and 3 are completely full and there is one spot remaining on Week 2 (July 23 – 30th)!**

If you want to come please email Peggy Taylor at [peggyhiking@gmail.com](mailto:peggyhiking@gmail.com) ASAP!

No one is currently on the wait list for any week, so if you want to add your name to a wait list for one or several weeks, then you are most welcome to do so, as you never know when folks might have to drop out due to varying life circumstances these days.

To fill the remaining spot you will need to read all the documents linked below, complete your registration form and mail a cheque made payable to ACC-VI (Alpine Club of Canada – Vancouver Island Section) for \$ 600.00 to me at my home address noted below. Etransfers are also accepted and will be forwarded to the club treasurer. \_

### **Information:**

Please see the “[Summer Camp General Information Guide 2017](#)” and the “[Guidance for Lone Goat Summer Camp Participants 2017](#)”, which we hope will answer many of your preliminary questions. Please be sure to read these documents carefully before filling in your registration form. Your understanding and agreement with these policies is a pre-requisite of registration. Travel, and all other details will be provided at a later date. A “[Suggested Personal Equipment List](#)” is also available.

### **Registration:**

Please read all the information, print out the “[Registration Form](#)”, and mail with your cheque for \$600 to:

Peggy Taylor.  
#417-545 Manchester Road,  
Victoria, BC  
V8T 5H6



***We look forward to another great summer in BC's wonderful mountains!  
Your ACC-VI Summer Camp Committee***

# *Can you help?*

## *Opportunity on the Summer Camp Committee*

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Peggy Taylor writes “This will be my last season on the summer camp committee. It has been a great deal of fun and satisfaction being part of these wonderful camps and a big thanks to all the folks who have been on the camp committee over the years: Colleen Kasting, Brenda O’Sullivan, Russ Moir, Erich Schellehammer, Martin Davis, Brian Parsons, Liz Williams & Jeff Beddoes. And I must not forget Rick & Phee Hudson who started the whole thing. I still cannot believe that Rick organized the initial two camps mostly by himself!! Kudos as there are a great many details to take care of. Rick has been key in helping us by giving the committee suggestions of fabulous locations over the years too – an invaluable contribution.

If you have attended a camp you know how much fun they are, the beautiful and varied locations we have been able to access, the skills learned, the camaraderie involved in reaching an objective and the friendships made. So, in the next few months before the fall rolls around, please think about if you could contribute to this wonderful tradition and lend a hand by being on the ACC-VI Summer Camp Committee.

If you are interested in coming onto the committee I am sure Liz & Jeff would love to have one or two more willing hands! Please feel free to email myself ([peggyhiking@gmail.com](mailto:peggyhiking@gmail.com)) or Liz ([seahorse@pacificcoast.net](mailto:seahorse@pacificcoast.net)).



*Some of the many vistas and objectives that await Lone Goat Summer Camp participants!*

## e-Trails: Mountain News and Stories

**T**he [Federation of Mountain Clubs of British Columbia Newsletter](#) has lots of interesting and pertinent info - Welcome [Barry Janyk](#) to FMCBC as the new Executive Director.

**A** [lpine Club of Canada Spring Gazette](#). Guess who is featured in the 2017 Spring Edition of the ACC Gazette? Our own Valerie Wootton! Check out pg 10 in the Gazette for her story on becoming the third person and the first woman to climb all 53 of Vancouver Island's 6,000 foot mountains. Well done Val!!

**O**ur ACC-VI Facebook Page. You don't have to be on Facebook to see the ACC-VI Facebook page. It will look just like a standard web page (okay, just ignore the "Signup" info and start scrolling. Lots of great photos, stories, links and info here. Well worth a look: [ACC-VI Facebook Group](#).



*Chris Ruttan and Neil Borecky, April 15 on Adder Mountain. Photo by Chris Jensen.*



*Lindsay Elms, Valerie Wootton, and Rod Szasz on Mt. Brenton, April 16. Not one of the 6,000ers, but it looks like a lot of fun anyway!  
Photo by Lindsay Elms.*



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*Clarke Gourlay, Reina Fennell, Wesley, and John Gourlay on Mt. Cokely, April 25. Photo by Clarke Gourlay.*



*From the cover:*  
**ACC-VI 2016 Photo Competition**  
**Humour:** Runner-up - Lenka Visnovska.

Lenka says "When it was Brianna and Walter's night to cook at the summer camp (Alava Bate), Walter dressed up for the occasion and Brianna was just having fun (as always!), the picture is a result."

Want to see the winning shot in this category? It was just a bit too cool for its own good, so you'll need to check it out online - Humour Winner: M. Sanseverino

**"These are SO not the mist maidens I was promised!"**

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