

# *Island Bushwhacker*

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*Adventures at Lone Goat Summer Camp*  
*Photo by Mike Whitney*

## 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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Available on our meeting archives.

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### Annual Membership Dues

Single \$53      Family \$75

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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

**Slideshow on Thur, Sept 14. Liz William presents *Madagascar - The Eighth Continent*.**

A mysterious, magical country where every question about the origins of its people and extraordinary wild-life only begets more.

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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.

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

You don't have to be a Facebook member to see this page.



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

### **Slideshow. Thur, Sept 14. Liz William presents Madagascar - The Eighth Continent.**

A mysterious, magical country where every question about the origins of its people and extraordinary wildlife only begets more. Don't expect these questions to be answered, but do come and see some of the most bizarre and beautiful life forms on the planet (you'll see them nowhere else), along with an overview of Madagascar's landscape, people, and history.

### **Slideshow. Thur, Oct 12. Graham Maddocks presents Ciudad Perdida - the lost city of the Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta, Columbia.**

Graham will take us to the lost city of the 11th century Tayrona civilization, hidden in the highest coastal mountain range in the world, the Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta, Columbia, (5775 meters). This remote mountain range is famous for coca production and the presentation will include a visit to the production facility of a jungle lab. Plus, the river boats of the Amazon, which will take us across the Amazon basin in a hammock from Porto Velho on the Rio Madeira to Belem at the mouth of the Amazon. There will also be a shocking revelation of botany and all botanists are urged to attend to be amazed.

***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. Everyone is welcome!***

***There are still two ACC-VI clear black nalgene water bottles with the ACC-VI logo for sale for \$12.00. If you'd like to snap one of these up please bring cash (exact amount).***

## Upcoming Trips

### ***Sept 01 - Oct 15: 5040 Hut Building***

This summer we are constructing the exterior of our new alpine hut at 5040 Peak. Volunteer shifts are available throughout the construction for as short or as long as you can make it work.

**If you are interested in volunteering contact the volunteer coordinator:  
Nadja Steiner at [huts@accvi.ca](mailto:huts@accvi.ca).**

### ***Sept 15 - 17: Circlet lake and Albert Edward (B1)***

**Objective:** Hike to Circlet Lake and camp. Hike/Scramble Albert Edward.

We will be driving to the Raven Lodge trailhead on Friday, September 15th.

Option 1, camp at the trailhead or option 2, camp at Lake Helen Mackenzie that night.

We will begin our hike into to Circlet Lake early Saturday morning. Depending on weather and time, we may climb Albert Edward on Saturday then camp at Circlet or we can climb on Sunday then pack up and head back to the cars.

**Skills:** General fitness for hiking and carrying an overnight backpack.

**Gear required:** No climbing gear is needed for this trip. Bring your camping and hiking gear.

First aid kits and any other safety gear.

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



## Mountain Education

ACC-VI offers a wide variety of courses aimed at giving our members the technical and safety skills to get out there in the mountains. Course topics range from introductory ice axe-, crevasse rescue workshops to Wilderness First Aid courses and advanced levels of avalanche safety training. These courses are [subsidized by the club](#) and involve either ACC volunteer leaders or professional instructors.

Please note that our courses are open to ACC members in good standing only. You are welcome to join the section if you would like to enrol in one or more of these courses.

Check the [schedule](#) for more detailed information about our educational offerings and subsidies, or contact the education coordinator [education@accvi.ca](mailto:education@accvi.ca) for more details.

ACC-VI members get a discount with mountain schools like [Island Alpine Guides](#) and [Mike Blake Guiding](#) - be sure to tell them you are an ACC-VI member.

## Kids and Youth Program

The ACCVI Kids and Youth Program was founded by Harry and Nadja Steiner in 2008 as a way to introduce the mountains to their kids. Trips included many gummy bear breaks and friends. Over the years the original cohort matured into youth leaders that led the younger kids and adults alike.

Over these nine years 56 trips/events were offered of which 21 were mountaineering trips, 11 climbing, 11 skiing, and 9 hiking. Members of the group summited Mount Albert Edward three times, Jutland twice, Kings Peak twice, and Cokely, Becher, Tom Taylor, and Sutton Peak once.

The tradition continues, and recently we've been building quinzhees, climbing, and skiing. During these trips we teach the kids about safety, trip planning, route finding, and mountaineering. To find out what the group is up to, please check the [trip schedule](#). The Kids and Youth Program uses the Band app: <http://band.us#!/band/63347796>.

Please contact [kidsandyouth@accvi.ca](mailto:kidsandyouth@accvi.ca) to request an invite to Band or ask any questions. The current Program Coordinator is Derek Sou.



*Stefan Gessinger (self-photo) looking down from Mt. Rousseau.*

# ***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 answer is a resounding YES WE CAN and WE DID! Now let's keep going!!***

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 Sept 1, 2017**

**Summits in January: 2**

**Summits in May: 27**

**Summits in February: 12**

**Summits in June: 35**

**Summits in March: 11**

**Summits in July: 32**

**Summits in April: 23**

**Summits in August: 33**

### ***Total as of Sept 1: 175 Summits***

**Thus far the [Van Isle 150 map](#) has been viewed 4894 times!**

**As of Sept 1 there are 238 photos in the [ACC-VI Van Isle 150 album](#)!**

**(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](#)".)**



# North Face Leadership Course at the GMC

## *Story and Photos: Brianna Coates*

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*Site of the 2017 General Mountaineering Camp: The Albert Icefields in the Selkirk Mtns*

I, along with fellow club member and kids leader extraordinaire Derek Sou, attended the North Face Leadership Course in the first week of August, during the ACC's General Mountaineering Camp in the Albert Icefields. For those of you familiar with the Selkirk Mountains, the valley we were camped in is about 20km almost directly east of Revelstoke.

### **Here are my top five lessons from the week:**

1. Never underestimate the quiet electrician my dad's age from Scotland as he will outclimb you every time;
2. \$20 sunglasses from a gas station in Revelstoke are not the worst glacier glasses;
3. Most people use bushw\*\*\*\*ing as a curse word;
4. A bottle of gin, and my hawaiian shirt will help me make friends;
5. If I thought my meal for the unofficial dinner competition during the section summer camp was good it's because I hadn't had the GMC turkey dinner with pumpkin pie.



Okay, okay, I really did learn all of those things, but in addition I also learned some new skills, improved on old ones, and made lasting connections with other club members from around the world. Under the tutelage of mountain guides Cyril Shokoples and Matt Reynolds and experienced amateur leader Nick Buda, we practiced glacier travel, short-roping, rock rescue, crevasse rescue, navigation and discussed leadership styles and values, trip organization, responding to emergencies and various forms of communication. We covered a lot of topics during the week, but here are few highlights for me:

### **Short-roping**

Before the course, like the keener I am, I read Cyril's 29 page document called "Short-roping 201". Unfortunately, because I am a highly kinesthetic learner, when it came time to short-rope for the first time I fumbled around like a puppy on a leash. I quickly learned that short-roping is quite complex, involving constant vigilance and attention to the person or people tied to your rope. It's mostly used in 3rd to 4th class terrain to offer confidence to those possibly a little less secure on their feet, and it is only meant to catch a slip, and not a dynamic fall. According to our guides it takes most people between 5 to 7 years to become proficient at it, which makes sense considering it requires to you to lead, kick steps, route-find, and belay all at the same time. We practiced it a fair amount during the course, and by the end of the week I had just scratched the surface.

I am not sure how often I'll use the technique (there are many cautions that come along with using it), but the



*Matt and Nick teaching us the art of short-roping*

practice helped me further my skills in reading terrain in general, recognizing terrain belays, and kicking various types of steps in the snow, all of which are invaluable mountain tools.

## Glaciers

I'll take run-out basalt any day over glaciers and snow travel, so naturally I took every opportunity I could to lead the group on the various glaciers around camp. I practiced reading the snow, probed for crevasses, directed my team to spread out in an half-v formation (or echelon as Matt called it). I also got some really good feedback from a fellow participant on the art of setting an uptrack in steepening terrain. Francois, an experienced back-country skier from the Yu-

kon, gently explained switch-backing is not an efficient or pleasant way to ascend a slope, but rather I need to focus on taking advantage of the natural terrain features. I tried to imagine I was painting a flowing line through the snow. What great advice!

There is nothing like spending a week in the mountains with people that are just as stoked to be there as you are. The conversations we had ranged from deep and contemplative, like the dynamics of romantic partners that are also climbing partners to hysterical discussions of who is the best or worst liar when playing cheat. I think the mountain air creates shortcuts to friendships, and I couldn't be more grateful for all the connections I made during the course, which extended



*Nick, Midori, Francois, and Pam, trusting me as their leader*

beyond the other course participants, in particular a trio of GMCers from Vancouver and Scotland, also known as Team Smash.

I am equally stoked on all the amazing women that I met from all across the country, so much so they've inspired me to start planning an all-section all women's climbing trip for the fall of 2018. Stay tuned for more info on that!

I had an amazing experience, and would highly recommend if you are a new and up and coming leader to consider applying for the course. It's a wonderful way to gain experience in unfamiliar mountains, learn new skills and meet some amazing people. The wisdom and stories shared by the guides and leaders is invaluable, and there's a good chance you will learn as much from your fellow participants, as you may note from my feedback from Francois. Going into this course I already felt a great deal of dedication and gratitude towards the club as most of my mountains skills have



*Brian, Wendell and Adam, Team Smash*



been gained from being mentored by other experienced club members. Now seeing the GMC's ability to bring people together of all experiences, across this country and others, plus the new friendships I've gained, my gratitude and dedication has only deepened. To the following people, it is because of your mentorship, support, encouragement and inspiration that I return to the mountains again and again (in no particular order):

***Harry and Nadja Steiner, Sonia Langer, Liz Morrison, Walter Moar, Jes Scott, Krista Gooderham, Kara Aschenbrenner, Lenka Visnovska, Genny Boice, Karen Van Dieren, Charles Turner, Martin Hofmann, Alois Schonenberger, Eric Swanson, Chris Ruttan, Val Wootton, Lindsay Elms, Patrick Craib, Erich Schellhammer, Catrin Brown, Dave Fishwick, Shanda Lembke, Evan Devault, Peggy Taylor, Josh Slatkoff, Dave Campbell, Dan Perrakis, Roxy Ahmed, Maddie Crowell, Lisa Nothling, Derek Sou, Colleen Kasting, and Jeni Christie.***

For those interested in the topics that we covered in the course, I highly recommend poking around Cyril's website. There is a huge amount of information there, from the "Black Art of Piton Craft" to the previously mentioned "Short-Roping 201". <http://www.rescuedynamics.ca/courses/lead/lead.htm>

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*Looking over the headwaters of Albert Creek to the 2017 General Mountaineering Camp.  
Photo: Mary Sanseverino*



## Trailrider Program

### *ACC-VI Trailrider Program Volunteers Needed!*



*The Vancouver Island Section's  
Trailrider Program assists people with  
disabilities to enjoy the outdoors.*

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

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

More info at:

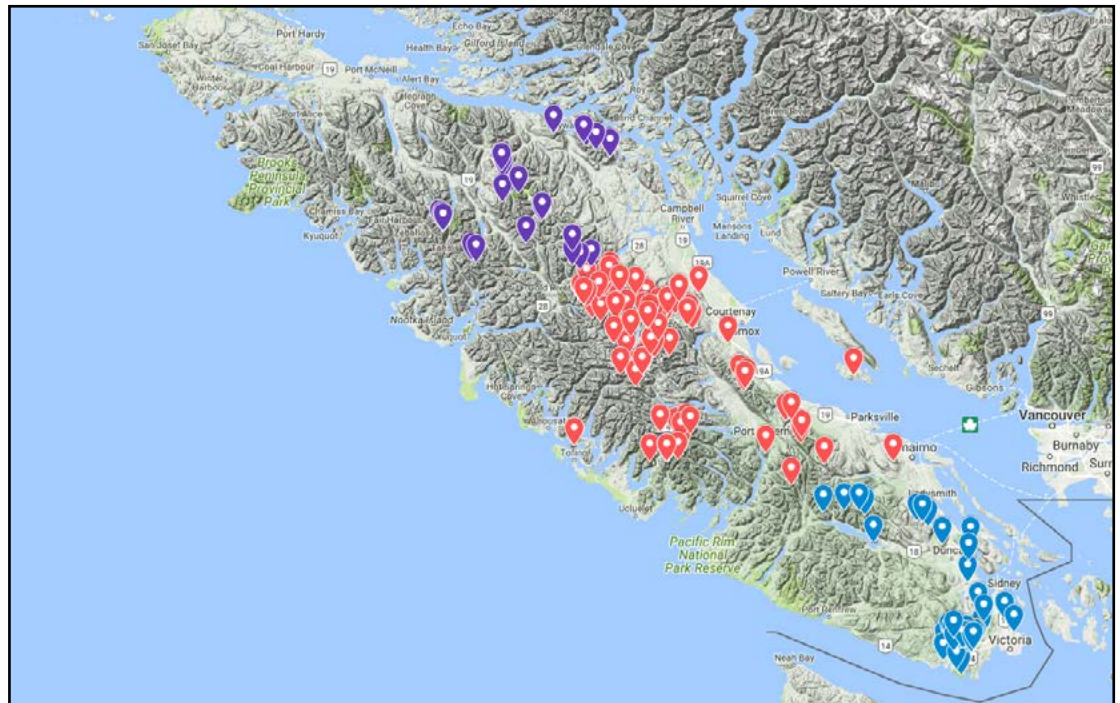
[http://www.accvi.ca/index.  
php/trailrider-program](http://www.accvi.ca/index.php/trailrider-program)

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

ACC-VI Vancouver  
Island 150:

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

*Lots of places to  
check out!*



## **Executive Episodes:**

*A quick update of ACC life from the chair's chair.*

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### **The morning after**

It's Friday morning as I write, and I'm happily reflecting on the wonderful evening we enjoyed last night at the summer barbecue. In a record turn-out of numbers, clearly the "biggest crowd ever", new and old friendships were kindled, stories exchanged, trips planned and good food shared. All this in the glorious setting of the Saanichton forest under a lingering sunset. To Colleen Kasting and Mike Hubbard for graciously hosting us in your home, we owe you a big round of appreciation.

### **The Bushwhacker Annual 2016**

Members who attended the barbecue were able to pick up their copy of the 2016 annual, while others will be receiving theirs in the mail. I am informed that we are the only local ACC section (out of 22) who produce a hard-copy journal at all, let alone of the quality we enjoy. No doubt this distinction highlights the significant expertise needed for the production. We are grateful that as Cedric Zala passed on the torch of this work last year, he ensured a seamless transition into the capable hands of Sean McIntyre. The result is a beautiful, professional publication packed with interest for us all. Sean, congratulations on this achievement and our sincere thanks for your generous sharing of your skills. Happy reading everyone.

### **Arrowsmith summit trail gets attention**

I'm happy to report that back in early July, the rescheduled work-party for remediation on the heavily-trafficed Judges' Trail near the summit of Mt Arrowsmith took place. Thanks to effective communication from Russ Moir and Barb Baker, the Regional District of Nanaimo worked with us to provide pre-fabricated materials flown in to the site. Russ then coordinated his team of volunteers, who were able to build a series of wooden steps in a badly eroded trench. This work is a big step towards addressing the concern that the trail is being loved to death, and hopefully the first of further stewardship projects. Many thanks to the high-spirited volunteers who responded to the request to supply energy and enthusiasm - you certainly did! And kudos to Russ and Barb for making it happen! Keep an eye out next spring for plans to revisit this important work.



*Rudy Brugger and Russ Moir work on the last step on the trail. Photo: Catrin Brown*





*Volunteers celebrate a job well done on the summit of Mt Arrowsmith.  
Photo: Catrin Brown*

### **Summer camps**

As we all know, in the mountains the weather is the boss, and there was no better demonstration of this than during this year's summer camps. With 2017 already recorded as the worst year for forest fires in history, we could hardly expect to escape the impact. The three groups of back-to-back fly-in camps in the Lone Goat area in the Chilcotins each experienced different triumphs and trials, though happily all had at least some good days to enjoy the spectacular location and camaraderie. Smoke build-up and challenging conditions during the third week led to a decision to exit early. Meanwhile, the Assiniboine trip, poised to be cancelled due to park closure until almost the last minute, was rescued from the brink, to the great joy of its participants. Altogether nearly 60 members were able to enjoy one of these camps. Thanks and kudos for the fine work in making all this happen go to the summer camp committee, Liz Williams, Peggy Taylor and Jeff Beddoes, as well as to Rick Hudson for again helping with site location. No doubt fuller trip reports will follow.

### **The 5040 Peak hut project**

I am sure that whatever I write here about the progress of the hut building project, it will be out of date before I hit the 'send' button. Such is the rate of development up on the mountain! Yes, construction has indeed started following a successful heli lift in of 40 loads of pre-fabricated parts and materials last week.

Link [here](#) to join the 'ACC-VI 5040 peak hut' Facebook page and follow the updates and comments.



*Lift-off day. A happy Chris Ruttan, the hut's construction manager.  
Photo: Chris Jensen*

Able coordinated by Nadja Steiner, a construction camp has been set up with volunteer crews of construction experts, cooks and worker-bees signed up on a well-organised schedule. Many thanks to all who have volunteered their time and energy so far. As the construction phase is expected to extend for about 6 weeks this fall, there is an ongoing call for volunteer help. It does, however, really help the project if people coordinate their planned visits, so please contact [huts@accvi.ca](mailto:huts@accvi.ca) or sign up on the schedule. Exciting times!

### **Facelift for website**

You will likely be aware that our website has suffered extensive periods of surgery and intensive care over the last year, mostly due to the destructive effects of hackers. In its previous form it was finally deemed terminal a few months ago. It goes without saying that this has been frustrating for many of us, not least for our patient webmaster Martin Hofmann. However, a new day is dawning. Jes Scott, one of our communication team members, has undertaken to rebuild the site on a new platform, and an early stage of this is now up and running. We are most grateful to Jes for stepping in with her expertise, and we are excited to see new developments. Watch this space - [accvi.ca](http://accvi.ca) and please feel free to share with us ideas and requests for what you might like to see on the site.

### **Recognition from national**

Some of our members have been recognised by the main club in recent months.

Heritage Club Awards were made to Chris Beers for 25 years of membership and to Robie Macdonald for 35 year of membership. Congratulations both and thanks for your ongoing contributions to the section.

We were also delighted that Martin Hofman was awarded the Eric Brooks Award, *A Mountaineering and Ski Mountaineering Award for Strong Commitment to Learning and Applying Technical and Leader Skills*. You can read the citation for his award: <http://www.alpineclubofcanada.ca/bio/martin-hofmann/>

Congratulations Martin.

In addition we made it 'above the fold' in the NewsNet in July, linking to an [article by Mary](#) about the Vancouver Island 150 challenge hosted on the ACC's national site. This even drew some attention from a CBC reporter.

### **Member news**

Many of our members cite Peter Rothermel as one of the most influential figures in their introduction to mountaineering on the island. Indeed Peter has been an active member, leader and advocate for many years, most notably working tirelessly to achieve the establishment of the Mount Arrowsmith Massif Regional Park in 2008. His own account of this journey is [here](#). Peter has recently undergone some serious surgery and is recuperating at home. We are pleased to hear he is on the other side of this, and send him our very best wishes for a continued climb back to health. We look forward to seeing you out there soon Peter.

### **Executive event**

The executive will meet again on Wednesday 6 September, with a full agenda after a busy summer!

**Happy trails  
Catrin Brown**

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



# Trip Report: Rugged Mountain

*Story and Photos: Thomas Radetzki*

*Party: Erich Schellhammer and Thomas Radetzki*

*Date: July 26th, 2017*

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What do ACC-VI men do, when their ACC-VI wives are on an all female outing -- they pick a peak. Erich Schellhammer and I decided to give Rugged Mountain a try.

Erich's little Jeep got us to the end of the logging road, where we found a well flagged entrance point with the name "TRAIL" written numerous times. After climbing 200 m in elevation, we decided this had to be cut block info and we retraced our steps. We finally found the trail-head, half an hour along the hiking trail leading away from the last turn on N20. It went straight up and was rather overgrown and it took some time to find the bits of flagging (we replaced a few old ones on our way down).

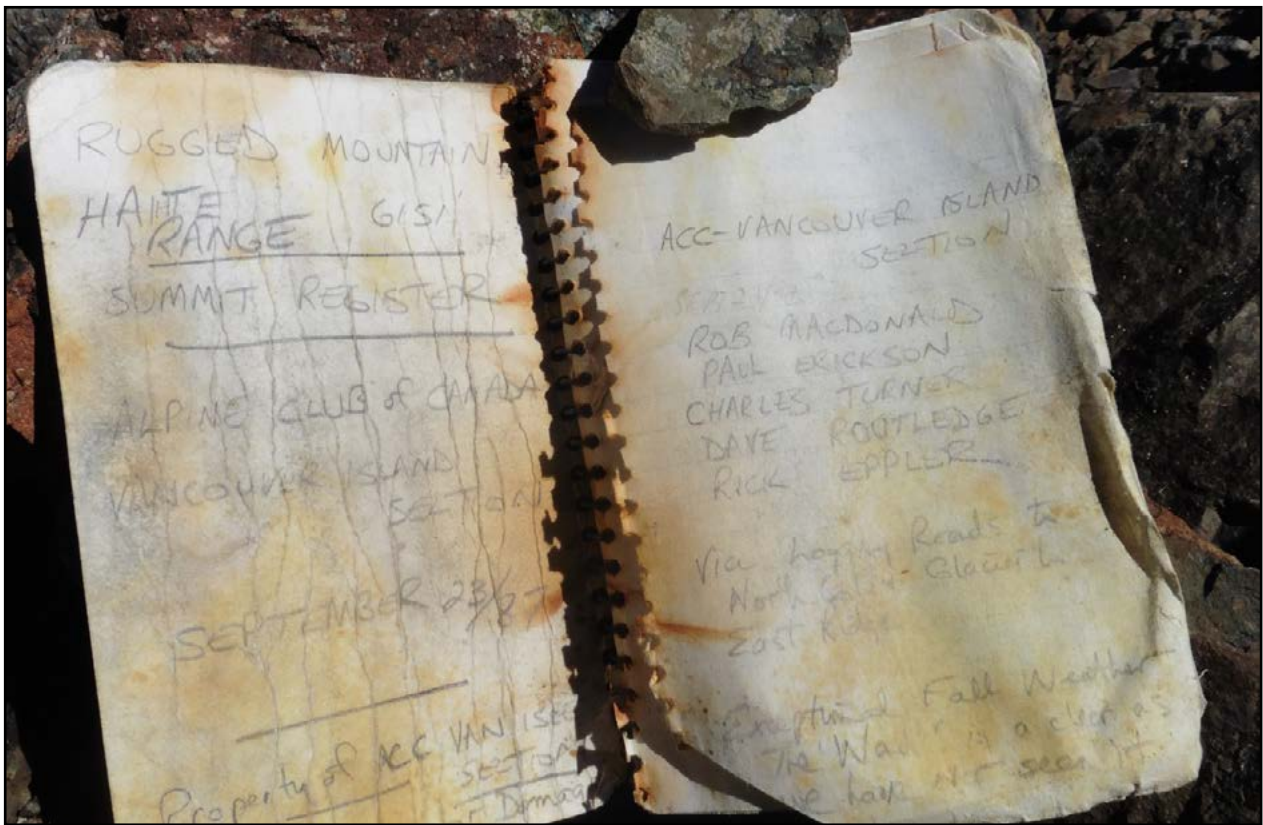
After climbing 600m in elevation we got to the balcony, a nice camping site with water (to be treated), a view and lots of mosquitos. An early start the next morning got us to the Nathan Col and a short section of glacier travel to below the Bergschrund. Though promising easy and quick access to the summit, there was only a marginal snow bridge at this time of year and we decided to play it safe. Thus, we continued our glacier travels and accessed the end of the east ridge via a steep snow slope.

The way along the ridge was exposed and we decided to use our rope and harness ... we

couldn't place pro but the anchors (slings around blocks) gave us a sense of safety. The climbing was great fun and at one point we had to go au cheval.

We rappelled down the Schiena d'Asino and continued up trying to bypass a gendarme by squeezing ourselves into the gap between rock and snow. Half way up, the gap narrowed and we had to put our crampons on and move up a steep snow field.

After a short scramble along the ridge and a few moves to get over the last rockband we were on top. We enjoyed the summit, the view partially hidden by rising fog and studied the summit register with surprisingly few entries over the last thirty years.



Back on the ridge, we rappelled off well placed anchors, preferring this to sketchy downclimbing. On the steep snowfield above the glacier, my snow picket finally found its use to belay Erich over a scary looking snowbridge. It proved to be a long way down to the balcony and in the end we spent over 10 hours on the mountain.

Heavy fog covered us during the night and we were rested for the steep climb down involving again some serious bushwhacking. We hoped for breakfast in Sayward but a flat tire on the dirt road made this a very late brunch at the Cable Cook House.





# LEADERSHIP RECOGNITION CONTEST

## POINTS UPDATE:

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

By Christine Fordham

Hot off the press....the latest in the Leadership Recognition Contest. Thank you to all the Leaders that offered us such a great schedule so far this year!!! Its not too late to enter or send in waivers (to Tom Hall ~ [librarian@accvi.ca](mailto:librarian@accvi.ca)) for past trips. Neither is it too late to join the fun, we always love peoples trips!!! Send trips to Karun [schedule@accvi.ca](mailto:schedule@accvi.ca). One small change, this year, is that there is a maximum of 5 points for multi day trip, no matter the duration.

Please email me with questions or anything I've missed. I want to get it right so don't be shy.

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

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

NAME	Points	NAME	Points
Schonenberger, Alois	27.5	Hubbard, Mike	3.5
Salway, Natasha	22	Brown, Catrin	3
Mann, Colin	18	Gooderham, Krista	3
Cook-Coates, Brianna	15	Moar, Walter	3
Gessinger, Stefan	11	Alloway, Jen	2
Sou, Derek	8	Collins, Scott	2
Williams, Elizabeth J.R.	7.5	He, Charles	2
Swanson, Eric	7	Johnson, Rick	2
Gourlay, Clarke	6.5	Sanseverino, Mary	1.5
Hedges, Shawn	6	Bernard, Diane	1
Doering, Carol	5	Fordham, Christine	1
Peck, Shaun	5	Hofmann, Martin	1
Schellhammer, Erich	5	Radetzki, Waltaud	1
Scatcherd, Doug	5	Rowe, Greg	1
Thanjavur, Karun	5	Slatkoff, Josh	1
Wong, Ken	5	Beddoes, Jeff	0.5
Zala, Cedric	5	Cave, Mike	0.5
Taylor, Margaret (Peggy)	4.5	Vladka Lackova	0.5
Butcher, George	4	Mably, Rich	0.5
George, Chris	4	Morrison, Elizabeth	0.5
Scott, Jes	4	Stewart, Sandy	0.5

## e-Trails: Mountain News and Stories

**O**ur section has many members with a flair for communication. Check out these active web pages and blogs for trip reports, videos, photos, GPS tracks, and more.

Matthew Lettington: <http://explorington.com/>

Brianna Cook-Coates: <http://www.rhymeswithmountains.com/>

Jes Scott: <http://jescott.ca/>

**C**an you help out? Peggy Taylor hosts the monthly ACC-VI slideshow at Victoria's Swan Lake Nature Sanctuary. These monthly get-togethers are well attended, lots of fun, and much appreciated by members and guests. Peggy is looking for someone to help out the second Thursday of each month (Sept – Nov and Jan to June) with bringing goodies to the slideshow. Your expenses for said goodies would be reimbursed by the donations received.

If you can help out, please get in touch: [peggyhiking@gmail.com](mailto:peggyhiking@gmail.com)

**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 (the 5040 Hut photos are a lot of fun!!). Well worth a look: [ACC-VI Facebook Group](#).



*Tak on top of the Golden Hinde NW, his last VI 6000fter.  
Photo: Ken Wong.*

*Jes Scott on Elkhorn - via NW Ridge.  
Photo: Dave Fishwick.*





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*Golden Hinde - Main Summit, Aug 25, 2017. (L-R) Brian Branting, Mary Hof, Carol Doering, Ray Billings.  
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*From the cover:*  
*Adventures at Lone Goat Summer Camp*  
Photo by Mike Whitney.

Mike says "Ian Brown, Peggy Taylor, and Margaret Brown are on their way up to the Lone Goat col. Sentry Peak rises in the background behind them."

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