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Wiwaxi Peak

Doug Hurrell at Lake O'Hara  
Photo: Rudy Brugger

**VANCOUVER ISLAND SECTION  
SUMMER MOUNTAINEERING CAMP 2004**

## **ELIZABETH PARKER HUT, LAKE O'HARA SUNDAY, JULY 25 - SUNDAY, AUGUST 1**

Following the very successful hut weeks initiated in 2002 and 2003 by Gerta Smythe, the Section Executive decided this should be an annual event. In 2004 our camp will be at the Elizabeth Parker Hut at Lake O'Hara from Sunday July 25 to Sunday August 1. We will retain the symbolic name "Camp" even though tents are not permitted around this cabin. However, it will accommodate 24 people.

The Section Executive has agreed with our plan to experiment with not hiring a professional guide. Afterwards we can compare with the previous years and decide whether or not to have one in 2005. Thus the 2004 Camp will be like our weekend Section trips and ski weeks. Lake O'Hara, with its well-documented climbing routes and excellent communications, is a good place to see what we can do on our own.

We are fortunate to have more than enough volunteers for 2004, so we have asked Martin Davis, Rick Eppler, Rick Hudson, Tak Ogasawara, Jules Thomson, and Charles Turner to be the primary leaders. They will be supplemented by others attending the camp as needed. Our goal is to have at most 4 people on any roped route. Each evening, with Don acting as climbing coordinator, the volunteer leaders will indicate the routes they would like to try the next day, members will sign up and the volunteer leaders will work it out so they are comfortable that each group is realistic from a safety point of view. Also for safety, to make sure everyone is accounted for, there will be a sheet where members can record that they'll be snoozing near the cabin that

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**Submission deadline for the Annual is Saturday, January 31 2004. and for the Update it is Saturday, February 14**  
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day, or whatever their plans are.

The usual spirit is that each member "pitches in" - with the daily chores, with reading up on possible climbing/hiking objectives and routes, and with assuming personal responsibility for climbing safety. While volunteer guides must do what is reasonably prudent in order to protect the people they are leading from harm, they do not have the same legal responsibilities as a professional guide.

We expect to have 12 reserved seats on each of two buses to Lake O'Hara leaving the parking lot at 8:30 and 10:30 am on July 25. For the return a week later, reservations are not possible, but there are buses at 9:30, 11:30, 14:30, 16:30 and 18:30.

We anticipate a total cost of \$250 each, which includes 7 nights at the Elizabeth Parker hut, \$15.00 for the round trip on the bus, \$7.95(+GST+postage) for the Lake O'Hara (Yoho NP) 1:20,000 topographical map and \$39.00 for the annual back-country pass.

Transportation to the parking lot, including the \$89.00 annual car pass, will be the responsibility of each camper. We will assign groups to provide the food and prepare the 7 evening meals, but leave breakfasts and lunches to individuals, as we did in 2002 and 2003.

Even with 24 spaces, over-subscription is likely, so we expect to again have a lottery, but much earlier to make planning easier for everyone. Thus we will need your formal request to join our 2004 Camp by January 15. Even if you responded to our original email, please let us know if you want to be in the lottery now that we have a definite location and date. The camp is for paid-up Vancouver Island Section members, and each person needs to apply on an individual basis. As before, a few key organizers and leaders will have guaranteed places. In the event that the space doesn't accommodate or meet the needs of all those interested, our hope is that these members will simply organize an additional camp, as is currently done with our Section ski weeks.

So, if you want your name in the lottery or have questions, between now and January 15, 2004, please contact either of us. If your ACC membership already includes hut privileges, a back country pass valid for July/August 2004 or the map, tell us and we'll reduce your camp cost by that amount.

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P.S.: Mountaineering objectives in the Lake O'Hara area include:

Mount Biddle, 3319 m  
Mount Hungabee, 3492 m  
Mt. Huber, 3368 m.  
Odaray Mountain, 3159 m  
Mt. Schaffer, 2692 m  
Watch Tower, 2542 m  
Wiwaxy Peak, 2703 m  
and for anyone who wants a long day, Mt. Victoria, 3464 m

Detailed descriptions of these routes are available in "Selected Alpine Climbs in the Canadian Rockies" by Sean Dougherty, Rocky Mountain Books, available in the Section Library.

VANCOUVER ISLAND SECTION AGM  
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4  
UVIC UNIVERSITY CLUB

The Agenda:

- √ End of year business
- √ Selection of next year's executive
- √ Slide Show
- √ Snacks and refreshments

The AGM is the section's primary business event. It is also another fun get together. The outgoing executive will make announcements and give reports as needed. Come and hear what they are proposing as our ACC Centennial Project They will also present the budget for endorsement by the membership. The budget includes the 2003 Budget Statement, and the 2004 Budget Forecast that was published in the last Bushwhacker update.

The closing business of each AGM is the handing over of the meeting to the Nominating Committee who will oversee the selection of the executive for the coming year. This ushering in of the new executive is a time of:

appreciation - of those who have served on the current year's executive;

opportunity - for those who may want to seek out a new experience or conquer a different kind of peak;

encouragement - to new blood and younger members to step forward; and

importance - as this will set the tone and determine the leadership of the section for another year.

This year's Nominating Committee is, again, Alan Danesh (Committee Chair), Claire Ebendinger (past section Chair) and Rob Adams (member at large appointed by the current section Chair). Alan, Claire and Rob will have developed a slate of nominations before the AGM, will call for final nominations at the AGM itself, and will hold a ballot for any positions for which there are more than one nominee.

SO - Step forward. Push someone else forward. Come to the AGM. Don't miss out in the selecting of the section's coveted executive positions for 2003/2004.

Following business - SLIDES Participants of the 2003 section summer camp at Lake Lovely Water in the Tantalus will show and narrate their experiences on rock and ice. And in the water See you all there.

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VOLUNTEER PARTY

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 2004

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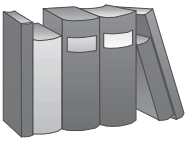
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- ◆ Food and drinks
- ◆ Slide Show



The Volunteer Party is the club's special event to show appreciation to its volunteers. Without its volunteers, the club would have almost no money, no trip leaders, no rental equipment, no library, no newsletters, no events - the list goes on. Not even any slide shows.

Everyone is welcome. Come and take part in a new venue of this old and honored event. Be sure to read your schedule and note the new location (home of Tom and Pam Hall). Don't get lost and show up at the usual place - the UVIC University Club Just bring yourselves. Volunteers (not Tom and Pam ) will be providing the food and drinks and anything else. Tom will show slides of climbing in the 1960's.



## Section Library/Archives News

Judith Holm

### THE LIBRARY IS NOW ON LINE ! YOU CAN SEE WHAT IS IN THE SECTION LIBRARY ON YOUR OWN COMPUTER.

Martin Davis has developed a nifty program that enables you to search our library by title, author, area and category. Thanks, Martin !

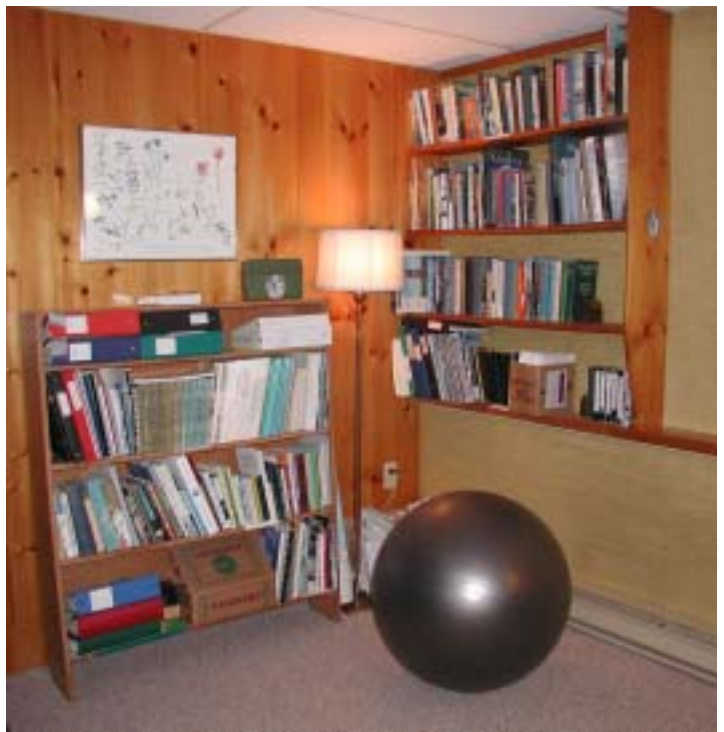
Check out the link on our Section's website:

<http://www.AlpineClubofCanada.ca/vi>

Click on "Library".

### NEW IN THE LIBRARY:

*Selected Alpine Climbs in the Canadian Rockies*, by Sean Dougherty, 1999, which is the guidebook for the Lake O'Hara area. (The older definitive AAC/ACC guide to this area, *The Rocky Mountains of Canada South*, by Boles, Kruszyna and Putnam, 1979, is also in the library.)



*The Section Library/Archives is accessed by contacting:*

Judith Holm, 477-8596, [holm@telus.net](mailto:holm@telus.net)

*Squamish Select*, by Marc Bourdon and Scott Tasaka  
Bouldering, Sport and Trad Climbing, Quickdraw  
Publications, 2000

*Route Finding, 40 Years of Canada's Mountain  
Guiding Association*, by Lynn Martel, 2003

### Book Review by Peter Rothermel

*Island Alpine*, A Guide to Mountains of Strathcona Park and Vancouver Island.

Not since Bruce Fairley came out with his "Climbing & Hiking In Southwestern British Columbia", in 1986, has there been a guide book written about mountaineering on Vancouver Island.

Now there is the definitive 476 page tome on Vancouver Island Mountains, titled "Island Alpine" and written and published by Phillip Stone, with a suggested price of \$39.95. ISBN 0-9680766-5-3

Stone's guide is an exhaustive description of the Island's summits and their routes, with 264 mountains and peaks featured. As well, there is in the forward, introduction and history a taste of what Island climbing, with its bushwhacks and Scottish conditions, is all about.

The author, Phillip Stone, is an accomplished mountaineer who has quietly helped set the standard for difficult routes on most of the Island's classics. He took fifteen years to compile this mountaineering bible for Vancouver Island.

For more information write Wild Isle Publications, Box 482, Heriot Bay, BC, V0P 1H0 or log on at

<http://www.wildisle.ca/islandalpine>

# Up-Island News

## Summer 2003

by Lindsay Elms



In early July the Heathens had another successful Alpine Camp based at Crest Creek Crags. Despite less than perfect weather, it was the fourth most attended ever with 117 members and guests. Aid workshops and trailwork filled the rainy days. In addition to the usual cragging activities, several new rock routes were climbed at Crest Creek. Sean Sears and Ahren Rankin climbed 'The Odd Couple' 5.7; Chris Barner and Nick Elson climbed 'Wake n' Bake Flake' 5.8; and Shauna Schmitke and Gene Berkey created 'Shrunken Testicles' 5.9; Gene and Shauna also rebolted 'Swollen Ovaries'. Several days of trailwork also took place at the Hidden Walls and Sluice Wall areas.

In the alpine, 30 members and guests attempted twelve peaks. Successful ascents were undertaken on Kings Peak (3 ascents, 1 via Tea with her Majesty); Mount Albert Edward (Community youth group and guides bivied on the summit on their way through to Jack's Augerpoint Trail); Mount Donner; Big Interior Mountain; Nine Peaks; Victoria Peak (Twice); Mount Klitsa; and Mount Tom Taylor. Chris said: "Though the Nanaimo crowd was well represented at this camp, our Victoria friends were conspicuous in their absence (had way better things to do). We invite all the Island clubs to join us for next year's camp, date TBA (probably the end of June next year.)"

The Heathens have been busy since the camp as well. Ascents of Kings Peak, Mount Bate Northeast Ridge, Mount Gratton East Ridge, Augerpoint Mountain, and Mount Tom Taylor have taken place in late July. Previously, Heathens hooked up with some Nanaimo friends for a trip to Triple Peak in June. Crest Mountain, Idsardi Peak and Big Den traverse was completed in April. Other objectives included Mt. Hapush and Hapush Needle, the X Gully route on Mount Septimus and Stevens Peak. At the time of writing Chris Barner and Paul Rydeen are currently spending a month in the Coast Mountains with a number of interesting objectives in mind. A report on their trip will follow in the next Bushwhacker Update.

Lindsay Elms has continued exploring a number of rarely climbed North Island Peaks. On May 31 he climbed (solo) Watchtower Peak at the head of the White River. This peak was first climbed by Syd Watts and John Gibson in 1975. On June 22 with Gary Quiring, Sam O'Brien, and Valerie O'Neill and her son Grant (12 years old), Mount De Cosmos was climbed and some of the rock towers were looked at for future development. A 4x4 vehicle can drive to within 30 minutes of these towers. Mount Peel (behind Naka Creek) was climbed on July 6 with Valerie and Grant O'Neill and on August 12, Lindsay and Valerie climbed Mount Derby (overlooking Robson Bight) from the col at the head of Schmidt Creek in the Naka Creek area. This was an 8-9km high ridge walk with spectacular views

over Johnstone Strait. In July Matt Kidd and Peter Ravensbergen drove into Zeballos after a week of glorious weather to climb Rugged Mountain but awoke to inclement conditions (rain) and only got as far as the North Col. Matt and Lindsay then went in to the Mackenzie Range on August 3 and climbed Redwall Peak. At the base of the South Ridge a fleece vest was found (probably not left this year) with pack-wear on its back. If the owner wants to claim this valuable piece of clothing (it's in better shape than George Mallory's clothes found on Everest) contact Lindsay. Matt and Peter day tripped Argus Mountain in a round trip of 11 hours on August 23 and then Matt and Lindsay day tripped both Mount Ashwood and Bonanza Peak on August 30 from the head of Gold Creek.

Peter Rothermel has had a busy summer and is close to achieving his IQ (only Warden Peak left to climb). In May he climbed Mount Ashwood with Tak Ogasawara and Tony Vaughn but ran out of time for Bonanza Peak, however, Tak went on and climbed it Canada Day weekend with Doug Goodman and one other. Peter climbed Mount Hall with Russ Moir and an ACC group and Craig Wagnell soloed Mount Hall on June 27. This was the mountain's second and third ascent: furious active considering its first ascent was only last year. In July Peter climbed Steamboat Peak with Rory Ford and a few Alberni Outdoor Club guys. The route up Steamboat Mountain was via the Quaggers Route on the south side. It goes up a forested ridge to some small lakes on the east side then up a creek and gully to where three ridges meet and finally onto the summit. In August he climbed Argus Mountain and Mount Harmston with Tom Carter and an ACC group and then Adder Peak from the Nahmint Valley (his second attempt). A little later with Tom Carter, Greg Sorenson, Bill Readings, Don Cameron and another he climbed Big Interior Mountain and his penultimate IQ'er Nine Peaks.

A new route was established on Victoria Peak in July by Chris Bozman and another. The climb was called **Boys to Men** and follows the Northeast Buttress route until the gap in the snowfield. From there it trends right and more or less ends up going straight up the north face, following gullies and cracks. The crux pitch was a solid 5 10a and there were 8 pitches in all, most of which are 5 8. The rock is reportedly good and sound.

In July the inaugural Kusam Klimb took place on Mount Hkusam with a number of people ascending Bill's Trail from Sayward and descending into the Stowe Creek. It is hoped this will become an annual event. Once in the Stowe Creek, Philip Stone continued with the traverse of the Prince of Wales Range to the Big Tree Main via Mount Milner and Roberts. See Phil's report in the Wildisle Magazine #24.

On the huge rock bluffs beside Highway 4 opposite the Kennedy River climbers have been wire-brushing and cleaning routes this summer. At the moment there is no information available as to who is responsible for these routes but they look steep and sustained.

There has been continued activity on the East face of Mount Colonel Foster and Mount Tom Taylor this summer by Cumberland climbers Mike and John Waters and friends. On the East Face of the North West Peak of Mount Colonel Foster, John Waters and Renee Monjo put up a new route on Aug 4, 2003, (5.8 ... 1000m...IV) while on Mount Tom Taylor's **South-west Buttress**, Mike and John Waters put up a 7 pitch route graded 5.10 or 5.9, A1, 350m (4 hrs) on July 10, and then the following day put up 4 pitches called **Savage Hummingbird** (5.10 ... 140m ..1.5hrs) and **Seeing Things** (5.7...50m + scrambling.) A complete description of the routes (and photos) will appear in the "2003 Bushwhacker Annual".

### Up-Island News Fall 2003

by Lindsay Elms

Summer continued to stay with us into September and October and saw a number of interesting climbs undertaken. On Labour Day weekend Peter Rothermel went in for a look at Warden Peak in the hope of collecting his IQ but only got as far as the Warden/Victoria Col. Peter didn't like the looks of the exposed scree slopes so he's going to have another attempt next spring on snow and with a bit more beta on the route. On September 14, Sandy Briggs, Lindsay Elms and Valerie O'Neill, climbed Tlakwa Mountain from Tashish Lake. Lindsay and Val had checked out access to this mountain back in July but wanted to give Sandy a chance to re-establish his reputation as a "connoisseur of the obscure." For Sandy, who spent Saturday afternoon and evening driving up island to participate in the ascent, the climb the next morning only took two hours and ten minutes. Sandy ended up having a long drive back to Victoria after the climb, however, he was allowed to snooze in the passengers seat all the way back to Comox. The summit was used as a survey site back in the 1930's but there are no other recorded ascents since then. On September 23, Dale Nicoll and George Urban climbed 5040 Peak and then traversed the West Ridge to Mount Nahmint and back again. Urban and John Pratt had attempted it last year but ran out of time.

Craig Wagnell (Quagger) from Port Alberni has been active this summer documenting many of the peaks between Port Alberni and Long Beach. On June 27 Craig went in with Barry Lewis and Randy Church and climbed the East Ridge of Mount Toquart. He had been eyeing this peak up for a while and was considering climbing it along the steep ridge from Triple Peak, however, a few weeks earlier when Craig soloed Mount Hall he noticed an easier route from the south. On September 13 with Sasha Kubicek he climbed Mount Parsons and then traversed across to Mount Grey. These two peaks are behind the Franklin Logging camp on the road into Bamfield. Then on September 26 again with Randy Church, Craig made a first ascent of a peak (Sawtooth Peak) just over one kilometer to the south of Triple peak. The peak is made up of several summits, which they climbed during their foray, however, there is one feature Craig called "the fang" which he didn't have time to climb. He hopes to return another day and climb this spire. Access to this peak is from the same valley as for Mount Hall and Mount

Toquart. Check his website [www.islandhikes.com](http://www.islandhikes.com) for climbing reports, great photos and map details showing access and routes.

As usual there were many ascents of the Comox Glacier, Mount Albert Edward and the surrounding peaks throughout September and early October many of which were day trips. On Thanksgiving Weekend the Saturday and Sunday were miserable days, however, the weather cleared on the Monday (13<sup>th</sup>) and Lindsay Elms and Valerie O'Neill took advantage of the break and climbed the West Ridge of Mount Nahmint.

Charles Turner had a good summer climbing in a few areas he hadn't been to before. He climbed the Behinde with Christine Fordham and found that no one had signed in the summit register since 1993. He visited the Bate/Alava region from Conuma Creek and climbed Mount Bate, Mount Grattan East Ridge, Thumb Peak and the Thumb and then went in the Shepherd Ridge from Buttle Lake and climbed Tzela Peak (unofficial name) with Christine Fordham.

Campbell River's Heathens continued to have a busy season in the alpine this summer/fall, partially due to lots of fine weather. Many members were active. Several ascents each were done of Kings Peak, Mount Tom Taylor, Mount Colonel Foster, Augerpoint Mountain and Victoria Peak. Ascents were also made of Mt Colwell (Elkhorn South), Comox Glacier, Argus Mountain, Mount Harmston, Yaai Peak (in the Haithe Range), Mount Hkusam, Conuma Peak, Mount Septimus, Mount Albert Edward, Mount Jutland, Big Den Mountain and Big Interior Mountain. Hikes and tours included the Carey Lakes area, Comox Creek to Flower Ridge, around Gold Lake and up the Elk Valley.

Further afield, Chris Barner and Paul Rydeen spent twenty-six days in three separate areas of the Coast Range in August. They climbed Mount Reliance, Oriana Mountain, Furrowed Peak, Serra I, Heartstone Mountain and Royal Peak amongst others at the Reliance Glacier, Tellot Glacier, and Western Niuts. One other group of Heathens drove to the arctic circle and while on the way climbed Mounts Matier and Joffre on the Duffey Lake road, Serra I, Heartstone Mountain and Claw Peak in the Coast Range (Chris and Paul met up with them) and then they visited the Spectrum Range in the Northern Rockies of B.C. and Kluane Park in the Yukon.

New aid routes have been established at Crest Creek crags as well as some new free climbs, all moderate grades, located at the Sunrise and Hidden Wall areas. In total twenty-one days have been spent working on the trails on King's Peak and at Crest Creek Crags and they expect to spend a few more days. A drive for funding to fly crib materials to locations high on Kings Peak is underway and the conversion of a logging bridge to a foot-bridge on the retired ERT road at Crest Creek is a big priority right now.

The Heathens' Community Youth Development program is beginning with a whole new generation of kids. They've been out rock climbing at Crest Creek already this fall, and an aid-climbing day is coming up and the youths hiked from Mount

Washington to Butte Lake last spring. The Heathens are interested in helping to organize new youth outdoor clubs in other Island and Lower Mainland communities, and have drafted a discussion paper for interested parties to peruse and download. Check out their website at [www.heathens.ca](http://www.heathens.ca) for more information.

Any reports or information on interesting climbs or new routes for the next update can be emailed to: [beyondnootka@shaw.ca](mailto:beyondnootka@shaw.ca)

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## STUFFSACK

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### Information Wanted:

I'm looking for information on Capt. H. Westmorland who was an active member of the Victoria Section of the ACC circa 1922. I have articles from the newspaper of climbs he undertook of Mount Arrowsmith and Mount Maxwell from that period but I'm looking to contact family members who might have early photos of his climbs and some background information on him. I would also like to find families of some of the people he climbed with: Colonel Greer, Colonel Gale and his daughter Ethne Gale. If anyone knows the whereabouts of any of the above families please contact Lindsay Elms at [beyondnootka@shaw.ca](mailto:beyondnootka@shaw.ca)

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### A Few Spaces Left For The Kokanee Glacier Backcountry Ski Trip

Looking for awesome cold, dry, "wahoo" powder skiing this winter, in the new Kokanee Glacier Cabin, in the Selkirks? A few spaces still available, for this self guided, and self catered, heli in and out trip March 6 – 13 2004. Cost is \$665 for ACC members with a hut upgrade, \$ 715 for regular members (hint - a huts upgrade to your membership is \$22, which would save you \$28) Participants, (12) need to be comfortable on intermediate backcountry terrain, and have an avalanche transceiver, shovel and probe, along with knowledge and experience using them. More info....Co-ordinator - Charles Turner 339-4037 or [glacierskitrip@hotmail.com](mailto:glacierskitrip@hotmail.com)

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### Ski trip March 14 - 20, 2004.

Ruby Creek (near New Denver).

Organized by Richard Keltie ([richardkeltie@telus.net](mailto:richardkeltie@telus.net)) or (604) 738-4583.

Vancouver ACC section trip and there is some room for more participants.

Full cost \$850.

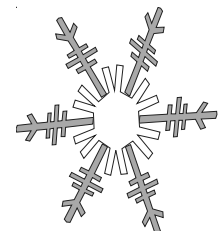
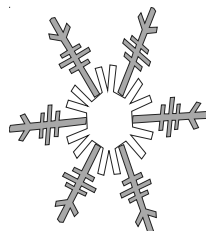
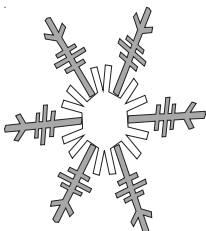
One -day travel from Victoria to New Denver for overnight B&B (\$50) then access by Snow Cat (1.5 hours).

Hut has running water, electricity, sauna and hot shower.

Lots of snow at that time of year.

Beginner to intermediate tree skiing and alpine skiing if conditions permit.

Hut Owner will guide for alpine days.



# International snow gurus will be in Vancouver for a one-day public Backcountry Avalanche Workshop.

If you like skiing or boarding in the backcountry, then this one-day pre-season workshop is for you.

On Saturday, December 6, the Canadian Avalanche Association (CAA) will bring some of the world's top avalanche gurus to Vancouver to present Backcountry Avalanche Workshop 2003:

## Knowledge for Managing Your Risks.

In one day, eight international avalanche experts will explore the nature of the risks faced in the backcountry and present the latest strategies and techniques for decision-making. The CAA is especially pleased to present Werner Munter, creator of the revolutionary "Reduction Method" of decision making, which is now widely used in Switzerland.

Speakers from Canada, Switzerland, France, Iceland, and the USA will explore lessons learned from last year, the challenges of uncertainty, terrain choices, and the human side of decision-making in the mountains. Considering that 29 people died in avalanches in Western Canada last winter, the CAA has decided to make this pre-season workshop as accessible as possible by offering tickets for only \$30.

The workshop will take place at the Justice Institute of BC (715 McBride Boulevard, New Westminster) between 9am-5pm on Saturday, December 6th.

Tickets are available at the door - seating is limited, so come early. Doors open at 8:30 AM. For more information, check out the CAA's workshop overview ([www.avalanche.ca/misc/BCSkierBAW.pdf](http://www.avalanche.ca/misc/BCSkierBAW.pdf)), visit [www.avalanche.ca](http://www.avalanche.ca), or call (250) 837-2435.

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## SUBMISSIONS FOR THE 2003 BUSHWHACKER ANNUAL

Notice to all trip leaders who wish to have their climbs, trips and expeditions recorded in the "2003 BUSHWHACKER ANNUAL". **The deadline for submissions is Saturday, January 31, 2004.** Articles about the Section's scheduled events will have preference if we have too many submissions. Please trust the judgement of the editors as to what is included.

We can accept your submission in several ways:

1. Email your text to: [<accbushwhacker@hotmail.com>](mailto:accbushwhacker@hotmail.com)
2. Typewritten (we can scan clean copy)
3. Saved on a CD in MSWord or Text format

Mail typewritten copy or CD to Viggo Holm, 1991 Casa Marcia Crescent, Victoria, BC, V8N 2X5.

Either mail your photos or slides to Viggo at the above address for scanning, OR have them scanned (min. 600dpi) and e-mailed as a tif file (not jpeg) to [<holm@telus.net>](mailto:holm@telus.net). Photos and slides will be returned after they are scanned.

