



Avalanche Echoes

Alpine Club of Canada - Vancouver Section News



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Next Meeting

Tuesday February 24, 2004 at 7:30 p.m.

Location: Floral Hall, Van Dusen Gardens W. 37th & Oak Street, Vancouver

Don't miss "Skills Fest." Members will be demonstrating and providing information on topics ranging from ski waxing and tuning to how to prepare for an expedition...plus Ski Swap and Sale - See inside for details.



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This newsletter is the official publication of the Alpine Club of Canada, Vancouver Section. It keeps members informed on topics of interest to mountaineers including activities within the club, equipment, techniques, access, and environmental issues.

The club meets monthly, usually for a slide presentation, at the Floral Hall in Van Dusen Gardens, W 37th and Oak St., at 7:30 pm on the fourth Tuesday of the month, except in July, August and December.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES

Vancouver Section:
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We encourage submissions of writing, photography, drawings, etc. If possible, articles should be submitted by e-mail (about 500 words). Photos and slides are always needed (JPG format is preferable). Deadline for submissions is the last day of the previous month.

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EDITORIAL POLICY

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Letter from the Chair

Frozen Time

by Liz Scremin

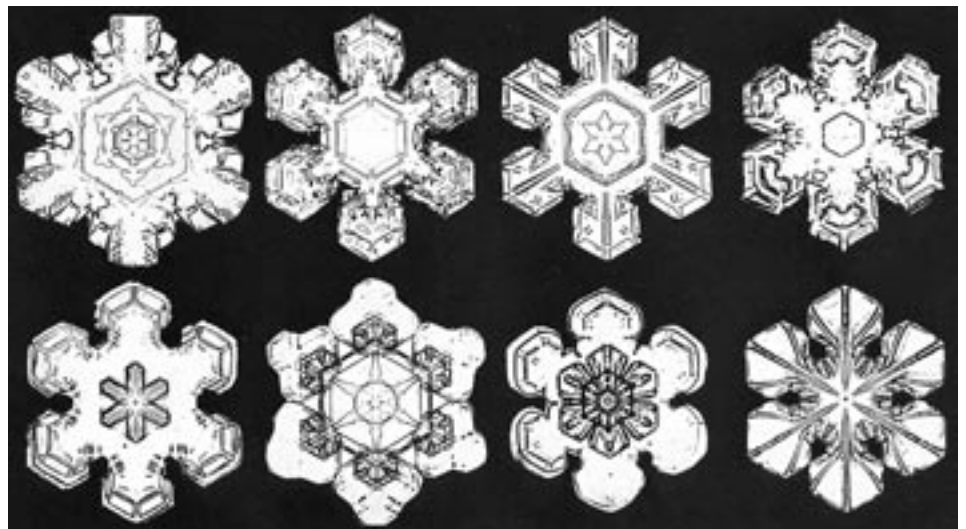
Our escape route down the Mendenhall Glacier was more than I'd bargained for. Two days before, skiing the upper basins with our sleds in tow was easy enough. However the lower we got in elevation, the wetter the snow. Soon the snow disappeared completely leaving hard blue ice. The problem was none of us had crampons, just skis. And so we endured a torturous day of traverses and zigzags through a maze of white undulations and black yawning gaps. Hour after hour, with great care and trepidation, I side-stepped up icy banks with maybe 2, 3, 4 inches of metal edge contacting the ice, and hauled my sled after me. Time and time again, I inched myself along a narrow rim, leaning to the left as my sled dove to the right. It was impossible to see very far forward. My heart was in the pit of my stomach for hours. And all this, while helicopters carrying tourists from the cruise ships passed overhead. What is the cliché? So close and yet so far? What did they know about glaciers! By late afternoon we had made the moraine on the other side and scrambled up rock terraces to the start of a rudimentary trail, a trail that lead straight down into the suburbs of Juneau. Looking back it was hard to believe that we had found a route across.

That day I learned a lot about glaciers, perseverance and working together in the mountains. Glaciers are an integral part of the Coast Mountains. They are fantastic highways and fascinating

forms. How wonderful then, that the Whistler Museum and Archives is holding a special exhibit entitled, "Frozen Time: Glaciers in the Coastal Mountains" running this February 14 to late August 2004. The museum curator, Kerry Clark, has been working hard to gather a wide range of information and archival photos on glaciers. Her material includes long-standing research by local scientists and current concerns about environmental impacts as highlighted by the Melting Mountains Project. The Vancouver Section has loaned from our archives a pair of glacier goggles, clothing, boots, a gold-line rope, several ice axes, crampons, books and a few photos for the show. So expect to see some wonderful artifacts and images of early recreation on glaciers too.

Concurrently the Whistler Museum and Archives is presenting "Snowflakes", a show on the amazing crystals that make glaciers possible. As an aside, one of my most treasured possessions is a book originally published in 1931. "Snow Crystals" by W.A. Bentley and W.J. Humphreys has 9 pages of introductory text and over 200 pages of plates... photomicrographs, seemingly of every snowflake imaginable. What wonderful science and what wonderful art!

So? Did you ever try to photograph a snowflake? Did you ever cross a glacier? I recommend you try! See you in Whistler at the shows.



Close up from a page in "Snow Crystals" by W.A. Bentley and W.J. Humphreys

Announcements

Oops! Chic Scott Show Same Night As ACC Meeting

ACC members will have a hard choice on Feb 24. Chic Scott, honorary member of the ACC and well-known author, will be presenting a special evening entitled 'Powder Paradise – Backcountry Skiing in Western Canada' as part of the Vancouver International Mountain Film Festival. The show will be at the Planetarium Auditorium at 7:00pm and tickets are \$12 at the door.

Held-over!

Ski Swap and Sale at the February 24 Van Dusen Meeting

Do you have unused ski equipment sitting in your basement? Bring your old skis, boots, and poles, skins, shovels and probes to the club meeting on February 24. Put a price tag on them and make a few dollars. Looking for a deal? Peruse the tables and pick up something to get you started or something that fits!

Volunteers Needed for VIMFF

Every year the Vancouver International Mountain Film Festival depends on volunteers to assist with poster distribution, ticket sales, handing out programs, lobby set-up, back stage lighting, etc. The Festival runs February 22 to 29 at both the Planetarium in Kits and the Centennial Theatre in North Vancouver. If you can help out, please contact Anik Choiniere, the Volunteer Coordinator, at anikchoinier.e@hotmail.com or 604 709 8791. As way of thanks, volunteers are offered free admission to the event they volunteer at. So check out the program at www.vimff.org

Book Swap and Sale at the March Meeting

Every mountaineer has a collection of guidebooks and adventure books. Some are treasured forever; others serve a purpose and then get passed along. So? At the meeting this March 23, bring your spare books to swap or sell. Hardcover books, softcover books, guidebooks, climbing magazines, and Canadian Alpine Journals are all suitable. You might even find some fresh and exciting reading material yourself!

Receiving The Echoes Via Email –There Are Advantages

Members who receive the newsletter via email enjoy it in full colour, get it much faster, find out about special events much earlier, save the club money, save paper, can easily store each copy or print out any part or all of the newsletter. Please consider it! Contact Tony Knight, our email administrator, at knighthta@shaw.ca or 604-873-2276.

Ski History of Hollyburn

As part of Heritage Week in BC, the Hollyburn Heritage Society will be presenting a free lecture and videos on the history of skiing and recreation on the Hollyburn Mountain area of the North Shore. Everyone is invited to come and learn some of the fascinating history of skiing on Hollyburn. Date: Wed. Feb. 18, 2004 at 1:30 PM. Location: West Vancouver Memorial Library, 1950 Marine Drive, West Vancouver.

West Coast Ice 2

West Coast Ice, published in 1993, sold out in the winter of 2002-3, so there is no ice climbing guidebook currently available covering SWBC. The second edition is now in preparation, to be ready for the 2004-5 season.

If you have any information about climbs that have been done in SWBC in the last decade (especially information that has not been previously published as Ice Updates in the Canadian Alpine Journals), or corrections/clarifications/modifications to information that appeared in the first edition, please pass the info along. Photos will also be needed, so a note that you have photos available of certain climbs and/or action photos would also be great to receive.

Thanks, and enjoy this fine season. The ice is better than it has been for half a dozen years, there have already been a few new routes done, and it seems certain lots more will get established before spring. Get out there!

Don Serl
dserl@telus.net 604-872-4244

March Slide Show

Don't miss Graham Rowbotham presenting on his recent trip to Tibet, to the Nyainqentanglha East Range, also known as the "Alps of Tibet".

Baden Powell Access From Cypress

Skiers and snowshoers who use Black Mountain at Cypress should be aware that this is the last year that the Baden Powell access will be on the old logging road. The amendment to the park plan currently being passed allows for seven (7) runs to cross the "road" on the east side of Black in the second growth forest from the previous logging. This is in exchange for Cypress Ltd. giving up the restaurant on Strachan and new gondola which would have further cut up the remaining old growth on the south face of Strachan, which has already suffered blowdowns as a result of widening the ski trail on the Peak Chair two years ago.

Friends of Cypress figured that the trade off was a good one for old growth in the park, and the ski operator is trying to accommodate Black Mtn. back country users by routing a new trail west of the ski runs. This trail will be too steep and narrow for skiers to come down so we will be allowed to ski down the runs (this is a new concession). The alternative route east of the runs proved too long and circuitous and dropped 200' from the parking lot and was rejected as less attractive. So, enjoy the old trail this year and we will try the new one next year.

Lesley Bohm
Federation of Mountain Clubs representative on
Parks-West Vancouver-Cypress Committee

ACC Vancouver Section Annual General Meeting

ACC Vancouver Section
Annual General Meeting Minutes

November 25, 2003
Floral Hall – Van Dusen Gardens

Chaired by: Liz Scremin; Election of New
Executive Chaired by: Irene Goldstone

AGENDA

Liz called the formal meeting to order about 8:00 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liz opened the meeting with some general announcements, including upcoming trips, camps and film events, then outlined the remainder of the meeting agenda, starting with Position Reports.

REPORTS

- 1 Treasurer (Rob Brusse): Rob presented a short summary of the Section finances. More detailed financial statements for the year ended 31 Oct 2003 will be published in Echoes newsletter. Overall, Section finances are in good health. Membership revenue increased slightly from the previous year, while camp revenues were down compared to last year, mainly due to the poor winter weather. Tantalus Hut operations have had a noted increase in revenue to about \$7k due to increased number of visitors, camps and private group bookings.
- 2 Skills Development (Zoran Vasic): The Section ran a total of 16 skills development courses and workshops this past year, including several multi-day events. Courses included winter camping, snow caving, mountain weather, map & compass, leadership development, backcountry skiing, climbing, orienteering. Several courses were run in cooperation with professional groups such as the St. John Ambulance Wilderness First Aid course. There are plans for a number of workshops in 2004.
- 3 National Club Rep (Fern Hietkamp): Fern reported on several items at the National level of the Alpine Club of Canada. The National Board met in November and approved a general fee increase to all members. A single membership will increase by \$6 and a family membership will increase by \$8 in 2004. The increase has resulted from several factors including increases in liability insurance, and to more directly cover the administrative costs of membership that were formerly subsidized by a portion of hut revenues. The National Safety Committee has continued work on updating the trip waiver policy and procedures. Fern reminded everyone it is very important for all trip participants to sign a waiver form, and for organizers to return the completed waiver form to the Climbing Chair.
- 4 Socials (Chris Bradley): Chris coordinates the food and beverages for the monthly members socials, and thanked all who brought food for this evening's potluck. Chris announced he plans to step down this year from the position and a new Socials Coordinator is needed.
- 5 FMCBC Rep (Richard Keltie): Richard is a FMCBC Director and the Vancouver

Section Rep at meetings of the Federation of Mountain Clubs of BC this past year. The FMCBC role remains one of protecting the backcountry environment and access for non-motorized recreation. Vancouver Section member Manrico Scremin is the FMCBC President. This year the FMCBC moved to focus its mandate and divested the Canada West Mountain School (CWMS). The FMCBC has moved into office space at Mountain Equipment Coop to save on costs. Richard also reported on one specific access issue regarding trailhead parking above Lions Bay; Pat Harrison met recently with the mayor and council of Lions Bay in an effort to resolve parking and related access and sanitation concerns.

- 6 Membership (Susan D'Aloisio): Near the end of 2003, Vancouver Section membership totals about 525 single and family memberships, or equivalently about 650 individual members. However, membership renewal rates are down a bit, and Susan encouraged everyone to renew their membership despite the fee increase coming in 2004.
- 7 Camps (Richard Keltie): Richard also acts as Camps Coordinator for the Section. This past year, the Section ran several Section camps including Tantalus Lake Lovelywater, Mt. Waddington area, and Roger's Pass. The National camps continue to be popular and Richard reminded anyone interested in going to book early. There are plans to hold camps in 2004 similar to those this past year including Tantalus and Roger's Pass.
- 8 Echoes (Steve Wickham): Steve Wickham and Helen Habgood were co-editors for the Avalanche Echoes newsletter this past year, but are looking for new faces to help with editing and production. Gerard Cheong has indicated interest in helping.
- 9 Quartermaster (Rob Brusse): Rob is also acting as the Section Quartermaster. The Section has several items of kit for rent to members including avalanche beacons, satellite phone, 6-person expedition tent, megamid tent, and the club First Aid kit.
- 10 Program (Isabel Budke): Isabel reported on a successful year of guests and slide shows at the monthly meetings, and thanked all those who contributed to this year's successful program. Coming up in January is Don MacPherson on his new trail around Indian Arm. For the February meeting, another 'Skillsfest' evening is being organized. Isabel reported she will be stepping down from the position, but expects to continue assisting a new Program Coordinator.
- 11 Access & Environment (Mary Henderson): Mary reported on Access and Environment issues over the past year. She has continued participating in the Sea-to-Sky Forums to preserve winter and summer non-motorized access to mountain alpine areas. A deadline of Dec. 2003 has been set by the BC Provincial Government to finalize an access and use agreement. Mary reported that much progress has been made among the user groups, but there are still challenges on access issues, especially from commercial operators. Mary is stepping

down after this year and Henny Coates has offered to stand for election for 2004.

- 12 Climbing Chair (Fern for Pam Krannitz): Fern gave a summary of Section trips and workshops for Pam. There were 124 trips and workshops, organized by 60 individual members. Last winter was fair for trips, with a low snow pack, while the summer was good, with hot and sunny weather; however, the backcountry was closed for 2 weeks over the popular Labour Day holiday weekend. Fern conveyed thanks to all who organized trips and workshops, and drew gifts for members who volunteered three or more trips/workshops over the course of the year.
- 13 Secretary (Tony Knight): Tony looks after writing the minutes for Executive meetings, and is quartermaster for the Section's satellite phone. The satellite phone has been popular with members for longer remote trips. It was rented a total of 11 weeks this past year, including one trip to Mt. Logan. Tony also coordinates the Email notification for the downloadable version of the Avalanche Echoes. Anyone wishing to download the newsletter in PDF format on the Internet can contact Tony or email to accvanem@telus.net to be added. This saves the Section some postage costs, and the PDF version is available sooner and in colour.
- 14 Chairperson's Report (Liz Scremin): Liz reported on the highlights of this past year of Section activities as follows:

Section Events. Liz thanked trip leaders and workshop organizers for the variety of events organized this year, ranging from traditional camps, to mountain painting and photography, several indoor workshops, and a successful leadership evening and weekend organized by Fern Hietkamp.

Jim Haberl Memorial Hut. Liz reported that fund-raising is now completed. Plans were finalized and construction started this summer, beginning with the outhouse. Prefabrication of the main building is planned for early 2004, with on-site installation in the summer.

John Clarke. Liz noted the passing of long-time and honorary member John Clarke on Jan. 23, 2003. John received the Order of Canada in 2002 for his mountaineering, conservation and education achievements. John is only the 4th person in the mountaineering community to have received this distinction.

Coast ACC Archives Committee. Progress this year on the archives project slowed due to a stall in the plans of the Whistler Museum and Archives Society for their new building in Whistler. It is still hoped that once it is built, an Alpine Club of Canada Coast Collection will be established there.

Member Recognition. Irene Goldstone was presented with an ACC 'Heritage Club' distinction, recognizing her 25-years of membership in the ACC.

Goals for 2004. Liz outlined several goals for 2004: (i) maintain the Section membership to over 500 total memberships; (ii) organize more trips, workshops and camps,

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including joint camps with the BCMC and Varsity Outdoor Club; (iii) organize trail maintenance trips to Lizzie Lake and Lake Lovelywater, (iv) complete construction of the Jim Haberl Hut, (v) implement a partnership with the Whistler Museum and Archives Society, (vi) reinstate the Oral History Project, and (vii) set out Vancouver Section plans for the ACC centennial in 2006.

ELECTION OF NEW EXECUTIVE

New/Ongoing Executive Members (Liz): Irene Goldstone chaired this portion of the meeting for the election of the new Executive. The positions and nominees are as follows:

- (a) Chair – vacant (Liz Scremin acting)
- (b) Secretary – Tony Knight
- (c) Treasurer – Rob Brusse
- (d) Membership – Susan D'Aloisio
- (e) Socials – vacant
- (f) Echoes Editors – Helen Habgood / Steve Wickham / Gerard Cheong
- (g) National Club Rep – Fern Hietkamp
- (h) FMCBC Rep – Richard Keltie
- (i) Program Coordinator – Susan Higginbottom
- (j) Climbing/Trip Schedule – Margaret Hanson
- (k) Camps – Richard Keltie
- (l) Skills Development – Sue Baldwin
- (m) Access and Environment – Henny Coates
- (n) Promotion – Jay MacArthur

There being no further nominations, it was moved and seconded that the above members be elected as the Vancouver Section Executive for the year 2004. The annual meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM. A slide show on the past summer camps was presented by Rob Brusse, Don Serl and Peter Woodsworth.

Courses/Workshops

Avalanche Safety Course For ACC Members

The Canada West Mountain School (CWMS) will hold a special Avalanche Safety Course for ACC members in the first week of March, 2004. The course includes two evening classroom theory sessions and two field days. Costs include 22 hours of instruction, avalanche safety manual, course handouts, organization, and use of transceivers, shovels and probes. Also, participants will receive a CAA Recreational Avalanche Course certificate upon completion. The course is given to groups of 8 and will cost approximately \$140 each person. Dates and actual cost will be finalized a couple of weeks prior to the course.

Call Sue Baldwin at 604-872-4562 (or sbaldwin@interchange.ubc.ca) if you are interested.

More information about CWMS courses can be obtained from their website: <http://www.themountainsschool.com/>

Map & Compass Evening Workshop

Thursday March 25, 2004. 7:00-9:00PM

MEC Head Office, 149 West 4th Ave, Vancouver, BC. (Not the Broadway store)

This one-evening indoor workshop will review the basics of wilderness navigation using topographic maps, compass, altimeter and GPS.

Contact Tony Knight at 604-873-2276 for details.

Whistler Museum and Archives presents
Frozen Time: Glaciers in the Coastal Mountains

and
Snowflakes

2 new shows opening February 14, 2004
Hours: Sept to June: Thursday to Sunday 10am to 4pm

July and August: Daily, 10am to 4pm
4329 Main Street, Whistler, BC

604-932-2019
www.whistlermuseum.org



Egmont Area. Photo by Gerard Cheong

VIMFF 2004 Schedule

events	venue + time	tickets
<p>Festival Opening with VIMFF Photo Contest awards and exhibition opening; Colorado's blind mountaineer Erik Weihenmayer in his amazing multi-media show <i>Farther than the Eye Can See</i> on climbing Mount Everest, the 7 summits, and other stories. Presented by Mountain Hardwear and KVOS.</p> <p>VIMFF wildest Mountain Biking Evening featuring local riders ripping off the stage with their stunts on the background of the latest flicks, once again higher, deeper and dirtier. Presented by Norco Performance Bikes.</p>	<p>Wed Feb 25, 7pm (doors 6pm) Centennial Theatre, 2300 Lonsdale, North Vancouver</p> <p>Thurs Feb 26, 7 pm (doors 6pm) Centennial Theatre, 2300 Lonsdale, North Vancouver</p>	<p>\$ 15 advance \$ 17 at the door Advanced tickets at MEC, Centennial Theatre (604) 984-4484</p> <p>\$ 15 advance \$ 17 at the door Advanced tickets at MEC, Centennial Theatre (604) 984-4484</p>
<p>Youth Community Program for the North Shore Schools</p>	<p>Thurs Feb 26, 1:30 pm Centennial Theatre</p>	<p>By donation</p>
<p>BC/Canada Evening, presented by Mt. Seymour, exploring our backyards with screening of <i>In the Shadow of the Chief</i> film about the 1st ascent of the Chief; Squamish's Matt Maddaloni in a slideshow <i>Squamish Long Free Routes</i> about his recent big wall climbs; BC's young and promising alpinist Abby Watkins in a slideshow <i>Climbing - A Woman's Perspective</i>; and other theatrical acts, both real and cinematographic.</p>	<p>Fri Feb 27, 7 pm (doors 6pm) Centennial Theatre, 2300 Lonsdale, North Vancouver</p>	<p>\$ 15 advance \$ 17 at the door Advanced tickets at MEC, Centennial Theatre (604) 984-4484</p>
<p>Mountain Film Buff Matinée 1 with VIMFF 2004 film select.</p>	<p>Sat Feb 28, 3 pm (doors 2pm) Centennial Theatre, 2300 Lonsdale, North Vancouver</p>	<p>\$ 9 at door free with two evening tickets</p>
<p>Rockclimbing Evening, celebrating the UN 2004 "International Year of Bouldering" with John Sherman's slide show <i>The Fab 50 - Verm's preposterous quest to climb in all 50 states</i>, en route experiencing the best and worst climbing the US has to offer, and films.</p>	<p>Sat Feb 28, 7 pm (doors 6pm) Centennial Theatre, 2300 Lonsdale, North Vancouver</p>	<p>\$ 15 advance \$ 17 at the door Advanced tickets at MEC, Centennial Theatre (604) 984-4484</p>
<p>Mountain Film Buff Matinée 2 with VIMFF 2004 film select.</p>	<p>Sun Feb 29, 3 pm (doors 2pm) Centennial Theatre, 2300 Lonsdale, North Vancouver</p>	<p>\$ 9 at door free with two evening tickets</p>
<p>Festival Finale with film awards; Poland's legendary Himalayan climber Krzysztof Wielicki; British alpine climber Simon "Slasher" Yates in <i>The Good, the Bad, and the Beautiful</i>; and screening of some the festival winning films.</p>	<p>Sun Feb 29, 7 pm (doors 6pm) Centennial Theatre, 2300 Lonsdale, North Vancouver</p>	<p>\$ 15 advance \$ 17 at the door Advanced tickets at MEC, Centennial Theatre (604) 984-4484</p>
other events	venue + time	tickets
<p>Polish Mountain Film Show with recent Polish mountain films and a guest speaker.</p>	<p>Sun Feb 22, 7 pm (doors 6pm) Planetarium, 1100 Chestnut Street, Vancouver</p>	<p>\$ 12 at door</p>
<p>Whitewater Evening with films and a local guest speaker.</p>	<p>Mon Feb 23, 7 pm (doors 6pm) Planetarium, 1100 Chestnut Street, Vancouver</p>	<p>\$ 12 at door</p>
<p>Ski Evening with Canadian mountaineer, skier and author Chic Scott in <i>Powder Paradise, Backcountry Skiing in Western Canada</i>; and films on back country skiing.</p>	<p>Tues Feb 24, 7 pm (doors 6pm) Planetarium, 1100 Chestnut Street, Vancouver</p>	<p>\$ 12 at door</p>
<p>Over the Hills but Still Climbing, an evening with some of the early local explorers and mountaineers.</p>	<p>Thurs Feb 26, 7 pm North Vancouver District Public Library, Edgemont Village Branch</p>	<p>By donation call (604) 987-4471</p>
<p>Coastal Riders Big Air</p>	<p>Sat Feb 28 Mount Seymour</p>	<p>mountseymour.com</p>

Section Spring Ski Camps

Tchaikazan to Meager Creek Spring Ski Traverse

Planning is underway for this classic ski traverse over the Lillooet Icecap. Access will be via ski plane from Pemberton. More details to come!

The dates will be 2+ weeks in late April to early May and the cost is just now being researched.

Interested? Contact Liz Scremin at 604-921-2651

Circumskision Of Waddington

May 1 - 16, 2004

Access: Fly-in, fly-out, from Tatla Lake.

Route & mode of travelling: From the Plummer hut on the North rim of the Tiedemann glacier counter-clockwise over the Tellot, Cataract, Radiant, Chaos, Scimitar, Fury, Franklin, Dais, and Corridor glaciers to the south side of the Tiedemann trough, with one supply drop. Moving days (approx. 5-6) will be short, camps high up with views. We will move as a group, but activities in camp are ad-lib, providing opportunities for taking it easy, yo-yoing, taking spectacular pictures, or making crazy ascents.

Difficulty: Skiing is generally straightforward. There are four tricky spots, one involving downclimbing a short 45° snow gully, two others skiing down 40° slopes, and the fourth going up a long 40° - 45° (50°) slope to the Fury Gap. Grading is A-4, reflecting the leisurely pace and the difficulties mentioned.

Cost: Approx. \$700, all told.

Participants: Maximum 12, minimum 6.

For more information and pictures call Hans at 604-228-9499.

Personalities

Congratulations to Margaret Hanson on her completion of the ACC/North Face Winter Leadership Course. We hear you're back and the instruction was superb.

Many thanks to Ray Kodama for taking on the Socials position and providing us with our much-needed tea, coffee, beer and cookies at the Van Dusen meetings.

A fond farewell to Steve Wickham as he leaves the Co-Editor position and moves on to newer and better things. Thanks for your help these past years, Steve!

Errata

The credit for the photo in last month's issue of the Echoes entitled 'Tahumming Traverse' was incorrectly given. The photographer was Tony Knight.

Section Summer Camps

5th Annual ACC Vancouver Section Rogers Pass Camps

Week 1: July 10-18 Lake O'Hara - Mt Victoria- Mt Athabasca

Cost: \$450 with registration March 1st

The O'Hara area "Jewel of the Rockies" offers beautiful hiking and a variety of intermediate climbing objectives in a spectacular setting. To facilitate a wide variety of daytrips, this self-guided camp will feature 5 days (4 nights) based at the Elizabeth Parker Hut (1 night) at Abbott Pass and finally a day (2 nights) out of the Canadian Alpine Centre in Lake Louise.

Week 2: July 24-Aug. 1 Rogers Pass

Cost: \$375 with registration March 1st

Rogers pass offers spectacular vistas and impressive opportunities for hiking scrambling and climbing. To facilitate a wide variety of daytrips, this self-guided camp will feature 3 days (2 nights) tenting at the Hermit meadows and another 3 days (2 nights) based out of the Asulkan Cabin there will be 4 nights spent at the Wheeler Hut.

Contact Rob Brusse at 604-732-7730 or robasbeekbrusse@aol.com

7th Annual Lake Lovely Water Summer Camp

July 17-25th 2004

Eight days of mountaineering in the glorious Tantalus Range (Map ref.92G/14). Accommodation is in the luxurious ACC cabin with swimming and boating at the door. We will also be running a mountaineering school for several beginner level participants. This is a self guided camp for club members only, \$325.00 covers chopper and hut rental.

Call Peter Woodsworth (604) 254-7076

Alpine Club Trip Schedule

Date	Destination	Type	Grade	Organizer	Phone
FEBRUARY					
4	Tele Clinic	ski	A1	Isabel Budke	604-224-5737
7	Mt Mulligan*	ski	B2	Rhys Gibb	604-321-9955
7-8	Tricouni Peak*	ski	B2(4)	David Hughes	604-980-6484
7-8	Tetrahedron	ski	B2	Sue Baldwin	604-872-4562
8	Diamond Head	ski	B2	Richard Keltie	604-738-4583
14	Needle Peak*	ski	B3	Margaret Hanson	604-341-5961
15	Mt Seymour	ski	B3	Blair Mitten	604-922-0470
18	Tele Clinic	ski	A1	Isabel Budke	604-224-5737
21	Avalanche Rescue	ski	B2	Margaret Hanson	604-341-5961
21	Mt Price	ski	C2	Ian McGillivray	604-988-3618
21-22	Cerise Creek	ski	B2	Jay MacArthur	604-987-1232
22	Diamond Head (Family)	ski	A2	Chris Underwood	604-873-4552
27-29	Snowspider*	ski	C3	Linda Bily	604-222-1577
22-29	Vancouver International Mountain Film Festival				
24	Monthly Meeting & Slideshow, 7:30pm at Van Dusen Gardens, W37th & Oak St.				
MARCH					
6-7	Marriot Basin	ski	B2/3	Jane Weller	604-988-3618
6-7	North Joffre Creek area*	ski	C3	David Hughes	604-980-6484
13-19	Nootka Island	hike	B2	Jane Weller	604-988-3618
14	Mt Laughington*	ski	B2	Tania	604-738-0696
14	Whistler Back country	ski	B3	Chris Underwood	604-873-4552
21	Table Mountain traverse	ski	B2	Chris Bradley	604-873-9419
23	Monthly Meeting & Slideshow, 7:30pm at Van Dusen Gardens, W37th & Oak St.				
27-28	Place Glacier area*	ski	B3	Isabel Budke	604-224-5737
27-28	Marriot Basin*	ski	B2/3	Margaret Hanson	604-341-5961
APRIL					
3	Mt Decker via Blackcomb lifts*ski	ski	B2/3	Tony Knight	604-873-2276
3-4	Mt Garibaldi	ski	C3	Todd Ponzini	604-340-9653
3-4	Marriot Basin	ski	B2/3	Grant McCormack	604-535-7501
10-12	Snowspider	ski	B4	Peter Norris	604-240-6087
17	Cypress/ Strachan/Hollyburn ski	ski	B2/3	Rich Pawlowicz	604-222-3343
25	Mt Brunswick	hike	B2	Richard Keltie	604-738-4583

* Joint ACC/BCMC

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Vancouver Section Trip Schedule Winter 2004

GRADING GUIDELINES

- A - Less than 6 hrs travel/day (Not strenuous)
- B - 6 to 8 hrs travel/day (Moderately strenuous)
- C - 8 to 12 hrs travel/day (Strenuous)
- D - More than 12 hrs travel/day (Extremely strenuous)
- S- Slower-paced trip, (Suitable for seniors)

- 1 - Gentle slopes. Travel on trails over fairly level terrain.
- 2 - Moderate slopes. Travel may be off trail. Intermediate skiing ability recommended. Easy climbing.
- 3 - Travel in mountainous terrain. Steep forest and glaciers probable. Back country equipment and intermediate skiing experience required. Moderate climbing.
- 4 - Travel over difficult mountain terrain. Advanced back country and mountaineering experience, ability and equipment required. Advanced ski mountaineering or moderate to difficult ice or mixed climbing. Ropes and belays required.
- 5 - Technical ice or mixed climbing. Advanced climbing experience required.

Please contact trip organizers by the Wednesday prior to the trip or earlier to express your interest. Non-members are welcome to participate once or twice before joining, and are accepted on a space available basis. Everyone is welcome to attend our meetings at 7:30pm in the Floral Hall of Van Dusen Botanical Gardens, W... 37th Ave. & Oak St. in Vancouver on the fourth Tuesday of every month (except July, Aug., Dec.).

Trip organizers are required to have participants sign the ACC waiver which can be obtained from the climbing schedule organizer, or from: www.alpineclubofcanada.ca/vancouver.

Completed waivers can be mailed to:
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C/o The Federation of Mountain Clubs of B.C.
47 West Broadway, Vancouver, B.C. V5Y 1P1,
or given to any member of the executive.

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