

BC. MOUNTAINEERING CLUB NEWSLETTER



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Winter in Lost Valley Ck. area.

EVENING SOCIAL MEETINGS

Evening socials are usually held in the ANZA club, upstairs room (corner of 8th Ave. and Ontario, Vancouver) starting at 7:30 p.m. Cookies, tea, and coffee are provided.

Tuesday, 10 January - Entertainment will be a slide show by Chris Cooper, entitled "In search of wild places", a ski traverse from Ellesmere Island to Coburg Island and back in Canada's eastern high arctic".

Tuesday, 14 February - Entertainment will be a slide show by Marcus Dell on climbing Ama Dablam in the Himalayas.



Searching for wild places in Canada's eastern high arctic. Photo - C. Cooper



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Submissions - of any written, drawn, or photographic material relevant to the B.C. Mountaineering Club are welcome. If possible, submissions should be sent to the editor by email or on a diskette. Please note that images should be at least 60 pixels/cm (150 pixels/inch) for successful printing. Images with a lesser resolution will probably not be printed. Deadline for submissions is the first Tuesday of the month preceding the publication month.

Send submissions to Michael Feller (ph. 604-270-4050, email - feller@interchg.ubc.ca).

Editorial policy - All submitted written material relevant to the B.C. Mountaineering Club will be published unless the club executive decides otherwise. Submitted material may be edited for clarity or brevity, or for consistency with club policies.

Opinions and comments expressed in this newsletter are not necessarily those of the B.C. Mountaineering Club.

SCHEDULED TRIPS

Participation on club trips is open to any person with adequate skills and experience, subject to the approval of the trip organizer. All non-member participants must sign a disclosure and waiver form relieving the club and all other participants on the trip from any liability. A trip organizer is not a certified guide. The function of the organizer is to organize the trip, ensure that it gets underway, know the access to the area, and know a route or routes on the climb.

It is expected that each person on a club trip has the necessary skills, experience, fitness, and equipment. The organizer may specify certain equipment mandatory for participation in a trip. Any person who attempts to participate in a club trip without such mandatory equipment, may be requested to withdraw from the trip. Each person on a club trip is responsible for his or her own safety and for checking the equipment used. Please be considerate and call the trip organizer more than 1 day prior to the trip.

If you are given a ride, please remember to pay the driver your portion of the car costs. If you decide not to go on a trip for which you have previously registered, please be courteous and inform the trip organizer.

All trips are ski trips unless otherwise indicated.

First priority for equipment rental is club camps and trips. Equipment is rented from Kit Griffin at 604-736-8462, who should be contacted at least 2 days prior to the day the equipment is wanted, except for the satellite phone, which should be arranged at least 2 weeks prior to the day it is wanted.

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CLUB EQUIPMENT FOR HIRE

Avalanche transceivers - \$3 per day for members, \$5 for first day then \$3 per subsequent day for non-members.

Snow shovels - \$3 per day.

Avalanche probes - \$3 per day.

VHF radios - \$8 per day, \$40 per week

Satellite phone - \$60 per week or \$30 per weekend plus \$300 deposit, all payable in advance, then \$2 per minute use.

ORGANIZER

January 7: Flora Pk. Skiing in the Chilliwack valley area.	C3/1952 m	Peter Gumplinger	604-733-8264
January 7: Needle Pk. (snowshoe) Snowshoeing in the Coquihalla area. Joint trip with the ACC.	B2(3)/2075 m	Julien Henley	604-990-9224
January 7: Magnesia meadows Skiing above Howe Sound.	B2	Monika Bittel	604-983-3097
January 7: Red - Lone Goat - Snow camp circuit (snowshoe) C2 Extended snowshoeing in Manning Park.	C2	Alastair Ferries	604-263-5835
January 11: Tele clinic at Cypress park Practise telemarking in Vancouver's North Shore mountains. Joint trip with the ACC.	A2	Isabel Budke	604-224-5737
January 14: Silverdaisy Mtn. (snowshoe) Snowshoeing at the western edge of Manning Park.	B2/2068 m	Fred Douglas	604-293-2951
January 14: Diamond Head Easy skiing in Garibaldi park.	B2	Peter Oostlander	604-451-4585
January 14: Avalanche transceiver practice-Mt. Seymour For those wanting practice - brush up your avalanche search skills.	A2	Margaret Hanson	604-341-5961
January 14: Howe Sound Crest trail Skiing from Cypress park above Howe Sound.	B3	Jos van der Burg	604-463-7582
January 14-15: Mt. Weart (snowshoe) Snowshoeing in Garibaldi park, north of Whistler.	C3/2835 m	Todd Ponzini	604-340-9653
January 14-15: Introduction to snow camping For those unfamiliar with snow camping, this trip will introduce you to it in the Mt. Seymour area of Vancouver's North Shore mountains.	A1	Peter Woodsworth	604-254-7076
January 15: Needle Pk. Skiing in the Coquihalla area. Joint trip with the ACC.	B2(3)/2075 m	Carol MacMillan	604-879-2947
January 20-22: Serratus Mtn. More challenging skiing and mountain climbing in Tantalus park.	C4/2321 m	Ryan Bougie	604-937-7949
January 21: Clouburst Mtn. Skiing on the Squamish-Cheakamus divide.	C3/1871 m	Peter Gumplinger	604-733-8264
January 21: Unnecessary Mtn. (snowshoe) Snowshoeing across the Howe Sound Crest trail, approaching from Cypress Bowl.	B2/1548 m	Neil Beattie	604-669-7847
January 21: Mt. Seymour area (extreme snowshoeing) Challenging snowshoeing in Vancouver's North Shore mountains.	B3	Peter Woodsworth	604-254-7076
January 25: Tele clinic at Cypress park Practise telemarking in Vancouver's North Shore mountains. Joint trip with the ACC.	A2	Isabel Budke	604-224-5737
January 28: Alpaca Pk. (snowshoe) Snowshoeing in the Coquihalla area.	B2/2040 m	Stanislav Liarsky	604-983-4476
January 28: Mt. Crickmer Skiing or snowshoeing in the lower Fraser valley.	B2/1359 m	Reinhard Fabische	604-462-9638
January 28: Decker Glacier Skiing in the Spearhead Range beyond Blackcomb.	B3	Margaret Hanson	604-341-5961
January 28: Zoa Pk. (snowshoe) Snowshoeing in the Coquihalla area. Joint trip with the ACC.	A2/1872 m	Julien Henley	604-990-9224
January 28-29: Caspar-Cerise Cks. Extended ski traverse from Caspar to Cerise Ck. off the Duffey Lake road.	C3	Jeff Rabinovitch	604-874-9033
February 4: Organizer's choice Skiing somewhere. Contact the organizer for further details.	B2	Greg Hamilton	604-949-0770

February 4: Phalanx Glacier Skiing beyond Blackcomb.	B3	Tom Kuczmierowski	604-468-9092
February 4-5: Tetrahedron area Skiing on the Sechelt Peninsula.	B2/3	Michael Feller	604-270-4050
February 11: Cloudburst Mtn. Skiing on the Squamish-Cheakamus divide.	C3	Evelyn Feller	604-270-4050
February 11-12: Mt. Price Skiing above Garibaldi Lake in Garibaldi park.	B3/2052m	Tom Kuczmierowski	604-468-9092
February 11-12: Mt. Caspar Extended skiing off the Duffey Lake road.	C3/2402 m	Greg Stoltmann	604-926-6496
February 11-12: Tetrahedron Plateau The three cabins ski tour on the Sechelt Peninsula.	B2	Alfred Menninga	604-886-0775

BCMC NEWS

Introduction to backcountry skiing program

This program is now full. However, for more information please call Todd Ponzini at 604-340-9653.

Articles wanted for the 2006 BC Mountaineer - Articles with illustrations are required for next year's B.C. Mountaineer. If you have been on any more interesting, or extended, or exotic trips, write them up and submit them to your editor - by 31 January, 2006.

CENTENNIAL TRIVIA

History of the BC MC and cabins -

The club's first cabin was on Grouse Mtn. and was started in 1910. The second club cabin replaced the first one on Grouse in 1926. Two ski-oriented cabins were built on Mt. Seymour in later years. More recently the Batzer hut was built near Mt. Welch, only to be destroyed by an avalanche some years later. Huts near Singing

Pass (Himmelsbach hut) and Wedgemount lake, the Plummer hut near Mt. Waddington, and Mountain Lake cabin near Britannia Beach were built in the 1968 - 1972 period. The most recent cabin, in North Creek in the upper Lillooet Valley, was built in 1986. The club is presently considering building a cabin in the North Lizzie area, east of Lillooet Lake.

2006 BC MC CALENDAR NOW AVAILABLE

A calendar committee of Monika Bittel, Julia Borhardt, and Alice Purdey, assisted by Jason Brawn, has just produced the club's first (?) calendar.

The calendar is a great mix of old and new photographs, ranging from fascinating early 1900's archival images to stunning full colour photographs from more recent camps and trips.

You can pick yours up at a club social or purchase the calendar online at www.bcmc.ca. The price is \$12 for members and \$15 for non-members. If you purchase the calendar online, there are additional shipping and handling charges. The calendars will also be available at Mountain Equipment Co-op.