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PAUL BINKERT AWARDED HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP IN THE FMCBC

By Cheryl Leskiw and June Binkert

On February 9, 1993, the FMCBC presented an Honorary Life membership to Paul Binkert in recognition of his significant contribution to the mountaineering community.

We are pleased to take a moment to tell you about this remarkable man.

Photo : K. Pearson



As a schoolboy, Paul spent a good deal of time in the Swabian Alps, hiking and rock climbing above the Danube Valley near his home. After leaving school at the age of 16 and apprenticing as a tool and dye maker, he worked in Germany, before moving to Switzerland after World War I. Here Paul and his friends climbed all the big mountains, with the exception of the Matterhorn, which they scorned as a 'tourist mountain.' During this time, Paul became involved in the International Voluntary Service for Peace (IVSP). He journeyed to England in 1934, where he continued his work with the IVSP, while climbing in his spare time.

Paul left for Columbia in 1937 to help found an agricultural colony. The colony never got going, but Paul stayed, working in Bogota, while continuing to climb despite access problems, lack of equipment, and a shortage of experienced climbing partners.

Paul and his family arrived in Vancouver in 1950, where he immediately joined the BC Mountaineering Club. Since that time, he has been an active skier and climber, participating in many activities, including the joint BCMC/Alpine Club of Canada expedition to Mount Fairweather in 1958 to celebrate BC's Centennial, and climbing Mount Waddington with Martin and Esther Kafer. In the 1960's, Paul became interested in building and marking trails and became active on behalf of the Mountain Access Committee, which later became the FMCBC.

Paul can be characterized by his devotion to the mountains, his dedication to peace, his opposition to tyranny, his modesty, and his hard work. His ongoing devotion to trail building and maintenance, providing access to the mountains and encouraging others to join him in these endeavours, have earned him a place of honour in our clubs and community.

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Articles: The FMCBC welcomes articles which inform the readership of mountain conservation /recreation issues or activities in B.C. We request regular coverage of current issues from our clubs for each region: Kootenays, Vancouver Island, and Northern BC.

Advertising: The FMCBC invites advertising or Classifieds that would be useful to our members. Please contact the Editor for a rate sheet.

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FMCBC

The Federation of Mountain Clubs of British Columbia (FMCBC) is the official sport-governing body for mountaineering in BC, representing the interests of hiking, climbing and outdoor clubs in the province. The FMCBC is a non-profit organization addressing mountain related issues, promoting safety and education through courses of instruction, and constructing and maintaining hiking trails throughout BC.

Membership in the FMCBC is open to any individual or group interested in non-mechanized outdoor activities and conservation concerns. Those interested in joining this dynamic organization have two options:

Club membership: Please contact the office to receive a free list of clubs that belong to the FMCBC.

Individual Membership: Call the office or clip the form below and returning it to us with a cheque for \$20.00.

Individual Membership Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Visa/MasterCard # _____

Expiry Date: _____

Yes! I wish to support the FMCBC in conserving wilderness, providing mountain access, educating the public and negotiating for the creation of new parks. Please find enclosed my cheque for \$20, or my Visa or MasterCard Number.

THANKS!

The Federation gratefully acknowledges the invaluable assistance of the following volunteers:

Chuck Dick: for representing the FMCBC on the Callaghan Lake Study.

Casino: The following brave souls kept their eyes open through the smoke and wee hours ... Curtis Barber, Margaret O'Leary, Larry Lowden, Andrea Palframen, Anders Ourom, Brent Ehrl, Boudi Van Oldenborgh, Elishka Klima.

Seymour/Cypress/Blackcomb Mountains: These ski resorts have shown their support of the FMCBC over the winter by providing free lift tickets for CWMS courses.

Donations: The following sponsors have donated a total of \$3,000 to the FMCBC: Jim and Doreen Scantland, Gabriel Mazoret, The Telephone Employees Fund, Lorne Zawislak, Bud and Lee White, Kevin McLane, Robertson Photography, Janet Noakes, Kathleen Dawson.

Murray Lashmar: Prepared a submission for the Cypress Provincial Park Planning Process.

Gerry Gailey: Manned a FMC/NVRCOC booth at the Active Living Faire.

Sheila Webster: Alerted the FMC to the danger of the Baden Powell Trail being closed; instead, it has been re-routed and is still open to the public.

Derek Frechette: Capilano College practicum student has assisted in the operation of CWMS, both in the field and office.

BULLETIN

1993 Nominations for FMCBC Directors:

The FMCBC is now accepting nominations for the 1993 Board of Directors. At this time, we need enthusiastic people who are interested in the work of the FMCBC and have related experience in the business or the volunteer sector; particularly those with expertise or interest in **fundraising and public relations**.

Candidates should expect to attend monthly Directors' meetings, plus at least one evening per month at meetings of Committees or Delegates. The term of office is two years, commencing in June. Candidates will be elected by the Delegates at the AGM. Written nominations should be submitted to Larry Lowden, Nominations Committee Chairman, by Monday May 11th.

New Directors:

Alastair Foreman and Cheryl Leskiw were officially welcomed by the Board of Directors earlier this spring. They will serve as directors until the June 1993 AGM. Alastair is a former chairman of the Safety and Education Committee, and an FMCBC Instructor. He resides in Squamish. Cheryl is a member of the BCMC, and has been an active member and fundraiser for the Smoke Bluffs committee.

Varsity Outdoor Club Reunion:

To commemorate the 75th anniversary of the VOC, a major reunion is being planned for July 2,3,4 in Vancouver. People from all periods of the club's history are invited to bring slides and pictures, see old friends and make new ones, and perhaps dance the Salty Dog rag or the Troika again. Slide shows, sing-a-longs, dancing and barbecues, day trips to Whistler Cabin, the Lions.... RSVP to Rob Brusse at 732-7730, Fax 737-0405, or write 2040 West 12th Avenue, Vancouver, BC V6J 2G2

Attention Climbers!!!

Re: Little Smoke Bluffs Parking Lot. The FMCBC is working towards an agreement with Squamish on expansion, upgrading and management of the new parking area. We hope this will be finalized by April 1. Please do not park in the new subdivision (Harbour Heights) at any time. This obstructs construction vehicles, increases traffic in residential neighbourhoods, and annoys the neighbours.

Hiking Trails III: A guide to Strathcona Park and Northern Vancouver Island.

The latest edition, complete with new maps and routes, is available at: Sono Nis Press, 1745 Blanshard Street, Victoria, BC V8W 2J8 and costs \$14.95. For more information, contact Jim Rutter, editor, at 3859512.

CPAWS-BC: is hosting Wildernight '93, their annual benefit dinner, on May 6, at the Granville Island Hotel, 6 pm. For information, Maggie Paquet 988-5887

Cypress Bowl Parking Update:

BC Parks advises that backcountry winter users of the Black Mountain, Howe Sound Crest or other hiking trails in that vicinity are to park at the Hollyburn Mountain Nordic parking lot and obtain a courtesy ticket from the Nordic office. Wear the ticket when entering the backcountry through Cypress Bowl. Parking on the road is still possible where available.

Local Climbers Abroad:

Two Vancouver climbers and FMCBC members recently made a challenging ascent in the Everest region of the Nepal Himalaya. Kobus Barnard and Richard Howes (expedition leader) joined two Australian climbers as part of the Canadian-Australian expedition to the south face of the elegant Ama Dablam (6856 metres) in the autumn of last year. The face, which had been successfully climbed only once before, gave the team steep and varied climbing and spectacular campsites before the summit was reached on 1st November. Both climbers are members of the Alpine Club of Canada, and some Federation members may remember Richard from his days as an instructor with CWMS.

Sara Does SFU

Sara Kammerzell, our Manager, Member Services, leaves us at the end of March to make a daily ascent of Burnaby Mtn. (1280 ft) where she will study psychology with the long term aim of running her own counselling centre in the Kootenays, where she owns land.

For many of us, Sara's welcoming, cheerful voice has been our first contact with the FMCBC. She has been responsible not only for the day to day running of the office, but also for the training and supervision of 30 temporary staff on job creation grants. Editing Cloudburst is one of the tasks Sara has enjoyed most; she recently trained herself on Pagemaker so that she could also design the newsletter. In saying goodbye, Sara wishes to thank "All the instructors and volunteers who have made this job such a wonderful experience".

Looking back at the high points, she concludes that the Complete Mountaineering course taken in October of 89 "introduced me not only to the mountains, but to a whole new way of life, which I continue to embrace through kayaking, climbing, hiking, cycling and canoeing".

We thank her so much for her hard work, good cheer, and devotion to the goals of the FMCBC, and we wish her well in all her future endeavours.

Mtn. Equipment Coop Annual General Mtg:

MEC will be holding its AGM on 28 April at 7 pm at the Holiday Inn, 711 W. Broadway, Vancouver. A matter of some importance to the FMCBC will be discussed and voted on at the meeting. We encourage all FMCBC members to attend.

CANADA WEST MOUNTAIN SCHOOL SUMMER COURSES

Yes, summer is just about upon us, and that means it is time to get out and refresh your skills before heading into the mountains for another season of hiking and climbing.

This year we have a great offering of courses for everyone from first time hiker to experienced mountaineer.

The following are just a **limited selection** of some of our courses - if you would like details on these (or to find out more about our full program) please give us a call or drop by the FMCBC office.

Introduction to Backpacking (2 days)	\$130.00 + gst
(Four courses - May through July)	
Complete Mountaineering (7 days)	\$395.00 + gst
(Five courses - June through Sept.)	
Rock Skills Weekend (2 days)	\$140.00 + gst
(Every 2nd weekend - Apr. through Sept.)	
Anchor and Rope Systems (2 days)	\$160.00 + gst
(6 courses - Apr. through Sept.)	
Stein Valley (9 days)	\$390.00 + gst
(July 31 - Aug. 8)	

We also offer courses in **Rescue technique, Lead climbing, Mountain navigation, other Backpacking trip and Leadership programs.**

Club Courses

Club Courses are a selection of courses for club members at discounted rates. These courses **only apply** to members of an FMCBC club, or of the FMCBC. All prices here are reduced approximately 30% from the scheduled prices. Please consult the *Canada West Mountain School Summer Courses 1993* brochure for more details on these courses and registration.

Introduction to Mountain travel	\$195.00 + gst
(May 28-29, pre-trip May 19)	
Mountain Navigation II	\$ 90.00 + gst
(June 4-5, Pre-trip May 26)	
Rock Skills Weekend	\$ 95.00 + gst
(May 22-23, Pre-trip May 19)	
Anchor and Rope Systems	\$110.00 + gst
(May 15-16, Pre-trip May 12)	

For more information on any of the programs that Canada West Mountain School offers, please either consult our brochure, available in most outdoor equipment stores, or give us a call and we will be pleased to help you or send you a brochure.

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SAFETY AND EDUCATION

Ed Spat, Committee Chairman

PLAY SAFE!!

Well, spring's here and you find yourself in front of the closet, scratching your head. Do you grab the skis or your climbing gear? Hmmn, your hiking boots look like a dog at the door with a leash in its mouth... yeah, spring can be tough in B.C. Whatever you decide to do for fun, there are a whole bunch of things you can do to make your recreation safer (no, this isn't another plug for safe sex!). Here's a few tips:

General: Given the increasing awareness of ultraviolet rays, it's unlikely you will forget your hat and sunscreen. But are you protecting your eyes, too? Health experts are now saying there may be a link between high exposure to u.v. rays and increased risk of cataracts. Also, a first aid kit. What should it contain? Only what you know how to use. If you are the type who barely knows which end of a bandaid wrapper to open, it might be time to phone the Wilderness First Aid Assoc. at 291-7272.

Skiing: Ahh, sunshine and cornsnow! As winter conditions in the mountains give way to spring conditions, the clues to avalanche danger change. "Can you be more specific?" you ask. Not in 500 words or less. However, you can phone 1-800-667-1105 for a free, province-wide avalanche advisory. If you back-country ski a lot, find out about recognizing and avoiding avalanche danger. Pick up a book or take a course. With last year's dry summer, glaciers are in the worst shape in along time. When you are out touring, be sure you know the terrain. If it includes glaciers, 'don't go if you don't know' is an adage that may save your bacon (CWMS offers courses)

Mountaineering: What's good for the goose is good for the gander... Certainly, what goes for skiers and hikers goes double for mountaineers. "Yes, yes," you say, "but speak to me of snowy heights and dizzying views". Well, when was the last time you chose a nice, safe slope and practiced your self-arrest? (make sure the slope has snow!). Spring mountaineering, with its heavenly pleasures (look, no bugs!), also has its hazards. Here's a neat trick to cut down on 'snowballing' (the dangerous build-up of snow underneath your crampons): take two plastic bottles (bleach bottles work well) and make cut-outs the size and shape of your mountain boots. Insert one between each boot and crampon, and off you go! If you have been getting out mountaineering for a year or two but feel you don't know enough about recognizing and avoiding dangers, take a look at the Mountain Safety or self Rescue courses offered in the summer program.

Jon Heshka will write about tuning up your climbing gear for this summer's adventures in the next issue..



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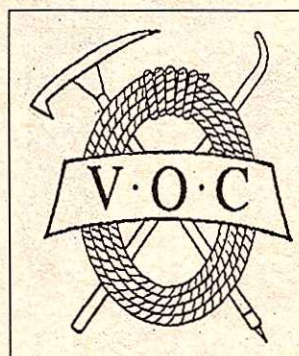
The North Vancouver Recreation Commission Outdoors Club, together with the North Vancouver Recreation Commission, are sponsoring a

"One Stop Outdoor Equipment Exchange Extravaganza"

at the Lonsdale Recreation Centre Curling Rink, at 23rd and Lonsdale on Saturday, April 17, 1993.

Pick up pointers from Outdoor Experts at our information booths, browse over vendor tables brimming with great buys for the whole family. Tables are limited and selling at \$10 each, so call 987-PLAY today to register or for further information on our event.

All proceeds go to the Federation of Mountain Clubs of BC.



BANQUET AND BARN DANCE

The Varsity Outdoor Club of UBC is hosting its

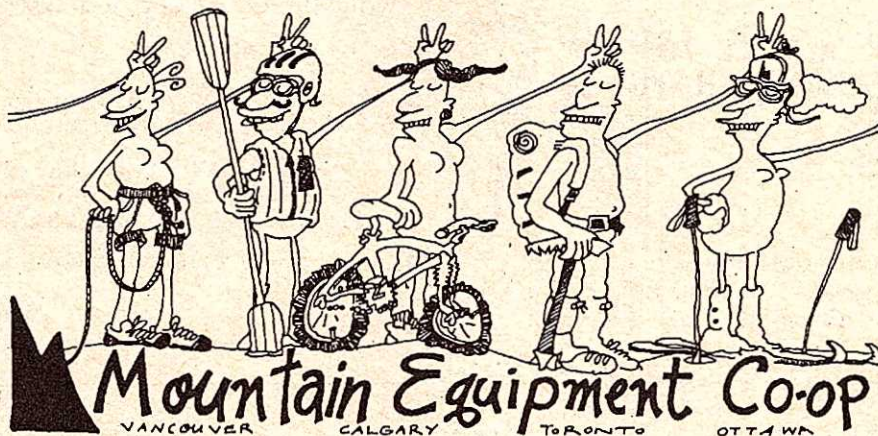
75th Anniversary
Reunion

Friday, March 26th at the
Heritage Hall, 3102 Main
Cost: \$20.00

The price includes vegetarian and carnivore options, plus slide shows, Square Dance, and good company.

Tickets: 822-2228 or Muriel at 222-4664.

From Ocean Swell To Cloudburst

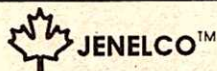


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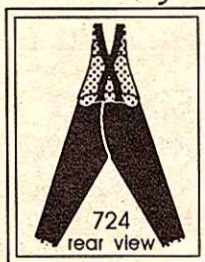
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PUBLIC HUTS OF BC

The following pull-out-paste-up insert shows some of the public backcountry huts in BC; commercial and privately owned huts are not included. This initial attempt at compiling hut information in BC is in response to constant inquiries from members and the public. It is not a complete inventory, but provides us with a starting point.

Please assist us by submitting any information you might have about additional huts.

Please read and abide by the following guidelines for hut use:

- Fill stoves and lanterns outside • Use the outhouses • Do not smoke in the cabins • Carry out all garbage • Observe quiet between 2200 and 0800 hours • No pets in huts • Keep hut clean - leave it in better shape than you found it • Leave firewood in the cabin; use sparingly • Take your leftover food when you leave to help control rodent populations.

KEY KEY KEY

Map Number: Natinal Topographic Series

Maps: 1:50,000 scale

Grid Reference: Military Grid or Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM). Reference is given in six digit numbers; the first three indicate location in an easterly direction and the last three in the northerly.

Cost: Per night per person. Commercial groups are encouraged to use other facilities. These huts are primarily for the public.

Facility Abbreviations:

- WD - Wood Stove and wood supply
- CS - Cooking Stove, either wood or propane
- OH - Outhouse
- WS - Water Source
- FM - Some foams supplied
- EU - Cooking/Eating utensils

Conditions of Use:

- FCFS - First come first serve
- RR - Reservations required; register with listed contact.

Size: Refers to the number of people the cabin will sleep

DONATIONS GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED!!!

If you find this hut inventory useful and use it as a reference, a donation to help offset the costs of production and printing would be greatly appreciated. Further copies will be made available to FMCBC members or the public for \$2.00. Call 737-3053.

Hut Name	Map/Grid Reference	Maintainer	Cost	Facilities	Conditions of Use	Size
Wee Sandy Kootenay	82 F/13 662385	Valhalla Wilderness Society	Free		FCFS	5
Wragge Creek Kootenay	83 K/3 654463	Valhalla Wilderness Society	Donation VWS	WS	FCFS. Max. length of stay is one week	6
Enterprise Kootenay	82 F/14 766188	Valhalla Wilderness Society	Donation VWS	WS	FCFS. Contact Wayne McCrory 358-2333	8

Hut Name	Map/Grid Ref.	Maintainer	Cost	Facilities	Conditions of Use	Size
Tetrahedron #1 Bachelar Lake	92 G/12 528931	Tetrahedron Ski Club BC Ministry of Forests	Free	WS OH WD	Open to public, FCFS Bob Rebantad 485-9831	15
Tetrahedron #2 Edwards Lake	92 G/12 552935	Tetrahedron Ski Club BC Ministry of Forests	Free	WS OH WD	Open to public, FCFS Bob Rebantad 485-9831	15
Tetrahedron #3 Mt. Steele	92 G/12 559949	Tetrahedron Ski Club BC Ministry of Forests	Free	WS OH WD	Open to public, FCFS Bob Rebantad 485-9831	15
Tetrahedron #4 McNair Lake	92 G/12 575916	Tetrahedron Ski Club BC Ministry of Forests	Free	WS OH WD	Open to public, FCFS Bob Rebantad 485-9831	15
Keith's Hut Pemberton	92 J/8 415772	Scott Flavelle	Donation	WS WD OH	FCFS. Donations c/o Scott Flavelle, Box 1518 Squamish BC, V0N 3G0	15-20
Elizabeth Parker Yoho Park	82 N/8 457893	Alpine Club of Canada	M \$11 NM \$ 16	CS OH WS FM EU WD	RR, contact ACC Head Office (403) 678-3200	20
Stanley Mitchell Yoho Park	82 N/10 303081	Alpine Club of Canada	M \$11 NM \$16	CS OH WS FM EU WD	RR, contact ACC Head Office (403) 678-3200	22
Fay Kootenay Park	82 N/8 553791	Alpine Club of Canada	M \$11 NM \$16	CS OH WS FM EU WD	RR, contact ACC Head Office (403) 678-3200	12
A. O. Wheeler Glacier Park	82 N/6 657791	Alpine Club of Canada	M \$11 NM \$16	CS OH WS FM EU WD	RR, contact ACC Head Office (403) 678-3200	24
Lawrence Grassi (Clemenceau)	83 C/4 320813	Alpine Club of Canada	M \$8 NM \$11	CS OH WS FM EU WD	RR, contact ACC Head Office (403) 678-3200	18
Fairy Meadow N. Selkirks	82 N/13 394352	Alpine Club of Canada	M \$11 NM \$16	CS OH WS FM EU WD	RR, contact ACC Head Office (403) 678-3200	20
Great Cairn N. Selkirks	82 N/12 393263	Alpine Club of Canada	M \$8 NM \$11	CS OH WS FM WD	RR, contact ACC Head Office (403) 678-3200	6
Tantalus (Lake Lovely Water)	92 G/14 820146	Alpine Club of Canada BC Provincial Parks	M \$7 NM \$10	CS OH WS FM EU WD	Contact Ron Royston 687-2711	24
Wedgemount Lake Garibaldi Park	92 J/2 130565	BC Mtneering Club BC Provincial Parks	M Free NM \$5	WS WD OH	Contact Darren Quist 731-6535	10
Mountain Lake Britannia Beach		BC Mountaineering Club	M Free NM \$5	WS	Contact Darren Quist 731-6535	
Paul Plummer Waddington Range		BC Mountaineering Club	M Free NM \$5		Contact Darren Quist 731-6535	
Himmelsbach (Russet Lake)	92 J/2 098415	BC Provincial Parks BC Mountaineering Club	M Free NM \$5	WS WD	Contact Darren Quist 731-6535	6

Hut Name	Map/Grid Ref.	Maintainer	Cost	Facilities	Conditions of Use	Size
Grassy Mountain Kootenays	82 F/6 646593	Kootenay Mntaineering Club/Min. of Forests	Free	WD WS OH	Contact KMC George Apel 365-7653	6
Copper Mountain Kootenays	82 F/6 722703	Kootenay Mnteering Club/Min. of Forests	Free	WD WS OH	Contact KMC George Apel 365-7653	6
Huckleberry Kootenays	82 F/6 769653	Kootenay Mnteering Club/Min. of Forsts	Free	WD WS OH	Contact KMC George Apel 365-7653	4
McGillivray Bralorne	92 J/2 282153	Varsity Outdoor Club	Free	WD WS	VOC has priority during Christmas	12
Brew Whistler	92 J/3 866426	Varsity Outdoor Club	Free		FCFS	12
Harrison Hut (aka Overseer)	92 J/11 696963	Varsity Outdoor Club	Free	WD CS	VOC has priority during Christmas	10
Elfin (Diamond Head) Garibaldi	92 G/15 009150	BC Provincial Parks	\$ 10	WS OH WD CS	FCFS (\$25 family)	35
Garibaldi Lake Garibaldi Park	92 G/14 962322	BC Provincial Parks	Free	OH CS WS	3 shelters with propane stove in winter only	8-10
Taylor Meadows Garibaldi Park	92 G/14 953334	BC Provincial Parks	Free	OH CS WS	2 shelters with propane stove in winter only	10-15
Elsay Lake	92 G/7 045739	BC Provincial Parks	Free	OH WS	FCFS	12
Marble Meadows Strathcona	92 F/12 103079	BC Provincial Parks	Free		FCFS	6
Slocan Chief Kokanee Glacier		BC Provincial Parks	\$10/\$25	CS	FCFS (\$10 in June-Nov.) RR (\$25 Dec. - May.)	12-15
Diamond Lagoon Wells Gray		BC Provincial Parks	Free		FCFS	
Woodbury Kokanee Glacier		BC Provincial Parks	Free		FCFS	4
Conrad Kain Hut Bugaboos		BC Provincial Parks	\$ 10	WS OH CS	FCFS. Closed in Winter. Summer Custodian.	35-40
Gwillim Creek Kootenays	82 F/13 598162	BC Provincial Parks	Free		FCFS. Used by a trapper	
Evans Lake Kootenays	82 F/13 548224	BC Provincial Parks	Free	WS	FCFS	5

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Fleabane Mt. Assiniboine		BC Provincial Parks	Free		FCFS	
Aster Mt. Assiniboine		BC Provincial Parks	Free		FCFS	
Red Heather Garibaldi Park	92 G/14 970110	BC Provincial Parks	Free	WD OH	FCFS	8
Arrica Mt. Assiniboine		BC Provincial Parks	Free			
RC Hind Mt. Assiniboine		BC Provincial Parks	Free		FCFS	24
Sunrise Creek Mt. Assiniboine		BC Provincial Parks	Free		FCFS	6
Mitchell River Mt. Assiniboine		BC Provincial Parks	Free		FCFS	
Police Meadows Mt. Assiniboine		BC Provincial Parks	Free		FCFS	6
Forget-Me-Not Mt. Assiniboine		BC Provincial Parks	Free		FCFS	
Lowrie Bay Cape Scott	102 1/9 44617	BC Provincial Parks	Free		FCFS	2
Donaldson Farm Cape Scott	102 1/16 489228	BC Provincial Parks	Free	OH	FCFS	6
Hansen Lagoon Cape Scott	102 1/16 461241	BC Provincial Parks	Free		FCFS	6
Trapper Cabin Raft Cove	102 1/9 549035	BC Provincial Parks	Free		FCFS	4
Silver King Basin Babine Mountains	93 L/15 335787	Bulkley Valley Pack- packers	Free	WD	FCFS	10
Fenton Lake Cabin Tweedsmuir	93 E/8	BC Provincial Parks	Free	WD	FCFS	4
Rainbow Cabin Tweedsmuir	93 D/9 935366	BC Provincial Parks	Free	WD OH WS	FCFS	4
Lester Dorsey Tweedsmuir	93 D/16 987501	BC Provincial Parks	Free		FCFS	8

Hut Name	Map/Grid Ref.	Maintainer	Cost	Facilities	Conditions of Use	Size
Ralf Forster Hut Mount Robson		BC Provincial Parks	Free		FCFS	4
Blackwall Naturalist Manning	92 H/2 634402	BC Provincial Parks	Free		FCFS, Winter Use only	6
Windy Joe EC Manning	92 H/2 634344	BC Provincial Parks	Free		FCFS, Winter Use Only Forest Lookout	6
Monument 83 EC Manning	92 H/2 723298	BC Provincial Parks	Free		FCFS, Winter Use Only Forest Lookout	6
Silver Spray Kokanee Glacier		BC Provincial Parks	Free		FCFS	4
Naiset Mt. Assiniboine		BC Provincial Parks	\$10	WD	RR (\$25 per family)	32
Fish Lake (Top of the World Park)		BC Provincial Parks	\$8	WD	FCFS (\$25 per family)	24
Burton (Sphinx) Garibaldi Park	92 G/15 011278	BC Provincial Parks	Free	OH WS	FCFS	10
Ski Club Cabin Tweedsmuir Park	93 C/12 078229	Tweedsmuir Ski Club	\$8	WD CS OH EU	RR (Tweedsmuir Ski Club) 982-2477	8
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Adopt-A-Trail

Charles Clapham

The program has been operating for five years, and has changed with time. In the early years, hiking clubs undertook to maintain specific trails. In fact, some clubs have maintained trails for the last twenty years, pre-dating the A-A-T program. The type of clubs broadened to include such organizations as a legion, a litigation support group and a high school. Then individuals came forward and offered to organize specific groups for a particular trail, and now individuals are adopting pieces of trail on their own. Two rugged individuals maintain Hollyburn Mountain Trail and Silverdaisy Trail on their own, with the approval of the Parks authorities.

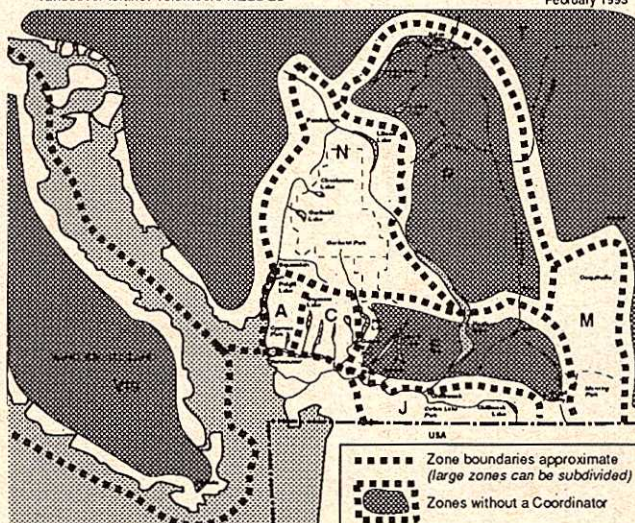
Interest is now developing outside the Lower Mainland. The clubs on Vancouver Island have a long-time policy of maintaining specific trails, but recently, there have been formal adoptions on Vancouver Island and in Smithers. As yet, the adoptions outside the Lower Mainland are basically by hiking groups. Legions or groups led by individuals have not yet started participating but we would welcome hearing from anyone interested in organizing a group to maintain a favourite trail. The program has received corporate support from both Mountain Equipment Coop (provided trailhead signs) and the Shell Environmental Fund (provided funds to advertise, produce brochures, and maintain tools. Their patronage is greatly appreciated, and has assisted the program in obtaining an adequate stock of tools, signs and markers.

Trails committee zones and their coordinator

ZONES	DEFINITION	COORDINATORS	HOME PHONE
A	Petgill Lake to Grouse Mountain	Mary Macaree	926-2576
C	Mt Fromme to Pitt River	Bill Hughes	987-5340
E	Maple Ridge to Skagit	Volunteer NEEDED	—
J	Chilliwack Valley	Neil Grainger	795-3785
N	Squamish to Lillooet River	Blair Mitten	926-0270
P	Mt Currie to Yale	Volunteer NEEDED	875-1561
M	Manning Park to Coquihalla Park	John Otava	469-9430
Vis	Vancouver Island	Volunteers NEEDED	—
T	Other parts of the province	Volunteers NEEDED	—

Adopt-A-Trail Coordinators
Lower Mainland: Charles Clapham 224-0329
Vancouver Island: Volunteers NEEDED

February 1993



TRAIL BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE SEMINAR

MAY 2ND, 1993



Sunday, May 2nd at the Best Western Hotel in Maple Ridge, volunteers and professionals who have an interest in building, maintaining, and protecting hiking routes and trails will meet, have breakfast, share experiences, and go out to the UBC Research forest for field work. Come meet the representatives of government, land managers, learn about regulations and opportunities share experiences, projects and dreams, and celebrate the heritage of all Canadians. Canada began when brave souls hacked out rough trails for enterprise across a vast expanse of land and water which promised a boundless future. Over the centuries these have evolved into superhighways, not always to the benefit of the land, water and spirit. It is important to recognize and encour-

age the individuals and groups who are actively preserving the craft of trail building for more refined reasons than for selfish enterprise, because both old and new trails promise a boundless future to generations to come. Our goal with this conference is to bring people together to recognize and encourage each other. The chainsaw is often taken for granted as a convenient tool, but maintenance, technique, and common sense are needed to keep one conditioned and easy to use. Wayne LeBlanc, a professional forester and educator from Salmon Arm, will attend the conference and demonstrate chainsaw operation and maintenance. John Otava, FMCBC Trail Committee co-chair, will bring along his new two man cross-cut saw and demonstrate a quieter alternative to the mechanical scythe. You are invited to bring your favourite trail tool or innovation, and to contribute your knowledge to the fine art of trail creation. Please call the FMCBC office no later than April 1 (737-3053) to register. Registration is \$5.00. We look forward to seeing you at T-BAM - Blair Mitten

Club Feature

Gerry Gailey

NORTH VANCOUVER RECREATION COMMISSION OUTDOORS CLUB (NVRCOC)

The club was started in 1984 as a self-governing offshoot of the Lonsdale Recreation Centre. The membership, frequency and range of activities gradually increased until we now have over 100 members participating in hiking, backcountry skiing, cycling, kayaking and other self propelled outdoor activities. Recently there has been an increase in weekend, or week long, trips, either backpacking or in basic cabin accommodation. The club maintains the Brandywine Meadows Trail and is applying to look after the Lynn Peak Trail.

In addition to outdoor recreation, there is an active social calendar comprising potluck dinners, barbecues, Halloween and Christmas parties. Social and outdoor activities are combined in our summer evening hikes and fall hike/barbecue in the Mount Baker Area.

The club is adult oriented with most members being in the 20's to 40's age span. Hikes or ski trips are scheduled every weekend, with trips on both Saturday and Sunday most summer weekends. We encourage potential members to come out on a few activities, or to attend our meetings at the Lonsdale Recreation centre on the last Monday of each month at 7:30 pm. Annual Dues are \$20. For further information, call Gerry Gailey at 980-8633. Trip schedules (Mountain News) are available at any North Vancouver Recreation Centre, or by phoning electronic mailbox 983-6543 (998).

NVRC GRAND CANYON, RIM TO RIM IN WINTER



The last mile was brutal and seemed endless, but eventually we stepped onto the snow covered south rim of the Grand Canyon, just in time to catch our shuttle for the 3 1/2 hour ride back to the North Rim. Five NVRC Outdoors Club members (Rick Davies, Lesley Chandler, Perry Kulak, Karen Bates, and Gerry Gailey) spent three days cross country skiing at Kaibab Lodge, and acclimatizing to the 9000' elevation on the plateau of the north of the Canyon. At dawn on Monday 22 February, 1993, we started skiing the 11 miles to the north rim. Compact snow, -10 C and clear skies allowed us to reach the Kaibab trail (8200') at 1:45 pm. We started down immediately using skins to slow us, however, the narrow

brush-choked trail soon forced us to change skis for hiking boots. We were awed by the immensity of the canyon, the sheer cliffs and the number of slides and rockfalls that had demolished the trail in several places, forcing us to scramble on unstable mud and rock. By dusk we were at Roaring Springs Junction where we could hear, but barely see, the jet from the cliff face. We hiked the last 90 minutes by headlamp, and spent the night at Cottonwood camp, where we met the first people we had seen since leaving the park entrance. On Tuesday we had an easy day, arriving at Bright Angel Campground after five hours in shorts, hiking past cactus and sagebrush and through the arid Bright Angel Box Canyon. An early start on Wednesday got us across the turbulent Colorado River at 6:30 am on the Silver Bridge. The 4400 ft. climb to Grand Canyon Village took us from the warm canyon floor to several inches of snow at the top. It was a day of unrelenting ascent, countless switchbacks, many clothing adjustments for the changing weather, but above all, of awesome views. Finally, at 3 pm, we were on the rim, having skied and hiked 35 miles of incredibly rewarding terrain. Our satisfaction was enhanced by the belief that only two other groups have done the ski-hike crossing this winter.

EXPOSURE

Brian Jones appeared on BCTV in early January and spoke to the Province Newspaper on the subject of avalanche safety.

Anders Ourom appeared on BCTV News regarding ice climbing on Shannon Falls, as well as having the Vancouver Sun publish his "Letter to the Editor" regarding general winter safety. An interview on ice climbing with the Vancouver Sun made front page.

FMCBC Instructors Graeme Taylor and Jim Orava (with their 7 ice climbing students) were filmed by Roger's Cable TV.

Michael Nash of the Caledonia Ramblers was interviewed by the Prince George Citizen.

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Hike BC Days

MAY 15 & 16, 1993

Lisa Mighton

Coordination of this exciting first-time event is under way, with Taiga Works Wilderness Equipment on board as full sponsor. We want the event to do several things--promote hiking in B.C., encourage membership in hiking and outdoor clubs throughout the province, and increase awareness of the FMCBC.

May 15 and 16, we hope to have hundreds of groups leading hikes throughout the province. We want lots of media coverage. Our goal is to make this an annual event, encouraging more people to be active in the spectacular wilderness of this province.

We are attempting to put together a comprehensive listing of all the related groups we can think of who might be interested in co-ordinating hikes. So far we have sent registration information to FMCBC member groups, non-member outdoor and hiking clubs, ski clubs that may lead hiking trips in the off-season, Scouts and Guides, recreation centres, youth hostels, naturalists' groups, and environmental groups with interests in specific trails or hiking areas. We are still digging in two areas - trying to find out about outdoor and hiking clubs that exist in communities throughout the province (particularly outside of the Lower Mainland), and brainstorming for groups other than outdoor clubs that might be interested in leading hikes. Any leads or suggestions in these directions? Call the FMCBC.

Meantime, mark off May 15 and 16. Individuals pick your outdoor clubs, and outdoor clubs pick your trails. Encourage clubs and organizations to get involved! Call us to find out who is leading hikes in your part of the province. Get yer pack out. Get yer boots on. Take a hike!

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KOOTENAY CORNER

John Walton, Chairman, Conservation Committee

CORE IN THE KOOTENAYS

The Kootenay Mountaineering Club is participating in the CORE process in the Kootenay Boundary region by being an active force in the Outdoor Recreation Sector. We are involved in the hope that we will have input into decision making on boundaries for the new parks and wilderness areas as proposed in the Parks Plan 90. It would seem that Mike Harcourt's hope is that CORE (The Commission on Resources and the Environment) will be able to make reasonable, consensual decisions on issues such as resource allocations and park boundaries. Several weekend development workshops were held in Nelson in November and December. These workshops were designed to identify various stake holders and organize them into sectors. We were placed in the "Outdoor Recreation Sector". For the bargaining process to eventually work, each sector is to select a negotiating team of four or five key people and a spokesperson to speak at the table. It is the sector's responsibility to inform it's constituency base of the issues as they arrive on the table and to receive input from them, so the negotiating team and the spokesperson can present the true views of the sector.

A "Convening Workshop" was held in Wynndel on January 23 and 24 with over forty spokespersons around the table from the following sectors: Fish and Wildlife, Outdoor Recreation, Forest Industry (Major and Independents), Labour, Mining/Energy, Provincial Government, Local Government, Agriculture, Community/Local Round Tables, Tourism, Environmental/Watersheds, and Aboriginal Peoples. Stephen Owen, the commissioner, addressed the table and outlined the process in formulating land use strategies. He was not forthcoming with specifics, such as what actually will be on the bargaining

FMCBC MEETING DATES

Board of Directors: Wednesday, 7 pm
April 21, May 19, July 21 **AGM, June 19, 1993**

Island Delegates: Saturday, April 3

Lower Mainland Delegates: Wednesday, Mar. 24

Trails Committee: April 19, May 31, July 12

Safety and Education Committee:

Second Wednesday of each month as necessary.
For dates and agenda, contact Ed Spat 873-2825

Recreation and Conservation Committee:

March 22, April 19, May 31

Smoke Bluffs Committee:

As necessary; contact FMCBC office.

table and how many meetings would be anticipated between now and December when he hopes to make his report. In essence, we are being asked to buy into the process on faith.

The remainder of the meeting was largely concerned with process. Attempts were made to consolidate some sectors so there would be fewer people at the table. The Environmental Sector was upset that logging was being planned in areas which they thought should be reserved as wilderness and were insisting that the government defer logging in these contentious areas. Two decisions were made at the meeting. First, that the East and West Kootenays be separated into two negotiating tables, which is a good idea. Second, two permanent convenors were chosen, Bruce Fraser for the West Kootenay and Nancy Cooley for the East Kootenay. The government has budgeted \$800,000 for the CORE process in the Kootenays. An office has been set up in Nelson and staff have been hired. Most of this money will be spent on the office, the staff, and the convenors. Funds will be available, however, to help volunteers in sectors such as ours with expenses and in some cases with lost wages.

Can the CORE process truly work? Can consensual decisions be made with so many diverse interests at the table? Is CORE just a trial balloon that is being sent up with the expectation that it will collapse and thus make it easier for the government to make these hard resource decisions later? These questions nag at those of us who are putting time and energy into the process. We are committed to working hard to make the process work and will be at the table when important decisions are made.

Volunteers Needed!!!

The Safety and Education Committee is presently recruiting volunteers knowledgeable in safe mountain recreation to present

Public Safety Seminars

during the day and evening. The speakers will be supplied with a standard safety program and slides, and will be able to add slides or experiences of their own. The Federation is frequently asked to provide outdoor safety workshops by schools, community centres and recreation programs. Though it is part of our mandate to educate the public, we are unable to meet the needs of all those who request a speaker. If you are interested in assisting the FMCBC in this capacity, please contact committee chairman Ed Spat at 873-2825

Northern Perspective

MONKMAN PROVINCIAL PARK MASTER PLAN

Doug Perkins, FMCBC Northern Regional Director

At the end of January, the Monkman Park Study Team met for an intensive weekend session. The purpose was to arrive at a 5 year master plan through consensus. The team comprised diverse interest groups, including trappers, snowmobilers, naturalists, hikers, skiers, hunters, chambers of commerce, and forest companies.

Questionnaires returned by the public played a major role in determining the vision statements which were central to the process. Each issue was weighed against the answers from the questionnaires. The group worked well together, considering its diversity. Everyone had the long term interest of the park as their first priority. Each member was able to accept compromise, and consensus was reached on almost every issue. The draft master plan will be reviewed in April, and will be released for public review afterwards.

What is the essence of the draft plan?

- The park boundary will be increased substantially to include an area proposed by the Herrick Local Resource Use Planning team.
- The Kinuseo Falls segment of the park will be joined to the main park by a corridor.
- Park zoning will be "wilderness recreation" in the northern part of the park. Exceptions will be the Kinuseo Falls segment and the trail corridor to Monkman Lake, which will be "natural environment". The campground area at Kinuseo Falls will be zoned "intensive recreation".
- The remainder of the park will be zoned "wilderness conservation", except for a small corridor of "wilderness recreation" from the park boundary to Lower Blue Lake.
- Snowmobile use will be decided after an impact study is done. Entry will be by permit only until the study is complete.

The main issue on which we have not reached consensus is the "wilderness conservation" designation for the southern part of the park, which would restrict air access. As long as guide outfitters have hunting rights and air access, local people will want the same rights. BC Parks will not force park use permit holders to sell, nor cancel their permits. Any issue not decided through consensus will be submitted to BC Parks for a decision.

I would like to leave you with two closing thoughts: If you participate in a park master plan questionnaire, your opinion does carry weight; if you participate in a study team, you can have real impact on the eventual master plan.

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