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I. Letter From the Editor

Two things have changed this semester. The first is that no one is writing trip reports anymore. Trip reports are important because they provide ideas and condition to other VOCers who may want to emulate your success or avoid your EPIC (note the capitals). You can either send trip reports directly to me so post them on the message board.

The second is that non-executive VOCers are not planning trips. To be fair, the three week training course (tele, avy and backcountry school) is only half over, but the number of ski trips available on the message board or wiki has been rather small.

II. News

-Journal Articles are due to Kaja by Feb 5.
-Photo competition deadline is also February 5. More information is available at <http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum2/read.php?f=1&i=21909&t=21909>.

III. Slide Shows

When: Jan 31 @7pm
Where: Clubroom

Wiki: http://www.ubc-voc.com/wiki/Slide_show

Craig will be talking about London to Kathmandu: his transcontinental trip.

IV. Upcoming Trips

- 1) Trail Marking at Brian Waddington

When: Jan 27-28

Where: Phelix Creek (North of Pemberton)

Wiki: http://www.ubc-voc.com/wiki/Tele_School#Dry_School

Must be able to make the 1000m vertical in a fast enough time to actually do some work (mark the trail) while carrying a pack. You also should be able to get to the hut before or at dark.

2) Avalanche Course

When: Jan 27-28

Where: Usually two nights in a class room, one day on the North Shore and one day at Whistler

Wiki: http://www.ubc-voc.com/wiki/Avalanche_course

This trip has started!

3) Intro to Back Country Skiing

When: Feb 3-4

Where: Backcountry

Wiki: http://www.ubc-voc.com/wiki/Intro_to_Backcountry_Skiing

This trip will be to Rainbow Lake which is just before Whistler. Trip is rated as a good place for beginners in the Baldwin guide (B2). The number of beginners is restricted and instructors are required, please sign-up until this trip is full.

4) Red Rocks

When: Reading Week

Where: Las Vegas Baby!

Wiki: http://www.ubc-voc.com/wiki/Red_Rocks#Red_Rocks_Reading_Week_Trip_2007

Best trip I went on last year!

V. Trip Reports

1) Tele School

It was an absolute success (I am a little biased, I organized it). We had 5 groups of 4-5 students. Weather was beautiful on Saturday and snowy on Sunday. The after hill skiing was also interesting.

Quote of the Week: ""
name

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