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I will be away for the next three weeks (Death Valley, J-Tree, Grand Canyon) so Natalie Stafl will be taking over as VOCene editor for that time. Actually, I guess we will have a new executive by then, so this will be my last VOCene! It's been a pleasure to send them this year; hopefully you found them of some use and entertainment.

I. Trip Reports

1) Phelix Trail Markers

A dozen VOCers went to Phelix and installed retroreflective markers along the trail. Things went pretty smoothly so work is almost complete! Some of us went for a nightfall ski run down Cabin Hill and more skiing was done on Sunday, including some couloir skiing, the Aragorn Glacier, and more Cabin Hill. Everyone made it back to the cars ok and this time my doors weren't even frozen shut!  
<http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum2/read.php?f=3&i=2823&t=2823>

2) Spearhead

Bram, Thomas and Thomas went out to try the Spearhead Traverse. They started at Blackcomb and made it to the Tremor-Shudder col where they decided to spend the night due to poor weather. Interestingly, Bram experienced a bit of altitude sickness, despite the col being "only" at 2600m (which is actually pretty high for around here). Despite feeling better the next day, they were still forced to retreat due to continuing poor conditions. Watch out for the Spearhead, it can be tricky!

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum2/read.php?f=3&i=3032&t=3032>

3) Hanging Lake

Richard and Pete went up to Hanging Lake (near Sproatt) via the new olympic XC area. See Richard's photo TR with some more access information:

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum2/read.php?f=3&i=3005&t=3005>

## II. Upcoming Events and Trips

### 1) ACC/VOC Garibaldi Neve Traverse, Mar. 15-16

A joint ACC/VOC traverse is in the works. Looks crowded. See the message board and wiki:

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum2/read.php?f=3&i=3026&t=3026>

[http://www.ubc-voc.com/wiki/Joint\\_ACC/VOC\\_Garibaldi\\_Neve\\_Traverse\\_2008](http://www.ubc-voc.com/wiki/Joint_ACC/VOC_Garibaldi_Neve_Traverse_2008)

### 2) Neve Alternative Ski Trip, Mar. 15-16

An alternative to the overcrowded Neve is also being organized.

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum2/read.php?f=3&i=3065&t=3065>

### 3) C5, Mar. 21-24

A celebration is in order for the return of a VOCer to the area.

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum2/read.php?f=3&i=3035&t=3035>

[http://www.ubc-voc.com/wiki/Charlie\\_Caunt%27s\\_Crazy\\_Celebratory\\_Creation](http://www.ubc-voc.com/wiki/Charlie_Caunt%27s_Crazy_Celebratory_Creation)

### 4) Banquet, Apr. 2

SUB Ballroom, 7pm-12am

Set up help at 6:30pm is welcomed.

Mark it on your calendars, the banquet has been scheduled!

We need nominations for awards! See the thread:

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum2/read.php?f=1&i=35452&t=35452>

Next year's executive will be elected at the banquet. Forms are posted outside the clubroom for executive nominations! Check out the positions here:

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/wiki/Executive>

## III. Other

### 1) Budget Suggestions

Next year's budget will be decided at the banquet so we are taking suggestions. Please see the message board thread and provide your input!

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum2/read.php?f=1&i=35762&t=35762>

### 2) Return Gear

We need to do a gear inventory as the end of term approaches! RETURN THE GEAR!

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum2/read.php?f=1&i=34222&t=34222>

### 3) T-Shirts!

The new t-shirts have arrived!!! \$15, clubroom. Check them out, they are awesometastical.

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