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You may have noticed that the VOCene has been delivered a little later these past two weeks. Hopefully this hasn't caused too much mayhem. I apologize to the people who set their clocks by the VOCene. Please understand that the VOCene does not get advance notice of trips. Practically everything in the VOCene is on the message board or wiki. The VOCene should be resuming its typical schedule next week.

I. Upcoming Events and Trips

- 1) Climbing Instruction at the Norm, Friday

If you are interested in learning some basics of climbing you should sign up for an instructional session. You will learn basics such as how to put on a harness, how to tie in and how to belay. Bring a harness, climbing shoes, and belay device. Though not listed on the wiki, the message board indicates there is a lesson on Friday from 4-5.

http://www.ubc-voc.com/wiki/Introduction_to_Climbing_at_the_Norm

- 2) Brew Hut, Oct 25-26

Trip to Brew Hut this weekend, for those not going to Skaha. You will need boots, a sleeping bag, some clothes, food. Nothing too fancy.

Roland still has space in his car. To get a ride, email him

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum2/read.php?f=3&i=6236&t=6236>

- 3) Climb Something, Oct 26,27

Climbing in Squamish for those who can't go to Skaha, but can do a day trip on Sunday and/or Monday.

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum2/read.php?f=3&i=6279&t=6279>

- 4) Crown Mountain, Oct 26

Relatively High Output hike on Sunday.

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum2/read.php?f=3&i=6278&t=6278>

- 5) Skaha, Oct 25-26

Rock climbing trip this weekend. Not an instructional trip, but you could probably

find someone to climb with to accommodate your level. Potluck dinner on Saturday. Piotr is collecting money for the campground. There's still some spots left in vehicles.

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum2/read.php?f=3&i=5407&t=5407>

6) Backcountry Avalanche Workshop, Nov 1

From the Organizers:

This is a great day of workshops to learn about avalanches: how to avoid them, how to perform an avalanche rescue, a review of gear for the backcountry and lots of pertinent, up-to-date information that would be of interest to all backcountry enthusiasts. With the price of admission, everyone receives an **Avaluator**: a valuable tool for decision making in the backcountry.

Many people come to this event, but we like to target young people: those who may be new to the backcountry and may not be fully aware of the dangers.

Tickets are \$20

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum2/read.php?f=1&i=40052&t=40052>

II. Ms. Manners

Doesn't have a problem to address this week. After finishing midterms and ready to aid some VOCers in social adequacy and proper etiquette, discovered that no one has written to her. Please write to Ms. Manners with dilemmas and conundrums. Also, an article on **Midterm Approaches: light and fast** would be appreciated.

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