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I. Upcoming Events and Trips

- 1) Remember to Renew Your Memberships

October 1st is the deadline to renew your memberships, so if you don't want to lose access to the message board, make sure to swing by the club room ASAP!

Membership Options:

1 - Student Members - Must be members of the AMS - A student membership gets you everything (journal, gear), plus you can vote and you can be on exec. \$35

2 - Associate Members - Open to anybody (Faculty, Staff, Spouses, or anybody we think is a benefit to the club) - Associate members get everything, like student members except for the ability to vote or be on the exec. \$52.50

3 - Alumni Members - for people who were previously student members but are no longer eligible, or had some combination of memberships for at least four years - doesn't get anything which costs money (no journal, no gear). People applying for alumni membership for the first time will need to swing by the club office, those renewing can probably finagle something by email with someone on the exec. Free

2) Wednesday Night Slide Shows

It's the beginning of another school year, and that also means the beginning of club slide shows. If you or anyone you know went on an amazing (or maybe you'd prefer to describe it as ... memorable) outdoor trip this year, and want to show off your photo collection to a captivated (and captive) audience, please send an email and a short description of your trip to Lewis Kitchen at [lewk@interchange.ubc.ca](mailto:lewk@interchange.ubc.ca)

First up on September 23rd we have "Mike and Boris' (non)hardcore trip to (almost) Cathedral Lakes" by Boris Khramtsov

"A series of misadventures a few weeks ago, when Mike Simons and I went to

Cathedral Lakes to scramble and try a couple alpine routes. We did get to the park eventually, though it did take two days more than the one day we expected. But we didn't end up scrambling, and climbed nothing - weather said 'no.'"

### 3) Longhike 2009 - October 10-11

Longhike is the club's popular, annual rock climbing & party extravaganza. Small groups are led by an instructor who is a fellow VOC member with climbing experience. On Saturday there is a "rock school" in Squamish and groups climb at either Murrin Park or the Little Smoke Bluffs. All ability levels are welcome and no climbing experience is necessary. An alternative hiking trip will also be planned for those who do not wish to climb, but still want to be part of this fabulous weekend. Saturday night will feature dinner at Evans lake followed by a dessert potluck and a huge party with a DJ. Sunday and/or Monday is open to climbing (and/or hiking) and there will be no formal instruction. This is the perfect time to try out your newly learned skills with people that you have met climbing or partying.

Wiki for details on how to get tickets (yes, this one requires tickets, and sells out, so make sure you get a ticket before it's too late)

[http://www.ubc-voc.com/wiki/Longhike\\_2009](http://www.ubc-voc.com/wiki/Longhike_2009)

### 4) Indian Arm Kayak Trip - October 2-4

The idea for the trip is to do a 2-day+ kayak trip from deep cove (Translink accessible), camping in tents at night. We would leave Friday afternoon, paddle to the twin islands and camp for the night, and the next day paddle towards the north end of Indian arm and camp in Granite falls. The views in the area are stunning, and kayaking has the advantage (in my opinion), to be very enjoyable with a bit of rain.

Wiki for details and signup:

[http://www.ubc-voc.com/wiki/Indian\\_Arm\\_Kayak\\_2009](http://www.ubc-voc.com/wiki/Indian_Arm_Kayak_2009)

### 5) Beginner friendly Brew Hut Trip - October 3-4

The plan is to go up to one of our four huts: the Brew Hut. It is roughly located across the Sea to sky highway from the popular Garibaldi Lake trail. Absolutely stunning views are guaranteed, without the immensely high human traffic of Garibaldi.

The trip is begginer friendly, which means that even if you have no prior outdoor experience, we will help you in every way so that you reach the destination and have a good time. In fact, this trip is intended as an introductory trip for new members of the club. You will have the chance to encounter other new and keen members and to complete a Workhike so that you can borrow gear for future trips.

Wiki for details and signup:

[http://www.ubc-voc.com/wiki/Brew\\_Hut\\_Adventure](http://www.ubc-voc.com/wiki/Brew_Hut_Adventure)

### 6) Beginner friendly trip to Hanes Valley - September 26th

For those that don't know, Hanes valley is behind (north of) Grouse mountain and connects to Lynn Valley. The trip is about 18 km with 1100 m of elevation gain. We will start in Lynn Headwaters Regional Park (east of Grouse), cross Lynn creek

into Hanes, and climb Grouse from behind (via Crown pass). Once at the Grouse tourist trap, people can decide if they want to hike down the BCMC trail or take the gondola down (\$5). The trip could be done in the reverse direction, but VOCers are tough so it is usual to go down the gondola instead of up it (plus this is much cheaper).

Message Board for Details:

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum2/read.php?f=3&i=10286&t=10286>

#### 7) Check Climbing Trip - September 26-27

Chek is a cool sport climbing area 20km north of Squamish (no driving for 5 hours for this trip!). It has a place to setup tents and an outhouse and is just off the main highway, so no real hiking needed.

As long as you know how to belay, you're welcome to come! If you've only climbed indoors and have never lead a climb, that's Ok, we can setup top ropes.

Message Board for Details:

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum2/read.php?f=3&i=10299&t=10299>

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