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0. Say hello to the new exec!

Thanks to the VOCers who ran and voted for the new exec in the past election and welcome Caitlin as our new club president!

A special thanks also goes to last years exec for doing an awesome job, and I think we all owe Katherine at least beer for her excellent job as president :)

#### I. Upcoming Events and Trips

- 1) Space Odyssey/Another Brick in the Wall (6-9) ☺ Fri. Apr. 6th - Mon. Apr. 9th

This will be the second installation of three consecutive weekends of bringing in the awesome spring ski season. Psychedelic rock anthems encouraged.

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/tripagenda/details.php?tripid=271>  
<http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum5/read.php?3,83930>

## 2) Cycle Tour the Olympic Peninsula 📅 Fri-Sun, April 6-8th

Maria M is looking for people to join her on a chill cycle tour. Beer + Beach lounging is encouraged.

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/tripagenda/details.php?tripid=279>  
<http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum5/read.php?3,84291>

## 3) Elstone and his technicolor dream tights 📅 Sat. Apr. 7th - Sun. Apr. 8th

You've been waiting your whole life for this. Nothing is more powerful than an idea whose time has come.

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/tripagenda/details.php?tripid=264>  
<http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum5/read.php?3,83714>

## 4) Space Odyssey/Another Brick in the Wall (14-15) 📅 Sat. Apr. 14th - Sun. Apr. 15th

The third and final installation of Sam's spring ski trip series. Location TBD.

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/tripagenda/details.php?tripid=272>  
<http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum5/read.php?3,83930>

## 5) Intro to River Kayaking (Tentative) 📅 Sat-Sun, April 28-29th

Been to a few pool sessions and itching to try your new skills on the river? If yes, then this trip is for you

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/tripagenda/details.php?tripid=277>

## II. Trip Ideas and Partners Sought

-Todd M. and Jacob C. are planning to do some climbing between April 26 and May 7, likely as a road trip down to Red Rocks. They are looking for an independent pair of climbers to join them, though they might be into swapping partners from time to time (saucy!): <http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum5/read.php?3,84123>

- Todd M. is also looking to fill his truck for some Skaha Easter weekend climbing leaving tonight! Most climbing levels are welcome, a minimum being knowing how to belay and clean anchors: <http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum5/read.php?3,84321>

- Nichole H. is looking for a climbing partner at cliffhanger for Friday April 6th, drop her a line if you're interested: <http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum5/read.php?3,84366>

- Christian V. is looking to fill his car for a 3 day trip to Mamquam (Friday-Sun): <http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum5/read.php?3,84305>

## III. This week in the VOC

### 1) Past trips and events

- Kayaking sessions in the outdoor pool have sadly come to an end for the semester, BUT they will resume at Jericho Beach sometime in May! Keep your eyes

peeled for more info later in the month.

-Our annual banquet was a success! We managed to form a new exec, give out some awards AND dance to some great tunes.

-It looks like the first installment of Space Odyssey trips was a success!

Apparently the snow was 'snorkel' deep. I'm so jealous.

-Bron taught some people how to top rope at the UBC climbing wall

-Some folks did the Spearhead Traverse in a whiteout! <http://www.ubc-voc.com/2012/04/03/spearhead-in-the-white-march-26-27>

-Ignacio went to Tetrahedron: <http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum5/read.php?3,84247>

#### IV. Miscellaneous

##### 1) Rewards and incentives for trip organizers

Woohoo, prodeals for VOC Trip organizers! In return for leading trips, you now get not only immense satisfaction, but cheap gear too!!

[http://www.ubc-voc.com/wiki/Discounts\\_for\\_VOC\\_Trip\\_Organizers](http://www.ubc-voc.com/wiki/Discounts_for_VOC_Trip_Organizers)

##### 2) Call for Slideshow Presenters

Have you been on some crazy adventure lately, or do you have some advice to share?

Consider attaining instant fame by giving a VOC slideshow next semester by

contacting our new PR exec member Cora Skaien: [http://www.ubc-voc.com/members/show\\_extended?target\\_id=3375](http://www.ubc-voc.com/members/show_extended?target_id=3375)

##### 3) 21 Mile Creek User Survey

From Scott N: "The 21 Mile Creek drainage is a non-motorized zone and snowmobiling is prohibited. The Federation of Mountain Clubs of BC is conducting a user survey to measure the frequency of illegal snowmobile use in 21 Mile Creek. The results from the survey will guide compliance and enforcement actions by government conservation officers." Please take a brief moment to complete the survey, if you've been on a trip to 21 Mile Creek.

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum5/read.php?1,80729,80729#msg-80729>

##### 4) Mammut Pulse 3.2 Firmware Update - Available Now from the VOC

From the message board post: "The VOC can now offer firmware updates to Mammut Pulse beacons. This is handy because firmware version 3.2 was recently released. Why is the VOC offering this service? Because no one else in Vancouver does and because the same tool that lets us do this also lets us record the health of our new rental beacons. The cost for getting the upgrade through the club is \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members."

<http://www.ubc-voc.com/phorum5/read.php?1,82371>

#### V. Ms. Manners

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Dear Ms. Manners,

What the hell happened to you? I used to look forward to your humour and secretly dreamed about you in that pink dress you wore at Longhike. As a matter of fact the whole exec seems to have changed, can you please tell me what's going on??

- Really Confused

Dear Confused,

It is VOC tradition that once a year Ms. Manners regenerates (Doctor Who style) into a new body with a new personality. She may not fill out a pink dress the same way the previous Ms Manners did, but she will damn sure try to be just as funny!

As for the rest of the exec, we've reshuffled a few positions, added a new position and brought in some fresh faces. We should now welcome Caitlin Schneider as our new president

Veronika Schmidt as our returning VP

Kathrin Lang as our returning treasurer

Cora Skaien as our new PR rep

Murray Down as our returning Secretary

Sabrina Burkhardt as our new membership chair

Andrew Primavera as our new trips coordinator

Lea Zhecheva, Faisal Elstone, Tom Curran, Alfred Larson, and Ian Johnston as our new Quartermasters

Todd MacKenzie as our new archivist

Ben S.P. as our new FMCBC/ACC rep

Ryan McKenzie as our new special projects manager

Caroline Jung as our climbing wall coordinator

and last but not least, Bron (Brody G. and Aaron Z.) as our new swag masters.

I hope that clears things up for you, Confused.

Sincerely,

Ms. Manners

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