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MEETINGS

™Central Okanagan Group **™**

First Tuesday of the month 7:30 pm Bunkhouse Restaurant 2777 KLO Road Kelowna Call Dave Urness at 765-1308

South Okanagan Group3rd Monday of the month 7:00pm The
Barley Mill

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Message From The Chairman

Well as the cooler weather approaches its time once again to dust off the boards and get ready for the approaching ski season. With that in mind, we have entered our section in the Kokanee Glacier Lottery. This trip would certainly be a sellout if we get a date so check the website for more info and instructions. We will have the results in mid October and we will post information on the 20th of October on the website. AGM is a go for Nov. 22nd so check your calendar. Al Towers has booked a couple weekends at the Asulkan so contact him if interested. Lets start thinking about any trips you may have planned or be interested in for this winter and we can do up a trip schedule shortly after the AGM. Dave Urness informs me he has been into the Kelowna Crags and although the area was hit hard by the fire, we are not sure if any damage was done to the routes. More research will be conducted. That's it for now. Hope to see you at the AGM and have a great Fall. David Rothwell Okanagan Section Chair

2003 AGM at Big White on Nov. 22nd

Potluck Dinner and Mountaineering Skills Day

Come out an join in on the fun for the ACC Okanagan Section 6th Annual General Meeting. This years AGM event will once again be held at the CSPS Hostel located at the Big White Ski resort. This is a fun and enjoyable day with lots of activities, food, elections etc. Pat Reiter and myself are going to show the slide show we did at the Phyllis Munday event. Below is a schedule of events offered at this years AGM. All that is required is your attendance and some food to contribute toward the potluck dinner. Also, if you wish, bring your sleeping bag and pillow. The lodge is complete with hostel style rooms with bunks and mattresses, shower and washroom facilities. A voluntary \$10 per person donation to the CSPS is appreciated for the use of their facility.

AGM Events schedule:

1:00pm - Meet at the CSPS Hostel, Big White Ski Resort (Directions Below)
1:30pm - Mountain Skills review and acquisition Courses - Pick a course you are interested in!

- 1) Avalanche transceiver use and practice (Bring a transceiver if you own one).
- 2) Crevasse Rescue and Glacier travel (Bring a climbing harness if you own one. Equip. will be available for those without).

3) Map/compass skills review.

4) Snowshoe/ ski/ hike - depending on how much snow there is! (Bring own equipment).

5)Other skill sets may be offered as well 5:00pm - Potluck Dinner at the CSPS Lodge: Please bring food (dinner, appetizer or a desert) and your own beverages. The CSPS lodge has full kitchen facilities. 7:00pm-7:45pm Annual General Meeting Nomination and Election of Executive and Directors for 2003/ 2004. (If interested in joining executive contact Dave Rothwell at 763-9302).

Other club related information. 8:00pm - Social and raffle prizes 8:30pm- 9:00pm - Slide show: Okanagan Section Highlights!!

9:00-? Cocktails, Socializing and fun!

Directions: From Hwy 97 in Kelowna, take Highway 33 east. Turn left at the Big White turn off approx. 40 km from Kelowna. 30 minutes up the Big White road brings you to the Snow Pine Estates. After the "Welcome to Big White" sign there is a left hand turn about 200 meters down the road. A small sign saying Ski Patrol and Ambulance is at this turn. Follow this road to the parking lot. At the far end of the lot, park and the CSPS Lodge is the large building on the left at the end of the driveway. If you miss the turn you will arrive shortly at the base of the Ridge chair ski lift and lodge.

For info contact Dave Urness at 765-1308 or Dave Rothwell at 763-9302.

ASN'T THAT A MOUNTAIN? (the ode to Mt.Clemenceau) With apologies to the Irish Rovers.

Could have been the glacier, might have been the height.
Could have been three or four seracs, I don't know, but look at the maze I'm in, My route is up an icefall, I think I'm gonna die, Tell me, me oh me oh my, Wasn't that a mountain?

Someone took a headlamp and wore it down the trail.

I saw someone down the cliff band, as I was bringing up the tail,
They were talking about resting and the chance to have a bite,
Along about then everything got light,

I'm sure it's just my memory playin' tricks

But wasn't that a mountain?

But I thought I could make this climb, and leave the route wand free,

Could have been the glacier, might have been the height.
Could have been three or four seracs, I don't know, but look at the maze I'm in, My route is up an icefall, I think I'm gonna die, Tell me, me oh me oh my, Wasn't that a mountain?

Old TJ and Kevin, well they went right up the rocks.

They were climbing up the morraine while we complained about our socks. So you see, friend climbers, It was a good time,

That little snow band, way up on the ridge,

Was just to see if your friends could climb. Well, it got us up the mountain, In an height induced haze,

I can sure use those twenty hours to get up this massive mountain.

Could have been the glacier, might have been the height.
Could have been three or four seracs, I don't know, but look at the maze I'm in, My route is up an icefall, I think I'm gonna die,
Tell me, me oh me oh my,
Wasn't that a mountain?
Musical ode by Cathy Mather photos by A. Wrench and Pat Reiter

















