



Nordic Wrecks X-Country Ski and Snowshoe Club



<http://nordicwrecks.org/>

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President's Message

Hello skiers and snowshoers,

Many thanks to all our members who attended the wine and cheese event at our home. It was wonderful to see so many familiar faces and a few new people as well. I appreciate all those members who have been promoting the club with their friends, family and members of other groups.

Please Note: Our next meeting will be held on Monday, December 2 in rooms 5/6 of the Pinetree Community Centre (which is attached to Pinetree Secondary School) 1260 Pinetree Way in Coquitlam. If this is your first meeting this season, please take a minute to familiarize yourself with the Centre's location as it is easy to drive past it. There is pay parking in front of the Community Centre (\$3.00 for the evening) or you can park free of charge across the street in the Town Centre Parking Lot, just off of Trevor Wingrove Way. The skytrain to Lafarge Lake-Douglas station is within easy walking distance as well.

The event will begin at 7:30 and we are so pleased to announce that one of our members, Iveta Janot, will be a guest speaker. She will be giving a presentation on "Trekking the five Holy Peaks of Altai Mountain in Mongolia".

Again, I would like to sincerely thank all the trip leaders who have volunteered their time this year. The club would not exist or be successful without their great effort and help.

-Sharon Maksym (sharongpeng@gmail.com) Manning Park on Saturday, January 18, 2025 **(Please note this is a change in the date)**

-Kathy Leko (604 839-2776) Callaghan Valley on Saturday, January 25

-Cathy Soo (604 671-4582) and **Jeannette Blanchard** (604 520-1052) Silver Star on Tuesday to Thursday, January 28-30

-Jeannette (604 520-1052) Manning Park on Sunday February 9

-Cathy Soo (604 671-4582) Lost Lake on Saturday, February 15

-Louise Johnson (604 937-5051) Sun Peaks Saturday to Monday, March 1-3
(Please note this is a change in the trip leader)
-Wendy Thompson (604 420-6513) Callaghan on Saturday, March 8

At this time all of our trips have plenty of spaces available. Remember we need 30 people on our day trips and 40 on our multi-day trips to pay for the cost of the bus. I am encouraging you to please sign up early for any trip you may be interested in for the 2024/25 season.

Remember if you are unable to attend the meetings, you can contact our trip leaders directly by phone or email to register for their trip. Signing up early helps the club with scheduling the buses and accommodation.

As of today, the numbers for each trip are as follows:

Manning Park, Saturday January 18: 13 signed up
Callaghan Valley, Saturday January 25: 23 signed up
Silver Star, January 28-30: 20 signed up
Manning Park, Sunday February 9: 6 signed up
Lost Lake, Saturday February 15: 14 signed up
Sun Peaks, March 1-3: 25 signed up
Callaghan Valley, Saturday March 8, 10 signed up

I have another bit of sad news about a former member of our club. Connie Nichol passed away on October 8, 2024 after a fall. She had been living in a care home in Victoria due to her dementia. Connie was a member of the Nordic Wrecks Ski Club and VOA cycling/hiking club for many years. She led many of our ski trips to Silver Star. Connie was fun loving and a good friend to many of us and will be greatly missed.

Let's hope that the snow comes earlier this season and remains on the mountains so we can enjoy a long winter season of skiing and snowshoeing.

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