

  
**PURCELL MOUNTAIN LODGE**  
**A December to Remember Newsletter**



This month please be kind to everyone including yourself. Take time to relax because life is beautiful! Join us this holiday season and wander in the backcountry and do nothing but enjoy the view. If you want to venture further and explore alpine touring in lots of powder our guides would be happy to lead you. These epic moments in the mountains will rejuvenate your body, mind and soul.

Over the past two months we have had wonderful caretakers at the lodge getting everything ready for the start of the winter season. We hope they had many beautiful moments and happy memories that will fill their hearts for a lifetime. We are very lucky to have them as part of our Purcell Family! Special thank you to Jock & Janet Mackenzie, Doug & Cathy Sather, Keith & Heather King, Derm & Susanne Kennedy and Mark & Christine Crawford. We are overwhelmed and grateful for all their care and help over the last months.

### **A Glance at Winter 2016/2017**

**December 16 to January 2 - Holiday Tours**

**January 2 to January 20**

Self guided & self catered tours with flexible fly in dates  
407 helicopter with a minimum 5 guests \$800 per person plus tax

**January 20 to February 3**

Fully guided and catered \$1580 per person plus tax

**January 20 to April 3**

Fully guided and catered tours for three, four or seven night stays

**January 2 to April 3**

Lake to Peak package stay at Emerald Lake Lodge and Buffalo  
Lodge – Five or six night accommodations at three lodges



## Tis the Season to Play in the Backcountry...



The holiday season is a perfect time to visit Purcell Mountain Lodge, there is something for everyone in your family to enjoy. Avoid the crowded resorts and instead treat your family to a memorable mountain experience. Allow our professional ACMG guiding team to welcome your family to our three level ski touring options. There is snowshoeing and cross country skiing right at the Lodge's doorstep.

Buddy up with your ski friends and escape the bustling city and ring in 2017 by joining us for our annual New Year's Extravaganza tour. Complimentary champagne, toboggan rides, lots of laughter and plenty of good cheer. Limited helicopter seats are available for December 30 to January 2. \$1755 per person plus tax for guided and catered tours and \$1388 for self guided and catered.



**AST Level 2 Course** - On December 5 to 9 our firsts guests for the season will arrive for Recreational Avalanche Safety Training Level Two. Instructor Doug Latimer will present the course over four days. The classroom instruction will take place in the comforts of the main lodge and everyday the group will venture into the backcountry for safety training. Students will learn invaluable skills to prepare them for a safe recreation ski touring season ahead and for years to come.



***“The safety of the people shall be the highest law”.***

**Purcell Mountain Lodge named as one of the Five Epic Helicopter Access Lodges to Visit**

*Thank you to VIVA Lifestyle and Travel for naming Purcell Mountain Lodge as one of the five epic lodges to visit in the world. Please click on the link below to read the story.*

*Other lodges featured in the article are listed below.*



<http://vivalifestyleandtravel.com/general/travel-and-lifestyle/list/helicopter-lodges>

**Winter 20162017 Family**

**ACMG Ski Guides**

Burke Duncan                      John Everts  
Doug Latimer                      Stewart McLean  
Ken Macdiarmid                      John Dutton

**ACMG Apprentice Ski Guides**

Tamara Dykshoorn  
Ian Snowell

**Stager/Expediter**

Anne Grandbrois  
Jamie Froats

**Practicum Student**

Sarah Hu

Mike Koolen & Howard Fluxgold  
Edward Young & Cathy Cowles  
Jerry & Sasha Kobalenko

**Lodge Hosts and Caretakers**

Molly Baker  
Mark & Christine Crawford

Jock & Janet Mackenzie  
Doug & Cathy Sather  
Hugh & Cheryl Burton

***Wishing Everyone a Happy New Year!***

*From our family to your family, wishing you a wonderful holiday season.  
Live simple, enjoy nature, dream big, and laugh lots in 2017*



*“Climb the mountains and get their good tidings. Nature’s peace will flow into you as sunshine flows into trees. The winds will blow their own freshness into you, and the storms their energy’ while cares will drop away from you like leaves of Autumn.”*

*John Muir*