

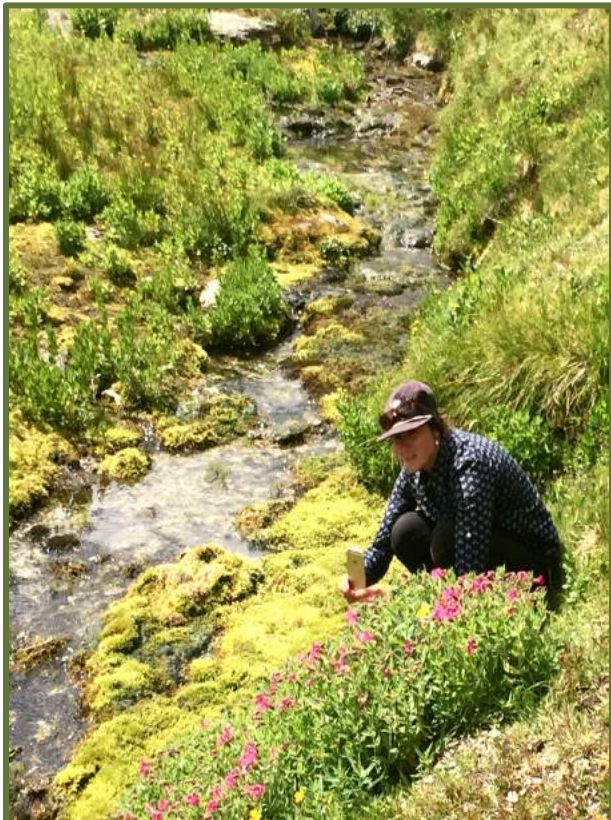

PURCELL MOUNTAIN LODGE
August 2016 Newsletter

A Marvel of a Season at Purcell Lodge



Images of a Epic Summer

The backcountry is a special world to be cherished. First time hikers were mesmerized by the beauty and peacefulness of the terrain. We welcomed many Purcell friends back to enjoy their mountain home. Loved ones came and for some the next generation of hikers emerged. A natural playground for everyone to explore and create life long memories.



Teamwork Makes the Dream Work Thank you for an Incredible Summer Season

ACMG Guides: Tamara, Mark, Kellie, Leah, Sarah & Kristin

Chefs: Grace, Jamie, Patricia & Harjeet

Lodge Hosts: Juli & Charise

Stagers: Anne & Jamie

Paul and the fantastic crew at Alpine Helicopters for their efforts in transferring our guests in and out of the lodge in a timely manner.



Summer Highlights

- Purcell Family Summer Staff Training: Staff hike and mountain bike into the lodge;
- Summer staff ACMG Assistant Hiking guide Leah Evans, Professional Skier/Athlete and Proprietor of Girls Do Ski;
- Summer staff ACMG Assistant Hiking guide Sarah Murphy, Professional Biathlete and former Olympian;
- Renovations continue in the private chalet for 8 guests for self catered and independently guided groups;
- Summer 2016 Artist in Resident: Karly MacDonald, Graphic Designer and Sarah Budd, Writer;
- First Fine Food & Wine Tour: Andy & Wendy Johnson – Averill Creek Vinyards, Duncan B.C.;
- First Family Hiking Tour in July: Children ages 8 - 14;
- Feature Chef Harjeet Singh, CCC from Edmonton Alberta;
- First Helicopter Elopement Couple: Alison Gagne and Randin Hansen married on August 12, 2016;
- Jensen Family & Friends Happy 371 Birthdays Celebration in August;
- Welcome back and Happy 10th Anniversary to Erika & Lanny Mann of Two Mann Studios married at Purcell Lodge;
- Billi's Getting Married! Mountain Bike Stagette for 12 adventurous ladies hosted at Purcell.



With guests Don & Laura, Geoff & Barbara and Claude & Jessica the laughter never stopped all week long! This group was all heart and lots of fun to be around. The bonus was the guys decision to reconstruct and build a new bridge! The bridge will be painted red and named "Leon Bridge" after Jazz Musician Leon Bridges. Music was supplied by Leah Evans during dinner service and everyone loved the tunes!

Gourmet Cuisine & Wine Tasting in the Backcountry

Guests were thrilled with our first Fine Food & Wine tour featuring chef Patricia Bullock and Averill Creek Vineyard proprietors Andy & Wendy Johnson. Special guest was travel writer Michael Fagin, writer for Foodista.com



Click the link to read Michael Fagin's article:

<http://www.foodista.com/blog/2016/08/31/paradise-found-gourmet-food-and-wine-at-purcell-mountain-lodge>



Mike Hopkins – Professional Mountain Biker & Freeskier back at Purcell

A filming project initiative brought Mike Hopkins back to Purcell along with Chris Rubens, Marty Schaffer and filmmaker Scott Secco. Fall mountain biking continues into September please join us! Self catered and independently guided groups are welcome.





The last fully catered and guided tour flew out after September long weekend. Fall brings mountain biking and hiking groups into the Lodge. The distance is 13 kilometres and a nice day trip. Overnight lodge accommodations are available and can be arranged by calling Jackie at 1 888 767 8989.

Caretakers will commence winterizing the Lodge. Resident bears Bella and family will start getting ready for winter too! We will reopen in December with the first tour commencing December 16 -19.



Holiday Tour Dates

December 16 – 19

December 19 -23

December 23 -26

December 26 - December 30

December 30 - January 1

Book before November 1 and receive a complimentary bottle of wine to enjoy with dinner service. \$50 value.

Lake to Peak Package for Winter 2016/17 Bookings

Our Lake to Peak package with Canadian Rocky Mountain Resort accommodation partner continues for our second Winter season. Call 1 888 767 8989 to book five or six nights accommodation packages. Pre and post stays available in Banff and Lake Louise Alberta and in Field British Columbia. Starting at \$2206.00 per person before tax for a five night stay including three nights at Purcell Lodge.

Deer Lodge, Lake Louise AB

Buffalo Lodge, Banff AB

Emerald Lake Lodge, Field BC

