



# Federation of Mountain Clubs of BC

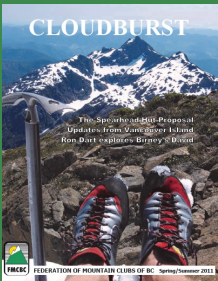
*Accessing the backcountry one step at a time*

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## VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

### CLOUDBURST



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### FMCBC Strategic Plan 2012-2014 Completed

Thank you to all those people who helped us to develop FMCBC's Strategic Plan for 2012-2014. We have set many goals and objectives for the upcoming months and are excited to get started. New committees are forming and old ones have some new responsibilities.

[Click here](#) to view our plans for the next three years. We are looking for volunteers to help with implementation. If interested please [click here](#) to find out how you can get involved.

### Callaghan Valley Backcountry Access 2011-2012

#### Scott Nelson (SW BC Rec & Con Committee)

Whistler Olympic Park and Callaghan Country will operate separately for the 2011-2012 season. This year Whistler Olympic Park will allow backcountry skiers to use the groomed XC trails for backcountry access. Signage for backcountry users is being improved and overnight parking will be permitted in a designated lot near the main gate. A Whistler Olympic Park backcountry access ticket costs \$10. At Callaghan Country backcountry users must purchase a full price ski or snowshoe ticket.. Part of the Callaghan Country parking lot near Alexander Falls will be designated for overnight use. [Click here](#) for more details.

### Chilcotin Park Planning Process

#### Jay MacArthur (ACC-Vancouver Section)

BC Parks has started a planning process for the parks created as part of Lillooet land and resource management plan. A draft submission has been prepared by the FMCBC. If you have visited the area and would like to provide input, please read the [FMCBC discussion paper](#) and provide comments to [Jay MacArthur](#). You are also encouraged to visit the [BC Parks website](#) and provide input directly to BC Parks.



### IN THE NEWS

[Province lacks vision for future of forests](#)  
Eagle Valley News, October 19, 2011

[Gondola and ski hill plans for Fernie Ridge](#)  
The Free Press, October 14, 2011

[New Callaghan trail gets mixed reception](#)  
Pique Newsmagazine, September 21, 2011



### MOUNTAIN MATTERS



[Is speed climbing in Colorado the new Mt. Everest?](#)  
The Rocky Mountain Collegian, October 18, 2011

[Canadian Mountaineering Anthology: Stories from 100 Years on the Edge](#)  
Review by Ron Dart

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Viire Daniels as the new representative from the Valley Outdoor Association on FMCBC's Southwest BC Recreation and Conservation Committee—thank you for volunteering your time with us!

Al Jenkins is planning the first meeting for the Friends of Garibaldi Park. The date and location are still to be determined, but it will be happening soon [Email](#) him if you are interested in attending.

[Click here](#) for info on the upcoming 2011 Public Forum for Jasper National Park

[Click here](#) for info on upcoming MEC Snowfest events in BC

[Click here](#) to view BC's Natural Resource Roads Discussion Paper and submit your feedback.

FMCBC E-News Articles—If you have a story or news about trails, backcountry access or conservation from your region in BC, please [email](#) it to us so we can include it in the next issue.

*The mission of the FMCBC is to advocate for safe, self-propelled activities (such as hiking, mountaineering, backcountry skiing, snowshoeing, trail running and other backcountry activities) and the protection of BC's backcountry for current and future generations to experience.*