

CAMP SUMMIT



It's that time of year again, where camp is covered in snow and we are able to reflect on the incredible season that was and begin planning 2013..

At this time of year, as we look back on last season and anxiously await the beginning of the next, we really start to miss our extended Summit family. The word 'family' is very important to us here on many levels. When children are dropped off with us we become their family— Mom, Dad, Aunt, Uncle, Brother, Sister all rolled into one. This, we impress upon our staff, is what it really means to be a 'camp counsellor'.

I've had the privilege of watching so many of your children grow up from year to year— many of whom have progressed through our leadership programs and continued on to become incredible staff members themselves. I'm so fortunate that I get to feel like a 'Dad' to these and hundreds of other amazing campers and students every year. And when I actually became a Dad myself 6 years ago, it brought a whole new appreciation for what family means and why it's so important that we become 'family' to all who come to Camp Summit.

One of the Moms at our annual family skate told me that she, her daughter and husband were so excited to reconnect with the Summit family that day. This hit home for me as I truly believe that many of you feel at home as you drive through the familiar Camp Summit gates and see familiar staff faces, and sense that indescribable 'camp' feeling rushing over you. We have grown over the years in a way I only dreamed of. We owe a great amount of gratitude to our long-time and dedicated group of families, as our growth is attributed to your stories to others about the strong sense of community that Summit has created.

Our staff come back year after year from all over the world and, as they drive up the Valley Road and through the gates, they feel like they're back 'home'. Hearing stories about how our campers and staff keep in touch throughout the year via skype, email and even visits, is an incredible representation of how close relationships can be fostered while in the supportive and magical world of camp. Tearful goodbyes on departure day are a powerful sight to see; the power of creating a second family in such a short time can only happen at camp.

Having the opportunity to raise my own family, along with my incredible wife Daphne, with camp as our backyard has been amazing. Maya (now 6 ½) and Campbell (now 2 ½) are surrounded by inspirational staff— surrogate aunts and uncles, and hundreds of new camper 'brothers and sisters' every week, and live in the ultimate Disneyland of extended family. Seeing my children grow up absorbing the intangible life skills and value that camp perpetuates, and knowing all of your children share in that experience, makes me so proud to have been a part of creating this Summit family we are all part of. Thank you for your ongoing support of what we do here at Camp Summit.

Parky

NOW THAT WAS COOL!

- “Best New Addition” for 2012 – the new camp meal schedule. Breakfast at 8:30am, lunch at 12:45pm, and dinner at 5:45pm... gave campers more time to do what they do best, participating in awesome activities and being cool!
- Adam Klimchuk-Brown and Evan Grimm asked for money donations on their birthdays this year in lieu of gifts, and donated it all to the Camp Summit Campership Program to help send kids to camp who couldn't otherwise afford. These two boys are very cool!
- Five-year old Base Camper Reece Winn missed Summit so much that she built a replica of camp on her kitchen table. Now that's cool!
- Last fall we welcomed Jeff Bradshaw from Camp Wenonah to Summit for a few days of Management Team meetings. We shared and collaborated on program ideas and ways we can continue to make Summit grow. We are honored to have this relationship with Camp Wenonah and look forward to doing more with them in the future. It's cool to have friends at other camps!
- Morgan Zindle, one of our SLC 1s, took her older brother on a hiking trip up Black Tusk. She used the knowledge that she learned at camp to do all the planning, cooking and guiding on the trip. Her brother said she was amazing, and we think this is very cool!
- Camp Summit hosted 30 students from Squamish Montessori and all their families and friends for their end of year graduation. Imagine having your grad at Summit, now that's cool!
- Nicky Klimchuk-Brown is back on the luge track at the Whistler Sliding Centre. Ranked No. 1 in Canada last winter for Youth B Boys, he's working hard to hold tight to that position this season. He trains up to six times a week for the Canada Cup in February. One part determined, one part focused, and two parts fearless, Nicky is really cool!
- Each Thanksgiving Summit hosts the Squamish Valley residents for Thanksgiving dinner. Over 80 neighbours joined us for a pot luck style dinner with Marty cooking up turkeys and hams. It's a great night to gather with our neighbors to share an amazing feast. The first Valley dinner was held in the late 70s, now that's cool!



Summer 2012 HIGHLIGHTS

- Opening day excitement felt all throughout camp with staff jumping around anticipating the arrival of their first campers!
- Man day with bacon wrapped S'mores
- Camp Summit murder Mystery night
- Casino night, with the high rollers table
- Dungeon and Dragons choice activity became very popular
- Spending the night camping out with your cabin at Camp Verde
- Early morning fishing
- Our LIT family who gave it their all from morning to night!
- BBQ dinners out in the field and listening to music while dancing in the field
- Banquet dance parties with ice-cream sundaes
- Flash mobs, with campers breaking out in to dance when we least expected it
- The Cha Cha Slide and Olympic dance parties
- Dan & Mitch with the weather 25+ Sunny everyday
- Adventure Challenge Hiking Joffre Lakes, Cheakamus Lake, Green Drop Lake and Nerin Falls.
- Three adventurous SLC programs, where they conquered the Juan De Fuca hiking trail and Powell River canoe circuit!
- Evenings spent around the Campfire "Campfires We LOVE Campfires!"
- The new Super Sr. Program with campouts and beach adventures.
- Cabin photos at the new Summit Boulder
- New drama program
- Offsite Geocaching program
- Base Camp dance parties

2013 CAMP CALENDAR

Feb 21	Pathfinders Program	Aug 1 - 7	Summer Blast Camp 4
April 1	FULL Summer Camp payment due	Aug 8 - 14	Summer Blast Camp 5
April 11	Summit Sisters	Aug 1 - 14	Back to Back (Camp 4&5)
April 22	Spring Staff Training	Aug 16 - 18	Base Camp
April 29	Summit Outdoor Education Centre welcomes its first school group	Aug 19 - 23	Discovery Camp
May 25	Camp Summit OPEN HOUSE	Aug 26	Fall Staff Training
June 24	Summer Camp Staff Training	Aug 29 - Sept 1	Family Camp
June 24 - Aug 14	LIT Program	Sept 3	Fall Outdoor Centre welcomes its first school group
June 29 - July 12	SLC 1 (A) Journey Program	Sept 20 - 22	Women's Weekend
June 29 - July 21	SLC 2 (A) New Horizons Program	Oct 18	Camp Summit wraps up until next season.
June 29 - July 5	Summer Blast Camp 1		
July 6 - 12	Summer Blast Camp 2		
July 15 - 28	Adventure Challenge Camp 3		
July 15 - 28	SLC 1 (B) Journey Program		
Aug 1 - 14	SLC 1 (C) Journey Program		
Aug 1 - 23	SLC 2 (B) New Horizons Program		



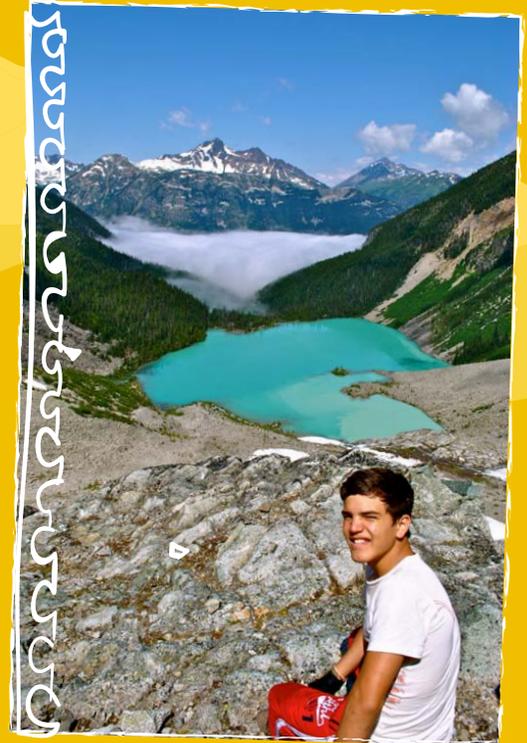
ADVENTURE CHALLENGE

Camp Summit continues to offer the Adventure Challenge program to campers who wish to take things to the next level with a longer, more adventurous experience.

Our Adventure Challenge campers had the time of their lives this summer! They embarked upon amazing two-to-four night adventures hiking trails such as Joffre Lakes, Cheakamus Lake and Green Lake Drop where they challenged themselves, worked together as a team, cooked meals over a fire, while building friendships and memories that will last a lifetime. Learning to travel in the backcountry with 'no trace camping' principles, and being surrounded by spectacular mountain and lake views are just two of the many reasons why the two-week Adventure Challenge session remains our most popular program to date!

While the out trip was the highlight for many, campers also experienced exhilarating "choose-your-own-adventure" activities such as zip lining through a temperate rainforest, sea kayaking in spectacular Howe Sound, and racing down rivers in rafts.

The fun didn't stop there. Campers spent much of their time back at Summit mountain biking around some of Squamish's famous trails, going on hikes up the Chief, High Falls and Segard Falls, hanging around on the high ropes course and climbing wall, and working on their aim at archery. This session came to a magnificent close with one of the largest Olympic celebrations of the summer, and we're counting down the days to do it all again this year!



BASE CAMP

Year after year our Base Camp program gets better and better. It's an incredible honour to know that we are part of the early years of these little campers' journeys. To watch these 4-6 year olds grow over the course of a weekend, as they learn more about the environment around them and thrive in their cabin groups, is a magical experience. We strongly believe that these moments will assist in their development for years to come, and that this early camp experience is planting vital seeds for our future leaders of tomorrow.

We cherish the opportunity to have been part of these littlest campers' experiences and look forward to sharing many years of fun-filled Summit times ahead!



Base Camp Kids 2012

Braden Aitken
Max Ball
Eli Baughen
Mason Baughen
Adelynn Buss
Ella Dunn
Madilynn Fecho
Ava Fecho
Shea Hayes
Lucy Horn
Annika Johannsen
Mikka Johannsen
Daelyn Joseph
Taylor Kneider

Olivia Lacombe-Thomas
Jennibelle Lin
Jack Macleod
Sean Macleod
Abby Maclure
Kamryn Matkowski
Maya Park
Lux Pierce
Madelyn Potts
Griffin Reid
Max Szeto
Luke Wilson
Reese Winn



2012 AWARDS

At the end of every camp session, campers who have demonstrated true Summit Spirit join an illustrious group of award winners as our Camp Awards are handed out.

Jr. Camper Award

Given to a junior camper who has been helpful, respectful of others and enjoyed every aspect of camp life to its fullest.

Hanna Pauze
Nikolas Savanovic
Adurey d'Entremont

Ewan Hadden
Sydney McLennan
Alison Leroux



Intermediate Camper Award

Given to an intermediate camper who has been helpful, respectful of others, and enjoyed every aspect of camp life to its fullest.

Sammy Morton
Oliver Gatzke
Scott Johnson
Leah Brownlie
Matthew Terry

Liam Olsen
Elizabeth Marks-Worling
Ethan Wong
Delphine Langeuin
Tavia Jasper



Sr. Camper Award

Given to a senior camper who has been a positive role model for other campers, who has demonstrated respect for campers and staff, who has participated in camp life to the utmost and is an example of true camp spirit.

Daniel Watkins
Makayla Ganderson
Cobe Stoll
Sophie Bragg
Myles Johnson
Luke Underwood

Kelly MacDonald
Calista Ryan
Ella Bethune
Nicole Chant
Alannah Korf

FUN AWARDS

Most Helpful

Luke Jonker
Georgia Bellamey

Canoe Award:

Jasmine Meikle
Simon McEvoy

Golden Broom, Cabin Clean Up Award:

Attwell (sess. 2)
Tantalus (sess. 3 AC)

Mamquam (sess. 4)
Habrick (sess.5)

Soul Of Summit

The pinnacle of Camp Summit Awards, this is awarded to just one camper per session who demonstrates true Summit spirit. These campers have shown outstanding respect for their fellow campers and staff, have participated in every aspect of camp life with enthusiasm and have been a positive role model for other campers.

Gabriella Morton
Brock Kazzakoff
Nicky Klimchuk-Brown

Roak Payne
Luke Underwood



MORE AWARDS!

5-Year Awards

With this, our 11th summer of camp, we now have a long list of campers who have dedicated five years or more to Summit. We think this is incredible, and would like to recognize them for their continued dedication and for choosing Camp Summit each summer.

The following campers received a Five Year Award – a framed photo of camp with their name engraved on it.



Christel Belden
 Kyle Monda
 Alena Wachmann
 Anica Wight
 Colin Mackneily
 Jenna Mackneily
 Hudson Reese
 Sophia Webb
 Tanner Ko

Hannah Pletz
 Mathew Terry
 Nicole Terry
 Solange Malette
 Jayden Johnston
 Shannon Sorreson
 Alena Wachmann
 Arissa David

Erika Odmark
 Emily D'etromont
 Adam Klimchuk-Brown
 Dylan Lindsey
 Preston Lo
 Emma Cronin
 Owen Ko
 Cullen Johnston

We know that this list will continue to grow! How close are you to five years?

LIT Hardhat Awards

The "LIT Hard Hat" award was awarded to a Leader In Training who exemplified the meaning of going above and beyond the expectations of their position. As an LIT, one works extremely hard whether its working with a cabin, participating in leadership workshops, jumping into program areas or even lending a helping hand in the kitchen when the need is there. Congratulations to this year's LIT Hard Hat recipients, and thank you for your dedication and commitment!



Tyler Briggs
 Kevin Hughes

Krystal Belden
 Alejandro Iriondo

Adam Charlesworth
 Megan Jackson

Joe Carter Award

1993 was the year that pitted the defending champion Toronto Blue Jays against the National champion Philadelphia Phillies. With Toronto ahead three games to two in the Series the Jays found themselves in the bottom of the ninth inning of Game 6 hoping to pull it together and win the World Series. Up to bat was Joe Carter, who hit a game-winning three-run home run to win the series for Toronto, its second consecutive championship.

This was our third year giving out the Joe Carter award to a staff member who is a tremendous Team Player. It is one thing to be a strong camp leader and shine in everything you do however, it is quite another thing to be the driving force behind that light. This award was given to staff members who did exactly that! They empowered others through their encouragement, motivation and guidance and helped every person strive for their full potential to make camp a better place. Congratulations to this year's recipients:



Lindsay Mowat
 Daniel Murray

Issy Whittaker
 Simone Smith

Marta Sabadell
 Jenn Freele

PARKY'S 2012 "TOP TEN"!

Here is one of our all-time favourite 'top tens' that you can do at home with your family.

WHAT ARE THE 'TOP TEN' HEAVIEST LAND MAMMALS?

Remember, you get one full point for naming the correct animal in the correct order, and half a point for naming just the animal. Whoever scores the highest points wins!

*HINT: The list excludes domesticated cattle and horses and highlights the extreme

heavyweights within distinctive large mammal groups.

**Bonus hint: SEALS are not on this list.

Answers are upside down, but remember no peeking



HEAVIEST LAND MAMMALS?

- (1) African Elephant – 16,534 lbs
- (2) Hippopotamus – 9,920 lbs
- (3) White Rhinoceros – 7,937 lbs
- (4) Giraffe – 4,253 lbs
- (5) American Buffalo – 2,205 lbs
- (6) Moose – 1,820 lbs
- (7) Grizzly Bear – 1,720 lbs
- (8) Arabian Camel – 1,521 lbs
- (9) Siberian Tiger – 793 lbs
- (10) Gorilla – 606 lbs

We welcomed five new schools to Summit this past season:

Calgary French School, Calgary
Alouette Elementary, Maple Ridge
Garibaldi Highlands, Squamish
Myrtle Philips, Whistler
Collingwood School, North Vancouver

This year we honoured three long-standing schools with their 5 Year School Award. The school receives a framed camp photo to hang in their school so students can see and remember their times at Summit.

Immaculate Conception School, Vancouver
Lakeview Elementary, Burnaby
Regent Christian Academy, Surrey
Southpointe Academy, Surrey
Southridge Academy, Surrey
Vancouver Christian School, Vancouver

We wish to acknowledge the following schools that believe in the benefits of outdoor education. Thank you for joining us this season!

9 Year Schools:
British American School, Mexico
West Point Grey grades 3,4, 5, 6 & 7, Vancouver
Meadowridge School, Maple Ridge

8 Year Schools:
Crofton House School grades 8, 9,11 & 12, Vancouver

7 Year Schools:
UBC Transitions, Vancouver
York House School, Vancouver

6 Year Schools:
The York School, Toronto
Mamquam Elementary Squamish- 5 years

4 Year Schools:
Brackendale Elementary, Squamish
White Rock Christian Academy, White Rock

3 Year Schools:
Walnut Road, Surrey
Garibaldi Highlands Squamish
Trafalgar Elementary, Vancouver

2 Year Schools:
University Hill Elementary, Vancouver
Kerrisdale School, Vancouver

OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTRE

The Camp Summit Outdoor Education Centre had another successful season of providing education programs mixed with Summit adventure. Over 2,000 students from the BC Lower Mainland, Toronto, Calgary and even Mexico visited us this past year. For many schools, their annual visit has become an important tradition within the school year. A number of schools send multiple grades to provide a progressive program where students can build on their outdoor skills year after year. Operating during the early spring and fall months, the Outdoor Education Centre has become a significant part of Summit's identity.

The Outdoor Education season launched in late January again this past year, as we embarked upon a winter trip to the BC Interior with 175 grade 11 and 12 students from Crofton House School.

In late April we welcomed our first group to Camp Summit as 75 boys from St. Georges School kicked off our season with excitement and tons of energy. From that point on, the spring was jam-packed with students enjoying all our outdoor activities and education programs.

Outdoor Ed. started up again in September, kicking off our busiest fall season ever. The beautiful fall weather mixed with a great group of students, teachers and long standing schools made this past fall a glorious success. While students are at Summit they learn about leadership skills, communication, trust, teamwork, an appreciation for the natural world around us and other valuable life skills that they can apply back in the classroom and into their daily lives.

A special thanks to all our Outdoor Education staff for an amazing season! Our wonderful staff members work very hard each day to provide programs that are both educational and full of fun, creating lasting memories for so many students.



WOMEN'S WEEKEND

Our second annual Women's Weekend at Camp Summit was another huge success. We ran this program on a warm and sunny September weekend with over 30 women participating. This getaway gave women the opportunity to relax, reconnect and renew while enjoying all the fun and excitement of being a kid again at summer camp. Opportunities to try traditional camp activities such as the climbing wall, high ropes, mountain biking and archery were mixed in with specialty workshops and activities to meet the specific needs of women.

The weekend was filled with delicious food created by our chef Marty and lots of laughs courtesy of all the women involved. At any given time, you'd find our women challenging themselves on high ropes, crafting in the lodge, doing yoga, or simply relaxing in the sun. Saturday's social night got everyone mixing together and having a lot of fun.

Thank you to all of our participants for making this weekend such a success, and to all the female Outdoor Education Staff for working so hard to create such a magical weekend.



THE 2012 STAFF TEAM Thank you!

We are incredibly fortunate to be able to say at the end of every summer that “this was the best staff team ever!” A huge thank you goes out to the amazing staff of 2012. We had an unbelievable group of people working with us last season who gave it their all and contributed extensively to the many wonderful memories created.

Staff began the year by running programs in our Spring Outdoor Education Centre, devoted their energy and passion to Summer Camp and carried on with the same high level of enthusiasm into the Fall Outdoor Education Program. Their commitment and love for working with children was apparent every day, and exceeded all expectations. We are forever grateful to have the privilege of working with such amazing individuals. We thank them all for being part of yet another amazing year of laughter, transformative experiences and memories!

We were delighted to honour Alex Belden with his five-year staff award for the many years he has dedicated to camp. Chimi as he's been known as, runs our SLC 1 program. Chimi grew up as a camper at Summit, participated in both our SLC and LIT programs and continued on to be offered a staff position. Chimi was presented with a five-year vest at the final banquet in July.

Thank you to all our staff of 2012:

6+ Years

Aaron Golub (Ontario)
Geoff Park “Parky” (British Columbia)
Shannon Wilson (Ontario)
Trevor Oakley (British Columbia)

5th Year Staff

Alex Belden (Mexico)

4th Year Staff

Alex Smolinski (New Brunswick)
Issy Whitaker (Australia)
Jennifer Brown (British Columbia)
Kate Holden-Boyd (British Columbia)
Megan Miller (Ontario)
Tyler Parkes (Australia)
Vanessa Marcotte (Ontario)

2nd Year Staff

Alex Taylor (Australia)
Connor LeQuesne (British Columbia)
Gary Stamps (England)
Joanna Berringer (Ontario)
Lindsay Mowat (Ontario)
Sarah Jackson (British Columbia)
Simone Smith (Ontario)
Steven McCarthy (Ontario)

1st Year Staff

Adam VanHamme (Ontario)
Aileen McKeown (British Columbia)
Daniel Murray (Australia)
Fleurie Hunter (British Columbia)
Hayden Meek (New Zealand)
Jennifer Freele (Ontario)
Jono Shaw-Brown (New Zealand)
Keiren Eigenfelt (British Columbia)
Marta Sabadell (Spain)
Mitchell Pierce (Australia)
Patti Novell (Spain)
Riley Webb (Ontario)
Sarah Bulford (British Columbia)
Sophie Newbold (England)

“Be the change you wish
to see in the world”
Mahatma Gandhi

2012 LIT Thank You!

To say we had an incredible summer with this year's group of Leaders In Training (LIT) would be an understatement! A huge thank you goes out to the individuals mentioned below not only for their continued love and passion for Camp Summit and our campers, but also for giving it their all throughout each and every workshop and leadership session.

Among many soft skills and hard skills learned, our LITs developed in areas of compassion, increasing consciousness of differences in others and the world around us, sensitivity, acceptance and learning how to “be the change”. From discussing bullying, racism and family dynamics to setting personal and professional goals and expanding their minds and hearts on issues rarely discussed on an everyday basis, we know these young leaders left Summit ready to make the world a better place.

My sincerest thanks go out to:

Christel Belden	Alejandro Iriondo
Tyler Briggs	Meghan Jackson
Adam Charlesworth	Manuel Ortiz
Kevin Hughes	

I'm proud to know that these young leaders have made a tremendous impact on the lives of all the campers they worked with this summer. “Just like the ripple effect; a leader never knows how far their influence reaches”. Each LIT lived out this quote this summer and I couldn't be happier knowing that Summit had a part in helping them get there.

Vanessa Marcotte
Leader In Training Director



SLC LEADERSHIP GRADS

SLC1 Congratulations!



**Brody Nicholl
Brendan Lambert
Brett Davidson
Brock Kazakoff
Brannan Widdis
Cale Thompson
Charlie Murphy
Dylan Bridgman
Ethan Lilleyman
Georgia Berllamy
Jasmine Meikle
Jenna Macneily**

This program is designed to help young leaders explore, not only the wilderness, but also themselves. We ran this program twice last July with a record number of participants attending - 23 in all. The SLC 1s participated in a number of hands-on leadership workshops about effective communication, conflict resolution, judgement, decision-making, and teamwork. Through these workshops the SLC 1s also explored their personal leadership style and began to develop their own leadership skills. They also participated in a four-day canoe trip in the Powell River area on the Sunshine Coast. Many incredible memories were made on these trips, along with gaining a greater understanding of the natural world around us, and a respectful appreciation for the backcountry. When not on trip or in workshops, the SLCs participated in the camp program developing their skills in mountain biking, climbing, archery and more.

**Julia De Pieri
Kendal Spencer
Kieran Lawrence
Kyle Monda
Keara Klimchuk-Brown
Laura Magria
Laura Korf**

**Luke Jonker
Maxwell Bramley
Marc Sabadell
Morgan Zindle
Meghan Henderson
Sean Kilman
Simon McEwen**



Our 23-day SLC 2 'New Horizons' Program is the next step in our leadership development. This program is specifically designed for individuals with, not only the passion to continue exploring the wilderness and growing personally, but also the desire and intent to learn about leadership, mentoring, and teaching others. Our 12 SLC 2s did just that! We had a jam-packed month filled with tons of fun leadership workshops with guest speakers like Jono Brown teaching us about critical thinking, and Rachel Bowley offering First Aid certification. The SLCs were found all over camp helping teach at various program areas, planning and running camp-wide games, shadowing various jobs from the kitchen to site and facility, and even helping out in cabin groups.

The SLCs also embarked upon a 12-hour solo night where they spent the evening alone along our boundary trail sleeping under a shelter they created themselves. This mighty group also completed the Juan de Fuca Marine Trail, a 47km hike along the west coast of Vancouver Island. The SLCs enjoyed beautiful weather on this trip, and made the most of a memorable ocean-side 'rest day' which consisted of highly educational activities such as: hole-digging, burying the SLC boys, river swimming and wave crashing! From Leaders of the Day to 89 switchbacks, and nights spent under the stars, this was one trip to remember! During the last week of their program these amazing leaders lived in camper cabins for five days, shadowing lead counsellors, and learning what it takes to be a leader at camp. These SLCs did an unbelievable job, creating lasting memories for the campers they worked with.

SLC 2 Congratulations!

**Abbee Pinsky-Haiduga
Arisa David
Erika Odmark
Evan Ford
Jayden Johnston
Jonathon Dodd**

**Myriam Verly
Nicholas Larden
Sophia Webb
Shannon Sorrenson
Sarah Mohn
Tanner Ko**



A huge thank you to our SLC Directors for executing such an extraordinary programs!

Sr. Director: Shannon Wilson

SLC1 Directors: Joanna Berringer, Alex Belden, Issy Whitaker

SLC2 Directors: Lindsay Mowat & Daniel Murray

SUPER SENIORS

Supporting the growth and transition of our campers is extremely important to us at Summit. To this end, we recognized that many of our campers were at a stage where they were not quite old enough for SLC1, but were ready for a bigger challenge. And so the 'Super Seniors' program was born. Geared towards campers 13 to 15 years old, these campers had an opportunity to do many activities separate from the rest of camp. Offering activities such as off-site bonfires, nighttime high ropes, team builders and an overnight camping trip, the program focused on leadership development and group dynamics and was a huge success in getting our eldest campers one step closer to pursuing Summit leadership programs at a higher level! We had a blast and can't wait to host the 'Super Seniors' programs again this summer.



Summit Summer Olympics

The ancient Olympic Games was a series of competitions held between representatives of several city-states and kingdoms, featuring mainly athletic but also combat and chariot racing events. Keeping the tradition alive, Camp Summit holds its very own Summit Olympic at the end of every session!

We might not be ancient or participate in combats or chariot racing events, but we certainly have representatives from several different countries. With Camp Summit being so internationally diverse, we are proud to present our campers with teams of countries that many of them are from. Team pride, athleticism and camaraderie are just a few areas countries can earn points for. Teams also gain points by showing good sportsmanship, team spirit, presenting team cheers and cheering on other countries.

This year we welcomed two new countries, Jamaica and Poland. We also introduced Junior Olympics where the younger campers competed against each other in all the same events. Summit Olympic events include: Gum Boot Toss, Watermelon Relay, Colour Wrestling, 100-metre Dash, Bus Push, Monster Relay, the Cha Cha Slide, Tire Demolition Derby, and Dance Mob – a highlight of this year! At the end of the day, a victory ceremony presents the winning country with the Olympic plaque, for all to see and compete for year after year! This year's 2012 Gold Medalists:

Session 1: Mexico
Session 2: Canada

Session 3: Canada
Session 4: Australia

Session 5: Brazil



TALES OF THE FLAG

Tales of the Flag has always been known as a fun "around the world" challenge that our staff participate in year after year as they travel the globe during their time away from Summit. After hearing our campers tell many exciting stories about their own journeys around the world, we knew it was time to open up the challenge to this jet-setting group as well! This past summer we introduced the 'Camper Summit Flag', which is a towel that campers can bring on their trips with them and take cool pictures of their adventures, while showing their Summit spirit. We've received some pretty cool pictures and look forward to many more to come! If you have any pictures of your travel adventures with your towel please send them in and you'll be showcased on our new website!



Camper Style!

Drama!



Our campers have always loved getting up at campfires and performing in front of their peers. This year we were lucky enough to add a talented and passionate staff member with a flair for the dramatic to our team. Simone Smith brought enthusiasm and knowledge in the area of performing arts, and was able to engage our campers in creative play, skit preparation, stage presence and flash mob dances. It was one of our most popular programs of the summer and we're really looking forward to the expansion of this program this coming season.



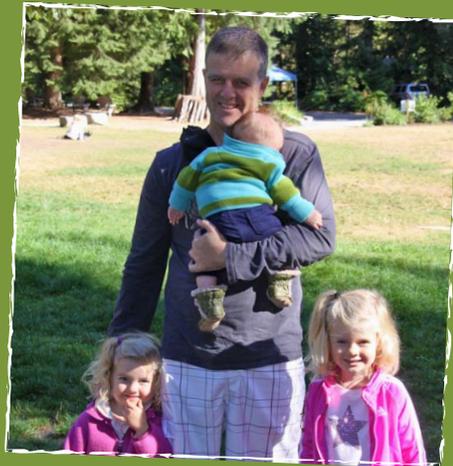
Please visit our website for Family Camp dates

FAMILY CAMP

A Summer Camp experience for the whole family!

Do you ever wish that you could be a fly on the wall to see all the amazing things your children do while they're away at camp? The way they delve into challenges with all their might and grow as individuals? Have you ever wished you could experience that same growth and sense of achievement right alongside them? That is what Family Camp is all about!

At Camp Summit we take tremendous pride in establishing an environment where families can spend time together- away from the big city lights, and under the light of the stars that blanket the Squamish Valley night sky. Families bond and work together at activities like our climbing wall and high ropes course, our team initiatives course and even around a roaring fire where we share stories and cook delicious campfire snacks. It's a weekend where cell phones get turned off and the world of technology gets put on hold, only to focus on the great outdoors and cherishing quality time with loved ones.



Whether your family members choose to take part in all the adventurous activities Camp Summit has to offer, or choose to bask in the sunshine and relax, everyone is certain to enjoy a memorable weekend together!

WINTER PROGRAMS

At the end of each Summer Camp session we always leave our wonderful campers with the same message - "Take camp home with you" - We explain to campers the importance of taking what they learned here at Summit home with them. Whether it be goal setting from activity areas, self-exploration through program choice while developing a variety of new interests by trying new things to problem solving and getting along in a cabin group, our campers grow as young leaders and we always wish for them to extend their leadership skills onward beyond the Summit Gates. To keep that Summit Spirit alive, Vanessa Marcotte - Associate Director & Leadership Director at Camp Summit, will be introducing two new programs that will take part throughout those cold Winter months, for teens ages 12-14 years old. Summit Pathfinders is a co-ed group that will focus on leadership development and Summit Sisters is an all-girls group that will focus on self-exploration and discussion around the various issues that young girls face today. We're thrilled at the possibility of reconnecting with campers and assisting in their leadership growth.

THE WEEKEND INCLUDES:

- Three meals a day and snacks
- Sunday brunch and slide show of the entire fun-filled weekend
- Two nights - three days accommodation
- Use of all facilities at Summit
- All activity areas are open so feel free to bring out that inner child and participate alongside the children!
- Evening campfires + s'more making/roasting marshmallows
- And much more!

Please visit our website for more details on these two amazing programs.

FRIENDSHIP



DONATIONS FOR 2012

Campership Program

Every child should have the opportunity to experience this wonderful "Utopia" we call Summer Camp and should not be precluded because of financial struggle. However, reality is that there are many children who cannot experience the benefits of Summer Camp because they are not in a financial position to do so. That is why Camp Summit has what's called our 'Campership Program'. When you donate to the Campership fund you have not only contributed to a Summer Camp experience but you are contributing to changing the life of a child. You are helping to ensure that children who want to spread their wings and soar at camp will have the opportunity to do so! Thanks to the kindness and generosity these camper families and friends, to date over 150 children have been given the gift of Summer Camp who otherwise would not have been able to attend.

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A SLC STORY

*A Golden Group
The end goal is not as important as how you get there.*

The flames crackled in the middle of our circle, radiating with heat and comfort. Staring up at the starry night sky, I could hear the heartbeat of the person beside me, a person whom I knew I could trust with my life. In fact, I trusted all twelve of the individuals surrounding that fire, a golden glow on the huge, empty beach. Approaching the finish of our six-day hiking expedition, we were like a family that had grown closer every step of the way.

The first kilometre of the Juan de Fuca trail seemed endless. I marched behind the person in front, begging for the next kilometre marker to appear before me. I had read in a million places that the Juan de Fuca was one of the top ten trails to do before you die, that when you reach the end of the trail, you are overcome with glory and pride. However, on the first day, unfazed by the scenery, all I could picture in my mind was dinner. When we reached our campsite at dusk, I wanted only to crawl into my tent and doze off into an undisturbed slumber, but instead, I was forced to help boil pasta for twelve. I was sitting on a cold stone, literally watching water boil, when we began to chat out of boredom. Slowly but steadily, our conversation grew, including more and more hungry campers. We chatted and joked and laughed until the steaming pot reminded us of our growing bellies.

As we warmed up to each other, each kilometre seemed shorter, for I was surrounded by non-stop chattering, singing, and encouraging words. Every day marked the making of a new friend, the creation of an unbreakable bond. Over cliffs, rivers, and boulders we clambered, with towering packs and soaking feet. And every night, we huddled together around a fire, scooping warm food into our mouths, our family bond effortlessly growing stronger.

On day five, which had been designated a rest day, we lay on the sun-warmed rocks after breakfast, enjoying a day without mountainsides to climb or packs to carry. With only each other for entertainment, we told stories of our different lives until the heat was too much to bear, and the splashing, salty waves beckoned us. The conversation around me buzzed, but I retreated from it, instead focusing on the uneven rhythm of the waves crawling their way up the beach, and then sliding back down into the never-ending expanse of water before me.

That night was one of our last. Only twenty-four hours later, I knew we would be thrown back into the reality of civilization. But for the moment, we were worry-free as we sat around the flaming driftwood, recalling memories from the day, the trip, and our entire lives. The twelve boys and girls surrounding me were calming and reassuring. Their voices soothed my mind and their laughs brightened my thoughts, and all the while, I knew that this would never be forgotten. Although this trip would inevitably end, our family of twelve would never disappear from my mind, and this journey would never be forgotten. It would always leave an imprint in my memories.

When I passed the last kilometre marker, number 47, and dropped my pack with a sigh for the last time, I was not overcome with glory as I had expected. Instead, I desperately took in the twelve faces around me, praying I would never leave them, hoping our fates would reunite us once more. I was saddened by the completion of our journey, for I already missed the chats in the sun, the splashes of the ocean, and the dinners around the golden campfires.



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