



ACC Edmonton Section

The club meets for general meetings at the **NEW location!** [Strathcona Center for Performing Arts](#) unless otherwise noted. Club events are organized through the on-line trip listing, which can be found on the section web page:
<http://alpineclub-edm.org>

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The BREEZE

The BREEZE is a monthly Edmonton Section publication (except summer months and December) containing trip reports, mountain articles, photos, and club events.

Instructions to sign-up for our newsletter and copies of current and past editions of the BREEZE can be found online at:

<http://alpineclub-edm.org/breeze.asp>

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"End of Summer"

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Summer Trips :

<http://alpineclub-edm.org/2010/trips/ACC-Edm-summer-schedule-2010.pdf>

Winter trips schedule: Coming!

Message from the Chair

Now that this summer of our discontent – or rather extended monsoon season – has turned to a hopeful fall, it's time to start planning again. Some rock climbing and scrambling was to be had on dry rock with luck, but many big mountain trips had to be canceled due to the unstable or downright nasty weather. I'm still holding out hope for an Indian summer giving opportunities for some scrambles, but we will see.

In case the November-like weather of late has gotten you ready for winter the winter trip planning meeting is only a few weeks away. Hard to believe but it's time to plan for some skiing and ice climbing until next May.

With summer gone for good, our monthly meetings will start up again the third Tuesday in September. First up is the ever popular "We know what you did last summer". Everybody is invited to bring their pictures and stories of recent mountain adventures and share them. Hopefully on some trips the rain stopped long enough and the clouds parted to let people take pictures.

Our Centennial Committee has been quite active even over summer. We have made some progress towards our main centennial project, a year-round, outdoor climbing facility in Edmonton. In a few months we will report on the details of these plans here and start soliciting for volunteers and donations.

This gives me the opportunity to thank two of our most prolific volunteers for their contributions to the ACC and the sections. Roger and Neil are not a part of the section Board of Directors, but chair two of our most important committees. Neil is the chair of the Centennial Committee and has already pushed our plans forward and invested a lot of his time. The Distinguished Service Award of the ACC he received earlier this year was well deserved. Roger leads the Climbing & Safety Committee which, among other things, has to deal with problems on club trips; a difficult, sometimes delicate and thankless task. Many thanks to both for their efforts.

Start planning for winter, get your slides together and we'll see you at the General Meeting and the

Winter Trip Planning Meeting. ***Ernst***

Ernst Bergmann,

Chair, Edmonton Section,

Alpine Club of Canada Chair, Safety Committee, Alpine

Club of Canada 

Blurb from the editor:

"It's the journey that counts, not the destination." So my climbing partner commented in our outing last weekend. Appropriate and timely. In our case, the journey will be through a culture 12 time-zones around the world. So, I will be handing off the responsibilities for the next two editions of the BREEZE.

To maintain some acclimatization to some altitude, and without a long approach or injury - as part of the journey last weekend, we came across a number of ACC members. These were many of the few people we ran into that did not opt for a cappuccino in Canmore and watch the rain and clouds from inside. You don't have to be crazy, but it helps . . .

In any case, one person we ran into perchance was Lynn Martel. In the flesh. I pleaded for a pic. Lynn conceded. We got talking of her work as a writer. Lynn mentioned her latest book *Expedition to the Edge: Stories of Worldwide Adventure* – check it out on her web-page, under the "Books" icon. <http://www.lynnmartel.ca/index.html>

Marketing mountain books on the mountain! For those that don't know, Lynn is the editor for the ACC



Gazette and contributes to other well-known climbing mags.

Take a look at the pics from the past BBQ – well done, Mr. Gary et al!

As Ernst stated, be sure to prep your summer adventures for presentation at the September meeting. See this edition for details.

Summer is at an end and snow has hit the heights of the mountains! **Trip Planners meeting:** Yea, the winter season is upon us! See details in this edition.



Photo D. Hallet

Centennial Planning is full steam. Assist in this significant event targeted for 2012! Contacts are at the end of this edition of the BREEZE.

And! Chic Scott will be speaking on the 16th of November – see details in this BREEZE!

'nuff said. ed. 🏆



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Mark Your Calendar:

General section meeting Tuesday, September 21st, 2010 at the *Strathcona Center for Performing Arts*. A block north of the Strathcona hotel.

General section meeting, with guest speaker: YOU!

Shows us some pics and tell us tales of your great adventures this summer!

Topic: "What you did last summer!"

Date: Tuesday September 21, 2010
7:30pm - 9:00pm

Location: Old Strathcona Performing Arts Centre

8426 Gateway Boulevard NW

Edmonton, Alberta T6E 4B4

<http://www.cosmopolitanmusic.org/>

Open to: All ACC members

Winter Trips Planning Meeting: Ski and Ice

It's time to start planning our winter adventures - come and join us for a trip-planning meeting, ACC-Edmonton-style! Want to lead a trip? Bring your ideas, or brainstorm with others. We supply the munchies, bebies, and maps.

Date: Tuesday September 28, 2010
7:00pm - 9:00pm

Location: Boston Pizza - Team Room
4804 Calgary Trail Edmonton, AB

Open to: All ACC-Edmonton Section trip leaders (old and new) wanting to brainstorm/submit trips, and past trip leaders.

The ACC Edmonton Section is once again offering its very popular **Emergency Mountaineering First Aid (EMFA) weekend course on Sept 25 and 26**, run by Rescue Dynamics. EMFA is essential for all trip leaders and should be considered by anyone venturing into the back-country. We recommend updating your skills at least every two years

ACC EMERGENCY MOUNTAINEERING FIRST AID September 25,26, 2010 Edmonton
This two day course is specially designed to address common traumatic and environmental injuries encountered by climbers and skiers. The curriculum was developed by extensively researching the nature of outdoor mountain injuries and realistically evaluating the information and techniques that could best serve the average recreational mountain or wilderness traveler. For details see:

www.rescuedynamics.ca/emergency.htm#EMFA.

Cost: \$200 (there is not a discount for trip leaders)
(check - there may be some spots open - registration was Sept 11th)

Contact: leadership@alpineclub-edm.org

The ACC in conjunction with the Outdoors Club is sponsoring an evening with **Chic Scott** speaking November 16th 7:00 pm at Van Vliet Centre, U of A Campus, E-121. ACC Members are free. There is expected to be a book signing opportunity – to be confirmed. Always very informative and interesting presentations. ACC members are free – have your membership with you.

Centennial Planning – As many are aware, there is some very ambitious work for the upcoming Edmonton section Centennial. Lend your expertise and abilities to this cause – further details will be forthcoming. Activities include fund raising, building activities of a proposed wall and the gala festivities themselves in 2012!

See the end of this *BREEZE* for details
Neil Bosch, *Centennial Committee Chair*

“honour our past, celebrate the present and leave a legacy for the future”

**Celebrating a Century of the
Alpine Club in Edmonton**

Celebrate. Connect. Commemorate.

Get Involved. Add Value. Volunteer.

Photo Contest! Thinking ahead, be sure to gather and prep those *phantastic* photos in anticipation of shoulder season. Something to keep one occupied, you know. In any case, Edmonton Section ACC organizes a photo contest for members. The entries must be from an alpine region and must have been taken on trips within the prior two years. The slide and photo entries are shown and the results announced at our annual Wine and Cheese party at the end of November. Stay tuned for further details.

2010 General Meeting Schedule

<i>Date</i>	<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Location</i>
September 21st	Various adventurers!	What YOU did last summer!	Strathcona Center for Performing Arts
October 19	TBA	TBA	Strathcona Center for Performing Arts
November 16	Chic Scott	Presentation	VanVliet Center U of A Room E-121
November	Photo contest	Phantastic Pics	TBA (get those pics ready!)

Announcements:

Wate-Gibson Memorial Hut

Rick Checkland is once again leading the **annual maintenance ops for Wates-Gibson Memorial Hut**. Rick advises of details here:

Tonquin Hut Work Party - Thanksgiving Weekend October 9, 10, 11.

Rating: Beginner

Celebrate Thanksgiving and the change of seasons in the Wates-Gibson Memorial Hut, Hike to Tonquin on Saturday, clean and work around the hut on Sunday morning. Hike in the Eremite or Tonquin Valleys Sunday afternoon, walk out on Monday.

Food – provided! Sunday and Monday breakfasts (pancakes & bacon) and Saturday and Sunday dinners provided. Ham on Saturday and full turkey dinner on Sunday! Everybody shares the food costs and helps carry it in.

Accommodation is free but you will need a backcountry pass.

Maximum, including leaders: 20

BYOB.

This is an intermediate hike of about 16 km. Times 5 - 6 hours including stops.

Contact Rick Checkland at 780-721-8702

The Edmonton Section ACC The Edmonton Section has a great selection of leadership courses offered for 2010. Included are **Ski Leadership, Rock Rescue, Mountain Navigation, Scrambles Leadership**, (back by popular demand!) **Rock Solid Leadership, and Emergency Mountaineering First Aid**. For more information see our website at: <http://alpineclub-edm.org/>

Contact: leadership@alpineclub-edm.org for information and applications.

Level 1 Avalanche courses are offered by Peter Amann in Jasper, with courses offered in December and beyond. These are listed on Peter's website at: <http://www.incentre.net/users/pamann/courses.html>

Please return the waivers from all winter trips to the Safety Director Duncan McColl. We need to archive the waivers from the section trips. Turning in your waivers is also required to be eligible for the draw prizes for trip leaders at the annual November Awards night.

Wall bookings for 2010 (6:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.)

Sept 26, Oct 17 and Oct 24, Nov 14 and 28 & Dec 19. We have exclusive use of the wall from 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm on these nights. There is no charge to Edmonton section members other than belay test fees that are required at Urban Uprising. Complete information is posted on the ACC Edmonton section website. These nights are a great time to get some exercise and meet other members, not to mention plan the odd outing.

For additional information, please contact [Duncan McColl](mailto:Duncan.McColl@alpineclub-edm.org) ****Please check the website for complete, updated details:** <http://alpineclub-edm.org/climbingFacilities.asp#cnauu>

BBQ Pics!





Celebrating A Century of the Alpine Club in Edmonton **Celebrate. Connect. Commemorate.**

Almost 100 years ago, a small burg on the vast Plains became home to the eighth "local committee" of the Alpine Club. The seven before were Winnipeg, Toronto, Calgary, Vancouver, Vancouver Island, New York and London UK. They were renamed sections and eight are listed in 1913 with E. Fuller listed as the first Chair of Edmonton. Today, the ACC- Edmonton Section proudly boasts a membership of over 400, a diverse roster of learning opportunities and a calendar offering trips across the full spectrum of ages, abilities and interests.

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Gala Dinner and Dance

Take a break from your technical, all-weather wear and step into something more celebratory. Join fellow members – old friends, new friends and soon-to-be friends - as we applaud the achievements of the Edmonton Section and honour past and present leaders and members for their contributions to the club and the community.

Silent Auction and Tasting

Plan to do your holiday shopping, or pick up one of the always popular to-me-from-me gifts, at a live and silent auction featuring merchandise and services donated by ACC-Edmonton Section members and supporters.

Commemorative Publication

Club historian PearlAnn is researching and verifying the club evolution, trip journals and captured interviews to bring them together and preserve them for them for the future.

Celebratory Camps

Plans will be laid to hold special section camps and at settings that offer access to some of the finest classic hikes, sport climbing and mountaineering routes in the Rockies.

Mount Edmonton “Expedition”

Nearly 350,000 names are recognized by the Geographical Names Board of Canada (GNBC) for official Canadian use. Mount Edmonton is not one of them! The unofficial Mount Edmonton is among the outstanding peaks in the Canadian Rockies that cannot be seen from a road. ACC-Edmonton Section Executive will seek commemorative naming from the GNBC to honour and memorialize the Section in the official geographical names record.



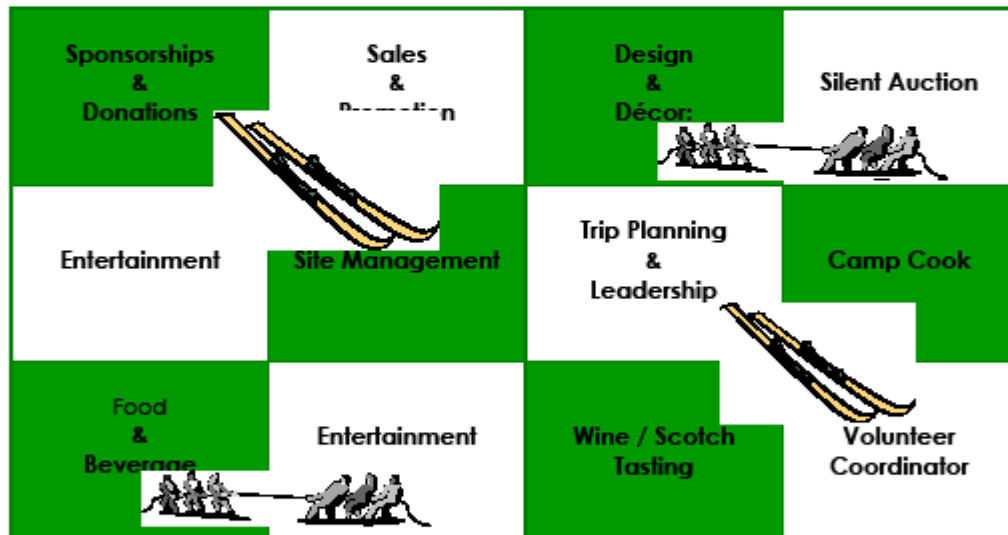
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Help your club celebrate 100 years of mountain passion on the prairies and share your personal enthusiasm for outdoor adventure with members by becoming an active member of the Centennial Gala subcommittee.

Whether you are a hiker, backcountry skier, snow-shoer, ice climber, rock climber or mountaineer, you already have core competencies needed to help make the Edmonton Section Centennial Celebration memorable . . . your enthusiasm and your energy.

Get Involved. Add Value. Volunteer.

It's a year to look forward to, and it will take more members to co-ordinate and deliver a Centennial Celebration that remembers the past, rewards the present and leaves a legacy for members in the years ahead.



If you have any questions about how you can get involved, or you want to volunteer early to lead, follow or have the pick of the job jar, please contact:

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