



Camping 2019
Getting set for Camp opening
July 1st - August 31

John and Suzi are back!

We're delighted John Doyle is returning as Camp Director with Suzi Doggett for their 5th season!

Are you an Apprentice Camp Director?

Calling all friends...

Time to share the joy of camping at Wilderness. See inside.

Welcome Clementine

Meet our newest Board member

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Northwest Wilderness Society of the Unitarian Church

MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to promote the principles and values of Unitarianism, and to strengthen the bonds among Unitarians and adherents, their families and friends, by experiencing community in a wilderness setting.

We are stewards of the land. We facilitate enjoyment of this land and are committed to preserving the peace, beauty and essential wildness while protecting it from development so that future generations may continue to draw nourishment from it.

To help keep the experience as originally intended, there are only four "rules":

- Cut no living trees
- No illegal drugs
- No pets
- No firearms

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Meet our newest Board member Clementine Hiltner

Clementine works as the Issues Manager for the BC Wildfire Service, assisting with managing the many and varied issues associated with the organization's mandate. Clementine has been with the public service for a year and a half, holding positions with the Thompson Rivers Forest District in Kamloops supporting wildfire recovery, managing issues for executive operations for the Ministry of Forests, as well as supporting the Archaeology Branch. Clementine has a BA in Environmental Studies and Geography from the University of Victoria.

Clementine and her family - Dad Peter Hiltner, and siblings Lucie and Finn - started attending camp in 1995, when she met lifelong camp friends. The legacy continues as Clementine and Lucie and family have begun bringing the latest member of the family, 2 year old Lee Riley (youngest camper, 2018!).

SHARE THE JOY

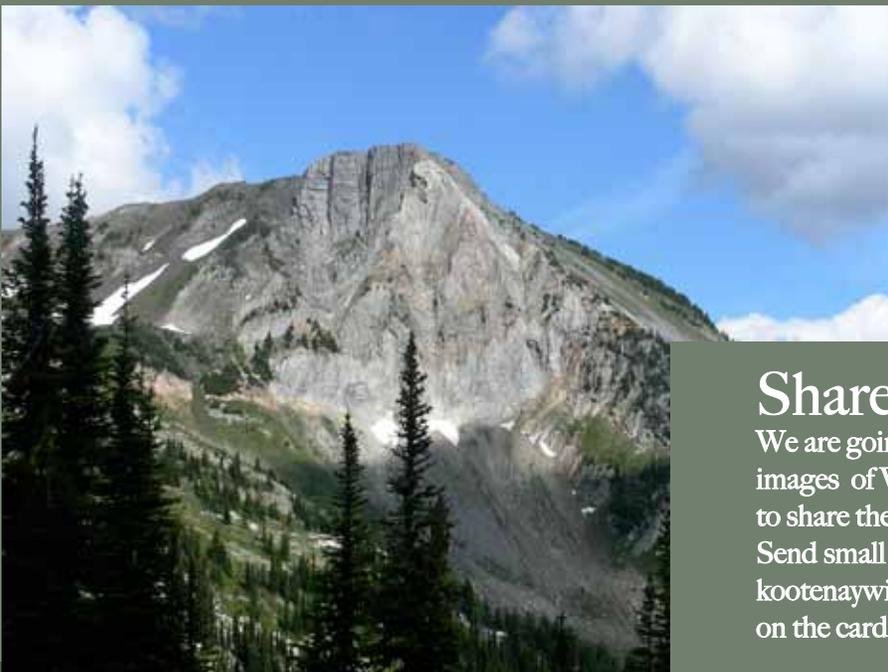
Calling all friends!

Word of mouth is how the wonder of Wilderness Camp is spread to friends, family and the next generation. You can be a camp ambassador!

Making a presentation to a group is an excellent thing to do and we have resources that can help.

- Choose a ready-madeslideshow.
<https://kootenaywildernesscamping.org/camp-ready-for-2015-season/>
- Ask about the leaflet. We can send you copies. For this or other resources email: wileykeith@gmail.com.

Your own stories and photos are the best way to communicate and generate interest in camping.



Share your best photos
We are going to try again... to collect a whole set of the best images of Wilderness Camp and people to make notecards to share the beauty and community of camp. Send small sample images (under 1 mb) jpg images to info@kootenaywildernesscamping.org All images will be credited on the cards.

Call for Camp Director or apprentice directors

2018 Camp report from Camp Director John Doyle

(excerpt from full report given at November AGM)

2018 was busier than the previous year. There were campers each and every day. We had 4 sets of 3 generations this year. Some interesting total numbers: 119 adults, 19 teens, 45 children, 60 vehicles

Our longest tenured camper was Don V. who stayed 30 nights while Anne Marie and Don Shaw were pretty much there, off and on, for the whole summer. Another camper of note was Sigrid who had first visited camp 50 years ago as a young teenager and brought her family for many summers. But her most recent visit was 19 years ago.

All 12 campsites on the north (main) side were in use over the August long weekend. Only one group chose to stay on South Beach although a number of visitors camped there.

The number of Nelson families visiting camp increased in 2018. Many for the first time as the North West Wilderness Society (NWWS) story was shared amongst like-minded people.

A fire ban was implemented July 26th. While there were no local fires affecting camp, air quality and visibility deteriorated on a number of occasions. For a few days we could not see across the lake. Campers were very good about managing garbage.

Fishing was terrific through out July. Things slowed down quickly in early August following a spell of 35C weather.

Fry Point was visited by locals and visitors almost daily. Pleasure boats pretty much kept to the point. Houseboats aka the Kaslo Navy came onto the new beach however, for the most part, were quiet and considerate. The big news though is that the Kaslo Shipyards business and boats are up for sale. Their last charter was September 7th, 2018.

Roughing it! Some intrepid campers just chilling after dinner.



The Board is very pleased to announce that Camp Director John Doyle and Suzi Doggett are coming back to Wilderness for 2019. It will be their 5th year providing this tremendous community service that facilitates easy access to camp for all of us.

We are nonetheless seeking potential camp directors for the future. Anyone interested should speak with John Doyle. It's a great idea to do an informal Apprenticeship during time in camp to practice running the boat, learn the weather signs of the Lake and review the Directors' responsibilities. The Board indicated camp fees will be waived for anyone who is actively apprenticing and learning the ropes.

There are also precedents for the job being shared or split during the July/August season.

Camp Director is a volunteer position — there is an honorarium of \$2,500 – and some camping costs are covered, but it really is a tremendous contribution to the community. Previous directors will all tell you how rewarding it is to facilitate so many families' enjoyment.

Camp Directors are required to have a boat operator's license (easy to get with an online course) and have good outdoors and camping experience. Operating the camp boat and ferrying campers is the main duty, but the director is responsible for safe camping.

Anyone interested in becoming camp director should contact the president, Anne Marie Shaw at: 250-362-5094 or via email: amashaw55@gmail.com