



Heli Canada  
ADVENTURES

# October-November

## 2009



### Coming to a town near you... The Heli Canada Adventures Road Show!

We are very pleased to present the super sensational Heli Canada Adventures Exhibition. We have been working very hard to prepare a beautiful and captivating presentation showcasing how truly wonderful a vacation with Heli Canada Adventures can be and why we think you'd love it here as much as we do! We are excited to share with you a slide show with the most stunning panoramas and most awesome action shots we have collected over these past 10 years. Here at Heli Canada Adventures we are very interested in maintaining friendships with our growing community of past present and futures guests. We would be thrilled to come to your hometown to meet you! Maybe you've been dreaming for a long time of experiencing a vacation at Heli Canada Adventures but have many questions you've wanted to ask in person, and maybe you have a group of friends you really want to get excited about coming with you! As a special bonus to you as the host, if anyone in your party books a vacation with us, it will be our pleasure to offer you a 10-percent discount on your next Heli Canada Adventure!

Next week Bob Shafto, president of Heli Canada Adventures, is headed to Dallas, Texas to present the slide show to a group of 40 interested hikers and mountaineers. They called us a few weeks ago inviting us to attend their club and of course we couldn't book our plane tickets fast enough! Texas here we come!



## FALL HAS ARRIVED!

**S**parkling Sapphire Skies Light Up Dazzling Diamond bright Glaciated mountain peaks and Spectacular Gold, Ruby, Amber, and Emerald Colours paint the lush surrounding slopes of our valley, here in Revelstoke.

If ever there was a time made for our Heli Photography Courses it is right now!

Heli Photography was our featured adventure in last month's newsletter.

For more details on this or any of our packages, just check out [www.helicanada.com](http://www.helicanada.com), or email [info@helicanada.com](mailto:info@helicanada.com) or call 1-888-837-5417.

We've had a beautiful summer here with perfect conditions for flying freely into the mountains. We've greatly enjoyed getting to know our guests who have departed as good friends and we will be seeing them again next year!

Highlights include a refreshing dip in an alpine snow-fed lake after a serene hike up pine-forested slopes and through wildflower meadows; capturing some awesome pictures of eagles teaching their young to fly on a neighboring ridge; and finding some classic 5.8 rock climbing pitches in the Mulvey area.

### Featured Adventure: Avalanche Safety Courses

One season closer to powder skiing!

Have you been thinking about starting to pull out those skis from behind all your summer adventure gear? Has your local paper started to advertise the annual ski swap?

It's definitely time to call us to book your avalanche skills training courses. Keep yourself and your loved ones safe in the backcountry. Ensure you are educated with the most up to date observation and avoidance techniques available in the world today. These courses have a limited number of guests per guide to maintain the optimum learning environment and so fill up quickly, so book early to avoid disappointment.



If you're skiing, snowmobiling, snowboarding, ski touring, snowshoeing or climbing in the mountain backcountry, avalanche awareness training is an essential skill. That's why Heli Canada Adventures offers a range of recreational avalanche awareness courses, from introductory through advanced training. We understand the mountains, and our highly qualified, professional guides share that understanding with participants on our avalanche awareness courses.

#### Avalanche Awareness courses include:

- 16-hour Introduction to Avalanche Safety courses for skiers and climbers
- 16-hour Introduction to Avalanche Safety courses for snowmobilers
- 30-hour Advanced Avalanche Safety courses for skiers and climbers
- 4-day Advanced Fly-In/Fly-Out Avalanche courses for skiers and climbers

<http://www.helicanada.com/courses/avalanche1.html>

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### News Round-Up Just a few tips and newsy reminders

#### The GST Dance

You'll notice that trip costs look slightly different for international (including US) and Canadian guests: International guest prices include the federal government's visitor Goods and Services Tax (GST) rebate of 2.5% (meaning that international guests only pay 2.5%); Canadian prices include the full 5% GST.

#### Referral discounts

For those very kind folks who refer us to other people who subsequently book with us, we're offering a 10-percent discount on your next Heli Canada Adventure — just our way of saying a warm "thank you!"

#### Post your pictures!

Have you enjoyed one of our adventures? Don't forget that we're looking for your photos for our new photo gallery. Just e-mail them in jpg format to [info@helicanada.com](mailto:info@helicanada.com) and we'll put them up on the website for everyone to enjoy.

### About Heli Canada Adventures

HCA specializes in exclusive, small group heli adventures. Our summer adventures range from heli picnics to heli backpacking, with heli hiking and heli mountaineering as our signature offerings.

Our winter adventures feature powder ski and snowboard touring, and heli snowshoeing — and we also team up with two high-quality partner companies to offer heli skiing and heli snowboarding.

We match each trip and group to your pace and expertise, making our adventures ideal for families, couples and single travelers. We also specialize in designing corporate, private and incentive heli adventures to fit your goals. From our base in Revelstoke, British Columbia, we provide unparalleled access to some of North America's most pristine mountain wilderness.



Heli Canada Adventures' avalanche awareness courses adhere to Canadian Avalanche Association guidelines for Recreational Avalanche training. These courses are designed to improve recreational avalanche safety in Canada, and to introduce a nationally recognized training standard. This means that students on our avalanche awareness courses receive high quality training compatible with courses from other providers using the same material. This training is also an excellent stepping stone for those planning on taking the Level 1 Avalanche Course from the Canadian Avalanche Association.

Also check out our Introduction to Powder Ski-Touring Courses

[http://www.helicanada.com/courses/powder\\_skiing.html](http://www.helicanada.com/courses/powder_skiing.html).

These courses cover all the training you will need to enjoy ski touring, including a 16-hour Introduction to Avalanche Safety. After this course you will be familiar in the use of ski touring gear, weather watching, how to walk, track setting, self-rescue, route finding while skiing, and more!

These courses take place in Roger's Pass, located 45 minutes east of Revelstoke and located in Canada's Glacier National Park. Here is the home of legendary snowfalls and superb powder skiing. Each night you'll enjoy luxurious comfort and warm hospitality at the Roger's Pass Best Western Hotel.

In the morning simply walk outside to the back parking

lot, strap on your skins, snap into your touring bindings, and begin your adventure into the backcountry wilderness via the up track located directly behind the hotel!

The introduction to powder ski touring courses are designed for those just beginning their ski touring training. Participants should have a moderate fitness level, and be able to link 10 turns skiing a blue-run ski hill without falling.

### Did You Know?

Revelstoke Mountain Resort was voted 'Best Downhill Terrain' in the Pacific Northwest by OnTheSnow.com!

### Just a reminder to book your adventure before July 2010...

Good news and tax news... Our provincial government has announced that on July 1, 2010, we are to have a new tax — yahoo! It will be called the Harmonized Sales Tax or HST. This will replace the current taxes, the PST and GST, by combining them. Currently our guests do not pay the PST, only the GST and if you are an international guest, you pay only half of the GST.

On July 1st, 2010 our guests will be paying the HST at 12%, a 9.5% increase for our international guests and 7% increase for our Canadian guests. So the good news is that you have from now to June 30th 2010, to book your helicopter vacation with us at the current tax rates- up to 9.5% in savings!

We do take the news of this tax sadly. We have let our provincial government know and we hope that they will take a second look before implementing the HST on our industry. We will keep you updated when we know more but our best advice is book now!!

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