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We Want To Hear From You!

Always wanting to stay current and interesting, we're busy thinking of ways to revamp our newsletter. We need your help. Write to us and tell us what you like about your favourite newsletters. What would you like to see? What topics would you like explored? What information would you like to see included? Call or write with ideas, and let us know. Thank you!

So, whether it's a photography course, a mountaineering trip, or a laid back heli picnic with good friends or family, let us help you create the perfect trip for you and your needs and desires. We guarantee knowledgeable Guides combined with laughter, fun, and adventure - the perfect combination.

Suggestions? Please just drop us a line at info@helicanada.com or **1-888-837-5417**.



Calling All Wildflowers!



Welcome to our summer newsletter. With one eye on the weather (looking good!) and one eye on our hiking and climbing gear, we are ready to head out there and show you the wonders of this incredible area. Located smack in the middle of the Selkirk and Monashee mountain ranges, Revelstoke is the perfect summer getaway. Bob and his team will show you sights people don't often get to see; whisking you away on an exciting helicopter ride to stand at the top of the world to take it all in. No gruelling ascent, just an exhilarating ride, followed by hiking or climbing at your pace, where you want to explore, focusing on what you want to focus on. After all, this is Bob's specialty: custom-designed adventures to suit every person and every group. All you need is the desire to venture off the beaten path with someone who knows these mountains like the back of his hand.

But don't take our word for it! This newsletter we're doing things a little differently. We've decided that the best way for you to find out why you should book a hiking, climbing, or mountaineering adventure with Bob is to hear about it from people who have already done it.

Ladies Trip! - The Unstoppable Trio

Linda, Jane, and Judy have hiked their way through thirty years of friendship, and were on the lookout for yet another adventure. All hailing from the lovely city of Boulder, Colorado, hiking has been a huge part of their lives, fit in between family, work, and various other life obligations. Every Wednesday, these retired, fit, enthusiastic ladies head out to hike the hills around Boulder. But occasionally, they leave husbands to fend

for themselves and venture a bit further for an extended hiking experience. This time it was spectacular British Columbia, Canada, and their chosen guide was Bob Shafto. "Right from the beginning," said Linda, "Bob was attentive and helpful. Through phone calls and emails, Bob helped us create a heli hiking trip that fit our needs perfectly." Always going that extra mile for his guests, Bob even helped Linda find a massage therapist in Boulder to help prepare her for the trip, as she had recently had hip-replacement surgery. "He wanted to make sure I got as much enjoyment out of the trip as possible, which meant a lot of jumping jacks for me every evening!" For Judy and Jane, the focus was going to be wildflowers - the more sightings and varieties the better; Bob had two experts on his hands.



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"We live in a wonderful world that is full of beauty, charm and adventure. There is no end to the adventures that we can have if only we seek them with our eyes open."

Jawaharlal Nehru



As we all know, Canada never fails to deliver when it comes to beauty, space and grandeur; the women flew into Calgary, Alberta, spent a day exploring Banff, and then headed to Revelstoke in their rental car. Wildlife sightings included two grizzly bears, three deer, one mountain goat, and plenty of wildflowers along the way. Oh, and talking, talking, talking. And don't forget laughter – plenty of that as well. Being on the road, exploring new territory, away from the usual life routines, hanging with your besties, on your way to a thrilling heli hiking experience – really, what could be better?

After settling into their cozy accommodations and getting a good sleep, Bob arrived the next morning to transport the threesome to the helicopter pad for an introduction to Jamie, their pilot for the three-day trip. Knowledgeable, professional, and friendly, the ladies liked Jamie immediately ("He was very cute, he really was," says Linda). As soon as the helicopter lifted, the group knew they were in good hands. Jamie handled the machine like the expert he is, and even the first-time experience for Judy was exhilarating.

The next three days were full of hiking, wildflower exploration ("Bob had all the books and knowledge about wildflowers –Judy and Jane were in their element," Linda laughed), two more breathtaking helicopter rides, Cowboy Cookies provided by Deb, Bob's partner, laughter and good talk with Bob and Deb, and a special escort by Big Eddy, Bob's retired rescue dog, who still loves a good hike. While Mother Nature didn't always fully comply, the trio still found the experience top-notch. When asked what she especially appreciated about Bob, Linda replied, "We just knew that Bob would take care of us. He was incredibly organized and prepared – like the proverbial Boy Scout! Safety always comes first with Bob. We always felt safe and secure, so that we could focus fully on the fun and adventure and being together." When asked if they would consider a repeat trip, Linda responded immediately, with a resounding, "Absolutely!"

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