



BC Easter Seals Camps

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Family Camp Update

We are pleased to announce that we will be having a FAMILY CAMP at Camp Squamish, April 1-3, 2011. More details will be released soon - we are very excited to hear all the interest in this camp. Registration will occur in February, based on a first come first serve basis.



Sports Camps Partnerships

Did you know that BC WheelChair Sports and Sportability BC come to a week of camp at each of our locations to provide sports

Dear BC Easter Seals Camp Community,

Welcome to Winter!!

After a few months of reflection and quiet in the office, we are starting to gear up for Camp 2011. There is a lot going on around here! We recently had a great offseason dance party in Vancouver. Coordinator applications have been posted and by the beginning of January the camp dates for 2011 will be posted to our website!

Please take a few moments to enjoy some of the news from the BC Easter Seals Camp Community.

Camper Survey Results

Thank you to everyone who completed our family survey! The information you provided was invaluable!

One thing that became clear is that our families are not entirely certain of all the ways that the BC Lions Society Fundraises for camp. We thought we would point you in the direction of the [BC Lions Society website](#) that outlines all the amazing ways that fundraising happens for camp.

We heard from many people that they wonder if their campers can stay in touch in the offseason through facebook. We do have a [facebook page](#) that campers can connect through. We also would be happy to help families get in touch - if you are looking to get in touch with a camper please send an email to camp@lionsbc.ca and as long as it is ok with the other family, we can put you in touch.

If you added any specific information in your survey about your campers experience that you would like to have addressed, please feel free to get in touch with me, Cheryl, at camp@lionsbc.ca or 604-873-1865 to discuss.

Superheroes for Camp!

In September every year, hundreds of individuals partake in the adrenaline thrilled "drop-zone" fundraiser for BC Easter Seals. This year was certainly no exception! Among the superheroes were David and Paula, parents of a BC Easter Seals Camper, Tristan.



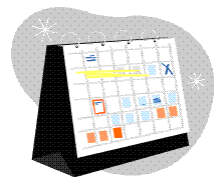
"My wife Paula and I decided that participating in the Drop Zone would be a really fun and exciting way to help give back to a cause that does so much for our family, especially our son Tristan. As an avid Easter Seals camper



programming for our campers? Boccia, Wheelchair Rugby, basketball and sledge hockey are among the favourite sports! If you would like more information about these organizations, or are interested in getting your camper involved in the offseason, please visit their websites:

[BC Wheelchair Sports](#)
[Sportability BC](#)

Important Dates for the 2011 season



Jan 3, 2011 - Camp Dates will be published to our website
Jan 31, 2011 - Camp Staff Applications available online
April 1-3 - Squamish Family Camp
April 4, 2011 - Camper Applications become available online



now for five years, Tristan is thrilled every summer when he gets to go and "hangout" with the great people he gets to spend time with at Camp Shawnigan.

Every year when he's being picked up from camp, Tristan always begins by saying "I don't want to leave" even before saying "Hello". With a testimony like that, as parents we really wanted to be able to contribute to keep that kind of enthusiasm and excitement going for both T as well as all the special kids we meet at camp, and the Drop Zone provided a great opportunity to do so. We really encourage other parents to get involved and do so as well, - Not only will they raise money to support their cause, they will have a lot of fun doing it!

Thanks to everyone at Easter Seals for the opportunity to challenge our "Inner Superheroes" - we had a terrific time!"

Regards, David and Paula Knapp-Fisher

HUGE thanks David and Paula for participating in this great event!

Website updates

We are continually adding more information and updating our website.

PSW's: We recently reworked the [Personal Support Worker Section](#) to add additional information for families and personal support workers. We hope this will help families through the process of finding a personal support worker. If you have any suggestions, please let us know!

Videos: We have put our youtube channel on the [website!](#) [Check out some of our favourites](#)

Stay in touch in the offseason!

Looking to stay in touch with camp before the summer? Check out the BC Easter Seals Camp Community through our [Facebook](#) and on [Twitter](#). [Our Website](#) continues to be a great source of information for families, staff and volunteers. Check back often to see what is new! We will continue to keep you informed through this Easter Seals Rickabamboo on a regular basis.



Thats all for now folks! Hope to see you soon!

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