



## **CMH & NCC team up for Nature with Special Guest Michael Proctor, PhD September 7 – 10, 2012 BUGABOOS HELI-HIKING**

### About Michael Proctor, PhD:

Michael Proctor has been researching grizzly bears in the Kootenays since 1995. He is the lead researcher for the Trans-border Grizzly Bear Project working to recover the threatened South Selkirk and South Purcell mountain grizzly bear.

**ALLERGY ALERT!**  
Bugaboo Lodge is a NUT  
FREE zone.

**QUOTE OF THE DAY**  
“Great things are done  
when men and mountains  
meet.”

~William Blake

### **SEP 7: BANFF TO BUGABOO HELIPAD**

Taxi transfer from your hotel down to the Brewster Transportation Centre - included  
**7:30 am** Departure time from Banff to the Bugaboo Helipad near Spillimacheen, BC.  
Snacks and beverages are included onboard the coach.

**10:00 am (Mountain Time)** Arrive at the helipad for the quick, flight to Bugaboo Lodge. Get outfitted with all the necessary hiking gear. Lunch at the lodge. Following a helicopter safety talk, enjoy an afternoon of heli-hiking. Heli-flight back to the lodge late afternoon for appetizers and beverages, and relaxation before dinner.

**7:00 pm** Dinner is served family style, with guests and staff eating together. (L, D)

### **SEP 8, 9: FULL DAYS OF HELI-HIKING**

**7:30 am** Morning stretch class

**8:00 am** Breakfast begins

**9:00 am** The first helicopter departs the lodge with the first group of hikers, accompanied by a guide, for a full day of exploring the immense variety of landscapes in the Bugaboos. Return to the lodge mid-afternoon

**7:00 pm** Dinner

(B, L, D)

One evening Michael Proctor will give a relaxed non-technical presentation about his research on grizzly bears in the Kootenay region. His discussions will be around the use of DNA as a tool to understand grizzly bear ecology and conservation issues and describes the process of capturing wild grizzly bears for radio collaring. He talks about his radio collar work that is being used to identify movement areas that will be managed (and/or purchased by groups like Nature Conservancy Canada) to reconnect the fragmented landscape - important for grizzly bear long term survival in this region. He explains the use of the telemetry results to identify critical habitat in the backcountry so it may be managed for habitat security for females raising offspring.

## **SEP 10: BUGABOO HELIPAD TO CALGARY**

**8:00 am** Breakfast at the lodge

**9:30 am** First flight from the lodge to the Bugaboo Helipad.

**11:00 am** Depart the helipad by motorcoach, returning through Kootenay and Banff National Parks to Banff and Calgary Airport. Boxed lunch is provided for the return trip.

**1:30 pm** Arrive in Banff.

**4:00 pm** Arrive at the Calgary Airport

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### **Trip Inclusions:**

- 3 nights Accommodation
- Transportation from Banff to the Bugaboos Heli-Pad
- 2 ½ days of mountain exploration with Michael Proctor with helicopter flights
- 12 meals, all snacks, non-alcoholic beverages
- Use of CMH hiking equipment (boots, jacket, backpack, waterbottle)

### **Pricing:**

Adults: \$2,565 CDN

Youth (aged 15-17 yrs):

\$2,255 CDN

Child (aged 5-14 yrs):

\$1,925 CDN

Prices are per person based on double occupancy and do not include applicable taxes

**\*CMH will donate 10% of the trip cost to NCC**

### **Deposit:**

\$300 CDN to confirm your space.

### **Reservations:**

To secure your spot on this adventure, contact CMH Reservations at 1.800.661.0252 or [info@cmhinc.com](mailto:info@cmhinc.com)

**SCHEDULE IS IN MOUNTAIN DAYLIGHT TIME; SUBJECT TO CHANGES**

### **About Nature Conservancy of Canada**

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