

<u>Summer Camps & Activities Information – 2014</u>



BC Easter Seals Camps provide overnight summer camping experiences for children and teens with physical and/or mental disabilities throughout British Columbia. We operate three accessible camp locations: **Camp Shawnigan** on Vancouver Island, **Camp Squamish** north of Vancouver, and **Camp Winfield** in the Okanagan Valley. Every summer over 900 kids with disabilities come to camp to have the best week of their year.

Summer 2014 Dates, Applications & More info: http://www.eastersealscamps.ca/



Located on the shores of <u>Stave Lake</u> in beautiful Mission, BC, **Zajac Ranch for Children** is situated on over 40 acres of pristine forested land. In the summer months, Zajac Ranch provides camps for children with chronic, life-threatening and/or debilitating conditions. These experiences give participants the opportunity to explore the great outdoors and to enjoy the diversity and beauty of our wilderness surroundings.

More Information: http://www.zajacranch.com/



Helping kids and teens grow up healthy, active and engaged is why the YMCA exists. For more than 100 years, we've provided fun camp adventures that combine new friendships, physical activity and personal growth to cultivate memories that last a lifetime. We believe camp is like no other childhood experience—one that every child deserves to take part in.

Campers with Special Needs: YMCA Camp Elphinstone is able to assist campers with basic physical and mental disabilities. For one-on-one help, we offer integrated programs that allow children with physical, mental or developmental special needs the chance to be a part of summer camp programs. We also offer fully accessible lodges that provide wheelchair access and adjoining washrooms. If you feel your child is in need of extra attention, please contact us for more information. Early registration is encouraged as space is limited.

Information on Day Camps, Overnight Camps & Outdoor Education: http://www.vanymca.org/camps/



Eureka Outdoor Camp

Eureka Outdoor Camp has been offering outdoor recreation programs for children and adolescents with invisible disabilities since 1980. This camp for kids with ADD, learning disabilities, obsessive compulsive disorder, autism and other invisible disabilities provides children with a sense of accomplishment through guided success. Campers are offered a chance to try new skills and make friends in an emotionally safe and friendly environment. Our staff have a good understanding of invisible disabilities and the challenges they create, and will work closely with each camper to support, encourage and celebrate every success.

For more information visit: www.eurekacamp.ca



The Canucks Autism Network (CAN) provides year-round, innovative, high quality sports, recreational, social and vocational programs for individuals and families living with autism, while building awareness and capacity through community networks across British Columbia.

The Canucks Autism Network team consists of a diverse group of trained staff, support workers and dedicated volunteers who administer programs for families and individuals living with autism in our province.

For more information and program listings: http://www.canucksautism.ca/Programs.htm



We believe that healthy people make a healthy society. Our programs reflect our firm belief that quality camping and outdoor experiences are key factors in personal growth and development. A progressive and socially responsible non-profit organization, we are dedicated to investing in our children, in our youth and families, and in our community.

Registration for Summer 2014 is now open.

More information: https://sasamat.org/summer_camps.html

OPERATION TRACKSHOES:

Held at the University of Victoria, Fri June 13 to Sun June 15, 2014

Operation Trackshoes (OT) is for anyone in British Columbia between the ages of 6 and 80 who has a developmental disability. We can offer you a full length competitive track and field meet, a fun-filled weekend of family picnic type games, swimming, softball, basketball, and great social events including a fabulous dinner and dance.

More information: http://www.trackshoes.ca/index.html





Summer School

Summer School is a fun and motivating program designed to provide students,12 years of age and up with an opportunity to continue their academic and social development during the summer.

More information: https://www.dsrf.org/media/Summer%20School(1).pdf

Power To Be

Power To Be provides adventure-based programs designed for youth and families in need of support. Through a collaborative approach and caring staff, Power To Be inspires connections with nature and the discovery of limitless ability.

We achieve our mission by providing a unique and inclusive year-round outdoor education curriculum that promotes physical heath and emotional well-being, develops interpersonal and leadership skills, teaches environmental and social stewardship, supports community engagement and family connectedness.

Find more information at: https://www.powertobe.ca/



The Disabled Sailing Association operates from June through August at the Jericho Sailing Centre at 1300 Discovery Street, Vancouver, BC.

Sailing is now one of the fastest-growing sports for people with a disability.

Participants range from complete novices to experienced racers – sailing instruction is available, although not mandatory.

Some come along for a sunny afternoon leisure activity, others are regular faces.

DSA-BC offers sailing experiences to children aged eight and up.

For more information: http://www.disabledsailingbc.org/about.shtml