



# Lifeline

## Aquatic News for British Columbia & the Yukon

### Holiday Office Hours

Closed from  
Friday, Dec. 23 to  
Sunday, Jan. 1  
Re-opening  
Monday, January 2



In 2011 the Lifesaving Society BC & Yukon Branch celebrated our 100th anniversary.

We kicked off the year at the AGM in March where we unveiled a set of traveling archives which help celebrate the 100th, enjoyed some great guest speakers and concluded with a reception.

A number of dinners were hosted throughout the Branch in conjunction with leadership training and affiliate visits. These included Kamloops, Cranbrook, Prince George, Duncan and Whitehorse. Thanks to everyone who participated!

The celebrations wound up with the Centennial Gala in October to support Swim to Survive. With over 200 people attending the Gala was a great success. Visit our [website](#) or [facebook page](#) for [photos](#).



*As we near the end of another year, the Branch staff and Board of Directors want to send our sincere wishes for a safe and happy holiday season. We appreciate your on-going commitment to the work of the Lifesaving Society and your continued support of our programs and public education campaigns.*

*Our Centennial year has been full of excitement and celebration; we thank you for being a part of it and for allowing the Lifesaving Society to be your long-standing resource for aquatic safety.*

*The volunteer leadership at the Board, NLS Committee and Leadership Committee levels are a key component in our success and we thank those who have contributed again throughout 2011.*

### LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S AWARD FOR PUBLIC SAFETY

The Lifesaving Society received the award for contributions to public safety for an organization. The award was presented by the Honourable Steven L. Point, the Lieutenant Governor of BC at a ceremony held at the Vancouver Trade and Convention Centre on November 16th.



### COMPETITION UPDATE

The Barnsley Branch Lifeguard Championship is being held on Aug 24 and 25, 2012. If your facility is outside the Lower Mainland and interested in hosting this event please contact the office.

If you are interested in hosting a regional competition, an expression of interest is due May 31, 2012.

### ON-LINE ORDERS & FEES

The first full year of on-line ordering has been very well-received and utilized. If you're not already on board, please contact Kathy to set up your account. To ensure the accuracy of your order we will no longer be accepting phone or e-mail orders and hope to be able to phase out fax orders in favour of the on-line method.

You will be pleased to know that there will be no program fee or manual price changes for 2012. We also do not anticipate any change to CPR manikin and other merchandise pricing, but in the case where suppliers increase their cost, you will be given at least 90 days notice.

### NLS REVISIONS

The revised NLS program will be launched in 2012 (exact date TBA). Watch for roll-out information as it becomes available. In the mean time ensure that you are ready by preparing for the [new physical standards](#).



### DB PERKS SCHOLARSHIPS

Through generous support from DB Perk & Associates Ltd, the Society is able to offer the annual DB Perks Scholarship program.

**Four \$500 scholarships are awarded each year in March at the Lifesaving Society Annual General Meeting. Applications must be submitted by January 31, 2012.**

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- March 9, 2012**  
Annual General Meeting
- March 10, 2012**  
Honour & Rescue Award Ceremony
- May 26 & 27, 2012 (CLERC)**  
Canadian Lifeguard Emergency Response Championship - Winnipeg
- June 1-3, 2012 (CPLC)**  
Canadian Pool Lifesaving Championship - Edmonton
- July 21- 29, 2012**  
National Drowning Prevention Week