

LifeLiner

Aquatic News for BC & the Yukon



Changing of the Guard

Outgoing Branch President, Dan Galazka, was given accolades at the March 17 AGM for his enthusiasm and commitment to making the Society better in many ways during his term. Dan then turned over the President's Chain of Office to Sean Healy for the next two years. Sean looks forward to working with Society staff, volunteers and affiliates to further the mission of drowning prevention.

94th Annual

Commonwealth Awards for Honour and Rescue

On March 18 the 94th Annual Honour and Rescue Awards celebrated the human spirit of giving. The honour awards praise the dedicated efforts of the Lifesaving Society's volunteers with presentations based on years of service. The Rescue Awards recognize individuals for the selfless act of putting their lives on the line during water rescues.

Some of this years honourees were:

Service Medal

For minimum 4 years of service:
Jim Croft, Chris McGregor and Steve Stone

Service Cross

For 12 or more years of volunteer service:
Nicole Liddell

M.G. Griffiths Award

Presented to an award holder who applied skill and knowledge gained through Lifesaving Society programs to aid a victim of an aquatic emergency.

Hal Bringeland and Darwyn Hermann

George A. Brown Memorial Medal

Presented annually to a pre-teen performing the most courageous aquatic rescue of the year.
Kylie Walsh

Governor's Gold Medal

Chosen by the Branch Governor and presented for the most heroic rescue of the year.
Clayton Hickey

To find out more and read the stories please visit the lifesaving website at www.lifesaving.bc.ca

Derek Laverty Competition Fund On-line Auction

Check out our exciting On-line Auction – cast your bid on the iPod nano, sea kayaking adventure, or the many other goods and services. All proceeds go to the Derek Laverty Competition Fund to assist in the development of athletes and officials. As Director of Aquatics for the City of Vancouver, Derek Laverty was a strong supporter of lifeguard competition. Help build Derek's legacy and support the BC & Yukon Branch competitors by bidding online or donate directly to the Derek Laverty Competition Fund.

To bid on-line go to:
www.lifesaving.bc.ca

ONLINE AUCTION






New CPR Guidelines



Go to www.lifesaving.bc.ca for important information to help you prepare for the new CPR guidelines.

Dates to Remember

-  Safe Boating Week
May 20 to 26
-  LSIT Clinic, Prince George
June 2, 3 and 4
-  Drowning Prevention Day
July 22

A Note from the Editor

Welcome to our new newsletter designed to keep you up to date on what is happening in and around the Branch. We look forward to publishing on the second Wednesday of each month starting April 12. Please post the newsletter for everyone to see and if you have any questions or comments email them to:

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