



Hello Adventurers!

We've been delightfully overwhelmed by the response to *Adventures for Wilderness*. With [23 Adventures](#) from around Alberta posted to our website and several more in the queue awaiting a few final touches, we're pleased and excited that we can include people from across this amazing province, and connect with the wilderness they love and know that's in their own backyard.

Last week, Ed Hergott and crew had a wonderful success in their quest of [Getting Dave to the Summit](#). It was a beautiful day for all and the team safely helped Dave Wodelet, now legally blind, to the summit of Junction Hill.

After retiring early due to glaucoma, Dave spent some years hiking with the Mountain Manics until it became too dangerous to continue on the difficult

terrain that the group frequents. The Manics have missed him greatly, so when the AWA Tower Climb ended and various fundraising efforts were encouraged, Ed suggested to Dave that they could guide him to a summit as a fundraiser. He accepted and the rest is history.

On May 26, the Mountain Manics guided Dave to the summit of Junction Hill in Kananaskis, with teams in place to scout the trail and rid the pathway of obstacles, provide emergency support if needed, and guide and advise Dave on the journey to the top.

In the end, the group far exceeded their fundraising target and embraced a spirit of camaraderie, volunteerism and adventure that is the core of AWA's Adventures for Wilderness program. We cannot say enough about what an inspiring initiative this turned out to be.

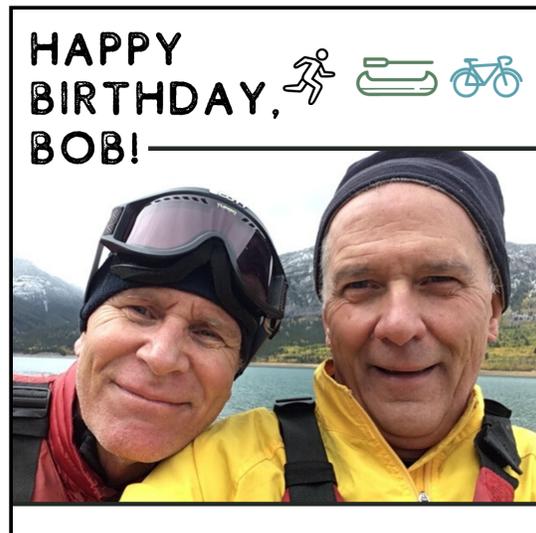


Dave and Kathy Wodelet at the summit of Junction Hill. Photo by Ed Hergott.

On Saturday June 6th, Bob and Jim's Adventure for Wilderness is happening right here in Calgary.

Bob Patterson and Jim Campbell have a 35 year friendship and a lifetime passion for wilderness and

wildlife, and that's more than 130 years between the two of them. Their Adventure for Wilderness will be a 65 km triathlon of running, canoeing and cycling. Their friends, family and colleagues are celebrating with them by sponsoring this event, which is also a wonderful celebration of Bob's 65th Birthday.



In total they have raised more than \$6000 for the Alberta Wilderness Association.

Route for Bob and Jim's Adventure:

- 8:30 - 10:30 - Run/Walk from Pt. McKay to the Baker Park boat launch across from Bowness Park (10 km)
- 10:30 - 1:30 - Canoe from Baker Park on the Bow River to the Calgary Zoo Parking Lot (20 km) – DELAYED DUE TO HIGH WATER LEVEL
- 1:30 - 4:30 - Cycle from Zoo Parking lot to Baker Park and then back to 10th St N.W. (35 km)

Total 65 km to celebrate Bob's 65th Birthday.

Bob and Jim would love to see you on the route!

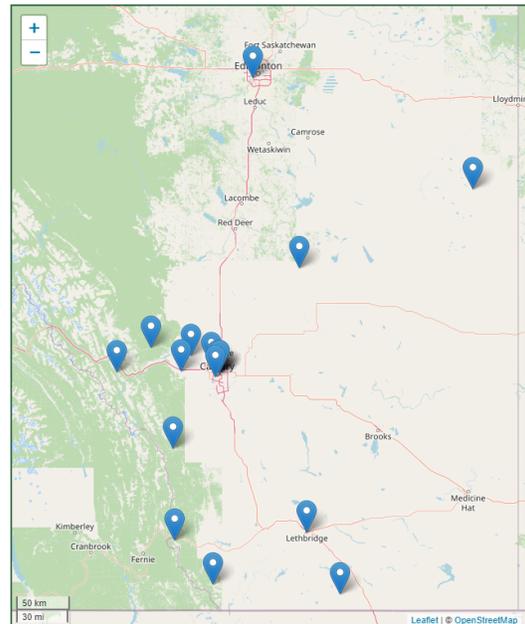
Learn more about their Adventure here!

In the coming days, there are a number of exciting Adventures that have room for you to join or sponsor; here's where we currently have adventures taking place across Alberta. Click on one to see details and a link to that adventure's page.

<https://www.adventuresforwilderness>

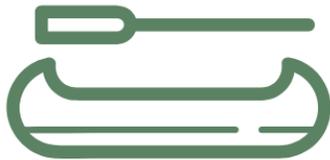
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(Note: not all adventures are currently shown as some still have their location to be confirmed)



What is Adventures for Wilderness?

Adventures for Wilderness is AWA's annual program to engage Albertans in wilderness conservation. We believe an Adventure can be anything from climbing a mountain, to walking by the river, to enjoying the beauty of nature in your own backyard. Visit our website to learn about the Adventures this season and how you can support Alberta Wilderness Association.



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