

CENTRAL OKANAGAN NATURALISTS' CLUB MEMBERSHIP FORM

Note: To participate in any club activity or work party you must sign the Assumption of Risk form (see the other side).

New Membership

Membership renewal

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full name: _____
Last (Applicant 1) *First*

_____ *Last (Applicant 2)* *First*

Address: _____ *Apartment/Unit #*

City *Province* *Postal Code*

Home phone: _____ Send Newsletter by: E-mail Canada Post (surcharge)

Birth date (if aged under 19) _____ E-mail address: _____

Main Interest(s): Birding Botany Hiking – Ramblers Hiking & Cycling – Sole Survivors
 _____ **Ramblers – less strenuous hiking* **Sole Survivors – for more advanced hikers* _____

MEMBER INFORMATION

Single membership

Family membership

Student membership

Newsletter by email- \$30

Newsletter by email- \$42

Newsletter by email- \$14

Newsletter by Canada Post- \$40

Newsletter by Canada Post- \$52

Newsletter by Canada Post- \$24

Life member - Newsletter by email

Existing member of other naturalist club - \$16

Each applicant must sign the Assumption of Risk (on reverse side). Club membership fees include membership in the Federation of BC Naturalists (BC Nature) and a donation to the Habitat Conservation Fund.

Please complete and return this form to: Central Okanagan Naturalists' Club Membership Director, Box 21128 RPO Orchard Park, Kelowna BC, V1Y 9N8

CONSENT FOR USE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION/ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS

I, the participant, authorize the Central Okanagan Naturalists' Club and BC Nature to collect and use personal information about me for the purpose of receiving communications, including newsletters, e-mails and posting articles and images on the Central Okanagan Naturalists' Club's website or BC Nature website. We do not sell or distribute your personal information to any other third party not listed herein.

I understand that I may withdraw such consent at any time by contacting the Central Okanagan Naturalists' Club Membership Director. The Membership Director will advise on the implication of such withdrawal.

In consideration of the acceptance of my (or my child/ward's) membership in the Central Okanagan Naturalists' Club, I, the participant (and/or parent/guardian on behalf of a child/ward) agree as follows:

1. To abide by the policies, rules and regulations of the Central Okanagan Naturalists' Club.
2. I have reviewed the Assumption of Risk Agreement and my signature affixed hereto indicates my agreement with such Assumption of Risk Agreement.
3. I accept sole responsibility for my (or my child/ward's) personal possessions and equipment (if applicable).

I acknowledge that I have read this registration agreement in its entirety and that I have executed this registration agreement voluntarily.

Signature of Applicant 1 if aged 19 or over)

Date

Signature of Applicant 2 if aged 19 or over)

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian (if aged under 19)

Date

CENTRAL OKANAGAN NATURALISTS' CLUB

INFORMED CONSENT AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT

WARNING!

By signing this document you will waive certain legal rights, including the right to sue.
Please read carefully.

DISCLAIMER

This is a binding legal agreement. As a Participant in the programs, activities and events of the Central Okanagan Naturalists' Club and BC Nature, the undersigned acknowledges and agrees to the following terms.

The Central Okanagan Naturalists' Club and BC Nature and their respective directors, officers, committee members, members, employees, volunteers, participants, agents and representatives (collectively the "Organization") are not responsible for any injury, personal injury, damage, property damage, expense, loss of income or loss of any kind suffered by a Participant during, or as a result of, any program, activity or event of the Organization, caused by any risks, dangers and hazards associated with the programs, activities and events of the Organization.

DESCRIPTION OF RISKS

I am participating voluntarily in these activities, events, and programs of the Organization. In consideration of my participation in the programs, activities and events of the Organization, I hereby acknowledge that I am aware of the risks, dangers and hazards associated with or related to any such programs, activities and events of the Organization and may be exposed to such risks, dangers and hazards. The risks, dangers and hazards include, but are not limited to, injuries from:

- a) Field trips and outings;
- b) Nature walks;
- c) Bird counts and watching;
- d) Road cleanup;
- e) Animal attacks, including but not limited to, bears, cougars and snakes;
- f) Bites from insects, including ticks with the possibility of Lyme Disease.
- g) Extreme weather conditions which may result in heatstroke, sunstroke, hypothermia, frostbite or lightning strikes;
- h) Inhalation of viruses or infections including, but not limited to, Hantavirus Pulmonary Syndrome;
- i) Executing strenuous and demanding physical techniques including climbing and hiking;
- j) Vigorous physical exertion;
- k) Reactions to agents on grass or other surfaces that may produce allergies or infections;
- l) Falling to the ground due to uneven, slippery, steep, rocky or irregular terrain or surfaces;
- m) Failure to properly use any piece of equipment or from the mechanical failure of any piece of equipment;
- n) Spinal cord injuries which may render me permanently paralyzed; and
- o) Travel to and from activities, events and programs.

Furthermore, I am aware:

- a) That injuries sustained can be severe;
- b) That I may experience anxiety while challenging myself during the activities, events and programs;
- c) That my risk of injury is reduced if I follow all rules established for participation; and
- d) That my risk of injury increases as I become fatigued.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY

In consideration of the Organization allowing me to participate, I agree:

- a) That I do not know of any medical condition I might have that could possibly make it unwise for me to participate in the Organization's programs, activities and events, including but not limited to heart conditions;
- b) To freely accept and fully assume all such risks, dangers and hazards and possibility of personal injury, death, property damage, expense and related loss, including loss of income, resulting from my participation in such activities, events and programs;
- c) To forever release the Organization from any and all liability for any and all claims, demands, actions and costs that might arise out of my participation in the programs, activities and events of the Organization.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I have read this agreement and agree to its terms and conditions, that I have executed this agreement voluntarily and that this agreement is to be binding upon myself, my heirs, executors, administrators and representatives.

Printed Name of Applicant 1

Signature of Applicant 1

Date

Printed Name of Applicant 2

Signature of Applicant 2

Date

Printed Name of Parent or Guardian

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date