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Senator Nancy Greene Raine at Norquay
in 1966. Photo by Eddie Hunter.



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The Honourable Maxime Bernier, Minister of State (Small Business and Tourism) will be the keynote speaker for the Nov. 23, 2012 fundraising gala! AMPPE is looking for old photos for the slide show and vintage décor items to borrow. There's an Après-ski lounge for networking and a virtual ski race challenge between Jasper, Banff and Canmore mayors. It's going to be fun! Sincerely, Monica Andreeff Executive Director.

Profile: New Banff field unit superintendent Dave McDonough

In this Banff Crag & Canyon article, Dave McDonough shares his viewpoint on national parks. McDonough said in terms of visitor experience and ecological protection, one doesn't go ahead of the other. "They're interconnected. It's key that we view them that way—you need to view them together. You can't sustain the opportunity for people to enjoy wildlife if you don't protect that habitat," he said. "It's important to remember, what we're trying to do is bring our visitor experience up to the high standard of our ecological integrity."

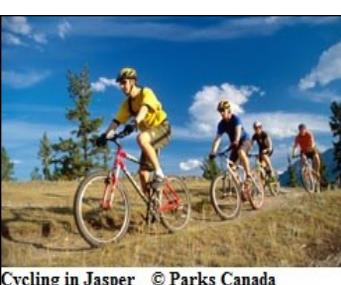
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Canmore Business & Tourism to propose three per cent Hotel Levy

The levy will provide a sustainable funding model to Canmore Business & Tourism, since the current system (Canmore's Destination Marketing Fund formed by 12 volunteer hotels) is not ideal to continue. A key part of this funding is to ensure tourists, not residents, will be targeted. "If we want to become the number one destination of choice for Albertans, we need to be actively engaged in the Alberta market...", " says Andrew Nickerson, CBT President & CEO. Canmore Business & Tourism is expected to deliver its proposal to council sometime next month.

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Cycling in Jasper © Parks Canada

Jasper National Park's biking and riding trail closures are now in place

Starting Oct. 15, 2012 cyclists and horse back riders found on unofficial trails in Jasper will be ticketed and compelled to appear in court. AMPPE and cycling groups asked Parks Canada to hold off until more information was presented to stakeholders, but they pushed the implementation back by only a few weeks. Most of the recommended closures were generated from the Three Valley Confluence Trail Plan, which was last discussed publicly in 2009.

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Two young grizzly bears killed on the train tracks

On Oct. 5, two grizzly yearlings were hit by a train, for a total of 13 grizzlies killed on the tracks in national parks since 2000. In 2010, Parks Canada and Canadian Pacific Railway partnered up for a five-year, \$1 million research project dedicated to curbing grizzly fatalities on the tracks. Project staff had hoped to complete a zero fatality year since the initiation of this partnership.

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Lake Louise larch tree hikers cause road closures

This Rocky Mountain Outlook article is one of many that discusses the need for an effective traffic management plan in the Larch Valley. The popularity of the colourful seasonal views has caused traffic congestion, creating concern over public safety and the accessibility of emergency vehicles. As a result, the roads were temporarily barricaded by RCMP and Parks Canada. "It's ridiculous we haven't learned from last year's traffic chaos," said Monica Andreeff, Executive Director of AMPPE, in this article.

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