

# **LOUIS KIERSTEAD**

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**OBJECTIVE:** I am looking for a Full-time position as a Sea Kayak Guide in a positive, challenging, and safe outdoor environment.

## **EXPERIENCE**

### **Chaunigan Lake Lodge**

Hanceville, British Columbia

**May- August,2013**

#### **Facility Operation Manager and Lead Horse Guide**

- Managed and maintained the authentic outdoor trout fishing experience of Chaunigan Lake Lodge.
- Supervised employees and organize daily work schedules and pay roll.
- Lead guide for day trips on horseback in the interior Chilcotin mountains.
- Performed supporting responsibilities for proper operation of the fishing lodge
- Prepared meals for guests and staff.
- Was Flexible and Adaptable in an outdoor wilderness environment and to make do with what you must to make the best experience for our guest possible.

### **Chaunigan Lake Lodge**

Hanceville, British Columbia

**May -Aug, 2011/2012**

#### **Assistant Guide, Laborer, kitchen Hand**

- Maintained the authentic outdoor trout fishing experience of Chaunigan Lake Lodge.
- Assisted as a guide, for day trips on horseback in the interior Chilcotin Mountains.
- Completed all labor necessary for the full and proper operation of the fishing lodge and any other activity etc. needed for success.
- Cooked all meals for guests and staff based off a set meal schedule with procedures for every meal.

### **Chilcotin Holidays Guest Ranch**

Gold Bridge, British Columbia

**July-Aug 2010/Apr 2013**

#### **Assistant Guide, Ranch Hand, Logging Assistant**

- Interned as an assistant guide learning the basics to being a successful leader in a wilderness environment, and all the skills to cook and guide in the high alpine.
- Worked long hours, early starts and late nights to create the best possible guest experience.
- Learned all the skills necessary to maintain the ranch, basic carpentry, mechanics, heavy machinery operation (Skidder, Backhoe, and Tractor), and basic heavy machinery maintenance.
- Logging skills, bucking logs to measurement, using skidder for clearing logging strips, using winch and chokers for hauling logs.
- Learned loader operation for stacking logs on landing and for loading logs for hauling out by truck.

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## **Mount Washington Snow School/Cypress snow school**

Courtney, British Columbia

**2011- 2012, Seasons**

### **Level One Ski Instructor**

**2013 -2014, Seasons**

- Taught students the basics and fundamentals of learning to ski.
- Worked more effectively with children and youth to provide fun, learning experience to ski.
- Designed games, lessons, and techniques to intrigue young skiers into learning basic skills and fundamentals of skiing.
- Completed daily snow school set up or special event set up.

## **EDUCATION**

Thompson Rivers University  
**Adventure Guide Certificate**  
Kamloops, British Columbia

**2021/22**

Kwantlen Polytechnic University  
**Welding Level 1**  
Cloverdale, British Columbia

**Jan - March, 2015**

Kwantlen Polytechnic University  
**Welding Level 2**  
Cloverdale, British Columbia

**April - June, 2015**

Kwantlen Polytechnic University  
**Welding Level 3 Red-**  
**Seal Cloverdale,**  
**British Columbia**

**March - May, 2016**

Malaspina International High School  
Nanaimo, British Columbia

**Graduated, June 2012**

## **CERTIFICATIONS**

Mental Health Wilderness First Aid  
**TRU, British Columbia**

**Oct, 2021**

Flatwater Tandem Canoe Instructor Course  
**Kamloops, British Columbia**

**Oct, 2021**

Wilderness First Aid 80 Hour  
**TRU, British Columbia**

**Dec, 2021**

First Aid Level 1  
**Nanaimo, British Columbia**

**June 2017**

CSIA Level 1- teaches proper ski instructing skills as well as leadership skills with children  
**Mount Washington, British Columbia**

Chilcotin Holidays Guiding Certificate  
**Gold Bridge, British Columbia**

**July, 2010**