



August 20, 2015

To: North Shore Chamber of Commerce,

Re: Deep Cove Kayak nomination for the Community Contribution Award

It gives me great pleasure to write this letter of support for Deep Cove Kayak's nomination for the North Shore Chamber of Commerce's Community Contribution Award.

For over 75 years, Boys & Girls Clubs of South Coast BC (BC) has been giving children and youth what they deserve: a place to belong when they aren't at home or in school. It's a safe place that provides them with three of the things they need most: a sense of belonging, a sense of success, and positive relationships. That happens through a wide range of activities that are not only of interest to kids, but that are good for them, too: sports, homework, safe access to the online world, arts, crafts, and of course, sharing meals. Annually, we serve over 12,000 children, youth, and families.

Deep Cove Kayak has long been a supporter of the work we do at our Norvan Club. They recognize that not all kids have the same opportunities, and are committed to make kayaking an experience that can be enjoyed by everyone. As Boys and Girls Clubs have a policy that no one is turned away due to an inability to pay, we work with children from all socio-economic backgrounds. Deep Cove Kayak has provided the Norvan Club with free lessons so that our Club members have the chance to try this fantastic sport regardless of their means.

In addition, Deep Cove Kayak has also donated kayaking packages for auction at our Gala. As our Club programs are not sustained through government funding, Deep Cove Kayak's contribution helps us raise the money to ensure we can keep our doors open to the hundreds of children and youth who use our services at our Norvan Club.

Boys & Girls Club of South Coast BC hopes that Deep Cove Kayak's contribution to the community is recognized through your Community Contribution Award. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 604.321.5941 or at jlee@bgcbc.ca.

Regards,

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Director of Club Services

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