

# *The Scott Family Gazette*

December 2012

Merry Christmas all! We hope this gets to you in time for Christmas.

New Years 2012 was rung in at our house, celebrating with the Stratfords who were over for the New Years Eve Celebration. Last year's newsletter we had mentioned we were going skiing a bit. Skiing continued big time for the early part of the year. Kayla was in lessons every week for 10 weeks straight starting in January and carrying through to mid March. Dad got to enjoy skiing as well, both during the time that Kayla was in lessons and then skiing together after lessons were done for the day.

Late January Glen's parents flew North from their snow-birding down south to visit for a week.

Also through the spring, both girls continued their swim lessons.

Mid-March we along with various friends went to Sun Peaks for skiing over spring break (at least for those with kids in school). Kayla's skiing was great since she had been in lessons for the previous 10 weeks. Just like I had done with Kayla when she was two, I took Melissa down the bunny hill once. Like Kayla, it was very much a marionette style of skiing with my holding her up straight.

Although she was screaming all the way down, she talked lovingly of skiing all the year after.

In mid-April we flew to Orlando Florida where we spent a day at Walt Disney World. Both girls (everyone actually) had a great time. Melissa fell



*Scott Family wishing you a Merry Christmas*

asleep in dad's arms while watching the fireworks at the end of the day, and Kayla fell asleep on the bus on the way back to our hotel. The day after we drove to Fort Lauderdale and boarded the MS Maasdam and cruised north for the next 16 days. Besides a wonderful time aboard the ship, along the way we stopped and saw Charleston South Carolina, Newport Rhode Island, Bar

Harbour Maine, Halifax Nova Scotia, Sydney Nova Scotia, Charlottetown PEI, Gaspé Quebec, Perce Rock, Sept-Iles Quebec, Saguenay Quebec, Quebec City, and finally Montreal Quebec. We all had wonderful time, enjoying the pool almost every day, and the many things to do both on board and in the wonderful places we stopped.

On returning from our cruise Kayla jumped into taking ballet lessons at a local community centre and enjoyed that very much.

With our east coast cruise and other spring business, we only made it to Shuswap Lake a couple of times in the spring, both times thankful for the hospitality of Glen's parents.



*Disneyworld!*

Late spring we took our second annual visit to our friend's Zach and Jen's Alice Lake campout. Last year's

newsletter I mentioned it was a drizzly weekend, that was nothing compared to this year! After staying one night, 100% of the campers pulled out on



*MS Maasdam, 2 weeks of travelling bliss!*

the second day. It wasn't for lack of fun, it was for

lack of dry clothes. Hopefully next year the weather will be agreeable.

As summer hit, Susan's parents moved from Calgary to Burnaby, just a few blocks away from us. Susan's brother Richard helped considerably by taking a week and flying to Calgary and helping them move here. Susan's parents have made the move well, and have been a great help in looking after Kayla both before and after school. Melissa continues to go to a local daycare.

Throughout the summer we finally went to our cabin regularly, and while there we were visited by Zach and Jen and kids, and Grace and Richard and kids.

Besides the cabin visits, we also did something Glen had been wanting to do for years, and that



*Rainy weekend at Alice Lake*

was to attend the Abbotsford Airshow. We saw many great air demonstrations including both the Snowbirds and the Thunderbirds. Even though the capital cost per plane for the Thunderbirds undoubtedly beats the Snowbird plane cost many fold, I do think the Snowbirds still put on the best show.

Kayla started kindergarten in the fall. She took to school like a natural, and thoroughly enjoys her time there. She has made

friends well and received a good report card from her teacher. Melissa transitioned well to daycare without Kayla.



*Kayla in ballet*

Both girls have continued in swimming lessons through the fall, and Melissa continues to go to music lessons weekly.

Both Kayla and Melissa have been up to Mount Seymour for skiing, and both enjoyed it. The family has already gone to Whistler for a long weekend of skiing to kick off our Christmas holidays. Kayla and Melissa's time off doesn't fully overlap, so Melissa is off with both mom and dad the full week before Christmas while Kayla still goes to school. The week of Christmas we are all off, and the week after Christmas

Kayla has fully off, while Melissa and mom are to be back at daycare and work respectively. Most likely Melissa will get pulled out (not that she'll be missing anything like homework or anything like that) and maybe they both will go to Kamloops to visit with grandparents while mom stays at home paying the bills (just kidding).

In the new year Kayla is going to be taking skiing lessons at Mount Seymour. Both girls will be taking swimming. Kayla will be taking ballet as well, and Melissa will be back in music lessons.



*Kayla and Melissa in Whistler Dec 2012*

We hope you have a wonderful 2013.

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