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Announcement

Dale Miller retiring February 2023, after almost 30 years



Dale Miller on Bowron Lake, 1984

Dale Miller

Started as Executive
Director for the Lifesaving
Society BC & Yukon in 1993

Dale Miller, Executive Director, announces retirement

The BC and Yukon Branch has had the privilege of having a dedicated and passionate leader as Executive Director for almost 30 years. Today, with heartfelt gratitude we announce the retirement of Executive Director Dale Miller effective February 28, 2023.

Dale's storied success

Dale began his career as Executive Director in 1993 and has worked tirelessly to grow the Branch and reinforce the Lifesaving Society's mission and goals around water safety and drowning prevention. Under Dale's leadership, the BC and Yukon Branch worked together to purchase the current office on Henning Drive in 1997 and ushered in great stability with incredible staff who oversaw growth of Society programs in quality and consistency.

Throughout his tenure, superb relationships became hallmarks of all elements of the Branch. Dale has demonstrated immense commitment to the volunteers and staff within the Society. His ability to build community and engage long term staff and volunteers has allowed for the continuous development of high-quality instruction and programs throughout the Branch.

"While I continue to thoroughly enjoy my job, it is the right time to give someone with a new and fresh perspective the experience of this position within a strong organization," Dale stated.

"I have been honoured to serve in this role, see many changes over the years and have the great support of so many staff and volunteers."

-Dale Miller



As volunteers, we are united in our great appreciation for the climate and opportunities that Dale has made possible for those who share the commitment to drowning prevention.

Nationally, in addition to acting as interim national Executive Director from 2015 to 2017, Dale helped in the guidance and support of the Management Team as they embarked on numerous initiatives including the most recent Swim for Life program becoming the national learn to swim program. A highlight of Dale's efforts is certainly the 2017 World Conference on Drowning Prevention where he successfully oversaw Vancouver host this global gathering for the first time in North America.

Accordingly, he has been awarded the national President's Award on three occasions for his outstanding contribution.

The BC and Yukon Branch Board wishes to recognize and acknowledge Dale Miller's incredible contribution to Lifesaving in Canada. Our public is more educated on water safety, waters of our country are safer, and there are generations of lifesavers and lifeguards continuing our aims. We wish him all the best as he travels with his wife Kathy and enjoys time with his grandchildren.