

HAPPY HOLIDAYS from Tracy & Robin. It's that time of the year to catch up with you and let you know what's going on in our world. We hope that you continue to stay safe and wish you **ALL the VERY BEST in 2022!**

Scott Palmer continues to live and work in Prince George, BC, with his dog Rosa. He works, works, works and in his spare time you will find him at either the golf course or the ball diamond. His golf handicap is steadily getting lower and his pitching arm craftier!

Tor Nicholas and his wife **Kajal**, both finished their first year as professors at **Purdue University** in Indiana. Their big news of the year is that they are expecting a little girl in April, 2022. Gramma TT and I are ecstatic with the news and will head to Indiana in April to help out. Can't wait to meet our granddaughter!

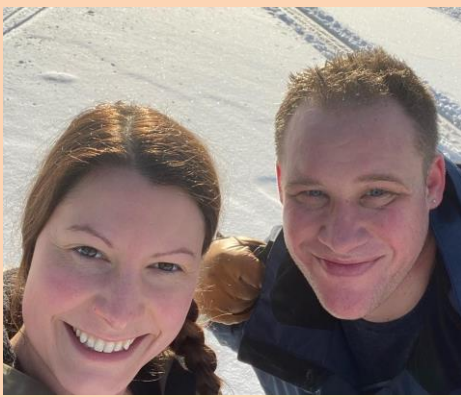
GREETINGS from TEAA & RGT!



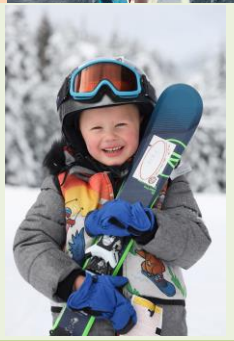
TT, RGT & Diego get in one more day in October, 2021 before ice over!



Stefano and Caitlyn lead a busy life raising their two sons, **Noah** (6) and **Finn** (4). Stef officially finished school in July and is currently working in the Nanaimo, Comox and Campbell River hospitals in the Radiology department. They made the decision to move the family to the Island, settling in Nanaimo and love the area, the schools and the fishing. Stef will continue to look for a full time position rather than bounce between hospitals and they all hope they will be staying on the Island.



Noah and Finn are two very active boys. They love being outside, bike riding, fishing, skiing, you name it they love it. Noah started hockey this fall, loves baseball and then it is soccer in the spring. Finn loves it all and is Noah's biggest fan at the rink. This is Finn's first year on skis and he is a natural, not to mention he has a baseball swing that will soon have scouts banging at his door. As you can see we are so proud of them and look forward to watching them grow.



TEAA's Message

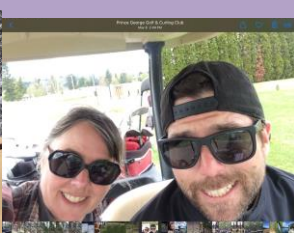


HAPPY HOLIDAYS! Slow, but steady we work away, making this house our home. We haven't had a lot of visitors this year but we are grateful to those who did make their way to the Ranch. My beautiful sister Lori, lost her husband recently to diabetes and came and stayed with us for two weeks. It was a lovely visit sister and you are welcome back anytime. We will spend Christmas with my son, Palmer, then run to the Island for an Anderson clan dinner hosted by by niece. We look forward to seeing the family.

MERRY CHRISTMAS to one and all!



Rum's notes – Rum turned 90 this year! She remains very active at her residence in White Rock, participating and leading all kinds of committees and clubs. The virus has been a bit of a downer for her, keeping her away from all her family. She is happy to spend Christmas with her daughter and family but looks forward to getting back to all her friends and responsibilities. We hope to get her to the Ranch this summer.



Life is about living, full of challenge, highs, lows, wins, losses, ups and downs. Get onboard and make a difference!

RANCH UPDATE

Wildfires dominated the summer @ the **Ranch**. The closest made it less than 2 k's from us and smoke filled the air blocking out the sun nearly all summer. Every evening we watered the perimeter around our house, pumping lake water through 400 feet of hose. We are thankful to our neighbours, who risked their lives to put out the fire that the Forest Service was not interested in but the most dangerous to us on Ruth Lake. We also kept busy with our yearly road maintenance and work on the boardwalk. Check out our website: [Warm Springs Ranch](http://WarmSpringsRanch.com)

We love the **Ranch**; the tranquility, the raw beauty and the peace it brings to all who visit. As planned we did build our house, passing the final building inspection in October, 2020. We are currently finishing up the interior trim, using wood that we have milled from trees on our property. We can tell you it has not been easy, but we take great pride in what we have achieved and the trials and tribulations of this build has brought us closer. Now the plan is to enjoy and share this beautiful spot with our family and friends. We hope that you plan to pay a visit to the **Ranch** in 2022!

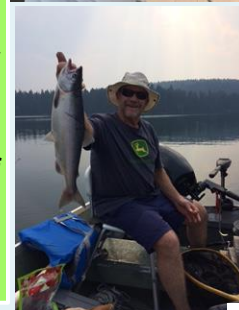


RGT's notes - With me, it always seems to be the same message, family, peace and **get her done!** Though the world is being challenged, here @ the **Ranch**, things have slowed down. Now, we take the time to go for a walk or a ski or get out on the lake and we have at least one game of cards daily. Our grandsons are growing so quickly and it is nice to see their passion and enthusiasm for everything they do. I am positive they will play an important role in the future of our planet and I do sleep better knowing we are in good hands. Most importantly I want to thank my partner, my lover and friend for keeping me grounded, for making sure that it got done right and for loving again. So proud of what we have accomplished here, together, Babe!



WSR Fisherman of the Year!

2021 saw the best fishing we have ever experienced on **Ruth Lake**. Right from early May the fishing was hot. Then it slowed right down when the super-hot weather arrived seeing water temperatures rise to the low 70's. But once it cooled off it was red hot right through to late October. Special thanks to Master fisherman, Rob Williamson, who taught us a new way to fish our lake, **thank you**. With very few visitors it was a real race between **TEAA** and **RGT** for the **WSR Fisherman of the Year** award. This prestigious recognition is tabulated using a complicated formula which takes into account the total number of fish caught, combined with the weight and length of each landed fish. Tabulations are completed and confirmed by the **BBS** accounting firm. The **WSR** board is pleased to announce that **RobinTolhurst** is the **2021 WSR Fisherman of the Year**. Records show that **RGT** quietly hauled in and released whoppers all year, including the largest fish of **2021**. Special mention to runner up, seven time champion **TEAA**, who was releasing RGT's fish left and right all season long. This is Robin's first time to win this prestigious award. **CONGRATULATIONS!**



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