

Lennartz Expedition 2010

Seven German documentary filmmakers are safe and warm again after being rescued around 7:30 Friday night [10 September 2010]. They set out September 1st to scout a location Northwest of Harrison Lake for a film they were making.

Jones says they had a malfunctioning satellite phone, which they charged with a solar panel to call for help. “We launched with two helicopters right away when we got called. We were requested directly by the Regional Manager from the Provincial Emergency Coordination Centre so it was an emergency request”

He [Jones] adds with fading light and bad weather rolling in, the timeline for saving the men was tight, but thankfully it went off without a hitch.

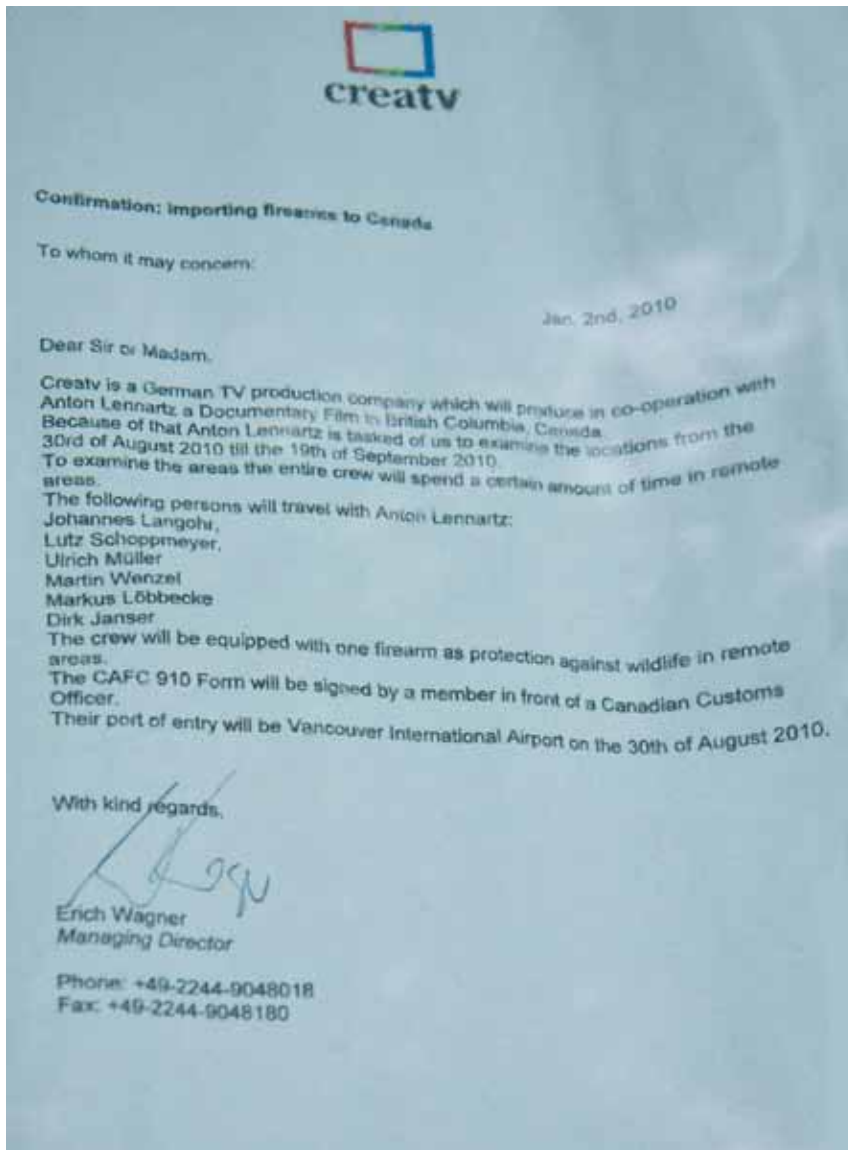
Tim Jones with North Shore Search and Rescue says the men didn't bring waterproof jackets, “In the last three days they started to get soaked and couldn't keep warm. Their sleeping bags got soaked, they didn't have tents, they had two tarps, one of which got damaged in a storm, and so they had one tarp left between the seven of them. They were now starting to get mildly hypothermic”

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Lennartz presence was confirmed by Rob Nicholson who coordinated the 2008 rescue of Lennartz and his fellow explorers.

Read the post on your site[Slumach blog] regarding the German rescue on Friday. A friend of mine was at south Sloquette creek last week and came across the Germans's cars. He took two photos which he sent to me on Wednesday. I have attached both photos for you. Contrary to what is said in the post Tony Lennartz was there and it was his expedition as you can see from the list.....



Tiamat said:
actually, they never crossed into provincial park boundaries, they stayed around the fire lake area, on the high ridges, and were never in the same area

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Tiamat said:
haha...that's the spur off the old North Sloquet...the worst possible way to enter the Terrarosa...I remember exiting this way thinking you would have to be mentally ill to go access the glacier this way, unless you like bush wacking, but I guess he does, he has big knives, those should help a lot with his treasure hunting...yeah right!

13 September, 2010 11:07 AM



From Anton Lennartz, September 2010

Dear Mister Braches,

I thank you for your inquiry. Because I appraise you as an integer person, I would like to take the opportunity to correct errors and wrong allegations. Further I'd like you to announce my statement on slumach.blogspot.com.

First of all: All of my activities in Canada about the "Slumach story" happened in agreement with Rob Nicholson. I always accorded him the achievements of my research. The consequence is that he knew that I would park the two cars at the Northern Sloquet. People who would find the vehicles should have been informed due to a letter, which I placed well apparent in one of the vehicles, who parked the cars and what we were doing there. In this coherence somebody said the company "CreaTV" would be bankrupt, which is definitely not true. The company "Crea-TV" is different from the company "CreaTV". Watch the link: <http://www.creatv-sachsen.de/>

I left the gun case in the car and the car open on purpose, so that everybody passing would see that it would be needless to open the car by force due the gun wasn't there anymore.

Of course were we wearing clothing that was prepared and weather-fit. Admittedly that the bad weather period was very uncomfortable for us. We used the opportunity to warm us on our campfires and to dry our gloves, shoes and socks carefully outside of the park. We didn't make campfires inside the park. After two days without fire the constancy of extern humidity and lacking warmth affected several members of the team.

We were on the 1700 metres level, using one tarp of 7x4 metres as rain shield, enclosed by dense fog with a view of only a few meters. One member of the group informed us about his kidney pains wich got worse during the last two days. We analyzed the situation and one of my companions, who is a professional MET, explained that this man and the other team members need urgently to get warm.

With this we had two possibilities to solve our problem (a) We climb down to the tree border and start there a campfire to get warm again. But this would have been an infringement against the park regulations, or (b)The group gets flown out by helicopter. The MET (and NOT me) notified the rescue team about the man's condition via sat phone. It is cryptically to me why someone implicits me to ask for help, though I didn't participate in any of these phone calls.

A few of the posts are formulated very negative and very discrediting. However, I suppose it is jealousy, due to hypothesized advanced knowledge in the Slumach case on the one side and on the other envy for the gold which just isn't there anymore, since it has been carried out in portions of 25 pounds years ago (evidences on hand). My aim was and is a gapless documentation about the happened events. The gold canyon exists, but I can't imagine that the old and limping Slumach has ever reached that place. But the indications of the "Jackson letter" are 100% concurring with reality.

It is right that I carried a gun with me. I received a permit for this weapon. So it is apparent to every rational human that you can not rely on bells and whistles in remote areas and in an extreme case. Besides it is fact that about a year ago three men (one from Australia) were crossing the same area with a gun (you can see that on their posted pictures). Which was not criticized or mentioned in comments.

Yours sincerely,

Anton Lennartz

PS:and by the way about Gold, there was a Police -- Lieutenant in our group and a honorable Person wich was last year asked from the Unesco for Ambassador. Potential thieves?

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(Lennartz, September 2010)

Jiri said...

It's quite irrelevant whether someone else entered the park with firearms. If so, they broke the law. So did you.

A far as the "so called" production company Crea-TV goes, anyone can put up a hastily thrown together site like that - that doesn't legitimize the existence of the company. A real production company has samples of work, links, photographs, etc. Like for example Mineworks (a real German production company): <http://www.mineworks.de/>

7 October, 2010 7:04 PM

TonyLennartz said...

They weren't in the park in 2009 but in 2010. And they had weapons.

http://www.clubtread.com/sforum/topic.asp?TOPIC_ID=36162

You can see ammunition on the picture below

<http://www.clubtread.com/sforum/imagePreview.asp?image=/forumPix/260000/260608.jpg&x=800&y=600&t=36162>

5 October, 2010 2:50 AM



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After the rescue

Dear Mr. Braches!

My name is Markus Loebbecke. I'm a mate of Tony Lennartz and I was member of his Canada-Expedition-Team. At first I please you to excuse my bad English grammar. I do not often write or talk in English... Tony pleased me to write an answer for your requests. In the team, my assignments were guiding and rescue while climbing and health surveillance. I'm a paramedic, firefighter, sergeant, and instructor for special rescue in heights and depths.

Our gear included high end weather protection wear from VauDe, a popular German brand. You can see our clothes (carried while rescue) on the picture "check in". It was taken after being rescued at the check in to the holiday inn. The rest of our equipment stayed in the mountains...

The reason of being very wet and hypothermic isn't located in our wear. we had simply but terrible bad luck. Our cooker simply got rid of gaz in our spy camp a day before calling the SAR. The other bottle of gaz stayed in the basecamp... The first plan had been to go to the top of the mountain for a few hours, take some pictures by cam and go down to our basecamp in safer area. This is the reason of starting with less weight of material.

All team members are outdoorers with many experience. so we took luggage to stay over night in case of emergency. Tarps, sleeping bags, food and water... No one thought about the possibility of staying for two (!) days because of dusty and cloudy weather. But only this

was not the reason for calling for help. The really bad light conditions didn't allow the team members to walk around the spy camp. The most time it was so dusty that we weren't able to look farther than 5-10 meters. So we stayed under a tarp for many hours.

In this time one of the team members began to get ill. Before starting the trip all members went to a doctor in Germany to be checked up. This member had a malfunction of his kidneys. But his doctor promised no problems while staying in hard conditions of a remote area and mountains. The doctor wasn't right... I checked the mate a few times, but he didn't get in better healthy conditions. The symptoms seemed to be a starting "R.I.F.L.E". Risk - Injury - Failure - Loss - ESRD (End Stage Renal Disease)“.

In Germany paramedics are trained to think about the worst case when they make a diagnosis. The mate had much pain and got weak more and more. The next bad luck: The mate said he left his emergency medicine for his kidneys in the basecamp. (fool!)

Without the illness of a mate, we were able to go down in secure area by ourselves. But in his healthy conditions he wasn't able to stay in this upper area and he was too weak to go down by himself. So I decided to call the SAR.

After making the emergency call to the "Valhalla store" in Squamish (our special thanks to the fabulous shop guys!) we decided, that we have to go down to the tree border to make a little campfire. Ok, It's forbidden, but in our case of emergency it was the only possibility to get warm drinks, warm meal and dry clothing... One of us scouted the way down. Two of us took the weak guy between us and helped him going down. The other four guys carried the luggage of the weak one. While going down we did a last call to Valhalla to tell them, that we leave our position. 10 minutes after the call the helicopters came in.

After staying in the rescue station, I was able to take a further look to my mate. After staying in the warmed helicopter, get a hand-warm drink and some snacks at the SAR-Station and later in the hotel some electrolytes he got better and rid of his pain. In the next morning he was nearly without disease. The impressions of getting rescued took some Adrenalin-Extra power to the weak guy. So I didn't need to give him an injection of noradrenalin after arriving at rescue station. That's the reason that we didn't call an ambulance for him.

We had to call Valhalla for helping us, because with a satellite phone you're not able to take part at the 911-service. This information (our mistake) was not known by anybody in the team. Valhalla did the emergency call to 911 in our names...

The differences between the things that happened and the things Tim Jones understood may be based in our imperfect English and our mental healthy conditions. He asked his questions a few minutes after arriving at the rescue base. some of the questions he asked in the loud flying helicopter. In this situation no one of us had been in a real cool mental condition. We were not able to get an order of the things, which happened to us in the last ours before. So it might be a real possibility that we sometimes didn't understand the questions or they misunderstood our answers.

We had more bad luck then we were able to handle despite the fact that we were prepared well.

And Tim Jones and his guys did a great job. Thanks to them!

Like I said: Please excuse my bad grammar. If some of my words or sentences aren't clean to understand, you may ask me for further information.

Best wishes from Germany!

Markus

10 October 2010



“Spy Camp”



GERMAN GUIDE RESCUED IN B.C. -- FOR A SECOND TIME

A German adventure guide is feeling a bit sheepish after he had to be rescued from B.C.'s backcountry last week -- and not for the first time.

A group of seven people had trekked north of Harrison Lake to scout locations for a documentary about people who have searched for gold in the nearby mountains.

The team became stranded in an area of steep cliffs when heavy fog rolled in.

"It was not possible to look around and to find the right direction to step down. It was too foggy," team leader Anton -- or Tony -- Lennartz told CTV News.

"I thought it is too dangerous for them."

Lennartz says he has travelled to Canada 26 times to lead tours in the bush and backcountry, and he calls himself a survival trainer on his website. But he's triggered two search and rescue efforts in B.C. -- the first was in 2008.

Humbled by the province's rough terrain, he's now grateful to B.C.'s search and rescue teams.

"They help and help and help. They want to help people," Lennartz said.

Last week, his group was saved by North Shore Rescue. In 2008, it was a crew from Squamish.

"They are so good. They work so perfect -- 110 per cent," he said. "I have hair raised for me. The quality from that people and the sense after that -- they do 110-per-cent job. Thanks for that."

B.C. Solicitor General Mike de Jong said that the need for a second rescue is disturbing.

"It's important that anyone enjoying B.C.'s backcountry do so in a responsible and safe manner, taking the necessary precautions to keep themselves safe," he said in a statement.

For their part, Lennartz and his crew say they plan to make a donation to the search-and-rescue crews that helped them.

17 September 2010

R. W. NICHOLSON: Setting The Record Straight

Due to the amount of emails I [RWN] am constantly receiving regarding the 2008 and 2010 rescues of Tony Lennartz combined with the myriad of questions pertaining to my alleged association with him, I would like to take this opportunity to set the record straight.

In his post, Tony Lennartz claims the he and I are 'In Agreement'. This statement is not only false and misleading, it definitely leaves the wrong impression for anyone not familiar with the facts.

I refer to the following chronological time line to set the record straight.

2003: Tony Lennartz contacted me and asked if I would assist in the production of a documentary film on the Legend of Pitt Lake. I agreed and we met in Kelowna to discuss the details. There were frequent email exchanges regarding the plans for the documentary.

2004: Tony and his expedition members along with the Mineworks Films production crew arrived in September. Filming of the documentary was completed by the end of the month. There were frequent emails between Tony and myself over the next couple of months but they gradually subsided.

2008: I had no idea Tony was even in B.C. until I received distress calls from him. He was in the Terrarosa Glacier area looking for 'the gold' when he called. Following his rescue by the Squamish SAR Team, Tony and his 3-man team met with me in Kelowna. No member of the team was hurt or injured and all were in good spirits. They stayed overnight and left for the Vancouver Airport the following day. One of the team members, Hans if I remember correctly, downloaded photos and video clips of the rescue onto the computer of a friend where I was residing at the time.

2010: I had not heard from Tony in well over a year when he started emailing me again in March.

March the 3rd email: "I'm curious and would be very content if you could send me some pictures of the second petroglyphs' site."

May the 8th email: "I've got no answer from you after my mails. In your B.C. Prospector Magazine from Dec. 2009 I found the advertising about homemade Soups from your Daughter and from her I got your Phone-number. Arrive in Vancouver on August 30. Heading to the same 'target' as 2008.....Will provide with my GPS coordinates daily.....Hope to have reason to go in two times."

August 11th email: "It seems like the phone number of yours is wrong. I wonder if it's still correct. Do you have a new phone number? If so, please give it to me."

August 29th email: "are you sure that we will be able to sell the material in the country.

Where is living your contact and is he also able to buy the quantities that we expect?

I have not heard from Tony since his email of August 29th nor was I aware of his activities until I watched the video of his 2010 rescue on the evening news.

I am confident that this chronology, particularly the emails of May 8th and August 11th, clearly shows that my contact with Tony Lennartz was extremely limited, if I responded to him at all. Hopefully this will clarify any issues and questions regarding myself being 'In Agreement' with Tony Lennartz.

Contrary to popular rumor and speculation: I do not have any issues with Tony Lennartz searching for the legendary gold – lots of people search every year and I do wish them all the best of luck.

I see no need in rambling on and will simply refer to what Tony wrote in his journal regarding the 2008 rescue: "Putting aside democracy I then decided that we would call for an airlift out although it is strictly prohibited to land there. Therefore we decided to fake a limp so that at least from the air the situation would look like an emergency."

Would you want to be associated with anyone who provides false and misleading information and is so deceptive that he does not hesitate faking injuries to falsely lure Search and Rescue?