

Dear Mayor and Council,

On the morning of Aug. 1, 2021 Christine Dolling and her very good friend S.A decided to take a bike ride on a trail at Lost Lake. Christine took the lead as she was a more experienced rider. During their trail ride S.A. eventually caught up to Christine finding her on the ground, holding her chest, and saying she couldn't breathe. S.A. called 911 and was given instructions on how to perform CPR on Christine. No one knew at the time that Christine had suffered a catastrophic break to her neck. S.A worked desperately to save Christine as she waited for advanced medical help to arrive. Because of the relatively isolated location it took some time for paramedics to arrive. Christine was eventually stabilized, extricated, and flown to VGH. Much to everyone's shock and horror the Doctors at VGH pronounced Christine as brain dead with no chance of recovery. Christine's spouse J. requested that she be kept on life support to allow her Mother, Sisters and extended family to fly out from Ontario to be by her side and to help make the heartbreaking decision to let her go. On Aug. 3, 2021 life support was removed and Christine Dolling passed.

Years ago Christine Dolling had taken on Breast Cancer and beaten it into submission. Christine had worked regularly for Whistler Blackcomb, then Vail Resorts, as an accountant for many years. She had just turned a very youthful 60 years of age and was only beginning to think about retirement. Christine was a resident of Whistler and an avid skier, snowboarder, hiker and trail rider. Christine was truly full of life. She was funny, compassionate, smart as a whip, athletic, and highly respected in her profession. Christine considered Whistler her home and had developed many strong friendships and business relationships in the community. Christine was a very special person and first hand contributor to the Resort Community and business of Whistler.

Christine's countless friends are seeking a way to honour Christine's life in a meaningful way. As a group we were hoping RMOW would consider naming a trail, road, park, area, or the like, in memory of Christine Dolling.

The names of spouse (J) and close friend (S.A.) are being temporarily withheld due to privacy as I have not yet asked their permission to disclose their names.

If you require any other information at all, or want me to reach out to another person, please let me know.

Thank you for your consideration and help in this effort to honour Christine's life and contributions to the Resort of Whistler.

Please see attached a recent photo of Christine Dolling and her dog Porter.

Sincerely,

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