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Fourteen Swan Rangers (and two dogs) snowshoed up over "the knob" in Krause Basin Saturday, passing through a recent DNRC logging area and an old Forest Service clearcut (now filled with birch and evergreens) before descending into the deep, old hemlock forests that Krause Basin is known for.

While not the bright sunshine of the weekdays prior, it was nonetheless a very nice day with good visibility, good company, lots of snowshoe hare tracks, and no rain.

A photojournalist from the Daily Inter Lake joined us a couple of weeks ago in Krause Basin and she reports her photos from that outing will likely appear in tomorrow's (2/24/08 Sunday's) newspaper. So be sure to check it out!

The Swan Rangers meet every Saturday at the Echo Lake Cafe for breakfast at 8:30, leaving at 9:30 for a partial day outing in the northern Swan Mountains and foothills.

They carpool from the Swan River School parking lot next to the Cafe.

Everyone is Welcome!

Hope to see you soon,

Keith

Photos by Keith Hammer:



The first junction in the old Krause Basin Road is always a good place to shed a layer and regroup!



The dogs (or was it the owner) insisted they get in the picture!



Even though the logging units offer nice views into the Flathead Valley, there's nothing like diving into the deep old hemlock forests of Krause Basin!