

March 1, 2008

Seventeen Swan Rangers snowshoed in Krause Basin Saturday under sunny skies rather than the predicted "slushy showers!"

They made a loop that took them through lots of hemlock forest, with just enough "bush whacking" to keep things interesting!

Plenty of snow remains in Krause Basin although warmer temperatures have knocked the snow from the trees and made it a little tricky for consistent skiing. Snowshoeing, however, opens up a lot of new territory otherwise too gnarly or steep for skiing!

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:



A pleasant partly-sunny day was enjoyed by all!



Old roads at lower elevation allow for lots of side-by-side conversation!



Snowshoes allow for descents on narrow trails too steep for skis!