

February 7, 2009

Eight Swan Rangers snowshoed from Bear Creek Road into Wolf Creek and back Saturday. They went in in the fog and returned under sunny, blue skies!

The snow was sticky higher up, slushy lower down, and dotted with the tracks of the mule deer and elk that winter in the area. One mule deer browsed unalarmed along the trail on the return trip, adding to an already pleasant trip.

As a token of appreciation for the fuel these Swan Rangers saved by car pooling and choosing non-motorized recreation, Swan View Coalition is donating \$20 to Energy Share Montana to help folks with fixed or low incomes heat their homes - something we hope to repeat each Saturday throughout the winter.

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

Keith Hammer photos on following page:



It was snowshoes and smiles all around Saturday!



Morning fog persisted on the way in . . .



. . . and Wolf Creek remains a winter scene . . .



. . . but sunny, blue sky hinted at spring on the way out!