

June 6, 2009

Four Swan Rangers hiked the Echo-Broken Leg Trail as far as Windy Point in Wolf Creek Canyon Saturday. A day that started rainy and chilly quickly turned sunny, but remained cool and windy- a reminder that summer doesn't officially start until June 21!

The trail is now lined with a succession of blooming wildflowers, yet there was a bit of fresh snow higher up on the peaks. The colors and views were crisp and deep, thanks to rain that cleared the air during the night!

The Swan Rangers meet every Saturday at the Echo Lake Cafe for **breakfast at 7:30, leaving at 8:30** 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 on following pages by Keith Hammer:



Birch Creek is running high from melting snow and fresh rains.



Fourth of July fireworks come early when bear grass blooms along the trail!



Indian paintbrush and penstemon add beauty to a stump along the way.



Hikers and dogs snack with a view in the lee of Windy Point!