December 19, 2009

Seven Swan Rangers broke trail up the old Krause Basin Roads on snowshoes and returned on foot via the Strawberry Lake Road Saturday. The prognosis for the broken trail is good: it will make a fine, firm base for future skiing on (hopefully) new-fallen snows!

It was a slightly rainy day, but the Rangers nonetheless came across a few folks out enjoying the day cutting their Christmas trees along Strawberry Lake Road.

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.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Everyone is welcome!

Hope to see you soon,

Photos on following pages by Keith Hammer:
Headed up the old Krause Basin Road with Strawberry Peak in the background.

Majestic cottonwood trees line Krause Creek in "Cottonwood Bottom."
A hole above a fallen log, where a squirrel had lunch!

Alternating strides with snowshoes makes for a fine ski trail, although it's the equivalent of breaking trail twice!