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Nine Swan Rangers skied and snowshoed up Peters Ridge Road Saturday, in rain and a temperature of 38 degrees. Something over the past couple of days caused the birch trees to drop their seed, which made for interesting patterns on the snow.

The low temperature this week was 38 degrees, the high was 38 degrees, and the average was 38 degrees. An informal Swan Ranger poll shows the increase in folks this week over last responding "the weather is boring" is 38%!

Regardless, skiing above the gate at the fork in the Peters Ridge Road remains quite good while the lower 1.5 miles of road remains thoroughly trashed by 4-WDs and their "go until you get stuck" antics.

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 NEW YEAR!

Everyone is welcome!

Hope to see you soon,



Keith

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A bit of rain always brings out the best in fashion among the Swan Rangers!



Ranger folklore has it that birch trees need 5 consecutive days and nights of 38 degrees, or some other combination of boring weather, to drop their seed.