July 17, 2010

Sixteen Swan Rangers broke into smaller groups and hiked in the Mount Aeneas area of Jewel Basin Saturday. A group of eleven hiked the loop up the old road, to the peak of Aeneas, then down the back side to Picnic Lakes and back through the main notch.

There's plenty of snow left on the back side and there was some experimenting with different styles of performing a glissade! As one Ranger put it, "The beauty of that loop is about as good as it comes!"

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,

Photos on following pages and report info by Bob Muth:
The trail up Mt. Aeneas, with the Flathead Valley below.

Just a few more steps!
On top of Aeneas, with Hungry Horse Reservoir in the distance.

The hiking method of negotiating a snowfield.
The sit glissade method, both couples and solo!

Picnic Lake still thawing out!