

March 12, 2011

Nine Swan Rangers snowshoed up the ridge toward Elk Spring Saturday, with five going far enough to lunch in the scree slope just above the spring. It was a gorgeous sunny day!

There were lots of tracks at the higher elevations that appeared to be of lynx and/or wolverine, but they were too old and partially filled with snow to know for certain.

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.

There's still enough snow that either cross-country skis or snowshoes are necessary.

Bears are emerging from their dens, however, so be sure to carry bear spray.

Everyone is welcome!



Keith

Photos on following pages by Keith Hammer:



A study of group density preferences!



A fire-scarred larch snag spirals upwards.



It's starting to get open and sunny!



A nice view of Flathead Lake!



How far can you run before the camera timer goes off?



Lunchroom complete with solar oven!