

March 26, 2011

Five Swan Rangers snowshoed and skied to the Mission Lookout near the head of Swan Lake Saturday, under pleasant skies and on fresh snow. The varied thrush, a cousin to robin and Swainson's thrush, are back in town and could be heard along the way! The varied thrush has two voice boxes by which it makes its unique, dual-tone brddddddd call!

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

Report info and photos on following pages by Bob Muth:



Fresh snow, blue sky, good company!



Approaching Porcupine Bridge.



The Swan River from Porcupine Bridge.



Mission Lookout - a room with a view!