

October 29, 2011

Three Swan Rangers hiked the Echo - Broken Leg Trail as far as Windy Point on a beautiful fall day - in spite of a rainy forecast! The western larch trees are now turning yellow and joining in the chorus of fall colors.

Note to our fair-weather friends: the weather was fair! We've decided the best weather forecasts are made from the breakfast table at the Echo Lake Cafe, while looking out the window!

OUR MEETING TIMES SHIFT ONE HOUR LATER BEGINNING NEXT SATURDAY AND WILL BE AS FOLLOWS UNTIL MAY:

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.

When hiking in bear country, remember to carry bear spray and avoid the 3-D's: dawn, dusk, and darkness.

Everyone is welcome!



Keith

PS - Big game rifle season is Oct 22 - Nov 27, so it's a good idea to wear bright orange while hiking out there!

Photos on following pages by Keith Hammer:



The view up Wolf Creek Canyon from Windy Point.



Fall aspen frame the up-canyon view!





A Fall crossing of Deer Creek.



This bush is CURRENTly red. What kind is it?



A Fall view of Ferndale and Flathead Lake.



Sun illuminates pitch dripping from a tree!