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Eight Swan Rangers hiked the Peters Ridge Trail and over the Swan Crest to Lamoose Lake on 7/7/07.

They hoped to beat the heat and did so by wading and swimming in the lake.

They did their part while Live Earth concerts took place around the world to raise awareness and action to combat global warming: by car-pooling, choosing a hiking destination close to Echo Lake Cafe, and hiking rather than riding motorcycles.

The snow has nearly disappeared along Alpine Trail #7 in the area and wildflowers abound in the alpine meadows it traverses.

The hike offers great views as well of Great Northern Mountain and peaks in Glacier National Park.

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.

Everyone is Welcome!

Hope to see you soon,

Keith

Keith Hammer photos:



Cool morning breezes blew the bugs away atop the Swan Crest, where the Peters Ridge Trail crosses before dropping down to Alpine Trail #7.



Lamoose Lake provided a great way to cool down during a long lunch break in the meadow beside it.



Lamoose Lake is perched high against the Swan Crest, pours off the east side into Lost Johnny Creek, has a great meadow and beach for sunning and swimming, and offers some great views of Great Northern Mountain (upper left).