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Fri Aug 05, 2016

Leader: **Raelene Bliskis**

Co-Leader: **Joe Lumsdon**

Six willing hikers-the sixpack to go-met early at Harmston and were on the trail at Raven Lodge by about 8am and after discussion off we went under the direction of our leader aka 'Fearless Leader' (check out this character on Rocky and Bullwinkle cartoon via Google). We were soon at Lake Helen MacKenzie for a wee break before heading back to the Battleship junction before heading up to Croteau Lake below Mount Elma with no views of the mountains nearby with the weather system coming in near noon. We had our 10am break for about a half hour at Croteau Lk before heading back towards Raven Lodge via Battleship Lk and taking the longer loop at the meadows allowed the few of us who saw it to spot a 'real' deer. We made it back to the vehicles just prior to the sky opening and the expected rain to commence. Great morning of exercise under the guidance of our "Fearless Leader" Raelene.



Our leader preparing to take a long walk off a short plank!

[Ed Tickner photo]



Helen Mackenzie is always beautiful, especially on a calm morning
[Ed Tickner photo]



Just getting underway from Croteau Lake
[Ed Tickner photo]



Which way do we go??
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*We saw only one of these, not sure what
it's called. Anyone know?*
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