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Sun Dec 18, 2011

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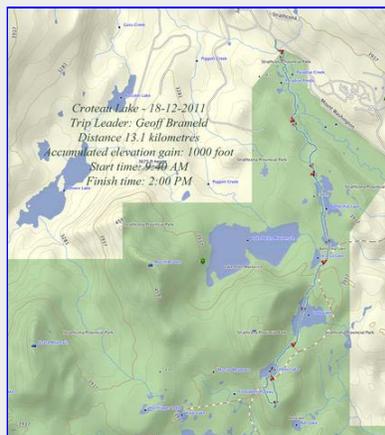
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Events started early as we ventured up the parkway and came across a vehicle that had skidded on black ice and rolled over landing on its side. We were the first to arrive at the scene and tended to the occupants who were unhurt but shaken. Others arrived and helped out so we ventured up to Raven lodge to start our trip.

The sun was out with no clouds to be seen as 6 of us headed up to Battleship Lake. Since there had been virtually no snow accumulation from last week's trip to Mt Elma, the going was easy and we quickly arrived at the lake for our first break. We followed trail to just before Lady Lake, then had to break trail for the rest of the way to Croteau lake. The lakes are all frozen now so crossing was not a problem.

Snow accumulation is much less than last year so we arrived at our lunch spot on the bluffs beyond Croteau in good time. A north wind kept us wrapped up in winter clothes and huddled behind some trees so it wasn't long when we started to move again. The vistas from several view points were spectacular as the skies were crystal clear.

Arriving back at Raven Lodge at about 2:30, we all enjoyed hot chocolate together. A wonderful day we all had in the mountains.



GPS route map
[Tim Penney photo]



Snowshoers in the gully
[Darrell Tomkins photo]





At the north end of Lady Lake
[Tim Penney photo]

Group photo at Lady Lake
[Darrell Tomkins photo]



Just arrived at Croteau Lake
[Tim Penney photo]



Clear skies and brilliant views.
George V and Castlecrag
[Tim Penney photo]



View from the ridge of George V, Castlecrag, Frink, Albert Edward, Regan, Jutland and Alexandra
[Darrell Tomkins photo]



Looking back across Croteau Lake from the ridge
[Tim Penney photo]



View down to Ball Lake from a rocky bluff on the Croteau Ridge
[Tim Penney photo]



View from Mount Elma as we were heading home across Croteau Lake
[Linda Hamilton photo]

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