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Comox Glacier With A Different Twist (hiking)

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Sat Aug 13 to Sun Aug 14, 2016

Leader: **Glenn Ord**

Co-Leader: **Geoff Brameld**

Here are some statistics from this trip:

Started hiking on Saturday at 4 p.m and on the alpine ridge at 6:17 p.m. Another 1 kilometre along the ridge we arrived at a good campsite, with water, at 6:40. We checked out a few other potential spots along the ridge, but none as good as where we chose to camp.

Sunday morning we started hiking at 6:40 a.m. arriving at the South Summit in 3 hrs 16 minutes at 9:56 a.m. North summit at 10:59 a.m. having stopped for a few photo detours along the west side of the glacier. 4 hours 19 minutes from campsite to summit.

Left the summit at 11:38 - stopped at out campsite for a break and to pickup our tents and gear. Back to the vehicles by 5:45.

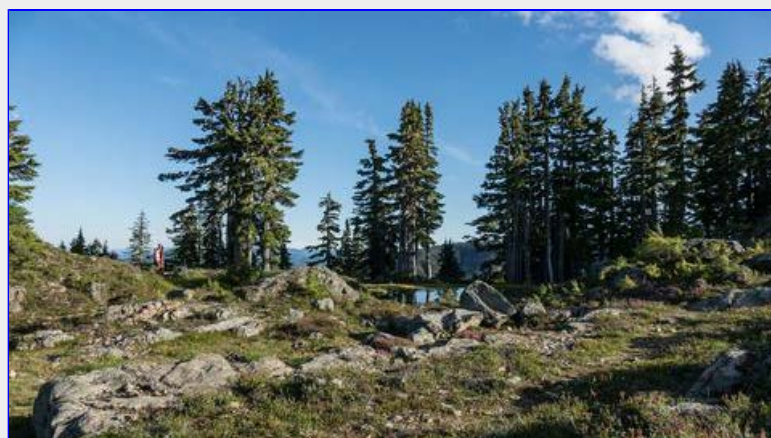
I would add that these are my GPS track times and we did have faster hikers than me. I must admit that I felt quite exhausted at times and would put it down too being in my 75th year and the hard hike to the campsite on Saturday with a heavier pack than I usually carry. Oh well! I really enjoyed the hike and was very pleased to get to the Glacier summit once again. What I really learned was that I would do better with a day off between hikes.

Many thanks to the patience of the other hikers and in particular to Glenn, Steve and Al who assisted in carrying down some of my gear from the campsite.

Tim

The highlight of the trip may well have been the cold Lonetree ginger apple cider that Geoff stashed for our return to the vehicles. Thanks Geoff!

Glenn



Picture perfect campsite

[Tim Penney photo]



Up and up we go.

[Glenn Ord photo]



*Heading alongside Black Cat Mountain towards Lone
Tree Pass*

[Tim Penney photo]



Paintbrush in full bloom
[Glenn Ord photo]



Some smoke in the valley below
[Tim Penney photo]



The mandatory summit photo
[Glenn Ord photo]



Glenn taking a snap or two
[Tim Penney photo]



A view towards town from the North summit
[Glenn Ord photo]



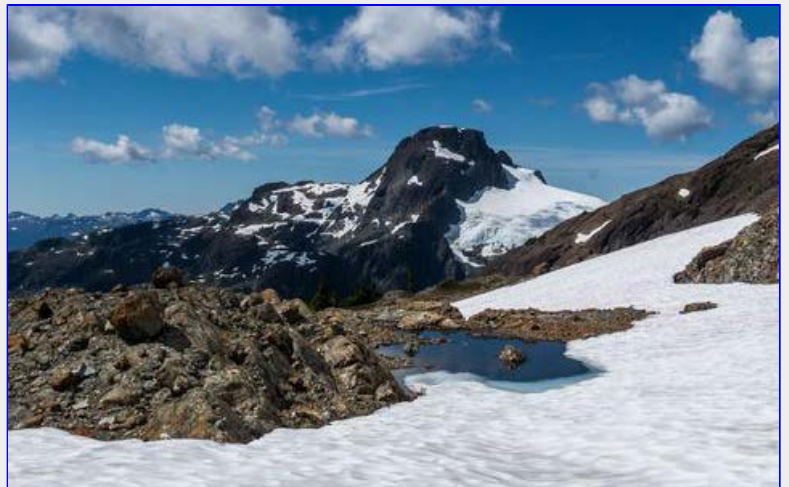
Return journey
[Glenn Ord photo]



Panorama shot of The Red Pillar and Argus Mountain
[Tim Penney photo]



*A good spot for filling up our water bottles on the way
back across the glacier*
[Tim Penney photo]



On the way down, an excellent view to The Red Pillar
[Tim Penney photo]



The long way down
[Glenn Ord photo]



The ever thinning glacier from South Summit
[Geoff Brameld photo]



Mirren Lake
[Geoff Brameld photo]

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