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# **Trip Report**

Battleship/Helen Mackenzie Loop (snowshoeing)

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Sun Dec 11, 2016 Leader: **Joe Lumsdon** Co-Leader: **Susan Osso** 

"We're gettin old but we're not old yet". We had two members of the Celebration Singers who sang with David Myles last eve at the concert at the Sid hiking with us today who told us all about a wonderful music evening Dec.10/16. They participated in singing "When it comes my turn".

We left Raven Lodge a little late at 9:30 am. Trails were fantastic with some trail breaking needed, but with a dozen eager snowshoers we took turns and it was great cooperation to make it an easier trudge. We stopped at Piggott creek for a photo op, then Helen Mackenzie for a snack. It was fun trail breaking along the lake and then up to Battleship. One trail breaker stepped off what appeared to be a dip in the snow and found herself waist deep in snow. Even where there isn't a marked trail, you can step off the trail! Who would have thought that would happen! We stopped at the north end of Battleship for a short lunch break about 12:30 pm, and were back to the vehicles by 1:30 pm. Attempts to see Santa among the trees proved pointless. He must be workin'. Weather was mostly very good with some real sun. Nearly 10km of wonderful winter wandering in fresh fallen snow. Who did we hear singing "Snow" which was written by Jesse Winchester?



Heading Out
[Susan Osso photo]



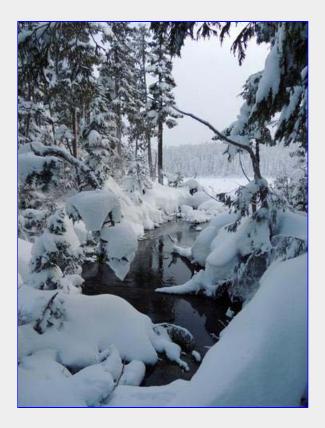
Piggott Creek Cross Over [Susan Osso photo]



Looky Here [Susan Osso photo]



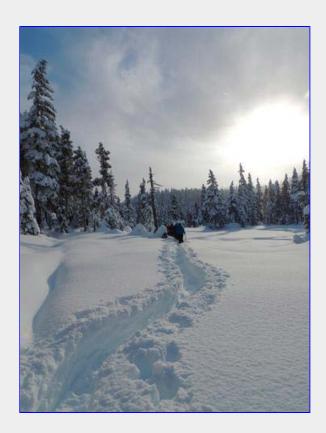
Oh Christmas Tree, Oh Christmas Tree [Susan Osso photo]



Creek Water Running
[Susan Osso photo]



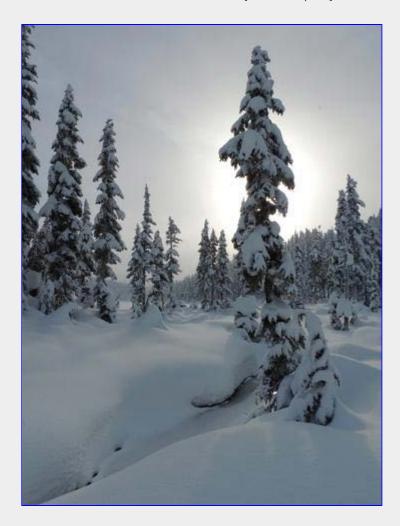
Breaking Trail [Susan Osso photo]



Heading Home [Susan Osso photo]



Feelin' Small [Susan Osso photo]



A Good Day [Susan Osso photo]

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