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Mon Feb 08, 2016

 Leader: **Tim Penney**

 Co-Leader: **Joe Lumsdon**

Although the forecast was indicating a sunny day, we started out from the parking area in fairly dull conditions. Soft snow and a well packed track made for a fairly easy climb up to the park. Conditions brightened as we gained elevation with some weak sunshine showing between the trees.

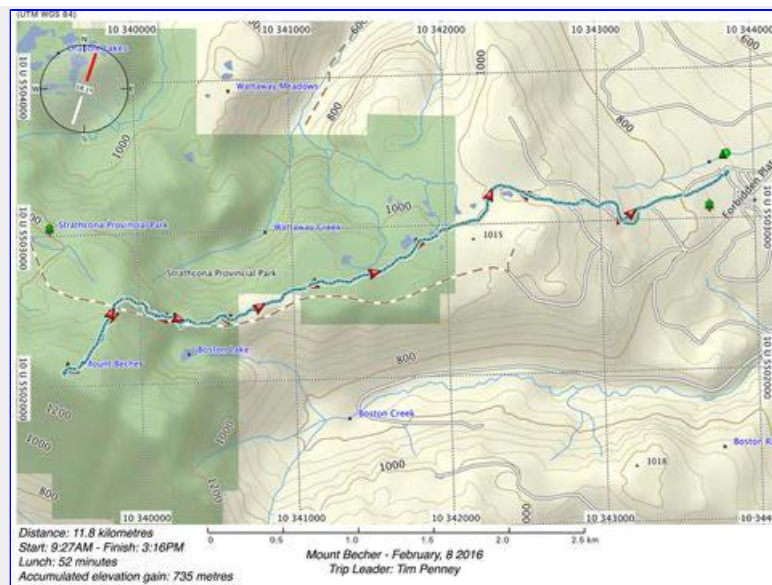
Still lots of snow on the ground, but with all the rain the surface was rather convoluted. Not much snow left on the trees, though, so we had no snow bombs to worry about, just rain showers under the trees. Because of the really warm temperature we did stop a few times for water breaks and clothing adjustments.

When we stopped above Boston Lake it looked really foggy above us with no view of the summit area. It was also misty when we arrived at the summit, so no sparkling views to any of the local mountains. Comox Lake was barely visible. It was still pleasantly warm at the summit with a steady breeze, almost felt like a chinook, so it was quite relaxing for our 50 minute lunch break.

This morning five other snowshoers, in two groups, left ahead of us. Two of them we met again on the summit whilst the other three must have turned back at some point. Brian Ross and a friend arrived as we were packing up to head down. We stopped and chatted for awhile and then they promptly took off to head down. For us, it was a good job that stayed a bit longer as the fog cleared and we had all the views that we wanted.

The snow was quite a bit softer on our return trip and made for some fun coming down in the steep sections. We saw no signs of any avalanches in any of the the areas that we were in and none were visible on the other viewable steep hill sides. The trail had been well used over the weekend. We did hear some noisy snowmobiles from time to time, but we didnt actually see any until we were out of the park on the way back. Lots of kids and toboggans at the bottom of the hill.

Another excellent day in the hills with plenty of exercise and much enjoyed by us all. Thanks Joe for doing the co-leader duties.



*GPS map and stats*  
[Tim Penney photo]



*Three other snowshoers ahead of us*  
[Tim Penney photo]



*A bit of sunshine as we head across one of the steep sections*  
[Tim Penney photo]



*Misty view from above Boston Lake*  
[Tim Penney photo]



*Climbing up just above the top gully*  
[Tim Penney photo]



*Quite foggy on the summit ridge*  
[Tim Penney photo]





*Group shot on the summit*  
[Tim Penney photo]



*Sunny and clear as we start to head down*  
[Tim Penney photo]




*Local mountains now visible as we head down*  
[Tim Penney photo]



*Coming down the steep sided gully*  
[Tim Penney photo]

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