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Trip Report

Croteau Lake And The Ridge On The East Side Thereof (snowshoeing)

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Sun Jan 20, 2013 Leader: **Tim Penney**

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The good weather, and a moderately easy trip, opened the flood gates with a total of 30 people out for today's snowshoe trek. It was good to see several prospective new member amongst the group, whom I hope enjoyed the trip.

The group split into two at the north end of Croteau Lake with several members relaxing there for lunch whilst the rest of us continued up onto the ridge for some excellent views across to the local mountains. The weather was surprisingly warm and actually prompted one member to strip down to her shorts, even whilst sitting down for lunch. From our higher viewpoint, and using my camera lens, two people were visible on the summit of Albert Edward. Also, Linda H was clearly seen at the Mount Elma viewpoint.

The warm and sunny weather made for a very relaxing and enjoyable lunch break. However, all good things eventually have to come to an end, but we did have quite a lot of fun heading down the steep side hill back to Croteau Lake. At the north end of the lake we met up with the other group who then headed out ahead of the rest of us. Following not too far behind, we were back to the Raven Lodge car park by 3:30.

This was another very enjoyable club outing and most impressive that we can have so many people turn out for a day in the mountains.

The trip distance was 12 kilometres, accumulated elevation gain was 1000 feet and we were on the trail for just over 5 hours.



Group shot at the start of the trip
[Tim Penney photo]



The large group on Battleship

Lake

[Tim Penney photo]



Nearly at the south end of Battleship Lake [Tim Penney photo]



Amazingly warm in the sun [Tim Penney photo]



The line-up on Lady Lake [Darrell Tomkins photo]



Lunchtime [Carol Hunter photo]



Panoramic view from Croteau Ridge [Darrell Tomkins photo]



Romping down the west face of the Croteau Lake ridge [Tim Penney photo]



amazing crystals [Carol Hunter photo]



Returning across Battelship Lake. Have we lost a few? [Darrell Tomkins photo]

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