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Battleship & Helen Mackenzie Lakes Circuit (snowshoeing)

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Sun Jan 30, 2011

Leader: **Tim Penney**

Co-Leader:

A total of 14 club members and 2 guests turned out for this trip to Battleship and Helen Mackenzie Lakes. The weather stayed overcast with no sign of the sun until we were heading down the Strathcona Parkway and back to town. However, the scenery was still very attractive with frost on the trees and low cloud that enhanced the feeling of being out in the backwoods.

Whilst heading north across Helen Mackenzie Lake we made contact, using the small Motorola radios, with Linda's group who were just nearing the summit of Mount Elma. From our location it looked like the mountain was quite socked in with the low clouds, and Linda couldn't see down to our position.

It was good to see so many members turn out for a snowshoe trip that was enjoyed by us all.

Total distance about 8.5 kilometres with an elevation gain of 100 metres.



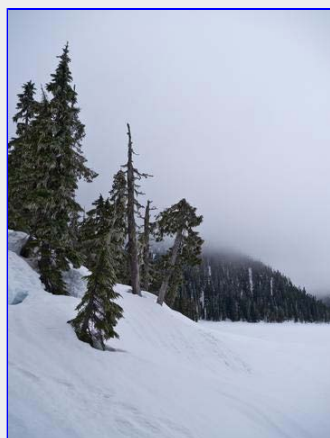
The SWI building is still nearly buried by the snow

[Tim Penney photo]



At the north end of Battleship Lake

[Tim Penney photo]



At the south end of



Just approaching the south end of Helen Mackenzie Lake

[Tim Penney photo]

*Helen Mackenzie Lake
looking towards the
flank of Mount Elma
[Tim Penney photo]*



*Giant icicles on the way back
[Kate Pierce photo]*

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