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Cumberland Lookout (hiking)

Wed Jun 13, 2012

Leader: Bucky Buchanan

Co-Leader:

Ten enthusiastic members left Courtenay under clear skies but by the time we reached Cumberland the clouds were low over the mountains. Undaunted we carried on, crossing a swollen Perservance Creek, on a magnificent new bridge and trudged slowly but steadily up Bonazi Pipeline. After catching our breath we ascended Miners to an unnamed lake pausing to admire a steep walled canyon. We could hear the waterfall but couldn't see it. Having had enough climbing we looked for a trail down and found a very steep one where the rope Bucky had packed came in very useful.

Lunch time found us at the Cumberland lookout were we ate in a field of flowers. A feast for the eyes as well as the stomach. The clouds had lifted sufficiently to give us views of Cumberland, Comox and Tree Island.

After lunch we continued our circle trip through the forest stopping the admire the many structures erected by the mountain bikers and agreeing that we never would have been that foolish in our youth but ssecretly wishing we had the nerve to try some of the jumps.



steep canyon [Bucky Buchanan photo]



reflection lake
[Bucky Buchanan photo]



short stop before steep descend [Isabella photo]



bridges & logs [Bucky Buchanan photo]



decending [Bucky Buchanan photo]



lunch [Bucky Buchanan photo]



Bike jump cup cake [Isabella photo]



Cumberland Lookout [Isabella photo]



Chocolate Lily
[Isabella photo]



narrow logs [Bucky Buchanan photo]

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