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Trip Report

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Sun Jun 23, 2013

Leader: **William Wright**

Co-Leader: **Denise Allard**

A well attended sloppy session for this trek - participants were clambering out from all corners of Forbidden Plateau, even including a couple of determined backpackers!

23 ended up enjoying the navigation exercises whilst overlooking Murray Meadows, at the south end of Croteau Lake - quite commendable that so many participated on a less than stellar day, even though it had started out under beaming sunshine, from the Valley below.

Some of our more scantily clad members were onset with hypothermia, having to withdraw from the exercises and return to the lodge, earlier than anticipated - they will not be penalized for this breezy departure and will still receive their navigational badges.

I appreciated the interesting queries tossed my way and this does give the absent-minded instructor an excuse to dust off his text books!

A few of the club competitors decided that running back to the lodge, from Battleship Lake, seemed like a grand notion - having left the Murray Meadows Lookout nigh on 2 PM, a blistering pace had these chaps arrive back at the SWI Centre within 45 minutes.

The trip leader stayed on till the bitter end, ensuring all were out from the wilds and safely accounted for, the last wee entourage returning by 4 PM.

A jolly good day and much enjoyed the enthusiasm of my junior navigators - well-done!

You can see more photos on Darrell's [Picasa site](#)



Gathering at the SWI hut
[Tim Penney photo]



Tim, Helen and Darrell couldn't pass by a photo op.
[Garry Olinek photo]



*Jeffrey's Shootingstar
(Dodecatheon jeffreyi)
[Tim Penney photo]*



*Still a lot of snow on the trail at
Lady Lake
[Tim Penney photo]*



*William introduces compass
mapping for the masses with
Murray Meadows in the
background
[Tim Penney photo]*



*William pointing out one of the
landmarks for triangulation
[Garry Olinek photo]*



*Two happy customers
[Tim Penney photo]*



*The group that headed down
first don't seem to be suffering
from hypothermia anymore,
despite the rain.
[Darrell Tomkins photo]*



At the end of the day, I had a

*The mist was rolling in as we
reached Paradise Meadows.*
[Darrell Tomkins photo]

nice track on my GPS.
[Darrell Tomkins photo]

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