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Trip Report

Rosewall Creek (hiking) return to Reports list edit report

Wed May 03, 2017 Leader: **Susan Osso**

Co-Leader: Louise Osborn

We started out at the Trailhead close to 10:00am, and arrived back around 1:30. 3.5 hours for a close to 7 km return. A comfortable pace along side the river, through a beautiful rainforest. Lots of photo ops, lots of scenic stops to view the landscape and flora. Devil's Club to be avoided because of its nasty thorns, a magnificent Trillium "showing off" (well described by Wendy) and out of a moss covered, dead maple tree, there were leaves budding! A few blowdowns just to keep us on our toes, and 2 water crossings: the first, a fat log for about 10 steps with a rope assist; the second is what I would call a rock hopper over and through babbling shallow water. Then there were the verdant mosses everywhere of course. And last but not least the perch at the waterfalls! We took turns in 2 groups. What a sight! The water was rushing from both falls - the main one and smaller one on the right. None of us wanted to leave.

On the return we were at the water crossing again - the babbling one with the rocks. Ed helped one of our hikers who required a little reassurance with the crossing. So gallant was Ed! And while they were crossing, 2 young fishermen, some of us had seen in the middle of the misty river earlier, marched through the stream well protected in their hip waders, and offered a piggy back ride for the remainder of the crossing. Another gentleman at the ready! Our hiker politely declined. She was already in good hands. Thanks Ed!

Another glorious hike! At one point we had 14 on the waiting list, so we increased the limit to 10. By the time hike day day rolled along we had only 8 enrolled. So those of you who are disheartened by the long wait lists, don't be. Keep the date flexible in your calendar and well see you on the next hike!



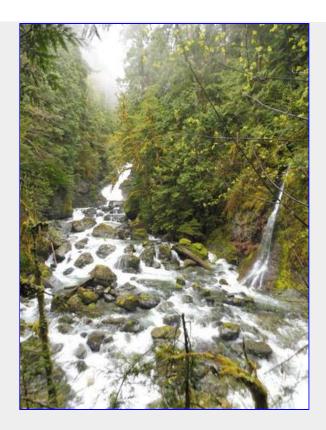
An innovative approach to slowing bank erosion



Some of the short steep sections need care to avoid slipping [Ed Tickner photo]



[Ed Tickner photo]



Rosewall creek falls with just enough water to make them spectacular [Ed Tickner photo]



Getting a little misty as we near the highway on our way back
[Ed Tickner photo]



Happy Hikers! [Melanie Bagley photo]



It's a balancing act! [Melanie Bagley photo]



Pausing for a chat [Melanie Bagley photo]



Great to see sunshine [Melanie Bagley photo]



Mighty creek
[Melanie Bagley photo]

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Lisa Jackson, if you were on this trip and wish to be on the participant list please click

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