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Carey Lakes 21-9-2014

Seven hikers turned out for this bushwhacking adventure to Carey Lakes and the ridge above. We left the Courthouse soon after 7:30 and, after the long haul around the Comox Lake road, started into the hike in sunny and warm weather at 9:20.

The first 2 kilometres of the trail to the lower Carey Lakes was a pleasure to be on following the clearing done by the work party last Sunday. Beyond that point the route can be interpreted in a variety of different ways including open rocky sections and some good old bushwhacking. Several rocky bluffs can be avoided by a slight change in the route.

After our usual tensies and elevensies we stopped for lunch at 12:30 and enjoyed the views and fine pre fall air until about 1:40. I had planned to continue further on towards the next ridge, but due to time constraints we all decided to start on the homeward trek. With no wrong turns, and easier going down hill, we were back to the vehicles by 4:05.

This last day of summer hike couldnt have been any better. Thoroughly enjoyed by us all, I hope, and with lots of opportunities for the avid photographers amongst us.

Distance covered 12.5 kilometres Accumulated elevation gain about 2200 feet



The road trip in to the trailhead was 'amazing'! [Darrell Tomkins photo]



One of the first Carey Lakes [Darrell Tomkins photo]

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Spectacular view for lunch on Carey Ridge [Darrell Tomkins photo]



Blueberries provided lots of colour and tasting! [Darrell Tomkins photo]



A great day for reflections [Shawna Kirby photo]



View from the top [Shawna Kirby photo]



Low water in the tarns on the higher ridge



First break, and time for a few photos..... [Shawna Kirby photo]



Lunch area panorama view [Tim Penney photo]



Down climbing one of the rocky sections

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