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# **Trip Report**

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Mon Jul 11, 2016 Leader: Juanita Wells

Co-Leader: Susan Osso

At 9:15 on a cool and cloudy morning thirteen happy hikers set off from the trailhead to their first creek crossing of the day at the outlet of McKenzie Lake. After following the shore line about half way up the lake and then crossing over to Douglas Lake, a short side trip was made to check out a nearby cabin. Continuing on to McKenzie Meadows and then to the Wood Mt traverse trail a short break was taken at the junction to admire the new CDMC signs (thank you Otto!!) and the new Parks signs (thank you Allen & Co.!!). Continuing on the traverse trail at a leisurely pace towards Panther Lake the group navigated a few more water crossings, bushy trail (future work party, lol!), some windfall and some muddy sections. Turning down off the Traverse trail above the west side of Johnston Lake the group arrived at their lunch spot at approximately 1pm. Within 10mins of arrival, Otto landed a beautiful trout! Soon after the wind picked up and a light rain started to fall so the group continued around the lake to the east side and their exit point. Heading southeast from the east side of the lake at 2pm the group made their way back to connect up with the Wood Mt traverse trail again. With the rain stopping not long after it started the trip back was guite pleasant and had everyone back at the vehicles at about 4:15pm.



GPS Track: McKenzie, Douglas and Johnston Lakes [Darrell Tomkins photo]



Preparation for for the beautiful hike [Lubosh Kloucek photo]



The first of many creek crossings.

[Juanita Wells photo]



Handy shelter at the Douglas Lake [Lubosh Kloucek photo]



Crossing McKenzie Meadow
[Juanita Wells photo]



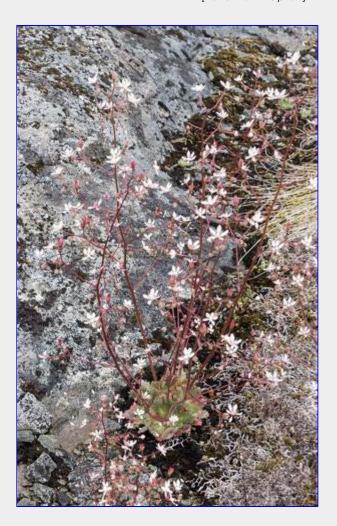
A little rest on our way to Johnston Lake [Lubosh Kloucek photo]



Johnston Lake [Darrell Tomkins photo]



## Otto caught a beautiful Rainbow Trout. [Darrell Tomkins photo]



Arctic Saxifrage. Wildflowers abounded: Bunchberry, White-flowered Rhodendron, White and Pink Heather, Buckbean, White Bog-orc [Darrell Tomkins photo]

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