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Trip Report

Mt Geoffrey Nature Hike, Hornby Island (hiking)
Wed Jul 08, 2015
Leader: **Susan Holvenstot**
Co-Leader: **Chris Carter**

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While I was technically the last minute "leader " I must credit Krista and Chris C for initiating and organizing the trip. Krista had to withdraw unexpectedly, but met us at Harmston at 7 am with three maps and the sign in list ready to go. One hiker also had to withdraw due to a flat tire. The remaining 6 got the 7:40 ferry to Denman Island, and then walked on board the ferry to Hornby, starting to hike just at 9 am. Five of us followed the beautiful trails up Mt Geoffrey, and one hiked along the lower route to Fords Cove. It was a hot, somewhat smoky/hazy day, but as the entire route had partial shade, it was a perfect hike. The mossy benches, arbutus, Garry oaks, and sun-drenched fir made for many pleasant moments. We kept moving with 10-20 min stops occasionally, and all met up at Fords Cove for the final leg back to the 3 pm ferry from Hornby. Descending down to the Denman ferry, we were just able to get an ice cream cone for the driver, much coveted by the ferry workers. The driver eventually got the dripping, melty thing. A good time was had by all.

[Ed Tickner photo]

Spotting eagles along the edge of the escarpment
[Ed Tickner photo]

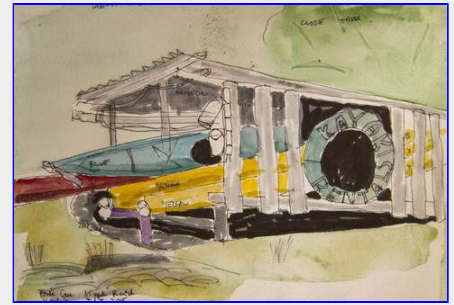*Great view over Lambert channel to Denman and the Beaufort range*
[Ed Tickner photo]

[Ed Tickner photo]

*Looking back to Mount Geoffrey
at the end of the trip*
[Ed Tickner photo]

*Chris went sketching at Ford's
Cove while the rest of the Group
climbed Mt Jeffrey*
[Chris Carter photo]

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