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Sat Jul 09, 2016

 Leader: **Otto Winnig**

 Co-Leader: **Raelene Bliskis**

Century Sam July 8 2016

12 members gathered at the meet up spot just after 6:45. After waivers were signed we car pooled to the trail head. The road to the glacier has been repaired by timber west. The cross ditches have been removed and the road is in great condition right up to the trail head. 44 are no longer needed to make it to the trail head.

We left the cars parked off to the side and we're on the trail by 8:20. Some of us spotted a bear some distance away. The weather was cloudy but the rain held off. The berries were plentiful, plump and sweet. We kept a steady pace taking one short break on the way up. Thanks to Joe for bringing along clippers and clipping out parts of the trail. We reached Century Sam lake at approx 11:15. Crossing the lakes out flow was challenging as water levels were high. Some of us got wet feet crossing the stream. Thank you Mr Kulak for being brave enough to swim. :) We were happy to see bits of sunshine as we ate lunch. We took a 1 hour break as some members wondered around exploring. As we finished lunch a large group of hikers emerged from the trall. Our descent was uneventful. The footing was slippery as the gound was very loose and slick from the the mud. . It took us approx 2 hours to hike back to the cars . The trip roster was signed and we slowly came back down the cruickshank main.

It was a good hike up to Century sam and the weather was in our favor.

Thanks to Otto for leading this trip. Thanks to Joe for your help with clipping and getting permits sghned.



Bushes quite wet, but no rain on the way up

[Ed Tickner photo]



Just arriving at the top of the bluff, sun almost coming out
[Ed Tickner photo]



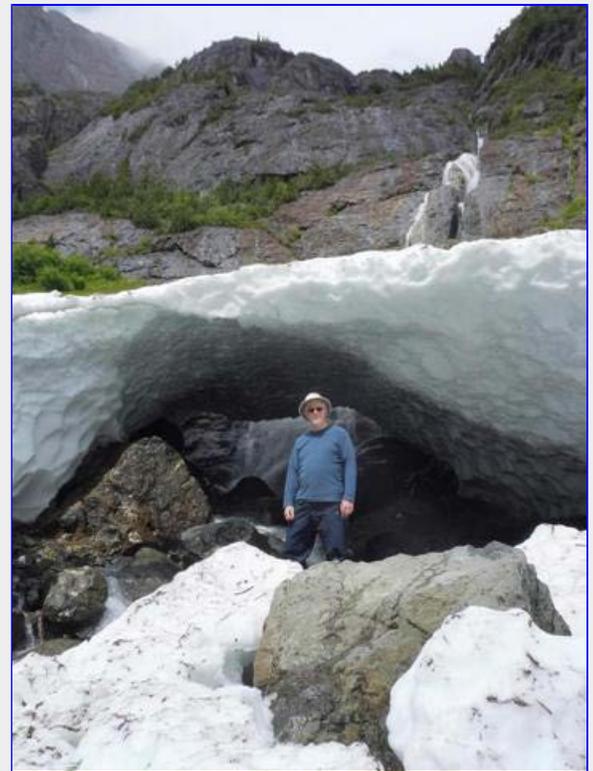
Meadows leading up to the lake
[Darrell Tomkins photo]



Crossing the creek before getting to the lake
[Darrell Tomkins photo]



Beautiful Century Sam Lake
[Darrell Tomkins photo]



Still some small snow caves beyond the lake but melting fast
[Ed Tickner photo]



Plentiful, edible mega-berries!
[Susan Osso photo]



Crossing the creek and on our way
[Susan Osso photo]



Snow cave splendor
[Susan Osso photo]

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