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Sat Jun 15, 2013

Leader: **Harold Osborne**

Co-Leader: **William Wright**

The trip started out at 8.15 which allowed us to meet other members at the 9.00 Quadra ferry. The group of 24 started from the Nugedzi Seymour car park at 10.20 on a great sunny morning. This was the good news. We quickly splintered into 2 groups . Harold on the lead of a 20 member group and William, co-leading with a group of 4 at the rear. At the only marked trail turn sign 20 people marched straight ahead on the optical trail without seeing it. Remember Mr. Magoo. This put the lead group on the opposite side of Nugedzi Lake into bush whacking meets blow down. Shades of African Queen without the boat. At the end of the trail we found a great rock cropping overlooking the lake to enjoy lunch. Tim and I agreed to christen it, the Nugedzi Trail route. When we arrived at the parking lot for the trip home my co-leader was just summiting Seymour. This was a 4 hr trip which is usually 2. Keep tuned to the report ,I am certain there will be additions . Thanks to all the members who joined us for their company and their patience .

Summit Party:

There are 2 kinds that grace our world - this adventure was a classic rendition of the age old tale "The Hares & The Tortoises".

The "Comedy of Errors" (unravelling) were added to by the best efforts of the remains of the rearguard trying to convince the most inexperienced turtle that she couldn't possibly be right with her revelation of a Nugedzi Lake Trail marker.

The consensus was, whether correct or not, to throw our lot in with the footprints of the front running hares and head off on the "new" Nugedzi Lake Trail.

Fortunately, these mates came to their senses and were able to take good orderly direction, averting a sleeping arrangement on the porch, that eve.

Pics depict what then became a most splendid day in the hills.



Start of the trail
[Tim Penney photo]



Obstacle course
[Tim Penney photo]



*Lunch break on a rocky bluff
with a lake view
[Tim Penney photo]*



*Rearguard Navigating thru
Nugedzi Ancient Forest
[William Wright photo]*



*Orchid along Forest Floor
(Western Coralroot)
[William Wright photo]*



*Approaching Nugedzi Lake
[William Wright photo]*



*Labrador Tea Covers Shore of
Little Nugedzi Lake
[William Wright photo]*



*Beautiful Meadow off Little
Nugedzi Lake
[William Wright photo]*



*Seymour Summit
[William Wright photo]*



*A Good Punt Deserves a Good
Soak!*

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