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Sat Jun 29, 2013

Leader: **Ken Rodonets**

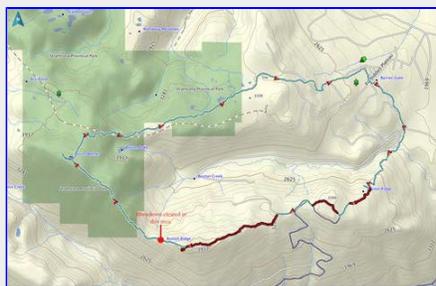
Co-Leader:

With a bit of overcast, 9 members showed up for the work party. After getting thru the gate, we traveled along the lake road for 6 kms, and then turned up to the right and drove for another 6 kms. This is where we needed the 4x4's. With 3 on the trip, it was no problem. Arriving at more of the beginning part of the trail, we split into two groups. With 6 members going along the lower part of the trail and clearing out the logging slash, and remarking the trail. The other 3 members started up a little higher along the trail putting up new markers, and clearing some of the trail.

We met back up around noon, and had lunch together, and then it was on to the 2nd. part of the trail clearing. The 6 members started clipping and clearing alders on the 2nd. bump or "hogsback". The other 3 drove into the Boston Canyon closer to the ridge that goes along and up back towards Mt. Beacher. We had about a 200 meter climb up thru the slash, carrying the chain saws and gas. As Otto clipped, Bill and I used the two chainsaws and started to clear the blow downs. Now in using the chainsaws, one has to be aware of the "pinching" of the saw. Which did happen to the clubs saw. In calling Bill over with his saw, to try and free mine up, the unthinkable did happen..... We suddenly had two saws stuck !!! After trying for a while in removing the dead wood away, we needed the axe. And where was the axe ? Back down at the truck !. A big THANK YOU to Otto who said that he would climb back down to the truck and then back up to get the axe to us. After getting the saws free, we finished off the cutting. (It always happens on the last log) and headed back down to the truck. We were about 1.5 hrs. later than expected. Tim headed down the hill to have the gate open for us when we went thru.

We were all back in Courtenay by 5 pm. Thank you to Glenn, Don, Jim, Tim, Bob and Harold for all the clipping and remarking the trail, Thank you to Bill for the extra chainsaw and work, Otto for clipping and going down to the truck and then back up for the axe.

The weather did get warm later in the day, but overall it was a great day for some trail work. You will see the results of our work later this year when Otto leads the Boston Ridge trail hike.



*Red track sections show the areas of the trail that we worked on. Ken also cleared some*



*On the road in we had a great view of Comox Lake  
[Tim Penney photo]*

*blowdown in the red dot area.*  
[Tim Penney photo]



*Over there, or maybe up there!*  
[Tim Penney photo]



*Hard at work on the trail*  
[Tim Penney photo]



*Open view in the logging slash*  
[Tim Penney photo]

*Anybody know where the trail  
is?*  
[Tim Penney photo]



*Lunch break*  
[Tim Penney photo]

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