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Sun Jun 07, 2015

 Leader: **Ken Rodonets**

 Co-Leader: **Julianna Wells**

Meeting at the Court House, before 7 am, to start the process of the T.W. wavier forms, collect the \$, and signing our Activity Register. Out of the 25 members I had signed up to go..... 21 members showed up. Once the paperwork was done, it was carpooling time and leave time. Going around the lake, was a dusty one. We left one SUV at the top of the Comox Creek, before the cross ditching started. We went in with two Toyota 4x4's and two long (wheel) box trucks.

We hiked in at a good pace, with having some breaks along the way, due to the very hot conditions. The two places with the heavy green growth, were o.k. , but within a month it may cover the trail over. We did some clipping near the top end of the trail, before the start of the valley. It was around 12:30 pm by the time we got into the lake. While some members had lunch, some members went into the lake for a very refreshing dip !!.

After lunch most of us, went up to see the one and only snow cave left this year. The roof of this snow cave must be at least 20 ft. high. Being near the cave, you could feel the coolness and it was hard to leave. Coming out was good. When we got back to the creek crossing most members cooled down in the creek. Driving back was a dusty one, but the day was good and enjoyable. Thanks to all the members who came out !!.

Some more images here:

<http://public.fotki.com/TimPenney/cdmc-trips/century-sam-lake-ju/>


Crossing Comox Creek at the start of the trail
[Tim Penney photo]



Slide areas not too overgrown after last year's trimming
[Tim Penney photo]



The maw of the snow cave
[Tim Penney photo]



Looking out
[Tim Penney photo]

*At the back end of the cave -
open to the creek and rocks
above*
[Tim Penney photo]



*The one snow cave. Note the
members on the left side.*
[Ken Rodonets photo]



*The rock cairn in memory of Sid
Williams and the lake.*
[Ken Rodonets photo]



paintbrush
[Paula Field photo]



what a colour!
[Paula Field photo]



Lorne at the snow cave
[Paula Field photo]

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