Puntledge Ridge Bike Trails (hiking)

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Today's hike turned out better than expected as the weather was quite nice despite the forecast. Bill joined us at the trail head for part of the hike which turned out nice for us around lunch time. We started through the woods near the dam along Bear Bait trail for a short way and then headed into a clearcut and back into the woods which eventually led us to Boston Main. Going on the road most of the way through the old clear cut we then headed up a trail leading to an old cabin on the bike trail known as Cabin Fever. The trail continued along a stream and into some nice mossy open areas before hitting an old logging road that leads onto Two Sheiks and a Dog. There was a nice spot for a break but too soon for lunch so Bill led us through the woods out onto some bluffs with a better view of Comox Lake and the cloud covered Beaufort Range. We were even treated to some sunshine during lunch as well as other times during our hike. After returning to our deviation spot, we started our descent which included several nice open moss covered rocky areas that are quite nice this time of year. Bill said goodbye to us and headed out to the clearcut road and we continued through the woods going over two big hills before getting to a series of logging roads connected by bike trails that led back to Bear Bait trail and back to our cars after 6 hours and 22 minutes according to Lawrence's watch which also recorded a total elevation gain of 2300 feet during our hike. Thank you to all of the participants for a nice hike.



Nice vista from the bluffs [Geoff Brameld photo]



Coffee break [Geoff Brameld photo]



Sunny lunch on the bluffs [Geoff Brameld photo]



Just follow the peanut shells and you'll make it back!
[Geoff Brameld photo]



No Diving?
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I wish I had my pipe [Geoff Brameld photo]

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