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Sun Mar 04, 2012

Leader: **Otto Winnig**

Co-Leader:

A great start to the hiking season! Conditions partly sunny, a bit windy near the ocean. We started on the east side of Bates Rd, then around to the west side in a big circle, stopped for a break at Melda's Marsh (water levels very high) then back to the east side along the ravine. Lunch was overlooking the turquoise ocean through the trees. About 11.5 km. total.

An excellent trail map is available on the CVRD website: <http://tinyurl.com/72qt6hb>

The map also indicates where & when dogs must be leashed.

More nature info is available on the CVNS website: <http://tinyurl.com/6qdw867>

p.s. the turquoise water could indicate herring spawn as mentioned - the fishery is underway as of today.



Typical forest of Douglas-fir with salal understory
[Krista Kaptein photo]



Snack break at Melda's Marsh
[Krista Kaptein photo]



Melda's Marsh
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Sword fern
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Sign by Otto
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Red cedar stump
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Lunch overlooking ocean
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Turquoise ocean
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Red alder in ravine
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Waterfall to ravine
[Krista Kaptein photo]

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