

FEBRUARY EVENTS

Sunday, February 4th

HIKE – Mount Maxwell from Seymour Heights; up the Gary trail to the Rim Trail, then to the summit. Down via trail 4 and the upper Girlfriend Trail. Meet at Art Spring at departing at 1:00 or at the trailhead at the end of Seymour Heights to set out at 1:15.

Tuesday, February 6th

HIKE – Carron has organised an outing in the private strata-owned Maracaibo property. One of the owners will be leading a tour out to Nose Point which will be approximately 8 kms and including a lunch stop will last probably 4 hours. There is little elevation gain but non stop scenery! Carpooling is mandatory as we have been asked to keep the number of cars at a minimum. Depart from ArtSpring at 9:45. Dress warm!!! Will probably be quite windy.

WALK – Sheila will lead us from the Trustees Trail entrance toward Manzanita Ridge and return by the same route, thus avoiding the steepest parts of Mount Erskine. Meet at Artspring for a 10 AM departure to Mt Erskine.

RAMBLE – Meet at ArtSpring at 10:30 then at the end of Broadwell at 10:45.
Take your lunch.

Sunday, February 11th

HIKE – Howard Horel, Andreas Vogt Nature Reserves and Bryant Hill. Meet at Art Spring at departing at 1:00 or at the trailhead on Mereside Rd to set out at 1:15.

Tuesday, February 13th

HIKE – Rosemary will lead Tuesday's hike along the Mt Maxwell trail network. Will be rather cool, but so far, no chance of rain.

We'll hike uphill along the Armand Trail to the Link onward to the Gary. Let's enjoy the full length of the Gary Trail as well as the full length of Rim Trail back to the summit. We'll descend the Armand Trail back to the cars. With the elevation change, both up and down, it could be quite handy to have a hiking pole.

Having scouted the route last week, I expect to complete our hike between 3:00 and 3:30 depending upon how long and how frequent we take breaks. Guessing that total distance is 13 to 14 km.

Meet at Artspring to car-pool departing at 9:45 or at the trailhead at the end of Armand Way ready to set out at 10:05.

WALK – Please note —Tuesdays walk on the Tsawout reserve, starts at the parking area at the end of Morningside Road, just outside the gate to the Reginald Hill strata. From there, we walk on the road through the strata and onto the reserve trails. Departure: 10:00 am at ArtSpring or 10:15 at the end of Morningside.

RAMBLE

Meet at Artspring at 10:30 and we'll walk in Mouat's Park led by Patricia.

Lunch at Dagwoods or SS Inn?

Marjie

Sunday, February 18th

HIKE – Ruckle Park via the big fir and Coppermine Point or Merganser pond. Meet at Art Spring departing at 1 pm or at first parking area just before the Park entrance, to set out at 1:25. A medium length and moderate hike.

Tuesday, February 20th

HIKE – Hello hikers. Unfortunately I have to postpone the Mount Prevost hike due to rain in the forecast (a safety issue – especially up at the summit).

Instead I'll be offering an 11km hike from Ruckle Park to Cusheon Cove along the Shoreline Trail. After lunch at Cusheon Cove we will loop back along the creek before joining the inland route to our cars. We will be out approx 4.5-5 hrs including lunch. The hike will go ahead rain or shine.

Meet at Artspring to carpool, departing at 9:45, or the Heritage Farm Parking (across from the farmhouse – see sign on right) to depart at 10:10.

WALK – Brian Hutchings will lead a moderate walk on the south side of Mount Maxwell to a little known waterfall. Elevation 225 meters. Meet At ArtSpring for 10 am departure or at the first field on the left of Burgoyne Bay Road at 10:20.

RAMBLE CANCELLED DUE TO RAIN

Sunday, February 25th

HIKE – Channel Ridge starting at the end of Pringle Farm Rd. Up past John Myers bench, then to the North summit, descending to the Brian and Skye bench, then along the west boundary returning to Pringle Farm Rd. Meet at Art Spring at departing at 1:00 or at the trailhead at the end of Pringle Farm Rd to set out at 1:20.

Tuesday, 27th

HIKE – Bob Keates will lead a hike on the Howard Horel, Andreas Vogt and Bryant Hill trail system. Meet at Art Spring to carpool, departing at 9:45, or at the trailhead on Mereside to set out at 10:00. Please bring clippers or loppers for a bit of salal clearing. Art Spring at 9:45 or Mereside Road trailhead at 10:00.

WALK – Lynn Thompson will lead a circumnavigation of Crofton Lake. The steep part is from the ferry up Robert Street to the trail head. Be prepared for mud and puddles. Meet at Portlock Park at 9:00 am to carpool to Vesuvius and walk on the 9:35 ferry. Lynn will meet us on the Crofton side. Anticipated return ferry: possibly 2:20 pm but more likely 3:35 pm. Be sure to bring your ID and BC ferries Experience Card.

RAMBLE – Leader TBA. Carpool at Artspring at 10:30 or meet at Canvasback at 10:45
Take your lunch

Walk Leaders needed for March. Contact Sheila sspence@telus.net

RAMBLE

Meet at ArtSpring at 10:30 a.m. Desitnation TBA