

Alpine Scrambles Trip Report

Everett Mountaineers

Destination: BIG JIM MTN.
 Map(s): USGS BIG JIM MTN
 Guidebook: CAG I, p. 221
 Trailhead: HATCHERY CREEK
 Carpool at: MONROE PER

Date of Trip: 8/8/98
 Scramble Rating: R 5-3
 Summit Height: 7763'
 Elevation Gain: 5000'
 Miles Round Trip: 16

Ascent Route: HATCHERY CK. TRAIL TO N. FORK FALL CK, PARALLELED CK. TO RIDGE AT PT. 7053 FOLLOWED RIDGE, EXCEPT TO TRAVERSE PT. 7616 ON ITS RIGHT SIDE, TO SUMMIT.

Descent Route: DESCENDED DIRECTLY TO LK. AUGUSTA, FOLLOWED TRAIL BACK TO TH.

Party Members

1) CLYDE SALISBURY

From:	To:	Elapsed Time	Student	Potential Leader	Reached Destination	Adequately Prepared	Comments Noted Below
Carpool 6:30	Trailhead 8:45	2:15					
Trailhead 9:00	RIDGE PT. 7053 12:15	3:15					
PT. 7053 12:15	Summit 3:15	3:00					
Summit 4:30	Lk. Augusta 5:00	0:30					
Lk. Aug. 5:15	Trailhead 10:15	5:00					

Overall Pace of Party: Leisurely Moderate Intense
 Steepness/Difficulty: Can't fall Could fall Don't fall
 Terrain Encountered: Rock TALUS Snow Brush
 Equipment Recommended: Hardhat Crampons Rope
 Weather Conditions: SUNNY & WARM

Was a handline used? Yes No (If Yes, describe circumstances)

Accident Involved? Yes No (If Yes, submit an accident report)

Trip Narrative/Comments (about skills and conditioning of students):
AS WE DROVE UP TO THE TH WE FLUSHED A BLACK BEAR CUB WHO HAD APPARENTLY BEEN ATTRACTED BY CAMPERS COOKING BREAKFAST AT THE TH. WE HIKE ON THE TRAIL TO THE JCT. WITH A TRAIL (1576) TO THE BLD-LANDS. WE ATTEMPTED TO LEAVE TRAILS AT THAT POINT BUT SOON RAN INTO DENSELY GROWING LODGEPOLE PINES - TOO HARD TO PENETRATE - SO WE GOT BACK ON TRAIL TOWARD LK. AUGUSTA. UNTIL WE REACHED FALL CK WE WERE COUNTING ON WATER AT THIS POINT BUT IT WAS BONE DRY. WE DECIDED WE HAD ENOUGH WATER TO MAKE IT TO THE SUMMIT SO WE WENT ON. GIVEN THE ~~TIME~~ TIME OF DAY AND THE DENSENESS OF TREES WE HAD ENCOUNTERED EARLIER, OUR ONLY CHOICE FOR WATER SEEMED TO BE LAKE AUGUSTA, RATHER THAN THE BIG

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"JIM MTN. LKS. ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE RIDGE. WE DROPPED STRAIGHT DOWN A FAIRLY STEEP ROCK-STREWN SLOPE TO THE LAKE SHORE WHERE WE FINALLY SLAKED OUR THIRSTS AND FILLED OUR BOTTLES FOR THE 8 MILE TRAIL TO THE CAR

THIS SCRAMBLE IS SUITABLE FOR ONE DAY ONLY WITH A GROUP WHICH CAN MOVE AT A MODERATE PACE OVER ROCKY TERRAIN. EVEN THEN IT'S A LOT OF WORK FOR ONE DAY.