

Alpine Scrambling Trip Report

Everett Mountaineers

Destination: Larreebee	Date of Trip: 7/27/2002
Map(s): Mt Shuksan GT, Mt Larreebee USGS	Scramble Rating: 4-3
Guidebook: 3:54	Summit Height: 7861
Trailhead: Twin Lakes	Elevation Gained: 2600
Miles Round Trip: 10	

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Driving Instructions: **I-5 North to Bellingham, east on SR 542 to DOT Maintenance Complex on north side of highway. Turn in second driveway and road goes off to the right. Keep right past two "Y" intersections and go past Yellow aster Butte TH. At this point the road gets very rough. Really helps to hve a 4W drive to get to Twin Lakes, at least something with high clearance.**

Ascent Route: **Take trail to High Pass. At high Pass continue up the ridge to the NNE and then traverse just below the knoll around to the north onto the snowfield in the basin on the southside of the mountain. There are two gulleys leading up; take the left snow gully up onto the ridge that comes south from the summit. once on the ridge go up gravel slope to rock headwall. Keep to the left and enter gully just on the left side of the gravel slope. This will be at about 7000'. Head up the gully. The gully will fork about 30 yards up, keep to the right. From here either go up the bottom of the gully or move to the right side of the gully. Staying in the bottom of the gully gives more exposure to rock fall. Staying to the right along the side reduces this risk. At about 400' below the summit it is possible to gain the ridge crest on the right and follow that up to the summit.**

Descent Route: **Retrace climbing route.**

Weather conditions: **Mostly cloudy. Broke out on top just below the summit for great views of Shuksan, Baker, Tomahoy, and American Border Pk.**

Trip Summary	From	To	Elapsed Times
	Carpool:6 am	Trailhead:8:50 am	2+50 hours
	Trail head: 9:25 am	Summit: 2 pm	4+35 hours
	Summit: 3 pm	Trailhead:6:45 pm	3+45 hours

Overall Pace of Party: Leisurely Moderate Intense
 Steepness Can't Fall Could Fall Don't Fall
 Terrain Encountered: Rock Snow/ice Brush Other.
 Equipment Recommended: Hardhat Crampons Rope Snowshoes
 Was a handline used: **No** (If yes, describe circumstances):
 Accident Involved: **No** (If yes, submit an accident report):

Reached Adequately Comments

Trip Comments: **Did not take helmets, wish we had.** The rock is very loose and tends to break off easily. Had to keep the group close together from the time we entered the gully to the summit and back down out of the gully.