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Ten enthusiastic BOC hikers woke up early on Monday, August 5 (BC Day) to ensure they reached Burnaby City Hall by 6:45am. We met early because our trip required a border crossing and small parking lot at the Lake Ann trailhead. The early morning start helped us reach the US border at 7:50am and it only took us 5 minutes to cross the border. We also reached Lake Ann trailhead at 8:50am and both cars found good parking space.

The trail starts in the forest and descends about 3.2 KM and 800 feet to a lush meadow and Swift Creek. Then the trail switches uphill 1000 feet through boulder fields and meadows. At about 6.4 KM we reached the saddle above Lake Ann. The close-up view of Mt. Shuksan and its glaciers are unforgettable. Now and again we heard the crack and crash of ice calving off the glaciers and the roar of dozens of waterfalls.

After having a one hour lunch break, taking some photos and videos, we continued our hike to explore a side trail which leads toward Mt. Shuksan glaciers. We were rewarded with the closed up view of glacier and Baker Lake. At 2pm, we retraced our route back and arrived at the parking lot at 5pm.

Every turn, every hike is beautiful in the Mount Baker area. We also had a beautiful day to enjoy our hike.

Thanks to our drivers Monisha and Jacques for making this beautiful excursion possible for us.

Trip report from Su-Jane

Photos by Gerard, Su-Jane