

**Owyhigh Lakes, Mt Rainier NP, Date: Saturday, August 12, 2017**

**Meeting Time** 9:00 am

**Meeting Place:**

Renton Park and Ride at Grady Way

**Leader:** Alan Stuard, 425-999-6478, [skier5150@gmail.com](mailto:skier5150@gmail.com)

**Difficulty Rating:** Blue

**Hike Length:** 7 miles round trip

**Elevation Gain:** 1350, High Point: 5100

**Trailhead Pass:** Natl Park Pass or pay entry

Conditional: Heavy Rain cancels

**Directions:** This is about a 90-minute drive to the trailhead. Follow highway 410, go past the Crystal Mountain turnoff and keep going, turn right at the entrance to the Sunrise entrance to Mt Rainier NP. The 8-car trailhead is 2 miles past the entrance to the signed trailhead, if the lot is full there are turnouts shortly ahead and before the signed one. Please carpool given the limited parking.

This is not a view hike of the Mountain, but a gentle forest trail to meadows, lakes, and flowers. The trail is wide and smooth with long switchbacks and a gentle grade. The trail breaks out of the forest to a gorgeous basin with flowers and lakes, a good lunch spot. Recommended: stop at the Naches Tavern or the Mint in Enumclaw on the way back.

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